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Gilmore Announces Star-Studded List Of Concert Attractions For 1953-54

N. C. Symphony Performance Rated "Better Than Ever"

Announcement of three star-studded attractions already engaged for the 1953-54 concert series was made by Voit Gilmore, drive chairman for the Sandhills Music association, at the performance of the N. C. Symphony orchestra given here Monday night. Slated to appear at Weaver auditorium in December is the Don Cossack Chorus and Dancers, famous and colorful White Russian troupe; in January, the two-piano team of Nelson and Neal; and in March, the Little Vienna orchestra on its first American tour, in a program of Strauss waltzes and other Viennese music, featuring the lyric soprano Rose Sweigert.

In addition there will be the annual performance of the N. C. Symphony, the Young Musicians concert and perhaps one or two others if finances permit.

Biggest Budget

Next year's budget of \$5,500 is the largest in the association's history, said Chairman Gilmore, presenting the preview in a bid for the early purchase of season tickets. Some 150 persons availed themselves of the opportunity to reserve the seats of their choice, buying their tickets for the new series at intermission and after the concert.

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Air Force Band Will Give Public Concert At Inn

The 527th Air Force band from Pope AFB, Fort Bragg, will present a free public concert Tuesday at 3:45 p. m. on the front campus of Highland Pines Inn, home of the USAF Air-Ground Operations school.

The band of about 40 pieces is rated as one of the best in the country, including many members who in private life are outstanding professionals in the music world. Directed by Warrant Officer Sanger, the band will present a one-hour program of considerable variety and popular appeal.

The event is part of the Air Force's observance of National Music Week, May 3-10. Some 5,000 communities throughout the country are cooperating in emphasis on musical activity at this time, and wherever possible the armed services are contributing to the community programs.

The concert is being presented through cooperation of the Ninth Air Force and the Air-Ground school. Brig. Gen. W. M. Gross, USAFAGOS commandant, extends a cordial invitation to all members of the community to come and enjoy the music.

Many Conventions At Resort Hotels; Hollywood, Mid Pines Closing Soon

The resort season has whirled into the era of conventions, with imminent closings, in the Sandhills hotel world.

The Hollywood will have as guests Sunday, Monday and Tuesday 65 to 75 members of the N. C. Branch of the International Order of Kings Daughters and Sons. The hotel will close for the summer immediately following their departure Tuesday morning. John and George Pottle, brother-proprietors, will leave for their summer commitments soon after.

At the Mid Pines club, meetings will be going on through May 22. Today (Friday) through Sunday, some 75 members of the 371st Infantry of World War 2 are holding their annual reunion there. Monday through Wednesday will be given over to the N. C. Shell Oil Distributors. The spring meeting and tournament of the Homer Cummings golf party will take place next Friday through Sunday.

The N. C. Association of Insurance Women will bring about 100 guests to the Mid Pines May 15-17, and May 18 priests of the Catholic diocese of Raleigh will arrive for a five-day retreat. This

GROUNDING

Piedmont Airlines suspends its service to the Sandhills as of today (May 1) for the six-month summer recess. Knollwood airport, the Southern Pines-Pinehurst stop, will be replaced on the schedule November 1.

This means that not only passenger service but airmail, air parcel post and air freight will be suspended for this area.

Letters and parcels may still be marked for air service, said Garland Pierce, postmaster. They will go to Raleigh by the earliest train and be flown from there.

USAFAGOS Gets New Fire Truck For Inn Protection

The USAF Air-Ground Operations school at Highland Pines Inn was the recipient this week of a fine new International fire truck, latest model, assigned by the Air Force for the protection of the school.

It will also be available in supplementary service for fire fighting in and around the community, through a cooperative program being worked out by the school and Southern Pines volunteer fire department.

Brig. Gen. W. M. Gross, USAFAGOS commandant, will also be Fire Chief, and a volunteer department will be set up among officers and enlisted men of the school staff.

General Gross, with the school secretary, Col. John C. Egan, conferred Thursday morning with Southern Pines Fire Chief Harold B. Fowler in regard to cooperation of the two departments. The mutual-aid program, to be announced next week, should make Southern Pines one of the country's most fire-safe communities—especially when Southern Pines' new \$17,000 LaFrance truck, now on order, arrives.

Highland Pines Inn, tallest, as well as largest, building within the city limits, is entirely frame-constructed and consequently has been regarded as something of a fire hazard. In its two years of occupancy the Air Force has done much to lessen the dangers. Fire walls and fire doors have been installed, the main staircase enclosed, fire escapes constructed and other measures taken for maximum safety. Under the direction of Lieutenant Hafner, fire marshal, strict regulations have been made and are enforced. The assignment of the fire truck is another measure of the Air Force for complete protection.



A BIG FELLOW for a big job... Carthage's new Police Chief surveys the situation from a central point in town, the Moore County courthouse. (Pilot Staff Photo)

J. M. Joyce Is New Carthage Chief Succeeding Late Bernice M. Cameron

Former MP Comes To County Seat From Fayetteville

John M. Joyce, husky six-footer, has been employed by the Town of Carthage as police chief, succeeding Bernice M. Cameron who was killed while in performance of duty at Carthage March 15.

Chief Joyce assumed his new duties last week, moving from Fayetteville, where he has served as a patrolman with the police department for the last six years.

He is a native of Randolph county, where he was born near Asheboro 29 years ago, and attended school at Seagrave. He was an MP during World War 2,

No Communists Meddling, States West Side Leader

The Pilot received a letter this week which it is front-paging in view of its immediate importance, and in the belief that it will be of interest to all Southern Pines citizens.

It is written by a well-known and long-respected leader of West Southern Pines:

To The Pilot:

It has come to our attention that rumors are being spread that communist or other subversive influences have stirred up the Colored citizens of West Southern Pines to work for a Colored member on the City Council, and that strange meetings have been held to that end.

There are many people who know better, but for fear that some may be led to accept political rumors instead of true facts we beg to submit the following statement:

Many years ago the section known as West Southern Pines was duly incorporated by the Colored citizens, with their own Mayor, Commissioners and other necessary town officials. All of this happened when St. Petersburg was the capital of Russia, and before we ever heard of Stalin or communism.

The town of West Southern Pines operated until an act of the North Carolina legislature merged it with the town of Southern Pines. The merging act provided that "the citizens of West Southern Pines should have all the rights and privileges, and be subject to all the liabilities of, citizens and residents of the town of Southern Pines."

We did not need and did not have communists then and we do not need and do not have communists now, in our effort to secure representation on our Town Council. We are loyal American citizens, with the same desires for civic progress and betterment as possessed by other citizens.

We therefore ask all who believe in fair play and simple justice to help us get a Colored member on the City Council.

Respectfully,
T. R. GOINS, President,
West Southern Pines Civic Club

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He is married and has two children, a four-year-old boy, Joel Hampton, and a two-year-old girl, Elizabeth Ann.

His wife is the former Helen Johnson of Hope Mills, a graduate of the Thompson Memorial hospital at Lumberton and currently supervisor of nurses at Highsmith hospital, Fayetteville. She plans to come to Carthage with her husband and perhaps later enter nursing in Moore county.

Chief Joyce's appointment by the Town marks a separation of two jobs which were both held by Chief Cameron, that of Carthage chief and Moore county jailer. The duties of jailer are now being carried on by Mrs. Cameron, widow of the slain chief, with Arthur Yow continuing as assistant jailer on night duty.

Simultaneously with the announcement of Chief Joyce's appointment, the town commissioners announced the resignation of Hugh Strider, who had served as night officer under Chief Cameron. No successor has been found for him as yet.

J. Blue McIver Seriously Hurt In Moore Accident

J. Blue McIver, Sanford attorney, brother of Mrs. J. M. Pleasants of 160 North Ridge, was seriously injured in an automobile accident near Carthage about noon Monday.

He is a patient in Moore County hospital with chest and head injuries and a compound fracture of one leg above the knee.

Odell Cagle, also of Sanford, driver of the car in which Mr. McIver was riding, was less seriously hurt and remained at the hospital only a few hours. Mr. Cagle's car was extensively damaged.

The accident occurred near Flinchum's store about five miles west of Carthage. The investigating patrolman said that a large truck heading east, approaching the Cagle car, braked down in a heavy line of traffic and went out of control, swerving across the center line and hitting Cagle's car in the left front.

The truck, owned by Berry Wood Gardens, Kernersville, had been converted to a tank for the transportation of goldfish. Thousands of the fish were being carried inside in an arrangement of trays, with water running over them. The driver J. H. Evans of Kernersville, said the fluid load seemed to shift as he applied brakes, causing an overbalance to one side and consequent loss of control.

The patrolman cited Evans to Moore records court, charged with careless and reckless driving causing an accident, property damage and personal injury.

Mr. McIver is a former clerk of Lee County court. His brother-in-law, Jim Pleasants of Southern Pines, is a Moore County commis-

Primary Draws Record Vote, 927; 10 On Ticket For Tuesday Election

Voting At Fire Station 6:30 - 6:30; City Council Will Take Oath Next Day

Voting in the municipal election will take place Tuesday at the fire station from 6:30 a. m. to 6:30 p. m.

Five members of the new city council are to be chosen from the slate of 10. Marking more than five will disqualify the ballot. Under the council-manager plan which will be in process of adoption, there is no vote for mayor.

Mrs. Grace Kaylor, registrar, will be in charge of the voting, with Mrs. Trudy Stephenson and Burton W. Brown as judges. There is no additional registration period for this, the third municipal election Southern Pines has had in three weeks.

The five candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be sworn in as the new council at the city hall at 10 a. m. Wednesday, at which time the old administration ends and the new begins.

First Steps
Their first step will be the elec-

Young Musicians Will Air Talents At "Bonus" Concert

The Sandhills Music association is again sponsoring an "opportunity night" for budding young talent, in the annual Young Musicians concert to be held at the Pinehurst Country club Saturday evening, May 9.

Music teachers of the county, now banded together in an organization, the Music Educators club, have each selected his or her most promising pupil to appear in the two-hour recital. In addition, five young people of the county now attending college will return home in order to appear.

The Young Musicians concerts are offered to the public by the Sandhills Music association each year as a "bonus attraction," without charge.

Mrs. N. L. Hodgkins is chairman of the event, as she has been of its two predecessors. According to her announcement this week, the following will appear on the program, listed with their teachers: Southern Pines—John McMillan, piano (Mrs. Thomas Howerton); Carolyn Hoskins, voice (Mrs. L. D. McDonald).

Pinehurst—Decatur Richardson, (Continued on page 8)

Hobby Show Will Be Monday Event At School Gym

Have you a good hobby to ride? And are you interested in other people's? If so, the Hobby Show at the school gymnasium Monday afternoon is right up your alley.

Hobby displays will be made by both adults and children in the show, which will be open to the public from 1 o'clock until 9:30 in the evening.

No admission will be charged, though a free will offering will be taken for the purchase of new shrubbery for the elementary school grounds.

The show is being sponsored by the Student Councils of both the high and elementary schools, and many of the school pupils will present displays and collections.

Some adults offering exhibits will be Mrs. John Cline, with her famous and extensive doll collection; Mrs. Jack Carter, art; Mrs. Don Madigan, arts and crafts, including original textile designs; Maj. J. F. McCarthy, precious stones; Mrs. Dorothy Atherton, pictures; Mrs. Don Moore, ceramics.

The sponsors extend an invitation to all hobbyists and collectors to present a display. They may secure information through a call to the elementary school—2-2181. Owners may bring their entries to the gymnasium Sunday evening or Monday morning, and arrange them for display. They may take them home after the show.

Four Incumbents Still Candidates; Clark Leads Ballot

Southern Pines voters will go to the polls Tuesday for their third municipal election in three weeks. This will climax the series, as they choose five men from a panel of 10 to form their first council under the new council-manager governmental form.

The 10 were selected from a slate of 15 candidates last Tuesday, when a record 927 voters marched to the polls in the town's first primary.

Lloyd T. Clark led the ballot with 507 votes, the highest ever recorded for an individual in the history of the town. The previous high was 505 for L. V. O'Callaghan in 1951.

W. E. Blue was second with 467, just four more than he polled two years ago.

Others on Ballot
Others who will appear on Tuesday's ballot and their primary vote:

Voit Gilmore, 402; Joe O'Callaghan, 356; C. S. Patch, Jr., 349; J. R. Funderburk, 337; H. L. Brown, 335; J. T. Overton, 292; Harold B. Fowler, 285; Joe Garzik, 252.

Eliminated in the primary were: W. T. Huntley, Jr., 180; Russell J. Lorenson, 163; H. A. Lewis, 139; L. M. Daniels, 137, and Johnnie A. Hall, 133.

Clark, Blue, Brown and Patch are incumbent members of the town board. All now have their chance at reelection.

Lewis and Daniels have served terms on the board in the past. Both were eliminated.

Negro Participation
Funderburk is the only Negro ever to run for office here. He was a nominee in 1951 and made a good run, polling 216 votes, but was defeated.

Negroes evidenced a great gain in interest in the current election. A total of 342 new names was added to the books in the two registration periods, preceding the April 15 special election and the primary. A large proportion of these were from the West Side.

By a curious coincidence, the number of names added in each registration period was 171. The final total was 1,388 voters registered, a record high.

Reaffirmation
Lloyd Clark led the forces for adoption of the council-manager plan, which reached resounding success in the special election vote of 489 to 228. His strong lead on the primary ticket is taken as reaffirmation of confidence in the new form of government by the majority of voters.

The heavy second-place vote accorded W. E. Blue, however, indicated the margin to be considered.

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Mary Stewart, Robbins Senior, Wins SVA Scholarship For Nurse Training

Miss Mary Cameron Stewart, a member of this year's graduating class at Elise High school, Robbins, was announced this week as the winner of the Sandhills Veterans Association nurse training scholarship for 1953.

The announcement was made by Voit Gilmore, chairman of the independent group of Moore ty veterans which has sponsored County veterans which has sponsored the annual award since 1947.

He also announced an alternate, to receive the scholarship for three years of nurse training in case Miss Stewart is unable to take advantage of it. The alternate is Miss Phyllis L. Harris, a senior at West End High school.

Miss Stewart is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Stewart of Robbins, while Miss Harris is the daughter of Willie G. Harris of Carthage Rt. 1. Both girls were rated as outstanding in the scholarship requirements of service, ability, aptitude and deserving character.

The winner, who is editor of her high school annual, member of the Beta club, Monogram club and glee club, will receive her award as a commencement honor. In the meantime she will choose

