

Annual Sandhills Junior Net Meet Set For Next Week

Record Field Is Forecast; Entries May Reach 75

The 11th annual Sandhills Junior Invitational tournament (sponsored by the Southern Lawn Tennis Association) will be held on the local courts next Wednesday through Sunday.

From the viewpoint of one week in advance it looks as though it will be a whopping success.

If all the youngsters come who have sent for entry blanks, or who have phoned or written inquiries, or indicated at other recent tournaments that they are coming to the Sandhills, there could be about 100 of them here, including the leading young players of the two Carolinas.

Malcolm Clark, tournament director, this week was scaling down this figure slightly in his mind—to about 75, which would in any event make it the largest junior tournament in the game's history in the state.

Only about 30 entries had arrived by Wednesday—but that's a stupendous number for a week ahead. They will arrive in a torrent over the weekend. Monday night is deadline.

Many requests for entry blanks have come in from South Carolina towns, and some have been returned from Columbia, Belton, Rock Hill and Greenville, meaning the tournament will be a real two-state affair.

About half of the players who were here for the Jaycee Junior tournament indicated they would return. Among these will certainly be Jim Hart of Winston-Salem, defending champion, and Charlie Shaffer of Chapel Hill, who won the Jaycee event and subsequently, last weekend at Raleigh, the State Closed Junior tournament. Shaffer would probably rate top seeding over the defender.

William Poore, of Belton, S. C., last year's winner of boys' singles, will return to defend. Also from Belton will come for the first time James Ledbetter III. Both boys are highly ranked, with Ledbetter the higher.

Julia Blake, also of Belton, will defend her title in junior girls' singles. Last year Julia won the girls' singles also but has now outgrown this bracket. This will be the only event left without a defender.

Julia's sister Ann, an equally outstanding junior player, will take part in the Sandhills for the first time.

Arrangements have been made (Continued on page 5)

New Publication Circulated By WSP Civic Club

The initial issue of "The Voice," a publication of the West Southern Pines Civic Club, was distributed this week.

The publication, a single mimeographed sheet, is to be published monthly, its editors say, and contains valuable information for residents of West Southern Pines along lines of their civic duties and responsibilities.

"It will not attempt to direct their thinking but will try to stir up their minds so that they will become more alert to their opportunities to become better citizens to make a better community," the editor said.

Officers of the Civic Club are Felton J. Capel, president; Walter Gore, first vice president; Mrs. Sally Lawhorn, second vice president; Prentiss York, secretary; Thaddeus W. Gay, assistant secretary; and Jesse Graham, treasurer.

The Civic Club meets regularly the third Monday night each month at 8 o'clock in the basement of the First Missionary Baptist Church.

Capel said this week: "All citizens are urged to attend these meetings. Matters of civic interest such as voting, beautification of premises, community conduct, and all other questions that will help us become better citizens to make a better community, will be discussed from time to time."



CELEBRATING his 50th anniversary in the drug business, Dr. Albert Bretsch was honored by colleagues and friends at a surprise dinner Tuesday night at Jack's Grill. He is pictured here receiving a mortar and pestle, engraved with his name and dates of his service, from Joe

Montesanti, Jr., while other local druggists and doctors look on. Left to right, Dr. R. M. McMillan, Thomas Cole of Sandhills Drug Store, Dr. Bretsch, Dr. Vida McLeod, J. T. Overton, Graham Culbreth, and Joe Montesanti, Jr. (Pilot photo)

FROM 30 DAYS TO 30 YEARS

Dr. Albert Bretsch Honored By His Colleagues After 50 Years' Service

Dr. Albert Bretsch, who this year is quietly celebrating his 50th anniversary as a practicing registered druggist, got the surprise of his life Tuesday night.

He was lured to Jack's Grill where about 30 people—past and present associates, former employers and employees, and just plain friends—gathered to pay him tribute.

And a real tribute it was! Letters and telegrams poured in from all sections of the State, some from friends he had not heard from in many years, others from people he had attended school with, and still others from State officials who wanted to wish him well.

But the biggest tribute was paid by the people who attended the dinner.

Many of them spoke of their relations with "Doc" over the years, recalling experiences they had shared and the friendly relationships that had existed between them and the man who has served Sandhills patients longer than anyone else.

The "dean of Sandhills druggists" he was called by one person. "One of the State's outstanding druggists" was another's description. Still another paid him the compliment of saying: "We've had our differences and

we've had our agreements but in both cases they've been of the highest type."

Dr. Bretsch came to the Sandhills 30 years ago as a substitute "for 30 days," as he recalls it. He's been here since, working in all three drugstores in Southern Pines. He tried to retire a couple of years ago but the drug stores wouldn't allow it. They've all had him substituting at one time or another.

His present employers, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Culbreth of Southern Pines Pharmacy, arranged the dinner. They had tried it twice before but both times "Doc" Bretsch got sick and it had to be called off.

This time though, he was beaming. "Don't know what these people are up to," he said, "but it surely is nice."

Dr. Bretsch is a native of Raleigh. His first job in the drug business was with the King Drug Company. Later he worked at many drugstores in that area, arriving in Southern Pines in 1925 as a substitute in one of the stores for one month. He has been at it since.

During the past war he was a partner in Broad Street Pharmacy.

Among the tributes received and read to Dr. Bretsch at the dinner was one from W. D. Welch, Jr., of Washington, president of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association; one from H. C. McAllister, secretary of the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy; from Miss Alice Noble, librarian and archivist of the School of Pharmacy at the University of North Carolina; and a resolution adopted by the Southern Pines Town Council, which, incidentally, was in session at the time of the dinner.

Dr. R. M. McMillan, who is Dr. Bretsch's physician as well as a

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Red Cross Cancels Plans For Blood Bank Program

Brig. Gen. L. W. Miller, of Southern Pines, chairman of the Moore County Chapter, American Red Cross, announced yesterday that the \$2,500 quota for the blood program had not been met in the county. As a result, he said, the chapter will not become a member of the Regional Blood Bank at Charlotte.

"It is the opinion of the chapter officers that membership in this blood program offered a splendid opportunity," General Miller said. "We accept the decision of our citizens, but wish to re-affirm our willingness to sponsor this program at any time the money and blood may be made available. Also we wish to thank those who contributed so liberally in an effort to provide the necessary funds."

"During the past few weeks a number of contributions were made specifically marked for the blood program. Your Red Cross chapter has attempted to segregate such funds and we stand ready to return any money so contributed upon request made to our headquarters at 244 S. W. Broad Street, Southern Pines, or telephone OXford 2-8571," the announcement read.

SOFTBALL RESULTS

JULY 3 GAMES

Church of Wide Fellowship 8, Little Nine 13; National Guard 23, Moose Lodge 1.

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VFW 5, Moose Lodge 19; National Guard 11, Little Nine 4.

STANDINGS

| Team | Won | Lost |
|---------------------|-----|------|
| National Guard | 4 | 1 |
| CP&L | 4 | 2 |
| Church of Wide Fel. | 4 | 2 |
| Moose Lodge | 3 | 3 |
| Little Nine | 3 | 3 |
| VFW | 0 | 6 |

COMING GAMES

Thursday (July 10)—VFW vs. Church of Wide Fellowship, CP&L vs. National Guard; Tuesday, July 15—National Guard vs. Little Nine, Moose vs. CP&L; Thursday, July 17—Church of Wide Fellowship vs. National Guard, Moose vs. Little Nine.

WHAT IT WAS . . .

Here's an interesting sidelight to the July 4 weekend. A State Highway Patrolman, on duty near the traffic circle between Southern Pines and Pinehurst, arrested a motorist for driving while under the influence of some intoxicant. A search of his car produced a handsome leather case which, when opened, revealed an interesting assortment of things: little silver drinking cups, a can opener, a package of face tissue, and, hardly in keeping with the "snazzy" leather case, a bottle of corn whiskey.

It was the store-bought variety, though, which caused the patrolman to lower somewhat his raised eyebrows.

"Thought it was one of those tourists at first," a courthouse employee said, "until he admitted he was from Ramseur."

County Designated As Support Area By Civil Defense

Moore County, according to thinking of Civilian Defense officials, will not be a "target area" in case of war, but will be relied on heavily as a "support area."

Admiral Felix Baker, USN, retired, who heads CD in Moore County, appeared before the Board of County Commissioners Monday with a Col. Smith of Fort Bragg, who is on the staff of the State Director of Civil Defense, to outline the county's responsibilities in the event of attack.

"Under the state plan," Admiral Baker said, Moore County will be designated to receive 20,000 evacuees from Cumberland and Guilford Counties. Possibly Fayetteville, Greensboro, High Point and Fort Bragg will be destroyed by an atomic or hydrogen bomb and these people will be with you for an extended time. You may not have enough food, medicine, clothing or housing." (Continued on page 5)

Dawson, Crissman Low Qualifiers In County Golf Meet

With a record of 79 entries, largest in its history, the Moore County Golf Tournament got underway this past weekend on the Southern Pines Country Club course.

Harry Davis, who is running the tournament, said that only five entries had been received for a junior division of the tournament, not enough to make up one flight. The division will be held open through this week, however, to give any other youngsters who desire it the opportunity to play.

Tied for low qualifying honors in the tournament were A. C. Dawson of Southern Pines and H. Crissman of Aberdeen, who had 76's. Second best qualifying round was shot by Wallace Simpson of Pinehurst, who had a 77.

Defending champion Bill Woodward of Southern Pines had an 80.

First round losers in the championship flight will make up the first flight. And first round matches are scheduled for completion by Sunday.

Final rounds in the tournament are scheduled to be played prior to July 27 except for the championship flight, which should be finished in the week following.

Pairings for the championship flight in the County tournament are: Bill Woodward vs. Carlos Fry; Wallace Simpson vs. Pete Tufts; H. Crissman vs. Ed Comer; Tom Gray vs. Bill Wilson; Amos Dawson vs. Louis Honeycutt; O. T. Parks vs. Harry Chatfield; Harold Maples vs. Will Wiggs; and Jack Carter vs. Tom Shockley.

Second flight: C. S. Lassiter vs. E. M. Medlin; Ken Schroeder vs. J. Johnson; F. McCaskill vs. Harry Davis, and Bob Page vs. W. Throver.

Third flight: Chan Page vs. Bob (Continued on page 5)

Two Negroes Are Victims Of Auto Crash Saturday

County's 4th And 5th Of Records, SHP Records Show

Herman Barrett, 30-year-old Negro of near Cameron, and Buck Newby, 28, whose home is in the same area, became Moore County's fourth and fifth highway fatalities of the year when the car in which they were riding ran off a country road and crashed into a tree.

Barrett died shortly after being admitted to St. Joseph's Hospital early Saturday morning. Newby died Tuesday after being on the critical list at the hospital since being admitted.

According to a report of the State Highway Patrol the accident, which occurred about 6:30 Saturday morning, was the only one in the county over the long July 4 weekend in which injuries were incurred.

Cpl. Jim McColman said another accident occurred near Jackson Hamlet Saturday night and considerable damage was done to two automobiles but there were no injuries.

Officers have been unable to determine who was driving the car in which the two were killed. But in reconstructing the events that led to the fatal crash, it was determined that the car ran off the road on the left hand side, swerved back to the right hand side and then hit a tree. The impact was so hard, the Patrol noted, that the motor was knocked from the car and landed about 30 feet away.

The accident occurred on the road between Vass and Cameron.

Wildlife Club Is Seeking Permanent Spot For Meetings

Acquisition of a small tract of land as a permanent home for the Moore County Wildlife Club is the immediate goal of its members.

Meeting in Jackson Springs Tuesday night the club was told by President Albert Tufts that five or six acres suitable for future construction of a pond or lake would do much towards making the club's activities more attractive to prospective members. "We need to be centrally located," he added, "so that our members will have better attendance."

Actually, the meeting followed an informal discussion last week at Tufts' home in Pinehurst to which several members had been invited for preliminary thinking on the matter. It was decided at that time that land should be purchased outright, preferably in the vicinity of the airport, a central location to club membership.

Admiral Felix Baker was named chairman of a committee to look into the matter.

Tufts did not announce a plan (Continued on page 5)

Her One Desire? To Scratch

One day next week young Faye Ewing of Southern Pines will be able to do something she's had her heart set on for almost eight months: she's going to scratch herself, but good.

Faye, readers will remember, is the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ewing of Valley Road. She entered the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York last November for a fairly rare type treatment to help straighten her spine, crooked because she had contracted polio when she was just five years old.

The treatment consisted of, among other things, the placing of a heavy cast from her head to her toes, covering her body except for her arms.

No wonder she wants to scratch! "I haven't had a bath, except got into this thing," she said yesterday, "and I've been itching since. Hot weather hasn't helped."

She and her parents left this morning bound for New York by way of Norfolk and Wilmington, Delaware. An advance request from Mrs. Ewing to officials of

Mozur Lace Plant Deal Falls Through

St. Joseph's Is Winner Of Award At Hospital Meet

St. Joseph of the Pines Hospital here has been named winner of the Healy Award by the Catholic Hospital Association for "making the most notable improvements the past year in patient care and accreditation."

The award was made at the association's 43rd annual convention just completed in Atlantic City. Sister M. Virginia, O. S. F., administrator of St. Joseph's accepted the award, a monstrosity for the hospital chapel, from Msgr. Thornton, past president of the Association. It commemorates Msgr. John J. Healy of Little Rock, Ark., a past president of the association.

Attending the five-day convention were religious and lay delegates from some 1,200 Catholic hospitals in this country, Canada, and abroad. Theme of the meeting was "The Hospital Apostolate in a Changing Era."

Rev. Mother M. Vincentia, Superior General of the Franciscan Sisters Mt. Alverno Convent, Maryville, Missouri, returned to Southern Pines with Sister Virginia for a week's visit at the hospital.

Robert S. Ewing, president of the local development corporation, said yesterday that the end to negotiations was a distinct blow to the Sandhills.

"We of the committee are extremely sorry that this thing has not worked out," he said. "We have made every effort we knew how, consistent with the original terms as outlined to subscribers, in trying to get the plant located here. We have made other efforts, some of which were not within our purview, to get the plant.

"It has been difficult to tell the people everything that went on during the negotiations and we have realized that all along. Some things, however, were kept out of the press because of their delicate nature. We were, frankly, apprehensive lest we make a move that would jeopardize the negotiations."

"We have seen a wonderful spirit developed among our citizens. People in this area want industry to help round out the economy and I don't believe we'll stop now. This is a blow to us all. But it isn't the end of the world and I assure you that every member of the committee stands ready to work even harder when we get another opportunity to have something good locate here."

"Again, I want to extend my thanks to every person who subscribed to the fund and to those who helped with the negotiations while they were underway."

The real reason behind the failure of Mozur and contractors to get together lay in the fact that contractors were unwilling to go along with the terms that had been laid down. Bids that were higher—in some cases considerably—were another reason.

It is expected that as soon as the letter from Mozur's lawyers arrives here the committee will meet and begin the job of returning funds to the almost 200 individual and business firms who had invested.

The funds amount to \$180,000.

Sheriff McDonald Suffers Second Heart Attack

Sheriff C. J. McDonald, who suffered a slight heart attack about three weeks ago, was back in Moore Memorial Hospital this week with another one, reportedly more serious than the first.

Associates said today, however, that they had been informed he was progressing satisfactorily and might be released from the hospital in a few days.

He was stricken Thursday night at his home near Carthage.

YARD WORK

The Senior Class of Southern Pines High School is sponsoring a summer yard working program. Proceeds go to the Robert Lee House Chapel. For estimates and service call OX2-3284, OX5-7443, or OX2-7711.