

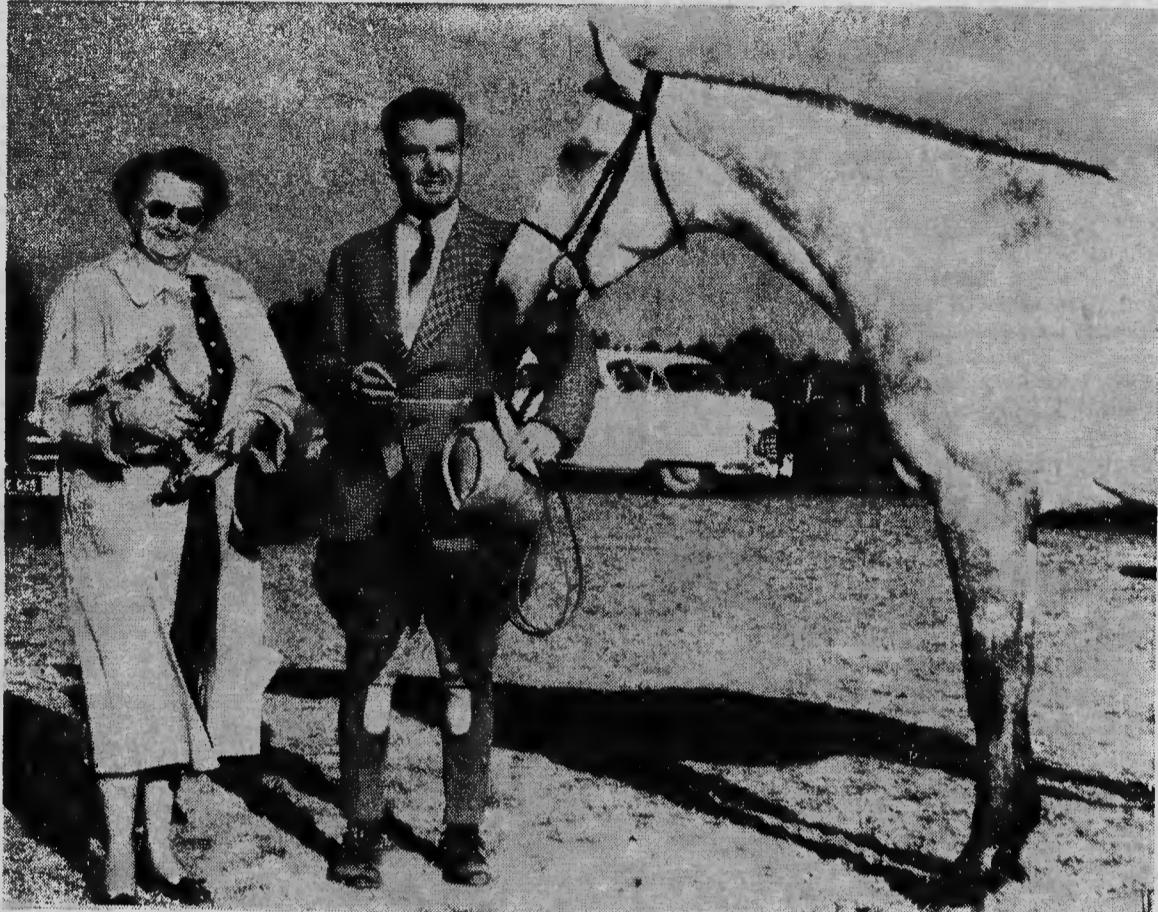
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Hardins Tour Is Champion of Mid-South Show



Mrs. O. G. Bitler, of Camden, S. C., owner, and Arthur McCashin, trainer and rider, with the grand champion of the Mid-South show—Hardins Tour. McCashin was the leader of the U. S. International team which took top honors at the National Horse show in 1951. He has frequently visited in the Sandhills and has ridden with the Moore County Hounds. (Photo by Hpmphrey) (See story on page 12)

Good Friday And Easter Services In Local Churches

Song and sermon, prayer and psalm, will re-tell the story of the crucifixion and the Resurrection in local churches this Easter weekend.

Good Friday Devotions

Protestant denominations will unite in a community Good Friday service today from 12 noon to 3 p. m. at Emmanuel Episcopal church.

Pastors and lay readers will lead the meditations on the Seven Last Words, interspersed with organ music, hymns and prayers. Those who cannot stay for the full three-hour devotion are asked to come for a while, entering and departing in the intervals between meditations.

At St. Anthony's

At St. Anthony's Catholic church, Good Friday devotion will be held at 4 p. m. today, followed by confessions. On Holy Saturday, mass will be at 8:30 a. m., preceded by the Paschal ceremonies at 7 o'clock. Confessions will be heard Saturday from 5 to 6, 7:30 to 8:30 p. m.

Easter masses at St. Anthony's will be at 7, 8, 9 and (High mass) 10:30 a. m.

Congregational Church

At the Church of Wide Fellowship (Congregational), the Rev. Carl Key of Durham will fill the pulpit for the 11 a. m. service. There will be Easter music by the three vested choirs, directed by Mrs. L. D. McDonald.

Presbyterian Church

At Brownson Memorial Presbyterian church, the Easter season opened with a musical service at 7:45 p. m. Thursday by the Flora McDonald college choir. Sunday at 11 a. m. the Rev. C. K. Ligon, pastor, will have as sermon theme "At Early Dawn." This is the church's traditional time for baptisms and reception of new members. Several baptisms are scheduled. A group of adults will be received into the church, also a class of communicants composed of about 15 children of the junior and pioneer departments of the Sunday school.

Emmanuel Episcopal

At Emmanuel Episcopal church, the Rev. C. V. Covell, rector, will conduct the 8 a. m. communion service, also the 11 a. m. worship service with communion and music by the full choir.

At First Baptist

Dr. R. T. Daniels, professor of missions at the Southern Baptist Theological seminary at Wake Forest, will conduct both the morning and evening services at the First Baptist church, which is now without a pastor.

The Baptists bade goodbye last Sunday to Dr. W. C. Holland, their pastor for almost four years, with the presentation of a silver service to the family as a gift

Beautiful Array Of Homes, Gardens Open To Visitors On Wednesday Tour

Dr. Peck Made Administrative Chief At McCain

Dr. William M. Peck has been made associate superintendent in charge of the N. C. Sanatorium at McCain, where he has been a member of the staff for the past five years. He succeeds Dr. Joseph S. Hiatt, who recently resigned to enter private practice at Southern Pines. Dr. Hiatt is continuing his connection with McCain in a consultant capacity.

Dr. H. S. Willis will continue as general superintendent, but will move to Chapel Hill from McCain some time during the coming year. The headquarters of the N. C. Sanatorium system will be established at Chapel Hill when the 100-bed wing is opened at the new N. C. Medical Center, increasing the number of institutions in the system from three to four.

Official announcement of the changes will be made following a meeting of the board of directors at McCain today (Friday).

Dr. Peck has been with the N. C. Sanatorium since 1948, holding the title of director of extension. He is being discontinued, as within recent years the extension services, rendered in conjunction with county health departments, have been largely handed over to the State Department of Health at Raleigh, with supplementary diagnostic work being done at McCain.

Native of Iowa

The new administrator was born at Northboro, Iowa, and won his A. B. and M. D. degrees at the University of Iowa, graduating from its school of medicine in 1938. He interned at Letterman General hospital at San Francisco, then became resident at the William H. Maybury Sanatorium at Northville, Mich. There he continued postgraduate work in chest specialization.

He first came to the N. C. Sanatorium at McCain in 1940 as clinical physician in the extension service, under the superintendency of the late Dr. Paul P. McCain. He was recalled to the Maybury Sanatorium in 1942, remaining for five years, first as senior physician, then assistant superintendent. He then returned to McCain as a member of the permanent staff.

Home at McCain

He and his wife, the former Miss Barbara Pfeiffer of Iowa, (Continued on Page 5)

Luncheon, Tea Will Be Served At Shaw House

With this town bursting into bloom, a miracle of fair dogwoods and gay azaleas, under the green canopy of the pines, the eight homes and the gardens, chosen for exhibit in the Garden Tour Wednesday, are being readier to the last leaf and budding blossom for the expected influx of visitors.

More than 400 people from all over the state visited this section last year to go on the tour, many of them repeaters from previous years. With the yearly number steadily increasing, members of the local Garden Club are getting prized for a big day.

Mrs. B. F. Krafft, Jr., heads the Garden Tour committee of Mrs. W. D. Campbell and Mrs. A. H. Grant, with Mrs. John Ostrom and Mrs. C. V. Covell handling publicity.

Headquarters for the tour will be, as usual, the Shaw House, the property of the Moore County Historical association. Restored and furnished by the society, the (Continued on page 5)

Homewood Garden Will Be Opened To Sunday Guests

A major event of Easter Sunday afternoon will be the showing of the beautiful Homewood Gardens on Crest road, Knollwood, from 2 to 5:30 p. m.

Through the generosity of the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Dennison Bullens, the gardens will be opened for a small admission fee for the benefit of the Moore County Hospital auxiliary.

Hostesses from the auxiliary on hand for this annual event will be Mrs. Mulford Horr, Mrs. Harold Peck, Mrs. Joseph Hiatt, Mrs. K. M. McMillan, Mrs. Hugh Carter, Mrs. James Tufts, Mrs. McGee Kastner, Mrs. James L. Derby, Mrs. Alec Roberts, Miss Laura Kelsey and Miss Adele Kirkbride.

The gardens, formerly known as the Beckwith Gardens, were designed and planted about 20 years ago. They have increased in beauty each year.

Garden after garden, one opening from the other in a chain of beauty, has been planted in daffodils, tulips, pansies and other spring flowers, against backgrounds of different colored azaleas. New and picturesque vistas have recently been added.

The gardens surround the Bullens' home, which is patterned after historic Westover, famous Virginia plantation home on the James river.

Air Force Leaders Will Hold Fighter Symposium At Inn

Will Recommend New Tactics For Changing Conditions

A "fighter symposium," for high-level discussion of fighter and fighter-bomber training, equipment and tactics, will be held Tuesday through Friday at the Highland Pines Inn.

Attending will be some 75 leading officers of the U. S. Air Force, with the Ninth Air Force as host. The USAF Air-Ground Operations school located at the Inn has no connection with the symposium other than loaning its facilities.

Brig. Gen. W. M. Gross, commandant of the school, is one of the officers invited to take part in the symposium.

Opening the discussions will be Maj. Gen. E. J. Timberlake, commanding, Tactical Air Command, Ninth Air Force.

Brig. Gen. James Ferguson, deputy commanding general of the Ninth, will preside over the symposium.

The group will include representatives from Headquarters, USAF; Tactical Air Command, Strategic Air Command and the Air Defense Command.

A partial list includes the following names: Gen. Nathan S. Twining, Brig. Gen. James O. Guthrie, Brig. Gen. James O. Hopwood, Brig. Gen. T. C. Rogers, Col. Francis S. Gabreski, Col. Albert W. Schinz, Col. David C. Schilling, Col. G. L. Pritchard, (Continued on Page 5)

Vass Citizens Nominate, Vote To Enlarge Board

Information Thursday morning from Rep. H. Clifton Blue at Raleigh is that he planned to introduce on that day a bill to increase the number of Vass town commissioners from three to five.

This was being done on request of the present board, following action taken by the citizens in caucus Monday night.

Rep. Blue said the bill should be ratified in time to take care of the Vass election May 5.

Citizens of Vass, at a town caucus held Monday night, voted unanimously in favor of increasing the number of town commissioners from three to five, and nominated a slate of officers to be voted on at the May 5 election.

C. L. Tyson conducted the meeting, at the request of Mayor D. F. Cameron, who could not be present, and Mrs. Irene F. Mullinix served as secretary.

The vote to increase the number of commissioners came after a minimum of discussion, and the secretary was asked to notify Rep. H. Clifton Blue of the action so that it may be validated by special act.

The following were nominated: for mayor, A. G. Edwards, Jr., and M. M. Chappell; for commissioner, D. F. Cameron, R. B. Gunn, Edgar Mashburn, Jack Morgan, Harold Williams, D. H. McGill, Duncan Eoggs, Mrs. Bessie C. Smith, W. C. Hoyle and Leon Keith.

AT RALEIGH

A large delegation of some 40 people from the Farm Life and the Highfalls school districts appeared before the House Education committee in Raleigh Wednesday in behalf of the bill "regulating the consolidation of public schools in North Carolina."

H. Lee Thomas, superintendent of Moore County schools, and Paul Greene, chairman of the Farm Life school board, spoke before the committee in behalf of the bill, along with spokesmen from other school districts in various sections of the state.

If the bill passes, it will permit the reopening of the Farm Life High school, and will prevent the closing of the Highfalls High school, which this year has an average high school attendance of less than 60.

EASTER HOLIDAY

Easter Monday will be observed as a general holiday throughout the business district. The bank stores, business offices and all except essential services will be closed.

There are two notable exceptions. The post office will not observe any holiday. Nor will the schools, where the annual spring holiday ended this week.

City and county offices and the library will be closed. The county commissioners, due to meet Monday, will meet Tuesday instead. Records court will also be moved to Tuesday.

Sanford Youth Killed In Wreck On US Highway 1

Moore county's fourth highway fatality of the year, the first in about two months, occurred Wednesday at 11:25 a. m. on US 1 a mile north of Vass, when a dairy truck went out of control, struck a tree and overturned.

The driver, Claude Thaxton Tilley, 25, of Sanford was instantly killed.

Coroner Ralph G. Steed said death was caused by a fractured skull, rendered a verdict of accidental death.

The truck, owned by Fairview Dairies of Sanford, was proceeding south when the accident occurred. An eye-witness told the investigating patrolman that it appeared not to be going more than 40 miles an hour when it suddenly veered off the road at an angle.

A tire rod was found to be broken but there was no way of determining immediately whether it had broken before the accident or in the crash. Patrolman Cummings of Lee county is the investigating officer.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The young man was married and the father of twin sons. Also surviving are his mother, living in Clayton; three brothers and one sister.

Miss Wiley And Mrs. Edson Buy Arcade Building

The Arcade building at 162-166 North West Broad street was purchased this week by Miss Katherine Wiley and Mrs. Jean C. Edson, both of whom operate apparel shops in the building.

Miss Wiley is manager of Tots Toggery and Mrs. Hayes Shop, which she owns in partnership with Mrs. Erma Fisher Pottle. Mrs. Edson is owner and manager of "franjeans."

The young women, friends as well as competitors, bought the building from A. A. James and Dr. A. A. Jones, Jr., of Sanford.

Besides the business establishments on the first floor, it contains seven apartments on the second.

The building derives its name from a distinguishing feature, a wide arcade walkway which traverses it through the center, from front to back.

It was built by Mrs. P. H. Beck about 1917, and sold in 1929 to Frank Welch. In 1943, through a transaction by which O. T. Sloan, of Sanford, became its owner for one day, it became the property of the James father and son.

During its early years it was occupied by various businesses. Franjeans, women's and misses' apparel shop, was started in its present location in December 1938 by Mrs. Edson and Mrs. Frances Folley Butler. Mrs. Edson bought out her partner in 1940.

Soon after the opening of "franjeans," Miss Wiley and Mrs. Pottle, then Miss Fisher, moved their Tots Toggery to the neighboring location from the Belvedere hotel building on West Pennsylvania avenue. The children's clothing shop had been started there in 1934 by Mrs. George C. Moore, who sold it to Misses Wiley and Fisher the following year.

In 1946, the Tots Toggery ownership-partnership purchased Mrs. Hayes Shop, women's apparel store located two doors away, from the estate of Mrs. D. C. Welch. The two shops were run separately until July 1950, when, through a renting of additional space in the Arcade building, and a remodeling program, room was made for Mrs. Hayes Shop in with Tots Toggery.

Whiteville Editor, City Manager Will Address Public Meeting Here

INSTALLED



B. C. DOYLE

Doyle Installed As Elks' Ruler At Country Club

B. C. (Bus) Doyle was installed Thursday night as the eighth Exalted Ruler of Southern Pines Elks Lodge No. 1692.

Presiding over the installation, held at the Southern Pines Country club, was Past Exalted Ruler M. G. McRae.

The new exalted ruler is a native North Carolinian, born in Greensboro, who spent his young years in Raleigh, then moved to Southern Pines in 1932. He became a member of the local lodge in 1947, the year after it was chartered, and rose to his present position through service in various offices. Mr. Doyle, married to the former Miss Gladys Whipple, is employed by the Tog Shop.

Besides being an Elk, he is a Mason. Installed with him were the following officers, to serve during 1953-54:

Elective—Bryan Poe, leading knight; Lawrence Ryder, loyal knight; Eugene McKenzie, lecturing knight; D. L. Madigan, secretary; Dominic DiFatta, treasurer; Walter Alpert, tiler; Harry Fullenwider, trustee. Appointive—Robert E. Strouse, Esquire; John Buchholz, chaplain; Walter Harper, inner guard.

Fire Destroys Hearn Home Near City Water Plant

The home of Henry Hearn, an employee of the city water department, was completely destroyed by fire of undetermined origin late last Thursday evening.

The one-story frame house was located about three miles out of town on the Stimson place, near the edge of the Kenwood development behind the water plant.

The Hearn family, brought home by a friend in his car after an evening out, found their home ablaze from beneath. The friend let them out, then quickly drove to a telephone to call the Southern Pines fire station.

The volunteer firemen, arriving with the booster truck only 11 minutes after the call, found the roof already falling in. Carrying only 100 gallons of water, and with the pump too close to the house to be used, they were helpless to check the consuming flames. A tank of bottled gas beside the house had caught fire, and was emitting additional flame, which roared like an acetylene torch.

A shotgun, guitar and mattress were the only belongings the family was able to save.

Though the house was an old one, it was outfitted with modern furnishings, appliances and plumbing, all of which were lost.

Informational Discussion Set Wednesday Night

With registration ending today (Friday) for the April 15 municipal vote on the council-manager plan, proponents of the plan announced a public meeting next week for informational purposes.

Those both for and against, and those who "don't know" are invited to the meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday at Weaver auditorium.

Speakers will be Willard G. Cole, editor of the Whiteville News-Reporter, and C. D. Pickrell, city manager of Whiteville. More speakers, from other council-manager towns, may also be on the program.

These will be asked to explain exactly what council-manager government is, how it works, how and why they secured it in their towns and what the results have been. Disadvantages as well as advantages are expected to be revealed.

There will be no questions from the floor. Written questions are to be placed in a question box in the lobby, and will be answered as long as time permits. Those wishing to present questions are asked to bring paper and pencil.

Mr. Cole won fame throughout the State last year for his heroic and effective crusade against the Ku Klux Klan. He is rated among the state's best newspaper editors and is expected to present a fully objective viewpoint on the council-manager form of government.

Whiteville compares well with Southern Pines as it is approximately the same size (population within 100), has approximately the same size budget (within \$1,200) and the same property valuation (within \$25,000).

Registration For Vote Ends Today

Today (Friday) is the last day, 5 p. m. the final hour, for registration preliminary to the town election of April 15 on adoption of the council-manager form of government.

Through a misunderstanding letters sent out to the citizens this week in behalf of the plan indicated that registration would continue through Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Kaylor, registrar, has the town books open at the firehouse, where Thursday morning she estimated that some 60 new names had been placed on the books since Friday.

This is not a new registration. Only those not already on the books need register. However, those in doubt should check with Mrs. Kaylor.

Proponents of the plan, showing activity this week, sent out two printed letters—one to the citizens in general, the second, with a pamphlet, to registered voters of the municipality. If you do not receive this second letter, with pamphlet, you are likely not on the books.

Fiddlers, Bands In Monday Contest

The annual Moore County Fiddlers Convention will be held on its traditional date of Easter Monday evening, starting at 8 o'clock in the Southern Pines school cafeteria.

This contest, drawing together an array of country fiddlers, square dance bands, guitarists and other musical specialists, square dancers and callers from far and near, is held under auspices of the Sandhills post, American Legion, for the benefit of the post's charity fund. A portion will go this year to the underprivileged children's fund drive now in progress.

The fiddler's prize last year was won by Fred Rosser, and the dance band prize by the Caddell Brothers band of Carthage. Both of these will be on hand this year to try and hold their own against numerous challengers, who will include winners of recent conventions in Highfalls and Montgomery county.