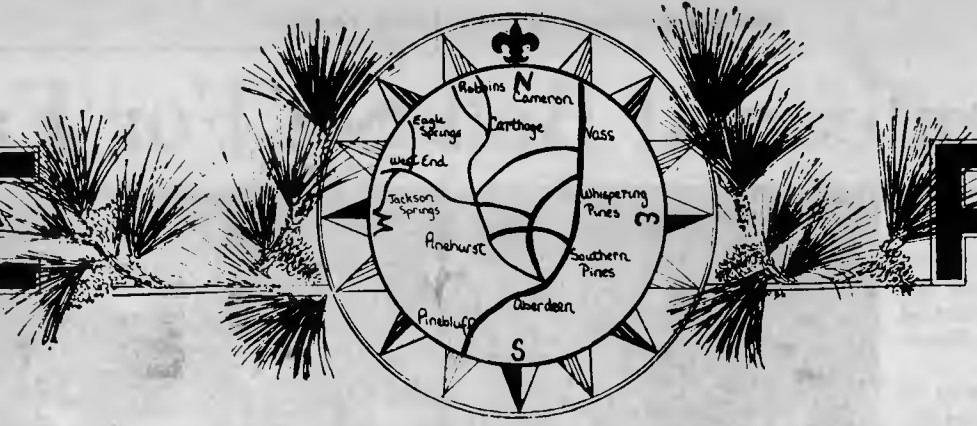


Weather

A chance of afternoon thundershowers Thursday has been predicted for the Sandhills. Today will be mostly cloudy, with highs in the 80's and lows tonight in the 60's.

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Nine Candidates In Council Race

Four of the incumbents on the Southern Pines Town Council are seeking reelection in the municipal election on Nov. 4. Council Member A. Reynold Tucker, who is completing his third term in office, did not file for reelection. Only nine candidates filed by deadline at noon on Friday and thus there will be no primary on Oct. 7. Incumbents seeking reelection are Mayor E. Earl Hubbard, Mayor Pro Tem Emmanuel Douglass, C.A. McLaughlin and E. J. Austin. Hubbard and Austin have served three two-year terms, Douglass, who was first appointed to the Council to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Felton Capel, has served two full terms, and McLaughlin is a veteran of five terms or 10 years. Tucker, who did not file for reelection, said his work as division personnel manager with CP&L is keeping him increasingly out of town, that he is in other counties of the 11-county division the better part of four days every week, and is unable to fulfill the duties of the elective office as he would like to do. Others who have filed for the Council are Sara Hodgkins, Dante Montesanti, Robert Stone, Michael Smithson and Bill Bass. If more than 10 candidates had filed a primary would have been required. Now the nine candidates will run for the five Council seats. As of Aug. 31 there were a total of 3,123 registered voters eligible to vote in the Nov. 4 municipal election. Broken down the voters are as follows: Knollwood precinct, 362; Pinedene, 205; North Southern Pines, 1,412; South Southern Pines, 1,144. Hubbard is a banker, Austin an architect, McLaughlin is a clothing store operator, and Douglass is a teacher in the Morrison Training School at Hoffman. Mrs. Hodgkins is the wife of former Mayor Norris Hodgkins, Jr., and has been active in civic and cultural affairs; Montesanti (Continued on Page 12-A)

SBI Probes Runaway Of Duncraig Girls

Attorney General Rufus Edmisten said Tuesday that investigation of the runaway of three white girls from Duncraig Manor August 20 and their involvement with National Guardsmen from Alabama was continuing by the State Bureau of Investigation and the FBI would be consulted and information turned over to it because crossing of state lines is involved. The girls—two 15 years old and one, 16—were reported missing when they failed to show up for dinner August 20. An SBI investigation shows they were picked up by two National Guardsmen—who had completed their training at Fort Bragg August 9—and stayed with them for two days at local motels, including the Holiday Inn. Other guardsmen were reportedly with them. On August 22, two of the girls, one 15 and the other 16, went with "unknown" individuals to Myrtle Beach, S.C. The 16-year-old turned herself in to police there on August 23, and the other was picked up on August 24. One 15-year-old is still missing. She was last seen on August 21 or 22 in Southern Pines at the Holiday Inn in the company of two Alabama Guardsmen, according to the SBI. She was reported seen at Myrtle Beach on August 23. The investigation showed that she has a history of running away from home, but had said she liked Duncraig and was "getting hold of herself." The father and mother, names unrevealed because of their daughter's status as a juvenile— (Continued on Page 10-A)

Girl's Finger Caught; Squad Comes to Rescue

Some rescue jobs are big, some are small—as small as a tiny girl's little finger. But to the rescuers, all are equally important. Saturday, the Vass Rescue Squad answered a call to the Ray Smith farm, in the Lakeview section, where they found a three-year-old girl with her arm stuck down a small hollow post in the body of a pickup truck. Mr. and Mrs. Junior Turnley said they had left their daughter Janice asleep in the bed of the truck, while they worked in a field nearby, helping Smith to get his tobacco in. They heard Janice crying and found her with her arm in the post. Investigation revealed that the little girl had stuck her finger through a hole at the bottom of the post. It had swollen and couldn't come back out of the hole. After efforts proved futile, someone called the rescue squad. Two members came with the ambulance and studied the problem, as they have studied other complex problems posed them in state and international competition, in which the Vass teams have been winners for a number of years. (Continued on Page 12-A)

Clubhouse, Second Course Under Way At Lake Surf

A new clubhouse and a second 18-hole golf course are the latest projects being added to huge Lake Surf, the A.B. Hardee development six miles east of Vass. The 1130 acre lake was formed by damming both Crane's Creek and Juniper Creek, and the vegetation left on the bottom feed the myriad bass that lure fishermen. The second 18 will be in play by 1976, and is 50 percent completed, spokesman Bob Sheahan says. The clubhouse will have both tennis courts and a swimming pool, adding to the water sports already taking place and the golf. Boating is already popular at the Lake. A double-sized marina takes care of the boats. Some 730 lots have been sold, many to out-of-state persons. Twenty-six residences are now occupied, including the unusual surfersiders that stand in the water on stilts. Riding trails have been set up and huge stone pillars mark the entrance. A security guard is on (Continued on Page 12-A)



LAKE SURF — Gail Brooks and Victoria Blackburn enjoy the sun and "surf" at the development rapidly being completed six miles east of Vass.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).



POPULAR AT PRO-AM — Comedian Don Knotts was one of the more popular celebrities at Tuesday's World Golf Hall of Fame Celebrity Pro-Am Tournament which launched the "Grand Week of Golf" at Pinehurst.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

Big Golf Week Under Way Here

North Carolina's Grand Week of Golf got under way at Pinehurst this week and will culminate on Sunday with the crowning of the 1975 World Open champion. Early this (Wednesday) afternoon induction ceremonies were held at the World Golf Hall of Fame, with three of the five living inductees on hand for the enshrinement. On Tuesday the first annual World Golf Hall of Fame Celebrity Pro-Am Tournament was held, with a good-sized crowd on hand to watch 50 of the top pros, dozens of amateurs and many celebrities from the entertainment world play in a fun event, about which most of them were deadly serious. Among those playing was Governor James Holshouser, who had proclaimed this as the "Grand Week of Golf" and also served as honorary chairman for the week's event. The team of pro Buck Adams, Malcolm McLean, Richard Urquhart and James K. Glenn was the winner of Tuesday's Pro-Am, turning in a 17-under par total of 54. Adams is the head professional at the Country Club of North Carolina, of which Urquhart of Raleigh is president. McLean is the chairman of the board of Diamondhead Corp., owners of Pinehurst, Inc. Adams collected \$1,000 and the others received prizes and trophies. The Adams team led the teams of pros Danny Edwards and John Mahaffey by three strokes. Edwards and Mahaffey collected \$750 for second place. Winner of third place was the team of Billy Casper, who received \$600. Following him were Bruce Crampton, Peter Oosterhuis, Jerry McGee and Art Wall, Jr. Governor Holshouser played with the Casper team. Others in the foursome were entertainer Dennis James and John Parker. Play in the \$200,000 World Open gets under way tomorrow (Thursday), with a classic international field of 156 of the world's greatest golfers playing for the third World Open championship crown and the prize money, with \$40,000 going to the champion. Following the first two rounds of play in the 72-hole event, the field will be reduced to the 70 low (Continued on Page 12-A)



GOVERNOR READY — Governor James Holshouser, who is serving as Honorary Chairman for the "Grand Week of Golf," gets ready to play in the Celebrity Pro-Am Tournament.

Town Council Delays Annexation Request

The Southern Pines Town Council in regular meeting Tuesday night honored a faithful public servant whose work sometimes brought him more wrath than thanks; rejoiced with Police Chief Earl Seawell on the "litter clean-up" prevailing around town; and decided that, in regard to a "satellite annexation" nearly two miles away, they'd better find out a lot more about costs before making a move. Joe C. Thomas, who recently resigned after 25 years of service on the zoning adjustment board, most of that time as chairman, was present with his wife by special invitation of the council, to receive a framed copy of the resolution the council adopted last month in appreciation of his work. Mayor Earl Hubbard, making the presentation, spoke for the council in acclaiming a man who "has served faithfully to make our town the fine place that it is, and to keep it so, despite the fact that some of his decisions weren't compatible with all, and sometimes brought down wrath on his head." To Mrs. Thomas, in reference to the great amount of time it all took the mayor said, "Thanks—for sharing him with the Town." Despite the occasional "wrath," Thomas said later he was proud that, with all the (Continued on Page 10-A)

Belks Slates Opening In Big Store Sept. 18

The Grand Opening of the big, expanded and redecorated new Belks will be held Thursday, Sept. 18 at 9:30 a.m. Belk-Hensdale Company is increasing its size by 125 percent by the remodeling and addition of the old Collins store to its present location at 116 W. Main Street in Aberdeen. H.G. Crissman, Manager of the store for the past eight years, says the new store will encompass some 16,000 square feet, with a bright new, coordinated color scheme, allowing the addition of 16 new departments and the display of many new lines of merchandise. Both buildings are being completely redecorated. Five fulltime employees and three parttime ones have been added to the staff. Hours for the store will be Monday through Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The new telephone will be 944-7688. The present store was established in 1955 at its present location.

Mrs. Hollister, 61, Dies; Funeral This Afternoon

Mrs. Arthealia Mitchell Hollister, 61, died Monday around 5:30 p.m. at her home in Pinehurst of a heart attack. Funeral services will be held today at 3 p.m. at Powell Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Martin Caldwell. A native of North Carolina, the daughter of a minister, Mrs. Hollister was a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, with a BS in Home Economics. She worked several years as a staff dietitian at Duke Hospital. She was also head dietitian at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta, Ga. during the war years. She received her Masters degree at Duke, and as a golfer, was a member of the Silver Foils in Pinehurst. She had been a Sunday School teacher, served as treasurer and secretary of Moore Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, president of the Moore County Medical Auxiliary, local chairman of a cancer drive and the first chairman of the annual Antiques Fair. She also worked with the Sandhills Music Association, and as vice president and program chairman of the Southern Pines Garden Club. She is believed to be the first woman to run for the office of Moore County Commissioner. (Continued on Page 12-A)



Mrs. Wm. F. Hollister

Sign Ordinance Revived After Strong Requests

A sign ordinance which appeared dead was brought back to life by the Southern Pines Town Council Tuesday night after a request had been made by the Beautification Commission that it be approved "without further delay." The Council voted to send the ordinance back to the Planning Board, where it had originated, asking that board to work out certain details with the town attorney as a preliminary to another public hearing on the matter. Mayor Earl Hubbard, who had not been present at the August meeting, to which a public hearing had been continued from July, declared he had been at a loss to understand what had happened to the ordinance at that (Continued on Page 12-A)

Tobacco Up

Tobacco prices on Moore County auction markets continued upward this week, rising to a new high at Carthage on Monday. Sales at Carthage on Monday were 354,060 pounds, which sold for \$377,675, or an average of \$106.75 per pound. On Tuesday sales at Aberdeen totaled 355,536 pounds, which sold for \$360,038, or an average of \$101.27 per pound. Warehousemen said better grades were appearing on the floor, and bidding was stronger. (Continued on Page 12-A)

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WHICHARD—Terry Sanford's state campaign manager, Senator Willis P. Whichard of Durham, is regarded as one of the bright young men of the North Carolina Legislature. Whichard, 35, is a native of Durham and a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of North Carolina, where he also earned his law degree. He served as a clerk to Chief Justice William Bobbitt of the N.C. Supreme Court before starting his own law practice. He served two terms in the State House of Representatives (1971-73) before being elected to the Senate. In the House he was a leader in securing the enactment of the Coastal Land Management Act. He is a Baptist. JORDAN—Rep. John M. Jordan of Saxapahaw wants it understood that he is a full-fledged candidate for Lieutenant Governor in the 1976 Democratic primary. Jordan, 39, an Alamance County textile manufacturer and son of the late U.S. Senator B. Everett Jordan, wrote Pilot Light when his name was not listed among announced candidates. He said, "After the General Assembly recessed I simply delivered a statement to AP and UP that I would be a candidate for Lieutenant Governor if Bob Scott didn't run...Now that Bob Scott has (Continued on Page 12-A)

Overton Rites Set Thursday

Mrs. Sarah Isabelle Terry Overton, 71, homemaker, died Tuesday morning at Moore Memorial Hospital after a short illness. The funeral will be held Thursday at 10 a.m. at the Church of Wide Fellowship by the Reverends James Humphries and Martin Caldwell. Burial will be at Old Bethesda in Aberdeen. Mrs. Overton was a native of Rockingham, the daughter of the late Raiford and Eugenia Legg Terry. She was married to J.T. Overton in 1925 and lived in Mt. Gilead before moving to Southern Pines in 1929. She was a member of the Church of Wide Fellowship (Congregational) and spent (Continued on Page 12-A)

Enrollment Up

Students in public schools totalled 8,893 Monday, the fifth school day, an increase over the opening day of 259. A still larger enrollment is expected, according to Bob Dalton, public information officer for the schools. This does not include the 548 kindergartners or the 35 Head Start pupils, 17 at Southern Pines Elementary and 18 at Vass-Lakeview. There are still a few openings in kindergarten, Dalton said.