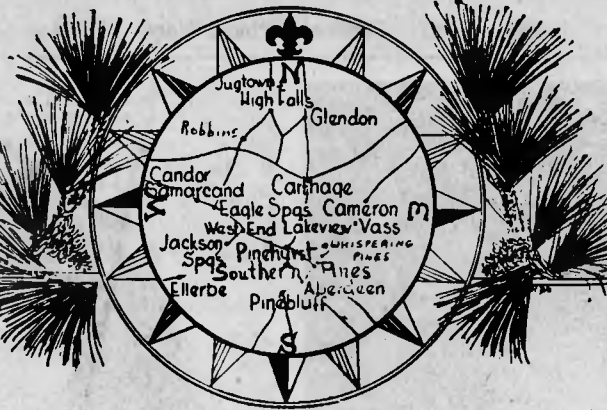


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Town To Get More Water This Summer

Southern Pines got assurance this morning that when the long hot summer comes there will be plenty of water.

Meeting in special session today (Wednesday) the Town Council awarded contracts totaling \$418,972 for improvements to the town's water supply, including a line to Nicks Creek.

Construction will begin by May 1 and the project should be in operation by late June or early July, Town Engineer Les Hall said.

Bids were received for the four separate contracts that comprise the project.

Low bidder for contract No. 1 was Heater Well Co. in Cary who bid \$132,796 to develop two new wells.

Low bidder for contract No. 2 was Carolina Well and Pump Co. in Sanford who bid \$29,636.95 to further develop the Paul Butler well.

Blue Contract Co. of Sanford made the low bid on the last two contracts. It bid \$89,980 for the recycling facility for backwash at the water treatment plant and \$98,065.50 for the raw water line from Nicks Creek.

Total cost for the project will be \$418,972, slightly over the (Continued on Page 14-A)

Hearing Planned On Grant

Moore County is planning to make an application for a Community Development grant and wants comments and proposals from the public on projects.

A public hearing on proposals will be held in the Moore County courthouse on Tuesday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m.

Martin L. Chriscoe, assistant county administrator, said the application which calls for 100 percent funding will be made to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

In announcing the hearing, Chriscoe said:

"The primary objective of the Community Development Block Grant Program is the development of viable communities through the provision of decent housing, economic opportunity and suitable living environment principally for persons of low and moderate (Continued on Page 14-A)



THE CALL OF SPRING — This is the month of Spring and these two fishermen couldn't resist the sparkling waters at Lakeview in the Spring-like weather of Saturday in the Sandhills.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

Crossings Safeguard Expedited

Schools Get Word Of Money

The lack of money is neither pleasant nor surprising news to the Moore County Board of Education since the schools seem to be forever in short supply of money. But what about a hint—almost a promise—of a large federal grant?

That kind of "money" news made members of the education board prick up their ears for a few minutes at the regular monthly meeting Monday night.

Later in the meeting, however, they received some bad news about money when architects explained that building costs for the renovation of offices at the Education Center had exceeded the \$120,000 set aside in the budget for that purpose.

The good news about money came in a report from Supt. R. E. (Continued on Page 14-A)

Congressman Bill Hefner has advised town authorities that he has been working with federal authorities and the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad to expedite the project to improve the safety at the accident-plagued New York Avenue crossing in downtown Southern Pines.

In addition, the State Department of Transportation this week advised Mrs. Martha C. Hollers of Candor, member of the Board of Transportation, that it has requested the railroad company to "expedite the New York Avenue design and to include the crossing with the work authorized in November 1976."

Congressman Hefner's office said it had been assured the flashing and gate installations will be completed in June.

W.F. Caddell, Jr., chief of planning with the State Department of Transportation, wrote Mrs. Hollers that "included in our Highway Improvement Program are projects to improve the safety of the rail-highway crossings at Vermont Avenue, Connecticut Avenue, New Hampshire Avenue, Penn- (Continued on Page 14-A)

Sewer Lines Being Laid For December Completion

Work on sewer lines in four sections of the Town of Southern Pines is expected to be completed by May 31 by Dickerson Inc., of Monroe, Public Works Director Bill Wilson said yesterday as residents faced torn-up streets.

Work on streets in Weymouth Heights, Hill Road and Indiana Avenue areas; the Kenwood Subdivision near the Town Water plant; in Knollwood, and the West Pennsylvania Avenue—West New York Avenue part of Southern Pines is underway.

Construction of the sewer lines to replace septic tanks for an estimated 1,000 people in some 250 residences in December is going on. It started in September, and had reached Weymouth Heights by the

middle of November. Most of the areas will tie onto lines already established by the (Continued on Page 14-A)

Visits Here

Louise Jordan Smith, wife of the U.S. Senate candidate in the Democratic primary in May, N.C. Senator McNeill Smith, was in Moore County today.

In the morning, she visited The Pilot, Town Manager Mildred McDonald, Mayor Emanuel Douglass and former Senator Voit Gilmore, and was a guest at the Kiwanis Club luncheon at the Holiday Inn at noon.

She planned to go to Aberdeen and Carthage during the afternoon.

Over Half Million Will Be Spent On 1978-79 Moore Road Projects

The Department of Transportation and Moore County commissioners have reached an agreement on secondary road improvements for the 1978-79 fiscal year.

There is a total of \$578,226 available for road projects—\$252,940 from regular allocations and \$325,286 from the state road bond issue.

In a resolution adopted last week the commissioners voted to retain 10 percent, or \$57,822.40 for small projects which may come up during the year, such projects as road additions, property owner participation projects, volunteer and rescue squad drives, project over-runs, etc. This leaves \$520,403 for programming.

Priority projects established by the commissioners in the resolution were as follows:

New construction: SR 1151 (Community Center Road) from SR 1118 to SR 117—0.1 miles, estimated cost: \$3,000.

SR 2017 (McGill Road) from SR 2021 to SR 2018—0.4 mile, estimated cost, \$18,000.

SR 1103 (Sand Pit Road) from SR 1102 to Dead End—0.6 mile, estimated cost, \$20,000.

SR 1267 (Frog Garner Road) from NC 705 to NC 705—1.5 mile, estimated cost, \$60,000.

SR 2013 (White Rock Road) from SR 1001 Southward 1.0 mile

(Vass End of Loop)—1.0 mile, estimated cost, \$45,000.

SR 1284 (Will Brown Road) from NC 27 to Dead End—1.0 mile, estimated cost, \$45,000.

SR 1283 (Taylor Town Loop) from SR 1210 to SR 1210—0.18 mile, estimated cost, \$8,000.

SR 1868 (Bibey Road) from SR 1831 to SR 1802—1.3 miles, estimated cost, \$52,000.

SR 2020 (Wooten Road) from SR 1001 to SR 1001—1.3 miles, estimated cost, \$58,000.

SR 1259 (Jeffers Road) from SR 1200 to Dead End—0.4 miles, estimated cost, \$16,000.

SR 1839 (No Name) from SR 1838 to Dead End—0.8 mile, estimated cost, \$32,000.

SR 1481 (O. Maness Road) from SR 1479 to Dead End—1.1 mile, estimated cost, \$49,500.

Other projects include existing paved roads, to widen and strengthen, with the roads to be considered as follows:

SR 1229—Strengthen existing road from SR 1210 to SR 1239—2.4 (Continued on Page 14-A)

Edmisten To Speak At Chamber Seminar

Rufus L. Edmisten, Attorney General of North Carolina, will be the featured speaker at the Business-Consumer Relations Seminar on March 8 at the Elks Club.

"We are determined to make this seminar a first class event and the fact that our eminent Attorney General has consented to join us indicates the importance he puts upon it," says Bob Brookshire, chairman of the Special Programs Committee of the Business-Consumer Relations Council.

The Council is a part of the Sandhills Area Chamber of Commerce and its chairman is Felton Capel.

During his first term as State Attorney General, Edmisten introduced broad innovations in the North Carolina Department of Justice. Beginning with a general re-organization of the Department during his first year in office, Attorney General Edmisten made his staff more responsive to direct input from the people. (Continued on Page 14-A)



Rufus Edmisten

He and his wife, Jane, are both natives of Boone and both attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the George Washington University Law School where both served on the Law Review and both received the Doctor of Jurisprudence degree. (Continued on Page 14-A)

Benefit Horse Show On Easter To Be Held At Landmark Farm

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Firestone of Ohio and Southern Pines have once again donated the use of their Landmark Farm for the Annual Horse Show for the Benefit of the Humane Society of Moore County (HUSOM) Easter weekend.

Since it is the Humane Society's major fund-raising

event of the year, Mrs. Firestone, along with the Mid-South Horse Show Association and the Humane Society, is working hard to insure this year's three-day event has the greatest participation and attendance possible.

Expecting horses and riders from all over the state, as well as

many on their way north from the Florida shows, HUSOM members and friends are pitching in to see that everything is in readiness for Easter Weekend.

The show begins Saturday, March 25, at 9:30 a.m. with schooling in both divisions. At 1 regular Schooling Classes (Continued on Page 14-A)



HUSOM BENEFIT — Mrs. Raymond Firestone holds the Foxhunter Challenge Trophy to be awarded at the Humane Society of Moore County Benefit Horse Show at Mr. and Mrs. Firestone's Landmark Farm in Southern Pines Easter Weekend.

THE PILOT LIGHT

INGRAM — John Ingram brought his campaign for the Democratic nomination for the U.S. Senate to Moore County Tuesday afternoon, and promised to be back later in the spring.

The State Insurance Commissioner expressed confidence in the outcome of the Democratic primary on May 2. He was even talking about winning the nomination without a runoff.

"The people know what I have done as Insurance Commissioner," Ingram said, "and I'm counting on them believing I can do the same things in the Senate."

One of the things in which Ingram sees the need for change is in the Social Security laws.

Later in the spring Ingram plans a dinner for supporters in

Moore County.

POPULATION — Moore County's population in 1980 has been estimated at 45,500.

This week the Division of State Budget and Management released population projects, on which many state and federal programs are based, for two years from now.

The next U.S. Census will be in 1980, although the population figures will not be known officially until some time in the following year.

The 1970 census showed Moore with a population of 39,048, and a 1976 estimate places it at 42,400.

HUNT—Governor Jim Hunt this past week pledged in a letter (Continued on Page 14-A)

Hunter Trials

The annual Hunter Trials are set for Saturday, March 11 at Scott's Corners beginning at 10 a.m.

Entries close this Saturday, March 4 for this event to be judged by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dole of Lynville, Tenn. and T.A.G. Moore of Ottawa. Entry fees are \$5 per class for seniors and \$3 per class for juniors. To enter, call or see Mrs. W.O. Moss at Mile-Away Farm, 692-7252.

General admission will be charged and a few parking spaces have not yet been taken. Those interested are asked to contact Mrs. Moss concerning these spaces.

Proceeds from the food that will be available on the grounds will go to the Pinecrest High School Band.

Flag Stop Announced By Amtrak

Jack Younts, chairman of the Transportation Committee of the Sandhills Area Chamber of Commerce, has been in communication with Amtrak headquarters in Washington and informed that a directive has been issued making Southern Pines a flag stop on the northbound Silver Star which comes through Southern Pines at 6:35 a.m. and arrives in New York at 6:53 p.m.

The southbound Star has a regular stop leaving New York at 9:15 a.m. and arriving here at 8:30 p.m. The northbound Champion also stops at Southern Pines at 11:50 p.m., arriving in New York at 11:45 a.m.

New Amtrak schedules took effect on February 26 and not all offices had received this directive as of Feb. 27.

Stoneybrook's Schedule Announced For April 15

The Stoneybrook Race office, in the rear of the Campbell House, officially opened this week to take reservations for the 1978 Steeplechase Races scheduled for Saturday, April 15. There will again be six races this year, with total purses of \$23,500. The feature race will be the Pepsi-Cola Sandhills Cup.

The Stoneybrook Ball will be held the previous night, April 14,

at the Country Club of North Carolina. The cocktail party after the races will be held at the Mid Pines Meeting House.

The invitations to those with standing reservations, were mailed today, March 1, according to Marion Walsh, and anyone else wishing a reservation can either come by the office or call 692-8000. Due to the (Continued on Page 14-A)

Weymouth Preservation Urged At Hounds Meet

There was a glimpse of both the past and future at Weymouth as efforts to conserve the stately old house and grounds drew the praises of a national preservationist and a Pulitzer Prize winning playwright.

The scene was the spacious main room of the home of James and Katharine Boyd where about 100 people gathered, some in colorful hunting attire, on Thursday to commemorate the founding of the Moore County

Hounds there some 64 years ago.

It was a hunt breakfast hosted by Mrs. T. T. McLane after a scheduled hunt by the famed Hounds—founded by Boyd and his brother, Jackson in 1914—had to be cancelled because of adverse weather conditions and frozen ground.

But the riders came once again to Weymouth, just like they did in days of yore, before they disbanded and returned later for (Continued on Page 14-A)



AT WEYMOUTH—Among those present at the Weymouth hunt breakfast to honor the founders of the Moore County Hounds were Mrs. W.A. (Ginny) Moss (left), master of the Hounds, and Nancy Boyd Sokoloff, daughter of James and Katharine Boyd.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).