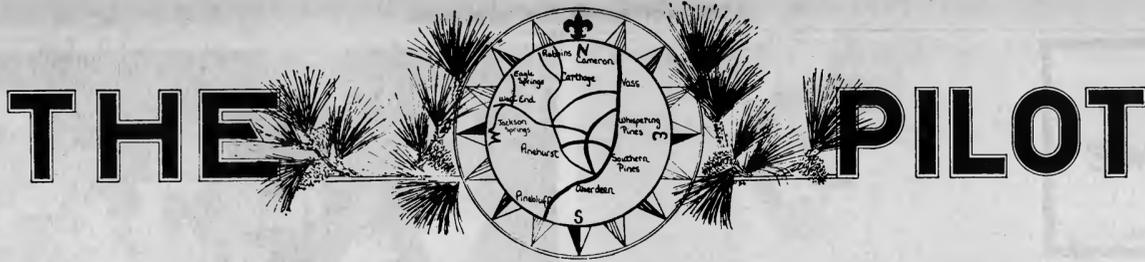


### Weather

Variable cloudiness is predicted with possible thundershowers and a 40 percent chance of rain today, 20 percent tonight and 30 percent tomorrow. The high for the week was a sweltering 98 degrees Thursday. Sunday and Monday 2.65 inches of rain fell.



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# Duncraig Appeal Continues Despite Overspending Fund

## Sewer Plan Bids Below Estimates

Bids were opened Tuesday afternoon on Moore County's multi-million-dollar regional sewage treatment system, and with one category only estimated, in which an insufficient number was received, were seen to come well within the allotted funds.

County officials and engineers presiding over the event, momentous in the history of Moore County, expressed their jubilation at the numbers and quality of the bids, as well as the figures represented.

Low bids in seven categories, out of eight, totalled something over \$13 million for the project,

for which federal, state and local funds will be available in the sum of nearly \$19 million.

Advertised on a coast-to-coast basis, bids had been sought in eight categories, four concerned with the sewage treatment plant and its construction, four with segments of interceptor lines at Southern Pines.

Bid figures termed "low" are at present only "apparently" so, said Bob Helms, county administrator, "r"ing that every number and every detail of each bid must be scrutinized, with the federal and state agencies concerned all taking part, before

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## Lakeview Man Is Held On Old Kidnap Charge

Ralph C. "Tex" McCraney, 41 of Lakeview is in the Moore County jail on two felony charges, first brought in 1972.

Warrants were sworn out for his arrest for kidnaping and attempted robbery at Johnny's Bar and Grill Dec. 14, 1972, signed by Southern Pines Police Chief Earl Seawell.

He was arrested in Greenville, S.C. August 13 of this year on charges of disorderly conduct and interfering with an officer in the line of duty. After Greenville police learned of the earlier charges, they informed local police. McCraney waived

extradition, and was picked up by Moore County sheriff's officers and lodged in the county jail in Carthage. He is under \$1000 bond on the attempted

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### Files

Dante Monesanti on Tuesday became the first to file for the Southern Pines Town Council in this fall's election.

A retired restaurant operator, Monesanti filed with Town Clerk Mildred McDonald.

Filing for the council was opened on Aug. 15 and will end in September.

## Two More Deputies Quit Leaving Four Vacancies

Moore County's troubled sheriff's department lost two more officers this week when two former detectives—Don Davis and Ernest Hooker—resigned.

Davis resigned on Monday and Hooker on Tuesday, both effective at once but with both going on two weeks vacation.

Sheriff C.G. Wimberly said the reasons Hooker gave came down to about the same as Davis—"he wasn't satisfied with some of our policies."

He said the break-up of the investigative unit in his recent departmental organization, was something he saw as necessary, and "if they can't adjust to it, then maybe it is better this way."

Wimberly said he recognized that, when an officer has been working "in plainclothes" and has done a good job at it, it may seem a demotion to him to be returned to the uniformed patrol.

However, he said he had made the changes on expert consultant advice, shifting the emphasis to crime prevention instead of so much investigation "after the fact," and that he looked around for his "best men" in order to put them on patrol. But if they didn't understand it that way, he said, "perhaps it's all for the best."

Hooker, a well-liked black officer, has served more than three years with the department,

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## More Building Permits Are Issued in August

Five building permits have already been issued in Southern Pines during August.

This compares with one permit each for the months of May, June and July. None was issued in February or March.

Three of the permits signal the completion of the Village Green, a division of Sandavis, Inc., lifelong dream of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Davis.

A permit for a new restaurant

on Shaw Avenue near the JFK Barn just off the US 1 bypass has also been issued to Fred Hall.

Although it hasn't yet applied for a permit, a new dental office is expected to be built beside the office of Dr. W. Harrell Johnson in the 700 block of S.W. Broad Street.

The pickup in business in the construction industry is seen as a part of a generally recovering economy.



SANDHILLS RECREATION—Two of the prime focal points of recreation in the Sandhills—golf and horses—make up this picture at Seven Lakes, one of Moore County's newest resort communities.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

## Schools Will Open Next Week With 9,000 Students Expected

Everything is being readied for the opening of the 1975-76 school year in Moore County with around 9,000 pupils expected to be enrolled. However, by the end of the year next spring, the enrollment is expected to increase.

There are some 460 teachers in the schools, with only 24 of them being new to Moore County.

It will only be a half-day of "Pupil Orientation" next Thursday, August 28, followed by the first full day of school on Tuesday, September 2. There will be no cafeteria service on "Pupil Orientation Day." However, service will begin on

the first full day of school.

Teachers began their duties on Friday of last week. They have been busy making preparations for the opening and attending various in-service workshops throughout the county. The principals have been working throughout the summer, except for their normal two weeks vacation, and attending their in-service workshops.

On Tuesday, August 26, a county-wide teachers' meeting will be held at the North Moore High School Auditorium. A luncheon will be held for the 24 new teachers in the school cafeteria following the meeting.

### School Dates

The following dates have been announced to aid parents and the public in general for the upcoming school year.

The District NCAE meeting, scheduled at Monroe High School, is set for September 19.

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## Free Offer For Moving Junk Cars

Have you ever wondered how you were going to get rid of that old car you have sitting behind the house that you never quite got around to fixing? Well, the Town of Southern Pines is offering you a chance to get rid of it—for free.

As a part of the Town's Community Development Program arrangements have been made with a firm that specializes in the removal of junk and abandoned automobiles. By contacting Art Tener or Carl Ross at Town Hall, 692-7021, persons may have the firm notified and the car removed at no cost.

Town Manager Lew Brown noted that this program is unique in that it is not costing either the Town or the car owner anything to have the car removed. The firm involved feels it can recover its cost for removal and disposal of the car through the scrap

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GREEN—There are reports that Speaker of the House Jimmy Green may be lowering his sights and instead of running for Governor in 1976 will get into the campaign for Lieutenant Governor.

He is also being mentioned as a possible candidate for Congress against Rep. Charles Rose.

Green, however, continues to make contacts about the State in respect to the Governor's race.

Two candidates have formally announced for Lieutenant Governor, Rep. Herbert Hyde of Buncombe County and Frank Stephenson of Chowan College. Mayor Howard Lee of Chapel

Hill is a candidate and so is Waverly Akins, former chairman of the Wake County commissioners. A total of 16 persons are reported considering the race, although no one expects a field that large to be actually running.

TREASURER — State Treasurer Edwin Gill has not said either way whether he will seek reelection in 1976, but at least three people have let it be known that they plan to be candidates if he does not run. One of them says he will run anyway. He is Rep. Lane Brown of Stanly County.

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## Duncraig Manor Children Learn To Cope As Family

BY JENNIFER CALDWELL

Duncraig Manor, located on the outskirts of Southern Pines, is owned by Mrs. Constance Baker. It is currently occupied by a large, vital family who make no pretensions as to the fact that they, being human, have faults.

Because of this honesty; and beyond that, the courage of this family, Mrs. Baker, and the Southeastern Mental Health Center, the treatment approach at Duncraig has been bombarded for months by a few "concerned citizens" of this community.

The "concerned citizens" have attracted attention to both Duncraig Manor and the community. Because of legal action by the Town of Southern Pines against the center, the Sandhills area obtained a national reputation last summer.

Since this area has been termed a "tourist resort," perhaps residents are adept at keeping the spotlight on. The days and weeks and months are beginning to add up and no solution has been found to the "problem" at Duncraig Manor. The Town has appealed Judge James M. Long's

verdict when he stated the case was "not tryable" on three points: a primary basis being that the Town may not sue a state-supported agency.

What case is splitting the town into factions? Exactly what is going on at Duncraig Manor?

Cecil Brown, program director of the children's treatment center at Duncraig, helped to answer some long-standing questions.

He sat in his rather ornate office at the front of the large house, smoking cigarettes and

occasionally putting his hand up to his head, as if searching for the proper reply. There was no evidence, looking only in that room, that eight children made this their home-untill, looking up from the brass andirons and heavy carved furniture, a Peanuts plaque was seen on one wall, saying "We all need someone to kiss away our tears."

The treatment, in a nutshell, is something like that. Duncraig's residents are accepted for treatment after a detailed screening process and brought into an environment of positive

mental health, maybe for the first time.

There are currently eight children living in the center designed to accept nine, with one coming next week to fill the quota. Houseparents Gary and Cathy Macbeth are currently training another set of houseparents to alternate with them on a weekly basis in caring for the kids. Though the sheer number of children involved is unusual for families today, the basic principle of family life is maintained in this way.

The difference is noticeable



SHOPPING CENTER FIRE — Firemen are shown fighting the fire which caused considerable damage to four business establishments in the Town and Country Shopping Center Tuesday night. Aberdeen firemen shown in the picture are Lloyd Harris (at top), Steve Martin (on ladder) and Kevin McIntyre.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

## Fire Damages Firms In Shopping Center

Fire of undetermined origin caused estimated damages of \$60,000 to several business firms in the Town and Country Shopping Center Tuesday night.

Most extensive damage was to Joseph's, a news, book and

record shop owned and operated by Joe Pinkston Jr.

Other places damaged by fire and smoke included First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Sanford and Sounds Un-

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## Celebrities Named For Pro-Am Sept. 9

The first group of celebrities who will play in the World Golf Hall of Fame Celebrity Pro-Am were announced this week by Tournament Director Don Collett.

The Pro-Am is scheduled for Tuesday, September 9, and will be played on Pinehurst No. 2 course, site of the \$200,000 World Open Championship.

Heading the list of invited stars who will be paired with the leading money winners on the PGA Tour is Allan Hale, the veteran TV performer who played in the World Open Pro-Am two years ago. Hale starred in the TV series "Gilligan's Island" for a number of seasons.

Also slated to appear is veteran actor Bob Sterling who also played in the first World Open Pro-Am, Ed Nelson who played the role of the doctor in Peyton Place. Country Western Stars Floyd Cramer and Hank Rogers, Tom Kennedy, Television host of the daytime television shows, "You Don't Say" and "Name That Tune;"

and Jim McKrell the major domo on NBC's "Celebrity Sweepstakes."

A field of 150 amateurs and 50 professionals including members of the British Ryder Cup teams

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FIRST FEMALE CADDY — Betsy Riggs of Burlington, a student at Sandhills College, adds to the scenery as the first female caddy at the Pinehurst Country Club. The world famous Course No. 2 will return to caddies only as of Sept. 1.—(Photo by B. Donald McKenzie).

## Tobacco Prices Move Up

Tobacco prices were improved this week on the Moore County auction markets at Aberdeen and Carthage.

Better grades of tobacco were being offered by growers and warehousemen said there was more spirited bidding by buyers.

The average on Monday at Carthage was \$99.83 per hundred pounds, and the average at Aberdeen was \$94.79 per hundred.

Sales were under way today at Aberdeen, and the next sale at the Carthage market will be on Thursday.

At Aberdeen on Monday warehousemen said things are "improving a little every day." The quality was described as better, although there were many piles of bottom leaves still

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