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National Guard Unit Recognized For Excellence

Formal Program To Dedicate Armory Is Slated February 22

The Army National Guard Award for Efficiency in Training was awarded the local National Guard unit, Company D of the 130th Tank Battalion, early this week.

Based on the performance of the unit during the calendar year 1957, the award was made by the National Guard Bureau, through the Commanding General, Third Army, who congratulated the local unit on attaining a rating of "Excellent" for the year.

The ratings are made up on the basis of unit strength and attendance records, and take into consideration the number of men qualified with individual weapons, individual technical qualifications of members of the unit, and proficiency of tank crews within the unit.

A large factor in the rating is the performance of the unit at the annual summer encampment, when it is inspected frequently by Regular Army personnel and rated on training activities and performance of military duties.

The local unit, part of North Carolina's 30th Infantry Division, attended summer camp last June at Fort Stewart, Ga., where the men underwent training in tank gunnery and platoon tactical problems.

Capt. William J. Wilson is commander of the local unit.

Program Planned
Meanwhile, the Guard unit is planning a program for Saturday, February 22, that will combine the nation-wide National Guard observance of "Muster Day" with formal dedication of the new armory building on Morganton Rd.

"Muster Day" is observed on the birthday of George Washington, founder of the American militia system from which the National Guard sprang.

Young men interested in joining the National Guard are urged to investigate Guard service before the dedication date. It is hoped that a number of new recruits can be sworn in at that time. Age limits are 17-35.

Local, county and state officials will be invited to take part in the dedication program. Captain Wilson said this week that Lt. Gov. Luther Barnhardt has accepted an invitation to be present.

Aberdeen Games

Here On Friday

Claim Interest

(Squad photos, page 5)

The Blue Knights and girls of Southern Pines High School will play host to Aberdeen teams in the gymnasium here Friday night, in return games with the basketball teams that defeated both the local players three weeks ago. First game starts at 7:30 p. m.

The Aberdeen games are traditionally the height of the Southern Pines basketball season. There will be added festivities Friday night, with the "pep band" and the majorettes performing at the half.

The Friday games carry plenty of weight for both schools. Aberdeen boys are undefeated in the county this season and are defending county champions. However, Aberdeen boys have just

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Chamber Leaders To Plan Drive

Directors of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce will gather at the Southland Hotel for a dinner meeting Wednesday of next week, for assignment of committees and to prepare for the membership drive to begin the following week, President J. I. Scott said today.

Louis Scheipers, Jr., town manager, has been invited to attend, Mr. Scott said, in the interests of coordinating the Chamber's and the town's promotion programs.

A JOB AROUND STABLES WOULD BE NEXT BEST

Boy Wants To Trade Trombone For Horse

Want to trade a horse for a trombone? Johnny Bristow, 13, of Southern Pines has the trombone—you provide the horse.

Or maybe, if that proposal doesn't win any takers—maybe there'll be some other way to work it out.

What Johnny knows is that he wants a horse—and wants one badly.

His trombone is one of his most valued possessions, but he'll let it go if there's a horse in the deal.

If the swap doesn't pan out, Johnny hopes he can get afternoon and Saturday work that will help him pay for a horse.

The ideal job, of course, would be some kind of work at a stable. He'd be closer to horses that way.

Johnny is the son of Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Bristow who live on the old No. 1 highway just north of Manly. Johnny has wanted a horse ever since his friend, Francis Dwight, who lives across the road, got one about two years ago.

"The trombone first figured in his plans when he dropped out of the Southern Pines school band to bone up on his studies so he could surely be eligible to play basketball. (Life is complicated, isn't it?)

Once he'd quit playing in the band, Johnny decided maybe he'd be willing to turn the trombone loose. To have a horse and be able to play basketball would be worthy compensations.

So, recently, he placed an advertisement in The Charlotte Observer which was running free classified ads for boys and girls looking for jobs. The ad said:

"Boy, 13, wants job after school and Saturday, working with horses. Also interested in trading fine trombone for horse—Johnny Bristow, Southern Pines."

Will Stewart Is Sentenced For Killing His Wife

(More Superior Court news on pages 5 and 13)

Will Stewart, 61-year-old Southern Pines Negro, wept on the stand in superior court at Carthage Tuesday as he told about killing his wife, Sarah, with a knife at their home January 18. He said, "As God is my secret judge, I didn't want to kill her. She brought it on herself. I was scared of her all the time and tired of running."

Arraigned for first degree murder, Stewart pleaded guilty to second degree, and based his defense on previous good character and a good record in everything except his relationship with his wife, before and during their seven years of marriage.

Noting that the prisoner had put himself on the mercy of the court, and was begging for mercy, Judge J. A. Rousseau handed him the comparatively light sentence of 18 to 28 years in prison.

Stewart had been in court before for shooting and wounding his wife, before they were married, then later for hitting her with a brick.

Had Killed Husband

It was brought out in testimony that the woman had killed her first husband with a .22 rifle and served time for it; also that she was a big woman, five feet nine inches tall and weighing 260 pounds.

Officer Earl Sewell of the Southern Pines police department

AT JAYCEE BANQUET TUESDAY

Service Award To Be Given

Anonymous judges tomorrow (Friday) will choose from several nominations the young man who will be awarded a plaque next Tuesday night as the recipient of a "distinguished service award" for community service during the past year.

Sponsored by Southern Pines Jaycees, the award will go to a man aged 21 through 35—though not necessarily a Jaycee—and will be presented during a banquet at the Hollywood Hotel.



JOHNNY BRISTOW, WITH TROMBONE . . . WANNA SWAP?

Pines.

The response was not thunderous. In fact, he's yet to receive his first reply.

Johnny's parents said they started looking for a horse for him around Christmas, but couldn't find one they felt they could afford.

Then Johnny took matters into his own hands. His parents didn't even know he had placed the ad in the Charlotte paper. But

they'll go along on the proposition, they say, and maybe be able to help some, too. Any boy who will show that much independence deserves to get what he wants, they think.

As for Johnny, he's still hopeful. That's a mighty nice trombone he has. It shines so brightly in the sun you can hardly look at it—but you can't put a saddle on it—and that, to Johnny right now, is all that matters.

CONCERT

Two weeks from tomorrow, on Friday, February 14, will be held the third concert in the series presented yearly by the Sandhills Music Association.

Jeanene Dowis, talented young pianist, with many successful appearances to her credit, will play at Weaver Auditorium. On the program appear the names of the Greats in the repertoire of piano music: Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin, Ravel and others.

Tickets may be purchased at the Barnum Agency, or by contacting committee chairman in other county towns. 8:30 p. m. is curtain time.

Horse Show Set At 1:30 Sunday

Mrs. Mary Doyle's Economy Farms on Youngs Road will be the location Sunday for a horse show by young and adult riders, in which nearly all the stables of this area are expected to have entries.

There is no spectator fee. The public is invited. The show is scheduled to begin at 1:30 p. m.

Classes will be: Beginners horsemanship, green hunters hack, intermediate "A" horsemanship, green conformation hunters, advanced horsemanship, green hunters, intermediate "B" horsemanship and working hunters.

Tentative plans call for having a show at one of the Sandhills rings every other week.

Pilot Wins First Place For Best Editorial Pages

For the third successive year, The Pilot was given the "best editorial page" award in the weekly division of the annual North Carolina Press Association contests. The award was made during the winter meeting of the Association at Chapel Hill last week.

The Pilot also was rated second in the feature writing contest among the weekly papers participating. First place was won by The Franklin Press.

Second and third awards for editorials went to The Chatham County News, Al Resch, editor, and the Franklin Press, editor Weimar Jones.

The contests for the awards given last week were based on an entry of four newspapers chosen from those produced from October, 1956, to October, 1957.

The editorial page award consisted of an engraved plaque and certificate. A certificate was given for the second place in features.

The editorial page award was based not only on the content of editorials but on the make-up and use of other material on the page.

Parade Here To Be Feature of Boy Scout Week

Moore County Boy Scout leaders and boys are making preparations for observance of National Boy Scout Week, February 7-13. A highlight of the observance will be a parade by many Scouting units of the county on Saturday, February 8, starting at 3 p. m. in Southern Pines.

Cubs, Scouts and Explorers are expected to take part, said J. E. Sandlin of Southern Pines, Moore District chairman. Details of the parade will appear in The Pilot next week.

J. Douglas David of Pinebluff, District Activities chairman, is in charge of planning for the event.

Scouts over the county will attend church in uniform on Boy Scout Sunday, February 9, and there will be other activities over the county.

Scholarship For Nurse Campaign Getting Started

Sandhills Veterans Making Appeal For Annual Aid Project

Letters are going out Monday launching the annual drive of the Sandhills Veterans Association to provide funds for its Nurse Scholarship program, the valuable project the organization has been sponsoring for 12 years. During that period, 10 girls have been graduated, as registered nurses for duty in Moore County.

The serious shortage of nurses continues and the veterans are appealing for generous support in the 1958 campaign. How many young women can be provided with scholarships depends upon the response to the fund appeal. When funds permit, the association grants more than one scholarship in one year. There are always more deserving applicants than can be selected with available funds.

The donations are used 100 per cent for the nursing education program. A complete scholarship for Moore County high school girls is valued at \$1,000. Contributions of \$2,000 would mean the training of two, \$3,000 of three. The recipients are required to return from their training schools upon graduation, to serve in this county.

Previous winners of these SVA scholarships who have helped fill the great need for more trained nurses in the county are Leatrice Simpson, Betty Teeter, Betty Cleaver, Ida McDonald, Peggy Cole, Dorothy McNeil, Mary C. Stewart, Velma Richardson, Marie Wicker and Geneva Black.

Checks should be made payable to Sandhills Veterans Association and forwarded to Box 894, Southern Pines. All contributions are tax deductible.

4 Injured In 3 Accidents Over Past Week-end

Four persons were injured in three one-car accidents on Moore County highways over the week-end, it was learned from the State Highway patrol.

Just one arrest has been made. Sylvester Robinson, 42, of Sanford, made bond for appearance at Moore Recorders Court under a charge of exceeding safe speed. Robinson's car left the road and overturned Saturday night in the Lake Bay section. He was taken to Lee County hospital with bruises and abrasions.

Seriously hurt at Moore Memorial Hospital is Willard Blue, 23, of Carthage RFD, whose 1955 Plymouth ran off NC 22 about two miles north of the airport early Sunday morning. Blue suffered back and other injuries and has not been in condition to be questioned.

Also considered seriously hurt are Arthur Aaron Cole and Lois Kennedy of Eagle Springs, who were taken to St. Joseph's Hospital following the wreck of the pickup truck in which they were riding, sometime Sunday night or Monday morning, on NC 705 between Robbins and Eagle Springs.

Harry Chatfield To Head Rotary

Harry Chatfield, an insurance agent, was elected president of the Southern Pines Rotary Club

during the club's luncheon meeting at the Southern Pines Country club last Friday. He will succeed Joseph I. Scott when new officers take office July 1.

Other new officers elected last week are: Dr. Phillip P. Green, pathologist at Moore Memorial Hospital, vice-president; Peter Spencer, insurance agent, secretary; and E. Earl Hubbard, assistant cashier of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company, treasurer. All will take office July 1.

Elected directors were Virgil Clark and E. J. Austin. A tie vote for director between Hollie Sisk and Frank Warner will be voted on again at this Friday's meeting.

For their program Friday, the Rotarians enjoyed entertainment by Mrs. Nancy Spencer, wife of Peter Spencer, who sang and played the guitar. Mrs. Spencer is a former professional entertainer. Her program featured ballads, folksongs and amusing novelty numbers.

Police Arrest Accused Forger In Chase Here

Warrants For Man Held In Many Counties



E. A. (Al) RESCH

Editor Believes State Must Have Better Teaching

"If we concentrate all our efforts on training scientists to produce Sputniks, we might learn how to preserve life, but we wouldn't learn how to live."

With this telling sentence, Al Resch of Siler City, noted North Carolina editor and publisher, brought to a close a speech sparked with fiery conviction and packed with wisdom. Delivered before the Wednesday luncheon meeting of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, the talk held the attention of the large membership and guests who met at the Carolina Hotel in Pinehurst to hear the distinguished visitor speak on the problems of education today.

The Chatham County editor was introduced by program chairman Joe E. Sandlin. T. Roy Phillips, president of the club, conducted the meeting.

Mr. Resch said that this fight to improve education—the theme of his address—was no new cause to him. He had long been in the thick of it in his own Chatham County, where his papers had taken the lead in the attempt to bring about consolidation of some of the county's small high schools.

Quality Must Improve

"It wasn't so much that we needed or wanted bigger buildings," said the speaker, "it was the quality of the education that went on in them in which we were interested. Large schools," he said, "would mean many more teachers, and that in turn would raise the quality of the teaching and make it possible to do what everybody knows has to be done, if we want to get anywhere: that is, divide up the classes so that the bright students will not be held back by the slow ones, but will be encouraged and stimulated to develop their potentialities to the fullest."

Mr. Resch came back again and again to this point: the need to improve the quality of education.

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Alertness of Southern Pines police resulted Wednesday in the arrest and jailing of Joe R. Jackson, of Randleman, a white man about 30 years old, who is sought in a wide area of the state for check forgeries over a period of several months. Several warrants for him are held by the Moore County sheriff's department.

Officers throughout this area were alerted to be on the lookout for Jackson and the local police department got a description of the car he was believed to be driving, Chief C. E. Newton said.

Sgt. M. R. Stout and Officer L. D. Beck spotted it yesterday going south on Broad St. When Jackson realized the police were after him, he cut across to the Wisconsin Avenue intersection with the No. 1 highway parkway and turned north. The officers followed and stopped him near the Midland Road intersection. Jackson was arrested and placed in jail at Carthage.

Chief Newton said that a number of checks Jackson had written and had not passed were found on him. It was his custom, the chief explained, to write checks to himself, forging on them the names of persons he picked out of telephone books or from some other source. One written on the Citizens Bank and Trust Company here had the forged signature of Luther Cagle, Carthage used car dealer, who does not have an account at this bank, the chief said.

He described Jackson as a soft-spoken young man who apparently could talk convincingly. As the checks were made to himself, he could show driver's license and other identification when cashing them. Several of the checks were written in amounts of from \$28 to \$40. For some reason, \$28 seemed to be a favorite amount with Jackson.

Chief Newton said that Jackson readily admitted many forgeries. He told officers that he had been in the restaurant business but had gone broke. He said he was not married.

Checks allegedly forged by Jackson have been passed in Aberdeen and Pinehurst in this county, though none in Southern Pines.

Will Seek More Information On Institute Plan

With some of the season's worst weather and only a day's advance notice as handicaps, a meeting to discuss a proposal that this area seek the new Technical Institute to be established somewhere in Eastern North Carolina was attended by only a couple of dozen people last Friday.

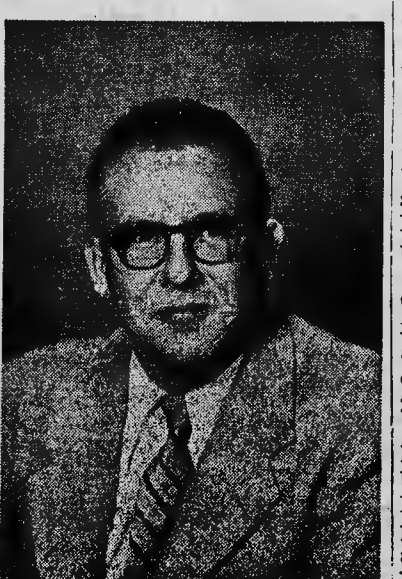
Meeting in Weaver Auditorium, the group heard Dr. Robert G. Carson, head of the department of industrial engineering at State College and a member of the Technical Institute advisory committee, tell of the need for such an institution in training technicians and engineers in courses above high school level for jobs with industries of the State.

A State appropriation of \$100,000 has been authorized for a director and 10 instructors. It will be up to the community getting the Institute to provide quarters for it and \$150,000 for equipment.

L. T. Avery of Southern Pines has been investigating and working for more than a year on behalf of having the proposed Institute located at Southern Pines. The former Notre Dame Academy property on Youngs Road has been suggested as a good location.

Working with Mr. Avery on an Institute committee are Dwight W. Winkelmann, W. H. Burroughs, John C. Ostrom and Paul C. Butler. Business and civic leaders throughout Moore County have expressed their interest in the project.

At Friday's meeting, it was decided that the committee would secure needed additional information and report back to another public meeting in the near future.



MR. CHATFIELD