

Morse Successor May Be Selected By Council Friday

Two Endorsed By WSP Civic Club For Post

A tentative meeting of the Southern Pines Town Council has been called for next Friday, September 6, to select a member to fill the vacancy created when T. T. Morse resigned last week.

Mayor Walter Blue said this morning, however, that the meeting was contingent on the feelings of other members of the Council as to whether they had had sufficient time to consider prospective nominees. Also, he pointed out, Gen. Pearson Menoher is out of town and will not return until after Labor Day. There is some possibility he will not be here for a meeting if it were called for September 6 and Mayor Blue has stated that he feels all members should be present when the selection is made.

Meanwhile, there has been much discussion as to the eventual successor to Morse's position. In West Southern Pines this week an emergency meeting of the Board of Directors of the West Southern Pines Civic Club was held and two nominees were selected and proposed to the Council.

The Rev. G. D. McNeill, president of the club, said in a letter to individual members of the Council that "because of the vast amount of work that had been done in West Southern Pines in the past election," a Negro should be appointed to fill the vacancy. Morse was the first Negro ever to hold a seat on the Council and he held it for one term and part of another.

Rev. McNeill suggested to the Council that two Negroes had received endorsement from the club, T. R. Goins and Felton Capel, both well known.

Members of the Council said they had been approached only a few times by people with suggestions for a replacement. Mayor Blue said he had received perhaps five suggestions; D. E. Bailey had received three.

There has been some discussion (mostly on street corners) of calling for a special election to fill the post. However, the Town Charter calls for the Council itself to select a member if there is a resignation. Also, and again it's only street talk, there have been suggestions that one of the defeated candidates in the May election should be appointed. Some other people feel the Council should go outside the defeated list and select the new Councilman.

Morse resigned last week for what he termed personal and (Continued on page 5)

Dr. W. C. Timmons Dies Suddenly

The Rev. Wofford Colquitt Sandhills a comparatively short time, his influence had been widespread and he had become one of the most beloved personalities of the community.

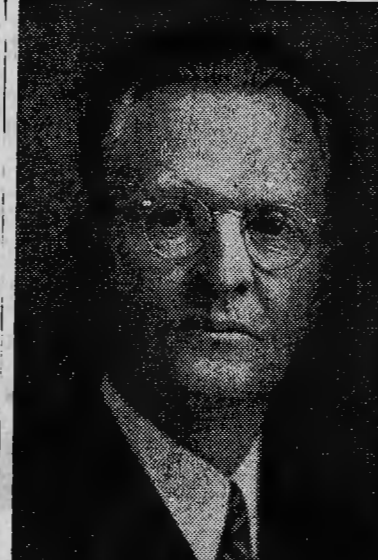
The years 1945 to 1954, during which he headed his denomination's Commission on Evangelism and Devotional Life, were dedicated and fruitful. He developed committees, seminars and convocations enlisting hundreds of ministers, superintended the publication of devotional literature, held workshops for writers of devotional material, wrote a Manual for Pastors and Book of Worship now used throughout the country, issued a churchwide "Daily Devotion," and conducted numerous campus missions and institutes on evangelism. In 1949, he held a series of conferences on the Hawaiian Islands. From 1952 to 1954 he planned 11 area conferences covering the United States and conducted most of them. During this period he also developed the "Socratic Sermon," an effective method of forum presentation now in wide use.

In February 1954 he was awarded a citation for meritorious service by the Board of Home Missions of Congregational Christian Churches, which read in part, "You have quickened the spiritual life of thousands of churches. . . In labors abundant, and in the care of all the churches, you have insisted that evangelism is the chief business of the Christian today and always."

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Though he had lived in the town of Sandhills, he was born in Lawrenceville, Ga., September 20, 1888, the son of Benson Ellison and Margaret Longden Timmons. He was educated at Southwestern College, Kansas, Drew Seminary, Union Seminary, Columbia University and Oxford University, England. During World War I he served as a chaplain with the YMCA and later worked with this organization in Minnesota. As a Congregational minister he served pastorates in Minnesota, Missouri and Connecticut. As director of the national church commission, he lived at North Tarrytown, N. Y., moving from there to Southern Pines.

He was married in 1917 to Fanny Elizabeth Pray of Toledo, Ohio, who survives. One son, James Joseph, lost his life in an accident at the age of eight. Two sons survive, Dr. Robert L. Timmons of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and John B. Timmons, of Schenectady, N. Y.; also four grandchildren, and one brother, Willis M. Timmons, of Atlanta, Ga.



DR. TIMMONS

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 3 p. m. at the Church of Wide Fellowship, conducted by Dr. W. T. Scott, Sr., of Elon College, superintendent of the Southern Conference of Congregational Christian Churches, Dr. E. Wallace Mast, pastor of the South Congregational church of New Britain, Conn., and the Rev. Carl E. Wallace, new pastor of the church here. Burial will take place later in Waterville, Ohio.

Dr. Timmons accepted the local pastorate as a preliminary to retirement following nine years as national director of the Commission on Evangelism and Devotional Life for Congregational Christian Churches in the U. S. A. Some months ago he asked that a successor be selected, retaining in service while this was done. In July the Rev. Carl Edison Wallace of Fayetteville accepted the call to the local church, and is to deliver his first sermon there Sunday.

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New Pastor To Assume Duties

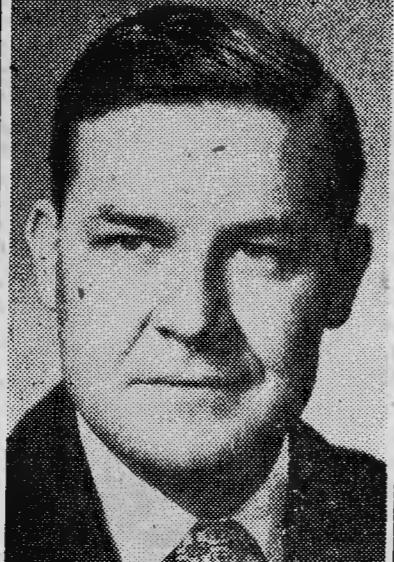
The Rev. Carl E. Wallace will assume his duties as pastor of the Church of Wide Fellowship Sunday.

Mr. Wallace, a native of Greensboro, has previously served pastorates at Louisburg and Fayetteville and is currently president of the Eastern North Carolina Conference of Congregational Christian Churches.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Elon College and a Bachelor of Divinity Degree from Duke Divinity School.

He and Mrs. Wallace, the former Rachel Elkins of Greensboro, have a son, Carl, Jr., 12, who will be in the eighth grade this year, and a daughter, Rosemary, who is three.

They are living in the parsonage at 260 N. Ridge St.



REV. CARL E. WALLACE

Blue Knights In Final Practice For Opening Game

Squad Numbers 33; Starting Lineup Not Set

Still a little confused with the intricacies of 11-man football, the Blue Knights will begin a one-day practice schedule after Monday in preparation for the opening game of the season against Liberty next Friday night on the local field.

Irie Leonard, head coach, said this week that 33 members are on the squad and a great deal of progress had been made since workouts started two weeks ago. "We're still green and having a little trouble with the new system," he said, "but I think we'll be all right by game time."

L. D. Jones, who has been working out at the tackle position, has been lost to the team for three weeks because of injuries. Leonard said, and a number of other players are suffering bruises and bumps. Otherwise, the team appears to be in good shape.

Next Thursday night, Leonard has scheduled a workout at Memorial Field and fans can get a glimpse of what the team will look like. Most of the scrimmage sessions will be held to running through plays, however, since the opening game with Liberty is the next night.

Liberty, of which little is known at this writing, is a member of the Guilford-Randolph Class A Conference and usually fields a heavy team. The game Friday will be a non-conference affair for both teams.

Leonard released the squad and positions as follows: Ends—Steve Smith, Ted Ward, Jesse Williford, Steve Darby, W. C. Morgan, Douglas Coats and Bobby Wicker.

Tackles—James Bowers, John van Benschoten, Richard Lockey, Ronnie Rowe, L. D. Jones, Jack McDonald and Joe Garzik, Jr.

Guards—Jimmy Tollison, Kenney Reid, Jimmy Caldwell, Leonard Shaeffer, and Keith Davie. (Continued on page 5)

New Phone System Is Delayed Again

LABOR DAY

Most business establishments in Southern Pines will be closed Monday in observance of Labor Day.

Post office officials said that mail would be put in boxes and would be dispatched as usual but there would be no home delivery nor window service.

Also scheduled to be closed are the library, town offices, and the courthouse in Carthage. The County Commissioners, scheduled to meet the first Monday of each month, postponed the meeting until Tuesday, September 3.

ABC stores in both Southern Pines and Pinehurst will also be closed.

Company Blames Equipment Firm For 5th Holdup

Officials of the United Telephone Company said this morning that extended area service for Southern Pines would be delayed again and blamed the postponement on the failure of suppliers to ship the necessary equipment.

This is the fifth such postponement. The service, which will link Southern Pines and Aberdeen and Southern Pines and Pinehurst on a toll-free basis, was scheduled the last time to be installed Saturday. The postponement is for 30 days with the new date set for September 29.

"This is a great disappointment for us and, I'm sure, to our customers," Ed Small, commercial superintendent, said. "It is due, however, to circumstances entirely beyond our control."

Backing up Small was Robert Reed, technical advisor of the Federal Telephone and Radio Company, the firm that is supplying the equipment for extended area service.

Reed said: "The delay in the provision of this service is absolutely no fault of the telephone company here. The delay is occasioned entirely by our inability to produce or secure certain of the necessary equipment. An additional four weeks is believed to be adequate time for such equipment to be installed and tested."

The equipment that hasn't arrived are three transformers. They are enroute, Small said, but even if they were installed this weekend the company would not have time for a sufficient amount of testing.

The new telephone directories, with new numbers for subscribers in Southern Pines and Pinehurst, will be delivered two days before the new system goes into effect. Southern Pines is known as OXFORD, and all numbers here will be prefaced with OX.

The United Telephone Company, which also operates exchanges in Pinehurst, Carthage, Robbins and Vass, recently has been revamping its service in most communities.

Opening Sales On Tobacco Market Reported Excellent

Tobacco sales at both Carthage and Aberdeen were reported excellent this morning as the 1957 selling season, expected to last for some two months, got underway.

Reports early this week indicated that the quality of the leaf has been generally pleasing to the warehousemen with a good portion of it coming from upper primings and some of the lug variety.

Selling got underway at warehouses in both towns at 9 o'clock. Both Carthage and Aberdeen has three warehouses.

The houses are expected to have a sufficient amount of leaf on hand for the time allotted to each for sales. In Aberdeen the floors of two of the three warehouses were filled this morning and the third had a sufficient supply for a full sale.

The tobacco crop this year has been reported about 35 per cent shorter than last year, due in most part to the extremely dry weather and the reductions in acreage.

BOOSTERS CLUB

The Blue Knights Boosters Club will have its annual barbecue kickoff at the Country Club next Wednesday night. At that time members of the football team and the cheerleaders will be introduced.

Tickets may be secured from cheerleaders in the business district Wednesday, or from Gene Blackwelder or Mrs. Robert Leland.

KKK Says Second Rally To Be Held Tomorrow Night

Another meeting of the Ku Klux Klan has been announced for Friday night at 8:30. The announcement was received here Tuesday morning and, like a similar announcement made two weeks ago, bore a Charlotte address.

The "King Kleagle" is scheduled to discuss "God Set a Pattern for Segregation." A cross burning is also planned, the announcement said. The rally will take place on highway 211 at the block plant.

CORRECTION

In a story appearing in last week's edition of The Pilot, it was stated that "Truth Magazine," apparently the official organ of the KKK in this area, was printed in Hamlet.

Chester Martin, publisher of the Hamlet News-Messenger and another paper in Wadesboro, said this week that the magazine was not printed in Hamlet though it bore a Hamlet address.

"We are the only printing concern here," he said, "and, as the Klan is now constituted, we would refuse to print such a magazine even if it were offered us."

The magazine, four sheets, claims to be a "champion of white supremacy and segregation." It was distributed at the Klan meeting held here two weeks ago at which time the robed Klansmen said it was "published" in Hamlet. The Pilot sincerely regrets its error.



RAY DAEKE

Wins Scholarship At State College

Ray Daeke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Daeke of Southern Pines, is one of 89 students who will register at N. C. State College next month under "Talent For Service" scholarships.

Young Daeke, who will study aeronautical engineering, is an honor graduate at the local school and was president of the Beta Club and secretary-treasurer of the Hi-Y club.

The "Talent For Service" scholarships range in value from \$100 to \$1,050 per year depending on the financial need of the recipients.

Applicants for the scholarships were screened first by committees in their home communities and counties and then by the college committee. The scholarships were established at State in 1953 and are made available by a number of state and national business firms and individuals.



YOUNG DRUGGISTS, as any old druggist will tell you, are hard to come by these days. But apparently Southern Pines has a special lure because each of the above young men is a druggist and each has joined a drug firm in Southern Pines in recent weeks. Left to right, Emory Watson, who is at Sandhill Drugs, Philip O'Donnell, Jr., at the Southern Pines Pharmacy, and Dan McCormick, who is at Broad Street Pharmacy. (Pilot Photo)