

Council Awards 2 Contracts For Bond Issue Work

Meeting in special session at town hall last night, the council awarded two contracts, one for sewage treatment plant additions and one for sewerage system extensions, both to be financed with bond issue funds approved by the voters last fall.

A contract for additions to the sewage treatment plant, to include an additional sludge digester, was awarded to Eastern Construction Co. of Greenville, low bidder at \$125,888.

A second and separate contract for extensions to the sewerage system was awarded to D. R. Allen & Son of Fayetteville, low bidder at \$66,496.30.

Bids had been opened a week ago and were tabulated by Paul Van Camp, engineer for the town, who appeared with his son, Stephen, at last night's meeting, to present the tabulation of bids and consult with the council about the work to be done.

It was made clear that a hitch may arise in connection with the contract awarding, because Eastern Construction Co., low bidder on the plant additions, had also bid \$88,666 (third lowest bid) on the sewer system extension work, enclosing a letter reserving the right not to take one contract unless it were also awarded the other.

Mr. Van Camp explained that this is known as an "informal bid," not fully complying with the request for bids as published by the Town, but that it was not rejected at the bid opening because he thought it should be brought to the attention of the council.

As compared to Eastern's \$125,888 bid on the sewage treatment plant work, the next lowest bid on this job was \$171,000 by Republic Contracting Co. of Columbia, S. C. Other bids ran as high as \$184,000.

Members of the council were unanimous in disapproving the awarding of both bids to Eastern, when that company had actually bid third lowest on one of the contracts, although it was exceptionally low on the other.

The motion to award the contracts, therefore, stipulated that if Eastern will not accept the \$125,888 sewage treatment plant contract alone, this contract is to be awarded to Republic.

Councilmen agreed that this would be the right decision, even though the combination of Eastern and Republic on the two contracts would run more than \$20,000 over what Eastern's cost would be if Eastern got both contracts.

Bids on the sewerage system extension work ran from Allen's low of \$66,496.30 to a high of \$102,016.20.

Any company taking either of the jobs, it was pointed out, will be under bond to perform the services required.

Playhouse Reveals Shows For Season

Attractions to be presented by the Pinehurst Playhouse during the 10-week season opening February 19 were announced this week by Donald Filippelli, producer, who is now in Pinehurst. They are:

February 19-24, Sunday in New York; February 26-March 3; The Gazebo; March 5-10, Come Blow Your Horn; March 12-17, Gigi; March 19-24, Tunnel of Love.

Also: March 26-31, The Pleasure of His Company; April 2-7, Everybody Loves Opal; April 9-14, Dial M for Murder; April 16-21, The Miracle Worker; and April 23-28, Champagne Complex.

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 E B studios on Midland Road.

	Max	Min.
January 24	27	8
January 25	37	9
January 26	33	22
January 27	45	28
January 28	29	11
January 29	39	9
January 30	43	30



PRESENTATION—The Rev. Martin Caldwell, right, receives from Mayor Pro-Tem J. D. Hobbs the Distinguished Service Award plaque, given by the local Junior Chamber of Commerce. (Humphrey photo)

The Rev. Martin Caldwell Chosen For Jaycee Distinguished Service Award

The Rev. Martin Caldwell, 34-year-old rector of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, was given the Distinguished Service Award of the Southern Pines Junior Chamber of Commerce, at a dinner meeting in the Hollywood Hotel Friday night.

The award is made annually in January to a resident of Southern Pines under the Jaycee limit age of 36 and recognizes contributions to community welfare, evidence of leadership ability and personal business or professional progress, during the preceding year. The winner is chosen, from nominations made by the public, by a committee of leading citizens beyond the Jaycee age and his identity is kept secret, even from the Jaycees themselves, until the presentation is made.

Friday night's dinner also was an observance of "Bosses' Night," when the young men of the organization are hosts to their employers. Many of these were present and were introduced.

In addition, the occasion marked local observance of National Jaycee Week, January 20-26, during which national and state achievements of the young men's organization are reviewed and brought to public attention.

Speaker at the Hollywood dinner was James C. Greene of Raleigh, an attorney who is founder and president of the James C. Greene Co., an insurance adjusting firm with an office here. He related, from personal experience, the fascination of the hobby of investigating family backgrounds, telling his audience that they would be amazed at the interesting associations the members of even an average family have had in the past. The hobby, he said, enables a person "to see life as a fulfillment of which you are a part."

Mr. Greene substituted as speaker for W. W. Staton, prominent Sanford attorney who had been expected but was unable to attend because of illness in his family.

Gary Griffith and Jim Thomsen were in charge of the affair for the Jaycees.

Mayor John Ruggles and Mayor Pro-Tem J. D. Hobbs were guests and the presentation of the Distinguished Service plaque and certificate to the Rev. Mr. Caldwell, who has been rector of Emmanuel Church since April, 1956, was made by Mr. Hobbs.

He cited especially the rector's accomplishments as president of Moore County Red Cross Chapter, his work as executive secretary of the Moore County Alcoholic Education Committee, his service on the boards of directors of

Moore Memorial Limits Visiting

Because of the prevalence of Asian flu in nearby counties, visiting is being temporarily limited at Moore Memorial Hospital, D. L. McGoogan, administrator, said this week.

Until further notice, visiting will be limited to members of the patient's immediate family, and only one person may visit at a time. Visiting hours will continue to be from 2:30 p. m. to 4 p. m. and from 7 p. m. to 8:30 p. m.

This is a precautionary measure to safeguard the health of patients, Mr. McGoogan said. All citizens are asked to cooperate in this endeavor to speed the recovery of patients and at the same time prevent Moore County from having a widespread problem with influenza.

"To be successful, this effort will require the cooperation of every person," the administrator pointed out.

State CD Group To Visit Moore

Progress continues to be made in setting up a master plan for Civil Defense in Moore County.

Developments during the past week included a visit by Col. A. M. Koster, county CD director, to the State Civil Defense offices in Raleigh to arrange a visit by State authorities to Moore County. This has been tentatively set for February 25, when it is expected they will confer with local staff leaders and view possible sites for headquarters location and fallout shelters for the public.

The greatest immediate need, according to Colonel Koster, is to locate a suitable building in Carthage, where Civil Defense headquarters might be set up. This headquarters would be the nerve center of the county operation in an emergency. The main communications center will be located at this site.

COUNTY BOARD MEETING

Moore County commissioners will convene for their regular monthly session at 10 a. m., Monday in the courthouse at Carthage.

Pinehurst Woman Found Not Guilty Of Embezzlement

A jury that was out only 10 minutes this morning found Mrs. Mariam L. Dietsch of Pinehurst not guilty of embezzlement, in Moore County Superior Court at Carthage.

Mrs. Dietsch and her daughter, Paulette, were in the courtroom when the verdict was brought in. Trial of the case had occupied the court most of Wednesday, with Judge Walter E. Johnston, Jr. of Winston-Salem, presiding.

Mrs. Dietsch had been charged by Miss Mary A. Murphy of Southern Pines with converting to her own use securities valued at \$3,922 which Miss Murphy had placed for sale with a local brokerage firm, Dietsch & Hartfield, prior to the death of Herbert J. Dietsch, the defendant's husband, on December 20, 1959. The firm no longer exists.

The State, with Lawrence M. Johnson of Aberdeen as special prosecutor assisting District Solicitor M. G. Boyette of Carthage, based its case on the fact that Miss Murphy had placed the securities for sale with the Dietsch firm and that, after her husband's death, Mrs. Dietsch as administrator had closed out the firm, but no reimbursement had been made to Miss Murphy for her securities.

The defense, handled by W. D. Sabiston, Carthage attorney, never denied that the securities were placed with the firm for sale, that they were sold and that the money remained with the firm. However, the defense said, following Mr. Dietsch's death, an account was set up for receipts and disbursements of the firm's funds, with a special administrator. Claims were paid as far as the funds would go, it was stated, but all funds had been disbursed before Miss Murphy put in her claim. Mrs. Dietsch, as widow, was not personally responsible for the firm's funds, under the law, the defense said, and it was stated that she had told Miss Murphy there were not sufficient funds to pay the claim.

The jury found that there was

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HERE SHE COMES! Tomorrow night the MER- RY WIDOW hits town!

The gay lady and her satellites of the National Opera Company will take the stage at Weaver Auditorium Friday, (Feb. 1) with the curtain scheduled to rise at 8:30.

This is the third concert in the series sponsored by the Sandhills Music Association.

Tickets are still on sale at the Barnum Realty Office and will be available at the auditorium box office, as long as they last. The demand for seats to view the revival of the famous old Broadway show has been great, reports Mrs. John S. Ruggles and Miss Glenda Martin, in charge of ticket sales.

A special pre-concert buffet dinner is being served at the Hollywood Hotel from 6:30. Tables should be reserved.

Changes Made, Planned For Conn. Ave. Safety

An investigation of traffic safety conditions on E. Connecticut Ave. Extension, from Southern Pines to the Fort Bragg Reservation line, has resulted in addition or replacement of warning signs and markers, as well as other actions and recommendations.

Results of the investigation and recommendations for action are included in a report to T. G. Johnston, Jr., division engineer at the Aberdeen Highway office. A copy of the report was furnished to Town Manager F. F. Rainey.

The "reinvestigation" of safety conditions on the road was made after 14 traffic accidents had taken place along the two and one-half miles between January 1, 1960, and October 31, 1962, involving two fatalities, 10 injuries and over \$16,000 in property damage.

The period studied did not include a one-car fatal accident early in December in which the driver and only occupant of a car was killed when his vehicle struck the same tree as that hit by a car when two young men were killed in October, 1960.

A recommendation to clear the right of way of all shrubs, weeds, trees, overhanging tree limbs and other obstacles which reduce sight on curves and grades and which might hide private driveways or other intersections, was included in the report.

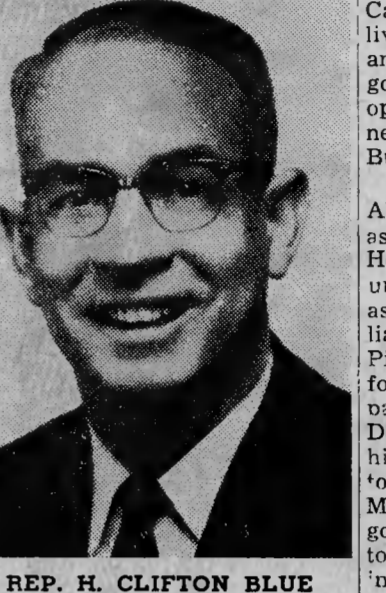
Most noticeable of the changes already made on the stretch of road has been substitution of a solid white edge line on the highway, replacing a "skip" edge line, for the entire distance and continuing into the city limits to the May St. intersection.

The report noted that there had been enough warning devices along the road "for the most ordinary of drivers" but pointed out that "it appears we must go beyond the bounds of acceptable

Moore Legislators Face Assembly; Blue Slated For Speaker Of House



SEN. W. P. SAUNDERS



REP. H. CLIFTON BLUE

Two members of the 1963 North Carolina General Assembly who live in Moore County will be among the state's lawmakers going to Raleigh next week for opening of the Assembly on Wednesday in the new Legislative Building.

They are H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen, starting his ninth term as Moore's representative in the House of Representatives and an unopposed candidate for election as Speaker of that body; and William P. Saunders of Southern Pines, retired industrialist and former director of the State Department of Conservation and Development, who is beginning his first term as one of two senators from the 12th District—Moore, Harnett, Hoke and Montgomery Counties. The other senator is Robert Morgan of Lillington in Harnett. All are Democrats.

After his anticipated election as Speaker on Wednesday, Rep. Blue is expected to be sworn in by Superior Court Judge John D. McConnell of Southern Pines, with numerous friends and associates from Moore County on hand to witness the occasion. The Assembly is slated to convene at noon, Wednesday.

Gov. Terry Sanford will deliver his Biennial Message to the Assembly at noon on Thursday of next week, February 7, in a joint session in the Hall of the House. The Senate and House will convene separately that day at 11:30 a. m. and senators will then join their House colleagues for the address by the Governor.

The Governor's Budget Message will be delivered at 10:30 a. m. Friday, February 8.

Rep. Blue spoke twice before Moore County groups this week, outlining issues which he feels will predominate in the 1963 General Assembly.

On Monday night he spoke before the Moore County Educators' Club at its regular monthly meeting held in the Cameron school cafeteria. On Wednesday at noon he spoke before the Sandhills Kiwanis club at its weekly luncheon meeting held at the Carolina Hotel in Pinehurst.

After discussing state issues at the Kiwanis meeting, Blue commented briefly on the Kiwanis theme for the meeting: "The Free Enterprise System Within A Democracy."

Blue told the group that: "Our nation has grown strong and great as a democracy through the free enterprise system. There is a responsibility that goes hand in hand with free enterprise."

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Man Killed By Skid On Icy Highway; 6 Hurt In Another Wreck Saturday

Ice forming on the highways in freezing rain Saturday morning cost the life of a middle-aged Negro man on Midland Road near Pinehurst, Moore County's third highway fatality of 1963.

Whalen Irvine Cagle, 53, of the Taylortown community near Pinehurst, driving toward South-ern Pines from Pinehurst, was killed when his car hit an icy splash and skidded off the road to crash against a tree in the center parkway.

His passenger, Luther Carroll Alexander Headen, 28, also of Taylortown, was admitted to

Moore Memorial Hospital with serious injuries. He suffered compound fractures of the left leg.

State Trooper Robert R. Samuels said Headen told him they had just passed a car when they hit the slick place. However, Samuels said, no other car was there when he arrived, and if there was another car, apparently it did not stop.

He found the accident was caused by the road conditions, and no law violation was involved. Cagle's car was demolished. The occupation of the dead man was given as upholsterer.

Funeral services for Cagle were held at the Baptist church in Taylortown Wednesday afternoon. He was highly regarded in the entire Pinehurst community. He had been employed by several Pinehurst firms and individuals, in various capacities. His upholstering and other work was well regarded by all for whom he had performed these services.

He is survived by his wife, one daughter, two grandsons, three sisters and three brothers, one of whom is Hazel Cagle of Taylortown, verger at the Village Chapel, Pinehurst.

New Free Phone Service To Start Friday Morning

The new "extended area" telephone service that will permit toll-free dialing both ways between Aberdeen and Pinehurst will begin at 12:01 a. m. Friday, marking completion of the extension of this service around the Southern Pines - Pinehurst-Aberdeen triangle.

The project was carried out jointly, at no increase in rates, by United Telephone Company, of Southern Pines, and the Sandhill Telephone Company, of Aberdeen.

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Dr. Anderson To Open Dental Office Monday

After almost five months out of his office recuperating from multiple injuries received in an automobile accident near St. Pauls last September, Dr. George D. Anderson, Jr., will reopen his dental office on S. W. Broad St. Monday.

Dr. Anderson had just returned from a year's duty with the armed forces when his accident happened last September.

Tufts Named As Non-Playing Head, Walker Cup Team

Richard S. Tufts, chairman of the board of Pinehurst, Inc., was named this week as non-playing captain of the 1963 U. S. Walker Cup team which will play Great Britain's best amateur golfers at Turnberry, Scotland, May 24-25.

Numerous golfers who have played in Sandhills tournaments, including last September's National Amateur at Pinehurst, were named to the 10-man team by the U. S. Golf Association. The player roster:

Deane Beman of Arlington, Va.; Charles Coe of Oklahoma City; Richard Davies of Pebble Beach, Calif.; Bob Gardner of Essex Falls, N. J.; Downing Gray of Pensacola, Fla.; Billy Joe Patton of Morganton; Richard Sikes of Springdale, Ark.; Charles Smith of Gastonia; and Dr. Edward Updegraff of Tucson, Ariz.

Alternates named were: William Hyndman, Huntingdon Valley, Pa.; Homer Blancas, Jr., of Houston, Texas; and Dudley Wy-song of McKinney, Texas.

At the same USGA meeting in New York, John M. Winters, Jr., of Tulsa, Okla., was reelected president. Mr. Tufts is a daily resident of the organization.

LISTING ENDS

The period for listing real and personal property for taxes without penalty ends today, Mrs. Estelle Wicker, county tax supervisor, reminds the public. No extension period has been authorized by the county commissioners.