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## Southern Pines Looks For the Greatest Season in its History

### HORSE IS RAPIDLY BECOMING KING IN SANDHILL SECTION

Steeplechase Races in March Feature Event of Winter Season Here

#### THREE PACKS OF HOUNDS

The Horse is rapidly becoming king in the Sandhills. Old Dobbin is giving the game of golf a close race for top honors in interest among the large seasonal population, and each season sees more and more stables brought here for the winter, more events in which the horse plays his part to thrill participant and spectator.

Some 5,000 persons witnessed the first race meeting of the Sandhills Steeplechase & Racing Association on its new course on the Midland Road, between Southern Pines and Pinehurst, last March. They saw three exciting races, two over brush fences, one over stalwart timber. They saw one of America's famed steeplechasers, Charioteer, entered by Mrs. Jackson H. Boyd of Southern Pines and ridden by Richard Wallach, well known amateur rider, come into possession of the Sandhills Cup, donated by Mrs. Verner Z. Reed, Jr., of Pinehurst, after a close and thrilling two mile gallop over timber, with Noel Laing on Mrs. T. H. Somerville's Oliver C leading until the final stretch. They saw Governor Enninghaus of North Carolina present the trophy at the close of a memorable opening day for the new race course.

This race meeting will be repeated this coming March, over the same course but much improved since its christening. The groundwork has been laid for one of the finest steeplechase courses in the country, and each year is expected to see more of the leading steeplechase horses of America competing in the Sandhills meet. The definite date for the 1936 meeting has not been set, but it will come along in March.

#### Frequent Gymkhanas

The gymkhana events, held in Southern Pines in the new horse show ring and in the Carolina Hotel ring in Pinehurst on alternate weeks, create great interest and furnish much excitement throughout the winter. Men, women, boys and girls, all ages and sizes, take part in the potato races, the broomstick polo games, the costume stunts on horseback and the jumping events on the program at each of these gymkhanas, and there's fun for everyone. The first of these events will be held on Thanksgiving Day at Pinehurst, to be followed the following Friday afternoon at Southern Pines. The gymkhanas are free to all, participant and spectator alike.

Southern Pines takes much interest in the Moore County Hounds, a pack maintained here by James and Jackson Boyd. This pack hunts the country in the vicinity of town on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays from Thanksgiving until March. Hunting with these hounds is by invitation only. Another organized pack in the Sandhills is that of Mr. and Mrs. Verner Z. Reed, Jr., of Pinehurst, also an invitation hunt. Lloyd Tate of Pinehurst maintains a pack which hunts fox during the winter season, these hunts being open to those riding from any of the riding stables in either town.

The Sandhills is covered with picturesque bridle trails and riders dot the landscape throughout the season. It is ideal country for the horse, many prominent owners of important stables sending their mounts here to winter. More horses winter in and about Southern Pines and Pinehurst than in any other section of the Carolinas.

#### SHUFFLEBOARD

Tournaments will be held weekly throughout the winter season on the Municipal Park grounds. Open to all.

### Over Brush in the Inaugural Meeting of the Sandhills Steeplechase



Noel Laing of Southern Pines on Fairy Lore and Lyman Wright of Aiken, S. C., on Dock Light neck and neck over one of the huge brush jumps during the race meeting of the Sandhills Steeplechase & Racing Association here last March. Carroll K. Bassett of Camden, S. C., on Muskoguee in background about to jump.

### BUSY SEASON OF SPORTS OF ALL KINDS SCHEDULED

#### P. G. A. Golf Tourney and Steeplechase Race Meeting Feature 1936 Program

The busiest season of sports in history is promised for Southern Pines this winter, with a newly scheduled Open Golf tournament sponsored by the Professional Golfers' Association and the second annual race meeting of the Sandhills Steeplechase & Racing Association featuring the program.

Golf, tennis, roque, shuffleboard, baseball, horses racing and gymkhana events make up the schedule which opens with an equestrian gymkhana the first week of December.

There are numerous golf tournaments in addition to the events which will bring leading professionals of the country here in March; various tourneys will be held at the Mid-Pines Club and over the Pine Needles course as well as at the Southern Pines Country Club. College teams from institutions of North Carolina will be seen in action on the tennis courts and baseball diamond.

The schedule, tentative at this date, shows the following events in various sports for the season:

#### GOLF

##### At Country Club

Saturday, January 5—New Year's Handicap, 18 holes medal play.

Saturday, February 15—St. Valentine's Sweepstakes, 18 holes Handicap Medal play.

Saturday, February 22—Washington's Birthday Flag Tournament, 18 holes handicap.

Saturday, February 29—Leap Year Kickers Handicap, 18 holes Medal Play.

Saturday, March 7—Spring Sweepstakes, 18 holes Medal Play Handicap.

Saturday, March 14—March Sweepstakes Handicap, 18 holes Match Play against Par.

Monday, March 23—P. G. A. Open Tournament to be announced later.

Wednesday, Thursday, April 1 and 2—Eighth Annual Women's Mid-

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### Prosperity No Longer Just Around Corner; It is Here

Fear, Fifty Percent of All Depressions, is Passing, Says Struthers Burt

By Struthers Burt

No one knows how a major depression begins or why it ends. The factors involved are too complicated and too elusive, and often, on the surface at least, too self-contradictory, and the spirals of the descending and deflated balloon are too vague and giddy for any human mind, however well informed, to trace. To say that the depression from which we are emerging, from which, as a matter of fact, we have already emerged, was due to the waste of the war is not enough. To say that it was due to post-war over-expansion; to financial athlete's chest; to Wall Street; to the inherent human mania for gambling; or any one of half a dozen other contributing causes is not enough either. It is like saying that a hurricane starts by a whirl of wind in the Caribbean. A hurricane does start by a whirl of wind in the Caribbean, just as a forest-fire starts because of a carelessly thrown match, or a flash of lightning, but back of both the whirl of wind and the careless match, or where the forest-fire is concerned, the lightning, are the wide and unknown sky and a multitude of conflicting air currents, or what foresters know as "fire conditions." The roots of a major depression probably start to take hold long before the generations which suffer the major depressions are born. I, for one, believe that among the strongest of these roots has been our reckless, ruthless, drunken handling of the land.

But about every depression three things do stand out fairly clearly: first, that economists in reality know nothing, and that political economy if it is anything is a purely experimental art and not a science; second, that all depressions in time cure themselves; third, that fifty percent of all depressions is fear. Fear that grows like a snowball; fear that runs on the ground like a prairie fire; fear that burrows underground like a million blind, but squeaking moles. Fear that feeds upon itself and produces that curious dreadful inner stagnation.

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### Sees Hurricane Over



STRUTHERS BURT

### Advertising Campaign For U. S. No. 1 Route

#### Association Launches Extensive Program to Keep Tourist on Famous Highway

The U. S. Highway No. 1 Association, of which Dr. L. B. McBrayer and D. D. Shields Cameron of Southern Pines are officers, is embarking this year upon its most extensive program. General headquarters have been established in Sanford, where the president, R. L. Burns, resides, and from there literature will be broadcast throughout the country outlining the attractions of this Main to Florida route for tourist travel. Both the radio and newspapers are to be used in advertising.

U. S. No. 1 is the main artery of motor traffic through Southern Pines, and its use means much to this section. With so many competing North-South routes the association has found it necessary to keep No. 1 in the mind of the traveler that the towns along the famous highway may get their fair share of the tourist dollar.

### Mid-South's Popular Resort Ready and Awaiting the Northern Invasion

#### At a Glance

Southern Pines has a Commission form of government with D. G. Stutz, Mayor; H. F. Burns, Clerk-Treasurer. Commissioners: E. C. Stevens, George W. Case, Dr. L. M. Daniels, L. V. O'Callaghan, Charles S. Patch. Chief of Police, J. A. Gargis. Chief of Fire Department, L. V. O'Callaghan. Tax Collector, Mrs. J. H. Tilghman.

#### Civic Bodies

Chamber of Commerce—H. J. Betterley president; D. D. Shields Cameron, secretary. Southern Pines Civic Club—Miss Mary Adaline Cook, president; Mrs. H. W. Gage, secretary. Aberdeen Kiwanis Club—Willard L. Dunlop, president; Herbert D. Vail secretary. Pinehurst and Aberdeen included in this club. All-States Association, D. H. Turner, president.

#### Churches

Emmanuel Episcopal, First Baptist, Church of Wide Fellowship, Roman Catholic, Christian Science and Presbyterian Mission. For hours of services see elsewhere in this issue.

#### Schools

Southern Pines Public School, high and graded. Frank Webster principal, with 15 teachers and an enrollment of 500. The Ark, a private school with Mrs. M. A. Hayes, principal. Southern Pines School for Girls, a private school, Miss Valene Doucher, principal. The Home School, kindergarten, first and second grades, Miss Laura M. Jenks, principal.

#### Library

Mrs. Nelle S. Fisher, Librarian. Hours 10:00 a. m. to 12 M. and 2:00 to 5:00 p. m. daily except Sunday.

#### Banks

Citizens Bank and Trust Company, N. L. Hodgkins, Cashier. Hours 9 to 2; Saturday, 9 to 12.

#### Railroad Schedule

##### Northbound

The New York-Florida Limited, Train 192 for Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York leaves Southern Pines 7:19 p. m.

The Robert E. Lee, Train 6, for Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York leaves Southern Pines 10:17 p. m.

##### Southbound

The Southern States Special, Train 107—The Cotton States Special, Train 107-9, for Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville, Miami, Tampa, St. Petersburg and other Florida points, also for Athens, Atlanta, Birmingham, and the West leaves Southern Pines 10:17 p. m.

The New York-Florida Limited, Train 191, for Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Miami and other Florida points leaves Southern Pines 11:03 a. m.

The Robert E. Lee, Train 5, for Athens, Atlanta, Birmingham, Memphis with excellent connections for the West and Southwest leaves Southern Pines 7:06 a. m.

#### Postoffice

Mails in boxes at Postoffice: From the North, 8:00 a. m., 12:00 M., 8:30 P. M.; From the South: 8:00 a. m., 12:00 m.

Mails close at postoffice: For the North: 10:30 a. m., 6:00 p. m., 9:00 p. m.; For the South: 6:00 p. m., 9:00 p. m.

General Delivery window opens at 8:00 a. m., closes at 6:00 p. m.

Note: If 7:30 p. m. train from the north is over one hour late the mail will not be distributed until the following morning.

#### ROQUE

Tournaments will be held weekly throughout the winter season on the courts of the Southern Pines Men's Club. Open to all.

#### FAMED FOR ITS BEAUTY

Sports Program Includes Golf Tournaments, Horse Racing and Gymkhanas, Tennis and Less Active Pastimes For Old and Young.—Hotels, Cottages Filling Up.

By Howard F. Burns

Southern Pines and the Sandhills are preparing for what is expected to be the busiest winter in many years. With improved business conditions about the country the minds of people are turning again to winter vacations, and the attractions of the Mid-South will lure thousands here to enjoy the pleasurable activities of the mild winter months.

Cottages are already filling up, and the hotels reporting many guests and unusually heavy booking, from the coming holidays on through April.

As each year passes Southern Pines is becoming more widely known for its beauty, its grassy parkways and abundance of green shrubbery. The city fathers have taken great pride in keeping the streets clean and free from the trash and rubbish found in so many places. It is recognized as one of the most beautiful spots in the Carolinas. Winter planting has reached its highest peak here, and the blossoms of the dogwood in springtime are compared to the apple blossoms of the Shenandoah Valley or the cherry blossoms of Washington. The town is surrounded with forests of virgin pine. Mother Nature is in her splendor and the lover of the great outdoors enjoys the singing of birds as well as the beauty of the woodlands.

Southern Pines is considered by the traveling public as one of the principal winter resorts of the South. Its location on the main line of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, halfway between New York and Florida, and within one night of the principal cities of the East, is one of its distinct advantages. Federal Highway One, the all-paved route from the North to the South, is the main artery of travel this season. The highway runs within two blocks of the center of town.

#### Winter Golfing Center

Located in the heart of the foremost golfing center in the country, Southern Pines has two country clubs and four golf courses. The Southern Pines Country Club, located on the east side of town, has one eighteen-hole and one nine-hole course. These are two of the prettiest courses to be found anywhere. On the west side of town is the spacious Mid-Pines Country Club and Inn with one eighteen-hole course which is one of the trickiest in the Sandhills. This year the Pine Needles Inn is again open and its excellent 18-hole course in perfect condition. Only five miles away is the Pinehurst Country Club with four very beautiful courses. Here in the Sandhills the nation's golf stars gather for various tournaments during each winter season. It was here that George T. Dunlap, Jr., former national champion, learned the game.

The horse takes no small part in the resort life in the Sandhills. It is said by leading horsemen that the mild climate and sandy soil make it an ideal spot for all kinds of horse events. The woods are dotted with scenic trails and here and there is to be found the old rail fence. Hunting of all kinds is attracting wide attention. James and Jackson Boyd maintain a private pack of foxhounds here and their friends hunt with them three times a week during the winter. The Chamber of Commerce and the town have recently completed a gymkhana field located on the athletic grounds and equestrian events will be held throughout the winter. The first of the events on the calendar is scheduled for early (Please turn to page 8)