



**YOUNG FIREMAN** — Jonathan Rorie, son of Southern Pines Fireman Joe Rorie, was all dressed up in his own fireman's uniform as he watches the parade of some 600 firemen and their wives at the 47th annual Sandhills Firemen's Convention here Saturday. (Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

## Auman, Walker, Vickery Win In Democratic Runoff Election

### Town Budget Up; Tax Rate Same

BY JIMSUTHERLAND  
Southern Pines' general tax levy will remain unchanged for the fifth year in succession, but water and sewer charges will be increased by one third under the preliminary 1974-75 budget submitted this week to the Town Council by Town Manager Lew G. Brown.

The preliminary budget totals \$1,619,921, an increase of \$340,821, or 26.8 per cent over the 1973-74 budget, Brown noted. The difference represents adjustments such as higher water rates, transfer of unexpended balances from previous years, reduced debt service costs and lower revenue sharing fund receipts.

State law now requires that property be assessed for tax purposes at 100 per cent valuation. For this reason, the recommended tax rate is 90 cents per \$100 valuation - which

is equivalent to the present tax rate of \$1.50 per \$100 on a 60 per cent valuation.

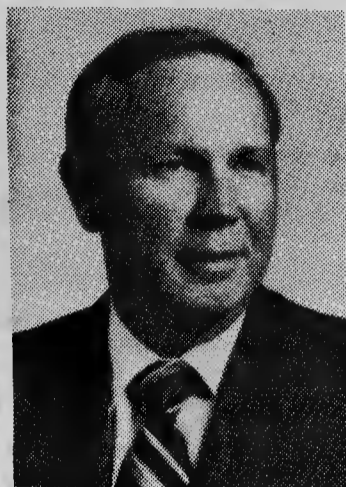
The budget will remain on file for public inspection for 20 days and a public hearing, as required by law, will be held after June 20 and before June 30, with the Town Council expected to adopt the budget by July 1.

The proposed overall budget is divided into four categories: general fund, water and sewer fund, debt service fund and revenue share fund.

The general fund covers such functions as administration, fire and police, building inspections, recreations and public works. Its recommended budget is \$1,068,961, an increase of 27.4 per cent over 1973-74. This increase, Brown explained, is due in part to a \$125,690 appropriation from the funds left over from the previous budget. And it now (Continued on Page 12-A)



Rep. T. Clyde Auman



Russell Walker



Charles Vickery

Veteran Moore County legislator T. Clyde Auman of West End won renomination to the State House of Representatives, and political newcomers Russell Walker of Asheboro and Charles Vickery of Chapel Hill were nominated as the Democratic candidates for the State Senate in Tuesday's second primary.

Auman defeated Dock Smith, Robbins attorney, by a 739-vote margin—2,013 to 1,274.

In the four-county two-seat 16th State Senate District, Walker led the ticket, polling a total of 7,554 votes. Vickery won the other seat's nomination with 6,339 votes.

Carl Smith of Chapel Hill who had called for the runoff election after running third in a six-man field in the first primary on May 27 polled 5,701 votes.

In Moore County's single seat House of Representatives race, Dock Smith had called for a runoff election after coming in second in a four-man field in the first primary. He had trailed Auman by 733 votes in the first primary. Auman had lacked only 16 votes of having a clear majority on May 27.

In the second primary, as well as in the first, Auman carried 15 of the county's 21 precincts, rolling up his biggest majority in the southern end of the county in such precincts as North and South Southern Pines, Pinehills, Pinehurst, Knollwood and his (Continued on Page 12-A)

### Budget at New High 75c Tax Rate Is Set

The Moore County commissioners in special session Thursday made tentative adoption of a proposed 1974-75 budget totalling \$8,584,462—at the same time setting the tax rate at 75 cents per \$100 property valuation.

In a budget meeting practically every request, including the schools, this may seem a strangely low rate, though a welcome drop from the \$1.25 in effect for the past several years.

It is, however, actually unchanged in effect, since, under the state's new Fiscal Control Act, taxes will be assessed in every county on 100 per cent of "fair market value," instead of on varying ratios as set by their commissioner boards.

Moore County's assessment ratio for a number of years has been 60 percent. The new rate, on the new assessment, will produce (Continued on Page 7-A)

### New Head of Choice, Inc. Says Drugs Not So Open

Drug use by young people of Moore County is not as open as it once was but Cynthia Thacker, the new head of Choice, Inc., is not sure that it is any less.

The young psychology graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, who has been appointed community programs coordinator to

succeed Ron Gringle, talked this week about some of the new directions which the drug action organization is taking.

One of these is in the field of sexuality, in which counseling service is given, especially in the matter of treatment for venereal disease. (Continued on Page 7-A)

### Storm Causes Heavy Damages; 650 Acres Tobacco Flattened

A severe hail and wind storm which cut a two-mile swath across Moore County late Saturday afternoon left considerable damage in its wake. An estimated 650 acres of tobacco was left riddled and beaten to the ground, Tom Colson, assistant Extension agent, reported.

Many gardens were practically wiped out, as were fields of corn and other grain.

High winds — of almost tornado proportions in some sections — knocked down some sheds and many tree limbs. A few trees were twisted off. A porch on a mobile home was reported blown away.

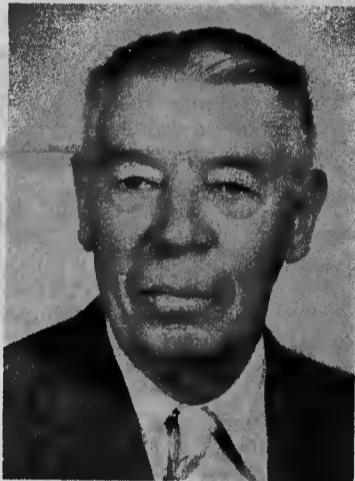
The storm hit suddenly about 5:30 p.m., beginning in the Harris Cross Roads section. Colson said it swept on over the Summer Hill Church and Farm Life School areas and into the

### Donald Kennedy Dies; Active In Area Affairs

Donald Davidson Kennedy, 73, of 140 Valley Road, died suddenly Sunday at Moore Memorial Hospital, following a heart attack suffered Saturday — a day which happened to be his 20th wedding anniversary.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, with the Rev. Fred C. Pace officiating, followed by burial in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

He was owner-operator for some 50 years of one of the leading boys' camps in the country. After moving to Southern Pines in 1953 he was active in many community affairs and special events, and was chairman of the Board of Trustees of Vardell Hall, a girls preparatory school at Red Springs, which he actively served during its nine years of existence.



Donald D. Kennedy

In 1955-56 he was a hard-working co-chairman (with Dr. R. M. McMillan) of the finance committee of the local movement to secure the proposed new Presbyterian College (St. Andrews) for Southern Pines, and in that capacity visited many communities in Moore and surrounding counties. (Continued on Page 7-A)



**HAIL FLATTENS CROP** — A crowd gathered in the tobacco field on the farm of Johnny Harris following the sudden hail and wind storm Saturday afternoon to survey the damage. Hail and wind flattened the tobacco plants which were from 18 inches to two feet tall.

### Duncraig Test Suit Filed; Plan to Move Announced

A civil suit testing the constitutionality of a Town Council's eviction order against children at Duncraig Manor has been filed in Federal court, but authorities in charge of the Children's Treatment Center say they are going to move out anyway as soon as they can find a place to move.

The court action brought by Mrs. Constance M. Baker against town officials was filed in the U. S. Middle District court in Greensboro on Monday.

A hearing on the action is expected to be held before a Federal judge in Durham on June 20.

It was disclosed yesterday, however, that a search is under way for a new location for the Center in the Sandhills area, and State officials say they expect to be out of Duncraig Manor by August 27.

Mayor E. Earl Hubbard said this morning that he is calling a (Continued on Page 12-A)



**DUNCRAIG OWNER** — Mrs. Constance Baker, owner of Duncraig Manor, is shown above during her visit to Southern Pines last week. (Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

### Bud Rainey Scholarship Is Awarded

Two Pinecrest students were announced this week as the winners of the Francis F. Rainey Memorial Scholarship.

They are Tommy Craven of 710 North Leak Street, and Valerie Patricia Graham of 148 South Glover Street.

The \$500 scholarship awards were announced Monday at the Pinecrest Awards Day ceremonies.

It was also announced that the first recipients of the Rainey scholarships — Phyllis Diane Leslie and Mark Allen Pate — will again receive \$500 from the foundation. They were awarded the scholarships last year.

The scholarships were established in memory of the late Town Manager of Southern Pines, Bud Rainey, and go each year to two students. Eligible students must reside within a one-mile radius of Southern Pines.

### Dr. Heinitsh Succumbs; Leader In Conservation

Dr. George Heinitsh, died Sunday at Memorial Mission Hospital at Asheville, after suffering an attack while visiting a friend in the mountain area.

A graveside service was held Tuesday in Old Bethesda cemetery, with Dr. Cheves K. Ligon of Winston-Salem, a former pastor of Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church here, officiating.

Dr. Heinitsh was an early conservationist of the Sandhills, was president of the Moore County Wildlife Club for two

terms, starting in 1960, and also in that year was elected president of the North Carolina Wildlife Federation, a state organization which at that time had more than 7,000 members in 100 affiliated clubs. He was president officer of the Federation's 1961 State convention, held at the Holly Inn, Pinehurst.

He was an active outdoor sportsman, a hunter, fisherman, expert marksman and collector of firearms. A former golf enthusiast, he gave up golf in (Continued on Page 12-A)

### Two Nabbed In Robbery; One Sought

Two youths were arrested this week charged with staging the May 12 armed robbery of the Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant, in which some \$2,400 was taken.

One arrest was made Tuesday night when Moore County sheriff's deputies picked up Sean Sullivan, 18, of Pinehurst at commencement ceremonies at Pinecrest High School. Sullivan was a graduating senior.

Earlier in the week Aberdeen police arrested James A. Logue, 16, of Southern Pines, on armed robbery charges. Logue is being held in jail in Carthage under \$10,000 bond. Sullivan now is in jail in Southern Pines, but will be transferred to Carthage if bond is not obtained. A warrant for a (Continued on Page 12-A)

### Methodists To Get New Minister

The Rev. John Sidney Paschal has been assigned to the pastorate of the Southern Pines United Methodist Church, effective Thursday, June 6.

Bishop Robert M. Blackburn will make the official announcement when he reads the 1974 appointments at the end of the North Carolina Annual Conference in session this week in Fayetteville.

He succeeds the Rev. Vergil E. Queen, who is retiring after serving here the past four years. The Rev. Mr. Paschal comes to Southern Pines from the First United Methodist church of (Continued on Page 12-A)



Rev. John S. Paschal

### THE PILOT LIGHT

**HOLSHOUSER** — Governor James Holshouser is taking on an increasingly active role in national Republican politics, and in the back of the mind of some of his supporters it could lead to a vice presidential nomination in 1976.

The Governor's chief political lieutenant, Gene Anderson, who has a State job as assistant to the governor, is spending a lot of time pushing the governor on the national scene.

Last week Governor Holshouser made another in a series of out-of-state speeches to Republican groups, this time in Ohio. This week he is chairing a session of the Republican governors at a national meeting in Seattle. At week's end he will be hosting Vice President Gerald

Ford in Raleigh.

**DEMOCRATS** — There are at least 10 candidates for the Democratic nomination for Attorney General and all of them are very much interested in who will be elected to the State Democratic Executive Committee.

The committee of 260 will be elected at the various county conventions on June 29. Precinct meetings will be held on June 18. Moore County will elect two members to the State committee.

Moore County Chairman Carolyn Blue said that letters have been sent to all precinct chairmen requesting them to hold meetings for the election of delegates to the county convention. (Continued on Page 12-A)

### 'Miss Southern Pines' Heads For NC Pageant

Ingrid Trotter of Robbins - Miss Southern Pines of 1974 - will leave Sunday for Charlotte where she will compete next week for the title of Miss North Carolina.

This past Saturday she spent what she described as "one of the most exciting days" of her life when she toured downtown Southern Pines, the Town and

Country Shopping Center and Pinehurst meeting people and receiving a variety of gifts from merchants.

C. Wayne Hicks of the sponsoring Southern Pines Jaycees said the Jaycees and Jaycettes "wish to thank the following merchants for the gifts as listed:" (Continued on Page 12-A)

### Recreation Program Set For Town This Summer

A full schedule of summer activity has been announced by the Southern Pines Recreation Department.

The municipal pool in West Southern Pines opened on Sunday for the entire summer. The pool will be closed on Mondays, but open from 12 noon to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and from 2 to 8 p.m. on Sundays.

Johnny Williams, recreation director, said all programs and activities are open to all residents of Southern Pines and

are regularly supervised. Some programs for the summer got under way this week and others will commence on Monday, June 10.

Tennis instruction, with Dick Kobleur as instructor, will start Monday at the municipal courts. There is no charge and the schedule calls for instruction at 9 a.m. for adults, 10 a.m. for beginners and 11 a.m. for intermediates on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Arts and crafts instruction by (Continued on Page 12-A)