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COUNTY BOARD TO CONSIDER FEDERAL LOAN ON MONDAY

Estimates of Cost of New School Buildings Considered by School Board

NO ACTION UNTIL NOV. 6

The Board of County Commissioners will meet Monday night to discuss the project to ask a loan of \$200,000 from the federal government for construction of new school buildings and repairs to old buildings in the county. The board will not act on the proposition, however, until its regular meeting on November 6th, it is said.

The County Board of Education went over the plans with architects at its meeting Wednesday night in order to obtain estimates on the cost of the new building program. The projects proposed include:

Twelve rooms and an auditorium at High Falls; eight rooms and an auditorium in the upper end of the county; six class rooms at Hemp; a six-room building and auditorium at Eagle Springs; six rooms at West End; auditorium for colored school at Pinehurst; replastering to entire interior of the old building at Pinehurst and enlarging the stage in the auditorium; twelve rooms and an auditorium at the Aberdeen colored school; auditorium at grammar school in Aberdeen; partitioning of old auditorium in Aberdeen grammar school into class rooms; ten rooms and auditorium at Eureka; eight class rooms at Carthage High School; eight rooms and auditorium at Carthage colored school.

Estimates of Cost

Estimates of the cost of this building program were submitted at the meeting Wednesday by Frank B. Simpson and L. F. Diettrick, architects, both of Raleigh, and after seeing these estimates the Board was to decide whether or not any recommendations at all would be presented to the commissioners for their consideration and approval.

It will be necessary to file with the federal government a separate application for each project for loans from the loan fund recently set aside for public works.

The federal government will make a direct grant of 30 per cent of the total loan on all projects approved and the remaining 70 per cent will have to be paid back in twenty years with interest at four per cent.

On a \$200,000 loan, \$60,000 would be a direct grant and it would be necessary to pay back the \$140,000, \$7,000 each year with interest annually upon the unpaid balance. The county would be exempt entirely for the first three years, and payments would range from \$12,600 the fourth year, which is the \$7,000 with interest added, to \$7,000 the twentieth year.

Tobacco Prices Up on Aberdeen Market

Farmers Feeling Better as Average Price Jumps to Around 17 Cents

Tobacco prices jumped up on the Aberdeen market during the week, much to the gratification and encouragement of farmers throughout this section. Some fine sales were made at both the warehouses, and large quantities of leaf were taken over by the big buyers at an average of around 17 cents a pound. Prices throughout the North Carolina markets were better during the week, with Aberdeen well up among the top notchers on average price.

B. B. Saunders says that better quality tobacco is coming on the market now, and that those farmers in this section who have made good tobacco can expect satisfactory prices.

"And there is no need of carrying it farther away than Aberdeen to get the high," he said, and went on to cite several instances of local farmers turning down their tickets here only to pay haulage to other markets where they received less for it. In an advertisement in this week's Pilot Mr. Saunders records some of the sales made on his floor during the past week, sales which should encourage any tobacco raiser.

Herbert Vail and Dick Sugg Survive in Singles in County Tennis Tourney

Thirty Players Engaged All Week in Events on Southern Pines Courts

Herbert D. Vail of Pinehurst and Richard Sugg of Southern Pines are the survivors in the men's singles of the Moore county tennis tournament. They will meet in the final round for the county championship at 10 o'clock this morning, Friday, and a large crowd is expected to witness the match. Vail defeated Edward J. Burns of Carthage in the semi-finals late yesterday afternoon, 6-1, 6-4. Sugg won his semi-final round match by default from Nelson C. Hyde, who was unable to play.

Thirty players have been battling on the Southern Pines courts all week, in singles, men's doubles and mixed doubles. Good sized crowds have watched the contests, many of which have been close and exciting. Among the best to watch was the singles battle between Sugg and Maitland Grover in the quarter finals. Sugg, after taking the first set, dropped the second and was trailing at 4-3 in the third when Sugg braced and ran out the victory. The oddest match in the tourney came in the men's doubles when Grover and Richard Wilson faced Almet Jenks and Nelson Hyde. Grover and Wilson won the first set without the loss of a game, whereupon Jenks and Hyde reversed the score and took the second at 6-0. The third set was nip and tuck, with Jenks and Hyde pulling it out at 6-4 only to lose their next match to Burns and Flowers, the latter from Rockingham.

Survivors in the men's doubles are Malcolm Grover and C. Montesanti, Vail and Cole of Pinehurst, Burns and Flowers and Hall and B. Wilson. In the mixed doubles these teams will meet in the semi-finals: T. Montesanti and Mrs. Milam vs. Vail and Mrs. Richard Tufts; Richard Wilson and T. Montesanti vs. Hyde and Mrs. Almet Jenks. T. Montesanti and Mrs. Milam defeated Thomas and Mrs. Montesanti 6-2, 1-6, 6-3, while Wilson and T. Montesanti defeated Milam and Miss Weatherly.

In matches after the early rounds results were as follows: Men's Singles—Vail defeated Frye, 6-1, 6-1; Hall defeated Womack by default; Stevens defeated Notargiacomo, 7-5, 6-1; Burns defeated Atkinson, 6-0, 6-1; Sugg defeated C. Montesanti, 6-0, 6-3; M. Grover defeated Cole, 6-3, 6-8, 6-4; Beck defeated Lacks, 6-3, 3-6, 7-5; Hyde defeated T. Montesanti, 6-4, 6-3.

Third round—Burns defeated Stevens, 6-1, 6-2; Sugg defeated Grover, 6-1, 5-7, 6-4; Hyde defeated Beck, 6-4, 6-2; Vail defeated L. T. Hall, 6-0, 6-0. Semi-finals—Sugg defeated Hyde by default.

Men's Doubles—Grover and C. Montesanti defeated Thomas and T. Montesanti, 6-2, 1-6, 6-4; Vail and Cole defeated Stevens and Spaeth, 6-2, 6-4; Burns and Flowers defeated Jenks and Hyde, 6-2, 6-1; Hall and B. Wilson defeated Lacks and Barrett, 6-4, 5-7, 6-3.

The finals in men's singles, with Sugg meeting the winner of the Vail-Burns match, will be played at 10 o'clock this, Friday, morning. Other matches in doubles and mixed doubles will be played during the day, with the finals in men's doubles and mixed doubles on Saturday.

After Repeal, What? Asks Rev. Mr. McLeod

Moral Force Can Bring Real Temperance Where Law Failed, He Believes

In the adjustments which must follow the repeal of the 18th amendment we must take every precaution to avoid the mistakes made following the enactment of national prohibition legislation, the Rev. Murdoch McLeod told members of the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen at their weekly meeting held in the Community House in Aberdeen on Wednesday.

National prohibition, he said, proved the greatest set-back temperance ever suffered. It was a great mistake, as temperance education ceased in the erroneous belief that drinking could be controlled by law.

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Atlanta Pastor Here



Rev. John R. Williams

Beginning next Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock a series of evangelistic services will be conducted at the Presbyterian Church in Aberdeen. The Rev. John R. Williams of Atlanta, Ga., will preach twice each day, at ten o'clock in the mornings and evenings at seven-thirty.

Mr. Williams was for many years a successful pastor in the city of Atlanta, giving up his pastorate two years ago to spend his whole time in evangelism throughout the country. He has had unusual success in his campaigns in single churches and in union meetings. He is a young man of rare gifts and preaches the Gospel in simplicity and power. The people of the Sandhills are cordially invited to take advantage of these services.

S. B. Richardson New Head of Scout Council

Three Troops Here Off To Good Start, with Enthusiastic Support of Parents

The third meeting of the newly reorganized Southern Pines Boy Scout Council was held in the Scout House last Thursday evening.

Frank Buchan, chairman of the special committee appointed to investigate the legal aspects relative to the title of certain real estate holdings and the jurisdiction and perpetuation of the original, "Southern Pines Council, Boy Scouts of America, Inc.," submitted a report of progress, together with a legal opinion on the matter.

S. B. Richardson, one of the original incorporators of the Boy Scout Council in this community, was elected permanent chairman of the organization, replacing Garland Pierce who has been acting chairman. Miss Doris Eddy was chosen as the secretary of the council.

The chairman of the council was authorized to proceed with the appointment of four standing committees, to manage including Finance, Rally and Transportation, Camping, Troop and Personnel, and Court of Honor activities and to assist in the transaction of council business.

The scouting officials are very much encouraged by the active participation of the parents in the solution of local scouting problems and it is certain that the three troops will accomplish much more than has been possible before. The next meeting of the council will be subject to the call of the chairman.

PORK RECEIVED HERE FOR NEEDY AND UNEMPLOYED

Large quantities of pork were received here this week from Uncle Sam and arrangements for its distribution to the needy are being made by Mrs. James Swett, Dr. E. L. Prizer of the Southern Pines Relief Committee stated yesterday. Moore county is to receive in all 4,998 pounds of pork for county-wide distribution.

Over a hundred people are attending the Church School of Missions at the Aberdeen Presbyterian Church each evening this week.

HOPE TO RELEASE 20% OF DEPOSITS FROM PAGE TRUST

Immediate Payment to Depositors of R. F. C. Grants Loan of Nearly Half Million

REOPENING IN ABEYANCE

Negotiation are under way to secure loans from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation which will enable immediate payment to depositors of the closed Page Trust Company of more than 20 per cent, Gurney P. Hood, Commissioner of Banks said this week.

The reorganization plan for the Page company, announced some weeks ago, stated that an R. F. C. loan would be sought to enable a 20 per cent payment to depositors. Since that time, however, federal plans have been announced for loosening assets in closed banks and it is hoped to secure a loan which will enable payment of more than 20 per cent.

Until definite word is received from the R. F. C., nothing will be done regarding the proposed reorganization, Mr. Hood said. A loan of approximately \$450,000 will be required for the 20 per cent payment.

The Page company, which has not operated on an unrestricted basis since the March banking holiday, had deposits of approximately \$3,000,000 of which \$2,000,000 was unsecured. The bank which has 13 branches, was placed in the hands of a liquidating agent some time ago so that an assessment could be levied against stockholders.

The proposed new bank will have \$150,000 capital stock and \$75,000 surplus.

Legion Post Plans Big Armistice Celebration

Will Fittingly Observe Great Event With Ceremonies at West End Nov. 10th

The Sandhills Post of the American Legion at its regular semi-monthly meeting held last week in the Pinehurst Community Church, laid plans for a real old time Armistice celebration to be held at West End on the night of November 10th. Most ex-service men and civilians no doubt recollect that perhaps the greatest celebration in every place excepting actually on the front lines was done on the night before the Armistice went into effect, and consequently it is quite appropriate that the local post should celebrate the occasion on the night before the 11th.

Commander J. Vance Rowe named the entire official staff of the local post as special committee for the occasion, with Vice-Commander J. F. Sinclair as Officer of the Day and therefore directly in charge of the program. The other officers and members of the Program Committee are Commander Rowe, Vice Commanders John Stevenson and J. C. Clark, Adjutant D. D. S. Cameron, Finance Officer F. M. Dwight, Chaplain J. F. Stimson, Sergeant at Arms Dan Horner, Historian John Hemmer, Publicity Officer R. D. Kennedy and Service Officers L. L. Woolley, D. D. Eifort, Harry Zirkle and R. E. Denny.

Interviews with these various committee members reveals the fact that the program will be complete from reveille to taps. A special degree team will put on a formal initiation program; a pageant will be presented typical of the occasion; a guard-house quartette will sing "From Bar-le-Duc to Gay Paree"; the C.O. warrants that no MP's will be present and a good time should be had by all.

The ladies of the Auxiliary are invited to attend, also veterans of other wars and the public in general.

DR. W. C. MUDGETT'S FATHER DIES AT AGE OF 81 YEARS

Dr. William C. Mudgett was called north on Sunday last by the sudden death of his father, W. E. Mudgett, at his home in East Andover, N. H. Mr. Mudgett was 81 years of age. The funeral was held on Tuesday, with burial at the old family home, Contoocook, N. H. A daughter, Mrs. J. S. Rattigan, and Dr. Mudgett are the only surviving children. Dr. Mudgett returned to Southern Pines yesterday.

Plans Set in Motion to Make Dogwood Festival Biggest Event in Local History

Are You Registered?

Tomorrow, Saturday, Only Day to Get Your Name on Books for Vote on Nov 7

Voters who wish to cast their ballots in the referendum on repeal of the 18th Amendment on Tuesday, November 7th, are reminded that they have only one day in which to register for this election, Tomorrow, Saturday, October 28. Voters who registered and voted at the last election (not the School District election) will not be required to register again for this election, but all those who did not vote at the last general election will do well to see their registrars at their voting precincts tomorrow and make sure that their names are on the book.

Aberdeen voters will find the registration books at the office of J. Vance Rowe, D. Al Blue is in charge of the books in Southern Pines and will be at the Municipal building Saturday.

The hours for registration will be from 9 a. m. to Sundown.

COUNTY OFFICIALS ASKED TO STATE REPEAL VIEWS

Citizens of Dry Conventions Ask Office Holders for Statement in Open Letter

In an open letter sent to The Pilot this week by a group of representative citizens of the county interested in the continuance of national prohibition the officials of Moore county are asked to state their convictions on the Wet and Dry issue in the columns of this paper next week. The letter, headlined "An Open Letter to Moore County Officials," reads as follows:

"A great Moral and Political Issue confronts the citizenry of our State. You hold a responsible official position in our county. As a public servant you are amendable, not only to your Party, but also to the people in the county. The people have a right to know where their public servants stand on this matter of Repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment.

"You are hereby invited and urged to state your convictions on the matter of Repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment in the columns of this paper next week.

Sincerely yours, (Signed)—A. G. Wallace, Pinebluff; A. C. McDonald, Aberdeen; C. L. Austin, Southern Pines; S. H. Miller, Carthage; C. F. Barnes, Carthage; H. F. Seawell, Jr., Carthage.

The columns of The Pilot are open for the replies of county officials to the above request should they desire to comply with same.

KIWANIS CLUB PLANS TWO BIG NOVEMBER MEETINGS

Kiwanians are looking forward to two important meetings during November. The annual meeting and election of officers will be held at a night session on November 8th at the Aberdeen Community House. On November 22nd the annual Alumni meeting will be held at the Pinehurst Community Church, when all former members will be invited to attend and hear a talk by Congressman Walter Lambeth, representative of this district in Washington.

Frank Shamburger is chairman of the Nominating committee for the election of officers and slates will be submitted to him at next week's meeting. Hiram Westbrook is in charge of the Alumni gathering, with Charlie Piquet looking after the musical end of the entertainment.

Tuesday afternoon the Southern Pines school girls tennis team tackled the Pinehurst girls at Pinehurst and the best the locals could do was a tie at three matches all.

Town Officials, Chamber of Commerce and Seaboard Railway Cooperate for Gala Week

FEATURE DAYS PLANNED

Plans for what is expected to be the biggest event in the history of Southern Pines, Dogwood Festival Week, were actively launched at an enthusiastic meeting of directors of the Chamber of Commerce held Tuesday noon at Highland Lodge. Tentative arrangements call for a week of events which will appeal to people from all parts of the county, as well as to persons of all ages in this section. There will be something to interest and entertain everybody.

Each day of the week will have its special appeal. If plans do not go awry, there will be a New England Day for the numerous people from that section of the country who have come here to live, and for their relatives and friends from the north; there will be a Pennsylvania Dutch Day, a day for the Scotch settlers so numerous hereabouts; possibly a Canadian Day; a Military Day when efforts will be made to bring here a detachment of troops from Fort Bragg with their regimental band and their big guns; and "Old Slave Day" will be one of the big features of the week, a day when all the former slaves now residing in the county will be here for special exercises.

Many Future Exhibits

Plenty of other attractions are in the air. An effort will be made to show how turpentine is distilled, an old industry indigenous to this territory; how tobacco is cured, with possibly an exhibit from a North Carolina cigarette company to carry the process through to the finished product; textile and furniture manufacturing exhibits from Moore county plants; possibly some gold panning to show the visitors something about another old Moore county industry, the mining of gold. All kinds of suggestions for making Dogwood Festival Week a memorable one have been and are being made, and all will be considered by the committee appointed on Tuesday to plan the big affair.

This committee, headed by Mayor D. G. Stutz, President George G. Herr of the Chamber of Commerce and Robert L. Hart, committee chairman, will meet on Monday night at 8 o'clock at Jack's Grill to organize and set in motion the making of the program, the selection of a suitable date during dogwood blossom season, and all the details incident to the undertaking. Members of the committee include S. B. Richardson, Frank Buchan, Howard F. Burns, Shields Cameron, Nelson C. Hyde and Ashley Jackman. Other committees will be named from time to time, woman's committees and publicity committees and special groups to have charge of arrangements for each of the special days during the gala week.

Seaboard Aid Pledged

The active cooperation of the Seaboard Air Line Railway was pledged by Herman E. Pleasants, division passenger agent at Raleigh, at Tuesday's meeting. Mr. Pleasants was a guest of honor at the Chamber gathering and spoke of the desire of the railroad to lend a hand in the development of plans for the festival. Mr. Pleasants asked that a date be set as early as possible to permit the Seaboard to advertise it in the north before people started south for the

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TWO MORE FORMER SLAVES ADDED TO THE PILOT LIST

The Pilot is in receipt of more names of former slaves this week, and again asks that its readers send in the names and addresses of those they know of who reside in the county. Here is a note received this week:

"There are two women who were here in slavery time. One is Amy Williams, Carthage Star Route 1, Box 47, the other Alice Kelley, Carthage. Amy Williams is about the age of 90 years and Alice Kelley between 70 and 80." This information was sent in by Gady's Williams of Carthage.