



REV. A. M. STEVENS
Vass Church Of God
Has New Minister

The Rev. A. M. Stevens of Cramerton is the new pastor of the Church of God in Vass, and is teaching the seventh grade of the West End school, also. He succeeds the Rev. Rassie Davis, who has transferred to Booneville, near Mt. Airy.

Mr. Stevens holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Elon College, and received his Master of Arts from Western Carolina College at Cullowhee on August 21 of this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevens and their children, Diane, 14, A. M., Jr., 10, and Melita, four, are occupying the parsonage on Highway 1, located next to the church. Before coming to Vass his last church was at Canton. He was in Vass a few years ago and was instrumental in organizing the church of which he is now pastor. Sunday School is held at 10 a. m.; worship services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., and young people's meeting and prayer meeting on Thursdays at 7:30 p. m.

Local Resident
Sees Mrs. Boyd
In New York

Mrs. Voit Gilmore and her daughter, Gerry, who were in New York last week, visited Mrs. James Boyd, editor of The Pilot, who is in a hospital there, convalescing from a hip fracture which took place in Maine the previous week.

On her return to Southern Pines, Mrs. Gilmore reported that Mrs. Boyd "seemed quite chipper," was suffering little pain, and sits up in a chair for a portion of each day.

Mrs. Boyd told Mrs. Gilmore that she expected to be in the hospital about two weeks and then to remain in New York for another two weeks, so that she can be near the physicians who are treating her. She underwent an operation on her hip about two weeks ago.

Mrs. Gilmore said that James Boyd, Jr., of New York, Mrs. Boyd's son, was to have dinner with her Saturday night. Her daughter, Mrs. Noel Sokoloff of Princeton, N. J. who was with her mother for a while in New York, is now at the Boyd place at Sorrento, Maine. Prior to her accident in Maine, Mrs. Boyd had been visited by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Dan Boyd of San Francisco, Calif., and children.

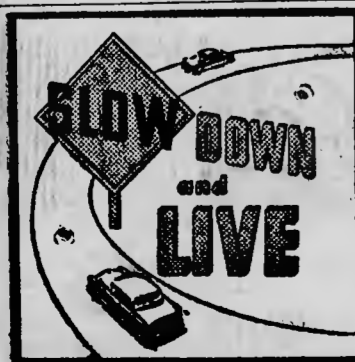
First PTA Meet
Slated Sept. 14

First meeting of the East Southern Pines Parent-Teacher Association will be held at 8 p. m., Monday, September 14, in Weaver Auditorium, it was announced today by C. S. (Buster) Patch, Jr., president.

Max Rush, Southern Pines postmaster, will speak briefly about the problem of obscene materials sent to young people through the mails. A reception for the school faculty will follow.

Parents are being given an opportunity to pay their 50-cent each PTA membership fees with their children's school fees; or they may join at the first meeting.

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DOG POUND CONTRACT AWARDED

Bids On Courthouse Work Opened
But Action On Them Is Deferred

The county commissioners in a called meeting at Carthage Monday opened some bids, let one contract and made plans to open more bids at their regular meeting Tuesday, September 8. The bids to be opened at the September meeting (postponed from Monday because of Labor Day) will be for remodeling of the former county home for possible lease as a nursing or boarding home, according to plans and specifications of E. J. Austin, architect.

Bids opened this week were for air-conditioning, electrical work and heating in the courthouse. Nine bids were opened and all laid aside, pending a re-advertising to get prices on an-

other kind of air-conditioning—a chilled-water system. The board has 30 days from date of opening to accept or reject the bids they have on hand.

The present plan is to install a heating system in the courthouse when the air-conditioning goes in, as it will be more economical to do it all together. Leonard H. Owens, consulting engineer in the field of air-conditioning, met with the commissioners.

R. L. Frye of Carthage was awarded the contract to build a new dog kennel for use of the dog warden, on the former county home property. The modern kennel, with stalls and a dog run, will cost \$1,875, which was Frye's low bid.

Volunteers Asked Help Build Rooms
For Handicapped Man This Saturday

Volunteer carpenters are invited to take part Saturday in building a two-room annex to the home of June Bayliff, 34-year-old Aberdeen paraplegic.

Hubert Moss, a builder of Ashley Heights, will be in charge of the work and is donating the services of himself and a crew for the day. He invites anybody who wants to help to come and bring a hammer and saw—for an hour or all day.

The John Boyd Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars—which has turned over to Bayliff \$1,035.10 raised for his benefit by a fish fry in June—plans to send some volunteers.

Bayliff, married and the father of four children, is confined to a wheel chair as the result of a shooting accident. The specially constructed rooms will make it possible for him to stay with

his family and not have to return to a veterans hospital.

The VFW fund is expected to pay for about half of the construction work. Mrs. Bayliff is employed at the Aberdeen Hosiery Company.

Plumbing work will be donated by William Black of Aberdeen and electrical work by Aberdeen Electric Shop. Therapy equipment will be installed by the Moore County Chapter of the N. C. Society for Crippled Children and adults.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Bayliff have expressed their gratitude for the financial aid given to them.

Once Bayliff has a suitable place to live, the State Rehabilitation Program can help him learn a way to make a living. He hopes to work with accounting, bookkeeping and tax returns.

West End Home Entered In Daylight;
Carthage A & P Has Night Robbery

Two bold robberies, one of them at a private home in daylight, are being investigated by the Moore County sheriff's department and local officers of Carthage and West End.

The Earl Auman residence at West End was entered through a back window, while there was no one at home, about 5 p. m. Wednesday of last week. Stolen were a radio, electric iron, two electric clocks, a set of china and some money.

Saturday night, in Carthage, the A & P store was broken into through the front door between 9 and 10 p. m. and, with lights on in the store, a thief or thieves took 200 cartons of cigarettes, 60 pounds of coffee, 205 cartons of chewing gum, five country hams and small quantities of other meats.

Working on the cases are Dep-

uty Sheriff H. H. Grimm, Carthage police and Constable Oscar Bailey of West End.

Deputy Grimm said that in the West End case officers have been trying to find a black 1951 Buick with South Carolina license plates, seen near the Auman residence by several persons about the time of the robbery. The thieves apparently were looking mainly for money, the deputy said, as all pocketbooks found in the house had been opened.

The Carthage break-in was noted about 10 p. m. Saturday when John W. McDonald, night officer, and Paul Lamm, another Carthage officer, were passing the rear of the store in the patrol car and saw the back door open and a man standing in the door.

Finger prints were found at both the Carthage and West End locations.

MANY MORE YOUNGSTERS READING

Library Circulation Increases

Circulation of books at the Southern Pines Public Library totaled 26,977 in the fiscal year ending June 30, Mrs. Stanley Lambourne, librarian, reported this week.

The figure included an adult circulation of 19,599 and a juvenile circulation of 7,378. Compared with figures for the previous year, juvenile circulation showed an increase of 1,713 and the adult books an increase of 98.

Mrs. Lambourne said that the library board is particularly gratified with the large increase in juvenile circulation.

During the year, 1,008 books were added to the library's collection.

Mrs. Lambourne said that the library welcomes gifts of books as memorials and that she will be happy to discuss suitable titles with prospective donors.

BELVEDERE

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Boy Scout executive offices there. Mr. Pappas is a Shriner and a member of AHEPA (American Hellenic Educational and Progressive Association).

Mr. Smith is a longtime resident of Greensboro, a member of the Society of Friends and has been prominent in Masonry for many years. He is on the director's staff of the Oasis Temple and a member of the Oriental Shrine Club.

The Belvedere Hotel corporation was organized in Southern Pines but has offices in Greensboro. Mr. Smith is president, Mrs. Floyd E. Gray is vice-president; and Mr. Smith's wife, Mrs. Christine J. Smith, is secretary and treasurer.

Civil Term Of
Superior Court
Starts Sept. 8

A two-week term of Moore County Superior Court, for the trial of civil actions, will open Tuesday, September 10, at the courthouse in Carthage. Judge F. Don Phillips of Rockingham, resident judge of the 20th judicial district, is scheduled to preside.

The term will open Tuesday because of the Labor Day holiday on Monday.

Seven uncontested divorces and a half-dozen motions are set for the opening day of the term, along with four cases for trial. Twenty more trials are set to start Wednesday and Thursday of the first week and on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the second week.

The uncontested divorces were listed this week as follows: Roy Johnson vs. Nora H. Johnson, Dorothy H. Merritt vs. William J. Merritt, Anne N. Mischke vs. H. E. Mischke, Ethel W. Byrd vs. Jacob Byrd, James R. Small vs. Margaret I. Small, Maxie Tyndall vs. Diane Motsdorf Tyndall, Rankin Willis Strider vs. Bessie Lee Strider.

One contested divorce, Mae Elliott Oldham vs. William Harvey Oldham, is set for trial the first day. The contested suit of Edith B. Fitzgibbon vs. William J. Fitzgibbon for alimony without divorce is calendared for Wednesday.

Eight of the 24 suits set for trial involve auto accident injury and damage claims.

Group Seeking
Development Of
Area Will Meet

The Sandhills Area Development association—comprising Moore, Lee, Richmond and Montgomery counties—will present its plans and program to the public at a meeting to be held in the Southern Pines school auditorium Friday, September 18, at 8 p. m.

Zeb C. Strong, of Charlotte, president of the Piedmont Area Development association, will speak on the experiences and progress of the Piedmont counties. John Crawford, program planning specialist with the N. C. Extension Service, will explain the method of organization by which neighbor counties band together to move forward in several fields—industrial, agricultural and community development, travel and recreation.

The Moore County steering committee met Wednesday afternoon at the office of F. D. Allen, county farm agent, in Carthage to learn the plans and devise ways of securing the attendance of 200 interested citizens. Committees in the other counties are doing the same thing, with 200 attending set as the goal for each.

The Moore committee is composed of directors F. D. Allen, Carthage; Jim Pollok, Robbins; T. C. Auman, West End, and Mrs. Dallas H. Jackson, Vass. Subcommittee chairmen are Norman Cagle, Carthage, agriculture; J. F. Steed, Robbins, industry; Alton Scott, Southern Pines, travel and recreation; Paul C. Butler, Southern Pines, community development; and Mayor R. S. Ewing of Southern Pines.

Post Office At
Manly May Close

A proposal to close the post office at Manly and serve that community on the north edge of Southern Pines by "mounted service" from the Southern Pines post office was revealed this week.

Mrs. Grace V. Wilson, postmaster, was reported to have offered her resignation. Under the Post Office Department's proposal, she would not be replaced and the new service would be put into effect.

A Post Office Department official said that the Manly office took in only \$440 during the past year, but that it cost \$2,485 to operate it. Service could be supplied from Southern Pines for \$750 per year, it was stated.

YOUTHS

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ing four or five times. One of the biggest puzzles of the wreck was the fact that the driver, Meehan, who suffered severe head and back injuries, was found 96 feet beyond the place where the automobile came to rest apparently having been thrown that distance out of the car.

Police Chief C. E. Newton said that he would judge from the circumstances that the driver had fallen asleep.

Both the young men were taken to St. Joseph hospital.

Chief Newton said that a telephone call was received at the police department at 2:30 a. m. Monday, from a motorist who said he was calling from a point south of Southern Pines and that he had seen what appeared to be a bad accident "about three miles north."

Sgt. L. D. Beck and Patrolman Wesley T. Thompson answered the call and located the wrecked auto off the parkway. They had the injured youths taken to the hospital and made the investigation at the scene.

Both the young men were lying clear of the car when the officers arrived, they reported.

Reece's injuries included severe cuts on foot, thigh and head. The young men's families in Miami were notified by the police department.

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Fire takes a heavy toll of our woodland areas. Carelessness is attributed to most of these forest fires.

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