

THE PASSING YEARS

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Fourth Week of March 1941

Flames sweep wide territory near West End. The fire burned over a wide expanse of land between the Verner Reed estate and West End. Several buildings were destroyed.

"Tom" Kelley injured when cars collide. Rushed to hospital following accident.

Record catch. Vick Keith hauls 2,000 pounder out of Crystal Lake—a sedan.

1937

Old slave day set for April 7th. Sports program on the 8th. Baby carriages wanted.

Mrs. Carl Thompson entertained at a buffet supper Sunday evening. Her guests included Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Skinner, Mesdames E. A. Tracy, J. N. Mills, Margaret Cameron, Mollie Hatfield, Miss Charlotte Erson and H. B. Hines.

1932

Demands salary from Chamber of Commerce for hazardous job of directing traffic. When Ma, Pa, Daughter and dog attack you for telling them that they can't reach Richmond by going south its time to quit a thankless task, says Potts.

1927

Citizen's Bank elects new board: H. O. Riggan new president with twenty directors.

"Carolina Theatre, Pinehurst, the world's greatest spectacle, Ben Hur, with Ramon Novarro and Francis X. Bushman."—Adv.

Smoker at Men's Club big success. R. P. Shepard and Bob Montgomery, stars of the evening.

1922

A cruel joke was played on some Detroit golfers last Saturday when Edgar Guest, our "Home Poet" essayed the role of a dark brown caddy on the Pinehurst links. Ensued a merry time for all except the Detroiters.

1915

As this is firemen's week the roster of the department may be of interest to our readers. Captain A. M. Clarke is chief; Frank Viall, assistant chief; A. S. Ruggles, treasurer; R. L. Chandler, secretary. There are two hose reel companies and a hook and ladder company. No. 1 hose company is as follows: Captain W. J. Blue, Members, S. R. Newton, F. P. Viall, G. R. Chatfield, W. V. Prillman, A. E. Cameron, Alex Fields, No. 2: Captain, J. T. Dille, hay, Members, J. E. Crain, A. S. Ruggles, T. S. Burgess, N. W. Crain, D. D. Cameron, R. L. Chandler, Hook and ladder: Captain, H. C. McLeod, Members, J. A. Kelly, A. R. Kelly, W. E. Crain, N. H. Cameron, J. P. White, J. T. Ellis.

1912

The annual meeting of the Southern Pines Country Club was held last Friday night in Dr. Swett's office. Dr. W. P. Swett was reelected president. F. Bloomer, secretary; S. E. Richardson, treasurer; Dr. W. C. Mudgett, A. S. Newcomb and R. E. Wiley, vice presidents; W. C. Mudgett, G. I. Lenker, J. S. Reynolds and A. C. Grover were reelected directors.

"Jackson Springs Water: Cures indigestion, diseases of the kidney and bladder, rheumatism, dyspepsia, etc., and restores the appetite. Price \$3 per dozen f. o. b. cars at Jackson Springs. Returned bottles and case credited at \$1.50. The Jackson Springs Water Company."—Adv.

1907

The Blue and the Gray. Second reunion of the veterans of the two Grand Armies and their sons, Governor R. B. Glenn and General Julian S. Carr chief figures. Present 29 wearers of the Blue; 40 wearers of the Gray.

Fire at the Lasker house. Sparks from a locomotive were said to have fired the grass beside the railroad track which quickly set the outbuildings connected with the Lasker house.

1902

There was a light fall of snow here Monday night, but by Tuesday evening no signs of it were visible.

Mrs. Sarah Caviller, of New York City, has purchased a lot on Ashme street and will build a handsome cottage this spring.

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Resident of Egypt Will Speak at Club

Mrs. Guy Whittall, Formerly of Cairo, Egypt, to Discuss Experiences

Mrs. Guy Whittall of Cairo, Egypt, who is now making her home in Southern Pines, will be presented by the Civic Club at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon. She will relate some of her experiences as a teacher in an American school for Moslem girls in Damascus, a position which she held in 1930 and 1931.

Mrs. Whittall and her young son and daughter have been in the United States for about a year, having left Cairo, where Mr. Whittall, an English member of the Shell Oil Company is still located. Since her marriage Mrs. Whittall, who was originally from Summit, N. J., has made her home abroad.

Before Mrs. Whittall's talk, Miss Margaret Bishop will give a violin solo, accompanied by Miss Mary Veans.

A silver offering will be taken at the conclusion of the program. The public is invited to attend.

Short County Court Session Conducted

Because of this week's term of Superior Court, a session of Recorder's Court was held Saturday, with only a very few cases being tried.

Josephine Cagle, Chisholm and Bert Chisholm, Negroes of Hemp, were charged with refusing to comply with the marriage laws. They were married in South Carolina on February 11 and the law allows 60 days in which to be examined, and file health certificates in the office of the Register of Deeds. As they have until April 11th to comply, the case was dismissed.

However, the female defendant was found guilty of failing and refusing to take venereal disease treatments as required by law and was given 10 days in jail, suspended upon condition that she comply immediately with this law.

C. H. Dougherty of Southern Pines was given 30 days for drunken driving, to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and the costs. His license was revoked for a year.

Several cases were continued.

ABERDEEN

Mrs. Robert Stewart was hostess to the Walter Hines Page Book Club at her home in Pinebluff last Thursday. A short business meeting was held and Mrs. George Martin was elected delegate to the Convention of the Federation of Women's Clubs to be held in Asheville in April. Dr. S. A. Maxwell was the guest speaker for the afternoon and gave a most interesting talk on the value of books. A delightful social hour followed and served delicious refreshments.

Mrs. Kenneth Keith entertained her Bridge Club at her home on Tuesday afternoon, with two tables set up for play. High score prize was presented to Mrs. Purvis Ferree, and guest prize to Mrs. J. J. Melvin, Jr.

Mrs. J. R. Page delightfully entertained the Aberdeen Home and Garden Club on Tuesday afternoon at the Old Spinning Wheel. A short business meeting was held, at which time, Mrs. E. M. Medlin was elected a member of the Club to fill the vacancy made when Mrs. R. C. Zimmerman resigned. Mrs. Page had on display, her rare collection of old glass, which was thoroughly enjoyed by the Club members. Following this display, sandwiches, mints and iced tea were served.

Miss Louise Martin and Miss Elaine Smith of National Park School, Washington, are the guests this week of Miss Martin's mother, Mrs. George Martin.

Dr. and Mrs. G. E. Kirkman of Greensboro, were week end guests of Miss Frances Pleasants.

Corporal Laurence Farrell of Camp Jackson, Columbia, spent the week end at his home here.

Dr. and Mrs. John E. Pleasants, of Chapel Hill were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Pleasants.

Mrs. S. A. Maxwell visited relatives in Charlotte last week.

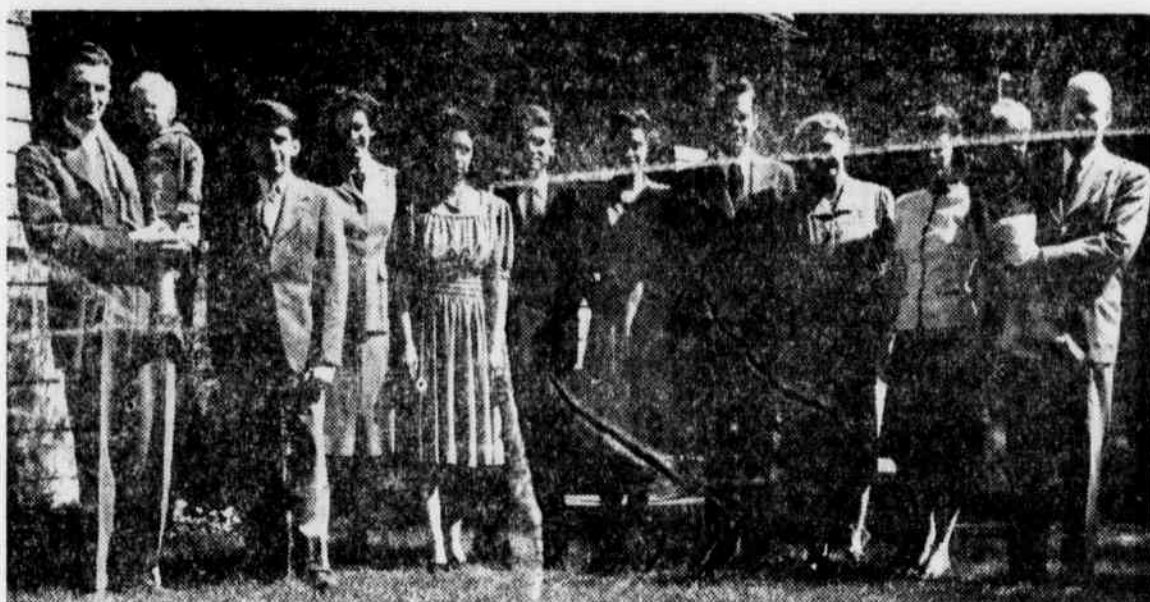
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Leach and children, of Asheville, and Mrs. Neil Graham, of Durham, were guests last week of Mrs. Zedie Leach.

Miss Kathleen Rhine returned to Woman's College, Greensboro, Monday, after spending the week end at her home here.

Miss Mary Page spent last Friday in Charlotte.

Pilot Advertising Pays.

Swett Family and "In-Laws" Together for First Time



The late Dr. W. P. Swett, one of Southern Pine's best and earliest promoters, would be proud of this fine array of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who this week were all together for the first time. They are, left to right, Howard Abbott of Wellesley Hills, Mass., holding son Ralph, Joe Swett, Mrs. Abbott (formerly Lois Swett), Mrs. Marshall Barney (formerly Mary Swett) of Rocky Mount, James B. Swett, Susan Swett of Raleigh, James, Jr., Mrs. Swett, Ruth Swett, and Marshall Barney, holding son David.

(Photo by Kinder)

Steeplechase

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Montpelier Stables, Jacket H. Clements up. Castletown carried top weight of 160 pounds in the handicap, and Royal Archer carried 140 pounds.

Despite the downpour of rain all morning, a sizeable crowd, estimated at over 5,000, was on hand to witness the eighth running of the races. Cars lined the rails, and when the drizzling rain let up, as it did during most of the afternoon, the enclosures were swarmed with people.

Col. George P. Hawes, Jr., of Pinehurst said that no accurate count had been made of the proceeds but that indications were that, while no sizeable sum would be turned over to the Navy Relief Society and the Moore County Hospital, the Association would probably clear its expenses.

Unusually Close Finishes

Visiting horsemen and local officials of the Association declared with considerable enthusiasm that the races were the most interesting that have been run. Close finishes, more common in flat races than in hunt meetings, featured each race, and excellent riding was noted.

Despite the wet, there were no falls, but at one jump in the second race, a rider was thrown.

In the Catawba, Arms of War, owned by Mrs. G. H. Bostwick, with Mr. Bostwick up, strategically ridden to surprise Richard K. Mellon's "Never Surprised" and pull out in front near the finish. The rider took to the rail and slipped up on the leaders to win.

In the Croatan, first of three brush races in the Carolina Serial Steeplechase, Merchantman, owned by A. C. Bostwick, with J. Smiley up, held off early in the race, giving the lead to Sir Bluesteel, owned by F. Ambrose Clark, F. Bellhouse up, but came smashing out of the rear on the second round to win by a length.

Mrs. E. duPont Weir's length, Bold Stroke, led a field of seven entries to win the Randolph Memorial Cup flat race, over Felt Slipper, owned by Mrs. L. E. Stoddard, Jr., F. Slate up, and Rum Ration, a three-year-old owned by Mrs. Weir with T. Roby up.

Full summaries of the races follow: FIRST RACE: THE CATAWBA, 1 1/2 miles over hurdles. First, Arms of War, four year old brown gelding, owned by Mrs. George H. Bostwick of Aiken, S. C. (with George H. (Pete) Harrison up. Second, Never Surprised, eight year old brown gelding, owned by Richard K. Mellon, Pittsburgh, with J. McGee up. Third, St. Patrick's Day, seven year old brown gelding owned by Richard K. Mellon, with J. Mason up. Fourth, Lovely Morn, five year old brown mare, owned by Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark of Westbury, L. I., with F. McMillan up. Six entries. Time: 2:59.

SECOND RACE, THE CROATAN STEEPLCHASE, two miles over brush. First, Merchantman, four year old chestnut gelding, owned by A. C. Bostwick of New York, with J. Smiley up. Second, Sir Bluesteel six year old gray gelding, owned by F. Ambrose Clark of Westbury, L. I., with F. Bellhouse up. Third, Trissino, seven year old bay gelding, owned by Brookmeade Stable (Mrs. Dodge Sloane) of New York with J. McGovern up. Fourth, Pico Blanco 2nd, seven year old chestnut gelding, owned by Mrs. James P. Slate of Westbury, L. I., with F. Slate up. Entries: nine. Time: 4:32-2.5.

THIRD RACE, THE SANDHILLS CHALLENGE CUP, three miles over timber. First, Rustic Romance, eight year old bay gelding, owned by Rokeby Stables (Paul K. Mellon) Upperville, Va., with J. Clyburn up. Second, Southern Soldier, six year old dark bay gelding, owned by Richard K. Mellon, Pittsburgh, Pa., with J. Bos

GAME O'MORIATY KILLED IN FALL AT FIFTH ANNUAL HUNTER TRIALS

Mrs. W. H. Stratton, Rider, Not Seriously Injured; Large Crowd Present

The career of O'Moriaty, bay gelding who had been a consistently high ranker as a working hunter in horse shows and gymkhanas, came to a sudden, tragic end yesterday afternoon as the Fifth Annual Hunter Trials neared a close.

While a large crowd of spectators watched from the knoll of the Hunter Trials Course at Scott Farm, O'Moriaty, being nicely ridden in the hunt team class by Mrs. William J. Stratton, apparently tipped hard with his forefeet on the third panel and, while the crowd gasped, fell hard upon his neck, breaking it, and dying almost instantly.

Mrs. Stratton Thrown

Mrs. Stratton was thrown clear, but hit the ground heavily and suffered a chipped shoulder bone, shock and face scratches, it was reported. An ambulance was summoned before moving Mrs. Stratton and she was taken to Moore County hospital for observation and treatment, but her injuries were reported as not serious.

During the first event of the Hunter Trials, which attracted a large audience to the picturesque Scott Farm course, O'Moriaty, with Mrs. Stratton up, had won third place in the field of nine entries for the working hunters.

First place in the Working Hunters event went to Dark Victory, six-year-old brown gelding, owned by Mile-A-Way Stables and ridden by Mrs. W. O. Moss, and second to Jackson Boyd's Conductor, aged brown gelding, John Boyd up.

Course and Day Ideal

Every event was a colorful one as the entries, paired, dashed over the first jump, down into a valley to climb an incline for two more panels, back into the valley over more jumps, disappearing behind a clump of pines, then coming into full view again as they raced over more jumps.

ley up. Third, Sauntering, six year old bay mare, owned by Mrs. Fay Ingalls, Hot Springs, Va., with Mr. J. Harrison up. Fourth, Cornels Corn, nine year old chestnut gelding, owned by Carter P. Brown, Tryon, N. C., with W. Bremmer up. Four entries. Time: 7:10.

FOURTH RACE, THE YADKIN STEEPLCHASE, two miles over brush.

First: Castletown, nine year old chestnut gelding, owned by F. Ambrose Clark of Westbury, L. I., with F. Bellhouse up. Second, Royal Archer, five year old dark bay gelding, owned by Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark, Westbury, L. I., with F. McMillan up. Third, Jacket, four year old chestnut filly, owned by Montpelier Stables, Montpelier, Va., with H. Clements up. Fourth, Night Heron, six year old bay mare, owned by F. Ambrose Clark, with J. Rich up. Nine entries. Time: 4:32.

FIFTH RACE, THE RANDOLPH MEMORIAL CUP RACE, one mile on the flat.

First, Bold Stroke, seven year old roan gelding, owned by Mrs. E. duPont Weir, Wilmington, Del., with Mr. J. Bosley up. 2nd, Felt Slipper, seven year old brown gelding, owned by Mrs. Louis E. Stoddard, Jr., Westbury, L. I., with F. Slate up. Third, Rum Ration, three year old light chestnut gelding, owned by Mrs. E. duPont Weir, with T. Roby up. Fourth, West Haddon, six year old black gelding, owned by G. H. (Pete) Bostwick, Aiken, S. C., with Mr. Bostwick up. Seven entries. Time: 1:49 2.5.

and came back over the first jump to the end of the course.

Over 50 automobiles, all with several passengers, lined the knoll which overlooked the course, and the occupants basked in the warm sun as they watched.

Other Winners

Canter On from Mile-A-Way Stables, Mrs. Kenneth B. Schley, Jr., up, was awarded first in the open class hunters, with Sir Koster, aged bay gelding, Jackson Boyd, owner and up, winning second and third, Surmaine, 9-year-old chestnut mare, from Thomas and Alexander, Corbett Alexander up.

Winning Hunt Team was composed of Surmaine, Alexander up; At Last, Mrs. Schley, owner and up; and Rock Clell, 8-year-old chestnut gelding, Miss Cecilia Whittelsey, Greenwich, Conn., up. Second in Hunt Team competition were Sir Koster, Jackson Boyd up, Orange, W. O. Moss up; and Conductor, John Boyd up. This was the Moore County Hounds entry.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles DuBose of Camden, S. C., acted as judges and did what was conceded to be a good job of selections.

Full list of entries is:

Working Hunters: O'Moriaty, aged bay gelding, Stonybrook Stables, Mrs. W. J. Stratton up; Persimmon, aged b. gelding, James Eoyd, Dan Boyd up; Dark Victory, Mrs. Moss up; Orange, aged chestnut gelding, Pietro Crespi up and owner; Black Bonny, 9-year-old ch. mare, Thomas and Alexander, Alexander up; At Last, 9-year-old ch. mare, Thomas and Alexander, Miss Cecilia Whittelsey up; Pioneer, 8-year-old bay gelding, Stonybrook Stables, Will Stratton up; Fine Fellow, aged black gelding, Louis Scheipers owner and up; Conductor, aged brown gelding, Jackson Boyd, John Boyd up.

Open Hunters: Sir Koster, aged bay gelding, Jackson Boyd owner and up; Persimmon, Dan Boyd up; Surmaine, Alexander up; Rock Clell, Miss Whittelsey up; Traveler, Ozelle Moss up; Canter On, Mrs. Schley up; Idle Chatter, aged chestnut gelding, Jackson Boyd owner and up.

Hunt Teams: Traveler, Moss up, Dark Victory, Mrs. Moss up, and Canter On, Mrs. Schley up; Surmaine, Alexander up; At Last, Mrs. Schley up; Rock Clell, Miss Whittelsey up; Sir Koster, Jackson Boyd up, Orange, Moss up; and Conductor, John Boyd up. Others in the Hunt Team with O'Moriaty, were Persimmon, Dan Boyd up; and Conductor, John Boyd up.

Second Superintendent Leaves Carthage Post

For the second time within about two months, the Carthage School Board last week released a school superintendent for a position with the highway safety division.

C. R. Simpson, elevated from the position of grammar grade principal to the superintendency of the Carthage schools when Supt. B. E. Thasley resigned to accept the highway post, resigned a few days ago to take up similar work. Mr. Simpson will be located at Albemarle, and will have charge of safety work in nine counties.

The Rev. W. L. Warford, Baptist minister of Carthage, will serve temporarily as school superintendent during the remaining seven weeks of this term.

Ralph Page Writes of Italo-American

Ralph W. Page, son of the late Ambassador Walter Hines Page, former resident of the Sandhills and a member of the Aberdeen Page family, writes regularly for the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

In a recent column, Mr. Page reprinted a masterpiece of a letter which had been written by an Italian immigrant, John Romano, to the New York Herald Tribune. "What he wrote had the supreme genius of simplicity and sincerity," Mr. Page said. "To bring this little masterpiece to nearly everybody would seem as good use as could be made of a journeyman penpusher's daily theme."

Mr. Page then quoted Romano's words:

"Every nation in the world got infinitely obliged to America, which all the immigrants from all the world come here and receive the door to make a better living, and then establish family here. What American events in the civilization which conform with the reality life?

"American family, they got comfort home. The poor mothers you could find with three or four children. They live in four or five rooms with all improvements inside. The first of the morning behind his door he got a couple of bottles of milk, with bread, butter, fruits, coffee, eggs, ready to breakfast for the children.

"After the breakfast the children ready to go to school, not with the torn pants, but with the dress clean. In the school the magnificent building with the books free—all the opportunity they want. Music instruction, engineering instruction, mechanical instruction—everything which in the camp of the intellectual and gymnasiums—all free.

"Now I take my Italy under the Fascismo. Every family of the workers with the numerous children and the professions one or two rooms, and got to live six or seven people. The first of the morning when the father open the door he no find no bottle of milk, no fruit, no bread, no butter. The poor father he got to go to the Fascismo syndicate office to ask for a piece of bread for his poor children. He got to stand in the line to receive maybe container of milk.

"Then the poor children, they ready to go to school with torn pants and torn clothes and their feet chilly in the cold stone. Mussolini in 20 years he spends millions of lire in ridiculous armament and in bluffs and the poor people on chain slavery. God—God only—help the poor people because they created that peninsula with the healthy climate.

"I am content to join the Army to defense American liberties. Every morning, when I walk to Boulevard East, I bless America. Every morning I walk my usual to Boulevard East, and bluetail follow me along the river, and between my long walk, beds with the beautiful flowers, tree green all around, and free breeze circulate in my breath along the river.

"Statue Liberty flash direct in my eyes—free always, America."

Killed Army Pilot Had Relative Here

Lieutenant Lawrence J. Rux of Henderson, N. C., one of four Army fliers killed by the crash and explosion of a two-motor bomber near Greenfield, Indiana, over the weekend was a nephew of Mrs. Florence E. Thrower of Southern Pines.

Only 24 years old, he had received his commission as second lieutenant at the navigation school at Coral Gables, Fla., last January, and served in the air service at California. Lieut. Rux was commissioned as a navigator in the air corps and it was in that capacity that he was serving when killed. He was one of the top ranking students in the class at Coral Gables. His mother, Mrs. Leone Curran Rux and a sister, also survive. Mrs. Thrower went to Henderson to attend the funeral services.

Even If It's Not So It's a Good Story

Local newshawks missed the story, if true, and if not true, it's too good not to mention anyway.

Burke Davis, who operates a column called "Good Evening" in the Charlotte News, records that

"The other day at Pinehurst, Richard Tufts, James T. Hunter, Howard Kenworthy, and Robert Finney were playing in the Tin Whistles golf tournament. All of them broke 40 on the first nine, ran into trouble on the 10th. It took 'em a half an hour to play that hole, and among other things: They killed two rabbits, lost a ball, and took a grand total of 28 strokes on the hole."