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## Council Approves \$100,000 Issue Of Town Bonds

### Town Hall Project Would Be Subject To Vote of People

The intricate legal machinery of a municipal bond issue was cranked up by the town council Tuesday night with adoption of resolutions that authorize a \$100,000 bond issue, to complete the municipal center on the park block—subject to a vote by citizens of Southern Pines.

So slowly does the machinery of setting up a bond issue turn over—notice of intention to the Local Government Commission, notice to bond attorneys, and other steps—that no election could legally be held before March 7.

The council will set a date for an election later.

The amount of \$100,000 in bonds has already been approved by voters of the town for the municipal center and estimates now are that it will take nearly another \$100,000 to get the job completely done—that is, with administrative wing, council chamber, police station, detention cells and fire department facilities. The exact cost figure now is \$199,343.51, subject to various adjustments that may be made as the work progresses.

Complete details of the municipal center project will be published by The Pilot soon, so that voters will have full information on the proposal they will be asked to decide.

**Federal Aid**  
The council authorized Town Manager Louis Scheipers, Jr., to make application through the State Board of Health for Federal funds that would pay two-thirds of a proposed \$80,000 sewage plant improvement project.

Application must be made before February 1, it was explained, for Federal funds to be distributed in the fiscal year 1958-59.

**Appointed to Board**  
The council appointed Alternate Member C. A. McLaughlin to fill a vacancy on the Board of Zoning Adjustment caused by the resignation of T. K. Atkinson. T. C. Johnston was named as the alternate member, succeeding Mr. McLaughlin.

Other members of this board are Joe Thomas, chairman; Mrs. Alwin Folley, E. L. Pleasants and Joshua Ferguson. Mrs. George Leonard, Jr., is the other alternate member.

The council granted the request of Floyd McDonald to construct a modern service station on West Pennsylvania Ave., west of Stephen Street.

## New Pastor Serving St. Anthony's Church

Father Francis M. Smith is the new pastor at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. He came to Southern Pines from Edenton and conducted services at the church for the first time Sunday morning. He succeeds Father Francis McCarthy who has left Southern Pines, having served here about seven months.

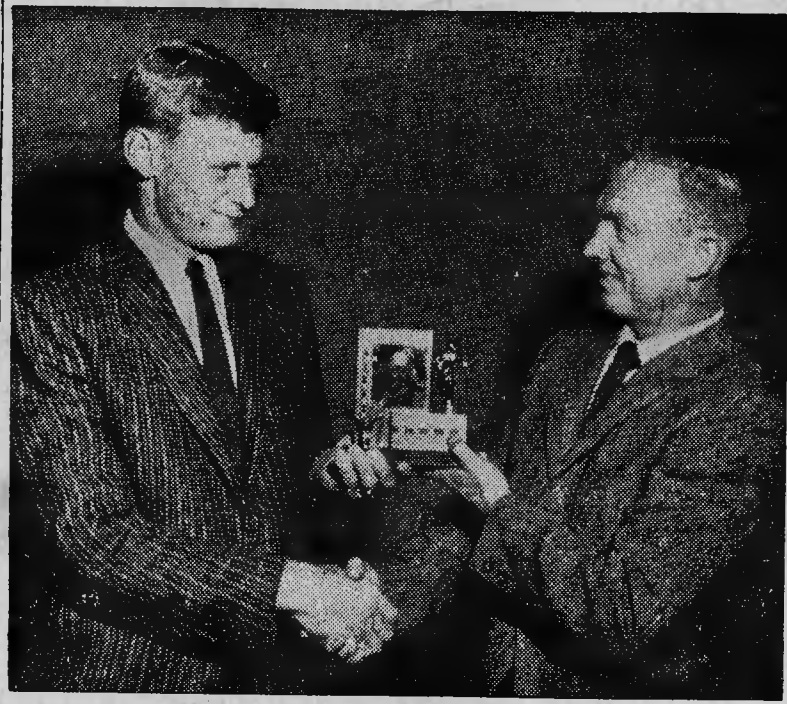
For the past four years, Father Smith had been pastor of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Edenton and had previously served as assistant pastor at churches in Greensboro and Durham.

## Chairman Tells Progress In Scouting, Makes Fund Appeal In Southern Pines

J. C. Sandlin of Southern Pines, Moore District Boy Scout chairman, this week outlined an ambitious 1958 Scouting program that already has shown remarkable progress—and appealed to the people of Southern Pines for financial help in "making Moore County Scouting pay its own way."

Following a "Together We Organize" meeting last Thursday night of the Moore District Executive Committee—a group composed of adults who head the various phases of Scouting in the county—Mr. Sandlin told The Pilot:

"That in the Boy Scout fund drive conducted last fall, Southern Pines obtained only 50 per cent of its financial quota—the only community in the county not to reach its goal.



JAMES BOWERS, left, received the James Milliken memorial "Most Valuable Player" award from C. W. "Red" Smith at the annual testimonial banquet given by the local Elks lodge for the 1957 Southern Pines High School football squad. Mr. Smith is commander of the John Boyd Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, which sponsors the award each year. Bowers also was elected post-season captain by other members of the squad. He is the son of Mrs. Flora Bowers of Manly. (Photo by Humphrey)

## YOUNG MAN TO BE RECOGNIZED

### Nominations Asked By Jaycees For New Distinguished Service Award

Nominations are invited from the public by Southern Pines Jaycees for a "distinguished service award" to be presented by the Jaycees to an outstanding local young man.

Presentation will be made during a banquet at the Hollywood Hotel on February 4. Nominations must be made before January 30 and judging will be done by five prominent local residents, who will remain anonymous and who are all over the Jaycees age limit of 35. Contestants' names will be kept secret until the night of the banquet. Bill Hamilton is chairman of the Jaycee committee in charge of arrangements. Other committee members are Sumpter Craver, Jim Baird, Tom Surratt, Norris Hodgkins, Jr., and Gary Head.

Nomination blanks are available at the Barnum Realty and Insurance Co. and at the Southern Pines Town offices. When filled in, they should be mailed to Box 1058, Southern Pines. Nominees must be aged 21 through 35. Their qualifications will be judged 50 per cent on contributions to the general community welfare during the past year. (Continued on Page 8)

## Death Of Woman Remains Mystery; Probe Continues

The Moore County sheriff's department and Cumberland County officers continued this week their investigation of the death of Mrs. Adeline Tyndall, 44-year-old white woman who was found dead near the home of Mrs. Don Blue, off the Vass-Carriage road last Thursday morning.

Two Fayetteville men who had been identified as having seen Mrs. Tyndall at 2:30 on Wednesday morning of last week—the last definitely known persons to have seen her alive—were brought to Carthage and placed in jail without charge about 5 a. m. Friday by Moore Deputy A. F. Dees who is handling the investigation under supervision of Sheriff C. J. McDonald and in cooperation with the State Bureau of Investigation which immediately put an agent on the case.

The Fayetteville men were released later Friday. Questioned at length, together and separately, they stuck to their assertion.

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Each rider can pick his own course—the longest will undoubtedly be the easiest while the shortest will be over the biggest jumps. Riders will pick up a chip at each point. The first one back at the finishing point, without penalties for over-tiring his horse, will be the winner.

Entries have been invited from over the Carolinas and the North. Among those who have already entered are Miss Jean Cochran of Greenwich, Miss Jane McNeal of Savannah, Miss Sandy Glynn of Greens Farms, Conn., Miss Sunny Pierson of Greenwich, Richard Webb, Doolley and Cissy Adams, Mrs. Mary Doyle, Beverley Gray, Ozelle Moss, and Mrs. Douglas Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Sutton and Dan Whittaker, all of Greensboro.

Among those who have been invited to judge are: Mrs. Sarah Stilwell of Savannah, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Glynn of Greens Farms, Conn., Cyril Harrison of Camden, S. C., Sen. G. V. Hinkel and William Stratton.

## Judge McKeithen To Preside For Civil Court Term

### \$50,000 Damage Suit By Mrs. Nicholson On Trial Calendar

Judge W. A. Leland McKeithen of Pinehurst is scheduled to preside at a one-week term of Moore County Superior Court for the trial of civil actions, opening at Carthage Monday morning, January 20.

Judge McKeithen replaces Judge J. A. Rousseau who is assigned to hold court in Moore County during the first six months of 1958. Judge Rousseau presided at the long trial of Frank E. Wetzel for the murder of Wister Lee Reece, held at Rockingham last week. Judge Rousseau, however, is expected to be in Carthage the week after next to preside at a one-week term for trial of criminal cases.

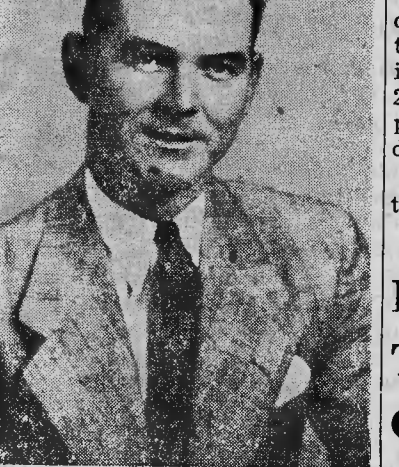
**Damage Suit**  
Of wide local interest is the case calendared for Monday in which Mrs. Valerie Nicholson, newspaper correspondent who lives in Southern Pines, is asking \$50,000 damages from Vincent J. Daly, Miss Edwina Hallman and Mrs. Martha Dixon Underwood, all of Washington, D. C., and former residents here.

Mrs. Nicholson alleged in her complaint that the three defendants conspired over a period of several weeks to libel her, culminating in March, 1956, with the sending by Daly of defamatory letters about her to four North Carolina newspapers, including The Pilot.

It was for statements made in these letters that Daly was convicted of criminal libel in Moore County Recorder's Court in April, 1956, and was sentenced to 12 months in prison. Sentence was suspended on payment of a \$500 fine.

Daly, who had been maintaining an office here as a psychologist, with the two young women as his assistants, and the two women left Southern Pines soon after his conviction. Trial of the damage suit has been continued.

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MR. BLUE  
Blue Elected To  
Local Bank Board

The election of D. A. Blue, Jr., to the board of directors of The Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Southern Pines was announced this week by N. L. Hodgkins, president.

Blue was the only new director elected at the annual meeting of the bank's stockholders held on Tuesday. The present members of the board—who are John C. Barron, N. L. Hodgkins, Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., John M. Howarth and George W. Pottle—were all reelected for the coming year.

"We are pleased at the addition of such an outstanding young businessman to our board," Mr. Hodgkins stated in making the announcement.

Blue is a partner in the Powell Funeral Home of Southern Pines and Aberdeen and is descended from one of the pioneer Moore County families. He has served on the town council of Southern Pines and is presently a member.

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JUDGE McKEITHEN

## Traffic Toll In County In 1957 2 Less Than '56

Twelve persons were killed in traffic accidents in Moore County in 1957, as compared to 14 in 1956, according to the annual report of Ralph Steed, Moore County coroner.

Nine of the traffic deaths occurred in rural areas and three in towns, the report shows.

**Patrol Report**  
A report from Sgt. Victor Aldridge of District 4, Troop C of the North Carolina State Highway Patrol lists the nine fatalities in rural areas of Moore County in 1957, as compared to 14, all in rural areas, in 1956.

The annual Patrol report also lists a total of 272 accidents investigated by Highway Patrolmen in Moore County in 1957. In 74 of these accidents, a total of 130 persons were injured, the report shows.

The total number of arrests made by Highway Patrolmen in Moore County last year is listed as 3,324. Of these 1,348 arrests for speeding led the list of offenses. There were 314 arrests for driving with improper equipment, 181 for reckless driving and 82 for driving drunk. Arrests for having no operator's license, failure to stop at stop signs and driving on the wrong side of the road were listed at 185, 143 and 163, respectively, along with a number of arrests for other offenses.

**Other Deaths**  
Mr. Steed's report listed in addition to the traffic fatalities these other deaths which he had investigated: homicide, 3; fires, 2; acute alcoholism, 5; alcohol poisoning, 1; drowning, 3; accidental gunshot, 1.

Twenty-one deaths in which the coroner was called were at Carthage.

## Hospital Room To Honor Memory Of Miss Kelsey

A special room dedicated to the memory of Miss Laura Kelsey, a former president of the Moore Memorial Hospital Woman's Auxiliary, and a devoted worker for the hospital during the years of her life here, has been completed and will be dedicated next Wednesday, it was announced today.

Due to the size of the room, it was explained, the ceremony will be confined to members of the family and a very few friends.

The room, to be known as the Meditation Room, has been established through contributions to the fund started at the time of Miss Kelsey's death. It fills a need long felt, it is stated, at Moore Memorial, where it will serve as a refuge for those in need of quiet in times of anxiety and sorrow.

The project has been under the guidance of friends of Miss Kelsey and members of the Woman's Auxiliary, with a committee in charge consisting of Mrs. Audrey K. Kennedy, chairman, Mrs. Paul Dana, Miss Frances Pleasants, and Mrs. Alwin L. Folley. Under their guidance the former record room has been redecorated for this purpose.

The Rev. Martin Caldwell, rector of Emmanuel Church of which the late Miss Kelsey was a member, will conduct the service.

## Officials Confer On Lace Plant Proposals

### \$3,714 Raised Toward \$9,700 Donation Goal

Three officials of the Southern Pines Development Corporation have returned from New York after two days of conferences with officers and attorneys of Mozur Laces, Inc., drafting a lease, contract and other legal documents that will be required for the proposed industrial project here.

## Fowler Reelected Fire Chief, Gives Report '57 Fires

Harold B. Fowler has been reelected chief of Southern Pines' volunteer fire department.

Other officers elected at a recent meeting of firemen are: S. T. Dunn, assistant chief; James A. Tew, company captain; and Frank Kaylor, Sr., truck captain, secretary and treasurer.

**Annual Report**  
Making his annual report to the town council Tuesday night, Chief Fowler reported that there had been 45 alarms in 1957. Seven of these, he said, were "silent alarms" for which the siren was not sounded but to which Resident Fireman Frank Kaylor responded with equipment, along with the chief or some other designated fireman, once it had been ascertained that a larger force was not needed.

Burning of the Highland Pines Inn, with an estimated loss of \$445,000, topped the year's fire losses here to an estimated \$474,175, Chief Fowler told the council. He compared this with a 1956 loss of \$7,500.

One life was lost as a result of fire in 1957: the death of Mrs. Patricia Ann Sullivan in a small house outside the town limits on Christmas morning.

Thirteen of the 45 alarms were from West Southern Pines and \$22,300 of the loss was in that area, the chief reported. The Floyd McDonald property in West Southern Pines, burning for an estimated loss of \$10,000, was one of the largest losses of the year.

There was one out-of-town "mutual aid" call in 1957 — to Pinebluff when the Silver Springs dairy barn burned. All Moore County fire departments are members of the Sandhills Firemen's Association which has a long-standing mutual aid agreement among its members. This aid is given at no cost to the town that is assisted.

## IN ANTARCTICA TODAY

### Local Men Plant State Flag

Direct word from Southern Pines' Antarctic expedition—Voit Gilmore and Vance Derby—reached here through two sources this week, both amateur radio operators.

On Monday night a radio "ham" at Oak Ridge, Tenn., called Mr. Gilmore's wife, Mrs. Kathy Gilmore, with a direct message from her husband via a hook-up of radio and telephone. As it happened,

## Stores Entered Here Last Night

Break-ins at the Sandhill Drug Store and Mack's 5 & 10 are being investigated by the local police department.

Police Chief Ed Newton said that officers making their rounds last (Wednesday) night about 11:45 p.m., discovered the break-ins, apparently very shortly after the intruders had left.

A small amount of money is missing from each location, the chief said.

At Mack's, entrance was obtained by breaking a glass in the back door and reaching in and unlocking it. At the drug store, iron bars were pried apart with a board and glass was pushed out of a window.

Officers have found where the burglars had look-outs stationed and think there were more than two persons involved.

In New York on Tuesday and Wednesday were Robert S. Ewing, president of the local corporation which is conducting negotiations but which will not, under present plans, actually construct the proposed building for Mozur Laces; Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., secretary-treasurer; and Harry Fullenwider, a director and legal adviser.

Mr. Hodgkins said this morning that Charles J. Mozur, president of the lace company, and Walter Kuffler, vice-president, were expected here today. Mr. Mozur and Mr. Ewing stopped in Raleigh, en route from New York, to confer with representatives of the North Carolina Business Development Corporation, the agency which had given assurance of a \$150,000 loan to the local corporation when plans called for the local group to build a plant here for the lace company.

Under present plans, a Mozur corporation will construct the building and local investors, who have pledged about \$186,000, would invest in that, receiving 20-year bonds paying six per cent interest.

Before the loan assurance can be transferred from the local corporation to the Mozur firm, the entire board of directors of the Business Development Corporation must meet to approve the transfer. This meeting will be held February 3, it was learned today.

Mr. Hodgkins said this morning that the local group working on the project feels that the loan assurance will be transferred and that construction on the building can begin around February 10.

Meanwhile, said Mr. Hodgkins, a North Carolina architect is being brought in to go over plans that were drawn originally for a Tennessee location, to alter them to meet North Carolina building standards. Also, he said, at least one more bid will be asked, in addition to the one offered by the same company that had made a bid on the Tennessee project.

**Donation Project**  
Mr. Hodgkins said that \$3,714 by this morning had been promised in the effort to collect \$9,700 as gifts to the Town of Southern Pines to finance extension of water and sewer lines from the town limits to the proposed Mozur plant. Despite the fact that such a small proportion of the total has been raised, Mr. Hodgkins said, he and other officials are confident that the needed amount can be obtained by a more intensive campaign. He added that there appears to be a possibility that around \$2,000 can be cut from the project's cost.

The delay due to the loan transfer has given the local group more time to complete this phase of the project.

ed, Mrs. Gilmore was in Sanford at a Girl Scout Council meeting and the conversation was conducted by Alwin L. Folley, a business associate of Mr. Gilmore.

Mr. Folley said that Mr. Gilmore reported a "heat wave" in Antarctica—32 degrees above zero. He said that both he and Derby were feeling fine and had been at Elsworth Scientific Station for three days and that they were leaving for South America sooner than they had expected.

This latter information has led Mrs. Gilmore and Mrs. Derby, who plan to join their husbands in Buenos Aires for a short stay there before returning to Southern Pines, to move their date of departure from Southern Pines up to February 3.

Last night (Wednesday), another dispatch was telephoned to the Raleigh News and Observer, for which Mr. Gilmore is a correspondent, by an amateur radio operator in Norcross, Ga., stating that 20 Tar heels expected to join the local men today (Thursday) in planting a North Carolina flag from the N. C. Board of Conservation and Development, of which Mr. Gilmore is a member, "on a hilltop of slippery snow overlooking ice-choked Weddell Sea."

The North Carolina men taking part are men of the Navy's "Operation Deep Freeze," he said. He concluded: "There's a snowstorm tonight and the sun is shining brightly all night."