

Alston House Will Officially Open To Public April 6

Program Marks Climax Of Big Restoration Job

Final plans for the official opening of the restored House in the Horseshoe April 6 have been made by the Moore County Historical Association, sponsors of the project.

The house will officially be opened to the public at 3 p.m. on that date and people from throughout the state are expected to be on hand.

Prominent guests who are expected to attend and take part in the opening include Dr. Christopher Crittendon, state archivist, and James A. Stenhouse of Charlotte, president of the North Carolina Society for the Preservation of Antiquities and former chairman of the Governor's Commission on Historic Sites. It was Mr. Stenhouse who suggested the House in the Horseshoe be restored as a state historic site.

Also scheduled for the program is a playlet to be presented by the Deep River Home Demonstration Club, which has many members who are descendants of residents of the countryside where the house is located. Written by Mrs. J. J. Hume of Carthage, the play will be presented by a cast dressed in period costumes.

Another feature of the program will be the unveiling of a portrait of Governor Benjamin Williams, who used the house for a retirement home. The portrait, just completed after several weeks of painstaking work by Benjamin Fields of Fayetteville and New York, will be hung over the mantel in the parlor. Fields has done considerable research on Governor Williams and painted the portrait from an original hanging in the Hall of History in Raleigh and from photographs of the original which he discovered in Raleigh.

H. Clifton Blue, Moore County's representative to the General Assembly, and Superior Court W. A. Leland McKeithen of Pinehurst will also appear on the program. Sheriff Charles McDonald, president of the association, will preside at the ceremonies.

J. Douglas David Is New President Of Tax Collectors

J. Douglas David of Pinebluff, Moore County tax collector, was elected president of the North Carolina Tax Collectors Association at the association's annual conference in Chapel Hill last week.

The association numbers among its members 100 county tax collectors and more than 400 from towns and cities throughout the state. David has been a vice-president for the past two years.

Active in politics, David is a past president of the Moore County Young Democrats Club, and presently is Democratic precinct chairman in Pinebluff. He has been tax collector for the past four years.

He is also neighborhood commissioner for the Boy Scout program.

United Appeal Set Sunday

The 1957 United Appeal for relief and reconstruction of overseas areas will be observed in all Southern Pines churches Sunday, according to Dr. Wofford Timmons, president of the Moore County Ministerial Association.

"This is the great hour for sharing in our churches," he said. "For every one dollar contributed to the United Appeal, twenty dollars worth of necessities, including food, clothing and medical supplies, will be shipped overseas to those less fortunate than ourselves."

Dr. Timmons pointed out that \$11,500,000 will be needed in 1957 to sustain individual denominational projects and joint programs through the cooperative effort for overseas aid. U. S. government surplus foods are distributed free to hungry all over the world with the funds collected in churches



DANCING BEACON, winner of last year's Sandhills Cup in the Stoneybrook Steeplechase and a repeat winner this year, wasn't around to see his owners, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Greenhalgh, Jr., of Boyce, Va., receive the trophy from Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Winkelman of Southern Pines, the donors. The race, boosted this year to include a \$1,000 purse, firmly established Dancing Beacon as a favorite to repeat his victory in this year's Camden Cup races Saturday. Pictured here, left to right, are Mr. Winkelman, Mrs. Greenhalgh, rider Mel Ferral, Mrs. Winkelman, and Mr. Greenhalgh. (Humphrey photo)

Dancing Beacon Repeats Sandhills Cup Victory

Dancing Beacon, the favorite from Virginia, fought off several challenges Saturday afternoon to turn in a repeat victory in the running of the Sandhills Cup, feature event of the 10th annual Stoneybrook Steeplechase.

Thus, the nine-year-old bay gelding owned by Mrs. G. P. Greenhalgh, Jr., of Boyce, Va., became the favorite in the feature Carolina Cup races at Camden this Saturday. Riding him was Mel Ferral, the same jockey that guided him to an upset win over Erin's Cottage and Repose last year.

Dancing Beacon made the distance in the very good time of five minutes, two and two-fifths seconds.

Of the eight starters in the running for the Sandhills Cup, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Winkelman, only six finished. El Bravo, owned by Mrs. R. L. Parrish of Brewster, N. Y., went down at the first jump. Mountain Buck, a highly rated entry from West Chester, Pa., who had been trained here by Billy Frantz, pulled up at the last hurdle.

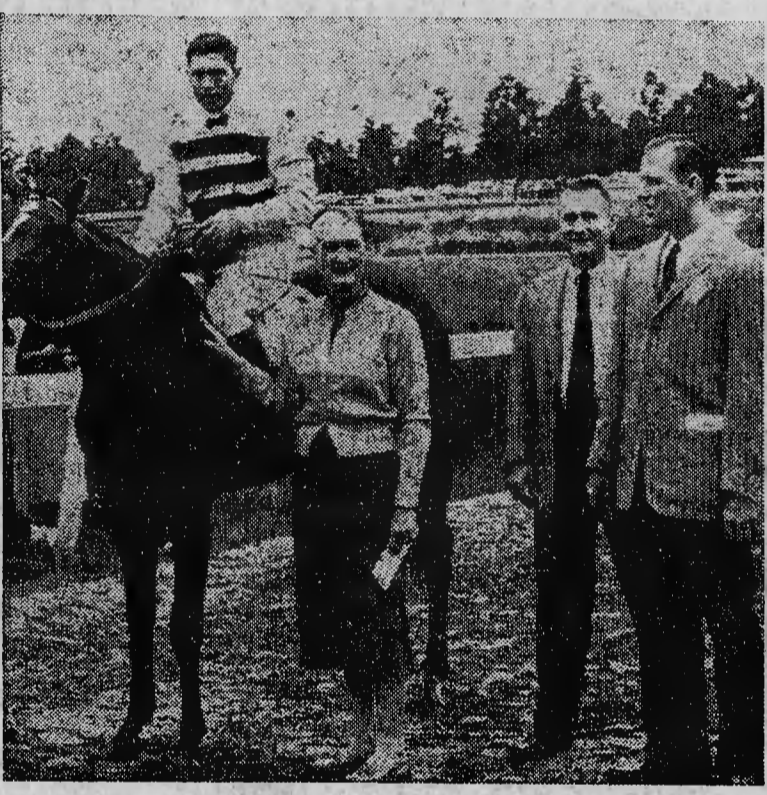
Dancing Beacon and Jamaica Boy, the midwestern champion of 1956, fought it out neck and neck most of the way, though challenged several times by Mountain Boy and Navy Talk.

After the final 13th fence, Dancing Beacon was ahead by three lengths; Ferral, apparently sensing victory, let him out and he finished four lengths in front of Jamaica Boy.

The weather, bad for the past three seasons, was better Saturday, though for a while it looked as though the early morning chill might not go away. But several thousand fans, rated as one of the best crowds recently, seemed to be immensely enjoying themselves as the seven events were run off.

One big thing missing was Carlyle Cameron, rated as the top steeplechase rider for many years. He was not entered at all. The Walsh family, usually a big winner in the meet, won only

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LADY LYRIC, a two year old, came through in good time to give Mr. and Mrs. George Bishop, new residents of Southern Pines, a victory in the annual Stoneybrook Steeplechase last Saturday. Lady Lyric won the two-year old trial race. Pictured here are Mr. Bishop on right, an unidentified spectator, Mrs. Bishop, and rider Scotty Schulhofer. (Humphrey photo)

Two Properties On Young's Road Change Hands; New Building Seen

Real estate activity continues out Young's Road way with the news this week of two more recent sales.

Mrs. Reid Healy, of Firlleigh Farm has sold her stable and 12 acres to Mr. and Mrs. George Bishop of Winston-Salem, while the land known as Scott's Corners, formerly the farm of Royal R. Scott, has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Moss, of Mt. Kisco, by the former owners, W. O. Moss's Moore County Company.

The Healy sale covers the northeastern corner of the large estate which adjoins the Harold Collins and Mrs. Audrey Kennedy properties on the west and south, and the Notre Dame School land to the east.

Both new purchasers plan to build within the near future. Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, who have both hunters and race-horses, will renovate and probably add to the present stable and hope to start on plans for their house soon.

The Mt. Kisco Mosses, whose new 23-acre estate borders Young's Road from the corner to the Harry Vale property line, will be down over this weekend when they will lay plans for their house, the stable to follow later. Mr. Moss is with the New York and Chicago firm of Standard Rate and Data Company. They have hunted here with the Moore County Hounds for several seasons.

Campaign To Rid County Of Obscene Magazines Started

County Board Of Education Takes Steps This Week

"Suggestive and vile publications imperiling the morals of our youth" was the term given various magazine racks by the Moore County Board of Education this week.

The board, at the instigation of Jere McKeithen of Aberdeen, adopted a strong resolution to ban the distribution and sale of such literature, which was termed "salacious."

The resolution, seconded by T. Roy Phillips of Carthage, calls for cooperative action by principals of all schools in the county, school committeemen, Parent-Teacher Associations, local ministers, and the public at large.

Samples of some of the magazines which children may purchase at drug stores and newsstands were examined by the board at its meeting.

"Although we are taking the lead in this fight on a county-wide basis," county school superintendent H. Lee Thomas said, "we are asking each community to wage its own campaign. Conditions are worse in some communities than others."

One member of the school board said that most of the magazines are shipped to the county by truck to avoid postal regulations.

Several weeks ago a Pilot reporter was told by a merchant who sells magazines that "far more of that type magazine is shipped back to the distributor than ever goes on the display racks. It's becoming a big business with the distributors and every week sees literally dozens of new titles added to the list."

The school board is sending letters to various groups and individuals in the county enlisting their support.

\$3,000 QUOTA IN COUNTY

Annual Easter Seal Sale Drive Is Underway; Roger Gibbs Is Chairman

The annual Easter Seal sales drive in Moore County is now underway and will last through Easter Sunday, April 21, it has been announced by Roger Gibbs of Southern Pines, county chairman.

Gibbs said that letters containing the seals had been sent to residents throughout the county and that returns should begin arriving shortly. He said the county goal this year had been placed at \$3,000.

The funds will be used to aid crippled children.

Chairmen in their respective communities who will head the canvass are: Southern Pines, Bill Johnson; Pinebluff, Mrs. J. D. Mangum; Carthage, Mrs. Wilbur Currie; Parkwood, Mrs. O. T. Parks; Niagara, Mrs. Bob Dutton; Vass-Lakeview, Mrs. H. A. Matthews; Eagle Springs, Mrs. Roy Williams; Aberdeen, Mrs. Ray W.

Gilmore Not To Seek Council Re-election; Race Wide Open

No Candidates File Yet; April 5 Is Deadline

Mayor Voit Gilmore announced today that he would not be a candidate for re-election in the forthcoming municipal elections. His announcement, coupled with the rumor that at least two other councilmen may not seek re-election, leaves the field wide open for candidates.

Gilmore said his decision was purely a personal one and that he regretted having to make it, but pressure of business and family responsibilities had made it imperative.

There are no announced candidates yet though a number of candidates are expected to start filing early next week. Deadline is April 5. If more than 10 file, a primary will be held April 22 with the top 10 going into a runoff set for May 7.

At least one present member of the Council is almost sure to run, T. T. Morse. He has again been endorsed by the West Southern Pines Civic Club, the same endorsement he received prior to announcing in 1955. Morse has made no public statement yet, however.

The other three Councilmen, Harry Pethick, Sam Richardson and Walter Blue, said they were turning the matter over in their minds and would not know until next week whether or not they would seek re-election. Richardson, who was appointed to the Council to fill the unexpired term of Lloyd Clark early in the present administration, is a doubtful starter, as is Pethick.

The possibility of a woman filing for the Council has been coming up more often in street conversations but no names have been mentioned often enough to make them likely candidates. It is known, however, that several have been approached and there is a strong possibility that one or more will file.

Here is the text of Gilmore's statement:

"I will not be a candidate for re-election to Town Council this Spring. Duties as mayor and mayor pro-tem the last four years have taken many hours from my family and my business interests and in fairness to both I must give more time to private life.

"I love our town and hope and believe that the many changes under city manager government will prove to be (Continued on Page 8)

Eight Scouts Will Get Eagle Badges At Court Of Honor

Eight boys, all members of Explorer Post 936 of Carthage, will receive their Eagle Scout awards at a Court of Honor Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the Carthage Presbyterian Church.

The eight constitute the largest single class ever to receive the coveted honor at one ceremony in the history of scouting in this county, according to Frank Yandell, district scout executive.

The class is composed of Mose Boyette, Jr., Reid and Russell Flinchum, Yates Williamson, Ted Frye, Bobby Frye, Barney Barnes, and R. L. Felton III. Their post is sponsored by the American Legion Post in Carthage. Frank Bowen is advisor.

Several other advancements, including the presentation of the National Camping Award to Troop 206, Pinebluff, will be made, according to Frank McNeill, district advancement chairman who is in charge of the Court of Honor.



COMMUNITY CHAIRMEN for the annual Moore County Easter Seal Sale have been announced by Roger Gibbs, county chairman. Pictured above are, top row, Bill Sledge, Pinehurst; Mrs. Roy Williams, Eagle Springs; Mrs. Alton Matthews, Vass-Lakeview; and Mrs. Bob Dutton, Niagara. Bottom row, Bill Johnson, Southern Pines; Mrs. J. D. Mangum, Pinebluff; Mrs. Wilbur Currie, Carthage; and Mrs. O. T. Parks, Parkwood. (Photos by Dave Drexel)