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AT BLOWING ROCK—Sandhills folks and friends of the Sandhills gathered recently at Blowing Rock for the 31st annual horse show staged there by Lloyd M. Tate, veteran local horseman. The group includes spectators, officials, riders and others. Left to right: Louis Scheipers, Sr., J. T. Overton, Dr. J. I. Neal, Art Newman, Jack Goodwin, Mrs. J. T. Overton, Johnny Thigpen, ringmaster of the show and a frequent visitor to the Sandhills; Miss Jean Overton, Lloyd M. Tate, show manager for the

past 31 years; Bob Freils, Mrs. Lloyd M. Tate, unidentified man partially visible in rear, William (Billy) Tate of Baltimore, Md., formerly of the Sandhills, Mrs. William Tate, Father Melton of New York City who is thought to be the only priest who is a licensed horse show judge, who judged the Blowing Rock show and who recently bought the old Jonker place off Youngs Road here; and Mrs. William Green of Charlotte, the former Mary Ann Tate. (Photo by Emerson Humphrey)

## Grand Jury Asks Conference On County Home's 'Excessive Cost'

### Offices In Courthouse Are Praised

In their report to Judge Francis O. Clarkson, presiding at a term of Superior Court in Carthage, members of a new grand jury chosen Monday said that the cost to the county of operating the county home is excessive, in view of the number of inmates there,

and recommended that a member of the county board of commissioners appear before the grand jury at its regular session to discuss this problem. Condition of the county home buildings was termed "fair."

The county home now has seven inmates, the report pointed out. For the fiscal year ending June 30, \$12,500 was appropriated for operation of the home.

A generally favorable report was made on county buildings and offices, with several offices in the

court house specifically praised, for being in "tip-top shape."

A number of minor repairs and alterations were recommended for the county jail and the courthouse. Condition of the jail at Aberdeen was termed unsatisfactory.

The report was signed by Roderrick M. Innes of Pinehurst, foreman of the new grand jury whose other members are: H. W. Ehrhardt, J. A. Ferguson, James A. Booth, Q. L. Wallace, Z. B. Conrad, J. A. Dennis, D. A. McDonald, Jr., Johnnie Stuart, A. J. Crabtree, Lester Garner, Isaac A. Woodell, Carson Phillips, Carl Oldham, O. H. Rawlinson, Norman G. Purvis, Robert J. Hyman and Edward A. Tucker.

Here is the full text of the report:

We, the Grand Jury selected at August 16, 1954, term of Superior Court, respectfully submit the following report:

After examination of witness and due consideration of their examination, we found 21 true bills of indictment. Of the true bills found, one bill for murder was presented by the Grand Jury in open court.

Mr. H. Lee Thomas, Superintendent of the County School System, was called before the Grand Jury to make a report on the County Schools, submitted the following:

That all recommendations listed in the Grand Jury Report of January 21, 1954 have been completed with the exception of one or two items.

That all the buildings, furniture and grounds in the County school system are in good condition except for a drainage problem at the Aberdeen school.

That the sewerage systems in the Cameron, Pineknay and Robbins-Elise schools were being improved.

New construction in school plants in the following locations: Cafeteria—Highfalls school, Cafeteria—Farm Life school, Auditorium—Cameron school.

That sufficient area be provided in the school yards to allow the school buses to park at a designated loading zone independent of private parking area, where it will make it unnecessary for the buses to park without backing up. Recommendation: That the cooperation of the State Highway and Public Works Commission be obtained to assist in grading and filling, for the loading and parking zones.

Fire insurance covering 100% of valuation of school plants in force.

Value of school property, buildings and fixtures in Moore County amounts to \$3,790,000.

The Grand Jury selected groups and made visits to County Property with reports and recommendations as follows:

County and Public Schools: Since the schools are closed and it was not possible to make a detailed inspection, none of the schools were inspected.

County Home: Buildings in fair condition. At present there are seven inmates at County Home. It is the opinion of the Grand Jury that the cost to the County is excessive for the operation of (Continued on Page 8)

### Grid Practice To Start Monday

An invitation for all Southern Pines High School boys to try out for the 1954 Blue Knights football squad was issued this week by Head Coach Irie Leonard who said that preliminary practice will begin Monday.

Interested boys, including those who are entering high school this year, are asked to report to the field on South Bennett St. at 9 a.m.

Equipment will be given out at that time and the squad will work out twice a day, except Saturday and Sunday, until school opens September 8.

W. A. Leonard again will assist Irie Leonard with the coaching duties. Returning lettermen are Billy Cox, Johnny Watkins, James Humphrey, Bobby Cline and Bill Marley. A number of other boys who played last year but did not win letters are expected to turn out Monday.

### SERVICE AT 10 A. M. TODAY

## Alfred B. Yeomans, Leader In Community Life, Dies At 84

A memorial service for Alfred B. Yeomans, 84, prominent Southern Pines resident for the past 35 years, will be held at the Clark Funeral Home at 10 a.m. today (Friday).

Mr. Yeomans, who throughout his residence here was a leader in the cultural and civic life of the community, died Tuesday at Moore County Hospital where he had been a patient for a few days. He had been in poor health for several years.

According to Mr. Yeomans' expressed wishes, his body was cremated at Duke Hospital, Durham, Thursday, and his ashes were placed in a wooden box to be buried beside the remains of his sister, Miss Mary Yeomans—who died in May, 1943—at Mount Hope cemetery.

Mr. Yeomans had requested that no orthodox service for him be held, also that no flowers be sent. W. Ed Cox, Jr., of Southern Pines, a lay reader at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, will read passages from the Book of Isaiah, a favorite portion of the Bible with Mr. Yeomans.

Before and after the Bible reading, William Green, cellist, who is a member of the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra and who was a music pupil of Mr. Yeomans when the local man was associated with the famous Jane Addams in charitable work in Chicago, Ill., many years ago, and Mr. Green's wife, who is a pianist, will play music known to have been beloved by Mr. Yeomans. Mr. and Mrs. Green frequently visited Mr. Yeomans who was himself a musician and had a large library of recorded music.

Born in Orange, N. J., Mr. Yeomans was a son of the Rev. Alfred Yeomans, a Presbyterian minister, and Mrs. Elizabeth Ramsey Yeomans. His mother came to live with him and his sister, Miss Mary Yeomans, in Southern Pines until her death in the late 1920's.

A graduate of Princeton University, Princeton, N. J., Mr. Yeomans had a wide range of interests and worked professionally as a landscape architect.

This interest first brought him to Southern Pines about 1918 to lay out roadways in the Weymouth Heights development of the Boyd family to whom he was related. He remained a resident here almost continually since that first visit, building his home a few years afterwards.

Self-taught as an architect of buildings, he designed his own home at 370 E. Pennsylvania Ave. and a number of the most original and handsome residences here including the homes of the late Mrs. J. H. Andrews and John Y. Boyd, the former home of the late Dr. (Continued on Page 8)



MR. YEOMANS

### Eleven Youths Sentenced For Varied Offenses

Eleven white youths ranging in age from 16 to 22 pled guilty or nolo contendere in Moore criminal court this week in 15 cases of breaking and entering, larceny, and forgery. Ten of them received road sentences, mostly for assignment to the first offenders camp. Sentence was deferred for the 11th pending a recommendation of the probation officer, which was expected to be made Wednesday afternoon.

Only two of the sentences were suspended. In the other cases Judge Francis O. Clarkson of Charlotte, mild-mannered, soft-spoken and taking voluminous notes, turned a deaf ear to the pleas of attorneys for leniency on the grounds of their clients' youth.

"I have been impressed with the rash of lawlessness in this section in the past 12 months, mostly involving boys, many of them from very good homes," Judge Clarkson said. "What these boys need is some discipline. We have too many problems facing our country today to have the community terrorized in this fashion by lawless youth, and we have to deal firmly with them before we can hope to solve the problems from outside."

"We can't turn our communities over to young hoodlums, or we'll be like Phenix City, Alabama—that's the way it starts." Noting that he was not lacking in sympathy for the parents, the judge added, "I have a son of my own, serving in Korea. Like all (Continued on page 8)

## Drive Begins For Emergency Polio Relief

As the fourth polio case for the year in Moore County was announced, news was given out also of this county's participation in the emergency polio drive, and Paul C. Butler, chairman of the county chapter of the National Foundation, asked that contributions be sent in before the end of August.

The fourth young victim is Bobby Britt, 15-year-old son of Mrs. Susie Britt of near Carthage. Bobby was taken first to Moore County Hospital, then to N. C. Memorial hospital at Chapel Hill, last Thursday.

Another victim, the 10-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Keith of Pinebluff, was brought home Sunday from a Charlotte hospital and is reported recovering nicely. All the others, several weeks or months old, are now at home and doing nicely.

The other two cases listed by the Moore County Health Department and the local National Foundation chapter are Carson A. Lemons, six years old, of Southern Pines, and Larry Eugene Spencer of Eagle Springs.

Diagnosis in the case of the Spencer child was at first doubtful, and it was thought that he might have a hip injury, but the Health Department reported this week that the diagnosis has been confirmed as polio.

Two cases from Hoke County were diagnosed in Moore County, before being sent elsewhere for treatment, but are not credited to the Moore polio record. Only four cases are listed by the Health Department and the National Foundation Chapter.

This is not an unusual number of cases for the year, and there is no need for alarm, Chairman Butler said. Also, the county chapter has financial reserves to take care of its cases through the year, unless an unusual situation develops.

### Unusual Expenses

There are epidemics, however, in other places, notably Texas and California. With these and unusual expenses of the gamma globulin distribution, and the great Salk vaccine tests which may lead to victory over polio, the National Foundation finds itself without funds to take care of normal expenses.

"In 1948, funds from other places were poured into Moore County," Butler reminded. "They did not stint—we received more than \$85,000 in immediate aid for polio victims. Now it is our turn (Continued on Page 5)

### Men of Church Will Have Supper Tuesday

The Men of the Church of Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church will hold their monthly supper meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. on the lawn of the Southern Pines Country Club. All men of the church are expected to attend.

### SCOUTING EVENT SLATED SATURDAY

A Court of Honor will be combined with the Boy Scout "Swim-All and Cook Out," Saturday at Pinebluff Lake. Merit Badges and awards will be presented by J. D. Wimberley of Aberdeen and Allan Brown of Robbins.

During the campfire ceremony, which starts at 8 o'clock, camporee ribbons will also be awarded. District Advancement Chairman Lawrence Johnson of Aberdeen will be in charge.

The swimming, canoeing and boating events will begin at 2 p.m.

### Sunnyside First To Get Reduced Insurance Rate

The Sunnyside subdivision is the first area outside the city to be classified as eligible for "sixth class suburban" fire insurance rates by the North Carolina Fire Insurance rating bureau, City Manager Tom E. Cunningham said this week.

Because all residents of the subdivision have signed contracts with the town for fire protection, paying in advance 25 cents per \$100 of property valuation, residents of the area can receive reduced insurance rates, as compared with unprotected suburban property. Protected residential property must also be within 1,000 feet of a hydrant to receive a reduced rate.

Sunnyside is bounded on the north by the corporate limits of Southern Pines, on the east and south by the Country Club golf course and on the west by the Seaboard Air Line railroad tracks.

Cunningham said that a large percentage of the property in the Weymouth, Midland Road and Golfcrest suburban areas is covered by contracts for fire protection, but that none of these areas is yet sufficiently signed up to receive the Rating Bureau reclassification.

Sixth class rates are higher than those paid by residents within the city limits, but property owners in a fully protected suburban area pay an average of about \$2 per \$1,000 valuation less for fire insurance than those not in an area where all residents have signed fire protection contracts.

### Club Nominates Burney For Post

A. L. Burney of Southern Pines was nominated by the Sandhills Kiwanis Club for lieutenant governor of the Fourth Carolina district of Kiwanis International, during the club's regular luncheon meeting, held at Aberdeen Wednesday.

A lieutenant governor of the district will be elected at a district meeting in September.

## Ball Park Light Canvass To Continue; Offers Of Free Labor Will Cut Costs

### Checks And Pledges Total Over \$2,800; More Is Expected

Cash raised in last week's solicitation, payment of some of the pledges and checks arriving in the mail brought the ball park lights fund to \$2,205 as of Wednesday night, it was reported by W. B. Holliday, general chairman.

Pledges still outstanding total \$606, raising the total fund—on hand and anticipated—to something over \$2,800.

Campaign leaders will continue their canvass to reach persons who were out of town or who, for other reasons, could not be contacted last week. Also, more checks may arrive from out-of-town friends to whom letters were sent early last week. It is hoped the fund will soon reach \$3,000, the chairman said.

With this amount in view, a plan can be recommended to the Elks Club, the Rotary Club and other organizations which have offered their support, which may mean the order for equipment can be placed very soon. Latest figure on equipment for football, softball and baseball lighting is around \$6,500, if some planned economies can be effected.

Installation costs have been set at \$1,500 over and above the purchase price. However, said the chairman, some offers of free labor have been made which will scale this down a great deal. The Carolina Power and Light Co. has offered to donate labor which may take care of most of this work. Also, the National Guard has said it will transport the poles from the

### Play Begins In First Round Of Tennis Tourney

Tennis players from several states converged on Southern Pines Wednesday as first-round matches in the sixth annual Sandhill Invitational tournament got under way on the municipal courts.

The field of 46 players—32 men and 14 women entered in singles events—includes some of the top players of the Carolinas, also some unknown quantities from distant places which made the seeding committee's job a problem.

The group includes a delegation of eight from Jacksonville and other Florida cities, also several players from Camden, S. C., and some others who have never before played on North Carolina courts.

Finals are expected to be held starting Saturday, continuing through Sunday afternoon and possibly Sunday evening. Anticipating a large gallery to witness (Continued on Page 8)

### Creosoting plant at Gulf without cost.

"If we can get the equipment paid for, I'm sure we can get it up, and we're trying hard to do this in time for the opening of the football season," Chairman Holliday said.

The solicitation has been conducted by a group of 41 men and women under the leadership of C. N. Page.

### Hearing To Be Held Saturday On School Fund

Clerk of Court C. C. Kennedy said Thursday that he had received briefs from both the county board of education and the county commissioners, outlining the position of each board in the school capital outlay fund controversy and that he would preside at a hearing, with both boards present, at 10 a.m., Saturday, in the commissioners room at the courthouse. The clerk said he might render his decision on the dispute then or might defer it to Monday, August 23.

Because the board of education's argument includes a contention that capital outlay funds are unfairly divided between the county school system and the Southern Pines and Pinehurst city school systems, all capital outlay funds are frozen until the matter is settled.

The dispute began when the board of education rejected the board of commissioners' capital outlay allotment of \$269,000 in the 1954-55 budget, after having requested \$422,471.73 as the minimum needed for school plant construction in the coming year.

At a joint meeting of the two boards, the commissioners refused to increase their appropriation and the matter went by law to the clerk of court for arbitration. The clerk's decision can be appealed to Superior Court by either party in the controversy.

## Charlie Martindale Sentenced To Life Imprisonment

Charlie Arter Martindale, 54, of Robbins, was sentenced to life in prison at hard labor, in Moore County Superior Court at Carthage Thursday morning.

Judge Francis O. Clarkson pronounced the sentence after Martindale pled guilty to first degree murder, eliminating a jury trial.

The frail little defendant, wearing glasses and a blue shirt whose cuffs hid the bandaged wrist he cut in a suicide attempt Wednesday, listened intently as testimony was offered by two of the investigating officers, Deputy Sheriff A. W. Lambert and Robbins Police Chief Guy McNeill, and by Mrs. Bertie Yow, a neighbor who called the police after Martindale told her his wife had been shot.

Martindale cut his wrist with a safety razor blade in his Moore County jail cell at 1 p.m., one hour before the trial was scheduled to begin. An early report that he had cut his throat was in error, said Sheriff C. J. McDonally. The cut was "almost exactly where he tried to do the same thing before," the sheriff said.

He revealed that Martindale had attempted to commit suicide about two weeks previously, injuring himself, however, only slightly.

On the second attempt he did a more thorough job, losing considerable blood. Two physicians

were summoned by jailer Glenn Upchurch, and on their advice he was taken to Moore County Hospital, where his condition was declared to be fair.

Martindale, a former textile worker recently unemployed, was indicted by the grand jury Monday for first degree murder. When brought into court that afternoon for arraignment, he was trembling so he had to be supported in order to stand and face the judge. W. D. Sabiston of Carthage was appointed by the court to act as defense counsel.

At that time the defendant pled not guilty to the July 18 rifle slaying of his wife, Ethel.