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GENERAL GREETS LIONS—Local, district and national Lions club representatives were greeted by General George C. Marshall, former Chief of Staff and Secretary of State, at his home in Pinehurst last Friday, preceding the joint meeting of nine Moore County Lions clubs in Southern Pines that night. Shown here are, left to right: front row—District Governor P. D. Peacock of Lumberton; International Director Roy Black of Nettleton, Miss., speaker at the joint meeting; General Marshall; Zone Chairman E. P. Hinson, West End; Jimmy Lane, president

of the Pinehurst Lions club; and G. A. Munn, president of the West End club; back row—J. Douglas David, Pinebluff club president; J. Frank McCaskill, former Pinehurst club president; Deputy District Governor H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen; Ralph Shannon of the Pinehurst club; T. Clyde Auman, tall twister and former president of the West End club; E. R. Graham, president of the Aberdeen club; and J. F. Sinclair of West End, former deputy district governor. (Photo by Hemmer)

Fire Department Needs Explored At Town Hall Wednesday Evening

Attempt To Be Made To Open Way For New Construction

It looks as if it would be necessary to bring before the people the fact that the \$34,000 bond issue, passed last spring, to be devoted to the needs of the Fire Department, is unavailable for use in what, it seems to be generally agreed, would be the best way.

This conclusion stems from the opinion rendered by Town Attorney Lamont Brown at an informal meeting held at the town hall Wednesday night, attended by the council, town manager and assistant, and members of the fire department. Mr. Brown reported that, following a request of the council that he look into the matter of the bond issue for the firehouse, he had consulted with state authorities, and reached the decision that the wording of the issue specified the money must be spent on the present site and could not be diverted to another location.

Firehouse Should Be On New Site

The purpose of Wednesday's meeting was stated by Councilman Voit Gilmore at the request of Mayor Clark. Mr. Gilmore said that at all recent meetings of the council two items sure to appear on the agenda were what to do about the need for more space for the fire department and the proposed civic center.

These two must be considered together Mr. Gilmore said, as a new firehouse is part of the civic center proposed by the planning committee and accepted by the previous town board. At the same time, the urgency of both these items is critical: the needs of the fire department must be met as soon as possible, while there is a risk of losing the desirable site on New York Avenue unless certain steps are taken.

BLESS THE RAIN!

Rain at last! It's a safe bet that those blessed pattering raindrops Thursday morning brought every soul in this dried-up area wide awake, to lie and listen with a grateful heart to the welcome sound. First the drops pattered on the roof, then they drummed and the finkle and rush of the gutters brought visions of reviving earth. Wish it had gone on a bit longer but we are thankful for every drop. Bless the rain!

Upsets Recorded As Senior Golfers Continue Tourney

Second round matches were to continue yesterday (Thursday) in the North and South Invitation Seniors golf tournament at Pinehurst.

Attracting to Pinehurst over 300 golfers in the 55 years and over age range, the tournament is rated as one of the most successful sports events held in the Sandhills in years. The entry list numbered over 100 more than in the first playing of the tournament last year. Play began Monday.

After turning in a one-under-par 71 on Monday—to tie with Frank J. English of St. Louis, Mo., for medal honors, Judd Brumley of Greenville, Tenn., the defending champion, was defeated by T. J. Ahern of Houston, Texas, 1-up on Tuesday. Ahern went 1-up with a birdie on the 16th and held his lead to win.

Co-medalist English, however, defeated Christopher Dunphy of Palm Beach, Fla., 2-up on Tuesday.

Cooke Has 73

Don C. Cooke of Pinehurst, who has won the Pinehurst Seniors for the past three years, had a 73 in the qualifying round. "Pete" Jarboe, six times winner of the New (Continued on Page 8)

Nine Lions Clubs Gather For First Joint County Meet

Service to youth—"better boys and girls in better communities"—is perhaps the greatest responsibility of civic clubs today, and the achievement of Lionism in this field is a story of remarkable accomplishment said Roy Black of Nettleton, Miss., one of the 24 directors of Lions International, at a meeting of Moore County Lions clubs here Friday night.

Yet this, said Black, is only one of the long list of achievements of Lions the world over—banded together for service in an organization of a half-million members in 47 different lands.

Director Black was the principal speaker at the first joint meeting of the Lions clubs of Aberdeen, Cameron, Carthage, Pinebluff, Pinehurst, Robbins, Southern Pines, Vass and West End. Both Lions and Lionesses from all nine clubs were present at the banquet, a gala affair held at the Southern Pines Country club.

"Dedicated to Service" Black's address climaxed a program of speeches and entertainment for which H. Clifton Blue of (Continued on Page 8)

FISH FRY AT VASS

A fish fry will be held on the community house ground at Vass next Thursday evening, sponsored by the Vass Woman's Club for the benefit of the community house building fund. Serving will begin at 5:30 o'clock.

Southern Pines 22, Pinehurst 20

SPHS Clinches County, Group Titles

By JIM HATCH

Wednesday night the "Blue Knights" of Southern Pines High School took the field at Pinehurst to come away victorious by a two point lead over the hard fighting boys from Pinehurst High. This win over Pinehurst gave Southern Pines the Moore County Championship for 1953.

The eight Seniors on the football team were elected as "captains" for the night's game and met with the Pinehurst team on the field before the ballgame. Seek District Title

In addition to the county championship, the victory Wednesday night gives Southern Pines the group championship. The local team will play Clarkton at Bladenboro next week for the district championship, said Coach Irie Leonard. A meeting was to be held Thursday night to set the day and time for this game. First Quarter

Southern Pines lost the toss and Pinehurst elected to receive. Ruggles' kick off was taken by "Red" Wathen of Pinehurst who scored several plays later but a penalty was called against Pinehurst and

the T. D. was no good. The following play saw "Red" Wathen charge over to make the touchdown good. "Monk" Gilliland was then called on to do the extra point for Pinehurst and did so to put the Red and Gold ahead of Southern Pines, 8-0.

Pinehurst kicked to Southern Pines and the Blue Knights started their comeback. After James Humphrey carried the pigskin for a first down, Bill Cox went over for Southern Pines.

Tommy Ruggles' kick was no good, but a penalty was called against Pinehurst and he tried again and made it good to tie up the ballgame 8-8. The rest of the quarter saw-sawed back and forth with neither team scoring. Second Quarter

Southern Pines lost the ball to Pinehurst on downs and the passing arm of "Monk" Gilliland found its target, Fraser Smith, who galloped over for another Pinehurst T. D. The Pinehurst (Continued on Page 8)

Blue To Head Seal Sale

D. A. (June) Blue, Jr., of Southern Pines will be county chairman for the 1953 Christmas Seal sale of the Moore County Tuberculosis Association, it was announced today by Norris L. Hodgkins Jr., president of the Association.

The seal sale—an annual national event for many years—will run from Thanksgiving to Christmas. Local chairmen for all communities of the county will be announced next week, Mr. Blue said.

With a goal of slightly more than \$7,000, this year's Moore County seal sale will provide funds to carry on the Association's case-finding, health education and treatment program, Mr. Blue pointed out. He recalled that Moore County has a long record of responding generously in the seal sales to advance the fight against tuberculosis on local, State and national levels.

The 1953 chairman is the son of Mrs. Berta Blue and the late Sheriff D. A. Blue, of Carthage. His wife is the former Mary Tinsley of Forest City and they have



two children, D. A. Blue III, 5, and Jane, one year old. Mr. Blue is a partner in the Powell Funeral Home of Southern Pines and Aberdeen. He is a member of the Sandhill Kiwanis club and other civic organizations and has been active in community affairs.

Halloween Party Saturday Night To Feature Parade, Stunts, Entertainment

Annual Rotary Club Event To Be Held In Business Section

Hundreds of children from Southern Pines and vicinity are expected to take part Saturday night in the annual children's Halloween party sponsored by the Rotary club.

There will be a gift for each child in costume, a parade, judging of costumes, awarding of prizes, entertainment and a free movie at the Sunrise Theatre for all those who want to attend.

With practically every member of the Rotary club on hand to insure safety, efficiency and a smooth-running program, assisted by wives of club members (Rotary Ann's) the Halloween party is expected to be the largest attended

and best managed of any ever held here.

Children in costume will line up in two age groups by 7 p.m. at the Clark and Bradshaw service station, corner of Broad street and Connecticut avenue, to receive costume numbers from Rotary Ann's. First group will be "from one day through eight years old" and the second group, nine years up.

The Southern Pines High School band, dressed in special Halloween costume, will lead the parade.

Each costume will be judged as the paraders march over a ramp in front of the judges' stand on Broad street, between Pennsylvania and New Hampshire avenues. Judging will be by four wives of USAF Air-Ground School staff members, whose services were volunteered through coordination with the school by Rotarian Garland Pierce.

The judges, who will also judge Halloween window decorations, that children have begun to paint on business section store windows, are Mrs. Harold Price, Mrs. George Hunt, Mrs. Jack Giannini and Mrs. Edward Hafner.

Other Air-Ground School personnel who will take part in the program are Capt. James J. McDonald, master of ceremonies, assisted by Sgt. Vern Byrnis, and Sgt. Arthur Newman who will have one of the entertainment booths.

Entertainment features will include the traditional apple bobbing, "shaving" contest, a magician and other attractions.

Refreshments will be provided for all children. Prizes will be awarded for costumes and for the window paintings.

Committees comprising almost the entire membership of the Rotary club are working to prepare for the party.

CROP Meeting Set Next Week

In preparation for a county-wide collection of farm products during the week of November 8, ministers of all denominations and other interested persons are invited to attend a meeting Thursday evening, November 5, at the Carthage Presbyterian church, at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was announced by T. Roy Phillips of Carthage, secretary of the Christian Rural Overseas Program (CROP) in Moore County.

Campbell To Speak To Historical Group

It was learned this week from Mrs. Ernest L. Ives, president of the Moore County Historical Association, that W. D. Campbell of Southern Pines has been asked to speak to the organization at a meeting here either November 17 or November 24. Mr. Campbell will describe the Mystic Whaling Museum at Mystic, Conn., of which he is a director and which is considered an outstanding historical project. Further details will be announced.

Air-Ground School Will Be Honored Nov. 11

Personnel To Be Guests of Townspeople

Plans for a November 11 "Appreciation Day" program, honoring the USAF Air-Ground School for its varied contributions to Southern Pines, were outlined this week by a committee with Jack Younts as chairman.

Enlisting the cooperation of the entire civilian population of Southern Pines, the Armistice Day event will be this community's first formal public expression of appreciation to the personnel of the unique Air Force installation at the Highland Pines Inn.

Sponsoring organizations include the town recreation commission, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and others. Fitness of such an event has been discussed for some time by interested groups and individuals, whose thoughts and plans are being brought together.

With all events centering on the municipal park, the program will begin with a retreat ceremony by National Guard members at sundown between 5 and 5:30 p.m.

A supper that is the main hospitality feature of the day will be served, starting at 5:30, within the enclosure of the municipal tennis courts. Admission will be by tickets which will go on sale soon to all town civilians. Half of the ticket will admit an Air Force guest or a member of his family, and the other half will admit a civilian. The double ticket will cost \$2. Children under 12 will go in free.

If civilians are unable to attend themselves, they can buy tickets to admit Air Force men and their families at \$1 per person. Remaining halves of these tickets will be sold to civilians at \$1 each.

The committee stressed, however, that success of the event will (Continued on page 5)

General Hill Is 1954 Red Cross Fund Chairman

Brig. Gen. Robert Burns Hill (Retired) of Southern Pines has accepted the post of fund chairman of the Moore County Red Cross for next year, according to announcement by Mrs. Audrey Kennedy, executive secretary.

General Hill is a native North Carolinian, born at Statesville. He received his M. A. degree at Davidson College, and an M. D. at the University of Maryland. He then entered Army service and since 1916 had served in the Medical Corps in many different parts of the world and in various government hospitals.

General and Mrs. Hill have been residents of Southern Pines since 1951.

"He will be a member of the board of directors," said Mrs. Kennedy, "and we are happy to welcome him to the service of our American Red Cross Chapter."



INTERIM PASTOR—The Rev. Oswald W. S. McCall, D.D., retired minister who has held pastorates in California, Chicago, Australia and Canada, was to arrive in Southern Pines Thursday to become interim pastor at the Church of Wide Fellowship. Dr. and Mrs. McCall, who come here from Woodmont, Conn., will occupy the Kellam house on May street. He will conduct services at the church Sunday at 11 a.m.

Sale Of Vass Plant Closed

Sale of the Vass plant of Textron Southern, Inc., which has been idle since early in September, was confirmed this week by R. M. Cushman of Anderson, S. C., Textron vice-president.

Purchasers of the plant are W. S. Jones and W. R. Jones of Humboldt, Tenn., who plan to start manufacture of "coarse cotton products" there within a few weeks.

The Jones brothers now operate the Jones Manufacturing Co., at Humboldt. It was learned from another source that another brother, Paul Jones, may be in charge of the Vass plant.

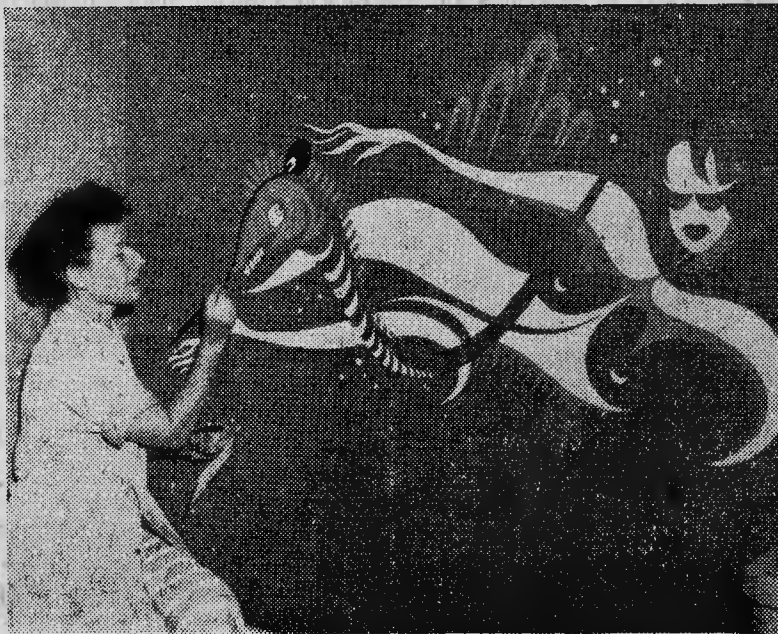
While details of the new operations are not available, it was learned that the coarse cotton yarns to be spun at the Vass plant are of the type that go into rugs, novelties and mops.

The Textron machinery at the mill was not included in the sale, it is understood, and will be moved out, the new owners installing their own machinery.

The Textron announcement this week did not include formal confirmation of sale of the mill village, comprising 29 houses and 80 lots, to Alex McKenzie of Lakeview, but it is understood that this sale is definitely closed.

LEAGUE TO ORGANIZE

Interested persons are reminded of a meeting to be held at the Civic Club at 8 p.m. Monday, to organize a unit of the League of Women Voters here. Mrs. Harold Walters of Chapel Hill, state organization chairman, will speak.



CREATIVE DESIGN—Mrs. Mary T. Madigan, whose designs are on exhibit in the art gallery of the Southern Pines library this week and next week, is shown here at work on a half-completed life-size mural in a bathroom at the home of William B. Nugent of Pinehurst. She is the wife of Col. D. T. Madigan of Southern Pines. A review of the library exhibition appears elsewhere in today's Pilot.