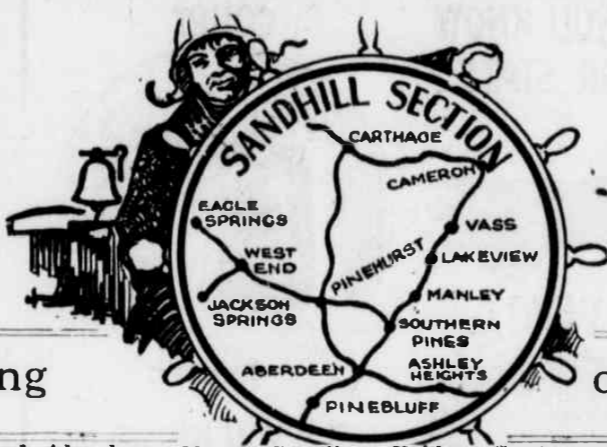


Tobacco Growers: Welcome to Aberdeen

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Brightest Prospects in Years On Eve of Opening of Season For Aberdeen Tobacco Mart

Best Leaf in Middle Belt That Grown in This Section, Experts Report

TUESDAY OPENING DAY

Tobacco growers of the Middle Belt will gather in Aberdeen on Tuesday for the opening of the 1936 market, and everything is in readiness for their welcome and reception. Aberdeen looks for its best season in many years, and not without grounds for its optimism.

It seems to be pretty much conceded in the tobacco country this fall that the Middle Belt has the best tobacco in the south. Buyers for some of the leading companies, familiar with the leaf throughout the section, state that the best tobacco in the belt is that which should find its way to Moore county markets—the leaf grown hereabouts.

"We have a fine smoking crop, somewhat lighter than perfect tobacco, but of good grain and good color. This section is of the best in the whole tobacco belt, and all the companies are looking to Aberdeen for fine tobacco," L. T. Avery of Aberdeen, one of the leading authorities in this section, told *The Pilot* this week. Mr. Avery buys for Liggett & Myers and for one of the largest independent concerns in the country.

All Look to Aberdeen

"One of the reasons why Aberdeen should look for a good season is the fact that we are in the heart of the best section this season, and the companies will put all the better grades on the market where the good tobacco is. Over the belt generally there is a short crop. We have a particularly good crop in this immediate territory. We should have a highly successful season," said Mr. Avery.

Both Aberdeen warehousemen, interviewed during the week, were likewise enthusiastic over prospects. In their trips about the section which supplies Aberdeen both Claude Covington and B. B. Saunders have found a plentiful crop, and quality leaf. Mr. Covington is operating the Aberdeen Warehouse for his second season, and Mr. Saunders, the big Saunders Warehouse.

The market will open at 9:00 o'clock Tuesday morning. The warehousemen will flip a coin to determine which house will conduct the opening sale. Both look for a record quantity on the floors at the opening, and for a good average price.

All the leading cigarette companies will have buyers here through the season, and more independents will be represented than ever before in Aberdeen.

Prices Favorable

Tobacco prices generally have picked up during the past week in the Border markets, where the leaf is reported as "none too good." It is not up to the quality in this section. Eastern Carolina is reported to have a "sorry crop." So that everything favors the Aberdeen, Carthage and Sanford markets which open simultaneously on Tuesday.

The Fairmont market in the Border Belt averaged \$24.08 a hundred at its Tuesday sales. Through the Bright Belt the price has been running over 21 cents a pound during the week.

Aberdeen merchants are looking for a boom in business during the season, and are ready for the incoming farmers. Increased stocks but no increased prices, is their slogan.

All Aberdeen plans to turn out Tuesday morning to welcome the growers at the opening sale. Another season is on, and with every indication of a profitable one.

PAULINE S. BLUE NAMED POSTMASTER AT LAKEVIEW

The Post Office department at Washington this week appointed Pauline S. Blue as acting postmaster at Lakeview. Miss Blue's commission was dated as of August 20, from which time she will receive compensation.

Aberdeen Market

Opening—Tuesday morning, September 22, 9:00 a. m. (Toss of coin will determine warehouse holding opening sale.)

Warehouses—Aberdeen Warehouse, operated by Claude W. Covington of Reidsville.

Saunders' Warehouse, operated by B. B. Saunders of Aberdeen.

Buyers—American Tobacco Company, Joe DeBerry, Liggett & Myers, L. T. Avery, R. J. Reynolds, Clarence Boles, Imperial Tobacco Company, Ivey Winston, Export Tobacco Company, John Graham Webb, P. Lorillard Co., Will Nicholson, J. P. Taylor Company, L. T. Avery, Dibrell Brothers, Will Nicholson, A. C. Monk & Co., Will Nicholson. Other independent companies will be represented.

GLENDON-PUTNAM CITIZENS OBJECT TO SCHOOL SHIFT

Dissent From Decision of Board of Education To Send Children to High Falls

WANT THEM AT CARTHAGE

A group of citizens representing the Glendon and Putnam communities in Moore county have brought suit against H. Lee Thomas, county superintendent of education, and the Moore County Board of Education to compel the transportation of their children to the Carthage schools instead of to the newly consolidated High Falls school. The case will be tried on September 24th before Judge J. A. Rousseau of the Superior Court.

The plaintiffs state that as residents and taxpayers and patrons of the Moore county schools they are entitled by law to have their children transported to the Carthage schools from their respective homes in Glendon and Putnam. They further state that this year, contrary to law, the county superintendent and board of education are attempting to send their children to the school in High Falls, which school, plaintiffs say, has been condemned as a fire trap by the State of North Carolina. They also charge that the defendants are attempting to transport their children a distance of over four miles farther to a condemned school house than the distance required to go to Carthage, and that this attempt forces bus drives and children to cross the main line of the Norfolk-Southern railroad six different times, thereby endangering lives of the children.

School authorities claim the children in question are sent to High Falls school because of congestion in the Carthage school, because the distance to High Falls is less than to Carthage, and because of the desire to give Ritters and Deep River townships the benefit of having a standard school nearby. The authorities also announce that they plan to erect a new brick school-house at High Falls. They deny the present building is a fire-trap since it has been equipped with fire escapes.

While it is admitted generally that the road to High Falls from Glendon and Putnam is not as safe as some roads in the state, the School Board feels that it is not as dangerous as the road to Carthage, due to the hazards from highway traffic over the latter.

Old Southern Pines Hotel, Site of New Postoffice



The Hotel, on this Property at the corner of West Broad Street and New York Avenue, Burned Down Several Years Ago.

HOTEL SITE CHOSEN FOR POSTOFFICE

Government Announces Selection of Harrington Property at West Broad and N. Y. Ave.

PURCHASE PRICE \$9,000

Word was received in Southern Pines yesterday of the selection by the United States Postoffice Department of the site of the old Southern Pines Hotel, on West Broad street at the corner of New York Avenue, as the location of the new postoffice building here. The department's decision was announced late Wednesday in Washington.

After the recent visit to the city of T. L. Starr of Baltimore, postoffice site inspector, the choice of sites for the new federal building was believed to have dwindled down from the nine originally offered to two, the Harrington property on which the Southern Pines Hotel stood before the big fire some five years ago, and the property on West Pennsylvania Avenue opposite the present postoffice, tendered the government by its owners, A. B. Collins of Stamford, Conn., P. Frank Buchan and the Church of Wide Fellowship. These were the two sites which most impressed Mr. Starr. Both sites had many adherents, large delegations favoring one or the other waiting on the inspector to point out the advantages of each.

Sale Price is \$9,000

The government has made its decision in favor of the Harrington property, offered at \$9,000. In the ultimate plan for beautification of the downtown section of Southern Pines, there could be no better choice. The property faces Municipal Park and the present make-shift municipal building. It is the plan eventually to erect a handsome and adequate municipal building on this sight directly opposite the new postoffice, which will give the city a civic center in keeping with its well established reputation for beauty.

Both Mayor Dorsey G. Stutts and Postmaster Frank Buchan expressed themselves yesterday as well pleased with the government's selection. Both expressed the hope that no effort would be made by those disappointed in the department's failure to choose the Pennsylvania Avenue site to have the decision reviewed.

"This could only mean a long delay in the start of our much needed new building," Mr. Buchan said. "It is seldom after such a thorough study of the situation as that made by Mr. Starr that the department will change its decision. We should abide by it and get the new building under way promptly," he said. Mr. Stutz expressed himself the same way. "It is the ideal location for a fine new Southern Pines asset," he stated. "Let's get the building under way." Scores of others interviewed by *The Pilot* were pleased with the selection.

H. A. Benton Succeeds Bagwell on Seaboard

Native of Monroe is Appointed General Manager of Railroad System

The appointment of H. A. Benton, as general manager of the Seaboard Air Line Railway with headquarters at Norfolk, was announced early this week by L. R. Powell, Jr., and Henry W. Anderson, receivers. He succeeds the late E. C. Bagwell, chief operating officer, who died suddenly in Southern Pines two weeks ago. Mr. Benton will have jurisdiction over all departments heretofore supervised by Mr. Bagwell which include construction, maintenance and operation.

The new general manager, who has served the Seaboard continuously for 30 years in increasingly important positions, has had a total railroad experience.

'Bob' Reynolds Entertains Democratic Rally Here

Crowd Gives Him 100 Percent in Geography, History and Political Economy

United States Senator Robert R. Reynolds, "Bob" to most of his North Carolina constituents, recited his geography, history and political economics lessons to a full classroom in the Southern Pines School on Wednesday night, and judging by the applause, he passed 100 per cent.

In geography he took his hearers through most of the countries of the world, dwelling longest in Mexico which, he says, "has everything," including his \$260. If you recall, Senator Bob was held up by bandits while touring our sister country to the south last summer, and they took his last cent. "Many of you won't believe," he said, "that it was every dollar I had in the world. But then there are just as many who won't believe I had \$260."

In history, the "class" heard all about the claims of various states that they are America's Cradle of Liberty. "But of course we all know the first blood of the revolution was shed in North Carolina, the first Declaration of Independence was in Mecklenburg, the first real colonization was here—we are the real Cradle of Liberty." Historic dates rolled off Bob's tongue so glibly that even Congressman Walter Lambeth had to smile at his colleague's memory.

And his political economy lesson—need we tell you—dwelt upon the subject of the next President. The Senator seems to feel that the present occupant of the White House has done a grand job, that it's no time to swap horses in mid-stream.

Tribute to Lambeth

And as for Walter Lambeth, said the Senator, "there is no need wasting a campaign speech on him. You are all Democrats and you are all going to vote for Walter. After what I saw of the tribute paid him by his district in Sanford last night, we don't need to worry about him. And I want to tell you, he's just as popular in Washington as he is here."

Dr. George G. Herr, chairman of the Southern Pines Democratic Precinct committee, opened the meeting and introduced Frank Buchan, who, in the absence of Mrs. P. P. McCain, district chairman, asked Mrs. Sidney Windham of Aberdeen, vice-chairman, to take a bow. He then called upon Dr. L. E. McBrayer, Mrs. McCain's father, to present Walter Lambeth. The Congressman was delighted to be back among Southern Pines friends, he said, and the only recommendation he had to make was that "it's time to get to work" for the Democratic ticket.

United States Marshal John Stevenson introduced his old friend Bob Reynolds. It was the Senator's first speech-making appearance here and he made a decided hit with his listeners, interspersing his rambling remarks with his inimitable wit and humor.

A large number of the county's prominent Democrats attended the 8th Congressional District banquet (Please turn to page 4)

U. S. Senator Here



ROBERT R. REYNOLDS

OLD BETHESDA TO CELEBRATE 156TH BIRTHDAY SUNDAY

Dr. J. M. Waker and Dr. Juian Miller Speaker For Home-Coming

One hundred and fifty-six years is a long time. It was that long ago that the Bethesda Church of Aberdeen was founded, and surviving members of its congregations over this century and one-half of accomplishment will meet together on Sunday to fittingly observe the occasion.

Speakers for the home-coming will be the Rev. Dr. J. M. Walker, pastor of the Steel Creek Presbyterian Church near Charlotte—the largest country church in the south—and Dr. Julian Miller, editor of *The Charlotte Observer*. Dr. Walker will preach the sermon at the morning service, and Dr. Miller will address the gathering during the afternoon exercises. Morning worship will begin at 11:00 o'clock, and on the program will be Mrs. Reid A. Page of Aberdeen, who will sing "The Old Fashioned Meeting."

Those gathering at the historic grounds Sunday will bring their picnic lunches, and all will assemble under the big shade trees for the noon repast. The afternoon program begins at 3:00 o'clock. Both services will be conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Ernest L. Barber.

STORM HEADED FOR COAST OF CAROLINA, IS REPORT

The coast section of North Carolina spent yesterday preparing for a possible hurricane reported headed toward it from a southeasterly direction. Craft along the Carolinas coast were warned by the Weather Bureau to remain in port and stand by for advice.

The storm was not expected to strike as far inland as the Sandhills section.

COURT FINDS FOR CITIZENS BANK IN BERNSTEIN CASE

Judge Hayes Hands Down Decision in Suit For Loss in Sale of Stock

AWARDS BANK \$14,000

Federal Judge Johnson I. Hayes yesterday handed down a decision in favor of the Citizens Bank & Trust Company of Southern Pines, in the suit brought by the estate of the late J. E. Bernstein to recover for losses allegedly incurred when the bank sold Mr. Bernstein's stock on the auction block following his failure to meet assessments against it. Not only did the judge find against the Bernstein estate, but it rendered a verdict of \$14,000 damages to the bank, the amount being the difference between the sale price of the stock sold under the hammer and the par value of his Citizens Bank holdings. Mr. Bernstein was for some time chairman of the board of the bank. He died in New Jersey about three years ago.

430 Pupils Enrolled in Southern Pines School

Over 400 Pupils Register on Opening Day.—Faculty is Announced

The registration figures of the Southern Pines School showed a total of 430 pupils at the end of the third day of the new Fall term. School opened on Thursday, the 10th. Superintendent F. W. Webster believes this total will be greatly exceeded during the next few weeks as more of our cottagers arrive from their summer homes.

The total figures for the elementary grades are less by 16 than for last year while the High School shows an increase of 12, the total for both elementary and high school 430, or four less than last term.

	Elementary	H. S.	Total
1931-2	274	107	381
1932-3	335	117	456
-933-4	319	117	436
1934-5	329	119	448
1935-6	311	123	434
1936-7	295	135	430

Enrollment by grades: First grade, 40; Second, 42; third, 42; fourth, 48; fifth, 34; sixth, 43; seventh, 46; High School, eighth grade, 40; ninth, 41; tenth, 31; eleventh, 23.

STATE'S MANUFACTURERS TO MEET IN PINEHURST

At a meeting in Concord Wednesday the board of managers of the North Carolina Manufacturers' Association voted to hold the association's next convention in Pinehurst on November 4th and 5th.

TO PLANT DOUBLE ROAD

Through the cooperation of the Town of Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Inc. and the Kiwanis Club the double road between Pinehurst and Southern Pines is soon to be planted in rye grass for the winter season.