

HELD POST 10 YEARS

Garland Pierce Quits Post Office Job; No Successor Appointed Yet

Garland Pierce, who has been Postmaster in Southern Pines for the past 10 years, has resigned his position effective last Friday. No replacement has been made as yet, he said, and there is no definite date established when such an appointment will be made.

Walter Carringer, Tenor, To Sing In Concert Next Week

Walter Carringer, tenor soloist who will open the season of the Sandhills Music Association October 25, was received enthusiastically by a Moore County audience when he sang with the North Carolina Symphony in Southern Pines last Spring. A return engagement for the brilliant young vocalist was one of the first attractions sought by the Music Association program committee, Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., president, said this week.

Of special interest, Mr. Hodgkins pointed out, is the inclusion of a group of folk songs on the program. Mr. Carringer is to give at Weaver Auditorium in Southern Pines. Details of the program will be announced next week.

Of interest also is the fact that Mr. Carringer grew up at Murphy in western North Carolina and still spends time there between concerts. Since 1953 he has spent his summers at the Transylvania Music Camp, Brevard, where he is engaged for both the six-week camp session and the following "Brevard Music Festival," providing an additional link with the Tarheel state.

Season tickets for the Music Association's concert series running through next Spring are available from community chairmen who were announced last week and from the Barnum Realty and Insurance Company in Southern Pines. Exceptional response in ticket sales was reported this week from Carthage, where the chairman is Mrs. L. B. Womack, and especially in Robbins where Mrs. George Frye is in charge.

During the past several years, Mr. Carringer has appeared in 46 states and Canada and on nationwide radio and television networks. After three and a half years as soloist with the famous Robert Shaw chorale, he left that group to begin a highly successful career of solo recitals on his own.

Mr. Hodgkins also announced this week that the University of Alabama String Quartet, who will play in Southern Pines December 3, has been added to the season's concert program.

Other concert dates are Friday, February 14, Jeaneane Dowis, pianist; Tuesday, March 18, North Carolina Little Symphony; and Friday, April 4, Roger Wagner Chorale.

Window Displays For Homecoming Game Are Urged

Southern Pines merchants were reminded this week that the annual homecoming football game will be played next Friday, October 25, and erection of window displays to call attention to the event was suggested by the Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber, which sponsors the window display program every year, said that three prizes would be awarded: \$10 for first, \$5 for second, and \$2.50 for third. The committee to judge the displays has not been completed yet but will be prior to the judging next Thursday, October 24.

In the event some people had let it slip their minds, the official colors of the Blue Knights are white and blue. Such colors are encouraged in the window displays, though are not necessary.

Karagheusian Sets Formal Dedication Ceremony Nov. 9

Follows Annual Company Sales Conference Here

Key personnel and staff members of A. & M. Karagheusian, Inc., will arrive in the Sandhills Wednesday, November 6, for the company's annual national sales conference and dedication of the company's new facilities near Aberdeen.

Dedication of the plant will be held Saturday morning, November 9, with Governor Luther Hodges and Charles A. Karagheusian, chairman of the company's Board of Directors, making principal addresses.

In announcing the dedication plant manager Cecil Beith said that plans call for full production by the dedication date. The company is now employing something in excess of 200 workers.

The dedication program, which begins at 10 a. m., will climax the annual sales conference, which will attract men of the Karagheusian organization from all over the country.

Arriving in Southern Pines on four special Pullman cars, those attending the conference will represent every Gullistan Carpet distributor in the country.

Beith said that some 120 people would attend and added that perhaps the number may increase as the time of the meeting and dedication approaches.

Housing facilities in Southern Pines and Pinehurst have been booked for many weeks. Headquarters for the sales conference will be at the Mid Pines Club and the meeting sessions will be conducted at Southern Pines Country Club. Special buses will be imported and used to transport participants from their lodgings to the various meeting places.

Distributors for Gullistan Carpet (Continued on Page 8)

He lives with Mrs. Pierce and a daughter, Connie, who is a sophomore at Southern Pines High School, on Weymouth Road. A son, Garland Frank, is a junior at N. C. State College.

Appointment of his successor will probably depend on the Moore County Republican Executive Committee. R. S. Ewing, chairman of the group, was out of town today and could not be reached for comment. Rush, however, is a Republican and many consider him as having the inside on the appointment. There have been rumors of several more people who would seek the appointment.

Rush worked as a carrier for 18 months, resigning several months ago to act as administrator of the estate of the late Charles Picquet, his uncle. He entered the grocery business in Manly about two months ago.

ROCKET VISIBLE

Want to see "Sputnik"? The Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory in Cambridge, Mass., which has been making astronomical calculations of the Russian "moon" since it was released, said today that the final stage of the satellite launching rocket will appear on the horizon very early tomorrow (Friday) morning.

Early risers may see the rocket, but apparently not "Sputnik." The rocket, the observatory said, will pass over U. S. territory at Erie, Pa., at 4:45 a. m. and will leave Cape Hatteras at 4:48 a. m. Due to the rocket's erratic orbit, however, there may well be a variance of five to 10 minutes in its time of arrival.

The rocket is of the first magnitude, the designation astronomers apply to the brightest stars.

TAGGED 'GASOLINE ALLEY'

Competition Getting Tough On US 1

Gasoline Alley. That's the tag, deserved or not, that has been hung on the stretch of highway from the Southern end of this town's corporate limits to a point just beyond Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge.

In that stretch, barely more than a mile, there are 13 places where one can purchase gasoline and other supplies for the operation of an automobile. There is rumor also that more such stations are on the planning board and are to become realities within the very near future.

Why so many? Does anyone—can anyone—make any money? Is there enough traffic to justify 13 stations?

The questions are hard to answer. One operator tried at least to explain it. "There're too many," he said. "We're overbuilt and there's just not enough traffic to sustain us all. Somebody's going to suffer. I'm in this thing several thousand dollars, however, and couldn't get out without taking a big loss."

Five years ago there were half a dozen stations. The traffic count at that time was something under 5,000 cars per day. In 1955 the count rose, according to State Highway Department records, to approximately 5,700 per day; in 1956 the figure took a tremendous increase to 6,800 per day and, though the current figures aren't available, some 7,500 cars travel the stretch daily.

A remarkable increase and, some think, the real reason why the number of stations grew so rapidly. A station is built on one principle: sufficient traffic to insure, under ordinary circumstances, a steady flow of business.

But several things have combined to hurt the station operators, though several say business is as good as ever. A gas war in the summer, overbuilding, assistance of the public to purchase accessories and, to some extent, necessary servicing, and, biggest of all, the opening of the Parkway in Southern Pines. Those are the biggest factors that could hurt the individual operators.

STABLE CALL!

Boots, Saddles, to Horse and Away!... the call for stabling is resounding thru-out the territory of the Moore County Hounds.

It seems that while this section is over-supplied, at the moment, with places for folks to stay, there is a great dearth of quarters for horses. These would include the race horses that are forming such an interesting addition to the local scene—and a profitable one—as well as the steeds who must find room if followers of the local hunt are to be mounted.

Already, one combined stable of two owners is said to be looking for stalls for 26 horses; a racing stable from Long Island has been telephoning around; and this is just the start. Most local barns are chockful as of now.

Here's an opportunity that seems to be going begging: room for the riders, but what can the Sandhills do for the horses?

Blue Knights Win Over Hope Mills; Meet Massey Hill

The Blue Knights, with two straight victories to keep them happy, are decided underdogs tomorrow (Friday) night when they meet Massey Hill under the lights at Fayetteville.

The Knights defeated Hope Mills 26-0 last Friday night and had defeated Shallotte the previous Friday. The victories gave them an over-all record of two wins and four losses, three of them to conference opponents.

Coach Irie Leonard said this morning that the team had shown remarkable improvement, particularly in the line, in the past few games and expressed pleasure at the way the team played against Hope Mills.

Massey Hill, a non-conference foe, has been established as a touchdown favorite in the game which begins at 8 p. m. on the new field. They lost their first game of the season last week to Fairmont, 14-13, but with nine seniors in the starting lineup, Leonard conceded the Blue Knights would have to pull off a miracle to come out on top.

Last year Massey Hill won the Cape Fear Conference but had to move out because enrollment in the school got too high. They are now in the AA-C class and are attached to no particular conference.

Several Blue Knights were out with flu this week, something that may further weaken the team. Whether all the members of the squad will dress is still not known, Leonard said, but at least early season injuries that kept several players off the squad have now cleared up and that problem has ceased to exist.

Jimmy Caldwell, a back, and Dickie McNnis, who broke his arm about two weeks ago, will (Continued on Page 8)

State Allocates Special Sum For Thruway Planting

\$4,000 Set Up For Planting Of Trees, Shrubbery

Meeting this week with W. R. Phelps, assistant landscape engineer of the state highway department, the local committee, appointed by the town council to make a study of landscape treatment of the new thruway, was given an outline of what the State hopes to do in this respect.

The meeting was held in the town office Tuesday morning, with the chairman, Mrs. Voit Gilmore, and committee members: Mrs. Marion Taylor Brawley, Mrs. Felton Caples, Mrs. James Boyd, and Edward Schneider, as well as Town Manager Louis Scheipers, present.

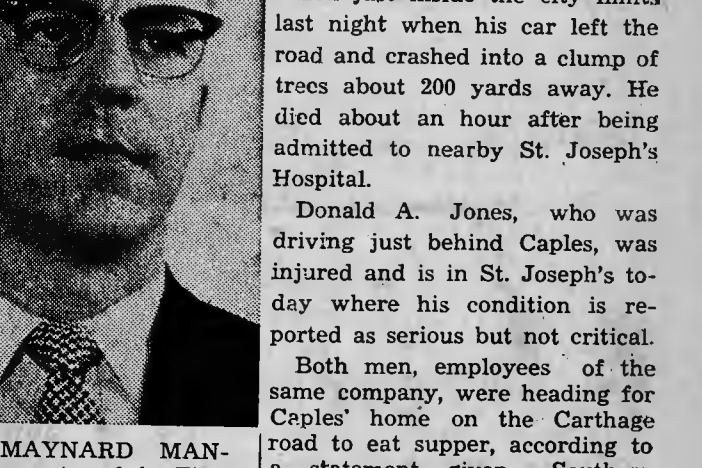
Rolling out a series of large maps showing in detail sections of the highway, Mr. Phelps announced that the State had set aside some \$4,000 for use on the project. The engineer then taking each map at a time went into detail as to exactly how the plantings were to be carried out, including the number and types of trees and shrubs in each section.

He emphasized that the landscaping will be "natural," using the native varieties of all shrubbery and trees. The plan makes use of pines, some hardwoods, crabapple and dogwoods for the major part of the work. In many stretches where the terrain is favorable, thick plantings of young pine seedlings will be made, as well as larger pines transplanted.

Intersections, said the State man, present a double problem: the need for clear vision and the call for beautification. "Naturally," he said, "vision is going to come first, but that doesn't mean we can't have low shrubs." He said such low plantings were planned for all intersections to follow the contour of the road. On (Continued on Page 8)

Local Resident Killed As Car Leaves Highway

Dies Hour After Hospital Arrival; One Also Injured



REV. MAYNARD MANGUM, new pastor of the First Baptist Church, conducted his second service here Sunday. He recently moved here from Johnston County and is now living in the parsonage on S. Ashe Street with his wife and two daughters.

Agricultural Fair At Carthage Set To Open Monday

The Moore County Agricultural Fair, sponsored annually by the Carthage Junior Chamber of Commerce, begins Monday and runs through next Saturday night.

Gaither Edwards, Jaycee president, said that two large exhibit buildings would be used this year for the first time and plenty of space was available for commercial and agricultural exhibits.

Doors are slated to open Monday at 6 o'clock. The main features of the fair will get under way Tuesday with the main gate opening at noon. Also, on Tuesday, white school children will be admitted free until 6 p. m.

Tuesday is set aside as Moore County Dairy Show day which begins at 9 a. m. A large field of prized livestock has been entered, vying for cash prizes which will be awarded at the conclusion of the show.

On Wednesday the big feature is the beauty contest, with the winner to be crowned Miss Moore County High School of 1957. One of the judges will be Miss Elaine Herndon, current holder of the Miss North Carolina title. Eight contestants have entered.

Negro school children in the county will be admitted free on Thursday beginning at noon. Friday and Saturday will be given over for the most part to enjoyment of the midway, in charge this year of the Ross-Manning Shows.

The accident was the first of a fatal nature to occur on Southern Pines streets in several years. Caples had come to Southern Pines from Syracuse about two years ago as a travelling representative for the laundry equipment concern.

Funeral services will be held at Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church at 2 p. m. Saturday, conducted by the Rev. Cheves Ligon. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery with the Elks Lodge, of which he was a member, in charge of the graveside service.

He is survived by his wife, the former Alice Andrews of New York state, a daughter, Mrs. Eugene Lee of Southern Pines, five sisters, and one brother.

Liquor Sales In County Show Drop

Liquor sales in Moore County registered almost \$14,000 less in September this year than last year, according to figures just released by L. J. Hinson, manager of ABC stores.

Throughout the state September sales were off almost five percent from September of last year. In Moore County, Hinson said that sales in September, 1956 were \$116,814; in September this year the figure was \$102,930.

The decrease is attributed in great part to a fifth Saturday of sales during September, 1956. Sales in Moore County have been showing a decline—small—for several months, however.

Capt. McDaniel Is Re-Elected Leader Of Legion Post

Capt. A. R. McDaniel of Southern Pines was re-elected commander of Sandhill Post 134, American Legion, at last Thursday's meeting. Charles J. Sadler was elected vice-commander.

Other officials of the local post include the following: L. L. Woolley, adjutant; W. E. Cox, Jr., finance officer; D. R. McNeill, chaplain; Joe O'Callaghan, Sgt. at arms; F. M. Dwight, historian; and D. D. S. Cameron, service officer.

Appointed to other positions for 1958 were Dr. J. S. Hiatt, child welfare; Virgil P. Clark, membership; Earl Hubbard, rehabilitation; Dr. George Heintz, Americanism; Henry Graves, community service; Irie Leonard, oratorical; J. V. Healy, Boy's State; J. W. Dickerson, athletic; Paul Dana, public relations; J. T. Overton, security; Alden G. Bower, economic; Louis Scheipers, Jr., graves registration; Gen. Pearson Menoher, Boy Scouts; Ernest Chevallier, house and entertainment; and L. L. Woolley, school awards.

Car Carrying Ten Passengers Struck Twice In Seconds

An automobile driven by H. B. Lynch, of Route 1, Cameron, and containing nine members of his family, was struck twice by different automobiles within the space of a few seconds last Tuesday night, according to the State Highway Patrol.

Investigation of the accidents, which occurred on the Union Church Road between Vass and Carthage, indicated that the Lynch vehicle was first hit by a car said to have been driven by a woman from West End, and knocked into the path of a car coming from the opposite direction.

Lynch received bruises and rib injuries; a daughter suffered lacerations. He was returning from a revival meeting in Carthage. The State Highway Patrol is investigating the accident.

RESIGNS

Mrs. J. V. Snipes, postmaster at Niagara, resigned last week after some 10 years of service. No replacement for the position has been announced as yet. Niagara is a fourth class post office.

Enlargement Of Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge Begun

A \$115,000 enlargement of Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge between Southern Pines and Aberdeen got underway last week. The project will add 16 new rental units and a conference-banquet room which will accommodate 75 people, according to officials of Holly Corporation, which owns both the lodge and adjoining restaurant.

The lodge, still less than one year old, will have 52 rental units when the enlargement is completed, making it one of the state's largest such facilities.

Mrs. Frances Peed, manager of the lodge, said that exceptionally good business during the first season had been the encouraging factor in the decision to enlarge.

E. J. Austin, Southern Pines architect, drew up the plans for the addition which, like the already existing facilities, will include private sun patios, air conditioning, wall to wall carpeting, and decorator designing.

The new suites will be named after famous golf courses of America, including Pinehurst, Tam O'Shanta, Baltusrol and Pine Valley. The new meeting room will enable the lodge to cater to parties and conventions of up to 75 people, adding considerably to the tourist potential of the area.