

STEEPLECHASE WORKOUT-M. G. "Mickey" Walsh, topranking trainer who owns Stoneybrook Farm where the Stoneybrook Hunt Races will be held March 17, is shown in a close-up at right clocking horses being galloped around the track by his daughters, Joan and Maureen. Another daughter, Audrey, will join her sisters in the ladies' race at Stoneybrook, and Mrs. Walsh will enter her timber and hurdle horses in the races. (North Carolina News Bureau Photo)

# Stoneybrook Race Meeting Will Open U. S. Steeplechasing Season March 17 The nation's hunt racing and ships already subscribed for are steeplechasing season will open far exceeding that of any previous with the pinth applied. Stepper

nave ever held," Stitzer said.

the flat track.

He also reported that the course

All the traditional color and ex-

Other activities scheduled in-

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**Memorial Field** 

dule which begins March 21.

Returning lettermen include

Benschoten, Tony Parker, Billy

Hamel, George Reams, Johnny

Watkins, Bobby Cline, Billy Cox, Roger Verhoeff and Kenneth

Newcomers who look promising

are Everett Cushman, Hill Bos-

well, Ike Woodell, Thomas Vann,

Bobby Parker, Dickie McInnis,

Steve Smith, Dennis Morgan,

Donald Walter and John McCon-

The team, runners-up to Car-

thage in the county conference

last year, will play two games

each week through May 3. The

county tournament will start the

Coach Leonard pointed out that

with the ninth annual Stoney- year. "The advance subscriptions brook Hunt Race Meeting over the for memberships and the advance Stoneybrook course near Southern sale of parking spaces indicate the Pines on St. Patrick's Day, March races will be the best attended we

Hundreds of racing enthusiasts from all over the country are ev- is in extremely good condition due pected to attend the colorful event to the recent rains.

which begins at 2 p.m. Charles W. Stitzer, Southern citement of timber and hurdle sale. Pines hotelman and executive racing will be displayed in the secretary of the Stoneybrook program of eight races which will races, said today that member-include races on the turf and on

# Cr. Languer Heads Feature event is the Sandhills Cup, about two and one-half miles Music Assn.; Plans obstacles of long-leafed pine, are the Stoneybrook Open and the Yadkin. letters each containing \$2 worth the Stoneybrook Open and the Yadkin. "The next biggest part of the tax dollar is spent on the general fund, which is the administration of the country government and in

Dr. Fred W. Langner was elect- Hounds, will start the activities at ed president of the Sandhills Mus- 2 p.m. In that race the riders will ic Association at a meeting held be attired in formal foxhunting at the Library Monday evening. wear and will compete over a two Mrs. Davis as follows: Other officers elected were Mrs. | and one-quarter mile course over fences. Henry Page, Jr., treasurer, and Mrs. Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., sec-

clude a formal drag hunt by the Moore County Hounds at 10 a.m. Conducted by the retiring presthe day of the races, a gymkhana ident of the past two years, Lawrence McN. Johnson, who receiv-Farms the day before the races, ed a warm round of applause on his successful administration of the organization's affairs, the members at the Pine Needes Club meeting concentrated on plans following the races.

for the coming year. The treasurer's report, read by for 6 p.m. Friday. Mrs. Hodgkins in the absence of Dr. Harrell Johnson, past treasur- that the following stewards had er, showed the organization has operated close to the margin financially with a budget stretched 28 Working Out to the limit. General opinion was that the last concert, of the Wag-For Baseball At ner Chorale, to be held March 23, will bring in the funds need-

ed to finish the year in the black.

Plans adopted for the new year included the decision to place a limit of four on the number of concerts and, if possible, to climax the series with the North them lettermen, are working out Ground Operations School in Carolina Symphony Orchestra. It daily at 4 p. m. at Memorial Field Southern Pines. Rep. C. B. Deane house will also be used to house is hoped that it will be possible to bring back some of the best of the talent already heard here, in accord with the expressed wishes of many subscribers.

#### COLLEGE PROPOSAL NOW AT STANDSTILL

No definite offer has been made by Southern Pines to Pineland College - Edwards Military Institute, in connection with the school's expressed interest in moving to Southern Fines, Mark J., King, Jr., president of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce, said today.

No specific information has been received from the jointly managed educational institutions in Sampson County, since W. J. Blanchard, president, visited Southern Pines

last week. "It's now a matter of waiting for any information they might want to give us," said Mr. King. "There is no definite commitment from them."

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce discussed the proposal Tuesday night at their regular meeting.



#### Easter Seal Sale To Begin; Benefit **Events Announced**

The annual Easter Seal sale of the Moore County Society for Crippled Children will start Sat-urday to run through the middle of April, it was announced this week by Miss Blanche Monroe of West End, county chairman of the

quotas will be announced.

Southern Pines, said that 1,000 operation.

Letters each containing \$2 worth "The next biggest part of the over timber. Hurdle races, over envelopes, she said.

Special fund raising events of the drive were announced by

fry at the Country Club, sponsored by the Elks Lodge, Harry Pethick, chairman.

Saturdays, March 24 and 31-Easter lily sales on street, with Miss Katherine Mackie and Senior Girl Scouts in charge.

Good Friday, March 30-"Cup of coffee day" for crippled children when resturants, drug stores A tea has also been scheduled and hotels will be asked to donate coffee proceeds to the seal Mr. Stitzer announced today sale (this is a nation-wide feature for the drive).

Bob Lewis is in charge of containers placed in local business establishments for coin collections, Mrs. Davis said.

#### NO INFORMATION

No further information was available this week on negotia-Some 28 Southern Pines High tions in Washington, D. C., de-School baseball hopefuls, 10 of signed to keep the USAF Air-ceramics, orchids, and paintings. in preparation for a 13-game sche- began talks with Air Force officials after the Air Force announc-Keesler AFB, Miss.

# Officials Explain **Spends Its Money**

The business of collecting and spending tax money for Moore County was explained to members of the League of Women Voters in what proved to be one of the most interesting meetings the group has ever held at the Civic Club Tues-

Gordon M. Cameron of Pine-Estelle Wicker, county tax superof county government. They folheads to its final adoption.

Mr. Cameron, long-time chair-

He said the county is presently operating on a budget of \$1,106,-284, based on a total valuation of slightly less than \$43,000,000.

"All the money we are in charge of budgeting does not come from ad valorem taxes," he said. receive certain sums from the Letters containing seals will be state and federal governmailed out in various communiments, all of which is earmarked ties of the county. Chairman and for specific purposes. The biggest slice of the tax dollar by far is the Mrs. W. P. Davis, chairman for almost 69 cents spent for school

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### **Hobby Exhibit To** Wednesday, April 11—Chicken Be At Shaw House Friday, Saturday

More than a dozen collections of interesting hobbies will be on display at the Shaw House tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday as part of a Hobby Exhibit sponsored by the Moore County Historical Associa-

The house will be open from noon to 6 p.m. both days.

According to Mrs. William Tufts of Pinehurst, general chairman, several hobbies have been added since last week, including a collection of 90 knives, a collection of miniature gardens, an exhibit

of bells, and a collection of bas-

kets made of Carolina jasmine. Other exhibits include collections of quilts, hooked rugs, baskets, jewelry, carvings, dolls, elephants, old china, brass and copper, books, butterflies, carvings, The log cabin adjacent to the part of the exhibits.

Admission is \$1 for adults and ed recently that the school would 25 cents for children. Proceeds of Lynn Van Benschoten, John Van be transferred this summer to the exhibit will be used for the benefit of the Shaw House.

## County's 7th Traffic Death Of How Moore County Year Leads Long List Of Wrecks

#### **Financial Condition** Sound, Credit Good, Says Board Chairman

day night.

hurst, chairman of the county Board of Commissioners, and Mrs. visor and accountant, sketched to a small but enthusiastic audience the complete financial workings lowed a budget through from the original requests of department

man of the five-man board, explained to the group just how the board is elected. He pointed out that every section of the county is represented on the board through a system whereby each of five county districts has one member. Four of the districts, he said, each include two townships, and a fifth district consists of a single township, Carthage.

#### Made For Programs The traditional Pink Coat Race, for members of the Moore County Pines High School addressed the Continued on page 20 Table High School addressed the County Race of the Moore County Madkin. The traditional Pink Coat Race, for members of the Moore County Pines High School addressed the Continued on page 20 Continued on page 20 Charles W. Picquet For 80th Birthday A birthday cake with candles When J. Talbot Johnson of Ab-

HONORED - Charles W. Picquet, veteran Sandhills theatre

owner, stands beaming in characteristic affability at the door of

his Carolina Theatre. In honor of his 80th birthday, which fell

on Monday, the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, of which he is a charter

member, honored Mr. Picquet Wednesday with a surprise ap-

pearance and birthday program at the theatre. The program in-

cluded a special showing of "Guys and Dolls," a film that, like

countless others in the past 40 years, Mr. Picquet has obtained

in advance of even many larger communities. He is widely

known and liked among theatre owners and entertainers as well

ablaze, speeches, cheers, tears, a erdeen, the appointed speechbox picnic . . . this was not the maker and cake-presenter for the usual Kiwanis weekly lunch, nor group, began: "It was 43 years ago the usual scene in the Carolina that I first saw Charlie, in this Theatre where all this was taking very theatre," he squinted over the gathering and said: "Sam place Wednesday.

as residents of this area.

The show inside was billed sim- Richardson there, was here, too, ply: "Charlie Picquet's 80th Birth- and Ralph Chandler, but we three, day Party."

Gathered in the theatre to honor Mr. Picquet's shoulders, "we four self around them. the owner and manager were all are the only old-timers who were as well, and a goodly number of ered here!" the Sandhills' leading citizens.

#### Civil Court Terms **Slated Next Week**

Judge Frank Armstrong of edy film," according to advance Troy will preside over a onenotices, the film was stopped midweek term of Civil Court beginning Monday, it has been an-

Five cases were docketed for the term but two of them have been settled out of court The Pancake Jamboree Delinquency To Be been settled out of court. The other three are expected to take other three are expected to take the entire week, except Monday Set Here Friday when Judge Armstrong will hear the pre-trial calendar.

Two divorces are scheduled for the term, which will have a jury.

## 100 MPH Car Snaps 8-inch Pine At Stump

A rash of highway accidents, one of them resulting in Moore County's seventh fatality of the year, have been reported since last Friday. There were 14 highway fatalities in the county last year, and two motor vehicle accidents deaths on private proper-

Pvt. James A. Wright, 23, of Shelby, was fatally injured about 2:30 a. m. Tuesday when thrown from a car as it left the Vass-Carthage road and overturned several times.

Wright, who was stationed at Ft. Bragg, died about two hours after being admitted to St. Jos-

ephs of the Pines Hospital. Cpl. M. S. Parvin, who investigated the accident, said the driver, Harold Evans, 21, a Kentuckian, who is stationed at Ft. Bragg, fell asleep at the wheel. After the car had finally come to a stop, Evans, unhurt, made his way to

a nearby home for help.

The accident took place near
Farm Life school, about four

miles from Carthage. Evans is being held in Moore County jail in default of \$5,000 bond, pending hearings in Re-

corder's Court Saturday.
Cpl. Parvin also investigated what he termed "one of the worst accidents I've ever seen" shortly after midnight Sunday on the Pinehurst-airport road between

NC 2 and the airport. William Dudley, 34, of Sanford, was seriously injured and for several days was reported on the critical list at St. Joseph's Hospi-

According to Cpl. Parvin, the car was apparently running at a high speed, "conservatively estimated at 100 miles per hour," when Dudley, traveling alone, lost control on a curve, lost control and tore off into the woods. Parvin said the car hit a largepine tree, flew up into the air, and with its right bumper broke off an eight-inch pine and sent the stump of the tree flying 30 or 40 feet away. Before the car finally came to a standstill, it hit no, four," putting his arm about two more trees and wrapped it-

Graydon Foushee of Sanford, the Kiwanians who could get here on that memorable day, who was first on the scene, said there, the wives of many of them, Since then, how many have gath- he had been with Dudley earlier in the evening at a ball game in Rockingham and at a dance at made during the intermission of Pinehurst. He told Cpl. Parvin the moving picture, "Guys and that he did not witness the acci-Dolls," which opened at noon, in a dent, but came by shortly after special presentation for the occa- it happened.

Patrolman H. A. Hight, Jr., resion. Given "in the smallest theatre in the country to produce this ported two accidents he investinewest and greatest musical com- gated over the weekend. The first one was investigated

Saturday night at 8 p. m. It ocway through to allow for the Currer on the Lakeview-airport (Continued on Page 8)

Mr. Johnson's remarks were

(Photo by Humphrey)

Tickets are available from all Rotarians and at the door for the Southern Pines Rotary Club's ture of a Civic Club meeting at "pancake jamboree" — unique fund-raising project that will take ed speaker will be Clinton W. Place Friday at the Fellowship Hall of the Church of Wide Fel-Scheduled to take part in the Hall of the Church of Wide Fel-Rotarians and Rotary Anns will

serve pancakes at a small charge and an official of a corporation erated by Mrs. A. G. Wallace—al of the loan, amount of which that is being formed with a view widow of the founder who set it was not named.

| And was positive to the loan, amount of which that is being formed with a view widow of the founder who set it was not named. 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and local folks are per Moore County. urged to plan to eat breakfast or lunch out Friday.

Proceeds of the event will go to help Rotary charities and community service programs, including the annual Halloween carnival for children, the school band, a bation officer for juvenile and doscholarship fund, basketball ban- mestic relations courts of New quet and support of a Greek or- York City. phan (see photo elsewhere in today's Pilot).

#### GAME DATE CHANGED Date of the annual basketball

game between Southern Pines in the PTA has been changed The new firm's area of service, from March 15 to March 14. The

**Discussed Monday** A panel discussion of the delinquency problem will be a fea-3 p. m. Monday when the featur-

discussion with Mr. Areson are Mrs. Howard Butler of Southern Pines and J. C. Phillips, principal of Westmoore School in up-

Mr. Areson's topic is: "I Lived Ten Years With Juvenile De-linquents." He was formerly superintendent of the largest New York State training school for boys and also has been chief pro-

#### STORE HOURS

Most Southern Pines retail establishments are remaining open on Wednesday afternoons during March and April. The stores usually close on those days but the new hours are being observed for the convenience of tourists and local shoppers.

#### COMPANY SUMMONED TO MARCH 15 HEARING

### New Phone System Planned For Pinebluff

week that plans for the new company's operations will be presented at a hearing called by the State Utilities Commission for Thursday of next week, March 15.

following week with preliminary The Commission announced a games at different fields in the county. Semi-finals and finals are scheduled to be played here at

to setting up and operating a dial up as an independent company 52 telephone system in Pinebluff and years ago and was active in its and members of her family. Plans Revealed

few days ago that the Pinebluff cluding a dial exchange. He said Telephone Company has been that surveys of the area and the tion, arrangements are being summoned to appear at that hear- potential business of the new firm made to compensate the Pinebluff ing to show that it has plans to have been made by an independ- Telephone Company, although all improve service or show cause ent engineer and have been check- existing equipment and lines Wednesday games were schedul- why its certificate should not be ed by engineers and officials of would be eliminated, Mr. Mills ed so that as many people work- revoked. The announcement of the Rural Electrification Adminis- said, and disposed of for their sal- High School teachers and parents ing in Southern Pines stores as the hearing cited records of com- tration to which application has possible could see the games. Be-plaints about service going back to been made for an REA loan of a ginning with the April 17 game 1950, including poor equipment, type granted to independent tele- all of which has been surveyed by change was made after a story on with Vass-Lakeview the remainling games will be played at night
on the local field.

The game 1550, including poor equipment, type granted to independent teles and of which has been salveyed by phone companies operating in ruindependent and REA engineers, page 16 of today's Pilot had been ral areas or in towns of less than on the local field.

The phone companies operating in ruindependent and REA engineers, page 16 of today's Pilot had been would be considerably extended, printed. See that story for other details of the game.

He said he based this optimism on statements made by REA offi-Telephone Co. at Aberdeen and the United Telephone Company of

In setting up the new corpora-

## E. H. Mills, mayor of Pinebluff | The company is owned and op- | man was optimistic about approv-

surrounding rural areas, said this operation until his death last year cials. Cooperation of the Sandhill Mr. Mills said that plans he has the Carolinas at Southern Pines worked out in cooperation with has been assured, he said. Plans the present owners include instal- call for using Southern Pines as a lation of all new equipment, in- toll center on long distance calls.

vage value.