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Council Calls For Detailed List Of Future Expenses

Action On Recreation Bond Issue Deferred Pending Information

Before moving one way or another on the Recreation Advisory Committee's suggestion that an election be called on a \$250,000 bond issue for construction of two swimming pools and two recreation center buildings, the town council wants to know more about what other financial obligations are likely to be required in the next few years.

At their meeting Tuesday night, the council directed City Manager Tom E. Cunningham to compile as best he can a list of municipal needs that will call for bond issues. In a rough estimate of these needs, Cunningham said that the town, between now and 1970 has "in the neighborhood of a half million dollars worth of work to do."

Another possible approach to the matter of bond issues was suggested by Councilman L. T. Clark who said he would like to see needs in all departments put up to a bond vote at one time—water, sewer, storm sewers, new municipal center (town hall, jail and firehouse), as well as the recreation proposals. Then, he said, the people could choose which proposals they want most, voting separately on all the needs in one bond election.

The council's decision to postpone action on a recreation bond election followed a presentation of further information about swimming pools by the Rev. Hoke Coon, speaking for the Recreation Advisory Committee in the absence of the Rev. C. K. Ligon, chairman.

The spokesman said he had written to several towns in an effort to get figures on pool maintenance costs, as requested by the council when the pool matter was first brought before it by the committee. He quoted a reply from Roanoke Rapids which operates a pool, 125 by 60 feet in size, and a wading pool, May through September, at a yearly cost of \$5,500 which is met by a 15 cents admission fee and concessions at the pool. A check showed that the population of Roanoke Rapids is about twice that of Southern

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RECREATION PROGRAM STARTS

Softball Openers Draw 1,000 Fans

First games in the new seven-team Adult Softball League, played Tuesday night, drew an estimated 1,000 persons to Memorial Field, despite chilly weather.

In the first game of the double header under lights, the USAF Air-Ground School walloped the Lions Club, 34-2. The N. C. Catholic Laymen's team defeated Carolina Power and Light Co., 11-6, in the nightcap.

Second double-header of the season will be run off tonight (Thursday), with Colonial Furniture Co. facing the USAF Air-Ground school at 7:30 and Holliday's Chicks tangling with the Hill Top Jokers at 9.

Games will continue on Tuesday and Thursday nights through July 28, according to a schedule that was published in full in last week's Pilot. Seven-inning games are played. Admission is free, but a collection is taken for the bleacher fund.

Next Tuesday night's contests are: 7:30—Carolina Power and Light Co. vs. Hilltop Jokers; 9—Lions Club vs. Catholic Laymen.

Results of the previous week and standings of teams through last Tuesday's games will appear weekly in The Pilot.

ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUE RESULTS

Tuesday Games
USAFAGOS 34, Lions 2
Laymen 11, CP&L Co., 6

Team	W.	L.
Catholic Laymen	1	0
Air-Ground School	1	0
Lions Club	0	1
Car. Power & Light	0	1
Colonial Furniture	0	0
Hill Top Jokers	0	0
Holliday's Chicks	0	0



OFFICERS AT SCHOOL—Gathering in Southern Pines for the opening session of a course for law enforcement officers was the group pictured here at Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall: from left to right, they are: seated—Cornelia P. Vann, desk clerk, Southern Pines Police Department; A. W. Lambert, deputy sheriff; C. J. McDonald, Sheriff; Floyd Lucas, assistant chief of police, Aberdeen; Drake Rogers, policeman, Southern Pines; John Sharpe, ABC officer; H. V. Chandler, police sergeant, Southern Pines; Woodrow Eldridge, assistant chief of police, Carthage; J. T. Shepherd, chief of police, Pinehurst; Irene Mullinix, justice of the peace, Vass; standing—A. R. Laubscher, chief of police, Vass; Richard A. Myren, assistant director, Insti-

Law Enforcement Officers, Others In County Hold First Session Of School

First session in a short course for Moore County law enforcement officers was held Tuesday night at the Fellowship Hall of Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church.

The course is sponsored by the Southern Pines police department, in cooperation with the Institute of Government of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Second session of the course is scheduled for the same location Tuesday night of next week, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Police Chief C. E. Newton of Southern Pines opened the meeting with words of welcome Tuesday. Richard A. Myren, assistant

director of the Institute of Government, spoke on the subject, "Law of Arrest."

Mr. Myren will discuss the "Law of Search and Seizure" at next week's meeting. Chief Newton, who arranged for the course to be conducted here, said that all magistrates of the county, as well as members of the provost marshal's section at the USAF Air-Ground Operations School were invited to attend the sessions, in addition to law enforcement officers from throughout the county. These officers include town police, members of the sheriff's department, ABC officers and township constables.

Third meeting of the course is planned for June 29. Lew Williams, special agent of the State Bureau of Investigation, is slated to talk on "Investigation at the Scene and Preservation of Evidence."

On July 6, when the fourth meeting will be held, James F. Bradshaw, Jr., assistant director of the State Bureau of Investigation, will speak on "Interrogation."

On July 13, M. G. Boyette of Carthage, solicitor of the 13th Judicial District, is scheduled to talk to the officers on "Court Room Procedure and Law of Evidence."

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Kennedy Talks To Kiwanis On Work Of Court Clerk

The duties of a clerk of court were outlined to members of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club at their Wednesday luncheon meeting in the American Legion Hut in Aberdeen. The speaker was Carlton Kennedy, of Carthage, clerk of the Superior Court in Moore county, who entertained his audience by reading from ludicrous letters received by the court.

Judging from Mr. Kennedy's recital, the clerkship is a full-time job, plus. He handles all probate matters. If you want to adopt a child or want to have your name changed, you see him. He collects the fines and costs in both the County Recorders Court and the Superior Court. He handles non-support cases, with wives continually calling on him when "hubby" fails to pay up.

The clerk of court serves as judge of the Juvenile Court, a job in itself. Youngsters are "a problem," he said, constantly getting into mischief, with breaking into places a favorite pastime. Civil actions are instituted in his office, even those involving such large corporations as railroads, and he told of one interesting case in which human frailty was responsible for a costly wreck.

STORM DAMAGE IN SMALL AREA HEAVY

Heavy damage to crops in the Hillcrest and Carthage areas and toward Vass was caused by a Saturday afternoon hail, wind and rain-storm that residents of the section said topped the force and destructiveness of Hurricane Hazel last fall.

Damage to buildings and houses also was reported. The storm was confined to a swath reported to be from one-half to two miles wide.

Farms on which damage to crops or buildings was reported include those of S. C. Riddle, E. E. Craven, Sam Blue, John Blue, M. G. Dalrymple, Bud Yow, J. A. Caddell and Lige Sineath and Bud Livengood of the Hillcrest community.

County Share In Armory Funds Now Set At \$10,000

Local share of money needed for a proposed National Guard armory here has been increased from \$7,500 to \$10,000, Capt. William J. Wilson, the Guard company's commander, told the town council Tuesday night.

Last week, the commander went before the county commissioners to ask for an appropriation of that amount to supplement state and federal funds in construction of a \$100,000 armory.

Since talking with the county board, the increase in necessary local funds was indicated, Wilson said. He told the board he was appearing only to brief them on what the armory situation was, but added, "I may have to come back."

The commissioners are expected to act on the Guard's request at a special meeting for discussion of budget matters Monday.

Proclamation Signed For 'Slow Down, Live'

Proclamations for the Slow Down and Live traffic safety campaign were signed this week by Mayor Voit Gilmore of Southern Pines and Judge J. Vance Rowe of Moore County Recorders Court, as well as other mayors and officials throughout the county.

For more about the Slow Down and Live campaign, see story, page 11.

Southern Pines Is Considered As Site For 4-Year College

Merger Of 3 Institutions Proposed

Southern Pines is under consideration for location of a proposed four-year coeducational college that would be formed by merger of several Presbyterian colleges and junior colleges now operating in North Carolina.

Rumors of the merger proposal and of the part that Southern Pines might play in it have abounded here in the past couple of weeks.

Partial public confirmation came this week with a press release from Dr. Harold J. Dudley, general secretary of the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina, stating that "consideration of the merger of some of its institutions" is slated to be one of the "matters of major interest" that will be placed before the 142nd meeting of the Synod to be held July 12-14 at Barium Springs.

Further confirming local rumors, the institutions involved were named by The News and Observer of Raleigh on Wednesday as Peace College at Raleigh, Flora Macdonald College at Red Springs and Presbyterian Junior College at Maxton.

The Raleigh newspaper specifically named Southern Pines, Fayetteville, Red Springs, Lumberton and Laurinburg as towns under consideration for the site of the new institution.

Acting on confidential information they were not then at liberty to reveal for publication, both the town council and the Chamber of Commerce have conducted informal discussions of the college proposal recently.

While no specific plan has been made for community promotion of Southern Pines as the site, it is expected that both the council and the Chamber of Commerce will make plans for action, perhaps in cooperation with officials of Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church, inviting the cooperation of all interested residents with the aim of gaining community-wide support for the Southern Pines site from all possible sources.

Consolidation would call for a \$5,000,000 building program it was reported by The News and Observer which added that Fayetteville has organized a committee of 100 men who have pledged \$10,000 each, to assure a \$1 million contribution toward this fund.

Dr. Dudley's press release said that the Rev. Charles Lynn

9,000 WOULD BE RECEIVED HERE

CD Alert Poses Evacuee Problem

Southern Pines has a simulated part in the nation-wide Civil Defense alert taking place this week when Col. Donald Madigan, local CD director, and members of his staff "on paper" are making this community ready to receive an estimated 9,000 evacuated persons from Greensboro and Guilford County.

That is the number, Colonel Madigan said, that Southern Pines might expect to receive in case of an air attack on Greensboro which is one of the "target cities" in North Carolina.

Civil defense mass evacuation plans have been discussed by the local man and Capt. Murray Thornton, Guilford County CD director, who said that plans there call for distributing Greensboro's population to towns in a section of the state that includes Southern Pines, on a basis of about one and a half times each town's population.

Reception of evacuees is the major function of Civil Defense here, under a program worked out several years ago by Colonel Madigan.

Helping the local simulated "paper" reception of the

Brown, pastor of the White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, will present a report on Christian Higher Education at the Synod meeting.

The college merger proposal is one of the items in this report. "Ideal Institution" Sought

In order to effect the merger, Dr. Dudley's statement said, "it will be recommended that a board of trustees composed of representatives of the institutions entering the merger and members at large engage in a study of a place to locate the consolidated four-year, co-educational institution and that the most expert assistance available be obtained to guide the planning group in establishing as nearly as possible the ideal institution of Christian Higher Education."

Some hint as to the size of the college proposed may be gained from a report, also to be given at the Synod meeting, which derives from a study of higher educational institutions in the Synod, made under a \$50,000 Ford Foundation grant.

This report is now in the hands of a commission of about 30 leading ministers and laymen of the Synod, who have analyzed and edited it for presentation, with recommendations, to the Synod. Dr. Dudley points out that one of the "fundamental principles" noted in this study is a "minimum of not less than 750 students for a senior college or 300 for a junior college."

Concluding his forecast of the Synod's consideration of the Higher Education matters next month, Dr. Dudley wrote:

"One of the essentials for accomplishing the goals which have been set by the commission is the procurement of large initial support for the proposed new institution, and already it has been authoritatively established that substantial funds are in prospect."

The News and Observer's announcement of the merger proposal on Wednesday drew from William P. McPherson of Raleigh, chairman of the Peace College Board of Trustees, the information that the trustees have voted, but not unanimously, to oppose the merger plan when it is presented to the Synod.

For an unexplained reason, Mr. McPherson also said:

"Regardless of the Synod's action, it likely will be 1960 before any changes are made."

Whatever the time element may be—and it is obvious that such a college could not be established anywhere quickly—Southern Pines residents have met the proposal with great enthusiasm. This reaction was reported from both the town council and Chamber of Commerce discussions.

Minister Called To Virginia Church

The Rev. C. V. Covell, rector of Emmanuel Episcopal Church submitted his resignation, effective September 15, to the vestry of the church Monday night. He has been rector of the local church since November, 1949.

The Rev. Mr. Covell said this week that he will go to Christ Church Parish, Middlesex County, Va., as rector and also as chaplain at Christchurch School for Boys. His work as chaplain will include teaching classes in Sacred Studies during the regular school week.

The parish is located on the lower Rappahannock River and is in the Diocese of Virginia to which the rector began his work in the ministry, serving about 10 years, in Essex County and later at Orange where he was chaplain in the Woodbury Forest School for Boys. He went from Virginia to Ashtabula, Ohio, where he served for some six years, coming from there to Southern Pines.

Built in the 18th Century, Christ Church, to which the man has been



THE REV. C. V. COVELL

called, is an example of colonial style in church architecture, with white pews and simple lines throughout. A native of Montclair, N. J., the Rev. Mr. Covell is a graduate of the University of

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