

RECEIVERSHIP SUGGESTED FOR TOWN OF VASS

Group of Citizens File Complaint in Office of Clerk of Court at Carthage

TO BE HEARD THIS TERM

Several citizens of Vass in a complaint filed in the office of the Moore county Clerk of Court, suggest that the town be placed in receivership because "the bonded indebtedness of the town cannot be paid and is not being properly paid."

The complaint, filed by Dr. R. G. Rosser, W. C. McCraney, J. M. Tyson and A. K. Thompson through their attorneys, asks for a restraining order to prevent W. D. Matthews, attorney for the town, from foreclosing on their property for delinquent taxes.

The action is to be heard at the civil term of Moore Superior court beginning Monday, March 27.

The plaintiffs, all of the Vass community, allege that foreclosure proceedings against their property are being handled under a "purported" judgment for taxes which was taken without knowledge of the taxpayers.

No Service

The plaintiffs, all but one of whom live outside the town proper, say they have no police protection, no sidewalks, no street lights and no fire protection. It is contended that one of the plaintiffs does not have a water line by his property.

The town tax money, the complaint alleges further, has been placed in the general fund instead of being applied on bonded indebtedness. The four men contend the tax collector is not under bond and that at least \$5,000 of the town's funds were lost in the closing of the Bank at Vass eight years ago through the town's negligence in not requiring that the funds be bonded.

Concluding, the plaintiffs charge that at the time the town of Vass was formed they, along with others, protested to the borrowing of money without a vote of the people and suggest that the town be put in receivership.

RECORD CROWD SEES STEEPLECHASE RACES

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few appropriate words he handed the Sandhills Cup to Mr. Mellon, who had returned it only a week ago after holding it during the year, and presented the Noel Laing Memorial trophy, donated by Verner Z. Reed, Jr., past president of the local association, to the winning rider in this race, Sidney Watters. Following the feature brush race, Brig. Gen. William Bryden of Fort Bragg was called upon to present the handsome silver platter presented by Mrs. John R. Drexel, Jr. of Knollwood, to Geoffrey Laing, who accepted for Capt. Johnson.

All in all, the day was voted a great success, up to or better than the preceding meetings of the association, all of which have enjoyed favorable weather. The course could not have been in better condition, and the races were run off smoothly and without injury. Two jockeys were unseated in the timber race, but returned to the judges' stand under their own power.

The summaries:

First Race, The Catawba, one and one-half mile over hurdles. Won by Masked Knight, owned and ridden by G. H. Bostwick; 2d, Aylward; 3d, Nocton. Time, 2:56 3-5. Careless Knight also ran.

Second Race, The Croatan Steeplechase, two miles over brush, maidens and winners of one race. Won by Montpelier's Sailor's Knot; 2d, Jolie Knight; 3d, King's Parade. Time, 4:36 2-5. Pompeius and Surmain also ran.

Third Race, The Sandhills Challenge Cup, three miles over timber. Won by Rokeby Stables' Faction Fighter; 2d, G. A. Laing's Bunree Boy; 3d, Little Mountain. Time, 7:03 3-5. Postman Home and Captain Bill lost riders.

Fourth Race, The Yadkin Steeplechase, two and one-half miles over brush. Won by Seafarin Dan; 2d, Sliveveigh; 3d, By the Sword; 4th, Torcheen. Time, 5:21.

Fifth Race, The Midland, one mile and one-quarter on the flat. Won by Rokeby Stables' Enterprise; 2d, P. S. P. Randolph's Free; 3d, Beleaveme. Time, 2:22. Land of Rheims, Better Brook, Devil Dancer, Autumn Breeze 2d, Lynx Eye and West Had-don also ran.

To Sing Here



DR. I. G. GREER

Dr. Greer To Sing On Civic Club Program

Renowned Interpreter of Folk Music To Be Heard On March 31

The Southern Pines Civic club has put forth considerable effort and energy in bringing each week throughout the winter to their platform hour a personage of note in the entertainment field. One of the outstanding events will take place next week, March 31, at 8:00 p. m. when Dr. and Mrs. I. G. Greer bring a noted collection of North Carolina folk music to a Southern Pines audience. Dr. Greer, a native North Carolinian, is an authority on folk music and has one the most complete collections ever assembled in the state. Born and reared in the rugged mountain country, he acquired a natural acquaintance of folklore that enveloped his hilly country, and for over 20 years he has collected ballads as a hobby. Dr. Greer will sing a number of these old songs, accompanied by Mrs. Greer on the dulcimer, one of the most ancient of musical instruments.

The ballad singer, whether he hails from Merrie England or the Carolinas, has a popular appeal for the people as a whole. The ballad is an interesting subject; a versified narrative and, generally in rude style, chronicles the neighborhood gossip whether of valorous exploit or tragic affair. In the homely songs are mirrored records of the past, as a certain amount of emotional life in religious, patriotic and social conditions reflect in crude faith events out of the past.

Dr. Greer's collection of ballads have not only attracted attention in the State but have brought nationwide notice. Dr. and Mrs. Greer were joint artists in Constitution Hall last May when the Fifth National Folk Festival was celebrated in Washington. The Greer performance promises to be one of the interesting affairs of the entire season. The admission price is 35 cents, and the presumption is that a full house will turn out to hear the Greers in joint recital.

Duke University Will Celebrate Centennial

Next Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 31, April 1 and 2, Duke University will celebrate its Centennial, and in connection with the Woman's College part in the celebration, an interesting program has been arranged, according to Mrs. J. Talbot Johnson of Aberdeen.

Speakers will be Mary Emma Woolley, President Emerita of Mount Holyoke College; Sarah Wambaugh, authority on plebescites; Meta Glass, President of Sweet Briar College; Marjorie Hope Nicholson, Dean of Smith College; Marion Park Edwards, President of Bryn Mawr College; Florence Ellingwood Allen, Judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, Sixth District, and Hanya Holm, chief instructor in the Wigman Central Institute of the Dance.

Mrs. Johnson will be glad to hear from anyone who may be considering attending the Mount Holyoke reunion at the Celebration.

S. P. FIRE DEPARTMENT ANSWERS FALSE ALARM

The Southern Pines Fire Department turned out this morning about 11:00 o'clock to answer what had been reported as a fire at Scotty's Tavern on U. S. Route No. 1, just south of the Southern Pines limits; but inquiries at Scotty's and a diligent search of the adjoining neighborhood failed to reveal any traces of a fire.

Duke Coach Addresses Big Brothers Banquet

Eddie Cameron, Backfield Coach, Substitutes for Wallace Wade

Eddie Cameron, backfield coach at Duke University, substituting for Wallace Wade, entertained at the Kiwanis Club's Big Brother banquet at the Southern Pines County Club Wednesday night.

Preceding the showing of Duke-U. of S. C. Rose Bowl pictures, Coach Cameron made a brief address in which he stressed the importance of intense training to develop the best athletes. He said there was a price to pay, but the top-notch football player had the satisfaction of knowing he had done his job well, which was, in the end, more important than braving the headlines of the leading dailies.

As an illustration he cited the big moneymakers among the professional golfers recently in Pinehurst. He stated that in watching them Wednesday, when they were not playing in the tournament, they were out on the practice field trying their shots rather than sitting around the locker room wasting their time talking about the game.

The banquet was a huge success and was enjoyed especially by the young Hi-Y boys.

PATTY BERG'S 223 WINS MID-SOUTH TOURNAMENT

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- el Hill, 154-76-230.
- Mrs. Leo Walper, Washington, D. C. 168-86-254.
- Mrs. Thomas Rudel, New York, 171-86-257.
- Mrs. William Hamilton, Philadelphia, 176-82-258.
- Miss Alliene Hoover, Thomasville, N. C., 171-87-258.
- Mrs. Karl Scheidk. Norristown, Pa., 171-89-260.
- Jean Kyer, Ann Arbor, Mich., 172-89-261.
- Deborah Verry, Worcester, Mass., 178-84-262.
- Helen Waring, Pinehurst, 177-87-264.
- Eleanor Barron, Southern Pines, 172-92-264.
- Mrs. H. L. Frackelton, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., 183-83-266.
- Jaanne Cline, Bloomington, Ill., 194-85-269.
- Betty Abernathy, Pittsburgh, 178-93-271.
- Mrs. A. F. Duckett, Durham, 174-98-272.
- Mrs. Theodore E. Wiederseim, Philadelphia, 180-93-273.
- Mrs. H. W. Rivas, Pinehurst, 180-94-274.
- Mrs. J. P. Meador, Aberdeen, 175-100-275.
- Mrs. J. H. Epperson, Durham, 183-94-277.
- Mrs. A. G. Hupfel, New York, 189-90-279.
- Miss Grace Balch, Hartford, Conn., 186-93-279.
- Miss Augusta McCagg, Newport, R. I., 187-95-282.
- Mrs. Millard F. Tompkins, Jr., Scarsdale, N. Y., 190-98-288.
- Mrs. William B. Miller, Greenwich, Conn., 191-97-288.
- Katherine Bishop, Branford, Conn., 198-93-291.
- Mrs. John M. Lentz, Fort Bragg, N. C., 196-99-295.
- Mrs. Roy Grinnell, Little Compton, R. I., 199-96-295.
- Mrs. H. F. Seawell, Jr., Carthage, 200-95-295.
- Mrs. W. B. McCullough, Philadelphia, 199-102-301.
- Mrs. John E. Love, Chicago, 206-95-301.
- Mrs. Elmer Harrington, Bethlehem, N. H., 205-100-305.
- Mrs. Richard Norton, Philadelphia, 203-102-305.
- Miss Laura Kelsey, Southern Pines, 204-104-308.
- Mrs. G. Howard Bright, Princeton, N. J., 209-100-309.
- Mrs. Joseph K. Love, Johnstown, Pa., 204-107-311.
- Mrs. Dorothy E. Harper, Newburg, N. Y., 209-105-314.
- Mrs. Frank M. Niering, Newberg, N. Y., 221-102-323.
- Mrs. Frank G. Darte, Wilkes Barre, Pa., 226-110-336.

25 ARE ROTARY GUESTS

Twenty-five Rotarians from nine states, including Nebraska, were guests of the Rotary Club of Southern Pines at its regular weekly meeting held last Friday noon at the Southern Pines Country Club.

Cloud Smith of the University of Nebraska, entertained the club and its guests with an excellent talk. The meeting today, Friday, will be held at the Country Club as usual, and the speakers will be Raymond Kraemer and Howard Walters, both of Garden City, Long Island.

Racelights

By Carl G. Thompson

It wasn't Elmer's fault if his folks couldn't find him at the Steeplechase meet. Elmer appeared old enough to take care of himself but he certainly must have been afraid of crowds. All afternoon he stood in one spot and constantly called at the top of his voice, "Here's Elmer! Here's Elmer!"

And Artie too kept calling in his high pitched nasal voice, "Here's Artie, Here's Artie!"

Davey, Jack, Jerry, and Marty vied with Elmer and Artie, and a dozen others standing in a row, shouting to all and sundry to take note of the fact that they were there. Phobia of some sort, no doubt.

They were considerate though of those who came to see the races because on the instant that riders and their mounts were led to the track, they forgot their individual plights and shouted in chorus: "Ther goin' tada post. Ther goin' tada post now!"

A check of automobile license plates revealed that people from Canada and from 25 of our 48 states came to witness the races. Every state of the Atlantic seaboard was represented and a great many cars bore plates from the mid-west states.

One dusky occupant of a car bearing a Florida license plate was heard to remark, as her eyes scanned the inner rail ahead of the on-coming hunters, "Ah doan' see no rabbit."

Gals and boys decked out in their new Spring clothes came in shiny cars and parked them against the rail, on the hillsides, in Blake's parking lot, along the double road as far as the eye could see, and even smack dab in the middle of Ernest Morell's nursery.

Five consecutive annual race dates with perfect weather for the Sandhills' greatest crowd-drawing event of the year is something to be thankful for, even boast about.

John Hemmer, Pinehurst's ace photographer, called for help a few days prior to the race meet. He got it. Six top-notch photographers from New York answered his call, in addition to all those representing N. C. state papers and those who came from Richmond and Washington.

Writers flocked to the meet from all points of the compass. They came from as far North as Boston. South from as far north as Boston Southern writers came from Georgia and South Carolina and rubbed elbows and compared notes with representatives from our state papers.

H. R. Pickens, Jr., of the NEWS PRESS Sportographs, had "what it takes" on the nose in the second race. Imagine his surprise when he discovered that his missus had tied him with that Sailor's Knot.

Dick Metz, brown as a berry, gracefully acknowledged the greetings of his well-wishers who, regardless of the race in progress, insisted that he hear them out. It is one thing to be a great golfer but it goes double when that ability is combined with a pleasing, likable personality.

Football fans take note: With very few exceptions liquor at the races was conspicuous by its absence among the thousands of spectators, in spite of the fact that a legal supply was available at either end of the double road.

BRUSH FIRES CALL OUT S. PINES FIRE FIGHTERS

The Southern Pines fire company responded to two appeals for assistance outside of the town limits on Monday. A brush and woods fire near the residence of Laurie Williams at Niagara, at 1:30 o'clock p. m., and another at Knollwood, at 7:00 p. m. called for the services of the booster truck and crew.

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Aberdeen Town Caucus Nominates Candidates

Mayor Shamburger Refuses To Stand For Re-Nomination at Lively Session

In the Aberdeen Town Caucus, held Monday evening at the High School there—a meeting which had been expected to run pretty much true to form, and concerning which the advance information had it that the whole thing was pretty much cut and dried in advance fireworks broke loose in the form of determined opposition on the part of Dr. A. H. McLeod to the caucus picking a complete ticket of but one candidate for each of the town's elective offices, for future confirmation, only, by the voters on election day. The situation was further complicated by the refusal of present Mayor F. D. Shamburger to stand for renomination to the office in which he is serving his first term.

When the smoke had cleared away, the McLeod forces emerged victorious by a count of 21-13 and the following candidates were named:

Mor Mayor: A. L. Burney and J. D. McLean.

For Town Commissioners: H. A. Gunter, W. H. McNeill, Earl Freeman, Dr. A. H. McLeod, Dr. E. M. Medlin, M. S. Weaver, Stuart Weaver, Clayton Brasington, R. S. Gwynn, H. Clifton Blue, Forrest Lockey, O. Leon Seymour, J. B. Edwards and J. M. Taylor. The election will be held on the first Tuesday in May.

LOCAL RECORDS FIGURE IN FANTASTIC SWINDLE

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sister's alleged "estate," fully believing that her story was genuine, and that he had induced other victims to invest. Some victims had borrowed on their life insurance and mortgaged their homes to pour more money into what promised to be such a paying investment, it was testified. The "investors" believed they were paying for legal steps necessary to recover the estate after government confiscation.

The plot had been so well planned that letters purporting to be from Pinehurst had conveyed the information to the brother that Mr. Orendorff was ill and finally that he had passed away.

A mass of damaging evidence was presented the first day of the trial and on the second morning both defendants entered pleas of guilty, thus cutting short a proceeding which Miss McCaskill said would have lasted a week, perhaps, if all of the array of witnesses had been called. She was not called to testify.

Miss McCaskill had an interesting trip, with some excitement mixed with it. She reached Danville in the midst of a flood which was washing houses away in the river valley section, and while there, took the typhoid vaccine after learning that the river had backed into the city's water supply system and vaccination was being urged as a precautionary measure. She returned to Carthage on Thursday of last week.

"GRAND ILLUSION" TO BE PRESENTED ON MARCH 25

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from the French for its direction, the Jury Cup at the Venice Biennial Exposition of Cinematography as "The World's Most Artistic Film of the Year," the endorsements of notables of stage and screen.

The Moore County Maternal Welfare Committee is bringing the picture to the Sandhills for the single performance, the entire proceeds of which will go to the county project. Tickets may be obtained at the Franjean Shop, Southern Pines or through Madame et la Jeune Fille, Pinehurst.

WILLING WORKERS TO MEET

The Junior Willing Workers of the Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Earl Merrill on Ashe street Monday night at eight o'clock.

Robinson Appointed Nash Representative

To Handle Complete Line of 22 Models For Entire Surrounding Area

Appointment of Robinson's Service Station, Highway No. 1, near Southern Pines, as dealers for Nash Motors Division of Nash-Kelvinator Corporation was announced this week by Cecil Robinson, head of the firm.

The company, he said, will handle the complete line of Nash cars which consists of 22 models in four series—the Nash LaFayette De Luxe, the Nash Ambassador Six and the Nash Ambassador Eight.

The new 1939 Nash cars, he declared, are receiving a tremendous reception in all parts of the country, with many areas reporting sales double those of a year ago.

Completely restyled from stem to stern by George W. Walker, noted industrial designer, working in collaboration with Nash engineers, the new cars are of pure aerodynamic design featuring radiator and "cat-walk" grilles of shining chromium and with headlights sunk into the massive front fenders.

Many new features are to be found in the 1939 models, according to Mr. Robinson. One of the foremost of these is the "Weather Eye" conditioned air system for winter driving. This is an advancement of the car comfort system pioneered in 1933 by Nash, and it makes car conditioning automatic all winter long.

Another important advance is the super-powered engine of the Nash LaFayette, or low-priced, series of cars. It is designed as the most simple gasoline engine yet designed, with many parts less than conventional automobile power plants.

The new engine design is so much more efficient and trouble free that it makes 99 horse power possible for a low-priced car," said Mr. Robinson. "Despite this increase in power, operating economy will be 10 per cent better than last year."

The simplified type of motor is also used in the Nash medium-priced cars—the Ambassador Six and the Ambassador Eight—but these sixes and eights are twin ignition, valve-in-head motors, as they were last year. The six has 105 and the eight 115 horsepower.

Still another outstanding feature of the new Nash cars, according to Mr. Robinson, is car sound-proofing, on which Nash and Kelvinator engineers have been working the last two years. Advance in the use of Nash-Kelvinator's "Sand Mortex," or sound-proofing compound, makes the Nash a much quieter car than ever before, he pointed out.

"Engineers," he continued, "explain that in 'Sand Mortex' grains of sand are suspended in a semi-rigid compound and block sound waves by "dancing in front of them as they attempt to penetrate the protected surface."

Mr. Robinson declared that these are but a few of the advanced features to be found in the 1939 series of Nash cars.

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