

\$99,701 In Contracts Let For First Phase of New West Side High School

The Southern Pines board of education awarded contracts totalling \$99,701 last night for construction of a "Phase A" seven-classroom building and heating plant for a new West Southern Pines High School.

Champ Woodward Eliminated In Golf Tournament

Moore County will have a new golf champion this year. The defending titlist, Bill Woodward of Robbins, was eliminated last week in the first round of the annual tournament at the Pinehurst Country Club, losing to Bill Hamel of Southern Pines, 4 and 2.

The opening round of match play brought out some championship calibre golf. Two contestants in the third flight shot 73s: Alvie Claxton and W. J. Burke. It was an all-time low score for Claxton, president of the club staging the tournament.

The second round is under way this week for survivors of last week, and must be completed by Sunday in all flights.

First round results: Championship flight—Bill Hamel defeated Bill Woodward, 4-2; John Marcum def. Charlie Rose, 3-2; Joel Hufford def. Topper Parks, 4-3; Harry Davis def. Joe Carter, 1-up; Pete Tufts def. Clyde Mangum, 3-1; Glenn Crissman def. Will Wiggs, 1-up; Barney Avery def. Tom Grey, 3-2; Bill Wilson, Sr. def. Carlos Frye, 4-3.

First flight—Melvin Wicker def. Tip Eddy by default; Ed Comer def. Tom Shockley, 5-4; Watt Smith def. E. Yarborough, 2-1; Bill Purcell def. Harold Collins, 4-2; Bill Sledge def. Wayne Hardy, 3-2; B. E. Dotson def. Harry Chaffield by default; Layton Ford def. Raymond North, 1-up; Mike Cheek def. Louis Honeycutt by default.

Second flight—Earl Allen def. Leonard Yearby, 3-2; Glenn Lassiter def. Ralph Horner, 1-up, 20 holes; Frank Wells def. Cecil (Continued on Page 8)

Bensalem Church To Dedicate New Building July 29

Bensalem Presbyterian Church of Eagle Springs will be dedicated on Sunday, July 29, at the 11 o'clock service.

The pastor, the Rev. Dawes B. Graybeal, will deliver the sermon, "The House of Glory," using the same text that was used in 1858 when the former church building was dedicated. Other ministers assisting in the dedication will be the Rev. Harvey A. McBeth of Eagle Springs, the Rev. Grover Currie of West End and the Rev. Lucy McDuffie of Candor.

Weather permitting, picnic lunches will be spread on the grounds. Former members and friends of Bensalem are especially invited to attend.

In March of 1958, the 99-year-old, heart-pine church burned to the ground. With only \$15,000 insurance to begin on, the congregation immediately made plans to rebuild. Four years and hundreds of manhours later, the modern brick sanctuary and educational department were completed and free of debt.

The actual cash outlay was \$100,000, not including gifts of labor, materials and furnishings. The present membership of the church is 165.

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.
July 12	88	69
July 13	92	67
July 14	92	71
July 15	100	72
July 16	97	69
July 17	78	67
July 18	88	65

tary of the board, said that the board had to hold its contract letting to the "Phase A" plan because the local school district had not been allotted requested additional school capital outlay funds by the county.

Southern Pines District is receiving \$81,500 from the county in the new budget, Mr. Adams said, and has on hand \$61,500 from the past year's capital outlay appropriation, which was saved for the West Southern Pines project.

The local school board had requested an additional \$50,000 from the commissioners, over the \$81,500 allotted, to enable construction of two phases of the West Southern Pines building.

Building both phases together would have saved several thousand dollars, Mr. Adams said.

Little League's All-Stars To Play Greenville Game

The Southern Pines Little League All Stars will leave for Greenville Friday where they will meet the winner of Greenville's two All Star teams which are playing today (Thursday).

Joel Stutts has been appointed manager of the local team. He is assisted by John Crowell. Stutts said that the local team is expecting plenty of trouble from the Greenville team, "although the finest Little Leaguers anywhere." Pitching for the Southern Pines team will be Mike Warlick, Eddie Allen, Billy Strickland and Pete Buchan.

All games will be played at 4 p. m.

Should Southern Pines win Friday, they will stay overnight at Greenville to meet the Robersonville-Tarboro winner for the District 4 Championship Saturday (Continued on Page 8)

Game Protest To Be Considered

Dr. William F. Hollister of Midland Road, president of the Southern Pines Little League, is expected to call a meeting of the league's board of directors next week, to consider a protest entered by James E. Pate, coach of the Braves, one of the four Little League teams.

The protest was made last week, in the absence of the league president on a trip with his family, and so could not be considered by the directors at the time it was made.

Pate contended that his 6-win, 2-lost game record at the close of the second half of the season beat Coach Joel Stutts's Cardinals record of 5-wins, 3 lost, and that a tie which had been registered by the two teams in one game during the second half season should be disregarded and need not have been played off. Stutts said the tie game should have been replayed. It was played last Wednesday night. The (Continued on Page 8)

ON FAILURE IN DUTY CHARGE

Pinebluff Officials Acquitted

The entire governing body of the Town of Pinebluff—with the exception of one town commissioner away for the summer—was acquitted in Moore County Recorder's Court at Carthage Monday of a charge brought by a taxpayer: that it had failed to enforce the town zoning ordinance.

Mayor E. H. Mills and two town commissioners, Walter Davenport and Robert Brock, were found not guilty of "omitting, neglecting and refusing" to discharge their official duties by failing to enforce the town's zoning ordinance. Judge J. Vance Rowe found there was insufficient evidence of any violation of the ordinance, also that the alleged condition of violation, as described by State's witnesses, "was at most only temporary."

The condition was one in which, testified complaining witness



DOLL SHOW WINNERS—Among the many girls exhibiting dolls in a show sponsored by the town summer recreation program on the park block last week were these whose dolls were declared winners in various categories of judging. Front row, left to right, with their dolls: Judy Spear, best baby doll; Nancy Johnson, second place for best show doll; Donna Black, largest; Patricia Hubbard, most unusual; Mary Jean Rodgers, best hairdo; and Denise Black, funniest. Back row, same order: Betsy Harper, best-cared-for doll under three years

old; Marian McPhaul, smallest (the tiny doll held against her white blouse front is scarcely visible); Kathy Lamb, best show doll; Jennifer Smith, best-cared-for doll over three years old; and Sherry Johnson, oldest doll. The show was supervised by Arden Fobes, director of daily recreation activities on the park block. The judges were Mrs. Ed Willis, Mrs. J. F. Folley and Mrs. S. D. Fobes. Results of a pet show conducted at the park yesterday will be reported in next week's Pilot.

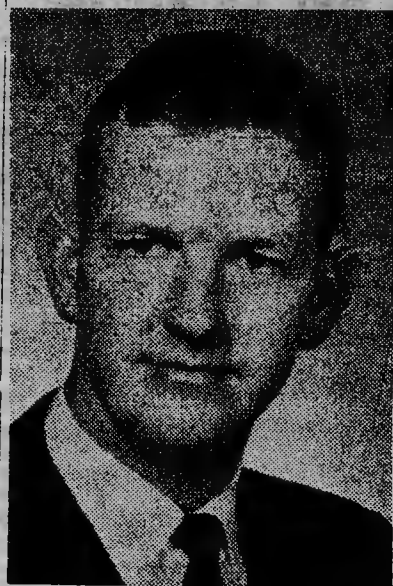
(Pilot photo)

Currie Succeeds Richard Tufts As Bank President

Wilbur H. Currie, long time resident of Carthage who is active in business, civic, political, and religious affairs in this area, was elected president of the Carolina Bank at the last regular meeting of the directors.

Mr. Currie was elected to succeed Richard S. Tufts who had resigned at the same meeting. Mr. Tufts's resignation was accepted with deep regret by the directors. He had been a director of the Carolina Bank since 1924 and had been president since 1938. Though active in many civic affairs he is best known as chairman of the board of Pinehurst, Inc. and is past president of the U. S. Golf Association and has served for a number of years on its Rules of Golf Committee. He is spending the summer at York Harbor, Maine.

Mr. Currie has been a director of the Carolina Bank since 1935. He has also been a director of the Moore Memorial Hospital for many years and from 1930 to 1942 was chairman of the board of county commissioners. He represented the 12th District as senator for several sessions of the N. C. State Legislature. Mr. Currie has been a trustee of the consolidated University of North Caro- (Continued on Page 8)



JACK E. STARNES

Starnes Assigned To Scouting Post

One of two new professional executives who eventually will divide administration of the Boy Scouting program in the Moore District is now at work with headquarters in Southern Pines.

He is Jack E. Starnes, native of Monroe and veteran of service in the Marine Corps, who is assuming his first post in professional scouting. He succeeds Charles Riddle who has taken an executive's post at Fayetteville.

John A. McPhaul, Moore District chairman, said that another executive, Lewis Wesley, will be assigned to the district by Occaneechee Council about the middle of August, and will live in Carthage. While the two executives will work throughout the district for the present, it is expected that later the area will be divided between them, with Wesley having the upper part of the county and Starnes the lower part. Wesley is now attending the executive's training course at the Schiffman Scout Reservation, Mendham, N. J. Starnes is a recent graduate of this course.

Moore District includes all of Moore County and a portion of Hoke County, in the McCain-Ashley Heights area. This would be (Continued on Page 8)

GOOD PEACHES

Peach growers of the Sandhills area report the best quality of fruit in years and point out that the popular freestone Elbertas are now ripe. Even though the crop is a little short, growers say, quality of the fruit is expected to offset any loss from this cause.

Duke Endowment Gives \$50,000 To Moore Memorial

Announcement was made last week by H. G. Poole, president of the Board of Directors of Moore Memorial Hospital, of a grant of \$50,000 by the Duke Endowment whose North Carolina offices are located in Charlotte.

Notification of the appropriation was by letter to Duncan McGoogan, administrator of Moore Memorial Hospital, from Marshall I. Pickens, Director of the Hospital and Orphan Section of the Duke Endowment.

At its final report meeting on May 1, the hospital's Building Fund Campaign reported a total of \$473,385. Since that date, an additional \$14,308 has been received in pledges. A donation in the amount of \$50,000 from the Given Foundation was announced two weeks ago and is to be used to buy special items of equipment. With the Duke Endowment grant hospital officials plan to expand the initial project to include such items as a second new elevator, expansion of the lobby, and alterations within the existing building.

The \$473,385 campaign total announced May 1 included \$45,000 from Moore County, a pledge authorized by the board of commissioners April 18 in a "letter of intent" which said the county would make the contribution in three annual installments of \$15, (Continued on Page 8)

FIRST DEATH AT WEST END FIRM

Explosion Fatal To Plant Worker

The first fatal accident in the 35-year history of the Sandhill Furniture Corporation at West End took the life of a longtime Negro employee, Lafayette Ellerbe, last week.

Ellerbe, a truck driver for the company and a resident of Taylor Town near Pinehurst, was cleaning an engine in the firm's trucking division last Tuesday, when an explosion of unknown origin took place.

Rushed by ambulance to Moore Memorial Hospital at Pinehurst, critically injured, he was given first aid and, on the advice of attending physicians, was sent by ambulance to North Carolina Memorial Hospital, Chapel Hill for further treatment unavailable at Moore Memorial. He died before reaching Chapel Hill. Accompanying Ellerbe in the

Town Asks Authority To Issue Sewer, Water, Swimming Pool Bonds

Meeting in special session last night, the town council started legal wheels turning that will lead to a municipal election in which Southern Pines voters will be given a chance to approve or disapprove:

Bonds totalling \$280,000 for additions and improvements in the sewer system.

Bonds totalling \$105,000 for additions and improvements in the water system.

And \$35,000 in bonds to finance construction of a swimming pool in West Southern Pines.

A fourth bond proposal—\$25,000

for expansion and equipment at the town-owned Southern Pines Library—was rejected by the council for inclusion in the election, after objections to the proposed work to be financed by the bonds, on the part of two of the six library trustees, were revealed and discussed.

Specific action taken by the council on the three approved proposals was to authorize the mayor, manager and clerk to make application to the State Local Government Commission for authority to issue the three sets of bonds.

Application is made separately for each proposed bond issue and each would appear as a separate question on the election ballots, so that voters may vote separately for or against any of the three proposals.

The full council was present for the meeting: Mayor John S. Ruggles, Mayor Pro-Tem J. D. Hobbs and Councilmen Felton Capel, Morris Johnson and Fred Pollard. Also present were Town Attorney W. Lamont Brown who explained the legal procedure to be followed; Mrs. Mildred McDonald, town tax collector who is also clerk for the council; and Paul M. Van Camp and Stephen Van Camp of Paul M. Van Camp Associates, Inc., local civil and sanitary engineering firm which made estimates of amounts needed for the water and sewer work.

The council's votes to ask for authority to issue the water and sewer bonds were unanimous. In the vote asking for authority to issue the West Southern Pines swimming pool bonds, taken on motion of Mayor Ruggles, seconded by Capel, two council members, Hobbs and Johnson, abstained from voting. The mayor, Capel and Fred Pollard voted for the proposal.

Rejection of the library proposal took place when there was no motion, and so no vote, on whether to ask for authority to issue bonds. (Details of the library bond discussion appear in a separate story in today's Pilot.)

Projects Listed
A report from the Van Camp firm broke down the sewer and water bond proposals as follows, listing estimated costs of the work:

Sewer Bonds
Sewage treatment plant, \$160,000; trunk sewers, \$40,000; sewers to existing homes, \$30,000; and sewers in areas to be annexed, \$50,000. Total for sewer bonds, \$280,000.

Water Bonds
New pumping units, \$12,000; raw water line, \$25,000; raising water storage tanks, \$18,000; and water mains in areas to be annexed, \$50,000. Total for water bonds, \$105,000.

Mayor Ruggles opened discussion on the sewer and water bond proposals by recalling that the town, in a former administration, had been warned by the State Stream Sanitation Commission that improvements and changes must be made in the sewage treatment plant in order to comply with state law. He said that a schedule of proposed work adopted several years ago had not been followed, that extensions on time to do the work had been granted and that the present administration has drawn up, after study during the past year, a new schedule of work that has (Continued on Page 8)

STORM DESTROYS 75 ACRES TOBACCO

Heavy damage to tobacco crops was done by a hailstorm cutting a narrow streak across lower Moore County Monday afternoon, hitting in the airport section, Clay Road Farms and several places in between.

The storm came up about 4:30, causing a little rain at Carthage, deepening to nearly a cloudburst in the Southern Pines area. The heavy black cloud was pierced with lightning flashes, from which came wind, rain and the streak of hail.

F. D. Allen, county agricultural agent, said some 75 acres of tobacco were practically destroyed by the storm.