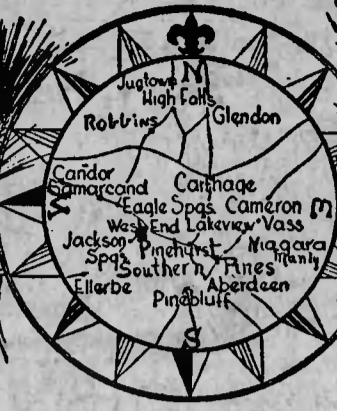


THE PILOT



Colonel Pritchett Killed in South Carolina Collision

Col. Jesse Upshaw Pritchett, 49, U. S. Air Force officer who maintained a home in Southern Pines while serving at Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter, S. C., was killed Tuesday night in a head-on auto collision near the air base.

A funeral service, with Masonic rites, will be conducted by the Rev. Robert C. Mooney at the Southern Pines Methodist Church at 2:30 p. m. Friday. Burial, with military honors, will take place at Arlington National Cemetery at 3 p. m. Monday.

Colonel Pritchett, who was an administrative officer with the 837th Tactical Air Force Hospital at Shaw AFB, was alone in his car when it collided with an automobile driven by Airman Harold W. Henry, 29, who was reported injured, but not critically. The local officer was returning to the base from Southern Pines, after a stop at Greenville, S. C.

With his wife, Mrs. Newel Hucky Pritchett, and 15-year-old daughter, Nona Beatrice, Colonel Pritchett occupied the gate house at Weymouth, off E. Vermont Ave. Colonel and Mrs. Pritchett had bought land off E. Connecticut Ave. Extension (Fort Bragg road) and construction had started on a new house they planned to build there. Colonel Pritchett was to have retired in about six months from military service and the family expected to make their permanent home here.

The Pritchetts returned to Southern Pines last June after a two-year tour of duty in Alaska, having lived here about a year before they went to Alaska, while Colonel Pritchett was stationed at Pope Air Force Base.

The family has been active in the Southern Pines Methodist Church and made many friends in the community.

Colonel Pritchett was a native (Continued on page 8)

Pilot Wins Two 1st Place Awards In Press Contest

First place awards for weekly newspaper editorial pages and advertising were made to The Pilot last Thursday night, at the opening session of the annual Press Institute, in Chapel Hill.

The awards—metal-on-wood plaques and accompanying scrolls for framing—were presented by Gov. Terry Sanford. Clyde Council, Pilot advertising manager, accepted the advertising award and Cad Benedict, associate editor, accepted the award for editorial pages.

Mrs. James Boyd, The Pilot's editor, was unable to be present for the occasion.

H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen editor and publisher of The Sandhill Citizen and president of the North Carolina Press Association, presided at the Thursday night program, responding to the welcome of William B. Aycock, chancellor of the University of North Carolina. Governor Sanford was introduced by William Friday, University president.

In the weekly division of the newspaper contests, first, second and third place awards were made in five categories: advertising, editorial pages, features, local news coverage and news photography. Competing newspapers were asked to submit, in each category, four newspapers of their choosing, published during the year October 1, 1960 to October 1, 1961. Judging was done by out-of-state journalism schools or (Continued on page 8)

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 18	45	26
January 19	34	29
January 20	45	29
January 21	49	27
January 22	71	31
January 23	60	34
January 24	48	37



RACE WINNER—Miss Mary Swan Sprague (center) of Savannah, Ga., and Warrenton, Va., receives from Mrs. W. O. Moss, secretary of the Moore County Hounds, the Enid Walsh trophy for placing first in Saturday's Point-to-Point race conducted over a course of more than eight miles in the "hunting country" off Youngs Road. Miss Sprague's Rapid Creek, the horse shown here, was last year's winner in the same race, ridden by Gene Cunningham, thus giving Miss Sprague two legs on the Enid Walsh trophy, with a third win needed for permanent

possession. Mr. Cunningham also has two legs on the trophy. Placing second Saturday was Richard Webb of Southern Pines and in third position was Miss Nona ("Mickey") Pritchett of Southern Pines who also was the winner of the Junior Division of the race. (See another photo on page 5). Miss Sprague's time was 25 minutes, 33 seconds. The shortest route around the course—with the highest jumps and most obstacles—measured 8.2 miles. Junior Division riders take a longer but less difficult route. (Humphrey photo)

Peach Growers Honor 'Pioneers' at Meeting; Auman Relected President

Eleven pioneers of the Sandhills peach industry were honored Tuesday night by members of the North Carolina Mutual Peach Growers Society at their annual banquet, held in the handsome new consolidated East Montgomery High School between Candor and Biscoe.

The 10 men and one woman were affectionately dubbed "teenagers" because they grew peaches in the "teen" years of this century—specifically the years 1910 to 1920 when the industry was getting a shaky start. Thirty-four, including three women who established and ran their own orchards, had been invited but only 11 could come and these were the center of attention, presented with flowers and gifts.

Only four or five are still active in the industry. Others have gone into other lines of work, or

'Indoor-Outdoor' Pool Planned at Pine Needles Club

Warren and Peggy Kirk Bell, owners of Pine Needles Lodges and Country Club, have announced plans for an indoor-outdoor swimming pool which will be open about the middle of February.

Work has already begun on the "Paddock Pool" which will be 25 feet by 50 feet in size and will include a deck area plus a wind break. Water in the pool will be heated for the convenience of guests during the golfing season. Mr. Bell also said plans call for a roll-away roof by next fall.

Adjoining the pool, located adjacent to the clubhouse, will be a 20 by 70 foot recreation and conference room. The building housing the pool is so located that existing lodges will overlook the pool while the pool has a view of the first tee and 18th green. Bell said additional lodges, including eight bedrooms, will be built on each end of the pool this summer.

This marks the second major project within a year at Pine Needles. Last summer all greens and tees were reconstructed with all the tees now smooth as greens and with putting cups on the tees. Split-rail fences add to the beauty of the tees.

The addition of the pool, Mr. Bell said, will aid in the promotion of a proposed summer golf camp at Pine Needles for boys and girls, aged 10 through 16.

License Loss Now Told to Officers

The Department of Motor Vehicles is supplying the sheriff's office and town police in Moore County with lists of persons whose driver's licenses have been revoked, to help in locating and convicting illegal drivers.

Cpl. C. W. Moricle of the Highway Patrol district office in Siler City said that the office there, which is headed by Sgt. J. S. Jones is notified weekly of licenses that have been revoked in the Moore, Lee and Chatham County area.

These lists are being passed on to other law enforcement officers in an attempt to prevent illegal driving, Corporal Moricle said.



RECEIVES PLAQUE—Joel Stutts, second from left, receives from Judge W. Harry Fullenwider, chairman of the selection committee, the plaque designating him as outstanding young man of 1961 in Southern Pines. At extreme right is Tom Ruggles, president of the Jaycees and at far left is Gary Griffiths, chairman of the arrangements committee for the Jaycee dinner and ceremony at the Hollywood Hotel Friday night. Robert Chatman of the Fayetteville Social Security office, guest speaker, is shown second from right. (Humphrey photo)

Stutts Chosen for Civic Service Award

Joel Q. Stutts, town employee and dedicated worker for the local Little League program, was the recipient of the Southern Pines Jaycees' "Distinguished Service Award" in a surprise presentation at the annual Jaycee banquet and "Bosses Night" Friday, in the Hollywood Hotel.

In presenting the handsome plaque to Stutts as "Young Man of the Year," Judge W. H. Fullenwider, a member of the selection committee, said of him, "He wouldn't take 'no' for an answer. He was so strong in his beliefs he managed to infect others with his beliefs until some way or other it

managed to touch everyone else in the community."

Noting that the award was given for outstanding service in the year just past, Judge Fullenwider commented on the Little League highlight of 1961—the construction of a ball park built to national Little League specifications. Of Stutts' part in this, he said, "Not content with getting everybody else to work on the project, this young man spent all his own spare time on it. On Sundays, vacations, in his off-hours, in rain and all kinds of bad weather, he was out there working."

Louis Scheipers Dies at 41; Rites Held Wednesday

Funeral services were held at Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church Wednesday afternoon for Louis E. Scheipers, Jr., 41, who died Sunday at Pitt Memorial Hospital, Greenville, after a short illness.

Dr. Cheves K. Ligon, executive secretary of Fayetteville Presbyterian Church and former pastor of the local church, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Richard Gammon, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Greenville. Burial was in Mount Hope Cemetery.

A memorial service had been conducted by the Rev. Mr. Gammon at the Greenville church Monday.

Mr. Scheipers, a resident of Southern Pines for many years, was town manager here from January, 1957, to June of last year when he went to Greenville as city manager, with his wife, the former Eleanor Grover of Southern Pines, and their five children. He had recently resigned as manager at Greenville but was remaining as consultant for a few weeks when he was stricken with his final illness which was described as an ailment of the pancreas, of a type that progresses rapidly to a fatal conclusion.

When Mr. Scheipers left Southern Pines last year, the town council passed a resolution of appreciation for his many valuable services to the town. Present and former town officials again praised his work here, following his death this week.

Coming to Southern Pines with his family in 1934, he attended local schools, graduated from Staunton Military Academy, Staunton, Va., and studied for three years at the University of North Carolina before leaving the University to do defense work at Wilmington. He later went into the armed forces, serving as an (Continued on Page 8)

Schooling Horse Show Set Sunday Afternoon

Another in the series of informal schooling horse shows is scheduled for Sunday afternoon at Mrs. Mary Doyle's Economy Farm on Youngs Road. The show begins promptly at 1:30 p. m.

There will be four horsemanship classes for young people and a minimum of three adult Green Hunter classes.

No Extension Allowed For Property Listing

Supervisor Of Taxes Sets Jan. 31 Limit

Moore County residents must list their real and personal property for county and town taxes before February 1, Mrs. Estelle Wicker, county accountant and tax supervisor, reminded the public today.

No extension of listing time will be granted by the county commissioners, she said, and a penalty will be imposed on all persons listing after January 31.

List takers are at work daily in all townships of the county. McNeill township in which Southern Pines is located has two listers. Mrs. Irene Mullinix, who is Vass town clerk, is listing property located within the Southern Pines town limits, at an office in the Information Center building, corner of S. E. Broad St. and Pennsylvania Ave. Mrs. D. J. Blue of Route 3, Carthage, near the Farm Life Community, is list taker for McNeill township property outside Southern Pines.

For Sandhill township, which includes Aberdeen, Pinebluff and a portion of the Southern Pines community on the south edge of town, Mrs. Lee Buchan of Aberdeen and Mrs. Harry Charles of Pinebluff are the list takers. Their office is at the rear of the J. D. Arey real estate and insurance building in Aberdeen.

Pinehurst is in Mineral Springs township whose list taker is Mrs. D. A. Patterson of West End. She is at the fire house in Pinehurst today (Thursday) and will be there all day Saturday. On Friday, however, she will not be in Pinehurst.

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School Board to Decide When Lost Day Is Made Up

No decision has been made yet on when the day of school lost Friday, because of icy and freezing conditions, will be made up. Supt. Luther A. Adams said this week.

The superintendent said that he is going to consult with the board of education on the matter at the board's meeting next week. He says he does not favor adding the make-up day at the end of the school year, because of the already late date of the closing of the local schools.

The three school days lost the previous week because of snow and sub-freezing weather are tentatively to be made up by elimination of a planned Spring vacation, March 14, 15 and 16, Mr. Adams announced last week. He said that this plan was subject to approval by the board of education.

As the school schedule stands now, the students are to receive as holidays the Friday before Easter, April 20, and the Monday after Easter, April 23. It is possible that one of these holidays will be eliminated, to make up the school day lost last Friday.

Historical Assn. To Hear Harding

Edmund Harding of Washington, N. C., immediate past president of the N. C. Society for the Preservation of Antiquities and chairman of the Historic Bath Commission, will be guest speaker at the year's first meeting of the Moore County Historical Association, to be held at 8 p. m. Tuesday, January 30, in the municipal center.

The meeting is open to the public.

Mr. Harding, who is widely known as a humorous speaker, has been active in the restoration of old Bath, in Eastern North Carolina.

While in Southern Pines he will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ives at Paint Hill Farm.

Case of Second Degree Murder in Court Next Week

The regular criminal term of Moore Superior Court will open Monday at Carthage, immediately following the civil term which is being held this week. Judge Robert M. Gambill is presiding over both weeks.

Among cases calendared for trial is that of Alex Everett of Carthage, Route 3, on a second-degree murder charge in the fatal shooting last September of Henry Boggs at Everett's home. The case was continued at the November term following indictment by the grand jury, and the 80-year-old man remained free under \$2,500 bond. Termed by officers "a hermit," he is said to have remained at his isolated farm home near the airport.

Two manslaughter cases are on the calendar, that of Paul S. Williams for grand jury action, and that of Edward Stubbs for trial. Both are Southern Pines Negroes. Williams was the driver of a car which wrecked on the US Highway bypass in Southern Pines December 17, killing his nephew. Stubbs was the driver of a car which smashed against a tree on the Old Pinehurst Road January 15, 1961, costing the lives of Flossie McCrimmon and Terry Saunders, both of Jackson Hamlet. Stubbs and Albert McIver of West Southern Pines were injured.

The Pilot's staff was able to be present at that time to receive it.