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## Bill For Election Of County School Board Is Proposed

Rep. Blue Sees Favorable Action By Legislature

A bill providing for the election of members of the Moore County Board of Elections was introduced in the General Assembly this week by Rep. H. Clifton Blue.

Chances of its passage are excellent, he believes, since it is of a purely local nature and the General Assembly traditionally passes local bills without opposition.

Blue, in his column of legislative happenings which he writes for this newspaper, said that he suspected the bill would cause little change in the ultimate make-up of the Board, composed entirely of Democrats.

"Since Moore County has been strongly Democratic in county and state elections for a long time," he wrote, "and if this sentiment continues, the people will little note the application of the proposed change."

Under the present set-up candidates for seats on the board run under party banners only in the primary. The names of the top five Democrats and the top five Republicans then are filed with the State Department of Education in Raleigh and the names are also submitted to the General Assembly.

The Representative then either approves the names or substitutes ones of his own choosing. The five he approves are named to the Board.

Blue said that in Moore County he had "never known of a Senator or a Representative to fail to approve the certified names of those winning the nomination of his political party."

Under the proposed law the school board members will still be nominated from the districts as in the past and will run just as do the county commissioners.

Robert S. Ewing of Southern Pines, chairman of the executive committee of the Republican Party in this county, said today that he felt the bill was "a step in the right direction," and that Blue had displayed a great deal of "outstanding leadership" in the introduction of the bill.

Blue's bill provides that members of the Board take their oath of office the first Monday in December next succeeding their election. They will serve two year terms.



STONEBROOK PROFITS of \$1,500 have been divided equally between Moore Memorial Hospital and St. Joseph's Hospital. M. G. Walsh, in center, is shown presenting the checks to Mrs. Voigt Gilmore, president of the auxiliary at

Moore Memorial, and Mrs. Audrey Kennedy, president of St. Joseph's auxiliary, as Donald D. Kennedy, chairman of the Steeplechase, looks on. (Humphrey photo)

## Homes And Gardens Tour Wednesday

The 11th annual Homes and Gardens Tour of the Southern Pines Garden Club will take place next Wednesday, April 15.

Open to the visiting public on that day will be in all, eight homes—four in Southern Pines, one between Southern Pines and Pinehurst and three in Pinehurst, all new to the tour.

Headquarters will be the Shaw House, where tickets will be sold during the tour hours—10 a. m. to 5:30 p. m.—also luncheon and tea will be served. Hostesses will be on duty at the Shaw House and at all homes along the tour.

Luncheon for those taking the tour may be obtained at the Shaw House for a reasonable price. Mrs. Dwight Winkelman, who has been in charge of that portion of the tour for the past two years, has made arrangements again to start serving at about 11:30 a. m.

Several reservations have already been made, she said. Coffee and donuts may be obtained at the Shaw House from 9:30 on.

While the visitors may start the tour at any point, visit only as many homes as desired and remain as long as they wish at any one point, here is the list of homes on the tour as it will be arrow-marked, starting with the Shaw House:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Ewing, Valley Road, Southern Pines. Rambling claspboard colonial surrounded by azaleas and camellias. Large studio living room. Also open, guest house and summer house adjoining swimming pool. In the summer house will be a display of trophies won by Mrs. Ewing, who is N. C. State Trap Shooting champion.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cushman, Valley Road, Southern Pines. Modern ranch-type home of stucco and stone exemplifying modern outdoor-indoor living. Outside lodge with open fireplace, overlooking broad vista of lawn, flowering shrubs and pines.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Regan, Fairview Drive, Knollwood. Colonial white-painted brick house adorned with grape-patterned wrought iron. Pebble garden by entrance to house filled year round with seasonal blooming small plants. Holly arboretum of 40 different species surrounding house and wooded grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Bullens, Crest Road, Knollwood. Formal Georgian house in pine grove with five acres under planting of magnificent azaleas, camellias, bulb flowers and Oriental shrubs and trees. Central portion of handsome residence designed to resemble Westover, ancestral home of the Byrds in Virginia. Wings resemble Homewood, after which the Bullens (Continued on Page 8)

## Joint Meeting Of Two Organizations To Hear Librarian

The League of Women Voters and the Moore County Historical Association will meet together April 21 at the Shaw House then adjourn to the Civic Club to hear Mrs. Elizabeth Hughey, State Librarian, speak on the topic: "From Lamplight to Satellite."

The historical association will first hold its annual meeting, however, and the League will hold a business meeting.

There will also be a buffet supper served to the joint meeting, which is open to the public.

Attending the League's meeting will be Mrs. Neal Austin of High Point, president of the state organization, and Mrs. I. Max Miller of Greensboro, state councillor.

## OUTDOOR ART SHOW

An outdoor art show, to be held in the Village Court in Pinehurst, will be held next Wednesday, the day of the annual Homes and Gardens Tour of the Southern Pines Garden Club.

Area artists are invited to show their work in the show, according to Mrs. John W. Rettew and Mrs. L. P. Rigby, operators of the Sandhills Candy Shop in Pinehurst and sponsors of the show. Artists are reminded, however, that they must supply their own easels. Further information may be obtained from either Mrs. Rigby or Mrs. Rettew.

## Band Boosters To Conduct Rummage Sale Two Days

Lee Giles, director of the Southern Pines high school band, will leave in June for a tour of duty with the Air Force, Superintendent A. C. Dawson said today. Giles has been here two years. In the meantime, Dr. Dawson called attention to the rummage sale being conducted by the Band Boosters Club Friday and Saturday and urged the public to assist if they could.

The band, he said, is almost entirely dependent on funds raised by the Band Boosters. The salary of Mr. Giles is paid as is that of any other teacher but little more financial assistance can be made by school officials to the band.

The rummage sale will be held in the building on Bennett Street and Pennsylvania Avenue formerly occupied by the Country Bookshop.

## Plastic Bib Is Death Mask For Tiny Baby Here

A four-months old baby was accidentally suffocated here Sunday, apparently when a plastic bib smothered him.

The baby was the son of Airman 2/c Billy Whiddon of Pope Air Force Base and his wife, Frances, who live on Pennsylvania Avenue. His name was Ricky Dale.

Coroner Ralph G. Steed pronounced the death an accidental one caused by asphyxiation. The child, found by his mother, was taken to Moore Memorial Hospital where efforts at resuscitation failed.

Funeral services were held Monday, conducted by the Rev. Maynard Mangum, pastor of the First Baptist Church and burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

The Whiddons have no other children.

## Huge Portion Of ABC Income Goes To Federal Gov't

Annual Report Shows \$648,000 Paid In Taxes

The Federal government, which doesn't furnish a dime's worth of law protection in Moore County and which doesn't pay a single employee of the ABC system, nevertheless took a bite of some \$648,000 from the sale of legal whiskey here in the last fiscal year. That was about four times the amount the county got.

The figures were revealed in a report made by L. J. Hinson, secretary of the ABC board, at a meeting of the County Commissioners Monday. The report covered the operations of the two stores—one here and one in Pinehurst—for the year ending March 31.

Total sales in the stores were slightly in excess of \$1,450,000 Hinson said, and \$185,000 was turned over to the county. With that amount, he noted, the county has now received a total of \$2,913,500 since the ABC Board was started in 1937.

First report of a new organization for education on alcoholism, sponsored jointly by the ABC Board and the Moore County Mental Health Association also appeared in Hinson's report.

A State law permits a maximum of five per cent of the total profits to be expended for education on effects of the use of alcoholic beverages, he said, and that will be done in the future.

A committee, to be known as the Moore County Alcoholic Educational Committee, has been formed, he said, with John Ruggles, a member of the State Board of Hospitals Control, as chairman. Other officers are L. L. Marion, Jr., of Carthage, vice-chairman; J. V. Healy, treasurer; Mary Logan, secretary; and the Rev. R. L. Bame, pastor of the Methodist Church here, program director.

Marion and Healy are members of the ABC Board.

Hinson continued in his report that ABC officers in the county had made 163 arrests during the year, with nine of that number being acquitted at their trials.

Fines paid totaled \$5,045. The officers seized 274 gallons of whiskey and 20 gallons of homebrew. They also destroyed 15 stills and 1,950 gallons of mash.

They also assisted in discovering and destroying distilleries in adjoining counties as part of the cooperative effort of other ABC officers and Federal ATU agents.

## School Board Requests \$195,000 To Construct High School 'Phase C'

Dawson Says 8 Classrooms To Be Included

A total of \$195,000 for construction and equipping "Phase C" of the East Southern Pines High School was requested for inclusion in Moore County's 1959-60 budget by representatives of the school Monday.

John Howarth, school board

## Candidates Scarce As Deadline For Filing Approaches

Filing deadline for municipal elections here is less than a week off and there are still only six candidates for seats on the Town Council.

Next Wednesday at 5 p. m. is the deadline, according to Town Manager Louis Scheipers, Jr.

There are enough candidates for Judge of the Recorder's Court to insure a primary but, unless more people file, that will be the only one. Candidates for that position are D. E. Bailey, a present member of the Town Council, William I. Barber and W. Harry Fullenwider.

The only announced candidate for the position of Solicitor of the court is Howard Broughton.

Seeking seats on the Council are John Ruggles, George Tyner, Dante Montesanti, Jr., Robert Ewing, James Hobbs and Felton Capel. It will take 11 or more to have a primary in that election.

## Final Program In Forum Series Set Next Thursday

For its closing program of the season on Thursday, April 16, the Pinehurst Forum will present a distinguished evening of music with Miss Marjorie Lawrence, great dramatic soprano, and Nelson and Neal, outstanding young duo-pianists, appearing in joint recital at the Pinehurst Country Club at 8:45 p. m.

The Forum program will be preceded by the usual Country Club buffet supper at seven (Continued on page 8)

## PINEHURST MINISTER

## Southern Pines Masons Plan Joint Service To Hear Dr. Thomas S. Roy

Dr. Thomas Sherrard Roy, resident interim minister of the Village Chapel at Pinehurst, will deliver the sermon at a special Masonic service at the Brownson Memorial Presbyterian church Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

All Masons, their wives and families, and other interested persons are invited to this service sponsored by the Southern Pines Masonic Bodies.

Dr. Roy, Canadian-born, retired in 1951 after 23 years as pastor of the First Baptist church in Worcester, Mass. He served twice as a delegate to the World Council on Faith and Order, in 1927 when it convened in Switzerland, and in 1937 in Edinburgh, Scotland.

During a distinguished Masonic career he served during 1951, 1952 and 1953 as Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts; is a past Grand Chaplain of the Imperial Shrine of North America, and was executive secretary of the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America from 1955 through 1958. He is a 33rd Degree Scottish Rite Mason, also a member of the York Rite Masons.

He is a former chairman, and now secretary, of the Commission on Information for Recognition of the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America.

Dr. Roy is the author of "Di-

chairman, and Dr. A. C. Dawson, superintendent, met with the Board of County Commissioners at the Board's regular monthly meeting Monday in Carthage. The request was taken into consideration along with others being made by various agencies in the county.

Dr. Dawson, in presenting the capital outlay budget for the local schools, said the funds would be used to construct eight or nine more classrooms adjacent to the present school. The new building, he said, would include an industrial arts department and another science room as part of the classroom space.

In reviewing the need for the building, Dr. Dawson said that all of the first wing (Phase A), which was completed in 1955, houses the sixth, seventh and eighth grades, plus the commercial department and the laboratory which are used by the high school. There is also an eighth grade classroom in the May Street building (Phase B), with the rest of the building being used by the high school.

"We have a sixth grade currently being taught in the student activities room, which is large enough only for 22 students," he said, "and we also have a fifth grade in the home economics cottage." Both should be moved to regular classrooms.

"So, as you can see, we are two classrooms short right now. For next year, we will have to add a seventh grade, which will put us three classrooms short as of September 1, and by the time the proposed new building is completed we will be forced to add another eighth grade class, which will make us four classrooms short by the time we finish."

"We will, then, need four of the proposed classrooms for elementary grades."

The new building, Dr. Dawson continued, will be similar in size to the Massachusetts Avenue wing and will make a "U" of the building. It would be connected.

The \$195,000 request included \$175,000 for the building and \$20,000 for equipping it.

A similar request was made last year but was turned down. Almost all of the funds received by Southern Pines last year went into new construction in West Southern Pines.

Dr. Dawson said no plans for the proposed new building have been drawn. He based the request on requirements which he said had been proven by past experience and "the known things that we will have to face."

## Doris Betts, Sanford Writer, Will Address Local Junior Woman's Club

Doris Betts, who won an important literary award two years ago for her first novel, will speak to the Junior Women's Club Tuesday night at the Church of Wide Fellowship.

Mrs. Betts, who lives in Sanford, is one of North Carolina's finest young authors. She won the Sir Walter Raleigh Award in 1957 for her "Tall Houses in Winter," said by many critics to be among the finest first novels that they had ever read.

She was a staff member of the Sanford Herald for some time until she was awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship last year, enabling her to devote full time to her fiction. She is working on a long novel which is set in a mythical place in Piedmont North Carolina in the 1890's which she has tentatively titled "I, Thomas Allen."

Mrs. Betts also has two other books, a short novel and a second story collection, with her agent in New York.

In addition to "Tall Houses in Winter," she has also authored "The Gentle Insurrection," published in 1954, which won the University of North Carolina—C. P. Putnam book length award for 1953. The book was a collection of stories.

She won, also in 1953, the Mademoiselle Magazine College short fiction award.

Her stories have appeared in Mademoiselle, Virginia Quarterly, Carolina Quarterly, New Mexico Quarterly, New Campus Writing, a New Southern Reader, Stories from the Old North State, and other collections.



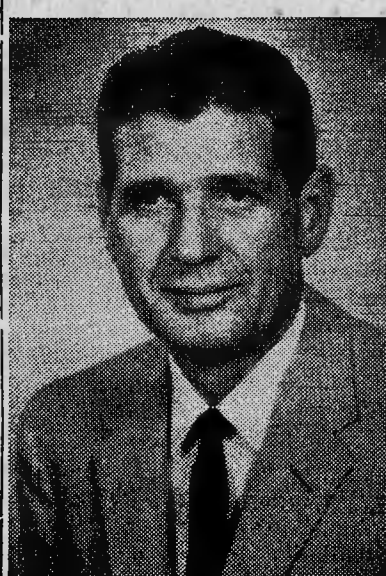
MRS. DORIS BETTS

"Tall Houses" and "The Gentle Insurrection" have both been published in England. "Tall Houses" is being translated for publication in Italy later this year.

She and her husband, Lowry M. Betts, live in Sanford with their two children. He is a member of the law firm of Pittman and Staton.

Mrs. Betts is a native of Statesville and is 26. She attended Woman's College of the University of North Carolina from 1950 to 1953, married at the end of her sophomore year and went to live with her husband in Chapel Hill where he was attending law school.

Her talk is scheduled for 8 p. m. in Fellowship Hall.



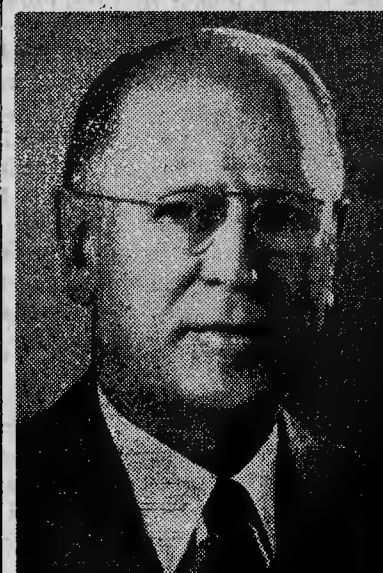
JOHN R. ORMSBY

## Ormsby Installed As Exalted Ruler Of Elks Lodge

John R. Ormsby, Southern Pines building contractor, was installed last Friday night as Exalted Ruler of the Southern Pines Elks Lodge.

He succeeds Walter Harper who has been serving for the past year.

The ceremonies, in which a large number of other officers were also installed, were held at the Southern Pines Country Club, which is owned and operated by the Elks Lodge.



DR. THOMAS S. ROY

gest on Immortality," published by the Masonic Service Association, and editor of the two books "Grand Lodge Recognition" and "Information for Recognition."

He is past president of the Worcester (Mass.) Council of Churches, past trustee of Worcester Polytechnic Institute and presently on the board of directors of Worcester Academy. He has D. D. degrees from Acadia and Colby colleges, L. M. D. from Clark University and D. Sc. from Worcester Polytechnic Institute.