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## Leak Repaired In Old Dam At Crystal Lake

Crews of prisoners and highway workers are shown Monday in the two top photos as they dug down through the roadway over the Crystal Lake dam at Lakeview, preparing to stop a leak that undermined the dam, causing a collapse of the road surface, last Sunday night. Interested spectators at the left of both the top pictures is Coley Blue to whose great-grandfather, Duncan Blue, the lake site and surrounding land was deeded by King George III of England in 1770.

Wyandotte Worsted Company, present owner of the lake, has leased the property to C. A. McLaughlin of Southern Pines who authorized draining of the lake about seven and a half feet below its full depth, in order to repair the dam.

In lower photo, C. B. Patton of Sanford (right), bridge foreman for the 8th Highway Division, talks over the repair job with J. O. Chappell of Carthage, (left) foreman of a gang of prisoners from Camp 805 at Carthage, and C. L. Alexander of Hillcrest, foreman of a highway patching crew composed of honor grade prisoners and salaried highway personnel.

## Sandhills Pushed As New Site For Offices Of PGA

An informal committee of Sandhills residents this week launched an effort to bring the headquarters of the Professional Golfers Association from Chicago to Southern Pines.

Called together by Mayor Voit Gilmore, who said he had information directly from Harry Moffitt, PGA president, that the organization is dissatisfied with its office set-up in Chicago, the group pooled ideas and information and set up committees to answer a list of questions about real estate, housing, transportation, communications, printing and other facilities here, as well as availability of office personnel, wage levels and other considerations.

Present were the mayor, Councilman Harry H. Pethick, City Manager Tom E. Cunningham, Jack Younts, president and general manager of Radio Station WEEB; Mrs. Bob Harlow and Tom O'Neil, of Golf World magazine at Pinehurst; Leo Walper and Roy Grinnell, golf pros, Jerry (Continued on Page 5)

## Tuesday Court Is Suspended

The weekly Tuesday session of Recorders Court at Carthage will be suspended after July 5, Solicitor W. Lamont Brown said this week.

Decision to eliminate the Tuesday sessions until such time as the docket may become overcrowded again was made by Judge J. Vance Rowe and the solicitor after they were informed by Clerk of Court Carlton Kennedy that the court has made good progress in catching up on its backlog of untried or unsettled cases.

Solicitor Brown said that in May the court turned over some \$4,700 in fines and forfeitures to the school fund and in June about \$3,400.

The Tuesday session next week is in reality the Monday session postponed to Tuesday because of the July 4 holiday on Monday.

The weekly current case load of the court has not decreased, the solicitor explained, but the court has pretty well caught up on its backlog of pending cases.

## Red Cross Workers To Play Part In Airlift To Mackall

Volunteers from the Moore County Red Cross Chapter will be assigned to Camp Mackall, July 14-17, to help welcome home from Japan more than 3,000 paratroopers of the 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team. Helping in the project will be volunteers from four local women's organizations: BPO Does, Junior Woman's Club, VFW Auxiliary and the USAFAGOS Officers Wives Club.

The 187th, only paratroop outfit which saw action in the Korea fighting, is being transferred to the States in the biggest airlift of military personnel ever undertaken by the U. S. Air Force.

The first plane will arrive at Camp Mackall on July 14 after several brief stop-overs enroute from Japan and will continue to reach the North Carolina airfield at spaced intervals over a four-day period.

Garland McPherson, chairman of the Moore County Chapter, said at least eight Red Cross chapters are sending a total of approximately 100 workers to Camp Mackall at the invitation of the commanding general of Fort Bragg.

Participating chapters also will (Continued on Page 5)

## July 4th Speech At Carthage Set By Senator Scott

### Soap Box Derby Is New Event; All-Day Program Is Mapped

Senator W. Kerr Scott will speak at the annual Independence Day Celebration Monday in Carthage it was announced this week by Paul Simpson, president of the Carthage Junior Chamber of Commerce.

This announcement culminates several weeks of intensive effort to secure the colorful senator, who has been unable to commit himself prior to this week due to the heavy work load in the Senate. Clyde Auman of West End lent his service to the Jaycees in their efforts to secure Scott for his occasion.

This will be one of the first public appearances of the "Man from Haw River" back in North Carolina since he began active duty in the Senate.

Intensive preparations for the celebration by the Jaycees are matched by the activity of the Soap Box Derby entrants in their efforts to build a winning race car. Race Chairman C. G. Spencer, Jr., revealed that each entrant will receive a prize and also that the winner and the runner up will be awarded additional prizes. In preparation for the race, all entrants were feted to a wiener roast this week after which an official film of the national Soapbox Derby race was shown to the youngsters. Several members of the race committee attended the Charlotte Races on Wednesday as guests of the Charlotte Jaycees and were able to observe at close hand all phases of the event. There is a feeling among the club membership that the Soap Box Derby could become the high point of the celebration in the future.

That ever increasing band of folks who are followers of country-style music are in for a real treat in Carthage Monday, as one of the best known hill-billy shows in North Carolina will be on hand. Jim Thorton and his gang from WTVD in Durham will give a show in the High School Auditorium from 7 to 8:30 p. m. and then move to the McConnell warehouse for a square dance which will last from 9 to 1 a. m. Those planning to attend the show in the auditorium are urged (Continued on page 17)

## Local Girl To Vie For Beauty Queen At Carthage Event

Patricia Morrison, 16, a rising senior at Southern Pines High school, will be sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce in the beauty contest to be held at Carthage Monday as part of the all-day Fourth of July celebration.

She will ride with other contestants from high schools throughout the county in the Grand Parade scheduled for 2 p. m., and appear in the contest at 3 p. m.

The Chamber's 1954 candidate, Jacque Davenport, was the winner last year and will preside over this year's event until a new Queen is chosen. She will crown the new "Miss Moore County" as climax of the contest.

The girls will wear evening dresses this year, a departure from the summer daytime dresses which they have worn in previous contests.

Patricia is a blue-eyed "brownette," five feet, four inches tall. She was a polio victim last year. Stricken late last summer, (Continued on Page 8)

## LITTLE LEAGUE DIVIDES

Southern Pines Little League players divided their contests this week, beating Pinehurst 4-1 on Monday and losing to Robbins 12-10 on Wednesday.



REAPPOINTED—Judge W. A. Leland McKeithen, 43, of Pinehurst was reappointed a special judge of Superior Court by Gov. Luther H. Hodges last week. Judge McKeithen, who was formerly solicitor of Moore County Recorders Court, chairman of the Moore County Democratic Executive Committee, member of the State Bar Council and president of the N. C. Bar Association, had been serving as special judge under an appointment made by the late Gov. William B. Umstead in February, 1954. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. McKeithen of Aberdeen. His wife is the former Janet Wiggins of Middletown, N. Y. They have one son, John Leland, six years old.

## Traffic Safety Stressed As Area Begins Long, Dangerous Week-End

### A PLEDGE TO SLOW DOWN and Live



I do hereby pledge to subscribe to the motto "SLOW DOWN AND LIVE" and to dedicate my driving practices to the principles of safe and careful driving.

I do furthermore pledge to at all times conform to the basic tenets of safety on our highways and to take special care to avoid the following traffic violations:

- EXCESSIVE SPEED
- SPEED TOO FAST FOR CONDITIONS
- IMPROPER PASSING
- FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY
- FAILURE TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY

This pledge is sponsored by your state safety coordinator in cooperation with the National Conference of State Safety Coordinators.

The "Slow Down And Live" program has the endorsement of your governor and is dedicated to the cause of safety on the highways of the nation.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF RESIDENCE \_\_\_\_\_ DRIVERS LICENSE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

WANT TO HELP?—Lend your moral support to the nationwide Slow Down and Live campaign by signing this pledge and sending it to T. Roy Phillips of Carthage, chairman of the drive for Moore County.

## Police To Stop Drivers, Give Safety Leaflet

Meeting in Carthage Wednesday night, the Moore County steering committee for the nationwide Slow Down and Live campaign mapped an intensive traffic safety drive for the long Fourth of July week-end.

With Committee Chairman T. Roy Phillips presiding, representatives from various sections of the county divided up a small supply of publicity material whose delayed arrival has heretofore held up campaign operations in this county.

Plans call for distribution on Friday of information leaflets and a small supply of dashboard stickers to motorists in all towns of the county.

Highway Patrolmen will assist in this distribution at points where they are needed. Cpl. M. S. Parvin, who heads the Patrol contingent in Moore, is an active and enthusiastic supporter of the Slow Down and Live campaign which began officially Memorial Day and will run through Labor Day, but which is viewed as a continuing drive in Moore County.

Brig. Gen. R. B. Hill, Southern Pines representative on the county committee, brought back from the Wednesday night meeting a supply of publicity material to be used in Southern Pines. Police Chief C. E. Newton and members of his department, offering full cooperation, will pass out leaflets and stickers Friday. Boy Scouts (Continued on page 5)

## Moore Polio Case 'Extremely Mild'

The month of June brought Moore county its first polio case of the year—a two-and-a-half year old child.

Paul C. Butler of Southern Pines, chairman of the Moore County polio chapter, said Joseph Melvin Garner, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Garner, who live between Aberdeen and Pinehurst, was taken June 9 to N. C. Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill, and returned home last weekend, after about 10 days. While it was ascertained he definitely had polio, the case was termed "extremely mild."

Moore county, like the State as a whole, has an unusually light incidence of polio this year. "Whatever the cause, this is so far the lightest year for polio we have had in a very long time," Mr. Butler said.

## Mrs. John Dundas Ends Library Work

The Southern Pines Library Board has accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. John Dundas as librarian, effective today.

Miss Elsie McKenzie, who has been general assistant at the library for several years, will fill in at the desk during the summer, with Mrs. C. A. Smith as part-time librarian. It is hoped that a professionally-trained librarian may be secured by October, the announcement said.

Mrs. Dundas will be associated with the Southern Pines office of Eastman Dillon and Co., New York brokerage firm, beginning September 1.

## No Word On New Air Force Lease

Today, June 30, is the expiration day of the lease on the Highland Pines Inn to the Air Force which has its Air-Ground Operations School there.

As of today, no information has been received from either military or civilian sources, as to a new lease between the Stitzer Hotel Co., owners of the Highland Pines Inn, and the Air Force.

Several weeks ago it was announced that negotiations for a new lease were going on and it is presumed that a lease agreement has been or soon will be worked out.

It is understood that the hotel firm, under the new agreement, is making considerable repairs and improvements at the hotel and that some of the work is now going on.

The school is now in a "stand down" or suspended period for the July 4 holiday and Brig. Gen. Daniel W. Jenkins, commandant, could not be reached today for comment on the lease status.

General Jenkins and family are moving from the Tate cottage on Midland Road to the George Dunlap home in Knollwood which is being vacated by the Frank T. Roberts family who are moving into a newly constructed home of their own on Weymouth Heights. Mr. Roberts is an executive with Amerotron, Inc., with office in the Aberdeen Amerotron plant.

## PILOT EDITOR OVERSEAS

### French Friendly To Americans

Some cities have a special coloration. In Rome, the color is terracotta; every imaginable variation, from the softest cream to the deepest red-brown. The walls of the old palaces and ancient ruins glow like flames at sunset time.

In Holland, the cities are grey-brown. A rather drab shade. There was only one sunny evening, when I was there, and then we were way out in the placid green country, moored to the bank of a canal. Then you see the cities as a misty brown silhouette against the sky across the wide expanse of flat fields.

The color of Paris is pearl. I arrived early in the morning, when the streets were still in deep shadow and the long early light fell soft and fresh across the Place de la Concorde. The color was dusky grey then, brightening quickly, though, as the sun grew stronger.

I had my taxi man drive me across the lovely Place, with the wonderful 18th century buildings stretching their Greek cornices and colonnades across the Eastern side of it and on down the Rue de Rivoli. The trees were fresh green along the Champs Elysees and in the Tuileries Gardens, and as we drove across the latter, towards the Seine, you could see the bright flower-beds, laid out in the formality of the French love, and the color scheme of pink geraniums and purple blue ageratum that suits them.

By mid-day the pearly grey of Paris is almost white under the bright sun. The afternoon advances and the old stone and plaster takes on opalescent tints as the sun drops lower. As the (Continued on Page 8)

## ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUE RESULTS

June 23 Games Rained out.

June 28 Games USAFAGOS 18, Hill Top 5. CP&L Co. 16, Holiday's 8.

Team	W.	L.
USAF Air-Ground School	3	0
N. C. Catholic Laymen	2	0
Holiday's Chicks	1	1
Hill Top Jokers	1	1
Car. Power & Light	1	2
Colonial Furniture	0	1
So. Pines Lions Club	0	2

## COMING GAMES

Tonight, June 30  
7:30—Lions vs. CP&L Co.  
9:30—Colonial Fur. vs. Laymen

No games next week