

To Revive Scuppernong Grape Industry Here

State at Work on Program As a New Rural Rehabilitation Project

C. L. Newman, State Field Supervisor of the Grape Project, was in the county recently to map out a program for a new rural rehabilitation project which is being started here, that of propagating scuppernong vines. This work is being carried on in Hoke, Robeson, Cumberland, Columbus and Scotland counties.

Vines will be procured from the owners at prices based upon the size of the vine and the layering method of propagation will be used. It is estimated that an arbor twenty by twenty feet will yield 2000 plants. These new vines will be planted on relief farms next winter and the parent plants will be returned to the owner in a healthy but heavily pruned state.

The yield from these new vines will be sold by the state office. The white scuppernong and one variety of black grape are to be propagated.

SADDLE HORSES AVAILABLE AT SEVERAL STABLES

Several good riding stables provide horses for the many visitors to Southern Pines who come here seeking recreation and exercise along the picturesque bridle paths. Hunters are

A National Champion, Helen Hicks, on the 18th Green



Country Club Playground for the Golfer and a Park for All

By Charles Macauley

available during the winter season for those hunting with local packs, and safe and sane saddle horses for those desiring to follow the trails through the pine woods.

Occasional fox hunts are arranged by lovers of the sport and the public invited to join in the chase. Regular fox and drag hunts are held throughout the winter by the Moore County Hounds, a private pack, but hunting with these hounds is by special invitation only.

In more ways than one Southern Pines has been fortunate in its Country Club. It is fairly impossible to visualize the town without the two splendid 18-hole golf courses, in their picturesque setting almost within a stone's throw of the heart of the village.

The club property has served the community as a park as well as a playground for followers of the old Scotch game, and as such has many fascinations. Glimpses through the close-set trees to sunlit pools and shadow-dappled fairways, vistas through the tall pines to the far off hills crowned in blue haze and shadows; distant views over the expanse of greensward and tree-lined valleys to the bulk of Paint Hill and the blue ridge far beyond Aberdeen, and to the dark crest of Mount Hope and the clustered homes of Pinedene, afford a restful diversion for all lovers of the out-of-doors.

It is a far cry from the compact little nine-hole course started nearly 30 years ago to the two wide flung "eighteens" of today, and it is not the purpose of this writing to hark back to the founders of that day, Dr. Swett, Giles, Wilson, Dr. Blair, Dr. Herr, Hayes and many others, any more than it is to record its recent transformation under the hands

of John Powell, Fred Travis and M. G. Nichols.

The clubhouse is comparatively new, having been built in 1927 from plans of Aymar Embury, III, the great living room with its immense fireplaces, the decorative scheme, recently worked out under the auspices of Mr. Nichols, a cozy home-like room that invites a restful hour after the stress of eighteen holes. From a player's viewpoint the club offers the choice of two courses, one difficult enough for the real golfing fan, the other ideal for the less experienced.

The annual Women's Mid-South tournament here has attracted such players as Glenna Collett, Helen Hicks, Maureen Orcutt and Virginia Van Wie. Tournaments for all manner of players are held throughout each winter season.

In January when the northland is covered with snow the fairways are brown with Bermuda grass, the pines are deep emerald against the blue Carolina sky; down in the little valleys with their springs and water hazards the air is still, warm and fragrant, and the tee benches invite a moment's rest. And perhaps if you are fortunate you may hear the first mocking bird coming into his homeland trill. This is why, on most any winter day in mid-season you may find foursomes made up by dwellers of many far ranging points.

SOUTHERN PINES LIBRARY

The Southern Pines Library located in the Municipal building in the City Park has a large and finely selected stock of the latest fiction in addition to the classics, and is open to visitors on week days. Eugene C. Stevens is president and Mrs. Park Fisher, librarian. A small fee is charged for the loan of books.

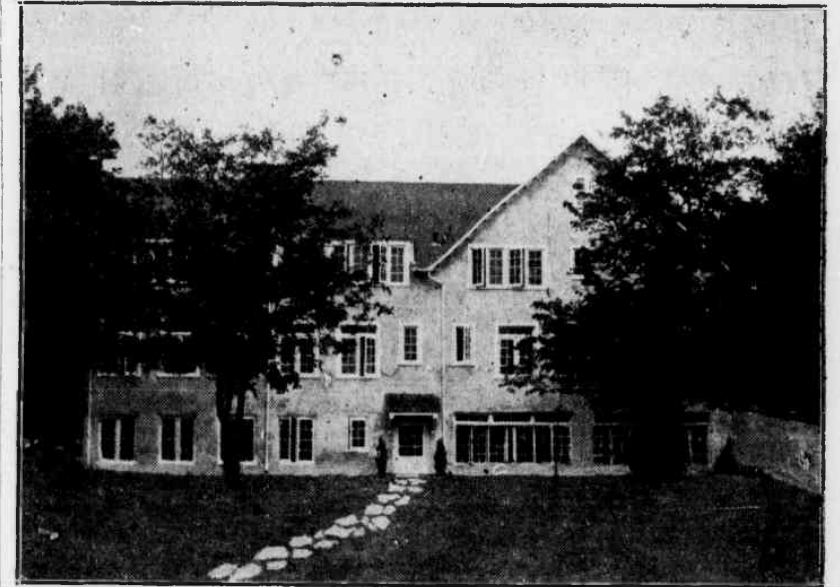
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The Plan and Construction of the Sandhills is perfect for a Winter Playground

The Weymouth Ridge, at Southern Pines,

Illustrates the General Scheme

About the water tanks on Weymouth Heights two ridges cross each other, the one running from southwest to northeast, and the other from southeast to northwest, the latter forming the dividing heights between the rivers that flow from North Carolina to the sea by the North Carolina coast and those that enter the ocean through South Carolina. This ridge is continuous from the heart of Hoke county to above High Point, almost without crossing a spring brook.

From the Fort Bragg line on the east to half way through Moore county to the northwest, the ridge is covered with a mantle of clean white sand, mixed with some clay in the subsoil, the cleanest, most insoluble material Nature has used in the creation of the earth. But a small proportion of carbonaceous matter exists in the sandy surface soil, hence no mud, no continuation of decaying vegetation of animal matter, an open, porous, filtering sand, supplying clean and wholesome water, giving off no miasma to the air, sustaining a forest growth of pine and other desirable trees, with an atmosphere that is perfect.

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