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PRESENTATION—Mrs. D. W. Winkelman, right, presents the Sandhills Cup to Mrs. Joseph Mangione (over the head of the Mangiones' little daughter), for the victory of Burraidh, pictured draped with the winner's flowers. Mr. Mangione is at left and Tommy Walsn, the rider, holds the saddle. The cup is donated annually by Mr. and Mrs. Winkelman in the featured event of the Stoneybrook Hunt Race Meeting. (Humphrey photo)

T. WALSH RIDES 4 FIRSTS

Burraidh Cup Winner

Tommy Walsh, 21, who works with his uncle, famed trainer M. G. (Mickey) Walsh at Stoneybrook Stables here, dominated the Stoneybrook Hunt Race Meeting by riding four winners Saturday.

In the Sandhills Cup, feature timber race with \$2,000 purse, and the co-featured Stoneybrook Open Hurdle, with \$1,500, the blonde, blue-eyed young Irishman pulled up from behind on the last lap to win by wide margins as the crowd roared. He rode the winner also in each of the two divisions of the Yaddin hurdle race.

Burraidh, eight-year-old bay gelding owned by Joseph Mangione of Lexington, Ky., who

Blood Collections Slated Next Week

Blood will be collected in two Sandhills towns next week for the American Red Cross center at Charlotte—source of supply for blood of all types used by both the hospitals in Moore County.

A bloodmobile will be at the Pinehurst High School from 11 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Monday and at the First Baptist Church in Aberdeen, from 8 a. m. to 1:30 p. m. on Tuesday.

J. R. Hauser, blood program chairman for the Moore ARC chapter, said that this county has failed to meet its quota of blood for the Charlotte center this year. He urged that donors volunteer for the two visits in this area next week.

Other visits scheduled to Moore County, in a stepped-up program attempting to fill the county's quota, are: at Elise High School gym in Robbins, April 30; and at the Vass-Lakeview High School gym, in Vass, May 1.

IN AREA BURNED BY BIG FIRE

Remains Of Long-Missing Man Found

The mystery of the disappearance of Prentice Williams, 56-year-old mentally retarded Negro, last seen when he attended church services near his home at Jackson Hamlet last May 27, was solved last week as a direct result of the big woods fire of April 4.

Workers re-planting pine seedlings in an isolated area belonging to the Weyerhaeuser timber interests late Thursday afternoon found a fragmented skeleton with skull intact in a partly burned-over spot, along with a pair of pants, a belt and portions of a pair of shoes.

They were found at a site west of NC 5 between Aberdeen and Pinehurst, about three miles from Jackson Hamlet and two miles from the nearest house, in what before the fire had been dense forest.

Deputy Sheriff J. A. Lawrence,

NO CHANGES CONTEMPLATED

Cushman Optimistic On Sale Of Amerotron Company Plants

Tuesday's announcement of the purchase of the Amerotron Company for \$45 million by the Deering-Milliken Textile Corporation was greeted optimistically by Robert M. Cushman of Southern Pines, executive vice president of Amerotron, with offices at the company's central headquarters in Aberdeen.

"We are very happy about joining the Deering-Milliken organization," Cushman said. "All of our people have been notified and no changes are contemplated."

How the sale of Amerotron's seven textile manufacturing plants and other facilities will affect its operations in Moore County was the thought uppermost in the minds of residents of this area on seeing the announcement in Wednesday morning's daily papers.

Directly involved hereabouts are the company's office headquarters and a big warehouse, at Aberdeen, and its Robbins manufacturing plant.

Other Amerotron plants are located at Red Springs, and, in South Carolina, at Barnwell, Honepath, Williamston and Belton.

"The reason that we are

happy," Cushman said Wednesday, "is that Amerotron is now joining up with a firm that has its roots deep in the textile business and has shown by its past action that it believes in this industry and its future."

"More than this," he continued, "Deering-Milliken has the finest textile research organization anywhere in the world and we believe that this is one of the finest guarantees for the future that any industrial company can have."

Amerotron is the textile division of Textron, Inc., of Providence, R. I., a corporation with widely diversified industrial production. With the sale of the Amerotron Company, it is now out of textiles.

Deering-Milliken has textile plants throughout the South and East. Its South Carolina operation is centered at Spartanburg.

Roger Milliken, president of the purchasing company, said of Amerotron: "We are very enthusiastic about this business which has been operated so successfully under the leadership of its president, Ed Luke (Edmund G. Luke of Ridgewood, N. J.), and which has such a highly efficient manufacturing operation."

Pitts Purchases O'Neil's Midland Rd. Property; Mahoney Buys 'Cloverleaf'

C. A. Pitts was high bidder at \$100,000 on Tom O'Neil's Midland Road property in a public auction sale conducted at the Wedge Inn on the property Wednesday night.

At the same sale, O'Neil's Cloverleaf Apartments building in Pinehurst was sold to Frederick J. Mahoney of West Newton, Mass., for \$26,000.

Pitts is a Canadian businessman and lay evangelist who has a large home on old No. 1 highway, north, at Manly. Mr. Mahoney, a regular seasonal visitor to the Sandhills, is a 50 per cent stockholder in the corporation owning the former Patch Department Store building here.

The O'Neil Midland Road property consists of the Wedge Inn restaurant, the adjoining Little Nine golf course and driving range, a 60-acre tract and a four-acre tract. The land includes the lots at the intersection of Midland and Pee Dee Roads. The property was annexed within the town limits several months ago.

Buyers have 90 days to close the sales, pending searching of titles and other routine operations.

New Paint Store Will Open Monday

The Sherwin-Williams Paint Company Branch Store in the new Daniels Building at 695 S. W. Broad St., will open for business Monday, April 22, it was announced this week by Raymond Hannah, manager.

The store, which will do both a wholesale and retail business, features a full line of Sherwin-Williams paints and associated products.

A formal grand opening for the new local business will be announced.

Pitts said today he hopes to close the sale in about 30 days. He said he had no specific plans to announce for the property at this time, except that he would keep the Little Nine golf course and range in operation "for a while." He did not say what disposition he would make of the Wedge Inn building and noted that "some sort of development" would be planned for the Midland-Pee Dee corner tract. He is the owner of a large tract north of, but not adjoining, Midland Road, near the town water supply lake, for which tentative plans for a club-golf course-residential project have been announced.

Mahoney said today that the Cloverleaf Apartments, which

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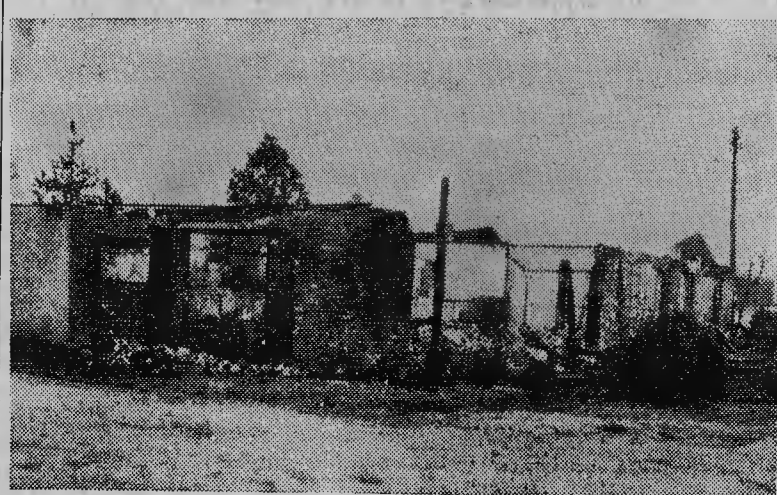
REGISTRATION OPENS FRIDAY

Registration of new voters for the town primary and election will start tomorrow (Friday), to run through Friday of next week, April 26.

Mrs. Alma Jones, registrar, will have the books open in the town hall courtroom from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. and on Saturday from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. Monday through Friday of next week, the books will be open at the same location, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Only persons who have not previously voted in a town election need register at this time. It is stressed by the registrar that a separate set of books is maintained by the town for municipal elections. Persons qualified to vote in county and state elections, in one of the Southern Pines precincts, are not thereby qualified for the town election.

Carolina Soap, Candle Main Plant Destroyed by Early-Morning Fire



RUINS—Here's a view of what was left Saturday of the Carolina Soap and Candle Makers' main plant, between Southern Pines and Aberdeen, after it was destroyed by an early-morning fire. (Photo courtesy of Richmond County Journal)

EMPLOYEES' EFFORTS PRAISED

Firm Makes Fast Post-Fire Comeback

Jack Hicks, head of the Carolina Soap and Candle Makers, whose plant on the Aberdeen road was burned out early Saturday, this week had high praise for employees whose hard work made it possible for the firm to resume production Tuesday.

The drop from normal volume of manufacturing is rapidly being overcome, Hicks said, noting that only four of the 100 employees of the company were laid off. And of the four, he stated, two asked for time off and the two others are being given work at home that will make possible an income equalling their regular wages. The 100 employees include 15 salesmen mostly living

Primary Assured By Filing Of 11 In Council Race

The filing of 11 candidates for the Southern Pines town council, in the May 7 election, assures that a primary will be held Monday, April 29, to eliminate one of the 11.

Then, in the May 7 voting, citizens will choose five from the 10 on the ballot, to serve on the council for the next two years. The five new councilmen vote to elect a mayor.

Also up for voting in the May 7 election are the posts of judge and prosecuting attorney (solicitor) of the local recorder's court. There will be no primary in these elections, as Judge W. Harry Fulwider and Solicitor Howard Broughton, incumbents, are unopposed.

Present members of the council who filed before the noon, Monday, deadline are Felton Capel, Morris Johnson and Fred Polard. The other candidates are L. M. Daniels, Jr., Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., Donald D. Kennedy, C. A. McLaughlin, Dante Montesanti, Harry H. Pethick (a former member of the council), Dr. Charles Phillips and William S. Thomasson.

Information about all the candidates will be published in next week's Pilot.

Mayor John S. Ruggles and Mayor Pro Tem J. D. Hobbs did not file for reelection.

Students To Sing Friday Evening

The annual Picquet Music Festival of high school choral groups will be held Friday at 8 p. m. at the Aberdeen school auditorium, with Dr. Melvin Good, of the public school music department of the Department of Public Instruction at Raleigh, directing the combined group of some 200 voices.

Glee clubs of Aberdeen, Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Carthage, Robbins, Highfalls and Vass-Lakeview high schools will unite in a varied program, including sacred music, show tunes and several novelty songs.

A quartet from Southern Pines, Joe Hiatt, Jr., Bobby Hiatt, Ralph Hendren and Jim Ritchie, with Diane Fields accompanying, will sing two numbers.

The public is welcomed to the event, which is sponsored by the Sandhills Kiwanis club. There is no admission charge. The event, then held as a competition, was established by the late Charles W. Picquet of Southern Pines.

Citizens Bank Branch Marks 1st Anniversary

The Citizens Bank and Trust Company, celebrating this week the first anniversary of the opening of its Southwest Broad Street Branch, is inviting the public to visit the branch and receive a souvenir gift.

Bank officers at the branch, which offers full banking services, are E. Earl Hubbard, vice president; Billy McKenzie, assistant vice president; and William P. Toney who recently joined the bank as assistant cashier.

Other personnel at the branch are Mrs. Frances Frazier, Mrs. Betty Guffey, Mrs. Ruth McRae and Mrs. Rivan Shepherd.

SPELLING CHAMPION

Rocky Underwood, eighth grade student of Carthage elementary school, won the Moore County spelling bee over Radio Station WEEB and will represent Moore county in the statewide contest at Winston-Salem May 18.

AID AVAILABLE TO LANDOWNERS

Don't Sell Burned Timber Too Soon!

Owners of timberlands burned over in wood fires of April 4 should be in no great hurry to clear off the areas or sell the trees, according to word from the Moore County farm office and visiting forestry specialists. Thousands of acres of timberland were burned over that day and night, with the largest fires the one between West End and Pine bluff and in the Lake Bay area east of Southern Pines.

It cannot be told how badly damaged most of the trees are until they have had a chance to put out new growth, within 30 to 50 days, said Fred Whitfield, forestry specialist with the N. C. State Extension Service, who looked over the area extensively Tuesday.

Also, he said, owners should not sell at bargain rates under the impression that burned trees are damaged for paper, pole and pulpwood uses. The wood should bring "fair prices," just about on a par with wood that has not been burned.

Whitfield surveyed the area with Bennie M. Fulcher, assistant county farm agent in charge of

75 Persons Arrested In ABC Raids

A special term of Moore County Recorder's Court at Carthage will be held Tuesday for the trial of 75 defendants arrested in a series of ABC raids held during the Easter weekend.

A few more arrests may be made before that time, said C. A. McCallum, chief Moore County Alcoholic Beverage Control law enforcement officer, to add to the number, already a record, charged with prohibition law violations.

Only a half-dozen white persons were arrested in the raids made in all parts of the county Thursday and Friday nights, Saturday and Easter Monday. The defendants, charged with one to six violations, made bonds rang-

ing from \$50 to \$300. In nearly all cases, McCallum said, the action was taken following complaints which had been made. Undercover work by agents furnished by the SBI started as long ago as last December.

Assisting ABC Officers McCallum and Ed Floyd in the raids were SBI Agent Gary Griffith, federal investigators from the Alcohol Tax Unit office at Rockingham, Deputy Sheriffs R. A. Edwards, June Cockman and I. D. Marley, Constable L. F. Woods of Greenwood township and the police departments of Aberdeen, Southern Pines, Carthage and Vass.

The officers raided the Moose Club just outside South-

ern Pines, Pugh's Grill in West Southern Pines, where beer was reportedly sold after hours and on Sundays, and various homes, stores and service stations in town and rural areas.

Both taxpaid and non-taxpaid whiskey were seized, mostly in small quantities, also beer. At Watson Blue's store and service station near Cameron, said McCallum, not only were 24 and a half gallons of homemade wine found in the house, but around 1,200 gallons in 55-gallon barrels stored in the barn. Blue was charged with unlawful possession of wine for sale.

At the Moose Club, where whiskey in both sealed and

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