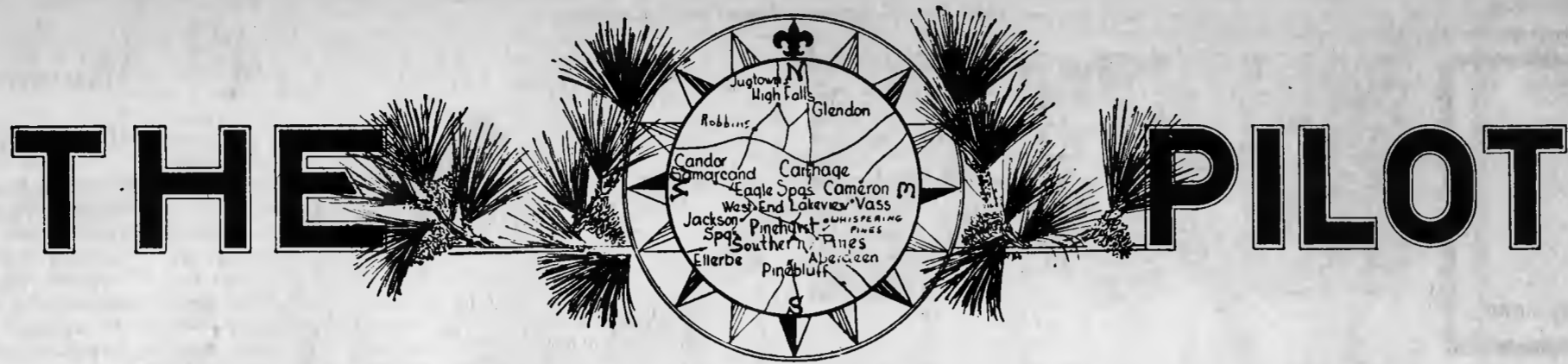


Weather

Fair nights and sunny days are forecast in the Sandhills. Low at night, 73; high during the day, 94. Chance of rain, 10 percent.



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Council Date Set To Fill Vacancy

The Southern Pines Town Council will decide in a special meeting Thursday, September 28, who they will choose to fill the place on the Council left vacant when former Councilman E. Earl Hubbard resigned last week, it was decided at a special meeting Tuesday morning.

The Council members agreed they will choose the "best person" whether or not he or she ran for office in the past. Several members of the Council said they have received calls asking when the spot will be filled. They said they want to fill it before the meeting of the League of Municipalities next month.

The Council approved an agreement drawn up by Town Attorney Lamont Brown and Town Manager Mrs. Mildred McDonald whereby fire and burglar alarms coming from the new shopping center on 15-501 across from Center Park will come into the Southern Pines Police Station and the dispatcher will contact the Aberdeen police. This arrangement was requested because that shopping center is on the Southern Pines telephone exchange instead of Aberdeen's even though it will be in the Aberdeen city limits.

A fee of \$50 per year will be required from each store or office using this service. Landscaping on the new town offices near the Fire Station cannot begin until there is a good rain, Mrs. McDonald said. The Council approved a sign to be placed on Morganton Rd. identifying the building where the offices are. The appearance plan's actual features.

A good though not a full crowd attended, representing the few blocks on both sides of Broad Street that are the inner core for the first stages of the town's improvements. As the merchants and various interested citizens arrived at the meeting, steering committee members and Marvin Collins, the town planner, directed them to numbered rows of seats so property owners could sit with

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commission will have a chance to concur with the agreement. The Council denied the request of Golden Corral to put up a billboard on the southeast corner of U.S. 15-501 and Murray Hill Avenue because it does not meet all the requirements, specifically that it be 100 feet beyond the right of way. It was noted that the JFR Barn has put up a sign without the Planning Board's permission and that Western Sizzlin' has changed the face of a billboard without permission.

Both of these restaurants have been requested to appear before the Planning Board.

The Council decided to wait until it has looked before it decides whether to sell an eight foot right of way to Jim Thomas who wants to buy the Manor Apts. on New Hampshire Ave. This would be used as a driveway to a parking lot for the building after he renovates it in keeping with the downtown revitalization plan. The eight feet is now part of

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State Water Use Report Is Expected Here Soon

Whether Southern Pines and other towns in the Sandhills area can use Drowning Creek as a water supply hinges on a capacity use report by the state's Division of Environmental Management.

A report with recommendations is expected to be made in October, followed by public hearings on the question. The Town of Southern Pines has not yet received notice from the state's Department of Natural Resources and Community Development on the study which was made on both the Little River and Drowning Creek watersheds.

The Department's Division of Environmental Management conducted a public hearing June 22 as part of a capacity use study of portions of the Little River and Drowning Creek watersheds.

The results of the public hearing and other information compiled by scientists and engineers in the department was supposed to help the commission in making a decision whether to declare the area a capacity use area, which is regulated in terms of how ground and surface water may be used.

Mildred McDonald, town manager for Southern Pines, said she has been expecting results of the ground water study to be coming in almost any day.

Preliminary findings on both groundwater and surface water capacities have previously been

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Fair Oct. 9

The Carthage Jaycees will hold the 32nd annual Moore County Agricultural Fair October 9-14 at the fairgrounds at Carthage.

Over \$4,000 in premiums will be given at the fair, described in the program as one of the "biggest and best" of their fairs. Gates open at 5 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 9 and exhibits will be judged Tuesday, Oct. 10. School children will be admitted free Tuesday until 5 p.m. and a bicycle will be given away for them. A free stage performance will be given Tuesday at 7 p.m. and again at 10 p.m. by Bill Deal and the Rhondels.

Jaycee President is Mike McLean. Fair President is Richard W. Blue and Manager is Bobby Freddy.

Adm. Taylor Dies Here; Distinguished Career

Vice Admiral Rufus Lackland Taylor, U.S. Navy (Ret.), of Whispering Pines, Deputy Director of Central Intelligence and of Defense Intelligence during his distinguished career, died September 14. Internment was private.

Admiral Taylor was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for his work with CIA in 1969 and received the Army Distinguished Unit Badge with Oak Leaf Cluster and the Navy Commendation Medal, the Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V" and many other awards.

He was a communications officer in the Philippines, during World War II, and escaped Corregidor by motorboat and submarine to Australia after U.S. forces surrendered to Japan and served from 1942-'43 on the Staff of the Commander Allied Naval Forces, Southwestern Pacific. Born in St. Louis Missouri, he



Admiral Taylor received his commission in the U.S. Naval Reserve in June, 1933. (Continued on Page 16-A)

THE PILOT LIGHT

VOTERS—Election officials in Moore County are certain that registered voters will top the 20,000 mark by a good margin by the time of the general election in November.

As of August 31 the total registration in Moore was 19,997. There are 12,408 Democrats and 6,740 Republicans. There's one member of the Libertarian Party and 848 who are listed as "Unaffiliated."

There are 17,236 white voters and 2,750 black. Pinehurst continues to be the largest precinct, with 2,140 voters, with North Southern Pines in second place with 1,590.

MORGAN—Senator Robert Morgan reluctantly voted for the compromise bill to remove

regulations from natural gas. He explained his reasons as follows: "I supported the compromise, although I have not been satisfied with all parts of it. I recognize that it is going to cost consumers more in the future and that some large companies are going to benefit considerably. But the fact is that we have waited too long to resolve this issue.

"The lack of an energy policy in the United States has caused the American dollar to decrease sharply in value on world markets, and this has contributed to inflation at home. Economists say that the American people are losing far more in what their dollars buy than they will pay in higher gas (Continued on Page 7-A)



BRIDGE WORK — An unusual operation has been taking place at this railroad overpass on U.S. 1 at Vass this past week. A new trestle is being built across Little River by the Seaboard-Coast Line and to get the concrete to the trestle site required a huge crane which dropped a big bucket to a truck, shown at left, and then transferred it to a railroad car.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

Downtown Plans Talked At Meet

The steering committee for downtown revitalization held another meeting at the Municipal Building this week for the purpose of acquainting downtown merchants with a Broad Street plan.

The plan's designers, Peter Batchelor and Spurgeon Cameron of N.C. State University, began the 7:30 meeting with an explanation of the process by which they developed a plan for the town, and then described some of the

plan's actual features. A good though not a full crowd attended, representing the few blocks on both sides of Broad Street that are the inner core for the first stages of the town's improvements.

As the merchants and various interested citizens arrived at the meeting, steering committee members and Marvin Collins, the town planner, directed them to numbered rows of seats so property owners could sit with

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Questions To Be Asked Of Candidates At Forum

Believing that an informed voting public selects productive representation, the Southern Pines Civic Club is inviting the public to a pre-election, non-partisan candidates meeting it is sponsoring Tuesday, October 3.

It will be held at 8 p.m. at the Civic Club building, Ashe St. and Pennsylvania Ave. The meeting

will be in panel form. The candidates have been asked to express their opinions on specified subjects.

The question put to the candidates for County Commissioner is: "What is your attitude toward county-wide zoning?"

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Candidate's Wife Visits Here On Person-to-Person Campaign

Mrs. Gini Ingram, wife of Democratic U.S. Senate nominee John Ingram, stopped on her busy campaign trail Tuesday in

Pinehurst for an informal reception given for her by local supporters. Hosting the 5:30 p.m. affair at



MRS. INGRAM VISITS — Mrs. John Ingram (right) is shown at a reception at the Pinehurst Hotel Tuesday night. With her, left to right, are Mrs. Elsie Nuckles, Sharon Fratetipetro and Carolyn Blue.—(Photo by Ellen Welles).

the Pinehurst Hotel were Moore County Commissioner Carolyn Blue, Mrs. Mildred Carpenter, and Rosalin Causey, wife of Moore County Chairman of the Democratic Party, Ed Causey. Approximately 50 people came during the hour and a half reception in the Crystal room of the Pinehurst Hotel.

"We are conducting a person to person campaign during the seven weeks remaining before the election," said Mrs. Ingram, who had spent the day in Cumberland County and attended a supporters' luncheon in Fayetteville. "The entire family is helping. We feel you don't replace that contact with anything."

She noted that campaigning in the general election is much different from what was involved in the primaries. Instead of being mainly on his own, she said her husband is supported by the party. "It's the party, the unity campaign and that's what we'll emphasize," she said.

Traveling with Mrs. Ingram is Mrs. Elsie Nuckles of Greensboro who was statewide field coordinator during the primaries. She organizes Mrs. Ingram's schedule and gives a few speeches herself.

"Mrs. Ingram is a very in-

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SILHOUETTES OF FALL — A late afternoon sun brought these silhouettes of fall at Lakeview--the stacked boats, the weeping willow branches and the ducks almost motionless in the water.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

Most Places Here To Seek Licenses To Sell Drinks

Many restaurants and clubs in Southern Pines will be applying for mixed beverage permits, according to their owners or managers.

Others are waiting to see exactly what the regulations will be.

A committee headed by former Governor and current Southern Pines resident Jim Holshouser made recommendations on the way mixed beverages should be sold across the state, if and when communities vote them in on local option.

Of the four communities that

have held referendums thus far, three—Southern Pines, Charlotte and Orange County—have voted for the sale of mixed beverages. One, Black Mountain, defeated the proposal.

Certain criteria are imposed by the committee as requisites for the sale of mixed beverages. The business which requests a

mixed beverages permit must be a restaurant which seats 36 or more or a private club.

So far in Southern Pines the Holiday Inn, the Sheraton, the Lob Steer Inn, the J.F.R. Barn and the Southern Pines Elks Club have indicated they will request permits.

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Farm Heritage Festival Slated Here Next Week

A capacity crowd is expected on opening day of the Malcolm Blue Historic Craft and Skills Festival, one of the highlights of Moore County Farm Heritage Week designated by the Moore County Board of Commissioners for the week of Sept. 25-October 1.

Over 1,000 visitors, including school children, senior citizens, government officials and educational leaders, among whom will be a representative from the Division of Social Studies, Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh are scheduled for attendance on

September 29. Immediately after the opening ceremonies of ribbon cutting, calling of the clans by the Rev. James MacKenzie and remarks by Mayor Jack Taylor and Chairman of the Moore County Board of Commissioners W. Sidney Taylor, the guests will begin tours of the house and grounds.

Mrs. Jean Allen, Mrs. Virginia Grimm, Mrs. Phyllis Kalk, Mrs. Jean Allen, Mrs. Jean Llewellyn, Ms. Blanche Monroe and Mrs. Mattie Belle (Continued on Page 16-A)

Bethesda Homecoming Is Sunday

The annual Old Bethesda homecoming service will be held Sunday, September 24, with services beginning at 11:15 a.m. The Rev. B.E. Dotson, retired minister of Carthage Presbyterian Church, now living in Southern Pines will deliver the homecoming sermon.

Bethesda Church was organized about 1788 the year George Washington was first elected president of the United States. The old church where the homecoming will be held is located about one mile east of Aberdeen on Highway 5.

A picnic dinner will be served following the worship service in the grove adjoining the sanctuary.

Dr. W.C. Neill is pastor of the (Continued on Page 16-A)

Tobacco Prices Steady

Prices on the Carthage tobacco market Monday were almost identical to those last week, and according to Frank Bryant of the Farmer's Co-operative Warehouse, "The quality was about the same but more of the sale consisted of leaf tobacco. It was more in demand."

Average price Monday was \$143.35 per hundred pounds as compared to last week's \$143.99. Total poundage sold was 348,229 pounds for \$499,188.69. Less than one percent went to the Stabilization Corporation (the price support system).

"The bidding among buyers was strong and competitive, Monday," Bryant said.

Prices were not quite as high Tuesday when the average was \$139.56. Total poundage was 113,855 and it sold for \$158,899.88.

On the Aberdeen market Tuesday, the average was down to \$131.30 from last week's \$136. A total of 383,426 pounds was sold for \$503,437, according to Mary Jo Hicks of the New Aberdeen Warehouse.

Approximately 2 percent went to stabilization.

Aberdeen's next sale is (Continued on Page 16-A)

Arts Study Requirement Discussed At Meet Here

"Should two units of credit in the arts be required for graduation from high school" was among the subjects discussed at the annual conference of Cultural Arts Administrators at Whispering Pines Country Club this week.

Some 100 arts administrators attended the conference, which opened Monday and closed at noon today (Wednesday).

The matter of requiring arts education was brought up at a joint meeting of the administrators and the board of the North Carolina Alliance for Arts Education on Monday.

Jim Hall, director of the

Division of the Arts in the State Department of Public Instruction, said that the Alliance board was not unanimous on the subject, and several administrators raised objections. One of the objections was there are not enough qualified teachers in the arts at this time to make such a requirement.

Among the speakers on the program were Dr. David Bruton of Southern Pines, chairman of the State Board of Education; George Kahdy, assistant superintendent, and Dr. Craig (Continued on Page 16-A)



HARVEST MOON — The tall pines provide a fringed frame for this Harvest Moon now shining in all its glory in the Sandhills.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).