

The state's gun control code could be improved, says the Southern Pines police chief. See interview, Page 1, Section 2.

## AT HIGHWAY SAFETY CONFERENCE

### Short License Losses, Jail Terms Suggested

Mandatory short jail sentences and suspensions of driver's licenses for short terms, establishment of a "civilian" highway patrol to report violations to law enforcement officers and untangling the confusion of advertising signs and highway markings were among the suggestions for cutting the rising highway accident volume in North Carolina last Thursday.

The suggestions were made by court and law enforcement officers of three counties at a district meeting on highway safety held at Whispering Pines Restaurant. It was similar to sessions scheduled for each of the state's 40 State Highway Patrol districts in efforts to find workable ideas to make the state's highways safe.

### Moore Sailor Awarded Medal For Heroism

A career Navy man from Moore County has been awarded the Silver Star, for gallantry in action in Vietnam.

He is Petty Officer Thomas B. Rogers, 36, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Rogers of Carthage, Route 2.

The medal, the nation's third highest decoration for heroism in the face of the enemy, was presented in ceremonies at the Navy base at Norfolk, Va., recently.

Rogers received the medal for "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action" engaged in river assault operations against the enemy.

He served as boat captain of an armored troop carried in support of the US Second Brigade, Ninth Infantry Division.

He conducted transport operations of Army troops into the Cam Son Secret Zone during which he was cited for "perseverance, devotion to duty and courage under intense enemy fire."

Rogers is a graduate of Carthage High School and entered the service in June 1951.

### Mrs. Smith Ends Over 40 Years' Work With Pilot

Bessie Cameron Smith of Vass, who had served The Pilot for more than 40 years, retired last week from active work with the newspaper.

Only the late Dan S. Ray, mechanical superintendent and business manager, had similarly been associated with every administration of The Pilot since its founding at Vass in November, 1920.

Mrs. Smith had worked with its founder, the late Stacy Brewer; Nelson C. Hyde, editor and publisher during the 1930's and still a local resident; James Boyd who owned the paper from 1940 until his death in 1944; and Katharine L. Boyd, who followed her husband at The Pilot's helm.

When Mr. Brewer's local correspondent left Vass in the early 1920's, Mrs. Smith began recording the happenings of the community — a work which she continued with one brief interruption until a few years ago. After a short interval, she became Mr. Hyde's Vass representative and, later, courthouse reporter, writing (Continued on Page 2)

### Weatherspoon Named Advertising Manager

Charles Weatherspoon of Southern Pines, who has worked for several months as a member of The Pilot's advertising department, has been appointed advertising manager, Mrs. James Boyd, editor and publisher, announced today.

Mrs. Boyd also said that Miss Julia McMillan, an English major at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, is assisting in The Pilot's news and business departments until August 1. The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. M. McMillan, she will return to the University in September, to complete requirements for graduation in January.

### NOT SAME MAN

The Wayne Morris listed in last Wednesday's Pilot report of the Southern Pines Recorder's Court record for May 29 is not the Charles Wayne Morris who lives in Niagara. The record listed the defendant's address erroneously as Niagara. Police Chief Earl S. Seawell said the defendant's correct address is Carthage.

The district meetings were set up on the proposal of Col. Charles A. Speed, State Highway Patrol commander, and Ralph Howland, state motor vehicles commissioner.

Police chiefs, a sheriff and recorder's court judges and solicitors of Moore, Lee and Chatham counties, which compose this area's patrol district participated in the discussions. In charge was Sgt. J. S. Jones, based at Siler City, officer commanding the district's patrol forces. Participating also was Capt. W. S. McKinney, the patrol's Troop D, commander, whose headquarters is in Greensboro. Troop D's jurisdiction is composed of 13 central Piedmont counties, including Moore, Lee and Chatham, ranging from the Virginia border to the South Carolina border.

Among those from Moore County participating were Southern Pines Police Chief Earl S. Seawell, Southern Pines Recorder's Court Judge (Continued on Page 8)

### Richard Tufts In N. C. Sports Hall Of Fame

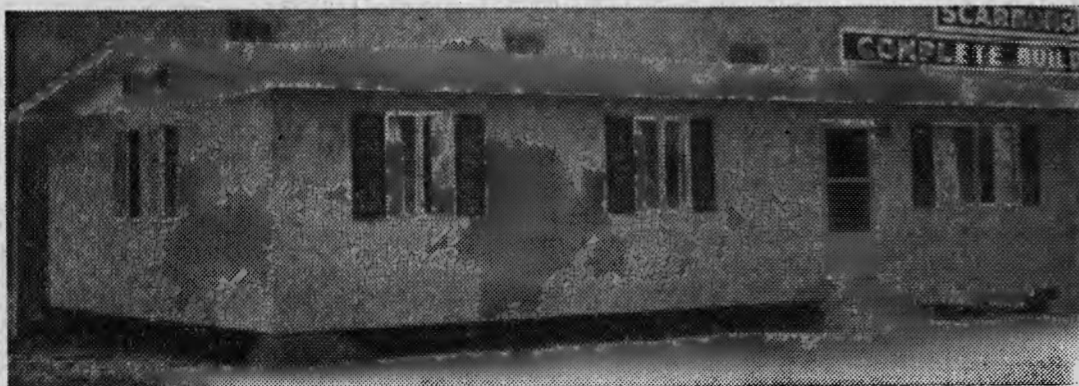
Richard S. Tufts of Pinehurst, a former president of the United States Golf Association, has been elected to the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame.

Three other leading figures in North Carolina sports have been elected with him—Douglas Clyde (Peahead) Walker of Charlotte, former head football coach at Wake Forest College, Elon College and Atlantic Christian College and of the Montreal pro football team; James Hoyt Wilhelm of Hunt-

### BLOODMOBILE CHANGE SET

The Red Cross bloodmobile visit scheduled for the First Baptist Church in Aberdeen on Thursday of this week has been changed to the Gulistan Carpet plant at Aberdeen, the Moore County Red Cross office states.

The hours will be the same: 9 am to 2:30 pm. The bloodmobile was also at the Gulistan plant today (Wednesday). The Thursday visit is open to any person who wants to donate blood.



ON DISPLAY — Now on display until June 20 at Lumberton is this prototype model of a factory-built, three-bedroom home with over 1,000 square feet of livable area. The house is pictured against a larger building in the background, three windows of which appear along the peak of the roof. Requiring no conventional foundation, it rests on 15 heavy-gauge metal posts and footings. The apparent foundations at the front corners of the house are partial mock-ups of concrete blocks (right) and bricks (left) to show how an enclosure of the space under the house can be built of these materials after the building is in place. More details are in the accompanying story.

### 2 SANDHILLS MEN ACTIVE IN NEW PROJECT

### Low-Cost, Factory-Built House Shown

A project in which two Sandhills residents have an active part — production of factory-built houses that are said to sell for some \$3,000 less than conventionally produced counterparts was revealed Friday when one of the homes was opened for public inspection at Lumberton.



MISS SOUTHERN PINES — Miss Southern Pines — Patricia Ray — is shown downtown Monday morning with chaperone, escort and well-wishers just before entering a car for Charlotte where she is trying for the crown of Miss North Carolina this week. With Miss Ray, from left to right, are John Womack, a Southern Pines Jaycee vice president who was chairman of the Miss Southern Pines Pageant; Miss Ray's chaperone, Mrs. Annette Faul-

ner; Jaycee vice president Durward Grady; Jaycee President George Little, who escorted Miss Ray and her chaperone to Charlotte; Mrs. Mary Fitchett, a Jaycette; Mrs. Sandra McCrimmon, who came by to wish Miss Ray success; and John Corbett, Jaycees treasurer. Mrs. Faulkner is staying with Miss Ray in Charlotte through the week of the pageant. Little returned to Southern Pines Monday. (Pilot photo)

### SO IS MISS ABERDEEN, JUDY BAILEY

### Pat Ray Vying For Miss N.C. Title

(Related story is in the Women's Activities section of today's Pilot)

Patricia Anne (Pat) Ray — Miss Southern Pines — left for Charlotte Monday morning to start the intensive round of activities which may bring her the title of Miss North Carolina. The pageant is being held in Owens Auditorium. The winner will be crowned late Saturday night. About an hour before, Judy Bailey — Miss Aberdeen — left for the same place with the same goal in mind.

The two girls and the other contestants for the crown are competing in the first events of the Miss North Carolina Pageant tonight (Wednesday) — some in swim suits, some in (Continued on Page 2)



MISS ABERDEEN — Miss Aberdeen — Judy Bailey — is shown here just before she left Monday morning with chaperone and escorts for Charlotte, where she is competing for the crown of Miss North Carolina this week. Left to right, Wayne Blake of the Aberdeen Jaycees, Miss Bailey, Mrs. Carol McKenzie, her chaperone, and John McKenzie, Mrs. McKenzie's husband and an Aberdeen Jaycee. McKenzie and Blake returned to Aberdeen Monday. (Pilot photo)

### Golf-A-Rama Is Proving Popular; To End Saturday

The extent of participation in the first days of the Arrow Father's Day Golf-A-Rama points to a total of more than 200 golfers who will have played in the weeklong tournament, before it closes Saturday.

It is being held on the course of the Foxfire Golf and Country Club under sponsorship of Patch's Tug Shop, in cooperation with The Arrow Co. There is no entry fee, but there is a \$5 greens fee. The Pilot erred last week in stating there is no greens fee either.

Sixty golfers played last Saturday, the opening day, and 35 the next day, reported Dick Kobler of Patch's, who was a major planner of the tournament.

Miss Arrow, Miss Wanda Minge, is due to arrive in (Continued on Page 2)

### ABERDEEN PLANT WORKERS BENEFIT

### Stevens Announces Wage Increase

J. P. Stevens & Co., Inc., the nation's second largest textile firm, has announced a general wage increase for all hourly paid employees, to be effective the week of July 14.

The increase will average 6 per cent, a spokesman said. More than 40,000 employees will benefit from this wage increase.

Stevens' headquarters for the Gulistan Carpet Division is located in Aberdeen, along with carpet manufacturing operations, the Division Service Center and a Research and Engineering Center. Other

Gulistan plants are located in Albany and Statesboro, Ga., and in Taylors, S. C.

This will be the sixth general wage increase granted by Stevens in less than five years, the company said. This pay increase is given in recognition (Continued on Page 2)

### Lee Moves Here In CP&L Post

H. Glenn Lee, Carolina Power & Light Co. district manager, has moved his office from Rockingham to Southern Pines and occupies the quarters on N. E. Broad St. formerly used by A. R. Tucker who is now Central Division personnel representative operating from the CP&L division offices. Lee is serving as both district and local manager.

A veteran of over 40 years with CP&L, Lee was Sanford manager, a post which then included supervision of the Southern Pines office, from 1948 to 1962 when he went to Rockingham as manager of the "Southern Pines District" which extends as far as Maxton and Wadesboro.

He and his wife are living at the Mayfair Apartments.

### New Methodist Pastor Assigned

The Rev. Herman S. Winberry, who has been assigned as pastor of the Southern Pines United Methodist Church, will be moving here from Manteo on Thursday with his wife and two children.

He is replacing the Rev. A. L. Thompson who is retiring. The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson are moving to a home they have bought at 1040 N. Leak St.

Details about the new and retiring pastors will be reported next week. (Continued on Page 2)

## \$696,687 Town Budget Is Adopted; Tax Rate \$1.40

The Southern Pines Town Council last Friday night adopted a municipal budget of \$696,687 for the next fiscal year and a tax rate of \$1.40 per \$100 property evaluation — a 10-cent increase from the present.

It was the first tax increase in about 15 years and was

needed to help meet the increased and increasing costs of municipal operations, Town Manager F. F. Rainey told a reporter in reply to a question. In the same period the costs of equipment, materials and labor have risen substantially.

He estimated the 10-cent in-

crease would add approximately \$15,000 per year to town income, based on a property evaluation of up to \$16 million.

The budget adopted for fiscal 1968-69 is \$49,293.50 greater than the 1967-68.

Rainey said approximately 80 per cent of the increase is for pay raises for the town's fulltime employees. He said the minimum wage for manual laborers was raised to \$1.60 per hour, from \$1.25. The new minimum matches the federal minimum which became effective last winter.

The pay raises generally amounted to 5 to 6 per cent, but, Rainey said, the raise for each employee was based on the individual's merit and length of service.

Pay raises averaging about 10 per cent for most town employees were granted by the council last year in the 1967-68 budget.

The pay increases also automatically increased the amount the town provides toward the Social Security and retirement funds for employees.

Of the new tax rate, \$1.34 is tabbed for the town government's operating expenses and the remainder for payment on the principal and interest of the town debt.

Councilman C. A. McLaughlin was unable to attend Friday night's meeting, which substituted for the regular meeting for June normally scheduled for yesterday (the second Tuesday of the month). Rainey said that the vote to adopt the higher tax rate, however, was unanimous when it was taken at a special budget-making session which Councilman McLaughlin attended.

The street department received the biggest budget increase compared with last year's figure: \$130,794 for the new fiscal year; the total for 1967-68 was \$114,615.

Cuts were given the budgets for town publicity and the Southern Pines recorder's court. The budget for town publicity for 1968-69 is \$8,150, compared with \$10,107 for the (Continued on Page 2)

### Federal Grant Approved For Water Projects

Southern Pines will get \$163,500 in federal funds to help finance the planned improvements to its water-distribution system.

The town government recently was notified the application for the U. S. Housing and Urban Development Administration grant had been approved.

This will be added to the \$275,000 in bond-issue money authorized by a heavy majority in last winter's referendum. Also authorized by majority vote in the same referendum was the issuing of \$25,000 to buy a new fire-fighting truck. The water-system improvements were sought with fire protection primarily in mind.

Engineers of L. E. Wooten and Son of Raleigh are drawing up specifications for the improvements.

Planned for construction, among other projects, are: an elevated 500,000-gallon water storage tank; installation of a total of 13,350 feet of 12-inch and eight-inch water lines and cleaning the 12-inch main from the water plant to Ben-

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### Moore Co. Golf Qualifying Play Opens June 17

The 1968 edition of the annual Moore County Golf Tournament will open June 17 when two weeks of qualifying play starts.

The site this year is the course of Foxfire Golf and Country Club, six miles west of Pinehurst.

Match play will start July 1, with the first round running through July 7. The second round is scheduled for July 8-14, and the finals July 15-21.

Prizes of silver will be awarded winners in each flight.

An entrant may play his 18 hole qualifying medal round any day June 17 through June 30. After all the scores are in, pairings will be made for the match play.

The entry fee is \$5 but covers play through the tournament.

The tournament is open to any amateur member of the Moore County Golf Association or any amateur member of a country club in Moore County. The tournament is sponsored annually by the Moore County Golf Association. The tournament chairman is Harry Davis of Southern Pines.

The 1967 tournament attracted 178 entries.

### COACH WILLIAMS, JAMES MOORE DIRECTING

### Town Recreation Program Starts; Includes Several New Activities

Weight-lifting, night basketball league contests for cagers of both sexes and all ages, and some other sports have been added to the town's recreation program for this summer.

Part of the summer program got under way Tuesday with games in the Southern Pines Church Slow Pitch Softball League at Memorial Field.

The east side program is being directed by John Williams, athletic director and head football and track coach for East Southern Pines School.

A parallel program for the west side is also getting under way, with James Moore, assistant to Joe Wynn last year, as director. Wynn was injured

### KENNEDY DEATH MOURNED HERE

The death of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy of New York, last Thursday morning, from wounds inflicted by an assassin in Los Angeles, Calif., early the previous (Wednesday) morning, was mourned in this area, as throughout the nation.

Prayers and other special recognition of the national day of mourning asked by President Lyndon Johnson were conducted in churches of this area and many persons followed the impressive television presentation of the senator's funeral services in New York City on Saturday, followed by a funeral train trip to Washington and the burial in Arlington National Cemetery that evening.

### DRAWN UP HERE

### Petition Urges Stronger Laws On Gun Control

A petition urging "new and stronger legislation designed to control the sale and possession of firearms" has been drawn up here and signatures are being sought in this area.

The petition will be sent to U. S. Senators Sam Ervin and B. Everett Jordan and to Fourth District Congressman James Gardner. Interest in such legislation increased here, as elsewhere, following the assassination of Sen. Robert F. (Continued on Page 2)

### Government Says County's Schools Must Be Fully Integrated By 1969

A team from the US Department of Health, Education and Welfare, visiting Moore county last week, told the school administrators that both high and elementary schools of Area III must be "totally integrated" by September, 1969.

They will send a written report later, said Supt. Robert E. Lee. Plans already under study — postponed pending construction of Pinecrest High School — will be completed during the coming school year, based on their report.

The three-man team split up to follow separate routes in visiting every school in Area III, including Pinecrest, which will be completed this September and is scheduled to open in September, 1969; Pinehurst, Academy Heights, East Southern Pines, West Southern Pines, Aberdeen, Berkeley and West End High Schools, all of which are to be consolidated in Pinecrest; and the Pinehurst, Academy Heights, West End,

Eagle Springs, Vineland, Berkeley, East Southern Pines and West Southern Pines elementary schools.

Of these, the Academy Heights, Berkeley and West Southern Pines high and elementary schools, and the Vineland school, are still being operated as all-Negro schools, while the others remain predominantly white with a scattering of "freedom of choice" Negro students.

All traces of a dual school system must be eliminated, the (Continued on Page 2)

### Breakdown Of Machine Affects Pilot Today

The breakdown on Monday of The Pilot's electronic machine that makes plastic photo-engravings has greatly affected the quality of today's paper.

Some engravings had been held from last week, but numerous other pictures had to be omitted and some engravings used today are of poor quality due to malfunctions in a Bennettsville, S. C., machine (the nearest available substitute) to which a Pilot staff member took a necessary minimum of photos to be engraved, Monday night.

The defective part of The Pilot's machine has been ordered and should be in operation by early next week.

### THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.
June 5	84	56
June 6	81	54
June 7	89	63
June 8	78	66
June 9	75	64
June 10	88	63
June 11	84	70