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## HENRY P. BILYEU, FRUIT PIONEER IN SANDHILLS, DIES

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and Developed Many Or-  
chards and Vineyards

### ORIGINATOR OF DEWBERRY

Henry Paul Bilyeu, a pioneer of grape culture in the Sandhills and long noted as the originator of the famous Lucretia dewberry, died at his home, No. 1506 Grove street in Greensboro last Saturday night. Born at Hightstown, N. J., March 26, 1849, the son of H. P. Bilyeu, a prominent peach grower of that state, the boy absorbed orchard culture and at the early age of 25 years struck out for himself locating at Ridge-way, N. C., where he became a successful fruit grower. Impressed with the possibilities of the Sandhills he came to Southern Pines in 1888 and in the following years developed many orchards and vineyards. His one time home became the first club house of the Southern Pines Country Club, and from this site he moved to the famous Pine Knot farm located north of the Midland Road steeplechase course. To this dean of horticulturists of North Carolina was due the success of many commercial peach orchards and vineyards in the vicinity of Southern Pines, and the spread of the far-reaching dewberry fields through the origin and cultivation of the original Lucretia plants.

In 1892 Mr. Bilyeu married Miss Carry Lee Poe, daughter of Walter Poe, and a sister of Mrs. Alex Fields and Mrs. Mollie Burgess. Beside the widow five of the six children survive Mr. Bilyeu: Mrs. Wade Stevick of Southern Pines, Walter J., residing near the old farm; Henry P., Jr., and Helen C., of Greensboro, and Mrs. James Carl Patrick of Colorado.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon at the Florida Street Baptist Church, Greensboro, with the pastor, the Rev. B. G. Whitley and the Rev. J. T. Barham, pastor of the Glenwood Presbyterian Church officiating. Interment was in Green Hill cemetery with Louis Berry, C. P. Williams, G. C. Collins, Birders Spivey, J. S. Wallace and J. D. Rumbley acting as bearers.

Many relatives and old friends from the Sandhills attended the funeral.

## Walter Blue, Jr. Second in Soap Box Derby Heat

Southern Pines Entry at Raleigh  
One of Best Looking But  
Not Fast Enough

Walter Blue, Jr., the Sandhills lone entry in the Raleigh News and Observer-Chevrolet Motor Company Soap Box Derby trials on Wednesday afternoon, returned to Southern Pines Wednesday night in a philosophical frame of mind after having been eliminated in the preliminary heats when he ran second to the winner of his heat.

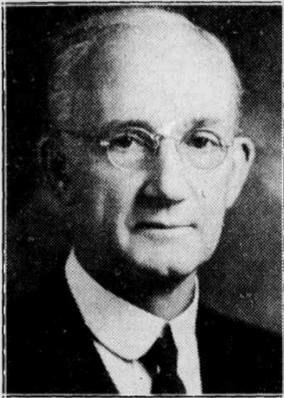
Last year Walter had the same experience and this year he spent a great amount of time and effort to produce a car that he felt certain would take him further in the event but, although his was one of the best looking entries in the field, it just wouldn't go fast enough to take him over the finish line in front.

The winner and runner-up of the Raleigh Derby were brothers, Wiley and Hal Thompson of Raleigh, aged 9 and 13 respectively, who spent a total of 20 cents on their two cars—that going for two cans of paint with which to cover the bare wood frames. Asked what was wrong that he didn't go further in the elimination, Walter shrugged and answered, "I dunno."

### TO PREVENT FLOODING

The Board of Commissioners of Southern Pines has arranged for the inspection of the catch basins in the city's storm sewer system with a view to remedying flood conditions now frequently prevalent on Broad and other streets.

### Retires Sunday



DR. C. REXFORD RAYMOND

## DR. C. A. BOSEMAN OF SANATORIUM AT PINEBLUFF PASSES

Specialist in Mental Diseases  
Came Here With Dr. M. D.  
Kemp Early in 1936

### WORLD WAR VETERAN

The passing of Dr. Claude A. Boseman, one of the partners operating Pinebluff Sanatorium at Pinebluff, who died suddenly at Moore County Hospital last Friday morning following a heart attack, has removed a talented physician from the community. He was 43 years old.

A graduate of the University of North Carolina, Dr. Boseman took his medical degree at the University of Pennsylvania and then spent several years in Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington hospitals specializing in the treatment of nervous and mental conditions. In January, 1936, he returned to North Carolina and, with Dr. Malcolm D. Kemp, established Pinebluff Sanatorium, a private institution for the treatment of nervous and mental conditions that has gained considerable renown throughout the South and which has prospered rapidly since its foundation.

Dr. Boseman was a member of the Episcopal Church, the Masonic Order, Phi Beta Kappa honorary fraternity, Phi Chi medical fraternity, an officer in the North Carolina Medical Association.

## Betsy Jean Johnson Kiwanis Speaker

"Pinch Hitting" For Dad, She  
Tells Club of Bar and Press  
Cruise to Bermuda

When speakers fall down at the last moment and leave the Sandhills Kiwanis Club stranded for its Wednesday meetings, there's always a mad scramble on the part of the Program Committee to get a "pinch hitter." Sometimes on these occasions they get a good one. They never had a better one—nor a prettier one—than they had this week.

Attorney J. Talbot Johnson of Aberdeen was scheduled to speak at this week's meeting. Called suddenly to New York he telephoned his daughter Betsy Jean, still in her teens, told her to go to the meeting and make a talk on the recent trip she, her father and her sister Miriam took with the State Bar Association and the North Carolina Press Association to Bermuda.

Betsy Jean "crashed through." She opened her remarks by saying that as a pinch hitter she'd never get to first base and would doubtless strike out, but she did neither. The Kiwanians credited her with a home run, with three on bases, when she'd finished a delightful recounting of the cruise of lawyers and newspaper men to the famous coral island. There is no doubt that Betsy got a lot out of her trip, for she painted a picture of Bermuda that made her listeners think they'd been there and seen it. It was Betsy Jean's first speech. If Kiwanians have their way it won't be her last.

## WIDE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH RECEIVES GIFT OF \$2,000.00

Generosity of Mrs. Vittum An-  
nounced by Dr. Raymond, Re-  
tiring as Pastor This Sunday

### RECEPTION ON MONDAY

The Church of Wide Fellowship on last Sunday morning was again happily surprised by the announcement of another generous gift to retire bonds issued when the new building was erected. The pastor, Dr. C. Rexford Raymond, read from a letter from Mrs. Albert Vittum addressed to Mrs. H. S. Knowles, treasurer of the Woman's Society of the Church, announcing a gift of \$2,000 to pay interest and principal in full on two bonds held by Mrs. Vittum.

Though Mrs. Vittum has removed from Southern Pines to make her home in California, this is a material token which shows that her interest still lives in the church to which she and her late husband gave so generously in past years.

Dr. Raymond will preach his final sermon as active pastor of the Church of Wide Fellowship this coming Sunday morning, after 40 years of service in the ministry. Upon his retirement he becomes the church's pastor emeritus. His resignation from active pastoral duty was accepted by the congregation several weeks ago. Dr. and Mrs. Raymond will be honored by a supper and reception in the church garden next Monday, August 2d at 6:30 o'clock. The following day the Raymonds leave for a vacation at Chautauqua Lake, New York, to return to Southern Pines in September.

Services at Wide Fellowship during August will be in charge of Albert Buchanan, a senior at Oberlin College.

## No Injunction For Slot Machine Makers

Judge Sinclair Upholds Right of  
Enforcement of Law Passed  
by 1937 Assembly

In a judgment filed with the clerk of the Cumberland Superior Court on Monday, Judge N. A. Sinclair declined to grant injunctive relief to The Vending Machine Company of Fayetteville, ruling that the attorney-general of North Carolina, the sheriff of Cumberland county and the chief of police of Fayetteville have the right to enforce the 1937 Anti-slot Machine law against every type of machine except those known as "Type 12."

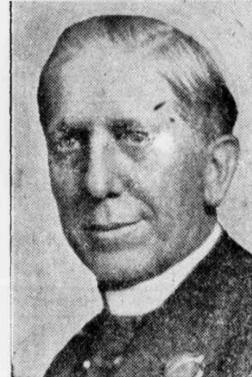
This was the latest development in the chain of events precipitated early in 1937 when the Rev. A. J. McKelway of Pinehurst fired the opening blast against the evils of slot machines through the columns of The Pilot and which were carried on by local law enforcement agencies and Congressional representatives until the new anti-slot machine law was passed and the Fayetteville concern removed its machines from this and other territories in the State to avoid the threatened confiscation of any of their property.

The Vending Machine Company, meantime, filed a petition for an injunction against the enforcement of the law as a challenge of its constitutionality, but Judge Sinclair's ruling holds the law constitutional and denies the prayer for an injunction. (Please turn to page five)

### SEABOARD GOLFERS COMING FOR TOURNAMENT SEPT. 4-5-6

September 4th, 5th and 6th have been set as the dates for the annual gathering of members of the Seaboard Air Line Golf Association in Southern Pines, and according to word received from officials in Norfolk by Mayor D. G. Stutz, there will be a record number here this Fall. They will start coming in on the 3d, Mr. Stutz said, with all of them on hand the 4th to tee off in the first round of the annual tournament. As usual, the Highland Pines Inn will be the official hostelry, and the Southern Pines Country Club the scene of the competition.

### Speakers Today at Sandhills Project Opening



GOVERNOR CLYDE R. HOEY



REP. HAROLD D. COOLEY

## Hemp Has Gala Celebration of New Water Works and City Hall

### Checks For Needy

County's Blind and "Outside  
Poor" To Receive Finan-  
cial Aid Next Week

Checks for the blind and those who are now on the county's "outside poor" list will be sent out July 31, according to a statement made Tuesday by Mrs. W. G. Brown, welfare chairman. Aid for dependent children and the neediest of the old age group will be provided next month, she said.

The entire welfare office force is working hard to get the Social Security line-up in the county completed.

### Crowds Enjoy All-Day Program To Commemorate Completion of Civic Projects

By Tom Bost

Hemp humped itself into a modern municipality last Saturday with a new water and sewer system and a city hall. In an all-day celebration the town asseverated to a cockeyed cosmos that it feels good over what it has.

It put on a pageant of progress in which the Roosevelt horse and buggy age looked post-millennarian by contrast with the antediluvian ox cart which dragged over the dusty foot paths that went in the nineties for roads. Then the buildings were formally given and taken, the visitors were dined, the greasy pig pursued and the day danced out in municipal hall.

It was an upper Moore celebration in which the greater portion of the 2,000 population of Hemp participated. Census takers for the government and registrars for the elections do not give Hemp any 2,000, but the industries do and they were there Saturday. The morning exercises conflicted somewhat with farming operations, but in the afternoon the folks went to town. One of the modern acts in which Hemp revels is the election of Tuesday, July 21. That day the voters were asked to ratify bond issues of \$6,000 for water and \$4,000 for sewer construction. By 95 to 7 it was ordered in the referendum. And thus Hemp became the newest town in the United States, so they say.

The railroad station, the talc mine. (Please turn to page four)

## Frank M. Shea Dies; Lived Here 17 Years

Employe of Pinehurst Depart-  
ment Store Was Veteran  
of World War

Frank M. Shea, aged 59 years, a resident of Southern Pines for the past 17 years, suffered a heart attack and passed away early Friday morning in the Hotel Houston, Washington, D. C., where he was spending his vacation.

A war veteran, having served overseas with the 5th Canadian Engineers, Mr. Shea came to Southern Pines from Bath, N. H., the residence of his father, James S. Shea, in 1920. Entering the employ of the H. A. Lewis grocery in Southern Pines and later in Pinehurst, and with the retirement of H. A. and Robert Lewis, he went with the Pinehurst Department Store and became one of the best known and most popular clerks in his line of business.

Funeral services conducted by the Rev. T. A. Williams and Father J. F. Morrissy were held in St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church at 10:00 o'clock Tuesday morning. Interment followed in Mount Hope Cemetery. Pallbearers were: L. V. O'Callaghan, H. S. Knowles, H. A. Lewis, Dr. G. G. Herr, Floyd Medlin and Robert Shaw.

He is survived by his widow, the former Mrs. Helen Sadler Wilson; an infant son, Francis; a stepson, William Wilson, and an aunt, Miss Mary A. Shea of Littleton, N. H.

## HOEY HERE TODAY TO LAUNCH SANDHILL PROJECT

Four Thousand Expected For  
Celebration and Barbecue at  
U. S. Park, Hoffman

### OTHER NOTABLES COMING

In discussing plans for the barbecue and public inspection of the Sandhills Land Use Projects to be held at Hoffman, today (Friday) F. W. Eatman, project manager, states that he hopes that interested citizens attending this celebration will include men, women and children. He also hopes that as nearly as possible representative citizens can attend from all the various communities of this section of the state.

The all-day celebration which will begin at 9 o'clock, will be held at Indian Camp Park where tables have been erected to accommodate 4,000 persons and where one ton of barbecue, contributed by citizens of the surrounding territory, will be served. Indian Camp Park is entered from U. S. Highway No. 1 just west of Hoffman through a rustic gateway. Speaking will begin at 11 o'clock followed by the public barbecue dinner at 1 o'clock, with inspection tours in the afternoon and a dance that night.

The project manager enumerated this week some of the more important jobs which have been completed on this 62,000-acre project, outlining at the same time a number of jobs which are yet to be completed. Roughly speaking the Sandhills development consists of forest development, wild life conservation, and recreational development. (For full details of the purposes of the project see Page 2).

### Governor To Speak

Governor Clyde R. Hoey has definitely accepted the invitation to be the principal speaker at today's dedication and will pass through Southern Pines in his motor car early this morning enroute to Hoffman.

A long list of notables who have definitely accepted invitations includes Congressman Harold D. Cooley, who has signified to the committee that he hopes he will be able to bring with him Congressman Pearson of Tennessee, and Congressman Coffee and McLaughlin of Nebraska.

Secretary of Agriculture Henry Wallace has notified the committee that it will be impossible for him to be present. However, Assistant Secretary Harry P. Brown will attend.

C. F. Clayton, chief of the Land Planning Section of the Land Utilization Division, will represent the Resettlement Administration of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. (Please turn to page four)

## Mrs. A. C. Smith of Vass Route 2 Dies

Funeral Services Held in Cypress  
Presbyterian Church on  
Tuesday Afternoon

Funeral services for Mrs. A. C. Smith, 60, of Vass Route 2, were held Tuesday afternoon at Cypress Presbyterian Church with the Rev. W. A. Brown, pastor, and the Rev. M. D. McNeill officiating. Mrs. Smith had been in poor health for several years, but the end came suddenly Monday from a heart attack after a day in which she was seemingly better.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Smith was Miss Catharine May Parrish, a native of Ramseyer. She had lived in Hoke and Moore counties for many years and was highly esteemed for her fine traits of character and lovable disposition. Cheerfulness was one of her outstanding characteristics and she made life brighter for those with whom she came in contact.

Mrs. Smith is survived by her husband, A. C. Smith, and by the following sons and daughters: William Alexander, George Herbert, James Franklin and Daniel Hector Smith, all of Vass Route 2, Mrs. Effie Morrison of High Point and Mrs. L. O. Hennings of Vass Route 2.