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FAILURE TO LIST INSURANCE FUND HOLDS G. C. SHAW

Former County Commissioner
Accused of Concealing As-
sets in Bankruptcy Case

FRIENDS RALLY TO AID

G. C. Shaw, former county commissioner, and one of the leading citizens of Highfalls, a small manufacturing town in upper Moore county, was on Monday given a hearing before Federal Commissioner Lang in Carthage on a charge of concealing assets in a bankruptcy proceeding, and was confined in jail upon his failure to post bond in the sum of \$25,000.

Mr. Shaw has suffered financial reverses in recent years and in July was forced into bankruptcy by his creditors. He is one of the big stockholders in the Highfalls Manufacturing Company which operates a cotton mill there, and this mill has had hard sledding during the depression. Mr. Shaw is said to have borrowed heavily in an effort to keep the mill going and was an endorser, along with others, on notes for the company. The manufacturing company is now in receivership and has been ordered sold on December 31st.

However, for the past two years, Mr. Shaw has had no active connection with the plant, it is said, he being totally disabled physically.

A few months ago Mr. Shaw collected from life insurance companies insurance to the amount of several thousand dollars and it is for failure to list this insurance among his assets, it is said, that he is now being prosecuted.

Friends Sympathetic

Friends of Mr. Shaw are sympathizing deeply with him in this matter, which they say is tragic, when considered in the light of the inside circumstances. He, they say, will never again have any earning power, due to his physical condition, and has given up all that he has accumulated during the years except this insurance which he had taken out. Mr. Shaw has a wife and two small daughters. It is said that he does not deny failing to list the bonds purchased with this fund, which he considered rightfully belonged to the little girls.

Due to the prominence of Mr. Shaw and his family, the case is creating much interest, and there was talk Tuesday of his friends making an effort to arrange bond for him.

1,700 Children On Dr. Cheatham's List

Each Will Receive Full Christmas Bag Packed by His "Steam Roller"

Seventeen hundred children of Moore county will receive Christmas bags, each containing 12 articles—fruit, nuts, candy, etc.—from Dr. T. A. Cheatham's "Steam Roller" this Christmas.

The private charity which Dr. and Mrs. Cheatham sponsor each year has, so far as we know, no official name, but the annual party in Dr. Cheatham's residence for the packing of the bags has come to be called "The Steam Roller." It might easily be called "The Ford Plant," for the methods of packing the bags are the same as those practiced in turning out Ford cars. Dr. Cheatham told something of the method at Wednesday's meeting of the Kiwanis Club.

Forty persons gathered last week in his residence. They sit about large tables, and to each is assigned a specific duty. One starts the bags going at the end of each table. As it passes along a fixed number of walnuts are deposited in the bag by one person, raisins by another, so many pieces of candy by the next, an orange by the next, and so on until the bags filled at the end of the line. There each bag is tied up, a count is kept of the number, the bags are placed in large baskets, and the job is complete. Last week twelve hundred bags were filled in one hour, a record for "The Steam Roller."

The bags are distributed to the children through the schools in the county.

Highland Pines Inn Opens for 23d Season



The Highland Pines Inn in Weymouth Heights, Southern Pines, which Opened for the Winter Yesterday

Soirees Musicales Announced

But They Aren't To Be The High Brow, Low Necked Affairs They Sound, Just "Musical Orgies" For All Who Like to Play or Sing—or Listen

Soirees Musicales, they are called, but the very swell heading of this announcement should not mislead the reader into thinking that the series of musical evenings planned for the new year by the Southern Pines Music Society will be high brow, low neck affairs. On the contrary they will be simple, informal gatherings of people who like good music and, above all, enjoy an opportunity to take part in it, and who find the friendly atmosphere of a home more conducive to musical self expression than the bleak interior of a public hall.

Nor will these be occasions on which high powered soloists will monopolize the situation. Of course if you want to sing or play a solo no one will prevent. You may win a round of applause or you may get the hook. You will have to take your chances. Of if you are a tenor and like most tenors just love to hold on to that high "C" for two or three beats after everybody else has finished, just to show what you can do, you may get away with it. But the main feature of the evening will be the singing of old familiar songs by everybody under Frederick Stanley Smith's leadership and accompanied by the Music Society's string orchestra.

It is just possible that the orchestra will play a piece or two all by themselves if their nerve doesn't give out, or there may be some really fine special musical features. Close harmonists will have their innings too, and if you play a portable instrument, no matter what, bring it along. Proceedings will begin early in the evening and will continue until the last singer or fiddler has collapsed or has been thrown out by an outraged host and hostess.

But note this. If you want to take part in these musical orgies you must be a paid up member of the Southern Pines Music Society. They are for members only. Any one can join the society by sending either \$1.00 for an active, \$5.00 for a sustaining, or \$25.00 for a patron membership to Miss Mary Yeomans, the secretary. Each \$1.00 paid in dues will entitle you or one member of your family to enjoy these evenings. Please bear in mind also that the money is used to support musical instruction in the Southern Pines School.

The first of the series will be at the home of James Boyd some time in January. The date with further particulars will be announced later in The Pilot.

Melvin Sanborn Dies, Resident Here 12 Years

Native of New Hampshire Built Home in Southern Pines in 1922

Following a brief illness, having entered the Moore County Hospital for treatment only last Saturday, Melvin Sanborn, esteemed resident of Southern Pines for the past twelve years, died in that institution shortly before 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Born in Coldbrook, N. H., on October 21st, 1861, the son of David and Elmira (Noyes) Sanborn the deceased came here from Hyde Park and Boston, Mass., where he and his brothers were in business for many years as building contractors. In 1922 he built a home on May street here, and in the following years several other houses on Connecticut and Pennsylvania avenues.

Funeral services were held in the Powell mortuary at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the Rev. J. Fred Stimson officiating. The body was taken north on the midnight train for interment at Hyde Park.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Nellie F. Sanborn; a daughter, Mrs. Leslie B. Wotton of Hyde Park; a brother, Wilbur who, with his wife and daughter, Ruth Burr Sanborn, reside in Southern Pines where in the years of their residence they have made a wide circle of friends who deeply sympathize with them in their loss.

Mid-Pines Club Opens For Season on Dec. 26

Will Be Operated as Club Hotel Under Management of John J. Fitzgerald

John J. Fitzgerald, manager of the Mid-Pines Club, announced this week the opening of the clubhouse on the Midland Road for the season on Wednesday, December 26th. The club has been entirely reorganized and from now on will be operated as a club hotel, under Mr. Fitzgerald's management.

Extensive repairs are being made and a considerable amount of painting being done to the buildings. The golf course is being put in excellent condition.

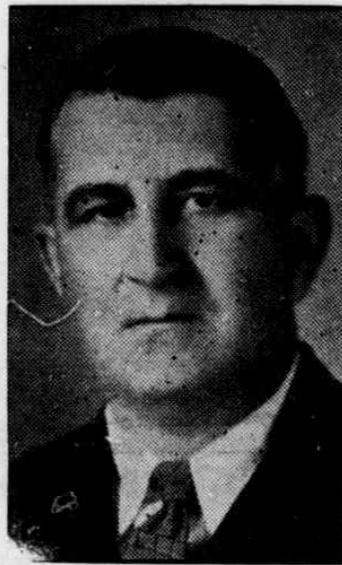
HOLLY INN IN PINEHURST TO OPEN TOMORROW

The Holly Inn at Pinehurst will open tomorrow for its 39th season, with H. W. Norris again the manager. This is the earliest opening of the Holly Inn in many years. For the past two seasons the Inn has opened on February 1st but this year, due to the large number of reservations, the date has been advanced.

SOUTHLAND HOTEL OPENS

The Southland Hotel in Southern Pines opened for the season yesterday with a large number of its former patrons already here and a good booking for the season.

Now a Judge



F. DONALD PHILLIPS

With exercises befitting the occasion, F. Don Phillips was formally inducted into office as judge from this, the 13th district last Friday in Rockingham.

Greased Pig Chase; Comstalk Polo Today

Several New Stunts To Feature Southern Pines Gymkhana at Show Ring

Pursuit of the greased pig and a battle called Cornstalk Polo will feature the second Southern Pines Equestrian Gymkhana at the new Horse Show grounds this, Friday afternoon, the festivities being scheduled to start at 2:30 o'clock. One and all will be permitted to enter the pig event; sides will be chosen up among those mounted on horses for the novel cornstalk polo match.

The polo game will be something new here. Cornstalks are used as mallets by the players, and a toy balloon is the ball. The rest of the game is pretty much like regular polo, only you mustn't let your horse step on the ball. If it does, pop goes the sphere—possibly scaring your horse and a few others—and a penalty for your side is involved. The committee is scouring the countryside for balloons to make sure there will be plenty to replace the busted ones.

In addition to the greased pig and polo events there will be pair jumping, amateur jumping, and open (Please turn to page 4)

OVER \$300 NETTED FOR SCHOOL LUNCH PURPOSES

The dance at the Pinehurst Country Club on November 16th, sponsored by Mrs. Betty Hanna Davidson, netted a sum of \$312.00 for the hot lunch fund for undernourished children of Moore County this winter. "Every school in the county will be taken care of," Mrs. Davidson said yesterday.

The proceeds of the dance were divided as follows: \$50.00 each to Aberdeen, Pinehurst, and Southern Pines; \$25.00 to each of the other school districts.

Steeplechase and Racing Association Plans to Revive Horse Racing in Sandhills

No Mail Christmas

Get Your Late Packages Christmas Eve—the Window Will Be Open Late

Postmaster Frank Buchan of Southern Pines announces that due to instructions from the Postoffice Department at Washington mail other than perishables and special deliveries will not be delivered at the postoffice windows on Christmas Day. The Postoffice Department wants its employees to have that day off.

"But in order not to disappoint too many people whose presents may be late in arriving," Mr. Buchan said yesterday, "we will keep the parcel post window open late on Monday night, Christmas Eve, and those expecting packages may get them then."

Enthusiasm Greeted Announcement of Return of Weekly Meets to Pinehurst Track

NEW COURSE PLANNED

Hearty enthusiasm greeted the announcement in the Sandhills Daily News on Sunday of the return of horse racing to the Sandhills this winter, and the plans for development of steeplechase racing here as a permanent fixture.

Regular weekly race meetings are to be inaugurated around the middle of January, with a full card of running and steeplechase events, possibly including trotting races. It is planned to have these meetings on Saturday afternoons on the Pinehurst tracks and polo fields.

The meetings here are to be held by a new organization, the Sandhills Steeplechase & Racing Association which has made arrangements with Pinehurst, Inc., to obtain use of its racing plant and polo fields for the remainder of this season at a nominal rental and there is indicated a desire to offer the association every possible cooperation of a similar nature in the future.

P. S. P. Randolph, Jr., who has accepted the position of racing secretary, has just returned from Charleston, West Virginia and Washington with assurances of a large number of running horses for the season here. While there he interested Col. H. C. Maddux, prominent Washington sportsman, in the Sandhills meetings and Col. Maddux plans to bring some of his own horses here and interest a number of his friends in coming.

Plan Steeplechase Course

The purpose of this winter's meetings is to stimulate interest in steeplechasing and flat racing here and to aid in financing a permanent steeplechase course, similar to those in Aiken and Camden, to be laid out on an ideal site midway between Pinehurst and Southern Pines, planted in Bermuda grass with courses for timber, brush and flat racing, and to be ready for next winter's events.

Assurances have been received from the National Steeplechase & Hunt Association of the awarding to the Sandhills association of a hunt race meeting on the Saturday following the Carolina Cup meet at Camden each spring. This will give this section an annual meeting following in succession the Aiken and Camden meets and a week preceding the meet at Richmond, Va. Assurances have come from Aiken and Camden, and from leading owners, trainers and riders in the North, of support for a major hunt meeting here.

The Sandhills section has been proven ideal for the winter schooling of steeplechase horses. Wintering here in the past few years have been horses which have won the leading events in the country, among them the Maryland Hunt Cup, the Carolina Cup, the Billy Barton, the Meadowbrook and others.

With an excellent track and ample stabling facilities available there is every reason to expect large numbers of horses here once the weekly meetings have been inaugurated, and there is no reason why the Sandhills spring hunt meeting should not develop into as important an event as the Aiken or Camden meet.

Almet Jenks President

Mr. Randolph has agreed to serve as Racing Secretary this winter, giving his entire time to the organization and operation of the meetings. At a meeting of the organization committee held during the past week tentative officers were elected as follows: Almet Jenks, president; Verner Z. Reed, Jr., vice-president; Nelson C. Hyde, secretary and treasurer; N. S. Hurd, steward, and Vivian Slocock, track superintendent. Two additional stewards will be named later, as well as additional vice-presidents. On the organization committee are Messrs. Jenks, Randolph, Hyde, James W. Tufts, and Noel Laing.

To provide funds for launching the new association, for organization extend these services. (Please turn to page 4)

FARM CENSUS TO BEGIN IN STATE ON JANUARY 2D

Moore County in Second District With Headquarters at Lexington

U. S. URGES COOPERATION

Farm census headquarters for the Second Census District of North Carolina have been established at Lexington, according to announcement by Daniel J. Carter, district census supervisor. This district includes the counties of Anson, Davidson, Davie, Hoke, Lee, Montgomery, Moore, Richmond, Scotland, Union, Wilkes and Yadkin.

The actual work of taking the census is scheduled to begin January 2, 1935.

William L. Austin, Director, Bureau of the Census, urges all farmers and ranchers who have not received a sample copy of the schedule to procure one at the earliest possible moment so that they may give careful study to the questions and be prepared to give full and accurate information when the enumerator calls. Copies may be obtained by writing to your district supervisor.

The schedule is divided into eight basic sections comprised of one hundred questions covering practically every phase of the agricultural industry. Of course, every farmer will not have to answer all of these questions, only those pertaining to his particular lines of activity. The questions will cover the calendar year 1934.

The enumerators will make inquiry as to farm tenure; farm acreage, which includes all crop land, all pasture land and all farm (woodland); the total value of the farm; acreage and yield of each of the principal field crops and vegetables; the number of trees and yield of the principal fruits and nuts; number and value of each of livestock; poultry and eggs; and farm population.

Vital Need for Statistics

Director Austin has declared that this is the most significant farm enumeration since the inception of agricultural statistics in 1840, and he earnestly requests the cooperation of all farmers and ranchers to the end that complete and accurate statistics may be procured and tabulated at the earliest possible moment. The unpre- (Please turn to page 8)

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT EMMANUEL CHURCH

Special Christmas services at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Southern Pines, will be a midnight service on Christmas Eve and a service on Christmas Day at eleven in the morning. The service on Christmas Eve will begin with carol singing at a quarter to twelve. The public in general is most cordially invited to attend these services.