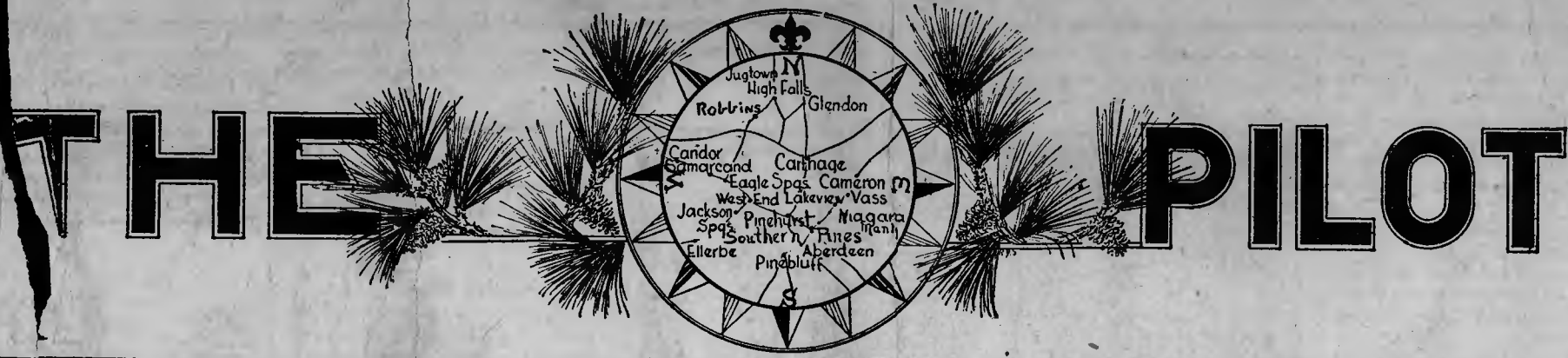


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Town Board Bans Sunday Beer-Sale In Public Places

Recommendation Of Law And Order Committee Followed

The Sunday sale of beer in public places within the corporate limits of Southern Pines was ended by the town board in regular session Wednesday night by a vote of five to one.

The ordinance, to be adopted effective immediately, forbids such sale in any public place between the hours of 11:30 p. m. Saturday and 7 a. m. Monday.

The vote followed a recommendation for such action reported from the law and order committee, to which the question was handed at the board's December meeting. At that time a citizens' petition for the banning of Sunday beer and wine was presented. Discussion was limited as only three commissioners were present and these expressed themselves as feeling that action on a matter of so many angles should be taken with the full board present.

All were on hand this time, and the discussion covered all phases of the question very thoroughly. The lone dissenter was Charles S. Patch, who read a vigorously worded prepared speech upholding his views.

Voting affirmatively were Mayor C. N. Page, L. V. O'Callaghan, Joe N. Steed and the members of the law and order committee, D. A. Blue, Jr., and E. C. Stevens.

Discussion revealed that it was not the petition in itself which had brought about the action. It had, however, served effectively to bring the matter to the board's attention at a time when several of the members were feeling concern about the situation here.

Building Permits For 1948 Total Quarter Million

The year 1948 was another quarter-of-a-million-dollar year in building and construction in Southern Pines, or very close to it, it was revealed by figures released this week by Elmer Davis, city building inspector.

Building permits for the last six months of 1948 totaled \$151,500, he said. Those previously reported for the first six months were for \$99,200, for a total for the year of \$248,700.

Comparing these figures with those of the year before, it is seen that, in 1947, building permits totaled \$249,900. In that year a permit for \$120,000 for the new elementary school pushed the construction figure far above the average expectation. Slightly less than \$130,000 went for new construction, outside of the school, in 1947.

The building highlight of 1948 was the remodeling of the Seaboard Air Line passenger station, for which a permit was issued for \$53,000. Next largest permit was for the Aiken office building, \$25,000, with that for the Johnson-Brown Furniture store, still under construction, coming in third with \$15,000.

Rising costs of materials have in many cases made the final cost of the projects exceed the original estimate, for which the permit was issued.

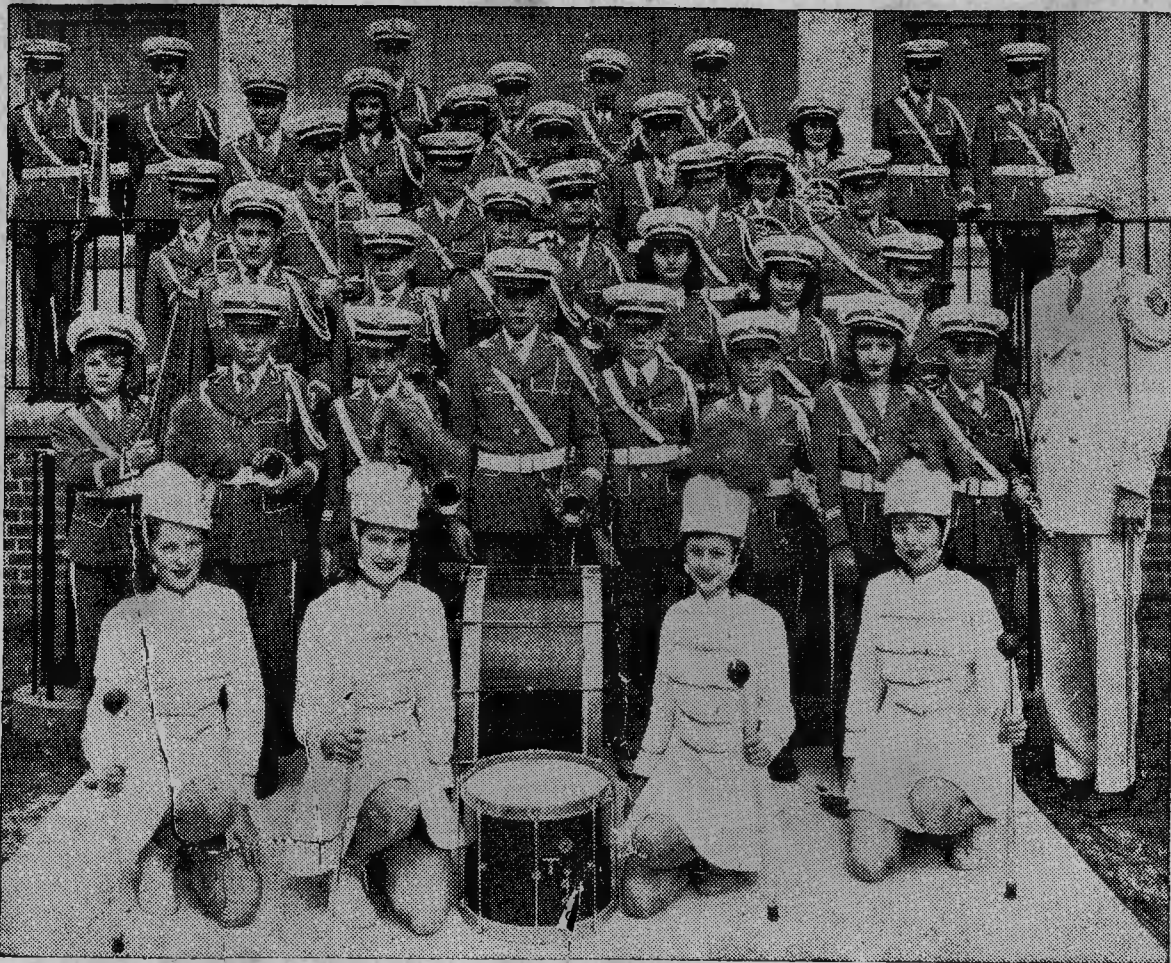
From July through December, residential construction totaled \$46,800, non-residential \$104,700. Alteration and remodeling as well as new building are on the list of 25 permits, which went to the following:

Residential—Charles S. Patch, Preston Matthews, M. D. McCullum, J. D. Arey, T. T. Ward (two permits), John Hall (three permits), James Livingston, Sam Burman, Jesse Graham, Dortha Griffin, Mattie Burch, Mac McCoy, Clara Hancock, John Draydon, Grace King and Bessie Webb.

Non-residential—Blue and Worsham (for Holiday's Coffee shop), John C. Parrish, Seaboard Air Line Railroad company, E. M. Aiken, R. C. Johnson, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Permits issued in West Southern Pines totaled \$26,600, practically all for residential building.

Southern Pines High School Band In New Uniforms



Wearing their new uniforms above are, left to right, the four drum majorettes, Rosemary Dundas, Catherine Sitterson, Dolores Merrill and Jeanne Overton; Band Director J. G. Womble at the extreme right, first row, standing; and the following members of the Southern Pines High School band:

First row—Penny Fuller, bell lyra; Jimmy Hatch, Jay Childs, William Cook, trumpets; James Menzel, James Collins, Sieger Herr, Garland Frank Pierce, clarinets.

Second row—Edward Menefee, David Bailey, Peter Grinnell, James Assad, trumpets; Margaret Butler, Dorothy Newton, David Page, clarinets.

Third row—Tommy Ruggles, Temple Grinnell, trombones; Bobby Tew, trumpet; Joseph Everett Womble, clarinet; Johnnie Ferguson, mellophone; Ben Shepherd, clarinet.

Fourth row—Alec McLeod, trombone; James Worensen, drum; Mary Cameron, clarinet; Billy Walker, mellophone; Dickie Matlocks, saxophone; Sam Voyles, mellophone.

Back row—George McDonald, trombone; L. Worsham, saxophone; Joe Cameron, drums; Elmer Andrews, baritone; La Verne Tyner, Robert Meatt, saxophones; Eugene Brown, Jack Ruggles, clarinets.

Others belonging to the band, but not in the picture, are, with uniforms, Faye Caddell, drum majorette, Stanley Allen and Donald Burney; without uniforms, Donald Fobes, Ann Craft, Phyllis Faircloth, Jane Hamel, James Price, Bobby Renegar, Billy Odum, Bob Ferguson, Coy Powers, Eugene Lee, Harry Haynesworth, Bobby Clifton, James Humphrey, Kenneth McCrimmon, Anne Pearson.

(Photo by Emerson Humphrey)

Yeomans Honored At Library Meeting

The annual meeting of the Southern Pines Library association took place at the Library Tuesday afternoon. Combining business with pleasure, the trustees heard reports of the year's work, elected officers, and then entertained themselves and members of the association at a tea honoring their re-elected president, A. B. Yeomans.

Thirteen trustees were present Mrs. L. T. Avery, Miss Birdilia Bair, Mrs. James Boyd, the Rev. Craighill Brown, Mrs. Howard Butler, Clyde Council, Mrs. Wallace Irwin, Miss Laura Kelsey, Mrs. James B. Swett, Phillip Weaver, and A. B. Yeomans. Two new trustees were welcomed to the board: Mrs. W. E. McCord, and Mrs. J. H. Towne, taking the places of Mr. and Mrs. Struthers Burt, who were unanimously

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Polio Drive Sparked By Crucial Need; Butler Re-elected Chapter Chairman

REELECTED



C. BUTLER

A supper meeting of chairmen and workers in the 1949 polio fund-raising campaign, held last Friday night at the Blue Mirror with Campaign Chairman H. Clifton Blue as host, served as a starter for the two-week drive—January 14-31—in which part payment of Moore county's tremendous debt to the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation will be made.

With almost \$75,000 spent in Moore in 1948 in answer to demands of the polio epidemic, the county's quota for the year has been set at only \$7,360. This is double the amount of last year's quota of \$3,680 and considerably greater than the amount actually raised last January—\$6,581.69.

Yet it is such a small fraction of the funds poured into Moore from other counties in North Carolina and the nation, in relief of its greatest epidemic disaster, that

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PARKING

One way to collect a ticket and pay a fine is to park overtime by the Seaboard station. Now that the remodeling of the station is over, and the parking place alongside the new shed cleared, the police are back in earnest at their work of enforcing the 30-minute ordinance there, good 24 hours a day.

New signs have been put up, and new lines, painted, to mark the Seaboard property, which is primarily for railroad business but which may be used by others—but not too long. Parking there to attend a movie, or to go on extended business or shopping trips is costing motorists every day, Chief Newton said.

He also reminded local citizens who park their cars on Broad street, while they are at work, that this practice does their town harm. The city parking lot is for their free use.

Norman Cordon Will Sing Here For Uniform Fund

A concert will be given here some time in February by Norman Cordon, noted North Carolinian bass-baritone, for the benefit of the fund for the Southern Pines High school band uniforms, according to announcement made yesterday by J. G. Womble, director of the band.

Mr. Cordon, a former Metropolitan Opera star, now associated with the extension division of the University of North Carolina, is giving the concert purely as a friendly gesture toward the town. He has numerous professional engagements, besides his work with the university, and has had to establish a policy of "no benefit performances."

Whether it is because he has friends and relatives here, and

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Woman Critically Burned, Saves Baby

Christine Lloyd, 20, wife of Isaac Lloyd of West Southern Pines, was critically burned Thursday morning when her clothing caught fire from a wood stove.

She was holding her baby but managed to protect it from burns. At the Moore county hospital, where she was taken immediately, it was reported that her burns were third degree, and serious nature.

No damage was reported to the home, across from the Holiness church, to which both fire trucks rushed on receipt of the alarm at 9:05 a. m. According to Chief O'Callaghan, a neighbor said the blaze resulted from kerosene thrown on the kitchen fire to make it catch up.

This was the department's second alarm of the week, and of the year 1949. Both trucks went out at 6:55 p. m. in answer to an alarm from the Gentry street circuit in the wiring of a electric stove had caused an explosion, but to damage

Rep. Blue Heads Elections Body As Assembly Opens

Introduces Bill To Permit School Election Here

Gag Rule Changes Prove Confusing

In House appointments made by Speaker Kerr Craig Ramsay Monday night, Moore county's representative H. Clifton Blue, now in his second term in the General Assembly, came off with the chairmanship of the important Elections and Election Laws committee and with memberships on eight other committees.

It looks like a busy term ahead for Blue, especially since one of his committees is that on appropriations, headed by Taylor of Wayne as chairman and expected to have some of the General Assembly's weightiest matters in its care. This is one of the two big money committees, the other being that on finance.

Besides membership on the appropriations committee, Blue was named member of committees on agriculture, conservation and development, constitutional amendments, mental institutions, roads, printing and public buildings and grounds.

Thomas' Appointments
J. Benton Thomas of Raeford, neophyte senator from the 12th senatorial district, which includes Moore county, was appointed by Lieut. Gov. H. Pat Taylor to the chairmanship of the senate committee on congressional districts, and to membership on five other senate committees—banks and currency, corporations, courts and judicial districts, justices of the peace, pensions and soldiers' home, and wildlife resources.

Thomas was sworn in late, as certification of his election by a special vote January 3 caused a delay. He succeeds Ryan McBryde, who resigned as senator-elect on account of illness.

Bond Issue Bill
Representative Blue started off his legislative career last Friday, the day after the General Assembly's opening, by introducing a bill to permit a bond issue for school buildings in the special

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Trash Dump May Yield To New Disposal Method

It looks as though Southern Pines' garbage dump is on the way out—and nobody will mind saying goodbye.

Even though the funds set aside some time ago for an incinerator are still insufficient, who cares? Incinerators are old fashioned anyhow.

New methods of garbage disposal have been developed lately which are better and more easily affordable, it seems, and Mayor C. N. Page at the town board meeting Wednesday night gave it as his opinion that they should be looked into without delay. The garbage dump, he said, is a disgrace. Polio and other diseases may well spring from it. Rats and flies are nourished by it, and what's more it doesn't do the work—after the garbage is burned it must still be raked through, for removal of unburnable matter to yet another dump.

Methods being adopted elsewhere include the land fill disposal, and also disposal in a bulldozer-built ditch which is covered up as fast as refuse matter is dumped in. In the latter process, the same tract of land can be used over and over. Both methods bury the garbage cleanly, preventing germ spread and pest attraction. A number of North Carolina towns are using these processes, and some who have incinerators have abandoned them in favor of the newer methods.

Mayor Page was authorized by the board to get in correspondence with the authorities in these towns to find out more, for a report at the next board meeting, with the purchase of a tract of land and necessary equipment, and possibly a new, more capacious garbage truck as the next step.

Truman Sees Marshall On Sandhills Visit

BUS STATION

The town board Wednesday night gave its blessing to the project of a reputable Moore County citizen who wishes to build a bus station on the corner of Page street and Pennsylvania avenue.

Negotiations have been under way between the citizen and the coach company. It was reported, and the company is willing to give him a long term contract on receipt of a letter of approval from the town. Clerk Howard F. Burns was instructed to write the letter immediately, as the commissioners expressed their pleasure in the prospect of seeing a suitable bus station built here at last.

Plans call for a cinder block building with separate white and colored waiting rooms and toilet facilities, also a snack bar. It is to be used as the regular stopping place for all buses passing through the town. More details will be given when arrangements are farther along.

The site was recently brought into the business area by petition of a majority of property owners of the neighborhood.

Town Thrilled As President Drives By Visit Surprise To All

You never can tell who's riding through town, visiting in the Sandhills these days—it might be the President of the United States.

Wednesday afternoon, it was, as Harry S. Truman paid a surprise visit to Secretary of State George C. Marshall, at Pinehurst, driving through Southern Pines from Fort Bragg where his plane, "The Dewdrop," landed at 2:28.

A few radio listeners had a brief warning, as the Associated Press flashed the news to Jack Younts, of local station WEEB, asking for coverage, and Manager Younts immediately put it on the air.

They barely had time to rush from their radios to the street, before the procession of three army cars, one before and two behind, conveying the President in his army Packard, entered town by the Fort Bragg road. Several dozen people in town had a glimpse of their Chief Executive as he was driven along Connecticut avenue and out along the Midland road.

Waves to Child

He returned an hour later by the same route, and this time there were larger crowds out to hail him. In a pause at the stop-light at Connecticut and May, the President had time to look about him, glance and wave at the turnout of townsfolk—with a special wave for little Pat Patch, daughter of the C. S. Patches who was there with her dad—and to appear heartily amused at the sight of a careful of young boys unloading with squeals and swoons.

At Pinehurst, it was related that the visit was as much of a surprise to Secretary Marshall as to anyone else. Mrs. Marshall had had a tip-off, with request to keep it dark, and she played up. As a result, the Secretary of State, who is recovering from a serious operation performed at Walter Reed hospital last month, had gone to bed on his return from a short walk. The President caught him in his pajamas. They chatted in the bedroom for a while, then the Secretary put on a bathrobe and they repaired to the living room, where Mrs. Marshall served tea and cakes.

In Presidential Party

With the President were his press secretary, Charlie B. Ross; his Air Force aide, Brig. Gen. Robert Landry; General Marshall's former aide in the state department, Brig. Gen. Marshall Carper, and Eben Ayers, assistant to Ross.

The visit was "purely personal," it was later reported, and not for the purpose of discussing state affairs. General Marshall has re-

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Campbell Gives "Go Forward" Program For Moore District At Scouters' Meet

A two-hour session of the Scoutmasters Round Table, timed to the minute and attended by a record 33 scouters, featured an excellent dinner at the Carthage hotel Monday evening followed by a full and rewarding program.

The monthly meeting, planned and conducted by L. Lewie Hallman, of Aberdeen, new Moore District commissioner, was called the best Round Table held yet, a promising well for a progress-filled 1949.

Highlight of the meeting was a presentation by Bill Campbell, new district commissioner, of objectives for 1949 as developed by the district committee at its first meeting of the year on January 3.

Presenting plans of each of the district chairmen, Mr. Campbell offered these goals to solidify present gains and insure further ones:

Organization and extension, (Voit Gilmore, chairman), an increase of 150 Boy Scouts, with increases of Senior and Cub Scouts wherever possible. Emphasis is to be placed on increasing membership of units already established rather than starting new ones, as they failed of normal growth through several months of polio

restrictions.

Advancement (A. L. Burney, chairman), material reduction in the number of Tenderfoot scouts (now 50 per cent of total membership) through encouragement to advance to higher ranks, with some 15 per cent advancement each quarter as the goal.

Training and leadership (E. C. Stevens, chairman), a series of leader training courses, with a trained leader for every unit, instead of only about one-third, as goal.

Camping and activities (Paul C. Butler, chairman), two weeks of camping next summer for at least 50 per cent of the boys, instead of about one-third as heretofore. Plans for summer camping should be begun now.

Finance (Norris L. Hodgkins, chairman), achievement of the 1948 campaign quota by every community where there is scouting. With good results in most communities, some have as yet not given their share.

Health and safety (Dr. R. M. McMillan, chairman), two projects are being planned and are to be presented by Dr. McMillan at the February Round Table.

Commissioner service (L. Lewie Hallman, chairman),