

HIGHWAY COMMISSION MUM

Strong Bid For Access Road To New Atomic Plant Made By County Group

Army Authorities Announce Series Of Sonic 'Booms'

Residents of the Fayetteville-Fort Bragg-Southern Pines area have been alerted to a series of "sonic booms" which may be heard here during the next two weeks.

The 82nd Airborne Division's 1st Airborne Battle Group, 504th Infantry, in cooperation with the Air Force, will present a giant combined arms demonstration July 30 for ROTC cadets undergoing summer training at Fort Bragg.

Fourteen F-100 jets from the 306th Tactical Fighter Squadron, 31st Fighter-Bomber Wing at Turner AFB, will fly super-sonic missions July 30 and on four rehearsal dates.

The "booms" will be heard July 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30, between 9:30 and 9:45 a. m. The jets will be in this area between 9:20 and 10 a. m. each of the days, flying their mission out of Shaw AFB, S. C.

The Air Force said the boom will likely be the strongest somewhere near Southern Pines, but that remoteness of Bragg's Observation Post No. 12 would preclude damage in any area.

W. G. Robertson Succeeds Larson In Telephone Job

Walter G. Robertson of Warsaw Va., has been elected General Manager of the United Telephone Company of the Carolinas, Inc., succeeding the late Vern E. Larson.

He has been a vice president of the Tidewater Telephone Company with headquarters in Warsaw since 1947.

At the same time he was named General Manager of United Telephone, Robertson was elected a director, vice president, and treasurer of the firm.

Robertson graduated from Virginia Military Institute in 1922 with a degree in electrical engineering. He went into the telephone business in Virginia in 1939.

During World War 2 Robertson was on leave of absence from 1943 to 1946 serving in the Ordnance Department of the U. S. Army. While on duty in the European Theatre, he was public works and utilities officer having charge of electric utilities operations in Cherbourg, Paris, and Berlin.

Prior to entering the operating telephone field, Robertson was employed by the State Corporation Commission of Virginia from 1933 to 1939 as valuation engineer—utilities. From 1928 to 1933 he was district manager of the Atlanta, Georgia, and Gary, Indiana offices of the Pacific Electric Manufacturing Company. He was purchasing engineer in the electric section of Electric Bond & Share Co. from 1925 to 1928 and from '22 to 1925 he

SOFTBALL LEAGUE RESULTS

Games Thursday, July 17 — Church of Wide Fellowship 11, National Guard 3; Little Nine 17, Moose Lodge 3.
Games Tuesday, July 22 — Little Nine 9, Carolina Power & Light 3; National Guard 23, VFW 3.

STANDINGS	Won	Lost
National Guard	7	2
Church of Wide Fel.	6	3
Little Nine	5	4
Moose Lodge	4	4
CP&L	4	5
VFW	0	8

SCHEDULED GAMES
Thursday (tonight)—CP&L vs. VFW; Church of Wide Fellowship vs. Moose. Tuesday, July 29 — Moose Lodge vs. National Guard; VFW vs. Little Nine. Shaughnessy playoffs begin next Thursday, July 31.

Moore County's case for a bridge and connecting highway to the site of an atomic reactor plant at Blewett Falls has been presented to the State Highway Commission.

In a letter to Voit Gilmore, chairman of the special committee of the Moore County Industrial Development Committee which was to look into the matter, Melville Broughton, chairman of the State Highway Commission, said only that local recommendations would be considered along with others.

Moore County's case was based primarily on its nearness to the project, the fact that a route through the county would provide a direct link between the reactor plant and the Research Triangle near Chapel Hill, Raleigh and Durham, and already established residential, recreational and social facilities in the Southern Pines-Pinehurst area.

Broughton said the Highway Commission was generally familiar with the potential involved in the construction of the reactor plant. "We are expecting to hear further from officials of this project concerning more detailed plans and highway needs," he wrote Gilmore.

Gilmore noted that the county committee had a keen interest in the construction of a bridge and connecting highway and added that the construction of the reactor plant would be an enormous asset to all people of the state and particularly to those of Moore and adjoining counties.

There has been some agitation to have a highway access to the site off US Highway 70 between Rockingham and Wadesboro, and it is understood that forces are at work to have the proposed highway located in other areas.

Here are the principal points the committee brought out:
1. Such a route through Moore County would provide a direct link between the Reactor Plant and the Research Triangle.

2. Moore County provides ideal sites, with ample water and other resources, for research and industrial satellites that would be attracted by the Reactor Plant.
3. Moore County, particularly with the resort areas of Pinehurst and Southern Pines, offers exceptionally attractive residential possibilities to the Reactor Plant personnel.

4. The calibre of executive and scientist associated with the Reactor project will be particularly attracted to the nationally-famous recreation and social facilities of the Mid-South Resort.

5. Moore County also would be on a direct line between the Reactor Plant and Chapel Hill where the new electronic computing machine, so important to the Reactor Plant, will be located.

6. Satellite plants needing half-life isotopes could conveniently locate in Moore County and still be within a 25-mile radius of the Reactor Plant.

7. Moore County has a substantial

Publication Of New Paper For Robbins Planned

A new weekly newspaper, the Robbins Record, will begin publication in Robbins next Thursday, according to H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen, who is publisher and sole owner.

Blue said this morning that the paper would be printed in Aberdeen for the time being with a Thursday afternoon publication date. The size, he added, would be the same as his Sandhill Citizen.

Ralph Steed of Robbins, county coroner, will be the news editor and manager. No other employees have been put on the staff at the present time.

Five towns in Moore County now have papers: Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Carthage, Aberdeen, and Robbins. The number constitutes a record in the state for the number of weeklies in a county. Only Wake County, which has two dailies, has as many.
Blue is also president and publisher of the Montgomery Herald in Troy.



WINNING SMILE was displayed by Keith Stoneman, right, after he defeated top seeded Beansie Frampton, center, for the junior boys championship of the annual Sandhills Junior Tennis Tournament. At left is Jim Causey of Davidson, only boy from North Carolina who made the finals. He was runner-up in the boys singles division.

SOME MATCHES POSTPONED

South Carolinians Take Majority Of Trophies In Sandhills Tourney

Two seeded players were upset in both final matches of the annual Sandhills Junior tennis tournament concluded here Sunday and number two seeds walked away with the championships in both instances.

Keith Stoneman of Greenville, S. C., topped Beansie Frampton of Charleston in a marathon three hour struggle, 7-5, 1-6, 9-7, to take the junior crown.

In the boys division, with age limits of 13 to 15, James Ledbetter of Belton, S. C., defeated Jim Causey of Davidson 6-4, 2-6, 7-5. In the junior girls division Julia Blake of Belton retained her crown by defeating Joanne Cooper of Charlotte 6-3, 7-5. Gay Williams of Charlotte won the girls division by a straight set, 6-3, 6-4 victory over Sally O'Rourke, also of Charlotte.

A cloudburst Sunday afternoon forced the junior boys and boys doubles finals to be postponed until the older boys can meet in Columbia this week and the younger boys play their match in Belton later in the summer.
An exhibition between Malcolm Clark and Bill Quillan of Fort Bragg which had been slated for Friday night was also rained out. There is some possibility the exhibition will be played at a later date.

Sheriff McDonald Has Comfortable Day At Hospital

Sheriff C. J. McDonald was reported as having had a comfortable day at Moore Memorial Hospital this morning where he is recovering from a heart attack suffered two weeks ago.

Hospital attendants said he was still unable to receive visitors, however.

Deputy Sheriff A. F. Dees of Aberdeen, who has also been hospitalized with a heart ailment, was released several days ago and is now recuperating at his home. He is expected to be out at least two more weeks.

THANKS, ANYHOW

Under a Southern Pines dateline Monday morning, the Raleigh News and Observer carried a story that Eva Marie Saint and her husband, television director Jeffrey Hayden, were receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Big excitement in the Pilot office.

Calls to both St. Joseph's Hospital and Moore Memorial were made and, following diligent search of all records of maternity wards, it was discovered the story was in error... at least so far as the dateline was concerned.

Lady probably had a baby, little doubt about it if the News and Observer says so. But she didn't have it here.

E. T. McKeithen Honored At Hospital

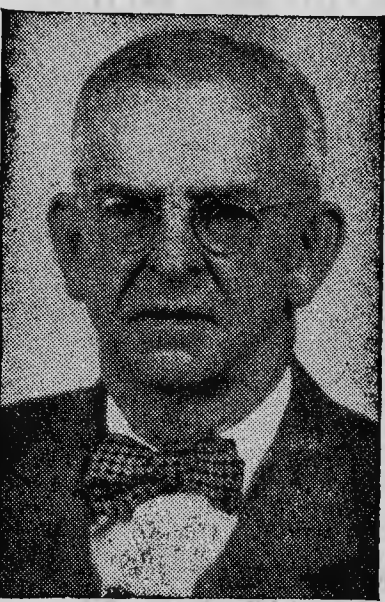
E. T. McKeithen of Aberdeen has been selected by his fellow employees as "Employee of the Month" at Moore Memorial Hospital, in recognition of his long and faithful service to the hospital of nearly 27 years, also his friendly spirit and courteous ways which have won everyone's love.

Mr. McKeithen came to the hospital as chief administrator October 1, 1931, when the institution, then known as Moore County Hospital, was not quite two years old. He retired from this post October 1, 1952, but was not allowed to retire entirely, as the hospital continued to avail itself of his experience and services as consulting and head of the purchasing department.

Since he joined the staff the hospital has grown from 33 to 143 beds, more than 400 per cent, mostly during his administration.

Mr. McKeithen has recently said that his chief satisfaction in hospital work came through helping the unfortunate and distressed, as a good hospital must do daily for so many persons.

During his years in hospital administration he achieved high



E. T. McKEITHEN

standing in his profession, and was elected president of the Virginia-Carolina Hospital Association in 1948.

He has been active in civic affairs, is a charter member of the

Finals In County Golf Tournament Set This Weekend

Woodard, Dawson, Maples And Gray Are Top Finalists

Bill Woodward, A. C. Dawson, Harold Maples and Tom Gray won second round matches in the annual Moore County Golf Tournament last weekend. Maples, by virtue of his 8 and 7 victory over Tom Shockey, took on some aspects of a dark horse candidate to wrest the championship from Woodward.

Other scores in the championship flight were as follows: Woodward defeated Wallace Simpson 1 up, Gray wasn't in too much trouble as he knocked off H. Crissman 4 and 2, and Dawson defeated Harry Chatfield 2 and 1.

Finals are due to be played in all flights this weekend, probably on Sunday, though the final match in the championship flight won't be played until next week.

Sunday Dawson will meet Maples while Woodward takes on Gray.

Scores in the other flights:
First flight—Carlos Fry defeated Pete Tufts 4 and 3, Ed Comer defeated Bill Wilson 1 up, O. T. Parks defeated Louis Honeycutt, 5 and 3, and Jack Carter defeated Will Wiggs 2 and 1. Later, Fry defeated Comer 3 and 2, and Parks beat Carter 4 and 3. Fry and Parks will meet for the championship of the flight.

Second flight—J. Johnson defeated C. S. Lassiter 4 and 3, Harry Davis topped Bob Page by the same margin. Their finals

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Six Teenagers To Be Tried For Window Breaking

Six teenagers, five of them from Southern Pines, are due for a hearing before a Justice of the Peace this afternoon (Thursday) on charges of breaking windows in the elementary school on East Massachusetts Avenue Tuesday night.

Chief C. E. Newton said a number of windows in the back of the building had been broken but did not elaborate on other possible damages.

He said this morning also that \$30 was stolen from the Colonial Store Sunday night after thieves broke the lock on the back door. The money was taken from the cash register and from a box containing petty cash.

Police are also investigating an attempted break-in of Mack's 5 and 10 last night. Nothing was reported missing from the establishment, entrance to which was apparently made by breaking two glasses in the back door.

No arrests have been made in either the Colonial Store break-in or the attempted break-in last night.

New Clubhouse Will Be Built At Pine Needles

Work To Begin Next Week; Lake Is Part of Plan



A. C. DAWSON

Library Trustees Select Dawson As Board President

Dr. A. C. Dawson was elected president of the Board of Trustees of the Southern Pines Library at the Board's first meeting held last Friday afternoon. The library was recently taken over by the town as a public facility.

He held the same job when the library was operated by the Southern Pines Library Association.

Other officers named last Friday were Miss Lockie Parker, secretary, and D. E. Bailey, a member of the Town Council, treasurer. Mr. Bailey is also treasurer of the town. All the officers will serve two year terms.

Named to various standing committees, each with one year terms, were the following:

Building and Grounds—Mrs. L. T. Avery, Mrs. R. E. Rhodes, Harry Vale, Jr., Mrs. Voit Gilmore, and Clyde Coucil.

Books—Miss Lockie Parker, Mrs. J. Reid Healy, Mrs. Charles Phillips, Miss Birdilia Bair, and Mrs. J. H. Towne.

Fine Arts—Mrs. James Boyd, Mrs. C. A. Smith, Don Moore, Mrs. Emmanuel Sontag, and Mrs. Wallace Irwin.

Special Projects — W. L. Brown, George Leonard, John Ostrom, and Thomas Darst.

The Board of Trustees voted to require a new registration of all users during September, except children under 18 years of age, and an indexing fee of 50 cents per person will be charged to local residents who register in the future. For out-of-town residents, the indexing fee will be two dollars.

Highway Officials List Improvements Planned In County

The State Highway Commission has approved and set up funds for work on eight roads in Moore County.

The work involves retreating 23 miles with Drag Seal and 4.6 miles with Sand Seal on the following roads: from US 15-501 at White Hill, north 1.6 miles to the Lee County line; from Carthage city limits, north 9.5 miles to Glendon (Carthage - Glendon Road); from Robbins, northeast 5.7 miles to NC 22-Robbins-Highfalls Road; from NC 705 north-west of Robbins, northeast 3.2 miles to road junction; from Robbins-Spies Road north 1.3 miles to road junction; from US 15-501 south of Aberdeen, west 1.6 miles to Seaboard Air Line Railroad Tracks; from Roseland, west 3.5 miles to Deep Creek; and from county road at a point 1.1 miles southwest of Roseland, south 1.1 miles to end of pavement.

It is anticipated that work on these roads will be completed on or before October 1, 1958, at an estimated cost of \$36,619.93.

Once funds have been set up for similar projects, the money is encumbered until such time as the work is completed.

Construction of a new clubhouse at Pine Needles Country Club will get underway next week, Warren Bell, manager, told The Pilot at noon today.

Cost of the structure, which will be made of brick and wood in the same general design as four lodges constructed there last summer, was not disclosed.

The new clubhouse will be located between the lodges and what is now number two tee. Bell said a two acre lake and a new putting green and practice tee would also be built at the same time, to be located in front of the clubhouse.

With an area of approximately 11,000 square feet, the building will house men's and women's locker rooms, golf shop, dining room and kitchen, three offices, storage facilities, and will have four luxury rooms for guests.

Capacity of the club for guests when the building is completed, which Bell estimated would be in late October or early November, will be 56 people. The lodges were built last summer and proved tremendously popular with golfing parties during the winter and spring season.

The building will be supplied with a heating and air conditioning system and two large patios 52 by 10 feet. Guests, Bell said, will be able to lounge on the patios and watch players coming in and going out on the course.

The dining room will seat 120 people comfortably, he added, and will be an additional asset for proposals to bring conventions to Pine Needles.

Entrance to the club when the clubhouse is finished will be from Midland Road.

W. I. Merck and Sons of Spartanburg, S. C., contractors for the four lodges last summer, have been retained as general contractors for the new building, Bell said.

This year marks the beginning of the sixth season that Bell and his wife, the former Peggy Kirk, nationally known golf professional, have owned and operated Pine Needles.

Mrs. John L. Frye Re-Elected Leader Young Democrats

Mrs. John L. Frye of Robbins was re-elected president of the Moore County chapter of Young Democrats at a meeting held in Carthage last night. She defeated E. O. Brogden of Southern Pines, the only other nominee for the post.

Other officers elected for the year are Dewitt Purvis of Carthage, re-elected first vice president; Diane David of Pinebluff, re-elected second vice president; Fay Neville of Pinehurst, third vice president; S. R. Ransdell, Jr., of Aberdeen, secretary; and Donnie McCaskill of Pinehurst, treasurer.

A crowd described as "fair" attended the meeting to hear two candidates for president of the state organization speak. The two, Art Vann of Durham and Louis Allen of Burlington, spoke briefly about their candidacies and reminded the delegates to the meeting of the November general elections and the importance of preparing for it.

Mrs. Frye said no particular plans for the organization were in the making at present but announcements of several programs will be made soon.

Announcement was made at the meeting of the August 9 watermelon cutting for the three year county officials this year: Sheriff C. J. McDonald, Mrs. Bessie Griffin, Register of Deeds, and Gordon Cameron, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners.

The watermelon cutting will be held in Carthage. It was also announced that a rally of all Democrats in the county had been moved up from October 18 to October 25 at which time Attorney General Malcolm Seawell will be the principal speaker. That meeting, too, will be held in Carthage.