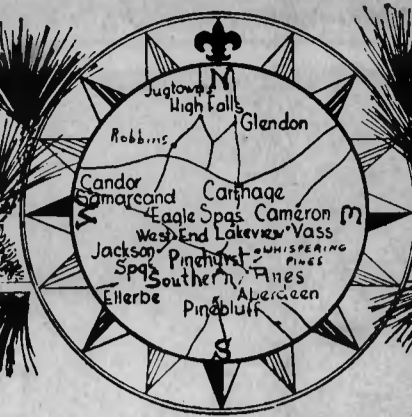


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CAUGHT—These two juveniles were caught by the camera of Glenn M. Sides—as well as by the police—as they littered the tracks of an oncoming train near the Morganton Rd. overpass Saturday. The train was stopped after hitting the large rock (far left) and the limbs and rocks (far right). The juveniles, 9 and 11, were turned over to their parents by police, who said no action would be taken unless by the railroad. Other such incidents have been reported in the past, but this is the first spotted by the camera eye.

Mrs. Blue Is Named Alternate

Mrs. Carolyn Blue, recently reelected Democratic Chairman for Moore County, was named an alternate delegate to the National Democratic Convention at an Eighth District convention Saturday in Concord at the Holiday Inn.

She was among three alternates to delegates Mrs. Jemima DeMarcus, Rowan; William Baker, Scotland, J. F. Allen, Montgomery, and Charles Hundley, Stanley. The other two alternates are Banks Garrison, Stanly, and Fred Mills, Anson.

Another Moore delegate to the State convention was chosen to be on the platform rules and organization committee at the State Convention at Dorton Arena in Raleigh June 20. He was H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen.

Mrs. Blue called a caucus of her delegation of 27 persons from Moore who attended the convention in Concord at 11:30 a.m. luncheon and said she felt the Moore group had planned their votes well.

Seventeen elected delegates plus three of their alternates and several other alternates made up the Moore attendance. Mrs. Blue said she thought the convention went "very well" and followed party rules in its representation.

The Eighth District is composed of the following 11 counties: Anson, Davie, Cabarrus, Montgomery, Moore, Richmond, Stanly, Scotland, Union, and Yadkin.

Budget Set at \$4,275,886 But Same Tax Rate Holds

Davis Says Drug Use Is Critical

BY KAY PERKINS
"The drug problem in Southern Pines is critical," says Don Davis, the Southern Pines narcotics officer.

According to Davis, all kinds of drugs are in Southern Pines and are being used. Not only is marijuana being used in Southern Pines, but also LSD and mescaline, as well as cocaine. The number of persons who are using drugs and are arrested varies. Some months no one is arrested, while in other months a half dozen or more are.

Davis said that during the New Year's holidays 14 persons were arrested at one time. The big problem of drugs now in Southern Pines lies among persons between the ages of 14 and 22. These are the ages of most of the people who have been arrested. According to Davis, drugs are definitely being used by Pinecrest students. He has also had some reports of drugs being used by some of the children of the Middle School age.

Why is there such a high rate of drugs in Southern Pines? Davis commented on this by saying that Southern Pines is halfway between the big northern cities and southern cities. A lot of drugs come from large cities outside of our state as well as Fayetteville, Raleigh, Wilmington and Charlotte. Since Southern Pines is a resort town, people come from all over the nation, and this plays an important factor. The college has also been a great influence, with its students also coming from many areas.

Although, according to Davis, the drug problem at the moment (Continued on Page 12-A)



MISS SOUTHERN PINES—Lois Cowan, local entrant in the Miss North Carolina beauty pageant in Charlotte this week, poses in the emerald, pearl trimmed evening gown in which she will appear in the contest. A recent graduate of Pinecrest, she now lives in Pinebluff. The contest is sponsored by the Jaycees.

BY VALERIE NICHOLSON
The Moore County commissioners Thursday, in the last of a series of special budget meetings, adopted a tentative budget for 1972-73 totalling \$4,275,886, while retaining the tax rate at \$1.25 per \$100 valuation.

The proposed budget—based on a property valuation of \$180, up an extremely conservative \$5 million from last year—has been placed on public inspection in the county accountant's office, with expectation of official adoption by the board in regular session July 3.

The final figure was reached only last Thursday following some revisions made in behalf of the schools, which added \$15,000 in expected revenue to the total, and shifted \$75,000 from one school budget to another.

The two boards met in harmonious and friendly spirit, gave evidence of earnest effort to grasp each other's problems, and, while the revisions came far from eliminating those of the schools, all the members appeared happy at the outcome. Two objectives were apparently met, the saving of the comprehensive music program, which had been gravely threatened by a cut made by the commissioners in the supplemental tax request, and the very real possibility that contracts may be let on a new building for Pinecrest perhaps in six to nine months.

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Aberdeen Employees Get Raise

The Aberdeen Town Board gave their new police chief what he wanted Monday night—and approved a 3 per cent increase for full time employees to become effective July 1.

Police Chief Jerome L. Whipple appeared before the Board and said he was concerned about the condition of the police car. Commissioner Bayliff moved, seconded by Commissioner Page, and the Board approved purchasing two surplus patrol cars.

They also agreed that three sets of uniforms for the police were to be laundered each week for each police officer, paid for by the Town.

William L. Black was ap- (Continued on Page 12-A)

Gypsy Moth Threatens The State

By Nell Joslin Styron
We are threatened with an insect invasion from New England and points north east.

The advance guard arrived last year and male gypsy moths were captured in sex-lure traps put out by the Department of Agriculture.

It is not known if any females hitchhiked too. The yellowish white female has a two inch wingspan, slightly larger than the brownish male but she never flies; her only functions are to be fertilized and lay an immense amount of eggs, 100 to 800 in each (Continued on Page 11-A)

First \$1 Million Budget Adopted by Town Board

The Southern Pines town council, in regular meeting Tuesday night, officially adopted the Town's first million-dollar budget, unchanged since tentative adoption May 22.

The total of \$1,039,043—about 16 per cent greater than last year—is based on a property valuation of approximately \$25 million, retaining the tax rate at \$1.50. It recognizes increased income—due mainly to healthy growth, the sales tax and last year's property revaluation—as well as increased outgo, the inflationary trend prevailing in (Continued on Page 11-A)

Justice Planning Project Gets Help with Grant

BY BRYAN GREEN
Projects such as the new Moore County Jail which will improve law enforcement are high on the list of priorities for one man in Southern Pines who doesn't carry a badge or sit on a town or county board.

He is Col. W. A. Feebles, head of the regional Pee Dee Criminal Justice Planning agency, which (Continued on Page 10-A)

Clean Sweep Campaign Is Called Big Success

Several thousand bushel sacks of litter were picked up from public roadway right-of-ways in Moore County during the month of May in the Clean Sweep Campaign, according to Fred W. Garrett, Beautification Coordinator for Moore County.

Garrett said that excellent cooperation was obtained from the local state highway department and the county extension (Continued on Page 10-A)

Hurricane Time Here

The warmer temperatures of summer provide a mixed blessing, for while they make the out of doors and the beaches in particular more attractive, they also mark the start of the 1972 hurricane season, according to the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

Col. Alfred M. Koster, Moore County Civil Defense director, says the area has not had a hurricane strike in the ten years he has been here, but that is no guarantee one won't hit this year. Fayetteville, he said had a "tough one" last year.

He says his office would receive early warning messages of an approaching hurricane and would make them public via radio and any other means available as soon as they were received.

Koster said the area has excellent communications and there are 23 mobile radios placed in the fire trucks and rescue squad vehicles in the county, which will enable these units to respond rapidly if needed.

Dr. Robert Simpson, director of the national center, pointed out that if this year proves to be an average season, 10 tropical storms will form and six of them will become hurricanes. He estimates about 60 persons will be killed between Texas and Maine between now and Dec. 1, and millions of dollars will be lost in property damage.

Little can be done about the property damage, but Civil Defense officials have prepared a series of safety rules and (Continued on Page 12-A)

Moore Ranks 22nd County In '70 Income

Moore County ranked 22nd among the state's 100 counties in per capita personal income, G. A. Jones, Commissioner of Revenue, has announced for the year of 1970.

As a result of the Tax Research Division's intensive study of county personal income, the Department says, Moore County residents received in 1970 a per capita income of \$3,240.

The total personal income amounted to \$128,577,000, the study showed, for an estimated population of 39,069.

This county income report for 1970 is the fourth such income study made by the Tax Research Division. Other such studies were made in 1958, 1962, and 1966.

The personal income includes nonmonetary income such as food, clothing and lodging furnished by employers, "imputed" rent and "imputed" interest. With respect to (Continued on Page 12-A)

Miss Southern Pines Starts State Contest

Tonight Lois Cowan, Miss Southern Pines, will begin the rounds of competition for the "Miss North Carolina" crown of the Jaycees by appearing in evening gown.

She will compete in talent Thursday and swimsuit Friday. Final event will be Saturday night when the winner is selected to attend the Miss America pageant in Atlantic City.

Lois, the daughter of the W. C. (Continued on Page 12-A)

A&P Stores Convert Here To Discount

Emory A. Simpson, Vice President of the Charlotte Division of A&P Food Stores announced that A&P Stores in the Southern Pines trading area have converted to A&P W.E.O. Stores, effective yesterday.

Mr. Simpson stated that A&P Stores were closed Monday June 12 in order to reduce prices store-wide. Grocery, household, non foods, frozen foods, produce and meat prices were lowered to enable housewives to save more on their food and houseware budgets.

Simpson stated that the W.E.O. concept originated in one of the Company's other Divisions and proved to be such a success that this new concept in pricing and (Continued on Page 10-A)

Moore Golf

Qualifying rounds for the 31st annual Moore County Golf Championship will be held at Pinehurst Country Club June 18th thru June 30th. All qualifying rounds and matches will be played on Pinehurst no. 5 Course, from the front Tees. Any resident of Moore County or member of a golf club in Moore County is eligible. Entry fee will be \$5.00, no Green's Fee. Prizes will be awarded for Medalist, winner and runner-up in each flight.

All players are asked to register and pay entry fee at Pinehurst Country Club before qualifying and to turn in an individual score card after play is completed.

All players will be required to use a caddy in uniform or a motor Golf Cart during Qualifying and in all matches. (Continued on Page 12-A)



NATIONAL ELKS WINNERS—Dr. Jerry Smith of Southern Pines captured the championship of the Elks Annual National Invitational Golf Tournament held here during the past week. At left, Exalted ruler Ralph Martin presents the trophy to Dr. Smith and at right, State President of the Elks John D. Sullivan of Southern Pines gives a trophy to runner-up Kenneth Bowen. In background, left to right are Charles Ruptic, Chairman of Special Events, Carlos Frye, President of the Elks Foundation; Bob Watkins and Pete Piestrak, co-chairman of the tournament committee. (Photo by Emerson Humphrey).

THE PILOT LIGHT

DELEGATES—None of the Eighth District Democratic delegates elected in Concord last Saturday is publicly committed to a candidate after the first ballot at the Miami convention.

North Carolina's first ballot votes will be divided between Governor George Wallace, with 37, and Terry Sanford, with 27. After that is when the delegates will start choosing and most of the 48 delegates chosen last Saturday were uncommitted. There were three, however, who said they favor Senator George McGovern with four others leaning toward him. Two said they favored Sanford and five were leaning toward Wallace.

The State's other 16 delegates will be chosen at the State convention in Raleigh. (Continued on Page 12-A)

HUNT—There's a quiet move underway by some Democratic senators to try and trim the committee appointing powers of the next Lieutenant Governor, but Democratic nominee Jim Hunt is busy getting commitments to leave the power with him if he is elected.

The Lieutenant Governor will become a full-time officer in 1973. Among his duties is presiding over the State Senate and up to now he has appointed committees and committee chairmen. Some Senators feel that since the Lieutenant Governor is now such a big wheel in the executive branch of government that he should not have such legislative branch powers. (Continued on Page 12-A)



TOPS IN TENNIS—Chris Davis, the Number One Singles Player at East Carolina this year, reaches for a high one on the ECU courts. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Davis of Sandaviv and The Village Green in Southern Pines. (Photo by Ross Mann).