



Scouts Assemble Today For First County Camporee

200 Boys Expected For Weekend Event At Pine Needles

Boy Scouts of Moore county will gather at the 11th hole of the Pine Needles golf course between 12 noon and 5 p. m. today for a weekend of camping and competition constituting the first county-wide camporee.

Preparations have been under way for some time for the event, which will climax the Better Scouting contest of all troops, held during the past six months, and will provide practical training in all phases of Boy Scout activity—besides a lot of fun!

George T. Dunlap, Jr., district chairman of camping and activities, will be chief of the camporee, assisted by District Chairman Paul C. Butler, District Commissioner W. D. Campbell and members of the district executive committee. Each troop will be accompanied by one or more adult leaders, and patrol leaders will guide unit activities.

Scoring for each troop will be by points, in signaling, first aid, judging heights and distances, tenderfoot knot tying, campfire stories, tent pitching, water boiling, fire by friction and general camping excellence.

Teams will be entered in these events from each troop, with points given to the top three in order of merit. Troops will bring with them their equipment for camping, making fires and other activities, as well as their own food, and cooking utensils. All meals will be cooked out doors.

The Friday schedule following registration includes retreat at 5:30, followed by supper, cleaning up, preparation for the night and taps at 9 p. m.

The reveille call will sound at 7 a. m. Saturday, with competitions during the morning, rest and more competitions in the afternoon, followed by swimming and games; retreat; a campfire session, and taps.

Up again at 7 a. m. Sunday, the boys will prepare for formal inspection; attend religious exercises conducted by Rev. Lamar Jackson; stand formal inspection; and enjoy informal games before cooking dinner.

Formal assembly, with the awarding of prizes, will be held at 1:30 p. m., and colors will be lowered immediately after.

Breaking of camp will be followed by a final inspection, and troops will start home at 2 p. m. Cooking, cleaning up, camp sanitation and other phases of the weekend's outdoor life will

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34 Seniors Graduate In Impressive School Ceremony



Here are the boys and girls who graduated Tuesday night at commencement exercises at Southern Pines High school. They are, left to right, first row, Suzanne Kelley, Jean Sadler, Mrs. Ollie Mae Bowers Gillis, Mary Allred, Peggy Jean Cameron, Carolyn Hearne, Ruth Kleinspehn, Audrey West Brown, Jeanne Schaefer, Ruth Guin, Rebecca Ann McCue; second row, Geraldine Smith, Jean Olive, Anne Perkinson, Joyce Palmer, Kathleen McDonald, Joyce Anders on, Nellie Ward, Betty Harrington, Emma Louise Hackney, Margaret Gale; third row, Donald Scheipers, Elmer Renegar, Lewis Pate, Hurley Short, Stephen Van Camp, Robert Harrington, Robert McLeod, Burton Perham, Tommy Grey, T. K. Campbell, Robert Straka, Alton Blue, Clyde Smith.

(Photo by Humphrey)

Young Veterans, Servicemen Receive Diplomas With '47 High School Class

Bus Station Goes To New Location South of Town

With practically no warning, the bus station moved Saturday from its familiar location on West Vermont avenue to a spot about a mile distant and outside the city limits — the Esso Service at the intersection of South Broad with Highway 1, south of town.

However offsetting the disadvantage of distance from town will be the fact that 24-hour a day service is now offered, with a new agent and an assistant, instead of one agent as before, to keep the bus station open and answer the telephone at all times. J. B. McFarland, manager of the service station, is the agent, with Mrs. Ernestine Hendricks, who has served as agent for more than a year, working as his assistant.

Buses will stop at the post office on their way to and from the station, so that those wanting to get off in town may do so. However, ticket sales, baggage checking and all other regular station activities will be carried on at the new bus station.

Reason for the move was given that, faced with the necessity of finding a new location, Queen City Coach Company representatives were unable to find a suitable one in town.

High Jinks At Class Day Gathering Delight Capacity Audience Monday

There were High Jinks at High-standul Monday night as the graduating class, in an "Arabian Fantasy", written and produced by Class President Lewis Pate, took their classmates, fellow students, and august faculty over the jumps to the delight of an applauding laughing audience.

The curtains parted on the stage of the Southern Pines school auditorium soon after the appointed hour to show pretty, blue-clad Jean Schaefer (salutatorian) with a long scroll in her hand. She read the synopsis of the play and carefully explained, for those who might have missed the, ahem, point, that the Abdul Weavo (Bobby Harrington) and Dr. Sinbad Herr, (Alton Blue), on the program were meant to be our popular superintendent and school board chairman who were in some kind of a jam with bandits in an eastern city.

And here before our eyes they were, in the opening scene, being introduced to a seductive queen, (Joyce Anderson) clad in shimmering draperies, and her prime minister, (T. K. Campbell) bedecked with a handlebar mustache that tickled the audience as much as it appeared to be tickling his nose. So much so that he finally plucked it off and cast it away with a fine gesture of

disdain which brought forth screams of delight from the graders.

From then on, this leading official of Highstandul, whose name should have been High-Wide-and-Handsome, carried the show with a high hand into high comedy and highsterics. With plenty of highfalutin nonsense he introduced the acts that followed and libbed his way through the devious plot like an old hand. It may have broken the author's heart to have his good lines lost in the shuffle but the audience loved it. And such is the fate of playwrights.

Lush "Citizens"

Before an enchanting backdrop of mosques, kiosks, and the other oriental whatnots, done to the queen's taste, we feel sure, by Daniela Frassinetti and the ambidextrous Pate, a row of veiled hours was disclosed in the second scene. They were called "citizens" on the program, but they looked far too lush for any such term. Peggy Jean Cameron, Jeanne Sadler, Ruth Kleinspehn, Ollie Mae Bowers Gillis, Emma Louise Hackney, Kathleen McDonald and Geraldine Smith sat cross-legged and swayed and smiled at the audience, while right in the middle of this bower of beauty appeared the Snake

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Speaker Outlines Responsibilities Of Postwar Graduates

Commencement exercises at the Southern Pines High school Tuesday night marked the graduation of 32 young men and women of the first 12-year graduating class, with diplomas awarded also to two young men who had maintained their high school studies during their service in the uniform of their country, and 12th grade certificates to two who had previously graduated under the 11-grade system and had entered the armed service, then returned to their school to earn the extra benefit of the 12th grade.

Thomas Kelly Campbell and Lewis Pate were the two young veterans of World War 2 who added 12th grade certificates to diplomas previously awarded.

Lyle McDonald, Jr., chief pharmacist's mate, USN, came by plane from his base at Norfolk to stand with his class in navy whites and receive his diploma earned by extra study during his naval service.

To Leonard A. Morrison, also in service, a diploma was awarded in absentia.

Honor graduates, who maintained an average of 90 or more throughout four high school years, were Audrey West Brown, Annie Kathleen McDonald, Robert Franklin McLeod, Jean Olive, Joyce Norine Palmer, Sarah Jean Schaefer, Ruth Carol Guin, a student at the school for only two years, on account of her high scholastic achievement during that time was made an exception to the four-year rule, and was listed as a special honor graduate.

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Local Golfers Are League Co-Champs

The Southern Pines Country Club golf team concluded its 10-match series in the Sandhills Golf league Wednesday as co-champions, with the Fayetteville Club team, of the six-club league.

Wednesday's final match with Wadesboro, resulting in a score of 29-4 for the local players, gave a record for the series of eight matches won and two lost, identical with that of Fayetteville.

A playoff tournament was originally planned but will not be held, it was announced, as the Fayetteville group has reported that a number of their members are leaving town, and they are content with the status of co-champions.

Eleven matches were played here Wednesday, with Bill Woodward, of Hemp, a Southern Pines Club player, making the best score, an even par 71. The team of Wiggs and Woodward had the best ball, 69.

The league secretary will announce results for all clubs this weekend.

POSTMASTER

Congressman C. B. Deane has recommended to the Post Office department the appointment of Lansing T. Hall to the acting postmastership here, the precinct committee was notified by telegram yesterday.

Official appointment is to be made by J. M. Donaldson, first assistant postmaster general, following routine preliminaries of the department. The recommendation was made Thursday, May 29, according to Deane's telegram. Hall has served the local post office as war service substitute clerk since February, 1942. A native of Winston-Salem, he has lived in Southern Pines for 22 years, growing up here and graduating from the local high school. He attended State College.

The new acting postmaster was married a month ago, and lives in the Gertrude apartments.

Recreation Plans Shaping Toward Opening June 16

The summer recreation program is shaping up nicely in preparation for its opening Monday, June 16, and it looks as though there will be plenty for every Southern Pines youngster to do during the vacation leisure hours, according to plans announced this week by A. C. Dawson, director.

The program for white youths, to be centered at the Men's Club building and the Civic club, and that for Negro boys and girls, centering at the West Southern Pines school, are expected to follow similar schedules ending August 23. Sessions will be held Monday through Friday, from 10 a. m. to 12 noon and from 2:30 to 5:30 p. m., with special programs planned for rainy days.

The campaign for financing the white program is still going on, according to June Phillips, treasurer for the Council of Social Agencies, sponsors of the project. Some two-thirds of the amount has been collected, and late givers are urged not to wait on solicitation but to send their contribution through the mail to the Council of Social Agencies. It is estimated that \$2,500 will be needed to carry the program through the 10 weeks.

This is a community project, council leaders emphasized, benefiting all families whether they have children participating or not, and it is the privilege of every citizen to help support it.

A May festival, held last month at the West Southern Pines school, raised funds sufficient to pay the salary of their director, E. M. Gentry, and the Council of Social Agencies is supplying their equipment. Their support of the program as evidenced at the festival was a fine example of community cooperation, council leaders

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Additional Funds Sought For Gym, School Cafeteria

The need for additional funds for the Southern Pines Elementary school, to add a cafeteria and gymnasium to the new building now in process of construction, was presented to the county commissioners by a local delegation at their regular meeting session Monday, and once again the matter was postponed on the grounds of greater needs of other schools, and lack of funds to answer all demands.

Philip J. Weaver, Southern Pines superintendent, John Howarth, of the local school board, and Amos C. Dawson, of the high school faculty, appeared before the commissioners to reiterate the request which they have made from time to time for the past several months.

The Southern Pines school board has received from the county checks totaling \$181,000, according to agreement reached last summer, for the building now being erected. Of this amount, three

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Countywide Clinic Schedule In June To Vaccinate All

The Moore County health department, now well supplied with smallpox vaccine, will go all out during June to administer vaccination to all young children of the county, as well as any others wanting or needing to be vaccinated, according to announcement made this week by Dr. J. W. Willcox, county health officer.

With this in view, a number of special clinics have been arranged for in addition to those regularly scheduled each week, and all of these not only smallpox vaccination will be administered but the other immunizations advised for the years of infancy and early childhood — whooping cough, diphtheria and typhoid.

Smallpox vaccine is given at the age of three months, and Dr. Willcox cautions mothers not to delay immunization of their babies against this disease. Adults are urged to get this vaccination every year.

Whooping cough vaccination may be given at four months, and diphtheria toxoid at six months, or a combination of the two may be given at six months on up to six years.

Typhoid vaccination is not given until the baby is a year old, or until all the others have been successfully completed.

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Young Girl Drowns At Aberdeen Lake, Invoking Action For Safety Measures

Coleen Bullard, 18, Loses Life In Midst Of Laughing Crowd

In the midst of a joyous, shrieking, frolicking crowd of swimmers, predominantly teen-aged, an 18-year-old girl slipped beneath the waters of sunny Aberdeen lake Sunday afternoon, and drowned.

Exhausted from an attempt to swim across the lake to the pier, Mary Coleen Bullard, of Sanford, Rt. 1, failed to make it to the posts of the pier where her brother, who had also attempted the swim across, clung too tired to save her.

Seeing his sister's plight, he is reported to have grasped for her, caught her hair and felt her slip away. She did not reappear.

Amid the shouts and laughter of what was said to be the largest crowd the lake has had this season, his screams for help were unheard or taken for play. Some who heard him said later, "We thought he was kidding." Even when some began to take him seriously, and the word passed, "A girl has gone down," most thought it a joke.

Vital minutes had passed before a chill struck the crowd as they realized that this was no joke, it was tragedy.

Boys began diving for the girl, and it was said to have been many long minutes later—perhaps 10—before Douglas Rowe, of Aberdeen, felt her body with his foot, in the channel where the water runs out, deepest part of the lake. This was about 30 feet from the pier.

Stephen Van Camp of Southern Pines, assisted with the recovery of the body. Among a number of other local young folk who lent aid were T. K. Campbell and Paul Fowler.

Brought to the surface, she was carried on a rubber life raft to the diving raft, the nearest flat surface. There began the attempts at artificial respiration, lengthening heartbreakingly into hours—from 4:30 until long past 7—before hope was given up.

Two paratroopers and an army medic, Boy Scouts and others tried their skill until first Dr. Bowen, then Dr. Bowman and Dr. Mobbs, arrived from Aberdeen. An adrenalin injection failed to stir her pulse perceptibly. The Pinehurst Fire department sent the county's only pulmonologist, but two hours' application proved fruitless.

The tall, slender brunette girl, clad in a black bathing suit, remained lifeless, and was finally pronounced dead. Coy Geer, of the Powell funeral home here, who had happened to drive by, was sent for the ambulance.

Young people from all over the county were present, and among them were many friends of Coleen Bullard, as she was known when she lived and went to school in Moore.

Her family lived for several

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Groups To Unite In Securing Lifeguard; Instructors Sought

Deeply stirred by last Sunday's tragedy at Aberdeen lake, emphasizing a lack of protection of which many had been unaware, citizens of the nearby communities moved swiftly this week toward prevention of a recurrence in the future.

Employment of a lifeguard at Aberdeen lake seemed likely this week, through cooperation of civic and recreational bodies of the county for protection of swimmers at this countywide recreation spot.

Action toward this end was decided on at a meeting held at Aberdeen yesterday of Southern Pines, Aberdeen and Pinehurst representatives. Those of other communities are to be contacted at once. With various plans starting up, a coordinating factor appeared with the appointment of a special committee of the Sandhills Kiwanis club, whose members attended the meeting and will work with groups in other towns.

A public meeting will be held at the Aberdeen school Monday at 7:30 p. m. at which the Aberdeen Youth Council will plan its cooperation and study a program of safety measures.

Instructors Wanted

From A. C. Dawson, director of the summer recreational program, and from Mrs. Lee Page at Aberdeen have come calls for qualified life saving instructors willing to teach a class. Dawson plans to incorporate the course in the summer program here if an instructor can be found. At Aberdeen a group of young women, many of whose children use the lake, want to take the course.

Robert E. Lee, athletic director

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JUST A THOUGHT

Never has an editorial produced so instantaneous a response. Or shall we simply confess that the Pilot no longer depends on the printed word. He's gone in for radio and thought transference . . . and how!

Even as he stood upon the bridge, mapping out his editorial on the tragedy at Aberdeen, even as he sat him down at the typewriter and genius started a-burnin', the power spread.

In other words, a lot of great minds were thinking alike.

But the Pilot wasn't a bit surprised. . . (hard to phase these old salts.) . . . he was just gratified to see that everybody agreed with him and was going to do something about it with no delay.

You can't beat a real seacaptain when it comes to getting things done. Or getting other people to do things. He just needs to think about it. . . !

Court Calls \$500 Damages Too Small Sets Aside Verdict In Accident Suit

A \$25,000 damage suit arising from a train-auto collision here April 15, 1943, reached an inconclusive termination at the civil term of superior court this week when the jury's verdict for the plaintiff, awarding her \$500, was set aside by the court on the ground that this amount was inadequate.

Unless a settlement is reached, this will in all likelihood mean a new trial, lawyers opined after almost three days of exhaustive testimony and legal argument.

Plaintiff in the case was Mrs. Alice Eddy, formerly of Southern Pines, now of New Hampshire. Defendants originally listed were Miss Elizabeth Barnum, Mrs. Elizabeth G. Barnum, executrix of estate of Paul T. Barnum, and L. R. Powell, Jr., and Henry W. Anderson as receivers for the Seaboard Air Line railway. Following the start of the trial Thursday afternoon, lawyers for the Seaboard moved on Friday for a non-suit, and this was granted

early Monday by Judge Pittman on the basis that negligence on the part of the railroad had not been proved.

The trial proceeded then with Miss Barnum and her mother, Mrs. Paul Barnum, as sole defendants, and also as sole witnesses for the defense, except for Mrs. Elinor Fisher, eye witness, subpoenaed by both sides.

For the Prosecution

Witnesses for the prosecution were Mrs. Eddy; Mrs. Doris Eddy Gentsch, of New Hampshire, her daughter; Mrs. William Dale, a neighbor; Mrs. C. A. Maze, a nurse who had attended her; and Rev. Tucker G. Humphries, a character witness. Medical depositions were also offered.

The testimony, including that of Mrs. Fisher, gave a graphic picture of what started out to be a friendly ride that April afternoon, when Miss Barnum, accompanied by her mother and driving the family car, stopped at Mrs. Eddy's home close to the Mass-

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