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HAMMERS DEAL DEPRESSION HARD BLOW IN VILLAGE

Extensive Residential Development Under Way This Winter in Southern Pines

OPTIMISM IN THE AIR

The winter season of 1932-33 opens with a pronounced optimistic air, for depression has not secured any strangle hold on this community. One of the most significant evidences is the new construction going on within the village and in adjacent rural territory. On Weymouth Heights the big Jenks house and the somewhat less expensive Blymyer home are going on at the same time, while a large new project is preparing a little farther out Indiana avenue to be started at once. On the old Goodwill farm out beyond the Healy and Halliwell places Morris and Monroe are developing their nursery scheme, and Mr. Monroe has built an attractive country place by the waterside which adds to the interest in that quarter. All of these new creations are of the high type that characterizes the prominent big things of the community, showing that interest in the Sandhills has not eased, but that people are pushing forward with assurance that here is to be a highly desirable neighborhood for investment in a stable home establishment.

This manifestation is probably the most emphatic indication that could be shown. These new accretions increase the ownership of Southern Pines, and the population, the invested wealth, and the confident assurance that people are finding in the future. There is no stop, no going backward, no surrendering to the depression, but a decisive move forward. The depression may have checked the advance to some extent as compared with one or two previous years, but has not stopped it, and January 1, 1933 will see Southern Pines increased in visible growth by many thousand dollars. It will see new permanent families, new houses that are outstanding in their addition to the community expansion, and the frontier of the Weymouth section of the village filled out to a still farther advanced eastern limit.

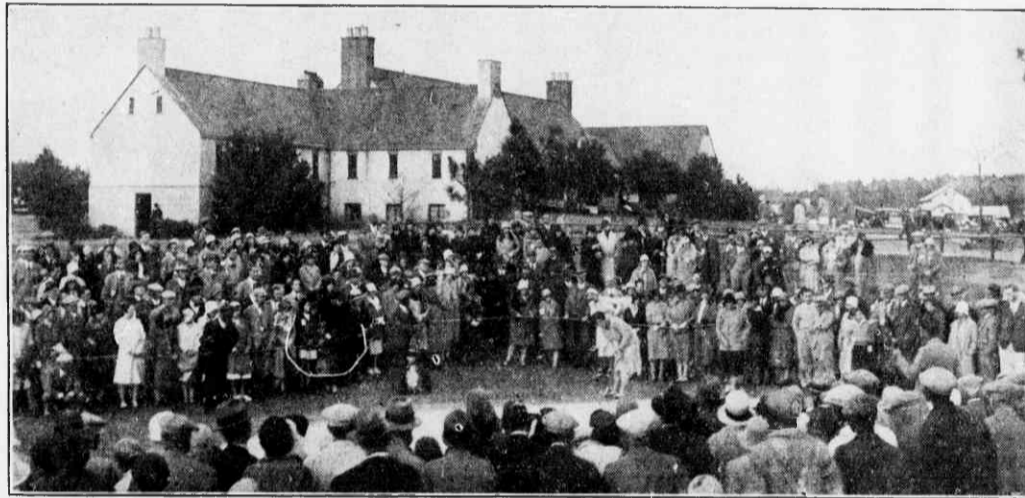
Cause for Optimism

The depression has had a temporary influence in some directions, but it is merely temporary for adjustment is taking place which will make the financial basis of the community more solid for the future which evidently is to see a continuation of the growth so plainly going on. This year is a better year than many previous years which were regarded as highly satisfactory. Possibly one or two big years in the exciting days of the high flight saw bigger totals of business, but the fact remains that this will be a bigger year than many that we all looked on as all that could be desired. The point is that new men come with their means to create homes for themselves in the community, to become a part of the permanent settlement, and of the aggressive workers for the future. The signs encourage the radical optimist, for they show that Southern Pines pegs ahead regardless of depression, and depression is always a temporary thing.

Several things are of influence in this pleasing showing. One is that Southern Pines is so near to the North, whence comes the new settler and the winter visitor, and he can drift down this way in a one-night journey on the train, a one-day fast highway drive from many northern points, or a two-day's saunter from anywhere up there. Or if he is in a real hurry, an airplane will allow him to have dinner at home and arrive here in time for supper. Good railroad service, good flying facilities, and a choice of many good roads from all quarters. When these conveniences deliver the traveler at any point in the Sandhills he finds a climate that is as near ideal as is possible to find elsewhere on even a much longer journey. The climate of Southern Pines compares with that of Los Angeles, California, one degree of latitude farther south; of the Mediterranean coast, nine degrees farther north; of the Bermudas in

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Golf and Riding Feature Out-of-Door Life of Sandhills



Upper Photograph shows a Meet of the Moore County Hounds in Front of The Ark School in Southern Pines. Below, Crowds at Southern Pines Country Club Witness Titanic Struggle between two former National Golf Champions, Miss Helen Hicks (putting) and Mrs. Glenna Collett Vaire in the finals of the Women's Mid-South Tournament. (Photo by Eddy.)

GOLF SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED FOR WINTER SEASON

Opening Sweepstakes at Southern Pines Country Club To Be Played December 3d

MID-SOUTH MARCH 17-18

Although informal golf tournaments will be held from now on throughout the winter the first regularly scheduled event at the Southern Pines Country Club will be on Saturday, December 3d, the "Opening Sweepstakes" at handicaps, 18 holes, medal play.

The Country Club courses are in fine shape for another busy winter. Despite the lack of rain through a long period of the summer the turf has sprung into its own as if anticipating the oncoming of visitors from near and far, and is ready to present the best of "lies" for crack and duffer. The clubhouse is as attractive as ever with its glowing fireplaces and atmosphere of comfort and cheer.

The second tournament officially scheduled is for Saturday, January 7th, a New Year's Handicap, 18 holes, medal play. The Mid-Season match play event is scheduled to open on Tuesday, February 7th and continue through the week. On February 18th comes the St. Valentine's Sweepstakes, 18 holes at medal play with handicaps.

The February Sweepstakes, 18 holes medal play against par, handicap, is on the card for February 25th. On Saturday, March 4th comes the Spring Sweepstakes with Kickers' handicap, medal play, and on March 11th the March Sweepstakes, a handicap 18-hole medal play event, will be contested.

Championship March 4th

The annual Southern Pines Country Club championship event will start on Tuesday, March 4th and run through that week.

The big event of the season for women, the Fifth Annual Women's Mid-South championship, 36 holes at medal play, is scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, March 17th and 18th. This event always attracts leading women golfers from all parts of the country,

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The Sandhills - The Story of Their Development

By Bion H. Butler

(In The Carolinas Magazine)

The mountains are mountains wherever they may be. The sea is likewise the sea. Many of the states have mountains and sea, some have one and not the other, but few have mountains, sea and sandhills.

For that reason the Sandhills of North Carolina are somewhat unique, and as they are influential in affecting climate and the scenic area in which they are found the Sandhills have a complex value. Nature, in building the eastern side of the continent, tried several experiments before dismissing the work as finished. First, as far as the record of the rocks is read, about the vicinity of the Sandhills was a long, high range of mountains, reaching much farther northeast and farther southwest than the sandhills belt of the present. On the east the land ran for some hundreds of miles out into what is now the ocean. West of the mountain, which long ago disappeared, a deep inland sea paralleled the mountain range. Then Nature began to tear down and rebuild. The mountains were worn down, the western sea filled in, then lifted high in the air to form another mountain range, the Appalachian that now exists. The east side of the old mountains were worn down and many operations that Nature resorts to reworked the rocks, leaving a hard surface of mixed slates, schists, with some intrusive granites, a surface that is now two or three hundred feet below the present sandy surface and on which the sand was deposited when the harder rock was submerged beneath the water.

Another convulsion of nature lifted the sandy deposit above the surface of the water, and this was followed by erosion by the rains here and there until valleys were cut out, leaving a surface that is a succession of hills and stream beds, a succession of little mountains with their picturesque accompaniment of creek and river bottom, hillsides and little mountains with sandy surface mixed with some clay, and the whole pretty well covered with a magnificent growth of pines, dogwood, holly, oak, hickory and other trees that add great attraction to the hill country.

The porous character of the sandy surface gives a perfect drainage, and the texture of the soil provides a vast filter that results in a supply of water for drinking and household uses that is almost without equal in the entire United States. The excellence of the water not only brings many people to the Sandhills but it is also an incentive with horsemen, for they maintain their stables here throughout a large portion of the year, one reason being the quality of the reason the Sandhills builds two types of roads that the mixed sand and clay make for the horses' feet when in training on the roads. For this reason the Sandhills builds two types of good roads. One is the hard surface for cars and trucks. The other is the sand-clay road on which the driving, riding and track horse travel. The driving tracks, polo fields and fox hunting areas bring thousands of people to the Sandhills all through the winter, some of the track records of the world being made at Pinehurst.

The sandy soil absorbs the rains that fall, carrying the moisture below the surface and delivering it slowly all the time. Hence springs rarely go dry in the Sandhills, and the stream flow is right uniform all the year. But another benefit comes from this porous quality of the soil, for it prevents any great humidity in the air at any time. This character of the air is said by Dr. Fenton B. Turck, one of the foremost research scientists of the country, to make the climate exceptionally beneficial for invalids in many types of sickness. The open atmosphere permits a greater influence of the sun's rays and a speedier reaction to treatment in obscure and obstinate cases that involve the more delicate members of the system. Fogs are not common, and dew is rarely objectionable. Air moisture is absorbed.

Stimulating Air

These atmospheric qualities make the Sandhills one of the most admirable winter retreats in the world. The climate is not severe enough to be unpleasant, while the dry soil and the stimulating air and sunshine invite outdoor life. That has resulted in de-

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Southern Pines' Climate and Friendliness Attract Thousands Each Winter

Picturesque Village Ideally Situated Midway Between Canada and the Gulf, the Blue Ridge and the Sea

ALL MANNER OF SPORTS HERE

By Howard F. Burns

Southern Pines is known not only as one of the principal winter resorts of the south but as a friendly town where tourists gather to make and renew acquaintances. It is a place where people come to regain bodily vigor and mental poise. It is located in the heart of the North Carolina long-leag pine country 350 miles south of Washington and 540 miles north of Jacksonville. It is also situated at about the halfway point between the mountains and the sea and enjoys a climate that is unsurpassed.

The village is on Federal Highway No. 1, the all-paved route from the north to the south, and the Seaboard Air Line Railway, overnight from New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington. Hundreds of tourists pass the winter months here where the climate is as nearly equal as any place on earth. The air is dry and invigorating. It is neither too hot nor too cold the year round. From November to June hundreds enjoy the warmth of sunshine away from the noise and icy winds of northern cities. It is a village of culture enjoying a patronage of winter visitors that return each season. Winter residents include many of the nation's most prominent authors and writers who own large estates and beautiful homes.

Noted for Its Beauty

Southern Pines is beginning to be known throughout North Carolina for its clean streets, grassy parkways and abundance of shrubbery. It is gaining the reputation of being one of the most beautiful towns of the south. Many visitors from distant towns drive here to admire the blossoms of springtime. The autumn season is rich with radiant colors of the rolling woodlands. The dogwood of springtime can be compared in brilliance only with the cherry blossoms of Washington. Within the municipal limits and bordering territory are large forests of virgin pine free from the axes of lumbermen that have destroyed many stately pine forests of the south. Here nature is in its splendor and lovers of the great outdoors enjoy the beauty of the woods and the singing of the birds.

Southern Pines is situated in the heart of one of the greatest sporting centers of America. Within a five-mile radius are to be found nine of the prettiest golf courses in the country and three spacious country clubs. All of the courses here were designed by Donald J. Ross, the king of golf courses. The clubs are the principal social centers and the gathering points of many of the nation's prominent people. Here in the North Carolina Sandhills many of the leading golfers of the United States meet on the tricky courses to defend their titles.

Due to the mild climate and sandy soil the horse takes no small part in the resort life. Fox hunting is fast becoming one of the principal outdoor sports. Horseback riding along the scenic paths bordered by the old-fashioned rail fence is at its best during the winter months and early spring. There is an abundance of quail that offers thrills to the sportsman. Turkey and deer are plentiful during the season. Tennis on the sandclay courts is attracting the attention of many national players. Archery takes a prominent place on the sports calendar and polo, yet in its infancy, attracts large galleries at the Sandhill meets. Men of moderate means as well as the capitalist have no difficulty in finding the pastime to meet their requirements. Things here tend to moderation. Even winter has just enough tang to make outdoor life enjoyable.

Southern Pines has many nicely furnished hotels, yet moderate in price, centrally located but far enough away to avoid the noise of down town.

Nearby Attractions

There are hundreds of miles of good

sand-clay roads free from the congested traffic of the more thickly populated centers of the country. These sand-clay roads offer a change from the monotonous glare of pavement and add miles of pleasure to motoring. In addition to the proximity of Raleigh, the State capital, Charlotte, Asheville, Greensboro and Winston-Salem over North Carolina paved roads are other points of interest to the tourist. An hour's drive from town is the old slave market at Fayetteville, and Fort Bragg, the largest artillery reservation in the country. The tomb of Walter Hines Page, Ambassador to England, lies within four miles of Southern Pines. Another point of interest is the old pottery plant above Carthage and the old gold mines at Hemp.

Southern Pines is governed by a mayor and five commissioners and has a year-round population of thirty-five hundred. It is 750 feet above sea level. Paved streets and a modern fire department add to the pleasure and safety of the winter visitor. The town has a water plant of the latest engineering design which is under the control of a graduate chemist. An imposing reservoir covers 600 acres of land and is supplied by springs. At no time has the town suffered from an inadequate water supply. The filtering of water and the inspection of dairies is under the direct control of the North Carolina State Board of Health. The village has an excellent high and graded school under a competent faculty. There are also private schools. Southern Pines has churches of all denominations that add to the community life of the village. The town is proud of its library which is governed by some of the outstanding writers of today.

At a Glance

Southern Pines has a Commission form of government with D. G. Stutz, Mayor; H. F. Burns, Clerk-Treasurer. Commissioners: E. C. Stevens, Geo. W. Case, A. B. Yeomans, L. V. O'Callaghan, Chas. S. Patch, Chief of Police J. A. Gargas, Chief of Fire Department, L. V. O'Callaghan. Tax Collector, J. H. Tilghman.

Civic Bodies

Chamber of Commerce—Dr. G. G. Herr, D. D. Shields Cameron, Secretary. Southern Pines Civic Club—Mrs. Emerson Hayes, President. Aberdeen Kiwanis Club—Nelson C. Hyde, President; Herbert Vail, Pinehurst, Secretary. Southern Pines, Pinehurst and Aberdeen are included in this Club

Churches

Emanuel Episcopal Church, at eleven; First Baptist Church at eleven; Church of Wide Fellowship at ten thirty; St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church at ten, week days at seven-thirty a. m.; Lutheran Mission, mornings and at five p. m. Christian Science Church at eleven.

Schools

Southern Pines Public School, high and graded. Frank Welster principal, with twelve teachers and an enrollment of 400. The Ark, a private school with Mrs. M. A. Hayes, principal.

Library

Mrs. Nellie S. Fisher, Librarian. Hours, 2 p. m. to 5:30 p. m.

Banks

Citizens Bank and Trust Company, H. O. Riggan, Cashier.

Mails

Morning mail from the North at 5:00 a. m. From the South at 11 a. m.

Evening mail from the North at 8 p. m.

Railroad Schedule

New York—Florida Limited, leaves Pennsylvania Station 6:40 p. m.; arrives Southern Pines at 8:50 a. m.

Seaboard Fast Mail leaves Pennsylvania station 11:20 a. m., arrives at Southern Pines 6:57 p. m.