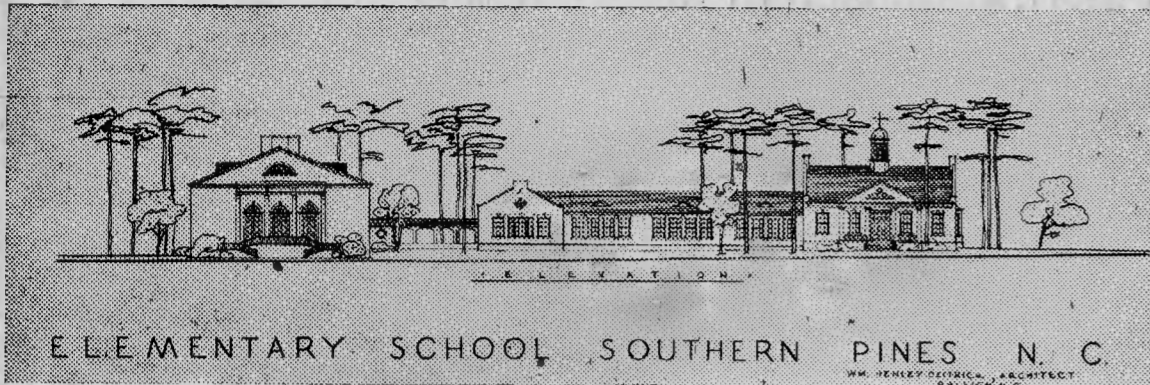


## Here Is Southern Pines' New Elementary School



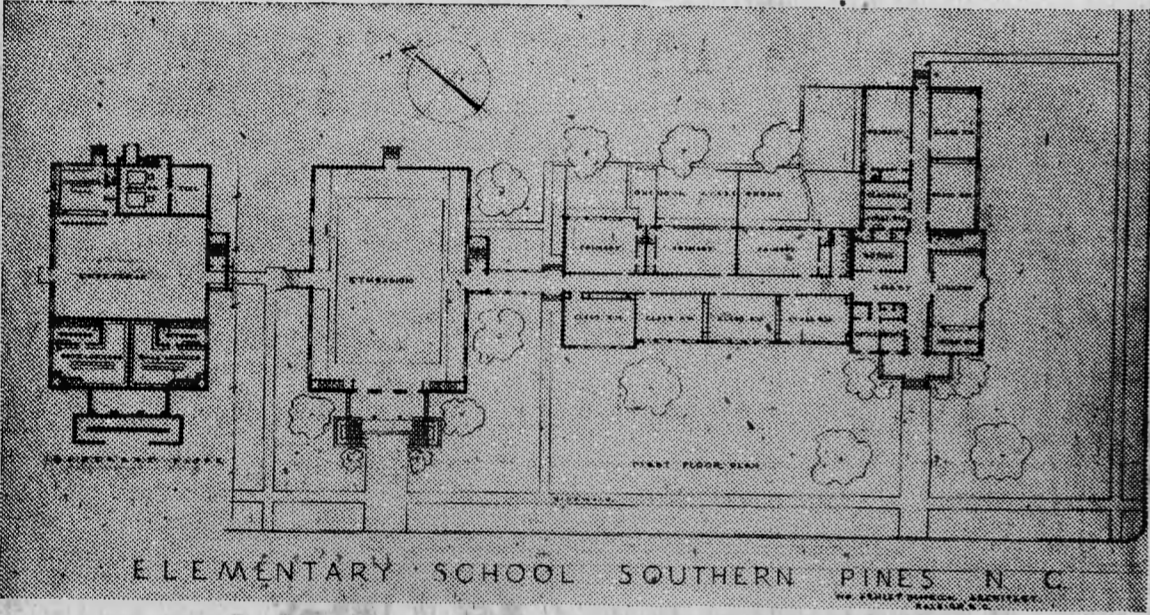
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SOUTHERN PINES N. C.

Here are the plans and the front view of the proposed Southern Pines Elementary school, part of which is now under construction at a cost of close around \$141,000. Equipment, fixtures, architects' fees and other expenses will add considerably to the present contract total.

The blueprint below shows at the left the gymnasium and cafeteria, which are not included in the present plans. They are to be added, according to Superintendent Philip J. Weaver, as soon as the money is available. The main building plan includes four primary classrooms opening directly outdoors, six elementary classrooms, library, offices, storage and toilet rooms. Construction is fire resistant throughout and includes heat by oil.

The upper picture shows the attractive Georgian front facade, with the proposed gymnasium connected by a covered walk. The school is being built in the wooded area across the closed Ridge street block from the present school building, which will be used for the high school only. The plans as specified above call for the cafeteria, when it is eventually built, to be directly on the closed block now used for play space.

Laxton Construction company of Charlotte has the general contract and is already at work. William H. Dietrich, of Raleigh, architect, estimates that the building will be ready for classes by January 1, 1948.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SOUTHERN PINES N. C.

## Better Public Response Is Needed For Successful Summer Program Here

Summer's coming, with its long idle days filled with opportunity for young people—opportunity for loafing, opportunity for mischief, and for just plain wasted time.

Or—it can bring opportunity for healthy companionship, for learning and growing in body and mind, if the adults of the community want it that way.

That's what the summer recreation program is designed to provide, and that's what Southern Pines wants for her young folks.

But it takes some money, and that's where the hitch comes in.

In the first two weeks of its appeal for funds, the Council of Social Agencies has received contributions totaling some \$600, less than one-fourth of the \$2,500 that is needed. This has been collected mostly through efforts of the citizens' planning committee, which

has undertaken to provide \$1,000 of the wanted amount, as it did last year.

**Response Is Slow**  
The rest is being sought through mail and phone solicitation—and responses have been slow.

Come on, folks, Let's do better than this by our young people.

You might say, "But our children don't need this, they're going to camp," or "Johnny has his own tennis court and his friends are there every day," or "We take Susie and her friends to a lake swimming and picnicking any time they want to go."

But there are dozens who can't go to camp; who have no tennis court; no swimming parties; no parent-planned fun for themselves and their friends.

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## Baseball, May 30, Boys' State Plans Made By Legion

With uniforms and equipment already on order, and the campaign for funds under way, the Moore County entry in the state-wide schedule of American Legion Junior baseball is progressing nicely, members of the Sandhills post heard Tuesday night from Charles Patch, Jr., chairman.

High school principals and coaches of county high schools are asked to send their lists of candidates without delay to Charles Patch, Jr., Chairman Legion Baseball, Southern Pines.

Sufficient sponsors have been secured to indicate assurance of the financing of the venture, Patch said in his detailed report, and a successful season is anticipated.

### Boys' State

Sponsorship of two boys to attend the Boys' State conference at Chapel Hill in June was authorized, and the Boys' State committee was asked to select a junior and senior boy from the Southern Pines High school.

The proper observance of May 30, Memorial day, was authorized, and Shields Cameron was appointed chairman to arrange a program for the nearest Sunday to this date, coordinating with the graves registration committee, composed of Leo O'Callaghan and John H. Stephenson, in the proper marking of servicemen's graves in local cemeteries.

### Election

Election of officers, for installation in June, resulted in choice of the following: Frank Reid, commander; Charles Patch, Jr., adjutant; Charles Swope, first vice commander; Joe Garzik, second vice commander; Donald Hirst, third vice commander; Joe O'Callaghan, sergeant at arms; Rev. F. Barrett, chaplain; L. V. O'Callaghan, finance officer. The commander-elect was authorized to appoint other officers and committee chairmen.

John Stephenson, Chester Williams and Frank Reid were appointed delegates to the state

## Hazardous Fire At Valet Cleaners Does Much Damage

### Explosion Starts Flash Blaze; Losses Insurance - Covered

By Charles Macauley

The serene quietness of an almost deserted business district, somnolent in the bright sunshine of the Wednesday half holiday was rudely broken at 4:30 p. m. Wednesday, when the smothered boom of an explosion was followed by a cloud of stifling smoke pouring out from the back and front of the Valet cleaners on New Hampshire avenue, and the hoarse tones of the fire alarm calling out the volunteers of the Southern Pines Fire department.

With so many stores and business places closed for the afternoon it was amazing to see not only so many of the men of the company responding, but the throng of spectators, men, women and children gathered near the burning building, where they were sustaining a personal loss in the destruction of their garments.

Caused by an explosion in the dryer in the rear of the street floor, employees just had time to escape the smothering smoke and racing flames. The first hose line was carried to the rear entrance to drown out the danger of a second blast from the big tank of solvent. Another line poured water into the front office and

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## Eighth Grade To Hold Exhibit At Shaw House

The eighth grade of Southern Pines High school will hold a week-long exhibit at the Shaw house, beginning next Thursday afternoon, showing what they have learned in their year's study of the people, resources and industries of North Carolina.

Entitled "How People in North Carolina Make a Living," the exhibit will be held each afternoon from 3 to 5:30, evenings from 5:30 to 8 and also on Saturday and Sunday.

Students and parents will act as hosts and hostesses, taking turns so that all will have a chance to serve in receiving their friends and the friends of the school, and helping them to fullest enjoyment of the exhibit.

Wednesday evening, from 7:30 to 9, the class will have a preview and "open house" for their parents and the officers of the Moore County Historical association, owners of the Shaw house.

Under leadership of their teacher, Miss Martha Langston, the class of 24 boys and girls began their study of North Carolina with their own county, making numerous field trips, collecting items, making posters and writing articles relative to the Sandhills, and the results were shown in a highly successful display in a downtown window some two months ago.

With this as a starter, they branched off into a wider field. The most interesting items of the Moore County display have been retained as part of the North Carolina exhibit.

The public is invited to attend the exhibit. Hosts and hostesses Thursday afternoon will be Anne Carter, Kay Dunlap, Mrs. Walter Harper, Mrs. Ruth Swisher; Thursday evening, Dillon Short, Richard Newton, Mrs. Levis Prizer, Mrs. Ernest Poate; Friday afternoon Carol Sue Humphrey, Hazeline Hunsucker, Miss Barbara Betterley, Mrs. Ed Newton; Friday evening, Malcolm Clark, D. P. Black, Mrs. P. M. Van Camp, Mrs. George Dunlap.

Hosts and hostesses Saturday through the following Thursday will be announced next week.

Legion convention at Carolina Beach June 15-17, with Paul Dana, Shields' Cameron and Virgil Clark as alternates. The meeting was held at the Legion hut on Maine avenue with Commander Virgil P. Clark and Adjutant Diethofer in charge.

## MEETING

Citizens are reminded of the public meeting to be held at the schoolhouse at 8 p. m. tonight (Friday), called by Chairman L. V. O'Callaghan of the citizens' planning committee for the discussion of the purchase of floodlights for the town athletic field.

As previously announced, it was decided at a meeting of the committee last week that the matter should be brought before the citizens before recommendation could be made as to their purchase.

Plans and estimates will be given at the meeting, and ways and means of financing will be discussed.

The possibilities of both night baseball and night football games here have brought many requests before the committee that floodlights be installed, and it is believed to be a matter holding interest for many citizens.

## Fire Carelessness Charges Heard By Magistrate Here

W. C. Castevens, superintendent of a crew of the Ivy H. Smith Construction company of Sanford, was tried by D. E. Bailey, magistrate, at magistrate's court here Sunday afternoon on two charges of carelessness resulting in destruction by forest fire.

The warrants, taken out by County Fire Warden E. W. Davis, charged incompetent fire watch and letting a fire escape from control.

Testimony by Davis was to the effect that, in clearing a right of way in the Carthage vicinity, Castevens had left roadside fires burning while he moved his crew to another part of the county to work. This had twice resulted in fires, said Davis, the first time on May 2, the second May 8 when more than 100 acres of timber land were estimated damaged or destroyed.

Castevens, who is putting up power lines in the county on subcontract from the REA, plead not guilty, declaring that in each case the fires had started independently of his operations.

Both times he had drawn his crews from their work in other parts of the county to help the fire control crew fight the fires.

Found guilty by Magistrate Bailey, with fines of \$10 on each count, plus court and fire suppression costs, Castevens took an appeal to recorder's court.

The case will come up on the docket Saturday, to which date recorder's court has been moved this week on account of the opening Monday of superior court at Carthage.

## A & P Remodeling For Supermarket

Remodeling was begun last week to make the Southern Pines A & P store a modern supermarket in keeping with the larger A & P stores all over the country.

The work is being done by a crew of specialists of the A & P, according to Mgr. L. D. McDonald. They have already laid a new floor and will put on a modern new store front, the newest type of display cases, with mirrors above, for fruits and vegetables, and a canopy with mirrors for the meat department.

## LEAGUE OPENER

The Peach Belt League series opens locally Wednesday at 4 p. m., when the Southern Pines Town team meets Aberdeen at the Southern Pines Athletic park. Admission will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children of school age. There will be a section for the colored spectators. Coach A. C. Dawson says he has some good material for this year's town team but that he can tell more about them after the two exhibition games with Robbins, scheduled for this week, prior to the league opener.

## Town Board Raises Police Pay, Starts Trash Collection In Business District

### SPEAKER



JOHN HARDEN

### Other Raises Are Granted, Further Adjustments Slated

### Paving Estimates Asked

Southern Pines' new town board, under the leadership of Mayor C. N. Page, at its first meeting Wednesday night tackled three problems of immediate urgency—those of pay raises for certain city employees; the town garbage and trash collection; and the paving of certain streets whose residents had asked consideration.

Effective immediately, raises were granted the city police force amounting to about 12 per cent of their present salaries.

Car allowances were upped proportionately.

The raises were made in line with increases in costs of living and a study recently undertaken of police pay in some other towns of this section. It was agreed that the city should supply its own police cars, rather than paying allowances to the policemen for the use of their private cars, but that until this is possible the old policy of allowances will be followed, with adjustments to be made when cars can be obtained.

**Other Raises**  
Immediate raises were also granted the following: Eugene and Roland Norton, assistants on the street force, Marshall Palmer, assistant superintendent of the water plant, also in charge of the sewer disposal plant, Frank Kaylor, city fireman, also in charge of street equipment maintenance.

Mrs. J. H. Tighman, tax collector, was given a raise effective July 1.

The adjustments of other salaries of the city payroll was referred to the finance and appropriations committee, for study, on the basis of length of time since previous raises and other considerations, and recommendations are to be made at the June meeting preliminary to the making up of the 1947-48 budget.

Discussion of garbage collection problems brought the decision to inaugurate collection service at once in the business district, where heretofore merchants have had to pay to have their refuse hauled away.

**Three Times Weekly**  
Beginning this coming Monday, city trucks will collect trash and garbage from the rear of business establishments of the downtown area each Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning, provided the refuse is placed in metal containers for efficient handling. The exception is trash placed in crates or boxes which are also to be hauled away.

Agreeing that the method of collection in the residential districts needs improvement, the board found itself unable to take care of all problems at once and agreed to table this one until a later meeting.

Requests for paving certain streets within the city limits were brought before the board by members who had received the requests from residents, and it

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## New Sunday Law, No Wine Permits Put Beer and Wine Sellers In A Fix

With wine sales permits not yet received from the state ABC board; some doubt on the part of county commissioners as to renewing licenses for beer when both wine and beer licenses have been applied for—and paid for; and with sales of both, or either, now banned in the county on Sunday, beer and wine retailers of Moore county—all of whose licenses expired April 30—are at the moment in a fix.

Most, if not all, of them, it seems, are going right ahead doing what they were doing before April 30: with their applications and license fees filed weeks ago, they are selling their wares and no prosecutions appear to be in sight except for Sunday sales.

The general feeling of county authorities, as far as can be dis-

covered, appears to be that the delay is not their fault nor the fault of the sellers, and there is no point in anybody's being penalized unless the thing gets out of hand.

**Some Notices Sent**  
Notice of the banning of beer and wine sales from 11:30 p. m. Saturday to 7 a. m. Monday morning, in all portions of the county not embraced in corporate municipal limits, has been sent out to some, but not nearly all of the sellers, and many are going ahead with their sales in ignorance of the fact that they are breaking the law.

The regulation was passed by the commissioners at their May meeting. It does not apply to places within the corporate limits of towns in the county, whose

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## Eighth Graders Have Fine Time At Raleigh; They Didn't Miss A Thing

One of the finest things the public schools do for our boys and girls is to make possible such trips as the one the eighth grade of the Southern Pines school recently made to Raleigh. Here they learned in a most vivid way things of value about their capital and their state, and also about a town different from, and larger than, their own.

Following the trip, the students wrote articles about it, and Miss Martha Langston, their teacher, chose for The Pilot one she considered among the best and most comprehensive.

By Dick Ray  
On Thursday, May 8, the eighth grade of Southern Pines went on a trip to visit some places of interest around Raleigh.

The first place they went was to the capitol building. Here the capitol hostess, Mrs. Ruth Garrison, gave the class their schedule for the day. She told them some of the history of the building, and

said that it was one of the world's seven perfect structures. If one of the large stones were taken out, the whole dome would fall.

The capitol building is one of the most beautiful in the world. It is 107 years old. The cornerstone shows that the building was started in 1833, and was finished in 1840.

The hostess gave each member of the class a paper with the state seal and governor's autograph on it.

In the rotunda was a plaque in memory of the three signers of the Declaration of Independence from North Carolina, William Hooper, Joseph Hewes and John Penn. There were other statues and plaques in memory of other famous North Carolinians.

**Senate and House**  
The class went up into the Senate and House of Representatives chambers. The furniture in the rooms is made of Brazilian mahogany, and is 107 years' old. It is kept in such good condition

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