

Southern Pines has designated the weeks of March 27 through April 7 as Clean-Up Weeks, and all residents were urged to do their inside and outside Spring Cleaning.



EASTER FLOWERS — The fresh, bright faces of Tom, left, Leigh, center and Walt Morris, surrounded with azaleas, hydrangeas, chrysanthemums and Easter lilies from the

Southern Pines Florist, bring the message of Easter to life. Tom, Leigh and Walt are the children of Dr. and Mrs. Walter Morris.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

## Special Easter Services Slated

A special 24-hour Prayer Vigil will begin Easter Observance in Southern Pines today (Wednesday) at Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church, as Holy Week continues. The service will be conducted by the Rev. Harold E. Hyde, minister. Volunteers from the congregation will hold the vigil until its conclusion Thursday, at 7 p.m., when the church will observe Maundy Thursday. Maundy Thursday, commemorating Jesus' Last Supper and the washing of the feet of his disciples, will be observed by a

number of local churches. A service of Holy Communion will be conducted in Reeves Hall of the Southern Pines United Methodist Church during Holy Week Thursday at 7:30 p.m. The service is open to the public. Participants will be seated at tables, and arriving on time is important. Emmanuel Episcopal Church on Massachusetts Avenue will hold a Good Friday service from noon until 3 p.m. Southern Pines United Methodist Church will hold a service of worship for the first

time on Good Friday, at 7:30 p.m. Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church will hold two services on Easter Sunday, at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. A dramatic Tenebrae service is being planned at the Vass United Methodist Church. Mrs. David Nivens, assistant choir director at the church, and David Nivens, lay speaker, have been working with the choir for about a month preparing the service commemorating the suffering and death of Christ. It will be held on Friday at 7:30 p.m.

According to the pastor, the Rev. J.C. Parker, who will sing in the choir at this service, it will "involve the singing of hymns and extinguishing all candles with only one remaining burning on the altar, leaving the church in darkness." Those who attend — and all are invited — will leave quietly at the closing of the hymns. An Easter Sunrise Service that's unique and impressive is being planned at Beulah Hill Baptist Church near Pinehurst. At 6 o'clock Easter Sunday morning a soul-stirring pageant "The Easter Story" will be acted out in a realistic setting on the hillside adjacent to the church parking lot. As the Biblical account of the unusual events which occurred on the first Easter morning are

## Easter Egg Has Long History With Many Cultures Of World

BY PATSY TUCKER Little girls in fluffy bonnets and ruffled dresses dashing around madly, looking for colored eggs means Easter. They run about in shiny Mary Janes with white socks trimmed in lace and carry a very special basket decked out in ribbons and flowers. They are joined by little

boys in neat suits with white collars turned out and more shiny shoes. Pungent, white, waxy lilies standing tall and trimmed with dark green pointed leaves, point to heaven as if in wait of the great happening. Easter means coming out of the dark days of winter and

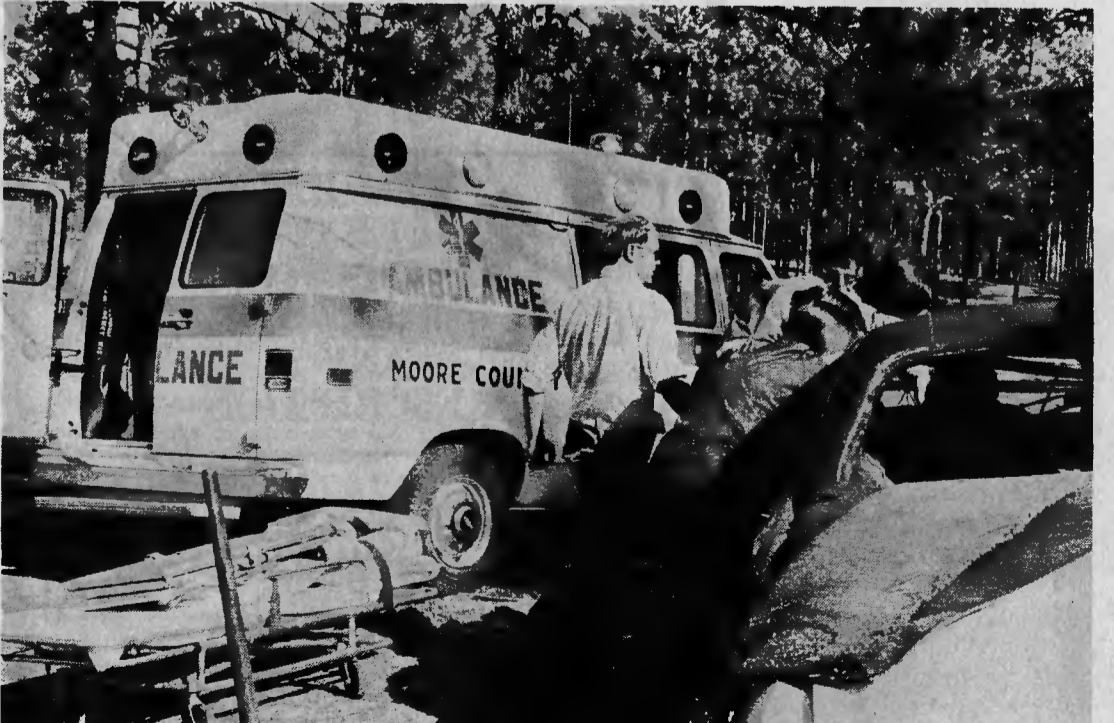
looking for the new, fresh life of Spring. It means a time of celebration in churches and homes across the land. It means the most important holiday of the Christian religion. One long awaited during the somber days of Lent. Some believe in much earlier

## Rescue Squad Hikes Program With 10-23 Member Increase

BY MARJORIE RAGAN Rescue Squad No. 8 has beefed up its membership from 10 to 23, increased its programs to include scuba divers and more members with emergency medical training, and plans to ask the Town Council Monday, April 11 for the old Fire Station

building for a permanent headquarters. Two Patrolmen with the Southern Pines police, Lavern Marsh and Charles LeRoy, have joined the Squad as well as David Duffer, trained scuba diver who is qualified to teach others, and Martin Dowd, Ft. Bragg employe

who works at night and is free to answer Squad calls in the daylight hours. Among the newcomers who have volunteered hours to the Squad recently are Marilla Russell, who works with her husband, Bob, on their farm off



SQUAD PRACTICE — Sunday afternoon Rescue Squad 8 held a practice session for emergencies in a field off Youngs Road, to be better prepared to handle emergencies at horse shows and elsewhere. Size of the squad has almost doubled in number of volunteers this spring.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

## Hearing Requested On Waste Proposal

A public hearing this week appeared likely on the proposal of Pride-Trimble Corp., furniture manufacturers on Yadkin Road, to discharge fully treated electroplating waste into a tributary of McDeeds Creek. In last week's Pilot there was a news story that the State Environmental Commission has served notice of its intention to issue a permit for the discharge to the company. The commission invited comment and said a public hearing might be held if the director of the Division of Environmental Management found a significant degree of public interest. There was a quick response to the news story, with several people calling Town Manager Mildred McDonald and the newspaper seeking more information. Mrs. McDonald said that a letter went from the town this week requesting the commission to proceed with the public hearing, and she expects an announcement within two weeks.

Jim Thompson, president of Pride-Trimble, said this week that even if the state commission does not hold a public hearing that the company will have a (Continued on Page 10-A) The Moore County Board of Education in a special meeting Tuesday accepted a bid of \$50,000 from Mr. and Mrs. M.G. Craft of Robbins for the old Robbins Primary School site. The only other bidder was the John L. Frye Co. which had bid \$50,000 for the 3.84 acre site. The Crafts hope to renovate and convert the building into a sewing plant, the Board was told. First Federal Savings and Loan had appraised the property at \$101,000, a figure some (Continued on Page 10-A)

## THE PILOT LIGHT

TAR HEEL — The magazine Tar Heel is featuring Southern Pines in its April 1 edition which went on newsstands and to subscribers this week. An illustrated feature by Helen G. Huttenhauer details the founding of Southern Pines in the 1880s. Titled "Patrick's Folly," the article says that "the founding of Southern Pines took a dreamer's vision and a pioneer's zeal." The magazine also calls it "a gamble that worked." A picture of present day downtown Southern Pines and many old

pictures from the 19th century illustrate the article. There's an accompanying story by Howard Muse Jr., on Weymouth, the James Boyd estate, and the drive now under way to save the mansion and "the last of the longleaves." Muse describes the stand of virgin longleaf pines at Weymouth. DEMOCRATS — The "People's Day" format introduced by Jim Hunt will be used again this year for North (Continued on Page 10-A)

# County-Town Zoning Agreement Reached

The Moore County Commissioners in regular meeting Monday night relinquished from the county all the areas in the Southern Pines one-mile extra-territorial zoning jurisdiction requested by Southern Pines except for four areas. These were the RA (residential agricultural) district owned by Diamondhead Corporation, the Pinecrest High School property, the RA district below Pinecrest owned by Diamondhead and adjacent to Southern Pines town limits and the L.P. Tate property on Midland Rd.

# Phone Rates Go Up With United Order

Telephone rates will be going up for residents of Southern Pines and other Moore County towns served by United Telephone Company. The N.C. Utilities Commission on Tuesday granted rate increases amounting to \$1.4 million to United, and the rates will go into effect immediately. It was the full amount requested by the company last August, although Jim Thomas of the Southern Pines office of United said apparently there was some shifting of rates by the commission. Thomas said this morning that the company has not received a copy of the order as of today and he will know the details later this

week. In Southern Pines the one party residential rate will go from \$9.40 per month to \$10.65, an increase of 13.2 percent. The rate for business phones will go from \$17.65 to \$26.20, an increase of 48 percent. Thomas said the residential rate increase in Southern Pines was lower than that requested, which was from \$9.40 to \$11.45. Rate increases vary from town to town.

In announcing its approval of the United request, the Utilities Commission said that the case was "essentially uncontested" and that even with the increase United would "earn something less than a fair and reasonable rate of return." It was the first rate increase requested by United in several years. Rate increases approved by the Commission for other towns (Continued on Page 8-A)

## Holiday Closings

North Carolina and the Virgin Islands are unique among the states and territories—they are the only ones which observe Easter Monday as a holiday. It is not a national holiday, so the Post Offices will be open. All town, county and state offices will be closed for the day. It is also a bank holiday. Moore County schools will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, but they will reopen on Wednesday to make up the days lost because of closings because of snow. Food stores in the Sandhills

will be closed on Sunday but will be open on Monday. Most stores in Southern Pines and the nearby shopping centers will be closed, but some of the department stores in the centers plan to be open for business. The Pilot will be closed all day. Persons with news or advertising material are asked to drop it through the slot in the front door. Moore County Schools are now in their seventh month of operation. When the students return on Wednesday, March 29, there will be 53 school days (Continued on Page 10-A)

## Dedication Set Apr. 16 At College

The Audrey Kennedy Memorial Building on the campus of Sandhills Community College will be formally dedicated in an impressive ceremony at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon April 16. Former North Carolina Governor, James Holshouser will be the featured speaker. Other program participants will include dignitaries from the Kennedy Foundation in Boston, H. Clifton Blue, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Sandhills Community College, Dr. Raymond A. Stone, the president of Sandhills, and other persons influential in securing the magnificent building for the Moore County college. A feature of the program will be the unveiling of an oil portrait of Mrs. Kennedy, the work of Beth Turner, well known artist (Continued on Page 10-A)

## New Watch Program Gets Quick Results In Theft

The Neighborhood Watch Program has produced results, the Moore County Sheriff's Office reported. The office received a call Wednesday morning, March 15, from a member of a Neighborhood Watch who said they had seen a suspicious vehicle in the Roseland area and had taken down the license plate number. An officer was alerted and Calvin Derrick Rush, 24, of Rt. 2, Rockingham was arrested and

charged with breaking, entering and larceny, it was reported. He was charged with breaking into the home of Louise P. Layton of Rt. 1, Jackson Springs, four miles below Foxfire on the West End-Hoffman Rd. Deputies recovered a 22 automatic rifle, an electric clock radio and one 12 gauge shotgun, but the owner still is missing a second shotgun, the officer reported. Entry was made by breaking (Continued on Page 10-A)

## Body Scanner Project Planned For Moore Memorial Diagnosis

One of the newest medical tools—the body scanner—is expected to be installed at Moore Memorial Hospital soon. An application to acquire and locate a Computerized Tomographic Body Scanner has been made to the Cardinal Health Agency by Fayetteville

Neurodiagnostics, Inc. The total initial year project cost has been placed at \$475,159. The proposed project and application will be reviewed by the Cardinal Health Agency's evaluation committee at 11:30 a.m. on March 29, and the Board of Directors of the Agency will

meet at 7:30 p.m. on the same date to act on the committee's recommendation. Under the proposal, Fayetteville Neurodiagnostics, Inc., would lease space from Moore Memorial Hospital and operate the body scanner on a fee (Continued on Page 10-A)



ZONING PLAN — Marvin Collins (left) Southern Pines Town Developer, explains the town's zoning request to the Moore County Commissioners Monday night as Rod Robinson (right) an attorney representing Pinehurst and Commissioner Tony Parker (middle rear), look on.—(Photo by Ellen Welles).