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Sandhills Tobacco Marts Bolt Bright Belt Association

Five Local Markets Request Government Set Opening Dates

The five markets of the Sandhills Tobacco Warehousemen's association Monday voted to bolt the Bright Belt Warehouse association and to operate on their own hook beginning with the 1953 marketing season.

The group also adopted a resolution requesting that the Federal and State Departments of Agriculture set the opening dates in the future rather than permit the warehouse association to continue to do so.

Meeting in Sanford, representatives of the Aberdeen, Carthage, Fuquay-Varina, Ellerbe and Sanford markets took the action which they have been threatening for some weeks.

An opening date of September 2 had been set by the Warehouse association, despite a local plea to the group to permit them to open August 28 because of the earlier ripening of tobacco in this area.

According to a spokesman of the Sandhills group, the advisory sales committee of the Bright Belt association was favorably inclined towards letting the Sandhills warehouses open August 28. Then the representative from Durham on that committee threatened to open that market on August 28 and hence throw the Middle Belt marketing situation into confusion.

It was brought out that the Durham market was leading the fight against letting the Sandhills markets get their regular early opening dates. It was reliably reported many Durham merchants and civic groups had applied pressure on Fred Royster, president of the Bright Belt Warehouse association, not to permit the Sandhills group to open earlier.

The spokesman further stated that he had been authorized by the Durham group to transmit this (Continued on Page 8)

Red Cross Water Show To Be Held At Aberdeen Lake

A third all-new Water Show will be presented again this year by the Water Safety division of the Moore County Red Cross chapter, Dr. John C. Grier, Jr., chairman of this branch of Red Cross training and activities, announced this week. The admission-free event is scheduled for Sunday, August 31, at the Aberdeen Lake.

Any Moore county resident who has participated in the Water Safety program during one of the last three regular training periods—that is, has taken some kind of water instruction since 1949—is eligible to participate in this show. All who wish to are asked to be at the Aberdeen Scout hut (located at the lake) next Sunday at 3 p. m.

Included in the program will be swimming and diving styles, stunts and formation swimming, boat demonstrations, elementary rescue forms, swimming rescues, artificial respiration, and other features.

The entire event will be under the direction of Dr. Grier. Those who witnessed the last two demonstrations at Aberdeen lake will recall how popular they were.

Two Further Charges Face Banigans

Two other suits, one directly and one indirectly involving Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Banigan, briefly of Southern Pines, were filed in Carthage this week.

Mrs. Katharine Wiley and Mrs. Emma Fisher Pottle, of Tots' Toggery and Mrs. Hayes' Shop, have sued to recover \$138.08 for goods allegedly sold and delivered to the Banigans.

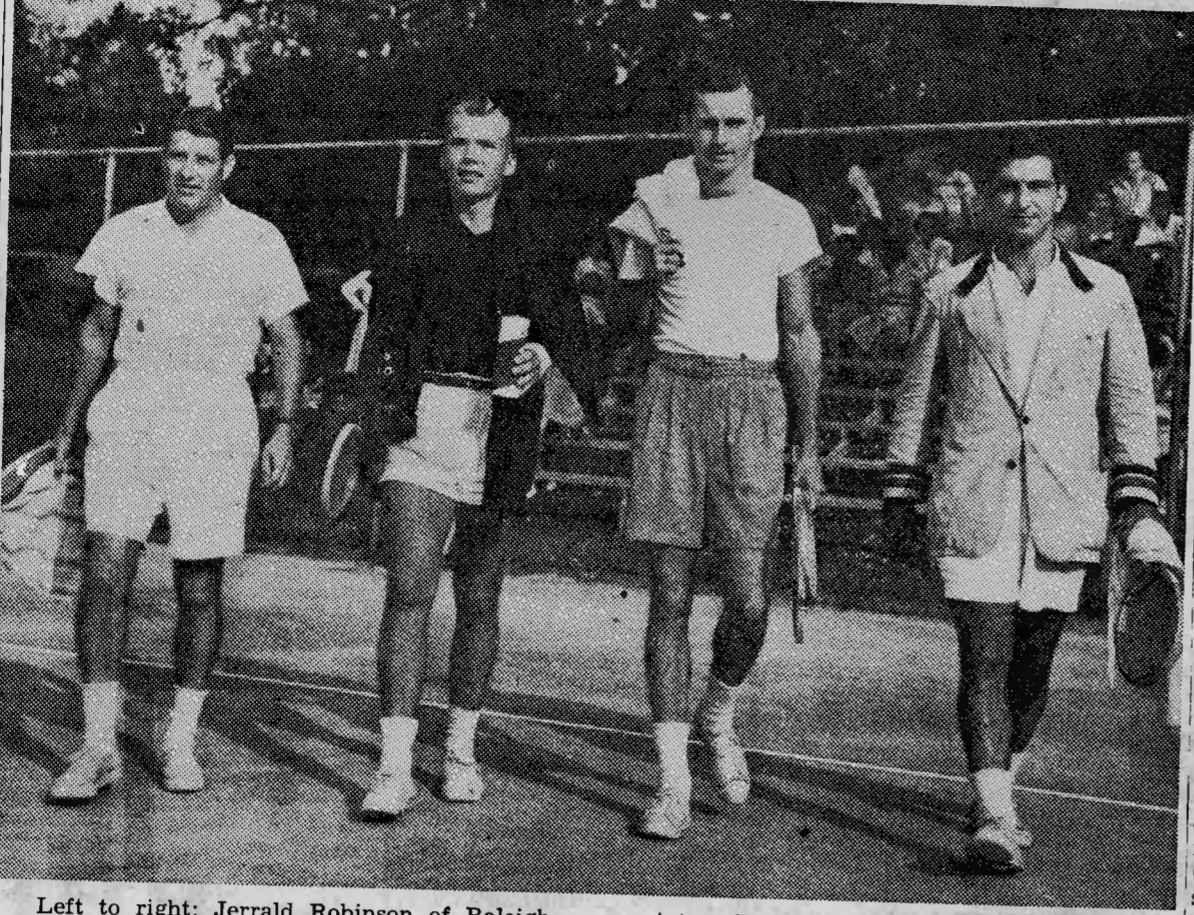
R. L. Chandler, Jr., J. W. Causey and Howard N. Butler, acting as trustees of Brownson Memorial Presbyterian church, have filed a claim against Barbara Colleston Moore and her husband, Theodore F. Moore, to obtain title to a lot next to the church.

The plaintiffs allege that the

full purchase price of \$1200 was paid to the Jay and Jay Realty company, operated by Mr. and Mrs. Banigan, as agents of Mrs. Moore. Mrs. Moore has refused to grant title to the lot to the church. Although she has not replied to the Brownson suit and has 30 days in which to do so, it is believed that she will allege that she never received the money from the realty company.

The Banigans already face claims of \$1,013.30, now being sought by four local merchants from the couple, who left Southern Pines May 8. Contempt of court charges with a 30-day jail sentence also await them, by an order of Judge Zeb V. Nettles issued in June.

Net Stars Return To Defend 1951 Crowns



Left to right: Jerrald Robinson of Raleigh, runner-up with Whit Cobb in last year's doubles final here; Frank Spears, Greenville, S. C., ace who returns to defend singles, doubles and mixed doubles crowns; Whit Cobb, Durham, former intercollegiate champion of North Carolina; and Angelo (Junior) Montesanti, local hopeful who teamed with Spears to win the 1951 men's doubles title. The four are pictured taking the court for the final doubles match last year.

Young Democrats Elect Officers, Plan Campaign

Moore County Young Democrats, holding their annual convention at Carthage last Friday night, elected officers for 1952-53, planned participation in forthcoming YDC and party campaign events and heard their state president, W. W. Staton of Sanford, present an enthusiastic picture of the national convention and the prospects for November.

President Staton reminded the group, however, that "it looks as though the burden of the campaign will fall on the younger people" as the party elders are showing more fight in state than in national matters.

He advocated staunch adherence to the proven principles of the Democratic party, and to the national ticket of Stevenson and Sparkman, which he declared a strong one.

The drama of Adlai Stevenson's nomination and acceptance, and the realization that "here we have a man," Staton presented as the stirring climax of the convention at Chicago, which he attended as an alternate delegate.

Douglas David of Pinebluff was elected county chairman for the coming year, a year of especial importance as it will include a national campaign and election. Other officers were reelected, as follows: Mrs. Estelle Wicker, vice-chairman; Mrs. Sam C. Riddle, secretary; and Paul C. Butler, treasurer.

The convention voted to extend an invitation for the Eighth District rally to be held in Moore county, preferably in Southern Pines. It also voted unanimously to endorse Al Cruce of Aberdeen for the post of district chairman.

Endorsement of Forrest Locky, mayor of Aberdeen, was given by the convention for appointment to the post of Sixth District highway commissioner by Governor W. B. (Continued on Page 5)

Frank Spears, Audrey West Brown Top-Ranked As Tournament Opens

FOOTBALL PRACTICE

Coach Irie Leonard, preparing to enter his second season as Blue and White grid mentor, announces the opening football practice for Southern Pines High school hopefuls will be at 10 o'clock next Tuesday morning, at Memorial Field. Coach Leonard requests that all who plan to play be at the first practice.

Local Players Cop New Net Trophy At ECTA Tourney

Malcolm Clark and Junior Montesanti led the local contingent in the Eastern Carolina Tennis association tournament last weekend as they copped the Allen Deaton Memorial Trophy in men's doubles, defeating C. R. Council and Dr. Fred West, 6-4, 6-2, 2-6, 6-1. This was the first year the trophy, which will never be retired, was awarded.

Mildred Gruebl and Millie Montesanti swept to the semi-finals in women's doubles, before losing to the top-seeded pair. Both also went to the semis in singles, Mildred defeating the second-seeded Mary Johnson before losing to the eventual winner, Grace Fowler. Millie lost to runner-up Mary Lou Jones of Sanford.

Clark and Millie reached the semifinals in the mixed doubles, only to lose to C. R. Council and Mary Lou Jones, the new champions. Page Choate and Frank de Costa, defending champions in veterans' doubles, were defeated in the finals by H. S. McGinnity and Dudley Cowden.

Juniors Kenneth Tew and Darryl Holliday were beaten in the opening round, while Steve Choate moved to the second round before being defeated. Page and Steve Choate were beaten early in the doubles, as were Clark and Junior Montesanti in the singles.

"50,000th"

Three weeks ago, Mrs. Mildred Carroll, registered nurse at Moore County hospital, noted that the institution was soon to have its fifty-thousandth patient, and pointed this out to fellow nurses, speculating on whom it might be.

Tuesday, eight-year-old William Carroll, son of nurse Carroll, went onto the hospital books as the 50,000th when he was admitted for a tonsillectomy. The Carrolls live in Niagara.

Moore County hospital was established November 25, 1929.

Graves Announces New, \$3-Million Scholarship Plan

John J. Morehead Extends Eligibility To High Schools

Extension of the John Motley Morehead Foundation funds for scholarships to the University of North Carolina to include high school and prep school graduates in addition to University graduate students was announced Wednesday by Henry L. Graves, Moore county chairman of the Morehead Scholarships.

At a meeting of county chairmen from all over the state in Chapel Hill this week, the donor announced that an additional \$3,000,000 had been added to the fund to provide scholarships for male high school graduates of the class of 1953, and that this sum will be increased over the years to cover later classes.

Each high school in Moore county is eligible to offer the name of one graduating male, said Graves, adding that it will be essential that the superintendents cooperate with him and his yet-to-be-named committee by recommending qualified students.

Mr. Graves pointed out that the qualifications are not just an excellent class standing, nor just athletic ability. He added that parents' income is also irrelevant. Individual performance by the young man concerned is to be the criterion, and those selected will be those that the committee feels will be "a credit to the University and the State, be leaders, be successful—that type rather than just students, just athletes, or just any one things."

Applications, to be approved by the committee following an interview with each applicant, will be sent to the district committee and then to Chapel Hill.

Mr. Graves stated that applicants other than the recipients of the Morehead Foundation scholarships will be eligible for other (Continued on page 8)

Board Approves Hospital Insurance

Hospitalization insurance for all town employees was approved Tuesday afternoon at a special meeting of the Town Board. The measure adopted will affect 37 employees.

The insurance will be obtained through the World's Insurance company, of Omaha, Neb.

Town Clerk Howard Burns is also prepared to go ahead with the purchase of two lots from Robert F. Henderson to be included in the new May street recreation center. Purchase of the lots will be concluded as soon as reserve funds are converted from Series G bonds, a process which takes 30 days and was scheduled for completion Thursday.

Dr. W. H. Ross Passes As Prison Term Starts

Heart Attack Ends Abortion Sentence Of 3 To 5 Years

Dr. W. H. Ross, West Southern Pines physician, died less than an hour after his admission to Central Prison in Raleigh Saturday to begin serving a three-to-five-year sentence for performing an abortion on a white woman.

The 44-year-old Negro physician died from a heart attack, prison officials reported, at about 12:35. He had arrived at the prison hospital about noon, it was stated and was transferred to the ward from the ambulance by stretcher.

Dr. Ross said he was "feeling pretty good," when asked by Dr. Alfred T. Hamilton, prison physician, about his condition when admitted. The fatal heart attack came about 15 minutes after he was put to bed, it was reported. Indicted In May

The Moore county grand jury, at the May term of superior court, returned a true bill against Dr. Ross on the charge of performing an abortion on Mrs. Ada Goodhue, white, of Southern Pines, on May 8. Defense attorney W. D. Sabiston of Carthage entered a plea of nolo contendere for his client and asked for a continuation to the August term. Dr. Ross was present, but did not take the stand. Testifying for the state was one witness, Mrs. Goodhue, whose written deposition was read. Only the sentencing remained for the August term.

On Wednesday of last week the case was called. Attorney Sabiston produced a medical certificate stating that Dr. Ross was extremely ill, and Presiding Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., summoned the certifying physician, Dr. R. M. McMillan, to summarize Dr. Ross' condition in person at court. Dr. McMillan appeared Wednesday afternoon and stated on the stand that Dr. Ross was suffering from a bad heart condition.

Judge Pless requested Mr. Sabiston in open court to get his client there for sentencing if it were in any way possible. Thursday, Dr. Ross was carried up the courthouse stairs on a stretcher, then walked into the courtroom, where the three to five-year sentence was pronounced.

Judge Pless allowed the doctor until Saturday to begin his term. The delay was for a chance to attend to business affairs and for more treatment by his private physicians.

One funeral service was held at the Ross home Monday afternoon, with the Rev. W. G. Thompson, Episcopal minister from Greensboro, officiating. Another service followed Wednesday, in Ross' hometown of Camden, N. J., with (Continued on Page 5)

YDC RALLY

The Young Democrats of the Eighth Congressional district will hold a rally at the Lakeview hotel August 30, with the social hour beginning at 5:30 and supper at 6:30. Speakers are still to be selected.

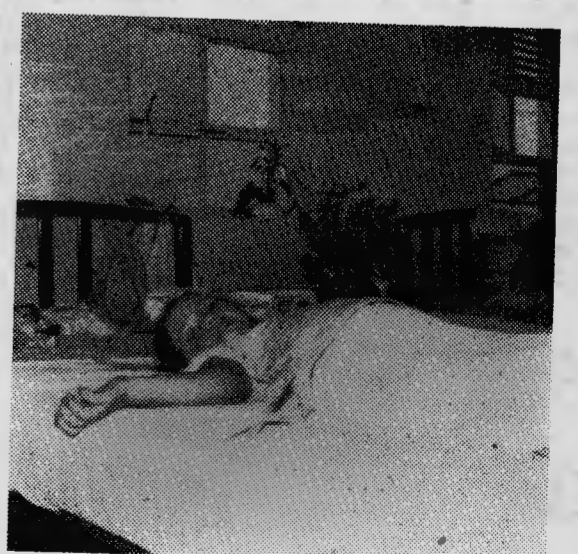
"Hello, Friends, And Thanks A Lot!"



"We want to say hello to all our friends and thank them for all their kindness and thoughtfulness during our illness."

That's the message that came down to The Pilot this week from two young ladies who have been lying flat on their backs in the Central Carolina Convalescent hospital at Greensboro for over two months.

The note was from Karen McKenzie, left, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McKenzie, and Paulette Diethofer, eight-year-old daughter of Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Herbert J. Diethofer, both of Pinehurst. Moore county's only victims of polio during this summer, both



are progressing nicely, according to reports from the Greensboro institution.

Karen came down with the dread disease while at Kure Beach early in July, and has been at the convalescent hospital since July 9. Paulette was stricken with the disease while in far-off Texas and was admitted to the institution a week later.

"Their friends, and our friends, have been perfectly wonderful to the children during their long illness," Mrs. McKenzie and Mrs. Diethofer said this week. "We want to join the youngsters in thanking everyone for all the cards, letters, gifts and flowers they have received."