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PRICE TEN CENTS

County Fair To Open Monday, Run Thru Next Week

Carthage Event To Show Farm Products, Offer Entertainment

The annual Moore County Fair, sponsored by the Carthage Junior Chamber of Commerce, will open Monday and run through Saturday, to provide "six big days and nights of fun and entertainment."

Opening night is set for Monday, while Tuesday has been designated as the grand opening. All white children of the county will be admitted free of charge that night.

Wednesday night will see one of the main attractions of the week—the annual high school beauty contest, with representatives expected from all the high schools throughout the county.

Miss Faye Arnold (Miss North Carolina of 1955) will be present and serve as one of the judges. Winner will be crowned "Miss Moore County High School of 1955."

On Wednesday afternoon the junior cattle and dairy show will be staged. Interest already shows it should be one of the best yet, say the Jaycees. All who have any prized cattle are extended an invitation to enter them in this event. Moore County Farm Agent E. H. Garrison, Jr., and his staff are working with the Jaycees in the cattle and dairy show.

Thursday night has been designated as "fun night" and on Friday Negro school children of the county will be admitted free to the fair grounds.

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Bells Buy Other Interests In Pine Needles Property

The interests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cosgrove and Julius Boros in the Pine Needles golf course and Country Club at Knollwood have been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Warren E. Bell. They have all been co-owners for the past two years.

Mr. and Mrs. Cosgrove operate the Mid Pines Club where Mr. Boros, winner of this year's "World" golf tournament at Chicago and top money winner for 1955 among the pros, is professional. Mrs. Bell is the former Peggy Kirk. A leading professional, she will head the teaching staff at Pine Needles.

The Cosgrove-Boros-Bell interests bought the Pine Needles golf course and leased the Pine Needles Country Club in 1953 from the Catholic Diocese of North Carolina, owner of nearby St. Joseph of the Pines Hospital, formerly the Pine Needles Hotel.



ATTEND CONFERENCE—Basil D. O'Connor, center, has been president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis since its beginning in 1938. At left is J. Frank McCaskill of Pinehurst, campaign co-director for the Moore County polio chapter, and right, Paul C. Butler, Southern Pines, chapter chairman. The picture was made Tuesday at a luncheon session of a three-state regional planning conference held by

the National Foundation at Greensboro. No one can say when the task of administering Salk vaccine shots will be completed, said Mr. O'Connor. Thirteen million shots have been given but 105 million injections are necessary if all the 35 million children under nine years of age in the U.S.A. were to be given the shots. Only the shots can stop polio, he believes.

(Photo by V. Nicholson)

Polio Battle Not Yet Won; Vaccine Safety Stressed

Representatives of the Moore County polio chapter heard this week from their National Foundation president, Basil D. O'Connor, that the work of the Foundation is far from over, despite the giant stride forward represented by development of the Salk vaccine.

Speaking Tuesday at a luncheon meeting at the King Cotton Hotel, Greensboro, where a two-day regional planning conference was being held, President O'Connor said that the January March of Dimes campaign will be more important than ever.

Attending the conference along with other chapter representatives from North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee were Paul C. Butler, Southern Pines, Moore County chapter chairman, who was present Monday and Tuesday, (Continued on Page 8)

PTA MEETING TONIGHT

The October meeting of the Southern Pines Parent-Teacher Association will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 p.m. in Weaver Auditorium. "Free From Physical Hazards" is the theme of a program to be presented by Garland McPherson of Southern Pines and Dr. J. C. Grier, Jr. of Pinehurst.

Subscriptions Sold For Benefit of PTA

A magazine subscription drive for benefit of the Southern Pines Parent-Teacher Association begins today, to run through October 31.

Pupils in the fifth through 12th grades will solicit subscriptions. The drive is sponsored by the senior class.

A similar effort last year sold \$1,200 worth of subscriptions. Goal this year is \$150 worth to be sold by each home room.

Halloween Party Will Be Held; Gift Announced

More than 1,000 children who annually attend Halloween celebrations staged here by the Rotary Club will not be disappointed this year.

Club President J. B. Perkinson announced today that the community carnival will be held—with the likelihood that a fund shortage to finance it would be made up by private donations.

The outdoor fun and entertainment program will take place Monday night, October 31. Details will appear in The Pilot next week.

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United Nations Topic of Public Meeting Friday

Mrs. Raymond Smith of Greensboro will speak tomorrow (Friday) at 8 p.m. on a United Nations program in the Civic Club, sponsored by the Southern Pines League of Women Voters.

Mrs. Smith, who is a former president of the Greensboro League of Women Voters and who has made a special study of the United Nations, will be introduced by Mrs. Graham Culbreth who recently returned from a visit to the UN headquarters in New York City. Mrs. Culbreth will give her own impressions of the UN during the program.

The community meeting is open to the public and is scheduled in connection with United Nations Day on Sunday which has been proclaimed for the nation by President Eisenhower. Mayors of some 8,000 American towns and cities were asked by the President to arrange some observance of the day. Mayor Voit Gilmore of Southern Pines said this week that local observance of UN Day is being carried out under sponsorship of the League of Women Voters at the Friday meeting.

College Effort Pushing Forward; Endowment Fund Goal \$200,000

Pledges May Spread Over Three Years

A "provisional goal" of \$200,000 in pledges has been set for the endowment fund to be offered by Southern Pines and Moore County to attract the consolidated Presbyterian college here.

The pledges may be spread out over a three-year period, according to Dr. R. M. McMillan, who accepted chairmanship of the Endowment Committee at an organizational meeting last Friday.

Since Friday, two more meetings have been held, and plans are shaping up toward the canvassing campaign which is expected to start within a week or two. In the meantime, the chairman said, letters are to be sent to a list of 300 selected persons who, it is hoped, will make sizeable advance gifts to get the fund going.

Mrs. Audrey K. Kennedy is vice-chairman of the committee, with Norris L. Hodgkins as secretary and L. B. Creath of Pinehurst as treasurer.

Other members of the committee are James Boyd, W. Lamont Brown, Voit Gilmore, W. O. Moss, Dr. J. I. Neal, Dr. C. C. McLean, Garland McPherson, Claude Reams and Harold Collins, of Southern Pines, and J. Talbot Johnson and G. C. Seymour of Aberdeen.

At the organizational meeting, A. L. Burney, chairman of the central Moore County College Committee, called on W. Lamont Brown and Voit Gilmore of this group to assist him in briefing the endowment committee with latest information.

Burney gave the history of the merger plan for three colleges of (Continued on Page 8)

Officials Attend Raleigh Hearing

Town Manager Tom E. Cunningham and Town Attorney W. Lamont Brown were in Raleigh this morning to attend a hearing before the State Utilities Commission on the applications of the Texas-Ohio Gas Co. for authority to build and operate a natural gas pipeline that could serve Southern Pines and other towns in this area.

The two town officials were designated by the town council to attend the hearing. The council has expressed its interest in the proposal without committing the town to any definite cooperation with a plan for gas distribution, if the pipeline construction is approved.

COLLEGE PROJECT ON AIR SUNDAY

A broadcast by Radio Station WEEB has been scheduled at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, to give listeners in this area latest information about the effort to bring the Presbyterian college to Southern Pines. Taking part in the broadcast will be A. L. Burney, Dr. R. M. McMillan, W. Lamont Brown and Mayor Voit Gilmore. The program will last 15 minutes.



MR. MONTESANTI

A. Montesanti, 76, Succumbs; Mass To Be Sung Saturday

Angelo Montesanti, 76, a resident of Southern Pines for more than 40 years and one of this community's best known citizens, died in his sleep at the Pinehurst Convalescent Home Wednesday night. He had been in poor health for some time and seriously ill since he suffered a stroke at his home on W. Pennsylvania Ave., about a month ago.

The Rosary will be said at the Powell Funeral Home at 7 p.m. Friday and requiem mass will be sung by Father Peter M. Denges at St. Anthony's Catholic Church at 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Burial will follow in the family plot at Mount Hope Cemetery.

Active pallbearers will be Judge J. Vance Rowe, L. T. Hall, Paul Fitanides, Joe Notragiomo, Jerry Healy and James M. Pleasants. Members of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club have been named honorary pallbearers.

Held in affectionate regard by a wide circle of friends, Mr. Montesanti (Continued on Page 8)

\$1,000 Fund Sought For Drive Cost

The Moore County College Committee, to secure the consolidated Presbyterian college for Southern Pines, got into high gear this week, with an Endowment Committee organized and preparing to function; collection of a \$1,000 "operational fund" under way for campaign expenses, and a public meeting set for week after next.

Progress reports will be made and full information given, as far as available, at the public meeting to be held at Weaver auditorium, with Dr. Harold Dudley of Raleigh as speaker and guest. Dr. Dudley is executive secretary of the North Carolina Synod of the Presbyterian church, which took action last July leading toward consolidation of Peace Junior College, Flora Macdonald College and Presbyterian Junior College into a four-year co-educational institution, the site to be selected.

Dr. R. M. McMillan is chairman, and Mrs. Audrey K. Kennedy, vice-chairman, of an Endowment Committee organized last week, which will make pledges toward a large fund designed to help attract the new college to Southern Pines, it was announced this week by A. L. Burney, chairman of the Moore County College Committee. The Endowment Committee plunged into immediate activity, for news of which see an accompanying news story.

The operational fund, for incidental expenses in connection with advertising and promoting Southern Pines as the college site, was set at \$1,000, and Thursday morning a committee composed of George H. Leonard, Jr., Hoke Pollock and J. T. Overton, of the Chamber of Commerce board of directors, started out to collect this amount from merchants and others in the downtown district. Appointed to the job by Harry K. Smyth and W. E. Blue of the main committee, operational fund chairmen, they anticipated the full amount would be in hand in two or three days.

The \$1,000 will be used for postage, pledge cards, printing and other expenses—including the publication of a special brochure (Continued on Page 8)

HAS ANYBODY SEEN 'JUKE'?

Has anybody seen Juke? If you have and can find her or help find her, there's a very liberal award for you, because Juke—a liver and white English pointer, with small liver ticks on her body and solid liver ears—is owned by a 12-year-old boy whose father says he can't face telling the boy that Juke is gone.

The father is Damon C. Abel who is currently living on the old Pender property off the "old road" between Southern Pines and Pinehurst, having moved here from Florida a not long ago. The son, Wally, is in school at Miami.

Mr. Abel is known widely in the golf world as he has a factory manufacturing golf supplies at Peoria, Ill. Monday of last week he left here for a visit to Peoria, leaving the dog to be cared for on a farm near Vass. The dog disappeared and, since Mr. Abel's return from Illinois, the latter part of last week, he has had but one mission: to find the dog.

He has driven more than 600 miles on rural roads of this area, stopping and tooting his horn at intervals, knowing that if Juke is free, she would come running or, that if she is penned up somewhere, she would bark.

A touching fact about the loss is (Continued on Page 8)

NEW LIBRARY SERVICE

A new table featuring books for children and teen-agers was arranged today at the Southern Pines Library and will continue as a permanent part of the library's facilities. The library's book committee is sorting children's books on the shelves and expects to buy a number of new books, it was announced.

Tobacco Trucks Are Rolling On The Highways, Farmers Are Bringing Their Crop To Be Auctioned

In Big Warehouses Golden Piles Of Leaf Put Money In Growers' Pockets

By KATHARINE BOYD

This is the time of year when everywhere you go you see tobacco trucks rolling on their way.

They are thick in this section, now going to the market in Aberdeen. You'll see them along the back country roads, the pungent leads piled high under a well-tucked in cover. The growers will be driving the truck, like as not, and a car or two with women in

and children, or Negro tenants, will be following, all going to the market to see what happens to their prized crop. And, from the markets the great company trucks go on with their towering loads of hogsheads or burlap-covered baskets to the factories. North Carolina's tobacco crop is on its way.

Growers Are Early Birds

Down in Aberdeen where the market season is about half over,

the sales are going strong. You drive down there behind a line of rocking trucks, cars scurrying in and out, all hurrying to get there early. The growers are the first ones. They have to be early birds, sometimes even to come the night before. Their tobacco, packed still on the sticks on which the crop has been cured, must be taken off the truck and arranged for sale on the warehouse trays. It must all be in

place before the sale starts. But the buyers are getting there early, too. Everybody is in a hurry to get the selling started.

As you pull up near the Planters Warehouse of Gene Maynard and Bill Maurer on the Aberdeen-Raeford road, you can hear the auctioneer's voice. From the dark wide doorway in the sprawling low-roofed tin building comes the call: "dollaradollaradollar. . .". The chant starts on a middling

high note, drops low, a sixth, maybe, and creeps up in a slightly dissonant chord.

Sculptured Beauty

At first, as you stand in the door, coming in from the glare outside, it is like looking into a deep, dark, sweet-smelling cavern. Then the light from the sky-lights above, slanting in long sunbeams across the floor, begins to catch the white shirts of the men, to glint on a dolly or truck han-

dle. And then the soft sea beneath emerges, the long lines of basket-trays of tobacco, each one with leaves laid out in a pattern like a sunburst, the soft light turning to gold the tawny leaves.

There is a sculptured beauty here, the same kind of beauty you see in a field of the stately living plants. Each bunch of leaves is tied in a symmetrical knot, the (Continued on Page 14)



TOBACCO IS PILED HIGH IN LONG ROWS . . .



BUYERS SWAY DOWN THE LINE. SALE MOVES FAST . . .



GENE MAYNARD—AUCTIONEER AND WAREHOUSE MAN