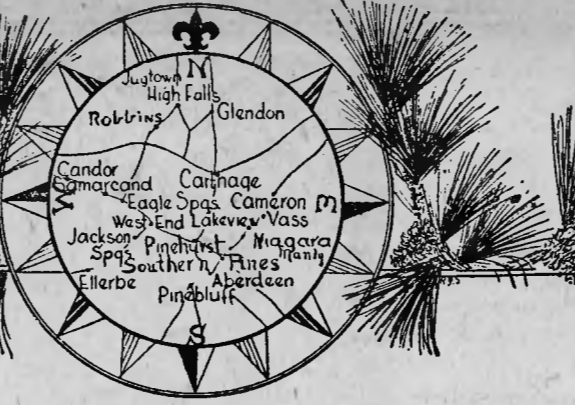


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Guard Gets 'Superior' Inspection

Commander Credits Efforts Of All In Acquiring Rating

The Moore County unit of the North Carolina National Guard, Battery D of the 130th Anti-Aircraft Battalion had cause for pride this week as it was announced that their unit had received an overall rating of "Superior" as a result of a Third Army Technical Inspection held at the armory in Southern Pines Monday.

Capt. William J. Wilson, battery commander, said that a technical inspection team headed by Capt. R. M. Elser of Fort Bragg conducted a four hour inspection of the unit's equipment. The team had a great deal of praise for the evident high standards of maintenance exhibited by the personnel of the Ack-Ack battery.

Sergeants Joseph A. Warren, communication chief, and Joel Q. Stuts, mess steward, were especially commended by the inspecting team for the status of their equipment. The technical inspectors could not find any deficiencies on the great amount of GI equipment these two section chiefs are responsible for.

Also receiving commendations were SFC. Van D. Clark, Supply sergeant, for the serviceability of the Quartermaster equipment; M/Sgt. Elbert H. Stuts, battalion motor sergeant and supervisory mechanic of Service Center No. 7, and Sgt. Robert C. Cox, battery motor sergeant, for the superior maintenance performed on the vehicles and trailers; and Sergeants First Class Coy M. Bowers and Albert D. Hurst for the superior condition of the 40MM Anti-Aircraft weapons and allied equipment.

Capt. Wilson stated that although these section chiefs are responsible for the maintenance of their equipment and deserving of every plaudit, the fine training and "esprit de corps" of the members of their different sections was a great factor in attaining this high award. He added his praise for every member of the Battery, "as it was their over-all cooperation that put the Battery over the top."

NO APPOINTMENT

No action on appointment of a tax collector to succeed the late W. T. Huntley was taken at the meeting of the board of county commissioners Monday when they were sitting as board of tax equalization and review. Regular meeting of the board will be held Monday. Action is expected at that time.

PTA ORGANIZATION

Organization meeting of a Parent-Teacher Association in Southern Pines was to be held in Weaver Auditorium Thursday at 8 p. m. Officers were to be elected and by-laws adopted. All parents and friends of the schools were invited to attend.

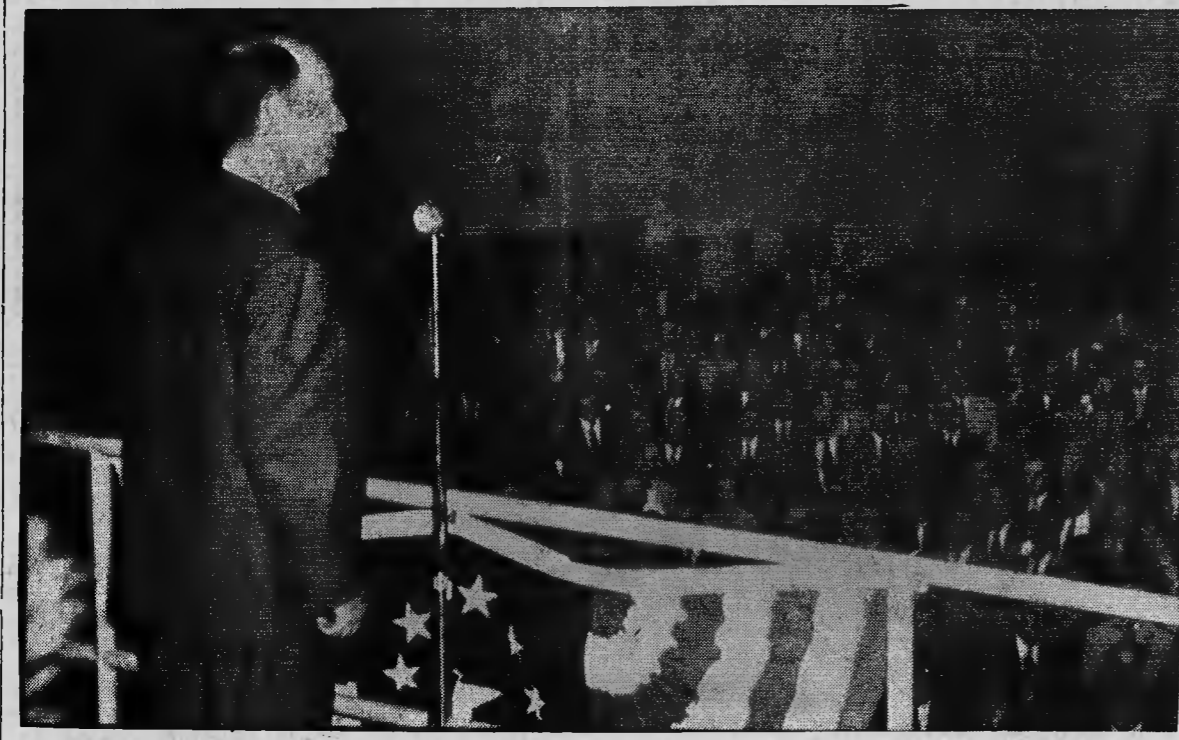
PROBE CONTINUES

W. Lamont Brown, solicitor of Moore County recorder's court, who is leading an investigation into gambling by bookmakers at the Stoneybrook races March 20, said Thursday that the investigation is continuing, but that he had nothing to report at this time.

Annual Meeting of Red Cross Set; Drive In County Reported Lagging

The Annual Meeting of the Moore County Chapter, American Red Cross, has been slated for Friday, April 9, at 8 o'clock, at the Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church of Southern Pines. Everyone who has contributed to the current fund drive, whether or not their membership cards have been received, is invited.

Heading the subjects to be discussed is the annual drive for funds. The drive, with a goal of \$17,995, has yielded approximately half this amount to date, according to Mrs. Audrey K. Kennedy, executive director.



ADLAI E. STEVENSON, standing on the balcony of the school gymnasium at Carthage, tells a throng of Democrats and well-wishers from a wide area of North Carolina that he is "deeply touched" by his welcome at the Carthage recep-

tion last Friday night. This photo shows only a small portion of the crowd that packed the bleachers and the gym floor after Stevenson had shaken hands with over 2,000 persons. (Photo by Emerson Humphrey)

County Board To Consider Request By Town For Share In ABC Profits

Move Would Require Action By General Assembly In 1955

A small group of interested citizens met with members of the town council, County Commissioner J. M. Pleasants of Southern Pines and the State Rep. H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen at the town hall Tuesday night to discuss the proposal—which has already been placed before the county commissioners and the county Alcoholic Beverage Control Board—that Southern Pines receive a share in the profits of the local ABC store.

All the profits of the stores at Southern Pines and Pinehurst now go to the county. Present were Mayor L. T. Clark, who presided, Councilmen Joe O'Callaghan and Voit Gilmore and City Manager Tom E. Cunningham. In the audience was Jerry Healy, a member of the ABC board who said he was visiting the meeting unofficially.

Mayor Clark recalled that on March 1, town council members and others had gone before the county commissioners to ask for 25 per cent of the profits of the local store for the town, also suggesting that another 25 per cent of (Continued on Page 8)

Howard Matthews Named To Board

Howard Matthews of the Eureka community was chosen Friday by the Moore County Democratic Executive Committee to fill the vacancy on the county board of education caused by the recent death of T. L. Blue. E. E. Monroe of Cameron was also a candidate, receiving six votes to nine for Matthews.

Meanwhile Herman Matthews, brother of Howard and from the same community, who had been mentioned prominently as a candidate for the post, has filed for nomination to the regular term in the post, starting April 1 of next year, in the preferential primary held with the Democratic primary May 29.

It is understood that Howard Matthews expects to serve out the unexpired term and will not oppose his brother in the primary.

Cancer Crusade Opens With \$700 Goal In S. Pines

Mrs. J. S. Milliken, chairman of the annual Cancer Crusade in Southern Pines, is expecting to send out this weekend letters appealing for funds to aid the work of the Moore County Unit of the American Cancer Society. The local goal in the drive is \$700, she reports.

Meanwhile the drive is being organized throughout Moore County with Dave Ginsburg of Carthage as county drive chairman, said Mrs. Harriette W. McGraw of Carthage, commander of the Moore County Unit.

Reviewing the unit's activities in the past year, Mrs. McGraw said that about 25 women have made over 3,000 dressings to be used in Moore County and at the Cancer Center in Lumberton. Cancer News sheets were distributed in the mail and exhibits were staged at the Moore County Fair and the Highfalls poultry show. A cancer film has been widely shown throughout the (Continued on Page 8)

Woman Jailed At Carthage For Bad Checks, Car Theft

Miss Elizabeth W. Martin, 55, was arrested Wednesday afternoon at Asheboro and brought to Moore County jail at Carthage, after trying to trade in a used car she bought here Friday with a worthless check.

After the \$1,500 check drawn on a Sanford bank was found to be of no account, an alarm was sent out for the woman, with the State Highway Patrol and SBI assisting in the search, according to Chief C. E. Newton. At Asheboro, the dealer with whom she tried to make a trade became suspicious when he saw the dealer's plate still on the 1951 Pontiac, and undertook a check-up, learning that the law wanted both the woman and the car.

Miss Martin, described as "refined and well-spoken," neatly dressed and with graying hair, will be given a hearing in recorder's court Monday on charges of obtaining an auto under false pretense, issuing a worthless check for \$1,500 and issuing another worthless check for \$25 to the Belvedere Hotel here. In the meantime, she is lodged in Moore County jail in default of \$3,000 bond, set by Justice of the Peace (Continued on Page 8)

Stevenson To Leave For Charlotte; Welcomed By Big Carthage Crowd

Returns From Duke Hospital After Illness

Adlai E. Stevenson will leave Knollwood Airport today (Friday) at 11 a. m. by private airplane for Charlotte where he will deliver a major address at the Armory Auditorium at 8 p. m. tonight.

The Charlotte speech, on which Mr. Stevenson has been working at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ives, near Southern Pines, climaxes a North Carolina vacation that has included horseback riding, golf, a welcome and ovation by more than 2,000 persons at Carthage last Friday night, a painful but minor kidney ailment that took him to Duke Hospital, Durham, Sunday night through part of Tuesday and a warm reception everywhere in this area.

A number of Moore County Democrats expect to attend the Charlotte event tonight, leaving about noon today. W. Lamont Brown, chairman of the Moore County Democratic Executive Committee, said that a "Moore county headquarters" would be set up at the hotel Barringer as a gathering place for visitors from this county.

The Stevenson program calls for a stay overnight at Charlotte and a press conference at 11 a. m. Saturday. The party then plans to fly back to Moore County and the 1952 Presidential candidate will end his visit at the Ives' Paint Hill Farm Monday when he will leave the state by air for Chicago. He arrived in the Sandhills Tuesday of last week.

Two Democratic dinners will be held in Charlotte tonight preceding the Armory address, because of the demand for seats, slated in two different hotels, starting at 6 p. m. Young Democrats of the State, including a number of YDC members from this county, will hold a rally at 4 p. m. with William McCormick Blair, Stevenson's administrative assistant, as speaker. Young Democrats will also be host at a reception for Stevenson at 5 p. m.

Hailed At Carthage
At the school gymnasium in Carthage last Friday night a crowd generally estimated at between 2,000 and 3,000 persons filed past the former Illinois governor and a reception line including Moore County Democratic leaders and Mr. and Mrs. Ives to shake

Governor Calls For Broad View By Communities In Securing Industry



GOVERNOR UMSTEAD

Umstead Asks For Oneness Of Purpose Throughout State

A call for the broad, rather than the provincial, view of securing new industry was sounded by Governor William B. Umstead as special guest and speaker Wednesday before the Sandhills Kiwanis Club.

"It is right for your county, and every community in it, to try to win new industry for itself," said the State's chief executive, "but if you miss out on some industry because you do not have exactly the facilities it requires, then you should work just as hard to locate it in some other part of our State."

"What helps one, helps all. State sales taxes paid in Cherokee and Currituck help Moore County. Income taxes in Ashe and Brunswick help your schools, gasoline taxes in any of the 100 counties improve your roads. Your great tourist industry here in Moore, which I have watched develop with the deepest interest, is of benefit to all the State."

With "oneness of purpose — group cooperating with group," the economy can be stabilized and the standards of living raised all over the State, the Governor said, adding, "This is the best return we can make to our beloved State of North Carolina, to which we owe so much."

First Civic Club Speech

In addressing the luncheon meeting at the Mid Pines Club, the Governor was making his first speech before a civic club since his inauguration, he said. He referred lightly to the illness which kept him confined to Raleigh for many months last year, saying that "from trouble, some good often results—it not only cut down the number of my speeches, but has greatly reduced their length."

Governor Umstead was presented by Kiwanian W. Lamont Brown, chairman of the Moore County Democratic Executive committee, who referred to the visitor's distinguished career and also to his love for Moore County "as exemplified in his choice of (Continued on page 8)

his hand, many expressing personal good wishes. After about two hours of handshaking, Stevenson gave a short, lively and loudly applauded talk in which he expressed pride in his North Carolina ancestry, brought roars of laughter with several of his remarks and, turning serious, said: "America needs all the fortitude, resolve, unity, strength of will and moral determination it can summon. If the Republicans cannot provide this, we (the Democrats) must." He was introduced by Lamont Brown as "the next president of the United States."

Stevenson drew loud applause when speaking of the Democratic party, he said: "The future is up to us. We shall assume once more major responsibilities for our country."

The distinguished visitor recalled that he first came to the Sandhills 20 years ago "and left part of my heart here then." He added, (Continued on page 8)

Rotary Banquet For Teams Set

The Annual Rotary High School Basketball Banquet for the boys' and girls' basketball squads of Southern Pines is set for Thursday night, April 8, at the Country Club. The affair will also be Ladies Night.

For years, the banquet has been a highlight of the High School social season looked forward to by the high school set and Rotarians alike. The girls and boys basketball squads comprise a large segment of the high school from the ninth through the twelfth grades. Immediately following the banquet, the entire high school student body is invited as guests of Rotary for dancing and refreshments.

Letters and awards will be presented, among them the James S. Milliken Award, given by the John Boyd post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, to the most valuable girl and boy players as selected by their teammates and coaches. The VFW's presentation will be made by Charles S. Patch, Jr.

In addition to Rotary Arms, other special guests of Rotary will be Superintendent A. C. Dawson and Mrs. Dawson; High School Principal Irie Leonard and Mrs. Leonard; Coach W. A. Leonard and Mrs. Leonard; Don Moore; Band Director Lynn Ledden and Mrs. Ledden; and the high school cheer leaders, Misses Newton, Woodell, Bristow, Williams and

Two Candidates For Sheriff File

Sheriff C. J. McDonald announced this week that he is a candidate for the office he now holds in the Democratic primary May 29 and on Monday paid his filing fee with S. C. Riddle, chairman of the county board of elections.

R. G. Fry, Jr. of Carthage, candidate for sheriff in the primary who announced recently, filed with the board of elections Tuesday.

Gardens, Homes To Be Seen On Tour



ON TOUR—Here are glimpses of two of the eight beautiful homes to be shown on the Garden Tour Wednesday. Left, "Aralu," home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vale, Jr., faces its own sparkling lake. Mr. and Mrs. Vale, both serious gardeners, have beautified their place with many colorful bulbs and other spring plantings. Hundreds of camellias bloom all year in a spacious greenhouse.

Right, the patio of the Vernon G. Cardy home, Vernon Valley Farms—a garden which is also a hospitable outdoor living-room.

Neither of these homes has ever been shown on a garden tour before. The houses as well as the grounds will be opened to visitors. Headquarters for the tour will be the Shaw House, with its furnishings and gardens out of the 150-year-old past. (Photos by V. Nicholson)

Eight of Southern Pines' loveliest homes will be presented on the annual Spring Garden Tour Wednesday.

Gardens massed with bloom will be thrown open to visitors. Most of the homes will be open as well, with hostesses from the Southern Pines Garden Club extending a welcome.

From the inviting comfort of The Corral, remodeled farmhouse of the John C. Ostroms, to the fabulous luxury of the Vernon

C. Cardy's Vernon Valley Farms, all the homes are designed for enjoyment of living, with emphasis on the outdoors.

The garden lover will see many new beauties and glean as many new ideas, wandering at will along the flower-bordered path in the hidden valley at Happy Landing, home of the Kenneth C. Trousdells; lingering in the D. W. Winkelmans' terraced woodland, with perhaps the Sandhills' finest collection of native shrubs; or

drinking in the flaming hues of the azalea gardens at Seven Stars, home of Mrs. Audrey K. Kennedy.

The W. D. Campbell home, one of the state's finest examples of Georgian architecture, is superbly landscaped with many varieties of flowers and trees. "Pickridge," home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Collins, is built on a steep hill; it overlooks a retaining wall into a deep valley literally brimming with dogwood. (Continued on Page 8)

Seven Glee Clubs Entering Picquet Music Contest

The C. W. Picquet Music contest, to be held Friday, April 9, at 7:30 p. m., in Weaver Auditorium, will be the largest in its nine-year history, according to an announcement made this week by T. Roy Phillips, chairman of the event.

Phillips stated that seven glee clubs were participating in this year's contest which is an annual event sponsored by the Sandhill Kiwanis Club and open to all high school glee clubs in Moore County.

Carthage High School glee club, under the direction of Mrs. Laverne Womack was declared the winner in last year's contest, and will be on hand to defend its title, but will be directed by Mrs. Leah Spencer.

Other glee clubs which are expected to enter are Aberdeen, directed by E. H. Poole; Southern Pines, under Miss Nancy Mackie; Pinehurst, under Mrs. Sara Hodgkins; Robbins, led by Mrs. W. H. Swain; Cameron, led by Miss Glendora Benner; and Westmore, directed by Mrs. H. Lee Thomas. It is hoped that a glee club from Vass will be entered, Phillips added.

The Robbins glee club has been organized since the 1953 contest and will be entered for the first time.

C. W. Picquet of Southern Pines, who founded the contest, commented this week, "I am delighted at the interest being shown by the schools in choral music and at the continuing increase in the number of schools participating."

The contest will be preceded by a dinner meeting of the Sandhill Kiwanis Club to be held at 6:30 p. m. in the Southern Pines school cafeteria.