

**A local man's** unusual success in a business he entered less than three years ago was recognized when Felton J. Capel was honored Monday night. Story and photo, page 9.

**Children enjoy** the new playground equipment bought by the Jaycees and recently installed at the town park. For a photo of a group of youngsters having fun, see page 16.

## Music Festival, Cup Award Slated Friday, April 14

The Picquet Music Festival, for glee clubs of high schools in Moore County will take place in Weaver Auditorium here at 8 p. m., Friday, April 14. The public is invited. There is no admission charge.

The festival, sponsored by the Sandhills Kiwanis Club and named in honor of the late Charles W. Picquet who founded it as a contest among the high school glee clubs, will be accompanied this year by a new Kiwanis-sponsored event, awarding of the Junior Builder's Cup to some outstanding senior in a high school of the county. The award will be made during the intermission.

The festival now features group singing, rather than competition, under direction of Dr. Arnold Hoffman of Raleigh, State supervisor of music, who will rehearse here with the students at 9 a. m. the day before the concert. William McAdams, music director of Southern Pines schools, is chairman of the festival.

The festival was taken off a (Continued on page 8)

## PTA Will Elect Officers Monday; 'Open House' Set

A short business session, during which 1961-62 officers will be elected, will be followed by "open house" in all classrooms of the East Southern Pines schools, when the Parent-Teacher Association meets at 8 p. m. Monday in Weaver Auditorium.

Max Rush, retiring president, said that teachers will be in their rooms to welcome parents. Emphasis will be on science exhibits, especially in the Junior High School grades where an intensive science program is being conducted.

The slate of nominees for PTA offices brought in by the nominating committee at the March meeting is: Mrs. Albert Grove for president, Dr. Harrell Johnson for first vice president; Miss Annie Margaret Brewer (faculty representative) for second vice president, Mrs. Robert Leland for secretary and Mrs. Charles Phillips for treasurer.

Other nominations can be made from the floor Monday.

## Over 1,000 See Homes, Gardens

With all reports not yet in, the Homes and Gardens Tour sponsored yesterday by the Southern Pines Garden Club was attended by over 1,000 persons and had receipts of nearly \$2,000, Mrs. Robert S. Ewing, chairman, said today.

Persons touring the seven homes and gardens in Southern Pines and Pinehurst and along Middle Road included three chartered busloads of visitors.

Food for luncheon at the Shaw House here was completely used up and, at the Woman's Exchange in Pinehurst, where luncheon also was served, tables were put outside the building to accommodate the crowd.

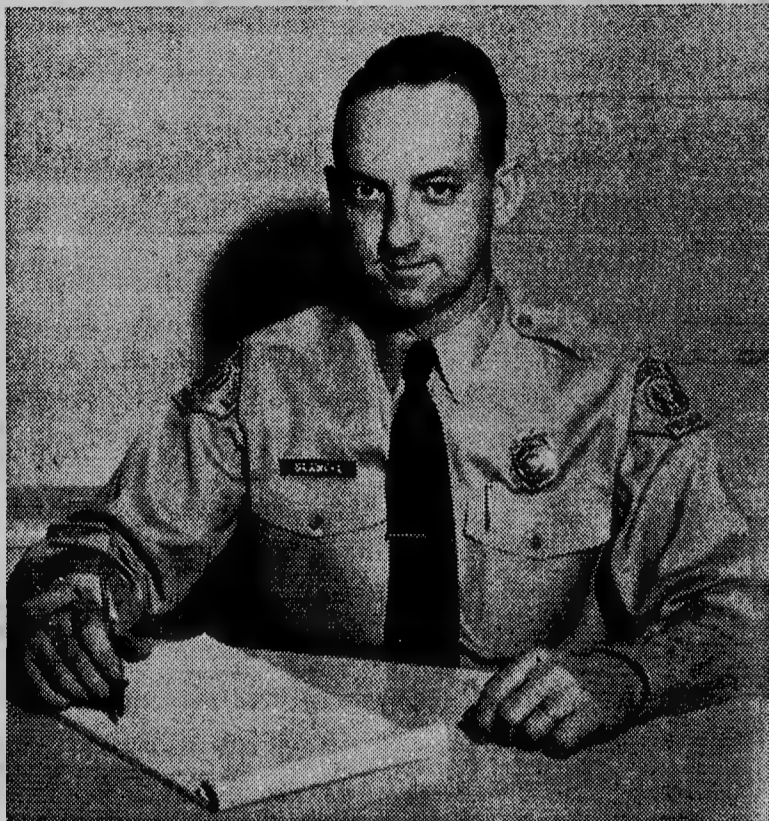
A warm sunny day added to the tour's success—a welcome surprise since weather predictions for this area, up to the previous night, had been for rain and lowered temperatures.

The number attending exceeded by about 500 the number making the tour last year.

Proceeds of the event are used by the Southern Pines Garden Club for civic projects such as planting of shrubs around local school buildings.

### TENNIS CLINIC

A tennis clinic sponsored by the Sandhills Tennis Association will be held at the municipal courts Saturday from 10 a. m. to noon and from 2 to 4 p. m., with Mrs. Q. A. Shaw McKean and Ray Schilling as instructors. In case of rain, the clinic will be held Saturday, April 22.



**NEW POLICE CHIEF**—Earl S. Seawell who was promoted by Town Manager Louis Scheipers, Jr., from sergeant to chief in the local police department last week, is shown at his desk in town hall. The senior officer on the force, he succeeds Chief C. E. Newton who was fatally shot in line of duty March 3. The town manager has announced the promotion of Patrolman Gerald L. (Jerry) Wright to sergeant. Wright rejoined the department in January after having left the police force, in which he had been a sergeant, for about two years in private business. A number of applications have been received by the town manager for the patrolman's post left vacant by Wright's promotion. A seven-man police department is authorized. Its present members are: Chief Seawell, Sgts. Wright and L. D. Beck, and Patrolmen C. A. Wilson, O. C. Bridges and A. J. Benner. (Humphrey photo)

## Newton Memorial Projects Suggested By Committee; Public Opinion Asked

The committee named by Mayor R. S. Ewing to collect funds for a memorial to the late Police Chief C. E. Newton asked today for comment by citizens on three projects it has decided would be suitable forms for the memorial to take.

The committee met this morning at the town hall. Dante Montesanti is chairman of the group and Louis Scheipers, Jr., town manager, is secretary-treasurer, both chosen by committee members at a previous meeting.

Mr. Scheipers said that the three projects most favored by the committee are:

1. A plaque in the police station.
2. A loan fund from which qualified students could borrow to help meet college expenses.

3. A fund from which the interest would be used to make an annual achievement award to the most improved senior in each of the East and West Southern Pines High Schools. This project would require a minimum of \$5,000 in the fund which now amounts to \$487.

Projects 2 and 3 reflect Chief Newton's interest in the youth of the community. The loan fund would also be open to graduates of both the town's high schools.

All three of these proposals, Mr. Scheipers said, are based on the suggestions most frequently made to committee members. Now, he said, the committee wants to know which of the three the public prefers.

Comment on the proposals may be made to the town office or to any member of the committee.

In addition to Mr. Montesanti and Mr. Scheipers, the committee members are: Police Chief Earl Seawell, John Buchholz, Miss Jean Edson, Miss Katherine Wiley and Mrs. Edna Blalock of West Southern Pines.

## Candidates For Offices Chosen In Moore Towns

Candidates for mayor and town commissioner have been nominated in caucuses held at Aberdeen, Pinebluff and Vass, for town elections to be held May 2. Others may file before the designated end of filing time in the various towns. At Aberdeen, candidates for judge and solicitor of recorder's court also were nominated.

No caucus is held in Southern Pines. Candidates for the six council seats file with the town clerk. (See another story in today's Pilot.)

At Aberdeen Tuesday night, George Anderson, Earl Freeman and John J. Greer, all members of the present five-man board of commissioners, were nominated for mayor. Seventeen persons were nominated for the board of commissioners.

Mayor E. M. Medlin, who has been mayor since 1953 and had previously served as a commissioner since 1939, declined to become a candidate this year.

The two other town board incumbents, Leo Arey and H. W. Doub, were nominated for reelection.

The other 15 commissioner candidates include one woman, Mrs. Malcolm Pleasants, and her husband, Make Pleasants. Others are: John McCrummen, C. L. (Continued on page 8)

## 2 File Here For May 2 Elections

Only two candidates had filed by noon today for offices to be filled in the town election May 2.

Felton J. Capel, councilman from West Southern Pines, will run for reelection, and Howard C. Broughton, attorney, will seek the recorder's court solicitor post now held by John D. McConnell. Filing time opened Saturday and will close at noon, Saturday, April 15.

Offices to be filled in the election are five council seats and judge and solicitor of recorder's court. There is no separate filing for mayor. The mayor is elected from among their number by the five successful council candidates.

### COURT OF HONOR

A Moore District Boy Scout court of honor will be held at the Aberdeen school auditorium Monday, April 10, starting at 7:30 p. m.

Scouts from troops throughout Moore County are scheduled to receive merit badges and rank advancements.



J. W. CAUSEY

## Causey Sworn In As Acting Head At Postoffice

James W. Causey was installed as acting Southern Pines postmaster Friday, following the close of business at the postoffice.

Mr. Causey was recommended by Rep. A. Paul Kitchen, unanimous on endorsement of the precinct and county Democratic committees, to succeed Max G. Rush, Republican, who has served as acting postmaster since October, 1957.

The transfer was effected by J. L. Armstrong of Raleigh, postal inspector for this area. With cooperation of outgoing postmaster Rush, Inspector Armstrong gave Mr. Causey a briefing of several hours on his new duties in advance of the actual swearing-in. An examination for permanent postmaster will be held at a later date.

Mr. Rush did not announce his plans but said he did not plan to leave Southern Pines.

Mr. Causey has been sworn in. (Continued on page 8)

## Cameron Named VFW Commander

Hubert Cameron was elected commander of John Boyd Post Veterans of Foreign Wars, at a meeting in the new post home on N. W. Broad St., Monday night. He succeeds Fred Hall, Jr.

Other new officers elected are: Joel S. Ivey, senior vice commander; John D. Stephenson, quartermaster; George Griffin, chaplain; A. O. Monroe, Jr., judge advocate; D. C. Knight, surgeon; and Fred Hall, Jr., trustee for a three-year term.

The new post home was first put into use last week. A formal opening for the building is being planned. The former post home on New York Ave., opposite the post office is now vacant. It is owned by Frank Welch.

### AT COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

## Radio Net Proposed; Autopsy Control Set

Col. Donald Madigan of Southern Pines, Moore County director of civil defense, appearing before the county commissioners Tuesday, won their unqualified support of a project which would establish a countywide radio network.

Through the Office of Civil Defense Mobilization, Colonel Madigan said, equipment is available which would link all the radio set-ups now operating in the county—the sheriff's department various police stations, State Highway Patrol, ABC officers, N. C. Forest Services and several civilian agencies with rolling equipment.

There would be two-way transmission through two fixed and two mobile stations, with monitors through which other calls could be received and relayed.

Though most of these agencies now operate on different frequencies, through crystal converters and the monitors all could be tied together in a wide-spread network which could go (Continued on page 8)

## Cancer Caravan Will Visit Here Next Wednesday

A white "Moosemobile" carrying the American Cancer Society's "sword of hope" across North Carolina on behalf of the education and fund campaign of the Society will stop at the Southern Pines town hall at 1:30 p. m. Wednesday, April 12.

On hand to greet the "cancer caravan" which is sponsored by the North Carolina Moose Association of the Loyal Order of Moose will be Mayor Robert S. Ewing; J. Cecil Beith of Southern Pines, county chairman for the Cancer Crusade which is now going on; Dr. Charles Phillips, first vice president and medical adviser of the Moore County chapter of the Society; and Emerson Humphrey, representing the local Moose Lodge.

It is expected that several cured cancer patients will be there, as evidence of the medicine's progress against cancer, progress that is in part financed by contributions to the Society's annual fund drives.

A "sword of hope scroll" will be signed by the mayor. A white sword is the national symbol of the Cancer Society. The Moosemobile is making 100 stops in a trip extending across North Carolina from Manteo on the coast to Murphy in the mountains.

The Moore County commissioners, at their regular meeting Tuesday (postponed from Monday because of the Easter holiday), took two actions designed to cut expenses in connection with the coroner's office.

The first was "that the coroner be advised that from this date no autopsy will be authorized without prior approval of the board of county commissioners." Copies of the motion were ordered sent to Dr. F. L. Owens, chief of staff of St. Joseph's Hospital, and Dr. P. P. Green, pathologist at Moore Memorial Hospital, who have performed autopsies on the coroner's request.

The second motion was "that as of this date the telephone of the Moore County coroner be discontinued, and that official calls be paid for by the coroner and bills for same be presented to the commissioners for approval and payment."

All members of the board were present: Chairman L. R. Reynolds, John M. Currie, T. R. Monroe, W. S. Taylor and James M. Pleasants who was attending his first meeting since his recent illness.

Moore County Coroner Ralph G. Steed of Robbins was not present, though he had been requested by letter to appear before the commissioners at 10 a. m. to discuss bills he had submitted to the county.

He had also been requested by letter to appear at the March meeting for discussion of these bills, but did not appear there either. Payment of the bills is being held up.

The motion concerning the autopsies followed a discussion of a series of bills for autopsies at \$100 each which the commissioners have paid out over the past year or so, some of which they felt were probably not necessary. Specifically, they objected to the cost—\$100 plus a \$50 ambulance fee—of the autopsy on Willie (Eagle Eye) Gray. Gray was the killer of Southern Pines Police Chief C. E. Newton on March 3. (Continued on page 8)

## Sandhills Girls Enter Contest for 'Queen' April 7

Nineteen Moore County girls were entered early this week in the "Queen of the Sandhills" contest to be conducted in connection with the annual Pinehurst Volunteer Firemen's Ball, Friday night.

Ed Turbeville and his orchestra is scheduled to play for dancing at the Pinehurst Country Club from 9 to 1.

The beauty contest will be the highlight of the evening. The title was won last year by Ruth Anna McDonald, who was sponsored by the Carthage High School.

Frank McCaskill of Pinehurst will be master of ceremonies. Judges will be three Pinehurst hotel guests.

Entries are listed as: Betty Sue Garner, Audrey Lou McNeill, sponsored by Elise High School, Robbins; Brenda Louise Hinson, Sarah Annette Thompson, sponsored by West End High School; Judy Arlene Lankford, Mary Lou Loving, sponsored by Cameron High School; Judith Ann Moore, Dottie Dare Hussey, sponsored by Westmoore High School.

Also Heidi Wildon Gramelsbach, sponsored by Pinehurst Lions club; Shirley Jean Richardson, Judy Ann Cameron, sponsored by Pinehurst post, American Legion; Frances Ann Ehrhardt, Lillie Marie Williamson, sponsored by Pinehurst High School.

Also Barbara Jean Caviness, Patricia Ann Gatti, sponsored by Aberdeen High School; Desma Louise Thomas, Linda Carol McNair, sponsored by Jackson Springs Ruritan Club; Ruby Louise Chappell, Ella Ruth McLeod, sponsored by Carthage High School.

### THEATRE-IN-THE-PINES PRODUCTION

## 'Night Must Fall' Opening Three-Performance Run

Theatre-in-the-Pines will present, "Night Must Fall" at Weaver Auditorium tonight, Friday and Saturday, at 8:15 p. m. The production will be the second presented by the amateur drama group since Theatre-in-the-Pines was organized last year.

The leading male role of "Danny" will be played by Thomas J. Connolly of Pinehurst and the leading female role of "Mrs. Bramson" will be played by Mrs. Voit Gilmore of Southern Pines.

In supporting roles are: Miss Garry Sutherland as "Olivia"; Mrs. C. E. Millspaugh as "Mrs. Terrence"; Ed Willis as "Hubert"; Miss Jane Wicker as "Dora"; Glenda Martin as the nurse and James Hartshorne as "Inspector Belsize." All are of Southern Pines.

Mr. Hartshorne, a latecomer to the cast, is the owner and operator of the Highland Lodge in Southern Pines and a salesman with Resort Realty. He has had experience in the chorus of the Gilbert & Sullivan Savoy Opera company in Philadelphia and was a member of the Arts Club in Washington, D. C.

Members of the production board are: hand properties, Mrs. (Continued on page 8)



REHEARSAL SCENE — Members of the cast of "Night Must Fall" which opens tonight in Weaver Auditorium for a three-night run, are pictured in a rehearsal scene. Left to right: Miss Garry Sutherland, Mrs. C. E. Millspaugh,

Ed Willis, Miss Jane Wicker, Thomas J. Connolly and Mrs. Voit Gilmore. Members of the cast not shown are Miss Glenda Martin and James Hartshorne. (Humphrey photo)