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NEED IS GREAT

Maternal Welfare Tag Day To Be Held Throughout County Saturday

Saturday is Maternal Welfare Tag Day. On that day, the day before Mother's Day, tags are sold in all county towns for the benefit of this purely Moore County charity.

Main objects of the drive for funds are the support of the free bed for needy mothers at the Moore Memorial Hospital and the Nurses Fund, emergency account on which the public health nurses of the county department may draw for the purchase of milk, medicine and other supplies not quickly available through regular channels.

In charge of the drive here are Mrs. James Boyd, co-chairman, with Mrs. Talbot Johnson of Aberdeen, of the county committee, Mrs. L. T. Avery and Mrs. Claude Reams. As their helpers, manning the tables in front of the post office and at the bank, will be: Mrs. George Leonard,

Mrs. Voit Gilmore, Mrs. Lamont Brown, Mrs. Ralph Chandler, Mrs. Nolley Jackson, Mrs. R. E. Rhodes, Mrs. C. R. VanderVoort and Mrs. R. M. McMillan.

Said Mrs. Boyd, commenting on the work: "This year it looks as if we should try to raise more money than ever. Last year nine cases were cared for in the free bed, but this year that number has already been passed, and five more mothers are booked to come in during the next three months."

Mrs. Boyd said that welfare costs and caseloads were rising. "The calls on committee funds are bound to go up," she said, "and this is a challenge that must be met. We cannot fail these desperately needy mothers who are counting on us for help."

Southern Pines raised more than half of the county amount last year, the chairman said. Street sales alone were \$243.81, and: "We're going all out to make that at least \$300 this time," Mrs. Boyd said.

In a letter sent to absent friends of the maternal welfare work, the committee listed some of the cases booked for occupancy of the free bed these

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Kiwanis Hear Talk On Securing Technical Schools

With a view to interesting the State in establishing a new technical institute in this area, the Sandhills Kiwanis Club Wednesday heard a talk by Dr. Robert C. Carson, Jr., of N. C. State College, on the need for expansion of technical education.

"We expect twice as many students in engineering and technical schools in the state within the next 15 years," he said.

He told the Kiwanians and their guests, members of the Moore County Industrial Development Committee, that the output of present graduates of such institutions today is only a fraction of those needed, and that students are interested due to the fact that jobs paying approximately \$500 per month await them after graduation.

Dr. Carson reviewed the work being done at Gaston Technical Institute in Gastonia, which is soon to be enlarged from a one-year to a two-year course, and spoke of some of the ways an area could possibly obtain such a school.

He was presented to the club by L. T. Avery, who has been working recently trying to build support for such a program here.

Travel Council To Hold 2-Day Meet Here This Week

"Building North Carolina's Tourist Industry" is the theme of the Friday and Saturday meeting of the N. C. Travel Council executive committee in Southern Pines.

Voit Gilmore, president of the Council, said sessions will be held at Mid Pines Club and at Howard Johnson's, attended by leaders of the state's travel industry.

Friday at 6:30 p. m. the Town of Southern Pines is entertaining the out-of-town visitors at a social hour after which the group will have a dutch-treat dinner.

Saturday at 9:30 a. m. at Mid Pines the public is invited to a Travel Council forum on advertising and promotion techniques, tourist recreation facilities, travel host schools, highway informational signs, and the anti-litterbug program.

A private luncheon at Howard Johnson's will follow.

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SWEARING IN CEREMONIES for new members of the Town Council were held Tuesday morning in the temporary Town Hall. Taking the oaths of office was the first order of business after the old Council had convened for the last time. Pictured, left to right, the new Councilmen are D. E. Bailey, Gen. Pearson Menoher, W. E. Blue, T. T. Morse, and J. B. Tollison. Gary Head, assistant town manager, is on the right administering the oath. (Pilot photo)

Medlin Named For Another Term In Aberdeen; Barnes Out In Carthage

Dr. E. M. Medlin, unopposed, was elected mayor of Aberdeen Tuesday. Dr. Medlin had announced at one time that he did not wish to continue in the position he has held for many years but reconsidered after many of his fellow townspeople prevailed on him to run.

He received 233 votes.

Elected to serve with him were J. J. Greer, 194; J. B. Edwards, 192; Ralph Leach, 177; N. A. Pleasants, 162; and W. S. Taylor, 155.

Other candidates were George D. Anderson, John G. Sloan, and E. R. Graham.

J. G. Farrell was elected judge of the Recorder's Court in Aberdeen, defeating P. H. Wilson, who had served since the court was inaugurated a few months ago. Robert N. Page, III, who had been serving with Wilson, was unopposed for re-election as solicitor of the court. He received 246 votes to lead the entire ticket.

Farrell, who has been serving as a magistrate (Justice of the Peace) in Aberdeen, is giving up the job and will be succeeded by J. B. Edwards, a member of the town board. Edwards was officially appointed to the position Wednesday by Carleton Kennedy, Clerk of Superior Court. Mr. Farrell said he did not think it in the best interest for him to serve both as magistrate of one court and judge of another.

Other town elections saw the following results:

Pinebluff
At Pinebluff Mayor E. H. Mills was re-elected to his fifth term as mayor with 131 votes. He was unopposed.

Town commissioners elected were John B. Tulloch, 82; Mrs. Victoria Cleary, 76; and Vernon Davis, Jr., 74.

Eliminated were Robert Brock, 73; John Burrer, 65; and Brady Brooks, 52.

Carthage
Jack Williams, an insurance man, defeated Archie L. Barnes in his bid for re-election. Williams received 250 votes and Barnes received 156.

More than 70 per cent of the registered voters in the town

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BANK HOLIDAY
The Citizens Bank and Trust Company will be closed all day Friday, May 10, in observance of Confederate Memorial Day. Other businesses will be open as usual.

New Council Names W. E. Blue As Mayor

W. E. Blue, who has served on the Town Council as treasurer for the past eight years, was unanimously elected mayor as the new Council assumed office yesterday (Wednesday) morning.

Mr. Blue, as he had in the primary and in both elections last year, polled the highest number of votes in the Tuesday election.

Other Councilmen who won seats are J. B. Tollison, Brig. Gen. Pearson Menoher, T. T. Morse and D. E. Bailey.

Menoher was named Mayor Pro Tem and Bailey succeeded Blue as treasurer.

A total of 1157 people voted Tuesday and, though less than many people had expected, was a fairly good turnout. Blue, 550 votes, led the ticket. Tollison, a surprise in the primary, was second again as he polled 526 votes. General Menoher, not among the top five in the primary, was third with 518, Morse fourth with 463, and Bailey fifth with 461.



CONGRATULATIONS were extended both ways Tuesday morning as outgoing mayor Voit Gilmore and incoming mayor W. E. Blue shook hands after the first meeting of the new Town Council. Mr. Blue, named to the job by unanimous vote of the other four Councilmen, was asking Mr. Gilmore to drop around for future Council meetings. Gilmore said he would. (Pilot photo)

Harry H. Pethick, who served during the last two years as Mayor Pro Tem and was among the top five in the primary, failed to be re-elected. He polled 447 votes and was followed by Robert S. Ewing with 441, Sam Richardson with 317, and Leland M. Daniels, Jr., with 101.

At the swearing in ceremonies Wednesday morning, held in the town hall, out-going Mayor Voit Gilmore called the meeting to order and concluded the few items of business of the previous Council.

"Speaking on behalf of the entire Council," he said, "we are grateful to the town for the wonderful spirit of cooperation and the great interest shown in town affairs during the past two years. We have made mistakes, but they were mistakes of the mind and not of the heart."

He offered the assistance of each of the outgoing members to the new Council.

Though the present Council has "pretty well" wrapped up all its projects, he said, "there will be many problems facing the new Council. Planning of the No. 1 highway thruway will certainly be a problem and I urge each of you to consider, as did the last Council, what is in the best interests of the town. We are all anxious that you see to it that the thruway is kept beautiful."

Gilmore also announced one final appointment: that of Dr. Harold Johnson to replace Denison K. Bullens as a member of the recently appointed town Parks and Parkways Beautification Committee. Mr. Bullens, he said, had declined the appointment, though expressing much interest in the work of the committee.

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COMMUNITY SADDENED AT NEWS

Charles W. Picquet Died At Home Saturday



Funeral services for Charles W. Picquet, one of the Sandhills' most beloved residents, were held Tuesday afternoon at the Church of Wide Fellowship with hundreds of people attending. Many of them were school children, come to pay their respects to a man who made them mind their manners at his theatre.

Mr. Picquet, who was 81, died Saturday night at his home here of a heart condition. He had, until the day of his death, continued his active management of The Carolina Theatre, which he first began operating in 1913.

Singing several of the songs he loved was the Aberdeen Glee Club, winner this year, and for three years preceding, of the Charles W. Picquet Cup, given to the outstanding high school glee club in the county each year.

Dr. Wofford C. Timmons, minister of the Church of Wide Fellowship, and Dr. Cheves K. Ligon, pastor of Brownson Memorial Church, conducted the services. Burial followed in Mount Hope Cemetery.

Mr. Picquet is survived by his wife and one-time partner in a musical troupe, Juanita Rush Picquet.

All businesses in town were closed for one hour so that owners and employees could pay final respects.

For 45 years Mr. Picquet has been a cultural and civic leader in the Sandhills. Though he and Mrs. Picquet moved here in 1911 to retire, he soon took over the operation of the town's only theatre at the insistence of local

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SVA Scholarship For Nurse Will Be Awarded Saturday

Winner of the annual nurses scholarship of the Sandhills Veterans Association will be announced following a meeting of the selection board Saturday morning.

Five candidates have applied for the scholarship. Of the five, one candidate and an alternate will be selected and one will be sent to a nursing school in this state. Under terms of an agreement, the student nurse must return to Moore County to work for at least one year after completing her training. Several are practicing the profession in the two hospitals now.

This is the 10th year the scholarships have been made available. Contributions from individuals and other organizations throughout the county make the award possible.

Candidates are Georgia Mav Joyce, and Hazel Lucielle Cadwell, West End High School; Martha Lenelle Michael, Farm Life School; Norma Joyce Edmonds, Pinehurst High School; and Clarice Caviness, Highlands High School.

The selection board is composed of representatives of the Recorder's Court, Moore County Hospital, the County Board of Education, and the Sandhills Veterans Association. Board members this year are B. C. Avery, Gen. R. R. Hill, Dr. P. P. Green, Miss Margaret Moser, and Jere McKeithen.

FOR BEAUTIFICATION

Gilmore Returns \$1,200 In Salary Received During Tenure On Council

Voit Gilmore, retiring mayor of Southern Pines, announced at the first meeting of the new Council Tuesday morning that he was returning the money paid him in salary during his two year term of office. The salary is \$50 per month.

The funds, which amount to \$1,200 plus interest, had been kept in a savings account, Gilmore said, and he hoped they could be used for beautification projects.

Following the announcement the Council, on motion of Sam Richardson, expressed thanks on behalf of the entire town for the bequest.

In a statement given to the town, Gilmore said:

"With the end of my term of office today I wish to announce that I am giving back to the town the salary I have earned as mayor during the last two years.

"At the time of my election I did not expect to receive a salary for my services and consequently I have set aside the entire \$1200 as a gift to Southern Pines for some suitable public purpose.

"I have conferred with Town Manager Scheipers and state highway officials about the possibility of using these funds for beautification of the Pennsylvania Avenue-Thruway cloverleaf. It is urgently necessary that we assure the permanent beauty of our new bypass and this first step toward beautification will be submitted to the town's Park and Parkway Committee for study.

"This gesture is not intended to set any precedent. It is purely and simply a manifestation of my gratitude for all that Southern Pines has meant to me and a small effort to further enhance the beauty and charm of the town we all love so well."

RAISING COSTS CITED

Hospital Requests More Funds Of County For Indigent Patient Care

Members of the Moore County Hospital Board of Directors appeared before the County Commissioners Monday to request an increase of the current amounts the county pays for indigent patient care at the hospital.

Headed by Jack Taylor of Aberdeen, chairman of the hospital's Board of Directors, the delegation included Thomas Howerton, hospital administrator, Voit Gilmore, chairman of the hospital's finance committee, and Paul Dana, a member of the board of directors.

Howerton told the commissioners, now hearing requests to be included in the upcoming budget, that indigent patient care at the hospital last year was \$15.48 per day. "Since then," he said, "costs have continued to rise."

Last year, he reminded the commissioners, appropriations amounting to \$6 per day, plus fees for laboratory and operating room, had been paid, but did not average much over \$10 per day. The hospital received more than 200 indigent patients, certified by the county last year. In addition, it treated many more from surrounding counties.

Howerton told the commissioners, also, that the county was in a particularly good position insofar as hospital care was concerned. "We are fortunate in that many people have left bequests to the hospital and we have not gone to the county with requests

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McDonald Named To Head Historical Assn. Second Year

With some 50 people attending, representing all county towns, the Moore County Historical Association held its annual meeting Tuesday at Paint Hill Farm.

All officers were named to additional one-year terms. They are: Sheriff C. J. McDonald, president; Mrs. Ernest Ives, first vice-president; W. A. Leland McKeithen, second vice-president; Mrs. Katharine McColl, third vice-president; Norris Hodgkins, Jr., treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Avery, recording secretary; and Miss Flora McDonald, corresponding secretary.

Named to the Board of Directors was Mrs. Warren Ferguson of Cameron. W. D. Campbell was named an honorary director.

Reports of the previous year's work were impressive. Both the association's primary projects, the Shaw House in Southern Pines and the recently restored House in the Horseshoe are attracting large numbers of visitors, the association was told.

Plans were made to have hostesses on hand at the House in the Horseshoe each Sunday and Mrs. Charles Grier of Carthage was named chairman of the project. Mrs. Worth McLeod reported that a group of which she was a member acted as hostesses at the house last Sunday.

Mrs. Ives said that W. S. Tarleton of the State Department of History and Archives had reported the discovery, between the house and Deep River, of foundations of old walls that apparently were former walls and gardens.

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