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Lakeview Hotel Is Bought By Long Island Man

Will Be Improved As Year-Round Recreation Spot

The sale of the Lakeview hotel and Crystal lake at Lakeview, five miles from Southern Pines, was announced this week by James Allen, owner and manager of this well known resort hostelry for the past three years.

Purchaser of the property is W. H. Cook, of Bay Shore L. I., who will take on promotion of the property as a year-round recreation spot while retaining Allen as manager and supervisor.

The purchase includes the large hotel facing the lake, the mile-long lake with swimming, boating and fishing facilities, bathhouse, dance pavilion and concession stands, and some 300 acres of land, mostly woodlands bordering the lake. Sale price was not revealed.

Plans for development of the property include a good deal of remodeling and numerous other improvements, to make it, as Allen said, "the kind of resort I planned myself when I bought it in 1945." He made an excellent start during his ownership, with numerous improvements to the building and lakefront area, and promotion of speedboat races and other sports and social events. Under his management it had regained much of the clientele from many states which in former days made it one of the top vacation spots of North Carolina.

Both winter and summer recreation is being planned by the new owner, to make it an attraction for visitors during "the season" and for state and local residents in the summer. Vacation cottages are to be built along the lakefront.

Mr. Cook has owned and operated the Riviera Beach club at Bay Shore, L. I., for the past 31 years. He recently sold the club and came to the Sandhills for his health, remaining, as is so often the case, as property owner and business investor.

He is staying at the Lakeview hotel while seeking a permanent home in Southern Pines for himself, his wife and teen-age son and daughter.

Colonial Inn And House Next Door Are Sold

Colonial Inn, one of Southern Pines' largest and handsomest guest houses, has been sold by Mr. and Mrs. George C. Burns to Mrs. Agnes Gruebl, of Pleasantville, N. Y., who took possession last Friday and with her daughter, Miss Mildred Gruebl, is now in residence.

At the same time Mrs. Carrie Ayers, of Pleasantville, N. Y., purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Burns the modern five-room home next door, on East New York avenue. Mrs. Ayers and her two young grandsons will come to Southern Pines in September to make their home.

The purchases were the result of a vacation trip taken by the two ladies last May. They came to Southern Pines for their first visit, on its recommendation as a pleasant vacation spot by Mrs. Ayers' daughter, who had stayed here several times.

Nothing was farther from their minds than to buy homes and "settle down," said Mrs. Gruebl this week. However, they were most happily impressed, and decided to cast in their lot with the town.

Mrs. Gruebl will continue the operation of Colonial Inn as a guest house, she said. The house includes a cottage and house-keeping apartment, and a number of rooms, all with private baths, for transients during the winter season.

The large white house, formerly a cottage, has been added to and remodeled over the years until it is now one of the town's most imposing, with high front

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POLIO QUARANTINE ENFORCED AS COUNTY TOTAL SOARS TO 42

15 New Victims In Five Days Cause Deepening Concern

State Leaders Here

A quarantine of all children 15 years and under, to be enforced by "the law" if necessary, was announced by County Health Officer Dr. J. W. Willcox last Saturday, as polio continued to strike throughout the county and the number of victims climbed day by day.

The quarantine was determined on by the county board of health at a meeting at Carthage last Friday night, at which directors of the county chapter of the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation were also present, along with state representatives.

Violators of the quarantine are guilty of a misdemeanor, carrying a jail sentence of not more than 30 days and a fine of not more than \$50. While the quarantine is mostly being carefully observed, flagrant violations will bring swift punishment, Dr. Willcox said.

Moore county, last week declared by the state board of health to be an "epidemic area," along with Guilford, Burke and Cumberland counties by Wednesday afternoon counted its stricken at 42, with four children dead. Fifteen victims were taken to out-of-county hospitals from Friday to Wednesday.

For the first time during the current outbreak, polio was observed to be striking in the upper teens, and higher, rather than among the infants and young children only.

Young Girl Dies

Bobbie Jean Oliver, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Oliver of Pinehurst RFD, died Tuesday morning at Rex hospital, Raleigh, after a brief battle with the disease.

Over the weekend Mrs. R. C. Monroe, 21, of Aberdeen, joined her five-month-old son at James Walker Memorial hospital, Wilmington, as a polio victim. Little Robert, Junior, was taken there last week.

Taken to the Guilford Polio Center were Howard Moore, five, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rancie Moore of Steeds, Rt. 1, and Sherry Kivett, 4 whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kivett, (Continued on Page 5)

Two Downtown Lots Transferred

A 50-foot lot on East Pennsylvania avenue has been purchased by E. M. Aiken, of Southern Pines and Washington, D. C., from Dr. E. W. Bush and Sieger Herr, minor, it was recently announced.

The healthy price of \$4,000 was paid for the lot, which adjoins the building occupied by the offices of Dr. George Heinitsh. John D. McConnell, attorney for Mr. Aiken, said the original plans were for the use of the lot as the site of an office building, but the plans have had to undergo some revision and it is not now known just when the building will be built.

Miss Miriam Herr, guardian of Sieger Herr, acted for her ward in the transaction.

Another good lot in the business district has recently changed hands, that facing on West Broad street and lying between the Jewel Box and Jack's Grill, which was sold by H. A. Lewis to John C. Parrish, of Aberdeen.

Mr. Parrish said this week he has no immediate plans for the lot, and signs of building which appear to be going on there are merely for the placing of some cement footings. He also said he could not give accurately the price of the lot, as it was transferred in exchange for business services.

However, the exchange rate was believed to be commensurate with the \$80-per-front-foot price paid for the Aiken purchase, indicating good current values and confidence in the town's business future.

FIRST PATIENTS ARRIVING TODAY AT MOORE HOSPITAL CONVALESCENT CENTER

Seven polio patients, the vanguard of a group of convalescents past the six-week infectious stage, will arrive today (Friday) at the Moore County hospital, to be placed in an 18-bed wing prepared as a convalescent center.

The move was made to relieve overcrowded facilities at out-of-county hospitals, making room for new cases, and also to bring nearer their families Moore County children who no longer need highly specialized care, said E. T. McKeithen, hospital administrator.

Seven registered nurses, secured through the American Red Cross by the good offices of the county chapter and Mrs. M. G. Nichols, chapter vice chairman, were to arrive Thursday and Friday from Atlanta and Durham. One, an experienced polio nurse, will direct their activities, and the regular nursing staff will not be drawn on.

More nurses, however, are needed, and local nurses willing to assist in the emergency are asked to notify the Red Cross chapter office here.

Of the seven patients arriving by ambulance today, three will come from the hospital at Wilmington, the others from Raleigh and Greensboro. More will be brought as they are ready—and only then, it was emphasized by Paul C. Butler, county chairman of the Infantile Paralysis Foundation.

With some 35 Moore County children now in various hospitals, he asks that parents trust the judgment of the doctors as to which ones may be sent to the local convalescent center.

Here Is Moore County's Polio Tally

Here are Moore County polio victims since the first of the year:

The dead—Marcus E. Preslar, 7, Robbins; Lacy Yow, 18 months, Steeds; Joyce Ann Shamburger, 4, Carthage; Bobbie Jean Oliver, 16, Pinehurst RFD.

Home from hospitals—Willis Williams, 7, Robbins; Sarah Preslar, 13, Robbins; Jackie McCallum, 6, Carthage.

At hospitals in Raleigh, Greensboro, Wilmington, Gastonia—Bobby Ray Phillips, 23 months, Vass (stricken in January, the rest since mid-May); Patricia, eight months, and Martha Davis, 7, Steeds, Rt. 1; Henry Davis, 10, Steeds, Rt. 1; Eugene Smith, 10, Sweetheart Lake section; Sarah Inman, 12, Hallison; Janice Kennedy, 6, Steeds; Win-del Martindale, 6, Robbins, Rt. 1; Raymond Garner, 5, Robbins; Rt. 2; Ruby Joyce Williams, 4, Eagle Springs, Rt. 1; Joe Priest, 10, Carthage, Rt. 1; Owen Brad-dock, 16 months, Carthage; Floyd Tyner, 4, Carthage, Star Route; Joyce Ann Myrick, 5, Star, Rt. 1; (Continued on Page 5)

Hancock Named To Supervise County Spraying Program

County Will Aid In Financing Of Polio Preventive Measure

Edgar Hancock, of Aberdeen, has been appointed assistant to O. D. Fulp, county sanitarian, in charge of DDT spraying for prevention of infection, it was announced this week by Paul C. Butler, county Infantile Paralysis Chapter chairman, following recommendation of the county commissioners that this program be aggressively continued, and an agreement to assist in its financing.

The chapter had asked for \$3,000 to help with the costs of DDT-spraying the entire county as a move to check the outbreak of polio. The full amount is expected to be forthcoming if it is needed.

The program had been undertaken originally with the bills being paid by the county chapter. However, such funds are not actually intended for this use, but rather for the financing of medical and hospital treatment and other requirements of the stricken persons, Mr. Butler explained.

Program Commended

Full sympathy with the program and commendation of its leaders was expressed by the commissioners to Mr. Butler and also to Dr. J. W. Willcox, county health officer who appeared before the board Tuesday afternoon at Carthage to explain the prevention measures being undertaken.

Two trained crews are in their fourth week of work in the Robbins area, spraying within a 15-mile radius of that stricken community. Most of the houses with-

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Agreement Reached On Bond Issue For Schools In Aberdeen District Alone

CHIEF MEANT IT

The first arrest to be made for running too close to a fire truck, since the recent announcement by Fire Chief O'Callaghan that this ordinance would be enforced for safety's sake, brought Garland G. Williams, of Aberdeen, into magistrate's court here Wednesday afternoon, under arrest by city police.

A number of the members of the Southern Pines volunteer fire department testified to witnessing Williams' illegal driving while the truck was on its way to a brush fire in the Country Club section Monday afternoon.

Charged with running too close to a fire truck, operating a car at too high a rate of speed and running through the traffic light at Massachusetts and May street, Williams was fined and taxed with costs, for a total of about \$30.

Forestry Group Will Visit Here

A large group of forestry students and their teachers from the University of West Virginia will visit Moore county next week, paying visits also to two neighboring counties to inspect at first hand some of the interesting features of this section, it was learned this week from District Forester James A. Pippin, of Rockingham.

The group will consist of 42 students and two professors of the university's division of forestry.

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Other Needs To Await Priority Construction

-Vote To Be Countywide

Priority was granted the building of schools in the congested Aberdeen district, through action of the county commissioners in regular session at Carthage Tuesday, rescinding their previous bond issue proposal of \$975,000 for 10 districts, in favor of \$375,000 for Aberdeen alone.

The bond issue will be voted on by the county as a whole, on a date to be set by the county commissioners at a hearing scheduled for 2 p. m. July 19.

The commissioners' action followed an agreement of the three boards of education involved—the Moore County, Southern Pines and Pinehurst administrative units—all of whom rescinded former resolutions presenting individual needs of systems under their jurisdiction, in favor of holding the election for Aberdeen separately, and first.

Agreement may be reached later on the financing of needed construction in the other districts, it was believed, by state aid or county funds, or the two in combination, once the large amount recognized as necessary for Aberdeen is out of the way.

Way Out Of Impasse

The commissioners' action followed in succession a series of events resulting from an impasse reached last spring, when it was found that the total of all the schools' needs was far beyond the legal limit for a school bond issue for this county.

The proposal, presented first by the Southern Pines delegation, that the Aberdeen schools be financed first, and separately, was repeated at a meeting held at Carthage June 29, when the three boards presented resolutions detailing their monetary needs.

The amount totaled \$1,283,000, still beyond the county's legal ability to finance, and it was apparent that "something had to give."

The county board of education, meeting later in the week, found the suggestion agreeable, and rescinded its previous resolution calling for \$725,000 for eight school districts. A new resolution was passed cutting off all but the Aberdeen figure of \$375,000.

The Pinehurst delegation, meeting this week with the commissioners, also presented a new resolution, rescinding its former one asking \$208,000, the change being contingent upon Southern Pines' doing the same.

Though assurances of favor had been made by Southern Pines unofficially, and by all its school board members separately, a phone call was placed to Southern Pines in order to make it official.

Quorum Arrives

The result was the appearance within a half hour of Supt. P. J. Weaver with board members N. L. Hodgkins, L. L. Woolley and John Howarth. "We didn't know it you needed a quorum but brought one, just in case," they said, and agreed without demur to the change of resolution.

County Attorney U. L. Spence, on hand to offer needed legal advice, gathered up all the resolutions and disappeared in the direction of his office across the street, when he re-appeared shortly with a formal bond order for the commissioners' approval. This was granted, and the hearing date set as required by law.

It was the first time since agitation began for a countywide school bond issue almost two years ago, that all concerned had found themselves in agreement. With the likelihood of the tug-of-war's ending, for a time at least, all were wreathed in smiles and there was apparent a general feeling that progress had been made.

Aberdeen Worst Off

Recognition was granted early in the game that Aberdeen, with its Negro school already condemned, its white schools crowd-

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St. Joseph Of The Pines Now Operating In Former Luxury Hotel



The luxurious Pine Needles building, former resort hotel on the Midland road, now houses the only Catholic hospital in central North Carolina, St. Joseph of the Pines, which opened July 1. The nursing staff, shown above all in white, includes Sister Anastasia, superintendent, Sisters Virginia, Imelda, Pauline, Melania, Charlene, Mary Grace and Catherine, though not necessarily in that order. Seated are Father Herbert Harkins, Reverend Mother M. Lucia Kelly, her secretary Sister Joan and Tom Kernan, seminarian, who will spend the summer assisting the Sisters to get their hospital started.

(Photos by Hemmer)