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## SATURDAY NIGHT SET FOR STREET DANCE, CONTESTS

Broad Street to be Scene of Entertainment for Soldiers Stationed Near Here

### ARMY BAND WILL PLAY

There'll be dancing in the streets of Southern Pines Saturday night when Uncle Sam's soldiers come to town.

And there'll also be entertainment for the soldiers in the area, with jitterbug contests, a pie-eating contest and a battle royal on a stage especially constructed on Broad street, for the evening.

The evening's events are slated to begin at 9 o'clock when Mayor Duncan Matthews will extend an official word of welcome to visiting soldiers.

### Jitterbug Contest

For about an hour, local talent among Negroes will furnish a show, with Chaplain F. B. Perry of Knollwood sub-air base as master of ceremonies. A local washboard orchestra will thump out music for a jitterbug contest, open for Negro couples who will be competing for first prize of \$5.00, second prize of \$2.50, and third prize of \$1.00.

The whole shebang will end up with a "Battle Royal" among six selected Negro fighters who will be slugging for a first prize of \$6.00, a second prize of \$4.00 and a third prize of \$2.00.

Referees for the battle royal will be Staff Sergeants Clifford Moore and Benjamin Hermon of the 119th Observation Squadron, Newark, N. J., and timekeepers will be Corp. John Fitzsimmons of the 119th, Staff Sergeant Woodrow Midgette of the 8th Air Base Group, Bangor, Maine, and Private James Hooly of the 119th.

There'll be a pie-eating—probably lemon—contest with prizes of \$1.00, 50 cents, and 25 cents; and a buck and wing contest for prizes of two and one dollars.

With the conclusion of the contests and stage entertainment, Broad street will be thrown open for a dance to the music of an Army band from the 209th Coast Artillery, stationed near Hoffman.

Hugh Betterley and Richard Tarlton are getting together to build a platform for the show and the orchestra, while Jim Simons and John Howarth are looking after the lighting and amplifying entertainments.

Others working on the special entertainment have been Frank Buchs, Howard Burns, Bob Walker, Louis Scheipers, Father Thomas Williams, Paul Butler, Chief Ed Newton, R. S. Durant, and Mrs. Almet Jenks, who said the following would be chaperons for the street dance:

Mrs. H. J. Betterley, Mrs. James Boyd, Mrs. Jackson H. Boyd, Mrs. Paul Butler, Mrs. O. L. Broom, Mrs. Clarence Edison, Mrs. Cliff Johnson, Mrs. Louis Scheipers, Mrs. J. J. Spring, Mrs. Dorsey Stutts, Mrs. E. C. Stevens, Mrs. Carl Thompson, Mrs. H. E. Thrower, and Mrs. R. E. Willey.

Broad street between Pennsylvania and New Hampshire avenue on the west side of the railroad tracks will be roped off late Saturday evening, in order to clear the pavements for the entertainment and dance.

## Dutch Pianist Will Play at Red Springs

Egon Petri, renowned Dutch pianist, will be presented by Flora Macdonald College in Red Springs Monday and Tuesday evenings, October 27 and 28, as the opening of the 1941-1942 concert and lecture series.

The pianist will present concerts at 8 o'clock Monday night and at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday, in the College auditorium. A pupil of the great Busoni, Dr. Petri has won acclaim throughout America during the past three years and has earned outstanding compliments from some of the severest music critics.

This will be Dr. Petri's third consecutive appearance at Red Springs.

### HEMP CAFE IS ROBBED

Pleasure Inn, a cafe in Hemp, was entered Monday night by a thief who made a successful get-away with approximately \$67 in cash and some cigars. Entrance was gained by breaking a rear window.

## "Capture of Southern Pines" -- Maneuvers of 1941



### "Blues" Were Driven Out of Southern Pines Last Week As Blues Took Over

After the "capture" of Southern Pines last week by the 26th and 44th divisions of the Sixth Army Corps, the maneuver war quieted down in this section, except for several threatened bombings by "enemy" airplanes, as civilian plane spotters went to work.

The pictures shown above give an idea of the congestion on Broad street (at the top) when an outfit of "Blues" took over the corner at Pennsylvania avenue. The tank outfits streamed into Southern Pines from all directions—and maybe some of the men were attracted by the large signs at this intersection of South Broad street and U. S. No. 1.

### Man Spotting Post

This week, the First Army maneuver moved South of the Sandhills for active war games, and the chief worry in this section fell upon the volunteer airplane spotters who manned a "listening" or "spotting" post at the fire tower, south of the town. Chief Observer John Howarth said every crew of observers from Southern Pines reported efficiently and expertly the approach of "enemy" planes.

Spotters were on duty at the fire tower from 6 a. m. until 6 p. m., as the Army tested its volunteer organization of air raid warnings. They reported by telephone whenever any group of planes flew within their sight. Calls from spotters were given precedent over other calls, as the reporters shouted "Army flash" into telephone mouthpieces and conveyed the warning of approaches of airplanes to Army officials, stationed at strategic air bases.

Observer Howarth said his crews worked expertly. Spotters for Southern Pines were Miss Laura Kelsey, second assistant chief observer; Mrs. W. C. Mudgett, Mrs. H. F. Burns, Mrs. Ernest Ives, Mrs. George London, Mrs. Otis Broom, Mrs. R. F. Tarlton, Mrs. George Moore, Miss Birdilla Bair, Mrs. N. E. Day, Mrs. H. B. Greenman, June A. Phillips, Ralph Mills, G. T. McElderry, Carl G. Thompson, Roy Grinnell, George London, Gordon Brown, A. M. Patterson, Larry Miner, R. F. Tarlton, Paul Butler, Norman E. Day, Virgil Clark, A. C. Dawson, Philip Weaver, David Gamble, Louis Scheipers and A. K. Darby.

## Girl Reserve Club Organized at School

A Girl Reserve Club has been organized at the Southern Pines High School. This organization is a branch of the Y. W. C. A., and the following have been selected from that group to act as an Advisory Board for the Girl Reserves: Mrs. Clarence Edison, Miss Louise Chisolm, Mrs. Richard Sugg, Mrs. David Gamble, and Miss Birdilla Bair.

Officers of the Girl Reserve Club are: Helen Grey, president, Ruth Alice Cunningham, vice-president, Dorothy Phillips, secretary, and Doris Russell, treasurer.

### DR. MEDLIN TO CONVENTION

Dr. and Mrs. Ernie M. Medlin left Thursday night for Houston, Texas, where Dr. Medlin will attend the annual meeting of the American Dental Association. Dr. Medlin is secretary-treasurer of the N. C. Dental Society.



## INFORMAL BOARD PASSES ON SHOW

### Mayor Appoints Committee to Report on Movie and Show for "Adults Only"

For the first time in anybody's remembrance, Southern Pines had an informal board of censors last week to pass upon the merits of a moving picture and stage show.

A committee of six citizens, appointed by Mayor Duncan Matthews, followed up several complaints made to the City concerning a show advertised at the Sunrise Theatre for "adults only". Meeting later with the mayor and part of the committee the theatre management promised to cut anything offensive.

Part of the committee voted that a "strip tease" stage show was "obscene," but as there was some variance, there was no effort to stop the show.

"Feature picture proved to be a marijuana dope theme with shadows . . . revealing frequent clippings from the film or its breakage from age and use," some members of the committee reported. "Following the feature was a short subject dealing with mating nature and instinct of animals, plants and flowers. Already cut were scenes that had brought condemnation where the pictures had been shown before.

"Following the pictures was a strip tease performance," three committee members said. "In this there was no dance, no art unless the art consisted in the manner in which the girl could hide with her bare hands the two slender particles of dress and appear as nude while standing with the curtains on each side of her."

Members of the committee were Howard Burns, town clerk; the Rev. J. Fred Stimson, Dr. G. G. Herr, Louis Scheipers, Dr. E. W. Bush and Alex Fields.

"Southern Pines has had a movie for many years," three committee members recommended, "but has never . . . (Please turn to page eight)"

## MOORE RED CROSS TO MEET NOV. 4

### Annual Meeting for Election of Officers Slated for County Court House

Annual meeting of the Moore County Chapter of American Red Cross for election of officers and committee reports will be conducted at the county court house in Carthage Tuesday, November 4, it was announced this week.

Chief speaker will be Miss Ellen I. Rochford, Central Carolina Red Cross field representative, who will discuss "Defense Activities for Moore County Volunteers." Plans for the forthcoming roll call will be presented, prior to election of officers.

Present officers are Mrs. Alice Burt Hunt of Southern Pines, chairman; Paul Dana of Pinehurst, vice-chairman; and Mrs. W. G. McAvoy of Southern Pines, treasurer.

### Committee Reports

Reports on county activities during the past year will be given by committee and branch chairmen. Branch chairmen include Mrs. H. F. Seawell, Carthage; Mrs. Edgar Brown, Hemp; Mrs. George H. Maurice, Eagle Springs; Mrs. M. C. McDonald, West End; Mrs. Lola Carter, Jackson Springs; Mrs. W. D. Caviness, Aberdeen; Mrs. Robert F. Stewart, Pinebluff; Miss Florence Campbell, Southern Pines; Mrs. H. F. Kelly, Pinehurst; Mrs. Louise F. Kelly, Cameron, and Mrs. S. R. Smith, Vass.

Committee chairmen are: Lloyd L. Woolley of Manley, first aid; L. D. Williams of Niagara, home service; A. B. Patterson of Southern Pines, casualty and disaster; Mrs. Tod Baxter, junior Red Cross; Mrs. P. C. Lyons, production; and George London, 1941 Roll Call chairman.

The Chapter board is composed of officers, committee and branch chairmen, who serve for one year, or until their successors are elected.

## Town of Southern Pines Becomes Sole Owner of Local Country Club

### Turned Back

For the second time in recent weeks, the Southern Pines volunteer fire department responded Thursday afternoon shortly after 3 o'clock to an alarm from the Knollwood Army sub-airbase, and for the second time, the fire truck was turned back before the scene of the fire was reached. Army officials did not disclose what was burning.

## O. LEON SEYMOUR TO HEAD KIWANIS

### Aberdeen Man Sole Nominee at Club Meeting; Sabiston, Tarlton Also Named

O. Leon Seymour of Aberdeen was sole nominee for 1942 Sandhills Kiwanis Club president at the Club's meeting Wednesday and W. D. Sabiston, Jr., of Carthage, for vice-president, and Richard F. Tarlton of Southern Pines for treasurer, were also placed in nomination with no opposition.

These officers were proposed by a nominating committee, whose slate was the only one submitted. Elections for officers and directors of the club for the coming year will be held at the Club's annual meeting November 5.

Seven of the following 10 Kiwanians will be selected to compose the board of directors. Placed in nomination were A. L. Burney and Jack Taylor of Aberdeen, Paul Butler, Dr. J. I. Neal, the Rev. J. Fred Stimson, Vance, Rowe, and Larry Miner of Southern Pines, the Rev. T. A. Cheatham and W. A. Leland McKeithen of Pinehurst, and Judge H. F. Seawell of Carthage.

Kiwanians heard some of the trials and tribulations as well as some of the pleasures of an army chaplain from Chaplain Foster B. Perry, of the Knollwood Sub-Air base, who explained that the position of Chaplain is strictly an Army post, and has no connection with civilian organizations, except through cooperation.

While a chaplain is an army officer and, as an officer, must at times instruct and reprimand men, Perry said, he is more often called upon to act as a chaplain, taking up the problems of the men, helping them to get something they need or want, or helping them to change their minds about wanting or needing something.

Chaplain Perry said Kiwanians could assist him in the service several ways: by providing magazines which could be distributed, by sponsoring dances or smokers for the men, by inviting soldiers into their homes for meals, and by conducting special affairs which would provide diversion for them.

The Club met at the Southern Pines Country Club. Next week's meeting is scheduled for the Methodist Sunday School building in Aberdeen.

## Kennedy's Purchase Burke Estate Here

### Purchasers Active in Horse Circles of Sandhills; to Maintain Private Stables

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Kennedy of Job's Island, Dedham, Mass., who have spent several seasons in the Sandhills, have just purchased the Frederick Burke Estate of about 15 acres on Young's Road. Last season, the Kennedys rented this property, which joins that of the Almet Jenks and Mrs. Jeanette Healy.

The Kennedys have been active in assisting in Sandhills horse events and have shown some mighty fine horses in this section, perhaps the most remembered being "Little Squire," a jumper which brought much attention a couple of seasons ago. They will maintain their stables at their new place, with Micky Walsh as their trainer.

The transaction was handled by Biddle and Company of Pinehurst and E. C. Stevens of Southern Pines. The new Kennedy house was originally built by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Burke of Millbrook, N. Y., and later was purchased by Frederick Burke, a brother.

### Four Hundred Acres of Land, Including Club and Two Golf Courses Involved

#### PRICE SET AT \$20,000

Sale of the Country Club property to the Town of Southern Pines was completed shortly after noon Thursday in Carthage when Mrs. Harriet Nichols signed the property over to the Town, and Mayor Duncan Matthews recorded the deed at the court house in Carthage.

Negotiations for the purchase of Southern Pines Country Club property by the Town of Southern Pines were being completed Thursday, following a board of commissioners meeting Wednesday, putting a final okeh on the transaction.

For the Country Club grounds of two 18-hole golf courses, the clubhouse, and adjoining residential property, the Town proposed to pay \$20,000, payments to be carried over a period of 20 years. The town has been operating the Country Club since July 1, 1937, when it acquired a five year lease.

The property is being purchased from Mrs. Harriet E. Nichols widow of Mortimer G. Nichols who during his lifetime devoted considerable personal and financial interest to the Country Club.

#### Consists of 400 Acres

The entire property being acquired by the town comprises approximately 400 acres. Under terms of the purchase have been abandoned and grass greens pay only interest at two and a half percent on the total purchase price; for the next 10 years, the Town will meet annual notes of \$2,000 plus interest to pay off the entire indebtedness.

At present, only 27 holes of the total layout of 36 are being kept open for golfing. Since the Town has been operating the course, old sand greens this week did negotiations reach the have been inaugurated throughout the course. Considerable re-sodding and other improvements on the fairways have been made, including the installation of a sprinkler system.

Since early summer, town officials have been considering the purchase of the Country Club and have devoted much study to the matter. Only this week did negotiations reach the stage where purchase seemed assured.

The Southern Pines Country Club got its start in 1906 when Mayor Kenneth Ferguson appointed a committee to confer with local petitioners for a "public golf links." In the same year, the Southern Pines Golf Club was formed, the former Bilyeu orchard of 365 acres was bought, and nine holes were laid out on the present club grounds. In 1907 a vote of thanks was offered to Dr. W. P. Swett and W. E. Giles for their supervision of links construction and organization.

In 1928, promotion of the club was undertaken by the late John N. Powell and F. F. Travis, the latter serving as secretary from 1927 until his death in 1933. Powell died in 1932. During this period, the late Robert N. Page was president and chairman of the board of directors.

The late Mr. Nichols became the leading force in the Country Club until his death a few years ago. The Town took over the operation of the club in 1937.

## Vass Cafe Manager Likes Such Patrons

### "Fat Lady" from Fair Sideshows Proves Good Customer for Diner Operator

The manager of Keith's Diner in Vass is looking for more patrons like the one he served Sunday.

She was 744-pounds of "fat lady" on her way from a fair in South Carolina to another stop in Henderson. The "fat lady" had to enter the door sideways, and the seat at the table had to be moved back as far as possible to give her room to sit.

Mr. Russ, manager of the Diner, did not consider it good policy to talk about the amount of food his customer consumed, but he intimated he would like to have several such boarders.

## Private Who Gave Fire Alarm Not Interested in Being Hero

The soldier who discovered the Carthage fire last week isn't interested in being a hero. He's much more interested in a pretty girl.

Private Anthony Pietrafesa of Brooklyn, N. Y., 126th Field Artillery, discovered the Law Building blaze in Carthage last Sunday. The electric power being off so that no alarm could be given, he gave the alarm himself via telephone, and then dashed into the burning building and carried a young woman to safety from the second story. When the firemen

arrived, he handled one of the hoses and fought the fire.

Mayor Clyde Shaw of Carthage wanted to write him a letter of commendation and hand him the key to the town. The fire department wanted to make him an honorary member. The Army wanted to decorate him for bravery. Most of the prominent people in Carthage wanted him to come to dinner.

Private Pietrafesa declined all commendations and invitations except one from Miss June Fry—the young lady he saved.