

Pinebluff Voters Key Bond Issue For Civic Projects

80 Per Cent Of Registered Voters March To Polls

Nearly 80 per cent of Pinebluff's registered voters flocked to the polls Tuesday, to approve all the projected bond issues for a total of \$17,000. A total of 139 votes was cast.

The largest sum, \$10,000 for improvement and extension of the town's water system, drew 92 per cent of approval over 42 of dissent. The \$5,000 asked for purchase and improvement of the ruined Pinebluff lake had votes for and 53 against. And 53 voted to raise \$2,000 for remodeling of the Town Hall and erection of a storage shed, to 53 against.

The size of the vote is said to have surprised everyone in Pinebluff, where almost no serious debate on the various proposals had been heard prior to election. The victory for all three positions, decisive but not overwhelming, was generally seen as characteristic of Pinebluff, where strong differences of opinion have, from the community's beginnings, made public affairs interesting.

The election results are being hailed another triumph for Mayor E. H. Mills and his hard-working board of town commissioners, by Parker, Walter Alpert and Jerry Howie. It was pointed out that the \$17,000 to be raised by purchase of bonds is not expected to raise the present tax levy rate. Many of those who voted no were disappointed or angry, they were so far kept it to themselves, servers say.

Mayor E. H. Mills, present as final votes were counted, announced that the town board will meet Monday night to consider immediate plans for putting the w-voted funds to work.

"The big vote and decisive victory for all three propositions shows that Pinebluff is strong in spirit of progress," he said. "As far as it is humanly possible, I'll finish doing what we start-out to do—improve our water system, provide the swimming facilities for which every Pinebluff child and most Pinebluff adults are eager, and complete the building of our storage shed and town hall."

Marshall Draws On Rich Experiences For Speeches At Two Sandhill Events

Speaks At Forum On Problems Of War And Diplomacy

"What we are struggling for," said General George C. Marshall at the Pinehurst Forum audience last week, "is such a profound peace that it is difficult to impress on our people the need for adequate military support of the program. That is natural. That is the way our people are made."

General Marshall was speaking before one of the largest audiences ever assembled in the Pinehurst Country Club. The seats, which had been turned this year to face the grill end of the room, were filled to capacity with, it was estimated, more than three hundred, including members and their guests from all over Moore county, come to hear their famous neighbor of Pinehurst and to pay tribute to the man who had helped to guide the nation through the difficult years of the war, into the still difficult years of peace.

Peace In Democracy

"Not once, but over and over the former Chief of Staff and Secretary of State expressed his faith in the democratic way, the American way, of doing things. Perhaps that was the most interesting thing about the general's talk: his grasp of the civilian viewpoint and his belief in it. At one point he said, speaking of his early days as a statesman: "A military man must not be a proponent of a proposal in a democracy. Our people are bred from way back to have a suspicion of the military. And it is right that it should be so."

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PRESIDENT



GARLAND McPHERSON was installed last week as president of the Sandhills Kiwanis club.

Two Are Arrested Following Break-In At Cardy Place

Deputy Sheriff A. J. Dees said this week that he arrested Al Dowd, Negro, of West Southern Pines, and Robert Maynard, Indian, of Fayetteville December 28 in connection with a break-in which took place one week earlier at the home of Vernon G. Cardy near here.

The men waived hearing and were released on bond for their appearance at the January term of criminal court, where they will face breaking and entry charges.

The arrests were effected through the following of a few slight clues, the first being that "a car with a New York license" had been seen in the vicinity.

Dowd and Maynard recently returned to this section from New York.

Southern Pines city police aided in breaking the case, said Deputy Dees.

Entry into the Cardy home, whose occupants have not yet come south for the winter, was made through a basement door and also the kitchen door. A vault in the basement was broken open and a quantity of liquor taken. There were indications also that some canned goods had been stolen from a storage closet. The vault was badly damaged. The entry was discovered by a caretaker.

Tells Kiwanians Of Red Cross, ERP, UN— Urges, "Get The Facts"

Gen George C. Marshall, president of the American Red Cross, spoke about his new job for the first time in North Carolina as guest speaker Wednesday before the Sandhills Kiwanis club, meeting at the Highland Pines Inn.

He had spent practically the whole time since his appointment in the fall "just learning" about the great Red Cross organization, said the former Chief of Staff and Secretary of State, estimating that he would be doing that for just about a year. "The Red Cross is a tremendous business. It does a tremendous work, and has tremendous problems and a budget to match," he said. "It will be campaigning soon for funds to meet that big budget and all it asks of anyone is just to 'get the facts.'"

With characteristic straightforwardness the General headed directly into the subject of "Army gripes" about Red Cross, smilingly classifying them as a prime example of "Army grouching." "I've heard them all from experts," he said. "In the Army just about everything gets groused about—it's an inherent part of the life, a fundamental expression of American liberties and seldom if ever has anything to do with the facts."

Much Traveling

He revealed that he traveled some 7,500 miles by air during the fall getting acquainted with Red Cross chapter chairmen and officials in key cities all over the country, and will leave Sunday

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Building Permits For 1949 Set Record High Of \$407,600

Building permits for Southern Pines in 1949 totaled \$407,600, which most likely set a new high record for this community.

Permits for both 1947 and 1948 were approximately \$250,000—which was considered good.

The figures for 1949 given this week by Elmer Davis, city building inspector, show the new gymnasium and auditorium accounting for more than half the total—\$207,000. Other new building in Southern Pines amounted to \$174,100; alterations to existing buildings, \$14,700; new homes in West Southern Pines, \$11,800.

Almost all of the new building,

exclusive of the school, was residential as only three permits for business building were issued. There were for the Southern Pines Warehouse offices, the Causey building on South Broad street and the Blue Mirror Restaurant, built by Dr. L. M. Daniels.

Three years in a row have seen permits issued for unusually large building projects—in 1947, the new elementary school, \$120,000; in 1948, the Seaboard passenger station remodeling, \$59,000, and last year the gymnasium and auditorium, on which considerable work remains to be done.

FOR HUNTERS

A number of hunters appear unaware that the season on wild duck and geese closed last Saturday, also that the squirrel season was over as of January 2, this week said Game Protector Woodrow McDonald.

The brief dove season, which opened December 31, will close this Saturday, January 14.

The deer season closed December 15.

Hunters of the quail, wild turkey and rabbit have two more weeks of sport till the closing of the season January 31. Hunting of the coon and possum will end the next day, February 1.

Brown Ready To Take Applications For Census Jobs

W. Lamont Brown, appointed as Eighth District supervisor of the 1950 census, returned from Washington last Friday after four days of intensive instruction, to face the big problem of setting up an organization of some 400 workers by April 1.

Saturday, he opened the district office at Lexington, and said this week that all is now ready for the reception of job applications.

Candidates for the jobs are asked to write to the District Office, Bureau of the Census, Lexington, for information and application blanks. Blanks will be sent to those who have already applied, Mr. Brown said.

Everyone over 21, of either sex, is eligible to apply. Personality and education requirements are such as will be necessary in the task of interviewing hundreds of people, securing information from them as expeditiously as possible and filling in the lengthy questionnaires clearly and efficiently. Agricultural census.

In the rural areas, an agricultural census will also be taken. In both towns and country, many questions are to be asked which have not hitherto been included in the census.

The work will begin everywhere April 1. Needed will be hundreds of enumerators, some to work about two weeks in urban areas, others six weeks in rural areas; also crew leaders to work approximately two months. Tabulators and clerical help will not be employed until considerably later, after the job is well under way.

Pay rates have not been established but will be in accord with general remuneration for interviewing or office work, it is anticipated.

As Of April 1

Everyone alive on the date of

Mrs. Claude Hafer Passes In Ohio; Taught Music Here

Mrs. Claude Hafer, 69, piano teacher here for 26 years, died Tuesday at Wadsworth, Ohio, where for the past 11 months she had made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Olmsted.

Death occurred at 2:30 a. m. Funeral services were held at 4 p. m. that same day at the Hilliard Funeral chapel at Wadsworth, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Mathes of the Reformed church. Cremation followed.

Mrs. Hafer long held a respected place in the cultural life of this community, where she taught several generations of children. Her standards of musicianship were of the highest, and, though her pupils regarded her as "strict," she won their loyalty and their parents' gratitude for the excellence and integrity of her teaching.

Though a brilliant musician, she seldom displayed her own talents in public and took her greatest joy in developing those of the

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Exhibition Of Graphic Arts Now On View At Library

"Everybody seems to like etchings," said Miss Churchill, assistant librarian at the Southern Pines Library, who has watched people filing by her desk to go on into the Fine Arts Room where this most recent exhibit is hung. It appears that the show, like the first one, of Christmas paintings, is highly popular with the public.

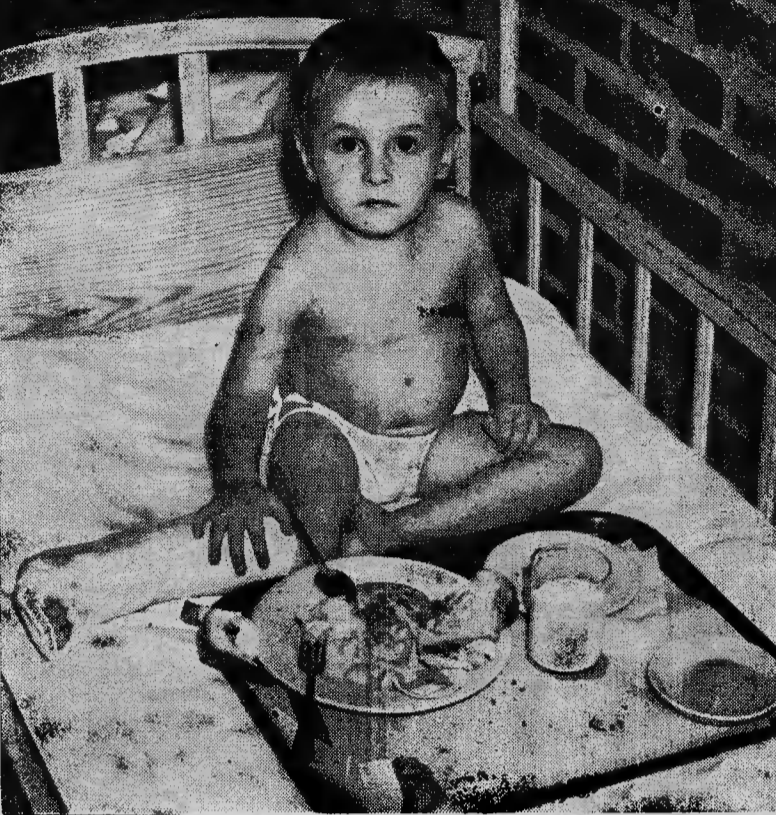
Like the first, also, this is a loan exhibit, but it is of originals and comes from a local collection. One of the items is also by a local artist, Ruth Doris Swett, daughter of Mrs. William Swett of Southern Pines.

Miss Swett, whose favorite subject is pine trees, is represented by a drypoint study of three long leaf pines; "The Littleton Pines." Miss Swett's etchings, ("two pines and one palm," she says!) hang in the Library of Congress, as well as in many private collections.

Seven artists besides Miss Swett, are represented in the library show. Levon West, whose subjects are taken from his surroundings. . . he has spent most of his years in the mountain states of the west. . . is an artist whose reputation is showing a steady growth. The Library show includes "Mountain Ranger," "The Prospector," a study of an old-timer, leading his laden pack-horses across the flats, "Night Riders," three cowboys riding out in the dusk toward a skyline of flat-topped buttes. His spirited "Emigrants, Montana" shows a horse herd being brought in by the night-herder. "Indian Mother" shows a different artist and a different locale. . . in other words, different "West." The figure of the Indian woman with the baby on her back, looking across at her pueblo home, is an appalling

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March Of Dimes Helps Him March



This picture, made a year and a half ago, shows one of Moore county's 67 young polio victims of the epidemic summer of 1948—Glenn Britt, of Star, Rt. 1, a guest by courtesy of the March of Dimes at the Moore County Hospital polio convalescent center, set up with March of Dimes help. The March of Dimes funds helped all the children—is still helping many. In the meantime, new epidemics have struck in other parts of the country. Many dimes and dollars are needed. Don't fail the kids, in the campaign January 16-31.

(Photo by Emerson Humphrey)

Polio Chairmen Meet Tonight To Set Quotas, Plan Drive Starting Monday

Moore County citizens will again have the privilege of aiding in the fight against polio, in the annual March of Dimes campaign which will get under way Monday morning and continue through the month.

H. Clifton Blue, of Aberdeen, who for the seventh consecutive year will head the fund raising drive in Moore, has called a meeting for tonight (Friday) of all the community chairmen, to set quotas and outline plans for the campaign. They will meet with the chapter officials at the Hotel Charmella, at Vass, at 7 o'clock.

Moore's quota will be the same as last year—\$7,360. In 1948 this amount was doubled. Always generous in this drive, the citizens were fired by actual experience with polio seen in the epidemic of that summer, in which Moore was one of the nation's worst-hit counties. The memory of that time is still strong, the need for aid to the victims continues as well as the battle against further epidemics. Mr. Blue said this week, "I am sure the county will do equally well this year, if not better."

Chairman Blue and Paul C. Butler, head of the county chapter of the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation, will carry their message to the public over WEEB at 4:30 p. m. Wednesday, on the regular half-hour "Voice of the

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Everest Memorial Trophies Will Be Sandpiper Awards

Trophies given by Charles P. Everest, Jr., in memory of his mother and grandmother will be established for the annual Sandpipers club four-ball match play tournament, it was learned this week.

The first to be given will honor the winners of the tournament just concluded, won by Howard F. Burns and W. L. Bachelor over Barrett Harris and Joe Montebarrati, Jr. The finals were played on the Pine Needles course last Sunday, after some delays caused by the illness of one of the finalists, and also the necessity of a play-off which ran to 45 holes.

The trophies will be presented at the spring meeting and banquet, held annually in conjunction with the Pine Doggers club. Mrs. Marjorie B. Everest, mother of Mr. Everest, died in April 1946. Mrs. Eloise H. Tracy, his grandmother, died in February 1949. Both were well known here. Their son and grandson is an enthusiastic golfer and member of the Sandpipers club.

These will be the second and third memorial trophies established for Sandpiper tournaments. First presentation of the Arthur Atherton Memorial trophy, given by Mrs. Atherton in memory of her husband, a member of the club, was made following the spring tournament last year.

Bond Issue Saving Lessens Increase In Water Rates

Board Discusses Traffic, Trucks, Trailers, Tennis

A saving of \$20,000 on the water bond issue is going to enable the Town to effect a considerable reduction in the previously estimated water rate charges.

This conclusion was reached at the town board meeting Wednesday night when the figures on the bond sale of January 10 were submitted by City Clerk Howard F. Burns. The contracts, which had been figured at \$275,000 when the bond issue was voted, actually came to \$255,000. This reduction, with the estimated savings that will take place in operation when the new pump and other machinery is installed will enable the board to make the saving in rate.

Action was immediately taken to place the water tax rate at an increase of 12 per cent, instead of the 15 per cent originally planned, over the present rate for town residents. However, in taking this step, the board decided to raise the minimum rate, now allowed for golf courses and swimming pools, to a 25 cent minimum. This will more nearly cover the cost of such service, which has been running at a slight deficit.

Consumption Doubled

The city clerk gave comparative figures on the water situation. In 1939, he said, the gross revenue for water was \$27,000; last year it was \$45,000, (with rates the same). There were 80 new water connections added to the list last year, making between 1,400 and 1,500 consumers in all.

A matter in connection with the rates, which was tabled for further discussion, was a recent meeting between members of the Knollwood community and the board to take up the question of charges in that section. With the easement granted the town by Knollwood in 1925 specifying that the residents should be treated

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List Takers Start Tax Listing Job

After getting a late start in their tax listing, all list takers swung into action last week and are busy in the various townships of Moore county.

Mrs. Don J. Blue, McNeills Township list taker, will be at the Southern Pines town hall from Monday through Friday inclusive, during the next two weeks.

She started off last Saturday at Clay Road farms, moving over to Niagara Wednesday and Lakeview Thursday, will be at Eureka this afternoon (Friday) and at Vass tomorrow (Saturday). She will return to Vass also on the next two successive Saturdays, January 21 and 28.

She will be at Manly the last day of the month, January 31.

Judge Sees Jury's Good Work As Sign Citizens Becoming More Law-Minded

Jury trial day held at Carthage Tuesday resulted in 100 per cent convictions, for the first time since the resumption of such trials by recorders court last May.

The results caused Judge J. Vance Rowe to comment, "I believe our citizens are becoming more law-enforcement minded. It can't help but do good, to bring 36 citizens to court each month and impanel them to try cases of law violation." He complimented the jury at this week's monthly session of trials, saying "It went about its business in a serious-minded manner and I believe its decisions were fair."

The whole morning was taken up by the trial of Theodore Brower, 18-year-old Negro of Robbins, who pled not guilty to a charge of failing and refusing to support an illegitimate child. Found guilty, Theodore was sentenced to six months on the roads, suspended on payment of costs and stated stipends for the support of the child, also medical expenses connected with its birth. The defendant gave notice of appeal to superior court and his bond was set

at \$350. The other jury trial was that of John Gaines, of Sanford, Rt. 1. He was convicted of drunken driving and given the usual penalty—60 days suspended on payments of \$100 fine plus costs, \$150.05 in all, with license revocation for 12 months.

The state accepted from Walter Maples, Jr., of Southern Pines a plea of careless and reckless driving and speeding, instead of drunken driving and careless and reckless driving. He was fined \$25 and costs.

James Hardin Allen, of Robbins, Rt. 2, was found guilty of driving without license but not while license was revoked, as he had been charged. Prayer for judgment was continued on payment of costs, which amounted to \$30.95.

Continued were the following: charged with drunken driving, Archie Lee Furr, James Harry David, C. H. Freeman, Richard Jerome Almond, James D. Tyson; drunken driving and careless and reckless, Paul Howie, Jr., James Clyde Cooper, James Ransome.