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## Cigarette, Drink Tax May Cost You Nickel Instead of 1-2 Cents

The State's one-cent tax on soft drinks and two-cent tax on cigarettes went into effect today, but if you buy these items from a vending machine they will in all likelihood cost you five cents more in this area.

At regular grocery and drug stores in the Sandhills, however, the charges for a pack of cigarettes and a bottle of soft drink will be no more than the tax imposed by the North

Carolina General Assembly. Lynwood Moon of Aberdeen, who operates the Mid-South Vending Company as well as the Aberdeen Coca-Cola Bottling Co., said Tuesday, "Everyone I have talked to is advancing prices by five cents."

He did say that he thought stores with the open-type coolers will charge no more than the legal one-cent tax on drinks.

The Pilot checked grocery stores in the area and all of those checked said that cigarettes would be advanced only two cents per pack and 20 cents per carton.

Changes were made in vending machines, however, to advance cigarette prices from 25 cents to 30 cents, or in cases where they were already 30 cents to 35 cents. Soft drink machines were changed from 10 cents to 15 cents. Some places, however, had been charging 15 cents per bottle, and Moon said he understood they would go up another nickel.

As for Coca-Colas, Moon said, "Our plant will pay the tax on our products, and it will be reflected in the wholesale price. Retailers will set the price at which they will sell to consumers." (Continued on Page 6)

## Campaign Opens By United Fund For \$81,329.45

The United Fund campaign for Moore County, with a goal of \$81,329.45, got under way today.

Allen Jolly of Southern Pines, campaign chairman, said that he was confident the United Fund of Moore County, Inc. would realize its goal this month.

Unit chairmen already have been active in their areas, organizing volunteers and instructing them in the various duties for which they will be responsible.

These chairmen will have volunteers working under them, throughout the county, so that every citizen who wishes to donate will be contacted through one of the divisions. The chairmen are: Voit Gilmore of Southern Pines and Thomas Shepherd (Continued on Page 6)

## Moore in Plea For U. S. Funds In Impact Area

Moore County educators, and those in other counties near the Fort Bragg area were represented in Washington this week by Fayetteville school officials who made a plea for impacted area aid funds.

They will ask Congress to continue the funds in spite of President Nixon's proposal to reduce federal funds for the education of children of persons at military installations. Moore County has been receiving \$20,000 a year in such funds, which have been used for extra school supplies.

According to Edison Powers, Assistant Superintendent of Education, only about 5 percent of the pupils in Moore schools are the children of military personnel.

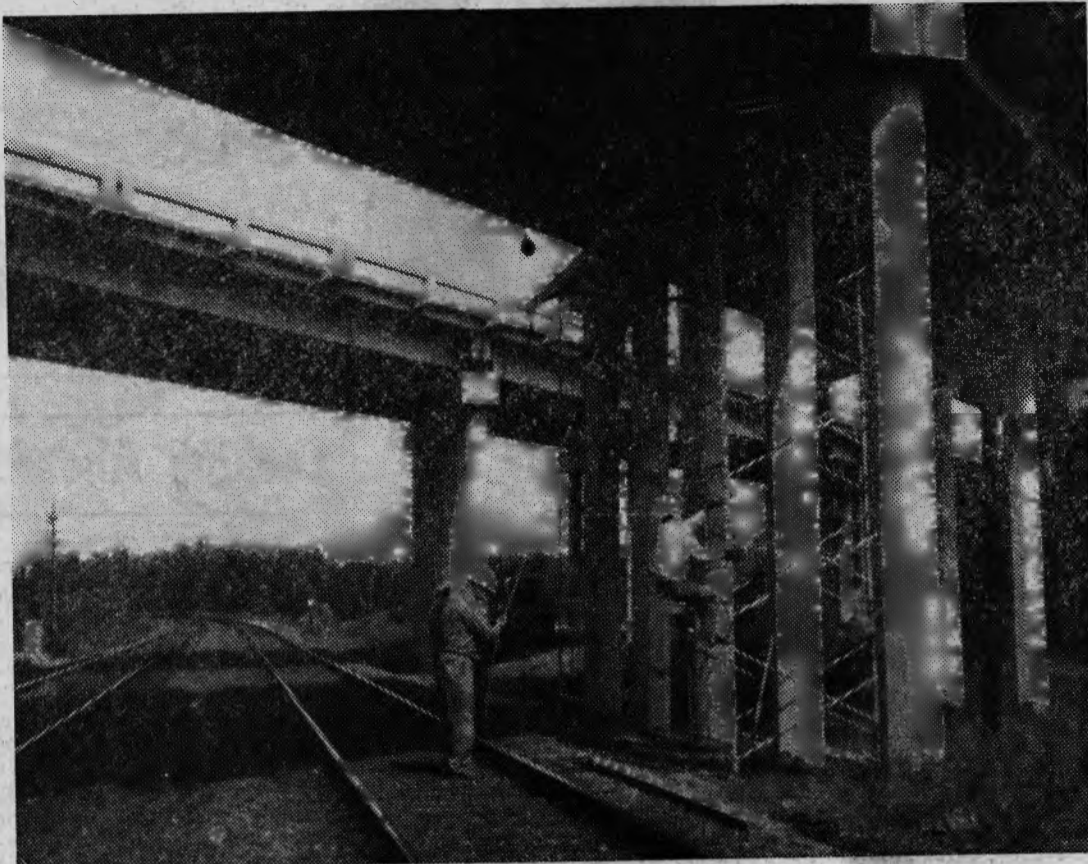
In Fayetteville, as many as half of those enrolled are Army children. Fayetteville expected \$581,000 in impacted (Continued on Page 6)

## Morris Elected Sandburr Club New President

Dr. Walter Morris, Southern Pines dentist, is the new president of the Sandburr Club, the booster club comprised of area citizens who are enthusiastic supporters of the athletic teams and sports events of Sandhills Community College.

The college fields teams in soccer, basketball, baseball, track, cross country, golf and tennis in inter-college competition.

The election of officers was held at the athletic banquet Thursday evening on the Sandhills campus which featured a talk by Francis Essic, former coach at Pfeiffer College. (Continued on Page 6)



**SALT DAMAGE REPAIRS** — State Highway Commission workers were painting beams on the U. S. No. 1 Bypass bridge at Niagara yesterday with silver colored epoxy—not to make it more beautiful, but to repair damage caused by salting the

highway during last winter's ice storm. The new technique has been found successful on the east coast, where there is constant exposure to salt water. It is the first time it has been used in this area. —(Pilot Photo).

## Tax Cut Promised by Moore Board If Local Sales Tax is Approved

If the one-cent additional local sales tax passes in Moore in the election to be held November 4, the county commissioners plan to roll back ad valorem taxes by at least 10 cents on the \$100 valuation, and possibly more.

They told several mayors and other representatives of local communities, meeting with them in special session Tuesday afternoon, they felt the sales tax would constitute a more equitable distribution of the tax burden, now resting entirely on property owners.

Since proceeds of such a tax in counties which adopt it would be distributed among the county and municipal governments, they

sought the support of the towns and others who would reap benefits in helping get the message across to the people.

Those attending gave assurances of their support but said there were problems of a complex issue to be set before the people who, despite a widespread "anti-tax" mood, they believed would reap positive benefits from an affirmative vote. (Continued on Page 6)

## Street Work Sought By Town From State

Extension of North East Broad Street, work on East Broad Street, curbing, and widening of a narrow block on West Pennsylvania are among the projects the city hopes to have the State Highway Commission complete in the near future.

Around \$87,000 in State funds earmarked for Southern Pines remains in a \$200,000 contribution from a bond issue, says City Manager

Rainey. He says the city has been hoping for this work for the past two years. He says the North East Broad Street road is a "real bottleneck."

New district Highway Commissioner Bill Joyce of Sanford discussed the needs of the area with city officials recently. He has said that he hopes to give the people of his district what they want, (Continued on Page 6)

## Queer Myths Abound When Crickets Sound

BY MARJORIE RAGAN

The voice of the cricket is being heard in the land. And this pleasant seasonal song is accompanied by many myths. Among them is the idea that he presages bad weather ahead.

It is supposed to be good luck to have a cricket on the hearth, and desperate folly to kill him.

However, it is wise to run him away; crickets can damage clothing and other household possessions.

According to the Encyclopedia Britannica, it is not a myth that temperature can be told by the cricket's song. "Cricket sounds," the encyclopedia says, "are affected by temperature; the North American snowy tree cricket, *Oecanthus niveus*, is popularly known as the "thermometer cricket," because a listener can determine the approximate temperature (Fahrenheit) by counting the chirps in 15 (Continued on Page 6)

## Ward System is Proposed For Town Council Voting When Annexation Made

Members of the Town Council of Southern Pines are giving consideration to a proposal to set up wards for the election of council members and the election of the mayor by popular vote.

Mayor E. Earl Hubbard said

this week that annexation plans by the town has raised the issue of more proportional representation on the council.

He said the Council would discuss at an early meeting the possibility of changing the town charter so that six mem-

bers would be elected from separate wards or districts, perhaps for staggered terms, and that the mayor be elected at large rather than by the Council as is now the case.

Hubbard also said that most of the public reaction he has received regarding the annexation of eight areas adjoining the town has been favorable.

An election on a proposed bond issue of approximately \$2 million will be called following final figures on costs of additional services and approval from the State Local Government Commission.

Felton Capel, who until his recent resignation from the Council because of appoint-

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## Two Killed in Moore In Separate Wrecks

Two one-car accidents, one occurring Sunday afternoon in Pinehurst, the other Monday night near Robbins, left two persons dead and three with injuries ranging from serious to critical. The cars, both smashing against trees, were totally demolished.

The wrecks pushed the 1969 fatality toll for Moore County up to 20, with 12 involving one vehicle only, which went out of control because of high speed or other causes.

Speed was reported the main factor in the wreck of a 1959 Thunderbird on Bellevue Road, less than a mile from the Robbins town limits, which at 9 p.m. Monday cost the life of its young owner and driver, Lee Roy Smith, Jr., 16, of Robbins, a sophomore at North Moore High School.

Seriously injured was his companion, James Garland Comer, 17, a senior at North Moore and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Garland Comer of Robbins.

State Trooper H. W. Malcolm said the accident occurred when the car, headed toward Robbins, went off on the right and struck three trees. Malcolm gave his opinion it was occasioned by high

speed and Coroner W. K. Carpenter ruled this to be the cause.

Mrs. Thelma Maynor, 35, of Raeford, Rt. 1, died Sunday of massive head injuries within minutes after arrival at Moore Memorial Hospital, after the wreck in Pinehurst of a car carrying three hospi-

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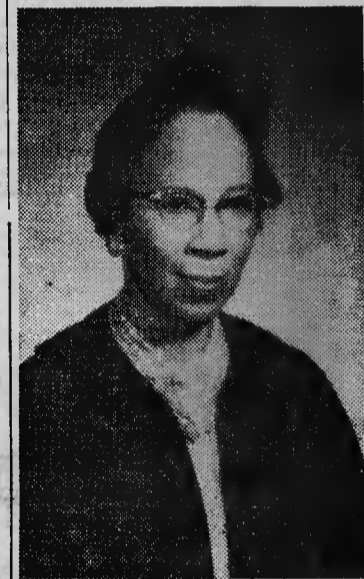
### DDD Sunday

Direct distance dialing will begin in Southern Pines on Sunday, October 5.

"Spin a dial and span the nation," says United Telephone Company of the Carolinas, Inc., which serves the area.

Other dates for direct dialing include: Pinehurst and Vass, December 7, and Aberdeen, Robbins, Carthage and Pinebluff, January 11, 1970.

The Telephone Company will host a kickoff luncheon for special guests to introduce the new service Friday at 12:15 p.m. in the Holiday Inn, followed by a guided tour of the Southern Pines Central Office.



MRS. AMELIA S. CAPEHART

## Agent in Moore To Get National Service Award

Mrs. Amelia S. Capehart, Moore County's home economics extension agent, will receive the Distinguished Service Award at the annual meeting of the National Association of Home Economics Extension Agents at Philadelphia on Oct. 22.

Announcement of the honor was made in Raleigh on Monday.

Mrs. Capehart has been in Moore County since 1961. Prior to that she had served as Home Demonstration Agent in Pitt County from 1941, when she joined the Extension (Continued on Page 6)

## Mental Health Center Will Open On Jan. 2

Opening of the new and complete Sandhills Mental Health Center at Moore Memorial Hospital is now slated for January 2.

While the \$546,000 building is still expected to be completed early in November, it will take some time to install proper equipment, according to James Shinn, Hospital Administrator.

The facility, which will serve some 112,000 persons in Moore, Richmond, Hoke and Montgomery counties, will have three wings — for day care patients, out patients, and in-patient care. It was financed partly by Health, Education and Welfare federal funds of \$350,000.

William W. Winborne III, (Continued on Page 6)

## Taylor Cites History for Young

Today's young people who criticize their country as "materialistic" should temper their zeal with history lessons and remember the progress made in the past 20 years, Lieutenant Governor Pat Taylor said in Pinehurst yesterday.

Taylor and Apollo Astronaut Russell L. Schwichart, pilot of the Lunar Module on Apollo 9, were speakers at the 30th annual convention of the North Carolina Independent Telephone Association, Inc. at The Carolina Hotel.

The young people speak of "love," the lieutenant gover-

nor said, but seem to hate those who differ with them. Instead of wanting to destroy, he said, they should concern themselves with building something better.

If the present generation in power thinks about material things, he said, it is because it remembers the depression of the thirties when President Roosevelt cried "One-third of the nation is ill-housed, ill-clothed, and ill-fed," and no one could deny it.

He pointed to the progress in the conquering of diseases, such as polio; the betterment of education; the increased

status of the Negro; and the employment of all but 3 percent of the populace.

"If we were materialistic, it was because people needed so much," he said. And as a result, today's young people are better looking, stronger, smarter, better educated and are bigger than any generation in history or anywhere else in the world, he said.

"And they have television and transistors," he added. Taylor told the telephone executives that since they had what amounted to a monopoly by government license, it was their duty to give efficient service as cheaply as possible consistent with their excellent profit and with their excellent (Continued on Page 6)

## Dr. Moore Preaches at Bethesda

The first touch of fall was in the air but the sun was bright and warm and the churchyard was filled with people present for the annual homecoming last Sunday of Old Bethesda Church near Aberdeen.

Some came from distant places but a majority of the 200 or more in the old church were home folks and many of

them descendants of the founders of Old Bethesda in 1790.

Dr. Ainsley Moore, president emeritus of St. Andrews Presbyterian College, was the guest speaker. Recently returned from a world tour which included a visit to the Holy Land, Dr. Moore's sermon text was "Does God Stand By His Promise About Our

Burdens." He gave a background for the Psalms, interpreting the cries and calls for help from those ancients of Israel. Everyone has a burden of some kind, he said, and he listed many of those of a public and private nature which men and women bear today.

Dr. Moore was assisted in the morning worship service (Continued on Page 6)



DINNER ON THE GROUNDS — A picnic dinner on the grounds was a high spot

of the annual homecoming at Old Bethesda Church near Aberdeen on Sunday.

## THE PILOT LIGHT

**TAYLOR** — Lt. Gov. Pat Taylor, who is expected to be a candidate for Governor in 1972, has come out for giving the vote to 18-year-olds.

An attempt to lower the voting age to 18 has been made in the past two sessions of the General Assembly. Some observers felt that the move had a fair chance of making it this year, until campus disorders by students stirred opposition from legislators.

Taylor, however, said that his opinion on the issue had changed and he is now in favor of it. "We have the brightest and best educated youngsters in this country's history," he said, "and they have shown a genuine interest in the issues."

**MOORE** — Former Governor Dan Moore refuses to close the door on talk that he might run for governor again in 1972.

Only last weekend, in a television interview in Charlotte, the mountain man who is now a lawyer in Raleigh, said it was too early to talk about his political future. He did say "I don't have any plans at the present time — but you never know what might develop in the future."

It would be an interesting race if two former governors are pitted against each other in the 1972 Democratic primary — Dan Moore and Terry Sanford.

By then, of course, Moore might be on the State Supreme Court.

**POTTERS** — A potter's museum will be dedicated at Seagrave Sunday at 2 p.m., with J. R. Page of Aberdeen and C. K. Scarbrough, director of the Mint Museum of Charlotte as the speakers. The museum is located in (Continued on Page 6)

## Astronaut Welcomes Pat to Club

Apollo 9 astronaut Russell Schwichart consoled Lieutenant Governor Pat Taylor yesterday and welcomed him into the society of flyers.

Taylor told a convention in Pinehurst that he was late, because he had just taken his first solo flight from his home in Wadesboro to the Southern Pines-Pinehurst airport. It took him an hour and 15 minutes — whereas he had made a previous trip by car in 55 minutes.

"If you have time to spare, go by air," Schwichart said was a slogan in the flying fraternity.

He said he went up as Lunar Module pilot on Apollo 9

March 3, 1969 (the flight that made final preparations for the moon trip) from Cape Kennedy—and some 4 million miles and over ten days later landed some 200 miles from where he started.

The red-haired, 35-year-old astronaut, married and the father of five, added another saying of the flyers: "The family that flies together, dies together."

While on his March 3 space flight, Schwichart took a walk in space, took thermal samples, and did some earth photography.

His talk on future space travels was accompanied by slides.

## 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 WEEB on Midland Road.

	Max.	Min.
September 24	71	64
September 25	79	63
September 26	83	57
September 27	86	56
September 28	81	59
September 29	71	49
September 30	70	44

Rainfall from September 24 through September 30 was .70 inches.