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## GYMKHANA TODAY TO CHRISTEN NEW HORSE SHOW RING

Daring, Amusing and Exciting  
Horse Events to Feature  
Card at Southern Pines

### WANTED: BRAVE COWBOY

Southern Pines' new horse show grounds, adjoining the baseball field on Morganton Road, will be christened today when the whistle blows for the first of the winter series of equestrian gymkhana events. The show ring is ready for the daring riders who will put on a program of games, stunts and jumping. Some of the best horses in the Sandhills will be seen in action.

Herbert Cameron, the Rev. J. Fred Stimson and Nelson C. Hyde are in charge of the program for the afternoon. Among the events will be feature jumping by W. O. Moss, amateur jumping, a class for pairs of jumpers, musical stalls, tilting, a potato race and a "riding the goat" number. There is also the possibility of an amusing rodeo stunt if a good brave "cowboy" can be found prior to this afternoon.

Horses from the Thomas & Alexander, Moss, Laing, Tate and Paddock stables have been entered in the various events, and the opening gymkhana of the winter bids fair to be one of the most exciting and entertaining affairs of the early season. Amateur riders, all ages, sizes and sexes, are invited to participate. There will be special events for the children.

There is to be no charge for watching the gymkhana, but parking spaces around the show ring will be sold at a small amount toward defraying the expenses. Season parking spaces are also available and many already sold. Charles P. Everest is in charge of the parking.

The program starts at 2:30 o'clock.

## Big Drop in Relief Cases Here in October

Persons Aided Total 3,753, or  
13.3 Percent of Population, at  
Cost of \$8,755

Moore county had 785 families, making 862 cases on relief in October, a decrease of 17 per cent from September. Persons aided were 3,753, which was 13.3 per cent of the county's population. The amount spent per family in the county was \$6.46, and the total spent in the county was \$8,755.66.

The \$1,205,590.13 distributed in North Carolina by the FERA in relief in October is a marked drop from September. Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, State relief director, reports, in October there were 62,207 relief cases in the State, and in September 77,105. Individuals in October numbered 257,034 and in September there were 333,210 individuals receiving relief funds. Stricter supervision and closer case work, discontinuing relief projects in rural communities recently, and better conditions in most of the State are held responsible for the drop.

The county and city units receive \$1,005,409.88 in October, the balance going as follows: transient centers, \$45,477.39; emergency education, \$47,325.74; State ERA, \$37,169.66; State purchases, \$43,226.93; student aid, \$22,980.73. Ninety of the 100 counties showed a decrease in case load in October. In 28 counties five percent or less of the population was on relief. The average spent per family was \$12.01 and for individuals the average was \$6.45 in October.

## SCHOOL CHILDREN MOVE INTO THEIR NEW BUILDING

The first and second grade children of the Southern Pines School moved into their new school building Tuesday. Monday and Tuesday were busy days for them, the children rushing around moving their things. One hundred pupils moved into the building, occupying three large rooms with Miss Skinner, Miss Wilson and Mrs. Brown as teachers.

The rooms are large, airy and light, and the building, built from the old Manly Schoolhouse, attractive from an architectural standpoint as well as utilitarian.

## Rowe, New Judge, Tees Off His Term With a Golf Theft Case

Sends Pair to Roads For Rob-  
bing Car of Clubs, Balls  
and Clothing

Recorder's Court was held on Tuesday with Judge J. Vance Rowe, newly elected Recorder who took the oath of office on Monday, presiding.

Conno Johnson and Preston LeGrand, colored of Pinehurst, will, during the next three months, have little use for the six golf clubs, six golf balls, golf shoes and socks which they were found guilty of swiping, from Louis Scheiper's car while it was parked in Taylortown, for the judge arranged for them to have employment on the roads for 90 days.

Willie Wright did wrong when he disturbed religious worship at a church in the Eagle Spring community, so he was given 60 days on the roads, this to be suspended upon payment of one-fourth of the costs and upon condition that Wright remain of good behavior for 12 months. Three other defendants who along with Wright were charged with going to the church while drinking, and with using profane language and knocking on the church window, have not been taken.

For being publicly drunk and trespassing upon the premises of S. W. Simons, Claude Campbell and Henry Furr, white of near Cameron, were given sixty-day sentences, suspended upon payment of the costs and upon their remaining of good behavior for a year.

Ollie Hayes, colored, found guilty of driving while intoxicated, was sentenced to serve 30 days on the roads, this to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and the costs. He is not to drive a car during the next 90 days except when his employer or his employer's guests are in the car with him.

## TRICOUNTY MEETING OF PRESBYTERIANS HERE

There will be a meeting for all the Presbyterians of Moore, Hoke and Scotland counties in Bethesda Church, Aberdeen, on Monday evening, December 10th, at 7:30 o'clock.

The Rev. G. L. Whiteley of Roanoke, Va., will be the speaker of the evening. His subject will be "The Belmont Plan" in regard to Church financing under the auspices of the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church, and of Fayetteville Presbytery.

The Belmont Plan is gaining great headway in the south among Presbyterians, and it is expected that within a few weeks the whole of Fayetteville Presbytery will be following the plan. The Presbyterians of these three counties will have this plan explained to them on next Monday evening at Aberdeen by Mr. Whiteley himself.

## M. H. FOLLEY WITHDRAWS FROM POSTOFFICE RACE

M. H. Folley of Aberdeen announced this week that he was withdrawing his name from consideration for the position of United States Postmaster at Aberdeen, and in making the announcement added words of appreciation to the large number of citizens of the town who have been supporting him for the post. Mr. Folley stated that increased business at his plant, the M. H. Folley Lumber Company, required his entire time.

## TENNIS STARS TO COMPETE SATURDAY IN PINEHURST

Pinehurst Country Club will be the scene of the first important tennis tournament of the winter season over this week-end. Matches will be played in men's singles and doubles, and the entry list includes the leading players of the University of North Carolina and Duke University, including Bernie Welsh, who holds No. 1 ranking on the national public parks tennis list; also others from various parts of the state and a number of the local lights. Matches will start early Saturday morning and continue all day.

## Toys-Dolls

The Firemen Will Make Your  
Old Ones New and Poor  
Children Happy

Haven't you some old toys or dolls you are through with?

Dozens and dozens of children in and dolls and making them as good to be without them on Christmas Day, and it won't be the fault of the local Fire Department. The boys make an annual practice of picking up toys and dolls and mak ighetm as good as new at the fire house during their spare hours. Not many have been sent in to them this year and they are fearful lest their friends, the needy little ones, will be disappointed on Christmas Day.

Just telephone 7201 and some fireman will call for whatever you have that will make children happy. Or if you want to give money, that will be fine too. The fire laddies will use it to buy toys and dolls. Do it now, Christmas is coming.

## DAVID H. CAMERON, 83, DIES AT HOME IN SOUTHERN PINES

Born Near Lillington in 1851. He  
Built Home Here in Early  
Eighties

### LEAVES LARGE FAMILY

David Hugh Cameron, a resident of Southern Pines for half a century, died in his home on Bennett street early Wednesday morning.

Born in Harnett county, near Lillington on September 14, 1851, Mr. Cameron married Mary B. Priest on August 26, 1878. In the early eighties they built a home five miles east of Southern Pines, the old house still standing on the road now known as "Youngs." Mr. Cameron was an expert cooper, then an important factor in the flourishing turpentine business centering in Manly, and successfully practiced his profession until the decline of this Sandhill industry.

Funeral services were held in his late home at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the Rev. M. D. McNeill of Cameron and the Rev. J. Fred Stimson of Southern Pines officiating. Interment in Lakeview cemetery followed.

Mr. Cameron is survived by his widow; three sons, Duncan D., formerly chief of the Southern Pines fire department, but now of Aberdeen; Clifton and Thomas, and five daughters, Mrs. Esther Wicker, of Hamlet, and Mary, Rebecca, Gussie and Lena, highly esteemed residents of Southern Pines with whom a wide circle of friends sympathize in their loss.

## PICQUET OFF TO PRESIDE OVER THEATRE OWNERS

Charles W. Picquet, president of the Theatre Owners Association of North and South Carolina, will attend the annual convention to be held the forepart of next week in Charlotte and seek a respite from the job he has held for ten years. He has written members of the organization that they must relieve him of the presidency this year. Whether or not they will accede to his request remains to be seen.

Mr. Picquet's Southern Pines theatre during the past week has added a marquee to its entrance. Those alighting from motors on rainy night will hereafter be able to enter the theatre without dodging between raindrops.

## J. A. McCASKILL DIES AT HIS HOME IN PINEHURST

J. A. McCaskill died early Wednesday morning at his home in Pinehurst following a few hours' illness resulting from a stroke of paralysis. Surviving are his wife, one daughter, Miss Edith McCaskill, and three sons, Melvin, Hubert and Frank McCaskill, all of Pinehurst.

## S. B. RICHARDSON ELECTED HEAD OF SPRING FESTIVAL

Chamber of Commerce Names  
Former Mayor General Chair-  
man for April Event

### PLANS FINANCE CAMPAIGN

S. B. Richardson, former mayor of Southern Pines, was elected general chairman of the second annual Spring Blossom Festival at a meeting of officers and committee chairmen of the Chamber of Commerce held Tuesday noon at Jack's Grill. Plans for financing the festival, which will be held the week of April 8th, were discussed. Other officers, a vice-chairman and a treasurer, are to be named in the near future.

Mr. Richardson will begin preparations at once for the program for Festival Week, and will name the chairman of the various committees in charge of each day's activities.

The annual campaign for memberships in the Chamber of Commerce will be launched within the next few weeks, the drive this year to be a joint one for financing both the regular Chamber activities and the Festival. In addition, it was voted Tuesday to put on a vaudeville entertainment during the month of January for the benefit of the Festival fund, and Frank Buchan and Dr. George G. Herr were named a committee to work out the program. They will add others to their committee and begin work at once on the production, which in all probability will be held in the High School auditorium.

Numerous special features for Festival Week were discussed in addition to the regular program, and from plans suggested there is every indication of a bigger and better carnival than last April.

## Uncle Demus Taylor, 106 Years Old Dies

Former Slave For Whom Tay-  
lorstown Was Named Passes  
To Reward

Demus Taylor is dead. That may not mean much to many of you in the Sandhills, but it means a lot to the old timers, and it means a lot to the colored folks.

For Uncle Demus has been the daddy of them all for some time. There is a question as to just how old Uncle Demus was. Last year when Southern Pines inaugurated Old Slave Day, Demus was checked up as 106 years of age. Some said yesterday he was 111. In any event, he was the oldest resident of Moore County and probably the only resident who was "of age" when slavery was abolished. Demus remembered well the Civil War, the days he served in peonage. He recalled the times when North Carolina was almost a barren wilderness. He antedated Pinehurst by some 70 years, Southern Pines by more than half a century.

They say that Demus' grandfather was smuggled into this country from Africa, but how long ago that was would be difficult to estimate. If his forbears lived as long as he it would be back in the days of the Pilgrim fathers, but that was well before the African invasion. Suffice it to say that Demus' forbears have seen the South grow from its primeval state to a proud spot in the sunlight.

Mayhap in days past Demus has caddied for you on Pinehurst courses. He was one of the first to tote bags about. In later years as age forbade the heavy burden of woods and irons he was awarded the humble but honorary job of picking up loose papers, old Camel wrappers, torn score cards, from the environs of the club house. Then he faded from the golf picture, retired to his home in Taylortown, Pinehurst's colored colony, named for him.

And Monday Uncle Demus passed to the Great Beyond. His story will probably never be written, the story of America from the eyes of one in the melting pot.

## Invited to Speak



SENATOR J. W. BAILEY

## WILBUR H. CURRIE AGAIN CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY BOARD

Gordon Cameron Elected Vice-  
Chairman, S. R. Hoyle County  
Attorney and Vice-Recorder

### FUND VOTED FOR VETS

The Board of County Commissioners met on Monday with all members of the old board present except E. C. Matheson and with the new member, D. D. McCrimmon, there. W. H. Currie was reappointed chairman of the board and Gordon Cameron was elected vice chairman.

S. R. Hoyle was reappointed county attorney for a period of two years at a salary of \$200 per year. Mr. Hoyle was again made vice-judge of the Recorder's Court.

The commissioners appropriated \$200 for a revolving fund for use in handling emergency cases of World War veterans in securing adjusted compensation and hospitalization, this fund to be administered by a board composed of W. H. Currie, chairman; S. R. Hoyle, county attorney, and J. L. McGraw.

The board voted to allow Herbert Kennedy, warden of the county home, the sum of \$25 to provide a Christmas dinner for the inmates, this to take the place of the Johnson Christmas fund.

Gordon Cameron was appointed custodian of the community house at Pinehurst with full authority over the use of said building.

It was ordered that C. J. McDonald, sheriff of Moore county, be paid in advance twenty-five cents for each summons and complaint served for tax foreclosures for the years 1929, 1930 and 1931.

A donation of \$5 to be sent to F. M. Register, Supt. of Caswell Training School, for the children's Christmas fund was authorized.

### Road Recommendations

The board voted to recommend that the State Highway Commission take over and maintain three sections of road in Moore county, all of which are used as school bus or rural free delivery routes. They are as follows: the road leading from the corner of Fuller Monroe's field on the Rockingham road to Samarand, a distance of about four miles; the road leading from a point on the Highfalls-Bennett highway near the store of Will Phillips to the Island Ford road by Cagle's old mill place, a distance of two miles; the road leading from United States Highway 1 at Moore and Lee county line to Mt. Moriah church near Cameron on the old Plank Road, a distance of about five and one-half miles. These roads are said to be in great need of repair.

## F. T. KEATING WINS WAY TO FINALS IN GOLF EVENT

Francis T. Keating of Pinehurst accomplished his second upset victory in as many days when he toppled Halbert J. Blue, Aberdeen star, 1 up, in the semi-final round of the Pinehurst season members' championship yesterday. Keating conquered P. S. P. Randolph Tuesday.

Yesterday afternoon Keating met F. C. Robertson, the medalist who conquered E. C. Keating, Montclair, N. J., 4 and 2, in the other semi-final.

## SENATOR BAILEY MAY BE KIWANIS REUNION SPEAKER

Invited to Address Annual  
Home-Coming Meeting at  
Pinehurst Next Week

### CLUB HEARS HEALTH TALK

United States Senator Josiah W. Bailey has been invited to address the annual Home-Coming meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen next Wednesday noon at the Pinehurst Community Church, and his acceptance of the invitation is hoped for today by those in charge of the program.

In addition, Charles W. Picquet has arranged a musical program to include the Carolina Hotel orchestra and a number of special features.

Once a year the former members of the Kiwanis Club and there are more than 100 of them scattered about the county—gather around the luncheon board for a festive reunion. It is the biggest meeting of the year for this organization which has played such an important part in activities of a civic and charitable nature in the county for many years. Last year Congressman Walter Lambeth was the speaker of the day. This year the committee stepped into the halls of the Senate in aspiring for a speaker of note, and has the assurance of Senator Bailey that he will make every possible effort to be here.

### Awarded Paid Inspector

At its meeting on Wednesday of this week in the Civic Club, Southern Pines, Dr. J. Symington, county health officer, told the members about the health work now being done in the county, citing a number of cases wherein the health authorities had been of invaluable aid both in curing and preventing disease where, without the work of such a department, death and epidemics would have resulted. Due to the splendid record of Moore county in health work the United States Public Health Service has recently awarded a full time sanitary inspector here, to be paid by the government. Only three other counties in the state have won this recognition.

The County health authorities are also proud of a Certificate of Merit recently received from the U. S. Public Health Service for work among the colored population of the county.

The club at its Wednesday meeting voted \$10.00 from its treasury toward the fight on tuberculosis in the county, this in connection with the annual Christmas Seal Sale now on.

## Seek Big Fund For Tuberculosis Fight

Mrs. Blair Appeals for Gener-  
ous Support of Christmas  
Seal Sale

Mrs. A. McNeil Blair, chairman for Southern Pines of the Christmas Seal Sale, requests that anyone who have been overlooked by canvassers procure their seals from any one of the local drug stores.

"We want this campaign to go over the top this year," said Mrs. Blair. "The fight against tuberculosis, which we in Moore county are winning, must go on. This year the county government is matching contributions to the Seal Sale funds, so if we can raise as much as usual we will have a fund with which we should be able to fight a real battle against the disease in this community. Let us all do our part."

## EIGHT TABLES IN PLAY AT THISTLE CLUB PREMIERE

The Thistle Club held its first card party and tea of the season, at the Southern Pines Country Club last Saturday afternoon.

These parties will be held each Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

There was an unusually large attendance for this time of year, eight tables playing. Prizes for high scores went to Mrs. H. E. Thrower, Mrs. Carl Thompson, Miss Eleanor Barron, Mrs. Heilman, Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. Elmer Davis, Mrs. Graff and Mrs. Walter Speath.