

AT COUNCIL MEETING

Highway Commission Turns Down Bid To Put Mechanic St. In State System

The State Highway Commission has turned down a bid by Southern Pines to have Mechanic Street become a part of the state maintained secondary roads system.

In a letter addressed to the Town Council, highway officials said that, because Mechanic Street did not connect with other secondary roads, it would not be possible at this time, under present policy to accept the street.

Actually, there is no complete street for the State to take over. Town officials had hoped, however, that the State would open the street and allow free access to Morganton Road from Pennsylvania Avenue without use of the parkway. It was pointed out in the request also that, since the State had closed Wisconsin Avenue where it crosses the parkway, opening of Mechanic Street would relieve congestion in that area of town and make travel between East and West Southern Pines easier.

Addor Negro Held In Jail; Charged In Ice Pick Death

A 16-year old Negro youth of Addor is being held in Moore County jail, charged with the ice pick slaying of Rufus Berry, also of Addor.

According to information of the Moore County Sheriff's office, the youth, James Junior Harrison, has admitted the slaying but claimed he acted in self defense.

The stabbing, according to Deputy Sheriff A. F. Dees, took place about 11:30 Monday night in Addor. Harrison confessed early Tuesday morning after being confronted with the information that an autopsy had indicated Berry had been killed with a sharp instrument. He later led officers to the place he had hid the ice pick and then told them how it had happened.

Coroner Ralph Steed, who ordered the autopsy, said that Berry was stabbed in the chest and that no blood was visible, a fact that had officers baffled as to the cause of death when they first started the investigation.

The weapon was found in a closet in a home in Addor which officers said was the residence of Harrison's grandmother.

Harrison recounted to officers that he and Berry had been in a fight Monday night though the cause was never brought out. A resident of Addor, not identified, was said by officers to have been requested by friends of Berry to take him some place and he discovered, after carrying Berry around in his car, that the man was dying. Officers found him sprawled on a floor in Harrison's grandmother's house.

No date has been set for a preliminary hearing. Harrison is being held without bond until the date is set, however, which probably will be this week.

Helping in the investigation in addition to Dees was ABC officer Kieth Marks.

The Council has not made any further plans for the street, though there has been some talk that the street should be open whether it is part of the Southern Pines system, or part of the State system.

In other action Tuesday night the Council held a brief discussion, at request of Councilman Robert Ewing, that a United Fund campaign should be held in Southern Pines in lieu of the many drives that are conducted for charitable and civic organizations throughout the year. The Councilmen felt, however, that it was not in the purview of the town to initiate any action to bring all drives under a United Fund campaign, holding that it was a matter for private citizens.

The Council voted to send the voting machines back to the company which had installed them here several years ago. The machines, which have only been used four times—twice in primaries and twice in regular town elections—have cost the town almost \$1,000 and a debt of \$2,000 is still owed on them.

Under an agreement the town has with the company the machines may be returned at any time and the loan agreement is not renewed.

One big reason the machines will not be used here any more is that the county has turned thumbs down on using them in county-wide elections.

The Council also deferred appointing anyone to the Town Planning Board to replace Donald Case, who resigned earlier this month because of ill health. Mayor Blue suggested that, because of the importance of the job, particularly in the next few years, Council should look long and hard at a possible replacement.

In one other piece of action the Council voted to advertise for a public hearing on withdrawing from dedication for street purposes certain property in the West Southern Pines school area. A. C. Dawson, school superintendent, had made the request, citing the fact that should the streets be built, they would run through property that the School Board is proposing for an athletic field for the West Southern Pines school.

The property in question involves Glover Street between Indiana Avenue and New York Avenue and Massachusetts Avenue from Carlisle to Pine Street.

Blue Knights Win First Game; Meet Hope Mills Friday

Plans For Annual Homecoming Game Announced Today

With a win under their belts, and a resulting confidence that can be gained no other way, the Southern Pines Blue Knights move into Hope Mills tomorrow (Friday) night seeking their second victory in as many weeks.

Chances are they'll get it. The Millers, with a none won, four lost record, have been having tough luck of late and lost last week to the Wilmington B team, 31-6. The Knights, on the other hand, defeated Shallotte 19-6 last Friday night and served notice on the remaining teams on their schedule that they're pushovers no longer.

The game tomorrow night gets underway at 8 o'clock on Hope Mills' Memorial Field. For fans who don't know the way to Hope Mills, Coach Irie Leonard this morning said the best way to get there is by way of Raeford. About two-thirds of the way between Raeford and Fayetteville, there is a turnoff to the right and Hope Mills is seven miles from there.

Leonard, pleased with the game his charges turned in against Shallotte, is openly optimistic about the game. "We should win," he said, "though I certainly won't predict that we will. We're improving every game, our play is more spirited than it was when the season opened, and our backs are learning to handle the ball better. I'm particularly pleased with the improvement shown by Bobby Watkins, Bob McIntosh and John van Eenshoten. James Eowers, Jim Tollison and Everett Cushman are also getting a lot better and I believe they all will be outstanding before the season is over."

The Knights are already making plans for their Homecoming (Continued on Page 8)

GIRL SCOUT DRIVE

Final plans for the annual Girl Scout fund drive in Southern Pines, which begins Tuesday, were announced today by Mrs. Voit Gilmore, chairman of the drive.

Letters will be sent to all townspeople soliciting donations and downtown merchants will be visited between the drive opening date and October 30, Mrs. Gilmore said, in attempts to raise a goal of \$2,200.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the Central Girl Scout Council, of which troops in Southern Pines are a part, and an all-out effort is being made to secure adequate leadership for the more than 2,000 Girl Scouts and leaders. Mrs. Gilmore said. In the local chapter, there are 11 active registered Girl Scout troops, including one in West Southern Pines.

Hodges Calls For Balance Of Industry, Tourism And Agriculture At C&D Meeting



WELCOME TO SOUTHERN PINES is extended Governor Luther Hodges by Mayor Walter Blue as the fall meeting of the State Board of Conservation and Development got underway at Mid Pines Club Sunday. Governor Hodges, who is chairman of the Board, stayed here for the entire meeting, conferring often with his associates on matters before the various divisions of C&D, and getting in some golf and relaxation on several occasions. Looking on here are, from left, H. Clifton Blue, Moore County representative in the General Assembly; Cecil Beith, manager of the Karagheusian Carpet plant in Aberdeen; R. M. Cushman, executive vice president of Amerotron Corporation; and W. P. Saunders, C&D director. (Photo by Emerson Humphrey)



HEADS GET TOGETHER was the caption Emerson Humphrey, local photographer, gave to this picture made Monday just before members of the Board of Conservation and Development and visiting guests relaxed at Mile-Away Farm. Pictured from left to right are My Bill, head of the W. J. Brewster string of show horses, champion hunter of the Madison Square Garden show and most other major shows in the country; Governor Luther Hodges; W. O. Moss, head of the Moore County Hunt and Master of Hounds; Louis L. Sutton, head of Carolina Power and Light Co.; Gen. R. F. Sink, head of Fort Bragg; W. P. Saunders, head of the C&D Board; and Voit Gilmore, head of the State Travel Council. Shown in the foreground is "Joyful," lead hound of the Moore County Hounds. The photo was made in the Brewster Stable.

Urges 'Select' Industries For Sandhills Area

A better balance between industry, agriculture and tourism was suggested for the Sandhills and the rest of North Carolina by Governor Hodges speaking here Monday before a combined meeting of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, Southern Pines Rotary Club and the Southern Pines Lions Club.

The luncheon, held at Mid Pines as part of the fall meeting of the State Board of Conservation and Development, attracted more than 150 people. It was one of a series held in honor of the C&D Board and was termed by its sponsors as a beginning of a needed lift for a "bootstrap operation" in the Sandhills for a sounder economy.

Governor Hodges had apparently been well briefed on the Sandhills' needs. He emphasized that Moore County should go in for "select" small, specialized industries, and said the area was "most ideal for living." He also suggested that efforts should be made to entice research industry to locate in the county, citing the fact that many facilities demanded by such industry are already present in the resort areas.

At present, he commented, average cash income in all Sandhills counties is less than the state average of \$1,305, ranging downward from Moore with \$1,246 to Hoke, which has only \$891. Average for the nine adjoining counties, he said, is only \$1,101. For the state average, despite industrial gains during the past year, he foresaw an increase this year of less than one per cent.

But he warned the luncheon group: "don't drop the small bone from your mouth while looking for a bigger one," an obvious reference to the large tourist industry that is prevalent in the area. In the tourist industry, he pointed out, the area already has something very special, with its golf courses and other recreational facilities known all over the country, and should never be belittled but rather developed to an even greater potential.

Value of the tourist business in the state is now an estimated \$300 million, Governor Hodges said. He urged the group to look ahead and help push it up to a goal of \$500 million, a figure he said that was not unrealistic at all.

He also noted that Moore County had produced state leadership far out of proportion to its population. He named several, including W. P. Saunders, C&D director; Superior Court Judge W. A. Leland McKeithen; T. Clyde Auman of West End, a member of the State Board of Corrections; J. Hawley Poole, also of West End, a former State Senator and present member of the State Board of Agriculture; Senator Wilbur Currie of the UNC Board of Trustees; John Ruggles of the State Hospitals Board of Control; H. Clifton Blue, chairman of the State Water Advisory Commission; and Voit Gilmore, C&D member and president of the State Travel Council.

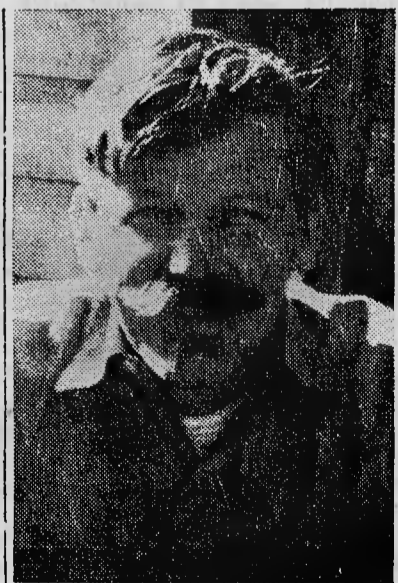
Governor Hodges and members of the C&D Board pointed out several times during the three day meeting that C&D did not "try to bring industry" to one place or another. What they earnestly are attempting to do, it was stressed, is to aid the locality to find out what it wanted and needed and then to present that community to industry location people in the (Continued on page 8)

Glen Rounds Pens Book On Swamp Life

Glen Rounds, who has been poking around the swamps near Pinebluff for several years, now and causing large numbers of his neighbors to wonder what he was up to, has his secret no longer. He has, as he most probably would put it, "wrote and drawn" a book.

Writing a book, or drawing pictures, is nothing new for Rounds, who is the Sandhills' closest link with the literary world. This new one, which is all about swamp life, is his twenty-first. Those who have seen advance copies of it, predict it will be acclaimed as one of his best. And certainly it's different from anything he has ever done.

"Writing about swamp life," he said earlier this week, "is a difficult thing. There have been thousands of books about animals, many of them good and many of them—too many—not worth the paper they're printed on. I've taken an entirely different approach to animals and tried to acquaint readers with what they can find in the swamp if they go about it the right way. There's quite a bit of activity there, you know." And quite a bit of activity is right.



GLEN ROUNDS

Rounds has written, "perceptively," his publishers, Prentice Hall, say, about the animals he has met on hundreds of trips to the swamps. He tells stories about the old muskrat, the little green heron, the water snakes and marsh rabbits, squirrels, possums, and turtles—not a complete list

but enough to indicate the wide range he has selected.

The book is entitled "Swamp Life: An Almanac." Rounds says he has been working on it for at least a year but has been preparing it in his mind "many years and I just don't know how many."

The book has a theme, something new for Rounds. With governmental agencies and private concerns by the hundreds grinding out stacks of press releases imploring people to practice conservation of resources, no one has made the pitch interesting enough to appeal to young people. In "Swamp Life," an entire section is devoted to the value of wildlife and how nature keeps her population balanced.

By observing the animals and watching their habits for weeks on end, Rounds has gained an excellent insight as to the need for conservation of woods and the animals that live in them. He has turned his information into individual stories about the living habits of the various swamp creatures and they are presented, his editors say, as real eye openers.

Rounds is now living in Southern Pines though he still main- (Continued on Page 8)

School Discipline Will Be Discussed At PTA Meeting

A panel of parents and teachers will discuss the problem of school discipline when the East Southern Pines Parent-Teacher Association meets in Weaver Auditorium at 8 p. m., Monday, October 14.

The meeting will be the first held under a new schedule which sets regular meetings of the association on the second Monday night of each month.

Mrs. I. A. Woodell, PTA president, said that Dr. A. C. Dawson, superintendent of Southern Pines schools, will serve as moderator for the discussion.

Parents taking part will be Mrs. Robert Ewing, Mrs. Don Taylor and Dr. Bruce Warlick. Teachers on the panel will be Miss Pete Dana, Miss Barbara Elliott, Mrs. Betty Foushee, Miss Mary Logan, Roger Gibbs and W. A. Leonard. (Continued on Page 8)

HODGES, ERVIN STRESS MODERATION

YDC Convention Termed Successful By County Officials; 240 Register

Moore County YDC members, recapping the state convention held here last weekend, decided it was the most successful, as well as the biggest undertaking of the club's entire existence.

That the convention was a success was also the sentiment of the members attending from all over the State, who said they had a "wonderful time."

They enjoyed the friendly spirit and hospitality extended by their hosts in true Sandhills style; also the easy informality and comfort of the luxurious Mid Pines Hotel which was turned over entirely to the convention.

Registrants totaled 240, staying at the Mid Pines, other hotels and motels of the Southern Pines area. This number was swelled by 100 or more who attended various events, such as the Saturday elections, without the for-

mality of registering. The dining room was filled to capacity for the banquet, with 224 present. Others dined elsewhere and came in for the speeches.

Governor Hodges' keynote speech and Senator Ervin's banquet speech, both stressing the moderate stand and calling for unity rather than division, gave the Young Democrats much to think about. Their civil rights resolution adopted at the Saturday morning session was moderate in tone, seeking only a return to basic States Rights' principles as defined in the 10th amendment, and not mentioning Arkansas or Governor Faubus. These received much mention, though, in informal pow-wows, with many views expressed, from moderate to extreme Eisenhower's action in sending federal troops into Arkansas re-

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American Legion To Meet Tonight

The Sandhill Post 134 of the American Legion and its auxiliary will meet tonight at 8 o'clock in the Legion Hut on E. Vermont Avenue to discuss plans for the forthcoming Armistice Day observance in Southern Pines. A special invitation is extended to all veterans to attend the meeting, according to A. R. McDaniel, Commander of the Post.