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BILL FISHER WINS ARMY PRAISE FOR FORCED LANDING

Up 2,000 Feet and Two Miles
From Field When Cylinder
of 'Plane Cracks

CITED FOR HEADWORK

If there is any time when one needs to keep his head it is when he is at the controls of an airplane 2,000 feet up in the sky and some two miles from the landing field, with a "dead stick."

William Fisher, better known as "Bill" to his friends throughout the Sandhills, found himself in this predicament on Monday night, February 4th last, according to word just received here. A cylinder of his motor cracked when Bill was on a flight from Randolph Field, San Antonio, Texas, where he has been stationed, to Hensley Field at Dallas, Texas. He was over 2,000 feet in the air at the time, and at least two miles from Hensley Field, but successfully landed his ship at the field.

The story is best told in the official words of Paul L. Williams, Captain, Air Corps, director of basic training at Randolph Field. In a memorandum to Fisher's flight commander, Captain Williams says:

"1. The good judgment, headwork and excellent technique displayed by Cadet Fisher in his forced landing at Hensley Field Monday night, February fourth, is commendable. It is gratifying to me, and should be especially so to his instructor and flight commander, that this student displayed in this emergency that he had absorbed the instruction given him on the Basic Stage to a marked degree. The manner of his approach and landing thoroughly demonstrated the advantages of the type of training on accuracy that has been given by your flight.

"2. Cadet Fisher received a grade of "A" from his instructor for his avigation and night avigation training flight to Hensley Field, and this grade was well deserved."

Baseball Player

Bill Fisher is the son of Mrs. Park Fisher, librarian of the Southern Pines Library. He is an alumnus of Southern Pines High School, and was a student at State College in Raleigh after graduation, leaving there last year to enter aviation training for a pilot in the U. S. Army. He was sent to Randolph Field in San Antonio for what is called his "basic state" training, and has just recently been transferred to Kelly Field, also in San Antonio, for more advanced training.

Praise in the army is something rare, and his friends here are happy over the news of his citation for the forced landing. Bill was always a quick thinker when catcher of the Southern Pines baseball team, so his feat did not surprise them when they learned of it this week.

150 Attend Church Night in Pinehurst

Dr. Raymond is Speaker at
Gathering of Community
Church Members, Friends

The Fifth Annual Community Church night was held at the Pinehurst Community Church on Tuesday evening, with about 150 members and friends of the church attending. A delicious supper was served with Mrs. Ed. Swearingen acting chairman. After supper a quartette comprising the Rev. and Mrs. Gibson of Sanford and the Rev. and Mrs. McKelway delighted listeners with two groups of religious songs.

J. F. Taylor presented Boy Scout badges to the following: Fred Fields, Preston Shaw, Jimmie Wicker, Lewis Gold, Robert Black, John Taylor and Donald Currie.

D. A. Currie, W. R. Johnson, J. F. Taylor, Alex Stewart, T. E. Currie, I. C. Sledge and W. R. Johnson were elected to serve for a period of three years on the board of directors.

After the business session, which was presided over by W. R. Johnson, (Please turn to page 5).

One of Favorites in Inaugural Steeplechase Meeting Here on Saturday



Noel Laing of Southern Pines and Virginia on His Favorite Mount, Fairy Lore, Winner of Many Big Races

Famed Pictures of Ancient and Modern Art on Exhibit Sunday

Dr. H. Augustine Smith of Boston University Brings Gallery to Southern Pines

Dr. H. Augustine Smith of Boston University at the Church of Wide Fellowship next Sunday night will open at 6:00 o'clock his famous Temple of Art, showing a gallery of color reproductions of the most famous pictures of ancient and modern times. His lecture will unlock the meanings of the symbolism of these paintings. This is the finest traveling gallery of art in the United States, and will be on exhibit in the Parish House of the church during the late afternoon as well as at 6:00 o'clock.

This Festival of Art will be followed by the presentation of the theme, "On Wings of Song" at 7:30 in the main church auditorium.

Prof. Smith has a wide experience out of which to talk. He has been in thousands of cities of four continents, North America, South America, Europe and Asia. He has visited these countries at strategic times, for example he landed in Rio de Janeiro the day the revolution broke out and he was there through it all, with the streets patrolled day and night, with rioters shot down before his very eyes. He has one or two close-ups of the mob violence.

Woman Fined For Theft in Barber Shop Here

Took Sum of Money From Pocketbook of Samarcan School Teacher; Arrested

Elsie King was fined \$10 and the costs in Recorder's Court Monday on a larceny charge resulting from an occurrence which took place in Alex Fields' barber shop in Southern Pines. The King woman and her husband, who claimed to be from Washington, D. C., en route to a tubercular hospital which the husband, a war veteran, intended to enter, went into the barber shop for King to have some work done. Miss Evana McGinnis, a school teacher from Samarcan, was in one of the chairs at the time, and had left her pocketbook under her coat on a chair near which the King woman took her seat. Miss McGinnis happened to see the woman with her pocketbook. An investigation revealed that about twenty-five dollars was missing from it, and the King woman was forthwith called upon to return the money, which she did, with the request that nothing be done about the offense. She was later arrested.



H. AUGUSTINE SMITH

Aberdeen Caucus Called To Nominate Mayor

Successors to Henry McC. Blue and Board of Commissioners To Be Named Tuesday

A Town Caucus will be held in Aberdeen next Tuesday night, March 19th, at 8:00 o'clock in the City Hall for the purpose of naming candidates for the office of Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Aberdeen. Official notice of the caucus was received this week from Evelyn H. Pleasants, town clerk.

It is understood that the present mayor, Henry McCoy Blue, who after serving several complete terms was pressed back into service early this year when Mayor J. Vance Rowe resigned to become judge of the Recorder's Court at Carthage, is not anxious to continue at the head of the administration in Aberdeen, feeling that he has served his time. On the other hand, much talk is heard of drafting Mr. Blue and continuing him in office. No talk is heard of other candidates, though there is a possibility that one of the present Board of Commissioners will be promoted if Mr. Blue is adamant in his refusal to run.

The present commissioners are Frank D. Shamburger, J. D. McLean, O. Leon Seymour and Hardin A. Gunter. Nominations will be made Tuesday night to succeed them, but it is probable that most if not all of the board will be renamed, with possibly a few additions. The election will be held the first Tuesday in May.

The spectacular riding of Jack Johnson on Fine Fellow owned by Miss Marie McMillan of New York took the honors in the open jumping contest of the gymkhana here Wednesday afternoon.

Hunter Trials To Be Held Saturday Morning

Teams of Three Hunters to Feature Events on Course Inside New Race Track

Hunt teams, of which six are entered, will feature the First Annual Hunter Trials of the Sandhills Steeplechase & Racing Association to be held at the new race course tomorrow, Saturday morning, starting at 10:00 o'clock. In addition to the classes for hunt teams of three hunters, there will be those for thoroughbred lightweight hunters, thoroughbred middle and heavyweight hunters, non-thoroughbred lightweight and non-thoroughbred middle and heavyweights.

Numerous entries have been received in all classes, among those showing including the following: Noel Laing, Almet Jenks, Stanley W. Burke, L. M. Tate, Corbett Alexander, Mrs. C. W. Middleton, C. B. Farnsworth, Mrs. Reid Healy, Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Hill of Tryon, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Moss, R. C. Kirchofer of Raleigh, George Childs of Sanford, Geoffrey Laing, Mrs. Sloan Colt of New York City, Miss Marie McMillan of Roslyn, L. I., Miss Julia Scott Butterfield, Miss Margaret Kiely, David Carnahan, Ernest I. White and others.

Because of the numerous entries the time for starting the trials has been advanced from the 10:30 originally announced to 10 o'clock, and all horses and riders are to be in the paddock at that time.

Judges of the hunter trials will be Wallace Armstrong of Philadelphia, Pa., S. A. Warner Baltazzi of Westbury, L. I. and Rufus J. Finch of Rumson, N. J.

TO TELL OF INDIANS OF INLAND SOUTH AMERICA

Mrs. Ethel Tylee, who, for years, has been a missionary among the Indians of Inland South America, and who went through the tragedy of seeing her husband and baby killed by these Indians, will give an account of some of her experience this afternoon Friday, at 3 o'clock at the Jefferson Inn. All persons interested will be welcome.

OLD FASHIONED REVIVAL IN PINEBLUFF MAR. 24 TO APR. 4

Under the leadership of the Methodists at Pinebluff the christian people of all denominations are uniting in revival services from March 24th to April 4th. Neighboring pastors will bring messages from the gospel. In addition to the local pastors, the Rev. C. O. Newell and E. M. Harris, Dr. Cheatham of the Episcopal Church in Pinehurst and Dr. Raymond of the Congregational Church in Southern Pines and Dr. Green will preach.

Sandhills to Inaugurate Steeplechase Racing at New Course Tomorrow

Race Meeting

Parking Instructions For Opening Meeting; First Event at 3 P. M.

Holders of Reserved Parking Space tickets for the Clubhouse Enclosure at tomorrow's race meeting should enter the grounds at the west, or Pinehurst end, of the course. The entrance will be marked "Clubhouse Enclosure."

Those desiring \$1.00 Parking Spaces along the Midland Road side of the track should enter one of the entrances which will be plainly marked on the north side of the road. As these spaces are not reserved it will be well to arrive early.

There is no individual charge for admission, just for parking the car.

First Race—3 p. m., Pinehurst Steeplechase of Two Miles over Brush.

Second Race—Sandhills Cup, Three Miles over Timber.

Third Race—Southern Pines Steeplechase, Two Miles over Brush.

Three Events on Card for Inaugural Meeting, With Gov. Ehringhaus in Attendance

NO ADMISSION CHARGE

The official entries in the inaugural race to be held at the new Sandhills' steeplechase course Saturday afternoon, March 16, were announced yesterday by the Sandhills Steeplechase and Racing Association of Southern Pines and Pinehurst. Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus of North Carolina will make the inaugural address and present the silver cup for the winner of the main timber event.

As no charge will be made for admission to the races, a large crowd is expected from all parts of the state. There will be a parking charge of \$1.00 per car for those desiring space along the rail.

Three races are on the program, the first, The Pinehurst Steeplechase, two miles over brush, to start at 3:00 o'clock. The second event is three miles over timber fences, for the Sandhills Cup presented by Mrs. Verner Z. Reed, Jr., of Pinehurst and Newport, R. I. The third race, The Southern Pines Steeplechase, is two miles over the brush course. Both brush races are sweepstakes events.

The card for the opening race at 3 o'clock is as follows: Grown Up, owned by T. M. Waller of Camden, ridden by E. Mitchell; Huntsman Dornin, owned by Carlton H. Palmer of New York, ridden by P. Miller; Abolir, owned by Mrs. Carroll K. Bassett of Camden; Aughrim Boy, owned by Mrs. J. E. Ryan of New York, ridden by J. E. Ryan; The Stag, owned by R. K. Mellon of Pittsburgh; Navarino, owned by Mrs. T. H. Somerville of Upperville, Va., ridden by Carroll K. Bassett; War Crier, owned by Carlton H. Palmer of New York; Lough Rose, owned by Harry D. Kirkover of Camden.

Timber Race Entries

The card in the second race is as follows: Blue Admiral, owned by J. E. Ryan of New York, ridden by J. E. Ryan; Charioteer, owned by Mrs. Jackson H. Boyd of Southern Pines, ridden by R. Wallach; Hale Dale, owned by Mrs. Simon T. Patterson of Pittsburgh, ridden by Lyman Wright; Oliver C, owned by Mrs. T. H. Somerville of Upperville, Va., ridden by Noel Laing; Chico, owned by Verner Z. Reed, jr., of New York and Newport; The Mole, owned by Mrs. George Eustis of Washington.

Card for the third race is as follows: Our Friend, owned by Mrs. Verner Z. Reed, jr., of New York; Dock Light, owned by Arthur Hagen of Wayne, Pa., ridden by Lyman Wright; Muskegee, owned by Mrs. T. H. Somerville of Upperville, Va., ridden by Carroll K. Bassett; War Crier, owned by Carlton H. Palmer of New York; Fairy Lore, owned by Noel Laing of Amisville, Va., and ridden by Noel Laing; Navarino, owned by Mrs. T. H. Somerville of Upperville, Va.

The association announced the following officials who will be in charge of the races:

Stewards of the meeting will be S. A. Warner Baltazzi of Aiken, S. C., and Westbury, L. I., Thomas W. Durant of New York and Granger Gaither of Camden, S. C.

Judges: Wallace Armstrong of Aiken and Philadelphia, General Manas McCloskey of Fort Bragg, Jackson H. Boyd of Southern Pines, and C. W. Middleton of Greenwich, Conn.

The paddock judges are Nat S. Hurd, Pittsburgh, William A. Laing of Amisville, P. S. P. Randolph, sr., New York, and W. V. Slocock of Pinehurst.

Patrol judges are A. Corbett Alexander chairman, of Pinehurst; Calvin B. Farnsworth of Worcester, Colo., George P. Hawes and Beverly Walters of Pinehurst.

Clerk of scales: William E. Baker of Providence.

Clerk of the course: P. S. P. Randolph, jr., of New York.

Timekeeper: Ernest I. White of Syracuse.

Race committee: Almet F. Jenks and Nelson C. Hyde, Southern Pines (Please turn to page 5)

POLICE ON TRAIL OF MAIL CARRIER ROBBERY SUSPECTS

Men Who Held Up John Monroe, Eagle Springs, Robbed Biscoe Bank, is Belief

Although no arrests have been made in connection with the robbery of John Monroe, mail carrier of Eagle Springs who a few weeks ago was held up at the point of a gun by two men and relieved of his pocket change and his automobile, officers are making progress on the case. They are now certain that the same men who robbed Mr. Monroe perpetrated the Bank of Biscoe robbery shortly thereafter, and they feel that positive identification of the men has been made by a number of persons who have viewed photographs procured from the State Prison.

Sheriff McDonald declined to give out for publication the names of the suspects, but he says that they are convicts who escaped from the prison ward of the State Sanatorium and that both have active cases of tuberculosis. One was serving time for robbery with firearms and the other for participation in the robbery of the Bank of Biscoe some two years ago. One of the two had been sent up for from twenty to thirty years, and after serving a part of this sentence, escaped and shot some officers in Newton, seriously injuring them. He was recaptured and given from five to ten years on this charge, only to escape again to continue his career of crime.

Miss Cook Elected Civic Club President

Officers of Southern Pines Organization Chosen at Annual Meeting Last Friday

Miss Adeline Cook was elected president of the Civic Club for the ensuing year at the annual meeting held at the clubhouse in Southern Pines last Friday. Other officers were chosen as follows:

First Vice-President, Mrs. E. A. Tracey; Second Vice-President, Mrs. A. McN. Blair; Third Vice-President, Mrs. W. E. Cox; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Hugh Betterley; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. Morell; Treasurer, Mrs. Harry Gage.

On Wednesday, March 20th, a bridge party will be given by the Civic Club through the courtesy of Mrs. Harrington at the Southland Hotel at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Through the kindness of Judge Way and Mrs. Way members of the (Please turn to page 5)