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MUCH INTEREST IN HUNTER TRIALS HERE MARCH 23

Horses From Some of Country's
Leading Stables Expected for
First Annual Event

SUITABLE COURSE SOUGHT

Prospects are bright for the first annual Hunter Trials to be held in Southern Pines on March 23d. Much interest has been created by the announcement of this horse event here and already a large number of owners of hunters both in this section and from more distant points have announced that they would make entries.

The committee in charge of the event, headed by Nelson C. Hyde and Noel Laing, the latter prominent in hunting and steeplechasing circles, has been looking over the country hereabouts during the past week for a suitable course for the hunter trials. The aim is to lay out a course of approximately two miles with a variety of jumps of the type horses are required to negotiate in the south. The course which appears thus far to best meet the requirements is one over natural country in the vicinity of The Paddock, but the committee plans to thoroughly comb the neighborhood before it definitely decides on the location.

Mr. Laing spent two days in Camden, S. C. this week in an endeavor to interest some of the horse owners there to enter hunters in the March 23d event here. He believes that horses will be here both from Camden and Aiken, among them entries from some of the country's leading stables. Many of the best hunters in the country winter in North and South Carolina and there is every likelihood that the Sandhills will have an opportunity to see many of them in action. Laing is also on the look-out for suitable judges for the event here.

Local Horsemen Enthusiastic

Many of the horses which hunt in Pinehurst and Southern Pines during the winter season will be among the entries in the hunter trials, local owners having already informed the committee of their enthusiasm over the forthcoming event. Some local horses are to be shown in the trials at Camden on February 21st, among them entries from the stables of Ernest I. White. Mr. White won first and second at Camden last year in the light-weight hunter class, with his Doubletime and Allure, respectively. In fact Doubletime, now stabled at The Paddock, has won the lightweight event at Camden for the past two years.

Steeplechase races will follow the hunter trials at Camden the following day, and Noel Laing expects to ride Mrs. T. H. Somerville's famous Trouble Maker, which he rode to victory two years ago in the Maryland Hunt Cup and took to England last year for the Grand National, in one of the races. He will probably have other mounts in other races there.

It is the plan to make the Southern Pines hunter trials an annual event of importance in the Sandhills, and every effort is being put forth to have the initial meet this March a great success.

LEGION POST OPTIMISTIC OVER CHANCES FOR HOUSE

Sandhill Post No. 134 of the American Legion met in semi-monthly session at the Scout Hall, Southern Pines on Wednesday evening. A report was heard from the committee having the proposed Legion hut in charge. Unofficial assurance has been given that the CWA has approved the project but as yet it has not been officially announced from the Raleigh headquarters.

The dance committee reported a fair sum raised from the recent dance held at the Country Club. A resolution was drafted approving the four-point Legion program for 1934, a copy of the resolution to be forwarded to congressmen from this district. The post voted a letter of congratulation to Jim Caldwell, State Adjutant, who was recently married.

Things Changed Since C. T. Patch Started Business Here 37 Years Ago

Successful Mercantile Establishment
Is Celebrating Birth-
day This Week

By Bion H. Butler

Thirty-eight years ago C. T. Patch and wife alighted from a Seaboard train at Southern Pines, and under the shadows of night caught their first glimpse of the Sandhills as conditions were in that primitive period. Mrs. Patch was not impressed with the white sand, and the crudeness of the surroundings, but Mr. Patch reminded her that as they had some experience in the sandy region of New Jersey this would not be wholly a strange land. But more convincing was the soft night air and the odor of the pines that were then abundant on all sides.

They found a place to stay, and in a short time Mr. Patch was active in a store he opened in the Tarbell building which stood about where Hayes carries on his book store. Hayes was then down the street about where Wincham's office is, and a few others were scattered here and there up and down the street, but not many who are here now. Grout, Ruggles, Chandler, Sugg, Hayes and Patch are about the list of those who were in the game at that time. Junge & Beck, and P. R. Stebbins, of Pennsylvania, came down with the old timers, and Mr. Junge is still in Southern Pines, but has not had an active finger in business in many years. Dr. Swett was here and prominent, and his children live here now, but he has long passed from the scene.

Mr. Patch wandered about the town next day, what there was of it, looking it over. In a buggy he took his wife through the sand-drowned roads, and landed at Pad Kelly's meat market near where the postoffice is now. There they wanted a drink, largely because they saw a contrivance to make milk-shakes. This was done by putting milk in a tumbler and the tumbler into the machine which pumped it violently up and down and made it soft and foamy and Patch says he doesn't know whether it was good or not, but it was a novelty.

Pigs is Pigs

He secured a place to live, and the house was one that stood up from the ground on posts. During the day the hogs roamed the streets and at night they came to stay under the house, which was not to the joy of sleepers in the room above. Plum trees grew about the yard and around the town and the hogs favored plums as an article of diet. A few vigorous razorbacks chewing earnestly on plums and plum seeds is a monotonous note. One night Patch tired of the persistent noises and he went out in the moonlight with his rifle. He saw a long, thin, loose-gear rooster start down the road toward Jintown and raised the gun. But about the time he was ready to fire his wife pulled his arm and the bullet went into the air and the pig was saved to root

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Jack M. Taylor Weds On New Year's Day

Head of Taylor Chemical Company in Aberdeen and Miss Queen Married in Georgia

The marriage of Miss Ulma Queen of Fort Valley and Atlanta, Georgia and Jack M. Taylor of Aberdeen was quietly solemnized on Monday afternoon, January 1, at 2 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Queen, in Fort Valley.

The Rev. M. D. Reed, pastor of the First Baptist church of Fort Valley, performed the ceremony in the presence of a gathering of relatives and intimate friends.

The bride entered with her father, who gave her in marriage. They were met at the altar by the groom attended by his brother, L. C. Taylor, of Macon, as best man.

Following an informal reception the young couple left by motor for a brief wedding trip and are now at home in Aberdeen, where the groom is head of the Taylor Chemical company. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club here.

Code Complaints

N. R. A. Compliance Board to
Hear Any Reports of
Violations Jan. 23

The N. R. A. Compliance Board for Southern Pines has been duly organized and John C. Barron is chairman. The committee will meet on Tuesday evening, January 23rd at the office of the city clerk to hear complaints for any violations of the code. Forms for filing claims can be secured from the postmaster and must be in writing. Complaints are treated in strict confidence, and should be filed with the chairman or Howard F. Burns, secretary.

STATE HIGHWAY ENGINEERS SURVEY 2 PROJECTS HERE

Commissioner Hardison Ex-
presses Hope For U. S. No. 1
Connection and New Bridge

State Highway engineers have been in Southern Pines during the past week making surveys for two projects which the Chamber of Commerce has been recommending and seeking for some time:

1. An optional Route 1 via underpass or overhead bridge leading from the main highway near Manly across or under the Seaboard tracks near Lovejoy's log cabin and connecting with the northern end of West Broad street. Purpose: to divert southbound traffic through the business section of the city.

2. New bridge over the Seaboard tracks at the southern end of town providing separate lanes for pedestrian traffic. Purpose: to make the bridge safe for children enroute to and from school.

James Hardison of Wadesboro, member of the State Highway Commission, was also here this week and in conversation with Frank Buchanan held out hopes that both these projects would be approved for construction in the near future.

Asks Expedition of Pinehurst Postoffice

Congressman Lambeth Wants
Action on Two Buildings in
His District

The supervising architect of the Treasury Department has already taken steps toward erection of the two new postoffice buildings in the eighth district, the only one in North Carolina fortunate enough to have two postoffices authorized by the public works administration reads a report from Washington.

The government already owns a site at North Wilkesboro, where one of the new buildings is to be constructed. The plans for this building have been completed, and the supervising architect will advertise for bids soon.

Proposals have been submitted for a site at Pinehurst, where the other buildings will be erected. The inspector who visited Pinehurst will make his report soon. As soon as the site has been purchased, the plans for the new building will be drafted in the supervising architect's office.

Representative Walter Lambeth of the Eighth district has asked that work be expedited. The post offices in both places are now in leased quarters, which have been reported by postoffice inspectors as inadequate in space for the mail service.

REGISTRANTS ASKED TO REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT

All people both men and women who registered in the National Re-employment Office prior to January 1st, are requested to return to this office in Carthage and state whether or not they are still actually unemployed. This does not mean those who are at present employed on either PWA, CWA or in private employment since their original registrations,

E. C. STEVENS NEW LIBRARY HEAD IN SOUTHERN PINES

Elected President of Board at
Annual Meeting to Succeed
A. B. Yeomans

LIBRARY BUSY DURING 1933

At the annual meeting of the Southern Pines Library Association E. C. Stevens was unanimously elected president for the forthcoming year. Other officers elected were: First Vice-President, Struthers Burt; Second Vice-President, Miss Mary Schwarberg; Third Vice President, Dr. E. M. Poate; Treasurer, Mrs. J. K. Walker; Secretary, George P. Hardison.

Trustees elected were A. B. Yeomans, retiring president, Almet Jenks, Frank Webster, Hiram Westbrook, Richard Wilson, Miss Anna B. Jenks, Mrs. James Boyd, Mrs. Jane Towne, Mrs. James Swett, Mrs. H. E. Throver, Mrs. Struthers Burt and Mrs. M. A. Hayes.

It was generally conceded that the year 1933 was a very successful one, not from a financial standpoint but for the services rendered the community. It is regretted that the list of new books bought during the past 12 months was not as large as the library would like to have made it, due to insufficient funds. The Library Association hopes for greater cooperation in the coming year that its list of new books may be increased.

Library Had Busy Year

The report of the librarian, Mrs. Fisher, revealed the wide extent the library was used during the past year. The attendance was 7,460, the circulation of books, 10,069, with more than 2,000 books circulated free for the use of school children. One hundred and thirty-eight new books were purchased during the year, and 67 conducted.

Special attention is called to the figures which represent the cooperation given by the library to the public school during 1933. This service was begun during 1932, but was decidedly increased during the past year. For instance, last spring the trustees voted that any school pupil who had a vacation membership could obtain books without paying the regular 5c fee. The figures for the four summer months shows that in this way 900 books were circulated. This service was greatly appreciated by the children. Because of this free service the library has a re-binding bill which will amount to \$50.00. But also on this account, the CWA is providing a worker for repairing books which are much worn but not yet ready for re-binding.

Citizens Bank Elects Three New Directors

C. T. Patch, R. L. Hart and R. L.
Chandler on Board Chosen
Tuesday

Three new directors were elected to the board of the Citizens Bank & Trust Company of Southern Pines at the annual meeting of stockholders held on Tuesday in the bank's quarters. They are C. T. Patch, a former member of the board but who had not served during the past year; Robert L. Hart, proprietor of the Broad Street Pharmacy, and R. L. Chandler, local representative of the Carolina Power & Light Company.

Messrs. Patch, Hart and Chandler succeed H. O. Riggan, deceased; M. G. Nichols and Dr. A. McN. Blair, the latter two having declined re-election. Directors re-elected on Tuesday were D. G. Stutz, G. C. Abraham, Frank Welch and Frank Buchanan.

The directors will meet in the near future and elect officers of the bank for the fiscal year.

The Citizens Bank & Trust Company has enjoyed splendid business since the bank holiday in March. One of the first institutions in the state permitted to reopen after the holiday, its deposits have steadily increased since then and its current statement reflects a most healthy and liquid condition.

Much Talk Little Action on Carter Complaints Against County Relief Distribution

Want a Farm?

Those Desiring Land or Farm
Labor Should Register at
Reemployment Office

James A. Davis, manager of Moore County Re-employment office, announced this week that his office is now ready to register landlords and farmers who are in need of farm labor of any kind. Likewise, families desiring to rent a farm and unemployed farm labor are urged to register.

Families who left farms for work in towns or factories and are now interested in going back to the farm are urged, Mr. Davis said, to register and give the Government a change to help them find the kind of employment they prefer. There may be some families applying for farm placement who do not have enough food and clothing to "run" them until the crop is made. Under certain conditions, provision will be made to extend help to such families, he said.

K. D. TROUSDELL BUYS WEYMOUTH HIGTS. RESIDENCE

Former Tiers House on Indiana
Ave. and Highland Road
Sold by Welch

Swift on the heels of the important real estate transactions in Pinehurst and Knollwood comes the report this week of the sale of one of the largest residences in Southern Pines. Kenneth D. Trousseau of New York has acquired the Tiers house on Indiana avenue, opposite the Highland Pines Inn, from Frank Welch, and has already started remodeling the house.

This residence was built in 1916 by T. S. Burgess for W. T. Tiers. It is a white Colonial type house covering considerable ground at the corner of Highland Road and Indiana avenue, Weymouth Heights. It commands an expansive view of the Country Club golf courses and surrounding country. At various times during the past, the building has been used by the Highland Pines Inn as an annex.

Mr. Trousseau has been coming to Southern Pines for several seasons. Last winter he and his family occupied the F. F. Travis house on Ridge Drive in the Country Club section and this year they are in Mrs. Pushee's Cape Cod cottage in Knollwood. They plan to make Southern Pines their permanent winter residence.

This is the third large real estate transaction here within the past few weeks, last week's Pilot reporting the sale of the Olmsted-Austin house in Knollwood to Millard F. Tompkins of New York and the Bausher house, one of the fine residences of Pinehurst, to Eberhard Faber of New York.

Kiwanis Hears Burt Tell of Wild West

Author and Rancher Addresses
Club at Weekly Meeting
in Highland Lodge

Struthers Burt told wild western stories as were wild western stories at the weekly meeting of the Kiwanis Club held Wednesday at Highland Lodge in Southern Pines. Most of them experiences of his own and his neighbors in the Jackson Hole country of Wyoming, where Mr. Burt has his ranch. He also told what the CCC was doing to the lower East Side and Brooklyn boys sent out there for forestry work, and how amusing it was to see them in the wide open spaces far from the sidewalks of New York when they first arrived, but how soon they were calling each other "Cow-

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Lack of Cooperation Between Relief and Employment Of- fices Among Complaints

INVESTIGATION INVITED

Since the publication last week of the letter of William V. Carter of Carthage, former assistant director of relief in Moore county, in which he charged Miss Elizabeth Head, present relief head, with incompetence, much discussion has been heard but little action taken with a view to any changes in the distribution of jobs and relief in this section. There have been a few informal meetings of citizens in various parts of the county, and a number of plans advanced for changes in system and personnel, but nothing definite has come out of it all.

One complaint was filed with U. S. Commissioner J. P. Thompson during the week, according to a report from Elizabeth City. Mr. Thompson received a letter from Aberdeen asking "if there is any way you can have an investigation at Aberdeen, Moore county. Most all of the people employed here are from South Carolina and the people who live here in the county can't get any work at all." The letter charged that two and three members of the same family were given employment while other families were without jobs.

Upon learning of this complaint Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, State CWA Administrator, made the following statement:

"We understand a complaint was made that 'most of the people employed' in Moore county are 'from South Carolina and the people who live in the county can't get work at all.'"

"Immediately upon reading this report in the newspapers—it was not made directly to this office and therefore investigations were delayed—we called the Moore county CWA administrator and asked for an explanation. "We were told that there was one person, a clerical helper, assisting the disbursing officer in the county. This clerical helper had had specific experience in a South Carolina CWA office and the Moore county administrator asked her help in making the setup for the disbursing office there. This clerical helper, however, was not imported from South Carolina. She was residing in Moore county at the time she was employed and her employment, for three days each week, is temporary. So far as could be learned, she was the only South Carolinian on the CWA pay roll there."

Sifting Accusations

In attempting to locate definite reasons for the undercurrent of dissatisfaction with relief and job distribution in the county during the past week The Pilot has found little definite evidence. The complaints seem to boil down to these:

1. Lack of cooperation between the relief office, headed by Miss Head, and the re-employment office, headed by James A. Davis of Carthage.
2. Some feeling of favoritism in the dispensing of jobs by the re-employment office.
3. The fact that Miss Head is "an outsider" and not sufficiently familiar with local conditions.
4. "It's a man's job, not a woman's."
5. Too much money spent for administration.

Some suggestions have been made along the line of co-ordinating the two offices under one head, that head to be a man in whom all citizens of the county have implicit confidence and one familiar with county conditions. Another plan, reported favored by the County School Board and some members of the County Board of Commissioners, is the appointment of a full-time welfare officer for the county and the placing of relief and employment matters under that officer.

As for any suggestions of mismanagement in the two offices in Carthage, both Miss Head and Mr. Davis have invited a thorough investigation of their office, books, reports, correspondence, etc.