

The Braves

have won the Southern Pines Little League baseball season championship. Photo of winners, page 19.

THE PILOT

Peaches are ripening in Sandhills Orchards and a Peach Festival will be held at Biscoe July 13, See Page 20.

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Sandhill Furniture Co. Of West End Sold To Big Stanley Firm, Virginia

An announcement this week from Thomas B. Stanley, Jr., president of the Stanley Furniture Co. at Stanleytown, Va., confirmed what West End residents had been hearing for some time—the sale of the Sandhill Furniture Co. by members of the VonCanon family to the Virginia concern.

The Sandhill Co., nationally known manufacturer of bedroom and dining-room furniture, and known as "the world's largest manufacturer of beds," has for many years been the economic center of West End's existence. It employs about 300 people and has 180,000 square feet of floor space.

Public Invited To Camp Easter Open House On Sunday

All interested persons in Moore County are invited to an Open House at Camp Easter in the Pines, just north of Southern Pines, Sunday, July 11, from 2 to 4 pm. Mrs. Mark Liddell, coordinator of the camp, said this week.

Some 2,000 invitations to the event have been sent out over the state, she said, and several hundred persons are expected to come to view the facilities of the camp for handicapped persons that is owned by the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

Refreshments will be served in the big new lodge at the camp. The more than 30 children at the camp for the second of three 10-day sessions will continue their activities during the afternoon.

Hosts for the occasion are the officers and directors of the Moore County chapter of the Society, with their husbands and wives, of which Mark Liddell is president. Two of the members of the county board also hold membership on the state board, W. P. Davis and Mrs. Graham Culbreth.

Comprising the host group will be: Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Davis, Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Peck, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Samuels, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Mark Liddell, Dr. Vida McLeod, Mrs. Graham Culbreth and Samuel C. Harrison.

MRS. F. G. LOGUE

Florida Accident Fatal For Local Resident, Sunday

Mrs. Elizabeth Mulligan Logue of Inverness Road died Sunday morning of injuries received when the Volkswagen station wagon in which she, her husband, Frank G. Logue, and four children, were driving from Southern Pines to St. Petersburg, Fla., left the road and overturned in Starke, Fla.

Seriously injured in the early Sunday morning accident was the couple's daughter, Joann, 11, who was treated at Starke and then taken by ambulance to a Baltimore, Md., hospital.

The Logues have been residents of Southern Pines for close to two years. They moved here from Baltimore when Mr. Logue went to work as an executive with Proctor-Silex. They are members of St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

Mrs. Logue was active in St. Anthony's Women's Club, the Parent-Teacher Association and the Girl Scouts.

Survivors are her husband, four sons, Mark, 17, Jack, 14, Jim, eight, and Bryan, three; two daughters, Mary Beth, 20, and Joann, 11, and two brothers.

Funeral services and burial took place today in Baltimore.

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.
July 1	83	67
July 2	83	60
July 3	87	64
July 4	91	64
July 5	89	69
July 6	86	65
July 7	88	65



WATERMELON TIME—Lt. Gov. Robert W. Scott of Haw River (center) and his daughter, Susan, 8, sample the watermelon at Saturday's patriotic rally here, when Scott gave the main address. At left is Dr. Raymond A. Stone of Southern Pines, president of Sandhills Community College, who was master of ceremonies for the event at the Southern Pines Country Club - Elks Lodge picnic area. Mrs. Scott accompanied her husband to Southern Pines but Susan was the only one of their five children with them. The others are Mary and Meg, nine-year-old twins; Kerr Scott II, named for his grandfather, the late governor and senator, and Janet, two years old. (Humphrey photo)

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Many Youngsters Here For Junior Tennis Tourney

The N. C. State Junior Closed tournament, largest tennis meet ever held in the Sandhills, opened here Tuesday and is well underway, plagued by rain which disrupted early schedules and again held up play this (Thursday) morning, as a result of Wednesday night's downpour.

One division, the boys' singles 12-and-under, had played its quarterfinals, with semifinals set for Friday and finals Saturday. All other finals are expected to be played Sunday, said Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., tournament chairman. Both Southern Pines and Pinehurst courts will probably be used for the final events.

The 12-and-under and 14-and-under boys' singles opened the tournament Tuesday, with the boys' 16-and-unders and 18-and-unders, and girls' singles in all four divisions, getting under way Wednesday. Doubles in all eight divisions were booked to start Thursday.

With entries limited to three events per player, 340 entries from 157 individual players—117 boys and 40 girls from all parts

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AT PATRIOTIC GATHERING HERE

Lt. Gov. Scott Says Pioneer Spirit Still Lives In Actions Taken Today

An old-fashioned patriotic Independence Day rally, complete with speeches and watermelon for everybody, was held here Saturday afternoon, featuring a visit by Lt. Gov. Robert W. Scott.

Sponsoring the event was the Pinedene Democratic Precinct Committee of which Woodrow McDonald is chairman. Other precinct officials, county office holders and visitors joined local people at the Southern Pines Country Club-Elks Lodge picnic area for the festivities.

Presiding, Dr. Raymond A. Stone, president of Sandhills Community College, set the tone of the rally when he read sections from the Declaration of Independence and the late President John F. Kennedy's inaugural address.

Introduced by State Sen. Voit Gilmore of Southern Pines as a young man who is "already a great North Carolinian and one who is close to Moore County," Lt. Gov. Scott said, "There is no other land like America. We must defend its principles and promote its welfare."

He praised the U. S. Congress and N. C. General Assembly,

calling these bodies "democracy at its best," and said that the pioneering spirit of our forefathers is still with us, but exemplified in different ways.

Carrying forward this spirit, he said, were such actions of the recent General Assembly as authorizing 600 hospital beds for retarded children, funds for school science labs and classrooms, free elementary textbooks and hot lunches for all pupils, reduction of class size in the 1st through 3rd grades, 100 additional highway patrolmen and other items of legislation.

One of the nation's great challenges, he said, is to see that traditional freedoms and institutions—such as the two-party system and freedom of elections and the press—are defended. "We want our children and grandchildren to be able to hold their heads high, proud to be North Carolinians and Americans," he concluded.

The lieutenant governor was accompanied by his wife and eight-year-old daughter, Susan, one of the Scotts' five children. Highlights of the program were presentations of locally produced gifts to the visitors—a Proctor-Silex iron to Mr. Scott and an orchid to his wife. (See accompanying photo).

Introduced and speaking briefly was Clyde Auman of West End, Moore County representative in the General Assembly. Pinedene Precinct Committee members comprised the arrangements committee. All present and introduced they are, in addition to chairman McDonald, Mrs. Stanley Austin, Mrs. Henry Graves, John A. McPhaul, and (Continued on Page 8)

NEED IS GREAT

Connolly Named Co-Chairman Of Blood Program

Thomas J. Connolly of Pinehurst has been named county co-chairman of the Red Cross blood program, John Dobb of Southern Pines, county chairman, announced this week.

Also, he said, Joseph Sime, manager of the Pinehurst Motor Lodge, between Southern Pines and Aberdeen, has been appointed Southern Pines chairman.

Dobb said he is making about four talks per week to civic clubs, in the coming two weeks, asking support of the blood program, prior to collections set at Carthage July 22 and at Southern Pines July 23.

He said there is danger of losing the program unless blood donations increase. For the year ending June 30, he noted, Moore County donations were short 369 pints of the amount used by this county's hospital patients, with 1,528 pints used and 1,159 collected.

The local chairmen or either of the two county chairmen may be called for further information.

School Calendar For '65-'66 Again Listed

The calendar of important dates of the 1965-'66 school year for the Southern Pines schools—including the dates of Christmas and Spring vacations—appears again on page 17.

As printed last week, the calendar contained a typographical error in the days named for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Pilot has received some queries about the listed dates of the Christmas holiday ("Close Dec. 21—Re-open Dec. 29"). Supt. J. W. Jenkins confirmed this week these dates are correct.

PLAYOFFS PLANNED

Committees are working on plans for the Little League baseball area playoffs to be held here July 21-23, sponsored by the Merchants Council. Full details will be announced next week.

2 Bound Over On Murder Charge

Statements of two teen-agers concerning two robberies committed June 28 near Pinehurst, and an attack with a hammer on an elderly woman which resulted in her death two days later, were presented under oath by Moore Chief Deputy H. H. Grimm at their preliminary hearing in Moore Recorder's Court at Carthage, Saturday.

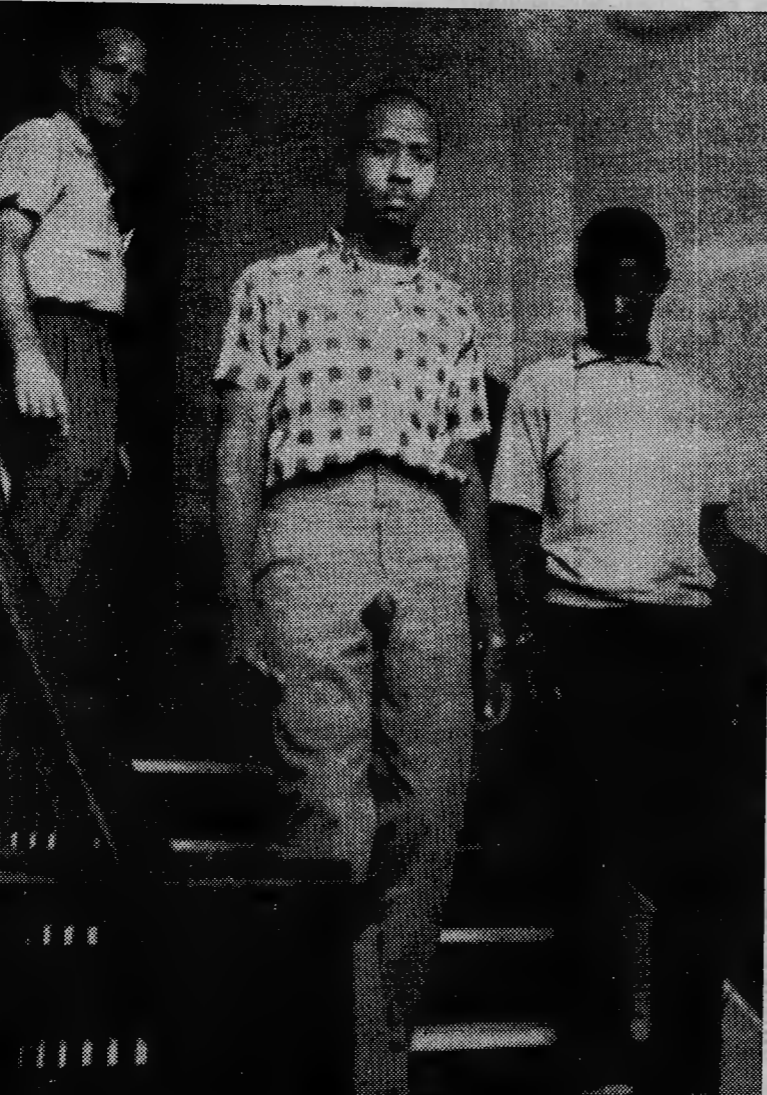
John Thomas Ferguson, 18, and Alexander, alias Peeewe, Ross, 17, both of the Jackson Hamlet community between Pinehurst and Aberdeen, pleaded not guilty to charges of armed robbery of the Lexie Smith store and service station on Linden Road, larceny of about \$500 in cash and checks and the murder of Mrs. Smith.

Judge J. Vance Rowe found probable cause on all charges and they were ordered held for grand jury action at the August term of Moore County Superior Court without privilege of bond.

Through defense counsel, W. D. Sabiston of Carthage, they pleaded guilty to charges of breaking and entering the J. A. McKenzie residence, also on Linden Road, and larceny of a small bank containing an estimated \$10 in change. For this, they each received two years on the roads. They were to begin serving these terms immediately and will be brought back to Carthage for their trial in August, if indicted then by the grand jury, as expected.

The defendants listened with apparent impassivity as Deputy Grimm, the only witness called, related the story of the investigation which began with the finding of Mrs. Smith unconscious in a pool of blood, her skull beaten in, in the general store she and her husband had

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BACK TO JAIL—John Thomas Ferguson, 18, (left) and Alexander (Peeewe) Ross, 17, handcuffed together, descend the courthouse stairs on their way back to jail, after their preliminary hearing on murder, armed robbery and larceny charges in Carthage, Saturday. In the rear is Hardy Barber, acting as assistant to Jailer Ed Cockman. (V. Nicholson photo)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

County-wide Vote On School System Merger, Tax Set

The Moore County commissioners, in regular meeting at Carthage Tuesday (after Monday's holiday) set Saturday, October 16, for the countywide school vote authorized by the recent General Assembly.

The vote will be on two issues, the merger of the three school administrative units operating in the county into one, and a school tax supplement with ceiling of 30 cents per \$100 valuation.

The vote, if passed, would merge the city units of Southern Pines and Pinehurst with that of the Moore County system, to be administered in three "areas" by a reorganized and expanded seven-member board.

State Senator Voit Gilmore, meeting briefly with the commissioners, went over the bill, section by section, as finally revised and enacted into law. Also meeting with them on their invitation were Jere McKeithen, chairman of the county board of education, Joe Lennon, chairman of the combined Aberdeen-West End school committee; Kimes Blake, chairman of the West End school committee, and T. J. Baldwin, of the West End committee.

John Currie, commissioners' chairman, presiding, said chairmen of the Southern Pines and Pinehurst boards had been asked to attend but were out of town and had sent no one in their

places. Concern was expressed over misapprehensions which appeared to be continuing in the lower part of the county that the city units' tax supplements would be "spread out over the rest of the county" and that "the county doesn't have enough funds to build the Area III school and just wants to get the city units in to spend their school bond money."

Emphasis was placed on that section of the bill which states that "tax supplement funds derived from any area will be expended only within that area." Such funds, as now, would be transmitted directly to the separate school committees by the county auditor, to be expended by them as budgeted by them, and without passing through the hands of the county board. They will be used for enrichment and expansion of the state-paid programs.

McKeithen noted that "we have \$847,000 in county school bonds left for the Area III school, with \$613,000 worth of state school bonds available as of July 1, and the expectation of capital outlay funds from the county in the next two years' budgets. We could start building the Area III high school tomorrow if we had to," subject only, he said, to delays (Continued on Page 8)

BUT OPERATING BUDGET RAISED

\$20,000 Marked For County Library Not Enough To Assure Federal Grant

The county commissioners meeting at Carthage Tuesday, expressed willingness to up the Moore County library's operating budget nearly \$4,000 to help in getting a \$6,000 regional grant, but said they didn't believe they could find the money for the county's full share in financing a new building, at this time.

W. S. Evans of Robbins, library board chairman, told the commissioners it had been found the \$20,000 budgeted toward the construction would not be enough to secure the necessary federal funds.

In signing a "Letter of Intent" one month ago, the commissioners had hoped they could take

up to three years to budget their 69 per cent share (\$75,077), thus securing \$45,122 in federal funds to build a \$116,000 library. This particular federal program, Evans said, will terminate this year.

Chairman John M. Currie expressed the commissioners' regrets as they apparently closed the door on the construction at this time, though they said they would "keep looking" for funds, and give a definite answer later.

"We know you can't just throw up four walls and a roof and call it a library," Currie said. "It has to be built to a special design for the purpose, and for the use and respect of all the citizens."

If they can't do better at this time, the expectation was they would place the \$20,000 on reserve for later use, or perhaps go ahead and buy the lot. The library board has an option on a site in downtown Carthage, priced at \$10,000.

On request of the board, the commissioners in their new budget, tentatively adopted, had upped the library's operating budget from \$11,000 in former years to \$16,438. This was to aid in qualifying for a \$6,000 regional grant, dependant on a 50 cents per capita expenditure. With Montgomery County budgeting 55 cents per capita, Richmond

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Contract Awarded On Work At Post Office

George E. Jensen, Contractor, Inc., of Mobile, Ala., has been awarded the contract on proposed repairs and improvements at the local post office, J. Elvin Jackson, chairman of the Moore County Democratic Executive Committee, announced this week.

Amount of the successful bid, \$61,665, was less than government estimates on the project. W. Morris Johnson, local postmaster, said today he has not been notified when work would begin.

PARADE, CONTESTS, DANCE HELD

Lang Speaks, 'Miss Aberdeen' Chosen As Large Crowds Attend Program

Celeste Green, brown-haired Aberdeen High School senior, was crowned "Miss Aberdeen Fourth of July" by "Miss North Carolina," Penny Clark of Sanford, as climax to an all-day Independence Day celebration Monday at Aberdeen.

Two of Celeste's schoolmates, Gail Gschwind and Lea Caviness, were first and second runners-up, respectively, in the beauty contest, held at the school auditorium instead of an outdoor pavilion because of threats of rain. The auditorium was filled to capacity, with many standing.

The rain held up for the scheduled fireworks on the town park and a street dance, fittingly winding up the community's first annual "old-fashioned Fourth" which had featured a morning parade, a speech by a

distinguished Moore County native son, "sky divers," hamburgers and hot dogs, and feats and contests of all sorts, including swimming races, at the park and lake.

Thousands of Sandhills residents turned out for the day, which started as a perfect Fourth with clear hot sunny weather, though dark clouds and a few showers came along later.

The morning's guest speaker, John A. Lang, Jr., Carthage native who is now administrative assistant to the Secretary of the Air Force, with office in the Pentagon, told an attentive crowd that "we are applying in Viet Nam the lessons learned in and after World War II. We learned then that the burdens of national defense are never so heavy as the chains of slavery, and that if we

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