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Twin Honors Go To James Bowers At Elks Banquet

Awards Presented To Football Squad In Testimonial Event

Twin honors were accorded James Bowers of the high school football team last night at the 12th annual testimonial banquet given in the Country Club by the Southern Pines Elks lodge for members of the football squad, managers, coaches, cheer leaders, school officials and other guests.

Bowers was presented the James Milliken memorial "Most Valuable Player" award by C. W. "Red" Smith, commander of the sponsoring John Boyd Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars. By vote of his fellow squad members, Bowers was also named post-season team captain, according to a local tradition.

The 1957 football team was the first 11-man aggregation fielded by Southern Pines in many years and played as a member of the Cape Fear football conference, winning three games and losing seven. Irie Leonard was the coach, assisted by W. A. Leonard.

Two members of the local squad were placed on all-conference teams—John Van Benschoten at tackle on the first team and James Bowers at tackle on the second team.

Awards at the banquet included stars to previous letter winners and letters to those who won them in the past season. Miniature gold footballs were presented by the Elks to star and letter winners and medallions to the squad members.

Garland Pierce presided. Robert E. Strouse, exalted ruler of the (Continued on Page 8)

Sports Rivalry With Aberdeen To Be Renewed

Anyone wanting to be sure of a seat had better get in the Aberdeen gym early Friday night, when the Southern Pines Blue Knights meet the Aberdeen Red Devils for the renewal of an old sports rivalry. This friendly rivalry was missed in the 1957 football season as Southern Pines went to the 11-man game while Aberdeen remained in the six-man conference.

The 1958 football schedule will see the football rivalry renewed also, as Aberdeen is going to 11-man in the Cape Fear Conference, with Southern Pines.

But right now, the old rivalry will flame up in basketball when the girls' teams clash in the first game at 7:30 and the boys immediately after that contest. Aberdeen has an up-and-coming girls' team, but Caviness and Voss are sure to have their hands full against Southern Pines' Britt and McDonald. All of them are sharpshooters and it will be anybody's game to the final whistle.

The boys of the two schools always put on a tight game, regardless of either's conference standing or record comparison. Aberdeen is undefeated in conference play to date while Southern Pines has lost a couple. However, Southern Pines has a dangerous squad, with Cushman, Seymour and Caldwell the leaders and liable to break loose on a scoring spree in any game—particularly the one Friday night.

STATE TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD HERE

The State Class A boys' basketball championship tournament will be held at the school gymnasium here March 12-15, it was announced this morning by Dr. A. C. Dawson, superintendent of schools.

Four teams from the East and four from the West will take part. The event is of much state-wide interest.

Sponsoring the tournament will be the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce whose directors approved the proposal at their meeting Tuesday night. Sponsorship will involve advertising, providing people to take tickets and other services.

ON VASS-CARTHAGE ROAD

Woman's Body Found Today

An autopsy is being performed by a pathologist this (Thursday) afternoon on the body of an unidentified white woman who was found about 11:30 a. m. today down an embankment on the Vass-Carthage road.

Coroner Ralph Steed said that the body was found by Henry Cockman of Robbins who happened to be passing and noticed the woman, and who notified the Moore County sheriff's department.

Mr. Steed said that, pending the results of the autopsy, he could make no ruling as to the cause of death. Bruises were noticed on the woman's body, he said, but

it could not be determined prior to the autopsy whether these were old or new.

A clue to identification was a prescription in the woman's handbag, bearing a name. The coroner said, however, that he would not accept this as identification until some one knowing the woman had personally seen the body and made direct identification. He said he could not release the name found in the handbag at this time.

Mr. Steed estimated the woman's age at between 40 and 45.

No further information was available as The Pilot went to press this afternoon.

Scott Elected Chamber President

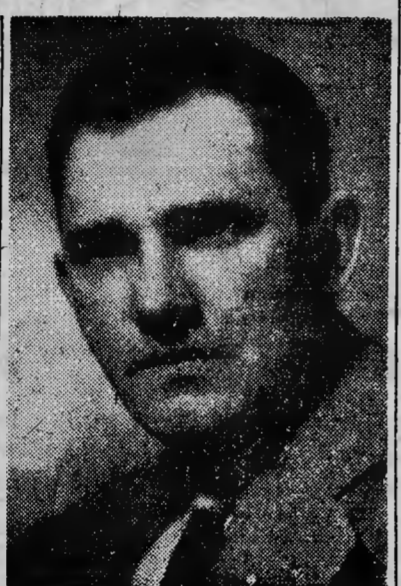
Joseph I. Scott is the 1958 president of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce, elected Tuesday night at a meeting of the board of directors. Newly appointed and old directors took part in the voting.

Other officers elected were: Mrs. Graham Culbreth, first vice-president; Mrs. J. N. Steed, second vice-president; C. H. Bowman, treasurer; and Alvin L. Folley, corporation secretary.

There was a standing round of applause for E. Earl Hubbard, the retiring 1957 president, after Mr. Scott expressed appreciation to Mr. Hubbard for his work during the past year.

The new president is setting up committees and will announce them at the next Chamber meeting January 21. He told The Pilot that he plans to have directors in charge of various areas of work and also appoint members to committees.

"There is a lot of enthusiasm about the coming year and I think we have a wonderful



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year," Mr. Scott said. At Tuesday's meeting, the directors approved Chamber sponsorship of the State Class A boys' basketball tournament to be held here in March (see another story in today's Pilot).

Continuing Need For March of Dimes Stressed At Drive's Kickoff Dinner

Moore County polio campaigners kicked off the 1958 March of Dimes last Friday night with new goals, a new slogan and also a new quota, for the first time in many years.

For a decade or more, the Moore County quota has stood at \$7,560. This year it was raised

voluntarily by \$100 because of the addition of Little River Township to the county on January 1. Douglas Cameron, chairman, and Murdoch Cameron of the new township were present at the kickoff meeting.

"Survival Is Not Enough!" This is the new slogan for the fund drive to be conducted in Moore County and the nation for the fight against polio during January.

J. Frank McCaskill of Pinehurst, county March of Dimes director, told chapter officials and community chairmen assembled to the dinner meeting at the Carthage Hotel that, though the Salk vaccine has greatly reduced the incidence and dangers of polio for today's youngsters, "we still have polio and we still have as our responsibility the victims of former years."

Butler Speaks
Paul C. Butler, Moore County chapter chairman—who this year is also the State March of Dimes campaign director—told the campaigners that "for these victims, many of whom survive only by grace of March of Dimes funds, (Continued on page 8)

Teaching Will Be Discussed At PTA Meeting

Miss Mary Logan, supervisor of Southern Pines Schools, will speak on "Improved Methods of Classroom Instruction" at the regular meeting of the East Southern Pines Parent-Teacher Association, to be held Monday, January 13, at 8 p. m. in Weaver auditorium.

Miss Logan will also explain how teachers' workshops prepare them to use modern equipment to aid instruction in the schools.

Mrs. I. A. Woodell, president, in announcing the meeting, said that the constitution and by-laws of the PTA would be read Monday night for the benefit of new members who are not familiar with them and because these documents are due to be approved or revised this year—a procedure that must take place every four years.

The flag ceremony will be conducted by Girl Scouts of Troop 64 whose leader is Mrs. Marvin Wicker.

Lister For Sandhill Twp. Here On Friday

Listing of real and personal property for county and town taxes continued this week, with list takers at work in all townships of the county.

Mrs. Irene Mullinix, who lists in-town Southern Pines property for McNeill Township, is at the Piedmont Electric Co., 237 N. E. Broad St., daily. Mrs. Adelaide Schnell will be at this same location to list Sandhill Township property today and tomorrow (Friday). Mrs. Schnell's full schedule for the month is published in an advertisement elsewhere in today's Pilot.

Priorities For Road Work Are Placed On Map

County Board Gets Information About New Paving System

The priority order in which about 86 miles of Moore County roads will be "black-topped" is shown on a map filed with the county commissioners at their meeting in Carthage Monday. The map was later posted for public inspection in the first-floor hall of the courthouse.

T. G. Poindexter of Aberdeen, the eighth highway division engineer, and T. C. Johnson, assistant division engineer, presented the map to the commissioners and explained how the priorities for road construction are determined by a point system.

The map is evidence of the new deal in road paving over the state, which sets up a merit rating for all roads and proposes to pave them according to this rating's results. Applications for paving work can still be made by petition to the commissioners—the board received one such application on Monday—but when the petition reaches the Highway Department division office, it is subjected to the merit rating test to determine its priority for construction.

Among the items considered in establishing the merit of a project are: traffic count, occupied homes, whether or not a school bus route, whether or not a mail route, manufacturing concerns and whether the road is a connecting route between two other highways.

The map illustrates future work without indicating just when this work will be done. Exactly how far ahead the map is looking in listing the approximately 86 miles of paving in various projects can not be determined, as the work depends on availability of funds, weather and other factors.

Contract Let

A contract to "tuck point" the courthouse was let to the Western Waterproofing Co. of Charlotte whose bid was \$5,985. There were two other lower bids on the project, which was open to public bidding, but these two contractors proved to be unable to furnish the five-year surety bond that was set as one of the requirements in the specifications for the job. The work will consist of replacing loose, worn and old mortar between and around the blocks of stone with which the courthouse is built.

Fortune Tellers
Appearing before the commissioners to ask for a county (Continued on Page 8)

DECIMAL TROUBLE

Newly acquired Little River township's assessed property valuation of about \$700,000 would bring Moore County ad valorem tax revenue of \$9,450—not \$94,500 as stated in last week's Pilot. The incorrect statement was a matter of decimal trouble—one point too far to the right. The \$9,450 is the amount theoretically to be taken in at a tax rate of \$1.35 per \$100 of property valuation, the current county rate. Discounts and uncollectible taxes would probably reduce the figure somewhat in actual practice.

Gifts To Town Asked To Put Water, Sewer Lines To Plant

\$9,700 Sought In Effort To Get Industry

In furtherance of Industrial Development I hereby agree to make a gift of

\$ _____

to the Town of Southern Pines, to provide water and sewer extensions to the proposed Mozur Laces, Inc., plant.

Date _____ Signature _____

THIS FORM, similar to cards being distributed by officers and directors of the Southern Pines Development Corporation, is provided for the convenience of any one wanting to make a donation to the town of Southern Pines to help pay for water and sewer extensions beyond the town limits, to the proposed lace manufacturing plant. Forms should be left at the Citizens Bank & Trust Co., Southern Pines, or mailed to the bank. (Details of donation-plan in story).

INFORMATION SUMMARY

About Lace Plant Proposals

Here are highlights of developments of the past week, and outlook for the future, in connection with the proposed plant here of Mozur Laces, Inc., as reported by officers and directors of the Southern Pines Development Corporation, the group that is conducting the negotiations:

1. Major change in the plan is that the Southern Pines Development Corporation will not itself build the \$351,000 building for the Mozur plant, to lease to the Mozur firm, as first proposed. Because of tax considerations, the return to local investors under the first plan would be considerably lower than was expected.

2. The proposal now, therefore,

as suggested and concurred in by Chas. J. Mozur, head of the company that wants to come here, is that the Mozur interests build the structure and that local funds be invested therein as second mortgage bonds, to bear interest at six per cent. Investors would receive monthly checks, with all bookkeeping conducted by the Mozur firm, over a period of 20 years, unless the bonds are paid off sooner.

3. According to R. S. Ewing, president of the Southern Pines Development Corporation, the local group was given assurance that \$175,000 would be available as a first mortgage loan, for construction of the building, from the North Carolina Development Corporation, a state-sponsored agency making loans not available to business from other sources. Whether this assurance applies also to the new plan whereby the Mozur interests will build the building is being investigated in conferences held today and tomorrow. Officials of the local group believe the assurance will still stand.

4. The \$175,000 first mortgage would be paid off under the new plan after 10 years, so that the bonds of the local investors—of which about two-thirds, or \$100,000, would then remain outstanding—would then become a first mortgage on a \$350,000 building, strengthening the position of local (Continued on page 8)

Wilson To Serve As Principal of West Side School

Dr. A. C. Dawson, superintendent of schools, said today that he will recommend to the board of education that H. A. Wilson, assistant principal of West Southern Pines schools, serve the remainder of this school year as principal, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of J. W. Moore a few weeks ago.

Mr. Wilson, who teaches science and mathematics, has been at the West Southern Pines school about 10 years. He is now acting principal.

The board of education has scheduled two meetings since the death of Mr. Moore, but both have had to be postponed for various reasons. The board now plans to meet next Wednesday, January 15.

Procedure to be followed in filling the vacancy calls for a recommendation by the superintendent to the board of education.

The present recommendation is for Mr. Wilson to serve as principal the remainder of this school year. There is the possibility that the appointment would be made permanent with the start of a new school year.

General Miller To Head Red Cross Campaign

Brig. General Lehman W. Miller has accepted the position as chairman of the Moore County Red Cross Fund Campaign for 1958. He will be assisted by Frank D. Shamburger of Aberdeen as vice-chairman. The campaign will be conducted during the month of March.

General Miller, familiarly known as "Duke," graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point in the class of 1915. He retired from active duty in 1946, and moved from Westminster, Md., to Southern Pines in 1956. While in Westminster, he was chairman of the Red Cross Disaster Preparedness and Relief Committee. He is married to the former Dorothy Carter of Virginia and they have two daughters, one of whom, Susan, is an eighth grade student in the local school.

General Miller has had an interesting military career, totaling



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31 years of service in the Corps of Engineers. Among his several assignments were those of U. S.

District Engineer at Jacksonville, Fla.; Panama, Canal Zone, and New Orleans. He was Chief of the U. S. Military Mission to Brazil from 1940 to 1942. Just prior to his retirement he was executive assistant to the Foreign Liquidation Commissioner in Washington. After retirement he served under the State Department as Foreign Liquidation Commissioner for Eastern South America.

During World War II, he commanded Engineer Training Centers at Fort Bragg and Fort Sutton, in North Carolina.

General Miller is organizing his committees and teams for the Fund Campaign and from time to time will announce the names of his sub-chairmen.

The Moore County Chapter is most fortunate in having such a capable and energetic person to serve as County Chairman of the Red Cross Campaign.

Public Warned About Numbers On New 'FS-1' Forms

Sale of State motor vehicle license plates had passed the 1,400 mark today at the License Bureau in the Chamber of Commerce office, 123 N. E. Broad St. In addition, over 400 Southern Pines tags had been sold.

Mrs. S. D. Fobes, Chamber secretary who is in charge of the License Bureau for the Motor Vehicles Department in Raleigh, cautioned the public today about one difficulty that has quite frequently arisen in connection with the "FS-1" certificates of liability insurance that each vehicle owner must have to obtain a license plate, under a new North Carolina law.

The point she made is that the number given on the "FS-1" form has to match a number on the vehicle's registration card. For instance, she said, sometimes a motor number will be given on the "FS-1" form, but a serial number on the registration card. To make sure that this difficulty does not arise, she said, registration cards should be shown to insurance agents who fill in the "FS-1" forms.

The License Bureau is open daily, 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., closing however from noon to 1 p. m. daily and on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.

In addition to the regular license plate charge, there is an extra \$1 charge, payable when plates are obtained, to pay for the State's new driver training program in the schools. This, too, is a new feature this year.

Raising of \$9,700, to extend water and sewer lines from the town limits to the proposed Mozur Laces, Inc., plant north of Midland Road on No. 1 Highway parkway, is apparently the biggest hurdle that has to be passed to make the new industry a reality for this community.

The goal of the Southern Pines Development Corporation, whose officers and directors are devoting most of their time to the lace plant project, is to raise this money by the end of the week.

Following a public meeting at Weaver Auditorium Tuesday afternoon, in which the officials explained all aspects of the project in detail and described it again as a "reasonable businessman's risk," more than \$1,500 had been promised this morning.

The local group explained Tuesday afternoon that it has to raise the money by donations made to the town because the town, under local ordinances, cannot legally build the water and sewer lines beyond the city limits. The town will extend water and sewer lines for the plant up to the town limits at a cost of about \$7,500.

The town could build the lines outside the town if it had surplus funds in the water fund or in any other fund that is not derived from ad valorem taxes. But it can't use tax money for the work.

Officials of the local Development Corporation are contacting the nearly 200 persons who pledged about \$186,000 for second mortgage investment in the proposed lace plant building and are asking them for a five per cent increase in their pledge—the additional five per cent to be a gift to the town of Southern Pines.

It was pointed out at the meeting Tuesday that, if the second mortgage bonds pay six per cent as now planned, the local investors will be getting more than the four and a half per cent that the bonds would have paid under a former investment plan. Over a period of 20 years—the life of the bonds—this would bring local investors some \$27,000 more than would four and a half per cent bonds, it was noted. In view of this return, the point was made, should not local people be willing to give the \$9,700 needed to assure and complete the lace plant project?

Local Development Corporation officials plan to confer with Mr. Mozur early next week and it is hoped that he can be assured at that time that all local participation funds, including those necessary to extend water and sewer lines, are available—and that a final commitment on the project can be obtained.

Taking part in the Tuesday program and presenting various aspects of the plans and negotiations, including a favorable report on investigation of the Mozur firm's operations in Tennessee, were the following officers and directors of the local Development Corporation: R. S. Ewing, Jimmy Hobbs, Norris Hodgkins, Jr., John Ponzer, Norris Hodgkins, Sr., Harry Fullenwider and L. B. Creath. Other directors of the corporation are R. F. Hoke Pollock, June Blue and John Os-

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FIRST BABY

First baby of 1958 in Moore County was the son of William Donald and Otellian Pearman, 1028 West New Hampshire Ave., Southern Pines, born at Moore Memorial Hospital at 11:06 a. m. January 1.

First to arrive at St. Joseph's Hospital was the daughter of Leon and Ann Caviness of Lakeview, at 4 a. m. January 2.

The Pearman child received a number of gifts, including groceries from Colonial Stores, baby food from Hobbs Market, a blanket from Patch's Department Store and an order for laundry and dry cleaning from Carter's