

Capt. James R. Sharp, USAF, spent the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. Mary C. Sharp, 610 North May Street, while on temporary duty in the States. From here he went to Foster AFB, Victoria, Tex., before leaving for Japan. Captain Sharp's address is: AO 1908593, 80th Fighter Bomber Squadron, APO 929, San Francisco, Calif.

**Edgar Phillips,
Vass Resident,
Died This Morning**

Edgar E. Phillips, 59, of Vass, was fatally stricken with a heart attack this morning. A native of Yadkin County, he was the son of the late Hillary and Mattie Phillips. Survivors include his wife, the former Emily Cameron of Vass; one son, Ernest of Vass; two daughters, Mrs. Elna Moss, Warlick, Va., and Mrs. Magdalene Briggs, Vass; three brothers, Lloyd of Reidsville, and Travis and Seck, both of Lakeview; and two sisters, Mrs. Carrie Phillips of Lakeview, and Mrs. Ella Nettles of Atlanta, Ga. Funeral services will be held Friday at 3 p.m. at the Vass Presbyterian Church with the Rev. A. C. Trivett officiating. Burial will be in Johnson Grove Cemetery. The body will lie in state one hour preceding the funeral services.

School Cafeteria

WEST SOUTHERN PINES
Monday—Luncheon meat, Boston baked beans, cole slaw, bread, butter, milk, gingerbread.
Tuesday—Toasted cheese sandwiches, lima's escalloped tomatoes, butter, milk, rice pudding.
Wednesday—Meat loaf, buttered rice, stringbeans, bread, butter, milk, jello.
Thursday—Vegetable soup, peanut butter sandwiches, crackers, peach cobbler milk.
Friday—Fish patties, cubed potatoes in onion sauce, greens, cornbread, butter, milk, cookies.

ADMINISTRATION

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as parks, one on the East side of the town, the other on the West. This action was taken as a follow-up to the resolution adopted by the Council when the Town Park was selected as the site for the new municipal center.

Equipment
New equipment has been bought this year as further steps in modernizing the town's services. A new street sweeper and a sewer main cleaner were purchased. The street sweeper will, according to the Council, clean each street in town at least once a week.

Industrial Development

The Council took the initiative in starting the business development committee that has since grown to include representatives from each section of the county. A booklet, drawn up by members of the committee, has been prepared and is now in the printing stage. Council, in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce, businessmen and others, has expressed a vital interest in securing industry for the area. At least six groups of interested industrialists, most remaining of a confidential nature, have been shown the area by members of the Council and the business development committee.

Charter

For the first time in the town's history, a new charter has been drawn, modernizing the governmental procedures and making Southern Pines a "city" rather than a town.

Curb and Gutter

Close to 8,000 feet of curb and gutter was built during 1956. Applications are on hand for many more feet.

Natural Gas

During the year two competing companies sought authority to serve Southern Pines with natural gas. A number of discussions and meetings with representatives of the companies brought forth a "wait and see" attitude on the part of the Council.

Fire Department

This was the second year of extended fire service coverage between the town and suburban areas. Golf Crest was added under those areas with 100 per cent coverage and efforts were being made to get other areas to do the same. The fire department added no new equipment but answered dozens of calls.

Education

The town's interest in education resulted in a tremendous effort to persuade Presbyterians to locate a new four-year college

Members of the Town Council and other businessmen have pursued discussion with two other schools who have indicated some interest in locating here.

Insect Spraying
Cost of the program was approximately \$2,500 and most citizens expressed complete approval of the project. The "fogging" machine was purchased and made eight thorough sprayings of the town, cutting down sharply on insects.

National Guard
The Council allocated \$2,500 toward construction of a new national guard armory here. The project is expected to get underway soon.

Promotion
Council of Southern Pines

new thruway. Several sections have had their zoning ordinances modified. Most notable development was the decision, after public hearings, to zone the thruway for "no business."

Zoning
Dozens of new committees were appointed, including ones for revising the charter and making a complete study and

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