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visitor found her stay in the Sandhills pleasant this week. Feature, page 19.

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College costs are rising. "Community colleges" help meet this problem. See page 2.

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Suicide Ruled In Prisoner's Death In Jail Cell Here

George Rogers, a 51-year-old Aberdeen Negro who was arrested here for public drunkenness shortly after 1 p.m. Wednesday, fatally hung himself with his belt in a local jail cell about an hour and a half later, Police Chief Earl S. Seawell said.

Coroner W. K. Carpenter of Pinebluff who investigated the death and talked with other prisoners in the jail, ruled suicide by hanging.

Southern Pines Recorder's Court, in the courtroom which adjoins the jail section of town hall, was in session when the death took place.

Rogers, who has a police record dating back to 1933, was picked up by Chief Seawell near the Seaboard tracks, between New York and Massachusetts Aves. He was placed in jail by Sgt. L. D. Beck and Patrolman C. L. Frye and his cigarettes, matches and a razor blade were taken from him, as are the personal possessions of all persons jailed. He was drunk but cheerful and otherwise normal when jailed, the chief said.

About 15 or 20 minutes before he was found dead, Sgt. Beck went to the cells to try to quiet Rogers, who had been shouting, asking for his cigarettes, loud enough to be heard in the court room.

According to a statement from a prisoner in an adjoining cell who could hear but not see the Aberdeen man, Rogers called out that he was "saying goodbye" and the other prisoner then heard (Continued on Page 8)

BAND BOOSTERS TO MEET

The Band Boosters Club, organization of adults interested in the East Southern Pines school band, will meet in Room 107 of the high school, at 8 p. m. Monday, William McAdams, band director, has announced.

DEVELOPMENT AWARDS MADE

County Men Named To SADA Posts

Two Richmond County communities, Mountain Creek and Led-betters, were announced Monday night as top winners in the rural and village divisions, respectively, of the 1963 community development program sponsored by the Sandhills Area Development Association.

Each was presented a plaque and \$100 cash award by Mrs. Wilma Key of Ellerbe, area program chairman, with other prizes awarded as follows: second, \$75, to Ashmont in Hoke County; third, \$50, to Dignus, in Lee; and \$25 each for honorable mention to Glendon in Moore and Uwharrie in Montgomery.

With only two villages competing, both in one county, only one area award was made.

Certificates went to all 31 communities in the five member counties which participated in the program this year, which Mrs. Key said represented a total of 2,704 families sharing in the rewards of the competition.

New Officers

New officers elected at the annual Awards Night supper of the Sandhills Area Development

association, held in the Carthage High School cafeteria, were J. C. Liles of Richmond county, mayor of Hamlet, president, succeeding Paul C. Butler of Southern Pines; first vice-president, Bobby Jordan of Montgomery; second vice-president, Neill McFadyen of Hoke; secretary - treasurer, Dan Gore of Richmond.

Activity Chairmen

Also named were chairmen of the four main divisions of SADA activity. Re-elected were Mrs. Key, of Richmond County to head the growing community development, which through organization of communities in all five counties draws in the greatest portion (Continued on page 24)

CORRECTION

In the Colonial Stores advertisement on page 9 of today's Pilot, the price of turkeys should read: "18 pounds and up, 33c lb.," rather than the wording that appears in the ad. The change was made by the company after the section of the paper containing the advertisement had been printed.

COBB GIVEN 10-12 YEARS; HAMPTON FREED

Bennett Enters Manslaughter Guilty Plea, Draws 15-17 Years In Prison

Three murder cases were disposed of with two defendants drawing prison terms and the third case dismissed, in last week's regular term of Moore County Superior Court at Carthage.

The grand jury handed down murder indictments against William Cobb, 24, of Carthage, Route 3; Marfrett Bennett, 30, of Southern Pines and Rufus Hampton, 21, of Eagle Springs. All are Negroes.

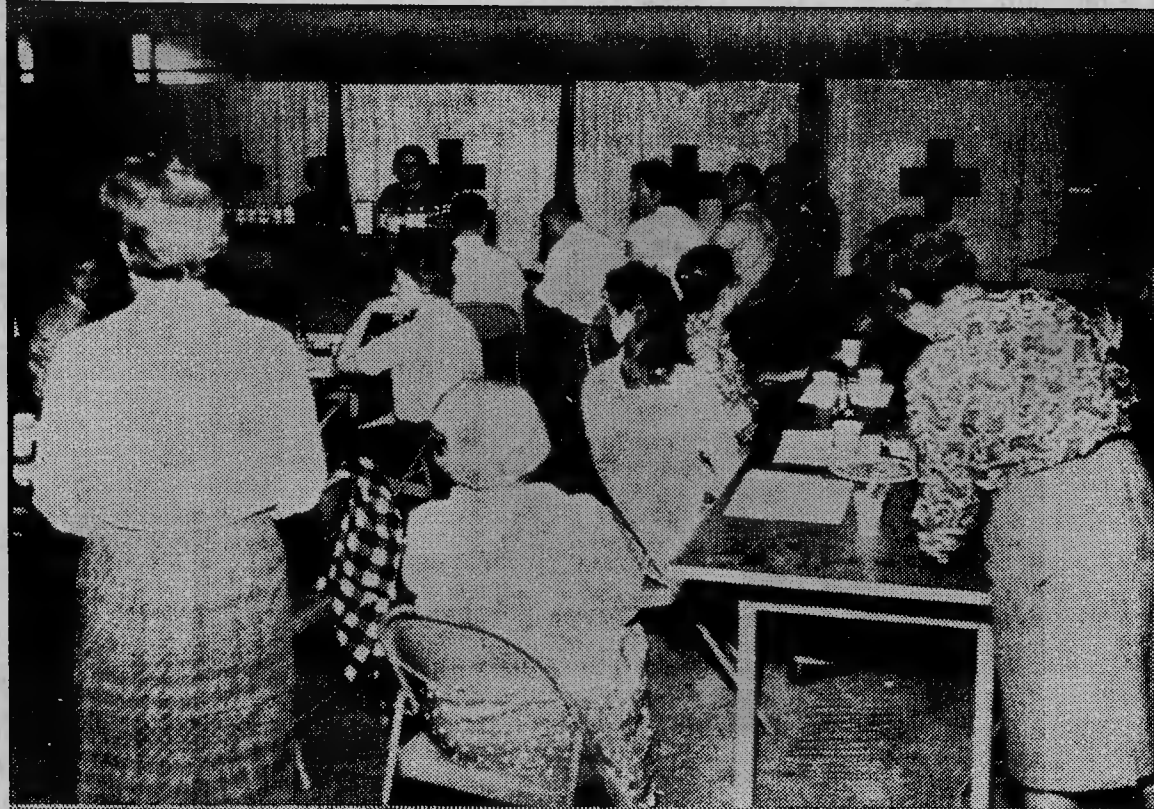
Cobb was sentenced to 10 to 12 years in prison, Bennett, characterized by Special Judge Edward B. Clark of Elizabethtown as "a dangerous man," drew a term of 15 to 17 years. Hampton's case was dismissed on grounds of self-defense.

Cobb and Bennett, tendering manslaughter pleas which were

accepted by the State, admitted the fatal shooting of their wives as the result of family quarrels.

Cobb said his wife Barbara Alice, 23, was advancing on him with a rifle when he fired a shotgun blast at her the night of November 4. The young tenant farmer of the Summer Hill community admitted he had been drinking at the time, but was shown to have a good previous record and character, as also did his wife. Four young children were left motherless by the slaying.

Bennett, who had a previous court record, said his wife shot him first the night of November 3, and was herself shot in the tussle when he tried to get the pistol from her. He said they had argued over some money—some (Continued on Page 8)



BUSY SCENE—Typical of activity at the successful blood collections held in Aberdeen and Pinehurst last week is this scene during the bloodmobile visit to the First Baptist Church in Aberdeen on Friday. Donors are giving blood

behind the white curtains in background. Men seated in rear are waiting their turn to give. In front, persons who have donated are served refreshments by volunteers.

(V. Nicholson photo)

Hounds Go Out On Thanksgiving

The Opening Meet of the Moore County Hounds will take place, according to custom, on Thanksgiving Day.

Hounds will meet at the usual time, 10 a.m., but the place of meeting will be changed. Held for several years at Pickridge, present residence of Mrs. Audrey Kennedy, the gathering of hounds, horses, horsemen, and friends will take place this year on the big field on Young's Road, now the property of W. Ozelle Moss, joint master with Richard D. Webb. The field lies beyond the home place of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Walsh.

Chief reason for the change is the greater visibility at the new location, known in hunting circles as "Enid's Field." Those following in cars will be able to see a great part of the dragline, while the riders will find a series of newly-erected fences for their entertainment.

The pack will be handled by Mr. Moss, huntsman as well as MFH, with a staff of three: Mrs. Ginny Moss, first whip and hunt secretary, Miss Wiffi Smith, who has been employed at the Mosses' Mile Away Farm, where the kennels are situated, since she came here last June, and William P. Gilbert of Kenwood Farm.

Theatre - in - the - Pines To Meet Monday Night

Persons interested in Theatre-in-the-Pines, Sandhills amateur community theatre group which has had several productions in recent years, are invited to meet at the town hall courtroom at 8:30 p. m. Monday. A reorganization of the group is expected.

Time of the meeting was set late so that persons attending the Boy Scout Recognition Pot Luck dinner in Aberdeen would also be able to attend.

Further information can be obtained from Mrs. Karl Stuart or from Miss Glenda Martin at Barnum Realty and Insurance Co.



CHAMPS AND TROPHIES—The champions of the 1963 Southern Pines Golf Carousal (wearing sweaters, center) receive their trophies at the Southern Pines Country Club Sunday afternoon. At left, Fred Teeter, general chairman for

the event, presents trophy to Warren Bell of Southern Pines, while Bell's team-mate, Bob Davies of Gettysburg, Pa., receives his from Mayor W. Morris Johnson, at right.

(Humphrey photo)

Bell, Davies Win In Golf Carousal

Two former college and professional basketball stars proved their skill as amateur golfers Sunday by capturing the championship trophies of the 10th annual Southern Pines Golf Carousal.

Warren Bell of Southern Pines and Bob Davies of Gettysburg, Pa., in the final round played at

the Southern Pines Country Club, beat Bill Wilson of Southern Pines and Harry Davis of Carthage, 1 up.

In the lead from the start and playing sub-par golf all the way, the winners wound up the match on the 15th hole.

Bell, owner and operator (with his wife Peggy Kirk Bell, well

OUTCOME DEPENDS ON WEST END VISIT

Two Successful Blood Collections Go Far Toward Assuring Program Stays

Prospects appeared good this week that Moore County will not lose the Red Cross program that supplies both the county's hospitals with free blood of all types from a center in Charlotte. But the final test has not been passed.

Faced last week with the necessity that at least 434 pints be collected in the year's final three visits of a bloodmobile to the county, if the program were not to be lost, the program seemed in danger.

Then donors turned out in force to give 160 pints in Pinehurst on Thursday and a whopping 209 pints in Aberdeen the next day.

Last chance to clinch the hitherto lagging program is offered the county Wednesday of next week, November 27, when the bloodmobile will be at the high school in West End from noon to 6 p. m.

J. R. Hauser of Southern Pines

expressed his thanks this week to all donors and volunteer workers at the Pinehurst and Aberdeen collections. But the county blood program chairman voiced his concern that many persons who have promised to give blood, on behalf of friends or relatives who have used Red Cross blood in hospitals, are still not making good on their pledges.

In Aberdeen, he said, 43 persons on the "replacement list" were notified before last week's collection. Only eight showed up. In Pinehurst, the proportion was even lower: 41 were notified, four appeared.

"This proves again," he said, "that persons who fail to make good on their pledges are the primary cause of the program's failure over recent years. We will continue to notify them and we urge them to come forward and make good their promise."

The current emergency arose after Moore County residents used 518 more pints of blood than were given in this county, during the year ending last June. Until last week's two successful collections, the program had continued to lag badly.

Grand Opening Of Cato's Store To Be Held Nov. 27

The grand opening of Cato's store, in the former Patch building at the corner of N. W. Broad St. and New Hampshire Ave., will take place Wednesday morning, November 27, it was announced this week by W. H. Cato, Jr., of Charlotte, president of Cato's Stores, Inc.

The new local establishment, selling ladies' and children's ready-to-wear clothing, is one of about 90 Cato's stores operating in the Southeast.

The grand opening of a similar Cato's store at Aberdeen, in the location of the former Johnson's Discount Store on Sycamore St., will take place the same day.

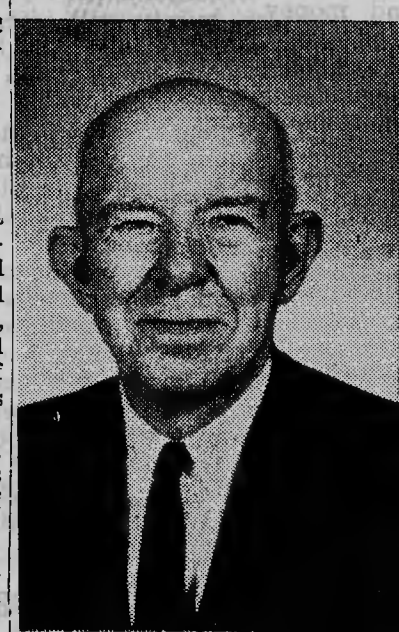
Occupying the portion of the former Patch building fronting on N. W. Broad St., the local store space is being remodeled and redecorated by Cato's, including a modern front with overhanging marquee and new show windows. Completely fluorescent - lighted, the store is designed to give customers shopping ease and convenience. (Continued on Page 8)

Moore Schools Win: Play Again Friday

Two Moore County high school football teams, playing in division championship contests, each won last Friday night and go on this week to district title games.

Aberdeen defeated Angier 26-14 here and will face Weldon in a game at Cary Friday night.

Playing at Ruffin, Carthage won its game with Cobb Memorial of Caswell County, 19-6, and takes on East Surry High School at Mount Airy, Friday night.



GEORGE R. ROSS

Ross Appointed Seal Sale Head

George R. Ross of Jackson Springs, former legislator and state official, is heading the 1963 Christmas Seal Sale of the Moore County Tuberculosis Association, it was announced this week by Norman B. Caudle of Southern Pines, association president.

Letters from Mr. Ross, explaining the TB Association's work and appealing for funds to make (Continued on Page 8)

Holiday Closings

Noted; Pilot To Publish Early

A general Thanksgiving holiday will be observed over this area Thursday of next week.

Post offices, banks, town and county offices, ABC stores and most private businesses and offices will be closed.

School holidays in Southern Pines begin at end of school Wednesday and run to the regular opening Monday, December 2.

The Pilot will be published Wednesday. Advertisers and correspondents are asked to have their copy in one day early next week.

The State Highway Patrol cautions motorists about hazardous traffic conditions during the long weekend.

Troopers will be out in force on the highways from 6 p. m. Wednesday through midnight, Sunday—the period used in tallying the holiday traffic accident toll over the state and nation.

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.
November 14	53	34
November 15	56	26
November 16	64	26
November 17	72	55
November 18	73	41
November 19	73	46
November 20	65	43

INDEPENDENCE OR CONSOLIDATION?

Citizens Group Seeking Survey On How Best Meet High School Needs

(Editorial page 2)
A Citizens Committee to Study Long-range School Planning is being formed under the leadership of Dr. Charles Phillips, it was announced this week.

Purpose of the group, Dr. Phillips said, is to stimulate interest in the future of the Southern Pines school system and to arouse public opinion on behalf of an independent survey to determine how the local schools can best meet the needs of the community and best serve the interest of local students in years to come.

Members of the committee listed today by Dr. Phillips, who noted that others may be added, include W. Lamont Brown, Charles Cole, A. L. Folley, Dr. W. F. Holister, Mrs. Watson Scott, Dr. R.

B. Warlick, Mrs. Edison Willis, Jr., and Mrs. James Boyd.

All members of this group, he said, have expressed interest in having outside consultants survey the local school system to help determine whether full educational opportunities in the high school can best be provided by remaining separate or by consolidating with other high schools in the area.

Dr. Phillips said he has found much interest in such an independent survey.

Tentative plans include a meeting with the local board of education, not yet requested or arranged, and a public meeting at which the merits of the two alternatives—consolidation or consolidation—would be debated and discussed.