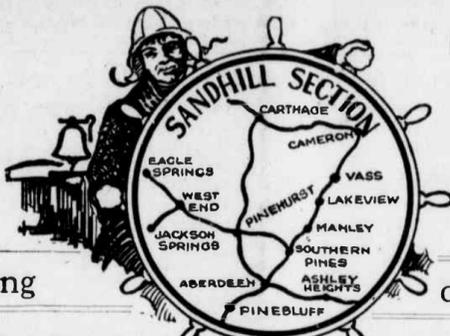


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STATE CONSIDERS SCHOOL OPENING POSTPONEMENT

Dr. J. C. Knox, N. C. Epidemiologist, Advises Against Start in September

OPPOSES CIRCUSES, FAIRS

Postponement of public school openings scheduled for September was advised this week by Dr. J. C. Knox, State epidemiologist, who said the expected seasonal decline of infantile paralysis may be slow as to make it advisable for the institutions not to begin their fall terms until October 1.

Dr. Knox also advised that circuses and fairs scheduled for the state in August and September rearrange their itineraries in order to lessen the danger of spreading the disease.

Poliomyelitis, he explained, makes a rapid rise in the hot months, and based on experience in other epidemics, starts a slow decline in August or September. Since it is impossible to tell now when or how the decline will start Dr. Knox said, it is wise to take every feasible precaution to protect children in North Carolina.

Dr. Knox sounded his advice as the State Board of Health listed nine new cases of infantile paralysis, bringing the total this year to 473, divided as follows: July 216 to date; June, 198; May 44, and 15 prior to May.

Already split seasons schools slated to start in late July and August, with a fall holiday to allow children in the rural areas to aid with harvesting, have deferred their openings. Around 50,000 children in the southern and piedmont section of the state attend these summer sessions.

Many requests regarding the feasibility of opening schools in September were received. The question as to advisability is being referred to the State Board of Health by the State School Commission because of the paralysis situation.

Dr. Knox emphasized he was not proposing an official ban on school openings and shows in August and September, but merely was giving an advisory opinion on the matter.

Although a number of new cases were reported during the past week, the trend appears to be downward in North Carolina and upward in Virginia. Probably less than 90 of cases remaining in this state now are contagious, health officers say.

Pinehurst's Chamber of Commerce Elects

New Organization Names Arthur S. Newcomb President; Has 35 Members

At the organization meeting of the new Pinehurst Chamber of Commerce, held Monday night in the Community Church, Arthur S. Newcomb was elected president, Willard L. Dunlop 1st vice president, Howard G. Phillips 2d vice president, B. U. Richardson treasurer and Herbert D. Vail secretary.

The following were elected to the board of directors: The officers and Ernest I. Gamache, John G. Hemmer, Dr. L. J. Pegram, R. E. Gouger, Frank L. Dupont, Robert E. Denny, Gordon Cameron and F. T. Keating. Two vacancies on the board will be filled later.

The organization starts its career with a nucleus of 35 members, and expects to greatly swell the role as the fall brings many business and professional men away for the summer back to Pinehurst. A committee to draft by-laws for the organization was named Monday night, and a call issued for another meeting on Monday, August 12th at which time a number of matters of importance to Pinehurst will be discussed.

FIREMEN DRILLING FOR STATE MEET AUGUST 26

A picked crew of the Southern Pines Fire Company has started drilling for the competition during the meet of the State Firemen at Wilmington on August 26th-29th. Captained by L. S. Rowell the crew will be T. Vann, H. McNeill, A. Bowers, J. Cameron, Barrett Harris, O. Michaels, H. Maples and J. H. Cashion.

FHA Chairman



JOHN R. McQUEEN

Mr. McQueen is chairman for Moore County of the Federal Housing Administration. A representative of the FHA spent Wednesday in Aberdeen enlightening those interested on how government loans of 80 percent of the cost of a new home may be procured, how existing homes may be purchased and how existing mortgages may be financed. The easy terms offered by the government are expected to stimulate considerable new building and rebuilding in the Sandhills.

Farm Tour of County Scheduled for Aug. 8

Those Interested Invited to Enjoy Crop Inspection Trip Next Week

By E. H. Garrison,
County Agent

What I hope will be one of the best little farm tours ever held in the county is scheduled for August 6th. I have tried to make this on just as few miles as possible, and for that reason we shall not be able to hit the upper end of the county this time, but we shall be able to see quite a bit of the work farmers are carrying on. The dry weather, of course, has held things back some this year but even at that I am sure that anyone who is interested in farming would be interested in seeing the things that some of the other farmers are doing. A schedule of the tour and the places to be visited is shown below.

If it is impossible for you to make the whole tour I shall be glad for you to make as much of this as you possibly can. We shall assemble at the Standard Filling Station at Carthage around 7:45 a. m. and start out from there, going straight to Walter McCaskill's farm near the Airport. Those living near any of these places are invited to join us there instead of coming all the way to Carthage to start out.

The morning tour will wind up at Carthage in time for dinner. Dinner may either be had here or you may bring some with you. Please bring someone along with you if possible, and try to join us on as much of the tour as possible.

The schedule and program is as follows:

- 8:00—Walter McCaskill—Crop Rotation.
- 8:30—Pinehurst Dairy Farm, Alfalfa and Cows.
- 9:10—John M. Black, near Eastwood, Crop Rotation and Pasture.
- 9:30—W. L. Moore, Pasture.
- 10:00—T. L. Blue, near Eastwood, Tobacco.
- 10:12—T. G. Ragsdale, (old McLean Farm), Pasture.
- 11:00—County Home, Lespedeza, Bean varieties, Potato House, Pasture.
- 11:30—M. F. Connell, Crop Rotation.
- 12:00—Dinner at Carthage.
- 1:00—Presley Farm, Lespedeza.
- 2:00—Sam Riddle, Corn and Lespedeza.
- 2:45—C. L. Ragsdale, Home mixture for Tobacco.
- 3:30—J. M. Davis, Guernsey Cattle, Pastures, Lespedeza, Trench Silo.
- 4:30—W. G. Caldwell, Cotton, Soil Improvement Crops.
- 5:10—G. S. Cole, Corn, Cotton, Lespedeza, Tobacco.

The Carolina Hotel at Pinehurst is enjoying a new coat of paint and other improvements.

VASS BANK CASES, SEVERAL MURDERS ON NEW CALENDAR

Heavy Criminal Docket for Judges Shaw and McElroy Next Two Weeks

FIRST TEST FOR NEW LAW

Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases will convene in Carthage on Monday, August 5, with Emergency Judge Thomas J. Shaw presiding during the first week and Judge P. A. McElroy during the second.

For the first time a criminal court calendar has been drawn up by the Moore County Bar under the new law passed during the legislature in 1935. Under this law a lot of unnecessary court attendance will be done away with as parties and witnesses will not have to attend court until the day their case is calendared. This will automatically lessen the cost to the county as witnesses will not be allowed to collect pay for attendance on days prior to that on which their case is scheduled for trial. Should the case fail to come up on the day set, they of course will attend until it is reached.

The calendar for the two weeks is as follows: Monday, August 5th—(Only the name of the defendant is given as the State is plaintiff in all criminal cases.) Nathan Turner, violating prohibition law; D. A. McLauchlin, violating banking law (3 cases); J. H. Gardner, violating banking law; A. D. McLauchlin, violating banking law; P. L. Gardner, violating banking law; Edgar Garner and Ervie Sheffield, murder; Felix Addor, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill; Astor Brown and Pennie Brown, assault with deadly weapon; Astor Brown, drunk and disorderly; Lee Thornton Lassiter, carnal knowledge of child; Irvin Morgan, malicious injury to real property; Joe Lassiter, violating the prohibition law.

Tuesday, August 6, Abraham Luff, embezzlement; Abraham Luff, false pretense; W. C. Brown, public drunkenness; Arnie Carlyle, Ed Gaddy and Robert Comer, larceny from person; Mary Bell Smith, assault with deadly weapon; Dewitt Short, assault with deadly weapon; John Willie Thompson, murder; Ernie Moore, auto intox.; Ernie Moore, public drunk; Roy Perry, assault with deadly weapon, careless and reckless driving and hit and run.

Try Two for Murder

Wednesday, August 7, Oba Godwin, murder; John Coig, murder; Howard Harrington, larceny; Francis (Penn) Ritter, carnal knowledge of child; Frank Stutts, drunk and disorderly; Make Gaines, breaking and entering and larceny; Thomas I. Hayes, trespass and larceny.

Thursday, Aug. 8th, J. D. McLean, embezzlement (3 cases); J. A. Phillips, embezzlement (2 cases); Liss Barrett, assault with deadly weapon.

Friday, August 9th, Buck Leak, public drunkenness and disorderly and indecent exposure; Clarence Nelson, Bishop McLean and John Willis, receiving stolen property; Tom Hunter, assault with deadly weapon.

Monday, August 12th—The following will appear and show compliance with former orders of the court: Bennie Peele, larceny; Emma Jane McNeill, secret assault; Quincey Hussey, non support.

Trial docket for Monday, August 12th—Theodore Morrison, larceny of car; Ted Rosser, drunk and disorderly; Carnie Hussey, assault with deadly weapon; Dewey Brower, assault with deadly weapon; Carlton Smith and Coy Smith, assault with deadly weapon; Lee Lassiter, violating prohibition law; DeWitt Caviness, larceny; Henry Garner and Bill Garner, larceny.

For bills, warrant docket, Monday, August 12th—Lorenzo Williams, assault; Will H. Morrison, larceny; Willie Bethes, breaking and entering; Bettie Hampton and Bob Flint, alias John Henry Martin, breaking and entering; McKinley Boggan, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill; Hume Smith, larceny.

Tuesday, August 13th—Fred Clary, murder; John Cameron, violating prohibition law; B. B. Rogers, man-

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Henry A. Page, Aberdeen's First Citizen, Former Mayor, Dies



HENRY A. PAGE

Served Three Terms in State Legislature and as Food Administrator in World War

Henry Allison Page, Aberdeen's first citizen, former mayor, former member of the State Legislature and, during the World War, food administrator for North Carolina, passed away at his home on Page Hill on Sunday afternoon at 6:30 o'clock. In ill health for two months, Mr. Page suffered an attack of angina pectoris on Thursday night. He was 73 years of age.

A man of marked intelligence, Mr. Page came to Aberdeen from Cary when a young man, and was active in the railroad and lumber business for several years, being president of the Aberdeen & Asheboro Railroad, now the Norfolk-Southern. Afterwards he was associated with the Page Trust Company, and active in every progressive enterprise in the community. He was steward in the Page Memorial Church and leader of the Men's Bible class there. He was a member of the Legislature in 1913, 1915 and 1917. Until his health failed, he was superintendent of the Cape Fear Railways, with his office at Camp Bragg.

He leaves surviving him his widow who was Miss Eva Pleasants of Louisburg, two daughters, Mrs. Fred Bynum of Rockingham and Mrs. Beverly Royster, of Oxford; four sons, Henry A. Page, Jr., and Billy Page of Aberdeen, Fred C. Page of Asheboro, and Lee A. Page of Southern Pines; three sisters, Mrs. T. B. Wilder and Miss Mary Page of Aberdeen, and Miss Emma C. Page of Greensboro, and one brother, J. R. Page of Aberdeen. He was a brother of the late Walter Hines Page, American's Ambassador to Great Britain during the World War, the late Robert N. Page, for many years member of Congress from this district, and the late Frank Page of Raleigh, father of North Carolina's highway system.

Governor Attends

Governor Ehringhaus was among the throng which attended the funeral services held Monday afternoon at 5:00 o'clock at the Page Memorial Church, followed by last rites at Old Bethesda Cemetery. Governor Ehringhaus had a sentimental interest in Mr. Page, having served under him when food administrator during the war and having managed the campaign of his brother, Robert N., for governor in 1920. In the governor's party here were Secretary of State Stacy Wade, State Auditor Baxter Durham, Attorney General A. A. F. Seawell and M. R. Dunnagan, Raleigh newspaperman.

Others prominent throughout the state were here for the funeral, among them, in addition to large numbers of the Page family from various sections, State Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham, Dr. Watson S. Rankin of the Duke Endowment, John Paul Lukas, vice president of the Duke Power Company, Ben Dixon McNeill, and Tom Bost. From Duke University, formerly Trinity College of which Mr. Page was a trustee, came Dr. R. L. Flowers, Prof. W. H. Wannamaker and Henry R. Dwire. From the University of North Carolina there were Charles W. J. Wollen, Prof. A. C. McIntosh and Oscar Coffin. John G. Nichols, former Aberdeensian, came down from Washington and Ralph W. Page, nephew of the deceased, from Philadelphia.

The services were conducted by the Rev. W. C. Ball, former pastor of the Page Memorial Church; the Rev. L. M. Hall, the present pastor, and the Rev. E. L. Barber, pastor of the Bethesda Presbyterian Church. A choir of women sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Rock of Ages."

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. A. H. McLeod, Dr. H. E. Bowman, R. M. Jordan, J. T. Johnson, John D. McLean, C. W. Seymour, H. C. Buchan, John W. McQueen, U. L. Spence, Leonard Tufts, L. E. Pender, Jack Coursey, W. Tom Bost, Oscar J. Coffin, G. C. Seymour, W. A. Blue, T. D. McLean, H. W. Doub, Max H. Foley and T. M. Sharpe. The active bearers were June Page, Frank M. Page, Frank Wilder, R. N. Page, Jr., Frank Shamburger, Reid Page, Richard Page and Henry Wilder.

NEEDLES INN TITLE PASSES TO PATUXENT GROUP

George T. Dunlap and Associates Acquire Hotel and Golf Course in Knollwood

PROPERTY IN FINE SHAPE

The Pine Needles Inn was purchased by The Patuxent Development Co., Inc., at the bankruptcy sale held on Monday of this week at the courthouse in Carthage. The Patuxent Corporation was recently organized by George T. Dunlap of New York and Pinehurst, prominent book publisher, and several associates. They plan to have the inn which graces the heights of Knollwood in operation for the coming winter season.

Much work has been done on the Pine Needles property this summer, and the hotel, grounds and golf course are in excellent condition. A representative of The Pilot inspected the inn this week and found it looking as new and clean as the day it was opened in 1928, though it has been closed the past few seasons. It gives one the impression that it could be opened for business on about two days' notice.

The grounds about the hotel have been cleared of wild growth, many scrub oaks removed from the vicinity, and nine of the 18 holes put in excellent condition preparatory to the coming season. Work on the other nine holes will continue as rapidly as possible. The Pine Needles course, designed by Donald J. Ross, has always been regarded as one of the finest and most picturesque in the Sandhills.

531 Acres in Tract

The sale this week included the 531 acres of land surrounding the inn, all the hotel furniture and fixtures, servants' quarters, golf buildings, tennis courts, power plant, in fact all real and personal property of Pine Needles, Inc. Attorney Henry Seawell of Carthage was the trustee in bankruptcy. The Inn itself was built in 1927 at a cost of approximately \$750,000. It is of steel and brick construction, fireproof, five stories high, completely furnished. It opened in 1928 and enjoyed two good winter seasons before the Depression convinced the then owners that it would be wise to remain closed until such time as conditions warranted reopening. Meanwhile Pine Needles, Inc., met with financial vicissitudes which brought on the bankruptcy resulting in Monday's sale to the Dunlap group, operating under the name Patuxent Development Co., Inc., a name suggested to Mr. Dunlap by Bion H. Butler a short time before his death this winter. Patuxent means "rolling hills."

The negotiations which led to the sale of the property were handled by O. Harrison Stutts, manager of the Pinehurst Warehouses, and Mr. Stutts has been active during the summer in restoring the inn and its surroundings to the excellent condition they are now in. Tom Naille of Pinehurst is superintendent of the work.

CRAZED NEGRO LYNCHED BY FRANKLIN COUNTY MOB

Governor Ehringhaus has ordered full investigation of the lynching of a negro in Franklin county early this week. The negro was taken from a sheriff's posse near Louisburg and strung to a tree until lifeless. Apparently gone crazy, he had slain a highly respected farmer, Charles G. Stokes, of the Epsom section, decapitating him. He was captured and was being carried to jail when a crowd of unmasked men took him forcibly from the officers.

The lynching was the second in the state during Governor Ehringhaus' administration, and was the 98th in the history of the state, or since 1882, the earliest record.

LOCAL LEGIONNAIRES TO SEE ARTILLERY BARRAGE

A large number of members of Sandhills Post No. 134, American Legion, plan to attend the Legion convention at Fayetteville next week and to take in the big events scheduled to show the former soldiers how to lay down a barrage and a few other field artillery tricks.