

## Abundant Peach Crop Is On Move From Sandhills

### Pickers Are Busy Quality Rated Tops

The Sandhills peach crop is getting into high, with 56 carlots shipped out of the state through Wednesday of this week, as reported by the Federal-State Market News Service out of Hamlet.

The Golden Jubilees are about all gone, Hfley Belles are at their peak and the Georgia Belles will be coming in the middle or last of next week. The end of the month will see the magnificent Elbertas streaming in quantity out of the Sandhills orchards.

And magnificent is the word for all the midsummer peaches, now that the scant and disappointing early crop is out of the way. Benefiting by a long and favorable growing season, the later peaches appear to be at their best this year in both quantity and quality.

This was the satisfying answer secured by The Pilot on querying J. Hawley Poole, of West End, who has orchards in Moore and three other counties and is numbered among the Sandhills' top peach growers. Some 200 pickers are working for him now every day, representing another pleasing side to the bounteous crop. While still not plentiful, farm labor is not so scarce this year as before, Poole said, and it is felt that all the crop can be satisfactorily handled by the workers available.

An early estimate of a crop one-seventh larger than last year has been revised downward since the early peaches showed effects of the prolonged chill of the spring, and the crop reporting service now sets production in the Sandhills area at 1,522,000 bushels, a decline of six per cent from last year. This includes all peaches, commercial and non-commercial, in Moore, Richmond, Scotland, Anson, Montgomery and Hoke counties.

State department of agriculture officials report prices steady in the Sandhills, and somewhat higher than a year ago. Large Hileys are bringing from \$2.50 to \$2.75 a bushel, and small peaches \$1.75 to \$2. Last year the large Hileys sold at the latter price.

## Negro Fireman Hurt In Train Collision

The engine of one train and a car of another were derailed and overturned Monday afternoon when two Norfolk and Southern southbound freights, late on their runs from Raleigh to Charlotte, met in rear-end collision between Glendon and Hallison.

John Hicks, Negro fireman of Raleigh, was reported to be the only casualty. He was taken to the Moore County Hospital, where it was said his injuries were believed not to be serious.

Both trains were said to be considerably damaged. Traffic on the line was tied up for some time as the work of clearing the track was not completed until Tuesday morning.

## Speedboat Races Thrill 3,000 In

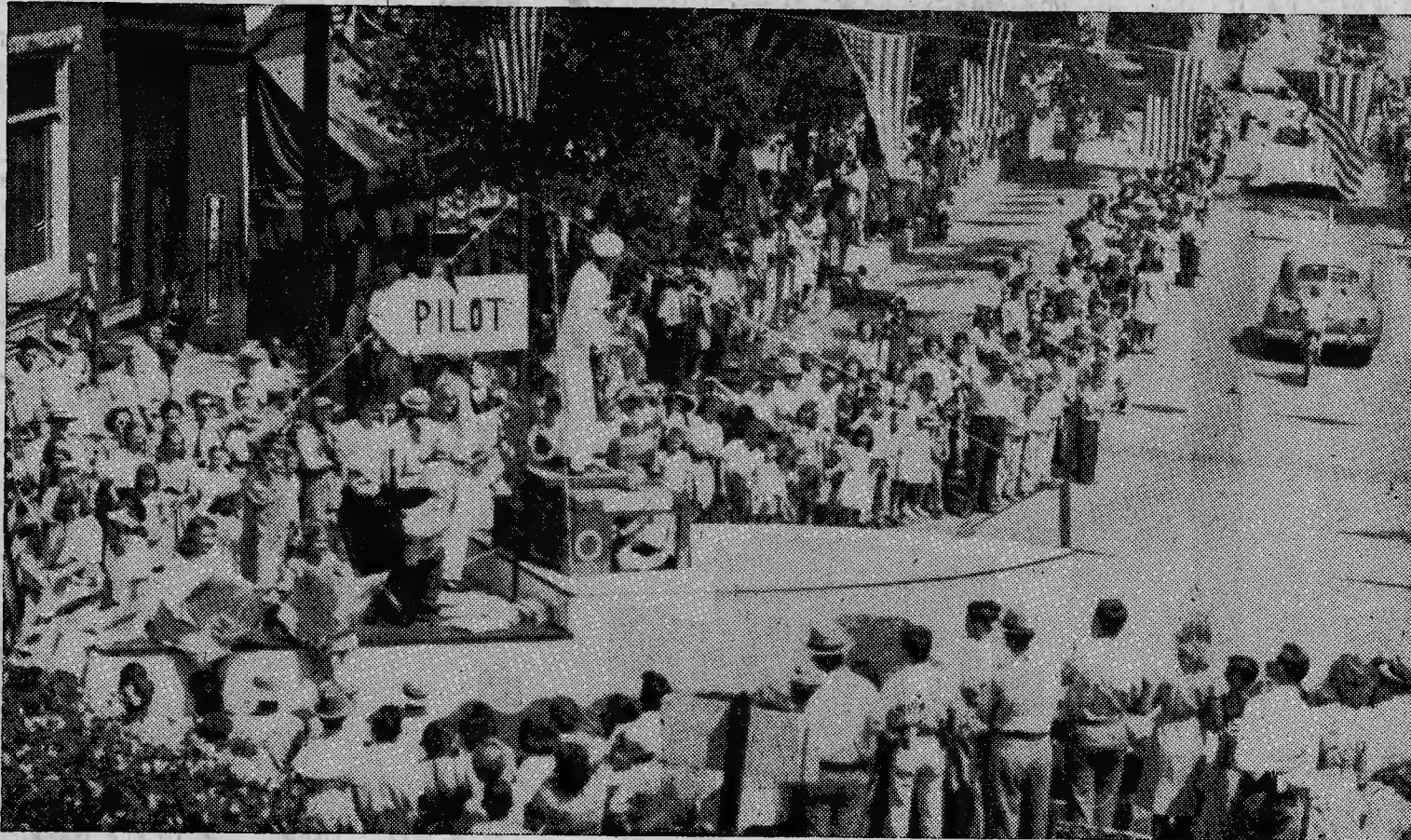
### Initial Sporting Event At Lakeview

A crowd estimated at well over 3,000 attended the Sandhills' first speedboat races, held Sunday afternoon at Crystal Lake, Lakeview, where hydroplanes and runabouts in six exciting heats provided thrills aplenty in what was rated as one of the most successful sports events ever held here.

In fact, it was so successful that at its close Jimmy Allen, lake proprietor and promoter of the event, announced plans to stage a much larger race event next month under sanction of the North Carolina Outboard association, to be officially clocked and judged and presenting 40 or 50 boats instead of the eight or nine seen here Sunday afternoon.

Undeterred by occasional showers and a couple of mid-race mishaps, which added to the thrills, the tiny craft brought here by some of the state's leading drivers scooted about the lake in lap after lap, in a masterful exhibit

## Heave Ho, My Hearties! It's The Good Ship Pilot Come To Town



Shiver my timbers, mates, it's that famed craft The Pilot, masquerading as a float in the memorable celebration held at Carthage July 4. If you look closely you will see the Pilot himself, whiskers and all, seated in the midst of his happy-go-lucky crew. (Photo by Robert Caviness)

## Protests Filed At CAB Hearing Resort Airlines

Southern Pines' Resort Airlines, Inc., seeking a CAB franchise for a network of air routes connecting the major resorts of this hemisphere, faced a solid mass of opposition on the part of potential competitors at the pre-conference hearing Wednesday in the Civil Aeronautics Board building at Washington, D. C.

All the nation's major airlines and some of the minor ones had counsel present to protest the Resort Airlines plan, which, because of its international extent and monopolistic character has drawn the attention of the entire field of commercial aeronautics.

Filing objections were Pan-American, TWA, Eastern Air Lines, United Air Lines, Continental Air Lines, Northwest Air Lines and others.

James Keith, CAB examiner, set September 2 for the presentation of evidence for and against, by all parties, and September 24 for presentation of rebuttal evidence. The formal hearings are expected to begin early in October, unless the protesters succeed in delaying them further.

Maj. L. C. Burwell, Jr., president of Resort Airlines, C. L. Burwell, vice president, Robert Lassiter, attorney, of Charlotte, and George Neal, of Pogue and Neal, a Washington legal firm, appeared for the local airlines, which is working for an early decision.

of flying-saucer seamanship. The races were sponsored by Aberdeen Post 72 of the American Legion, which chalked up 2,000 paid admissions. The other 1,000 spectators arrived through unprotected entrances, revealing a defect in the set-up which, it was said, will be corrected before the next event. One-third of the "take" went to the drivers of the winning craft, prorated as prizes for first, second and third for each race.

**Hydroplane Race**  
The first race, for Class C hydroplanes, was run in three heats. An unexpected thrill was provided in the second heat as one hydroplane, that of O. L. Lackey of Trinity, caught fire near the dock. Rescuers swam out to him immediately and helped him douse the flames about his engine, which had already burned his hands severely as he attempted to put them out. Flaming gas-

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## Hail Damages Tobacco Crop In Two Freak Storms Skipping Over County

### Lakeview Section Is Reported Hardest Hit

Freak hailstorms skipped about the county Tuesday of last week and Monday of this, causing severe damage to the tobacco in scattered sections and, by a miracle, leaving the peach orchards untouched.

The Lakeview section got a bad dose of hail in both storms, with damage estimated by J. L. McGraw, insurance agent in Carthage, to run in many cases as high as 40 per cent, though the average might turn out considerably lower. Claims are coming in every day, with damage reported so far by W. R. Haynes, W. R. Haynes, Jr., J. S. Simpson, C. Howard McInnes, Mrs. J. P. Causay, J. E. Caviness, Mrs. Fannie Coore and J. Herbert McInnis and others of this section.

Though no hail was reported seen in Southern Pines, farmers within a few miles suffered damaged crops, among them Dolph Blue, near the airport, and L. B. Apple, this side of Lakeview.

The irregular nature of the storms is also indicated by reports from J. E. Snow, above Cameron; (Continued on Page 8)

## Albright Will Be VFW Guest Aug. 21

R. Mayne Albright of Raleigh, North Carolina director of the World Federalist Union, has made definite acceptance of an invitation to be guest speaker and discussion leader at Monday night's meeting of the John Boyd post, VFW, according to announcement by C. S. Patch, Jr., post commander. All veterans, including non-members, are invited to attend.

Albright, an army veteran and former director of the United States Employment Service in North Carolina, is a candidate for governor subject to the Democratic primary.

He will speak on "Some of the Choices We Face as Citizens in the Local, National and International Levels." The ensuing discussion will be conducted as an open forum.

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## FEVER VICTIM

The rare Rocky Mountain spotted fever claimed its first victim of the year in Moore county Sunday, when little Joyce Ann Hussey, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Newton Hussey of Robbins, Rt. 2, died at Moore County hospital.

The child was in the hospital 12 days. Her second birthday occurred two days before her death, July 11.

The funeral was held at 2 p. m. Monday at Smyrna Methodist church, conducted by Rev. W. J. Underwood, with burial in the church cemetery. Besides the parents, survivors are one brother, Jack, and three sisters, Shirley, Nancy and Bonnie Lou, all of the home.

Rocky Mountain spotted fever, which is almost always fatal, occurs most frequently from a tick bite, though in this case, the attending physician said, no history of tickbite could be determined. It is not contagious.

## Sandhills' Future Good, Says Tufts

By Howard F. Burns

Richard S. Tufts, addressing the Sandhills Kiwanis club at its luncheon Wednesday at Pope's on the subject "The Future Resort Business in the Sandhills" pointed out the possibility of attracting tourists to the Sandhills during the summer months.

Tufts, who has spent considerable time and travel in the study of the resort industry, stated he was informed by an official of the Seaboard Air Line that the passenger department was amazed by the increased summer travel to Florida this year. He pointed out several reasons for the increase: most of the Northern summer resorts were crowded, and reservations could not be obtained; also the Florida resorts have put on a campaign advertising lowered rates, and the traveling public is taking advantage of this opportunity to visit Florida.

He predicted a good winter business for this section for the next few years comparable with the 1920's.

The large type of hotel, operated for a few winter months, is a thing of the past, he said. He attributed this change to diminishment of individual incomes because of heavy taxes, and increased operating costs of the large hotels which are unable to reduce their rates.

He predicted this country (Continued on Page 8)

## Four-Club League Opens Summer Softball Series

Something new for summer pleasure started up last week—a softball league, with teams from Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Aberdeen and Carthage, playing each Monday and Thursday nights at the Pinehurst School athletic field.

With the first game starting at 7 p. m. and a second following immediately, all four teams play every time, and will do so through August 21, with playoffs starting several days later.

In the initial games last Monday evening Southern Pines won over Carthage 13-6, aided by the fine work of Amos Dawson, team member and coach, who went to bat twice for two hits. Aberdeen was winner over Pinehurst by 14-8.

Southern Pines players Monday—a list which is subject to change from game to game—were Red Smith, Graham Douglas, Bob Straka, Davis Worsham, Drenman Mann, Gunther Lurie, Tommy Grey, Gene Maples, Amos Dawson, Delmar Mann, pitcher, and John Neal, catcher. Harry Chatfield is manager of the team.

The league is part of a summer program for young adults arranged through cooperation of Dawson, as summer recreation director here, with directors in the other towns, and others interested in a summer sports program.

Admission fees of 30 cents for adults and 10 cents for children will be used to pay for the lights and balls, with any surplus divided among the four clubs at the close of the season. Any dividend accruing to Southern Pines will go toward the floodlights for the town athletic park, Manager Chatfield said.

## Experts Will Report On S. P. School

W. F. Cradle, head of the state planning and building department of the state department of public instruction, and H. W. Moser, engineer with the office of William R. Dietrich, Raleigh school architect, visited the Southern Pines school last Thursday to view the damage done by the collapse of the auditorium ceiling three weeks ago.

They are to make written reports on the extent of the damage and the possibilities of remodeling, with suggestions for improvement to meet current and future needs.

Their reports will also contain advice concerning other needed improvements of the building, which they inspected in its entirety in company with Supt. Philip J. Weaver.

## Town Board To Extend Fire Protection With Mains, Hydrants In Three Areas

### V-J DAY

A countywide V-J Day celebration will be held at Southern Pines, under sponsorship of all veterans' organizations, according to an announcement yesterday from the Moore County Veterans' committee.

The veterans are now at work on details of the program, including the securing of an outstanding speaker for the event.

Southern Pines had the honor last year also of being the site for the Victory Day event, and it is planned to make this one even more notable, according to Charles W. Swoope, of Pinehurst, chairman. It is planned in future years to stage the celebration in various other county communities in turn.

## Mrs. McCain Is

### Named To State

## Good Health Group

More honors and responsibilities, and deserved ones, have come to Southern Pines' Mrs. Paul P. McCain. Last week this daughter of the late Dr. McCray and widow of Sanatorium's beloved physician was elected to the board of directors of the State Good Health Association and was also named a member of Governor Cherry's special committee to study the proposal of the Cone Memorial Hospital committee of amalgamation with the state's medical school plan.

Mrs. McCain returned from the meeting in Greensboro greatly encouraged. "You never saw anything like the enthusiasm of that crowd," she said. "There were more than 200 people there and every one was interested every minute. I feel that this is the greatest step forward that this state has taken in many, many years."

### Praise From Parran

Describing the address made by Dr. Parran, head of the National Board of Health, Mrs. McCain said the speaker praised North Carolina as being one of the first four states to be accepted by the government for participation in the funds of the recently passed Hill Burton Health bill, and said that this state led all the others in interest in health problems.

The next step in the state's program, Mrs. McCain said, is for the local sponsors to get busy. As soon as it has been determined by the Medical Care Commission how much is to be allocated to each community it will be important for each applicant to act quickly as a time limit has been set for completion of the plan.

### Priority Classes

"As I understand it," she said, "there are three classes of priority. Number one is the place with (Continued on Page 8)

## Saylor Street Area Where Houses Burned Receives Attention

The town board, meeting last Thursday evening in regular session, authorized Howard Burns, town clerk, to place an order immediately for pipe, hydrants and valves to provide fire protection, as soon as they can be installed, for an additional 12 blocks of city streets.

The city water mains will be extended on May street north from Delaware to Ohio avenue, and east to the city line at Youngs road; on Saylor street from Vermont to New Hampshire; and on Gaines street south from New York to Wisconsin avenue and east to Mechanic street.

Two of these routes go through Negro sections, one of them in the Saylor street area in which two homes were burned some weeks ago, suffering total loss largely on account of their long distance from a fire hydrant.

A subsequent town board meeting was taken up largely with a discussion of the problem of adequate fire protection for the growing town, with a report to be made by Joe N. Steed and L. V. O'Callaghan this month. Estimates secured by the board had set the cost of extending the water mains at around \$1,000 a city block. Since there must be an inevitable delay in securing the materials—valves and hydrants may be six months or more in arriving—Mayor Page pushed the matter of placing the town's order at once.

A saving both of time and money will be effected through the use of Transite, asbestos pipe manufactured by Johns-Manville for the purpose, now in use by many municipalities throughout the country and shown through test to be capable of withstanding extremely high water pressures and the wear and tear of time.

Cast iron pipe will be used on the Delaware-Ohio avenue section, to accord with the pipe it will serve to extend.

## Worsham Car Stolen By Johnny-On-Spot

A car thief was very much on the job last Friday night when Davis Worsham, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Worsham of East Pennsylvania avenue, came home about 11 o'clock and parked his dad's 1946 Plymouth sedan in front of the house.

He locked the car, taking the key with him, and joined the family, who were all up and in the sunroom overlooking the street.

He went to get some cigarettes from the car about 15 minutes later, but found no car. It was gone, and has stayed gone, despite a lookout by city police and the alerting of state highway patrolmen through broadcast from Raleigh.

It is a four-door model, maroon in color, with license 267-840.

## Moore County May Have Farm Fair

### Commissioners Study Jaycees' Plan

Moore county may have an agricultural fair—if not this year, then next, if plans of the Carthage Junior Chamber of Commerce for sponsoring one meet with success.

Colin G. Spencer, Jr., and W. B. Hill, representing the Jaycee organization, presented these plans before the county commissioners at a special meeting Monday afternoon, to meet with unanimous approval of the project and of their sponsorship, but a reluctance, in view of what was described as an "already top-heavy" budget, to contribute a starter of \$1,000 as requested.

The commissioners agreed, however, to give an answer next Monday afternoon.

A site has been tentatively selected, the Jaycees said, on the Paul Waddell place, about two miles from Carthage on the Sanford-Cameron road. With little money on hand, they face expenses of land rent, fencing, prize

money, exhibit houses and other essentials. However, they explained, they would start with a small fair at first, expanding each year as the project grew in profits and extent. An annual fair is planned, with a permanent fairground as a later objective.

The matter of a county fair has, it turned out, been one dear to the heart of Commissioner John B. Currie for a number of years, and each of the other commissioners expressed the view that one would be a fine thing for the farmers and for the county as a whole. Good sponsorship, to keep the "rough stuff" out and to emphasize the educational rather than the carnival features, they said was an important point, and they seemed to think the Jaycees filled the bill.

"Your Fourth of July celebration showed that you boys know how to conduct a clean, well-planned and interesting event." (Continued on Page 8)