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## Markets Open Tuesday With Good Quality, Top Prices Expected

Tobacco markets in Aberdeen and Carthage will open September 2 at 9 a.m. for four-hour sales, with prices expected to be up considerably from last year.

A complete set of buyers representing all major companies will be at each of the Moore markets.

An "extra good quality" crop of tobacco is expected to reach the market, according to Farm Demonstration Agent Fleet Allen. Rains have helped the tobacco ripen fast.

Allen said one lot of tobacco in this area has sold for \$81 per hundred pounds on another belt. Prices on the whole this year have averaged two cents a pound over last year's sales.

Earlier markets had stayed open for five hours, but found that they bought more tobacco than they could handle, Allen said. This was the season for cutting the time to four hours a day.

Bill Carter of the Farmer's Warehouse in Carthage said

### Labor Day

Labor Day on Monday will find all town, county, state and federal offices closed, with most business places also closed for the end of the summer holiday.

The Sandhills Chamber of Commerce also said that manufacturing plants in the area will be shut down for the day.

Labor Day is an official holiday for the post office, banks and other institutions. Most retail stores in the county will be closed.

he expects the sales season to last about six weeks.

He said this year's tobacco crop should average \$73 to \$74 per hundred pounds, as compared with a \$64 to \$65 average last year. He said that he was on the Georgia markets recently and reported that a warehouseman of 54 years said he had never seen tobacco sell as good as (Continued on Page 3)

## Contract Issued In Revaluation Of All Property

The Moore County commissioners opened bids Thursday afternoon on a countywide revaluation of property, and awarded the contract to the second low bidder for \$107,000.

Associated Surveys Co. of Greensboro got the job, which will begin next month and must be completed by November 1, 1970. This will mean a brand-new beginning on all real property valuations effective January 1, 1971.

The contract cost is \$19,500 higher than the lowest of the five bids received, \$87,500 submitted by National Valuation Services Co. of Charlotte.

This company's representative told the board the low bid was based on the use of record cards from the last revaluation, made in 1961-62 (effective January 1, 1963).

The building sketches would be blanked out, he said, insuring a visit to each tax unit, while permitting basic land (Continued on Page 3)



Wrecked Truck Lodged in Tobacco Barn

(Pilot Photo)

## Board Cuts Constable, New Building Planned

The county commissioners, in special meeting Thursday discharged a constable from the county payroll, set September 25 for the opening of bids on their \$300,000 Community Services Building project, and discussed the hiring of a county planner to seek more federal grants, among other duties.

They terminated the pay of Constable L. F. Wood of Cameron, effective September 15, on the ground that they are unable to provide proper supervision of his office, transferring his salary of \$275 per month, plus \$75 travel expense,

to the budget of the sheriff's department.

Wood and Constable Oscar Bailey of West End have been continued as special officers of the county under a 1969 special act, sought by the commissioners after new court reform laws abolished practically all constable powers, including the collection of fees.

Complaining at the time that they "didn't want to be in the law enforcement business," they nevertheless acted under pressure from the two constables' respective communities, and after Sheriff W. B. Kelly (Continued on page 6)

## Boy, 6, Killed, Driver Injured In Truck Wreck

Six-year-old John Ed McDougal of Cameron, Rt. 2, was struck and instantly killed at 12:45 p.m. Thursday when he ran into the path of a van-type truck one-and-one-half miles east of Cameron on N.C. 27. Driver of the truck was Bobby Allen Benson, 28, of Newton, N.C.

Moore County Coroner W. K. Carpenter ruled the death of the boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. McDougal, as accidental.

Benson, travelling west toward Cameron, swerved to the right shoulder in an attempt to avoid hitting the (Continued on Page 6)

## Zoning Order Issued on Motel

By MARJORIE RAGAN

"A request for variance" from county zoning by Leaverne Maness, owner of a motel already in operation on Midland Road, has been denied by the County Zoning Board of Adjustments.

A letter informing Maness of the decision by the board was mailed him during the week, according to Ed Willis of Southern Pines, chairman of the board.

Willis said Bob Page of Aberdeen, member of the board, abstained from voting in the matter because his law firm is representing Maness.

Other members of the board are Mrs. W. B. Davis of Southern Pines, Dr. James Currie of Southern Pines, and Jim Atkins of Carthage Road.

Willis said Maness could appeal the board's decision to Superior Court if he wished to do so.

The Motel is located in an area zoned residential and agricultural by the Moore County Planning Board which is headed by Leonard Tufts of Pinehurst.

It was the first area zoned by the Board, formed in 1966 with Tufts at the head by the County Commissioners. It includes the Sandhills Community College Area and the airport in the area east of Highway 15. Exempted was the area of Pinedale, already a subdivision. Other parts of the area must have at least 40,000 square feet to the lot.

Further sub-division regulations are the next project of the zoning board, Tufts said this week. Such matters as width of streets need to be regulated for the proper orderly growth of the county.

### To Mark Cars

The Southern Pines Police Department will begin marking tires on all cars parked in the business district on Tuesday morning, Sept. 2. Police Chief Earl Seawell said today. During the summer months downtown parking laws are not as rigidly enforced.

His board will meet in September with members of the North Carolina Community Planning Division to draw up further plans for county zoning. These plans will be submitted to the County Commissioners for action.

The Board is already cooperating in a water supply feasibility study for the county. Tufts believes that a (Continued on Page 6)

## Southern National Will Open New Branch Office on Tuesday

Southern National Bank of Southern Pines will open its new branch office on Highway 1 South at the Town and Country Shopping Center next Tuesday, Sept. 2.

E. Earl Hubbard, city executive officer, said that Gerald F. Jackson will be manager of the branch operation. Jackson is now Hubbard's assistant at the main offices at 200 S. W. Broad Street.

Hubbard said that formal opening ceremonies will be held in mid-October. The (Continued on Page 6)

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## Schools Expect 10,000 For Opening on Tuesday In All of Moore County

### Union Pines Expands Study Center Program

More than 800 students are expected to enroll Tuesday at Union Pines High School, where an Independent Study Center has been set up with programmed materials for just about any subject a student wishes.

The Center received a grant of \$8,000 last year from the federal government. Students can proceed in it at their own speed. In-depth study is possible.

Begun on a small scale three years ago, the Center is

under the direction of Mrs. Peggy Cronham.

A new resource teacher, Harold Sadler, will work with students having learning problems at the Center. Sadler will also counsel these students, help them find jobs, and correlate Center materials with those in the school library.

A child care course will be offered as a senior girl elective, according to Union Pines Principal William Wal-

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All Moore County schools will open on Tuesday, Sept. 2, with an enrollment of 10,000 expected.

Tuesday will be Pupil Orientation Day, with only a half day schedule. Pupils will get acquainted with their new teachers and classrooms, get their textbooks and first lesson assignments.

Cafeterias will not be open for the first day, but will be open for the first full day of school on Wednesday.

Lunch prices will be 35 cents for all elementary students and 40 cents for high school students. Students will be fed by vending machines at Pinecrest High School.

Superintendent of Schools Robert E. Lee said that the opening on Sept. 2 follows a policy adopted by the Moore County Board of Education to open schools each year on Sept. 1. However, if the first falls on a weekend or a holiday, as it does this year, the next day is the official opening. (Continued on Page 2)

### Language Learning Lab Is New at North Moore

A learning lab is part of a new and more comprehensive program in the language arts that will be ready in North Moore High School when it opens September 2.

Principal C. E. Hackney says he hopes accelerated students as well as those with reading problems will take part in the new facility.

An expected enrollment of 650 students will be about 50 (Continued on Page 3)

more than attended the Area II school last year. North Moore serves students in the Robbins, West Moore, and Highfalls areas.

A new assistant principal will assume her duties this year. She is Mrs. Iris Burns, a member of the school faculty, who will spend part of each teaching day in her new position.

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### Press Conference

Representatives from newspapers, radio and television stations from throughout the State are expected for a special press conference at Pinecrest High School Thursday.

Dr. Jerome Melton, assistant State superintendent of public instruction, will open the conference at 10 a.m., and members of the school's administrative team will speak briefly and answer questions about the new and unique school.

This will be followed by a tour of the three-building complex, a luncheon at the school, and a presentation by the athletic department on the school's athletic program, beginning at 1 p.m.

Cy Lynn, director of information, said the press conference was scheduled because of the high interest expressed in Pinecrest by the press around the State.

## Blue Named to Board On Higher Education

H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen, former Speaker of the House in the General Assembly, has been appointed to the State Board of Higher Education by Governor Scott.

Blue and other appointees were sworn into office in Raleigh last Friday.

Others appointed by the Governor to the reorganized and enlarged board were (Continued on Page 3)

John L. (Jack) Stickley of Charlotte, an unsuccessful candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor in 1968, Addison Hewlett of Wilmington, also a former Speaker of the House, and John A. Pritchett of Windsor, who is now serving on the board.

Blue, who was named to a (Continued on Page 3)

## Buses Ready for School Children

By GEORGE HEARN

Moore County's 112 public school buses, dormant for the vacation months, will roll out of storage September 2 to transport most of the county's 10,000 school children to their respective schools.

New this year will be a dual bus system which will carry high school students in (Continued on Page 4)

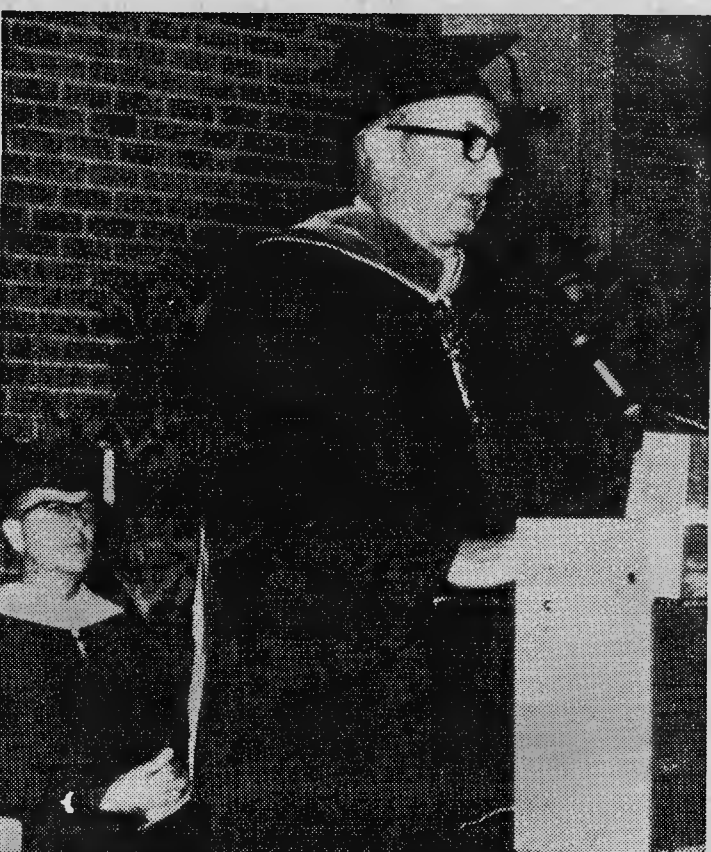
Area III (Pinecrest) separately from those in the elementary and middle schools.

The express high school buses will have student drivers while adult drivers will operate the routes going to the lower grade schools.

Gene Riddle, Associate Superintendent in charge of transportation, said the dual system will enable the ele-

mentary schools to operate independently of the high schools.

"Heretofore," he said, "the elementary school day was directly dependent on the high school day because we only had student drivers. With the adult drivers, a time factor is saved and this allows the younger children (Continued on Page 4)



COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER — Rep. Earl Ruth is shown making the commencement address at Sandhills Community College. Seated is Dr. James J. Altendorf, dean of instruction. (Photo by Emerson Humphrey).

## Ruth Gives Success Formula In Sandhills Finals Address

Congressman Earl B. Ruth, speaking at the formal commencement ceremony at Sandhills Community College Friday evening, told members of the graduating class the precepts for success in careers and for the fulfillment of their own life.

Scheduling time to make the

most of every minute, maintaining a sense of humor, establishing a bank account to save earnings and having a home church for inspiration and solace were important, the Congressman said. Also he said "have one true friend with whom to share joy and grief, have a hobby which provides pleasure and relaxation" and advised them to now establish a "trade mark" of character, to be honest, polite, punctual, pleasant and always "love your fellow man." Tolerance, understanding and hard work are essential to success as an individual.

Dr. Ruth, for 30 years an educator in North Carolina and assigned to the Committee on Education and Labor in Congress, was introduced by Dr. Raymond A. Stone, president of Sandhills, at the ceremony which opened with invocation by the Rev. Joe R. Babb of (Continued on Page 6)

### 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.
August 20	89	76
August 21	83	73
August 22	74	54
August 23	84	54
August 24	85	55
August 25	88	57
August 26	91	59

No measurable rainfall was recorded from August 20-26.

## THE PILOT LIGHT

### TEACHERS

The North Carolina Education Association has investigated Stanly County schools following complaints by member teachers and found:

1—The county is not using its full resources available for education.

2—Education has been a low county priority.

3—Teacher morale is low due to these conditions.

It's a finding that probably could be duplicated in a majority of North Carolina counties, and is so vague as to mean almost nothing.

At any rate, the NCEA decided that the teachers ought to solve their own problems on the local level. Later the State organization could order sanctions against Stanly County schools. Such sanctions mean that teachers elsewhere would be warned not to accept employment in the county because "undesirable conditions exist." (Continued on Page 3)

### PHILLIPS

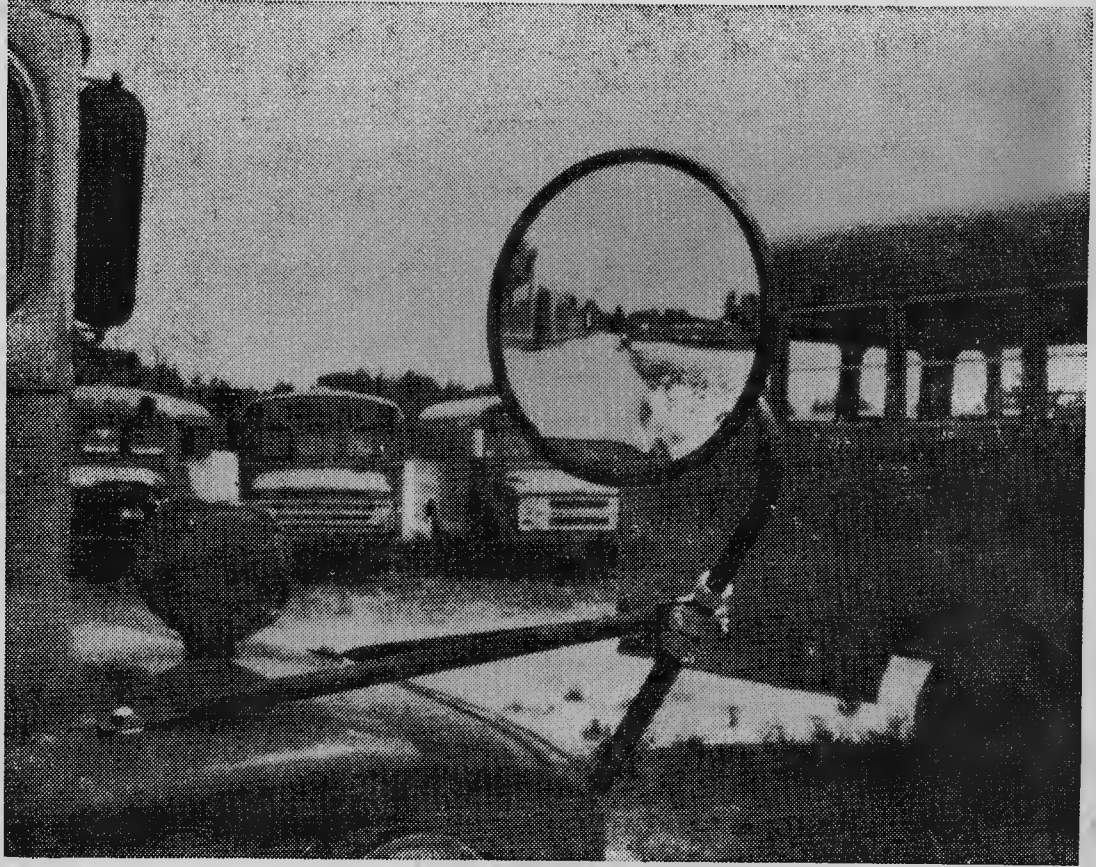
Dr. Craig Phillips, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, will be a special guest on the Sam Ragan Reports television program over Channel 11, WTVT, next Sunday, Aug. 31.

Among other things, he talks about the innovations and new school techniques being introduced at Pinecrest High School, and how the school will be watched by the rest of the State in the coming year.

BLUE—Aberdeen Publisher Cliff Blue, once an opponent but later a staunch ally of Bob Scott, got the appointment he wanted from the Governor — membership on the State Board of Higher Education.

Blue had been offered at least one other high State position, but turned it down.

He and Scott were opposing candidates for lieutenant governor in 1964, but in the 1968 campaign for governor (Continued on Page 3)



View of Moore County's Fleet of School Buses

(Pilot Photo)