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TEN CENTS

Pollock And Clark Are Named To Head Chamber Of Commerce By New Board

Directors Approve \$6,800 Budget At Tuesday Meeting

Members of the new board of directors of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce held their first regular meeting at the Community building Tuesday night and elected R. F. Hoke Pollock president for 1948-49.

Lloyd T. Clark, runner-up in the election for president, was elected vice president by acclamation. Tom Wicker, reappointed as executive secretary, was elected also to the office of treasurer, which he has been filling for some time in an acting capacity.

The election, and approval of a \$6,800 budget, which had been handed on by the old board with recommendation of acceptance, were the major accomplishments of the meeting for the directors, who were elected at the annual meeting of the Chamber held October 5.

Mr. Pollock presided, first as retiring vice president, then as newly elected president. Secretary Wicker took over in the interim while votes were being tallied.

It was decided that the board would operate by a system of standing committees of which chairmen are to be directors, with members to be chosen from the board or the membership at large. Committee appointments are to be made shortly by President Pollock.

Discussion was held of various promotional and advertising projects, and Mr. Pollock advised that it is none too soon to start making plans for the organization's largest annual enterprise, the Chamber of Commerce Horse show.

Directors attending the meeting were Hoke Pollock, Lloyd Clark, Mrs. Jean Edson, L. D. McDonald, W. E. Blue, Wallace Simpson, H. L. Brown, E. Nolley Jackson, A. C. Reed, H. N. Cameron, Roy Grinnell, Virgil Clark, A. A. Howlett, J. C. Cole was present as a guest.

Furniture Store To Be Built On Broad Street Site

R. C. Johnson and Mrs. Hazel Brown have purchased from Frank Welch the large lot at the northwest corner of Massachusetts avenue and Broad street, and are planning the construction of a modern furniture store within the near future.

Excavation was begun this week. Original plans called for the building to be finished soon after Christmas, but difficulties of getting wanted materials are already causing delays, and as it is, no definite time can be set, Mr. Johnson said.

A one-story building of 90-foot frontage, 85 feet deep, with large display windows on both Broad and Massachusetts is planned. It will carry all types of home furnishings by well known manufacturers.

The lot, which is actually two lots in a 100-foot square plot, is regarded as one of the best locations in town. The rest of the block has been almost completely built up in business buildings in the past year and a half.

Poll Books Open Two More Saturdays

Registration books are open in all precincts for the November 2 election, residents were reminded this week by Sam C. Riddle, chairman of the county board of elections. Registrars will be at the regular polling places Saturday, October 16 and October 23, from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m., and may be found at their homes or businesses if registration at other times is desired.

Joe Garzik has been named registrar in the Southern Pines precinct instead of Jack Reid, as was announced last week. Mr. Reid

lives outside the city limits, a fact overlooked when the appointment was first considered. The board of elections, "purging" the books as a registration preliminary, cleared 271 names from those of the Southern Pines precinct. These persons are being notified by letter and may be reinstated at any time if they are shown to be still qualified. Registrar Garzik said 13 registrations were made last Saturday, 10 since—a total of 23 since the books were opened.

BAND UNIFORMS

A good boost was given the infant fund for purchase of the high school band uniforms, by more than \$120 contributed by the Elks and Does as proceeds of their baseball game Wednesday, it was reported with pleasure by Band Director J. G. Womble.

Mr. Womble said a sample of the band uniform, as well as one for the drum major, has been secured and will be displayed in a downtown window this week. The uniforms, in the school colors of blue and white, are far from cheap (\$2,500 is best estimate for outfitting the whole group). "There is no way to dress up our band without its costing money," he said. "However, the boys and girls deserve it, and with the proper uniforms, would be a great addition to parades, games and other local events."

Contributions of interested citizens and organizations will be gratefully received, he said.

Board Studies Divergent Reports On Sunday Arrest

Town commissioners were this week investigating conflicting reports of an arrest made by town policemen Sunday evening, which three eye witnesses have charged appeared to them unnecessarily violent.

The police account of the happening differs from that of the three witnesses, Dr. G. G. Herr, Shields Cameron and Norman Wright. The degree of resistance on the part of Billy McNeill, 18, and the use of a blackjack are the principal points of variance.

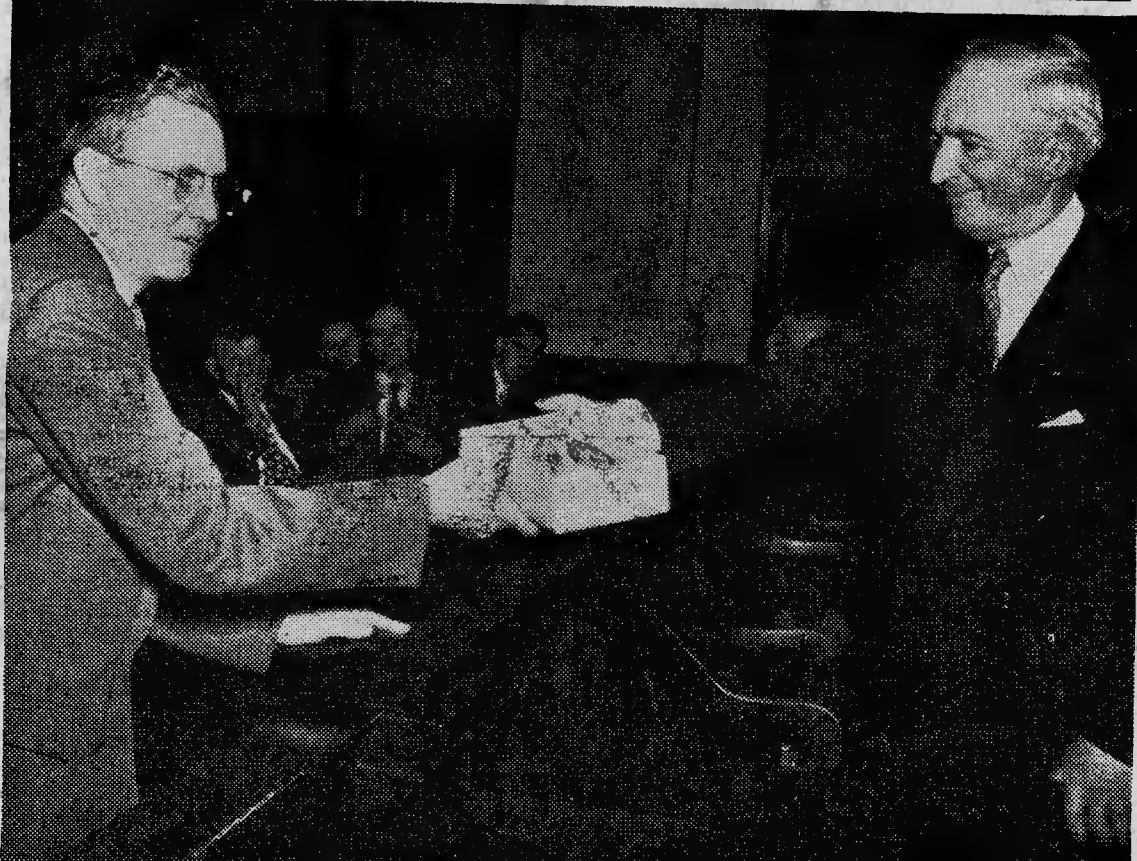
Dr. Herr, Mr. Cameron and Mr. Wright, complaining to several commissioners individually immediately after the happening, and at a called session of the town board Tuesday evening, described what they said was a brutal assault on the lad by three policemen, with a blackjack apparently used by Officer Morrison.

Chief C. E. Newton, in making the police report, said no blackjack was used, but that physical force on the part of Officers Morrison and Jones was necessitated by the fact that Billy used both fists and feet in resisting arrest. This version was supported at the board meeting by a fourth eye witness, Jimmy Lawson, who said he saw no blackjack used.

The affair has presented the commissioners with one of the knottiest problems of their career in office. In view of public interest in the case, a statement was to have been issued after the meeting, but Mayor Page instead sent word to The Pilot that the investigation is continuing, that every effort is being made to get at the truth of the matter and that probably no statement will be issued until after Billy's trial in recorders court Monday.

Young McNeill is charged with drunkenness, resisting arrest and assaulting an officer in discharge of his duty. In addition, he faces charges of creating a disturbance and malicious destruction of property on two warrants, arising from a fracas earlier Sunday at (Continued on Page 5)

Eighth District Democrats Rally At Carthage



Rep. C. B. Deane is shown (upper picture) addressing Democrats of 12 counties in the Eighth District rally at Carthage Monday afternoon. At his right sits Capus Waynick, chairman of the State Democratic committee. In the lower picture W. E. Horner, chairman of the Lee County Democratic executive committee, receives a prize for the Lee delegation from H. Pat Taylor, of Wadesboro, nominee for lieutenant governor, Lee county, with 16 representatives present, had the largest delegation of any except the host county, and thereby won the prize. (Photos by Wofford, courtesy News and Observer)

Democrats Gather From Far And Near To Greet Distinguished Guests At Rally

County YDC Plans Precinct Canvass To Secure Registration Of All Voters

Democrats of each county precinct, appointed by W. Lamont Brown, president of the Moore County Young Democrats' club, will be requested to check the entire population of their precincts and make sure that all qualified voters are on the registration books, it was decided at the pre-registration "pep rally" of county YDC and precinct representatives meeting at the Hotel Charmella, at Vass, for dinner Friday night.

The meeting was called by President Brown on request of State YDC President H. Clifton Blue, and was one of 60 being held on that night throughout the state, at Blue's behest, to plan a complete registration in the pre-election period which opened the next day.

It was the only one of the 60 to have the state president meeting with them, as the Moore County club is President Blue's home club, of which he has himself served as president in the past.

Also present from the state organization was Jeff Wilson, of Biscoe, who is putting in his full time at present as state organization chairman of the YDC, with headquarters at Raleigh; and also Eighth District Chairman Hubert McCaskill, another member and past president of the Moore County club.

The meeting was a small one,

with only 18 at table, but filled with enthusiasm, and not downed by the picture of the Democratic party's close-margined national outlook as it was realistically viewed. The party's record, it was agreed, was one for pride, and the fight for its retention in power on county, state and national levels, a worthy one.

A happy surprise was the appearance at the meeting table of Mr. and Mrs. Clary Thompson, of Cameron, who were home for the weekend from Washington, where Mr. Thompson is serving as special consultant to Gordon Gray and Secretary of the Army Kenneth Royall.

Each person present was called on by President Brown for comments and suggestions on the YDC's big job of today: getting the voters registered, and then seeing that they vote. It was important to get out all qualified voters, regardless of party affiliation, as only in a full vote can the true will of the people be shown, it was agreed.

Indifferent Voters State President Blue, making a brief address of encouragement as a climax, reminded those present that "bad public servants are elected by the good people who, through indifference or ignorance, stay at home on election day" and (Continued on Page 5)

Optimistic Outlook Seen In Addresses Of State Officials

State and national officials and nominees, and leading organizational figures of the Democratic party visited Moore county in unprecedented numbers and distinction on the occasion of the Eighth District congressional rally held at Carthage Monday afternoon.

The rally, which served as starting gun for the 1948 campaign, had been arranged by Rep. C. B. Deane for this district, one of a series sponsored by the state Democratic committee.

Among those gracing the occasion with their presence were W. Kerr Scott, nominee for governor; H. P. Taylor, nominee for lieutenant-governor; U. S. Senators Clyde Hoey and William B. Umstead, and Senator-Nominee J. M. Broughton, former governor of the state, Hon. Capus Waynick, chairman of the state Democratic committee.

Also State's Attorney General Harry S. McMullan, Commissioner of Labor Forrest Shuford, Secretary of State Thad Eure, State Auditor Harry A. Bridges, Insurance Commissioner William P. Hodges.

Also Mrs. D. A. McCormick, vice chairman of the state Democratic committee; H. Clifton Blue, president of the North Carolina Young Democratic club; and numerous other figures in state and (Continued on Page 5)

Plans Under Way For Orthopedic Clinic In Moore For Sandhills Polio Victims

SCOUT DRIVE

The time is the week of October 25—

The county quota is \$4,450— County chairman is A. L. Burney of Southern Pines—

And it's the annual Boy Scout fund raising campaign, for which plans were completed at a meeting of scout leaders here Wednesday night.

Boy Scouts of the Council and of Moore county have made an outstanding record of progress during the past few years. They have the leadership, they have the boys—what they need now are the operating funds, to insure continued progress, with scouting benefits for more and more boys.

Chairman Burney will announce his community quotas and leaders next week. The week after that will be everyone's time to help.

State Cooperates With Local Agencies; Elks Will Sponsor

Pinehurst To Be Site

Arrangements were being completed this week for the establishment of an orthopedic clinic, probably at Pinehurst, for polio victims of the entire Sandhills area, through cooperation of the state and county health departments, the Rowan Medical society, the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation and its Moore County chapter, and the Sandhills lodge, BPOE, as sponsoring agency.

All plans are tentative as yet, said Dr. J. W. Willcox, county health officer, pending a visit of Miss Annie Moore and Miss Anne Lambe, of the state health department at Raleigh, to work out final details with the local agencies. They were expected to come to Moore County for a conference Thursday.

The clinic will be primarily for the necessary regular checkups and treatment of children who have had polio. However, Dr. Willcox said, if the clinic works out as planned it is probable that other handicapped children of the area may be taken there for their regular visits to a doctor instead of to Fayetteville, the nearest clinic now available for them.

To Be Approved

Support of the Elks lodge as sponsor, to pay incidental expenses and assist in various phases of the program, was the final necessary step in the arrangements as far as the local authorities were concerned. The rest is now up to the state health department, which must approve details of the plan and assure the services of an orthopedist on regular dates.

The Rowan Medical society, which endorsed the project some time ago, has made the necessary requests and has hopes of securing Dr. Hugh M. Thompson, of Raleigh, for twice-a-month visits, said Dr. R. M. McMillan, president of the society. If he is not able to come, another physician will be secured.

Central Location

The Pinehurst Community building will be the probable site of the clinic, as a central location convenient to all parts of the Sandhills. The patients will not be restricted to Moore county. The clinic will not be connected with any hospital. Patients will be recommended to it by county health and welfare departments, with all physicians of the area co-operating.

The need for such a clinic has long been felt here, and with so many children of the immediate area now listed among victims of polio, it should be a great benefit, Dr. Willcox said.

Dates and times of the clinic are to be announced as soon as arrangements are completed. Dr. G. M. Cooper, assistant state health officer, has aided the local agencies in making their plans.

Blue & White Victory At Red Springs Maintains Unbroken Series Of Wins

Playing under the lights for the first time this season, Southern Pines High ran its winning streak to five games by defeating Red Springs Wednesday night at Red Springs 50 to 12.

Baker scored the first Blue and White touchdown after Southern Pines carried to the Red Springs' one-yard line and lost the ball on downs. Newton returned Beck's punt to the Red Springs 5, and Baker running from the tail back position bulled over center for the touchdown. Newton failed to convert and the score was 6-0.

Following the kickoff, and an exchange of punts, a determined Red Springs drive was halted by Mattocks' interception of Beck's pass to Ashford on the Southern Pines 5, and return to the Blue and White 28.

On the first play from scrimmage Page dropped back, tossed to Baker, and Baker lateraled to Mattocks who took the ball on the Southern Pines 35 and went the distance for the score. Newton's placement was good and the score was 14-0.

Mattocks intercepted another Red Springs pass on the Southern Pines 32 as the first quarter ended to set up a Blue and White touchdown as the second period began. Adams on a shovel pass carried to the Red Springs 28 and a first down. Mattocks back to pass was rushed and decided to run, and made it a first down on the 3. Then at left end Mattocks went over for the third tally of the game. Newton converted and the score was 22-0.

Taking the next kickoff, Red Springs was forced to kick. Newton hauled the kick from his 23 to the Red Springs 30. Too much time in the huddle cost the Blue and White five yards, but Adams made it back with six yards to spare on a reverse to the 25 yard stripe. Copley then carried to the 15, and Adams made it a first down on the 10. McDonald's pass to Short was batted down, but on a sweep at right end McDonald went over for the fourth Blue and White touchdown. Newton failed to convert and the score was 28 (Continued on Page 5)