

## Sandhill Amateur-Pro Golf League Discussed

Organization Would Provide Interesting Links Sport for this Section at Times When Events are Fewest

Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Pine Needles and Mid Pines Would Be Represented by Teams Rated on Handicaps

### HOME - AND - HOME TILTS

Golfers of the Sandhills are discussing an amateur-professional golf league in which Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Pine Needles and Mid Pines would be represented by teams.

One of the ideas which has been presented would call for sides of four players, two professionals and two amateurs, to compose two amateur-pro teams to oppose similar opposition in home and home matches.

In order to make certain of close games, the league would be based on handicaps.

An organization meeting will be held shortly after Christmas, at which time permission will be sought from operators to play three home matches at each club.

Such a league could play a schedule during January and conclude it before the spring tournament season. Each team would play a home and home game, with each other team in the league, making six matches for each team, and a league schedule of 18 matches.

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## MRS. FRANCK WINS FIRST PRIZE IN FOILS FLAG EVENT

Mrs. Townsend Captures Second Award in Tournament Marked by Close Finish

Mrs. Charles Franck won the flag tournament for members of the Silver Foils Club at the Pinehurst Country Club yesterday when she progressed to the 18th green and advanced her ball to within two feet of the cup.

Mrs. Edward Townsend, whose ball was three and one-half club lengths from the hole on 18, finished second.

At a meeting of the Board of Governors yesterday a ruling was passed allowing all nine hole players to compete in regular tournaments, playing nine holes on Tuesday and the second nine the day of the tournament. Entries must be made to Mrs. J.

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### RECITAL ENJOYED

The organ recital at the Community Church last night given by Thane McDonald was very well attended and greatly enjoyed.

The Davidson College musician gave a fine rendition of an interesting selection of organ pieces, interspersed with Christmas numbers.

The pleasure of the instrumental entertainment was considerably enhanced by beautifully sung a cappella offerings by the quartet comprising Rev. and Mrs. A. V. Gibson and Rev. and Mrs. A. J. McKelway.

## Xmas Gift Barrel Outside A & P Store

A sugar barrel, decorated with green and red crepe paper symbolic of the spirit of Christmas stands just inside the entrance of the Pinehurst A & P store, which is under the management of Ralph Sutton.

The fixture is a part of the Community Church Christmas Box Fund for the needy of the vicinity. Many A & P patrons have caught on to the spirit and dropped various grocery items in the barrel, which was about three-quarters full yesterday afternoon.

A sign on the barrel reads, "Merry Christmas From You to Those Who Need Your Help—Community Church Christmas Boxes."

Mrs. H. Foster Kelly is chairman. The Outlook suggests that you get an extra parcel or two of some substantial grocery item and drop it in on your way out with your own Christmas provisions.

## WHAT TO DO AND SEE

### Today

Bridge Luncheon at the Berkshire today. Mrs. E. S. Blodgett, hostess.

### AT THE THEATRES

**- Pinehurst -**  
Tonight at 8:30, matinee at 3:00, "Everything Happens at Night," with Sonja Henie, Robert Cummings and Ray Milland.

### - Southern Pines -

Tonight and tomorrow night at 8:15, matinee tomorrow at 3:00, "Barricade," with Alice Faye and Warner Baxter.

### - Aberdeen Theatre -

Tonight at 7:15 and 9:00, matinee at 3:00, "That's Right, You're Wrong," with Kay Kyser.

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## MRS. N. S. HURD'S PARTY HAS BOWLING CONTEST

Three husky gentlemen challenged four of the fairer sex to a match last evening, the husky gentlemen team consisting of Nat Hurd, H. D. Vail and E. Ewing, while the fairer sex team consisted of Mrs. Hurd, Mrs. Vail, Mrs. Ewing and Mrs. Julian Bishop.

Fair Sex Team					
Mrs. Hurd	66	78	63	74	281
Mrs. Vail	76	76	71	72	295
Mrs. Ewing	56	65	60	65	246
Mrs. Bishop	69	71	70	54	254
Totals	267	290	264	265	1076

Husky Gent Team					
Mr. Hurd	71	69	68	75	283
Mr. Ewing	74	72	79	86	311
Mr. Vail	79	94	89	82	344
Totals	224	235	236	253	938

### WEATHER

Fair Friday and Saturday. Somewhat colder Friday and Friday night, slightly warmer Saturday.



A final effort will bring complete success to the movement to provide a real Christmas dinner for every family in Pinehurst.

Sufficient money has been raised to meet the original estimate of the Pinehurst Christmas basket committee, based on 30 needy families; but in the last few days a number of other worthy cases have been located, bringing the total number from 30 to 60.

With only hours remaining before time to ring the Christmas dinner bell, immediate action is requested of those people in the village who know exactly where their Christmas dinner is coming from.

Checks should be sent to Mrs. H. Foster Kelly, chairman of the committee. Mrs. Kelly will have efficient help in putting up the baskets, each of which will contain \$2.50 worth of proper Christmas dinner, and these baskets will be delivered by the Boy Scouts.

A sum of \$150 is the goal set by the Christmas basket committee, of which more than one-half has been subscribed.

## PINEHURST SCOREBOARD

by ROBERT E. HARLOW

A few players, known in Pinehurst, who did not play well enough in the Miami \$10,000 open to get their names on the Associated Press wire, included Rod Munday, who was a guest at the Carolina for ten days before going to Florida. Rod scored 292, one stroke lower than Ted Luther. Ted is an annual spring guest of W. C. Fownes Jr., when Mr. Fownes entertains a group of Pittsburgh professionals at his Knollwood home.

Vincent Eldred, also of Pittsburgh, scored 152 for the first 36 holes. Henry Poe, former Durham player, was 295, Bobby Cruickshank 296 and Bill Cozart, of Durham, medalist in the North and South, last spring, 317.

Wilfred Wehrle, as reported by the wire services, was low amateur with 285, which placed him in a tie for 25th place. But the A. P. failed to relate that Earl Christiansen, Miami cop, was second amateur with 288 and tied for 38th place. Bobby Knowles, winner of the recent Pine Needles amateur tournament played the first 36 holes in 72-77-149 and thereafter his name could not be found in the Miami papers.

Stanley Horne, Canadian star, who started with 140 for the first two rounds finished with 289, one stroke too many to get any money.

When Scoreboard enjoyed a hamburger at Batch's with Gene Sarazen recently, while Gene was homeward bound to his Connecticut farm for Christmas, the Ryder Cup team was discussed.

Scoreboard pointed out to Sarazen that during 1939, up until the Miami tournament, the members of the regular P. G. A. side had won better than \$60,000 in competition whereas Sarazen's selections had won better than \$30,000. It was also pointed out that the P. G. A. team average age was 29.05 whereas that of the Sarazens was 33.90.

In the Miami tournament the Ryder Cup team won \$4,875 of the \$10,000, whereas Sarazen's team, minus the services of Cooper, won \$1,862 out of this pot. The ten Ryder Cup members had an average of 70.10 in the Miami tournament as against an average of 70.77 for the nine named by Sarazen.

### CIVIC CLUB PROGRAM

An audience of more than 150 enjoyed a splendid program last night at the Civic club. James Boyd read a Christmas story; Mrs. Harlow Pierson sang soprano solos; and the Yeomans String Quartette completed one of the finest Christmas entertainments of the season.

### FINNS ASK LOAN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21—Reports that Finland is seeking a \$50,000,000 loan from the United States government brought a statement from Senator McNary of Oregon, the Republican leader, today that he would favor a substantial loan "for governmental purposes."

## Finns Stoutly Resist Fierce Russian Drive

Helsinki Hospital Bombed as Enemy Airmen Launch Terror Raids Over South and West of Finland

## Political Burlesque Fails As Propaganda

Mr. Charles Picquet presented Mr. Smith Goes to Washington, in the Carolina theatre Wednesday night and the audience left with no doubt about the burning desire of the Junior Senator to save America. But could he do it?

Mr. Smith goes to Washington is political burlesque. James Stewart, Junior Senator, moves through the plot like Alice in Wonderland. Edward Arnold, the leader of the corrupt state organization, acted like Pop-Eye the Sailor Man.

The picture is good entertainment, but does not live up to its advance notices as sound national political propaganda. It contains too much gush. Corrupt political machines operate with more subtlety of contrivance than the one operated by Pop Eye Arnold.

If the cure for dragging unfaithful public servants out into the open were as easy as the enactment of a 23 hour filibuster by a Junior Senator, the job of purifying American politics would be simple.

It is likely that the cunning gentlemen who really do evil deeds in national affairs will give box parties for Mr. Smith Goes to Washington. So long as the motion picture industry confines

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## War Briefs

By the Associated Press

### QUIZ SURVIVORS

NEW YORK, Dec. 21—Behind closed doors in a building on Ellis Island six inspectors today began questioning the survivors of the scuttled German liner Columbus to determine their status under the immigration laws.

### NAZIS PROTEST

BERLIN, Dec. 21—Germany protested today to the Argentine government against internment of officers and crew of the scuttled pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee.

A communique by DNB, official German news agency, said Germany called Argentina's attention to the fact that shipwrecked crews of belligerent states customarily are released after reaching neutral ports.

### REPUBLICS PROTEST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21—The American republics prepared a strong statement to Europe's belligerents today, to tell them in effect that further violations of the neutrality belt will bring a stronger reaction than wordy diplomatic protests.

## Retreat of Red Forces in Arctic Sector is Reported from Norway as Reaching Major Proportions

### REPULSE BORDER ATTACK

By the Associated Press  
Soviet Russia unleashed anew the might of its aerial Armada yesterday in terrifying raids in which Helsinki and a score of other towns in southern and western Finland were bombed.

At the same time the Russian land forces launched a heavy offensive on the Karelian isthmus, on the frozen marshes along the frontier.

More than 30 bombs were dropped on the Helsinki Hospital and two trains were machine-gunned. Only two persons were injured as a result of the hospital bombing, but two persons were announced to have been killed aboard the Turko-Helsinki express.

An official Finnish communique said the Finnish forces had annihilated two Russian battalions, while in the Arctic region their forces reported new gains.

A report from Norway said a Russian retreat in the Arctic sector also apparently was reaching major proportions. The Russians were reported 12 miles behind the lines they held south of Salmajarvi two days ago.

Reports from the vicinity of Lieska intimated that Finnish forces had pushed into Soviet territory in beating back a Soviet attack.

## PINE NEEDLES PLANS ELABORATE HOLIDAY WEEK CELEBRATIONS

### Special Programs of Indoor and Outdoor Activities Begin on Christmas Eve, Run Through New Year's

Decked in the truly prodigal manner of the Sandhills, with quantities of the native holly and mistletoe, the Pine Needles welcomes each holiday arrival with a festive air bespeaking the fun and jollity which are a part of the Christmas season.

Starting on Christmas Eve and running through until after New Year's there will be a program of entertainment with one or more special features for each day. Since Christmas Eve falls on Sunday, there will be the regular putting tournament in the afternoon. Tree trimming, in which all are invited to take part, carols, and a late buffet before the fire after midnight service, will occupy the evening.

The biggest sports event of the week will take place on Christmas Day when the Third Annual Mixed Foursome is played over the Pine Needles course, for the Pine Needles trophy. This is the second major event on the Pine Needles golf schedule and

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