

### Larger Membership Means Stronger Voice, Farm Bureau Gathering Told

Moore County Farm Bureau held its annual "kick-off" meeting for new members on Tuesday at Carthage.

The drive for new members is being held at the same time that membership renewals are being mailed to present members. The membership committee, captains, and their teams of workers made plans for their enrollment campaign, according to Norman Cagle, chairman of the committee.

"It only stands to reason," Mr. Cagle added, "that the larger the membership the stronger the voice. Farm Bureau, which is called 'The Voice of Agriculture' and justly so since it is the largest voluntary farm organization in the nation, has always had as its major goal the improvement of the economic life of farm families."

Herman Matthews, co-captains; Mineral Springs, T. C. Auman; Ritter, Harold Purvis; Sandhill, S. R. Ransdell, Jr.; Sheffield, Daniel Dunlap and Max Dunlap, co-captains.

Fieldman Walter Lowery, commenting on accomplishments of Farm Bureau over the years, said, "It is hard for some farmers to see that these accomplishments come through the organized effort springing from the combined desires of the group."

As recent examples he cited (1) how after two years of effort the ASC program has been changed to permit leasing of tobacco acreage so as to be grown on the land of the lessee; (2) preventing of 3 per cent sales tax on production items such as seed, feed, fertilizer, and insecticides, and (3) getting filing dates for State gasoline tax refunds to coincide with dates for Federal gasoline tax refunds, effective July 1, 1962.

Secretary J. D. Shields considered the response to the mailed notices to old members extremely gratifying to date.

### T. L. Campbell, Former Resident, Succumbs at 67

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Fry and Pickett Funeral Home in Carthage for Thomas Lee Campbell, 67, former Southern Pines resident, who died Saturday night at Bethesda, Md. The Rev. W. S. Golden officiated and burial was in Cross Hill Cemetery, Carthage.

Pallbearers were Bryan Poe, D. A. Shields, H. H. Grimm, Jim Pleasants, Hoyt McNeill and Gilbert Frye.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. E. B. Hatch of Bethesda, Md.; a son, T. K. Campbell of Columbia, S. C.; two brothers, James of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Fred, of Seattle, Wash.; one sister, Mrs. William Buffaloe of Atlanta, Ga.; and three grandchildren.

A native of Carthage, Mr. Campbell moved to Southern Pines about 1942. He was a disabled veteran of World War I and a member of the local American Legion post and the Carthage Presbyterian Church.

For about two years prior to the death of his wife in 1959, he and his wife had owned and operated Magnolia Lodge in Southern Pines.

He left Southern Pines about two and a half years ago, to live with his son, T. K. Campbell of Columbia, S. C., and for the past year, with his daughter, Mrs. Hatch, at Bethesda, Md.

### DECIE MERWIN

### Mrs. Becholdt, 66, Illustrator And Writer, Succumbs

Mrs. Decie Merwin Becholdt, 66, a well known writer and illustrator of books for young people, who was a former winter visitor to Southern Pines, died yesterday at Knoxville, Tenn., friends here have been informed.

Funeral services were to be conducted at Knoxville today. A brother at Knoxville is the only immediate survivor.

She was the widow of Jack Becholdt, newspaperman and writer, with whom she collaborated in some of her work. Mr. Becholdt died here about five years ago and is buried at Knoxville.

Using the professional name, Decie Merwin, Mrs. Becholdt had written and illustrated many books. Her latest was "Scottish Treasure Mystery," published in 1960.

Mr. and Mrs. Becholdt spent two winter seasons here six or seven years ago. After his death, she had returned here for visits.

A native of Knoxville, Mrs. Becholdt had lived for many years in New York City. Both she and her husband were talented, witty and charming persons and made a number of friends while living at Southern Pines.



### Moore County Students Are Among Recent Graduates of Sanford Business College

Pictured here are recent graduates of Sanford Business College at Sanford, among them a number of students from Moore County.

At the graduation exercises, Dr. Amos Abrams, was the guest speaker. He is assistant executive secretary of the North Carolina Education Association and NCEA editor.

The exercises marked the beginning of the 46th year of service in business education by the college.

The graduates are pictured above. In the listing below, addresses are given for the Moore County students only:

1st row, left to right—Gaynell Gunter, Sandra Johnson, Anita

Fields, Route 1, West End; Linda Cole, Brenda Gaines, Emily Smith, Doris Fields, Sally Johnson, Isabelle Campbell Holder, Star Route, Carthage; Mary Kennedy, Carthage; and Mildred Marks.

2nd row, — George Laposay; Merla Gaines, Route 2, Carthage; Margaret Fields, Lora Mae Burns,

Judy Clifton, Priscilla Brown, Kay Medlin Brewer, Nancy Underwood, Marie Tally, Alice King, Lovie Ann Tysinger, Margaret Phillips, Route 2, Carthage; Judy Wicker, Mary Upchurch, Opal McNeill, Beatrice McKenney, Route 2, Cameron; and Boyd Harris.

3rd row—Gray Hall, Ralph

Kelly, Richard Dalrymple, Thurman Rogers, Dewey Ritter, Pinehurst; Odie Cockman, Jerry Wilson, Larry Presslar, Route 2, Bennett; Aubrey Rosser, Curtis Womack; Jerry Blue, Route 3, Carthage; Richard Blue, Route 3, Carthage; Bill McNeill, and Billy Godfrey.

## Southern Pines High School News

BY DICKEY HOSKINS

Southern Pines High School opened Tuesday "with a bang."

The High School this year has an enrollment of over 250 students, including 100 or more freshmen—the largest class in the history of the school.

This is some difference from the senior class of 1924 which had a total enrollment of five.

**By Leaps and Bounds**  
The class of 1962 will leave a school which they have seen grow by leaps and bounds. This year, the whole school seems new to junior and senior high school students. Many of them have new textbooks. There is much new equipment and a beautiful new wing on the high school.

**Ultra Modern**  
The equipment and facilities include ultra modern desks, recreation materials, projectors, a projection and multipurpose room, a "language lab," and a home economics lab which, even to the eyes of a male, could be the dream of every housewife.

**Appreciation**  
The students reacted to all these changes with appreciation and interest. Everyone viewed the new wing with awe. Much comment through the hall denoted an eagerness to start to work and make the best of the next 180 days of school.

Let's Not Rest  
Since 1924, much progress has been made in our schools, but all of us—students, teachers and parents—should not rest on our laurels. We should strive to make our school system even better, to help those who started school Tuesday, and those who precede and follow, obtain a worthwhile and lasting education.

## Vass News and Personals

By MRS. CHARLES CAMERON

### Birthday Party

Honoring her daughter Martha on her sixth birthday Monday, August 28, Mrs. Jack Morgan entertained a number of little friends at her home. The children enjoyed outdoor games. Afterwards, they gathered around the dining table which was centered with a decorated birthday cake. Refreshments of ice cream and cup cakes were served and favors of blowouts were given. Helping to celebrate, in addition to the 24 small guests were eight adults including Martha's grandmother and her great aunt, Mrs. Bernice Turner.

### Shower Hostesses

Mrs. Glenn McMillan was honored recently at a stork shower given by Mrs. Ray Griffin in the recreation hall of the Vass Baptist Church. To the many dainty gifts which were presented in a bassinet, the hostess added a pink and white corsage. The door prize was won by Mrs. J. T. Hennings of Southern Pines, with game prizes going to Mrs. Alton Stevenson and Mrs. Roland Ferguson. Refreshments of decorated cake squares, peanuts, and punch were served to the 15 guests present from the honoree's table, which was centered with an arrangement of pink and white carnations.

On Friday night, Mrs. F. L. Taylor, Mrs. Lacy McRae, and Mrs. Ray Griffin were hostesses at a "blessed event" shower honoring Mrs. J. T. Hennings and Mrs. Joe Martin Edwards, at Mrs. Taylor's home in Pinehurst. The assortment of dainty gifts were presented to Mrs. Hennings in a cradle and for Mrs. Edwards in a baby carriage. Corsages of pink carnations were given the honorees on arrival. In the absence of Mrs. Edwards her grandmother, Mrs. Roy Hendrick, received the corsage and was assisted by the mother-in-law, Mrs. A. G. Edwards Jr., in opening the gifts. Mrs. Edwards, Jr., also expressed thanks on Barbara's behalf. Afterwards the 24 guests were invited into the dining room where they enjoyed refreshments of cake squares, peanuts, and punch.

Mrs. Lewis Frye, Mrs. Lynwood Patterson, and Mrs. M. M. Chapel were hostesses at a pink and blue shower honoring Mrs. Luke Nickens of Cameron at the Vass community house Saturday night. On arrival, the honoree

### Monday Last Day For 4-H Records

No 4-H Club member's 1960-'61 record will be considered for county competition after Monday, September 11, C. E. Lewis, Jr., assistant county agriculture agent, said this week.

Records may be sent or brought to the Agricultural agent's office on the third floor of the courthouse in Carthage. Records will also be picked up from school 4-H Club presidents.

Whatever the procedure, the records should be turned in at once, Mr. Lewis said.

Cash receipts from farm marketings in North Carolina for the first five months of 1961 were 10 per cent higher than the same period in 1960.

Another Shipment of lovely school DRESSES. COATS by "Carrcraft." The coats that can be lengthened in a jiffy—hem and sleeves. Slim JEANS in blue and olive with double knees. Many other clothes for school children and infants at

The Youth Shop

South Street

Aberdeen



7 to 14... 298

beruffled Ship'n Shore® blouse all fashion and femininity with gay decorative ribboning. No-iron, too! BanCare all-cotton by Everfast.® In fresh white, tipped with color.

## Tots' Toggery

Southern Pines

At the same time that farm production expenses have been increasing, costs of items essential to farm family living have also been on the rise, and by 1960 the index of family living was about one fifth higher than in 1950.