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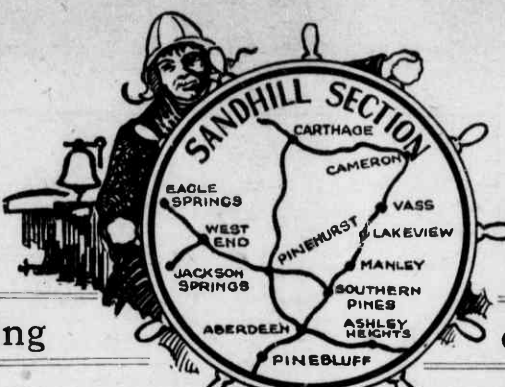
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## SATURDAY FINAL REGISTRATION DAY FOR SCHOOL VOTE

### Question of Retaining Nine Month Term To Be Settled by Referendum Aug. 9th

#### BOTH SIDES ACTIVE

Tomorrow, Saturday, is the final day for registration for residents of the Southern Pines School District prior to the referendum on Wednesday, August 9th, when the question of continuing a nine month school term for Southern Pines will be decided. Registration books, in charge of former Sheriff D. Al Blue, have been open on each Saturday since July 8th, and Mr. Blue reports a heavy listing. His headquarters are at the Municipal Building, where those desiring to vote on the 9th should enroll their names tomorrow. Only those registered may vote.

The school question has been dominant throughout the community all week, with each side endeavoring to enlist support for either the nine month term, which requires some supplement of local funds or the State supported eight month term with its curtailment of faculty, abandonment of special courses and limited funds for maintenance. Those in favor of maintaining the present term argue its importance in interesting northerners in making their winter residence here, in keeping those winter residents who already have homes here and children in school here; how much it means to the merchants and professional men of the community; how the loss of the commercial course would affect many students whose only training for the future lies in this course; how dangerous it would be to engage school bus drivers at the low rate of the State budget, and so forth and so on. The arguments of the eight month State-supported school proponents are based on the saving involved if there is not local supplement for the ninth month and for necessary additional teachers and somewhat increased salaries to maintain the present high standard of the school.

## Money Still Needed For Aberdeen Dam

### Bathing Project May Have To Be Abandoned if Funds Are Not Raised Promptly

A number of additional subscriptions to the Aberdeen Lake Dam Fund were received during the week by Chairman G. A. Charles, but Mr. Charles is fearful that work will have to cease if more money is not raised during the coming week. The fund is still short about \$250 of enough to complete the project which means clean, supervised bathing facilities for young and old of the community. Residents of all sections of the Sandhills are urgently requested to "see it through" and forward donations, large or small, to Mr. Charles at Aberdeen this week.

The Pilot published a partial list of contributors to the fund last week. Here are additional subscribers:

E. B. Maynard, Linwood Pleasants, Francis Pleasants, Malcolm Pleasants, Craig Maynard, Leon Seymour, Frank Shamburger, Jack Taylor, H. L. Wiley, A. L. Burney, R. M. Caldwell, Arthur Siachos, John Marchos, Lee R. Page, Fred Weaver, Jr., Jack Allred, Mr. Williford (Penders), Mack 5 & 10 Cent Store, Dan Farrell, George Hunt, J. A. Lawrence, G. C. Seymour, W. D. Caviness, W. C. Fownes, Jr., J. R. Page, Mrs. H. A. Page, Jr., Miss Alma DuMeer, Dick Page, Jr., Mildred Page, Hardin Gunter, Jr., Mary Spencer Harrington, Rebecca Page, Betty Blue, Lawrence Johnson, Gaynell Guinn, Mrs. Freeman.

## AUGUSTINE HEALY DIRECTOR OF STATE REPEAL COUNCIL

Augustine Healy of Southern Pines has been named as a member of the Board of Directors of the United Council for Repeal in North Carolina. This is the organization which is conducting the drive in the state to have the 18th amendment removed from the national constitution. The board appointed contains 127 prominent men and women of the state. Mr. Healy represents Moore county.

## Blue Clad Veterans of Other Years Here to Fight War of Depression

### World War Heroes With Croix de Guerre Among 150 Encamped at Jackson Springs

By John A. Leland

Company 2412, Civilian Conservation Corps, arrived in Jackson Springs Wednesday morning. One hundred and fifty blue clad figures alighted from the train that had brought them from Fort Bragg, and set about inspecting the place that is to be their home for at least the next six months.

Being on hand for their arrival, and knowing that this Company was to be composed entirely of veterans, I expected to witness a scene reminiscent of World War days, when troop trains full of noisy, rough-housing young soldiers used to pass through town. On their way to a lark, they thought then.

But the War turned out to be not as much of a lark as they expected, and those who didn't become disillusioned then have since become very much so, in their efforts to find a job in a country that is still suffering from the effects of that War. And the passage of 15 years doesn't make one any younger.

The transition was most apparent and pitiful. No one would recognize in this collection of serious, sober, middle-aged men the romping youngsters of a few years ago. They arrived quietly, left the train quietly, and walked about or loafed quietly while their gear was being unpacked.

"Where's the boss?" I asked one of them, who was leaning against a tree smoking a pipe.

"Huh?"

"Can you direct me to the commanding officer?" I asked enunciating slowly and clearly.

"Huh?"

"WHERE IS THE MAJOR?" I yelled, mad clear through at this dumb yokel who couldn't understand English as it is rightly spoken. It was then that I noticed the scar on his face.

"Oh, the Major. He's over there bossin' the unloading."

And I left to hunt the Major. After you've made a fool of yourself, you can't ask a man where he received his wound, and if that is what has made him deaf.

Major S. G. Brady, 17th, Field Artillery, is in charge of the men. Under him they have been under intensive training at Fort Bragg for the last month, to fit them for their duties in the field. And under him they will spend the next six months in this community, cutting fire break trails and doing fire prevention work in general.

"Since the first of April" says Major Brady, "the Army has recruited, assembled and reconditioned 300,000 men. Six thousand of these have been sent out from Fort Bragg since the latter part of April."

"These men here saw active service overseas in the 30th and 81st Divisions, and most of them came from Eastern North Carolina. Several of them were decorated for bravery. Two have the Croix de Guerre, two the Distinguished Medal, and two the Purple Heart."

"Several of them were officers. One was a Captain, one a First Lieutenant and one a Second Lieutenant. The First Lieutenant is a graduate of Boston Tech and a Civil Engineer."

"And two of them are Spanish-American War Veterans, one 59 and the other 60 years of age!"

"The mess is good here, and the general living conditions are good. The men will live in tents, and we expect soon to have a total of 190 men at work. All of the Army have to do with them now, since their training is over, is to feed them and give them shelter, and to pay them their \$30.00 a month. Their work in the woods will be under the supervision of forestry experts."

"They are a good bunch of men, and I can safely say that they are all glad to be here and working."

So says Major Brady, and I believe that he is right. That they aren't the irresponsible youths they once were is but natural considering the experiences they've had here as well as abroad. They are fighting the depression now, as they once fought the Germans, and I believe they like this fight the better.

## Jail Now O. K.

### Painting Finished and County Commissioners Look for Release from Indictment

The Moore County Jail has been painted and renovated in general and the commissioners feel that they have justified themselves so far as this score is concerned. The improvements and repairs will be passed on by the grand jury at its next coming together and this body's recent indictment of the commissioners for previous failure to act will undoubtedly be quashed. The commissioners are planning to follow up the jail work with repairs and painting at the county home, after which the county property will be in ship-shape condition.

## TELEPHONE RATE RELIEF IS GRANTED SOUTHERN PINES

### Company Alters Schedule to Permit Monthly Instead of Seasonal Minimum

## VICTORY FOR TOWN BOARD

The Board of Commissioners of Southern Pines was informed this week that its long fight for monthly telephone service rates instead of seasonal rates had been won, that no longer would winter residents, here for short stays, have to pay for service for the full season in order to have a telephone.

Due to many complaints from temporary residents the board took the matter up with the Central Carolina Telephone Company about two years ago, and has been pounding away on the subject ever since. R. S. Durant, general manager of the company, informed City Clerk Howard Burns on Tuesday that his company had agreed to the new schedule permitting one month minimum charges, and that the approval of the Corporation Commission was assured. The new schedule will in all probability go into effect early this fall. It will mean a large saving to winter residents who formerly paid for service for several months more than they used it.

## Frank Page Named on Public Works Board

### One of Three Appointed by Roosevelt to Formulate Program for North Carolina

Frank Page of Raleigh, formerly of Aberdeen, was one of the three named by President Roosevelt this week to formulate a public works program for North Carolina. The other two named were Dr. Herman G. Baity of Chapel Hill and John Devane of Fayetteville. The President appointed boards for the 48 states, three members for each state except Texas, four for Texas.

## LIFE SAVING EXHIBITION AT WATSON LAKE SUNDAY

There will be life saving exhibitions and a big swimming party at Watson's Lake this Sunday afternoon, put on by the Moore County Chapter of the American Red Cross with A. L. Adams of Southern Pines, chairman of the Life Saving Committee, in charge. The program will contain a demonstration in artificial respiration, various ways of saving persons from drowning, some fancy diving, swimming strokes, etc., and the general public is invited. Go to the Eastern Beach end of the lake. Those desiring transportation should apply to Mrs. E. L. Prizer, Mrs. James Milliken or A. L. Adams.

### VASS WINS GAME

Vass-Lakeview defeated Southern Pines 10-6 in a Moore County League game played yesterday on the Southern Pines diamond.

## SAYS PAGE TRUST DEPOSITORS MUST VOTE FOR MERGER

### Judge Stack's Ruling Delays Plans for Organization of New Guaranty Bank

## BANK ATTORNEY APPEALS

The Page Trust Company will not be permitted to take a part in the organization of the Guaranty Bank along with the North Carolina Bank and Trust Company and the Independence Trust Company of Charlotte, according to the order issued by Judge A. M. Stack last Friday, until stockholders, creditors and depositors of the bank have been given an opportunity to oppose the merger.

Albemarle depositors of the Page Trust Company took exception to the decision since they were seeking a permanent order to prevent the Page Trust Company from participating in formation of the new bank and have appealed to the State Supreme Court. Defendants in the action, represented by K. C. Royall, have also appealed to the Supreme Court in an effort to make possible immediate establishment of the Guaranty Bank.

Judge Stack dissolved the restraining order as far as it applied to reorganization and reopening of the Page Trust Company as proposed in a notice filed in the office of the clerk of Moore County Superior Court and other counties, but he ruled that this notice did not contain mention of the proposed merger with other banks.

## U. S. 1 Paving, Broad St. Extension Urged

### Delegations from Sandhills at Highway Board Hearings on Monday and Tuesday

A number from the Sandhills were among the U. S. Highway No. 1 delegation which presented a petition for the paving of Route 1 all the way from Aberdeen to Rockingham to the State Highway board at its hearing on Monday of this week. Southern Pines was represented by Dr. L. B. McBrayer and Shields Cameron, the Kiwanis Club by Gordon Cameron, Pinehurst by Robert Denny and Raymond Johnson, Aberdeen by Frank Shamburger and G. C. Seymour. Rockingham, Sanford were also represented.

It is fairly well assured that the road will be paved from Aberdeen to Drowning Creek, and it is hoped that the highway board will see fit to continue it to Rockingham, the road from Drowning Creek to Rockingham being much in need of repair.

Other sections of the county were in Raleigh urging highway construction, Judge Humber, Sheriff McDonald and S. R. Hoyle asking the hard surfacing of Route 70 from Carthage to the intersection of Route 1 near Trammway. Cameron and Vass had delegations present to argue for inclusion in any proposed route from U. S. 1 to Manchester. The route, if built, will go through one town or the other and there is a merry little war on between the towns.

On Tuesday another Southern Pines delegation went to Raleigh on the Broad Street extension project, saw Chairman Jefferson of the Highway Commission and appeared before the full board. Dr. G. G. Herr of the Chamber of Commerce and E. C. Stevens presenting the plea for a connection with No. 1 highway at the northern end of town to carry Southbound traffic through the business section over a railroad underpass. Town Commissioner Frank Welch and City Clerk Howard Burns accompanied Herr and Stevens. The delegation feels optimistic over the chances for inclusion of the work in the State program.

## BIRTHDAY CLUB PRESENTS \$40 TO COUNTY HOSPITAL

A check for \$40 was turned over to the Moore County Hospital this week by the Southern Pines Branch of the Moore County Hospital Birthday Club, the first fruits of the club's activities. Members are enrolled on a pledge to send something for the hospital on their birthdays, and to date the donations have averaged well over one dollar. There are close to 300 members to date.

## 41 P. C. Number of Families Federal Funds Greatly Reduced Since March

### Reduction of 41 per cent in the number of families in North Carolina aided by federal relief funds is shown in June from the peak load of aid reached in March, declining from 164,000 to 92,272, Ronald Wilson, acting director of relief, has reported. The decrease from May was about 13 per cent, or from 111,778 families.

Three causes are assigned for the decline: improved business conditions, a seasonal decline and support given families by young men employed in the civilian conservation corps. Six counties, however, have heavier relief loads than at any time during the year, these being Cherokee, Swain, Dare, Columbus, Franklin and Hertford. The piedmont area is not represented in this group.

Moore county had a total of 1,027 families receiving aid during the peak month of March, as compared with 863 families in June, the last month, Mr. Wilson's figures show.

## 2d ANNUAL FIELD DAY AT SOUTHERN PINES SEPT. FOURTH

### Ball Game Between League Champions and All-Star Team to Feature Program

#### MANY EVENTS CARDED

The big Moore County Field Day, celebrated last summer at Pinehurst, will be held this year on the baseball field at Southern Pines, it was announced this week by the master of ceremonies, Charles W. Picquet. The date has been set for Monday, September 6th, Labor Day, and the feature event will be a baseball game between the winning team of the Moore County League and a nine made up of the stars of the other five teams of the league.

The admission prices for the big event have been established at 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children, the proceeds to go toward covering expenses of running the league during the present season. Should there be a balance after these expenses are met the league teams will divide it.

Here's the program of events released for the press this week by Mr. Picquet:

Three events will be arranged for the Junior League which will be: A. Sack Race. B. Three-legged Race. C. Potato Race.

General rules covering all events, except the Junior League—No man will be eligible to compete unless he has taken some part in at least five

## FIRE IN CLARK GARAGE, NEW CHEVROLET BURNS

The third Friday morning fire in Southern Pines broke out in Lloyd Clark's garage, New Hampshire avenue and Leak street, shortly before seven o'clock today. The fire company responded promptly but the blaze having made great headway the men were unable to save Mr. Clark's new Chevrolet, though confining the flames to the garage and away from adjoining structures.

## NEXT WEEK TO SEE END OF 1933 PEACH SEASON

Nearly 700 cars of peaches were shipped out of orth Carolina from the 20th to the 27th, mostly from the Sandhills section, making a total of 987 carload lots for the state up to the 27th. The 1932 total was 1833 cars.

Demand has been good at Candor. Elbertas have brought 90 cents mostly, the best \$1.00. The crop is pretty well cleaned up and next week will see the wind-up.

Prof. C. L. Newman, editor of The Sandhill Citizen, and Robert T. Woodruff, attorney, of Lakeview, have been elected to membership in the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen.

## Tax Rate of 3 Cents Set by Commission

### Reduction of Three Cents, With 20 Percent Cut in Valuations, Means Big Saving

#### BUDGET IS TENTATIVE

The tentative tax rate as set by the county commissioners at a special meeting held on Friday is 68 cents, which is three cents under last year's rate. This three-cent reduction along with the twenty per cent horizontal cut in valuation decided upon by the Board a few weeks ago will result in a considerable saving to the taxpayers.

"The commissioners looked with right much disfavor at appropriating anything that could be left off," said Chairman Wilbur Currie in discussing the budget. "We are trying to operate the county as economically as we can."

The Board of Education had asked for five home economics teachers and three agriculture teachers for the county. This would have made it necessary to raise the tax rate four cents over the tentative 68-cent rate, Mr. Currie said, and the commissioners felt that this would not meet with the approval of the majority of the people. Likewise, the request of the Board of Health for an appropriation of \$700 for a dental clinic was turned down.

The Board felt that salaries of county officers had been reduced previously until they were in line with the general scale, with the exception of the salaries of the Judge of the Recorder's Court and the County Solicitor, and Judge Humber and Solicitor Boyette voluntarily took a reduction of twenty percent of their salary as of two years ago, bringing the Judge's compensation to \$1,600 per year and the Solicitor's to \$1,200.

The tentative budget provides the following expenditures:

Schools—Current Expense, \$5,750; Debt Service, \$10,450. County—General and Court, \$42,150; Poor, \$7,634; Health, \$7,055. Funding Bonds, \$4,013; Court House Bonds, \$14,019; Highway Bonds, \$31,340, a total of \$122,411. The 68 cents as provided by the tentative budget will be apportioned as follows: County General, 15c; County bonds, 2 1-2c; Court House Bonds, 8 1-2c; Health, 5c; Poor, 5c; Schools, 9c; Highway, 18c; Courts, 5c.

## Ball Team Sponsors Beauty Pageant Here

### Winner in Southern Pines To Compete in State Contest for World Series Trip

The second Beauty Pageant of the season for Southern Pines will be held on Monday evening, July 31, at 8:15 o'clock. This will take place in the High School Auditorium.

The baseball team is sponsoring this event and it is one of a series of pageants that takes in nearly every town supporting a ball team in North Carolina. Each team in the Moore County League is sponsoring a contest.

The Southern Production Company has organized this affair. Miss Elizabeth Kelly of Florence, S. C., is the representative for this district and will direct the pageant. The winner from Southern Pines will compete with the other winners in a State contest to be held some time in September and "Miss North Carolina," together with the team from the town she represents, will receive a free trip to the World Series in October.

Already about twenty business men in town have agreed to enter a representative and it is hoped that by Saturday night nearly thirty girls will be entered. Anyone wishing further information on the subject please communicate with Mr. C. J. Simons or with Barrett Harris.

A large percentage of the proceeds will go to the local baseball team and they hope that there will be a large audience on Monday night. Admission prices are 25c for adults and 15c for children.