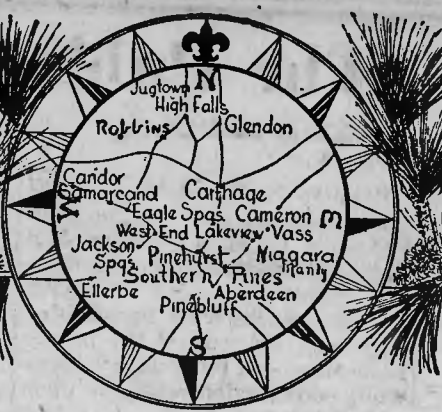


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Qualifying Play In Golf Tourney Starts Saturday

Event To Extend Several Weeks; Trophies Offered

Qualifying play in the annual Moore County golf championship tournaments for men and women will begin at the Southern Pines Country club Saturday.

Open to all residents of the county, the two tournaments form the outstanding golf event of the summer in the Sandhills. Defending champions are James Besley in the men's event and Mrs. Laura Lee Menoher. Last year, when the tourney was run off at Pinehurst, there were 40 entries in the men's tournament and 16 in the ladies'.

Qualifying rounds may be played at any time Saturday, July 18 through Friday, July 24. Entrants may make up their own game for the qualifying round or Victor D'Elia at the Country Club desk can arrange a game. Entry may be made by telephoning the club, 2-2551, or at the desk when the qualifying round is played. A draw will be made Friday.

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Credit Bureau Now Operating

The credit bureau of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce is now in shape for full operation and service to members and non-members, according to announcement by Earle B. Owen, chairman.

Fees have been standardized with others in the state, except that, for members, an unlimited number of one-trade reports is permitted to Chamber members without cost. For non-members, the fee for each such report is 65 cents. They are available from Miss Alice Baxter, secretary, at the new Chamber office at 105 East Pennsylvania.

Reports giving in code form the ratings of several firms on a particular account are 50 cents for members, \$1 for non-members. Full reports, containing additional types of information as desired, are \$1 for members, \$1.75 for non-members.

Additional charge is made for long-distance calls or telegrams if these are necessary, to get reports from bureaus in other towns.

Full use of the credit bureau can result in savings to merchants of thousands of dollars in bad bills annually, Chairman Owen noted. This has been the experience of other towns, many of which have credit bureaus which work on a reciprocal basis.

All information is coded and confidential and the sources are not revealed, other than that they are breather merchants who have made their account books available for this purpose.

Can't Remember Conversation!

Iveses Meet Queen, Duke In Colorful Reception While Visiting In Ulster

(This third letter received by The Pilot from Mrs. Elizabeth Ives tells how she and her husband, Ernest L. Ives, were presented to Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh recently in Northern Ireland. The Iveses flew from Rome to Belfast where they were the guests of Prime Minister Brookeborough and Viscountess Cynthia whom the Iveses had known when Mr. Ives was U. S. Consul General at Belfast before he retired in 1939 and came to Southern Pines.

The Prime Minister and his wife, then Sir Basil Brooke and Lady Cynthia, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ives at Paint Hill Farm near Southern Pines in April, 1950.

Reference is made in the letter to the destruction of the Ives' possessions in a dock fire at Belfast after an enemy bombing in World

War II. The letter follows.)

We sat in the twilight deep in the heart of County Fermanagh, listening to a radio broadcast. The Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, Viscount Brookeborough's eyes clung to the giant blooming roses in the walled garden outside the window. The B. B. C. announcer said, "The Queen accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh has arrived in London from Northern Ireland and will proceed to Windsor." So there it was, she was safe in England, a royal visit, a historic Coronation visit was over. The thousands of children who saw her will grow to maturity telling of the Queen. The old people I saw wipe tears from their eyes as they stood near her as she passed slowly by, the troops who marched before her, the bagpipers, the police who guarded her, the disabled who talked with her, the politicians

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WILD PONIES—Three "wild ponies" from North Carolina's outer banks on the coast are shown here on the farm of J. T. Overton (standing at rear of photo) off Bethesda road near Southern Pines. Dan Butler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Butler, is pictured at left with the largest of the three animals. In center is Miss Jeanne Overton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Over-

ton, and at right is Dr. C. C. McLean. All the animals pictured are males or "horse colts"—the largest 15 months old and the two little ones about four and three months. Dr. McLean, Mr. Overton, Howard Butler and Dan took part in a recent "pony penning" near Drum's Inlet and brought the colts to the Sandhills for pets. See story elsewhere in today's Pilot for more details. (Pilot Staff Photo)

Inequity In Allotting Building Funds Is Charged By School Board Member

Cameron Says Commissioners Hiding Nothing

Gordon M. Cameron of Pinehurst, chairman of the board of county commissioners, said this week that the board "has nothing to cover up" in its appropriation of school building funds.

The county board of education charges that the funds have not been distributed fairly this year or over the past 10 years, according to records they have produced for publication.

"We do what we think is best for the people and we try to make the money go where it is most needed," Chairman Cameron said. "In planning school construction, we haven't created a big bonded indebtedness and we have used our best judgment, right or wrong."

No formal demand has been made for a change in the budget, Cameron said. He said he would

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McKeithen Alleges County System Does Not Get Its Share

Additional figures which, he says, show inequity and injustice in distribution of capital outlay funds for school building construction in the proposed 1953-54 county budget were made public this week by Jere N. McKeithen of Aberdeen, a member of the county board of education.

With a total capital outlay appropriation of \$500,000 in the new budget, the county school system, administered by the county board of education, is slated to get \$300,000, the Southern Pines district to get \$117,500 and the Pinehurst district to get \$82,500.

McKeithen points out that last year's enrollment shows 6,522 pupils in the county system, 1,060 pupils in the Southern Pines city unit and 757 pupils in the Pinehurst city unit.

This means, he noted, that the county system will get \$45.99 per child enrolled, the Southern Pines unit will get \$110.84 per child and the Pinehurst unit, \$108.98 per child, using last year's enrollment, admittedly not entirely accurate for the coming year, as a basis for figuring.

"This is an even more striking illustration of the injustice of the distribution than were the figures published last week," McKeithen said. "We on the board of education feel that the public ought to know more about this situation."

The new county budget shows a capital outlay appropriation of \$505,000. McKeithen says his figures are based on \$500,000 because the additional \$5,000 is money carried over from last year's appropriation by the county board of education.

Last week McKeithen produced figures to show that the county school system, 78.2 per cent of the total school enrollment in the

HEAT WAVE BROKEN

For nearly all the past week, the Sandhills have enjoyed weather with temperatures 10 degrees or more under the preceding week's over-90 heat wave. Nights and mornings have been exceptionally cool. Breezes have been pleasant, but have helped dry out farm land to such an extent that rain is now much needed on farms of the county.

Three Killed In Recent Wrecks To Raise Toll To 8

An almost head-on collision of two cars on Highway 27 three miles west of Robbins Crossroads Monday afternoon cost the lives of both drivers, in Moore county's worst accident of the year so far, while an accident Saturday claimed the life of a Carthage Negro near that community.

The Monday crash, which practically demolished both cars, caused the instant death of Giles Haywood Younger, 48, resident of Burlington, while Raymond Sanders, 36, of Robbins, RFD, lived only a few minutes after it occurred at 1:50 p. m.

Patrolman Johnnie Lowmore, who investigated, said it was difficult to determine from the wreckage in which direction, or how fast, he estimated, though, that Younger had been driving east, Sanders west, both at speeds "55 miles an hour or better." Sanders' 1953 Chevrolet sedan spun completely around after the impact and overturned, landing on its top. The motor of Younger's 1950 Plymouth was stove in under the

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Council Plans Sell ABC Building, Revise Law Code, Ask Zone Changes

Members Remain Busy Later Than Midnight Tuesday

In a session that lasted until well after midnight Tuesday, the town council laid the groundwork for a number of important projects to be undertaken by the new council-manager form of government and clicked off some immediate actions of wide interest in the community.

Highlights of the meeting include decision to advertise for sale to highest bidder the ABC store-police station building on New Hampshire avenue; approval of a zoning board recommendation to change both sides of Bennett street, between Pennsylvania and New York avenues from residential to business category; and agreement that the entire code of town laws should be revised and brought up to date.

Many actions, including work on the 1953-'54 budget, were deferred until arrival of City Manager T. E. Cunningham August 3. Absent for the first time in many years of Southern Pines town board meetings was former Clerk Howard Burns whose knowledge of the records and state of the town's business was missed a number of times during the meeting.

With Mayor L. T. Clark presiding, all council members were present—W. E. Blue, Voit Gilmore, Joe O'Callaghan and C. S. Patch, Jr. Pending arrival of Mr. Cunningham, other town employees are taking on additional duties, including Miss Myrtle Frye, secretary in the town office, and Louis Scheipers, tax collector. Also present was W. La-

'\$7,000 LIFTED'

Charging that "7,000 was lifted from what is by law a sacred trust," Councilman Voit Gilmore said at the town council meeting Tuesday night that "we'd better point out to the city manager when he arrives" that it would be well to start budgeting back into the Mt. Hope cemetery perpetual care trust fund the sum that was taken from it. The council agreed.

The money, it was learned, was spent for land to expand the cemetery, at which time, it is understood, the town had to buy more land than it wanted at a price greater than it wanted to pay, to get adjoining property the cemetery needed for expansion.

Whatever the reason for using perpetual care funds, council members agreed it should not have been done and that action would have to be started as soon as possible to put the \$7,000 back where it belonged.

Firemen Complain, Mayor Explains

Representing a "very disgruntled" volunteer fire department, Chief Harold Fowler roared Mayor Lloyd Clark Tuesday night for not letting the department take the town's big new fire truck to the recent annual convention of the Sandhills Firemen's Association at Wadesboro. Chief Fowler was elected president of the association during the convention.

Replying, the mayor explained that insurance on the truck is not valid outside the town limits and said that, in holding the truck in town, he was acting as he thought the people of Southern Pines would want him to do. He cited the statement of one unnamed citizen who said he would take out an injunction against the town if the mayor allowed the truck to leave.

mont Brown, serving as acting town attorney until a permanent appointment is made.

Purchasers Interested
Having a report that a number of purchasers are interested in the old police station building, the council decided to advertise it for sale, as required by law. The ABC store section of the building will be vacated within an estimated two weeks to move to the O'Callaghan building. Council members expressed confidence that suitable temporary quarters could be found for the police department. Also to be advertised for public sale is the unused old jail property on Bennett street, now of no further use to the town.

This action was taken against the background of the council's long-range plan for a municipal center on New York avenue, between Broad and Bennett, where the town has a number of options and is attempting to get others. Eventually, the police station would be located at this center, according to present plans.

The zoning change on Bennett street came up at the request of J. Vance Rowe, Jr., attorney, who said he was appearing for a client, whom he did not name, who was "especially interested in the South half of the block on the West side of the street." Recommendation had already been made by the zoning commission to change the category and the town board gave its approval, subject to the required advertising of the proposal and a public hearing. Attorney Brown was requested to draw up the proper public advertisement.

The zoning commission was reported to think that the change would represent a logical direction of movement for the business section. The change would eventually require an amendment to the town zoning ordinance.

Subject to the approval of the zoning commission, it was suggested

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After hearing from the mayor details of when and how the decision was made, about which there had apparently been some confusion, the chief told the mayor, "If that's your conscientious feeling that your decision was the will of the people, you are to be commended."

"Nobody appreciates the Southern Pines Fire Department more than the mayor and council," the mayor said. "It is serving the people and doing a good job."

Chief Fowler entered his complaint by reading a prepared statement that said, among other things, that the department was "not a bunch of little boys, not to be trusted with toys."

The exchange of opinion ended amicably, with the mayor, council and the chief discussing other problems of the fire department.

Scheipers Named Acting Registrar Vital Statistics

Louis Scheipers, town tax collector with office at the town hall, is serving temporarily as registrar of vital statistics for Southern Pines and McNeill township. Birth and death certificates should be filed with him pending a permanent appointment.

Mrs. Howard Burns who left with her husband for Lake Wales, Fla., last week, was serving as registrar of vital statistics until her departure which left the office vacant.

At the town council meeting Tuesday night, Mayor Pro Tem Voit Gilmore, with approval of the council, tentatively appointed T. E. Cunningham, city manager who has not yet arrived, to take over the registrar's duties in his office, if this will be suitable to him. The appointment is one for the mayor to make, but because he frequently uses the services of the registrar in his profession, Mayor Lloyd Clark declined to make the appointment, leaving the room and asking Mayor Pro Tem Gilmore to take care of the matter.

Because the council felt that, as a matter of convenience, the registrar should remain in town hall, they settled on the Cunningham appointment.

Mrs. Burns was registrar for both the town and the township. The township appointment is made by the county commissioners who customarily appoint the same person as does the town, so that the two offices can be consolidated.

The matter was left there Tuesday night. Designation of Scheipers to carry on the registrar's duties was made informally by council members Wednesday, following a visit to Southern Pines by Mrs. Ruth Medlin of Raleigh, a state official dealing with vital statistics, who told local officials that it is necessary that some one be designated immediately to carry

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Job Of Building Inspector Open

The town is asking for written applications for the job of building inspector, stating the qualifications of the applicant, according to a decision made by town council Tuesday night. There has been no inspector since the recent death of Everett V. Walker.

Pending appointment of an inspector, Louis Scheipers, tax collector, was authorized to issue building permits.

Leland Daniels, Jr., appeared in person at the council meeting to apply for the post. Written or verbal applications had also been received from W. Q. White, Dominic Difatta and R. S. Parker, Mayor Clark revealed.

It was suggested that applicants come to the town hall and read in the code book the duties of a building inspector so they would have a better knowledge of the job. The appointment will probably be made at the August council meeting.

Pioneer Cabin Moved To Shaw House Grounds

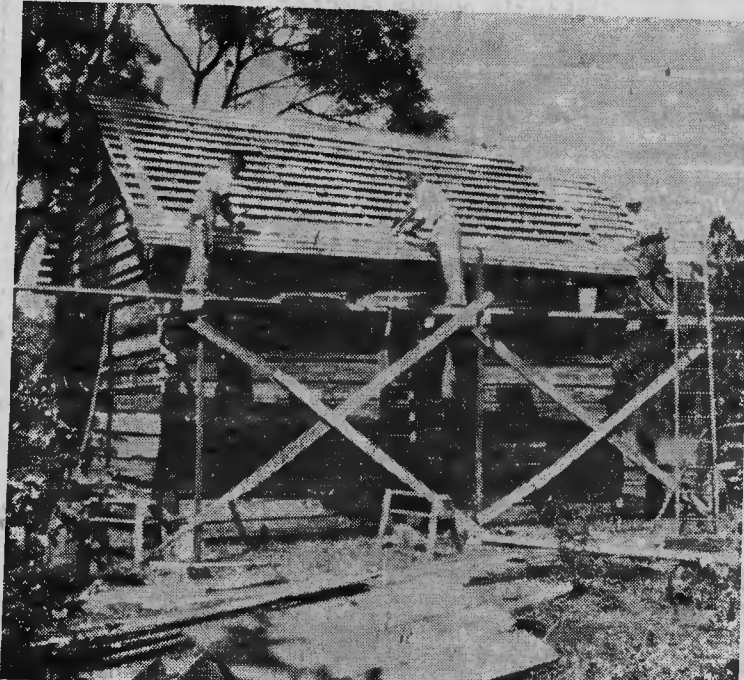
Reconstruction was proceeding this week on the pioneer log cabin moved from upper Moore county to the Shaw House grounds under direction of the Moore County Historical association.

Although slowed by the difficulty of finding old and authentic auxiliary materials to use in the restoration, Roy Newton, contractor on the job, has the walls of the old building up and the shingle roof on and will continue the work as rapidly as possible.

The photo shows the shingling job getting started this week. At the extreme right and top of the cabin roof can be seen an unfinished portion of the widely overhanging eaves on the east end, following the original construction design and said to have been built this way to prevent the rain from washing out the soft clay in which stones for the huge fireplace and chimney were set. The stones are on hand at the Shaw House site and the fireplace will be built as nearly as possible like the original.

Walls are built of heart-pine hewed timbers still sound after an estimated 200 years in the open. Spaces between the logs, as shown

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RESTORATION BEGINS—Roy Newton, center on the scaffold, with Dan West, left, and Charlie Garner, right, are pictured at work on the old log cabin now being restored on the Shaw House grounds here, after removal from upper Moore county. The structure is said to be about 200 years old. The restoration is a project of the Moore County Historical Association. (Pilot Staff Photo)