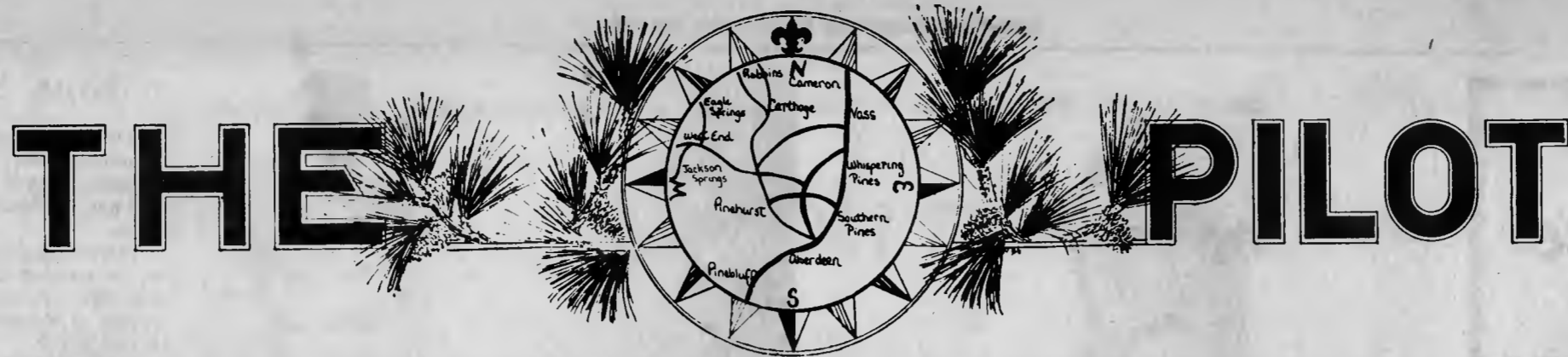


Weather

Mostly sunny, warm weather will continue over the Sandhills for another day. Chance of rainfall is near zero, while temperatures will range from a low in the mid-60s tonight to a high well into the 80s Thursday. Rainfall the past week totaled nearly two inches.



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NOTHING COULD BE FINER — Governor and Mrs. James E. Holshouser Jr., open the annual North Carolina Symphony Ball to the tune of "Nothing Could Be Finer Than To Be In Carolina" at the Country Club of North Carolina on Saturday night. (Story on Page 3-A).—(Photo by Emerson Humphrey).

Samarkand Abuses Charged In Report By State Agent

A report charging "cruel and unusual forms of punishment" initiated and encouraged by James Leathers, director of Samarkand Manor, is on file in Raleigh following a special investigation by a State agent in late February.

The investigation was prompted by reports published in The Pilot last February 19 on types of punishment practiced at the State training school at Eagle Springs.

Transfer Bill OK'd By House

A bill calling for the transfer of the State's training schools, such as those at Samarkand Manor and Morrison, was approved by the State House last week by a 71-vote margin.

The bill is now in the Senate and a committee on state government operations was scheduled to take it up today. If approved by the committee the bill could come to a vote in the Senate later this week.

Introduced by Rep. Claude Debruhl of Buncombe, the measure would transfer the schools from the Department of Corrections, headed by Secretary David Jones, to the Department of Human Resources, headed by Secretary David Flaherty. Practically all other state services for children are in the Department of Human Resources. In addition the bill would establish a commission on youth development.

Interviews with students and staff members were made at Samarkand Manor and Morrison Training School at Hoffman, and the investigator concluded his seven page report with these comments:

"There is reasonably strong evidence that a punitive staff attitude has begun to permeate the institutional environment at Samarkand. Mr. Leathers has initiated and encouraged rather cruel and unusual forms of punishment for the male population. The 'treatment' called on the floor is uncommon among the female population.

"The forestering of punitive attitudes among staff is definitely not what the Division had hoped would emerge through population shifts and co-education which resulted in establishing a center for younger children at Samarkand. The scars caused by the modes of treatment endorsed by Mr. Leathers and many of his staff will do much to harden the juveniles that we had hoped would have the best chance at rehabilitation. It is true that we have some tough juveniles in Youth Development institutions, however, cruel and inhumane treatment of these children who are committed to us for training and rehabilitation is not the answer to their problems or ours.

"Mr. Leathers is known to have intimidated girls with a baseball bat, defied the Central Office by using a dog to track run aways, shown a far greater interest in chasing run aways than in developing programs to prevent



CANDIDATE AND BACKERS — Presidential candidate Terry Sanford poses with former Governor Robert Scott (left) and former Governor Phillip Hoff of Vermont at the Country Club of North Carolina here. Governor Hoff is national chairman of the Citizens Committee to Nominate Terry Sanford. — (Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

Sanford Campaign Opened At Backers Meeting Here

Terry Sanford launched his campaign for President here last Friday night.

The Laurinburg native who served as Governor of North Carolina from 1961-65 will make his formal announcement as a candidate for the Democratic nomination in a few weeks, but here on Friday night he talked of his aims and goals in brief remarks to a gathering of supporters at the Country Club of North Carolina.

His national campaign director, former Governor Phillip Hoff of Vermont, told the group of between 50 and 75 persons that Terry Sanford is "the best qualified man of these times for President."

Among those at the gathering were former Governor and Mrs. Robert Scott and U.S. Senator and Mrs. Robert Morgan.

It was primarily a fund-raising event, which was sponsored by Voit Gilmore and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bell of Southern Pines, and Mr. and Mrs. James Poyner of Raleigh.

Governor Hoff told the group that much depends upon North

Carolinians, but he declared "if you can give us two months lead time we can do the rest and we can win."

Among those present were W. Lamont Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Norris Hodgkins Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Poole, Mr. and Mrs. Sam

Ragan, Mrs. Maxwell Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Austin, Micajah Wyatt, Warren Bell, Voit Gilmore, Rep. T. Clyde Auman, and Bill Bost, all of Moore County, Senator Russell Walker and Sam Burrow of Asheboro, Mr. and Mrs. Poyner, (Continued on Page 12-A)

DA Says No Law Broken In Deputy Gun Escapade

The District Attorney plans no action against a Moore County deputy sheriff who had been charged with accompanying an armed man to the home of a citizen and standing by while the man harassed and intimidated the occupants.

"Based on what the SBI told me there was no violation of the law," District Attorney Carroll R. Lowder said yesterday afternoon from his office in Monroe.

Deputy Sheriff Bill Nicely had been charged by Mrs. Eleanor Williams with driving Charles

McCaskill of the Skyline community to her home. McCaskill carried a gun, she said.

When magistrates refused to swear out warrants against the two men she took her complaint to the Moore County chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The NAACP held a meeting, which was attended by Sheriff C.G. Wimberly, at which the charges were aired. Sheriff Wimberly was quoted as saying the deputy's action was "stupid" and that he had reprimanded the officer.

Neither the sheriff nor the district attorney would divulge what was told them by the SBI, although both said they had talked with SBI Agent Bill Dowdy.

Lowder repeatedly said that going on what was told him by Dowdy "the officer did not violate the law...There is no evidence that any law was violated by either the deputy or the man."

He did say, however, that "if (Continued on Page 12-A)

Duncraig Type Measure Gets Approval of House

Legislation which stemmed from the Duncraig Manor controversy here was approved by the House in the North Carolina General Assembly last week.

The bill is aimed at easing restrictions so that group care homes can operate in residential neighborhoods.

It does not affect legal action now pending in the Duncraig

Manor case, in which the Town of Southern Pines is contending that the children's treatment center at Duncraig Manor on East Connecticut Avenue Extension is in violation of its zoning ordinances. That case is now in Superior Court of Moore County.

The bill passed by the House is (Continued on Page 12-A)

School Children Raise Over \$2,500 Zoo Fund

The students in the schools of Moore County have completed their drive for a zoo animal. They have raised over \$2,500 in the 19 public and three private schools participating in the county.

The drive was sponsored by the Southern Pines Junior Woman's

Club under the direction of Mrs. Ed Fitchett.

It was approved by the Board of Education. Robert Lee, superintendent of the Moore County Schools, appointed Larry Marker, principal of the Southern Pines Elementary School, to work with the drive along with Henry Hood, principal of the Vass-Lakeview School, and Jerry Hayward, principal of Westmoore Elementary School.

Dr. Clement Monroe, retired surgeon, on the North Carolina Zoo Board, presented a slide presentation of zoos around the world with the assistance of Marker and Mrs. Fitchett in the elementary schools to Grades K-6 and to student government leaders and ecology groups in the secondary schools.

This took about two months as there are approximately 10,000 students in the Moore County school system. After the presentation the students in each school were given two weeks to help raise money for their animal. They were allowed to do fund-raising projects or merely contribute their snack money, allowances, or whatever they wished to the drive. Some students sold doughnuts each (Continued on Page 12-A)



SPEAKER — Dr. J. Earl Danieley, former president and dean of Elon College and now a professor of chemistry there, will be the speaker for the Sandhills Community College commencement ceremony Friday evening.

Sewerage System Now On Schedule

Moore County's regional sewer system, one of the earliest to be approved as a "201 Planning Facility" two years ago, last Wednesday became the first of 100 or more such projects now under way in North Carolina to gain state-federal approval on its construction plans.

This means that, while the

financial award for this, the third and final phase, has yet to be made, the project is on schedule and everything looks good for contracts to be let in August, the engineers said.

The news highlighted a dinner meeting of county and municipal officials held at the Sheraton Inn (Continued on Page 12-A)

All-Day Sidewalk Sale Slated Here Saturday

An all-day Sidewalk Sale with special bargains and free gifts will be staged on Saturday, May 24, by Downtown Southern Pines merchants.

In addition there will be a special art show, with Deanne Belinfot, artist-in-residence at Sandhills Community College, in charge.

The idea for the Sidewalk Sale came from Jean Price, who with the help of the Sandhills Area Chamber of Commerce has enlisted the cooperation of 18 mer-

chants in the downtown shopping district.

Each store and shop will have a display of goods and wares outside their shops, with the sale going on from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Each shop will also give away a gift item by a drawing at the end of the day.

The impromptu "Springburst" will include a Walk-Through Art Gallery, an Ara Souk and a Corybanti Caper in the alley between the Jellison Press and the Flea (Continued on Page 12-A)

THE PILOT LIGHT

GOVERNORS — A Governor and four former governors were among visitors to the Sandhills this past weekend.

Governor James Holshouser was here to host the Symphony Ball, which was also attended by former Governor and now Supreme Court Justice Dan K. Moore. Former Governors Terry Sanford and Bob Scott of North Carolina, and former Governor Phillip Hoff of Vermont were here for a meeting of the Citizens Committee to Nominate Terry Sanford Friday night.

Also the widow of a former Governor, Mrs. Luther H. Hodges of Chapel Hill, was among those attending the Symphony Ball at the Country Club of North Carolina on Saturday night.

MORGAN — Senator Robert

Morgan, who was in Southern Pines for the Sanford fund-raising event on Friday night, was in a philosophical mood but concerned about the way Congress functions.

"I sometimes wonder if our system is not breaking down," Morgan said, declaring that he was disturbed at how few U.S. Senators participated in really important decisions.

"There will be a vote on a very important measure, something affecting the lives of every American, and there will be only seven or eight Senators on the floor and voting," he said.

Closed committee meetings not only keep the public out but also keep other Senators in the dark, Morgan declared.

SANFORD — Terry Sanford (Continued on Page 12-A)

Hearing On Annexation Scheduled Monday Night

The Southern Pines Town Council will hold a public hearing at 8 p.m. Monday on the annexation of three areas.

They are: (1) two sections, across the street from each other, on South Ridge St. Extension, with another nearby on the south side of Morganton Road, between Ridge and May; (2) part of the Knollwood

Fairways development containing single-family residences, at the intersection of Pee Dee and Midland Roads; and (3) part of the Pinedene section south of town, between Broad St. Extension and an area west of the bypass, between the Lutheran Church and JFR Barn. Town Clerk Mildred McDonald (Continued on Page 12-A)

Judge Gavin To Preside At Catch-Up Court Term

Special Judge Robert L. Gavin of Pinehurst will preside over a catch-up term of Moore Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases, to open Tuesday following the Memorial Day recess.

There is no warrant docket and the grand jury will not convene, as, with 111 cases calendared for the first three days—leaving

Friday open for cases not reached before that date—the court will have all it can do to carve off even a portion of the considerable backlog.

Some cases date back to last October or November, or even before. These include that of Gary D. McRae of Southern (Continued on Page 12-A)

Dr. Jenkins To Address Graduates At Pinecrest

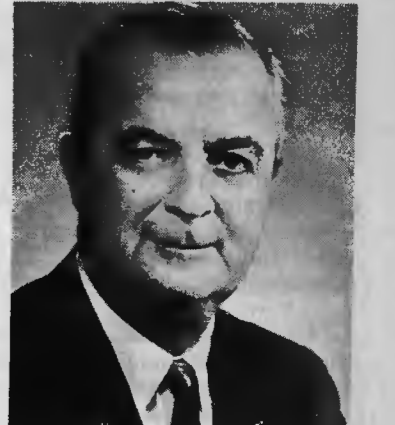
Dr. Leo W. Jenkins, Chancellor of East Carolina University at Greenville, will be the commencement speaker for the Pinecrest High School graduation exercises on Tuesday, June 3.

The baccalaureate address will be on June 1 at Pinecrest with the Rev. J. Riegard Woodward, assistant pastor of Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church in Greensboro, as the speaker.

Chancellor Jenkins, a native of New Jersey, joined the faculty of East Carolina University as dean in 1947 and served in that post until appointed president in 1960. His title was changed to Chancellor in 1972.

He has served on several state and national educational committees and commissions and is on the board of directors of several business corporations. He served as a major with the U.S. Marine Corps during World

War II. The Rev. Mr. Woodward is an ordained minister in the African Methodist Episcopal Zion church and has served as pastor of churches in Durham, Pollocksville, Henderson, Bear Creek in (Continued on Page 12-A)



Dr. Leo W. Jenkins