

Annexation Is Upheld Effective On May 24 **Council Hears Arguments On The Election Of Mayor** BY VALERIE NICHOLSON Mrs. Hope Brogden was sworn in Tuesday night as the newest member of the Town Council, at

COOL WATERS - On a recent hot day the cows Cameron. The pastoral scene caught the eye of

gathered close to the cool waters of a farm pond near Photographer Glenn M. Sides.

Morrison School Closing Proposed But Governor Hunt Delays Decision clerk.

It appeared likely this week The plans being discussed are prison camp for youthful ofhat Cameron Morrison School at for the training school to be hearby Hoffman in Richmond transferrred from the Depart-County will be closed as of July 1, ment of Human Resources to the although the Governor's office Department of Corrections, with Resources, said in Pinehurst on said no decision has been made. the facility to be converted into a Friday that "the prison depart-

fenders. Dr. Sarah Morrow, Secretary of the Department of Human Resources, said in Pinehurst on

Gary Pearce, press scretary

a ment is in such dire straits" the transfer has been talked about but "there has not been a firm

the first items on the agenda, of for Governor Jim Hunt, said this week "It's a possibility and may Mrs. Sara Hodgkins, former happen, but no decision has been member of the council, whose made." He added, however, that unexpired term Mrs. Brogden

decision would probably be had been chosen to fill. Mrs. Hodgkins, who resigned to (Continued on Page 16A) **Draft Not Needed Now**

Resources, had been the first woman to serve on the council. Mrs. Brogden is the second. a meeting which turned out to be Another bright spot was the presence on the desk in front of

starting with a lengthy discussion of whether or not to Telephone change the form of town government; and continuing through a half-dozen public Inquiries hearings and other involved matters, many dealing with zoning, some of them con-Will Cost

have to start paying extra for

On May 16, United Telephone Company of the Carolinas operators will begin asking customers for their telephone numbers when they call Directory Assistance. The new procedure is the first phase of a plan to begin charging for Directory Assistance service on June 6.

The North Carolina Utilities Commission recently ordered all telephone companies in the state that are not charging for Directory Assistance service to

become Secretary of the State Mrs. Brogden-where she took Department of Cultural her place with the other members after being sworn in-of a

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Sec. Thomas W. Bradshaw

Managers Meet Here This Week

Saturday, May 14.

The North Carolina Court of Appeals, in a unanimous decision of three judges, has upheld the trial court on every point in the suit filed June 30, 1976, against the Town of Southern Pines by a group resisting annexation.

The case, up on appeal following a hearing last August 31 in Moore Superior Court at Carthage, was argued April 14 at Raleigh by James Van Camp and Bruce Cunningham for the petitioner appellants and by W. Lamont Brown and W. Daniel Pate for the Town.

Town Attorney Brown was notified Tuesday by the clerk of the Court of Appeals that the decision, handed down May 4, will be certified May 24 to the superior court, and the annexation will become effective on that date.

There is no automatic right of appeal, Brown said, though a (Continued on Page 9A)

More Annexed

Southern Pines grew last night by 467.54 acres, which on a map displayed at the town council meeting looked about the same size as the entire community of West Southern Pines--maybe even a bit larger.

This was the extent of an area annexed on petition of the owner, Voit Gilmore, and consisting of his well-known tree farm, central lake and additional acreage, with boundaries generally near ndiand Road on the n

There were some bright spots, Telephone users here will soon one of them the warm applause which broke out in the council directory assistance. chamber, crowded with people there for the public hearings, after Mrs. Brogden had been administered the oath of office by Mrs. Mildred McDonald, town Another was the presence, for

Hospital Is Accredited By National Commission

Moore Memorial Hospital has been accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals, according to Ad- JCAH umbrella, is to help ministrator J. Crenshaw hospitals in their pursuit of ex-Thompson.

Thompson said.

It is not legally necessary for a higher quality of care to patients. nospital to be accredited, but The program also seeks to Moore Memorial and many other recognize, and to identify for the nealth care facilities have sought public, those facilities which accreditation because it meet its standards. The Moore Memorial accepresents a benchmark of

quality that is higher than creditation, which is effective governmental licensure alone, from January, 1977, to January, are eligible to vote in the (Continued on Page 16A)

Foxfire Vote The chief aim of the Hospital Accreditation Program, one of An election on the sale of beer four such programs under the and wine in the newly incorporated Village of Foxfire has been scheduled for July 12 by the cellence and thereby provide a Moore County Board of Elec-

decision."

tions. The election was authorized at a meeting last week of the board on petition of the Village Council of Foxfire.

An estimated 50 to 60 persons referendum.

commanding general of Fort Bragg, does not think the draft is needed. "Right now I don't think we

need it. We are doing well without it," Gen. Emerson told the members of the Kiwanis Club of the Sandhills at their luncheon meeting at the Holiday Inn Wednesday.

General Emerson, who will be retiring from the Army at the end of June, says he plans to live in the Fayetteville area. Most of his talk to the

Kiwanians concerned what he called "Pro Life" programs at Fort Bragg, programs in which

Gen. Emerson Declares Lt. Gen. Henry Emerson, he said emphasis is made on "what we are for, not what we're

a rather drastic initiation.

troversial.

It lasted until midnight,

against." He said that under the volunteer program the Army is getting young men and women with a great deal of innate ability "but what is missing is a pattern of achievement." He said the Army has a responsibility to provide this pattern, to fulfill promises of education, but also to make training "hard and tough." He also said much emphasis is

being given to sports, especially combatitive sports such as boxing. At Fort Bragg "we start the

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begin doing so on that date. According to Joe Kimball, United's Southern Pines District Manager, the Directory

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Retail Sales were up a whopping 29.1 percent in February in Moore County.

including City and County The Sandhills Area Chamber of Managers and their assistants Commerce reports that sales in from across the state. Some 200 February, '77 were \$11,382,696, persons are expected for the compared to \$8,814,454 for meeting. February '76.

Sales were down 10.2 percent Southern Pines' Town from January, when they Manager, Lew G. Brown, is now totalled \$12,682,331. serving as Secretary-Treasurer serving as Secretary-Treasurer

Electric meters totalled 15,718 of the Association. Bruce for February, up 3.2 percent Boyette, City Manager of Wilson, from the year before and is President. During the conference, telephones reached 20,475, over seven percent more than Feb. members of the association will '76, and 43.7 percent more than discuss matters of common February, '72. (Continued on Page 16A)

The annual meeting of the North Carolina City and County Management Association is being held this week in Southern Pines at the Mid Pines Club from

The North Carolina City and

County Management Association

consists of 217 members

Morganton Road on the south, US Highway 1 on the east and US 15-501, on the south-directly adjacent to the town limits along Pine Street, in West Southern Pines, for 1,757.64 feet. Thursday, May 12, through

Champion Back

Amtrak is bringing the Champion back to Southern Pines for the overnight trip to New York on the train.

The announcement was made by the Sandhills Area Chamber of Commerce.

Effective now, the schedule is; arrive Southern Pines at 9:35 p.m., arrive New York 9 a.m.

The Silver Star leaves New York at 10:10 a.m. and arrives in Southern Pines at 9:30 a.m. The Silver Star will go on to St. Petersburg, Fla., arriving at 1:15 (Continued on Page 16A)

Dr. Stone Says He's Puzzled By Charges Against College

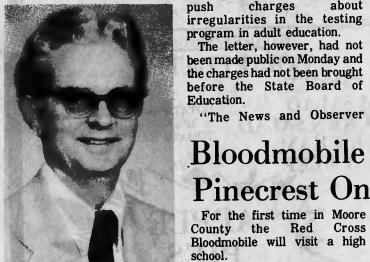
\$9,000 as an inducement not to

charges about

Dr. Raymond Stone, president anything," he said.

of Sandhills Community College, said Monday that he was done in connection with the case 'puzzled and perplexed" by charges published in recent days about irregularities in testing and a salary payment to a It was reported in The News discharged former instructor in

and Observer on Friday and the college's learning lab. Saturday that Franklin had Dr. Stone plans to go before a legislative committee and the written a letter to a member of State Board of Education for a the State Board of Education complete airing of the charges. alleging that Sandhills Community College had paid him "We haven't tried to hide



NAMED — The Reverend Mr. Clyde G. McCarver has been named District Superintendent of the Sanford District of the United Methodist Church, which includes Moore County. He comes from the Rockingham District, where he has been Superintendent. He is a graduate of the University of Georgia and Duke Divinity School, ordained in 1946.

placed Sandhills Community He insisted that everything College 70 miles east of Raleigh," Dr. Stone said. "That's somewhere between St. of the discharged instructor, Lewis and Conetoe, and that's Russell M. Franklin of Aberdeen, just about how far off base The has been above-board and on the News and Observer is." best legal advice available.

Dr. Stone said the Franklin

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State Alumni

Chancellor Joab L. Thomas will address Moore County alumni of N.C. State University at Seven Lakes on Tuesday, May

The alumni meeting will open with a social hour at 6 p.m., followed by a pig-picking at 7 in the Seven Lakes recreation area. Reservations may be made by calling Mike Busby at 692-8807 or

"The News and Observer Chris McDonald at 692-2715.



A light agenda led to a short meeting - under two hours - of the Moore County Board of Education at their Tuesday meeting.

Three Pinehurst residents, and later a fourth, appeared before the board at the beginning of the meeting to express their concern over rumors that have circulated that Pinehurst Elementary School will be closed in a consolidation plan. Jesse Fuller, Floyd Ray, and Mrs. Vera Birch all supported the school and told the board they would "hate to see it close."

The rumors have appeared since a group of parents ap-

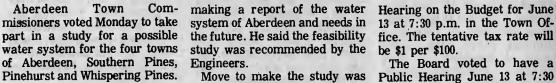
Aberdeen Votes To Join Study protest of a ruling which stated For Four-Town Water System that all students living in the Pinehurst school district would be required to attend the

Pinehurst schools next year. (Continued on Page 16A)

Jobless Down

Unemployment is down to 6.3 percent for March, against 7 percent for February, the office of Frank Burch in Carthage has announced for the Employment Security Commission.

Burch said that a labor force of 18,670 had 17,490 persons employed, leaving 1,180 unemployed at the end of March.



The study would be made by made by Commissioner Hugh M. William Freeman Associates of Styers. It was seconded by Commissioner Cliff Blue Jr. and High Point and would cost passed.

Aberdeen \$1,000. Mayor Jack Taylor reported The Board discussed a budget that this group, Town Engineers, estimate and approved it with had met with him and were some changes and set the Public

Com- making a report of the water Hearing on the Budget for June the future. He said the feasibility fice. The tentative tax rate will be \$1 per \$100.

The Board voted to have a Move to make the study was Public Hearing June 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the Aberdeen Municipal Building on a Thoroughfare Plan for Aberdeen and Southern Pines proposed by Glenn O. Orlin, Transportation Planner of the N.C. Department of Tran-(Continued on Page 16A)



PEANUT MAN - The peanut man was popular at the Crafts and Skills Festival held Friday and Saturday at the Malcolm Blue Farm near Aberdeen.

of Southern Pines appears assured of election as chairman of the State Board of Education when the board holds its next meeting in June.

There are 13 members of the board, including the ex-officio members of the Lieutenant Governor and State Treasurer. and the office of Governor Jim Hunt says there are seven votes assured for Bruton.

It was also learned this week that Bruton may pick up two or possibly three more votes. Lt. Gov. Jimmy Green is now

serving as interim chairman, following the resignation of Dallas Herring, and Green had said he would like to be the

BRUTON-Dr. David Bruton regular chairman. Dr. Bruton, however, is Governor Hunt's announced choice for that position, and he has lined up the votes to see it happen.

SCHOOLS-Governor Hunt has not gotten himself involved to any great extent in the Youth Services Division and the training schools the state operates now at six places.

His office, however, is aware of a morale problem in the division and the schools and some of the Hunt people see the problems stemming from some people put into positions during the Holshouser administration. Just what will be done about it

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Pinecrest On Monday For the first time in Moore 18 year old bracket. County the Red Cross The 17-year-olds must have Bloodmobile will visit a high parental consent, Scott said, on the approved Red Cross form. Eighteen year olds may donate

On Monday, May 16, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., the without consent of parents. Bloodmobile will be at Pinecrest Those under a 110-pound weight High School, and Chairman limit are not allowed to donate. William F. Scott said that plans are to schedule visits to the other

Chairman Scott urged students who are unable to donate blood to high schools in the county-Union Pines and North Moore. their parents. The entire program at Pinecrest will be handled by the

very successful in other counties students under the supervision of in North Carolina," Scott said. Mrs. Phyllis Brock, student "It very well may be the answer advisor. They will do all the work in eliminating the deficit between the blood collected in normally done by the regular

provide a substitute, such as "This program has proved

volunteers, including the recruiting of donors in the 17 and Moore County and the needs of (Continued on Page 16A)

THE PILOT LIGHT **Bloodmobile To Visit**