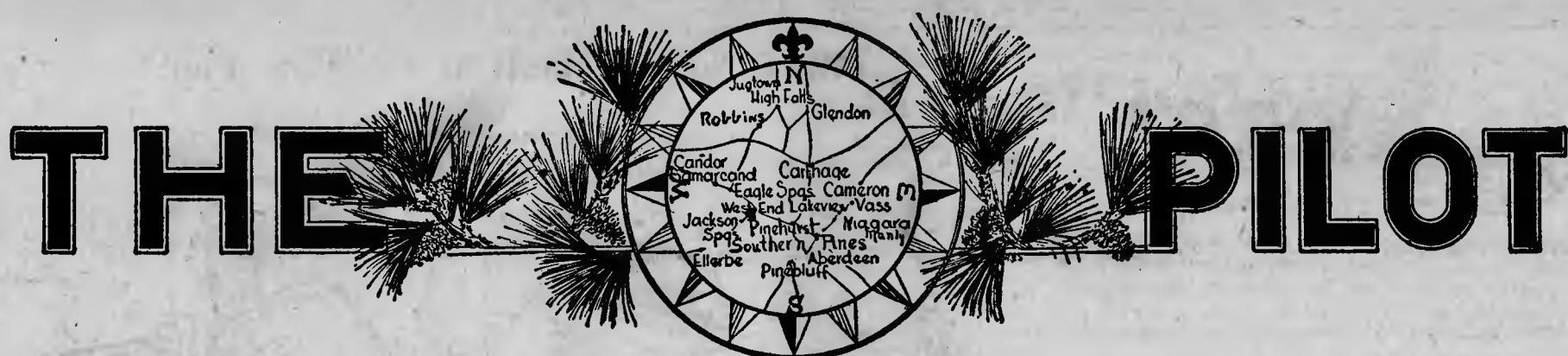


Camping
with tent, station wagon or trailer is fun! Story on page 15 tells how to get information about camp sites in state.



America
can be made and kept "the beautiful" if enough of us care and work to that end. See article on editorial page.

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PRICE TEN CENTS

Hundreds Attend Peach Festival, See Wadesboro Girl Win Title of Queen

Jean Brower of Wadesboro was crowned Sandhills Peach Queen at the Peach Festival held last night in Ellerbe.

A crowd of some 400 persons in the Ellerbe school auditorium saw the contest in which two girls from each of the five Sandhills peach-growing counties took part—Moore, Lee, Richmond, Montgomery and Anson.

Miss Brower was one of the entries from Anson.

Earlier, about 500 persons ate barbecued chicken and peach ice cream in the school cafeteria.

The day's program sponsored jointly by the North Carolina Mutual Peach Growers Association and the Sandhills Area Development Association, included an afternoon tour of places of interest in the Richmond-Montgomery County area. About 80 businessmen, industrialists and farmers went on the tour, riding in a bus and 15 private automobiles.

The group visited the big plant of the Norman Lumber Co., the State Peach Research Station at Windblow; the packing facilities at North State Orchards, where 10,000 bushels of peaches per day are processed; and the Town Creek Indian Mound where the State has restored the stockade and buildings of an ancient Indian village.

Having parts on the evening program were Joe Comer, mayor of Ellerbe; Mayor J. C. Liles of Hamlet; and two chairmen of boards of county commissioners, Bud Rummage of Richmond and R. B. Jordan of Montgomery.

It had been announced that Congressman A. Paul Kitchen of Wadesboro was scheduled to speak, but he was not able to be present.

PEACHES SENT TO ASTRONAUT

Everybody agrees that top grade Sandhills peaches are "out of this world" for eating—but some of them may literally go out of this world Friday morning—inside Astronaut Virgil Grissom.

A peach grower, reading that Grissom called for peaches before one of his cancelled rocket shoots into space this week, sent him a bushel of the finest Sandhills peaches, expecting the fruit to reach him before he takes off Friday—the latest scheduled time for the flight.

Shipment of the peaches was announced last night to the crowd of some 400 persons attending the Peach Queen beauty contest at Ellerbe High School.

Mrs. Vanore Now On Welfare Board

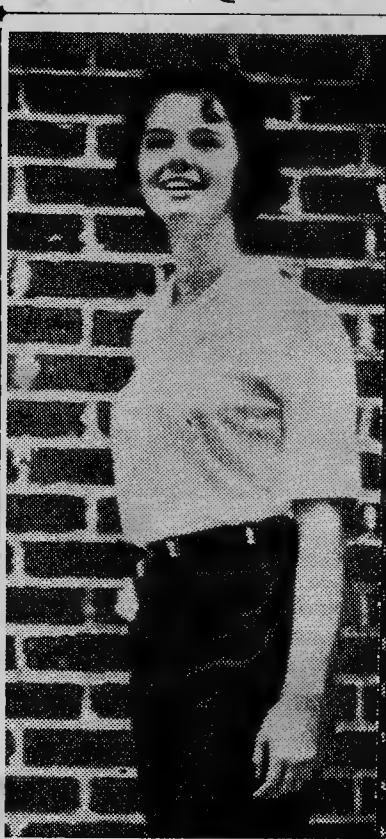
Mrs. Andrew A. Vanore has been appointed as third member of the Moore County Board of Public Welfare by the other two members of the board: Paul C. Butler, chairman, of Southern Pines, and Mr. Joe H. Allen of Carthage. She attended her first meeting and was sworn in as a member of the board at the regular monthly meeting Tuesday.

Mrs. Vanore, wife of a Robbins physician will represent Robbins, Highfalls, Westmoore, Eagle Springs, and Carthage, Route 1 sections of the County. She has been active in her community in civic organizations and has cooperated with Moore County Welfare Department on many occasions through her contacts with clubs and other means, said Mrs. Walter B. Cole, county welfare superintendent. Mrs. Vanore will serve for three years and can be re-elected for three consecutive years.

Mrs. John L. Frye who resigned July 1, was the former member of the board from Robbins. Her work with the board was praised by the other board members and Mrs. Cole.

OPEN HOUSE

Open house will be held from 2 to 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday at a new "Medallion Home" in the Sandavis Development, on Crestview Road at intersection of Saylor St. See details on pages 9, 10 and 11.



PENNY STUTTS, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Stutts, of near Pinehurst, was chosen to be one of Moore County's two candidates for Peach Queen at the Peach Festival held at Ellerbe Wednesday night. Black-haired, blue-eyed Penny, daughter of a peach grower, is a rising junior at Pinehurst High school. The other Moore candidate was Clara Cole, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cole of Eagle Springs, a rising sophomore at West End High school.

(V. Nicholson photo)

Former Resident Here Helps Save 2 From Drowning

Virgil Clark witnessed the near-drowning of two children June 29 in Pisgah National Forest, and saw his step-daughter, and a friend form a human chain to rescue the six-year-old girl and her young brother.

The Southern Pines man was spending two weeks helping his step-daughter, Miss Nancy Wrenn, formerly of Southern Pines, and Miss Ruth White open Camp Awa-Niko, of which they are co-owners and directors.

On the 29th, Mr. Clark had driven the two camp directors, and a group of girls from Awa-Niko, located near Swannanoa, to Pisgah National Forest for a day's outing.

The girls had been playing on "sliding rock," a natural falls formed by water pouring down over a rock about 100 feet long, with a deep pool at the base of the falls. The party from Camp Awa-Niko was out of the water and preparing to leave, when a woman and her two small children, visiting the National Forest from Charleston, S. C., appeared and walked over to the rock slide. The little girl slipped and fell into the pool and her brother went in after her. Both were unable to swim and the girl grabbed her brother around the neck as she started to sink, pulling him down.

The mother started to scream, whereupon Miss Wrenn and Miss White ran together to the pool, covering the 50-foot distance in short order. Both waded into the pool and Nancy took Ruth's hand and reaching down, was able to get hold of the children and pull them out.

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Rooms Are Needed for Young Tennis Players

Rooms in private homes to accommodate boys and girls who will be here playing in the Sandhills Junior Invitational Tennis tournament, August 3-6, are wanted, chairman of the tournament committee George H. Leonard, Jr., noted this week.

Anyone who has room to spare, and would like to put up one or more tournament contestants, is asked to call Mr. Leonard or Walter G. Harper.

McConnell Takes Oath as Judge of Superior Court

A gathering of some 75 persons in the State Senate Chamber at Raleigh Monday saw John D. McConnell, Southern Pines attorney, sworn in as a Superior Court Judge. The oath was administered by Associate Justice E. B. Denny of the State Supreme Court.

Members of Mr. McConnell's family attending the ceremony from Southern Pines were his wife, Mrs. Margaret McConnell, his older son, John, Jr., and two daughters, Molly and Liza. His younger son, Robert, is working at Spring Lake, N. J., this summer and could not attend.

Gov. Terry Sanford, who made the appointment of the local man, was present. He said he regarded the appointment as "one of the best I've had the privilege to make. His record will be one of which this administration and his friends will be proud."

Several members of the Moore County bar, county officials and other friends, some with their wives, were in Raleigh for the occasion. They included: From Southern Pines—Mr. and Mrs. Lamont Brown, R. F. Hoke Pollock and Morris Johnson; from Aberdeen—Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Page III, Lawrence McN. Johnson; from Pinebluff, Douglas David, county tax collector; from Carthage—Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Sabiston, Sheriff W. B. Kelly, Chief Deputy Sheriff H. H. Grimm and Clerk of Court Carlton Kennedy; from Robbins—Mr. and Mrs. John L. Frye; from Highfalls—DeWitt Purvis of the county tax office.

Mrs. Frye, of Robbins, and Mr. McConnell were Moore County co-managers of Governor Sanford's primary and election campaigns last year.

After the ceremony, the Moore County delegation gathered for a luncheon at which the McConnells were guests and the others went dutch-treat.

Mr. McConnell is one of four special judges named by Governor Sanford, all appointed for two-year terms. The others are J. William Copeland of Murfreesboro, H. L. Riddle, Jr., of Morrisville.

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GUARD TO DISPLAY FACILITIES SUNDAY

Moore County's National Guard Company will hold an open house and "kiddies' day" at the army on Morganton Road Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m.

Lt. Ralph Horner of Pinehurst, company commander, said that rides will be given children in the unit's tanks and that other equipment will be displayed and explained.

A regular all-day drill is scheduled for Sunday. Added public interest in the open house is expected in view of current discussion in Washington of possibility of mobilization of some National Guard units.

ALL WAS QUIET ON THE CRIME FRONT BUT THEN—

'Everything Busted Loose In Moore County'

During June and up through the first week in July, reporters checking the sheriff's department at Carthage received an unusually consistent answer: no news.

Then, as Sheriff W. B. Kelly put it this week, things "busted loose." Thefts, break-ins, a stabbing and the slugging of a deputy were all listed on the sheriff's records Monday.

Southern Pines and Pinehurst police, also the SBI and Seaboard Railroad police were all active this week in investigations of various incidents around the county, working with the sheriff's department.

Just to round out the picture, ABC officers raided an illicit still last week and arrested two men, one of them an old offender who was released from prison only a few months ago, after serving a term for illegal manufacture of whiskey in Moore County.

NOMINATION OF GILMORE MADE

President Kennedy's nomination of Voit Gilmore as director of the new United States Travel Service—which has been awaited for the past three weeks—was made Tuesday, subject to confirmation by the Senate.

Actually, Mr. Gilmore has been at work in Washington as a Commerce Department consultant for the past six weeks, setting up the new agency which will have six offices in foreign nations, to encourage travel to the United States.

Mr. Gilmore and his family expect to keep their home in Southern Pines. Mrs. Gilmore and their four children are now on a trip to the West Coast. Mr. Gilmore was here Saturday, spent the week-end at Morehead City and returned to Washington to receive Mr. Kennedy's appointment.

County Education Board Sees Plans For School Plant

Plans for Moore County's first new consolidated high school were displayed to the county board of education Tuesday by Architect T. T. Hayes, Jr., of Southern Pines, partner in Hayes, Howell and Associates.

It was the first time the board had seen complete plans for the school plant which includes classrooms, cafeteria, kitchen, industrial arts shop, agriculture shop, music department, language and science laboratories and other facilities. The buildings of the plant are linked together, with courtyards between them.

Mr. Hayes estimated that the school would cost \$1,150,000.

The board took no action on the plans. R. E. Lee, county schools superintendent, said that he would discuss the plans with other school officials and teachers, for their reactions and suggestions.

The new school would be located in the Union Church area, between Carthage and Vass, and would serve the present Carthage, Vass-Lakeview, Cameron and Farm Life districts.

The county tax rate was raised from \$1.35 to \$1.70 per \$100 of valuation for this year's taxes, to help finance construction of the school.

Also on Tuesday, the board of education opened bids on a physical education building for the Vass-Lakeview school.

Bids for the general contract and for heating and electrical work were received, but there was no bid for plumbing. The board withheld action on any of the bids, until the plumbing bids are received.

DANCE TONIGHT

The Jaycees will stage their outdoor square dance at the A & P store parking lot tonight (Thursday), weather permitting, open to the public. Nick Crotty of Pinehurst will call the figures.

Several Persons Slightly Injured In 2 Collisions

Several persons received minor injuries in automobile collisions taking place at two intersections in this area yesterday morning.

The first collision occurred at 8:55 a. m. at the intersection of Pee Dee Road and Midland Road, at the Southern Pines city limits, when a 1959 Oldsmobile station wagon driven by Mrs. Arthelia Hollister, 46, collided with a 1955 Pontiac convertible driven by Miss Delores Cameron, 19.

Sgt. L. D. Beck of the Southern Pines police department, who investigated, said that Mrs. Hollister was turning left into Pee Dee Road, from the eastbound lane of Midland Road, across the westbound lane of Midland Road, when the collision took place. Miss Cameron, who is employed as a clerk in the business office at the Pinhurst Surgical Clinic, was driving west on Midland Road.

Sgt. Beck said that Mrs. Hollister would be charged with failing to yield right of way. The Hollister automobile, registered in the name of Dr. W. F. Hollister, of Midland Road, Mrs. Hollister's husband, sustained damage estimated at \$900. The car driven by Miss Cameron was registered in the name of D. Emerson Cameron, the police report showed. Damage to this car was estimated at \$350.

Miss Cameron was riding alone. She was taken to St. Joseph of the Pines Hospital and was treated for a bruise on the head, skinned knees and side injuries. She was released after treatment.

Mrs. Hollister and two children who were passengers with her were shaken up but not injured, despite the severity of the damage.

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MacDougall to Be Director of New Home For Aging

John L. MacDougall has been named managing director for the Episcopal Home for the Aging to be built here. He will arrive in Southern Pines July 30 and open an office here, from which he will supervise planning for and construction of the Home.

Work on the \$600,000 initial unit of the Home is scheduled to begin in the early fall at a site on the Weymouth estate east of N. Ridge St.

Mr. MacDougall comes to Southern Pines from Morris Plains, N. J., where he has been manager of an institution similar to the one to be built here. His wife will accompany him to Southern Pines and they will make their home here. They have three grown and married children.

A past president of the Morris Plains Rotary Club, Mr. MacDougall is an Episcopalian and an active Mason. He recently directed a half-million-dollar campaign to build a YMCA in Morris Plains.

Local announcement of the appointment was made by the Rev. Martin Caldwell, rector of Emmanuel Episcopal Church.

Revaluation of Moore Property Progressing



JOHN A. LANG, JR.

Lang Appointed Assistant to Air Force Secretary

Air Force Secretary Eugene M. Zucker this week announced the appointment of John A. Lang, Jr., of Carthage, as deputy assistant for Air Force Reserves and National Guard.

Mr. Lang, who has served as a Congressional assistant for the past 15 years, will advise the Air Force Secretary on the training and readiness of Air Force Reserve and National Guard components and the ROTC program.

A graduate of the University of North Carolina, Mr. Lang served as assistant to the director of CCC camp education, U. S. Office of Education, and as state administrator of the National Youth Administration in North Carolina, just prior to World War II.

Mr. Lang volunteered as a private in the Army Air Force in World War II and now holds the grade of Colonel in the Air Force reserves.

In 1947, Mr. Lang returned to Washington as secretary to Congressman C. B. Deane of North Carolina's 8th District which includes Moore County. Subsequently, he served of the House Government Operations Committee staff and as administrative assistant to Congressman Robert E. Jones of Alabama.

Mr. Lang has served as president of the Congressional Secretaries Club and as president of the North Carolina Society of Washington, D. C.

He is married to the former Catherine Gibson of Gibson. They have four children.

THE WEATHER

Maximum and minimum temperatures for each day of the past week were recorded as follows at the U. S. Weather Bureau observation station at the WEBB radio studios on Midland Road:

	Max.	Min.
July 13	90	68
July 14	91	69
July 15	93	69
July 16	92	67
July 17	92	70
July 18	89	68
July 19	85	69

It might seem to be small potatoes making an appraisal of Moore County real property for tax equalization purposes after having just finished doing the same thing for the City of Durham, but Frank Cooper doesn't feel that way about it. The appraisal, authorized by the county commissioners is generally referred to as a "revaluation."

Mr. Cooper, of Associated Surveys, Inc., is about half way through the county survey and says that every job of this sort has its interesting points. And perhaps, too, the fact that Moore is now Mr. Cooper's home county adds extra incentive and interest to the work.

Associated Surveys, Inc. is the Greensboro firm of which Mr. Cooper is a partner with William Hester. The firm now has 12 of their men working on the Moore County survey. They have completed the appraisal field work in Ritters, Deep River and Greenwood townships and in McNeill township outside of Southern Pines, and have measured and listed many of the commercial properties in Carthage and Southern Pines, as well as the industrial sites in the county. The appraisers now working under Mr. Cooper include men from many parts of the state; only local personnel employed in this county operation are those acting occasionally as guides to the territory.

Mr. Cooper said that judging by the way the work was going he thought it would be possible to complete the job for Moore County by September, 1962. The new values, then, would presumably go into effect for the year 1963. At the time the survey was started an office in the basement of the courthouse was turned over to the appraisers and here is where the important paper work goes on.

"The work has proceeded most pleasantly," Mr. Cooper said. "The hundreds of property owners in Moore County, whom the appraisers have already talked to while making an inspection of their property, have shown a wonderful spirit of cooperation. All necessary information regarding their property has been courteously given to our men. We have had the same good cooperation from the commissioners and county officials and feel well satisfied with the progress of the work."

Mr. Cooper is now spending most of his time here on the local work, living in his home, "Littlefield," on Indiana Avenue extension. Until two weeks ago he was obliged to spend most of every week in Durham sitting with the Board of Equalization, which is always the final proceeding. The Cooper firm completed equalization appraisals of five counties in the past year, holding such hearings.

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TREES BURNED BY STREET MACHINE

Citizens who have felt a wave of panic on noticing the trees turned suddenly red and brown along West Broad Street may relax. Experts agree—to the enormous relief of Town Manager Bud Rainey, among others—that only temporary damage has been done. The singed leaves will drop off but there is no reason to expect that healthy new ones won't grow back in their place.

"The branches may look pretty mean in between," says Bill Booker, State graduate nurseryman and town consultant on shrubbery, "but it won't harm the trees."

The "it" in question turns out to have been neither a strange coming of early fall, a dose of insecticide spray, nor atomic fall-out. What soared the lower limbs was the terrific heat generated by the street work last week. In order to melt the surface so that a new surface could be properly applied, it was necessary almost to set it afire. The fumes, drifting up, shriveled the leaves like the passing of a forest fire.