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## STATE NEARS NO. 1 PLACE IN U. S. IN AUTO FATALITIES

**Capt. Farmer Urges Safety  
Council Here in Talk Before  
Sandhills Kiwanis Club**

### GIVES STARTLING FIGURES

Every third child in the United States is either injured or killed by an automobile accident.

If every person killed in North Carolina automobile accidents in a year was placed between Asheville and Raleigh, there would be a dead body every quarter of a mile; and you'd pass an injured person every 15 feet.

These were gruesome points used by Captain Charles D. Farmer of the State Highway Patrol to emphasize his talk on "Your Life and Your Own Property" before the Sandhills Kiwanis Club at Wednesday's meeting in the Southern Pines Baptist Church. Captain Farmer was introduced to the club by Willard L. Dunlop of Pinehurst, chairman of the Program committee.

Despite all safety measures, publicity and stricter law enforcement, we had the largest number of highway fatalities in the state last month since the inauguration of automobiles, Captain Farmer said. Casualties are increasing not only in North Carolina but in the nation. Nothing can halt this increase but the cooperation of the individual citizen, he said, and urged the Kiwanis members to take the lead here in observance of safety laws, in cooperating with officers and with judges and the courts.

"Help us and you help yourselves. Stop this useless slaughter of life and destruction of property. We have the best roads in the country here, but apparently they are among the most dangerous, for according to statistics, this state is seventh from the top in fatal accidents and appears destined to go higher this year. If we do not take heed, we will be on top."

"When we drive north we begin to obey traffic and highway laws as soon as we strike Virginia. We become more alert the farther we get (Please turn to page seven)

## City Tentatively Turns Down Harrington Offer

**Refuses Proposal to Cancel Tax  
Assessments on Property.—  
Votes 5-0. For Band**

At the regular monthly meeting of the Southern Pines Board of Commissioners, held Wednesday night in the office of the City Clerk, the board voted to turn down the recent counter offer made by J. J. Harrington in connection with the sale of his West Broad street property that is under consideration as a site for a proposed new Civic Center.

A few weeks ago the board offered Mr. Harrington \$9,000 for the property and last week Mr. Harrington agreed to the sale price provided he be relieved of 1937 tax assessments on the property. At the meeting Wednesday night the board voted to inform Mr. Harrington that their price of \$9,000 was a flat price and that Mr. Harrington would have to be responsible for the 1937 taxes.

Other business of the meeting was the awarding of the contract to make the necessary repairs to the Southern Pines Country Club ballroom to the firm of Reinecke-Dillehay, Inc., of Southern Pines, and the agreement of the board to donate \$50 to the Southern Pines School band for the purchase of new instruments.

## PINEHURST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO ELECT

The Pinehurst Chamber of Commerce will elect its officers for the coming year at a supper meeting to be held in the Village Court Grill on Tuesday evening, October 26th, at 7:00 o'clock.

No nominating committee has been appointed and all nominations will be made from the floor.

Willard Dunlop is the retiring president.

## Quartet To Open Festival Series



KING'S AMBASSADOR QUARTET

This quartet opens the Collins Festival which the Chamber of Commerce of Southern Pines is putting on during the next four weeks here, with matinee and night performances each Saturday at the High School Auditorium. The quartet is on a mission of good cheer to every music-loving audience," reads the prospectus. "Four male voices that fit each other like the fingers of your hand, perfected in harmony under Lloyd King's leadership, skillfully weave a musical spell that's enchanting in its smoothness and satisfying in its art.

Unusually beautiful effects on a peal of a hundred English bells always appeals to their audience, and make a splendid contrast to their harmony singing."

Tickets for the series of four entertainments went on sale this week, at a price of one dollar. Tickets for individual performances will be 50 cents at night, 35 cents at matinees for adults, and 25 cents at night, ten cents matinees for children. Funds realized from the festival will be used by the Chamber of Commerce for an extensive planting program here.

## Big Plans For Beauty Contest, Amateur Theatricals November 5

**"Miss Sandhills" To Be Chosen  
at Affair Sponsored by Southern  
Pines Civic Club**

Plans for the beauty contest and the amateur theatrical contest to be sponsored by the Southern Pines Civic Club on Friday night, November 5th, are rapidly taking shape, according to Miss Florence Campbell, Miss Birdella Bair and Mrs. N. L. Hodgkins, who are directing arrangements for the program, and the organization anticipates a highly successful affair.

The evening's program, to be held in the auditorium of the Southern Pines High School, will consist of three parts, namely:

A beauty contest open to all girls in 14 Sandhills between the ages of 14 and 25, married or single, for the title of "Miss Sandhills," with the winner to go to the State contest with all expenses paid and the State winners to be eligible for the national title of "Miss United States." At the State contest all local winners will be given a screen test. This contest is not to be confused with the "Miss America" beauty pageant held annually at Atlantic City, N. J. There is no connection whatever between the two.

An amateur theatrical contest open to single acts and groups of persons up to four. The winner of this contest will be eligible to compete in the State contest, winners of which will compete in a National contest for the title "United States Amateur Winner." Winners of State contests will receive radio and theatrical auditions as part of their prize compensation. Although no act of more than four persons can compete in the State contest, the Southern Pines Civic Club is offering additional prizes to acts in six groups regardless of the size of the acts. These additional prizes will go to winners in the following classification: (Please turn to page 6)

## SWEEPSTAKES EVENT AT COUNTRY CLUB SATURDAY

Manager Roy Grinnell of the Southern Pines Country Club has announced the first golf event of the season there for this Saturday and Sunday. It will be a golf ball sweepstakes with an entrance fee of 50 cents per contestant and the entire amount of the entry fees will go toward the prizes.

In the absence of any current handicap records the prizes will be awarded on the basis of gross scores, but in future similar events net scores will govern the distribution of the prizes.

## County Fair

**All Kinds of Exhibits and Entertainment Features Next  
Week in Carthage**

The Moore County Agricultural Fair opens in Carthage on Monday and runs through the week with performances both day and night. There will be free attractions twice daily.

Though this year's fair is emphasizing the agricultural exhibits it will not be lacking in the usual entertainment features which appeal to old and young. Among these will be Polly Jenkins and her Plowboys, radio stars; the Great Billett Troupe in aerial acts; the Gregorays in a sensational cycling act; Cook and Cook, (Please turn to page 12)

## SANDHILLS HOST TO TRAVEL GROUP AT BIG RECEPTION

**Party Touring State Shown  
Sights of Pinehurst, Knoll-  
wood and Southern Pines**

On Sunday morning at 11:30 a motor bus caravan of some 70 travel executives representing newspapers and travel agencies from nearly every part of the country east of the Mississippi arrived in Southern Pines and stopped over for a half hour or so to partake of the hospitality proffered by the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber had sent a delegation over to Pinehurst to act as guides for the trip here, pointing out the steeplechase course, the Pine Needles Inn and golf course, the Mid-Pines Club and other points of interest and to guide the visitors through a portion of the business and residential section of town to the scene of the reception at the Highland Pines Inn.

M. J. Turner had generously opened up his Weymouth Heights hostelry for the occasion and there was waiting a Chamber of Commerce reception committee headed by President Robert L. Hart and Dr. George G. Herr and comprising Dr. W. C. Mudgett, Charles Macauley, Roscoe Potts, Paul Barnum, Dr. James Milliken, Dr. Greer Stutz, Nelson C. Hyde, Robert Hayes, Dr. E. Levis Prizer, Frank Webster, Duncan Matthews, Eugene Woodward, Eugene Stevens, Dante Montesanti, Charles (Please turn to page 6)

## RALPH CHANDLER NEW PRESIDENT OF KIWANIS CLUB

**Organization Holds Annual  
Meeting; Howarth Vice Pres-  
ident, Tarlton Treasurer**

### SEVEN DIRECTORS CHOSEN

Ralph L. Chandler, manager of the Carolina Power and Light Company here, was elected president of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club for 1938 at the annual meeting held Wednesday noon in the Southern Pines Baptist Church. Mr. Chandler was one of the organizers of the club when it was founded in Aberdeen in 1922, has previously served as vice-president and director.

John M. Howarth of Southern Pines was elected vice-president, and Richard F. Tarlton re-elected treasurer. The following were elected to the board of directors: J. Vance Rowe of Aberdeen, Herbert F. Seawell, Sr. of Carthage, Howard Burns, P. T. Kelsey and Dr. J. I. Neal and Dr. Robert P. Shepard of Southern Pines and Paul Dana of Pinehurst.

Mr. Chandler will succeed Charles W. Picquet, whose term as president during the past year has been marked by increased membership and club activity in all lines. The new president and other officers will be installed on Wednesday, November 3d, after which the projects of the organization for 1938 will be determined upon, new committees appointed and plans perfected for the new year.

## Will of Mrs. Skinner Leaves \$1 to Husband Estate Valued at \$9,840 in Probate at Carthage.—Citizens Bank Co-Executor

The will of Ruth B. Skinner, late of Wilmington, Del., and Southern Pines has been filed for probate in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Moore county. The estate is valued at approximately \$9,840.

After directing that her just debts be paid, Mrs. Skinner's will continues: "I bequeath unto my beloved husband, Robert Skinner, the sum of one dollar, knowing full well that he will clearly understand the reasons prompting me in so doing."

All the rest of the estate was left to her sisters, Mrs. Ethlyn Parks of Norwich, N. Y., Mrs. Lottie Stephens of Mercy, N. Y., and Mrs. Bessie H. Lowery of Wilmington, Del., share and share alike.

The Delaware Trust Company was named executor, with the Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Southern Pines as co-executor in North Carolina and Mrs. Bessie H. Lowery as co-executrix to act with the Delaware Trust Company.

## Stables Filling Up in Pinehurst, So. Pines

**Parshall, Smith, Laing and  
Stony Brook Horses Arrive.  
Webster Knight Coming**

The Pinehurst race track stables are starting to fill up, and there is no doubt they will be filled within the next few weeks, for reservations in excess of the facilities are being asked for, James W. Tufts reports. Several horses of the Parshall and Stacy Smith stables arrived this week, and Mr. Tufts says he expects all the horses that were here last winter and probably some additional stables.

In Southern Pines there was also horse activity this week. The Laing Stables on Weymouth Heights opened for the season, with Merritt N. Sugg in charge until the arrival of William A. Laing later on. Additional horses are arriving this coming week at the new Stony Brook Stables of F. H. Burke and W. J. Stratton on Youngs Road. It is also reported that Webster Knight of Providence, R. I., will send a number of his show harness horses down here this winter, to occupy the stables on his estate, "The Corral," near The Paddock. Louis Schelpers has taken the Duncan Robinson stables, also near The Paddock, for the season and already has his horses there.

## New Kiwanis



RALPH L. CHANDLER

## GOLF TOURNAMENT SEASON TO OPEN HERE NOVEMBER 16

**Mid-South Professional Event  
First of Winter on Pine-  
hurst Schedule**

Pinehurst has the usual number of golf tournaments scheduled for this winter season, starting the ball rolling on November 16th with the four-day 17th annual Mid-South Professional tournament. The first two days will be devoted to a best ball event, 18 holes each day; the third and fourth days to an individual open. Prizes for the best ball scale down from \$400 for the winning pair to \$100 for the fifth, while in the individual event first prize is \$250, scaling down to \$50 for the tenth man.

The other feature tournaments of the winter are scheduled as follows: the 36th annual United North & South Open on March 23d, 24th and 25th, for prizes aggregating \$4,000, the winner taking \$1,000 of this; the 36th annual North & South Invitation for Women the week of March 28th; the 38th annual North & South Invitation Amateur championship the week of April 4th.

In between come these events: 22nd Annual Carolina Tournament November 23, 24, 25 and 26.

17th annual Carolina for Women November 30th.

35th annual Midwinter December 27, 28, 29 and 30.

Third annual Christmas tournament for women December 28.

16th annual Father and Son tournament December 31.

33d annual St. Valentine's tournament for women February 1, 2, 3 and 4th.

34th annual February tournament February 8, 9, 10 and 11.

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## DISTRICT CONVENTION OF FEDERATION ON THURSDAY

The annual meeting of the Ninth District of North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs will be held in Sanford next Thursday, starting at 10:00 o'clock, with the Sanford Woman's Club as hostess. This district takes in six counties, among them Moore which has six clubs. Mrs. Howard G. Etheridge, president of the federation, will preside and Mrs. J. N. Britt, chairman of districts, will speak. After reports from the various clubs the annual election of officers will be held. A large number from this county will attend.

## VILLAGE CHAPEL, PINEHURST, RESUMES SERVICES SUNDAY

The Village Chapel in Pinehurst will have its opening services of the season this Sunday morning, the Rev. Dr. T. A. Cheatham, minister, announced this week. The services will be as follows: Holy Communion at 8:00 a. m.; children's service at 10:00 a. m., and church service at 11:00 a. m. The public is cordially invited.

## YEGGS GET \$135 IN SAFE-CRACKING JOB IN PINEHURST

**Stutts Supply Co. Warehouse  
Entered Early Wednesday  
Morning**

### HAMLET PLANT ROBBED

At an early hour on Wednesday morning safe crackers broke into the Stutts Supply Company warehouse on the outskirts of Pinehurst and escaped with cash amounting to \$135.05 that had been locked in the office safe, and a small but as yet undetermined amount of merchandise. The amount was fully covered by insurance.

Entrance was gained by the use of a crowbar with which the thieves forced and sprung the office door. After getting the inner office they went to work, apparently calmly and deliberately, with a sledge hammer and cold chisel and, after cutting away the combination to the safe, disengaged the locking compartment on the safe door and gained access to the interior. The money was in a bag in one of a series of unlocked drawers in the upper compartment of the safe.

Pinehurst Chief of Police Dees, who was the first officer on the scene, was of the opinion that the robbery was the work of experienced safe crackers. Aside from a small amount of debris left at the outer door where the original entrance was gained there was little or no disorder anywhere in the office. The floor in the immediate vicinity of the safe was perfectly clean at the time the robbery was discovered.

On Wednesday fingerprint experts from Raleigh visited the Stutts warehouse and took impressions from the broken entrance door and from both exterior and interior of the safe, but as yet there has been no report as to the result of their investigations. As the door through which the thieves gained entrance is used hundreds of times every day by employes and customers alike and the safe is also in constant use it is feared that the results of the fingerprint investigation will amount to but little.

Later Wednesday morning three men driving a Buick automobile broke into the Nehi Bottling Company plant in Hamlet and escaped with a considerable amount of money. Police believe that there may be some connection between the two robberies.

## \$25,000 Sewer Project Under Way Next Week

**Southern Pines To Furnish \$7,000  
in Labor and Materials  
and W. P. A. \$18,000**

The early part of next week work will start on a new Southern Pines sewer line project which, when completed, will provide sewer lines for all of the area north of Rhode Island avenue within the town limits and will be capable of serving Manley and the Knollwood section on the immediate outskirts of the Southern Pines town limits.

This new sewer line, a joint project of the Town of Southern Pines and the Works Progress Administration, will be about three and one-half miles in length and it is estimated that the total cost will be approximately \$25,000. Of this amount Southern Pines will furnish \$7,000 in skilled labor and materials and the WPA will furnish the remaining \$18,000 in unskilled labor and materials.

Heretofore the area inside the town limits and north of Rhode Island avenue has had no sewer line and the residents of that area have had to install septic tanks. When the project, including almost 10,000 feet of Southern Pines will have sewer lines.

The new lines will run along both Ridge and May streets from Rhode Island avenue to Ohio avenue. Those two lines will meet at Ohio avenue where they will join and the one line will follow Ohio to the Seaboard tracks, pass under the tracks, follow Artillery road to Boiling Springs Circle and thence to the Southern Pines sewage plant.