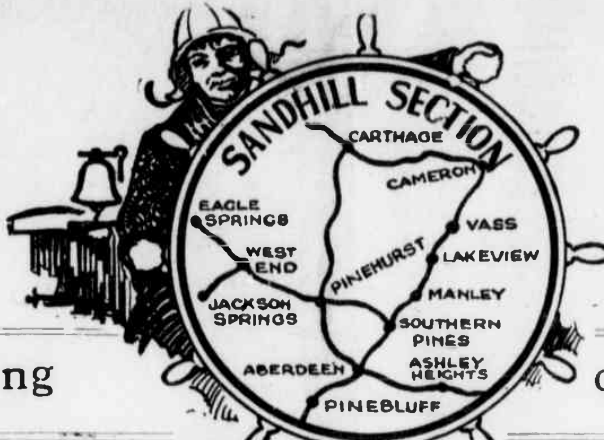


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RECORD CROWD AT SOUTHERN PINES C. OF C. BANQUET

Homer H. Johnson Calls for More
Flexible Government in Talk
Before 274 Persons

1937 DIRECTORS ELECTED

The Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce had the largest crowd in its history at its 15th annual banquet on Tuesday night in the Pine Needles Inn. The count of guests showed 274 present, which is also said to be a record for the Pine Needles. The affair was a great success.

During dinner, the Club Chalfonte orchestra, thoughtfully provided for the occasion by Karl Andrews, supplied the music Jean Williams and Helen Cameron, two of Ruth Thompson's dancing school pupils entertained the gathering with an eccentric couple dance. They were followed by a piano duet featuring Miss Steigal and Frederick Stanley Smith.

After dinner President Shields Cameron turned the affair over to Master of Ceremonies Charlie Picquet who introduced several out-of-town visitors and then called on S. Y. Ramage and George T. Dunlap, Sr., to take a bow for their part in making the premises available for the banquet.

Attorney Robert Denny then gave voice to the now famous local slogan embodying the spirit of the "Three Musketeers," Carthage, Aberdeen, Southern Pines and Pinehurst, one for all and all for one — "The Sandhilleers."

The business meeting was cut short out of deference to the guests but Treasurer Hugh Betterly got one of the biggest laughs of the evening when he reported a balance of \$16.92 as of January 1st, 1937. "We took in a little money last year," he said, "and we spent it all."

Mrs. Picquet and Mrs. A. J. McKelway offered a vocal duet and the crowd wouldn't let them go until they had obliged with an encore.

C. J. Simons electrical "public address" system, which he donated for the occasion, made it possible for everyone to hear plainly all the musical numbers and speeches.

Homer H. Johnson, of Cleveland, Ohio, the speaker of the evening, surveyed the present world situation and told his audience that whereas

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Miss Meade Seawell Civic Club Speaker

Will Talk on "Poetry" at Program
Meeting Today; Bridge
January 22nd

The Civic Club of Southern Pines invites all visitors and residents of Southern Pines to its program meeting and tea this, Friday, afternoon at 3:00 o'clock in the clubhouse. Miss Meade Seawell of Carthage and Washington, D. C., will be the speaker, "Poetry" being her subject and favorite interest. Miss Valerie Deuschler of the girls school of cooperstown, N. Y., and Southern Pines, will sing a group of songs, accompanied by Mrs. N. L. Hodgkins. Miss Deuschler has already won the musicians with her beautiful soprano voice and the joy of sharing her talent is a privilege to Civic Club members and guests. A decided note of interest will be added by Ruth Chester, talented young daughter of Dr. P. J. Chester, who will play a piano group. Tea will be served at 4:30 o'clock.

On Friday, the 22nd of January Mrs. J. H. Andrews will generously open her home on the Raeford Road for a bridge tea for the Civic Club treasury. Tables are four dollars but must be reserved in advance as no tickets will be sold at the door. All are invited and may give their names to Miss Florence Campbell or by telephone to Mrs. E. McNeill, and tickets will be sent them. Tea will be served at four o'clock and a limited number who do not play cards may come for tea by reservation.

Library Plans Reading Club At Enthusiastic Annual Meeting

To Broaden Usefulness of Organization; Officers and New Trustees Elected

The annual meeting of the Southern Pines Library was held on Monday afternoon at 5:00 o'clock, directly following the regular monthly meeting of the trustees. It was very gratifying to officers of the association to find that attendance from members at large was greater this year than has been usual heretofore, and that plans and policies for the further extension of the usefulness of the library were more freely and more generally discussed. Among the suggestions made from the floor was that for the organization of a reading club, to be sponsored by the library. Plans for this are still tentative; further announcements will be made later.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, E. C. Stevens; first vice-president, Struthers Burt; Second Vice-President, Mrs. J. C. Musser; Third Vice-President, F. Craighill Brown; Secretary, Mrs. James Swett; Treasurer, Mrs. Maria B. Walker. Dr. E. Levis Prizer, A. B. Yeomans and Ruth Burr Sanborn were re-elected as trustees, and three new members were added to the board: Mrs. William C. Mudgett, Mrs. Norris L. Hodgkins and Miss Birdilia Bair.

Encouraging Reports

The annual reports from the librarian and the chairmen of standing committees were on the whole encouraging. During 1936 attendance was 5,138, and circulation 7,914 volumes; these figures compare favorably with the record of former years, with the single exception of 1929-30, when the library, in common with other things, reached the peak of its prosperity. In the past year 263 volumes have been added to the shelves, either by donation or by purchase; and two additional gifts, totaling approximately 320 volumes, have just been received, too recently for the cataloguing to have been as yet completed. Membership was 226; of this number 10 were patrons, and 58 sustaining members. All memberships, of course, automatically expired on January 1, 1937. Thus far renewals have been coming in satisfactorily, and there is reason to hope that this year will see a substantial increase in the total membership. The library serves members from Carthage, Pinehurst, Aberdeen, Pinebluff and Eagle Springs, as well as from Knollwood and Southern Pines.

All this is excellent so far as it goes. But it does not, of course, go nearly far enough. The activities of the library are constantly curtailed by insufficient funds. The balance in the treasury is low. The cost of maintenance is high. The association needs new members. It needs new books. It needs new sources of revenue. It needs most of all the thoughtful interest and wise support of every member of the community; those who read, and those who would be glad to see the opportunity for reading extended to others.

New Book List

The list of books for purchase submitted this month by the book committee to the trustees is itself a case in point. This list, as finally revised downward to fit the budget, comprises 16 volumes, equally divided between fiction and non-fiction: "A Prayer for My Son" by Hugh Walpole, "Of Lena Geyer" by Marcia Davenport, "Laughing Gas" by P. G. Wodehouse, "The Late George Apley" by J. P. Marquand, "Shining Scabbard" by R. C. Hutchinson, "Dancer in the Dark" by Mignon G. Eberhart, "Call It Accident" by Marie Belloc Lowndes, "The Dogs Do Bark" by Jonathan Staggs, "Glass Flowers" by Donald Parson, "We and They" by Hamilton Fish Armstrong, "Behind the Spanish Barricades" by John Langdon-Davies, the Autobiography of G. K. Chesterton, Tolstoy's "War and Peace," "The Return to Religion" by Henry C. Link, "A Fool Hath Said" by Beverly Nichols, and the new edition of the Bible, "to be read as living literature," arranged

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New Submarine

You are Invited to Inspect
Uncle Sam's Newest and
Best at Wilmington.

The U. S. S. Perch, commanded by Lieutenant G. C. Crawford, former officer in charge of navy recruiting in North and South Carolina, will be in Wilmington, N. C., from the 16th to the 19th of January. The public is urged to take this opportunity to visit the newest and best equipped submarine in the U. S. Navy. Visiting hours are from 1:00 p. m. to 4:00 p. m. daily. The U. S. S. Perch was launched on May 9, 1936, and at present is on a shakedown cruise. Following the completion of this the boat will be given a final check and then report for duty with the U. S. fleet.

Lieutenant Crawford was detached from the officer in charge of navy recruiting in the two Carolinas in May, 1936, and took command of the submarine immediately.

RUNAWAY HORSES IMPERIL CARTHAGE SCHOOL CHILDREN

Mad Dash Through Town Halted
By Collision With
Automobile

During the noon hour Tuesday when numbers of school children were on the streets, a team of frightened horses dashed driverless up the main thoroughfare of Carthage, coming to a halt only after they had taken opposite sides of a parked automobile and rammed the wagon tongue through the rear window and between the lining and top to the front of the Chevrolet coach, forcing it across the sidewalk and against the brick front of the Seawell building, directly opposite the court house. Three children passing at the instant had a narrow escape from injury.

The pop of escaping steam at Spencer's planing mill started the team, which belong to John Kelly of Carthage, on its wild race. Passing the Ford place, the wagon struck an automobile and careened precariously, but the horses dragged it on.

The automobile which finally halted the runaway belongs to Cortis Thomas of near Vass. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Miss Jessie Thomas had driven to the county seat, but, fortunately, were not in the car at the time of the accident. Damage to the car consisted chiefly of the broken glass and torn lining. The horses received minor cuts.

Had the accident occurred a few feet to the right or left, it would have been much more serious as the plate glass front of the Jones' Department Store was to the right and that of the A. & P. Store to the left, in the same building. The car was knocked directly against the doorway leading to the second floor, where are located the offices of several prominent professional men of the town.

Mrs. P. P. McCain May Succeed Mrs. Spillman

Prominently Mentioned for Vice-
Chairman of Democratic
Executive Committee

Reports in local Democratic circles are to the effect that Mrs. P. P. McCain, wife of Dr. McCain, superintendent of the State Sanatorium near here and a daughter of Dr. L. B. McBrayer of Southern Pines may succeed Mrs. J. B. Spillman of Greenville as vice chairman of the State Democratic committee. It is said that Mrs. McCain has agreed to allow her name to be presented to the committee for consideration. Mrs. Spillman recently resigned to accept a position with the new State Unemployment commission.

KIWANIS TO WORK ON NEW LEISURE & SANDHILLEERS

Picquet Names Two New Standing
Committees To Carry Out
Special 1937 Projects

WOULD UNIFY SANDHILLS

To carry out effectively two projects it has selected for features of its 1937 program, the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen has added two standing committees to its list, as revealed by the committee appointments announced this week by President Charles W. Picquet.

One of these committees, called "The Sandhilleers," has the problem of bringing about a greater degree of cooperation and friendly relations between the towns of the Sandhills in the interest of the whole community. It came about through a talk made before the club recently by Attorney Robert Denny of Pinehurst, who called for some agency to tackle the proposition under the banner of the Three Musketeers. "All for one, one for all." As the only county-wide civic organization here, the Kiwanis Club has taken upon itself the task. Ralph Chandler heads the committee.

The other new committee is one recommended by Kiwanis International known as "The New Leisure" committee. This is the outgrowth of conditions which brought about the New Deal and shorter hours, and has for its aim the providing of useful and healthful pursuits and recreations to fill these leisure hours. The international body is making a thorough study of how best to meet this problem, and the local club will be governed in carrying out its program largely by the recommendations of the parent body. The Rev. J. Fred Stimson of Southern Pines is the International member of the new committee for this Kiwanis district, and also chairman of the local committee.

Committee assignments for 1937, announced Wednesday by Mr. Picquet, were as follows:

Agriculture—W. L. Dunlop, chairman; L. E. Pender, Dr. R. P. Shepard, J. M. Taylor and O. H. Stutts.

Attendance—R. L. Hart, chairman; R. P. Shepard, H. W. Dorn, Chan Page, Leo Fuller and A. Montesanti. Inter-Club Relations—Dr. E. M. Medlin, chairman; W. G. McAvoy, J. T. Overton, George Rose, C. Fexford Raymond, S. Don Sherrerd.

Kiwanis Education—C. Rexford Raymond, chairman; W. G. McAvoy, J. Fred Stimson, S. Don Sherrerd.

Membership & Classification—H. G. McElroy, chairman; H. F. Burns, E. W. Reinecke, O. L. Seymour, O. H. Stutts.

Music—Frederick Stanley Smith, chairman; R. P. Shepard, W. L. Dunlop.

New Leisure—J. Fred Stimson, chairman; Paul Dana, Leo Fuller, G. P. Hawes, W. D. Matthews.

Public Affairs—E. C. Stevens, chairman; Paul Dana, R. L. Chandler, P. T. Kelsey, W. E. Overcash, J. Vance Rowe, James Schwartz.

Roads—G. P. Hawes, chairman; R. L. Hart, H. F. Seawell, J. Talbot Johnson.

Sandhilleers—R. L. Chandler, chairman; J. C. Musser, Willard Dunlop, O. L. Seymour, H. F. Seawell. Underprivileged Child—Louis Scheppers, chairman; J. C. Musser, C. J. McDonald, E. M. Medlin, Edwin McKeithen.

Vocational Guidance—J. M. Howarth, chairman; W. T. Ives, P. T. Kelsey, J. Vance Rowe, James Schwartz.

Program—R. L. Chandler, chairman; J. M. Howarth, H. F. Seawell, Sr., O. H. Stutts.

BIBLE STUDY CLUB TO MEET NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT

A Bible Study Club under the auspices of the Pilgrim Fellowship Forum will start next Friday night, January 22, at 8:00 p. m. at No. 6 S. Bennett street. The book studied will be the Fourth Gospel and the teacher will be Dr. C. Rexford Raymond. Young people of all ages are especially invited.

Honor For Page



HENRY A. PAGE, III

Henry A. Page III, of Aberdeen,
Rhodes Scholar at Oxford,
Wins Prize.

Henry A. Page, III, of Aberdeen, son of Henry A. Page, Jr., and great-nephew of the late Walter Hines Page, war-time ambassador to Great Britain, is adding distinction to a name already well-known in England.

It has just been announced by Church college, Oxford, where Page is a Rhodes scholar, that he had been awarded the Boutler Exhibition in Philosophy, Politics and Economics, carrying with it a prize of \$200.

The award is given for the highest marks in the practice examinations which are taken annually by the 25 or 30 undergraduates of Christ college who are studying for the Bachelor of Arts degree in "Modern Greats," the Oxford term for the course in philosophy, politics and economics. The Boutler Exhibition was won last year by another Rhodes scholar, H. G. Skilling of Toronto.

Page was graduated from Princeton university in 1935, and is now in the second year of his Rhodes scholarship.

National Youth Help Outlined to Kiwanis

Dr. Cutter of Raleigh, State Administrator, Tells Club How
It Can Help.

Human erosion is at least as important as natural erosion, and should be given as much attention, Dr. Walter Cutter of Raleigh, National Youth Administration chairman for North Carolina, said in setting forth the reasons for the government's youth movement in a talk before the Kiwanis club in the Methodist Sunday School building in Aberdeen yesterday noon. After outlining the purposes of the movement, Dr. Cutter went on to tell what is being accomplished in the state, and what an organization like the Kiwanis club can do to help the cause along.

He told of financial aid for college students, permitting promising young men to continue their education; of work projects, providing employment for sons of relief families—"job qualifying work to get them started"; of vocational guidance work, and of accordance of help and counsel toward making better citizens of the rising generation, the improving of their surroundings, halting of delinquency, providing healthy physical outlets. In many of these lines the Kiwanis club, which recently voted to sponsor the work in this county, can be of the greatest assistance, he said.

B. VON HERFF WILL FILED

A copy of the will of Baldwin von Herff, who died in Austria on August 8 of last year, has been filed for probate in the office of the clerk of the court of Moore county. The will is written in German, but has an English translation attached. The estate, the value of which is not given, is left to near relatives of the deceased.

NOEL LAING CUP FOR RACE MEET IN MARCH ORDERED

Trophy in Memory of Late Secretary of Sandhills Ass'n.
To Be Permanent One

COMPETED FOR ANNUALLY

The Noel Laing Memorial Cup, to be competed for at the meeting of the Sandhills Steeplechase and Racing Association on the Barber Memorial Course on the Midland Road on Saturday, March 13th next, has been ordered in New York by Verner Z. Reed, Jr., president of the association, it was announced this week. This trophy in memory of the late well known gentleman rider and secretary of the Sandhills association, will be competed for in one of the feature brush races. The name of the winning horse each year will be engraved on the trophy, and a piece of plate awarded the winning owner.

Former application for approval of March 13th as the date for holding the annual Sandhills meeting has been sent to the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association, to be acted upon at the meeting of its stewards early in February. As no other race meeting is scheduled for that time, the approval is expected. The meet here will inaugurate the hunt racing season, and will be followed by the Carolina Cup meeting at Camden, S. C., two weeks later.

The card here this spring will be similar to that of last year, with one timber race, two brush races, one hurdle race and one flat race. With numerous horses in training here, and more than ever reported at Camden, the events are expected to fill satisfactorily. The National association will have charge of the entries and running of the local meeting.

Col. George P. Hawes, secretary of the Sandhill association, said yesterday that he would begin taking reservations for parking spaces as soon as letters had been mailed out to all former members and subscribers to the meeting here. These letters are in the hands of the printer and will be ready next week, it was stated.

Plans are being made for a large dinner-dance the night of the race meeting.

Murder Cases To Be Tried Here Next Week

Judge Warlick Presiding Over
Criminal Term of Superior
Court at Carthage

Judge Wilson Warlick will preside over the January or "Big Term" of criminal court which will convene in Carthage on Monday next week, and a full calendar of important cases awaits him.

Toy Nall, who was sentenced to death in the gas chamber for the murder of his sweetheart, Geneva Crabtree, and who was granted a new trial by the Supreme Court last month, is scheduled for a hearing on Wednesday. It is thought that an effort will be made to have the penalty reduced to life imprisonment.

Several murder, manslaughter and first degree burglary cases are on the calendar.

PROGRAM ANNOUNCED FOR FRIDAY GYMKHANA HERE

J. Fred Stimson, chairman of the Southern Pines Gymkhana committee, announced yesterday afternoon the progress for the Gymkhana to be held at the Southern Pines Riding Ring this afternoon, starting at 3:00 o'clock.

The order of events will be as follows:

1. Musical Stalls, open to all—best described as "Going to Jerusalem" on horseback.
2. Amateur Jumping event, with a new arrangement of jumps to follow the courses prescribed for the National Horse Show.
3. Water Race.
4. Open Jumping Event.
5. Overall Race (or tilting, this event still undecided.)
6. Potato Race.