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## WSTS To Go On Air Monday Morning From Modern Studios Located Here

### County's First Station Will Cover Sandhills Area

5,000 Watts Planned

Following tests which have taken place during the past few days, the controls will be turned on at 6 a. m. Monday for the debut on the air of Southern Pines' and Moore county's first radio station, WSTS,—"990 on your dial" of the Sandhills Broadcasting corporation.

The station will operate daily from 6 a. m. to 7:45 p. m. for the first few weeks, and then, according to plans now in progress, will go on night-time operation also, according to John C. Greene, manager.

Plans are also being made to step up the power to 5,000 watts, he said. However, with its present 250 watts WSTS may be expected to cover the entire Sandhills area.

Though a formal opening program may be arranged later, there will be "nothing special" on the first days, whose program may be taken as a typical sample of any day on the air, said Greene. Music both popular and classical, news and a daily sports review are being logged, though it will be some time before the programs will have jelled to a general routine whereby listeners may know just what to expect when.

However, said Greene, a number of interesting programs are being prepared and listeners will find a wide variety, to suit every taste.

### Studio Building

Finishing touches are being put this week on the studios on West Broad street near Pennsylvania avenue, which have attracted many observers during the remodeling of the building.

They are declared to be among the most beautiful and modern among the smaller studios of the entire south.

The studio building includes a reception room and business offices, audience lounge, large and small broadcasting studios, control room, music room for record and transcription libraries and a newsroom housing the United Press teletype. All are air-conditioned, done in two shades of blue, with wine colored carpeting in the lounge and broadcasting studios, and modernistic furnishings in the lounge.

The standard transcription service is being used, to provide a variety of music. With new transcriptions coming in constantly, plus the new records and record albums, WSTS will have all the latest tunes on tap.

An abundant library of classical and semi-classical music will also be built up, for frequent concerts of the finest offerings of the musical world, said Greene. A loudspeaker system carries the radio programs into all parts of the building.

### Transmitter

Gates radio equipment is used throughout the studios and at

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## Scoutmaster Got Blisters But Boys

### Never Slow Up On Washington Trip

By Dick Ray

At 11:40 Friday night, 10 Boy Scouts of Troop 73 and Assistant Scoutmaster Carlton Kennedy left for a weekend of sightseeing in Washington, D. C. The scouts were Roland Bower, Bob Cornwell, (who went on to Newark to meet his father), Carlton Kennedy, Jr., Milton Kaylor, Bill Blue, John Calloway, Eddie Menefee, Dick McCall, David Atherton, and Dick Ray.

The boys arrived in Washington at 11:30 daylight saving time Saturday morning. They were met at Union station by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Robbins. Mrs. Robbins is the former Marie Kennedy of Southern Pines. After leaving the train station the scouts went across the street to Hotel Commodore, one of the best in Washington, where they were to stay over the weekend. John Lang, secretary to Congressman C. B. Deane, had made the reservations at the hotel.

## PERMIT GRANTED

A construction permit has been granted the Sandhills Community Broadcasters, Inc., by the Federal Communications commission, to build a 1,000-watt radio station for operation on a frequency of 1360 kilocycles, according to a Washington dispatch of last week.

The information was also received here by wire by friends of the corporation, who said that erection of the station and studios would go forward at once.

Jack Younts is president of the corporation, and will be manager of the station, which will lease a building to be erected on the west side of Highway 1, between Southern Pines and Aberdeen. George Buttry, of Southern Pines, will build the station, in which both the studio and transmitter facilities will be housed.

## Pinehurst Shop, Station, Cameron P. O. Are Robbed

A thief who took 40 cents from a money drawer, leaving 60 cents, and attempted without success to break into the safe, was a visitor last Wednesday night at the Norfolk & Southern station at Pinehurst, into which he had effected entry through a window with tools taken earlier that night from Henry Frye's paint shop, in Pinehurst.

A pistol was also taken from the paint shop, and the dial of the station safe was ruined and has had to be replaced, it was reported by Police Chief Dees of Pinehurst, who said that to date no arrest has been made.

### SBI Assists

Assisting Chief Dees and the sheriff's department in their investigation of the double break-in was Lee Phillips, of the SBI at Raleigh, who came to Pinehurst the following day. Phillips expressed the opinion that the work may have been that of a ring which has been operating throughout the Carolinas for some months and which has visited, this section before, making entries at Southern Pines, Aberdeen and Vass.

Nothing appeared missing from either place at Pinehurst except the pistol and the 40 cents. Frye's tools were left at the station.

### Robbery at Cameron

The cases were believed to have no connection with a third robbery, under investigation by the sheriff's department in which four parcel post packages, valued altogether at less than \$50, were taken Friday night from the post office at Cameron. Entry was effected through a locked back door, which was pried open.

Postal Inspector J. M. Risley, of Raleigh, is assisting with the investigation.

## Office Is Opened At Aberdeen For License Examiner

### A And B Drivers Of Southern Pines To Be Tested There

Motor vehicle operators whose initials are A and B, having Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Aberdeen or West End as address, will go to Aberdeen for their safe driving permits made necessary by the new state laws, it was announced this week.

Walter E. Yow, of Asheboro, newly added to the license examining staff of Moore county, will give the tests for drivers of these localities Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, also Saturday morning of each week. His office hours are 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., 9-12 on Saturdays.

His office is at the A & R railroad station in Aberdeen.

D. G. Frye, who until the addition of Yow to the staff did the examining for the entire county, will test drivers from Carthage, Robbins and Sanford. His headquarters are at the state highway patrol office in the courthouse at Carthage, where he may be found Mondays and Tuesdays, also Saturday mornings.

Though the examining period for A and B drivers is July 1 through December 31, the license examiners emphasize the importance of taking the tests as early as possible. As the time goes on it is inevitable that late comers will jam the schedule, and applicants may have to wait, or return several times for their tests.

If they get "left over" until past the deadline they will also have to wait on the C's and D's, who will take priority then.

Though the full amount of literature, to prepare drivers for their tests, has not arrived, the examiners have on hand one of the most important booklets, that of recognition of highway signs by their sizes, shapes and colors, and suggest that each driver come by and get one before his test.

## Mattocks Elected Youth President; Tournament Held

With Southern Pines boys winning four out of five singles matches and both doubles, and a Southern Pines girl, Pat Caddell, winning the lone match in which girls participated, the Southern Pines-Aberdeen ping pong tournament held at the Civic center Tuesday night was declared an unqualified success, as far as the local young folks were concerned.

Singles were won by H. L. Brown vs. Burns, L. Pate vs. Watson, Baker vs. Oliver and Arnette vs. Heppburn, with B. Brown losing to Aberdeen's one winner, Lee. In the doubles H. Lee Brown and Pate won from Lee and Burns, B. Brown and Baker from Watson and Heppburn. Miss Caddell's opponents among the visitors were Mrs. R. E. Lee and Catherine Matthews.

Playing was hard, fast and skillful, providing an excellent show for the enthusiastic gallery. Soft drinks were served following the matches.

Before the tournament, part of the summer recreation program for young people of the town, a meeting of the Teen Age club was held at which Gary Mattocks was elected president, succeeding Bobby Harrington who graduated from high school in June. It was decided that the members would sell soft drinks at the V-J Day celebration. Dan Frassinetti, vice president, who presided until President Mattocks took over, announced that a "coke" vending machine is to be installed at the Civic center.

Southern Pines girls played a rip roaring game of softball at Pinehurst Tuesday evening, winning their first night game by a score of 20-6 by means of excellent play throughout. The local lineup included Ruth Guin, pitcher; Betty Jane Worsham, catcher; Pat Caddell, first base; Nellie Ward Watson, second base; Bar-

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## SCHOOL BELLS

In the midst of summer's pleasures comes the news for Southern Pines school students and their parents that school bells will ring for the fall term Wednesday, September 3.

It is important that every student be present the first day for enrollment and assignment to classes, Supt. Philip J. Weaver emphasized this week.

Most of the former teachers will be back and a few new ones. Announcement as to the completed faculty will be made in a week or two, he said.

## Moore County Newsfolk Meet, Organize Club

Members of the staffs of the four Moore County newspapers, with their wives, husbands and a number of visitors, hobbled in journalistic fellowship in Southern Pines Saturday night, the spirit of competition momentarily allayed as common bonds were strengthened and mutual problems discussed.

Scene of the gathering was "Hibernia," the Struthers Burt home, residence for the summer of Mrs. Valerie Nicholson, assistant editor of The Southern Pines Pilot.

Uphot of the meeting was the formation of the Moore County Press association, a loosely formed organization of the working journalistic fraternity of the county, to follow a tentative schedule of monthly dinner meetings with each weekly playing host in turn.

Presenting the matter of forming a county press association was Editor R. P. Gibson of the Moore County News, who called on others in turn for expression of opinion and found it to be favorable. A September meeting was planned, to be held in Carthage.

Present from the local papers were: Bob Harlow, editor of the Pinehurst Outlook and also of Golf World, national weekly, with Arthur J. Williams and Carl Corley of his staff; H. Clifton Blue, editor of the Sandhill Citizen, Aberdeen; Editor Gibson of the Moore County News, Carthage, with Woodrow Whitthit and Gerry Muse; Mrs. James Boyd, editor of the Southern Pines Pilot, with Bert Premo of the ad-

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## County Golf Meet In Second Round

After qualifying rounds played last week, the annual Moore County Golf tournament got under way Monday morning at the Southern Pines Country club with two flights in the field, and by the close of the first round Wednesday evening some able players had been eliminated and others were heading into the second round.

Among the latter were William Woodward, defending champion of Robbins, and the three Smith brothers of Pinehurst.

First round results were reported as follows: first flight—C. B. Wallace, Pinehurst, one up over H. C. Davis, Robbins; Davis Worsham, Southern Pines, over Meredith Herndon of Pinehurst and Sanford, by default; Bob Smith 5-4 over Ollie Adec, both of Pinehurst; Richard Smith, Pinehurst, over Russ Birch, Southern Pines, 2-1; Gene Maples, tied on the 18th with Barrett Harris, and one up on the 18th (both Southern Pines), Tommy Grey, Southern Pines, 4-3 over Bob Harlow, Pinehurst; Bill Woodward, Robbins, over Jack Carter, Southern Pines, 4-3; Will Wiggs, Southern Pines, one up over S. W. Bowman, Aberdeen.

Second flight—Col. W. W. Simpson, Pinehurst, one up on the 19th over Junior Montesanti, Southern Pines; Watt Smith, Pinehurst, 9-7 over Dr. Philip Whitehead, Southern Pines; Thomas Currie over R. F. Spivey 5-3 (both Pinehurst); Dr. E. C. Medlin and Dan Farrell, score unreported; A. M. Thomas, Pinehurst, A. B. Patterson and H. A. Matthews, Southern Pines, bye.

## Veterans To Meet Here Tonight For V-J Day Planning

### 82nd Airborne Band Will Lead Parade; Dance At Scottie's

All veterans, whether members of veterans' organizations or not, are invited to attend a general meeting to be held tonight (Friday) at 8 o'clock at the Southern Pines Legion hut, to discuss plans for the great V-J Day celebration to be held here Thursday, August 14, it was announced this week by Charles Swoope, of Pinehurst, chairman.

The plans are shaping up well for the anniversary observance, which will be in the nature of a homecoming, and reunion for many veterans. Events will begin at 12 noon at the city hall park, where picnic lunch facilities will be available, and will continue with a baseball game (the Peach Belt All-Stars vs. Fort Bragg), a parade, a Victory Day meeting with speakers at the park, and a grand Victory ball to be held at Scottie's.

Tickets to the ball will be on sale to the general public, but all veterans, with one lady guest each, will be admitted free.

Definite word has been received from Third Army headquarters that the 82nd Airborne Paratrooper units and band will be on hand to lead the parade, Swoope said.

### Gold Star Mothers

Gold Star mothers will be given special honor, with awards at the afternoon meeting and special entertainment events sponsored by the American Legion auxiliary, of which Mrs. Haynes Britt is president.

The celebration is being sponsored by the Moore County Veterans' committee, comprising representatives of all veterans' organizations of the county—the American Legion, VFW and the Sandhills Veterans' association.

However, emphasized Swoope, it is to be a celebration for all the people—everyone whose life was touched by war, and who feel that the day on which the war ended is worthy of deeply joyful commemoration. And that means everybody.

Seeking the patriotic support of all business establishments in the county, this week the committee is asking also their financial support, to the extent of a minimum contribution of \$5 each. According to a letter being sent all business firms, the solicitation has the endorsement of the following business men of Moore county: W. P. Saunders, Robbins; W. H. Currie, Carthage; I. C. Sledge, Pinehurst; W. A. Muse, Cameron; Forrest Lockey, Aberdeen; W. A. Johnson, Jr., West End; L. V. O'Callaghan, Southern Pines.

The letter follows:

Gentlemen:  
Moore county will again honor its veterans of all wars with a county wide celebration and reunion to be held on V-J Day, August 14.

After consulting every other community in the county, Southern Pines was again selected by unanimous agreement of all county communities as the place. Hereafter each community in the county is to be host town in rotation.

The general celebration committee has considered various ways and means of financing the celebration so that it would not be a burden upon any community and that no entrance charge would be made to any veteran. However, many ways of raising funds for a patriotic celebration of this type are repugnant to the committees.

Therefore the celebration committee will have to depend primarily upon the good citizens of Moore county, who have seen their sons and daughters go forth to wars that were forced upon us to bring Kaiser Wilhelm's crown, Hitler's goat and Hirohito's white horse.

To honor those who won the victories we think that a sponsor's contribution of at least \$5 is not asking too much. If we have budgeted you too high, give what you can. Please forward

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## Five Injured As Four Cars Tangle In Smash-up On Carthage-Pinehurst Road

### FATAL ACCIDENT

Carrie Criscoe, 61, of Eagle Springs, was instantly killed when she alighted from a truck near her home at 5:45 p. m. Tuesday, and stepped directly into the path of a car.

The Negro woman, who was returning from a day spent in picking peaches in an orchard near West End, was badly mangled by the impact. One leg was almost severed between the ankle and the knee, and there were severe head injuries.

Sgt. Wendell Kelly and members of the sheriff's department, investigating, termed the accident unavoidable and made no arrest. The name of the driver of the car, said to be a traveling salesman from Burlington, could not be learned. A highway patrolman from Candor also investigated.

The woman's body was taken to a funeral home in Candor, where it was reported Wednesday that funeral arrangements had not been made. A husband, Tom Criscoe, survives.

## Old Union Church Will Celebrate 150th Birthday

### Homecoming For All Members Will Be Held August 24

Historic Union Presbyterian church, founded in 1797, will observe its 150th anniversary Sunday, August 24, with special services and a "homecoming" for former pastors and members, it was announced this week by the pastor, Rev. C. K. Taffe.

Dr. H. W. McLaughlin of Richmond, Va., director for the past 25 years of the country church department of the Southern Presbyterian church, will make the main address at the morning service, which will be followed by a communion service.

The history of the church will be reviewed in the afternoon session held on the church grounds, with honor paid to distinguished guests and pastors of former years.

The church has undergone extensive renovation and cemetery grounds have been beautified in preparation for the event, said Mr. Taffe. The public is given cordial invitation to attend, and a large crowd is expected.

Union church, with its slave gallery and large cemetery bearing silent witness to its years, is one of the oldest of the section. Among churches it has "mothered" during its century and a half of existence are those of the Presbyterian denomination at Carthage, Vass, Cameron, Cudde, Eureka, Manly, Lakeview and White Hill.

## It's Air Force Day For Public At Pope Field In National Observance

An all-day program of activities for the public is being held at Pope field today (Friday), in observance of the 40th anniversary of the founding of the AAF.

The day has been proclaimed as Air Force day throughout the nation by President Truman, and by Governor Cherry throughout North Carolina, and every army air base is taking part.

"Open house" at Pope field includes all installations at the base. Aerial demonstrations are scheduled by various units. Paratroop jumps will be made, and movies of aerial combat will be shown in the theatre.

Displays and booths have been set up throughout the base, and music is to be furnished by the 82nd Airborne band.

After activities on the flight line are completed there will be a baseball game.

"Ham" radio operators were this week issued a special invitation to see all radio facilities,

### Dr. W. M. McDuffie, William Brown Are Hospital Patients

### Three Children Hurt In Head-On Collision

The summer's toll of serious automobile accidents mounted by one last Thursday afternoon, when a traffic tangle involving four cars resulted in injuries to five persons, two of whom remained as patients at the Moore County hospital.

The accident took place on the Carthage-Pinehurst road near Hillcrest.

The condition of Dr. W. M. McDuffie of Robbins, driver of one of the cars, and of William Brown, also of Robbins, a passenger in his car, was reported early this week to be satisfactory. Dr. McDuffie was said to have received the worst injuries, sustaining several broken ribs and a badly cut tongue. Both were severely bruised and cut about the head, body and legs.

Emergency treatment was given at the hospital to Emma Lou, 13, William Ernest, 11, and Shirley, 9, children of William Belton, of Carthage, Rt. 3, driver of one of the other cars, which came into headlong collision with that of Dr. McDuffie. The children suffered contusions and lacerations. Both cars were reported severely damaged.

Investigating the accident was Sgt. Wendell Kelly of the highway patrol, who said that the groundwork appeared to be laid when Lester Glenn, of High Point, left his southbound car and trailer parked half on and half off the highway in violation of the state law.

W. J. Wofford, of Jonesboro, also driving south, saw the McDuffie car approaching from the opposite direction and brought his car to a complete stop when, he said, he saw he could not make it past the parked car and trailer without a crash.

As he waited for the McDuffie car to pass, the car driven by Belton approached from the north, and was reported to have gathered speed to pass between the Glenn and Wofford cars. Instead it met the McDuffie car head-on, and was knocked into the Wofford car, for one of the worst snarl of wrecked cars and injured people this county has seen in a long time.

Examination of the scene shortly after the accident failed to reveal any signs that brakes had been applied by either of the moving vehicles, Sergeant Kelly said.

Dr. McDuffie has been unable to give his version of the accident on account of his lacerated tongue, which prevents him from speaking, and it is not known whether he saw the Belton car coming.

No charges had been preferred early this week, but it appeared likely that Glenn would face a charge of parking on a state highway, and Belton one of careless and

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