

Parents Will Aid Chamber Directors In Youth Program

Joint Committee Seeks Operation Plan For Teen Age Club

The Chamber of Commerce will continue its sponsorship of Teen Age Club activities, provided a satisfactory plan can be worked out for their supervision under a joint committee of parents, Chamber directors and teen-agers, it was learned this week from John S. Ruggles, Chamber of Commerce president.

Dr. Vida McLeod, Mrs. Harry Menzel and June Phillips were named to represent parents on the committee, at a meeting of parents with the directors called by Mr. Ruggles at the Community building last week.

Philip Weaver, L. D. McDonald and Herbert N. Cameron were selected to represent the directors, at a meeting of the board held Tuesday night of this week at the Belvedere hotel.

Teen Aged will elect their representatives as soon as their club activities can be resumed following the lifting of the polio quarantine.

Chairman Ruggles also recommended that Mrs. L. D. McDonald, president of the Civic Club, be requested to work with the committee in an advisory capacity.

About 25 parents responded last week to the invitation sent out to all parents of last year's ninth, 10th and 11th grades, to attend the meeting to consider the best means of carrying forward the Teen Age program. A number of problems experienced by the directors were set forth to them, with the information that the Chamber considers the Teen Age program its most important continuing activity; that the directors are willing and anxious to continue with the sponsorship, but feel the need of more active participation and help from the parents of the young people.

The plan of the joint committee was presented and won approval.

It was decided to reopen the Community building to the teen-agers as soon as practicable after the lifting of the quarantine if the committee can reach a working agreement on supervision of activities there and at the High School Club building, afternoon and evening schedules, financial responsibility of the elements involved and other pertinent factors.

Bond Injunction Hearing Delayed To September 11

The showcase hearing of an injunction brought by Pinebluff citizens against the county bond issue for Aberdeen schools has been postponed from September 4 to September 11, it has been learned.

Postponement was made by Judge Don Phillips of Rockingham, before whom the hearing is to be held, as he will have to be out of town on the scheduled date.

In the meantime certification of the bond election issue is being withheld. Pinebluff citizens are contending that money for schools of the Aberdeen district, for which the bond issue was voted in the amount of \$375,000, should rightfully include an elementary school for the Pinebluff area.

The official count of votes, held last Thursday, whittled the narrow lead of the affirmative vote to 74, as 12 out of 17 precincts showed majorities against it. In Pinebluff the vote was three to one against the issue and in three precincts, Spies, Ritters and Highfalls, not a single vote was cast for it.

A decisive vote in the Southern Pines, Pinehurst and Aberdeen precincts, aided by majorities in Robbins and Vass, turned the tide.

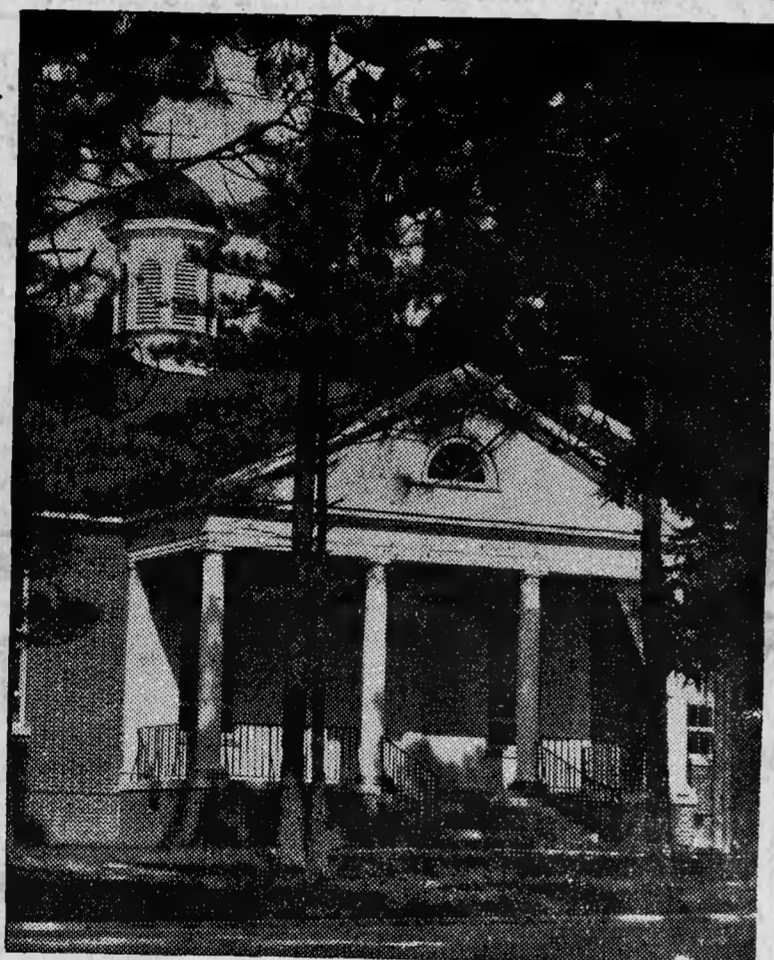
The revised count showed a total of 3,042 voting—1,558 for and 1,484 against.

At Last, Our School—Built For The Future



The camera could not take in the full length of the new elementary school building. This rear view shows three of the four outside entrances to primary classrooms. (Photos by Preston Matthews)

New Southern Pines Elementary School Combines Beauty With Practical Ideas



This is the front entrance of the school, set deep amid longleaf pines and magnolias.

\$175,000 Building Designed For Health Learning, Safety

Completion of the new Southern Pines elementary school, on which the finishing touches were put last week, gives this special-chapter school district what must be one of the most modern and beautiful schools in the county.

It combines the best features of traditional school building with many new ones designed for better health, safety and happiness of the first-through-eighth graders, and also for better instruction.

Among the features unknown to schools of former days are: Fluorescent lighting throughout, to give the nearest possible approximation to pure daylight. In all classrooms three rows of two-tube fluorescent fixtures run the full length of the room.

Sound System

An educational sound system centering in the office of Supt. P. J. Weaver. By means of this sound system, connected with speakers to each room, messages can be broadcast to any or all rooms; the radio can be turned on, records played; also any room can be listened to at the office when desired.

An IBM electric clock and Bell system in halls and classrooms, also centering in the superintendent's office, by which bells can be rung simultaneously all over the school, or in any one classroom. The easy-to-read clocks are hung from the center in the halls, with faces on both sides.

Outlets in each room for Radi-Air conditioning with fixtures already installed in three classrooms for ultra-violet lighting, to kill all airborne bacteria by radiation.

Outdoor entrances in all primary classrooms giving directly onto the large playground.

Private toilets in each primary classroom, in addition to the regulation boys' and girls' restrooms opening from the halls. These also have separate lock-toilets for the teachers.

Wide low basins in each primary classroom, for the washing of hands, paintbrushes, etc., with pegs in rows above for each child's equipment.

Coat Closets

Large coat closets, with plenty of pegs, in each primary classroom, and in the rooms for the upper grades the new built-in "Ross wardrobes," with push-up doors. These make a wall into a full-length storage compartment, for caps, coats and other belongings of the pupils. Each room also has a large closet for the teacher's belongings and equipment.

Asphalt tile (black marbled) flooring throughout, acoustic ceiling tiles, venetian blinds at the tall ventilator windows, rows of wall transoms, plenty of shelf-room in all rooms, with separate box-shelves for each pupil in the primary grades; plenty of blackboards, colored a soft green for better vision, edged by pin-up space for pupils' work, of orange-tan cork material.

Furnishings

Furnishings are of bleached (Continued on Page 14)

Aberdeen Plant Is At Work

Goods began rolling off the machines a week ago at the new Aberdeen plant of the Colonial Mills, Inc., and has been in consistent, though small, production since, it was learned from W. B. Croxton, of Southern Pines, vice president in charge.

The first goods to be produced was a herringbone material for lightweight men's suits, and suits for women and children. Like all the goods to be manufactured there, it was of all-synthetic fibre, a sturdy rayon weave.

No material to be produced for some time will go directly to "the trade," said Mr. Croxton, as it is being sent to cutters to be made up into garments, for use by the New York sales offices in securing orders. Numerous firms have made inquiries and some have tried to place orders during the past few months, but no orders

were definitely accepted as it was not known just when the plant could get into quantity production.

With only a portion of the machinery installed, production cannot get up even to present capacity until power is stepped up. This must await receipt of transformers and other equipment by the Carolina Power and Light company. Power being delivered at present is sufficient only for minimum operation.

About 100 persons are being employed at present in all capacities, said Mr. Croxton.

A tour of the plant will be the feature of the Voice of the Sandhills program next Wednesday, from 4:30 to 5 p. m. The plant and its manufacturing processes will be described on the spot via traveling microphone, and Mr. Croxton and other plant officials will be interviewed.

Defies Death, Caught Anyway

A dramatic chase, in which the pursued narrowly escaped death in a deliberate automobile crash, resulted in the capture near Cameron early last Thursday morning of James Artis Gilchrist, 29-year-old Negro long sought as a big-time liquor operator.

His 1947 Mercury club coupe, with high compression motor, high speed rear end and supercharger, which Gilchrist hurled at 70 miles an hour into a government-owned Ford blocking a bridge in his path, was towed to the government contract garage at Rockingham, needing an estimated \$700 worth of repairs.

The Ford, which managed to leave the scene under its own power, required repairs estimated at \$300.

Regular Traveler

The two-car party of officers set out early in search of Gilchrist, who had been spotted several times before but had managed to make his escape in his speedy car. He was said to be a regular traveler from Harnett county to sales outlets at Cameron, Vass, Fort Bragg, Sanford and Greensboro. The officers posted watch at the Harnett line.

On the Fayetteville-Sanford highway east of Cameron, near the Spout Springs bridge, he was observed crossing the county line. County ABC Officer C. A. McCallum, with ATU officer Brown of Cumberland county in his car, gave chase.

ABC Officer C. C. McGee, ATU officer Siegers of Fayetteville (Continued on Page 5)

Registration For Peacetime Draft Gets Under Way

Board Members And Volunteer Helpers Staff Two Offices

119 On First Day

Registration for the peacetime draft proceeded apace this week at Moore county's two registration centers, at Carthage and Southern Pines.

Plans for the centers at West End and Robbins were abandoned after it was found impossible to secure the necessary volunteer help in the short time allotted.

No permanent clerk has been found, either, and two of the draft board members—W. E. Stewart at Carthage and Maxwell Rush here—are putting in full-time days at the work, aided by business girls and women recruited from offices in the two towns.

Thirty-three men were registered here on Monday, the first day, and 86 at Carthage, for a total of 119 born in 1922 after August 30.

First Registrant

To Luther Parks, of West Southern Pines, belongs the distinction of being the county's first to register. When Mr. Rush arrived at the Community building at 7:55 to open up at 8 o'clock, he found Parks already waiting.

At Carthage, Joseph Hardin Mofield, of Carthage, white, a veteran of service with the army air force, arrived promptly on the dot of 8 a. m.

Business was fair at both offices the first day, and brisked up considerably the second, when men born in 1923 came to register. They poured in and out in a continuous stream.

Estimate of the state selective service headquarters is that 2,240 will register in Moore before the closing date, September 13, said Mr. Rush.

Assistants

Mrs. Harry Chatfield helped him the first day, Miss Joyce Warren the second, with Tom Wicker, of the adjoining Chamber of Commerce office, pinching time when needed. At Carthage Mrs. Blue, of the county clerk's office, was a busy assistant. Both board members said they had several others lined up to help this week, but more volunteer assistants will undoubtedly be needed.

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Miss Teeter Goes To Presbyterian Hospital Monday

Miss Betty Teeter, of Jackson Springs, a June graduate of the West End High school, will report Monday to the Presbyterian hospital in Charlotte to enter a three-year nurse training course.

Miss Teeter is the 1948 winner of the annual Sandhills Veterans Association scholarship, by which each year a fortunate young lady is selected for an all-expense-paid nurse training course at the hospital of her choice. She has been working at the Moore County hospital this summer.

Entering her second year this month will be the 1947 winner, Miss Leatrice Simpson, of Lakeview, who is in training at the High Point Memorial hospital. The association's first protegee, she began her course last September.

Financing their project each year through a unique subscription campaign, the group of World War 2 veterans from Moore County towns plan to choose a Moore girl each year for nurse training, exacting from their winners only one promise, that they return to Moore to work after graduation.

Beginning in 1950, when Miss Simpson will graduate, they will have a graduate nurse returning to the county each year, for hospital or public health work.

Dave Greer, of Aberdeen, is president of the Sandhills Veterans association this year. The group meets regularly at the home of William L. White, in Southern Pines.

Audrey West Brown, Mary Ruth Davis Win State Doubles Title, Greensboro

LABOR DAY

General holiday will be observed here on Monday. Labor day, with the Citizens Bank and Trust company, most businesses and offices closed.

General delivery and stamp window at the post office will be open till 10 a. m., then closed for the rest of the day. Incoming and outgoing mail will be worked as usual.

Food merchants this week issued a reminder of the long weekend, so that householders will remember to stock up. Closed will be Johnson's, Modern Market, Baker's, A & P and Colonial stores.

With the polio quarantine still on, it is expected to be a quiet holiday. Many will take their last summer fling at the beach—and here's a warning from the N. C. Motor Vehicle commission. The Pilot and all your family and friends: Drive Carefully.

Aiken Starts New Office Building; Houses Are Built

Construction started last Saturday morning on the Aiken building, a two-story office building being built by Ernest M. Aiken, of Southern Pines and Washington, D. C., on a lot he purchased several weeks ago fronting on East Pennsylvania avenue. The lot was purchased from Dr. G. G. Herr and Dr. W. E. Bush, and the new building will be behind their Broad Street offices.

It will be of strictly modern construction, with space for offices singly or in suites, Mr. Aiken said this week. He already has two tenants for the first floor suites, John D. McConnell, local attorney and assistant U. S. district solicitor, and Claude E. Reams, southeastern division representative of the Southern Advance Bag and Paper company. The building, which is to be ready by about November 1, will be of red brick in handcrafted texture, with slanted roof (slate) in the Williamsburg style, and colonial-type many-paned windows. R. C. Archer, Jr., of Washington, D. C., is the architect, and Donald M. Blue, local contractor, is in charge of construction.

Air Conditioned

Heating and plumbing will be by L. V. O'Callaghan, who will also install air conditioning throughout.

All lighting will be fluorescent, installed by the McLeod Electrical company of Carthage.

Estimated cost of the building is about \$15,000, though Mr. Aiken said it will probably exceed this amount.

This is a new development in a building program, hitherto residential, Mr. Aiken has been carrying forward in this section for a number of months.

Kenwood Subdivision

The Kenwood subdivision, fronting on the Carthage road about two miles out of town, adjoins Mr. Aiken's own homestead. There he has built seven modern small homes, has another under construction and is just about to (Continued on Page 8)

Pinehurst Gridders May Give Blue and White A Real Fight

Over at the village of Pinehurst, the nation's winter sports capital, all is quiet and on the sleepy side downtown, but out at the High School athletic field it is everything but quiet and sleepy as some score or more youngsters are bucking down to serious business just ahead—the coming football season.

Under the watchful eye of Coach "Hoot" Gibson, the Pinehurst squad is drilling twice daily, in the early morning, and at night under the lights. These drills largely are conditioning exercises, but much of the time is being spent on signal drills and perfecting plays.

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"Cinderella Girls" From Moore Upset Experts' Predictions

Brilliant Tennis Played

Rejoicing spread abroad in the land as the news spread that a team of Moore County girls, making their debut in tournament tennis, Wednesday afternoon copped the state doubles title at the 14th annual North Carolina Closed Championship at the Greensboro Country club.

The new champions, Audrey West Brown, 18, of Southern Pines, and Mary Ruth Davis, 22, of Robbins will go to Greensboro Monday to receive their trophy and all the honor and glory due their spectacular victory.

The unseeded "masters of feminine tennis" (so called by the Greensboro Daily News) scored major upsets when they won in the semi-finals Wednesday mornings against Mrs. Leone Ball and Miss Gertrude Archer 6-3, 6-1, then in the afternoon displayed an even finer brand of play in dropping topspeeded Anne Martindale and Mrs. Virginia Betty of Greensboro 75, 6-2.

Men Players

The girls returned to Greensboro Thursday to cheer on more Moore County representatives as the men's singles began, with Audrey West's brother, Harry Lee Brown, Jr., playing against Stokes Rawlings, Greensboro's top-ranking netter; Page Choate vs. Roland Martindale, and P. A. Wilson of Vass, vs. Bill Shearin of Rocky Mount. No results were available at presstime on these (Continued on Page 5)

Horton Child, Aberdeen Youth Are Polio Victims

The polio outbreak clung on stubbornly this week, with two new cases reported to bring the county's total so far to 62.

Little Andy Horton, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Horton of West End, was taken to Rex hospital, Raleigh, Sunday after tests at the Moore County hospital indicated the presence of polio.

Monday, Luther Folger Hodges, 18, an employee of the Martin Motor company at Aberdeen, was taken also to Rex. Hodges is married to the former Miss Porter, of Aberdeen. His parents live in the Roseland section.

Word from both these cases, and in fact from all Moore County victims in hospitals on whom recent reports have been received, is that they are progressing satisfactorily, said Dr. J. W. Willcox, county health officer. None appears now to be in a critical stage.

Time of the lifting of the quarantine remains the same—midnight, September 14, he said, with all schools of the county opening September 15.

However, this coming week should tell the tale, as any considerable polio during the next few days will probably bring reconsideration by the county board of health, with extension of the quarantine.

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