

Weather

Occasional showers or thundershowers came to the Sandhills today, followed by clearing and cooler temperatures Thursday. Tonight's low may be in the 30s, Thursday's high about 55. Chance of rain is 90 percent today, 30 percent tonight and zero Thursday.

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GOLFERS SWARM COURSES — Bright sunshine brought golfers swarming to the Sandhills golf courses this week, and play was moderate to heavy on all courses. Here two golfers line up a shot at Pinehurst.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

Women, Over 40's Decided Election Here in November

The women and the over-40's decided Moore County's General Election returns, a report from the Moore County Board of Elections revealed this week. Only twenty-six percent of the registered young people 18-20 voted. Out of a total registration of 18,413, only 56.8 percent or 10,459 bothered to vote. Of these, 5,485 were women, of a total 9,747 registered and 4,974

Pinebluff Learns Birds Can't Be Hunted in Town

Bird hunting within the town limits of Pinebluff is illegal, regardless of the wishes of any property owners to permit such hunting on their land. Ruling to that effect was received last week by the Pinebluff Town Council from the State Attorney General's office. The legality of such hunting became an issue last fall after eight men were arrested for bird hunting in the town, but claimed they had permission to do so from the owner of the property on which they were hunting.

Body Believed Soldier Drowned Two Years Ago

The skeletal remains of a human body found Saturday afternoon in Little River, in Cumberland County near the Harnett County line, have been tentatively identified as those of Gene M. Kanouse, a 24-year-old soldier who was lost in the river in Moore County two years before, almost to the day. The information was received Saturday evening from the

Judge Gavin to Preside Over Civil Court Term

Special Judge Robert L. Gavin of Pinehurst, appointed to the judicial post last December by Governor Holshouser, will make his first official appearance next week in Moore Superior Court, presiding over a one-week civil term. Calendared once again for trial are the two "DunCraig Manor" cases, the Town of Southern Pines vs. Dr. Jack Mohr et al, and Constance Matheson Baker

Some Guesses On Legislature's Actions On Issues This Year

BY JOHN KILGO The North Carolina Legislature is in its third week, and while it's too early to know for certain what action the Assembly will take, we offer some educated guesses. Food Tax: The legislators have been in Raleigh long enough to know money is going to be hard to find. Many would like to abolish the sales tax on food, but don't feel it can be done. Gov. Jim Holshouser's proposal to abolish the food tax in 1976 angered many lawmakers, who felt the Governor was playing politics. There might be some tax credits given, but outright abolition of the food tax appears unlikely. Tobacco Tax: The East is solidly against it. There will be attempts made to increase the tax to five-cents per pack of cigarettes, but it will not be successful. ECU Med School: The

Housing Needs 'Critical'; Seek Funds For 100 Homes

Council Gets Study On Sewage Proposal

A feasibility study made by engineers over the past six months, on the construction of sewage collection facilities in the large, fast-growing suburban area directly south and east of the town limits, was presented to the Southern Pines Town Council Tuesday night, along with estimated costs and recommended methods of financing. The presentation made by W. Leslie Hall, Jr., of the Charlotte firm of Henningson, Durham & Richardson, was a highlight of the three-hour meeting filled with actions important to the development of the town and its environment, its law and order, and its health and sanitation.

In the study area, which is partly within Southern Pines' extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction, nearly all the residents are water users of Southern Pines, and some are being served by its present sewer system. For the study, the area was divided into three parts, one already well built up, another

8,000 Names Nearly 8,000 names have been signed to a petition in Moore County requesting the State Legislature to prohibit the fossil fuel adjustment clause in electric rates. Russell Ayers of Whispering Pines, who initiated the petition, said that signatures were obtained county-wide, in all parts of Moore.

Hot Meals to Begin Here If Local Funds Provided A daily hot meals program for 50 senior citizens is tentatively scheduled to begin here on February 20. Even though a project director has been hired and all plans have been made, there is still one hitch and that is the small amount of matching funds required in the primarily federally financed program.

At its meeting last week the Moore County commissioners tabled a request for matching funds of approximately \$1,500 for the remainder of the year.

Aberdeen Set to Annex Two More Areas to Town

The Town of Aberdeen Monday moved a step closer to annexation of 170.6 acres of residential and commercial property. At the monthly meeting of its Board of Commissioners, Town Attorney Lawrence McN. Johnson reported he had contacted State Rep. Clyde Auman about presenting a special bill to the State Legislature authorizing the annexation. Needed is a legal description of the two parcels of land involved in the annexation, Johnson explained. The town engineers now are working on that description, and

Canadian Pair Promote Sandhills for Tourists

"Mr. & Mrs. Canada" will be visiting in the Sandhills next week (February 17 and 18) to find out for themselves whether Sandhills businesses mean what they say when they promise to take Canadian currency at face value. "Mr. & Mrs. Canada" are Mr. and Mrs. John W. Fisher of Toronto. Fisher is North Carolina's travel representative in Canada. He became known as "Mr. Canada" when he directed the Canadian bicentennial celebration several years ago. Both

New Health Area Asked For Region

The Pee Dee Council of Governments sent this week to the Governor a request to combine Regions H, M and N into a single health service area to "provide maximum flexibility" on a local level under the new law passed in January involving Health, Education and Welfare. The new law says that health service areas are to be designated on basis of population, with some exceptions, from 500,000 to two million. Each county in the areas had voted through its Commissioners to make the request, Worth

Sanford — Two of the top contributors to the Terry Sanford campaign for President are Warren and Peggy Bell of Southern Pines, who were listed in reports in Washington this week as giving \$1,000 each to the Citizens Committee to Nominate Sanford.

The report stated that a total of \$62,341 had been contributed to the Sanford committee in 1974. Sanford himself has been busy with speaking engagements around the country in recent weeks, and has scheduled a series of important position papers on national issues between now and the late spring. Among those actively working in Sanford's behalf is Southern Pines Attorney Sam Poole, who was recently in the Southwest on behalf of the Sanford campaign.



HAPPY VALENTINE — Julie Kicklighter, the reigning "Miss Southern Pines," is the appropriate picture for The Pilot in wishing all of its readers a Happy Valentine's Day on Feb. 14.

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New Minister Coming To Union and Cameron

The Reverend Stewart E. Ellis has accepted a call as pastor of the Cameron and Union Presbyterian Churches and plans to begin his ministry February 16th. He comes to this field from West Raleigh Presbyterian Church where he has been Associate Minister since 1970. The Reverend Mr. Ellis is a native of Louisville, Kentucky, and a 1968 graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary with the B.D. degree in New Testament. Other than his pulpit ministry his

Shaw House and Region Featured In Magazine

The Shaw House Tea Room is featured in the current issue of the national two million circulation magazine Ford Times, which also carries in the same issue a story and pictures on Pinehurst and the Sandhills resort area. Accompanying the listing of "Favorite Recipes from Famous Restaurants," is a reproduction of a painting of the Shaw House by Richard A. Young. The recipe published is "Shaw House Prune Cake."

Over 1,000 Attend Open House, Watch Exhibits At Sandhills

More than a thousand persons visited the campus of Sandhills Community College during a three-hour period of "Open House" on Sunday afternoon. They included entire families with grandparents, parents, teenagers and youngsters, everyone impressed with the beauty of the campus and buildings, and seeing the college in operation. Members of the Board of Trustees, the president of Sandhills, the deans and department heads personally welcomed each and every guest in the Student Lounge where a fire was roaring in the copper-hooded fireplace. The Trustees and others associated with the college since the beginning were intrigued with the constant showing of colored slides of Sandhills—pictures that showed the clearing of the campus site, the week by week progress of construction of the buildings, the groundbreaking ceremony in 1964 with

The need for low and moderate-priced housing in Southern Pines and the area is "critical," Town Manager Lew Brown said Monday.

He said 182 persons have renewed their applications for public housing within the past six months.

"We've been trying to get money for more public housing for two years," said Harold Tate, chairman of the Southern Pines Housing Authority.

Now that the freeze on such federal funds is apparently lifted, the Town will try to add an additional 100 units in dispersed locations.

There are now two such projects, one called Longleaf East for the elderly and another called Longleaf West.

Another built by North Hills Inc., is partially funded by the government. This is Holiday Town Apartments. Holiday Town and the Housing authority both plan to study the new regulations and will probably each apply for 100 units. Holiday Town hopes to build 50 apartments and 50 single homes.

Lack of confidence in the economy has caused loan demands to drop 50 percent now from last year this time, although plenty of money is available at interest rates of nine percent, according to W.E. Samuels of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Moore County.

People are hesitating to ask for loans for housing while unsure of their jobs, Samuels feels. Housing construction is also low, adding to the lack of jobs as unemployment stands at some 12 percent.

Some major construction, such as the \$12 million expansion of Moore Memorial Hospital, is expected to help ease the employment situation in the building industry. The contractor for the hospital job said that 150 will be employed on the project.

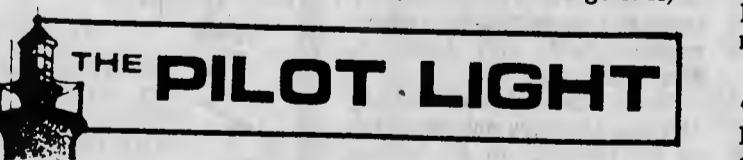
Other construction under way here include a new Catholic Church, a new bank building by First Citizens Bank, and a gymnasium for Pinecrest High School.

Opening Delayed By Plant

Proctor-Silex, Southern Pines plant which makes electrical appliances, has postponed its proposed opening from early February to sometime in March.

The 400 persons affected by the plant's shutdown in December are among the 10.1 percent in Moore covered by the Employment Security Commission during the last week in January. Farm employes and self-employed persons out of work could bring the figure to 12 percent, says District SEC Director Robert Monneyham.

R.J. Parkent, plant manager at Proctor-Silex, says sales officials are working on promotional ideas to improve sales and move the present merchandise so the plant can start up again. When the plant does open, he said, it will probably be on a reduced weekly level.



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