

His proposal for a Fall Festival is being well received, says Sen. Voit Gilmore. See letter to editor, page 2.

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AT ABERDEEN

School Groups To Sing; Youth Award Slated

The Sandhills Kiwanis Club's annual Picquet Festival is scheduled for Friday night, in the Aberdeen High School Auditorium at 8:15 p.m.

Kiwanians, with their wives and families invited, will have supper at 6:30 p.m. in the Aberdeen school cafeteria, preceding the program.

Named in honor of Charles W. Picquet of Southern Pines, former Kiwanian and promoter of music and the arts in the Sandhills, the Festival is an outgrowth of the former glee club contest that the Kiwanis Club sponsored between high schools in the county. The contest was originated by Mr. Picquet.

This year, a combined glee club made up of voices from the Aberdeen, Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Union Pines and West End schools will be under the direction of James Hall, director of performing arts for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools, with responsibility for music, drama and dance in the secondary schools.

The program will present a varied fare of religious chorales and modern songs from Broadway shows, as well as medleys from the early 1900's. In addition to the whole glee club, there will be renditions by the Aberdeen Keynotes and the Pinehurst Pinettes, small vocal groups.

During the intermission, The Kiwanis Junior Builder's Cup will be presented to one of seven nominees from Moore County High schools. Chosen last week, the five girls and two boys have been tapped to represent their schools as follows: David Howard

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Deaton Gets Term In Wife's Death; Other Court News

Virgil Pearl Deaton, 54, former talk mine worker of Robbins, drew three to five years for manslaughter Friday in Moore Superior Court in the shotgun death of his wife, Emily, January 31.

Deaton, charged with first-degree murder, had pleaded not guilty. Then, when all the evidence had been presented before a jury, he changed his plea to guilty of manslaughter. This was accepted by the State.

Deaton claimed the shooting was accidental. He said his wife "came at him with a knife" during a family argument, that he reached into the rafters to get his shotgun and that she dropped the knife and grabbed the gun, pulling back his hand so that the hammer-lock was released.

Standing with him to hear the sentence were the 10 children of the couple, of whom only the three youngest, aged four, six and 11 were living at home. The others are all married.

Nancy, the 11-year-old, served briefly as witness. She said the three children had been asleep in the room when the shot was fired, awakening them. Their mother, collapsing on a bed, asked Nancy to bring her a drink of

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SAY 'GO' TO NEW BUILDING

Commissioners Look With Favor On County Library's Chief Need

Moore County needs a new public library; Moore County needs a new bookmobile.

Moore County must find the money to pay for both these needs; and find it soon.

Why? Because: Under state standards a county library is supposed to come up to certain specifications, and the Moore County Library doesn't.

Here are a few of the main failures: According to state specifications based on population, Moore County should have 40,000 books in its library; it now has 3,000. Why? Partly because there isn't room for more. A good many of the 8,000 are stacked in piles on the floor.

The Moore County library should have room for 48 chairs for the people who use the library: It now has twelve, count-



SWORN IN—Clyde Council, justice of the peace, swears in the newly elected town council Wednesday morning. Taking the oath of office, with one hand on Bible and other raised, are, left to right: Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., re-elected mayor in voting by the council; Felton

J. Capel, elected mayor pro tem; George H. Leonard, Jr.; Lee K. Smithson, elected town treasurer; and L. D. McDonald. On the wall is the portrait of the late Police Chief C. E. (Ed) Newton.

(Humphrey photo)

CAPEL CHOSEN AS MAYOR PRO TEM

2 Incumbents, 3 New Candidates Elected; Hodgkins Named Mayor

In a closely contested municipal election, Southern Pines voters chose two incumbents and three new town councilmen, Tuesday.

With more than 1,025 persons voting, Mayor Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., and Felton J. Capel, held their council seats, while the third incumbent on the ballot, C. A. McLaughlin, was not among the winners. The adjoining tabulation tells the full election story.

Two of the members of the former council were not candidates. Harry H. Pethick did not file and Fred Pollard moved to South Carolina recently.

The two ticket leaders, Hodgkins and Capel, were elected mayor and mayor pro tem, respectively, after the new council was sworn in and went into its first session Wednesday morning.

The town treasurer post, also filled by election by other council

members went to Lee K. Smithson, a newcomer to elective office here, who ran third in Tuesday's balloting. The treasurer's chief duty is signing town checks.

Elected judge of Southern Pines Recorder's Court, unopposed, was W. Harry Fullenwider, the incumbent. Howard C. Broughton, the court's prosecuting attorney, was also reelected,

OFFICIAL RESULTS IN TOWN ELECTION

(In order of votes received)

FOR TOWN COUNCIL ELECTED

N. L. Hodgkins, Jr.	752
Felton J. Capel	616
Lee K. Smithson	530
George H. Leonard, Jr.	515
L. D. McDonald	469

ALSO RAN

H. W. Chaffield, Jr.	442
C. A. McLaughlin	425
Charles J. Mumford	237
Robert W. Howard	174
John Dibb	141

FOR JUDGE

W. H. Fullenwider	702
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(Unopposed)

FOR PROSECUTING ATTY

Howard C. Broughton	662
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(Unopposed)

GILL TO SPEAK AT SATURDAY CEREMONY

Library Improvements Will Be Dedicated

A ceremony of dedication of the new additions to the Southern Pines Library building will be held this coming Saturday, May 8, at the Library. The time set is 3 p.m.

The public is invited to join in the occasion, and special invitations have been sent out by the board of trustees to a list of guests from among State library personnel and those locally associated with the history, past and present, of the town library.

In charge of proceedings will be W. Lamont Brown, town attorney and chairman of the Library Board. The program will be climaxed by an address by the Hon. Edwin Gill, of Laurinburg, Treasurer of North Carolina.

A feature of the occasion will be the dedication of the Alfred Yeomans Garden. This patio garden, opening off the new gallery, is the creation of the Southern Pines Garden Club and is being presented by the club in memory

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Looking from Garden Gallery into New Alfred Yeomans Garden at the Library

(Humphrey photo)

Commissioners Want Power To 'Dissolve' School Systems Of Southern Pines And Pinehurst

At their meeting in Carthage, Monday, the county commissioners voted to ask Moore County legislators in the General Assembly "to design a bill to empower the county commissioners to dissolve the Special Administrative School Units of Pinehurst and/or Southern Pines, at their discretion by resolution."

The action, on which the four members of the board at the meeting voted unanimously, was

the biggest gun yet fired in the months-old effort to decide what to do, and how to do it, about high school consolidation in the lower part of Moore County.

It brought immediate, strong opposition from officials of the Southern Pines and Pinehurst separate school units. (Story in adjoining column).

The action was taken on motion of Commissioner W. S. Taylor, seconded by Commissioner

W. Lynn Martin. Present and voting were Board Chairman John M. Currie and Commissioner C. Wiley Purvis. James M. Pleasants, the fifth member of the board, was and remains, a patient at Moore Memorial Hospital.

The commissioners voted after Southern Pines and Pinehurst school officials, who had been conferring with them, had left the meeting. Representatives of the press, under the impression that the meeting was being adjourned, had left the meeting also at that time, which was nearly 9 p.m.

An extract from the minutes, covering the action taken, was telephoned and also sent to the press later, at direction of Chairman Currie.

Because the press was not present, there is no report of what discussion preceded the drastic action taken by the commissioners, nor of what their reasoning was in making the move.

Possibly influential on their thinking was the offer of Pinehurst, Inc., made in a letter to Chairman Currie and discussed by the board earlier in the day, (Continued on Page 8)

SHOCK, SURPRISE EXPRESSED

Local, Pinehurst School Boards React Strongly To Commissioners' Proposal

Quick and strong reaction by Southern Pines and Pinehurst school officials followed the county commissioners' Monday decision to ask for legislation enabling them to "dissolve" the special Southern Pines and Pinehurst Administrative school units.

The following statement was issued by the Pinehurst School Board, of which J. W. (Bunch) Sheffield of the Eastwood community is chairman:

"The Pinehurst School Board strongly opposes any type of legislation to dissolve the special administrative units of the Pine-

hurst and/or Southern Pines Schools.

"The Pinehurst School Board unanimously decided to oppose such action by every method and means at its disposal."

To this, Mr. Sheffield added, "The Pinehurst School Board and the entire community were sur-

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Coach Trentini To Leave For Post In Football League

Tony Trentini, head football coach and athletic director at East Southern Pines High School, announced this week that he has resigned, effective at the end of the school year, to accept a position with a newly formed professional football organization.

He said he would become line coach and director of player personnel, but that announcement of the location and name of the team which is in a new league, would have to come from the organization itself later.

Southern Pines Schools Supt. J. W. Jenkins said that the resignation of Mr. Trentini has been accepted with regret. "He has done an outstanding job during this past school year in Southern Pines," Mr. Jenkins said.

Mr. Trentini came here last year after having coached at Wake Forest High School and Wake Forest College. He has served as boys' guidance counselor in the high school, in addition to his athletic program duties.

"I regret very much leaving

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Collections Of Blood Scheduled

Two of the regular blood collections that make possible free blood of all types in both hospitals in Moore County will be held next week—in Pinehurst on Monday and in Aberdeen on Tuesday.

John Dibb of Southern Pines, acting county chairman for the Red Cross blood program, said that a bloodmobile from the Charlotte collection center will be at the high school gym in Pinehurst from 12 noon to 5:30 p.m., Monday; and at the First Baptist Church, Aberdeen, from 10 am to 3:30 pm on Tuesday.

Dr. D. D. Gadd is program chairman in Pinehurst and Sonny Guion is head of the Aberdeen committee.

There is a pressing need for blood, Mr. Dibb said, and persons knowing their blood is one of the

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Students To Give 'Babes In Toyland'

To be presented in Weaver Auditorium, Friday and Saturday, May 14 and 15, as this year's East Southern Pines High School operetta will be "Babes in Toyland" with music by Victor Herbert.

The production, in which all Junior High students will take part in some capacity, is under direction of Mrs. Billigene Garner, featuring the Junior High Chorus and band. There will be a small admission charge.

TOOK HIS PISTOL

Arrested Man Eludes Officer

Barney Comer, 23, of Vass, Route 2, arrested Wednesday night at Vass on a felony charge, later escaped with the pistol of the arresting officer and was still being sought Thursday at noon.

He had taken the pistol at gunpoint earlier Wednesday night, after tricking the officer into letting him visit his home.

The manhunt, which ensued, after Night Policeman James R. Grissom of Vass slogged several miles on foot to get help, centered mostly in the Fort Bragg-Fayetteville area, then moved to Sanford early Thursday morning.

Comer reportedly ran from the back door of a Sanford home, still carrying Grissom's official pistol, as Sanford police came in at the front about dawn.

Arrested for the alleged rape of his 14-year-old sister-in-law, Comer repeatedly told Grissom during a wild midnight ride in the Lobelia section and Cumberland County that he was going away, and would kill himself. Comer is described as small—about 140 to 145 pounds and five feet, six inches in height.

IT'S OPEN

That's the big news. Actually, it has never been closed. But, during the winter months, few customers came and there were no fresh garden things to eat or flowers to look at and pretty-up your house.

Now, on Saturday mornings, beginning at 7:30 down in that almost-underground hideaway on North West Broad Street, just beyond the Sunrise Theatre, the big tables around the walls are piled high with garden produce. Prices, and moderate ones, are chalked up on the blackboard and there are many willing hands to help you and welcome smiles from old friends of the Home Demonstration Clubs of Moore County.

Yes indeed and don't forget: **THE CURB MARKET IS OPEN.**

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
April 29	65	44
April 30	77	44
May 1	87	49
May 2	89	50
May 3	90	52
May 4	91	53
May 5	90	59