



RIDER KILLED BY ROPE — At left can be seen the frayed edge of a rope where a 14-year-old boy, Larry Thomas Holt Jr., was caught and killed while riding his motorbike in woods off the Fort Bragg Road.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

## Boy, 14, Is Killed Here By Rope While Riding Motorbike In Woods

A 14-year-old boy riding his motorbike along a woods trail Wednesday afternoon hit a rope tied between two trees to keep out bike riders, was thrown off and died of a fractured neck within a few minutes.

Another boy riding behind him suffered injuries, and was hospitalized for a few days. Larry Thomas (Tommy) Holt, Jr., of 1625 North Ridge St. Extension, and his "backseat" passenger, John McDonald, also 14, were on their way after school through the woods behind the home of Mr. and Mrs. William A. McDonald (no relation) of 810 Fort Bragg Road, to a hilly spot in the woods they called the "roller coaster," where bike riders like to exercise their riding skills.

Anthony Deane McDonald, son of the owner of the property, saw the accident from the rear of his house and called the Southern Pines Rescue Squad, which carried the victims to Moore Memorial Hospital. Holt was dead on arrival, with several broken ribs and other injuries in addition to the fractured neck, according to Coroner A.B. Parker, who ruled the death accidental.

Young McDonald, a neighbor of Holt's on Ridge St. Extension, suffered injuries which turned out not to be serious. Mrs. McDonald told Moore County Deputy Sheriff Joe R. Kimball that she had put up the rope Monday to keep the

## More Jobs For Men Needed For County

BY ELLEN WELLES Recent studies show that to balance its economy Moore County needs to create approximately 2,000 more manufacturing jobs for men, Economic Development Director Charlie Musselman said this week.

"A community can do one of two things: it can go forward or backwards. It can't stand still," the High Point native said. "The only way to move forward is to create jobs and bring in more capital investment."

## Sewer System's Budget Set By Commissioners

The public hearing held Monday morning by the county commissioners in regular session on the first annual budget of the Moore County wastewater treatment system, lasted only about a minute. But that was long enough to assure the board they could take the next legal step, preliminary to the opening of the system September 1.

The budget had been submitted by county public works director D. Parker Lynch, who brought the board up to date on progress and plans for the \$18-million system now so close to completion. Budget items included personnel, \$123,500; utilities, \$190,000; chemicals, \$28,300; supplies, \$13,200; repairs and replacements, \$19,400; miscellaneous, \$13,900; total, \$388,300.

## Center Director Resigns

Sandhills Mental Health Center Director David Culbreth has resigned effective August 1 and a committee to find a new administrator will be named today. Culbreth said Monday he will begin in August as a consultant to the National Training Laboratories in Bethel, Maine, but has not decided on his future plans.

## Growth Control Seen Necessary To Preserve Quality Of Town

BY ELLEN WELLES A new face shows up every morning among town administrators at the Southern Pines government offices on Broad St. Marvin Collins began work in April in a position previously nonexistent in Southern Pines: full time town development director.

like Southern Pines. So many small towns have become industrialized, but Southern Pines has taken advantage of its assets," Collins said. "The Mt. Airy native said the town's main asset is its physical beauty, and he hopes he can help Southern Pines grow but still retain this beauty."

Collins said they both liked Southern Pines because they like small towns and Southern Pines was pretty also. "It's unusual to find a place

## Record 605 Graduate In Schools On Friday

### Industrial Authority Is Formed

The Moore County commissioners by formal resolution, in regular meeting Monday, created a "Moore County Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Authority," with the appointment of seven citizens to serve as its first members.

The Authority will, effective July 1, be empowered to finance manufacturing plants wishing to locate here, while ensuring the necessary environmental protection and control, as provided under the Industrial and Pollution Control Facilities Act enacted by the General Assembly in 1976.



HOUNDS WIN — The hounds that guard Weymouth, former home of founder James Boyd of the Moore County Hounds, won a ribbon for Danila Devins in a water color she exhibited at The Palette Gallery in Raleigh. Mrs. Devins also received an award in graphics with a pen and ink drawing of a friend's barn on Old Mail Road. She is an Art instructor for the Sandhills Community College Adult Education Program, and is Vice President of the Art Guild of the Sandhills.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

## Vandalism Wave Brings Police Chief's Appeal

Following a wave of extensive vandalism in the Knollwood and other sections of the Southern Pines area, Police Chief Earl Seawell this week made a plea for help from parents. "Due to the increased numbers of property crimes and vandalism in Southern Pines involving teenagers, the Southern Pines Crime Prevention Unit would like to appeal to you, the parent, to get involved with your teenagers. This can be done by having better communications

and understanding with them. "Teenagers have a lot of energy to expell, and sometimes this can get them into trouble. Have your teenagers explore the program of the Southern Pines Recreation Department and get involved in this program. "Parents, when your children are out at night, know where they are and who they are with and that they are not just out walking the streets. Give your child a certain time to be home and

## Weymouth On Register Of US Historic Places

Weymouth, the home in Southern Pines of Novelist James Boyd and Katharine Boyd, has been named to the National Register of Historic Places. Notice of the designation as an historic place was sent this week by Gary Everhardt, director of the National Park Service, to the Friends of Weymouth, Inc. The nomination had been made a few months ago by Dr. Larry E. Tise, the State Historic Preservation officer of the Department of Cultural Resources.

designations were being sent to Dr. Tise and to Senators Robert Morgan and Jesse Helms. Other places in Moore County which have been placed on the National Register are the House

## Sales Tax Growing In Moore

The one percent local option sales tax in Moore County is steadily growing, with April being one of the highest months on record for collections of \$124,582.20. Chairman W. Sidney Taylor of the Moore County commissioners said that during the present fiscal year the county had budgeted an anticipated \$600,000 in sales tax revenue. Collections, however, have ex-

## Violent Storm Damages Reported Over County

A brief, violent thunderstorm, accompanied by strong winds, hit Moore County late Monday afternoon, causing damage in all parts of the county. In Southern Pines several trees were blown down and large limbs were blown off. At several places in Moore County traffic was halted

because of trees being blown across the roads. During the height of the storm a tractor-trailer wreck was reported on Highway 24-27 west of Carthage, the accident believed to have been caused by the heavy rain and winds. Hail was reported in Carthage



STORM RESULT — A sudden thunderstorm with strong winds hit Southern Pines late Monday afternoon and uprooted some trees, including this large one which fell on the building housing the architectural firm of Austin Associates on E. Connecticut Ave.

## THE PILOT LIGHT

LEGISLATURE — Things are beginning to move a bit faster in the General Assembly this week. It always does when adjournment seems near. But there are still a lot of bills to be dealt with before the legislators can go home. As of now it appears the target date of June 17 set in the Senate will be missed by about two weeks. Some legislators had moved adjournment to the week of June 20, but several key members who were at the Seven Lakes barbecue last week said they saw no way the Legislature could adjourn before July 1. What they are hoping is they can do it by then and not have to come back

after the long Fourth of July weekend. TRUCKERS — It was Secretary Tom Bradshaw of the Department of Transportation who sold a reluctant Governor Jim Hunt on the idea of supporting the truckers lobby in its bid for twin trailers legislation. It was reported here some time ago that the bill for twin trailers had the backing of Governor Hunt, Lt. Gov. Jimmy Green, Speaker of the House Carl Stewart and Secretary Bradshaw. The reports are that Bradshaw was the catalyst. After reading the truckers printed arguments

## Drama Back

Moore County's outdoor drama, "The House In The Horseshoe" is back in business and looking for some authentic 18th century props. Director Duane Sidden and Technical Director David Downing are seeking the loan of plows and other farming tools from the era as well as several 12 and 20 gauge shotguns that are single shot and may be used in the spectacular gun battle which climaxes the play. Anyone having farm tools, plows, blacksmith's materials or shotguns available to loan may call the headquarters at 692-9611. The play opens July 6 and runs Wednesday through Saturday nights until August 20.