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## WE'RE GETTING ON THE HORSE MAP

The important position the Sandhills section has reached in horse circles is being demonstrated in more ways than one.

All summer we have been reading of victories won by trotting horses trained here last winter. Some of the great steeplechase horses had their schooling here, Trouble Maker which the late Noel Laing rode to victory in every important timber race in America, and Battleship, Mrs. Marion duPont Scott's fine horse which won this year's running of the historic Grand National at Aintree.

But it is not the Sandhills horse alone that is being recognized. During the past few weeks two of those who have played a major part in the development of this section as a winter horse center have been signally honored. Richard Wallach, Jr., racing secretary of the Sandhills Steeplechase and Racing Association, was recently named racing secretary of the Rolling Rock race meeting, near Pittsburgh, one of the big events in steeplechase circles. Wallach is also managing a number of other race meetings in the north. The Sandhills meet gave him his start, and the reputation which is carrying him further.

Last week we read of the appointment of Dion Kerr, jr., of Pinehurst as manager of the big Llangollen Farm at Upperville, Virginia, where "Mike," as he is familiarly known here, is to train the steeplechase horses owned by Mrs. "Jock" Whitney. This is one of the biggest racing stables in the country.

They're coming to the Sandhills for talent in the horse world.

## OCTOBER IN THE SANDHILLS

Today winds up another September, the month that brought the harvest moon and autumn. The autumnal equinox which arrived at noon on the day of the 23rd marked the end of summer. The sun, ever since the 21st of June, has been steadily traveling southward in the sky until last week, when it reached the halfway point and day and night—supposedly, became of equal length. Rassic Wicker could explain to us that this is really not the case, and show us where a certain refraction of light from the sun tends to make things overhead appear higher than they really are. If we could follow all he has in his head we would probably be convinced that not until the middle of October are the days and nights approximately equal.

However, it matters little here how we look on the sun's course of action. If we reckon on its behavior in the past, we can pretty nearly map out a weather schedule for the immediate season ahead of us. Mild temperatures with cool nights will characterize the approaching month. We may expect ideal days with cloudless skies, calm and gentle winds prevailing, and hazy atmosphere lying over our low hills. October will bring vivid color to the dogwoods, the blackjacks, oaks, the poplars and gums and maples and other hardwood trees.

Looking at October from any angle, it is a month hard to surpass in the Sandhills.

—H. K. B.

The state's 1938 peach crop estimated at 2,418,000 bushels was the second largest crop ever grown, 1931 being the record crop with 2,940,000 bushels produced, reports the State Department of Agriculture.

# THE POCKETBOOK OF KNOWLEDGE

**PAINTING IMITATION WINDOWS ON BARN IS A CUSTOM IMPORTED FROM EUROPE WHERE FAKE WINDOWS WERE ONCE PAINTED ON HOUSES, TO AVOID PAYING A WINDOW TAX, WHICH WAS LEVIED ON ALL WINDOWS.**

**THE CURRENT COST OF BEING GOVERNED IN THE UNITED STATES AVERAGES \$523.00 PER FAMILY.**

**THE CURIOUS "SNAKE-NECKED" TURTLE, OF AUSTRALIA, HAS A NECK AS LONG AS ITS BODY!**

**33% OF INDUSTRIAL WORKERS ARE SHAREHOLDERS IN THEIR OWN COMPANIES.**

**THE SCIENTISTS IN INDUSTRIAL LABORATORIES HAVE DISCOVERED HOW TO MAKE FOUR GASES INTO A PLASTIC RADIO CABINET. (AMMONIA, CARBON MONOXIDE, CARBON DIOXIDE, AND HYDROGEN ARE BASIC COMPOUNDS OF UREA TYPE RESINS.)**

## GRAINS OF SAND

The new James Boyd novel, starting serially any week now in the Saturday Evening Post, has finally been christened. It will be titled "Bitter Creek," not "Spur" as originally planned.

Profound regret has been expressed over the entire state of North Carolina in the untimely passing of Thomas Wolfe. Eulogies by the column have poured out in demonstrative lament over the promising young novelist of Asheville. Friends in Southern Pines who knew Wolfe have felt a personal loss in the death of the brilliant writer.

Aymar Embury, architect of numerous Southern Pines buildings and homes, including the new postoffice, is pictured in the current issue of Life magazine, in an article on new homes in the country stimulated by the Federal Housing Administration program.

A gentleman walked into the Barnum real estate office last week and said he'd like to see P. T. Barnum. Paul heard him from the inner office and came out.

"I've always wanted to shake the hand of P. T. Barnum," he said. "My name is Jesse James."

Mr. James is with the State Revenue department in Raleigh.

Speed costs money.

Driving 90 miles an hour costs 7 cents a mile more than at 40 miles an hour, research engineers report.

Tire costs jump from 18 hundredths of a cent at 20 miles an hour to 3.25 cents at 90 miles an hour.

Gasoline costs rise from 1 to 4 cents as speed increases from 20 to 90 miles an hour.

Oil consumption is 16 times greater at 90 than at 40 miles an hour.

John McCrimmon moves with his family this week to the cottage near the Fire tower on the hill west of Southern Pines, where he will assume the duties of County Fire Warden. John has been employed by Weymouth Estate for a long period of years. He is thoroughly familiar with conditions in the inflammable wire grass country and has had years of experience in fighting woods fires. He will take over his new work as an experienced hand.

A post card from Lou Koch, of Pinehurst's publicity department:

"Greetings from the third best resort in the world—Southern Pines. Pinehurst and Bar Harbor, respectively, or vice-versa. Leaving shortly on a belated honeymoon."

Lou can't be planning to come back to Pinehurst this winter or he'd never have listed 'em in that order.

In an effort to make an acquaintance with her scholars a teacher in the Southern Pines schools asked one youngster what her father did. "He turns people around who drive up to our house," was the unusual answer. The puzzled teacher saw no light and followed her query with "where do you live?" "On McCloskey drive," returned the little girl. Even that response didn't help.

When Connecticut avenue turns down the hill at the Andrews home, it becomes a country road, although

in reality, it is a continuation of the avenue. The road terminates at the county line and there becomes McCloskey Drive, in Fort Bragg territory. The small girl's father is sergeant at the ranger station and when transgressors enter the reservation they are politely turned around and sent back out of government property. The teacher learned the details of the story only after a series of questions.

Night flying of airships in the last two weeks has occasioned people to look skyward. They have been entertained by a lively game staged overhead as ships circle over a given space and dodge if possible, the beam of light thrown out by an imaginary enemy. Picking up and following the pilot's light through a starry dome has led many eyes to rove over the heavens. The bright lights from Jupiter and Vega and Sirius and a host of other worlds, have been confusing to the fan with his eyes on a moving star that means a plane.

If the aerial maneuvers last long enough and we keep up our interest in their movements we might work up a better acquaintance and a greater familiarity with a few of the stars.

## STATE FAIR TICKETS FREE TO N. C. SCHOOL CHILDREN

Tickets granting free admittance to the State Fair, which will be held in Raleigh October 11-15, are being distributed to school children all over North Carolina, Dr. J. S. Dorton of Shelby, Manager of the Fair, announced today.

Dr. Dorton said approximately 900,000 free tickets have been printed for distribution to children through local school superintendents, Friday, October 14, has been designated as Young North Carolinians' Day, and thousands of romping school children are expected to turn the midway into a real pleasure lane on the day set aside especially for them.

"We don't want the price of admission to stand between any child in North Carolina and a visit to the State Fair," declared Dr. Dorton. "The fair is designed to reflect the State's progress in agriculture, industry and education, and we are distributing these free tickets so every child in North Carolina will have an opportunity to see how well the state is progressing. We hope the grounds and exhibit halls will be packed with school children on Friday of fair week."

## MRS. GREARSON TO OPEN HIGHLAND LODGE OCTOBER 5

According to word from Mrs. Maude Grearson at Windsor, Vermont, the Highland Lodge in Southern Pines will open for the winter season next Wednesday, October 5th. Mrs. Grearson had planned to open earlier but was delayed in her arrival here due to illness.

The number of sheep on farms in North Carolina January 1, 1938, estimated at 62,000 was the smallest of any year on record except 1912, reports the N. C. Department of Agriculture.

## Flora Macdonald College Needs Funds To Lift Its Indebtedness

Appeal Is Made To Friends of Institution Which Has Proven Value To North Carolina

By R. C. Lawrence

Flora College (chartered 1840) was the oldest woman's college in North Carolina authorized to confer degrees. Her daughter, Flora Macdonald College, has for many years been an inspiration to the Cape Fear section, whose people have watched with pride as it developed into a fully accredited "A" grade institution.

While a denominational school, under Presbyterian auspices, it has mothered hundreds of Methodists, Baptists, and other sects, as well as Presbyterians, and her culture knows no limitation of creed save the Christian faith. If there be a few who think the denominational college outmoded, I can but reply that a Christian State must have distinctively Christian schools. What would education be in North Carolina today if Davidson, Duke, Wake Forest, Elon, Mars Hill, Campbell, St. Mary's, Meredith, Peace, Salem, and many other denominational schools were eliminated from the picture.

Yet today this landmark of the Cape Fear is in serious straits and must have financial assistance from its friends. There is a debt of \$90,000.00 bearing with crushing force upon it, and this indebtedness MUST be lifted, and its modest endowment increased, if it is to continue to be what it is today, to say nothing of expanding in the future.

### Hit During Depression

The cause of the existing indebtedness is simple. The denominational college does not have recourse upon the State treasury to pay an operating deficit. Flora Macdonald has no income save that derived from its scant tuition fees or the benefactions of its friends. During the worst years of the depression its revenues dwindled until the present debt resulted, despite good management and rigid economy. While the debt has not increased during the past several years, revenues have not been sufficient to substantially reduce or pay it. Yet it MUST be paid. Moreover, income from its endowment has diminished. Years ago safe investments

## Got A License?

Deer Plentiful as Season Opens, But So Are Game Wardens and Deputies

Tomorrow, October 1st, opens the hunting season in the county. A bombardment of rifle shots over the eastern section of the county will be responsible for the lives of many deer on the opening day, as they are now seeking food outside the reservation.

The county game warden with several deputies will be out along the line and will check every hunter's license.

would bring a return of 6 percent, but not now

All will agree that the College must and shall be preserved. But WORDS will not do this. There may be some who think the money should come from such foundations as the General Education Board, the Carnegie Foundation, or else from wealthy individuals. But these will not give to an institution which is in debt, nor will they lend assistance until and unless the institution's constituents first come to its rescue. If our own people will first prove their interest in Flora Macdonald in a substantial way, there is good reason to believe that it will receive substantial gifts from the foreign sources above referred to. But our home people must first give before seeking benefactions from afar. We must "begin at Jerusalem."

### Modern and Efficient

Upon the Board of Trustees of Flora Macdonald are some of the best business men of this section. They have earnestly and prayerfully canvassed the situation and have concluded that \$350,000.00 is the minimum that will enable the college to pay its debt and furnish sufficient endowment for it to continue its work as a modern and efficient institution. To this end they are appealing to the friends of the institution, and have placed the Rev. Lawrence A. Davis of Red Springs in general direction of the campaign. This cause

## Corn Dodger Spills in Meadowbrook Cup

Sandhills Cup Winner Last Spring Gives Jack Skinner Hard Fall on Long Island

Corn Dodger, the timber horse which won the Sandhills Cup race here last spring, was among the entries in the historic Meadowbrook Cup event on Long Island last Saturday, again ridden by Jack Skinner. It was Skinner who remounted after a fall here and went on to win the event.

Skinner was again thrown last Saturday after leading during the early stages of the three and one-half mile event on the F. Ambrose Clark estate near Westbury. "Corn Dodger," which won at West Hills last week," a despatch stated, "slid into the fence four from home and sent Jack Skinner flying. The rider was badly shaken, stiff and mad, but intact. Corn Dodger, second in the betting at 2 to 1, had been running well and had plenty left when he made his misstep."

Mrs. G. H. "Pete" Bostwick's Fugitive, which ran second here two years ago, was also in the race but pulled up lame near the finish. Randolph Duffey rode Fugitive.

The Meadowbrook race was won by Coq Bruyere, owned by John Strawbridge.

deserves, and should have, first claim upon your sympathetic interest and your financial support.

The campaign Mr. Davis is directing is not merely to raise funds, because Flora Macdonald needs money. All colleges need money. But the needs of Flora Macdonald are such that if she is to continue the great work she is now doing, it is absolutely necessary that the money now asked be furnished her. Please read the last sentence over again, and engrave it upon the tablets of your memory. Then engrave the name of Flora Macdonald upon a substantial check.

### LEASES WAYSIDE INN

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian W. Graves have leased the tourist home formerly known as The Wayside Inn, at May Street and Indiana avenue, Southern Pines, to be operated as Graves Tourist Lodge. They are completely renovating and refurnishing the lodge.



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