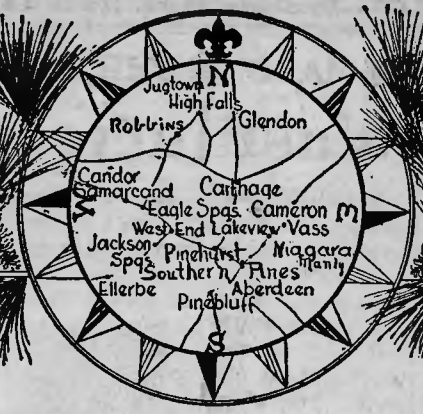


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2 Murder Cases Head Superior Court Calendar

Mrs. Banigan Called To Report Action On Refund Of Money

One murder case to go before the grand jury and another on the regular trial docket head the list of cases to be heard in Moore County Superior court next week. The term opens Monday with Judge J. C. Rudisill of Newton scheduled to preside.

Two manslaughter cases, one to go before the grand jury and one on the regular docket, are calendared, along with assault and liquor charges and a large number of drunken driving cases appealed from recorders court.

Fifty-three persons have been called for jury service during the week's term.

Defendants and alleged victims in both the murder cases are Negroes.

Gloria Lee Wrencher is charged with killing her husband, Herbert, 28, and wounding Frances McLaughlin, about 30, at the McLaughlin woman's house near Carthage when she surprised the pair in bed together early on the morning of June 12. Her weapon, said officers, was a .22 calibre automatic rifle the defendant is said to have snatched up and fired when she found the gun in the McLaughlin house.

William McGregor is charged with the murder of Shelton Blue, also a Negro, in July 1952. Allowed bond, McGregor was not brought to trial during the two 1952 terms of court following his arrest and on December 28, James Blue, brother of Shelton Blue, shot and wounded McGregor so severely that McGregor was not able to stand trial at this year's court terms. He was still a patient at Lee County hospital in May. All involved in this case are from the Cameron area.

Slated to go before the grand jury Monday are the following defendants and the charges on which they were arrested: Tommy Taylor, alias Willie Francis Taylor, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and other charges; Joe Robert Dowdy, larceny of auto and manslaughter; Junior Newby, careless and reckless driving and larceny; William Walker and Harry Peterson, larceny of auto.

Also: James Junior Allred, speeding and careless and reckless driving resulting in an accident; Woodrow Flowers, larceny of auto; Douglas Key, breaking and entering and larceny; Gloria Lee Wrencher, murder and assault with a deadly weapon; George Collins, Ed VanHoy and David VanHoy, breaking and entering and larceny; and Jim Key, assault with a deadly weapon. (Continued on Page 8)

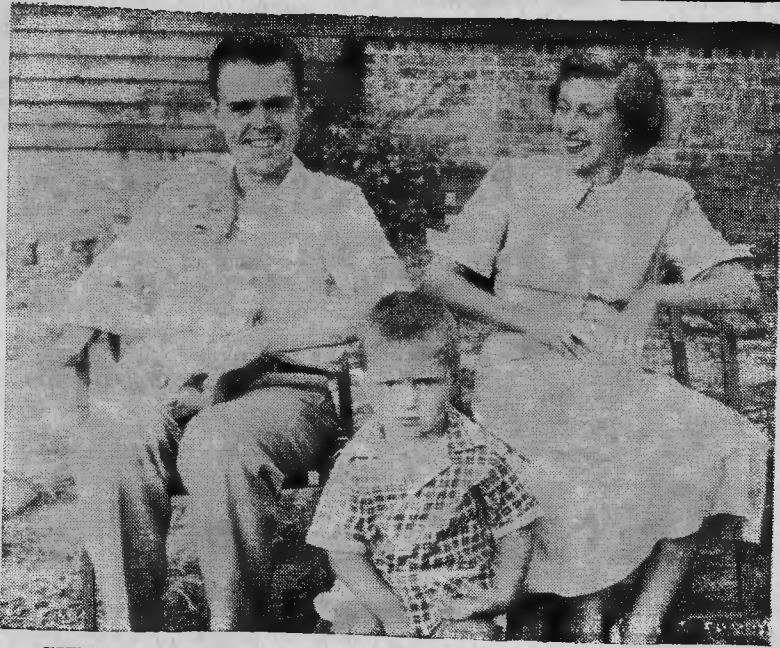
DFC, Air Medal With 4 Clusters Awarded Clarke

First Lieutenant Wyndham Clarke, 23-year-old USAF Sabre-pilot who completed 100 combat missions with the 8th Fighter Bomber Wing in Korea has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters, it was learned here this week.

Lieutenant Clarke is expected home from Korea, to visit his mother, Mrs. Louise W. Bowman, later this month, during a leave prior to an expected assignment to Europe. His mother said this week she did not know exactly when he would arrive.

In a telephone call to his mother early in July, Lieutenant Clarke said that he had completed his tour of 100 missions and expected to be home in about five weeks.

The nature and number of Lieutenant Clarke's decorations were not known until information was received here in an Air Force announcement this week. The announcement said he had received the awards for his aerial missions cutting bridges, rail lines, dams and roads throughout North Korea and his bombing and strafing sorties on troops, tanks, and gun positions of enemy front lines.



CITY MANAGER Thomas E. Cunningham, his wife, the former Marion Goodrich of Sanford and their children, Tommy, Jr., two years old and Tamara Jean, age eight months, are shown outside their Knollwood Apartments home. Mr. Cunningham, who last week began his work as Southern Pines' first city manager, appears to amuse Mrs. Cunningham as he exercises his charms in quieting a fretful baby daughter for the photo. Somebody told Tommy a monkey might jump out of the camera when the picture was taken and he looks as if he believed it. (Pilot Staff Photo)

Community Advisory Committee Plans Work At First Meeting

Mrs. Graves Named Secretary; Ruggles Presides At Meeting

Meeting for an organization session at town hall Tuesday night, the new Southern Pines Community Advisory committee heard Mayor L. T. Clark say that its work "can be one of the greatest things Southern Pines has ever done."

With John Ruggles, chairman, presiding, the committee elected Mrs. Gladys Graves its secretary and set the first Tuesday night of each month as a regular meeting time at town hall.

Mr. Ruggles called the committee "a step toward unification of the entire community" and asked members present for their ideas about how the committee should undertake its work and any problems they might have in mind.

Members of the committee present included Chairman Ruggles, Mrs. Gladys Graves, Maj. Gen. Julian F. Barnes, Dean S. Dorman, Herbert Cameron, Garland McPherson, William C. Darden and J. T. Saunders who is the West Southern Pines representative.

Little Leaguers Sweep Playoffs To Become Champs

Southern Pines Little League Lions capped their impressive first season of play with the tournament championship Wednesday afternoon here when they defeated Robbings Little Leaguers, 3-1.

This was the second straight victory over Robbings and gave the championship to the local boys. On Monday at Robbings, Southern Pines set back the host team, 11-0.

Robbings had won a two-out-of-three series with Carthage in games played last week, while Southern Pines advanced by winning a similar series with Pinehurst. The final Pinehurst game was played last Thursday, the locals winning 11-9.

At Robbings Monday, the Lions were awarded the regular season pennant and are due to receive a trophy for the tournament championship.

The Robbings manager filed a protest on the final series game because of a disagreement with an umpire's decision. The top five season batting and fielding averages for the Southern Pines boys follow:

Batting Averages	
John Van Benschoten	.694
Richard McInnis	.500
Robert Woodruff	.436
Ted Ward	.432
Ikey Woodell	.422
Fielding Averages	
Bobby Watkins	.964
John Van Benschoten	.911
Ikey Woodell	.896
Ted Ward	.875
Jimmy Caldwell	.808

MAGAZINES WANTED

Persons having magazines to be disposed of are asked to bring them to the Southern Pines library for distribution over the county by the Moore County bookmobile. Mrs. Dorothy H. Avery is librarian for the county library which is operated in conjunction with the Southern Pines library.

Guard Leaving For Camp

Captain William J. Wilson, commanding officer of the Moore County National Guard—Battery D, 130th AAA Bn (AW-SP)—announced today that three officers and 55 enlisted men of the unit will leave Sunday for Camp Stewart, Ga., Third Army anti-aircraft training center, for the battery's annual field training.

Departure of the truck convoy has been set for 5:30 a. m. Sunday. The unit plans to bivouac Sunday night at the South Carolina National Guard's airport, Ridgeland, S. C., arriving at Camp Stewart Monday morning.

First week training will consist of firing the unit's 40 mm anti-aircraft guns and quad .50 caliber ack-ack mounts at both tow targets and radio-controlled planes, Captain Wilson said. Second week is to be spent on an aggressor problem.

The unit plans to return to its Southern Pines headquarters Sunday morning, August 30.

Building To Be Sold August 21

The town-owned police station and former ABC store building on New Hampshire avenue will go on sale to the highest bidder Friday, August 21, at 12 noon at the door of the town office on Broad street.

The police station is to move to the town hall on Broad street as soon as permission to move its radio equipment is received from the Federal Communications Commission.

Fathers To Be Drafted Unless Status Proved

Mrs. Harry Davis, clerk of the Moore County Selective Service board, said this week that any evidence of fatherhood or expected fatherhood must be presented to the board's office in Carthage by August 25, if young men are to claim draft deferment for dependency reasons.

After that date, men will not be deferred for fatherhood alone, Mrs. Davis explained, according to a new national Selective Service policy. National draft officials say the rule was adopted because young men who were deferred as students were marrying and becoming fathers in large numbers, thus altogether escaping military service under the draft.

Fatherhood can be proved before August 25 by presentation of a child's birth certificate or a physician's certificate of wife's pregnancy.

No men are being called from Moore county for pre-induction examination in August, Mrs. Davis said. The August induction call is for one man on August 27. He will be Sherrill B. Rush, of Biscoe, Route 1. Three men who have transferred their induction from boards elsewhere will go with Rush that day, she stated. They are Dan A. Ellis, Troy K. Kinlaw and Isaiah Reives.

The board has received an induction call for five men on September 23.

IN HOSPITAL
Miss Ethel Davis, secretary to Herbert F. Seawell, Jr., of Carthage, entered Moore County hospital last week for examination and treatment.



WINNERS in the talent contest at last Friday's production of "On Stage America" in Weaver auditorium, for benefit of the Church of Wide Fellowship building fund are, left to right, Arden Fobes, third place \$5 cash award who sang and tap danced to "Fun and Fancy Free"; the Harris trio, Nancy, Jean and Phyllis, who sang "You, You, You," winning second place \$10 cash award; and Jim Hatch who took first place and a \$25 bond with his trumpet solo, "I'm In The Mood For Love." See story elsewhere in today's Pilot for more about "On Stage America." (V. W. Hardee Photo)

Over \$1,000 In Sight For Golf Tourney Project

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, meeting for a progress report Wednesday night, found that general reaction of local businessmen to their one-week golf-tournament survey had been "excellent."

Merchants contacted during the survey had promised a total of \$939 minimum toward the purse and other expenses of the tournament, said Joe Montesanti, Jr., general chairman.

Several directors reported that some merchants told them they would give "more if needed" and the maximum figure, on this basis, was well over \$1,000.

No large sums were reported, the figures running from \$5 to \$50 per firm, with practically 100 per cent participation, they said.

The survey will continue one week longer, in an effort to secure a total of \$2,000 in sight before definite decision is made to proceed with plans for the November event.

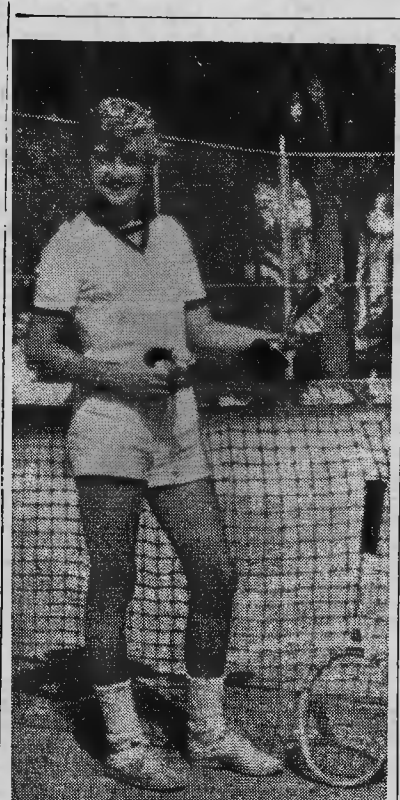
No money is being asked, only a promise of contribution in October or the first of November, if the Chamber decides local support will justify the holding of the event. During the coming week the directors will visit additional businesses, including tourist homes and motels, and try to see a number who were out of town when they made their first round of visits.

Present plans are for the holding of the tournament at the Southern Pines Country club, during the second week in November, a period in which the ranking pros are heading south for the opening of the Florida circuit. Information from Dugan Aycok, of Lexington, Carolinas PGA president, was that \$2,500 (minimum) would be an attractive purse during the between-season lull, and would bring a good entry list of major pros. An unlimited number of amateurs would also be expected to play in the tournament.

Expenses of the event would run up the minimum cost to around \$3,000, and the directors want to be assured that this will be forthcoming before they continue with their November plans, Chairman Montesanti said.

The directors plan to meet for a final accounting on the survey, (Continued on Page 8)

Topflight Talent To Enter Tennis Event



LILLIAN BULLOCK holds her two newest tennis trophies, won in both singles and doubles at the ECTA Junior tournament at Durham last weekend. (V. Nicholson Photo)

Lillian Bullock Wins Trophies In Tennis At Durham

Lillian Bullock of Southern Pines made a clean sweep of the Eastern Carolina Tennis Association junior tournament last weekend at Durham. She brought home trophies in both junior girls' events, singles and doubles.

Seeded No. 1, "Little Lil" lived up to advance billing with never a let-down. After a first-round bye she knocked over Raleigh's Caroline Corkey in semifinals, and Joanna Holloway of Durham, 6-4, 6-0, in finals played Sunday afternoon.

Teamed with Caroline Corkey, she won doubles honors Saturday over Muriel Hendrix and Betsy Woodhall.

The five-foot, 97-pound ninth-grader, strictly a product of the local courts, is only 14 years old. In every case she was meeting girls older than herself, and her opponent in the finals was 17 years old. Junior girls' events, are for girls 15 to 18, though younger ones may enter. There were no events for girls under 15 at the Durham tournament.

Kenneth Tew, 1952 state boys' singles champion, was the other Southern Pines representative at the tournament, seeded No. 3. Passing the 15-year mark this year, Ken moved up from the boys to junior boys' bracket. Competition was numerous and keen in this division, and he bowed in quarterfinals to Bobby Green of Goldsboro, who moved on then to defeat Ed Caviness, also of Goldsboro, in the championship round.

In junior boys' doubles, Ken (Continued on page 8)

Manager Works On Budget; Pleased With Personnel

Getting established as city manager this week, T. E. Cunningham has concentrated on preparation of a 1953-'54 town budget which he said he hopes to be able to present to the council at its next meeting Tuesday night, August 18.

Mr. Cunningham said he has been going over operations with department heads. He added that he is thoroughly satisfied with all town personnel, saying that the Southern Pines has "an unusually high caliber of employees."

Under the council-manager form of government, the city manager has power to employ or discharge department heads and town employees.

The manager will meet with the full council the first time Tuesday night of next week at 8 o'clock.

Play To Start Wednesday At Local Courts

The Fifth Annual Sandhill Tennis tournament will present a large number of players, including some of the section's topflight talent, on the municipal courts next week.

Play will start at 10 a. m. Wednesday and continue day and night until the finals, major events of which will probably be held Saturday and Sunday nights under lights.

The tournament, sponsored by the Sandhill Tennis association, will be held this year for the first time under the official sanction of the Southern Lawn Tennis association. This means that the results will be considered in official rankings accorded southern players during the coming year.

Harry Lee Brown, Jr., president of the Sandhill Tennis association, is tournament chairman. He is at summer school at Columbia university, New York, though planning to return in time for the tournament, and his position here is being filled by three vice-presidents, H. L. Brown, W. F. Bowman and Stanley Austin, as tournament committee.

Local Hospitality
The Southland hotel, Colonial Inn and Southern Pines Cottages are cooperating by offering special low-cost accommodations to the visiting players, and Jacks Grill, Holliday's Coffee Shop and Hamel's restaurant are giving a discount on meals as part of the local hospitality.

Entries so far indicate that the tournament will be the best of the series in the quality of players attracted. In its five-year history it has taken its place as a major sports event in the summer calendar of this and neighboring states.

Deadline for entries is Monday, and seedings and pairings for first-round play will be announced Tuesday.

Both defending champions will be on hand to meet contenders for their crowns. Frank Spears of Greenville, S. C., who won the men's singles in (Continued on Page 8)

Carlos Frye And Mrs. Menoher Are Golf Champions

Defeating his fellow townsman, Harry Davis, 2 and 1, Carlos Frye of Carthage became the new Moore County golf champion last week, while in the women's division of the annual Moore County Championship tournament Mrs. Pearson Menoher of Knollwood defeated Mrs. Roger M. Wicks of Southern Pines, 6 and 4, to gain the women's championship for the second successive year.

Mrs. Menoher reached the final round when Mrs. Emily Forrest defaulted. Mrs. Wicks registered a 2 and 1 victory over Mrs. Michael Pishko to reach the finals.

Jim Besley, defending champion in the men's division, was defeated by Champion Davis 1-up in the second round.

In the men's division, Frye stepped into the finals in the championship flight by defeating Harold Collins, 3 and 1. Davis beat Jack Carter, 2-up in the third round.

Winner of the second flight finals was Robert Smith who set back Boyd Starnes, 5 and 4. In the third round Smith had beaten Tom Shockley, 1-up and Starnes had defeated Bill Woodward, 2 and 1.

In the third flight, after defeating Harry Pethick 1-up in the third round, Gordon Clark beat Dan Mangum, 5 and 4, in the finals. Mangum beat W. M. Puckett, 2-up to reach the finals.

Fourth flight finals winner was Dave Ginsburg who won by default of Louis Honeycutt. Ginsburg defeated T. T. Hayes, 3 and 2, in the third round. Honeycutt beat M. Creem, 2-up, to reach the finals.

Prizes were presented to the winners and runners-up.