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## C Of C Fund Drive Well Received, Work Continues

### More Money Needed If Chamber Work Is To Proceed

Workers of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce, starting off Tuesday morning on a drive for additional funds, 48 hours later had banked \$1,158 with several hundred dollars more recorded in pledges.

Continuing with their work in hopes of raising at least \$3,000—they figure at least this much will be necessary for the next half year's budget—the workers were nevertheless enthusiastic about the way the drive is going. "Our reception everywhere has been splendid," several of them said. "People seem to feel we are doing a good job, and they are anxious for us to keep on."

Tom G. Wicker, Chamber secretary, was especially happy over the number of new members enrolled, which he said he regards as a real step forward for the organization. "Not until everyone with business interest here is a Chamber of Commerce member can we hope to fulfill the full program, of benefit to all, that we are aiming for," he said.

#### Dutch Breakfast

The drive, which it was hoped could be accomplished in one day, "kicked off" with a dutch breakfast at 8:30 a. m. Tuesday at the Hollywood hotel, where good food, and some straight talk from President Ruggles and the secretary braced them for their work.

Figures were presented to show just how much is needed, and why. Reports on past achievement and plans for future work, prepared in leaflet form, were distributed.

"Unless we can get more funds we will have to liquidate," Ruggles said. "We have a lot to show for the past few months' work, but it has cost us. I believe the businessmen approve our costliest item, the employment of an executive, and that they will want us to keep on."

Directors who had volunteered for the collection work, with team mates chosen from the Chamber membership, were present as follows: A. A. Howlett, L. T. Clark, E. Nolley Jackson, H. N. Cameron, J. T. Overton, C. N. Page, W. H. McNeill, John E. Cline, A. C. Reed, W. B. Holliday, Garland McPherson, Hoke Pollock, June Blue, John Pottle, John S. Ruggles, Miss Jean Edson, Mrs. John Pottle, also Secretary Wicker.

## Two Leading Hospital Groups Elect Moore County Administrator As Head

Edwin T. McKeithen, administrator of the Moore County hospital since 1931, was in the past week recipient of double honors in his profession.

Installed April 14 at Winston-Salem as president of the North Carolina Hospital association, he was elected and installed two days later as president of the Carolinas-Virginia Hospital Association Conference, at the annual meeting held April 15-16 at Roanoke, Va.

The Conference includes associations of North and South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. In his position as head of the conference, one of his major duties will be the correlation of work of the North Carolina Hospital association with that of its sister states, for a coordinated program of progress.

The North Carolina association elects a year in advance of installation. He was elected to the presidency at the annual convention held at Winston-Salem a year ago.

A native of Aberdeen, McKeithen has lived there all his life and was in business there until he became administrator of the hospital 17 years ago. He is a graduate of Davidson college.

He has been active in various community and county affairs, served for a number of years on the Moore County road commission before the state highway

## PRESENT!

"Attendance pluperfect!" That is the mark that Eighth District tarheels are chalking up to the credit of their representative, Charles B. Deane of Rockingham and the Capitol, Washington, D.C. Representative Deane has the record, at present unique among his North Carolina colleagues, of never having missed a session at the House, since he took office.

We call that taking your job seriously. Congratulations, C.B.D.; may you keep right on singing out: "Present!" for many sessions to come . . . if you can stand it!

## Top Tournaments Bring Golf Gentry To Local Courses

South Africa wins again! And you don't have to be a UN expert in the Sandhills to register approval. Everyone who saw Bobby Locke play his grand game on Wednesday felt that he deserved the victory and that the Carolinas had been won, once more, by an outstanding golfer and sportsman. In the final round Locke nosed out Johnny Palmer of Bradin, runner-up, by a single stroke with a 271, 17 under par for the 72 holes.

In the Sandhills this week it was getting so thick with golf balls whizzing through the air that people were beginning to see things. Not tin disks, this time, but pearls. Pearls in the air and stars on the ground is the tale, as the big golfers of the state and nation, gathered here for a series of top events, showed what they could do.

At the Mid Pines, it was the Carolinas Open. Here, on the sporting course, one of the most beautiful as well as one of the most tricky hereabouts, the South African Bobby Locke on Tuesday had shot sub par golf for the second straight day.

Johnny Palmer of Bradin bettered the Johannesburg pro's 18-hole figure with a smart 32-33-65 to go with his first round score of 70. His 135 left him four strokes off Locke's 36-hole pace of 131. Locke put together nines of 34 and 33 in fashioning his 67 over the 6,661-yard Mid Pines layout in Tuesday's play.

Wednesday morning brought the tension to critical pitch as Locke and Palmer appeared at mid-day with twin scores. The African lion-tamer had gone out in 32 and back in 39 to give him a round

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## Moore County's Bookmobile Is Here, And At Work



"At long last"—Moore county's bookmobile, held up for years by war restrictions, has arrived as one of the finest gifts a county can make to its people. Shown above are three of its staunchest admirers—A. B. Yeomans, left, chairman of the county library committee, which promoted the purchase; Mrs. Dorothy Avery, county librarian, who has been driving her personal car on the county routes to deliver books; G. M. Cameron, at right, chairman of county commissioners, who by appropriating the funds signified their belief in this important phase of the Moore County library's work.

Mrs. Avery went out on trips last week and this in the bookmobile, the first time on her longest route, a 90-mile round trip to Westmoore school, where 171 books were taken out. The bookmobile can carry 500 books, in shelved compartments opening on each side and in the roomy interior. A table also lets down from the back to use as a library desk. The Library is seen in the background.

Below—Mrs. Avery shows how the side compartments operate. (Photos by Humphrey)

## Election Officials Listed By Board For All Precincts

Election officials for the registration of voters and conduct of the voting in the Democratic primary were announced this week by the county board of elections.

Registrar is named first, Democratic judge second and Republican judge third for each precinct, as follows:

Aberdeen—D. F. Giles, Raymond B. Wicker, J. K. Melvin. Bensalem—R. C. McLean, Allen Monroe, D. E. Cole.

Cameron—J. W. Wicker, W. M. Harbour, Raymond Thomas.

East Carthage—R. W. Pleasants, J. E. Muse, J. M. Fields.

West Carthage—D. A. McDonald, Jr., T. L. Baughn, A. F. Boyte.

Deep River—James Campbell, W. A. Tyson, Floyd Wilcox.

Eureka—Mrs. D. J. Blue, W. M. McLeod, Mrs. J. I. Primm.

Highfalls—G. L. Wilson, Frank Maness, J. B. Powers.

Pinehurst—H. F. Kelly, Ellis Fields, Henry B. Frye.

Pinebluff—Mrs. W. K. Carpenter, Doug David, A. G. Wallace.

Ritters—B. F. Howard, Borden Ritter, T. J. Reynolds.

Robbins—Charles Farlow, James F. Steed, E. T. Dennis.

Spies—E. F. Sheffield, E. J. Freeman, Jr., W. T. Brown.

Spencerville—Mrs. H. L. Kennedy, James Teague, W. C. Garner.

Southern Pines—Thomas G. Wicker, Hiram Westbrook, Maxwell G. Rush.

Vass—Mrs. B. P. Gulledd, C. A. Cameron, Willie Klingsmith.

West End—Harold Markham, W. E. Jackson, Clarence Gordon.

## HELP!

"It's the jumpingest mule I ever saw!"

Don Traylor says that and Don knows mules. Anyway this here mule has jumped out of everything he's been put into so far in an endeavor, we take it, to go back home. Only he doesn't go. Doesn't know where home is, we suppose, any more than Don who is working hard to find out.

Anybody who is out one good farm mule can go look in the Boyd stable and see if this is it. All Don knows is that it isn't his mule, and that it's raising all-mighty Cain. Not only jumped out of the barn window but then over all the fences, inspiring the rest of the stock to do likewise.

For the sake of Don's reason, the lives of the farm stock and the future of farming out on Weymouth estate, may the mule's owner show up right soon!



## Key Club Sponsored By Kiwanians For Moore Co. High School Students

Organization of a Key club, Kiwanis-sponsored high school student organization, was effected at a meeting held at the Carthage hotel last Wednesday evening. Plans are to have it chartered on a countywide basis at the start of the next school year.

In that word "countywide" is the only hitch, as in the 23-year history of Key clubs all have been established in individual schools, none so far embracing a county system.

However, the situation was the same when the Sandhills Kiwanis club won its unique charter for countywide organization, and it is believed the Key club can be established on the same basis, according to John S. Ruggles, chairman of the Kiwanis committee working to get the club under way.

Meeting with the committee at Carthage last week were principals from seven of the 11 high schools of the county, each bringing three students to form a charter membership.

#### Election Held

Officers were elected as follows: Bobby Farmer, West End, president; John Beasley, Southern Pines, vice president; Billy Caddell, Aberdeen, secretary; Duncan McGill, Jr., Vass-Lakeview, treasurer; directors, O. D. Wallace, Jr., Carthage, Kenny Bristow, Pinehurst; Lamar Sumnerford, Elise High school, Robbins.

Other charter members are Walter Wright, Jackson Smith, Aberdeen; Eugene Motsinger, Sandy Thomas, Carthage; Max

Whitesell, D. J. Yarborough, Pinehurst; Proctor Goldsmith, Reggie Hamel, Southern Pines; Bobby Nelson, Bobby Thomas, Robbins; Marvin Holder, Waylon Thomas, Vass-Lakeview; Joe Currie, Sherrill Rush, West End.

Members are selected on a basis of scholarship (which must be maintained at a high level, or membership is lost); leadership ability, and good character. The club is made up of boys from the sophomore, junior and senior classes, for projects of service to school and community.

#### Principals Attend

Principals attending the Wednesday night meeting included R. C. Fields, Aberdeen; H. V. Chappell, Carthage; Lewis Cannon, Pinehurst; P. J. Weaver, (Continued on Page 5)

## SOLOIST

Carmen Gagliardi, tenor with the Ford Symphony Hour over NBC, will be the soloist at the 11 a. m. service Sunday at the Village Chapel in Pinehurst, it was announced by the rector, Dr. T. A. Cheatham.

Gagliardi, winner of critical as well as popular success, is rated as one of the finest young singers of the day. He gave a concert a month ago at the Pinehurst Forum. Visiting in the Sandhills for the spring season, he will again lend his talents to a local event, for a real treat for music lovers of the section.

## Full Slate On File For County Offices With Contests Noted In Two Quarters

### COUNTY TICKET

The following have filed for county office, subject to the Democratic primary of May 28, according to announcement by the board of elections at the close of the filing period Saturday:

For county commissioner: John M. Currie, District 1; W. H. Jackson, District 2; L. R. Reynolds, District 3; G. M. Cameron, E. P. Hinson, District 4; T. L. Blue, District 5. All incumbents, except Hinson.

For county board of education: H. G. Poole, District 1; W. S. Evans, District 2; G. H. Purvis, District 3; Jere McKeithen, W. D. Shannon, District 4; Fred Taylor, District 5. Poole, Evans and Purvis are incumbents; F. Dan Farrell, District 4, and L. B. McKeithen, District 5, did not seek reelection.

For judge of recorders court, J. Vance Rowe; for solicitor, W. A. Leland McKeithen; incumbents.

For the House: H. Clifton Blue.

### No Opposition To Blue For House

McKeithen, Shannon Oppose For Board

The filing deadline of 6 p. m., Saturday for the few county offices open to election this year found candidates on file for all and contests in only two quarters.

These were between Gordon M. Cameron, present chairman of county commissioners, and Everett P. (Red) Hinson, both running for the commission from District 4; and, from the same district, two neophytes for the county board of education, Jere McKeithen of Aberdeen and W. D. Shannon of Pinebluff.

An anticipated contest failed to develop in the race for representative to the General Assembly, H. Clifton Blue, filing on the last day, finds himself unopposed for the job he held in 1947.

A general feeling that J. Hawley Poole, former representative, might run persisted until late in the day. Others had also been mentioned.

#### Referendum Issue

With the matter of a liquor referendum coming up—and you can be mighty sure that it would, no matter who was in office—the race between Poole and Blue would have been a hot one. The chances are that it would have been damaging to both, not to mention the county as a whole, through no fault of their own.

With plenty of other issues at stake, the "liquor issue" would have overshadowed them, and the two men would have found themselves tagged willy-nilly with the labels "wet" or "dry."

Each is personally "dry," but aware of the viewpoints of all interests, and against pre-election "commitments" with their vote-dredging connotations. It is no secret that those who believe in the controls and good business of the ABC stores want to see them remain; nor that there is a strong faction that would like to shut them up and return Moore county to the prohibition era. Each side sees legislation as its proper resource, which puts any legislator on a spot.

#### Not On Spot

Blue has so far, it is understood, refrained from climbing right square onto the spot, though opposition could have pushed him there.

To visiting delegations he has, however, expressed his belief in the referendum as the instrument of democracy, "if the people want it."

His only official statement so far has been one of gratitude for the confidence evidenced in the lack of opposition, handing him the job of representative without a contest. This is a bigger job than it was when he went to the (Continued on Page 5)

## Supporters At Work, Candidates Visit As State Contests Enter Last Stretch

No matter what peaches and corn may do later, the candidate crop is doing fine, providing food for talk, food for thought and plenty of good handshaking.

Several fine specimens of the crop have been seen around lately and chances are that more of them will be shown from time to time. Working the crop is keeping a number of our leading citizens busy, and they'll be busier and busier until May 29.

Oscar Barker, Kiwanis speaker last week, was the first gubernatorial candidate to present himself in these parts. However, Tuesday brought another—State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson, who spent the day visiting from town to town, spoke at the Carthage Methodist Men's club that evening and did some more visiting when the meeting was over.

Looking neat, pleasant and relaxed, he dropped by The Pilot about 9 o'clock. With him were Leland McKeithen, of Pinehurst, who is handling his campaign in the county, and Lamont Brown of Aberdeen and Pinebluff—good legal company. Dr. L. M. Daniels is

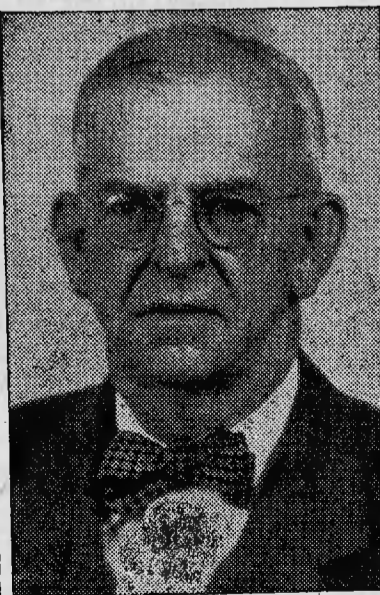
handling his Southern Pines campaign.

#### Scott To Speak

Thursday night another bright star on the political (gubernatorial) horizon was slated to appear in the person of W. Kerr Scott, speaking at a dinner at the Highland Pines Inn at 6 o'clock, and at the Carthage courthouse at 8. This seemed to mean a short speech here—on which, unfortunately The Pilot cannot comment this week, on account of press day exigencies setting a Thursday noon deadline.

T. C. Auman is managing Scott's campaign in the county, and John Ruggles and others are keeping the ball rolling in Southern Pines.

Senatorial candidates Umstead (incumbent) and Broughton, both of whom have spoken in the county during the past year, appear to be working other fields, though Umstead's supporters are letting no sun set on an idle day. If Broughton has named a county manager, The Pilot hasn't heard about it. However, Umstead picked a man everybody in the county knows—W. P. Saunders of (Continued on Page 5)



E. T. McKEITHEN

commission took over road building and maintenance, and also served for many years on the board of managers of Samarcond.

He is a charter member of the Sandhills Kiwanis club, formed 25 years ago, and is now a lifetime honorary member. Active in Bethesda Presbyterian church of Aberdeen, he is at present chairman of its board of deacons.

Married to the former Miss Norman Leland of Charleston, S. C., he has three sons, E. T. Mc-

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