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## CAUCUS TO NAME CANDIDATES HERE FRIDAY, APRIL 28

Mayor and Board of Commissioners To Be Nominated for Election on May 2d

### REGISTRY BOOKS OPEN

Voting time is drawing nigh in Southern Pines, for the biennial election of a Mayor and Board of Commissioners of five members. Official notices of the town caucus on Friday, April 28, and of the election on Tuesday, May 2 appear in this issue of The Pilot.

Candidates for Mayor and Commissioners will be nominated at the caucus to be voted on by duly registered voters at the election. Registration books for those eligible to vote will be open at the City Clerk's office for the next four weeks.

Despite the proximity of the time for selection of those who will manage the city's affairs for the next two years, comparatively little talk has been heard on street corners about candidates, and at the present writing no contests have come to light to enliven the proceedings. Though he has not made any statement it is believed that Mayor Dorsey G. Stutts is willing to stand for reelection if there appears to be a general demand for his continuance in the office he has held since 1929. There has been a little informal discussion of other mayoralty candidates, but nothing definite.

The present Board of Commissioners comprises L. V. O'Callaghan, Charles S. Patch, Eugene C. Stevens, Robert L. Hart and Hugh Betterley, and as far as is known and will stand for renomination at the caucus. Other candidates are expected to announce themselves before the nominating meeting comes around, but none has come to the front with definite news on the subject.

## Boys' School Office Now On Midland Road

### Blake House Acquired as Headquarters.—Fund Campaign Under Way

On Monday of this week the Board of Trustees of the North Carolina Preparatory School for Boys, Inc., of which Francis M. Osborne is executive secretary, took possession of the Blake house on Midland Road, opposite the steeplechase course, and established an office and headquarters for the twelve weeks intensive campaign for the building fund which is now in progress under the direction of L. H. Martin of Greensboro.

Beverly L. Walter has accepted appointment as office manager of the campaign. Mr. and Mrs. Walter and Mr. Osborne have taken up their residence in this house.

Mr. Osborne says that a generous gift from an unnamed winter resident of Pinehurst has enabled the trustees of the school to secure a lease and option to buy this house and large lot, owned by Mrs. F. H. Blake, which adjoins the 100-acre tract for which the people of Moore county have pledged \$10,000 as a site for the projected school. Eventually it is planned to use this property and adjoining lots as an imposing entrance to connect the school campus with the paved highway.

The campaign is now moving rapidly through its first stage of organization and will terminate June 3d. Objective is \$100,000 for the first step in a \$600,000 program.

### SUNRISE SERVICE EASTER AT COMMUNITY CHURCH

A Sunrise Service at 5:30 a. m. will be the first of the Easter services of worship at the Pinehurst Community Church next Sunday.

At the 11:00 o'clock worship there will be special Easter music by the Junior choir and by the church choir. The Rev. A. J. McKelway will preach. There will be no evening worship at the Community Church, this service giving way to the Music Festival at the Church of Wide Fellowship in Southern Pines.

## New Nurses' Home Open For Inspection April 15th

Hospital Auxiliary Votes \$3,500 Additional For Furnishings, a Total of \$6,500 in Year

The new Nurses' Home at the Moore County Hospital will be opened for inspection on Saturday afternoon, April 15th, from 3:00 until 6:00 o'clock, and all friends of the hospital are invited to examine the building and its furnishings at that time.

This announcement was made at the regular meeting of the Hospital Auxiliary, held on Wednesday. The directors of the institution have requested the women's organization to take entire charge of Opening Day, in recognition of the splendid part the Auxiliary has played in making the Nurses' Home an accomplished fact.

Last fall the Auxiliary contributed \$3,000.00 toward the cost of furnishing the Home. At this week's meeting a further contribution of \$3,500.00 was voted. The total gift of \$6,500.00 will pay for all furnishings purchased at this time, except for rooms whose equipment has been the gift of the Birthday Clubs or of individuals. The furnishings have been planned by a committee of the Auxiliary, assisted by a conference group from the board. Simplicity, durability and economy have been the guiding principles in all selections.

A further gift from the Auxiliary of \$1,500.00 will make it possible to replace enamel ware with stainless steel throughout the hospital itself, in operating rooms, delivery rooms, utility rooms, and in general service.

The Supply committee of the Auxiliary, which provides all linen, draperies, etc., has again been granted a budget of \$100.00 per month during 1939, and a similar appropriation has been made for the Equipment committee.

Twelve members of the newly organized Women's Auxiliary at the Baker Sanatorium, which is a general hospital at Lumberton, attended Wednesday's meeting at the Moore County Hospital, and conferred afterwards with officers and committee heads of this Auxiliary. On several occasions the work done by the women of our county has been studied by other groups.

Furniture is being rapidly put in place at the Nurses' Home and considerable planting is being done upon the grounds. Everything should be spic and span for the reception on the 15th, and a record crowd is expected.

## McLean Stays in Race For Aberdeen Mayor

Will Succeed Frank Shamburger.—12 Candidates For Board of Commissioners

That John Duncan McLean will be the next mayor of Aberdeen was definitely settled this week. His will be the only name on the ballot for mayor to be voted on on May 2d. A. L. Burney, another caucus nominee, withdrew from the race, and Mr. McLean tried to, but was this week persuaded to accept. He will succeed Frank Shamburger.

Of 14 nominated for the five commissionships, two have withdrawn, Stewart Weaver and Robert S. Gwyn, leaving the following candidates:

H. A. Gunter, W. H. McNeill, C. L. Brasington, O. Leon Seymour, H. Clifton Blue, J. M. Taylor, Forrest Lockett, M. S. Weaver, F. O. Freeman, Dr. A. H. McLeod, Dr. E. M. Medlin and J. B. Edwards

### VASS TO NOMINATE FOR MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS

A caucus will be held in the Vass town hall at 7:30 o'clock next Monday evening, April 10, to select candidates for mayor and three commissioners to be elected May 1 for a two-year term. The registration books will be open on Saturdays in the Little River Store building. April 29 will be challenge day.

### Boyd To Read

Author of "Bitter Creek" To Appear for Benefit of Library Fund

James Boyd will give a reading from his latest book, "Bitter Creek" next Thursday at the Civic Club at 4:00 p. m. Admission will be \$1.00 at the door, for the benefit of the Southern Pines Library Fund.

## CHORUS TO SING EASTER ORATORIO ON SUNDAY NIGHT

100 Mixed Voices Will Present "The Cross and the Crown" at Wide Fellowship

The Spring Music Festival, for which a chorus of 100 mixed voices has been in rehearsal under Charles W. Piquet since January, will be presented at the Church of Wide Fellowship this Sunday night, starting at 8:00 o'clock. The festival is sponsored by the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, for the benefit of its underprivileged child activities. A silver collection will be taken.

The chorus, assisted by soloists, will sing the Easter oratorio, "The Cross and the Crown," by F. L. Ashford, and special numbers from "The Messiah," "Holy City," and "Elijah," are also on the program. The chorus comprises residents of practically all towns in Moore county, and the church is expected to be filled on Sunday night with people from every section. Many of the churches of the county have dispensed with their regular services that night that the members of their congregations may enjoy the festival.

The Kiwanis Club, which is a county-wide organization, has long been active in underprivileged child work throughout the community, and among other activities, supports a bed in the Children's ward of the Moore County Hospital. The membership of the club hopes that as many as can be accommodated will avail themselves of this opportunity to appraise the work of the chorus which has worked diligently in preparation for the festival. It is the plan of the club, if this year's presentation is successful, to make this an annual affair.

## Kiwanis, Three Arts To Present Play and Dance

Double-Barreled Evening Offered at Playhouse in Pinehurst Next Thursday

A double-barreled evening is in store for the Sandhills next Thursday night in the Playhouse of the Three Arts Group in Pinehurst, when the Sandhills Kiwanis Club in cooperation with the Three Arts stage a play and dance for the benefit of the Kiwanis Charity fund. The Three Arts Group will present "The Late Christopher Bean," a comedy, with the following in the cast:

Mrs. Mildred Petway Cramer, Miss Florence Campbell, Beverly Walter, Miss Mary Ellen Yarborough, Miss Dorothy Ehrhardt, Ben Bowden, Carl G. Thompson and Jack Lee. Dancing will follow the play, and the public is invited to either or both. Combination tickets are being sold, or you can pay for just the play or just the dance.

### No Court Monday

The next regular Recorder's Court day being Easter Monday, court has been called off for next week. The next session will be held on Monday, April 17.

## FUND DRIVE FOR MATERNITY WORK GREAT SUCCESS

Mrs. Wilbur Currie, County Chairman, Thanks Public for Its Generous Support

### FILM NETTED OVER \$600

"It is with deep gratitude that the Moore County Maternal Welfare Committee reviews the activities of its friends all over the county during the drive for funds covering the past two weeks," Mrs. Wilbur Currie of Carthage, chairman of the committee, told The Pilot this week. "Last October, the finance committee viewed the fund statement which showed only \$47.34 and wondered what should be done to meet the \$1,000.00 budget it had so hopefully made out the preceding May. It was decided to put on two drives in every section of the county, one in the fall and one this spring.

"The response to our appeal in the fall warmed our hearts as friends in every part of the county rallied to our support as follows:

Samarcand Manor Study Club, \$12.00; Eagle Springs, \$25.00; Pinebluff, \$50.00; Hemp, \$25.00; Pinehurst, \$15.00; Southern Pines, \$25.00; Aberdeen, \$30.85; Carthage, \$80.35; West End, \$25.00, atotal of \$288.20.

"Then the wonderful gift of \$500.00 from a friend who wishes to remain anonymous, swelled the receipts. We felt sure the remaining \$200.00 could be raised in the Spring.

"However, the March drive far exceeded our hopes and has left us with the deep conviction that only Divine guidance and God's great blessing upon the work from its beginning three years ago can account for the people's response to our efforts. The fact that no clinic mother has died during the past months since the beginning of our Nurse-Midwife's work is also cause for great rejoicing.

"The proceeds from the special week for Maternal Welfare which was inaugurated by the excellent address of Dr. Bayard Carter on March 23rd covered a number of events.

### Successful Activities

"A group in Southern Pines gladly offered the committee the proceeds from the sale of parking spaces at the Hunter Trials held the day before the steeplechase races. We wish to thank them, also those who sold the parking spaces, for the \$113.00 which it netted us.

"Tag Day" set aside on Saturday, March 25 brought in a total of \$115.15 with only four towns so far (Please turn to page five)

## Ruth Doris Swett at Civic Club on Monday

Will Exhibit Her Etchings and Demonstrate "Pulling" of Proof From Press

The usual Friday program and tea at the Southern Pines Civic Club is being omitted today because of Good Friday, but the club announces a feature attraction next Monday at 3:00 o'clock when Miss Ruth Doris Swett, a daughter of Southern Pines and a nationally known artist and etcher, will be the speaker. In addition to her talk on etching, Miss Swett will give a demonstration of how the actual work of completing an etching is done, "pulling" a proof from the press.

All day Monday many of Miss Swett's etchings will be on exhibition at the Club. Tea will follow the program in the afternoon, with Miss Florence Campbell, Miss Anna B. Jenks, Miss Alice H. Southworth, Mrs. Francis H. Robinson, Mrs. Hugh J. Betterley and Mrs. James R. Swett acting as hostesses.

Miss Swett has recently returned here from Winter Park, Fla., where she spent the winter and where she will return next winter to give a course in etching at Rollins College. She is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. J. Betterley, while in Southern Pines.

## Slot Machines in County Seized by Sheriff Pending Decision As To Legality

### Are They Legal?



SHERIFF C. J. McDONALD

## EDUCATION BOARD REELECTS THOMAS SUPERINTENDENT

J. W. Graham of Aberdeen Continues as Chairman; J. F. Taylor Succeeds Von Canon

J. W. Graham of Aberdeen and J. F. Taylor of Pinehurst, appointed by the Legislature to the Moore county Board of Education, took the oath of office before the clerk of court Monday when the Board held its regular meeting.

Mr. Graham, who has served on the board for several years, was re-elected chairman. Mr. Taylor is taking the place of F. W. Von Canon. The Board reelected H. Lee Thomas as county superintendent for a two-year term.

School committeemen were elected, with only a few changes appearing in the list. There is one vacancy on the Pinehurst board, brought about by the elevation of Mr. Taylor from the district to the county board.

The committeemen with their length of term in years follows: Hemp district: Dr. W. N. McDuffie, 1; Dan Dunlap, 1; G. C. Boone, 2; J. C. Cummings, 2; Earl Hicks, 3.

Cameron district: Mrs. G. M. McDermott, 1; J. E. Snow, 2; L. B. McKeithen, 3.

Vass-Lakeview district: J. W. Smith, 1; Arch Parker, 1; Redga Thomas, 2; Mrs. A. M. Cameron, 2; J. E. Caviness, 3.

Eureka district: Walter McCaskill, 1; D. R. Guin, 1; Murd Kelly, 2; Herman Davis, 2; H. H. Fry, 3.

Pinehurst district: Holt McKenzie, 1; Mrs. H. A. Campbell, 2; Thomas R. Cole, 3; I. C. Sledge, 3.

West End district: Jesse Page, 1; J. P. Richardson, 1; W. A. Johnson, 2; Mrs. M. C. McDonald, 2; J. H. Poole, 3.

Highfalls district: W. E. Woody, 1; George Purvis, 1; Frank Howard, 2; R. H. Upchurch, 2; Frank Maness, 3.

All members of the Board were present at the meeting. They are J. W. Graham of Aberdeen, W. B. Graham of Vass, W. E. Kelly of Carthage, Dr. J. F. Davis of Hemp and John F. Taylor of Pinehurst.

### THREE-HOUR MEDITATION SERVICE AT EMMANUEL

The customary Three-Hour service of meditation on the Passion of Our Lord will be held in Emmanuel Church on Good Friday. The service will begin exactly at noon and end at 3:00 o'clock. The meditations on the Seven Last Words from the Cross will be given by the rector.

All persons are cordially invited to attend at least a part of this service. Those who do not remain through the entire service are requested to enter and leave the church only during the singing of the hymns.

Lowly Nickel Suddenly Finds Himself Without Accustomed Haunts on Wednesday

### NO LICENSES ISSUED

The lowly nickel was lonely Wednesday afternoon.

Something had happened to his new found home of the past few weeks. He wandered into shop after shop where he'd accustomed himself to play chute the chutes, only to find no chutes.

Investigation disclosed that Sheriff Charles J. McDonald and his band of deputies had decided that slot machines mustn't operate in Moore county until their legal status is determined. At least they can't operate until they are licensed by Moore county, and official licensing must await some determination of their legality. It got all around the state that "slot machines are back" when the General Assembly a while ago took some action toward their legalization. But nobody seems to know definitely how legal they are, or whether some are legal and some aren't, or what.

And among those who don't know, and who aren't going to take any chances, is Sheriff McDonald. So on Wednesday morning he and his brothers of the shiny badges swooped into place after place throughout the Sandhills and walked away with the machines. In a few cases they served warrants on the operators of the establishments, just for a test case which will probably come up in Recorder's Court when it convenes again, which won't be until a week from next Monday, there being no court on Easter Monday.

Drug stores, restaurants, filling stations, every place that had seized the opportunity to install machines as soon as the legislature appeared to legalize them in one form or another, were visited, and demachined.

And the lowly nickel, at least for the present, has quit chuting the chutes.

## Appeal For Funds For Completion of Church

Presbyterians To Dedicate Offering Sunday to Roof For Brownson Memorial

Feeling sure that there are many people in Southern Pines who would like to have a part in the establishment of the Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church, and providing a modest and attractive house of worship for the Presbyterians who live here and who come as winter guests, the officers of the church are announcing a special offering for Easter Sunday which will be used for the purpose of putting the roof on the building and windows and doors in. The membership of the church will make a sacrificial offering for this purpose. It hopes that many others will take advantage of this opportunity to give a helping hand when it is so acutely needed. The Presbyterians are rallying their forces for a tremendous drive to get the church ready for occupancy by summer.

Any gift addressed to the Brownson Memorial Church, Southern Pines, marked for "Building Fund," will be used for this purpose. Gifts may be brought to the service next Sunday morning, or given to Walter E. Blue at the Modern Market, treasurer of the Building Fund.

### EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE IN WIDE FELLOWSHIP GARDEN

The Fellowship Forum of the Church of Wide Fellowship will have charge of the sunrise service Easter morning in the Church garden at 6:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited and it is hoped this special service will be well attended. In the event of rain the service will be held in the church.