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Land Values Go Highest In Bensalem

Township went out of sight, but the others aren't nearly so high,' says Lee Williams, chairman of the Moore County Board of Commissioners, about the county-wide property reappraisal project which is nearing a close nearing a close.

Finance Officer Estelle Wicker will give an estimate of what the

in spite of predictions that the total will climb above the \$1 billion mark. The 1978 tax base was \$570,000,000.

The influence of the Seven development in neighboring Mineral Springs Township is regarded as the reason for a substantial increase in property values in rural Bensalem Township.

Sitting as a Board of Equalization and Review Monday night, the county from about 22 property owners who had questions about the new valuations. Most of the participation projects. petitioners live in the Whispering Pines and Southern Pines areas, presented his office's priority (Continued on Page 8-A)

Retrial of a five-year old

kidnapping case is the first item

listed on the docket for a mixed

criminal-civil term of Moore

County Superior Court which

Judge Thomas W. Seay Jr. of

Spencer will preside, and 68

persons have been summoned for

jury duty. Court will convene at 10 o'clock Monday, at 9:30 on the

Twenty-five criminal cases are

docketed for trial on Monday,

while 12 civil matters are on the

docket for Wednesday. However,

cases not reached on the day

listed on the calendar are subject

to trial other days of the week.

3.4% Jobless

Moore

unemployment in Moore County

was down for the month of March

from 4.9 in February to 3.4

Of the 21,380 considered as the

labor force, 20,660 were

employed in March, leaving 720

unemployed. The decrease in

construction jobs, a spokesman

Employment

percent.

County

Services

opens Monday morning.

other days.

Road Jobs Neither Williams nor County Approval

Secondary road improvements total property valuation will be. for Moore County-to cost an However, Williams has estimated \$429,398-have been expressed the opinion that the county's tax base will not double, district engineer's office of the State Department of Transportation.

> Implementation of the proposal is contingent upon two factors: approval by the county commissioners at their May 7 meeting and final budget allocations by the North Carolina General Assembly, which is still in session.

Under the proposal, stretches of four roads would be paved, while another seven roads would be widened and strengthened. commissioners heard requests The proposal also provides funds for stabilization, school bus safety programs, and property

District Engineer Fred Beck (Continued on Page 10-A)

Several criminal cases on the

docket were disposed of during

Ildefonso Vazques Santos is the

first defendant named on the

Monday trial docket. Santos was

charges of kidnapping, breaking,

convicted occurred in 1974.

the calendar for next week.



TOUR DE MOORE WINNER-Paul Pearson raises his arms in victory as he crosses the finish line in downtown Southern Pines to conclude the 101-mile bicycle race in a record

time of 3:54. Behind him in second place is Andy Weaver, who with Pearson set the pace in a field of more than 100 men riders. See story on Sports Page. - (Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

School Teacher Supplement Up 5% Under Proposal To Board In Moore

Kidnap Case Heads List

Board of Education on Monday In Upcoming Court Term night at their regular monthly

recommended supplements were broken into four areas covering teachers, printhe April 23 superior court session and will be stricken from cipals, supervisors and coaches.

Roger Paschal explained to the board that it had been 10 years since the inception of the present supplement and obviously the present supplement is worth convicted four years ago on much less than it was 10 years

entering, larceny and receiving, Wildlife for which he received sentences totalling 25 to 30 years. The incident in which Santos was Officer One jury case, that of James A. Is Named Springer Jr. versus Jewell

Pruden, is listed on the civil The North Carolina Wildlife court calendar, along with one Resources Commission has motion before the court in the matter of Fidelity Bank versus assigned Rick Wells to Moore Arnold Garner, defendant and third party plaintiff, Donald Mack Blue, Vernon G. Blue and merly known as that of wildlife in one of three ways. protector, or game warden.

Vermac Construction Co., a Commission reports that North Carolina corporation of Moore County, third party patrol the three-county area of saying this is the egg mass of the defendants. Moore, Richmond, and Anson These non-jury matters are listed on the civil calendar: C.W. counties. This area is part of the

Harvey, doing business as C.W. 10-county District 6. Harvey Construction Co., versus In addition to enforcement of state hunting and fishing laws, The Lawn and Tennis Club of Wells handles motor boat North Carolina, Inc.; Robert L. unemployment is attributed to Garvey and wife, Louella F. licensing, registration and safety the seasonal weather which Garvey, versus Roy H. Overby

allows for more farming and and wife, Doris F. Overby; The 27-year old native of Angier is making his home in (Continued on Page 10-A) Carthage with his bride (since June), the former Lil Smith of Fuquay, who is a student at Campbell College. Wells was assigned here March 1.

A graduate of Angier High officer attended East Carolina University and Campbell College. He has completed 13 weeks of training at the Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, including Wildlife Enforcement

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ago. He also explained that Wilson schools. A proposed salary supplement Moore County is behind the Paschal proposed that down into three different increase of 5 percent was average in North Carolina and teachers with an "A" certificate categories. Principals of schools state while the teacher supplement ranks 56th along with Burke, Chatham, Chowan, teachers.

Mayodan, Pasquotank and

presented to the Moore County that the per capita income in get a \$35 increase and that Moore County ranks 11th in the teachers with a "G" certificate get a \$45 increase. This would be a total increase of \$69,905 for 501 Clinton, Lumberton, Madison-

R.E. Morrison explained the proposed supplement for prin-

Dogwoods Here Infected With Spraying Advocated

extension agent, and Pete on the trees stems before the Gulley, who owns Gulley's Garden Center in Southern spring. When it occurs on the Pines, have received numerous phone calls during the past few weeks from people who have scales have hatched into a noticed something wrong with their dogwoods.

Dogwood trees in Moore County and across the state have County as wildlife enforcement been infested with a pulvinarie officer. The position was for- scale, which appears on the tree

'Some people have noticed a Wells is one of four en- cottony-like material that's

Both Talmadge Baker, county scale. The scale starts, however. leaves even come out in the stems it is in a waxy form.

Finally, full-bodied adult crawling insect. Baker said reports of all three kinds have come into his office.

Pete Gulley said "I saw some trees that had some from last year and they were real unthrifty looking." He recommends spraying the whole tree if it is infested, and said Malathion is forcement officers who routinely under the leaf," Baker said, one of the safer chemicals for (Continued on Page 10-A)

Township Lines Changed To Give CCNC Liquor

With a minimum of discussion remains in question, since the the Moore County Board of Commissioners Monday night Auman several weeks ago has passed a resolution changing the yet to emerge from the ABC boundaries of Sandhills and Mineral Springs townships to accommodate the Country Club Pinehurst and with the blessing of North Carolina, which wants "liquor by the drink" if a bill it has encountered opposition School, the wildlife enforcement pending in the legislature is passed.

> The board's action moves into Mineral Springs Township, where Pinehurst is also located. Whether "liquor by the drink" will become a legal possibility for either Pinehurst or CCNC

bill introduced by Rep. Clyde committee. The bill was introduced at the request of of the county commissioners, but from statewide "dry" forces since its introduction.

If passed, the bill would permit CCNC from Sandhills Township townships located within counties with ABC systems created by petition to vote on "liquor by the drink." Neither Pinehurst nor the Country Club for the Town Council meeting on (Continued on Page 10-A)

cipals, breaking the increase that have classes at the K-3 level with less than 15 teachers would receive a \$50 increase and the principals at schools K-3 with 16 or more teachers would receive \$60. In school K-8 or 4-8 with less than 15 teachers a \$70 increase was proposed and with 16 or more teachers a \$100 increase was asked. Principals of the high schools would receive a \$150 increase. This would be for a total of \$2,290 for 18 principals.

L.H. Robinson reported on the study made for the supervisor supplement explaining that supervisors are on two levels, depending on their respon-(Continued on Page 8-A)

Personnel Is Sought In Budget

Additional personnel for the town of Southern Pines is a major proposal in the 1979-1980 fiscal budget, currently under preparation by Town Manager Mildred McDonald and her staff.

"The town has grown so much and we have not added personnel to keep up with that growth," Mrs. McDonald said Monday. "We are proposing to add some people in the police department and the fire department, an office worker, and one in maintenance and the street department."

She anticipates asking the Council for approval on three new police officers and two employes for the fire department. Mrs. McDonald also said some of these positions could be filled with CETA workers.

The preliminary budget must be presented to the Town Council sometime before June 1.

A public hearing is scheduled (Continued on Page 10-A)

Bond Vote Unsettled

New Firm With a statewide bond issue waiting in the wings, Moore County School Superintendent Robert Lee thinks the wise policy of present is to meet the county's Gets Bond at present is to meet the county's most immediate school building Approval

With state approval of \$7.5 million in industrial revenue bonds announced last week, ARO Corporation is moving ahead with the initial work on its 25acre site on U.S. 1 north of Southern Pines.

The Bryan, Ohio firm plans to erect a 1000,000 square foot building for the manufacture of pneumatic tools.

Homer Faulk, director of the Moore County Economic Development Commission, was in Raleigh on April 25 when North Carolina Commerce Secretary D.M. "Lauch" Faircloth signed the Certificate of Approval for the industrial

to operate the project.
"We're thrilled," Faulk told

The Pilot. He explained that the Williams told The Pilot Tuesday poration can move ahead with its commissioners to take action financial arrangements.

said engineers for the company visited the plant site last week, motion" for a local school bond surveyed and staked out the referendum building site and parking lots. appropriate action if and when Trees to be saved were marked in preparation for the arrival of loggers, who will remove the unmarked trees before the site can be cleared and ground

needs on "a pay as you go" basis, then use the state bond money, if the measure passes, to complete the schools' needs.

Lee definitely sees no need for a local school bond issue, at least not until the state bond issue is settled.

"Why go into debt?" he asked. In addition, the superintendent pointed out that the county bond issue would mean a delay of 12 to 18 months before a contract could be let for the three top priority items at Cameron, West End and Robbins, provided that the voters were to pass the measure. He estimated it would take that long just to sell the bonds.

Lee explained that the school board has already instructed an architect to draw up plans for these schools, and all that's needed now is the money.

Before approving the ap- In an unannounced meeting plication, the Department of last week the Moore County In an unannounced meeting Commerce determined that the Board of Commissioners went on project complies with state laws record in support of a county and regulations pertaining to the school bond issue as a means of environment, wages, and ability resolving more than \$10 million in building requests.

Commissioner Chairman Lee state action means the cor- that he expects the board of Monday at its regular May Jack Hughes, project engineer, meeting. Williams proposed that and the state completes any bond issue plans.

The school board has not called for a bond issue and the subject was not discussed at the school board's meeting Monday night. Robert E. Lamb, Inc. of Valley In fact, both Lee and Mrs. John

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Moore Bike Route First To Be State Designated

signs are catching the eye in various parts of the county, following last Saturday's Tour de Moore bicycle race.

David Drexel, who instigated the Tour de Moore four years ago, has finally gotten his wish in the form of the green signs, which were put up recently by the state Department of Transportation. 'This is a family touring

route," Drexel said. If the signs are followed, a cyclist can make a circle within Moore County, beginning at any point on the

Dozens of rectangle-shaped route. The Campbell House, the Alston House, Jugtown, Clarendon Garends, the West End peach orchards, Blue's Farm, the parachute zone, the community college and Jackson Springs are all places the touring cyclist can view while following the route.

> Drexel said campsites have been established at Jackson Springs, where the mineral water can still be sampled, and at Deep River, Jugtown and Lobelia. He hopes that cycling individuals and families will visit (Continued on Page 10-A)



THE PILOT LIGHT

LIQUOR--Rep. T. Clyde Auman hopes "to get something worked out this week" on his bill which would permit a vote on liquor-by-the-drink in Pinehurst. Pinehurst is now stymied on

mixed drink sales because it turned down incorporation last fall, but Rep. Auman's bill would extend the local option law to include townships, specifically the townships of Mineral Springs and McNeill in Moore County. Pinehurst is in Mineral Springs

The bill ran into trouble in a House committee last week when an attempt was made to amend it to extend local option to a mile beyond township lines. Auman said the move was to help Foxfire Village and the Country Club of North Carolina. Both are partly in Mineral Springs township but not entirely.

Rep. Auman thinks, however,

that his bill will pass. He also expects a bill to grant

Moore towns higher profits from ABC stores (from 10 percent to 25 percent) and a 50-50 division of the special mixed drink tax Officers Recruit School and WEO between the town of Southern Pines and Moore County will get legislative approval.

GUN BILL-The Auman bill which would restrict the use of high powered rifles for deer hunting in Sandhills and Mineral Springs townships is getting a lot more support from residents of the area than when it was introduced.

As a result of a flood of calls and letters supporting the measure, Rep. Auman plans to push for passage, even though the county commissioners had voted to request that it be held up this year.

No guns larger than .22 caliber (Continued on Page 10-A)

New Officers Elected By Weymouth publisher of The Pilot, is the new president of Friends of Weymouth as the organization

moves into the second phase of its campaign to establish a regional educational and cultural center for the humanities and

Ragan succeeds Admiral I.J. Galantin, who has headed the Friends since its inception a little more than two years ago and who was still at the helm when the

Sam Ragan, editor and Boyd estate called Weymouth Friday following the annual was acquired last week.

worker in behalf of the project, praised the "outstanding leadership" provided by Galantin and said "we are John F. Burns, treasurer. W.Y. greatly indepted to him for the Alex Webb held both posts in the role he has played." The board of past. directors adopted a resolution Directors who were elected to expressing appreciation to serve another one-year term

meeting at which 25 directors Ragan, an early supporter and were elected, including eight who were newly installed.

Other new officers are Mrs. Lena J. Stewart, secretary, and

Galantin and the other officers. are: Mrs. Warner L. Atkins, The change in officers were Sherman W. Betts, Felton J. approved by the board last Capel, Robert W. Drummond,

Mrs. Murdock Edwards, William H. Frantz, Sr., Galantin, Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., Robert A. Hunt, Mrs. Ernest L. Ives, Raymond, A. Kotrla, George W. Little, Jere McKeithen, Stuart R. Paine, Ragan, R.J. Reynolds, III, and Webb.

The newly elected directors are Philip S. Brown, Burns, Thomas M. Greene, Tommie L. Jessup, J. Ralph Murray, Donald E. Pitts, Mrs. Stewart and Dr. (Continued on Page 10-A)