

SMOKE!

Southern Pines blaze draws appreciative crowd

SMOKED OUT ROOMER, RENT PAID, RUEFUL

(By A Staff Correspondent)

SOUTHERN PINES, Dec. 9—Southern Pines provided unique entertainment last night for its weekend visitors when an informal fire was given in William Roth's barber shoppe, and the rooms on the second floor of a brick building on East Broad street.

Spectators, wishing to obtain a closeup view, went into the smoke filled building with the fire fighters and kibitzed. They went about poking their noses here and there, getting smoke in their eyes in an effort to locate the center of activity. Smoke drove them out.

There was some doubt as to the cause of the fire. Some said it started from an overheated argument in the barber shoppe, which spread quickly to a kerosene water heater. Early in the evening there was a small conflagration in this apparatus but the barbers put it out. Nearly two hours later, smoke began to roll into the shoppe, and the barber chairs were quickly emptied.

Blame Mickey Mouse

It developed that the premises were formerly occupied by H. A. Lewis, who conducted a meat market and owned a cork insulated cold box. Some advanced the thought that Mickey Mouse had crossed wires and caused the ice box to ignite, and that the smoke was the result of burning cork.

The smoke filled the two story building. Roomers were driven out. They were John Lavoie, Bill Warner and A. R. Jensen. Mr. Jensen stated that it was a bad break for him, inasmuch as it was the first time in years he had paid his room rent in advance.

Mr. Warner rescued his pet alligator and an odd shoe.

Mr. Warner, well known automobile salesman, when asked if he had lost any of his property said that he had his clothes on his person, with the exception of a dress suit with tails. He did not consider this a serious loss as he has had little opportunity to wear it since the panic of 1929.

Cook Enjoys Fire

Mr. Lavoie is a cook, and said that he rather enjoyed the fire. L. V. O'Callaghan, fire chief, denied that the Pinehurst department had been asked to send assistance.

"It was not a three alarm fire," said Mr. O'Callaghan.

The Southern Pines department handled the job very well. It removed two barber chairs from the Roth shoppe and these were loaded in a truck and moved to safety. Some said the barber chairs were removed to the office of the Sandhills Daily News, to make it more convenient for the editors to shave after getting out the Sunday edition.

The show lasted for many hours. Howard Burns, city clerk, acted as Master of Ceremonies.

All out was given at about one a. m. Damage slight.

AGAIN THE FIELD TRIALS BRING OUT THE RIDERS



At the top is shown a typical crowd at a Pinehurst Field Trial, which annually add color and animation to the resort's sporting life.

In the lower picture are Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Vare Jr. of Merion, Pa., enthusiastic bird dog fanciers attending the local meet. Mrs. Vare is the former Glenna Collett, national golf champion.

PINEHURST SCOREBOARD

by DOUGLAS DOAK

Some of the best all round "cussin'" that ever originated was caused by that stubbornest of quadrupeds, the mule. The colored folks in the vicinity of Lakeview have no doubt done plain and fancy swearing of late. It's all on account of a crow with a sense of humor.

"Hop-along-Cassidy," the villain in the piece is a crow belonging to Mr. Will Hanes, who lives right outside of Lakeview. "Hoppie," as he is called by the family is a real believe it or not, for "Hoppie" can talk.

Though there is an old saying that by splitting a crow's tongue he can be taught to speak, most people no doubt believe a talking crow belongs in the class with swinks, snipes and other mythical creatures. But "Hoppie" is a real live bird who can not only speak intelligibly but says whole sentences. It wasn't necessary to split his tongue or perform any other weird machinations, he just picked it up, much as a child learns to talk.

But getting back to the mules, it is a pet trick of "Hoppie's" to perch high in a treetop by the side of the road, out of sight of passersby. From his hiding place he lies in wait for mule teams, and as they pass below, screams out "whoa" in an unbelievably human voice. Naturally the mule stops, and the mystified driver has to go about the task of starting his beast again, while "Hoppie" yells "whoa" at intervals. "Hoppie" will probably fall out of the tree laughing some day, and give his little game away.

The crow was picked up about two years ago when Mr. Hanes' son, John, found "Hoppie" with

two other baby crows in a nest not far from the house. One of the crows flew away when it was old enough, and another was accidentally killed, but "Hoppie" remained to become one of the household, which also includes a pet squirrel.

"Hop-along-Cassidy," who is named after the western star whose exploits thrill juvenile cinema-goers at the Saturday matinees, is fully grown now and looks just like any other crow. He dines on table scraps but just to prove he is different, refuses to eat corn. There are no doubt farmers who would like to have "Hoppie" instruct his feathered brethren in the advantage of not eating corn.

"Hoppie" is free to fly where ever he wishes but has never left home, in spite of the high pressure salesmanship of the wild crows who often fly by and spend an hour or two arguing with him in crow language. "Hoppie" no doubt likes his three meals a day, and knows a good thing when he sees it.

No special effort was made to teach the crow to talk, other than the habit most people have of talking to their pets. "Hoppie" just picked it up by himself, imitating the everyday words and phrases he heard. His vocabulary includes "momma," "whoa," "come on," "hurry up," and one phrase of which he is particularly fond, "I'm waiting for you George," in which he is referring to one of the boys in the family.

In case you want to see, or rather hear, for yourself, Mr. Hanes' place is three-quarters of a mile outside of Lakeview on the airport road going towards Pinehurst.

OUR CONGRESSMAN, WINSTON-SALEM DOG, IS DERBY WINNER

Dr. Spicer's Entry Top in Field Trial; Miss Phelps' Homerun Corrigan Scores in Puppy Stake

Our Congressman, white and liver pointer owned and handled by Dr. R. W. Spicer of Winston-Salem, running in the first brace of yesterday's members' derby stake field trials of the Pointer Club of America, won first place in that stake.

Second honors went to Bobbitt's Peerless Pride, a white and black setter owned and handled by Louis M. Bobbitt, Winston-Salem, with third going to Stein's City Joe, a white and orange pointer owned and handled by R. Z. Cates of Spartanburg, S. C. Mr. Cates' pointer bitch, Shuffle-town Farm's Frances, placed first in the coveted all-age stake the day before.

Spicer's Congressman had one good find. Peerless Pride ran a good ground-working heat but didn't find birds. He was judged a class dog. Stein's City Joe showed a good bit of class and looked into likely bird spots.

The open puppy stake was won by Homerun Corrigan, a white and liver pointer dog owned by Miss Claudia Phelps, handled by Charlie Prickett. Second prize went to Kilsyth Girl, a white and orange pointer bitch owned by Gerald M. Livingston of New York and handled by R. D. Bevan. Dr. Sam's Charlie, a white and orange pointer owned by Dr. S. O. Black of Spartanburg, placed third. Charlie was handled by Prickett.

Drawings for the free for all, competition for all comers, and the open derby will be made at the Carolina Hotel tonight, with the trials scheduled to open Monday morning.

FOOTBALL SCORES
So. Calif. 0 — Univ. Calif. 0
Tenn. 7 — Auburn 0
So. Methodist 13 — Rice 6

WEATHER
Fair and slightly warmer Sunday; Monday, generally fair.

MURPHY-HARLOW DUO TOP WHISTLES

They Card Best Ball of 68 in Tussle with Par; Dunlap Lands Ace on 18th of No. 1

Two Aces In One Day!

Pinehurst must have established another golfing record yesterday when two-holes-in-one were recorded on the same day on local courses.

George Dunlap Jr., playing in the Tin Whistle event holed his tee shot at the 18th hole on the number one course. Joe Murphy, playing in the special winter tournament for members of the Congressional Club of Washington, D. C., holed his tee shot at the ninth hole on the number two course.

For Mr. Dunlap it was his second hole-in-one over Pinehurst courses. Late in the spring of 1937, the day before he left Pinehurst for his summer home on Long Island, Mr. Dunlap holed out from the 17th tee on the number two course.

The ace made by Mr. Murphy aided him in winning the prize given in the Congressional Club tournament for the lowest net score on the first nine, a 35. He used a mashie for his stroke.

JACK STRAIT LEADS CONGRESSIONAL CLUB

Jack Strait took the lead in the 36-hole tournament for 27 members of the Congressional Country Club of Washington yesterday at the Pinehurst Country Club when he played the number two championship course in 78-10-68.

Strait managed to keep his tee shots down the alley and by remarkable putting played each nine in 39 blows. This gave him a five stroke lead over the field, Frank Johnson being in second place with 86-13-73.

Murphy had low net for 9 holes with a 35. A. D. Johnson had low net for the second nine with 35. Carl Weigle won a prize for being in the largest number of bunkers. He visited 27 of them.

The tournament will be completed Sunday. The members had their winter banquet at the Carolina Hotel last night. Wiffy Cox, Congressional Club professional returned a very fine looking round of 70 gross.

Prof. Douglas in Free Lecture at Holly Inn

Professor E. C. Douglas, former editor and publisher, will give a free lecture on Astrology at the Holly Inn tonight following the regular buffet supper there. All cottage residents and hotel guests are cordially invited to attend.

Tonight at the Holly Inn, Prof. Douglas has promised to make his lecture inspirational-educational, as well as humorous. He stated that he plans to use part of his lecture time analyzing birth dates of members of his audience.

Marr and Ward, Robertson and Thomson, Pearson and Williams, Bowker and Cheatham in Four-Way Tie for Second Place

LEADERS SIX UP

George D. Murphy, New York and Robert E. Harlow, Pinehurst won Saturday's Tin Whistle tournament at The Pinehurst Country Club, and shared the honors of the day with George Dunlap Jr., who scored a hole in one on the 18th hole of the number one course, playing in the same competition.

The event was a bestball of pair against par and the winners, playing on the number three course, were eight up. As this course called for a two point penalty the top score was six up.

There was a four way tie for second among C. B. S. Marr and W. H. B. Ward; F. C. Robertson and E. D. Thomson; H. S. Pearson and C. I. Williams; J. R. Bowker and Rev. T. A. Cheatham. These pairs were three up on par.

Mr. Murphy, handicapped at six and Mr. Harlow, at two, teamed perfectly. They had a best ball of 68 and this low gross medal play score, aided by handicap strokes, enabled the winners to give par a severe beating. Their net medal score was 31-31-62.

The Murphy-Harlow combination won nine holes from par, lost one and tied 8.

The net card of the winners vs par.

Out
Par Fig. 444 433 454—35
Mur.-Har. 435 423 343—31

In
Par. Fig. 445 434 354—36—71
Mur.-Har. 434 334 334—31—62

Mr. Murphy, with an individual gross score of 75, won five holes from par and Mr. Harlow with a gross score of 73, won four holes from par. Only holes on which par defeated the pair was the third.

Summary:
R. E. Harlow and G. D. Murphy 6 up.

C. B. S. Marr and W. H. B. Ward 3 up.

F. C. Robertson and E. D. Thomson 3 up.

H. S. Pearson and C. I. Williams 3 up.

J. R. Bowker and T. A. Cheatham 3 up.

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WHAT TO DO AND SEE

Today

Putting tournament this afternoon at Pine Needles. Prizes awarded.

AT THE THEATRES - Pinehurst -

Tonight, tomorrow night at 8:30 and matinee tomorrow at 3:00, "Henry Goes to Arizona," starring Frank Morgan.