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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Glen Rounds's vigorous

dogs, pacing intently toward important destination,

could be symbolic of The Pilot's holiday best wishes going cut to our readers. To all

of you from everyone at The

Artist Rounds, formerly of

Pilot—a Merry Christmas!

Southern Pines and now living at Pinebluff where he continues to write and illustrate books for children, pro-

vides, for the second successive year, a front-page draw-

ing for The Pilot's Christmas

Women Voters To

Make Survey Of

Town Government

vey of areas covered and how the

ing of the essential structure of

local government, so that they

On Midland Road

Most of the work in construct-

call for a fence around it, Mr.

As reported in The Pilot re-

two fillies, acquired this year.

to overflowing with food pack-

Needy Prepared

Tate said Tuesday.'

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in local stores.

Work To Begin Dec. 31

\$250,000 High School

On First Unit Of New

PRICE—TEN CENTS

Long 3-Day Holiday To Be Enjoyed

Most Businesses, Offices To Close

iday is in prospect for most residents of Southern Pines and this area. With Christmas Day falling on Friday, most business firms and offices throughout the area

Company here will remain open from 7:30 to 8:30 p. m. Christmas Eve (Thursday) for the convenience of merchants in making deposits. The bank will be closed Friday and Saturday, a schedule to be followed also by other banks in the county.

busiest place in town this week with incoming and outgoing Christmas mail, will deliver packages on Christmas Eve and all day Christmas, but there will be no regular city mail delivery Christmas Day. Postal employees have been granted a half-day holiday Thursday, but the parcel post window will remain open until 6 p. m. and the office will operate with substitutes and a skeleton staff, said Postmaster Garland Pierce. There will be no distribution of mail to boxes on Christmas Day, but outgoing dis-Basketball Game patches will be made as usual—something new this year. Saturday hours at the post office will Set December 30 be 8 a. m. to 1 p. m. Carriers, who made an extra delivery Sunday, expect to make double de-

age highway.

Town employees are receiving a viewpoint in years. The Alumni

The Pilot is being printed 24 Gary Mattocks, Dawson will have hours ahead of its usual schedule no headaches from finding a

churches—the services at St. Anthony's Catholic Church and Emmanuel Episcopal Church are announced elsewhere in today's paper.

Christmas parties for children Are Appointed were held Sunday by the John Boyd Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Wednesday at the Children from the entire Sandhills county commissioners for each of Montgomery County, some three Montgomery County. area were expected at the big Elks the townships as follows:

COURTHOUSE CLOSING

The county courthouse at Carhouse will also be closed on Fri-



Friday To Monday

A long Christmas weekend holwill remain closed until Monday.

The Citizens Bank and Trust

Banks here and elsewhere will also be closed Friday of next week, New Year's Day.

The post office, probably the

liveries Thursday.

(Thursday).

Fhursday). ketball set mangling with the As told in detail elsewhere in High School basketball players. today's Pilot, the courthouse at The games are intense, at times Carthage will close at noon, bitter, and withal some of the best Christmas Eve Thursday, until the following basketball of the year will be

played this coming Wednesday Southern Pines town offices at noon that and turn out in droves. So do Thursday, not to reopen until the parents of participants involvment. The parents of participants involvment of the parents of participants involvment. The parents of participants involvment of the parents of participants involvment. City Manager Tom E. ed, and so do the college and Cunningham, said. Emergency younger set. And so do party calls should go to the police department in town hall, which learned not to plan a party the stays open 24 hours per day renight of the "Game" if they wish singing, starting at 11:30 p.m., the City Hall, that he plans to recomtiring. water department on the Carth-This year's game looks to be

the best from the basketball fans' Christmas bonus, Mr. Cunning- boys' line-up will be the most forham said, as authorized by the midable in years, Superintendent town council. Salaried employees Dawson, in keeping with the trareceived their bonus last week. dition of having a faculty mana-Wage workers will get theirs ger for the Alumni team, has stars when they are paid off for the in depth for every position. week Thursday.

and The Pilot office will be closed starting team or a finishing one Thursday, Friday and Saturday. for that matter. Although this week's paper is dated Friday, as usual, a number of High School teams hasn't the stories refer, as in the future, to problem of stars running out events that will take place Thursof his ears. On the other hand the day, possibly confusing a reader High School boys' and girls' teams who does not bear in mind the will have the advantage of better of Mrs. P. T. Barnum. early publication date.

teamwork and coordination. After Special Christmas services were a slow start and loss to Red held Sunday at three local Springs High, the Blue Knights First Baptist have improved in every game, but Church, Brownson Memorial still are an unknown quantity. In Presbyterian Church and the years past the Alumni game has Church of Wide Fellowship. been the proving ground for the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day (Continued on page 5) Tax List Takers

thage will be closed from noon, Sandhill, Mrs. Adelaide Schnell; about Flora Macdonald, without group were seeking is not where first became interested in the house will also be closed on Friday of next week, New Year's Day. Recorders court will be held as usual Monday, December 28. County officers and employees enoyed an informal Christmas on the job, with just two new party at the courthouse late Wedger and County at the courthouse late Wedger and Darty at the court and the co ones named this year, Mr. McLeod ested far needs—including rath riora macdonald nouse. He said the courthouse late Wed- of Sheffield township and Mr. Green and Phillips Russell of he would be glad to act as a guide contention of the lawyer, James food or toy gifts in barrels placed will not carry with it the assistant

Council Enacts Sewer Service Charge Affecting All Users Of Town System

A major step toward streamlining Southern Pines' antiquated Date for the High School-Alumtax structure, in accord with apni game has been set for Wednesproved practices simed at munici-

Hold Services

8, 9, 10 and 11 o'clock. A Holy Communion service will be held at Emmanuel Episcopal

Church at 11:30 o'clock Christmas Eve and again at 11 o'clock Christmas morning, it is announced by the Rev. Charles V. Covell, rector. ter. Assisted by Alumni Captain The Rev. Thaddeus A. Cheat- Small Attendance ham, D. D., rector emeritus of the Village Chapel at Pinehurst, will will hit large out-of-town users

assist at the Christmas Eve serv-Coach Dub Leonard for the music will be presented by the

adding sewer noon charges to water bills. The charge will be equal to half

> It will in effect transfer the The ballots were mailed out last cost of operating the sewage sys- weekend to the membership, list- It should be particularly useful

Church a midnight mass will be City Manager Tom E. Cunning- the list. Rev. Peter M. Denges announces. mend a reduction of 40 cents per On Friday morning, Christmas \$100 valuation, bringing the rate 16 names of the ir choice, and rehe presents his budget to the council in May.

Passage of the ordinance, which hardest, was made against a minice. Mrs. Arthur Eakins will play imum of protest. Only eight or ten a 15-minute organ recital before visitors attended the council this service. Special Christmas meeting, and the only one speaking up very strongly against the church choir under the direction move was an in-town resident, The Christmas morning service the average water user the in-elected at that time. will be conducted without the stallation of a special meter for choir. Mrs. Eakins will play the watering the garden and lawn one, dispensing with the old organ for singing of Christmas would be impractical, and that method of nomination by a slate (Continued on Page 4)

C. Of C. Electing **Eight Directors** In Vote By Mail

day night, December 30.

The Southern Pines and Moore County libraries will be closed open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve on the continues a tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the continues a tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the continues a tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the continues a tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the continues a tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the continues a tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the continues a tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the continues a tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the continues a tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas for the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce is under way by amount of the water bill for in-town users of the sewer service and the full of the continues a tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the sewer system to the continues at tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the sewer system to the continues at tradition started back open to 5 o'clock Christmas Eve of the sewer system to the continues at municipal to the water bill for in-town users of the water bill for in-town users of the water bill for out-of-town users of the sewer system. with sewer service and the full amount of the water bill for out-of-town users of the sewer system.

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tem to those using this facility, ing all those eligible to serve. The at a time when Southern Pines in proportion to their use—a list includes individuals who have has embarked on a new type of load hitherto borne mostly by ad joined the Chamber during the government, members believe. oad hitherto borne mostly by ad joined the Chamber during the past year and heads of the members believe.

An open meeting of the local unit of the League of Women they have designated.

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16 names of their choice, and re-

Day, low masses will be held at down from \$2.20 to \$1.80, when turn the ballots promptly. A good The new service charge goes Alice Baxter, Chamber secretary, into effect January 1, 1954, ap- who is holding them unopened for pearing first on water bills to be the January 5 meeting. They will sent out April 1 for the first quar- be canvassed at that time by the named as the new directors, working down the list and giving those unable to serve opportunity

> The new directors will be installed Tuesday night, January 19, joining holdover directors to form used for training the Tates' race J. B. Marsh. He protested that for the new board. Officers will be

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Mr. Wicker 'Only Mildly Interested'

Flora Macdonald Home Discovery Disputed R. E. Wicker of Pinehurst said of Lillington—have placed the lo- act spot.

Carthage, Mrs. R. W. Pleasants; sons says it really was.

Bensalem, Mrs. Nina C. Monroe;

this week he is "only mildly in- cation of Flora Macdonald's dwellterested" in the assertion of Er- ing and plantation, in the years week, when questioned by The List takers for Moore county, to nest Parsons of Troy that the 1774-1776, about one and a half Pilot, that he does not want to get 58 Baskets For head the annual task of listing Pinehurst man has placed the miles east of Pekin crossroads, on into a controversy about the Flora Southern Pines Country Club by taxes during the month of Janu-plantation where Flora and Allan the Southern Pines Elks Lodge. The Macdonald lived, in what is now from Mount Gilead in southern "We have collected evidence"

discovery, which was first pub- he said, "and I think we have it "If anyone can change the loca- lished in The Pilot three weeks all. We've searched every possible Sheffield, W. A. McLeod; Ritter, tion according to the type of evi- ago, Mr. Parsons stated at Troy, source." A. L. Poe; Deep River, James M. dence we used, let's move it," Mr. in a news item widely circulated The Pinehurst historian reveal-Campbell; Greenwood, J. A. Wicker said. "But I am only mild-throughout the state, that the ed something of the extent of that Shaw; McNeill, Mrs. D. J. Blue; ly interested in another story homesite Mr. Wicker and his search when he related how he eign Wars, Wednesday evening. Sondhill Mrs. Adelaide Schnell: about Flora Macdonald. without group were seeking is not where first became interested in the Fred Hall, chairman of the process that the ed something of the extent of that search when he related how he interested in the Fred Hall, chairman of the process that the ed something of the extent of that search when he related how he interested in the lower shift. Campbell; Greenwood, J. A. Wicker said. "But I am only mild-throughout the state, that the ed something of the extent of that they say it is, but is about five Flora Macdonald home site in 1915 ject, and his committee finished Using nothing but authentic rec-miles north of Pekin crossroads when he went with Ralph Page to packing the Christmas baskets police department August 7, 1948, struction session held by Miss ords, garnered from a search of on Macdonald Creek which emp-Richmond County where W. R. Monday night. Toys will be in-

Mr. Wicker made it clear this

and a half miles from where Par- Following announcement of this our choice of the site we found," from all over the state to support

ROUNDS

Election of eight new directors will be better able to cooperate Election of eight new directors as active citizens and make the of Commerce is under way by best use of services provided.

many have already been mailed One-Mile Track election committee headed by Earle B. Owen and J. Graves Vann, Jr. The top eight will be to say so.

The system of election is a new hills.

Contracts Let Construction is expected to start December 31 on "Phase A" of a new Southern Pines High School building that, when fully completed, will cost around \$250,000, A. C. Dawson, Jr., superintendent of local schools, said this week.

Is \$126,644;

'Phase A' Cost

The "Phase A" portion of the building, which will run parallel to Massachusetts Avenue at the May Street corner, near the present High School structure, will cost \$126,644. Plans call for occupancy of the building at the be-ginning of the 1954-55 school year

next September. Town Government

"Phase B" of the structure, which will run parallel to May Street, adjoining the "Phase A" building, after the present high school building has been completely. Southern Pines announces that its first project, a survey of the town government, is now under way.

Mrs. C. A. Smith, president of the local unit survey of the town pletion by September, 1955. The school will, with crowding, be able to utilize the Phase A building unit survey of the local unit local unit, says that in accordance ing while the second adjoining with the national policy of the structure is being built, the superintendent said.

League, this will be a factual survey of areas covered and how the local government operates and will not comment on how the present regime is operating.

Aim of the survey is to give League members an understanding of the essential attractance of the e \$4,915; heating, Fayetteville Plumbing and Heating, Fayette-ville, \$12,346. These contracts, together with architect's fee, six per cent of the contract, bring cost of the building to \$126,644.

Leslie N. Boney of Wilmington

is the architect.

The heating contract is for an oil-fired hot water system that lic when the survey is completed. will heat both the Phase A and Phase B buildings. The furnace will burn a newly developed No.

ounced.

At St. Anthony's Catholic City Manager Tom E. Cunning
Dosed reduction in property taxes are represented by two names on the list.

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Firms holding two memberships are represented by two names on the list. Excluded are those now serving interested in becoming members length, fronting on May Street. with the policy and program of (Continued on page 5) The second floor will run back into the slope and be connected by a covered walkway to the gymna-

sium building. The entire new school building will be of brick construction in a modified Colonial design. Phase A will have a 57-foot front on May Street and will run back about 142 feet on Massachusetts Avenue. A one-mile flat training track The long Phase B structure will for their horses, now under conrun 191 feet parallel to May struction at Starland Stables on Street. An interesting feature of Midland Road by Mr. and Mrs. that all rooms will be reached by the two-story Phase B building is completed in about a week, Mr. outside corridors on the east side of the building. The outdoor cor-Visible from Midland road, beridors-following a school plan tween the road and the big white Far West—will run under a 10stables building, the track will be foot overhang of the roof.

horses, a type that is receiving built in two phases, the superinincreasing attention in the Sand- tendent said, for two reasonsmoney is lacking to do the job all ing the tract consists in earth plan, the school will not have to moving and levelling operations. use improvised facilities, after the The 40-foot wide, one-mile-long present high school building is track will be perfectly level. Plans torn down torn down. Over-all plans for the new

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cently, the Tates have five promising yearlings, three colts and Jones To Leave **Police Position**

Resignation of W. Graham Jones, assistant chief of police, was announced today by Chief C. E. Newton, effective December 28. Fifty-eight bushel baskets, full Jones said in his letter of resignation that he was leaving to take ages, were to be delivered to a job that would require fewer needy families in the Southern hours on duty. It is understood

chief designation.