

Considers ing Water To irsty Aberdeen

ke Study, Seek actical Plan ngineers Will

Town of Aberdeen, find-water supply insufficient growing needs, has inquiring the possibility of a paying customer of Southern Pines water plant, revealed to the town board evening by Mayor C. N.

ern Pines' water supply ded as ample to take care own considerably larger than e. Its plant has recently expanded to double the g capacity.

her or not it could safely the demands of both g towns for any appreci- ne in the future was dis- by the commissioners. On ggestion of L. V. O'Calla- the board decided to ask Vooten, of Raleigh, water r who supervised the re- pansion, to come here for y of the situation, and to e recommendations.

Wooten will also confer William Freeman, engineer gh Point employed by the n town board to study ent difficulties. It is od that the plan of se- water at wholesale from n Pines, and retailing to wn consumers, is one of plans under consideration. (continued on Page 8)

College ors Spencer

G. Spencer of Carthage, nt of the N. C. Forestry tion, Inc., was awarded the y degree of Doctor of Science at commencement s Sunday at State col- aleigh.

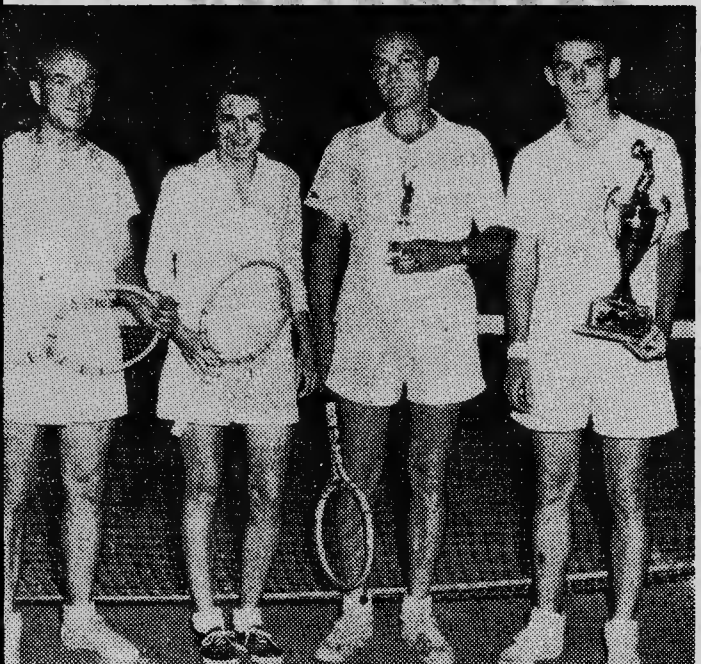
Moore County lumberman e of five North Carolinians d honorary degrees at that

resentation recognized his as owner of some 5,000 f timberland, among the ds in the state to be man- a sound forest basis, and as a demonstration of the ound soundness of forest man-

t: also his services as first nt of the N. C. Forestry ion, director of the Amer- estry association, member N. C. Educational Commis- sion, and the Governor's re Control committee and t of the N. C. Forestry ion.

an has done more to de- e the potentially great for- urce of North Carolina s Mr. Spencer said Dean Joseph Preston in pre- the Carthage man to, or J. W. Harrelson for ding of the degree.

re County 1951 Tennis Champions



ate to use this picture without the women's singles champion just wasn't there when the photographer came. She's Betty orsham, just 17, and the championship is her first. Malcolm 8, extreme right, won the men's singles. From left are win- lter Harper and Audrey Brown, mixed doubles; Page Choate colm Clark, men's doubles. (Photo by Emerson Humphrey) (See story on page 5)

TOWN SURVEY

The second installment of "Southern Pines—Its Growth and Future," town survey summary by John R. Hampton and Seward Weber, will be found on Page 16.

References to maps and diagrams refer to a book in which the survey will be presented in July or August. Hampton and Weber are Carolina postgraduate students, who did the survey as field work for their master's degree in the department of regional and city planning.

Again crowded out of this issue — the illustrated story of Southern Pines' water plant. Coming soon.

Sandhills Firemen Hold Anniversary Meet At Pinebluff

Southern Pines Will Be Site of 1952 Convention

Eighteen volunteer fire departments were represented in a crowd of 134, plus five visitors, attending the Silver Anniversary convention of the Sandhill Firemen's association held all day Wednesday at Pinebluff. Wrestling matches presented at the Planters warehouse, Aberdeen, wound up the day.

In the races held during the afternoon the Southern Pines team came out second in the chemical race. Trophies were presented to the contest winners as follows: water race, Sanford first (12 seconds), Pembroke second (14); chemical, Pembroke first (10 seconds), Southern Pines second (11). Only the three teams participated. The host department traditionally does not take part.

Southern Pines' chemical team consisted of Don Hurst, P. V. Hatch and Harold Fowler; water team, F. H. Kaylor, Jr., Clyde Dunn, Jr., Fred Hall, Woodrow Davis and George Little.

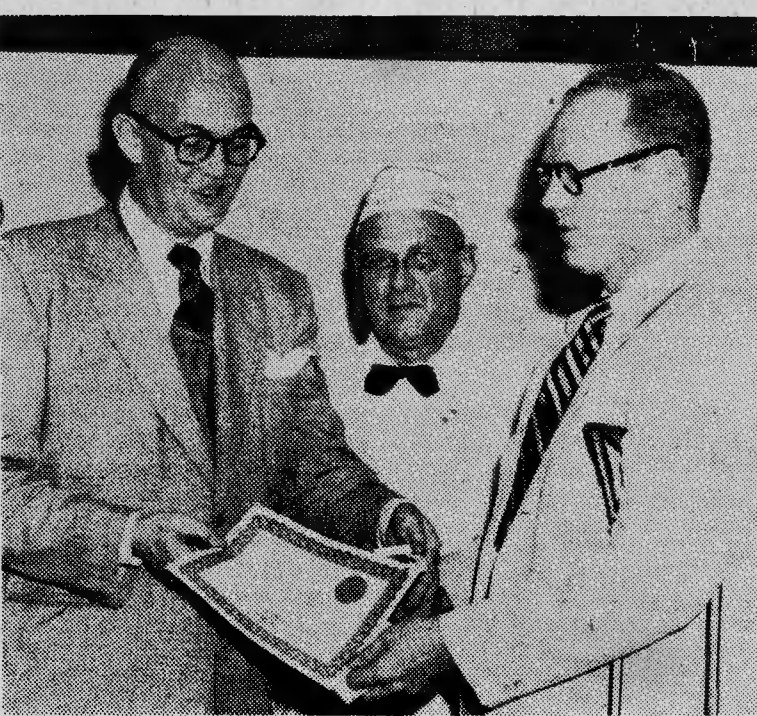
The Pinebluff department, which had been host at the organization meeting 25 years ago, staged an elaborate celebration of the occasion. At the business session it was decided to continue the annual meetings but with quarterly meetings also. Southern Pines was chosen as the site of the next annual meeting.

Clarence Rush, of the Asheville department, was elected president; N. L. Van Boskerck, Pinebluff chief, vice president, and E. P. Leatherbury, Hamlet, secretary-treasurer (a reelection).

During the business session speakers were Waldo C. Cheek, State Insurance Commissioner, and Sherwood Brockwell, State Fire Marshal. Marshal Brockwell awarded gold buttons to four Pinebluff members who have served for 25 years. These were Levi Packard, E. G. Adams, Sr., N. L. Van Boskerck and Arnold Van Boskerck.

Curtis Flanagan, of Farmville, (Continued on Page 8)

VFW Post Citizenship Award Is Made



Cedric Foster, famous radio news analyst, left, receives the Certificate of Good Citizenship of the John Boyd Post, VFW, from Post Commander John F. Buchholz at the VFW banquet Saturday night. Buchholz served as general chairman of the state encampment at which Foster was a guest. Center, E. D. Knauff, of Jacksonville, retiring department commander. At left, not in picture, the ceremony was observed by Former U. S. Senator W. B. Umstead, a speaker of the day who remained especially to hear Foster's speech. (Photo by Emerson Humphrey)

Cedric Foster Warns Impressively Of Communism In Two Speeches Here

Russian strategy is fixed, Russian tactics fluid — a distinction few Americans have seemed to grasp, analyst-commentator Cedric Foster told two audiences here last week.

If we don't learn the difference and face it soon and realistically, he warned that this nation will not survive.

The famous radio speaker, for years a stellar attraction of the MBS network, was a guest here during the entire four days of the state VFW encampment. On Thursday and Friday, his five-day-a-week noon broadcast, heard

over more than 500 stations coast to coast, originated at Station WEEB here.

On Thursday, he was a special speaker before the Sandhills Kiwanians and Southern Pines Rotarians at the Southern Pines Country club. Saturday night, he spoke at the banquet of the VFW department. On each occasion he spoke compellingly, with the eloquence not only of a highly trained and disciplined speaker, but of one who has an urgent message straight from the heart.

Newly returned from the Middle East, he tallied the former free nations now dominated by Communist Russia. "Czechoslovakia was as free and democratic as we," he declared. "In 12 hours it became a slave country. When by infiltration the communists can take over the radio, press, police, transportation and communications, they can slit any nation's throat. Thousands are working day and night in this country just for that."

"When the communists take over, there is no instance of this (Continued on page 5)

Carthage Jaycees Plan Big July 4; Hoey Will Speak

The big Fourth of July celebration at Carthage, which is coming to be a Moore county tradition, will be held again this year under auspices of the Carthage Jaycees.

U. S. Senator Clyde E. Hoey has accepted the invitation to be guest speaker, said Stowe Cole, Jaycee president.

Rep. C. B. Deane has also been invited, but it is not yet known whether or not he will be able to attend. However, he employed his good offices to secure a band from Fort Bragg for the morning concert.

The beauty contest this year is expected to be the largest and most representative in the history of the event, with more than 30 young ladies from various Moore county communities competing for the title of beauty queen.

The grand parade will bring out more floats, and more beautiful ones, than ever before, it is confidently anticipated.

In fact, the entire day is expected to be a grand and glorious one, with gala entertainment for everyone from the littlest member of the family right on up to Grandpa. Jaycees are heading numerous committees for the sequence of events, for which the following schedule has been announced:

- 9:15 a.m.—Welcome by Mayor A. L. Barnes.
- 9:30—Concert by Fort Bragg band.
- 9:45 a.m.—Street events and contests.
- 10:45 a.m.—Address by Senator Hoey.
- 11:30 a.m.—Beauty contest.
- 12:30 p.m.—Lunch hour.
- 1:30 p.m.—Grand parade.
- 2:30 p.m.—Softball game, Carthage Lions vs. Pinehurst Lions. Also string band concert at high school building.
- 4:30 p.m.—Drawing for grand prize.
- 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.—Grand Ball at Smothers Brothers warehouse No. 1, with music by Frank Hooker and his orchestra, from High Point.

Air-Ground School Will Receive First Students Monday

Army, Air Force Officers Coming From All Over U. S.

The first class of officers, expected to number almost 100, will begin intensive instruction Monday at the U. S. Air Force Air-Ground Operations school (USAFAGOS) currently being set up at the Highland Pines Inn for the coming year.

The first class is expected to include five general officers, with others of all ranks, who will arrive this weekend from Air Force and Army installations all over the United States. Many will come by air, landing at Pope AFB, and be transported here by buses. They will have quarters at the Inn.

Col. Samuel T. Moore, commandant, said this week preparations are being rushed for the opening of the school. Classrooms are being prepared, a military mess has been established and barracks fitted out for the small number of non-coms who will be on duty in various service capacities. Some Civil Service employees are also being taken on to handle clerical work.

Administrative unit is the 4425th School squadron. The permanent staff of the school, including administrators and aides, instructors and their assistants, is expected to number approximately 100.

New classes of Army and Air Force officers are expected to come in weekly, though some will remain longer than a week. Courses of various lengths are to be given.

The students will travel on occasion to Fort Bragg and Pope AFB in Army buses, to witness demonstrations in air-ground coordination, and study operational problems.

Management of the hotel, except for the dining room, will remain as before. Owner-manager Charles T. Stitzer is retaining his suite and is keeping his staff on the job to look after maintenance and various services.

Dorothy Swisher Wins State VFW Beauty Title

Miss Dorothy Swisher, 18, entry of the John Boyd Post auxiliary, was the winner of the statewide VFW beauty pageant and contest held Friday afternoon as a feature of the 21st annual state VFW encampment here.

Miss Swisher is a member of the auxiliary. A brown-haired, green-eyed, curvaceous young lady as smart as she is pretty, she will reap rich rewards as North Carolina VFW beauty queen. The department will sponsor her trip to New York late in August, to compete for the beauty title at the national encampment. The John Boyd post will set her up to the party outfit of any girl's dreams — a Ceil Chapman original five o'clock frock and original hat by Mr. John (formerly of John-Frederic).

Through arrangements made by the contest chairman, John Mare of New York and Southern Pines, she will have the assistance of Miss Virginia Ford, New York Times fashion editor, in choosing her wardrobe.

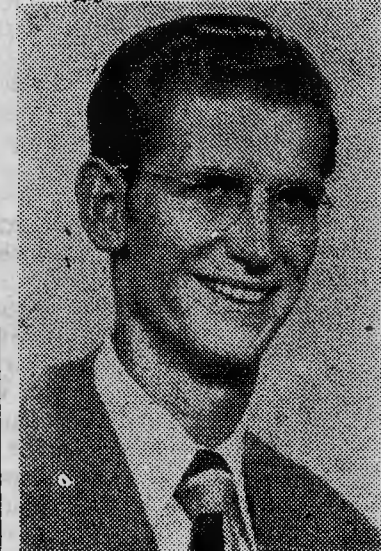
She was one of four Southern Pines girls who entered the contest, all of whom did their home community credit. The others were Carol Humphrey, Deirdre Dundas and Mickey Nicholson. Other entries were from Troy Wilmington, Hendersonville and Aberdeen.

Judges for the contest were Cedric Foster, famous MBS news analyst and commentator; Mrs. John Drexel and the Earl of Carrick. Jack S. Younts of the local VFW post served as a non-voting judge.

Miss Swisher graduated last Tuesday night at Southern Pines High school, as salutatorian of her class. The night before, she played a leading role in "Dear Ruth," the senior class play. She will enter Ohio State university in September and plans to study medicine.

Summer Recreation Events Start Monday Under New Director

DIRECTOR



LYNN LEDDEN

Ledden Is New Recreation Chief; Will Direct Band

Lynn Ledden, native of Sanford, son of a former Southern Pines school superintendent, will be director of the municipal summer recreation program which starts next week.

Mr. Ledden will come to the Southern Pines schools next fall as band director and high school science teacher.

The dual announcement was made this week by A. C. Dawson, Jr., superintendent of schools, who is also chairman of the Municipal Recreation Commission. In finding a young man for the faculty who could also assume the recreation post Mr. Dawson has held for six years, he fulfilled a hope of the Commission expressed at its first meeting last month.

Mr. Ledden has taught science and physical education at Deep River High school, Lee county, since his graduation from Wake Forest in June 1948. At college he majored in science, with music as his minor.

He is a graduate of the Sanford High school, where he played in the band and was drum major for four years. At Wake Forest, he was in the band and also the Wake Forest Symphony orchestra during all four years, and played in various dance orchestras during his student days and later.

He will be married July 28 at Sanford to Miss Jean Lloyd of that city. She is a 1951 graduate, cum laude, of Woman's college, Greensboro, where she majored in secretarial administration. She has accepted a position with the district office of the Southern Advance Bag and Paper company here.

Mr. Ledden is the son of the late Roy Ledden, who served as principal of the Southern Pines school for several years before World War I. His mother, who lives in Sanford, is the former Miss Ruth Eastman, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ward Eastman. The Eastmans will be remembered as pioneer residents of Southern Pines. Miss Eastman was a music teacher before her marriage.

A small home on Page street known as "the Eastman cottage" still belongs to the family and will be remodeled by Mr. Ledden for (Continued on Page 8)

Afternoons Only In First Week; Helpers Needed

Southern Pines' seventh summer recreation program, its first under municipal auspices, will begin Monday and continue through August 24, with activities for all the community's young people.

During the first week the program will operate only during the afternoons, as several vacation Bible schools will still be holding morning classes, said Lynn Ledden, summer recreation director. After next week it will go on an all-day schedule.

The afternoon activities will include swim lessons at Aberdeen lake Tuesday and Thursday. The bus will leave the town park at 2:30 o'clock. Certified Red Cross and Boy Scout instructors will be along to assist in supervision of this highly popular phase of the program.

Band instruction will be given Monday and Friday from 3:30 to 5 p. m. in the high school band room. The lessons are free and the pupils may use their own instruments or those owned by the school. Mr. Ledden, an experienced band director, will be the instructor in this activity, being offered this year for the first time as part of the recreation program.

Tennis and badminton will be under way daily at the park, ping pong, checkers, etc., at the Fox Hole, and dancing Friday or Saturday night at the school cafeteria.

Story hour, cooking and sewing classes, baseball and tennis instruction will start Monday, June 25, on a morning schedule with events every day.

Several of the volunteer leaders who assisted with these activities last year and the year before are expected to do so again. More volunteers are seriously needed, Mr. Ledden said. He will maintain headquarters at the Fox Hole and asks that those willing and able to serve reach him there.

The West Southern Pines recreation schedule will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Here's Program For West Side

The summer recreation program for West Southern Pines, a branch of the citywide program under the new Municipal Recreation Commission, will start Monday and continue through August 24, with the West Southern Pines school as headquarters.

The following schedule was announced this week by J. W. Moore, Commission representative:

- Softball and tennis, daily 10 a. m. to noon.
- Baseball, daily 3:30 p. m.
- Music and free play period—checkers, ping pong, croquet, etc., daily 12 to 1 p. m.
- Knitting and sewing, Monday and Wednesday, 2 to 4 p. m.
- Cooking, Thursday 2 to 4 p. m.
- Swimming, Tuesday 2 to 5 p. m.
- Social hour, Thursday, small children 7 to 8:30 p. m., older children 8:30 to 10:30 p. m.

Wanted, Homes — And Good Will

Wanted — apartments and houses, at reasonable rents! Wanted—homes where parents may have their children with them! It's a real distress call, and Southern Pines can earn unending good will by answering generously.

At the U. S. Air Force Air-Ground Operations school at Highland Pines Inn, a staff of approximately 100—mostly officers, some non-coms—will be on duty for a year. Many of them wish, naturally enough, to live in town and have their families with them.

Also, for the summer months, several officers connected with the August maneuvers are hunting homes.

A few of these military men have found places to live. Others have disgustedly reported that "gouging" is under way, with rents set far higher than can be considered reasonable or normal. One major said a house had been offered him at \$275 a month—a very nice house, but not that nice, he stated bitterly.

Those with places they can rent for the year may contact the desk at the Highland Pines. For the year or for the summer, see the local real estate agents—they have the names of many seeking homes. And, for the sake of your community's good name and future business, keep your rates down to normal—please!