

21 Golf Tournaments on Pinehurst Schedule

Season Calls for Largest Number of Events in 35 Years of Country Club History

The Pinehurst Country Club opens its thirty-fifth season next month with the greatest golf schedule in its long history. Climaxed by the North and South championships in early April in which the leading professionals and amateurs will compete, the schedule will occupy a full six months from the opening event starting November 3, the twenty sixth annual autumn tournament.

The five courses of the country club, and the near-by Pine Needles course, which has three tournaments scheduled, will be at capacity for the greater part of the season.

The professional stars will visit Pinehurst next month for the annual Mid-South event to compete for \$2,500 prizes. Last year Willie Klein took the bulk of this from a field which included five former national open champions. The professional talent will enter Pinehurst again in large numbers for the North and South which offers a sum of \$5,650.

The amateurs through Pinehurst all season but the best players will compete in the midwinter and spring tournaments, in addition to the North and South, which last year went to Eugene Homans, national amateur runner-up.

Three Townships Carry County's Tax Burden

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of Vass and other corporations proportionate excess above the regular assessed figures of property.

These figures began to show me that the folks who are developing the lower townships of the county are of some value to the county, and that it is worth while to encourage more of them to settle in the territory, and to do some more development.

Where the Money Goes

Having traced out the origin of the large proportion of the money that comes to the tax collector in Carthage a curiosity led me to look into what becomes of it. This is easily seen by anybody who will look on the back of the tax receipt which Duncan McLean is sending out now as fast as the citizens pay their taxes. For county-wide purposes a levy of \$1.05 is laid against each hundred dollars of property. Of that dollar-five cents a division is made in this way. Two cents goes to outside poor, two cents to health, two cents to county bonds, five cents to courthouse bonds, 15 cents to the county general fund, which pays the county general expenses; and then the big sums come, and 23 cents goes to the roads and 56 cents to the schools, or 79 cents of the total to roads and the schools. As Pinehurst and the railroads have no children themselves in school they pay a fourth of the school taxes of the county general school fund, relieving the parents of the children of the county of that much cost of the education of the youngsters. Other large taxpayers in the three lower townships, who have no children in the public schools, contribute in large proportion to the public school fund, which means that the public schools receive from the three lower townships a large slice of money for county distribution to the schools. These lower townships also pay a big special tax that is used only in their own districts.

Inexpensive Education

The amount of the county-wide tax that goes to the country schools is fifty-six cents of each \$1.05, or decidedly more than half the county-wide total tax. The importance of this was brought to me by a little conversation between two men. One was complaining of his taxes. The other asked him how much his statement called for. He replied, "Thirty dollars." He was asked how many children he had in school and he answered three. "Then," said the inquirer, "leaving everything out of the question you are getting your children educated at a cost of ten dollars each for the money you pay in taxes." The man saw the point, and figures now that he gets value for his money.

When you start out on a thing of this sort you never know where you are going to land. Probably the railroads would be willing to see taxes reduced, as their tax burden is tremendous. My curiosity led me to look into the taxes railroads pay in this country, and I find that that group of leading roads distinguished as Class I roads paid in the first eight months of this year two hundred and forty-four million dollars in taxes, which was twenty-five millions less than for the same period last year. For the month of August alone the tax bill of these Class I roads was almost thirty-two million dollars or over a million dollars a day. So, no doubt the two

road taxpayers of the county would like to see taxes reduced some. Possibly Pinehurst might not be crazy about tax reduction, although I do not know, for Pinehurst pays out so much money here and there to help along with things where tax money is not sufficient that it looks as if that corporation appreciates what the county gets for the money paid. This is only opinion. It may be an incorrect one.

Yet as the Pinehurst corporation pays more taxes than either Bensalem, Greenwood, Sheffields, Ritters or Deep River township it is to be remembered that reduction in taxes would be noticeable in the affairs of that big corporation, and possibly welcome.

CONGRESS FIGHT WAXES WARM IN HOME STRETCH

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Democratic element using every possible element to discredit his administration. No administration can be successful, Mr. Spencer says, if the Congress will not back the President and cooperate with him for the good of all.

Has National Backing

It is understood locally that the Republican National Committee, realizing the large vote received in this district by the President and candidate for Governor in 1928, is strongly supporting Mr. Spencer's campaign. There is even a rumor current that Vice President Curtis may come into North Carolina before the campaign closes.

In any event, the campaign seems to be warming up considerably and there are thousands of folks who aren't saying which way they are going to go a week from next Tuesday. Both State headquarters are claiming substantial victories for their respective candidates for United States Senator, Pritchard and Bailey.

There is plenty of talk, plenty of

boast—but so far the campaign insofar as Moore county is concerned seems to be conducting itself on a high plane, and with pretty much the entire electorate interested beyond the average local political scrap.

AIR MAIL SERVICE FOR WINTER MONTHS SOUGHT

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But there is said to be a very good prospect of securing air mail here if all the towns desire it and make the necessary petition to the Post-office Department. The matter has been discussed for several years locally, but has not before come to a point of joint discussion on the part of the several towns involved.

Secretary Shields Cameron of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce was instructed at Tuesday's meeting to again make application to postal authorities for a closed pouch service this winter on the "Carolina Golfer," the New York-Pinehurst crack winter train, thus affording much improved mail service during the rush season over the remainder of the year.

JACK'S GRILL TO OPEN ORANGE ROOM WEDNESDAY

Ashley Jackman, proprietor of Jack's Grill in Southern Pines, announces the opening of his new Orange Room next Wednesday, October 29th. This room on the second floor of the restaurant is to be conducted along the lines of a Night Club. It is attractively decorated with orange the predominating color. Small tables are arranged about the dance floor, and music will be available for dancing from 2.00 o'clock in the afternoon until two in the morning. Back of the Orange Room on the same floor are several private dining rooms, also attractively redecorated for the winter season. A hostess is to be in charge of the activities, in true New York Night Club form.

THREE PINEHURST RENTALS REPORTED BY NEWCOMB

A. S. Newcomb, Realty, report the lease of the "Chatham," owned by Mrs. E. C. Bliss to E. P. Merwin of Stockbridge, Mass., and the "Linden," the property of C. M. Williams to G. H. Betts of New York and Spring Lake, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Merwin occupied the "Chatham" last season and the announcement of their contemplated return will be read with sincere pleasure by all those who are fortunate enough to be remembered in their wide circle of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Betts and their daughter, Betsy, while well known in Pinehurst, especially at the Carolina where they have spent many seasons, have never before occupied a home here, and they, too, will be cordially welcomed into the "cottage colony" of the "model village."

Norfleet P. Ray, who has conducted a ladies' and gentlemen's furnishing store in Pinehurst for many seasons, has leased the store in the Market Square building left vacant by Mr. Conant, the shoe dealer when he moved to another location in the same building. Mr. Ray had his place of business in the Carolina last season, but will soon open in his new location with fresh goods and a larger stock.

CAROLINA THEATRE OPENS AT PINEHURST ON MONDAY

The Carolina Theatre opens in Pinehurst on next Monday night in time for the players here for the annual Mid-South Tennis Tournament and the delegates to the convention of steel men at the Carolina Hotel. The theatre has been partially redecorated for the season and Manager Picquet has arranged for a long line of feature films this fall and winter. New sound equipment was installed in this theatre last year.



WINTER MEANS OVERCOATS

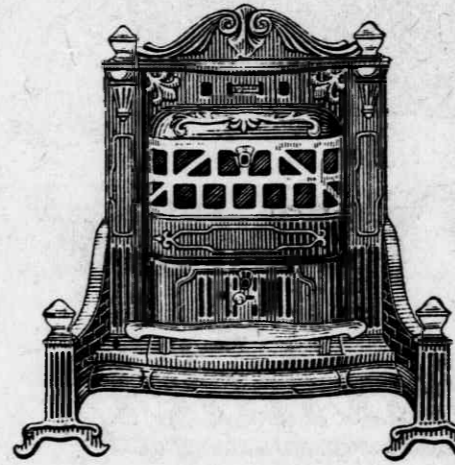
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