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## HORSE RACES OPEN WITH NEW YEAR ON PINEHURST TRACK

### Large Crowd Welcomes Return of Sport of Kings to the Sandhills

### SECOND MEET SATURDAY

After a lapse of many years horse racing returned to the Sandhills on New Year's Day and was welcomed by a large crowd of enthusiasts gathered about the Pinehurst track. This meeting was the first of weekly events to be held throughout the winter on Saturday afternoons. At 2 o'clock tomorrow horses will again face the barrier, with a good program arranged by the racing secretary, P. S. P. Randolph, Jr.

Racing has been revived here by a group of interested persons, horse owners, trainers, steeplechase enthusiasts and others who feel that the horse should be an important factor in the winter life of the Sandhills, and the interest manifested in the opening meeting on Tuesday augurs well for the success of the venture.

June Burbon, chestnut daughter of Prince of Burbon and June Bug, flashed home with a spectacular stretch drive to win The Inaugural, feature event on the Sandhills Steeplechase and Racing Association's opening card on Tuesday.

June Burbon was half a length behind going into the stretch but she nosed out Maple Sue, owned by the McCannless Stable of Salisbury, N. C., by a neck. White Bud was third, a half-length behind, and Harroak, fourth, another length back.

This victory got C. A. Paugh of Dunkirk, N. Y., Burbon's owner, off to a good start, for with jockey Billy McNair up again, he added the second race when his Jimmy McConnell drew away from the field to finish five lengths ahead of Twenty Three.

Jockey Joe Petz matched McNair's double, while Larry Ensor rode the other winner.

### Fast Time Despite Mud

Though the track was still slow from the rain, the speed of the horses was not impaired, good times being hung up in all races. The first race brought the furlongs to their feet in a blanket finish, the first four horses finishing within one length of each other. The winner was June Burbon which beat Maple Sue of the Maple Leaf Farm a head for the main award with White Bud a fast closing third only a neck and a head off the winner. The start was poor with Maple Sue going right to the front with Harroak pressing her to the half-mile ground where he quit to finish next to last. White Bud, off to a poor start, was a fast closing third and appeared to be going fastest of all at the finish. The winner was well handled by McNair, being rated off the fast pace of Maple Sue until well around the lower turn where McNair sent her up on the inside when the leaders went wide, got to the front in the stretch and lated.

Only three paraded to the post for the second event due no doubt to the slow track which prevailed. The winner was Jim McConnell who went to the front at the first turn when Maple Flower ran to the outside fence, and the winner was never in doubt after that, giving a riding double to both Jockey McNair and training honors to C. A. Paugh.

The third race drew four to the post, the winner being E. Petz's Doorkeeper, ridden by his brother, J. Petz. The result was never in doubt, Doorkeeper taking the tap from the drop of the flag was never headed, the only opposition coming from Randolph's Gracias who pressed the winner from start to finish, running a game race to stick it out to be beaten only two lengths. Pinehurst Belle was pulled up after she went five furlongs and Woolrac refused to break.

The fourth issue over the about seven furlong course brought four to the post, the winner being Hot Cake, the property of Frank Frisbie of Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Little time was lost at the post, and the

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## Miss Elva Statler is Bride of Mr. Davidson in Home Wedding

### Daughter of Late E. M. Statler is Married in Residence of the R. P. Davidsons

One of the outstanding events of the season here took place yesterday noon when Miss Elva Idesta Statler, daughter of the late E. M. Statler and Mrs. Statler of Boston, was married to Mr. H. Bradley Davidson, jr., son of the late H. Bradley Davidson and Mrs. Davidson of Washington, D. C.

The ceremony, which was performed in the home of the groom's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Porter Davidson of Washington, was private, after which the couple greeted a large number of guests at a wedding breakfast in the Davidson home starting at 12:30 p. m. The Rev. Dr. Murray S. Howland of Binghamton, N. Y., officiated at the ceremony.

The bride was escorted to the altar by Richard Davidson and was given in marriage by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Milton Howland Statler of Tucson, Arizona. Nat S. Hurd of Pittsburgh and Pinehurst was best man, and Mrs. M. H. Statler the matron of honor. A string quartet of the North Carolina State Symphony Orchestra played the wedding march from "Lohengrin."

The improvised altar was decorated with Madonna lilies and lilies of the valley.

Miss Statler wore a white satin wedding dress with an Elizabethan collar. Her cap was of white net with a collar of orange blossoms. She carried white orchids.

The matron of honor wore a blue taffeta dress made in Empire style, with pleated ruffles, and a blue hat to match. She carried yellow roses.

Miss Statler's going away costume was a gray tailored suit with hat to match, and a topcoat of gray caracul.

Mrs. Davidson is a graduate of Radcliffe College, class of '34. Mr. Davidson attended Cornell University and is a member of the Elk Ridge Club, Baltimore. His sister-in-law, Mrs. R. P. Davidson of Washington, is the former Betty Hanna, granddaughter of the late Mark Hanna.

## Civic Club to Discuss Educational Program

### Vocational Guidance of Boys and Girls Subject for Meeting in January

The Civic Club event of this week will be the bridge luncheon at the Highland Lodge at 1:30 Friday. Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. Greason at the Lodge.

On Friday of next week comes the regular January business meeting at 2:30. This meeting will feature the educational department and there will be an opportunity for general discussion of the topic, "What Can the Civic Club Do to Further the Educational Interests of Southern Pines?"

As a kind of special demonstration along this line, there will be a discussion of the subject, "Vocational Guidance," or "How Can We Guide Our Boys and Girls into Proper Vocations?"

It is expected to have one speaker tell of "Opportunities for Girls in Home Economics" and another talk on "Aviation for Boys."

All parents of high school students are especially invited as well as others interested in education.

### COMMUNITY CHEST HERE IMPRACTICAL CLUB FINDS

Much discussion at Wednesday's meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen resulted in apparent disapproval as impractical of the plan to organize a fund to help the needy here in the Sandhills section. Evidence was introduced to show that such charity chests had not worked out in towns under 25,000 population. The club has gone deeply into the matter here several times, each time bringing in a negative report. Leading the discussion at Wednesday's meeting were Dr. T. A. Cheatham, the Rev. A. J. McKelway and Col. G. P. Hawes.

### Warning

#### Police Will Get You If You Don't Have New 1935 License Plates

Despite warnings, only about 60 percent of the automobile owners of North Carolina have their 1935 license plates, according to word from the Motor Vehicle Bureau of the State Revenue Department at Raleigh.

Warning is issued that State and local police will begin to arrest drivers of cars bearing 1934 license plates within the next few days. Get your new plates at once.

## SPENCE AND CLEGG OFF FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON 9TH

### Moore County's New Senator and Representative to Join Law Makers at Raleigh

### INCREASED REVENUE SEEN

Moore county's newly elected State Senator and Representative, Union L. Spence and W. R. Clegg, respectively, both of Carthage, leave next week for the opening session of the 1935 General Assembly of North Carolina in Raleigh, along with 49 other Senators and 119 Representatives. The scheduled 60-day session opens on January 9th, with more new faces than usual in the two houses, only about 22 of the 50 Senators having had previous experience, and about 44 of the Representatives.

The legislators get \$600 for the session, which is supposed, on former laws to last only 60 days, although there is now no limit. The pay is at the rate of \$10 a day for 60 days, or supposed to be, and longer terms are at the expense of the legislators. The last two sessions have lasted almost five months, two and one-half times as long as expected. Estimates of this session range from 70 to 90 days, a few even hoping to adjourn in 60 days.

But the time is uncertain, as the bulk of the members are new. Apparently few new problems will arise this time, such as the sales tax of last time, and the reorganization of government. The sales tax reenactment is admitted. Just what Governor Ehringhaus will recommend is uncertain. But he probably will not suggest vital or important changes—at least not radical changes that will require long contests to settle.

The two main bills, revenue and appropriations, have been written by the Advisory Budget Commission and will be introduced as they are. It is accepted in about their present form, they should not take so long. If radical changes are made, then it will take longer. It is certain that more social legislation will be considered, such as old-age pensions and unemployment insurance. Just how far they will get is uncertain, and depending some on action by the Congress. The liquor laws are not expected to be raised, unless an effort is made to raise the alcoholic content of beer from 2.3 per cent.

The sales tax is expected to remain, and without the exemptions, which will give probably \$2,000,000 a year more of revenue, and that would give a 10 per cent increase in teachers' salaries, and improved business and resultant tax increase may raise the revenue another million or two, meaning, possibly, a 15 per cent increase in salaries of teachers and State employees.

### BAILEY AND REYNOLDS IN WASHINGTON FOR CONGRESS

Senator Robert R. Reynolds who went to Cuba shortly after the death of his wife in Asheville about two weeks ago, returned to Washington Wednesday in time for the opening of Congress. Senator Bailey also reached Washington Wednesday in time for the conference of Democratic Senators.

## YEGGS CRACK SAFE IN POSTOFFICE AT HEMP, GET LITTLE

### Thieves Pass Up Stamps and Registered Mail, Take \$32 in Cash

### WEST END STORE ROBBED

When the postmaster at Hemp reached the postoffice Monday morning, he found that the place had been entered during the night and the safe blown open. A check-up revealed a shortage of \$32.87. Nothing except cash was taken. The contents of the safe which included stamps to the value of \$150 or \$200 and two registered letters were found lying on the floor near the safe.

Entrance was gained by prying open the front door and an inside door, which the robbers were cautious enough to lock after they had passed through. They used mail pouches on the floor to deaden the sound of the safe door as it fell, and so quietly did they do their work that no one in the community was aware that a safe-cracking was being staged.

Fuller McDuffie, who operates a store near the postoffice building and sleeps in the rear of the store was awakened by footsteps about one o'clock in the night and he heard people talking. At first he thought they had gone to a well at the rear of the building to get some water. A short time later he discovered that an effort was being made to open his rear screen door, but when he moved the prowlers ran away. Mr. McDuffie recalled hearing a noise similar to that made by a slamming door. Having no gun, he did not go out to investigate.

Six or eight dollars' worth of cigarettes, chewing gum and candy was stolen from the barbecue stand of Dunk Blue in Lakeview last Sunday night by a thief who gained entrance by knocking the hinges from the door of the building. Fingerprint Expert L. A. Kelly of the sheriff's office was notified and he found two good prints, but no arrests have been made.

On Christmas eve a thief of thieves broke a plate glass window in the front of the store of Moses McDonald in West End and jimmied the money drawer, making away with a small amount of cash. Nothing else was disturbed. Mr. Kelly was able to get some good pictures of prints left on the glass.

## New Stunts Feature Today's Gymkhana

### Balloon Contest and Fancy Dress Race on Program in Southern Pines

A balloon contest, a fancy dress race and a performance by a trained pony will feature the equestrian gymkhana this Friday, afternoon in the Southern Pines Horse Show ring. In the balloon contest, each contestant will be given a balloon. The riders will dash about the ring, each trying to bust the other's balloon, and the one whose balloon is still intact at the finish will be awarded the prizes.

In the fancy dress race, the contestants will start from one end of the ring, dash on their horses to the other end, dismount, put on the fancy dress clothes awaiting them there, then mount and dash back to the finish line, the first one, properly dressed, to cross the line to be adjudged the winner. There's a trained pony in town that does all kinds of tricks and it will show its stuff during the afternoon. Then there'll be the usual potato race, possibly a few other races, and the usual number of jumping events with more than the usual number of entries.

Today's gymkhana bids fair to be the most exciting and amusing of the series so far. It is open to all, without charge, whether you want to enter as a contestant or sit in your car around the ringside and enjoy the manouvers of the others.

The Southern Pines Thistle Club is having a bridge party following its business meeting at 2:30 tomorrow, Saturday, afternoon at the Country Club, to which all interested are invited.

### Life Begins at 80

#### Four Whose Ages Total 337 Years Enjoy Dinner Party at Vass Home

There were dinner parties and dinner parties during the holiday season, but the most interesting one of which we have heard was the one given on Thursday of last week at the home of Moses Morrison and his wife, Josie McAllister Morrison, a respected colored couple of Vass, who entertained for ten of their oldest friends, four of whom are octogenarians whose combined ages total 337 years. Several younger folks were present to assist in the serving.

Josie is an experienced cook, having worked in various homes in this section and in the north, and her dinner was well planned and expertly prepared.

The oldest guest present was "Uncle" Ed Tyler, 88 years old, and next in order was Josie's mother, "Aunt" Mary McAllister, who was eighty-four last August. "Uncle" Basil McKeithen, 84 last October, was next in line and "Uncle" Dave McAllister, Josie's father, the "baby octogenarian" as to both size and age, can boast of only 81 years. The remaining six, most of whom are in their sixties, were Ella Barnes, Charity McKeithen, Ella Womack, Henderson and Fannie Lassiter and Robert Jones.

It is needless to say that this day will stand second only to "Old Slave Day" in the memory of these older citizens to whom this delightful courtesy was shown.

## Miss Eleanor Adams New Year's Day Bride

### Southern Pines Girl Becomes Wife of Robert B. Morris of Greensboro

Miss Eleanor Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Adams of Southern Pines, and Robert Boyd Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Morris of Greensboro were married at the home of the bride's parents on Tuesday, New Year's Day, before a large number of local and out of town guests.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a gown of brown silk crepe with small brown hat and short veil. A shoulder corsage of gardenias and talisman roses completed the costume. The Rev. J. Fred Stimson, pastor of the Baptist Church, performed the ceremony, using the ring service. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Alberta Adams, and the groom had as best man his father, Frederick Stanley Smith played the wedding march and the bride's father sang "Because," by Guy D'Hardelot.

After the ceremony an informal reception was held, and after cutting of the wedding cake by the bride the young couple left on a short wedding trip after which they will make their home in Greensboro.

Mrs. Morris, after graduation from Southern Pines High School, attended the Women's College of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, taking a course in business and stenography, since which time she has been a secretary in the George C. Brown Lumber Company. Mr. Morris, a Davidson alumnus who won letters in three sports during his college career, is connected with the Mayfair Cafeteria in Greensboro.

## Aberdeen Woman Held, Charges Manslaughter

### Miss Louise Hinson to Face Superior Court as Result of Fatal Auto Accident

Miss Louise Hinson of Aberdeen was on Monday in Recorder's Court bound to Superior Court under bond of \$200 on a manslaughter charge as a result of an accident occurring on Christmas even in which Bob Kelly, colored, was fatally injured when struck by an automobile said to have been driven by Miss Hinson. Kelly died Tuesday morning in the Moore County Hospital. Another Negro, Shelton Russell, was badly injured. The accident occurred about 10:30 p. m. at Hillcrest on Route 75 between Carthage and Pinehurst.

## JOHN HEWITT, 17, KILLED BY AUTO IN SOUTHERN PINES

### Postal Messenger Boy, on Bicycle, Hit by Station Wagon Near Center of Town

### FUNERAL THIS AFTERNOON

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 o'clock this Friday, afternoon at the Southern Pines Baptist Church for John Vernon Hewitt, 17 years old, who was killed in an unfortunate accident in Southern Pines on New Year's night. Young Hewitt was struck by a car driven by Thomas Morrison, son of Robert G. Morrison of Knollwood. The Rev. J. Fred Stimson will officiate at the church and the services to follow in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

According to reports of witnesses, the car, a station wagon, was proceeding northward on South West Broad Street. Young Hewitt, a messenger boy of the Postal Telegraph Company, was riding his bicycle in the same direction when the accident occurred near the intersection of Broad Street and Massachusetts Avenue. Young Morrison is reported to have stated he saw the youth just before he was struck and blew his horn to warn him of his approach and that young Hewitt turned his head to look backward and in doing so pulled his bicycle into the path of the oncoming automobile.

The boy's body was found about 40 yards from the spot where it appeared to have been struck by the car, and was about ten yards beyond the station wagon which was overturned, according to Morrison's story, in an attempt to avoid hitting the boy. The bicycle was some 8 or 10 feet farther along.

Some who viewed the scene of the accident shortly after it occurred were of the opinion that the car must have been traveling at a high rate of speed. Others were inclined to believe the momentum of the bicycle might have been at least partly responsible for the distance the body was apparently carried.

Young Morrison summoned help as quickly as he could after he had extricated himself from the overturned car and a doctor was soon on the scene but young Hewitt died before the ambulance arrived. Morrison received a severe cut on the hand and appeared to be suffering a great deal from shock, and was apparently much distressed by the accident.

After sessions both on Tuesday and Wednesday nights the jury failed to fix responsibility for the tragedy, reporting that:

"We, the following jury, find that John Hewitt came to his death by being hit by an automobile while driven by one Thomas Morrison, III. Such automobile being driven at a speed in excess of the speed limit of the Town of Southern Pines, N. C."

Late yesterday the Coroner ordered young Morrison held for appearance Monday in Recorder's Court in Carthage.

## Spies Citizens Organize Old Age Pension Club

### More Than 100 Persons in Upper Moore Section Support Townsend Plan

About 150 citizens of Spies and the surrounding community met at the Spies School at Spies, December 18th, and organized an old age pension club known as the Townsend Revolving Old Age Pension Club. The following officers were elected: President, W. J. Baldwin; vice-president, C. V. Comer; secretary and treasurer, W. P. Hancock; assistant secretary and treasurer, E. J. Freeman; membership committee, J. T. Smith, C. F. Monroe, G. W. Robinson, D. D. Monroe, Charles Dunlap, J. F. Garner and W. T. Brown.

The club was organized with 55 charter members ranging in age from 60 to 95 years, and the membership is expected to be increased to 100 or more soon.

The object of this organization is to recommend to the next session of Congress to adopt a nation-wide Old Age Pension Law to apply to persons 60 years of age and over.