

### Civil Suit Ends With Settlement In Mid-Testimony

**Terms Undisclosed;  
Wednesday, Thursday  
Cases All Continued**

#### Divorces Are Granted

A settlement was arrived at in the course of the presentation of the civil suit, McKeithen vs. Baber, in Moore County superior court at Carthage Tuesday. Its terms were not disclosed.

The case, first to be called following the hearing of several divorce cases, opened about noon Monday, and Jere McKeithen of Aberdeen, plaintiff in the \$41,150 breach of contract suit, was on the stand during the rest of that day and a good part of the following morning. L. B. Creath, of the Carolina bank at Pinehurst, followed him on the stand.

Shortly after the luncheon recess attorneys for Mr. Baber, Gavin and Gavin of Sanford and Herbert F. Seawell, Jr., of Carthage, disclosed that their client was in the mood for a settlement, and they entered into conference with the opposing attorneys, Spence and Boyette, of Carthage, and W. A. Leland McKeithen, of Pinehurst. Agreement was quickly reached which appeared satisfactory to all, though its terms were not disclosed.

The end of the case came unexpectedly, after having given all indications of continuing much longer, and found the courtroom bare of principals in the next cases calendared. Court was recessed at 4 p. m., cases logged for Wednesday and Thursday were all declared continued to the next civil term and Wednesday morning Judge W. H. Bobbitt, of Charlotte, presiding, bent himself to the task of clearing up those which remained on the Monday and Tuesday calendar.

Five divorces were granted in the opening session Monday. These were William M. Warner vs. Grace T. Warner, Lola DeGavre vs. Chester B. DeGavre, Annie Belle Riley vs. J. G. Riley, Oliver Leo Shamburger vs. Olie Lee Shamburger and Sadie Biby Mabe vs. James Austin Mabe.

#### TUESDAY GYMKHANA

A special Washington's Birthday gymkhana will be held Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. in the riding ring of the Carolina hotel, Pinehurst, under the direction of Dennis Crotty, hotel sports director.

Events carried include musical stalls, egg and spoon race, three jumping classes, pairs of hunters, ribbon jumping and open jumping. As usual, there will be no admission charge.

### Dog Show Proves Fine Entertainment; March of Dimes Profits By \$5 Gift

An outstanding event of the season, which netted a full \$5 for the March of Dimes, was the dog show staged at the Fobes home, in Knollwood, last Saturday afternoon by two enterprising youths, Johnny Cornwell, 13, and Donald Fobes, 11.

#### POLIO DRIVE

With all community reports in except four, the total collections of the polio campaign stood this week at \$12,054.65—considerably past the quota of \$7,360, but still far short of the doubled goal.

No reports have been received from Carthage, Farm Life, and High Falls, said H. Clifton Blue, of Aberdeen, campaign chairman, who asked that all reports be made this week, in as nearly complete form as possible.

Some extra dollars are still expected in from some of the 17 communities which have reported, but in general the drive has closed and it is desired to total up all reports and put the money to work. It is badly needed in both national and county work of the Infantile Paralysis Foundation.

Every community reporting so far has gone past its quota, some have doubled and one, Manly, has even quadrupled its assigned amount.

### Honeymooners Arrive Via Piedmont Plane



Jack and Charlotte Kyne, arriving at Knollwood airport Friday afternoon, are greeted by (from left) Hoke Pollock, Chamber of Commerce president; Chamber Manager Tom White, and (nearest camera) Mayor C. N. Page; Ed Cox, WEEB announcer, and Edward T. Best, Piedmont representative.

Winners of a honeymoon in Southern Pines as the prize on a Cincinnati radio program, they were whisked away to Highland Pines Inn, where they were guests for a glamorous weekend, and then on a tour of Southern Pines sights and delights. They were entertained at Pine Valley Inn, the Blue Mirror, Holliday's Coffee shop, the Pine Neeles and Parhaven; saw the hunt, and the Sunday gymkhana at the Country club; had gifts from Patch's the Broad Street drugstore and the Carolina Gardens, and more invitations than they had time to accept.

The full story of this charming young couple and their exciting honeymoon here, could not make this week's issue of The Pilot on account of space limitations. It will be published next week.

(Photo by Emerson Humphrey)

### Thieves Enter New Houses, Also Marler Home

Thieves were around last Wednesday night and possibly on one other night, entering some new houses in process of construction, a private home and a car, and taking a variety of items, up to and including the kitchen sink.

The sink, along with a commode and tank, assorted hardware and carpenter's tools, were spirited away from some new houses being built by Johnny Hall on the Midland road. All three of the houses were entered, also a tool shed at the back, but articles were taken from only two of them, said Police Chief C. E. Newton.

The sink and toilet fixtures, property of L. V. O'Callaghan, plumbing contractor, were awaiting installation. The tools belonged to J. E. Wilson and his sons Frank and Johnny Wilson, who are doing carpentry work on (Continued on Page 8)

#### MOTORCYCLISTS

A dozen motorcyclists of this area are taking steps toward organization of an official motorcycle club.

Jimmy Springer, Bill Hall and Tech Sgt. Dick Clinton, all of Southern Pines, have acted for the group in arranging for a meeting with Sam Greenway, of Fayetteville, Harley-Davidson representative, at Pate's Curbyway on Highway 1 south, at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, February 27. They are inviting all motorcyclists of the Sandhills to attend, and say they know of at least 25 who have expressed interest. Those wishing to be charter members, and those without transportation, may notify Jimmy Springer at 8891 (night) or Bill Hall at 7361. Mr. Greenway is bringing Bill Treef, his assistant, with him.

### Washington Hunt Will Honor Late MFH James Boyd

The Moore County Hounds will meet next Tuesday, according to present plans, at the Boyd packhouse, on Morganton road. This meet will be held again this year in memory of James Boyd, founder of the hunt and joint Master of Hounds with his brother, Jackson H. Boyd.

Hounds will meet at 8 a.m. and continue to fox-hunt at this earlier hour, now that days are longer and warmer.

In announcing the meet for Washington's birthday, M. F. H. Ozelle Moss reported on the recent sport last Tuesday when a small grey was run and killed in an hour and five minutes near the Pinehurst country, back of the waterworks. This is the stretch now benefiting by the efforts of William L. Brewster and Corbett Alexander, where a general cleaning-up of old rides and crossings is going on.

Thursday, hounds hunted the McDeeds Creek country, called in that direction by the plaints of several colored families that foxes were after their chickens.

**Horse Arrivals**  
Two horse vans rolled into town recently, it is learned. One contained Arthur Johnson's four hunters from Millbrook. They are in the care of Louis Rittendale, while the owner will be arriving shortly and putting up at the Highland Pines Inn.

The other van was that of Mrs. Leila Ellis of Hot Springs, Va. Mrs. Ellis also brought four horses. Both these stables are lodged at Mileaway Farms.

### Kennedy Leaving Bank Job, Bowman Is Successor

The resignation of C. Carlton Kennedy as cashier of the Citizens Bank and Trust company, and the election by the directors of C. Harwood Bowman, of New Bern, as his successor, was announced this week by N. L. Hodgkins, president of the bank.

Mr. Bowman, a native of Petersburg, Va., entered the banking profession from the field of accountancy 21 years ago. He has served for a number of years as cashier and assistant trust officer of the Branch Banking and Trust company's office at New Bern.

While at New Bern he was interested in various civic enterprises, including the Boy Scouts of America, of which he was finance chairman. He entered on his new work here this week, but said that he will probably not bring his family until June, as he has a 13-year-old son in school there.

Mr. Kennedy, cashier since January 1, 1943, will leave the bank about the middle of March to enter the insurance business. He will be connected with the Under- (Continued on Page 5)

### Vass Boy Stabbed By Schoolmate, 14

Jeff Comer, 15, is in Moore County hospital in a serious condition as a result of a knife wound reportedly inflicted by Raymond Burnett, 14, at the Vass-Lakeview school last Friday afternoon. Both are members of the eighth grade.

Comer was first carried to the office of Dr. R. G. Rosser in Vass, who immediately transferred him to the hospital. Dr. Rosser said an examination disclosed that the left lung was punctured, a hole cut in the diaphragm, and a hole in the spleen made it necessary to remove the organ.

The blade entered between two ribs cutting a gash about an inch long, and the boy had lost considerable blood, he said.

The cutting is reported to have occurred during an activity period in a corridor just off the gymnasium.

The wounded boy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Comer, who live in Hoke county about four miles from Vass. Raymond is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Barnette of Cameron, Rt. 1.

No reason has been assigned for the cutting, and at last report no legal action had been taken. Raymond is said to have transferred this week to the Cameron school.

#### FLOWER PAINTINGS

Flower paintings by Mrs. Nina Hill, of Southern Pines, with selections from her outstanding collection of garden books, will be shown in the Fine Arts room of the Southern Pines library for two weeks beginning Tuesday.

This will be the second exhibit to be presented in the newly opened Fine Arts room. The first, water colors, lithographs and sketches by Glen Rounds, illustrator, will end Saturday of this week.

### Major Teams Are Interested In Spring Farm Here

Two major teams indicated interest last week in sending men to Southern Pines for their spring training, if they can be accommodated here.

Tom Cope, of Red Springs, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics in this section, got in touch with members of the Chamber of Commerce with a view to bringing some 50 or 60 men of the Athletics' B teams here for April and part of May. A committee of Chamber members at once went to work on the proposition, feeling that the boys would be welcome here even though it would be the peak of the season when most facilities are crowded. They arranged tentatively for meals and accommodations and made known their results to Mr. Cope, who has the proposition under study. Moultrie, Ga., where other teams of the Athletics will probably be in training, is said to be also under consideration.

About the same time the Chamber was hearing from the Athletics, Howard Burns, town clerk, had an inquiry from the Detroit Tigers, with a view to locating a team of 25 men here for three weeks of training in April. Out prospecting for accommodations, Mayor Page and Clerk Burns' trail crossed that of the Chamber committee, and all forthwith got together.

With just one field here, just one team can be accommodated. Negotiations with both were this week still in a tentative stage, with the prospect that results will be known in a week or two.

### Accident Near Carthage Is Fatal To Concord Couple

Death came in a tragic Moore County car wreck Saturday to a well-known and well-beloved Concord couple, Mr. and Mrs. Jones Y. Pharr, whose 1947 Dodge sedan was in collision about 10:20 a. m. at an intersection near Carthage, with a truck driven by James G. Kivett, proprietor of the Kivett Coal and Wood company of Carthage.

Both car and truck were practically demolished. Mr. Pharr died instantly in the wreck, and Mrs. Pharr died a few minutes after being admitted to the Moore County hospital.

Miss Minnie Rankin, 29-year-old daughter of a Concord physician, who was riding with them, suffered severe injuries. She was transferred Saturday afternoon from the Moore County to the Charlotte Memorial hospital. It was declared probable that she would lose her right eye.

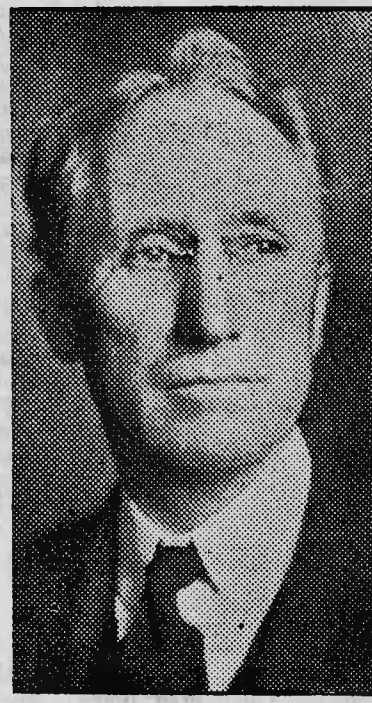
Mr. Kivett is said to have told highway patrolmen investigating the accident that his brakes locked as he turned to enter his service station nearby. Coroner Hugh P. Kelly ordered him placed under arrest, but he was released later under \$2,000 bond, for a hearing to be held when Miss Rankin is able to attend as major witness.

The Pharrs were headed east on Highway 27, on their way from Concord to Sanford to visit their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Worth Byrd. Mr. Pharr, 62, was purchasing agent for the Cannon Mills company. His wife, 57, was prominent in Concord social and civic life. Surviving them are two daughters, three sons and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held for them Sunday afternoon at the First Presbyterian church in Concord, where both were members and Mr. Pharr a ruling elder.

### Steeplechase Set For Sunday at Stoneybrook

#### PASSES



H. F. SEAWELL

### H. F. Seawell, Noted Jurist, Dies At Carthage Home

Herbert Floyd Seawell, who as educator, lawyer and jurist was outstanding in the annals of his state, died at his home, Edgehill, near Carthage shortly before midnight Tuesday in the 80th year of his age.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Carthage Baptist church at 11 a. m. today (Friday). The service will be conducted by the pastor, the Rev. O. J. Hagler, assisted by Dr. W. S. Golden, Dr. John Cline and the Rev. William Hancock. Burial will be in Cross Hill cemetery. The family has requested that no flowers be sent.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Ella McNeill of Carthage; two sons, Herbert Floyd Seawell, Jr., and Henry (Penn) Seawell, and one daughter, Miss Meade Seawell, all of Carthage; one sister, Mrs. Josephine Daniels, of Faison, and four grandchildren.

Judge Seawell was born August 8, 1869, in Duplin county, the son of Dr. V. N. Seawell, a country physician, and Ellen Croom Seawell. Moving to Moore county about 1888, he read law under the well-known law firm of Douglas and Shaw in Carthage, attended Wake Forest college and the University of North Carolina and was admitted to the bar at the spring term of the Supreme Court in 1892. Just two years later he was elected state solicitor for what was then the Seventh Judicial district, which extended from Southport to Monroe, an office which he held until 1898. During this time he was married to Miss Ella McNeill, daughter of Alexander Hamilton McNeill, outstanding in Moore County and North Carolina history.

Before entering the field of law he taught school for a time in Virginia, and was instrumental in forming the Farmers' Alliance there and also in North Carolina. (Continued on Page 5)

### Blue & White Chalks Up Double Win At Carthage; First Victory For Girls

Playing at Carthage High gymnasium Monday night, the Southern Pines boys' and girls' basketball teams bagged their first victory of the season, the boys downing Carthage 41-30, and the girls winning 18-16.

For Coach Aline Todd, the victory of her girls ended a win famine extending over 10 games, but the fighting spirit of her Blue and White team, in spite of a disastrous season, have made the girls' games more than interesting for the home fans.

Before the game, the girls made no secret of it that they wanted this one badly for their coach, and their play was evidence of it. The boys' game was their third in four days, playing in Carthage Monday night after two games at Morehead City Friday and Saturday. In the return games with the coast city team, the Blue and White Varsity again split the se-

### Five Events Present Some of Nation's Outstanding Jumpers

#### Track, Timber And Brush Courses Ready

The bugle will blow at the new Stoneybrook race track promptly, at 2 p. m. Sunday, to call to the post a string of horses and riders wearing the silks of some of the country's best known owners of steeplechase horses.

This will mark the opening of the first Southern Pines race meeting here since pre-war days, sponsored by the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Moore County Cancer society, which will share in the gate.

With the hoped-for continuance of golden springlike weather, a fine crowd from the Sandhills section and distant places is expected, and arrangements have been made to accommodate onlookers and their cars as the new course has been constructed.

**Five Events**  
In the past few days the race course has been well clayed, jumps placed in position, parking space arranged and bleachers set up for what is anticipated as a fine and exciting showing, in five outstanding events.

Trophies will be awarded in all races by the Chamber of Commerce.

Five horses have been entered so far in the opening event, "The (Continued on Page 5)

### Car Inspection Supervisor Says Jam Caused Delay

R. G. Beckwith, zone supervisor of the mechanical service division, Department of Motor Vehicles, came by The Pilot last week to answer an article published some three weeks ago—an account of motorists held up for several hours at the Southern Pines inspection lane, while the inspectors failed to appear.

The Carthage line the day before had turned out to be far greater than could be handled in the time allotted, he said, and, faced with a choice of two evils, the inspectors had stayed in Carthage—on advice of Raleigh officials, secured by phone—to finish the job there before coming over here. On the way over here they had a breakdown, which delayed them still further.

"There is absolutely no way of knowing in advance how long the inspection job will take for any one area," Mr. Beckwith said. "This leads to complications."

He came over himself to the clogged-up lane here and tried to explain to those waiting in line. The line was too long for the word to get around it—and anyway, it seemed, what the motorists wanted was inspections, not explanations, as they tallied up their wasted time.

A bill is before the General Assembly now to modify the car inspection laws considerably—and it looks as though it has many supporters in this area, who feel that drastic changes are needed.

### LINE-UPS:

Southern Pines Girls—Milliken 8, Guin 2, Menzel, Sitterson, Kirk 5, Humphrey 2, Carter 1, B. Stephenson, D. Stephenson, Hurst, Bailey.

Carthage—Miller 4, Glisson 9, Parks 3, Smith, Morrison, McDonald, Flinchum, Calloway, McNeal. (Continued on Page 5)