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WORK STARTED ON BLACKBYRNE KENNELS HERE

Breeder of Wire-Haired Fox Terriers Chooses Sandhills Location

BREED BECOMING POPULAR

On Monday morning, W. G. Smith of Aberdeen, started on the construction of what gives promise of being another prominent string to the Sandhills bow. Matthew B. Brynes, of Pinehurst and New Jersey, has secured a lease of seven acres of land and the house with it, the property of Pinehurst, on the Midlands road between the filling station and the Rountree home, on which he is beginning a building that will be the first unit of a group of kennels that will house a colony of wire-haired fox terriers, which Mr. Brynes proposes to breed and handle in this section on a large scale. He is one of the oldest breeders of wire-haired fox terriers in this country. Having lived in the Sandhills for three years, which gives him a knowledge of the community and climate, Mr. Brynes recently bought the Hurd home at Pinehurst, and now he proceeds to establish the Blackbyrne Kennels.

The institution will be created in single units, the first being in size 70 by 14 feet, brick foundation, German siding walls, colonial roof, with runs on the side, the runs relieved by shrubbery, outside apartments wired in for the dogs to allow them to get to the ground. The unit under construction is to be finished in a few days, when it will be at once put to use, Mr. Brynes now has 85 dogs, and they are all of the highest type.

A Likable Dog
The wire-haired fox-terrier is one of the most likable of the smaller members of the canine family. It is active, well put-up, aggressive, an intelligent dog around the house, but

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Thomas Discusses School Problems Here

School Situation Elicits Much Discussion at Weekly Kiwanis Meet

At the weekly Kiwanis, held this week at the Community House at Aberdeen, H. Lee Thomas, County Superintendent of Schools, talked interestingly of the proposal for the county to take over the debt service of the different special charter and special taxing school districts in Moore County, explaining in detail the workings of the plan.

Mr. Thomas's remarks elicited much discussion on the part of Kiwanians immediately interested in the schools in the various localities and many questions were propounded to him. As is always the case when matters education are considered, the entire club evidenced much interest in the discussion. There are so many intricacies in the system that the average layman soon gets lost in the maze, but this does not deter those interested from seeking all possible information.

Frank Buchan, Isham Sledge, Duncan Matthews and others joined in the discussion. Dr. McBrayer, in a short speech, said that in his opinion the section was entitled to the best school facilities obtainable and that he hoped to see a large modernly equipped high school, up-to-date in every particular and equal in standing to any of the high schools in Raleigh, Asheville and Charlotte, erected at some convenient point in the Sandhills to serve all of the high school pupils of the section. The applause that greeted the conclusion of Doc's remarks indicated the favor with which they were received.

SUNDAY SERVICES HERE

Services will be held at the Presbyterian church in Aberdeen Sunday morning and evening. "The Son of Man" will be the subject used by Mr. Barber for the morning service. This is the first service since the pastor returned from a month's vacation

Aberdeen to Extend Personal Welcome to Tobacco Farmers

Stores to Close

Southern Pines Business Houses Will Observe Labor Day Monday

Wednesday marked the last day of the summer closing for the stores of Southern Pines, Proprietor Dorn of the Vermont market circulated a petition early in the week asking for the general observance of Labor Day and most of the stores, including the markets will be closed Monday, September 7th.

DEATH CLAIMS YOUNG WIFE OF ROY J. HART

Unexpected, It Is Shock to All Her Friends and Acquaintances

NATIVE OF ABERDEEN

Hundreds of sorrowing friends from various sections gathered in Carthage Tuesday to pay tribute to one of the most beloved young women who has ever lived in Moore county, Mrs. Roy J. Hart, of New Bern, who before her marriage on June 12 of last year was Miss Augusta McKeithen of Carthage, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neill A. McKeithen, who for many years have been prominent citizens of the town. Mrs. Hart passed away around noon Sunday in a New Bern hospital, her death being entirely unexpected and a distinct shock to those in attendance at her bedside as well as to her many relatives throughout the State. Mrs. McKeithen had been visiting in her daughter's home for a week.

The body reached Carthage Monday night and all during the day Tuesday a steady stream of friends, children and older people, visited the McKeithen home to mingle their tears with those of the family and to view the form of one they loved as she lay, beautiful in calm repose, keeping silent but loving vigil over the infant son by her side.

The funeral service was held at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in the Carthage Presbyterian church, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. W. S. Golden, assisted by the Rev. J. H. Buffalo of the Carthage Methodist church and the Rev. Frank S. Blue, also of Carthage. Interment was in Bethesda cemetery in Aberdeen. The floral offerings, which were perhaps

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Popular Aberdeen Girl Marries in New Jersey

Mary Frances Jordan Becomes Bride of John E. Schaeffer of Jersey City

A marriage of much interest to friends in the Sandhills was that of Miss Mary Frances Jordan, formerly of Aberdeen, to John Ernest Schaeffer of Jersey City, New Jersey. The marriage took place Saturday, August 29th, at the Presbyterian Church of Jersey City. Walter E. Jordan, brother of the bride, gave her in marriage. Carl Schaeffer was best man, and Miss Lucy Fisher was bridesmaid. The ushers were Al Spence and Dan Schaeffer.

Mrs. Schaeffer is the popular and talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Jordan. She has lived in Aberdeen most of her life, being educated in the High school here and in a Raleigh business school. She held a responsible position here as secretary to John Nichols for some time, but since last February has been in Jersey City.

Mr. Schaeffer is a road contractor of Jersey City, and a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Schaeffer of that city.

The young couple are at the home of the bride's parents now for a visit. They plan to make their future home in Jersey City.

Definite Plans Are Adopted for Boosting Local Market This Season

The meeting of the citizens of Aberdeen Monday night at the Community building to encourage the tobacco market this fall was as interesting as a bridge party, and productive of sound suggestions. The first thing to consider was the desired approach of the people of Aberdeen toward the proposition to broaden the market and after a little of the preliminaries Murdoch Johnson asked Neil McKeithen for some suggestions and Neil fired the woods by telling the audience that Aberdeen has to show more cordiality and personal friendliness with the men who come to their market to sell tobacco. He showed how much more likely a man is to come to any place that hangs out a welcome than to one where he is never seen or heard by anybody in the place.

Personal Friendliness Urged

Will Blue encouraged the idea, and suggested that everybody take a hand in going to the warehouses from day to day during the market season and showing an interest in the visitors. Dan McKeithen proposed a personal visit every day and a definite effort to make acquaintances. Gloma Charles stepped on the gas by saying he would try to go to the floors three days a week. To be sure everybody is reminded to turn out in the welcoming movement. Henry Blue proposes that each time a missionary drops in he leaves a slip telling that he has made his morning call. Doc McLeod proposed that every man in the house take on his shoulders the task of going around every morning to be neighborly to the visitors, and before the session ended the doctor, Thad McLean, Murdoch Johnson, G. C. Seymour and about everybody else had mixed up in impressing the importance of personal contact and friendliness until the whole house was made a committee and a sub-committee was provided to notify the entire committee to get out every morning with Murdoch the chief committeeman to start the thing every day and watch it.

To Aid Visitors

This may all sound rather spectacular, but it stirred up a lot of enthusiasm, and those present believe it has awakened a new idea of cordiality and hospitality in Aberdeen that will have a good influence in broadening the acquaintance of the town with its country tributary territory. Another proposition was that of looking out for the troubles stran-

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County Fair at Hemp Will Feature Display of Antiques

Section Abounds in Relics of Early American Period. Many of Which Will be Exhibited Along With Modern Products Characteristic of the Section

Hemp is getting after its projected fair in enthusiastic form. The various establishments up that way are favorably disposed, the country industries are joining in, and one of the biggest features entertained is a collection of antiques from the farm homes that abound in the neighborhood. The Deep river valley is one of the oldest settlements in the center of the state, Quakers from Pennsylvania, a Scotch element from farther south, some of the English from the eastern colonies and the Germans who came down into the Mecklenburg region dropping a portion of the migration as the folks moved along. For three or four generations progress moved forward up that way, and many of the older industries of the county had their seat on the river and its hills. Hand trades flourished, and from the product of those old shops and mills and household operations many things are still preserved on the Sheffields, Bensalem and Deep River hills. Many quaint things will be dug up and shown at the fair.

Car "D" at Southern Pines



The above picture taken March 27, 1894, shows the Seaboard's finest as it stopped to let off some of Southern Pines' early settlers. On the steps are Dr. Cullen and Mrs. Verge, on the ground is Mrs. McNeille.

Seaboard Great Factor in Development of This Section as Resort Center

R. R. Golfers Here Seaboard Men Will Spend Week-End on Local Courses

The advance guard of the Seaboard Golfers are arriving for their Fifth Annual Tournament to be played over the links of the Southern Pines Country Club, September 5th, 6th and 7th. Officers and employees of the Seaboard Air Line Railway interested in the royal sport are members of the Seaboard Air Line Golf Association and over one hundred and twenty-five of their players are expected to contest for the many fine prizes offered this year, starting in the qualifying rounds Saturday morning, September 5th, the first round of all flights following in the afternoon.

Continuing the program Sunday the second round of all flights and the first round of consolation flights are to be followed by luncheon at the club, and time out for a photograph.

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Transportation System Has Kept Pace With and Added to Sandhills Popularity

STORY OF PROGRESS

By Bion H. Butler

Whatever may be said of the pioneers who built the Sandhills resort villages and contributed to the interesting development that has marked this section of the state, one commanding factor must not be overlooked. That is the Seaboard Air Line Railroad. The Pilot is fortunate in securing photographs made by Perry (or) Walter McNeill in 1894, thirty-five years ago, when the village of Southern Pines was a dream and the rest of this Sandhills community had not even advanced that far. Mr. McNeill caught the Seaboard evening train as it was pulling through Southern Pines. Two weeks before he made that picture my wife and I had come into Southern Pines in the same equipment, making the run from Raleigh in the rapid time of five hours. Today the Seaboard brings its Pillman trains in long strings of the highest type of railroad service. Compare with this picture the Orange Blossom Special, one of the most complete trains on any railroad of the world.

About two weeks before Mr. McNeill made his picture of the early train I came with my wife on our

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Aberdeen Schools to Open September 16

Board Trying to Avoid Reducing Number of High School Teachers

The Aberdeen School Board met Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of perfecting plans for the opening of the Aberdeen Schools on September 16. H. Lee Thomas, County Superintendent of Education, had been invited to be present and explain the suggestion that the county take over the debt service of the different special charter and special taxing school districts of the county, which he did.

The board went on record as un-animously favoring the proposal.

Indications are now that the Aberdeen Schools will open with the largest enrollment in their history. By reason of economies required by the State Board of Equalization, under the workings of the recent school legislation, it is feared that Aberdeen may lose one or more of the teachers in the high school. However, the members of the Board are concerning themselves to avoid this if possible.

LOCAL PROPHETS PREDICT BETTER PRICES LATER

Think Better Quality of Leaf in this Section Will Sell Higher

LOCAL PROSPECTS GOOD

As the time for the opening of the tobacco market approaches interest awakens in the prospects that face the Aberdeen warehouses. W. W. Maurer at the old warehouse, who has been on the floor year after year, and is familiar with the development of the tobacco industry, says he expects to see from six and a half to seven million pounds sold in Aberdeen this fall. His conclusions are drawn from the fact that some new sections have planted tobacco in the neighborhood, and that old tobacco farms have as a rule been rewarded with good crops. Scouting over the territory by folks familiar with the crop and the prospects encourages Mr. Maurer's opinion. The reputation of Aberdeen has been favorable during its existence as a market, with a steadily widening favored by weather conditions, acquaintance, which is another factor.

In most sections the crop has been though some neighborhoods have more wild fire than they like. But as a rule the quality is satisfactory, and the quality is liberal to the acre. Judge Avery, who has helped to raise the tobacco industry here from its childhood, backs Mr. Maurer's views with an optimistic opinion, and is especially pleased with the character of the leaf. He says his observations is to the effect that in general the quality of the crop in the region tributary to Aberdeen will stimulate the price as compared with some sections.

In this manner he interprets the prices that were quoted in the papers on the opening of the eastern markets. He says more or less off-color primage and lower stuff had been affected by the wet weather, and could not command a good price under any circumstances. It is noticeable that at Wendell, farther toward

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Dorothy Case Bride of A. C. Ruggles

Popular Southern Pines Couple Married at Home of Bride's Parents

On Tuesday, September 1, at 4:00 o'clock, Miss Dorothy Hoskins Case, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Case, became the bride of Albert Couch Ruggles, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Ruggles.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. Fred Stinson, pastor of the Baptist Church, at the home of the bride's parents before an attractively arranged background of ferns and wild flowers in the presence of the immediate families and a few friends and out of town guests.

Miss Case was given in marriage by her father. She was lovely in a gown of Peking blue satin trimmed with fur and carried a beautiful bouquet of pink briar cliff roses.

The couple was attended by Mrs. Howard Burns, sister of the groom, and Wallace Case, brother of the bride. Mrs. Burns wore beige flat crepe trimmed with cobweb lace and carried Hoover roses.

The ceremony was followed by an informal reception immediately after which Mr. and Mrs. Ruggles left on a wedding trip through the western part of the state. For travelling the bride wore a suit of Persian green travel crepe with matching hat and shoes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruggles will be at home after September 15 at Kingsport, Tenn., where Mr. Ruggles is employed with the Tennessee Eastman Company.

Mrs. Ruggles is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Case and is a very popular member of the younger set here. For the past few years she has been employed as secretary to Mr. Ralph Page.

Mr. Ruggles is an alumnus of State College, Raleigh and a member of Phi Kappa Phi fraternity and of the Pine Burr Society.