

Weather

Clearing and cooler weather tonight and Thursday will follow Tuesday night's heavy rain and thundershowers.

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SHOW COMPETITOR — Joe Darby of Any Day Farm of Southern Pines, shown here on W.R. Ballard's "Serious," will be one of the riders competing at the Landmark Farms Horse Show on Sunday, March 2.

Sewer System Costs Rising But County Pushing Ahead

BY VALERIE NICHOLSON What inflation is doing to Moore County's 201 Facilities Plan (the county-wide sewer system); adoption of the first comprehensive revision of the county's zoning ordinance in nine years; and an additional allotment of public service employees, most of whom the board decided to turn over to the schools, were some highlights of a special meeting of Moore County commissioners Thursday afternoon.

Words like "a million dollars" or even \$10 and a half million" are tossed around so casually in any discussion of the 201 Facilities Plan, that the average listener gets an unreal feeling about it all; but Les Hall, project manager with the engineering firm in charge, makes it all sound reasonable and normal.

take care of things until the grant goes through, and in the meantime you try to cut down where you can—with the chance, also, that the economy will "straighten out."

With the financial summary, or total project cost, now set at (Continued on Page 10-A)

Tag Sales Top Mark Of 18,000

More than 18,000 motor vehicle license tags were sold through the auto license and title office on U.S. Highway 15-501 from January 2 through February 17, W.H. (Bill) Bowen, manager of the office, wearily reported on Tuesday.

But many applicants had no renewal cards, so were required to fill out various application forms. This slowed license tag sales so greatly that only about 800 persons were served, where (Continued on Page 10-A)



LINES GOT LONGER — As the extended deadline for new North Carolina auto license plates on Monday drew closer the lines of late-buying motorists grew longer. W.H. (Bill) Bowen said over 800 plates were sold on Monday and more than 18,000 have been sold since Jan. 2.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

Taylor Accuses Bar Group Head With Unfair Pressure Tactics

W.S. Taylor, chairman of Moore County Commissioners, has accused the president of the Moore County Bar Association of pressuring the grand jury and a superior court judge into calling a hearing on the county's plans for new court facilities.

That such a hearing was ordered by Superior Court Judge James M. Long of Yanceyville, presiding jurist over the Moore court for the current six-month period.

facts" about the commissioners' progress toward providing the needed new building, to contain courtrooms and supporting facilities.

"I told Judge Long I took no exception to the grand jury's report, but that I felt that neither he nor the grand jury had been given complete information," Taylor told his colleagues, all of whom were in attendance at the meeting.

He said he and Judge Long had reviewed "the entire chronology" of the county's plans, going back to April 1966, when W. Lamont Brown, then solicitor of Moore recorder's court, advised of changes due to arrive with the implementation of the new district court in December 1968.

Brown had cited the experiences of other counties as they came under the court system and found new courtrooms were needed, and warned that this would be happening in Moore in the foreseeable future.

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Free Lunches Up by 425 With 53% Getting Them

The number of free lunches in Moore County Schools has increased by 425 since the first of the year and more are expected to be added to the list by the end of this month.

Edison Powers, assistant superintendent of schools, said that all principals have been instructed to follow up on unemployment and see that all children entitled to a free lunch receive it.

Mrs. Jessie Loving, director of food services for the school system, said that about 53 percent of the school children are receiving free lunches this year, as compared to about 49 percent last year.

With more layoffs from jobs by the heads of families, more applications for free lunches are expected. (Continued on Page 10-A)

Diorama At Weymouth Will Be Completed Soon

"The Diorama Exhibits at the Weymouth Woods, Sandhills Nature Preserve Museum, will be completed in the next two to three months," says L.M. 'Mac' Goodwin, superintendent and ranger at the park.

At the natural location. The exhibit will also tell the story of the region and how man has altered his environment."

Included at the museum will be a 3-D cross section of a beaver pond area, water forms and animals who live near water, such as snakes, ducks, turtles and fish in the area. The water plant specimens include water lilies.

A mini-diorama of subterranean life will also be housed at the museum. Invertebrates such as spiders, beetles, termites and solitary wasps will be seen in this tunnel-like display. This display will be particularly interesting to the children, for they will actually be able to crawl through a (Continued on Page 10-A)

Historical Society Set For Vanishing Past Talk

The regular winter meeting of the Moore County Historical Society will be held Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 8 p.m. in the lecture hall, room A-111, at Sandhills Community College and feature a talk, "Visual Vestiges of the Vanishing Past" by F. Atwood Whitman.

held on April 2, 3, and 4 at the National Guard Armory on Morganton Road in Southern Pines.

Membership dues for 1975 are now receivable and may be sent with additional contributions if desired to Ronald J. Christie, Box 686, Southern Pines, N.C. 28387. Annual dues are \$2; Sustaining, \$5, Life, \$50 and Business, \$25.

The new publication, "The Story of Moore County," by Manly Wade Wellman is now available for \$10 at the Country Bookshop, 190 W. Pennsylvania Ave., Southern Pines. It may also (Continued on Page 10-A)

You'll Lose An Hour On Sunday Don't Forget To Change Clocks

Daylight Saving Time will go into effect Sunday in Moore County and most of the 50 states.

Except for persons who may forget to turn their clocks ahead one hour, the shift is expected to cause little confusion. Schools and business houses, for example, will operate on the same "clock" time as before.

The official hour for the change is 2 a.m. Sunday, which becomes 3 a.m. under the "spring forward, fall back" formula.

The switch to DST comes two (Continued on Page 10-A)

Hot Meals

The hot meals program for the elderly will begin at noon on Thursday at the Senior Citizens Center on North Saylor Street in Southern Pines.

Fifty meals will be served to a selected group, who were picked because of age and who are unable to prepare nutritious meals for themselves because of various reasons.

A social service program relative to the needs of older persons will also be offered each day.

Volunteers are needed for transportation, escort and other assistance and any person interested in volunteering may call Stan Williams, project director, at 692-6060 after 5 p.m.

Music Fete

The Picquet Music Festival, sponsored each year by the Kiwanis Club of the Sandhills, will be held on Friday, April 11, at 8 p.m. at North Moore High School.

President Richard Mangrum will present at this time the Moore County student chosen for outstanding all-around achievement.

Chairman of the festival is Lou Hicks. The event which has been held for many years features the mixed choruses of Union Pines, Pinecrest and North Moore High Schools. The festival is named in honor of the late Charles Picquet.

Samarkand Simmers Over Memo But No Staffers Have Resigned

A hard line stand with tough talk to staff members from James F. Leathers, director of Samarkand Manor near Eagle Springs, has brought some adverse reaction from employees at the correctional institution but no resignations as of Tuesday.

Leathers said yesterday that he did not expect any resignations, adding "I haven't asked for any."

He went on to say that "Things have sharpened up considerably and have improved around the campus."

Leathers had issued a lengthy memorandum which he headed with the words "Disgusted! Disgusted! Disgusted!"

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year figured in an investigation by the State Bureau of Investigation when reports of a prostitution ring and drug use were made.

Leathers said this week, "It has been quite a change requiring quite an adjustment." He did say that runaways are still a problem, although it has been reduced since last summer.

There were reports, however, that there were 50 runaways during January, and this number probably accounted for the strong memorandum from Leathers.

He did say that the staff needed to know immediately when a runaway has taken place "so that we can pick them up along (Continued on Page 10-A)

Home of Council Member Robbed of Coins, Jewelry

Articles valued at several thousand dollars were stolen from the home of Southern Pines Councilman C.A. McLaughlin, 150 Longleaf Road, Saturday night.

The burglary took place sometime between 8 p.m. and midnight. It was discovered by Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin on their return home after being out for the evening.

Taken were a coin collection, a television set, jewelry and money, according to police records. Entry was gained by prying open a side window.

McLaughlin said it was apparent the house had been ransacked as soon as they walked in. He said he left everything as it was until police arrived to inspect the premises.

Bid Opening Scheduled On Moore Road Projects

Bids on 12 highway resurfacing projects in Moore County totaling 25.8 miles of road will be opened February 25 in Raleigh by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Assuming bids are accepted and contracts let, work on the projects should be completed by summertime. Included are 11.01 miles of state highway resurfacing; the rest of the work will be done on secondary roads. Following are the projects: N.C. Highway 73, from N.C. 211 to U.S. 15-501, a distance of 7.6 miles.

N.C. 211 from Aberdeen city limits to Hoke County line, 2.5 miles.

U.S. 15-501 from Aberdeen limits to Secondary Road 2063, seven-tenths of a mile.

N.C. 24-27 around the traffic circle in Carthage east to N.C. 22, 0.21 miles.

S.R. 1805 from S.R. 1804 to Vass city limits, 7.8 miles.

S.R. 1841 from S.R. 1831 to the Whispering Pines limits, 1.3 miles.

S.R. 1841 from Whispering Pines limits to N.C. 22, six-tenths of a mile.

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CANADIAN MONEY ACCEPTED — Shops and resorts in the Sandhills were tested this week by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Fisher ("Mr. and Mrs. Canada") to see if they accepted Canadian money. Here the couple buy candy from Jean Price of the Village Candy Shop on W. Pennsylvania Avenue—and, yes, she accepted the Canadian currency. The Fishers were in the area Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Warning

Motorists must remove their out-of-date Southern Pines tags, and must display the new 1975 windshield stickers, Police Chief Earl Seawell warned today (Wednesday).

Display of expired tags is a violation of the law. The new stickers, costing \$1, can be purchased at the town hall. Cars of motorists living in Southern Pines are required to display the new stickers, Chief Seawell said.

Lifestyle Is Guide To Attack

BY EDITH FALLS Take a closer look at your lifestyle. It is turning you into a candidate for heart attack or stroke?

Dr. E. Wilson Staub, a heart surgeon of the Pinehurst Surgical Clinic, and member of the board of the North Carolina Heart Association, says that the more than 800,000 deaths each year from two of the nation's major killers—heart attack and stroke—are proof that "too many Americans are doing too little to safeguard their hearts."

He points out that scientists have pinned down certain "risk factors" that lead to heart disease.

"By modifying some of these factors, and minimizing the danger of those we can't change," he says, "our chances of living longer, heart-healthy lives are greatly increased."

Dr. Staub, a specialist at (Continued on Page 10-A)

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DEMOCRATS — A North Carolina native who became a U.S. Senator from West Virginia and rose to the position of Senate majority whip will be the speaker at the North Carolina Democrats annual Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner.

Senator Robert C. Byrd was born in North Wilkesboro and was reared in West Virginia by foster parents when he was orphaned at an early age.

Known as an old-fashioned stem-winder orator, he is also a fiddler, and usually enlivens his speechmaking with some mountain tunes.

The dinners will be held on Saturday, March 1, at the Royal (Continued on Page 10-A)

Villa just outside Raleigh on US 70 west. House Speaker Jimmy Green is the chairman.

State Party Chairman James R. Sugg, in announcing appointment of Green and the selection of Byrd as speaker, said that the theme of this year's event is "Unity For Victory in '76."

Moore County Democrats may obtain tickets for the Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner from County Chairman J. Ed Causey.

HEFNER — Eighth District Congressman Bill Hefner has been elected to three sub-committees of the House Veterans Affairs Committee.

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