

Walter B. Smith, Local Resident, Killed, Wife Hurt

Lt. Col. Walter Bennett Smith, 68, of 490 S. May St. was killed and his wife, Mrs. Katherine Smith, 62, was injured in a head-on automobile collision near Meridian, Miss., Friday. The Smiths had been residents of Southern Pines for about the past two years, coming here from Connecticut.

A 22-year-old Natchitoches, La., man was the driver of the other car in the crash. He was hospitalized but was reported in good condition.

Mrs. Smith, at first thought to be critically injured—with reported lacerations of face and body, internal injuries and possible fracture of one leg—was said to be recovering satisfactorily, early this week. A direct report on her condition was received here by R. F. Hoke Pollock, attorney, from her brother-in-law, H. G. Kenagy of Bryan, Texas. The Smiths were returning from a visit with Mrs. Emily Kenagy, Mrs. Smith's sister, and Mr. Kenagy, when the accident took place.

According to the report reaching Southern Pines, Mrs. Smith will be a patient at Anderson's Infirmary, Meridian, for about the next 30 days. Whether or not she plans to return to Southern Pines after her recovery was not known here.

Colonel Smith's body was to be cremated and services were to be held at the family burial plot, Guilford, Conn. The Smiths had no children. Colonel Smith's brother, R. A. Smith, lives at Scituate, Mass.

Born at New Haven, Conn., November 21, 1893, Colonel Smith was employed for many years by the Connecticut Department of Agriculture, before his retirement and move to Southern Pines. He was a veteran of Army service in both World Wars I and II, but was not a career Army officer.

In Southern Pines, Colonel and Mrs. Smith attended the United Church of Christ. He was a member of the local Elks Lodge.

Advisory Council Of St. Joseph's Installs Officers

Mrs. Audrey K. Kennedy was installed as chairman of the Advisory Council of St. Joseph of the Pines Hospital at a dinner meeting in the hospital Monday night.

Mrs. Kennedy was reelected to the post in December. Other officers, newly elected at that time and installed Monday, are Joe Montesanti, Jr., vice chairman, and Harry H. Pethick, secretary.

New members of the council attending this week's meeting were Mrs. George W. Matheson, Charles Paul and W. Harry Fullenwider. Other members of the council, who had served previously, are Mrs. Frank Cosgrove, David Drexel and Lee Smithson.

Mr. Paul was named chairman of a public relations committee whose members he will appoint. Father Francis M. Smith, pastor of St. Anthony's Church, commended the council for its work during the past year. Sister Virginia, administrator of the hospital was present for the event given by the Sisters for the Council members.

Boys Choir to Perform Here Friday

Sponsored by the Southern Pines Rotary Club, the Charlotte Boys Choir will present one of its tuneful and lively variety shows at Weaver Auditorium Friday night (January 12). The performance—featuring the 80-member choir of boys nine to 12 years old and various smaller groups of the boys in special dramatic numbers—will begin at 8 p.m.

Tickets can be obtained from Rotary Club members or at the box office Friday night.

Organized in 1947, the choir is a project of the Charlotte Rotary Club. The boys are



KIWANIS OFFICERS—Officers of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club for 1962 were installed at last week's luncheon meeting of the club at the Pine Needles Club. Front row, left to right: Lincoln Faulk of Dunn, lieutenant governor of the Kiwanis Carolinas District, who was the installing officer; Dr. C. Robert VanderVoort, immediate past president; Dr. R. Bruce Warlick,

president; and Lawrence McN. Johnson, vice-president. In the back row, left to right, are the directors: William C. Sledge, Luther A. Adams, J. E. Sandlin, Dr. W. Harrell Johnson, Ralph Chandler, Jr., and L. Boyd Creath. John L. Ponzer, club secretary and treasurer, was not present when the photo was made.

Changes in Dog Law Not Planned; Policy Explained

No changes are contemplated in the town's new dog control law, Mayor John S. Ruggles said today. He said that comments to him on the law have been overwhelmingly in its favor.

The law, which requires registration of all local dogs at the police station and forbids a dog to run at large unless muzzled, has raised objections to some of its provisions from some dog owners and editorially from this newspaper.

An interpretation of key phrasing in the law makes it more lenient than it seems to be, the mayor said. The ordinance defines "at large" as "off the premises of the owner and not under control of the owner or a member of his immediate family or some responsible person either by leash, cord, chain or otherwise." The mayor said that "otherwise" is being interpreted by local officials as permitting a dog to run free in company of owner or a responsible person, if the dog will obey when called. A person could, therefore, exercise an obedient dog in town without having the dog constantly on leash.

On the matter of muzzles, which have been called inhumane by some dog owners, Mayor Ruggles pointed out that the law does not require any dog owner to muzzle his dog. He said he doubted if many dogs would be muzzled, as owners would prefer either to confine dogs or exercise them under control.

A policy planning session has been held to discuss the law, the mayor said. Attending were, in addition to the mayor, Town Manager F. F. (Bud) Rainey, Town Attorney W. Lamont Brown, Police Chief Earl Seawell, Hardy Barber, county dog warden; and Dr. C. C. McLean, veterinarian who is adviser to the county pound which would be used to confine dogs picked up here. The mayor said a satisfactory policy of cooperation with the county (Continued on page 8)

Peach Men to Fete Pioneers

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Peach Growers' Society will be held at the Sandhill Peach Research Station near Jackson Springs on January 23 from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m.

The annual banquet will be at East Montgomery High School between Candor and Biscoe at 6:30 p. m. The pioneer peach growers of the 1910-1920 years are to be honored at the banquet. L. Y. Ballentine, state commissioner of agriculture will be featured and editorially from this newspaper.

Jaycees to Make Service Award

The outstanding young man of 1961 in Southern Pines will be revealed at the annual "Bosses' Night" dinner of the Southern Pines Junior Chamber of Commerce, to be held in the Hollywood Hotel, Friday evening, January 19.

The event will highlight local observance of National Jaycee Week, November 21-26, marking the founding of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in 1920, said Thomas Ruggles, local Jaycee president.

Robert Chatman of the Social Security office at Fayetteville will be the featured speaker.

"Bosses" of the young members of the organization will be guests of their employees or associates at the banquet.

The outstanding young man, who will receive the Distinguished Service Award, is being chosen by a committee of non-Jaycees from nominations made by the public. Candidates for the honor must be aged 21 through 35 and are judged on their efforts in community work and their own business or professional progress during the year.

All chapter directors were also reelected—the community chairman: Dr. J. W. Willcox, public (Continued on page 5)

RETIREES AFTER 40 YEARS WITH COMPANY

L. D. McDonald Honored for A & P Career

L. D. McDonald, who retired January 1 as manager of the Southern Pines A & P store after 25 years in that position and 40 years with the company, was honored Tuesday night with a recognition dinner at the Mid Pines Club.

Attending the stag affair and paying tribute to "Mr. Mac," one of the veteran merchants of the Southern Pines business community, were officials of the Charlotte Unit of A & P and 14 store managers in the territory headed by J. L. Creed.

A plaque displaying a gold-plated lock and key was presented to Mr. McDonald by the store managers.

Personnel of the local A & P store had honored Mr. McDonald with a farewell party at Wedge Inn in December.

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March of Dimes Begins Campaign; Officers Named

Moore county community chairmen have again undertaken the National Foundation's January drive, with expanded humanitarian objectives and increased emphasis on research.

They are spurred on by the fact that last year's drive failed of its full quota, for the first time since its inception as the March of Dimes 24 years ago. This became the annual fund-raising venture of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis—now the National Foundation, fighting polio, birth defects and arthritis.

Moore County is aiming this year for the same quota, \$7,560, which has been set every year, according to J. Frank McCaskill of Pinehurst, campaign chairman. This has been unofficially set as the goal, since the Foundation, with changed objectives has changed this policy also. No specific quotas are being accorded, said McCaskill—"We need all we can get. Though the fight against polio has been nearly won, the other two projects remain very difficult and challenging. Research is under way, but a great deal will be needed and that is very costly."

At a kickoff dinner and meeting Friday night at the Carthage Hotel all the chapter officers were reelected by acclamation: Paul C. Butler, Southern Pines, chairman; H. Clifton Blue, Aberdeen, first vice-chairman; Paul C. Greene, Eureka community, second vice-chairman; Mrs. J. A. Phillips, Cameron, secretary, and C. H. Bowman, Southern Pines, treasurer.

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Council Asking State, Railroad Install Signals

A resolution asking the Seaboard Air Line Railroad and the State Highway Commission to cooperate in installation of train warning signals at the intersection of New York Avenue and the Seaboard tracks was adopted by the town council Tuesday night.

Copies were ordered sent to J. Elsie Webb of Rockingham, division highway commissioner, and James Smith, president of the Seaboard.

The resolution points out that Broad Street on both sides of the Seaboard tracks is controlled by the State Highway system and that business development in the area has increased pedestrian and vehicular traffic at the intersection where there are no warning lights or bells for trains.

All council members were present: Mayor John S. Ruggles, and Councilmen Morris Johnson, Felton Capel, J. D. Hobbs and Fred Pollard, along with Town Manager F. F. (Bud) Rainey, Attorney W. Lamont Brown and Mrs. Mildred McDonald, clerk. The only visitors, as at many recent meetings, were a group from West Southern Pines.

Mayor Ruggles named Councilman Hobbs, Attorney Brown and Town Manager Rainey as a committee to investigate and report on the request of E. H. Mills of Pinebluff that Swan Pond and an adjoining area, off Midland Road, be returned to him from the town by quitclaim deed, according to an agreement he had made with the town, when he gave the area to the town about 10 years ago.

The area was given at that time for the town to use for recreation purposes, with the stipulation that if it were not used for that purpose, it could revert to the donor when he wished to claim it.

For a few years after the gift was made, the town set up picnic tables and other recreation facilities near the pond and opened it to public swimming. The swimming, however, was discontinued when a check showed the water was unfit for this purpose as storm sewers drain into the area. Since then it has not been generally used for public recreation purposes.

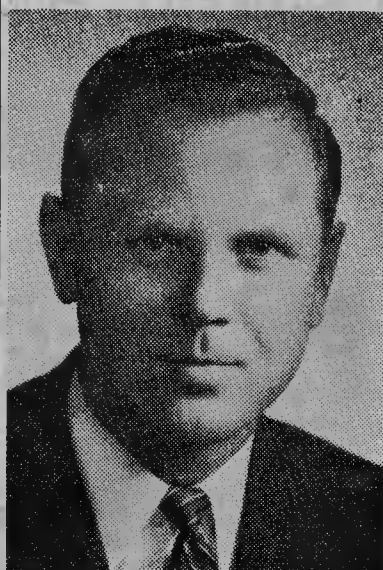
The council voted to increase the charge for eight-inch sewer extensions from \$2 to \$25.50 per foot, on information from Manager Rainey that costs of building sewer lines have gone up. Al (Continued on page 5)

Hartshorne Heads GOP in Precinct

At a well attended meeting of the high school Tuesday night, Southern Pines precinct Republicans elected James Hartshorne chairman and Mrs. Marvin Wick vice chairman, also electing a delegation to attend the county GOP convention later in the year.

James E. Harrington, Jr., of Pinehurst, chairman of the Moore County Republican executive committee, met with the local group to discuss plans of the precinct and county organizations.

Snow, Cold Lambaste Area; More Expected



MR. GENTRY

W. H. Gentry, Jr. To Head New Bank Operation Here

William H. Gentry, Jr., formerly officer in charge of public relations for the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, Va., has been elected vice president in charge of the Southern National Bank, Hector McLean of Lumberton, president of Southern National, announced today.

Mr. Gentry, who has been in banking since 1942, with the exception of two years in the Air Force, will open a temporary Southern National Bank office here, pending completion of remodeling of the former Welch building which the bank has bought, at the corner of New York Ave. and S. W. Broad St. The bank expects to open its new Southern Pines office there in March.

"Southern National Bank is fortunate in obtaining a man of Mr. Gentry's qualifications to head the bank's Southern Pines operation," Mr. McLean said. "We have known Mr. Gentry for a number of years and have complete confidence in his ability."

A native of Albemarle County, Va., Mr. Gentry is married to the former Frances Hutchinson of Franklin County, Va. They have a six-year-old son, Mark Hunter Gentry. They are Episcopalians and active in church work. Mr. and Mrs. Gentry have purchased a new home on Inverness Road in the Sandavis development.

After finishing school at Salem, Va., Mr. Gentry entered banking with the Bank of Virginia at Roanoke. He served in the Air Force, 1944-46, returning to the Bank of Virginia and, in December, 1948, became assistant cashier of the Richlands National Bank, Richlands, Va. In 1950, he accepted a similar position with the (Continued on page 8)

Lighting Contest Winners Chosen

The Barnum Realty and Insurance Co., in the business division, and the Glenn Ramsey home, 345 Crestview Road, in the residential division, were announced this week as winners in the annual Christmas lighting contest sponsored by the Southern Pines Jaycees. A \$15 check will go from the Jaycees to each of the winners, said Dick Mattocks, chairman of the project.

Honorable mention went to the Scott Insurance and Realty window, in the business division, and to the Dale Cox home at 480 Crestview Road in Residential.

Mr. Mattocks expressed appreciation for the widespread interest in Christmas lighting and said that many fine decorations in both categories were observed by the judging committee.

MOVING OFFICES

Dr. P. J. Chester will move his offices next week from the Welch building, which was purchased by the Southern National Bank of Lumberton, to the former offices of the late Dr. Herr at the corner of N. E. Broad St. and Pennsylvania Ave.

8 Degrees Was Low Last Night; 15, Noon Today

The Sandhills is sharing in the nation's knock-down, drag-out fight with winter—the temperature dipping to a frigid eight degrees above zero here early this morning, following more than three inches of snow that fell over the area Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. The temperature at noon today was 15.

Continued cold is expected, according to the latest forecasts, with possibly more snow over the weekend.

Schools throughout Moore County were closed yesterday and today, including the Southern Pines, Pinehurst and county systems and the Catholic St. Anthony's and Our Lady of Victory schools here.

No announcement had been made at The Pilot's presstime as to whether schools will be open tomorrow.

Official depth of snowfall recorded at the Weather Bureau station at the WEEB radio studios on Midland Road was 3.5 inches. Falling on unfrozen ground, some of it melted during Wednesday and highways and streets were for the most part clear by the end of the day. Today temperatures are below freezing and the skies cloudy. Patches of ice from the remains of yesterday's snowfall made driving and walking hazardous at some locations. However, no serious accidents attributable to the snow had been reported today.

117 Convicted In ABC Liquor Cases in 1961

Making his annual report on operations of the Enforcement Division of the Moore County Alcohol Beverage Control Board, Chief enforcement officer, said this week that 117 convictions on liquor law violations were obtained in the county's courts as a result of operations of the Division in 1961.

During 1961, the reports states, ABC officers made 112 arrests, captured nine stills, destroyed 1,070 gallons of mash, sized 169 gallons of non-taxpaid whiskey and 69 pints of taxpaid whiskey and confiscated three automobiles.

In addition, the report says, eight persons were awaiting trial at the end of 1961, two were acquitted of charges during the year and two cases were not-prosecuted. Fines collected by the courts in ABC liquor cases amounted to \$5,664. Sentences given to defendants totaled 12 years and six months.

The ABC enforcement officers, in addition to Mr. McCallum, are F. Edward Floyd of Aberdeen and June A. Cockman of Robbins. The three officers traveled a total of 68,392 miles in 1961, in the enforcement of the liquor laws and assisting other law enforcement agencies in Moore and other counties.

BAPTIST MEETINGS POSTPONED FOR WEEK

The regular monthly business meeting and fellowship supper at The First Baptist Church scheduled for this evening (Thursday) at 7 o'clock has been cancelled as has the meeting of the Brotherhood scheduled for 6 o'clock. Both of these meetings will be held at the regularly scheduled times next Thursday evening, January 18.

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 WEEB studios on Midland Road.

	Max	Min
January 4	66	32
January 5	60	33
January 6	67	50
January 7	56	34
January 8	52	38
January 9	52	23
January 10	27	23



MR. McDONALD