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LOCAL 'UNION NOW' BRANCH TO BRING STREIT ON FEB. 13

Mrs. George H. Maurice Heads
Organization For World Con-
gress of Democracies

NEXT FORUM JAN. 3

Mrs. George H. Maurice of Eagle Springs heads the newly organized branch of "Union Now" in the Sandhills. The branch plans a local membership campaign for this inter-democracy federal union, the nucleus for the world union proposed and advocated some time ago by Clarence Streit and now active throughout the United States.

As the first step in its campaign, the local group will bring Mr. Streit here to speak on the Pinehurst Forum program on February 13th. Mr. Streit, author of "Union Now," will give America's answer to Hitler's "Mein Kampf," the answer of establishing a union along the line of the American Union. The Streit Plan proposes, as a nucleus, the joining hands of 15 founder-democracies that can most easily and quickly be enlisted: the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Ireland, Switzerland, Belgium, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Australia, New Zealand and the Union of South Africa. This would have 250-million people, 60 to 95 percent of practically every essential war material. No other nation or possible group of nations would risk attacking it, once its defense forces were united.

The committee or organization of the Sandhills branch included Mrs. Malcolm Kemp of Pinebluff, Mrs. Mrs. Frank W. McCluer, Mrs. Craig-hill Brown, Mrs. Ernest L. Ives and Mrs. Alice Burt Hunt of Southern Pines, and others, with Mrs. Maurice, the chairman.

The next Pinehurst Forum will present "Information Please" with local talent answering—or endeavoring to answer—questions sent to a Forum committee for culling and presentation to the "experts."

Draft Registrants Can Volunteer, Says Board

Opportunity Offered To Get
Their "Year of Military Ser-
vice Behind Them"

Officials of the Moore County Draft Board are calling the attention of registrants under the draft to the fact that they are eligible to enlist voluntarily for their year of military service at any time, and point out that a large number in the county have already taken advantage of the opportunity to "get their year of training behind them," as Frank Shamburger, a member of the county board, expressed it to The Pilot.

Mr. Shamburger stated that the next exodus of men from the county would be on January 15th when 16 are to leave for camps, and he said that these would all be volunteers. "Throughout the state men already registered under the draft are volunteering. They want to serve now rather than await their turn. We want all the registrants to know that they can volunteer at any time, putting themselves ahead of other 'draftees' and assuring them of their year's training much more quickly than those who wait for their number to be called."

New Yorkers To Play Pinehurst Polo Four

Long Acre Farm Team Here
Sunday for What Is Expected
To Be Thriller

The Long Acre Farm Polo team of New York will arrive here today for a match with the Pinehurst Polo team Sunday afternoon. The Long Acre line-up will include four seasoned players who will furnish plenty of action to make it the most thrilling match of the season to date.

Says Santa Claus, Let's All Go To the Disney Festival Show

'Twas three nights after Christmas and all through the house

Not a creature was silent, not even a mouse;
From all over the Sandhills each Walt Disney fan
Was packed in his seat, like sardines in a can.
They laughed and they laughed till the roof and each wall
Of the Carolina Theatre was ready to fall
As they watched Grumpy frown and saw Dopey glide;
As Bashful let off a most terrible sneeze
And Happy blew soap bubbles off on the breeze.
They sighed when Snow White sang her song by the well
And shook when the wicked witch muttered her spell.
They groaned when the Big Bad Wolf shouted, "I've got 'em!"

And squealed when the bee stung poor Ferd on his hind-quarters.
They laughed and they stamped and they roared and they raked

When the three little pigs danced and Donald Duck quacked.
They rocked and they rolled and they fell on the floor,
They cheered and they clapped and they shouted for more,
Till all of a sudden way up in the sky
An echoing clatter was heard from on high,
And out of the clouds with his reindeer a-trot
Came Santa Claus sleigh which Santa Claus sot.
His red suit was sooty, his face was all black,
His sleigh was quite empty and so was his pack
But he grinned to the crowd and his little round belly
Still shook when he laughed like three bowls of jelly.
In front of the movie he pulled up his sleigh
And he stood up and shouted for Mr. Piquet.
They shook hands like old friends (as they probably are,
For the friendships of both of them stretch near and far.)
And Santa said: "Charlie, what's going on here?"
And Charlie said: "Santa, come on in and hear,
It's the kind of a show that I think you'd like best."
Said Santa, "I'll do it, for I need a rest.
I was on my way home, tired out from my trip,
I'd just told my reindeer, 'Home boys, let her rip!'
When I heard such a roar, such a shout, such a cheer
That I said to myself, 'What's going on here?'
I thought Christmas day was the end of the fun
But here your good times seems just only begun.
I never could bear to pass up a good party.
Hi, Prancer!" he cried, "Come up, Dancer, my hearty!
Come Dunder, Come all! Back to earth we will go
And take a front seat at the Walt Disney Show."

Mrs. J. N. Mills Dies After Lingerin Illness

Resident of Southern Pines
Since 1904, She Was Active
in Civic Affairs

Early on Friday morning last Mrs. Margaret Potts Mills, 73, long a resident of Southern Pines and active factor in its progress, died in her home on West Broad street following a continued illness endured with hopeful fortitude.

Coming from Hopedale, Ohio to Southern Pines with her husband, James Neill Mills, in 1904, Mrs. Mills soon became interested in the civic affairs and the social life of the town. A charter member of the Civic Club, organized in 1907, and later one of the building committee whose unceasing efforts bore fruit in the erection of the clubhouse in 1925, her activities also extended to the Ladies' Aid Society of the Congregational church for many years. Following the death of Mr. Mills eight years ago and due to her gradually failing health Mrs. Mills gave up her active participation in these affairs.

The Rev. E. L. Barber, pastor of the Brownson Memorial Church, officiated at the funeral services held in the Sandhills Funeral Chapel on Bennett street at 3:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon. A service spoken amid beautiful floral offerings and attended by scores for the last rites to a friend of many years, was followed by interment at Mt. Hope beside the grave of her husband.

Mrs. Mills is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Mills Cameron, and a sister, Mrs. C. L. Stewart of Claysville, Pa.

The honorary pallbearers were C. T. Patch, C. P. Everest, C. G. Thompson, George C. Moore, D. G. Stutz, E. J. Woodward, E. C. Stevens, R. L. Chandler, Frank Welch, Dr. J. S. Milliken, George Proctor and Clifton Johnson.

OVEREYS HAVE SON

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Overey of Roseland announce the arrival of a son, Robert Cecil, Jr. on December 25th at the Moore County Hospital. Mrs. Overey was the former Miss Marybelle McDonald.

We Have a Rival

Southern Pines No Longer a
One Newspaper Town Since
"Hot Spot" Started

The Pilot has a rival. Volume 1, Number 1 of a new Southern Pines newspaper was published here on December 9th. It is called "Hot Spot," and the first issue comprises two pages—that is, one printed on both sides three and one-half inches by seven and one-half.

Perhaps it would be the generous thing to do as a welcome to our competitor to review the first issue. The leading story is headed: "Magic, Magic was the mysterious feeling that fled through the minds of the public that witnessed the spectacular show at school Thursday. Many magic tricks presented; one of which was the hypnotic performance which was a great thrill."

Under a heading on the other page, "Popeye Speaks," illustrated with a picture of Popeye himself, we find: "Folk; this week I am announcing our staff. Editor—Joe Kimball; co-editors, Joe Riley Kimball, Lewis Pate and Charles Swearingen; Manager, Billy McNeill; Reporter—D. R. McNeill."

Then comes the editorial. It reads: "Next week's paper will have more news and will cost one penny. Preview paper free."

The Pilot extends a cordial welcome to the new Southern Pines newspaper.

MID-SEASON HORSE SHOW IN PINEHURST RING TODAY

Thirteen classes are on the program for this afternoon's mid-season Horse Show in Pinehurst, an event which is expected to attract most of the riders in the Sandhills. Lloyd Tate is in charge and promises a full afternoon of sport at the race track ring. Mrs. Lawrence B. Smith of Millbrook, N. Y., and Southern Pines will do the judging. No entry fee is charged for horses and riders, and no admission charge for the spectators. Everyone is invited to perform or witness, from 2:00 p. m. on.

D. AL BLUE DIES, COUNTY SHERIFF FROM 1910 TO '22

Prominent Citizen and Farmer.
Hurt in Auto Accident, Vic-
tim of Pneumonia

BORN NEAR UNION CHURCH

The untimely death of D. Al. Blue, "Sheriff" to old and young, came as a distinct shock to every one in Moore county as the news of his passing in the Moore County Hospital early Saturday morning became known.

Proceeding from his farm near Eureka to Jackson Springs Tuesday evening Mr. Blue was apparently forced off the road near Eastwood by a passing car, his coupe being nearly demolished following the impact against a tree. Suffering with serious injuries including a fractured skull and broken jaw Mr. Blue was not found for four hours following the time of the accident, and from this exposure pneumonia developed from which he did not rally.

Born in the old homestead near Union Church, May 6th, 1879, the son of Malcolm J. Blue and Flora Ann Currie Blue, Daniel Alphonso Blue served as Sheriff of Moore county from 1910 until 1922, and in the early twenties was noted as one of the foremost tobacco growers of the Sandhill territory. Among his many activities were included the care of the home farm, lumbering, and at one time the publication of the old Carthage "Blade." In recent years Mr. Blue has been a resident of Southern Pines. Intensely interested in the genealogy of the numerous members of the clan of Blues, long time settlers in the Sandhills, he has devoted much time to family research.

The Rev. Voigt O. Taylor, assisted by the Rev. C. M. Coyle, pastor of Union Church, officiated at the funeral services held in the Church of Wide Fellowship at 2:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon, a service attended by a multitude of friends packing the edifice to capacity. Interment was in the family plot at Union Church.

Surviving Mr. Blue is his widow, Mrs. Berta Bryant Blue; a daughter, Mrs. J. M. Hoble of Suffolk, Va.; three sons, D. A. Blue, Jr., of Southern Pines, Gilbert Blue of Durham and Paul Blue of Greensboro. The pallbearers were all nephews of Mr. Blue; Sheriff C. J. McDonald, Frank McDonald, Lee McDonald, Harold Markham, Irving Markham and John McCoy Blue.

Gymkhana Tuesday in Southern Pines Ring

Six Events on Card at Country
Club, Including Broom Polo
and Open Hunters

An equestrian gymkhana will usher out the old year in Southern Pines and the committee in charge plans a full afternoon's sport at the Country Club ring for the horse devotees of the community. Six events are on the card, and all the leading stables in the Sandhills are expected to have entries. Hugh Sicard and Fred Wilmshurst have been asked to serve as judges. The first class will be called at 2:30 o'clock.

The program calls for an obstacle race, a knock down and out event for jumpers, a ride and lead jumping class, a V. C. race, a class for open hunters over the outside course, and a broom polo game in which riders from Pinehurst will be pitted against Southern Pines.

The public is invited to enjoy this first of the season's regular series of gymkhana events in Southern Pines.

KAYLOR SUCCEEDS DUNN IN CHARGE AT FIRE HOUSE

Frank Kaylor has been named to succeed Clyde Dunn in charge at the Southern Pines Fire house, according to announcement by town officials. Mr. Kaylor has been a member of the local department for many years.

Sheriff 12 Years



D. AL BLUE

Photo taken when he was Sheriff of Moore County.

SOUTHERN PINES WELCOMES ARMY AT TEA AND DANCE

More Than 200, Including Major
General Devers, Fort Bragg
C. O. at Mid-Pines Club

Army officers and their wives resident in Southern Pines and Pinehurst were officially welcomed to the community last Saturday afternoon at a colorful tea-dance at the Mid-Pines Club, given by the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce. More than 200 were present, the military mixing with the residents in a delightful "get acquainted" atmosphere.

In the receiving line were Major General J. L. Devers, commanding officer at Fort Bragg, and Mrs. Devers, Brigadier General and Mrs. William C. Crane, Col. and Mrs. Frank C. Mahin, Col. and Mrs. George P. Hawes, Major D. L. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. James Boyd, Struthers Burt and Miss Julia Burt, Mayor and Mrs. D. G. Stutz, Mr. and Mrs. Chan N. Page, Mrs. William C. Mudgett and Jackson H. Boyd. The Dunes Club Orchestra played for the dancing. The committee in charge of the happy affair comprised Charles W. Fiequet, Howard F. Burns, John J. Fitzgerald, Hugh J. Betterley and Nelson C. Hyde.

Keen Interest Shown in Library Concerts

Season Tickets for Series of Ar-
tistic Presentations Now
on Sale Here

The winter concerts to be sponsored by the Southern Pines Library are attracting keen interest in the county. These programs will be held in the library at 8:30 p. m. on January 6, January 27, February 24 and March 29. A season ticket costs only \$3.50, a reserved seat ticket \$5.00, and \$1.00 tickets to the single performances may be purchased at the library on the day of the concert.

The first of the series will be the Raleigh String Quartet on January 6. This quartet has performed over the radio and is well-known for its recitals in Richmond, Baltimore and elsewhere.

Lucille Turner, blues singer, famous for her rendition of negro spirituals will be heard on January 27.

The real treat of the season comes on February 24 when Mr. Klens and Mr. Mason, cellist and pianist respectively will be presented. Mr. Klens has toured with Stokowski and Mr. Mason is a graduate of the Juillard School of Music.

As the final concert of the season, the Orpheus Club Male Quartet, famed amateur group, will be presented on Saturday, March 29.

The season and reserved seat tickets are now on sale at the town library and all who wish for their money's worth of fine entertainment are urged to buy their tickets soon.

At the annual meeting of the medical staff of the Moore County Hospital, Dr. William C. Mudgett of Southern Pines was elected chairman.

1940 CHRISTMAS IS A MERRY ONE IN SOUTHERN PINES

New Gift Bureau Provides Cheer
For 339 Individuals.—Decor-
ating Awards Announced

P. O. BREAKS RECORD

It was a Merry Christmas for Southern Pines.

Churches opened wide their doors for special services commemorative of the birth of the Lord and Master. Civic organizations banded together to see that the poor and needy were remembered with food and gifts. Homes, business houses were fittingly bedecked.

This year, for the first in some time, there was an organized cooperative effort to insure a visit from Santa Claus to the homes of all the less fortunate of the community. As a result of the magnificent work of the recently organized Christmas Bureau, 339 individuals residing within the Southern Pines School District were made happier on Christmas Day. Sixty-two baskets of food and toys and \$60.00 worth of clothing were purchased and distributed by the Bureau, and no known needy family went without.

The Christmas Bureau was conceived by Miss Laura Kelsey and was composed of representatives from every church and civic body in Southern Pines. Miss Kelsey was elected president at the organization meeting and E. H. Lorenson named treasurer. Generous cash contributions were received from 15 individuals and from the West Southern Pines School, the Christian Science Society, Reliance Club, Junior Civic Club, St. Anne's Guild of the Episcopal Church, and the Rotary Club. In addition, 16 families were provided for directly by individuals and organizations. Gifts of toys and clothing were made to the bureau by scores of individuals, and contributions of food, clothing, gifts of material, time or effort are gratefully acknowledged by the Bureau from the following: A. & P., Dorn's, Blue and Worsham, Fenders, Baker's, Ed's Cafe, Charles W. Piquet, Prof. P. R. Brown, of West Southern Pines School, Paul Butler, Walter Murray, Russell Lorenson, Miss Emily Busick, Mrs. James Swett, Chief of Police Ed Newton, Miss Alice Baxter, Patch's, Melvin's, The Pilot, and the Civic Club, where a busy group headed by Miss Kelsey packed the baskets and prepared them for delivery the day before Christmas.

Decorating Awards

Judges from the Sanatorium Garden Club made the rounds of business houses and residences several rights before Christmas in the annual prize competition for holiday decoration conducted by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. They announced their awards as follows:

Residential: 1st prize, John M. Howarth; 2d prize, Mrs. E. A. Wilson; honorable mention, Mrs. Katie Spaeth, D. A. Hoskins, Louis Scheipers, George B. Graff, R. L. Hart and C. L. Austin.

Commercial: 1st prize, Mrs. Hayes Dress Shop; 2d prize, the Franjean Shop; honorable mention, Clark's Funeral Home, Chandler Greenhouses, The Coffee Shop, Jack's Grill, Paul T. Barium and the C. J. Simons Electric Shop.

Special commendation was given by the judges to the splendid decoration exhibited by the employees of the Southern Pines postoffice, not an entry in the contest. "They are to be commended for their contribution toward the Christmas decorating activity," the judges stated.

Leading the activities of the churches was the rendition of the Christmas cantata, "The Prince of Peace," by the choir of the Church of Wide Fellowship, directed by Charles W. Piquet. In addition to the choral work, special parts were sung by Mrs. L. D. McDonald, Miss Ernestine Bailey, Miss Helena Kelley, Dr. C. L. Gray, Mrs. Katherine (Please turn to page six)