

## Town Board Will Hold City Limits Hearing Nov. 9

### Extension Seen As Important Step For Growing Town

A public hearing on extension of the city limits will be held by the town board Wednesday at 8 p. m. at the city hall, regular time and place of the board's monthly meeting.

Areas to the east and south of town have been designated for inclusion in the town limits, as forming an integral part of the community through a process of building-up during the past 20 years.

Residents of these sections are either benefiting directly from expenditure of town taxes at the present time, or should be getting benefits they do not now receive, according to expressed opinion of Mayor Page and members of the board. "Every cent spent for streets, parks, promotion and other fields of civic improvement benefits those living outside as well as those within the present limits," said the mayor. "They also benefit to a certain extent from our police and fire protection."

## N. C. Merchants Accept Bid For May Meeting Here

Directors of the N. C. Merchants association meeting at Raleigh last Friday accepted the invitation of the Southern Pines Merchants association, one of the newest and smallest of its member units, for the annual convention to be held next May.

Meeting here with the state group will be two affiliated organizations, the Credit Women's Breakfast club and the Retail Merchants association, both also statewide in nature and bringing the anticipated attendance to some 350 or 400 persons.

These will be here from one to three days each. Not all will be staying at Southern Pines, as many will come from towns near enough for them to drive back and forth. However the meetings will bring to this community an extremely influential group, representatives of business life throughout North Carolina, many of them paying their first visit here.

On behalf of the Southern Pines Merchants association by Herbert N. Cameron, local director on the board of the state organization. This will mean two unusually large conventions for Southern Pines in May, both of them expected to fill up almost all available hotel space. The other, arranged some months ago, is the annual statewide Alcoholics Anonymous assembly. Exact dates of neither convention have as yet been set.

## Blue & White Heads For Conference

### Championship Game Next Wednesday

## C OF C BREAKFAST

Directors of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce will meet for breakfast next Thursday morning at the Hollywood hotel, each bringing with him another Chamber of Commerce member, said Harry Fullenwider, president, this week.

Time set for the breakfast is 8 o'clock. Immediately afterward, the campaign for new members and membership renewals will begin, with 250 memberships set as a goal. Present memberships number about 175.

With a budget this year of more than \$10,000, biggest in the history of the organization, the campaign presents a real challenge, President Fullenwider said. "It will take 100 per cent support to help us achieve what we have set out to do—but 100 per cent benefits should accrue," he declared. "Our job is to make Southern Pines a better town to live in, and to do business in, for every one of us."

## Christmas Seal Chairmen Make Plans



These two have a lot to talk about, planning the Christmas Seal sale which will start November 21. They are Mrs. P. P. McCain, Southern Pines chairman, and Voit Gilmore, also of Southern Pines, Moore County chairman for the Seal sale. (Photo by Humphrey)

## Christmas Seals Will Be Sold Again To Aid TB Victims In Moore County

### Preparations Begin For Seal Sale Starting Nov. 21

Voit Gilmore has accepted the appointment of Moore County chairman of the 1949 Christmas Seal Sale, and Mrs. Paul P. McCain has been named co-chairman. The local chairmen through-

out the county will be announced next week.

Mrs. McCain, a resident of Southern Pines, has always been an active participant in the work of the County Tuberculosis association. She and her husband, the late Dr. Paul P. McCain, devoted 31 years to the care of TB patients at the North Carolina Sanatorium for the Treatment of Tuberculosis at McCain, N. C.

Mr. Gilmore is a member of the Moore County Boy Scout Council and Sandhills Kiwanis club, a deacon of the Brownson Memorial Presbyterian church and recently elected president of the Moore County chapter of the University of North Carolina Alumni Council. He is also president of the Sandhills Music association.

The 43rd annual Seal sale will (Continued on Page 5)

## Moore Red Cross Meeting, Election Set For Nov. 10

Election held at the annual meeting of the Moore County chapter, American Red Cross, at the Carthage hotel Thursday evening is expected to provide the eight-year-old chapter with new leadership.

Col. G. P. Hawes, Jr., of Pinehurst, who has served as chapter chairman for the past five years, has declined to be a candidate for reelection, it was revealed this week.

A nominating committee with Mrs. S. L. Windham, of Aberdeen, as chairman, has prepared the following slate:

Mrs. M. G. Nichols, Southern Pines, chairman; L. L. Hallman, Aberdeen, vice chairman; Garland McPherson, Southern Pines, treasurer, and Miss Laura Kelsey, Southern Pines, secretary.

Other nominations may be made from the floor at the meeting which will begin at 7:45 o'clock.

An interesting program is being prepared and Mrs. Audrey K. (Continued on page 5)

## State Waterworks Men Convene Here In Coming Week

The annual convention of the North Carolina section of the American Waterworks association will be held here Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Headquarters will be the Highland Pines Inn, with many delegates also staying at the Hollywood. Reservations received by Tuesday night at the two hotels had passed 200 and more than 300 are expected altogether.

The convention will open with an executive session Sunday night, and those registering during the afternoon will be guests of the two hotels for golf if they wish. Also, the Highland Pines Inn and the Hollywood are having a barbecue at Mile-Away Farm Monday night for the entire convention.

Attending from Southern Pines will be Mayor C. N. Page, who will make an address of welcome at the opening session Monday morning, and Howard F. Burns, town water superintendent, a member of the organization.

R. W. Luther of Elizabeth City is chairman of the state group. Highlighting the convention program will be an address Tuesday morning by Arthur E. Gorman, nationally known engineer with the Atomic Research commission in Washington, D. C. He is a recognized authority on stream pollution.

The convention will get under way Monday morning with an address by L. H. Enslow, editor of the Water and Sewage Works magazine and an authority on water and sewage problems. Other nationally known figures taking part in the program will be Lewis A. Young, basin engineer, division of water pollution control of the Public Health Service, Atlanta, Ga.; L. L. Hedgepeth, former superintendent of the Southern Pines waterworks, now engineer with the American Cyanamid company of Bound Brook, N. J.; and Arthur E. Hale of Southern Pines, who was formerly with the New York City water supply system. (Continued on Page 5)

## TRICK-N' TREAT

Halloween broke out all over town last week and the show of tricks and treats put on by the non-humans was the most spectacular of all. The fall coloring burst forth, with the first nip of cooler weather, into a veritable blaze of color everywhere, set off by the dark green pines.

Perhaps the neatest trick was the way the big maple in the Lawrence Groves' yard fairly burned up with golden light. You felt, as you drove past it in the dusk, that it literally lit up the street. A gay trick and surely a treat to all who passed that way.

## Highland Pines Inn Opens For Season; Reservations Good

The Highland Pines Inn, Southern Pines' largest hotel, opened for its 37th season Sunday. The opening came a week earlier than had been planned, to accommodate several pros and others attending the North and South Open tournament at Pinehurst.

First big event on the hotel's schedule is the convention of the N. C. Waterworks association, which will bring about 250 persons here for four days beginning Sunday.

Charles Stitzer, proprietor, is again on the job, with a new partner, Walter Lee Nicholson, of Charlotte, who will be an active assistant at the Highland Pines Inn, dividing his time between the resort hotel and business interests in Baltimore.

The big hotel, of classic beauty, on a sweeping knoll at the end of lovely East Massachusetts avenue, has been partially redecorated during the summer, through a consistent, and constant, program of renovation. About one-third was done over last year, another third this summer and the rest will undergo renovation during the next few months.

Reservations for January, February and March are excellent, Mr. Stitzer said, particularly among the hunting people, promising an excellent season.

He is planning a number of regular social and cultural events for the entertainment of his guests, many of which the townspeople will also be able to enjoy.

## Strike Empties Nation's Coalbins; Local Supply Low

### Fuel Rationed As In War; Situation Seen As Critical

Coal supplies in the Sandhills towns had dwindled to practically nothing this week, as the coal strike maneuvered by John L. Lewis went into its seventh week.

C. E. Holt, of the Chandler-Holt Ice and Fuel company, Southern Pines' only coal retailer, said Thursday morning he had only four or five tons left, was rationing them out in half-ton lots and expected to be "cleaned out" by night.

Left on his yard will be a small supply he is saving for "basket orders" in case of a severe cold spell, but this can hardly last over a week.

Also he has a small amount of Virginia hard coal—too hard for most uses.

"The situation is serious," he said. "It certainly appears as if the strike will not be settled any time soon, and at this time of year cold weather can hit us any minute. If the strike should end tomorrow it would still take a week or more for us to get new supplies."

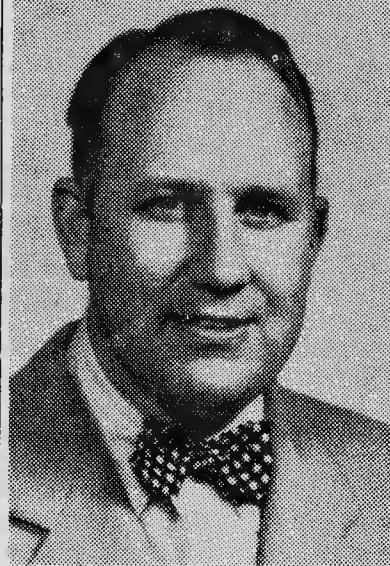
Pinehurst and Aberdeen dealers are reported to have been out of coal, or practically so, for the past two weeks.

The Chandler-Holt yards were filled at the start of the strike, said Mr. Holt, adding that "visiting salesmen told us we were in much better shape than larger places in the state." What the situation in the cities is this week can only be surmised—but indications are that it is critical indeed. By dint of rationing out the coal a half-ton to an order during the past month, said Mr. Holt, he has tried to spread the coal among as many customers as possible, helping each one who needed it a little bit.

The Carolina Slope Coal mine at Sanford, whose workers are unorganized, is turning out coal in good supply, but its product is of more use for steam manufacture than for homes as it contains considerable slack. Also, its price does not include delivery and shipment by truck runs the cost up a good deal higher than (Continued on Page 5)

## North and South Open Reaches Climax Today

### SCOUT CHAIRMAN



W. LAMONT BROWN

## Brown Is Elected Chairman Moore Boy Scout District

### Good Reports Made, Dixon Is Speaker At Carthage Meet

W. Lamont Brown, Southern Pines attorney, resident of Pinebluff and a member of the Pinebluff troop committee, was elected chairman of the Moore district, Boy Scouts of America, at the annual banquet and meeting of the district held Tuesday night at the Carthage hotel.

T. L. Black, of Pinehurst, was named vice chairman, and L. L. Hallman was returned to the office of district commissioner for a second term. The slate was unanimously approved as presented by Paul C. Butler, nominating committee chairman.

Officers were inducted by Council President Harold R. Makepeace, of Sanford, a special guest, following which Chairman Brown made the following appointments of chairmen of district committees:

Paul C. Butler, organization and extension; E. C. Stevens, leadership and training; N. L. Hodgkins, finance; Leon Wylie, camping and activities; Dr. J. C. Grier, health and safety; Voit Gilmore, advancement.

He appointed Dr. T. A. Cheatham to the post of interracial coordinator, heading a new committee for a mutually helpful relationship between district and divisional (Negro) scouting.

**Capacity Attendance**  
W. D. Campbell, retiring chairman, presided over the meeting, a full one which taxed the capacity of the Carthage Hotel dining room. With tables occupying practically all available space, more seats had to be found as

### Rained Out Tuesday, One Day Is Added

### Snead Takes Lead In Wednesday Play

The North and South Open tournament, scheduled to end Thursday on the Pinehurst No. 2 course, will instead reach its climax today (Friday) as Tuesday was "washed out" by pelting rain.

Pros, amateurs and enthusiastic spectators from all over began gathering at both Sandhills towns starting last weekend, for the 43rd annual renewal of the biggest event of the year's golfing calendar in this section, one of the top events of the country.

Qualifying rounds held Monday drew a big field despite mist and chill, with occasional showers. Tuesday, the Open began. The midday downpour caught half the field out on the course. For a time they fought a losing battle with the elements, then gave up, allowing their part scores to be washed out along with the rest of that day's play and making a fresh start the following morning.

Wednesday brought a return of good golfing weather, and Sam Snead, the slammer from White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., made the most of it by grabbing off the first round lead, 33-58. The PGA champ and leading money winner of the year had most of the gallery at his heels as he toured the 6,952-yard course in four under par.

His performance left him one stroke ahead of Ted Kroll, of Philmont, Pa., and Johnny Bulla, Pittsburgh pro who is playing this year out of the Mid Pines club of Southern Pines.

The field totaled 111 entrants for the \$7,500 event. Among them are many of the old timers and some of the bright new sprouts which this year have sprung into prominence.

Though no report was available at presstime on Thursday's play, it looked as though golfing history might be in the making.

Play-by-play accounts are being aired throughout the day by Radio Station WEEB from a mobile unit. Jim Reed, sports director of WPTF, Raleigh, is the guest of the local station in covering the event.

more and more scouts appeared. Enthusiasm ran high as in report after report and a number of informal speeches, the volunteer leaders' devotion to their cause was evidenced.

A Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Explorer Scout of West End were present, to open the meeting with the presentation of the colors. Bobby Stewart led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Dr. Cheatham gave the invocation.

Sheriff C. J. McDonald, of Carthage, welcomed the gathering, (Continued on Page 5)

## Flagpole Painter Takes Tumble As Pole Sways, Bends While Game Is On

An unexpected thrill — and fright — was provided the crowd at Wednesday's football game when the 60-foot metal flagpole suddenly bent and dropped a flagpole painter to the ground.

Roy Shireman, itinerant steeple jack, who had hitched himself by ropes to within five feet of the top, told those who rushed to his aid, "Leave me lay a little while. I'll be all right." In a few minutes he got up, brushed himself off and declared himself unhurt.

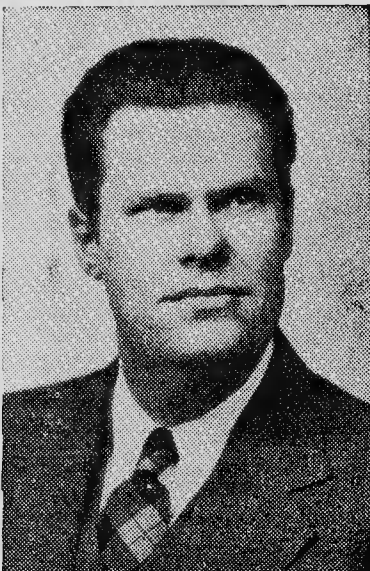
A skinned back was apparently the only bad result for Shireman, who said that in his business "you expect these things. I've had two or three falls worse than that." Thursday morning, he was back at work, painting the flagpole in front of the town hall, with the high school flagpole next on his list of jobs.

He is from West Virginia, he said, going around the country picking up jobs here and there in his hazardous line of work. He arrived in Southern Pines Wednesday and proceeded to hunt up the "school folks" at once to know if they wanted their flagpole

painted. He had letters of recommendation from superintendents at Hamlet, Rockingham and other places where he has painted school flagpoles.

"Go ahead," said Supt. P. J. Weaver. Metal poles, it seems, need a paint job once in a while, to protect them from rust. The one at the school field was put up summer before last, a gift of the Sandhills post, American Legion. "Of course we have a football game about to begin."

"That's okay, I'll paint and watch the game at the same time," said Shireman. Hitching his way up through a complicated system of ropes (two bosun's hitches, one around his waist, the other providing a stirrup for his left foot) he proved almost as much of an attraction for the spectators as the game itself. At about the half he was considerably above the top of the metal brace-pole. The flagpole started to sway. He waited for it to stop. He started up the pole again. The pole swayed more. Later, he said, "it began to go back and forth so wide it swung my weight to one side and then—over she went."



REV. R. L. HOUSE

Two new ministers will be welcomed by local congregations this week end, to deliver their first sermons Sunday morning in their new churches here.

They are the Rev. Robert Lee House, who comes from the First Congregational church at Richmond, Va., to the Church of Wide Fellowship, and the Rev. Charles A. Covell, new rector of Emmanuel Episcopal church, who has been serving as rector of St. Peter's church in Ashtabula, Ohio.

Mr. House, a native of Franklin county and graduate of Duke University, has served in Virginia since his ordination in 1929. He and Mrs. House, a graduate of Richmond Professional Institute, have both been active in religious and civic organizational work at Portsmouth, Newport News and Richmond. They have three children, Jonathan, Andrea Lee and the baby, Joanne.

Mr. Covell is a native of Mont-



REV. C. A. COVELL

clair, N. J. He is a graduate of Williams college and the Virginia Theological seminary at Richmond, and also served Virginia parishes, one of them being at Orange where he was also chaplain of Woodberry Forest school. During the past two summers he has been dean of the Adult Church Workers conference at Kenyon college, in Ohio.

Mrs. Covell is a graduate of Goucher college. They have two children.

With Dr. William C. Holland, who came as pastor to the First Baptist church the first week in June, the new arrivals mean an almost complete change in the Protestant ministry here within five months. Dr. T. E. Davis, pastor of the Brownson Memorial Presbyterian church since 1943, is the only "old-timer" among them. Father Harkins, of St. Anthony's Catholic church, has also been here six years.