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TEN CENTS

Polio Clinic Opens Friday Afternoon; Aberdeen Is Site

Orthopedic Checkup Will Receive Sandhills Children

Hospital Ward Will Close

Site of the Sandhills Orthopedic clinic has been changed from the Pinehurst Fire station to the old Page Trust Company building at Aberdeen, according to notices sent out by Dr. J. W. Willcox, county health officer, to those assisting in the clinic.

Time and date have not been changed. They are Friday, November 5, beginning at 1 p. m.

Dr. Hugh A. Thompson, orthopedic specialist from Raleigh, will be the physician in charge.

The clinic is for the purpose of checking up on the condition of children of the area who have had polio, and are now in home care. Progress will be noted, and recommendations will be made concerning needed treatment.

The clinic has been established through cooperation of the state and county health offices, the Rowan Medical society, the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation and the Sandhills lodge of BPO Elks, which will furnish incidental funds as needed.

A regular date for the monthly or semi-monthly clinic is to be set later.

Ward Will Close

The Moore County hospital's polio convalescent ward is expected to close about November 15, it was learned this week from E. T. McKeithen, administrator. Only nine children now remain in the ward, as the others have now all gone home. Children still there when it closes will be transferred to another hospital.

Efforts are being made by Paul C. Butler, chairman of the Moore County chapter, National Infantile Paralysis Foundation, to secure admission for one or two of them at Warm Springs, Ga.

The clinic will be of great help in securing the adjustment from hospital to home care as the ward closes, it was said, as well as assuring continued progress of those who are already at home.

Several children were taken to Charlotte recently to be fitted for braces, which will be bought for them by the Foundation.

Red Cross Annual Meeting Will Stress Services

The annual meeting of the Moore County chapter, American Red Cross, will be held at the Community building here next Friday evening, November 12, for election of officers and consideration of other matters important to the membership.

Miss Susie Edgerton, general field representative, with headquarters at the area office at Atlanta, Ga., will be a special speaker, presenting highlights of the Red Cross program for the coming year with emphasis on volunteer services.

The need for volunteer aid, so generously offered and so effectively used during the war, did not end with the war. A full program of peacetime work, much of it war-connected, is going forward, and volunteers are needed as badly as ever, it is revealed.

In the Moore County chapter, it was learned this week, "grey ladies" are being sought for help one day each week at the Fort Bragg hospital. Sewing room production of many items to fill veterans' hospital needs is under way, with far too few workers.

All who were sufficiently interested in Red Cross work to contribute a dollar or more in the fund raising campaign are members of the chapter and are asked to attend the November 12 meeting, whether they can or cannot enter the volunteer service program. They will hear much of interest concerning Red Cross work, and participate in the choice of officers.

Mayor Page Crowns Princess Janet



(Photo by Humphrey)

All the papers are running pictures of victorious candidates this week, and The Pilot is no exception, presenting herewith a picture of the crowning of Southern Pines' "Beauty Princess".

Miss Janet Menzel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Menzel and a member of the senior class at the Southern Pines High school, will go to Charlotte November 17 as the school's representative and "beauty princess" at the Charlotte Christmas Festival.

Miss Menzel was chosen by a community-wide vote, in a campaign which was in its way as spirited as some of the larger campaigns then sweeping the country. One of three candidates for the honor of beauty princess, all of whom had active campaign organizations with enthusiastic managers, she received the most votes, at a nickel a vote, with the school annual benefiting from the proceeds.

Miss Menzel received her crown from Mayor C. N. Page, and applause from the whole crowd between halves at the big Home-

Golden Boy Wins First Five Points In Champion Class At National Show

21 Men Called For Draft Exam

The second call for men from Moore county, under the peacetime draft, is for 21 men, who will be sent to the army recruiting station at Charlotte November 17 for their armed forces physical examination.

The call was received this week and notices will probably go out this weekend, it was learned from the draft board office at Carthage.

The first group, sent to Durham October 21, had an even higher rejection rate than the deplorable one of 40 per cent in North Carolina under the wartime selective service. However, it was pointed out, the older men are the ones now being called, with ex-servicemen exempt, and most of them were classified as 4-F's before.

The first group of 13 was reduced to 12 when one brought a medical certificate citing an injury to his back. Of the 12 who went, only two were accepted, one white man and one Negro. Eight white men and five Negroes were in the group.

The two men who were accepted returned home the next day with the others and are awaiting their call for induction.

Wins Out Over 53 Others In Division; Mickey Walsh Up

Golden Boy, five-year-old chestnut gelding of the Seven Stars stable of Southern Pines, won renown on the opening day of the 60th National Horse show at Madison Square Garden, New York City, when he scored the first points toward the working hunter championship on Tuesday. Ridden by Mickey Walsh, of Southern Pines, he defeated 53 others to score five points in the first of seven events which count toward the championship.

His achievement was made known to the world via the Associated Press wires. Since then his owner, Mrs. Audrey K. Kennedy, has had word that he has captured a second in the lightweight working hunter class, and also that Bright Light, another Seven Star entry, placed fourth in the middleweight thoroughbred.

Mrs. Kennedy has four entries in the show. Entries from the stables of Cappy Smith and Vernon Cardy are also at the Garden. The show will last through next Tuesday.

Mrs. Kennedy will go to New York this weekend to witness the closing events.

Moore Follows Democratic Tide; Deane, County Officials Returned

Armistice Day Reunion Will Bring Veterans of County Here Thursday

Parade, Berbecue, Football Game Are On List Of Events

Medal Of Honor Winner Will Be On Program

The annual Victory Celebration and reunion for war veterans of Moore county, held last year on V-J day, will be held this year on Armistice day, next Thursday, in Southern Pines.

An eventful program has been planned by Charles J. Swoope, chairman of the Moore County veterans committee, and fellow veterans, beginning with a United Memorial service at 10 a. m. at the Church of Wide Fellowship, and ending with a Victory square dance for members and their ladies, at the Planters Tobacco warehouse at Aberdeen, on the old Raeford road.

Capt. Charles P. Murray, a winner of the Congressional medal of honor, will be here to participate in the observance and appear on the program, through the cooperation of military authorities at Fort Bragg. His decoration is the highest in the power of the nation to award. Worn by a distinguished few, it recognizes acts of the most outstanding heroism in time of war.

All veterans of the county are invited to be guests of the committee at all events, and especially to participate in the parade which will form at 11 a. m. in front of the town hall, immediately following the memorial service. Uniforms may or may not be worn, as desired.

The service and parade will be broadcast over Radio Station WSTS.

Parade Order

The parade order will be as follows: Chief Marshall; Spanish-American War veterans; World War 1 veterans and organization colors; World War 2 veterans and organization colors; World War 2 disabled veterans in Red Cross cars; Red Cross, auxiliary organizations, Boy Scouts and patriotic floats.

Barbecue lunch will be served free to veterans at the Southern Pines High School Memorial field, at 12 noon. A similar barbecue will be served Negro veterans at the West Southern Pines Methodist church.

Model Plane Show

At 12:30 p. m., the Memorial park will be the scene of the first public display and contest of the Model Aviation club of the John Boyd post, VFW. Model airplanes will be flown in high-speed and stunting demonstrations, among them the first jet-propelled model plane to be seen in the Sandhills. (Continued on Page 5)

OPEN HOUSE

Open house for all the community to become acquainted with their new elementary school will be held at the school Wednesday evening from 7:30 to 9:30 o'clock, with the school board and faculty as hosts.

Parents and all others interested in the school are invited to attend, said Supt. P. J. Weaver. They will see a building rated as a model of modern school architecture, with many new features for health and safety as well as for comfort and beauty.

Each teacher will receive the visitors in her own room. High school teachers will assist with the serving of refreshments in the library. A number of students of the sixth, seventh and eighth grades have been chosen to act as guides through the school.

The event has been planned as part of the local schools' recognition of American Education week.

Proclamation

WHEREAS Armistice Day, November 11, is one for honorable observance in our own community as well as throughout the nation, bringing reminder of the trials of war as well as the triumphs of peace; and

WHEREAS men of Moore county who have served in the U. S. Armed Forces in time of war have prepared a fitting observance of this day; and

WHEREAS we feel it a duty and a privilege to honor these men and to participate in the Armistice Day celebration to be held in our town;

WE HEREBY PROCLAIM Thursday, November 11, Armistice Day, to be a holiday in the Town of Southern Pines, with the cooperation of all merchants and other citizens requested.

(Signed) C. N. PAGE,
Mayor of Southern Pines.

Spooks Do Peculiar Things

Everybody behaved fine Saturday night, according to Chief C. E. Newton of the Southern Pines police force. The Rotary street party was a big success, there were no arrests and no reports of destructive mischief.

However, Sunday night—Halloween by the calendar—the vandals came out, to the cost of at least four individuals in town.

Monday morning, tires were found to have been slashed on two cars. One, owned by Dr. G. G. Herr and parked in front of his residence on Vermont avenue, had both right tires ruined with knife slashes. The other, parked farther along on Vermont, between May and Ridge, had one tire similarly maltreated. It was owned by a soldier (name unlearned) stationed at Fort Bragg, who was in town for the night.

A rock was thrown through the electric sign in front of George Straka's billiard parlor, and the large sign in front of Miss Allie McIntosh's antique shop on South Broad was destroyed.

At Manly, a curious incident of the Halloween week end was reported. Saturday night, the imps wrought mischief in the playground of Mrs. R. P. Brown's kindergarten, moving the playground furnishings out of place, sticking benches up in trees, taking swings apart and tying knots in the ropes, and otherwise having themselves a time. Though nothing was broken, the sight which met Mrs. Brown's dismayed eyes Sunday morning resembled the aftermath of a small hurricane.

Mrs. Brown and her sister, Mrs. Arthur McNeill, with whom she lives, did nothing Sunday to straighten out the disorder. Monday, they thought, they would get to work and put things to rights.

However, Sunday night the imps returned—or maybe good spirits, this time. Not a sound was heard as they went about their labors, but Monday morning everything was back in place. Even the knots were untied again, and tidiness prevailed.

Halloween Party Is Big Success

A fine big crowd turned out for the Rotary club's Halloween festival last Saturday night, thronging the downtown block set aside for the celebration (West Broad, between Connecticut and Pennsylvania) in a motley hurly-burly of good-natured frolic.

Adults crowded close to the mob of costumed youngsters, with all keen for Halloween fun.

Early in the evening a crew of builders, directed by Rotarian E. J. Austin, set up a reviewing stand and several booths along the block, which was roped off from traffic early by city police. Soon after 7 o'clock lights were

turned on at the stand, the ramp was set in place and the young folks formed their parade at the Southern Pines pharmacy.

As they marched down the block and across the ramp, the three judges, D. A. Blue, Jr., Mrs. Elmer Harrington and Mrs. Valerie Nicholson, really had their hands full and soon found they had an almost impossible task. Some 150 youngsters in Halloween array trooped past, to running comment and instructions by Emcee Tucker G. Humphries at the mike. With the aid of numbers pinned on the masqueraders' backs, the judges did the best they could despite the pushing crowd, which prevented a detailed review.

Prizes Given

Tiny Jackie Forbes, dressed as a witch riding a tricycle-broom. (Continued on Page 5)

Belk-Hensdale Buys Lots, Will Build At Aberdeen

Plans of the Belk-Hensdale Co., Inc., of Fayetteville to build a department store at Aberdeen were revealed this week with the recording of the deed to two West Main street lots by the grantors, E. O. and Grace H. Freeman, and J. B. and Elizabeth F. Edwards.

The lots, now vacant, are across from the bank and Methodist church at Aberdeen, and one of them formed part of the site of the old Sandhill hotel, which was burned several years ago.

The new store, part of the growing Belk-Hensdale chain, a subsidiary of the farflung Belk Stores organization, is planned as a large one-story structure, of the most modern type, probably with mezzanine and basement departments. Besides its store in Fayetteville the concern has one in Red Springs which is one of the largest and most modern of the Sandhills section. The Aberdeen store will be its equal in every way, it is reported.

Mrs. Boyd Recuperating In Paris Following Accident Near Chartres

Mrs. James Boyd, editor of The Pilot, is progressing nicely at the American hospital in Paris, and expects to be out of the hospital by mid-November and on her way home shortly after that, according to a letter received at The Pilot this week from her son, James Boyd, Jr.

The letter was the first word received since a cablegram October 30 which brought word that Mrs. Boyd had been injured in an automobile accident on the eve of her departure for home.

Not only Mrs. Boyd, but her daughter Nancy, her sister Miss Elizabeth Lamont, of Millbrook, N. Y., and their friend, Miss Sylvia Stallings, of Yanceyville, were involved in the crash, which occurred when they were traveling in a rented car near Chartres, north of Paris, October 17.

Southern Pines Gives Dewey Edge On National Ticket

Record Vote Seen

Southern Pines and Moore county marched to the polls all day Tuesday, along with the rest of the nation, then sat back with everyone else to receive the news of a Republican victory for the presidency—to stay awake practically all night as the astonishing returns gave the Democrats the nod in their national, state and county affairs.

Primed by press, radio and street corner opinion to acclaim Dewey as their next president, even the most ardent of Democrats expressed themselves as astounded.

No one, however, was particularly surprised that North Carolina lined up in the Democratic column, though the fact that the vote amounted to a veritable landslide was startling. The same was true of the county, where Moore county citizens returned their Democratic officials to office with a vote of approximately three to one, with the anticipated contest by the Republican factions of the "clay country" dwindling to ineffective proportions.

Large inroads in the Democratic vote expected from the "splinter" parties failed to materialize.

Presidential Race

In Southern Pines, Dewey led the presidential race with 433 votes, Truman had 384, Thurmond (States Rights) 146 and Wallace (Progressive) two. In the county, the tally was: Truman, 3,362; Dewey, 2,697; Thurmond, 631 and Wallace 34.

On the state ballot, the contest most nearly concerning local citizens was that for representative of the Eighth district in the U. S. Congress. C. B. Deane got his old job back again with a vote of 685 in Southern Pines, 4,240 in the county as against that polled by his opponent, Lafayette Williams of Thomasville, 264 in Southern Pines, 2,171 in the county.

With a heavy Republican vote expected in the district, Deane actually won by a majority larger than that of 1944.

State Ticket

Others on the Democratic state ticket went in as follows, with Kerr Scott, governor, leading the list with 704 votes polled in Southern Pines, 4,447 in the county: J. M. Broughton, U. S. senator; W. Kerr Scott, governor; H. P. Taylor, lieutenant governor; Thad Eure, secretary of state; Henry L. Bridges, state auditor; Brandon P. Hodges, state treasurer; Harry McMullan, attorney general; Clyde A. Erwin, superintendent of public instruction; D. S. Coltrane, commissioner of agriculture (short term); L. Y. Ballentine, commissioner of agriculture (regular term); William P. Hodges, commissioner of insurance; Forrest H. Shuford, commissioner of labor; Sam J. Ervin, Jr., associate justice of supreme court; Chester R. Morris, judge superior court, 1st district; F. Don- (Continued on Page 5)

According to Mr. Boyd, a car appeared over the crest of a hill approaching them at high speed on the wrong side of the road. The chauffeur put on brakes and their car, a small Peugeot, skidded half way round, striking the curb and landing upside down in a deep ditch.

The chauffeur and Miss Lamont, who was beside him on the front seat, escaped unhurt except for bruises and shock. Miss Boyd was also unhurt, but her mother suffered a broken collarbone and Miss Stallings a fractured vertebra.

French people came to their assistance, but the feat of securing ambulances and doctors, and getting the injured to the hospital, was that of Miss Nancy and a remarkable one said her brother, in (Continued on Page 5)