

Mrs. M. G. Nichols Heads Thistle Club

Year's Activities Are Reviewed At Annual Meeting At S. P. Country Club

The annual meeting of the Thistle Club was held Wednesday afternoon in the Southern Pines Country Club when the year's activities were reported and the officers for next year elected. Notwithstanding the nationwide financial depression, the treasurer, Mrs. Robert Olmstead reported a larger balance on hand than any previous year. Mrs. Hunter Eckert, acting secretary for the greater part of the year, reported a full membership, which included 30 new members taken in during the year with but one resignation.

The president's report enumerated the year's activities, among them the Thanksgiving party, which opened the 1931 season when the Thistle Club entertained for their members and guests in the Southern Pines Country Club. During Christmas week an evening dance was given for the associate members. The first Mid-South Girls Junior Golf Championship was held December 30 to January 2, Elizabeth Grover having the honor of winning the first championship and Eleanor Barron runner-up. The Thistle Club presented the championship trophy, other trophies being given by the Sandhills Activities. Beginning Saturday afternoon, January 3, and continuing through to April the first tea was served at the club, to which members and their guests were invited. A Valentine party was given at the club on the evening of February 14. On January 21st, the first club luncheon was given. March 26 the club entertained at luncheon for the entrants in the Women's Mid-South Medal championship and on the following day many Thistle Club members assisted at the tea given the visitors by the Sandhills Activities.

During the week of April 14 the club golf championship was played, Mrs. Emmet French winning the championship and Mrs. Hunter Eckert runner-up. Wednesday April 15, a luncheon and bridge was held for the members and their guests with Mrs. Robert Wiley and Mrs. Rachel Richards in charge.

The nominating committee, Mrs. Charles R. Whitaker, Mrs. S. B. Richardson and Mrs. Frank Shamberger presented the following ticket for 1931-32:

President, Mrs. M. G. Nichols; vice-president, Mrs. William C. Mudgett; secretary, Mrs. Jamie W. Dickie; corresponding secretary, Mrs. George Moore; treasurer, Mrs. Henry A. Page, Jr.

TOBACCO CO-OP PLAN POSTPONED TO NEXT SEASON

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production of tobacco. In this effort we confidently call for the support not only of farmers but of business men interested in securing a more efficient system of marketing and a greater degree of prosperity for the agricultural producers of the State, upon whom the prosperity of the whole commonwealth depends.

"In conclusion, the committees wish to express their appreciation to Mr. J. R. Page for the fine service that he has rendered in directing the work in the last few months, and will continue to render in future, and to his field assistants, Mr. L. V. Morrill, Jr., and Mrs. T. C. Young; and we wish also to express, on behalf of the farmers, our appreciation of the excellent co-operation we have had from the Federal Farm Board, county farm agents, agricultural teachers, Government or O. Max Gardner, the press of the state and other public agencies."

Before adjournment, the following committees were elected to carry on the work of organization in Eastern North Carolina and the Old Belt until a sufficient sign-up is secured.

Eastern Belt: Leland H. Kitchen, Dr. J. H. Harper, Major George E. Butler, R. E. Sentelle, J. H. Clark, J. A. Brown, R. Hunter Pope, J. G. Stator, Henry Vann, S. S. Dixon, Dr. T. E. Person, A. C. Bizzelle, R. P. Blackwell, J. W. Purdie, Dr. C. W. Sutton, J. R. Threngau.

Old Belt: E. B. Horner, T. S. Neal, Eli Wilson, W. H. Yarborough, T. D. McLean, James Compton, J. W. Young, W. A. York, O. S. Faulkner, G. T. White, C. G. Armfield, E. G. Moss, T. M. Lewis, C. R. Case, W. T. Moss, A. J. Crutchfield, R. C. Moser, Colin Covington, J. Carl Roland, G. B. Gregory, R. W. Seymour, Chas. E. Fuller.

Mrs. J. Talbot Johnson and Miss Mary Johnson attended the Commencement exercises of the Cameron Schools last Friday, where Mrs. Johnson presented the D. A. R. medal to the pupils excelling in American History.

"Pete" Pender Builds His Home on Pine-Clad Knob Near Watson Lake

Tract of 100 Acres a Pastoral of Tone and Harmony, Says Mr. Butler

By Bion H. Butler

Among all the new development in the Sandhills in the last twelve months possibly nothing is of more importance than the small new house being built on his farm between Pinehurst and Southern Pines, near the Watson lake property by L. E. Pender, which is his official name, but who is known to folks who know him at all as "Pete." Just off the main road south of where the Watson road turns to the lake Mr. Pender has a tract of almost a hundred acres. When he found that tract of land he bought it, for it was made for him. If I wanted to argue foreordination I would point to that bit of ground and its final arrival in the hands of Pete Pender. He is the one man who can appreciate those pine-covered knobs, and the amphitheater which they flank, and on the edge of which he is building his house. Pete is a quiet man. Coolidge is a noisy talker beside him. So when I asked him if Warren Manning had planned and planted the magnificent grove of pines across the cove from his house, he shook his head and said, "Creator." That whole scheme was planned by the hand of the Master.

In the midst of the dogwood trees Pete has his house under way. It is the work of a genius. Not an expensive place, but nothing cheap. Tile roof, copper gutters, cypress shingles on the wall, cellar, attic, steps to the attic so steep a man has to keep sober or he will come down in the morning like falling off a ladder, bath room with fire-place in it, little closets here and there, some you can find, and some you might never recognize. Natural finish in pine, selected for this job, and if the doctrine of foreordination goes, designed for the job. The modern conveniences, for the power lines run close by, and a water plant is part of the building program. Model heating equipment in the cellar, rooms enough for small family like Pete has, with space in the attic where a hammock or two could be hung. Plans by the owner to fit the owner's ideas of a home, and everything is harmonious as Beethoven's pastoral symphonies.

This creation by Mr. Pender is of significance because it strikes a note that is original. Located on what is destined to be the pastoral or perhaps more correctly the rural quarter of the Sandhills expansion its utilizes the natural advantages whereon to erect a home that is a forward note in the community progress. Over the hilltop is the old Black grave yard, where rests the pioneers of the Revolutionary day when the Tory and the revolutionist quarreled with each other and argued their viewpoints of the cause. Back toward Southern Pines the property extends for considerable distance along the old Morganton road, not far from the present new road, recently rebuilt. History is tied in with the place. Hills shelter on all sides, some of the highest hills of Central North Carolina. These things are considered in the composition. Back from the road a few rods, but with a small hill between the house and the road, a few clumps of trees, and the traveler on the road never suspects.

The motive as I pried a few words out of the lucky chap who owns such a bit of paradise intimated that living in a village that has all the city airs and restrictions was not freedom for a man who likes the outdoors. So he pitches his tent on his own sandhill, and under his own pine and dogwood and holly. The several stony pine-covered knobs, that residuum of the Lafayette period when the recent geological deposit was laid down on top of the single Gretaecous formation that rests on the basic rock, and then was almost washed away in later days, those knobs are the handwriting of the story of creation in these parts, and to a man of Pete Pender's temperament they are more than hills of sandstone, sand and clay. They are companions that can be as quiet as any man cares to have about him, or that can tell tales of mystery and creative force, and of ages that can afford a man all the society he can desire. I bow in profound appreciation of Pete Pender's realistic rendering of Beethoven's sixth symphony, that pastoral of tone and harmony.

RECORD WEEK FOR ABERDEEN SAND CO.

One of Aberdeen's industries, the Aberdeen Sand Company, last week shipped 125 cars of sand, the largest shipment in one week in several years, according to Linwood Pleasants, manager of the plant. Most of the sand is going to points in the state for use on new State Highways.

Court House News

Real Estate Transfers

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Moore county.

M. G. Boyette, mortgagee, to J. A. Phillips: property in Greenwood township.

F. P. Lewelyn to Ersie W. Hastings: property in Sandhills township.

Kay Moody and wife, Emma Moody, to Hazel M. Buck and William H. Buck, her husband, property in McNeill township.

Ed Gaines to Randolph Murphy and wife, Mary Ann Murphy: land in Sandhills township.

G. H. Dortch and wife, Margaret T. Dortch, to Paul F. Smith, trustee in bankruptcy of G. H. Dortch: property in Manly.

Ruggles Mining Company to Robert C. Murchie: property in Ritters township.

L. W. Hodges and others to J. A. Phillips: property in Greenwood township.

Thomas S. Burgess and wife, Mollie E. Burgess, to William C. Bailey and wife, Catharine A. Bailey: property in Southern Pines.

Joe T. Wicker and others to Claudia McDonald: property in Mineral Springs township.

J. Arthur Wicker and others to Flora A. Wicker: property in Mineral Springs township.

Ada McNair to Town of Southern Pines: property in McNeill township.

J. K. Melvin and wife, Hannah E. Melvin to John McCrummen: property in Aberdeen.

Recorder's Court

Cliff McNeill, Jessie Smith and Willie Arnold, three colored boys who thought to have broken into more than one building in and near Vass, were bound to Superior Court under bond of \$200 each when tried before Judge George H. Humber, judge of Moore county's Recorder's Court, and in default of bond, they are spending some time in the jail.

J. W. Marshburn of Vass has a little store near his residence which is kept open only a part of the time. Last week Mrs. Marshburn saw some boys near the store, and thinking that they wanted to purchase something, she started to the building. As she neared it, two of the boys ran. The door was open, and the third boy was in the store. Mrs. Marshburn hailed a passing truck driver, and held the boy until help could come to take him in charge.

Rufus Wooten, colored, charged with breaking and entering, was bound to Superior court under bond of \$500.

Mack Goss, colored, was fined \$50 and the cost for carrying a concealed weapon and on an assault with deadly weapon charge was given six months in jail to be worked on roads, execution to issue at the will of the court.

Joe Gains, colored, pleaded nolo contendere to a charge of driving an automobile while intoxicated. He was fined \$50 and the costs, given a two months' suspended sentence, and is not to drive a car for six months.

Prentice Burch, colored, pleaded guilty to a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of the costs, and the defendant was required to give \$200 bond to show that he has paid his wife \$20 a month for support for six months.

Ollie Bean, Frank Hancock and Carl Hancock white, were before the court charged with conspiracy to assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill. There was not sufficient evidence to find probable cause of conspiracy, so this charge was dismissed. The two Hancocks were found not guilty as to the assault with deadly weapon charge, but Bean was found guilty, fined \$50 and the cost, and required to give bond in the sum of \$200 to show good behavior every first Monday.

MOORE COUNTY HOSPITAL PICTURED IN MAGAZINE

The March number of the magazine, "World's Work," contains a picture of the new Moore County Hospital at Pinehurst, published in connection with a story about the accomplishments of the Duke Foundation.

Al Boasberg and Ralph Spence have written unusually clever dialogue for the comics around a story by Douglas MacLean, himself a comedian of no mean ability. Edward Cline, who specializes in fun films, directed, and the result is a mad mix-up of mirth.

Little Marian Hight, who was quite ill with an ear infection which necessitated an operation, is doing nicely.

To Observe Music Week in Sandhills

Concerts To Be Given Next Week at Civic Club and S. P. Country Club

Next week the Sandhills will recognize Music Week, which has been observed nationally for some years past. Under the auspices of the Sandhills Activities, composed of the Town of Southern Pines, the Chamber of Commerce of Southern Pines and the Southern Pines Country Club, two complimentary concerts will be given.

The first one will be a young people's concert to be given in the Civic Club Thursday afternoon at four o'clock. The second one will be held in the Country Club Friday evening, May 8th at 8:30 o'clock. The use of the Civic Club and the Country Club were given through the courtesy of the directors of the two clubs.

Thursday afternoon some of the younger talent of the Sandhills will be heard. Charles Pier, cellist, will present three of his pupils, Barbara Hoyt, Master Jamie Boyd and Master Charles Everest, Jr. Miss Barbara Pierce, Miss Ruth Cameron and Master Jack Page will represent the piano studio of Mrs. Claude Hafer. Janette Hoyt, a violin pupil of Miss Gleason, will play. Evelyn Edson, Susan Swett and Bertha Fowler, piano pupils of Mrs. Eugene A. Bariteau, will complete the program.

Friday evening in the Country Club, a Sandhills Chorus will be heard in two popular choral numbers, "Unfold Ye Petals" by Gounod and the Hallelujah Chorus from the Messiah. These numbers will be under the direction of E. Ellsworth Giles who is expected to arrive in Southern Pines today.

Charles Pier will be the cellist heard in several cello numbers and the Sandhills Sixteen will sing.

ABERDEEN

Misses Mildred Campbell and Ruth McFarland, who were teachers in the Vass schools, have completed their school year, and have returned to their home here for the summer.

Th. Rev. E. L. Barber and T. D. McLean attended Presbytery which was held at Dunn last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Atwater of Durham were week-end visitors in Aberdeen and guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hardin Gunter.

Mrs. Adams and Charles Adams of Linden were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jones Macon on last Sunday. On their return they were accompanied home by Miss Josephine Adams.

Professor N. E. Wright and Marvin Rhine motored to Wilmington last Sunday to view the Azalea Gardens there.

W. C. Miller is leaving Aberdeen this week and moving his family to New York state. Their many friends here are sorry to see them go.

Sidney Windham and his cousin, Miss Elizabeth Murphy, motored to Farmville last Friday, and Miss Murphy's brother, Tom Murphy came back with them for a visit.

Little Gloria Gray Medlin is recuperating after a slight attack of chicken pox.

Mrs. J. Talbot Johnson attended the reunion of Mt. Holyoke College alumnae of North Carolina, which was held at the Washington Duke Hotel in Durham last Saturday.

Mrs. C. M. Murchison of Ridge-way, who has been visiting her niece, Mrs. J. A. Lineberry for some time, left last week to visit her son at Chapel Hill. He is a member of the faculty there.

Nelson Courtway spent several days last week in Washington, D. C. on business.

H. M. Spooner, efficient Western Union telegraph operator, is taking his vacation, he and Mrs. Spooner spending sometime visiting relatives at Wilmington, N. C. Mr. Poole of Pinehurst is substituting for Mr. Spooner in the office here. Aberdeen was Mr. Poole's first job as telegraph operator, some seven years ago.

Mrs. Neil A. Graham of Durham was a guest of her mother, Mrs. Ralph Leach several days last week.

Mrs. Fred Blue and children, who spent some time visiting relatives in St. Pauls, returned to her home in Aberdeen last week.

Mrs. Nichols of Carthage was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Ralph Caldwell last week.

John Gunter, traveling passenger agent for the Seaboard Air Line Railway, of Tampa, Fla., is a guest of his brother, H. A. Gunter this week.

Mrs. Ella Juat and Miss Bessie Bethune attended the commencement exercises of the Candor School in Candor last Sunday, the guests of their sister, Mrs. Katie B. Shear.

Martin Lee Black of Aberdeen and Miss Lelia Cowan of Laurinburg were married in Bennettsville, S. C., on April 16th.

Theatre

"Indiscreet," Gloria Swanson's last offering, will be the attraction at the Southern Pines Theatre this Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The picture is a fast moving comedy-drama, with Miss Swanson rising to the opportunities afforded in a highly brilliant manner, and she is capably supported by a cast of unusual talent headed by Ben Lyon with other such top-notchers as Barbara Kent, Arthur Lake, Monroe Owsley and Maud Elburne.

Of outstanding note is the fact that the story was written especially for Miss Swanson by the famous song writers, De Sylva, Brown and Henderson, who have successfully turned their talents from song writing to that of dramatics. They have given her a story of modern society with subtle humor, with an enthralling plot of life in the upper strata of society. There are, however, two songs used, which were written by the author-composers entitled, "Come To Me" and "If You Haven't Got Love" which, of course, are headed for "hit" dimensions. "Indiscreet" is a little different from the stories we have seen Miss Swanson enact in the past, and for that reason we believe she will be much heralded for her work in her current film. Plenty of comedy pervades the production throughout.

For sheer fun of the spontaneous, rib-tickling variety, few comedies of the current season excel the hilarity of "Cracked Nuts" which is the attraction at Southern Pines Theatre Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.



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