

## Board Approves Tentative Items In Moore Budget

The Moore County commissioners, holding the last of a series of June budget meetings Saturday morning at Carthage, tentatively approved a tax rate of \$1.70 per \$100 of property valuation, unchanged from last year, for the fiscal year 1962-63, starting July 1.

They handed to John C. Muse, auditor, of Sanford their estimated budget based on the largest property valuation in the county's history—\$52,500,000, or \$500,000 more than last year.

Muse is expected to assemble the notes into documentary form for tentative adoption by the commissioners at their regular meeting Monday, following which, under the law, the budget will lie open in the office of the register of deeds for 20 days. During this time anyone may inspect the document in whole or in part, and may query or protest the whole or any part of it. It is subject to change in the commissioners' discretion any time before permanent adoption.

The big budget representing a total of \$1,634,502, has been whittled out over the past several weeks, including the receiving of estimated budgets from the county departments, several of which were accorded hearings, and some special requests. Five meetings were held during June, counting the regular meeting Monday, June 4. Other meetings were held June 6 (not on budgetary matters), June 13, June 22 and the last meeting, June 23.

Few details were available this week, except that the estimated budget took account of decreases in non-ad valorem tax funds. These funds normally constitute

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### AT PINEBLUFF

## Sewing Machine Operators Can Apply For Jobs

Pinebluff Products, a division of the Century Curtain Company, has leased the former Watson-Williams building from the Sandhills Betterment Association, and is in the process of moving in equipment and training personnel.

According to Jules Powers, who is presently in charge of the operation, it will be several more weeks before they expect more machinery to get into full operation, and he said that the present pilot work on limited machinery is to train sewing machine operators in their specialized curtain manufacture.

Applications are currently being accepted for sewing machine operators at the plant. Persons showing the necessary aptitudes will be called when more operating machinery arrives.

The plant has been idle since Fletcher Southern bought the assets of the Watson-Williams shuttle manufacturing operation, and moved the business and equipment to Southern Pines.

### DANCES, BIKE HIKE, SKATING

## Town Recreation Program Adds New Events

Dances for high school students a bike hike, additional swimming classes, street roller skating and other special events have been announced in the municipal summer recreation program which begins its third week of operation tomorrow.

Added to the program's staff is Lou Manning, St. Andrews College Senior who is a certified instructor in swimming and wa-

### 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 W. E. B. studios on Midland Road.

	Max	Min
June 21	84	68
June 22	88	65
June 23	88	69
June 24	91	66
June 25	89	65
June 26	89	71
June 27	81	67



SOMETHING NEW in vacation Bible school instruction held the attention of these youngsters at Manly Presbyterian Church last week as they watched and heard Johnny Spence, golf professional who does evangelistic work, explain both the game of golf and the importance of religion in his life. Spence taught Monday through Friday at the school which had a total registration of 189 children from over this area. Many of the children were picked up daily at their homes in a bus recently given to the church by Charles A. Pitts, a ruling elder of the church, businessman and lay evangelist, who has a home nearby on the former Brewster property which he purchased. On Saturday, youngsters who had attended the school were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Pitts with a "sports day" when they enjoyed games, in-

cluding some practice in golf, and refreshments. Interim pastor of the church is the Rev. Donald Maconaghie of Dublin, Ireland, a member of the Billy Graham evangelistic team who came to Manly to conduct services and remained as interim pastor. Mr. Pitts is a director of the Billy Graham Crusade. The church's bus will pick up children in outlying areas for Sunday School each Sunday morning and for the Pioneer Youth Fellowship meeting Sunday nights. The initials, "P.Y.F." are painted prominently on the front of the bus. Mr. Spence, native of Columbia, S. C., followed the P.G.A. golf circuit for about 10 years. In the past few years he has appeared throughout the nation, on behalf of spiritual development through religion and physical development through golf. (Humphrey photo)

## John Harden Will Speak At Rotary Event On Friday

John Harden of Greensboro, head of a public relations firm and former textile company executive and newspaper editor, will be guest speaker Friday night at the annual installation of officers and ladies night of the Southern Pines Rotary Club. Mr. Harden is the incoming Rotary District governor.

The event, which will also include installation of officers of the Rotary Anns, the organization of the wives of Rotarians, will take place at the Southern Pines Country Club, starting at 7:15 p. m.

The 1962-'63 officers to be installed are: The Rev. Carl Wallace, president; Marvin Cornell, vice president; L. D. McDonald, treasurer; and John McPhaul, secretary.

New directors to be installed are: Robert N. Leland, the retiring president; Robert C. Bishop and Arthur Rowe.

New Rotary Ann officers are Mrs. Hollie Sisk, president; and Mrs. L. D. McDonald vice president.

At 4 p. m. Friday, Mr. Harden will meet with the new officers and committee members at the United Church of Christ, for a planning session on the coming year's activities.

## Council Gives Preliminary Approval For Town Water Line To Watson Tract

The town council made a "moral commitment" this morning to supply water for the planned development of the Watson's Lake property between Southern Pines and Pinehurst, while postponing an actual contract until the developing group should become a legal entity, and the area to be served could be accurately defined.

A representative of the developers, who asked that his name not be published, revealed plans for a \$1 million clubhouse and golf course—possibly two courses—and many homes. He said the group had not incorporated, and as a matter of fact has no name as yet.

While expressing "deep interest" in the proposed development and in furnishing the water, the council discussed several problems brought up by Mayor Pro Tem J. D. Hobbs, presiding at the town hall meeting, before making the word-of-mouth commitment.

The main obstacle was the recent verdict of a U. S. Public Health engineer that, while there is plenty of water available for filtration by the Southern Pines plant, the rate of reservoir replenishment is rapidly becoming inadequate for peak times and unusual demands.

The engineer, visiting the water plant on a day in May after three weeks of drought, found "no wa-

ter going over the spillway" as the supply reached its peak of use. He said, though, there is "plenty of water" available in ponds in the Southern Pines watershed, also in an underground source close to the reservoir, which can be "easily and economically" tapped to take care of future needs.

Paul Van Camp, local engineer, meeting with the council for consultation purposes, named specific sources of available supplementary water which would have to be tapped, he said, within a few years anyhow. "This will be necessary with the coming of the Proctor-Silex industry and normal future growth, and taking care of the Watson's Lake development" would just move it up a year or so.

"What's more," he said, "it is all good water. This community is singularly blessed."

Town Attorney W. Lamont Brown recalled that a 1954 water survey had determined that "we have enough to take care of a town of 25,000."

Mayor Pro Tem Hobbs, presiding in the absence of Mayor John S. Ruggles, who was sick, first asked that an answer be postponed until the costs of supplementing the water could be determined and measurements made to increase the rate of use increase.

However, it appeared that any delay might jeopardize the whole project, and the decision was made to answer "yes" while—on advice of attorney Brown—postponing an actual contract.

The developers' spokesman said that, on the word-of-mouth commitment, he could proceed with the organization of the group. More than 40 out of a minimum of 50 charter members have already signed up, including, he stated, "some of the best-known people

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## Homecoming at Union Church Slated Sunday

The annual homecoming service and picnic of Union Presbyterian Church, between Vass and Carthage, will be held Sunday, with Dr. Cheves K. Ligon, executive secretary of Fayetteville Presbytery, as speaker at the 11:15 a. m. service. The picnic lunch will follow.

Former members and friends of the church are invited. Dr. Ligon is a former pastor of Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church here.

## Newly Formed Corporation to Join Trimble Products, California Firm

A new corporation whose stockholders include the principal officers of Pride Products Company of Glendale, Calif., has been organized to purchase the working assets of Trimble Products, Inc., of Southern Pines, it was announced here yesterday.

Both companies manufacture furniture and equipment for the care and recreation of infants and young children, using metal and plastic components. Trimble Products, now in its 50th year as a leading manufacturer in this field, moved here from Rochester, N. Y., in 1959.

Making the announcement

were Charles T. DePuy of Rochester, chairman of the board of Trimble Products, Inc., and John K. Brinkman of Glendale, president of Pride Products Company. The two executives explained the transaction to members of the Southern Pines Industrial Committee, meeting at the town hall yesterday, with Chairman W. Harry Fullenwider presiding.

The new Delaware corporation which is purchasing Trimble's working assets is designated "Trimble Products, Incorporated" (with "incorporated" written out in full), in contrast to the North

Carolina corporation, "Trimble Products, Inc.," the company now operating in Southern Pines.

"Working assets," include cash, inventory and accounts receivable, less current liabilities. The local plant's machinery, but not the plant nor the 37-acre tract on which it is located, are being bought by the new corporation.

Mr. Brinkman, here from California to wind up final details of the combination of the two companies—to create an expanded and more efficient manufacturing, distribution and sales organization—will remain in the area through this week. He will become chairman of the board of directors of the new corporation, a position that Mr. DePuy has held in Trimble Products, Inc.

Mr. DePuy, also spending some time here, has been a frequent visitor to the Sandhills since Trimble Products moved its operations to Southern Pines. He will remain a member of the board of the new firm and will act as consultant to its management.

William J. Donovan of Southern Pines, president of Trimble products and a member of its board, will continue as president and a director of the new corporation.

The announcement stressed that it is the present intent of Trimble Products, Incorporated "to continue the business of Trimble Products without change in staff or personnel."

The change at this time will bring no new people to Southern Pines, it was stated, and the plants here and in California will be operated separately.

However, plans call for coordination and combination of the two plants' operations "over a long period of time" with eventual combination of sales forces and production of some Pride Products items here. Certain of these items will be shipped here for distribution from the local Trimble plant, before local production of Pride items begins.

Complementing the Trimble line of baby play yards, bath equipment, high chairs and recreation equipment, Pride Products produces, among other items, "auto accessory" baby equipment such as car seats and car beds. Designs are being completed for a new folding high chair and also a stroller to go into production early next year.

Both Mr. DePuy and Mr. Brinkman were enthusiastic about the combination of the two companies' operations, pointing out that the change could be expected to result not only in increased employment and possible expansion here, but also in stabilization of the local plant's operations in which there has been considerable fluctuation resulting in an uneven employment level.

Mr. Brinkman called the proposal "a natural combination." The two companies already have "parallel policies," he noted, and said that the change would not result in altering the operations or basic policies of Trimble Products. "I am convinced this is a good thing for both companies," he told the Industrial Committee. "The combination will give us much greater national strength. We expect to become the largest

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## Tobacco Field Day Set July 6

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The annual Tobacco Field Day for Moore County farmers will be held at the Central Crops Research Station, Clayton, Friday, July 6.

The group will leave Carthage at noon, to get to the experiment station at 2 p. m. when the tour begins. Cars will be loaded on the west side of the courthouse.

The following research and demonstrations projects will be included on the tour: old and new varieties and promising lines; brown spot studies; development of new varieties; chemical weed control; fertilizer placement; irrigation; soil fumigation for nematode control; and mechanical harvesting.

## Vass Man Killed By Pulpwood In Freak Accident

A freak accident at Vass Saturday afternoon cost the life of Amos A. Howell, 48, disabled World War 2 veteran, who died of head injuries that night at Moore Memorial Hospital.

Police Officer J. R. Grissom said Howell was struck on the head and shoulders by wood falling from a pulpwood truck which swerved to avoid him as he stood or ran into the street. The truck, heading toward US Highway 1 on Longpoint St., swerved into a field at the left. It tilted over as it swerved, loosening the chain which bound its load, and the wood spilled off, some of it striking Howell.

Grissom said he arrived on the scene within minutes after the accident, that Howell appeared not badly hurt, was conscious and helped himself into the ambulance which quickly arrived. However, his skull was fractured, also a shoulder, and he later suffered a hemorrhage.

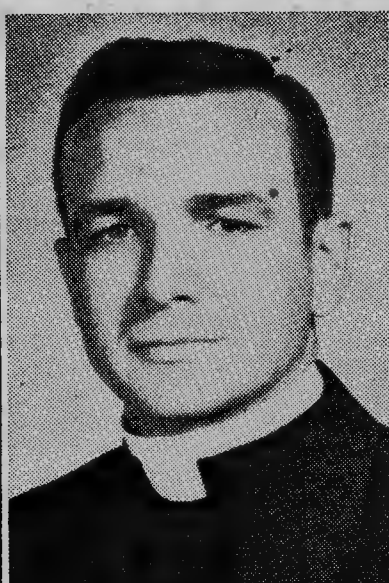
The driver, Jerry Odis Martin, 52, of Carthage, Route 3, told the officer he turned left to avoid a car parked partly on the street, and saw Howell in the road. Trying to avoid hitting him, he swerved into the field. One eyewitness said Howell had run into the street after a dog. Others said they saw no dog.

Investigating, with Coroner Ralph G. Steed, Grissom later arrested Martin for careless and reckless driving causing accident and death. Bond of \$500 was set for a JP hearing at Vass Saturday.

The truck, owned by Julian McIntosh of Vass, had been loaded some six miles out from Vass.

Howell was the son of Mrs. Mary Howell of Vass, who survives, and the late Alonzo How-

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NEW PASTOR — Ordaining June 17 and now serving Our Saviour Lutheran Church here is Pastor Jack Deal, a recent graduate of Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, Columbia, S. C.

With his wife, the former Carolyn Hollar of Hickory, and two children, Don, 11, and Cathy, 6, he is living at the church's recently acquired parsonage, 355 E. New York Ave. The congregation plans to construct a church building off No. 1 parkway, near the Fairway Motel. Services are now conducted at the Civic Club.

## AREA WILL HAVE JULY 4 HOLIDAY

A general holiday on Wednesday of next week, July 4, is anticipated in this area.

Banks, post offices, town and county offices, ABC stores and most private stores and offices will be closed for the day.

The Pilot will be closed Wednesday but will publish on Thursday, July 5, as usual.

The State Highway Patrol urges cautious driving on holiday-crowded highways. A death toll of four from traffic accidents is predicted for the state by the North Carolina Motor Club. The official fatality count begins at 6 p. m. Tuesday and runs to midnight Wednesday.

## Qualifying For County Tourney To Start Monday

Qualifying for the 1962 Moore County Golf Championship tournament will start Monday over the No. 1 course of the Pinehurst Country Club, with the top amateurs in the Sandhills in the field. They may register any day through Monday, July 8, for the match play event starting the 9th.

Sixteen low scorers will qualify for the Championship flight, others competing in lower flights of eight. The first round must be completed by July 15, the second by the 22nd and the third by the 29th.

The entry fee is \$5. There will be a Championship trophy and prizes for the winner and runner-up in each flight. Residents of Moore County and non-resident members of golf clubs in the county are eligible to compete. Matches will be played on the Pinehurst club's No. 1 course.

## Lightning Hits House In Manly; Mattress Burns

The residence of Mrs. Ernest Wilson at Manly was struck by lightning during a severe electrical storm Sunday afternoon, but damage was confined to an exterior corner of the house, where the bolt hit, and to a mattress that was set on fire as lightning entered a room.

Fire Chief Frank Kaylor said that local volunteers were called through their mutual aid agreement with W. O. Moss who maintains a private truck at Manly.

Lightning, the chief reported, hit a corner of the porch, knocking off shingles and molding along the eaves, ran down a wall and into the house, jumped to a bed and set the mattress on fire. There was no one in the room at the time. The house was filled with smoke.

Earlier Sunday afternoon, the firemen were called to a grass fire in a vacant lot on Gaines St. in West Southern Pines. An area about 50 feet across was burned, apparently after some one had thrown down a cigaret or match, with little damage.

### O'Quinn Home Burns

The John S. O'Quinn home, off the Hoffman-West End road, burned to the ground after it was hit by lightning Sunday afternoon.