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## Reynolds Named Chairman Of County Board

### Members Conduct Mostly Routine Business Monday

L. R. Reynolds of Highfalls, a member of the Board of County Commissioners for some 28 years, was named chairman by the other members Monday succeeding Gordon Cameron, who retired after a like number of years.

Mr. Cameron had served as chairman for several terms. The new chairman, a farmer and real estate operator, is the senior member of the five-man board. He represents District 3, which is composed of Deep River and Ritters Townships, and was returned to office this year by a handsome majority.

Along with the four other members, he was sworn in Monday morning by Carlton Kennedy, Clerk of the Superior Court. The members then went into session and elected their officers and made several appointments, including that of M. G. Boyette of Carthage as county attorney.

The commissioners, for the most part, conducted only routine business at their first meeting. They did hear a report from the County Library Board, which is seeking to move the present county library facilities from Southern Pines to Carthage, and gave approval to the plan. (See separate story).

The commissioners also heard a report from Mrs. Walter Cole, superintendent of public welfare, in which she said that nearly 800 children received Aid to Dependent Children funds during the current year.

The Board also heard from Miss Flora McDonald, who informed them that in the future her title would not be "home agent" but "home economics agent." Her office, she reported, was functioning smoothly, with several new projects currently underway.

The Commissioners voted to in-

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## Local Woman Will Be Naturalized In Ceremonies Friday

Mrs. Annaliese Rickert, a native of Germany who is currently making her home in Southern Pines, will become a naturalized citizen in ceremonies tomorrow in Greensboro.

A native of Augsburg, Mrs. Rickert is the wife of Sgt. Richard Rickert of Freeport, Ill., a paratrooper stationed at Fort Bragg.

Added to her joy at becoming a citizen Sgt. Rickert has received orders to go to Germany (Mainz) in the middle of January and will be stationed there for some time. They have just returned from a three-week visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rickert, in Freeport, and will, she says, "be busy as all get out getting ready to leave in January."

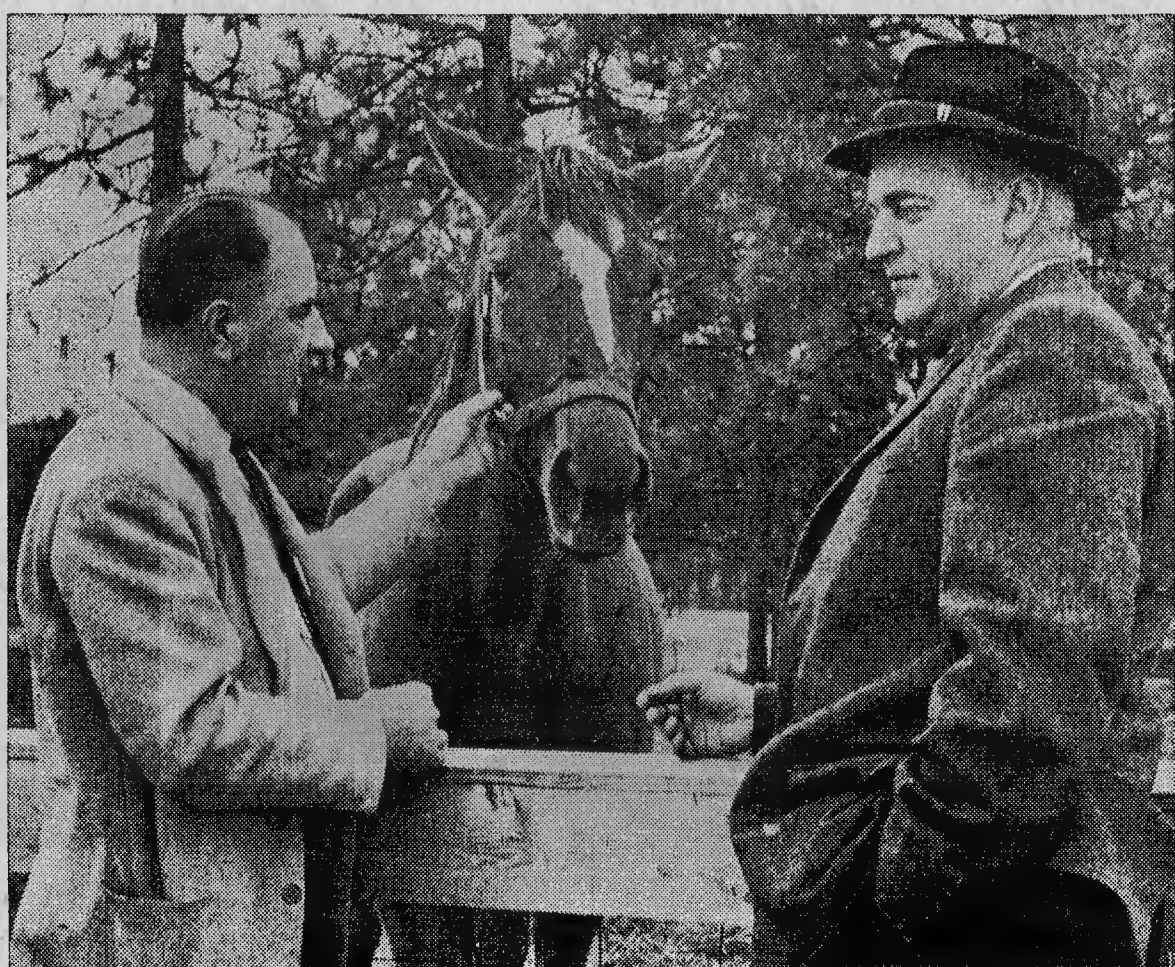
Mrs. Rickert, who speaks English with an amazing clarity, has studied her exams for naturalization "all by herself." She says she has had little or no help from anyone, primarily because she did not seek it.

"I have learned a great deal about this wonderful country," she said this morning, "and I intend learning much more. It's a good country and I am very, very happy to become a real part of it."

Her husband, who has been in the Army a little more than five years, is a career man and will re-enlist when his current hitch is up.

They have been living in Southern Pines since February of last year with Mr. and Mrs. George Nanopoulos on N. May Street. Prior to that they had lived in California almost a year. Originally, Mrs. Rickert first came to this country almost three years ago, her first time.

She is the only person from Southern Pines who will be naturalized in the ceremony.



THE SANDHILLS HORSE COUNTRY got a thorough going over from two of the nation's top outdoor sports writers this week. At right is Ted Kesting, editor of Sports Afield magazine, and with him is Mike Hudoba, who is

Washington editor for the magazine. They were at Mickey Walsh's Stoneybrook Stables looking at some of the horses when this picture was made.

## Editor Of Sports Afield Magazine Likes Sandhills

The Sandhills horse country got a thorough sizing up this week from a man well equipped to know about such things and the verdict: "this is the greatest horse area in the nation and certainly one of the most pleasant."

The observation was no off-hand remark.

Ted Kesting, editor of the million plus circulation magazine Sports Afield, was in Southern Pines looking over the first annual hunting short course now in progress and, better still, searching for a sizeable piece of real estate. He's been here several times before, by car, train and plane, the last time in June when he attended the field trials at Hoffman, and gets more impressed with each visit.

"I don't like making statements merely to be pleasant and agreeable," he told a writer from this newspaper, "but I've visited many parts of the country—most of them, in fact—and I've never seen a better and more pleasant spot to spend time if you're interested in horses. The facilities already here and the potential that exists are amazing. I predict a great future for the area insofar as horses are concerned and I'm going to do my best to become a part of it."

Mr. Kesting was accompanied by his Washington editor, Mike Hudoba, who is one of the nation's leading experts on sports legislation, especially that which affects outdoor life. The two came down earlier in the week planning a picture story on the hunting school, which is sponsored by the State College Extension Division

## VFW SEEKING TOYS

Christmas is just around the corner and the local Veterans of Foreign War post reminded residents today that it once again will collect toys for children who won't be receiving many.

Ernest Klabbatz, post commander, said the organization would be grateful for any toys that are repairable (he stressed the word "repairable"), for clothes which still have use, or for cash donations.

Collection of toys has long been a project of the VFW post and members have fixed up and distributed many hundreds since the program started.

Klabbatz said that those wishing to assist in the program could leave toys or clothes on the VFW porch (a barrel has been provided) any time, or could call the post any day after 3 o'clock and someone would collect them.

and headquartered at Howard Johnson Motor Lodge.

They had in tow Mrs. Mirlam Rabb of the State Advertising Division and found time to go out with several real estate agents looking for some property on which Mr. Kesting eventually hopes to have a small hunting preserve, and what he termed "enough room to ride to my heart's content."

He has been here on several previous occasions to do stories on the Sandhills Wildlife Management Area and the field trials held there.

As to the field trials and the 58,000 management area, he had this to say:

"The State is doing a remarkable thing, indeed, pioneering in a project I consider most worthwhile. There are few places I know of where such a vast amount of land is available for field trials and you people have put it to its best advantage. Many other places where field trials are held are being crowded in by various enterprises. The Sandhills Management Area has enough room that I suspect—I know—it will become more popular as time goes on."

A modest man who does not like to talk about himself, Mr. Kesting's background had to be learned from Mr. Hudoba.

## CITES LACK OF AUDIENCE SUPPORT

### Carmichaels Will Not Bring Caravan Group Back To Sandhills For Season

The Sandhills is once more to be without a theatre.

The information was contained in a release issued by the Caravan Players this week. This is the organization whose short-lived theatrical venture in this area started in Pinehurst two years ago under what were felt to be highly favorable auspices.

The well-established company, well known and patronized in Dover, N. H., where it originated and has flourished for a good many years, presented a varied series of plays, one a week, during the height of the resort season. The first year was entirely successful but in the second the falling-off in audience attendance combined with various construction expenses needed and perhaps more to come, made the venture financially impossible.

The accompanying release to all Sandhills papers, tells the sad story of a fine, progressive venture that could not quite make it.

Fred and Patricia Carmichael, producers for two seasons of the Caravan-Pinehurst Theatre, regretfully close the doors of Pinehurst's handsome theatre building in the center of the village. During a brief trip here a few weeks ago Mr. Carmichael was forced to the unhappy realization that a third season for his Caravan Theatre group was not feasible.

He was with the old Country Gentleman magazine, published by the Curtis Company in Philadelphia, until about 14 years ago. He had moved through the ranks, starting as a copy boy. He took over Sports Afield then ("it was the happiest meeting in the world. I liked magazine publishing and I liked the type of sports the magazine covered") and has

## CHRISTMAS NOTES

Stanley Dunn, who operates a nursery on Young's Road, received his first shipment of Christmas trees this week and along with it came a couple of notes tied to the branches.

The notes were in French and Dunn, after scurrying all over town, had them translated.

They were from Canadian children, asking the purchaser of the tree to write them and tell them in whose house the trees spent Christmas.

The shortest one read (freely translated):

"I want to tell you this tree was cut by my big brother. I would like to know where it spends Christmas. I would like you to write me a card and tell me."

Whoever gets it, please do.

## New Bishop Plant Owners Feted At Weekend Reception

### Announcement Made That 15 Will Be Hired

Fletcher Southern, Inc., the firm that recently purchased the Bishop plant on the outskirts of town, will employ about 15 people when it begins operations after the first of the year.

That information was passed to members of the Southern Pines Industrial Development Committee over the weekend by Edward Taws, Sr., and his son, Edward, Jr., who acquired the building to establish a textile equipment manufacturing concern.

The Taws were here Friday and Saturday with two men who will be foremen in the operation, looking at the plant, housing and school facilities. They were entertained at a reception Saturday at the Hollywood by the industry committee and town officials, including Mayor Blue and the Council, acting as joint hosts. Others at the reception included several members of the Board of County Commissioners, members of the town's advertising advisory committee, Manager Louis Scheipers, Jr., and a few other citizens who have interested themselves in the industrial development of the area.

Interviews for the available jobs will be held shortly after the first of the year and operations are expected to begin as soon thereafter as machinery and other equipment is installed.

Employment is expected to increase as the company expands its Southern operation.

Members of the industry committee said the Taws were much impressed with the area the first time they visited here and indicated they were becoming more pleased with their decision to locate an operation in this area "all the time."

Though they will miss by far having the largest industrial payroll in the area, their purchase of the Bishop building evoked a tremendous sigh of relief by local people who had seen the plant, considered one of the best constructed and outfitted in the South, go idle for more than two years.

Most of the first employees will be men, it was learned, though there probably will be some opportunities for women later.

While here over the weekend Edward Taws, Jr., president of Fletcher Southern, Inc. and who will manage the operation, ordered some minor work at the building to the electrical and air conditioning system. He also

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## County Library Facilities Being Moved To Carthage

Some 18,000 books owned by Moore County will be removed from the Southern Pines library and placed in the Riddle Building in Carthage, the Board of County Commissioners decided Monday.

They did not set a date for the transfer, but gave approval for the Library Board to receive bids for construction of new shelves in the Riddle Building.

The Moore County Library has been housed here for many years but has complained in recent months that the facilities here are inadequate to do a good job. A new library is included in the plans for an agricultural building which the county will construct when funds are available.

Some \$125,000 has already been established for the building expected to cost in the neighborhood of \$200,000. Plans have already been drawn up and a site in Carthage near the County Health Center selected.

W. Stuart Evans of Robbins is chairman of the County's library board. Others serving with him are Mrs. J. L. McGraw of Carthage and Mrs. L. T. Avery of Southern Pines.

Miss Hollis Haney is county librarian.

## Kiwanis Club To Award Builders Cup Tomorrow

### Ladies Night Program At Pinehurst CC

Who will it be?

The question, asked every year at this time as the moment for the awarding of the Builders Cup approaches, will be answered Friday night when the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, donors of the cup, hold its annual Ladies Night program at the Pinehurst Country Club.

The cup was first awarded in 1927 and this year's winner will be the 32nd person so honored. It is given to a man or woman in the Sandhills area "for unselfish personal service, without hope of personal gain and for outstanding contributions to the upbuilding of the Sandhills section."

The annual affair begins with dinner at 7:30 for members, their wives, and invited guests, and the award will be made during the program that follows.

The program this year will feature as speaker Jerry F. Ball known throughout the South for his fund raising activities on behalf of the fight against polio.

Mr. Ball, who is from Charlotte where he is employed by the Standard Oil Company, has raised more than \$100,000 in his campaigns. He also is the dean of beauty contest judges in the state and has assisted in the selection of Miss North Carolina for several years.

In great demand as a piano player, Mr. Ball last year was suspended by a 70,000 pound crane on a platform some 100 feet over Independence Square in Charlotte where he played requests for seven hours in 20-de-

## ONLY LOSS ON RECORD

### Blue Knights Fail In Bid To Gain "A" Title; Lose To Andrews, 33-9

The Blue Knights of Southern Pines, termed the "miracle team" of the Eastern part of the State, met up with Andrews, which bears the same title for Western North Carolina, on an ice cold field in Asheville Friday night of last week and were drubbed 33-9. The State class "A" championship was at stake.

Reasons for the defeat? There were three: extremely cold weather and a muddy playing field, the inability of the Blue Knights to get their offensive machinery clicking, and a little fellow named Terry Postell.

All three were of equal importance but Postell, who weighs only 130 pounds, was the name that most people were using as they left Asheville's Memorial Stadium.

The speedy fullback scored three times on runs of 37, 7 and 81 yards, turned in an outstanding performance defensively, called his team's plays, and, though he may still be unaware of it, won himself a scholarship at Western Carolina College in the event he wants it.

He was clearly the outstanding player in the game.

The Blue Knights, who saw more points scored on them in the first half than had been all season in 12 games, outplayed their hosts in the last half, but could manage only one touchdown and a safety.

Andrews used the old fundamentals of blocking (the best this writer has seen this year) and tackling together with several tricky plays to score three touchdowns in their first seven plays from scrimmage. The first score was made by Archie Myers on the Wildcats' first play from scrimmage. He took a handoff, went wide to his right behind perfect blocking and knifed 20 yards into the end zone.

Stunned, the Blue Knights lined up for the kickoff and received at the 22. On three plays they lost 10 yards and had to kick.

The punt went only to the Southern Pines 35, where Postell lost two yards on the first play before taking a handoff and scampering 37 yards.

Less than four minutes later the Wildcats made it three touch-

downs when an alert Wildcat recovered a Southern Pines fumble on the Knights' 19. Halfback Harold Murphy broke over left tackle, found a hole and headed for the end zone.

Archie Myers, who had already kicked two extra points, added the third and at the end of the first quarter the Wildcats led 0-6.

The Knights did better in the second period, though they gave up 12 points.

On the first play following the kickoff Postell intercepted from Bobby Watkins of Andrews. Then Postell and halfback Myers teamed up on a move the ball to the Pinehurst 7 where Postell drove from there. The kick was good.

Later in the second quarter after a Southern Pines sputtered on the Andrews' 10, Postell, on the first play, edged and dodged himself into the end zone.

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There are a number of other things on the program, including group singing led by Thomas Howerton, and the awarding of door prizes, which were made available by Sandhills merchants, by William Huntley and James D. Hobbs.

T. Roy Phillips, president of the Kiwanis Club, will preside at the meeting and welcome the guests and introduce Mr. Ball.

Dr. Cheves Ligon, of Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church, will offer the invocation and also make the Past President's Award.

R. F. Hoke Pollock will make the Builders' Cup presentation, the highlight of the evening. As has been the custom in the past, a small committee from the club made the final selection of the Cup recipient after considering dozens of people who have been recommended. The name of the recipient is known only to the committee.

The first Builder's Cup was presented to the late John R. McQueen in 1927.

Other recipients, in order, have been the late Bion H. Butler, Leonard Tufts, Simeon B. Chapman, P. Frank Buchan, and Dr. H. E. Bowman, all deceased; Paul Dana, Dr. Clement R. Monroe, the late Charles W. Picquet, George H. Maurice, G. C. Seymour, Miss Birdie Bair, Paul C. Butler, A. L. Burney, William D. Campbell, Mrs. Audrey Kennedy, Forrest W. Lockett, the late Mrs. William A. Way, the late Miss Laura Kelsey, Richard S. Tufts, Charles J. McDonald, Eugene C. Stevens and John F. Taylor.

## League Of Women Voters Meeting Set December 16

Mrs. C. S. Pickard of Asheville, first vice president of the North Carolina League of Women Voters, will be the speaker at the next scheduled meeting of the chapter of the organization on December 16.

Mrs. Pickard will discuss changes in the North Carolina judicial system as has been proposed by a special committee headed by Senator Spenser of Charlotte.

At a board meeting of the local organization held at the home of Mrs. Fred Chappell on December 16 meeting in the month of December.

Attending the meeting will be Mrs. W. O. Spenser, president, and Mrs. Max Miller of the immediate past president of the North Carolina Women Voters.