

**A veteran**  
editor and writer finds living  
in the Sandhills pleasant. Story,  
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**Changes**  
are taking place in several na-  
tions now, says an experienced  
observer. Page 3, Section 3.

## Graduation Events Set At Six County Schools

A total of 364 boys and girls will, if all goes well, receive their diplomas in graduation exercises at six Moore County high schools during the coming week.

These include, in the two consolidated high schools, 106 at Union Pines and 95 at North Moore; also, Aberdeen, 48; Berkeley, 20; Pinckney, 59, and West End, 36.

For North Moore, it is the first commencement of the

school. For Pinckney, it will be the last, as the school is being consolidated with others next fall.

Other commencement events—Awards Day, Class Night and others according to school tradition—are being held at various times at the separate schools, and friends of the schools are advised to check local schedules in order to attend. The public is invited to all the commencement events, the principals have announced.

### SPEAKERS ANNOUNCED

## West Side Finals Opening With Awards Program Thursday Night

Commencement events at West Southern Pines High School have been announced by Principal H. L. Wilson, starting with the annual awards program to take place in the school gym, at 8 pm.

The baccalaureate sermon will be preached Sunday, May 29, at 4 pm in Weaver Auditorium at East Southern Pines School, by the Rev. E. S. Hardge, Jr., pastor of Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church of West Southern Pines.

Speaker at the graduation ceremonies will be Dr. William S. Howell, professor of Sociology at North Carolina College, Durham, also in Weaver Auditorium, at 8 pm, Thursday, June 2.

A photo of the graduating class and other details will appear in next week's Pilot.

The Rev. Mr. Hardge was educated in the public schools of Jersey City, N. J., New York University, New Jersey State Teachers' College, the University of Connecticut and North Carolina College at Durham.

He is a veteran of World War II. (Continued on Page 6)

**School Chorus To Present Concert**

The East Southern Pines Junior High School Chorus, with 82 members, will present its annual spring concert on Thursday, May 26 at 8 pm, in Weaver Auditorium, under the direction of Mrs. Billigene A. Garner.

The program is composed of folk songs from various countries, including a North Carolina mountain song and a Dixieland band. Other features of the program will include guitarists and soloists. The public is invited.

**Highfalls Post Office Is Saved**

The postmaster general in Washington has reached a decision to retain the present independent status of the Highfalls post office, J. Elvin Jackson, Moore County Democratic chairman, said this week.

It means that the office will continue to offer the same services that it has in the past and not be eliminated under a consolidation move, he said. The Post Office Department had proposed to do away with the Highfalls Office in January, 1965. However, the people of Highfalls and other interested people in Moore County became aroused and through an effort on their part and the part of Senators Ervin and Jordan, the favorable decision was reached.

Jackson said the news came to him Friday by telegram from the two senators.

**DRIVER TRAINING TO START 1 DAY LATER**

The first summer driver training course for East Southern Pines High School students will begin Tuesday, June 7, next Monday, June 6, as previously announced.

The change was noted this week by David Page, school faculty member who is one of the instructors.

**AT MEETING SPONSORED BY Y.D.C.**

**Primary Candidates Speak Minds**

Three candidates out of five running for the two State Senate seats in the 19th district, plus several, opposed and unopposed, for county office spoke their minds Saturday night at a "Meet the Candidates" event in the courthouse at Carthage, sponsored by the Moore County Young Democrats Club.

Through reappointment, the Senate race includes three incumbents, at least one of them destined to defeat. Speakers here included two incumbents, Senators Jennings and Jeff Gilmore of Moore, also Voit Gilmore of Montgomery, unable to attend were incumbents Senator Joe Sink of Davidson and John Covington

of Richmond.

Senator King, inviting questions as to his stand on any matter, and noting that he would answer "in words of one syllable so you will know what I mean," placed himself squarely on record against a vote for open bars "as I don't believe the people of North Carolina are ready for them."

He said he would, however, vote to have the present whiskey laws "clarified."

A specific question was asked of him by Chief Deputy Sheriff H. H. Grimm: "If the Sandhills area wanted a bill to legalize the sale of whiskey in private clubs, how would you stand?" and King answered, "I would vote only on the statewide issue—I would not

vote for such a bill." Grimm later explained his question, "This matter has plagued the sheriff's department for years and I thought it would be well to sound it out."

King noted also he would vote for a tax on tobacco as a luxury tax rather than for an additional food tax and gave other specific stands and his vote on past issues, explaining, "I am running on my record."

He said he voted against the food tax in 1961 "as I didn't think it was necessary and events proved I was right," but voted for it in the form of a sales tax in 1963 as "we couldn't exist from the land tax." He said he has also supported the

Eligible to try out are boys 13 and 14 years old. A boy must not have reached his 15th birthday by August 1.

The local team will play in a six-team county league, with the regular season starting June 7. Games will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**Try-Outs Slated For Pony League**

Try-outs for Pony League baseball players will be held at 9 am Saturday at Memorial Field, announces Bill Scott, town summer recreation director who will also coach the Pony League team.

**Three Partners Added To Firm Of Architects**

Hayes-Howell & Associates, Southern Pines architectural firm, announced this week the forming of a new partnership. Members of the firm now are: Thomas T. Hayes, Jr., and W. Calvin Howell, the former partners, and Edison J. Willis, Jr., Richard T. Mitchell and Richard B. Schneid, the three new partners who have been associates for several years.

By this new partnership, the firm notes, it will be able to provide a more extensive architectural service to the entire state.

The firm of Hayes-Howell and Associates was formed by the partnership of Mr. Hayes and Mr. Howell in 1960, and has become one of the leading architectural firms in the State. It has been honored on numerous occasions by the State and District chapters of the American Institutes of Architects and most recently, by the appointment of Mr. Hayes as a "Fellow of the American Institute of Architects."

Mr. Willis, a native of Lumberton, is a 1956 graduate of the School of Design, North Carolina State University, and (Continued on Page 6)



**END OF ROAD**—Presentation of this handsome silver service climaxed the Elks golf tournament. Left to right—Bill Gantt, tournament manager. Three-time winner Larry Dempsey of Greensboro; Tom Connolly, exalted ruler of the sponsoring Elks Lodge 1692; Harold Cuff, tournament director (along with Pete Mitchell); and Bob Strouse, tournament chairman. Final verdict of sponsors and players this year was: "It was a great event!" (Humphrey photo)

## SOUTHERN PINES LODGE TEAM WINS Dempsey Takes 3rd Elks Title

Sponsoring Southern Pines Elks Lodge 1692 officials are thinking of renaming their National Elks Amateur the "Larry Dempsey Invitational." Everytime they invite the big pharmaceutical salesman golfer from Greensboro, he wins. His latest, last week, made it an unprecedented third in succession. On rounds of 74-71-77-222, nine over par, he was three shots ahead of A. E. Fletcher of Roanoke, Va. Play was over Southern Pines CC and Mid Pines Club layouts, for 54 holes.

The fifth annual national event drew 344 players from 17 states—a record for the tourney—and, with trophies going to the first five finishers in 21 flights, plus seven pieces of silver for team and lodge events, one third of the field lugged home trophies. Dempsey was three shots off the 71 pace set by Bill Woodward of Robbins, opening day.

Appraising his wife by telephone that night, Dempsey received a pep talk. Learning first-prize was a silver tea service, Mrs. Dempsey put out the word: "We don't have one, so win!"

He scored 71 the second day over the tight Mid Pines layout and, with Woodward soaring to 80, Dempsey found himself in a tie for the lead with hometown favorite John (Tip) Eddy at 145.

Eddy's opening 72 at Southern Pines included the first ace of his career on the 175-yard 14th hole. He used a seven iron. But Tip did 44-37-81 in the finale, while Dempsey plugged away for a 77 and victory.

The Southern Pines lodge won team honors with Eddy, 226, Woodward, 227; Ed (Continued on Page 6)

**GOES TO ROADS 4 MONTHS, TOO**

**Young Man Apprehended In Bold Robbery Cases Will Face Trial**

A young man who admitted to a busy day of bold daylight housebreakings and robberies in Sandhills resort towns told Judge J. Vance Rowe, Monday, in Moore Recorder's Court, at Carthage.

"I'm sorry, Your Honor, it was a stupid thing to do," George Phillips Roberts, Jr., 24, of Columbia, S. C., had been arrested when he drove up to his motel room in Southern Pines Monday of last week, with the trunk of his car loaded with loot.

He admitted the miscellany of household and personal articles had come from homes in Southern Pines, Pinehurst and at the Country Club of North Carolina residential area, where he had jimmied open doors in the home owners' absence or simply walked (Continued on Page 6)

## County, Senate Races Mark Democratic Voting Saturday

Moore County Democrats will vote in their biennial primary Saturday as members of a brand-new congressional district, a brand-new senatorial district and with their own county newly reappointed.

There are races in all of them, but with no gubernatorial contest, and local races generating little heat, the vote is expected to be light.

Two years ago, with Moore's own Cliff Blue running, the lieutenant governor race drew the county's top vote of 5,629, with 5,815 for governor. This year, observers say they will be surprised if more than 5,000 come out.

The regular polling places will be open in all 19 precincts from 6:30 am to 6:30 pm.

For sheriff, incumbent Wendell B. Kelly of Carthage, a law enforcement man all his life, is challenged by Paul Hunsucker, a salesman and newcomer to politics.

**Commissioner Races**  
Commissioner races will take place in two districts. In district 2, formerly composed of Bensalem and Sheffield townships, now Bensalem and Mineral Springs, one-term incumbent W. Lynn Martin of Eagle Springs is opposed by J. Frank McCaskill of Pinehurst.

In District 4 J. M. Pleasants of Southern Pines, commissioner since 1948, has two challengers, one of them the first woman to offer for such a post in Moore. She is Mrs. Arthealia M. Hollister, wife of Dr. W. F. Hollister, of Midland Road.

The other is Dr. Russell J. Tate, veterinarian who has served two terms on the Vass town board.

District 4 was composed of McNeill and Greenwood townships when Pleasants was first elected to office and later of McNeill and Little River, after Little River left Hoke county to join Moore. Reappointment this spring put Little River in District 1, leaving McNeill, Moore's most populous township, in a district to itself.

While voting for commissioners is countywide, the candidate highest in his district is the winner.

**State Senate**  
In the 19th senatorial district, each of the five counties has its own man out and Voit Gilmore of Southern Pines is Moore's. This is perhaps the hottest of the races to be voted on Saturday, as the candidates include three incumbents, at least one of whom must bow.

Political reporters have, at various times, (Continued on Page 6)

**County Board Meets Twice On Budget Matters**

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**SHRINERS PLAN BENEFIT SUPPER**

Members of the Moore County Shrine Club have set Friday, June 17 as date for a fish fry supper they plan to stage at Memorial Field, to benefit the nationally operated Shrine program for aid to crippled children and burn victims at special hospitals maintained by the fraternal group.

This will be the club's first big effort to raise funds for this famed cause and members are asking everybody to mark the date and plan to attend. They promised a fine flounder dinner. Further details will be announced.

The nearest Shrine Hospital, serving this area, is in South Carolina.

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**Closings For Monday Set**

The Moore County courthouse will be closed Monday, along with federal offices, post offices and banks, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

In Southern Pines, the town offices will close except for police and other essential services.

ABC stores in Southern Pines and Pinehurst will be closed.

The Pilot office will be open as usual, Monday.

Mrs. Billie Hill, proprietor of Hill's Barber Shop here has asked The Pilot to announce that the shop will be closed Monday, but will remain open Wednesday, June 1, when it would normally be closed.

Other local barber shops will remain open Monday.

The State Highway Patrol warns of increased traffic dangers on congested highways during the Monday holiday and notes that 16 persons were killed on North Carolina highways May 30 of last year—compared to nine road deaths in 1964.

The organizations plan the ceremonial decoration of veterans' graves, with cooperation of all units.

Boy Scout troops will furnish a Guard of Honor for the graves and Girl Scouts will decorate each grave with poppies where a flag has been placed in honor of a veteran.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars will again place the Avenue of Flags, as instituted (Continued on Page 6)

**Memorial Rites To Be Held At Cemetery Here**

The American Legion and Auxiliary, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary, the National Guard and other veterans will unite for a vesper memorial service Sunday, May 29, at 5 pm at Mt. Hope Cemetery. All veterans of service in the armed forces are urged to take part. The public is invited.

**Mrs. Bell's Golf Book Published**

"A Woman's Way to Better Golf," by Peggy Kirk Bell, nationally known woman's golf professional who has made her home in Southern Pines for many years, is being published this week by E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc., of New York City.

Mrs. Bell and her husband, Warren Bell, own and operate Pine Needles Lodges and Country Club here. They and their three children live near the club.

Written in collaboration with Jerry Claussen and with a foreword by Patty Berg, the book explains all aspects of golf and golfing skills, with special appeal to women in its style and approach to the subject. There are many photographic illustrations.

A party to celebrate publication of the book will be held at the Country Bookshop here, Friday, June 3, from 3 to 5 pm, with Mrs. Bell present to autograph copies and meet the public. All friends and interested persons, golfers and non-golfers, are invited.

**Year's Weather In Area Studied**

A study of year-around weather in the Sandhills, based on records extending back to more than half a century and other sources has been published by the Government.

Authors of the study are Charles B. Carney and Albert V. Hardy, of the U. S. Weather Bureau Station at the Raleigh-Durham Airport.

A detailed description of the study, with reprinting of large portions of it, appears on Page 2, Section 2 of today's Pilot.

**THE WEATHER**

Maximum and minimum temperatures for each day of the past week were recorded as follows at the US Weather Bureau observation station, at WEBB, on Midland Road.

	Max.	Min.
May 18	81	60
May 19	87	67
May 20	86	62
May 21	86	65
May 22	82	63
May 23	76	58
May 24	70	58

**Sandhills College Gets Fund For Scholarships**

Sandhills Community College has received a gift of \$5,000 to be used for student scholarships, according to Dr. Raymond A. Stone, president. Donor of the fund is the J. P. Stevens Foundation of New York City. The presentation was made to Dr. Stone by George E. Paules, vice president, manufacturing Gulistan Carpet Division of J. P. Stevens & Co., Inc., Aberdeen.

In presenting the check to the college, following a luncheon at the Country Club of North Carolina on Friday, Mr. Paules said the scholarship fund was "in keeping with Stevens's desire to help deserving boys and girls who otherwise would not be able to go to college to continue their education, and at the same time promote the educational facilities in areas where Stevens plants are located."

Sandhills College, which opened its doors to students last fall, is the second to benefit from the Stevens scholarship program, Mr. Paules explained. For some years, the firm has given financial aid to worthy students of Georgia (Continued on Page 6)

**PRESENTATION**—George E. Paules, center, representing the J. P. Stevens Foundation, hands a scholarship fund check to Dr. Raymond A. Stone, left, president of Sandhills Community College. At right is H. Clifton Blue, chairman of the college board of trustees.

**BY STEVENS FOUNDATION**

**15 AND YOUNGER Plans Told For Tennis League; Players Invited**

Teams from Sanford, Fayetteville and Southern Pines will form the Sandhills Division of the newly organized East Carolina Boys Tennis League, with the first match to be played against Fayetteville here Wednesday afternoon, June 8, according to Dick Kobleur, president of the Sandhills Tennis Association.

Other matches will follow on successive Wednesdays at 2 pm for six weeks, as follows: June 15, Sanford at Fayetteville; 22, Southern Pines at Sanford; 29, Southern Pines at Fayetteville; July 6, Fayetteville at Sanford, and 13, Sanford at Southern Pines.

A central Division comprising the Raleigh area, and Coastal Division comprising the Rocky Mount area, will be playing at the same time, with winners to meet the winning Sandhills team in a playoff later in the summer. A trophy for the League winner has been donated by John Allen Farfour of Goldsboro, long-time leader in the sponsoring East Carolina Tennis Association.

ECTA has long sponsored summer matches among adult teams, and the new Boys League—which incidentally, is open also to girls who play on the boys' level—will be operated along the same lines. Players must be no older than 16 by next December 31.

In most of the participating (Continued on Page 6)