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Group Promoting New Bank Meets To Discuss Plans

Thirty or more citizens of the county, with men from Southern Pines predominating, assembled in the Welch Building Monday afternoon to discuss plans, under way for some weeks, for the establishment here of a branch of the Southern National Bank of Lumberton.

In charge of the informal meeting were A. L. Burney and W. T. Huntley, Jr., who have been at the forefront of the movement.

Also present and taking part in the proceedings were two officials of the Lumberton concern, Richard Conder, of the Hamlet branch, and J. Watson, auditor at the Lumberton headquarters.

Mr. Burney described the local response to the feelers put out by Southern National's president, Hector McLean, and others in assaying sentiment in Moore County towards another bank locating here. A committee of about 50 was formed, Mr. Burney said, and an opinion poll conducted of businessmen "from the Colonial Stores area to Howard Johnson's." The result was 95 percent FOR, he said.

Thomas T. Hayes, Jr., of Hayes-Howell and Associates, presented plans on which the architectural firm is working for the remodeling of the Welch Building on which the bank has taken an option. They show a functional floor plan for offices, a vault, installment loan department and long tellers' counter at the left rear. There will be a night deposit window about where the present entrance is on the corner of Broad Street and New York Avenue and a drive-in window in the rear with room for parking several cars. Additional space provided by the former V.F.W. property, Mr. Hayes said, will add 19 to 20 parking spaces. The spacious basement will be occupied by the bookkeeping department, a directors' room, kitchenette, storage, and other facilities. The architect said completion of the work should take no more than four months from the starting date.

Before adjourning the meeting, Mr. Burney reminded those present that the federal investigator, whose duty it is to sample local reaction toward adding to the banking facilities of the town, before a charter can be issued, was due to arrive yesterday and would be spending today (Thursday) in town. He will then report back to Washington. Mr. Burney said it would probably be at least two weeks before a decision could be expected. Brochures of the town and a map of the county with suitable information prepared by W. E. Kivette will be available, Mr. Burney said.

VFW, Auxiliary to Host District Meeting Here

John Boyd Post 7315, Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Auxiliary will be hosts to the Ninth District meeting, VFW Posts and Auxiliaries from East Laurinburg, Laurinburg, Hamlet, Rockingham, Wadesboro, Troy, Mt. Gil-ead and Sanford, at the post home Sunday, July 9, at 2:30 p. m.

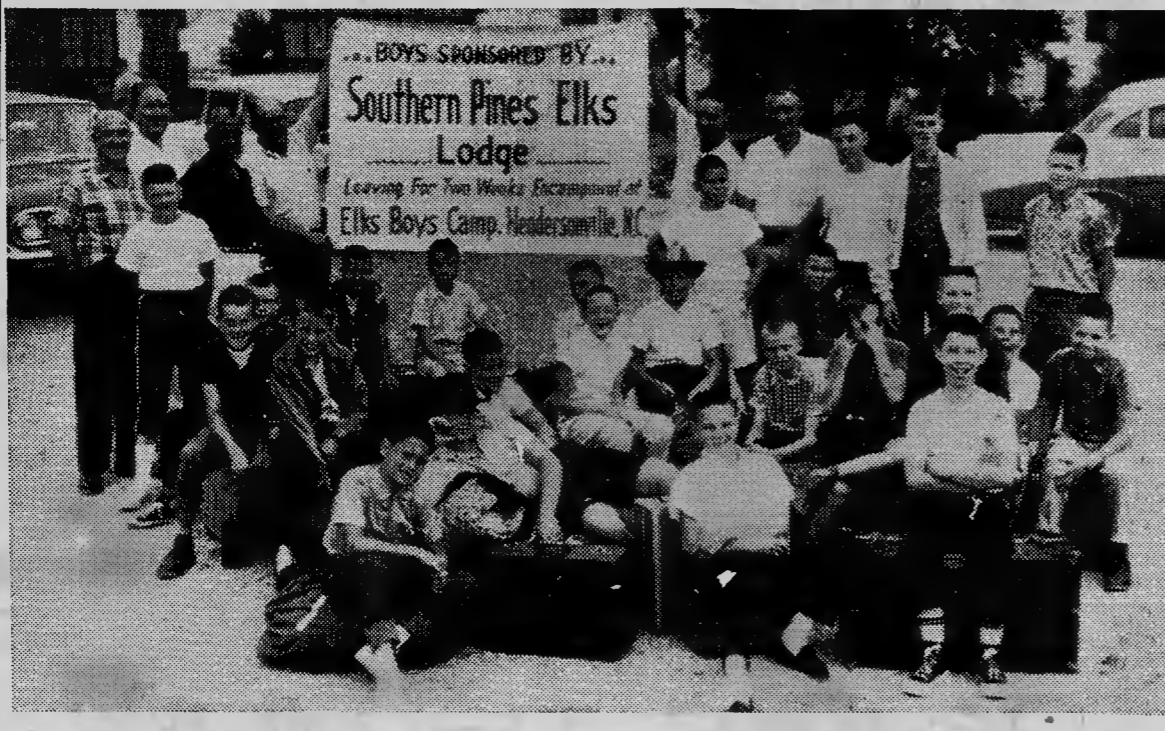
Presiding at the meetings will be District Commander Charles Kelly of Olivia and District President Betty Tagge of Hamlet.

USIA Service Award Presented by Murrow to Clary Thompson Family

The personnel director of the United States Information Agency told the widow of the late USIA official Clary Thompson that her husband displayed "inspiring leadership" and "the highest qualities of resourcefulness" during his years with the organization.

William H. Weathersby read the tribute to the former North Carolina newsmen as Edward R. Murrow, USIA director recently presented the agency's distinguished service award to Mrs. Thompson and her three children, in a ceremony at Washington.

The award for Mr. Thompson, who died at Washington in February, was one of five distinguished service awards presented to



OFF "O CAMP!—Twenty-three Moore County boys are pictured at the Southern Pines Country Club early Sunday morning just before starting for the Elks Boys Camp at Hendersonville, to spend two weeks under sponsorship of the local Elks Lodge which sends a group of boys there annually for an expense-free vacation. The boys were given breakfast at the Country Club before leaving. Adults in the

background are, left to right: Walter Harper, Cecil Hutchinson; George Thompson, chairman of the local lodge's Boys Camp committee; Gene Blackwelder, Harry Davis and Carlos Frye. All except Mr. Hutchinson and Mr. Frye helped drive the boys to the camp, along with other Elks not pictured, including Don Thompson, Larry Ryder and Emerson Humphrey. The camp offers a full range of summer recreational activities. (Humphrey photo)

Tennis Group Has Membership Drive; Tournaments Set

The Sandhills Tennis Association, with a membership drive now going on, today announced the dates of the two tournaments sponsored annually by the Association.

George H. Leonard, Jr., president, said that the Sandhills Junior Invitational Tournament has been scheduled for August 3-6 and the Senior Invitational Tournament for August 10-13.

Entry forms can be obtained from Mrs. Charles Phillips, secretary of the association. Billy Megginson, director of the municipal summer recreation program and coach at Southern Pines High School, will be director of the tournaments, assisted by Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., and Ray Schilling.

Sandhills Tennis Association dues are 50 cents for students and \$1 for adults, but Mr. Leonard urges new and former members to contribute as much as possible, "as we are operating on a very limited budget."

A Southern Pines adult team, representing the Association, is playing matches regularly with teams from various communities over the state. This team's win in a match with the Raleigh B team, played Sunday, is reported elsewhere in today's Pilot.

The annual Junior and Senior tournaments draw outstanding junior and adult players from over North Carolina and other Southern States.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

Robert M. Leland was installed as president of the Southern Pines Rotary Club, succeeding E. Earl Hubbard, and other officers of the club and of the Rotary. Mrs. Ann were installed at a ladies night meeting last Thursday night. For details and a photo, see page 15.

ST. JOSEPH'S TO HAVE OPEN HOUSE

Marking the 13th anniversary of opening of St. Joseph of the Pines Hospital, the public is invited to an "open house birthday party" at the hospital from 2 to 4 p. m. Sunday, July 9. Refreshments will be served.

County Goes Over Battleship Quota

Moore County was listed yesterday by Gov. Terry Sanford as one of 20 North Carolina counties that have met or exceeded their quotas in the \$250,000 state-wide drive for funds to save the battleship North Carolina.

Moore County's quota was \$2,500. Col. Don Madigan was chairman of the drive, winning there by a commission as an "admiral in the North Carolina Navy."

The Governor said \$153,000 had been raised toward the state's goal. Plans call for the battleship to be brought from Bayonne, N. J., and permanently berthed at Wilmington as a public exhibit.

Work Continues On Broad Street

Preparatory work for the resurfacing of W. Broad St. continued this week, necessitating closing various sections of the street while high spots were burned off and the surface was otherwise prepared.

The paving from Vermont Ave. to the old No. 1 intersection is scheduled to begin next week, with a Wilmington contractor doing the work for the State Highway Commission. The street is a link in the State Highway system.

The Town will raise manhole covers and storm sewer grills to the level of the new pavement, doing this work along with the paving operations.

Town Officials Attend Institute

Mayor John S. Ruggles and Councilmen W. Morris Johnson and Felton J. Capel attended the School for Mayors and Councilmen held at the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill last week.

The school covered the full scope of duties of mayors and councilmen and was designed especially for officials elected to office in May.

Mr. Johnson is town treasurer as well as a member of the council, succeeding the late D. E. Bailey in that post. The treasurer may or may not be a member of the council.

Aberdeen Man to Assume District Office of Lions

Installation of E. R. (Buck) Graham of Aberdeen as governor of Lions District 31-F, which includes about 40 Lions Clubs in central North Carolina, will take place at the Aberdeen School cafeteria Wednesday night of next week.

With Lions and their wives from the Sandhills and throughout the district taking part, the program will begin with a buffet dinner from 6 to 7:30 p. m., to be followed by the installation ceremonies. More than 300 persons are expected.

The installing officer and speaker will be Jack Stickley of Charlotte, past Lions International president. R. F. Burns of Lumberton will be master of ceremonies.

The program was announced locally by Joe Carter, deputy district governor.

IN TOWN OFFICE

Miss Dorothy McNeill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lacy J. McNeill, Sr., and a 1961 graduate of Southern Pines High School, has been employed in the bookkeeping and payroll department of the town office in the municipal center. Miss McNeill lives with her parents at 310 Iowa Ave.

Hospital Board Makes Three Appointments

Mrs. William B. Bodine of Southern Pines has accepted the position of Volunteer Co-ordinator at Moore Memorial Hospital, filling the vacancy on the staff created by the resignation last Spring of Mrs. Fred Pollard of Southern Pines. Mrs. Bodine will assume her duties on July 10, according to Thomas R. Howerton, administrator, who announced Mrs. Bodine's appointment this week.

Mrs. Bodine has been active for several years in the work of the volunteers. It will be her duty to recruit, train and staff the many important posts filled by these workers, Mr. Howerton said. The volunteers work in various fields of service in the hospital each day, including mail, flowers, visitors control, central supply and canteen.

Mrs. Bodine's husband, a major now in military service in India, plans to retire from the armed forces in May of next year. They have three children. Mrs. Bodine was executive secretary for the Antique Fair which was sponsored here this Spring by the Moore County Historical Association.

D. L. McGOOGAN Administrator

Announcement is made this week by H. G. Poole of Carthage, chairman of the board of directors of Moore Memorial Hospital in Pinehurst, of the appointment of Duncan L. McGoogan of Charlotte as the new administrator at the institution, effective August 1. Mr. McGoogan replaces Thomas R. Howerton who resigned last month to head the administration of a new hospital in

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Town, Area Have Quiet 4th; State Traffic Toll Down

No serious traffic accidents or other violence were reported in Southern Pines and Moore County over the long July 4 week-end.

Though North Carolina registered 15 traffic deaths in the four-day holiday, the record was better than expected and compared to a toll of 18 in a three-day July 4 period last year.

Nationally, however, the death toll soared to a record high for a comparable holiday period.

State Motor Vehicles Commissioner Edward Scheidt said that the state's drop in fatalities and accidents "indicates in a realistic way that when laws are carefully observed and obeyed, death can be whipped at its own game."

All highway patrolmen stationed in Moore County were active throughout the four-day period.

Hundreds of cups of cold soft drinks and safety pamphlets were given away by Southern Pines Jaycees and Jaycettes at a traffic safety demonstration north of Southern Pines on No. 1 highway, from 2 to 5 p. m. on July 4.

With Cpl. C. W. Morice, Pfc. E. G. Shoemaker and Pfc. Bob Samuels of the Highway Patrol cooperating, motorists stopped and were given drinks and highway safety information. Bill Blue was in charge of the project.

Jaycees taking part said that many motorists expressed their appreciation for the hospitality and the information.

May's Body Shop provided a wrecked car as an eye catcher at the site. A tent to shelter persons taking part was provided by the Powell Funeral Home.

Peach Festival To Be at Ellerbe

The location of the peach festival planned for July 19 was incorrectly given in last week's Pilot as Rockingham. The festival will be held at Ellerbe. Incorrect information was furnished to The Pilot last week.

The festival will feature a beauty contest with entries from several counties of the peach-growing area and a tour of places of agricultural, industrial and historical interest, sponsored by the Sandhills Area Development Association.

The North Carolina Mutual Peach Growers Association, which is putting on a vigorous advertising and promotion campaign for peaches grown in the area, is co-sponsor of the festival.

\$175,000 Bond Issue Proposed for Library, Agriculture Building

The board of county commissioners started the wheels turning Monday for an election on a proposed \$175,000 county bond issue to help finance a combined

county agriculture and library building.

Second Class For Student Drivers To Begin Monday

The second driver training class of the summer for East Southern Pines High School students will begin Monday, July 10, at 9 a. m. Luther A. Adams, superintendent of schools, reminded students today.

Students wanting to take part are asked to meet at the high school office at that time. The class will run until August 2. A third class is planned for later in August.

Class work and behind-the-wheel training will take place Monday through Friday each week on a schedule that is flexible, to allow for road training in cooler parts of the day and also to adapt the schedule to jobs or other commitments the students have. Students must be 16 before they can take behind-the-wheel training. Though classroom work can be taken at an earlier age, the two parts of the program are usually taken together.

The Southern Pines driver training course is now given only in the summer, not during the regular school year. Mr. Adams pointed out. Automobiles driven by graduates of the course are subject to a lower insurance rate than those driven by non-graduates of the same age group.

Scout Court of Honor Set Monday, Pinebluff

A Moore District Boy Scout court of honor will be held at Pinebluff Lake at 8 p. m. Monday. Troops attending can go to the lake any time after 4 p. m. for a swim. It is suggested they bring picnic suppers.

FIRE WAS OUT

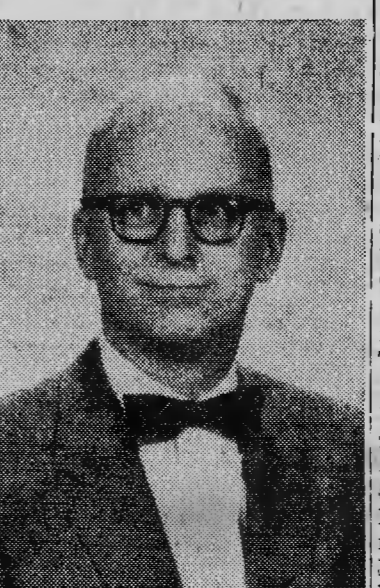
Summoned to a house on W. Indiana Ave., Wednesday afternoon, local volunteer firemen found the fire already out; an oil stove had blazed up briefly but was soon extinguished without the firemen's aid. Chief Frank Kaylor said the call was "almost a false alarm" and that no record had been made of the owner of the property involved.

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DR. E. M. SIPPLE Radiologist

Dr. Harold A. Peck, radiologist at Moore Memorial Hospital, announces the appointment of Dr. Edward M. Sipple, resident in radiology at University Hospital, Baltimore, Md., as his associate at the Pinehurst institution. Dr. Sipple assumed his duties July 1.

Dr. Sipple, a native of Burlington, Iowa, attended Park High School in Baltimore and received his Bachelor of Arts degree at

With County Attorney M. G. Boyette of Carthage and County Auditor John C. Muse of Sanford present to give advice on the procedures to be followed, the commissioners voted to authorize L. R. Reynolds, chairman of the board, and the clerk, Mrs. Audrey McCaskill, to make application to the State's Local Government Commission, to hold such an election.

While such an application is pending, the matter of issuing bonds will be taken up with New York bond attorneys who will set up the machinery for the election and for issuing the bonds if it carries.

It would be an estimated 60 to 90 days before such an election could be held. Board members said they hoped it could be held at least by September.

For six years, it was pointed out, the commissioners have been trying to make provision in their budgets for an agriculture building which could also provide much-needed space for the Moore County Library.

But school demands, board members noted Monday, have prevented appropriation of sufficient funds for the proposed building which would house all the agricultural agencies with headquarters in Carthage and would also provide ample meeting space for gatherings of farm people.

Hayes, Howell and Associates, of Southern Pines, drew plans for such a building some time ago and the proposed structure to be financed by the bond issue, if approved by the voters, would be built to these plans. Designed for a site in Carthage, the two story building would be built on a sloping lot, to provide ground floor entrances for both levels, one to be occupied by the farm offices and an auditorium and the other by the library.

According to the rough figuring cited at the meeting Monday, the county now has \$99,000 which has been budgeted for the building. With the proposed bond issue, a total of \$274,000 would be available. Cost of the building is estimated at \$230,000, equipment and furnishings at \$20,000 and cost of the bond election at \$3,000 or more. There would therefore be a surplus for contingencies of more than \$20,000 under the present financing plan. It is permissible to pay the cost of the election out of the proceeds of the bonds. If the election does not carry, it could be paid out of the \$99,000 on hand.

Three road requests came before the board and all were approved and will be forwarded to the State Highway department.

John F. Taylor of Pinehurst appeared on behalf of property owners, to ask for state maintenance on 4 mile of road east of the traffic circle near Pinehurst. Maintenance was also asked in a petition for 7 mile in Sheffield Township, between Highway 705 and Road No. 1003, and for a portion of Road No. 2049 in the Pine-dene section near Southern Pines.

Black top treatment was asked for Road No. 1459 in Sheffield Township.

In the morning session, the board heard monthly reports from F. D. Allen, agricultural agent; Miss Mary Braswell, assistant home economics agent; Miss Hollis Hane, county librarian; Mrs. Eva Crawford, Negro home economics agent; and Mrs. W. B. Cole, welfare department director. Appearing with Mrs. Cole was Paul Butler of Southern Pines, chairman of the welfare board.

Mr. Allen told the commissioners that in last week's hail storms that hit in the Bensalem and Glendon communities, some 150 acres of crops had been affected, though most of the damage was light, except in a small section of the Bensalem community.

(More news about the commissioners' meeting on page 8.)