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Consolidation Of County Schools Is Recommended

Board Says No Immediate Action Is Contemplated

Consolidation of the nine high schools in the Moore County system into three has been recommended by a survey committee of the State Board of Public Education.

The report, which was discussed at length at the regular meeting of the County Board of Education Monday night, made no recommendations for the Southern Pines and Pinehurst systems, which are local units, other than offhandedly suggesting that those two units could be consolidated with Aberdeen and West End, producing a total enrollment of from 650 to 700.

The heart of the report, prepared by a five man committee, was the following recommendations:

"Plans should be laid to establish three high-school centers to replace those now existing in Robbins, Highfalls, Westmoore, Carthage, Farm Life, Cameron, Vass-Lakeview, Aberdeen, and West End-Eagle Springs.

"One high school center should be constituted from the present Highfalls, Westmoore and Elise High Schools. The initial enrollment in such a center would be about 450 pupils.

"That one high school center combining the present enrollments in grades nine through twelve at Carthage, Cameron, Vass-Lakeview and Farm Life be established at a suitable location. The initial enrollment is estimated at 525-550.

"That pupils at West End be combined in part with Aberdeen and-or in part with the Carthage-Cameron proposed center, depending upon how the supplementary tax matter could be adjusted. (Aberdeen is the only school district in the county system with such a tax.)

If the matter of the supplementary tax could not be settled properly, the committee felt that Aberdeen should be continued as a separate high school.

The Board of Education, in resolutions adopted following discussion of the report, said that "as a matter of policy, the Board would like the citizens of Moore County to know that no two schools will be brought together until such time as the program (Continued on page 5)

Restraining Order Against Operation Of Jugtown Issued

Jugtown Pottery, closed for almost two months because of a squabble between two groups both seeking control, will continue inoperative at least until June 20.

The decision was made June 1 by Superior Court Judge W. Reid Thompson of Pittsboro, who issued a temporary restraining order against John Mare of Southern Pines and Mrs. Juliana Busbee, principal stockholders of the Jacques and Juliana Busbee's Jugtown, Inc., from operation of the pottery.

In his order Judge Thompson directed that Mr. Mare show cause at a hearing June 20 why the pottery should not be kept inoperative. The hearing is to be held before Judge Donald Phillips in his chambers at Rockingham at 10 a. m.

Judge Phillips is the same jurist who set aside a restraining order several weeks ago but gave attorneys for Jugtown, Inc., plaintiffs, 30 days in which to amend its complaint or appeal to a higher court.

At the time Judge Phillips said he sympathized with Jugtown, Inc., in its efforts but at the same time felt that the organization needed more law, and specific law, on its side.

In an order signed this week by Carlton C. Kennedy, Clerk of Moore Superior Court, Mrs. Louise R. Jordan, reportedly of Florida, was named Mrs. Busbee's next friend for purposes of (Continued on page 5)



1959 GRADUATES of Southern Pines High School are, front row, left to right, Patsy Garner, Alice Gamble, Dorothy Thomas, Linda Thompson, Loy Clark, Pierette Dufort and Arden Fobes. Second row, same order, Elsie Dutton Shoemaker, Betty Jo Loudermilk, Betty Foshee, Joan Parker, Mary Shephard, Suzanne Steed, Clara Horner and Donna McKenzie. Third row,

Clellon Duke May, John Marcum, James B. Tollison, Jr., Gordon Mitchell, Everett Cushman, Ronald Rowe, Jesse Williford, and Dennis Morgan. Fourth row, David Duyk, Mercer Hicks, Steve Smith, Robert McIntosh, Paul Butler, Jr., Richard Lee McInnis, George McNeill, and James Forsyth. Missing when the picture was made was Norman Calcutt. (Humphrey photo)



HONOR GRADUATES of the senior class at Southern Pines High School this year were James S. Tollison, Jr., at left, the valedictorian, and Jesse Williford, salutatorian. Tollison, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Tollison of E. Connecticut Avenue, and Williford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Williford of Niagara, were both outstanding athletes as well as scholars during their high school careers. Tollison was also president of both the junior and senior class. (Humphrey photo)

Benefit Fish Fry Slated Saturday

No definite accounting of the number of tickets sold has been made yet, but local VFW members believe that Saturday's all-day fish fry for the June Bayliff Building Fund will net a handsome sum of money.

Spokesmen for the VFW, sponsors of the fish-fry, said today that several organizations are selling the tickets and that reports should be coming in tomorrow. Thom McKenzie, VFW post commander, said that 2,000 tickets were printed "and we

hope to sell every one of them and more, too."

Price for the tickets is \$1 each, half price for children, and a ticket entitles the bearer to eat all the fish he wants between the hours of 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. at Aberdeen Lake.

McKenzie said the post was furnishing everything so that all proceeds will be available for construction of a specially equipped room to Bayliff's home. A paraplegic, he is expected to return to Aberdeen about June 20.

James S. Milliken Memorial Award Won By Williford At Honors Program

Jesse Williford, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Williford of Niagara, was named winner of the James S. Milliken, Jr., Memorial Award yesterday morning as seniors at Southern Pines High School gathered for the annual awards day program.

The award, considered tops by the students, is presented to the person judged the best all-round senior. Williford, who lettered in three sports while maintaining an excellent scholastic record, is also the recipient of a \$400 scholarship to Pfeiffer College. He plans to become a teacher.

Other awards presented yesterday—each is considered the best by the student receiving it—were as follows:

American Legion Citizenship Award, Pierette Dufort; School Service Award, Dorothy Thomas; Rotary Club Improvement Cup, Clara Horner; Danforth Foundation Awards, Arden Fobes and Jesse Williford; Balfour Scholarship Medals (to valedictorian and salutatorian) James Tollison and Jesse Williford; DAR Citizenship Award, Arden Fobes; Perkinson Scholarship Cup, James Tollison. (Continued on Page 5)

GOLF DAY

Local golfers will have a chance Saturday to match their golfing skill against the professionals, and it's all for a good cause.

The day is "National Golf Day," and it's the Professional Golfers Association's major charitable undertaking.

Duffers, and those who aren't quite, pay \$1 for the right to match their net score against the score of the winner of a match between PGA champion Dow Finsterwald and National Open champion Tommy Bolt. Those whose scores beat the champions receive medals from the PGA.

In the Sandhills, the only two courses open are Southern Pines Country Club and No. 2 at Pinehurst. Both are taking part, with amateurs invited to participate either Friday or Saturday. Several have already done so at SPCC.

Incidentally, golfers may use their handicaps in figuring their final scores to compare with the champions.

NCEA Selects Dawson As Executive Director

Will Take Up New Duties In Raleigh July 1

Dr. A. C. Dawson, who has served as teacher, coach, principal and superintendent of the Southern Pines School system since 1937, has resigned effective June 30 to become executive secretary of the North Carolina Education Association.

Announcement of his appointment to the new job was made Sunday.

He will take over the NCEA position July 1, succeeding Mrs. Ethel Perkins Edwards, who resigned.

A special committee of the NCEA board nominated Dr. Dawson, the only nomination submitted at a called meeting of the board Saturday.

Dr. Stacy L. Weaver, NCEA president, in commenting on the appointment, said: "We are very pleased that Dr. Dawson has made his services available. He was not an applicant for the position. The job sought the man. He is a distinguished educator eminently respected in both lay and professional ranks in North Carolina. He held the Presidency of our Association longer than any other man. He has served as our Legislative Chairman, as President of the United Forces, and on most of the important committees of our Association. He is more familiar with the possibilities and potentialities as well as the present workings of the North Carolina Education Ass'n. than any man in the State. He will bring to this position a fine leadership which will make a distinguished contribution to the cause of education in North Carolina."

John Howarth, chairman of the Southern Pines Board of Education, said: "The Board is deeply appreciative of the advancements, both educationally (Continued on page 5)



DR. A. C. DAWSON

CP&L Installing New Feeder Line To Serve Area

Crews are cutting right-of-way for a new electric power feeder line to serve Southern Pines.

Ward Hill, local manager for Carolina Power & Light Company, said the line will connect the western part of the city to CP&L's 110,000-volt substation at Aberdeen. It will follow the course of an existing line for a short distance from the substation and then branch off across country for three miles to Southern Pines.

"The line will be completed within two months," Hill said. "It will mean more effective voltage control here and will take care of expected future growth in local power needs."

This is the second main feeder line to serve Southern Pines, Hill added. These lines carry electricity from distribution points to pole-type transformers where it is stepped down to lower voltage for delivery to local customers. Fifty-five new structures will be erected to support the three miles of aluminum conductor in the new line.

Hill said that with approximately one-half of Southern Pines being put on the new feeder line, it would result in less chance of power failure. Should one occur, he added, there will be two sources of feed. There is now only one source.

Hill cited growth figures which reflect the need for steadily expanding power facilities. For instance, the number of CP&L customers here has increased 10 per cent in the past five years, and their average power usage is up 57 per cent. At the end of April CP&L served 9,412 customers through its Southern Pines office. Of this number 5,059 are residential customers.

Summer Hours For Local Library Are Announced

The Southern Pines library has started its summer schedule of hours and will continue through September, Mrs. Stanley Lambourne, librarian, announces.

The Library will close at 12:30 on Wednesdays, the only deviation from the regular schedule.

Mrs. Lambourne reminded members and others today that a nice collection of children's books has been added, including 100 loaned by the Moore County Library.

SUCCEEDS ROBERT E. LEE

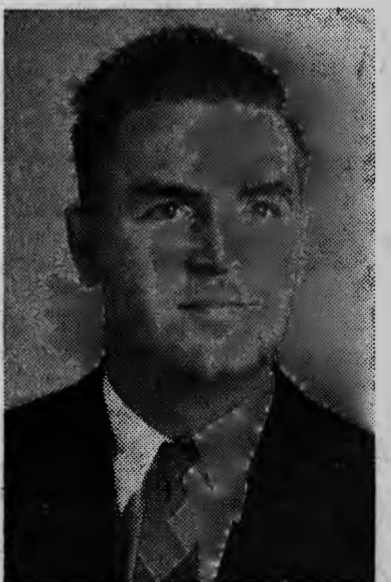
Aberdeen School Board Picks Red Springs Man For Principal's Job

C. Wade Mobley, principal of Red Springs city schools, has been named district principal of Aberdeen schools, it was announced this week by J. D. Arey, school board chairman. The appointment is effective July 1, the date on which Robert E. Lee, Aberdeen principal since 1950, will become superintendent of the Moore County school system.

Mobley, who is 32, is a native of Williamston. He graduated in 1950 from Atlantic Christian College and later received his Master's Degree from the University of North Carolina.

He taught first at Bolivia school in Brunswick County, then was principal of Long Creek Consolidated grade school in Pender County. He was appointed principal of Red Springs school in 1954.

His wife, the former Jean Belingreth of Clinton, S. C., is head of the mathematics department of Flora Macdonald College at Red Springs. She will continue in that position for a while, it



C. WADE MOBLEY

is understood, commuting from Aberdeen.

Arey said that Mobley was selected from some 15 applicants for the position.

Cub Pack 73 Plans Annual "Circus" Saturday At 3 P. M.

The second annual "circus" sponsored by members of Cub Pack 73 will be held Saturday afternoon on the practice field of Memorial Field, Dr. R. B. Warlick, the Pack Master, said this morning.

No admission will be charged those attending the circus, due to begin at 3 p. m. and last two hours.

Dr. Warlick said that each of the three dens in the pack, which has about 40 members, will have games that those attending may play. He listed some of the games as "sock the gook," bean bag throwing, peep show, horseshoes, dart games, and a miniature golf course.

After the circus is over the pack will play games, and achievement awards will be presented at the close of the program.

One feature of the afternoon will be authentic circus music recorded by the Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey band.

Assisting Dr. Warlick will be Major and Mrs. William Bodine, Mrs. Warlick, Mrs. Graves Vann, Mrs. J. Vance Rowe, Jr., and parents of members of the pack.

Duo-Piano Team Plans Concert In Aberdeen Sunday

Two talented teenagers, Graham Farrell of Aberdeen and Betty Bullock of Hamlet, will present a duo-piano recital Sunday at 4 p. m. in the Aberdeen school auditorium.

The recital is for the benefit of the piano fund at the school.

The two musicians have been attracting wide attention in the State recently with their performances at festivals, recitals and on television.

The program Sunday will be their first appearance as a team in Aberdeen. They will present a program of popular and semi-classical selections, plus several compositions that Farrell wrote himself.