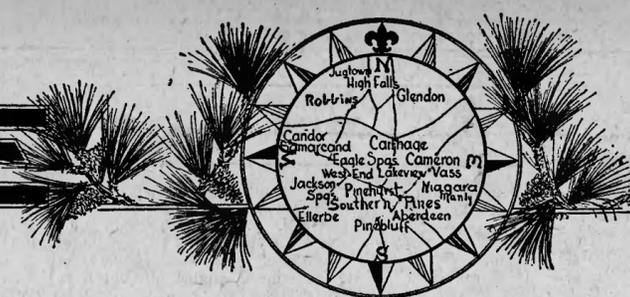


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## Garden Tour Planned For April 3, 4 Here

### Garden Club Event Set For Time of Spring Flowering

Beautiful homes, flowering gardens and springtime vistas of a peculiar to Southern Pines will be on display to the public in the Southern Pines Garden tour, to be held Monday and Tuesday, April 3 and 4, under sponsorship of the Southern Pines garden club.

The tour will be held independently of the other tours in the area. Headquarters will be the Shaw House, century-old cottage charmingly restored by the Moore county Historical society, where luncheon and tea will be available to the tour visitors.

Dates of the tour are expected to coincide with the height of the blooming of dogwood, azaleas and other flowering growth, which annually make of this springtime a scene of unforgettable beauty. Highlights will include the gardens of Mrs. Audrey K. Kennedy, Mrs. Katherine S. McPhill, W. D. Campbell, E. C. Stevens, D. W. Winkelman and Kenneth M. Trousdell; Weymouth, home of Mrs. James Boyd, and Point Hill Farm, home of Ernest Ives. Several others are expected to be announced later as additions.

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### CITY TAGS HERE

The new city license tags have arrived and are on sale at the city hall, said Town Clerk and Treasurer Howard F. Burns this week.

Earlier shipments gave out a month ago after a total of 820 had been sold. Still more had to be ordered, but the coal strike delayed their manufacture and shipment. Persons applying for tags—which were made mandatory by a recent city ordinance—have been given receipts instead.

About 250 are now on hand, which it is believed should supply the receipt holders, late comers and newcomers, all of whom must place them on their cars.

### All-State Tourney Hits Fast Pace; Finals Saturday

The All-State Girls' High School Basketball tournament, under way since Monday at the Southern Pines gym, will go into the semi-final stage tonight (Friday), with finals and the crowning of a state champion Saturday night.

Bleachers are crowded nightly with fans cheering themselves hoarse as 16 topflight girls' teams battle it out. Besides the rooters which accompany each team from their home towns, more and more local residents are finding out that a first-rate show is on at the gym, and are joining the crowd. Cheerleaders come with almost every team and a colorful show is staged.

Teams playing in quarter-finals tonight were decided by Thursday night's scores, which were not available at press time. Scheduled to play Thursday night were Wakelon vs. Lincolnton, Salem Springs vs. Franklinton and Cool Springs vs. Ayden. Tonight, the Aberdeen Devils will meet the winner of the Salem Springs-Franklinton contest at 7:30 o'clock, and at 9 o'clock—Lincolnton—will play Cool Springs—or Ayden.

The championship game will begin at 9 p. m. Saturday, preceded by a "consolation" between runners-up at 7:30.

The quarter-finals started Wednesday at 8:30 with the hotly contested match in which the Devils downed the crack Smithfield sextet, 44-39. The teams were closely matched but the "barred Devils" went into their precision-machine routine which has proved practically unbeatable over a four-year period.

Preliminaries resulted as follows: Monday—Salem Springs 47, Allen Jay (Guilford county) 42; Wakelon 49, Pinehurst 39; Smithfield 54, Burnsville 20.

Tuesday—Franklinton 63, Windsor 48; Aberdeen 46, Hills.

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### Trotting Races At Pinehurst Sunday; First of Series

Trotting races will return to the Sandhills Sunday with the first of a series to be held on the Pinehurst track starting at 2:30 p. m., as initial event of four sponsored by the Pinehurst Driving club.

Other races will be held on three Sundays next month, April 9 and 16.

Sunday's event will present three two-heat races, or six full rounds of the one-mile track, with four to six trotters or pacers in each race. Horses will be drawn from the almost 200 in winter training at Pinehurst and will include some of the best of the Sandhills Circuit.

Drivers will include well-known amateurs driving their own horses, such as H. Arnold Jackson of Pinehurst, president of the Driving club, also some of the country's top-flight trainers such as Franklin Safford, of Southern Pines and Keene, N. H., and Delmeron, one of the best of the youngsters in the game.

Cameron recently wrote his name high in trotting annals by driving two one-minute races at Lexington, Ky., on the same afternoon.

The Pinehurst Driving club was organized a year ago to sponsor Grand Circuit events for the Sandhills during their winter training.

### Norman Cordon, Singing Here, Pays Tribute To N. C. Symphony Orchestra

"Outside of the 'big league' the North Carolina Symphony orchestra is the equal of any of them, better than most. I know, because I've sung with them all," said Norman Cordon, former Metropolitan Opera star, speaking to an overflow crowd at the Hollywood hotel Tuesday night.

Some 300 people thronged the lobby and two connecting drawing rooms, sat on the stairs and stood at the back, for the meeting of the Sandhills Music association at which Dr. Cordon was guest speaker.

He was also, as it turned out, guest singer too, for at the close of his talk, he delighted the crowd with three songs, Tschaikowsky's "The Lonely Heart" sung in German; a spiritual, "Joshua Fit de Battle of Jericho" and the ballad "Water Boy."

In his talk he told something of the history and operations of the N. C. Symphony, only state-supported symphony orchestra in the country, emphasizing its highly professional calibre and paying tribute to its director, Dr. Benjamin.

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### GET YOURS NOW

Tickets for the N. C. Symphony Orchestra concert, to be held here Wednesday evening, May 3, went on sale this week and are available at the Barnum Realty company here, said Dr. W. F. Hollister, ticket sales chairman for the sponsoring Sandhills Music association.

Tickets will be placed in the hands of local chairmen of the neighboring communities next week.

Those who have already made reservations may pick up their tickets at the Barnum office. With the concert more than six weeks away, more than 100 seats have already been sold or reserved and prospects are that the best seats will go fast. Dr. Hollister said. He advised that persons wishing tickets get theirs early while there is still a good choice of seats. The new school auditorium, where the concert will be held, has a capacity of 720.

## City Carrier Service Begins; Here Are First Postmen



Southern Pines' first postmen stepped out yesterday on their initial mail delivery. They are having plenty of headaches but expect soon to have the situation well in hand.

Marching with full mail pouches down the post office steps are, left, Harry Chatfield; center, Reid Bailey; and right, Harry Klabbatz. Postmaster A. Garland Pierce, on top step, speeds them on their way.

(Photo by Humphrey)

### MBS Chiefs Hold Radio Discussion At Kiwanis Meet

The Sandhills Kiwanis club enjoyed an "off-the-record" session Wednesday, when top executives of the Mutual Broadcasting System, here for a conference with station representatives, gave a three-way program at the club's luncheon meeting at the Highland Pines Inn.

Jack Younts of WEEB, host to the network visitors, introduced Charles Godwin, of New York City, MBS director of eastern station relations. Mr. Godwin in turn introduced Frank White, president of the 532-station network.

In an informal exchange President White and Director Godwin discussed the "grassroots" principle of the Mutual organization, expressing their pleasure in visiting the local Mutual affiliate and meeting representatives of 40 North and South Carolina stations during their one-day conference here arranged by Mr. Younts.

Mr. White then presented Earl Johnson, vice president of stations and engineering, who answered questions from the floor on such topics as night-time radio reception in North Carolina, and the potential of TV in this area.

Gen. George C. Marshall and Maj. Gen. Ira T. Wyche, of Pinehurst, were special guests for the occasion. Guests of President Garland McPherson were A. Garland Pierce of Southern Pines and Richard Hellman of Pinehurst.

### New Routes, Poor Addresses Causing Headaches As Carrier Service Starts

Southern Pines has city carrier service and three new postmen, as of Thursday, March 16—and what it needs most now, according to Postmaster A. Garland Pierce, is correct addresses on the mail.

Sorting the mail for their initial routes, the carriers, Harry Chatfield, Reid Bailey and Harry Klabbatz, found themselves baffled by thousands of letters and hundreds of parcel post packages, with no, or insufficient, street addresses.

"How we are going to get them all delivered I don't know," said Postmaster Pierce. "The public will have to be patient until the carriers can learn their routes, and who lives where. We have all the addresses on file, but it is impossible to stop and look these up for each letter or package, and still keep up with the volume of mail."

### Local Horses Will Race At Camden

Southern Pines racing fans will have a chance to cheer for the home folks and their horses at Camden's famed Carolina Cup Race Meet on March 25. Rumors that Stonebrook Stables were planning to enter were confirmed this week with the news that the Walshes' Reno Sam will run in the Wateree, 1-2-mile hurdle race, the second event on the card of six races.

Reno Sam was the winner of the hurdle race on the Stonybrook track at the February meeting. He had stiff competition then, and though he will be pitted against a larger field in Camden, it is expected that he will give a good account of himself. Dooley Adams, seasoned jockey, is expected to have the mount.

Another from the Stonybrook stables who will be seen in action at Camden on the 25th is Errolfort, a runner from the string of R. C. Paterno of Golden's Bridge. Adams or Mickey Walsh, Jr., will

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## MIND YOUR MOTOR MANNERS! Can You "Stop On A Dime"?

When you put on brakes, how soon does your car stop?

Depends on the speed, of course, you say—but do you know how fast you can stop your car at 20 miles per hour? 30? 50? 70—or 90?

A braking demonstration to be held Saturday, March 25, at 2:30 p. m. in front of the city hall will show you, according to Otto B. Edwards, chairman of the Southern Pines Safety Council. The town board, sponsoring a traffic safety campaign during March in cooperation with the Council, has authorized the holding of the demonstration, and Mayor C. N. Page is asking that all local drivers attend. A special invitation is extended to beginning drivers and high school students.

O. D. Griffin, field representa-

tive of the Highway Safety Commission, who is executive secretary of the local Safety Council, will stage the demonstration. A public address system will be used to explain what is going on. Some other events are being planned in connection with the demonstration, for a real "safety show" downtown that afternoon.

Chairman Edwards said some surprises are promised for even the most experienced driver. Few people know just how far it takes a car to stop when braked. The feeling that they have good brakes and can stop "on a dime" no matter how fast they are traveling is a contributing cause of many drivers' accidents.

"Mind Your Motor Manners" is the theme of the March traffic safety campaign, with an accident-free month the goal.

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**Street Designations**

Everyone should begin at once using his correct return address on his outgoing mail, and also inform his regular correspondents. Particular care should be taken to use the street designations East, West, North and South. "It will take days for us to get straightened out here," Mr. Pierce said. "The fact that this is the height of the season, with hundreds of visitors in town, complicates things further. It is our busiest time, except for Christmas."

Going out on their routes for the first time, postmen found themselves prevented from delivering mail in some instances by the lack of a mailbox or letter slot. These are an essential for home delivery and should be installed at once, Mr. Pierce reminded.

Collection boxes were set up Thursday at 11 intersections in Southern Pines and West Southern Pines.

Beginning at once, all first-class mail requires the regular three-cent stamp, whether addressed to a box or street address. Formerly, a one-cent stamp carried letters sent within the community.

**Relief Is Seen**

Once the confusion is over, the service is expected to be of great help, and will soon become routine, with the postman a familiar and welcome figure as he is in thousands of other towns and cities. At the post office, a congested situation will be relieved, and the normal increase in volume of mail can be handled in order.

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## Top Stars Will Play Benefit Golf Events

### APPOINTED

Miss Eihel Davis, of Carthage, Rt. 2, longtime deputy clerk of court, was appointed clerk of Moore County court by Judge F. Don Phillips Monday, to fill out the unexpired term of the late John Willcox.

The term will expire in November. It is anticipated that a contest for the office will shape up shortly, in view of the proximity of the Democratic primary May 27, with April 15 as filing deadline.

### County Mourns Sudden Passing Of John Willcox

**Rites Held Monday For Longtime Clerk of Court**

Moore county lost a longtime public servant and one of its most beloved citizens with the death early Sunday morning of John Willcox, 70, of Carthage. Mr. Willcox was taken sick Thursday. His illness became critical Saturday and he was taken to St. Joseph of the Pines hospital, where he died at 6 o'clock Sunday morning.

Crowds attending the funeral at the Carthage Presbyterian church Monday at 4 o'clock were said to be the largest at any county funeral in many years. The Rev. W. S. Golden, pastor, conducted the rites, assisted by ministers of other Carthage churches. Pallbearers were John Kelly, John Currie, Ed Frye, Julian Bishop, A. W. Lambert, W. D. Sabiston, Jr., M. G. Boyette and Judge F. Don Phillips, of Rockingham. Honorary pallbearers were officers of the church and members of the Shields Bible class, of which Mr. Willcox had been teacher for many years; county commissioners, members of the Moore County Bar and the Carthage Rotary club. Burial was in the family plot at Cross Hill cemetery.

Mr. Willcox had been clerk of Moore County superior court since November, 1926. He was elected to this office in June of that year and had been reelected for every term since. He had already filed to run for reelection subject to the May primary this year.

Before his election as clerk of court, he had been a county commissioner.

He was a member of one of the pioneer families of this section. He was born at Carthage February 1, 1880, son of Capt. George William Willcox, who served as Moore county's representative in the General Assembly, and Isabel

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### Games On Pinehurst No. 2 For Red Cross And Moore Hospital

An unprecedented array of thrills for sports lovers will be presented on two separate days, March 23 and March 28, in exhibition matches played at Pinehurst by the country's topflight golfers as benefit events.

Scheduled for 2 p. m. next Thursday will be a match presenting Ben Hogan and Jimmy Demaret in a pro team against Dick Chapman and Harvie Ward, amateurs, for the benefit of the Red Cross.

Teeing off at 2 p. m. the following Tuesday, March 28, will be a professional foursome consisting of Sam Snead and Cary Middlecoff vs. Johnny Palmer and Clayton Heafner. Proceeds will be for the benefit of the Moore County Hospital building fund.

Pinehurst, Inc., is cooperating in both matches, in the first with the Pinehurst branch of the Moore County Red Cross chapter, headed by J. C. Bertrand as chairman; in the second with the Sandhill Veterans association, of which Dr. R. Bruce Warlick of Southern Pines is president. Both matches will be best ball of pair, on the No. 2 course.

The Red Cross event will be distinguished among others in the country by the presence of General Marshall, president of the American National Red Cross, who will present to each player a souvenir of the occasion.

### Rotarians Plan Cage Banquet

The Annual Basketball banquet of the Southern Pines Rotary club will be held Friday evening, March 25, with the High school boys' and girls' basketball teams, their coaches, managers and cheer leaders present as guests of the Rotarians.

The banquet, to be held at the Village Inn starting at 7 o'clock, will be followed by a dance, with both round and square dancing. Tickets will be available to the public up to the capacity limits of the Inn. Guests of the Rotarians will number about 70.

A brief program with a guest speaker is being prepared, and awards will be presented by the coaches. The event is one highly anticipated by all the young people taking part in the basketball program, as a fitting climax to the season.

June Phillips is chairman of the Rotary committee in charge of arrangements.

## MY NEW JOB: By Gen. Marshall Gen. Marshall Explains Why Red Cross Holds Separate Campaigns For Funds

Many people ask why the American Red Cross holds its own separate campaigns for membership and financial support.

At the time I took over a responsible post in the Red Cross last October this question was current.

The Board of Governors was to review the matter at the November meeting. It was important for me to learn quickly the organization's position and the reasons for it.

I think it is timely to tell here what I have ascertained to be the reasons why the Red Cross makes a separate and direct appeal to the American people for financial support.

The Red Cross is unique among national welfare agencies. It derives its authority from the United States Congress and is responsible to the Congress for its acts.

**Two Obligations**

Under Federal statute the Red Cross has two inescapable obligations:

First, to serve the men and women of the armed forces in peace as well as in war.

Second, to act promptly and efficiently in times of disaster to



ease human suffering and distress.

These and many other duties of the Red Cross involve emergency operations, often on a very large scale. In addition to local service by the chapters, Red Cross activities are both national and international.

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