

## Southern Pines Country Club Sold To W. W. Sherman Of West Hartford; New Owner Takes Over Club June 15

### Sprinkler System And Reopening Of Holes Are Planned

Made public yesterday was the sale of the Southern Pines Country Club to W. W. Sherman of West Hartford, Conn. Information as to the purchase price is not yet available, states City Clerk Howard Burns, but will be released when the final negotiations are completed.

Sherman, a Yale graduate, is president of the Roger Sherman Transfer Company of West Hartford, a trucking and rigging concern, which did a tremendous business during the war.

In 1928 Sherman built the Rock Ledge Country Club of West Hartford, of which Tommy Armour, golfing great, is the present pro. He has operated the Rock Ledge club with conspicuous success, bringing it a fine patronage and the reputation of being excellently run. Sherman plans to bring his own organization to Southern Pines, taking over the entire club and operating his own grill.

Future plans for the Southern Pines Club include the installation of a sprinkler system, and the reopening of the holes which at present remain abandoned. It is understood that provisions have been made for the continuance of the horse events at the club riding ring and show grounds, long an integral part of resort life during the sporting season here. The large amount of fine timber growing on the club property will be preserved, it was stated.

The new owner will take possession of the Southern Pines Club on June 15th and begin operations as of that date, so that there will be no cessation of operations in the course of the transfer.

## Good Peach Year Is Predicted For Sandhill Orchards

### Roaring Twenties Were Big Days Of Peaches In Moore

Although the peach growing industry reached its peak in the Sandhill section of North Carolina more than two decades ago, and has greatly declined since, a banner peach year is being predicted for the Sandhills in '46. There still are more than half a million peach trees in Moore County, and this section continues to ship thousands of bushels of peaches to eastern and northern markets each year.

With the worms well under control through constant spraying, the present local crop has grown nicely and has been kept relatively free of insect and disease attacks, E. H. Garrison, county agent for Moore, stated in Carthage this week. Pointing out that this year's local crop possibly would reach a level at 15 percent below production for '45, the county agent gave 1400 carloads as a pre-season estimate of peaches to be shipped from Sandhills orchards this year.

Among the larger Sandhills peach growers of the present day is Hawley Poole of West End, with orchards in both Hoke and Moore counties, for a total of some 800 acres. The Chapin orchard located near the Chalfonte has long been a sizeable producer, as has that of Dr. P. J. Chester, a part of what was formerly the old Marlboro Farms orchard. Austin E. Donaldson, of the Pinehurst Peach Company, and Clyde

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## Country Club Sold



THE SALE OF the Southern Pines Country Club has just been announced. The buyer is Mr. W. W. Sherman of Hartford, Conn. Mr. Sherman also owns and operates the Rock Ledge Country Club where Tommy Armour is the golf pro.

## Pinehurst Sees Meet Of Cotton Industry Heads

Leaders of the South's cotton textile industry began arriving at Pinehurst's Carolina Hotel on Tuesday for the 50th annual convention of the American Cotton Manufacturers Association which got underway on Wednesday with a full three-day program in the offering.

In a statement on Tuesday, Dr. W. P. Jacobs, association president, remarked that the problems facing the industry were as troublesome, if not more so, than they were during the war years.

As this one more in the Spring's long series of Sandhills conventions opened on Wednesday, upwards of 750 association members were registered the maximum attendance for which reservations were available.

At the first evening session, veteran spokesman for Southern

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## Hotel Purchased This Week In Vass

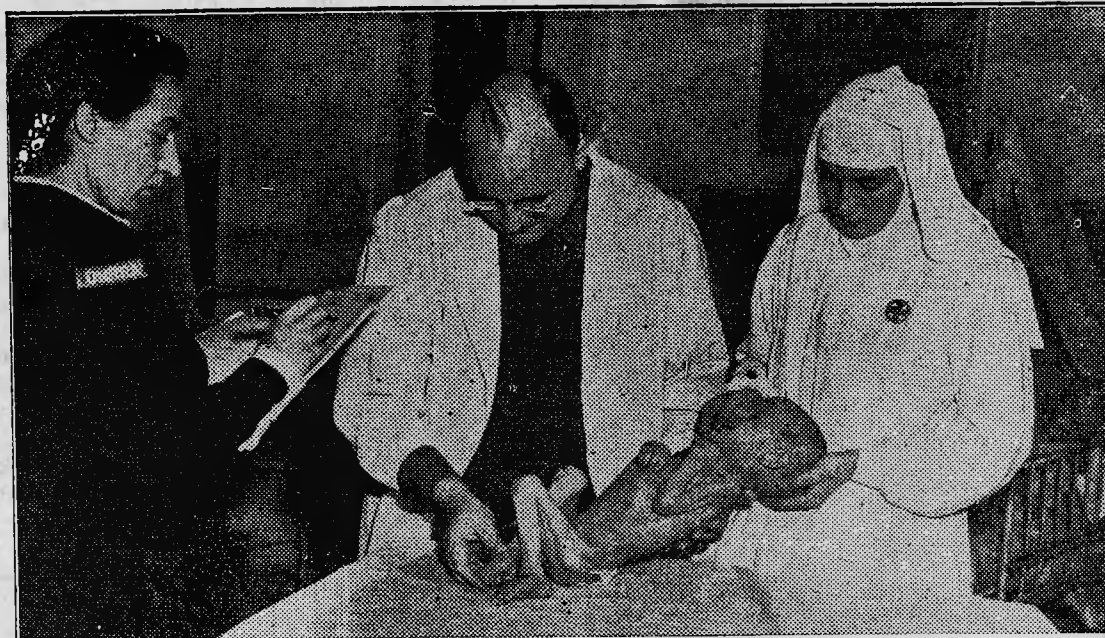
A real estate transfer of interest to the Sandhills section is the purchase of Hotel Charmella in Vass from Major Beasley of Dania, Fla., by Mr. and Mrs. John C. T. Young of Fayetteville. The Youngs expect to take possession around the first of June.

The new owners plan to completely renovate the hotel, which is a 40-room brick building, and to add a number of improvements. Since the death of Charles Rose, manager of the hotel for a short period, his wife has run the place largely as an apartment house. The Youngs will continue to rent some apartments, it is understood, but will reserve as many rooms as needed for transients and will serve food.

A native of Michigan, Mr. Young has been in the hotel business practically all of his life, starting in at the age of thirteen as an elevator boy. Before going to Fayetteville, where he served

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## A Common Sight In Europe Today



FOR LACK OF FOOD thousands of babies and millions of grown-ups are reported to be slowly starving to death in the devastated nations of Europe. To help alleviate the suffering abroad, the Sandhills joins the present nation-wide Emergency Food Drive. This Saturday a Boy Scout will knock at your door for a can of food to send overseas. Yours might be the can of food that will save the life of a starving person.

## Local Club In 12-11 Win Over Star; Lose Wednesday To Siler City, 6-1

### Troy Holds Early Edge In Sanclay Race For Pennant

As the first official standing of teams in the Sanclay League was released earlier this week, a strong Troy aggregation showed up in first place with an early season record of three victories in as many starts, and a 1,000 percentage. The standing includes only those games played on or before May 12.

Team	Won	Lost	Pct
Troy	3	0	1000
Siler City	3	1	750
Ramseur	2	2	500
Robbins	2	2	500
Southern Pines	1	2	333
Star	0	4	000

Fighting it out with Star last Saturday to avoid the cellar position, the local club came from behind with two needed runs in the ninth inning to nose out the invaders 12-11 for a first victory in three attempts. With the lead changing hands on four occasions, Saturday's contest was a see saw affair through the final period, when "Ratch" Haines—playing in the hot spot for Southern Pines—scampered across for the winning tally.

Having lost a 9-8 lead in the top half of the ninth, as Star sandwiched three thits with an error and a wild pitch for three runs, after pitcher Bus Thomas had retired the first two batters, the home team came through on determination and ability to hit in the clutch. Leading off, Thomas opened with a single to left, and McRae, batting for Harper, popped up to third for first out. Murrick, Star short stop, muffed a fly in short center, and Haines was on. Thomas scoring the tying run from third on a faulty throw to the infield. Haines, playing heads up ball, pounded leather for third, scoring from there to break up the game as Jenkins—opposing pitcher—threw wildly into left

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## Local V. F. W. Post To Elect Officers

Upwards of forty members of the new Southern Pines V. F. W. post No. 7318 will meet at the Southern Pines Community Center at 8:00 p. m. on Friday, May 17, for the purpose of electing officers, it was announced on Tuesday by John H. Stephenson of Southern Pines. The local post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, charter for which was received in April, is open also to members from Pinehurst and Aberdeen. Members from these communities, it was pointed out, may transfer their membership in the event that V. F. W. posts are later organized in their own towns.

## SECOND ACE

Playing over the Southern Pines Country Club course on Saturday William Souter of Chataqua, N. Y., scored the second hole in one for the season at the club, as he holed out for an ace on the 154 yard 7th. Souter's four-ome included club manager Billy Wilson, Bert Weather- spoon, and Howard Burns, all of Southern Pines. The season's first hole in one for the local club was a feat of George Pottle on Thursday of the same week. No. 6 irons were used by golfers Souter and Pottle in shooting the aces.

## Girl Softballers Divide Pair, Best West End 11 To 10

With the score at 6-1 at the beginning of the 4th inning, Vass in the lead, the girl softballers of Southern Pines High were bested to the final tune of 7-5 on Thursday, May 9. Bunching their hits through the fifth and sixth, the local girls pushed across four additional runs to one for their opponents, but the final periods were fruitless for both aggregations.

Coming back strong on Monday, the Southern Pines "ten" took a hard-won victory from West End on the home grounds, as in the ninth inning pitcher Becky McCue blasted a home run to deep left field to clear the bases and win her own game, crossing the plate for the final tally to set a 11 - 10 victory for Southern Pines.

The invaders had chalked up a mighty 10 - 5 lead, but the local girls went to bat in the ninth with determination and hitting strength to garner the 6 needed runs. Butler and Dana leading off, accounted for base hits and advanced to 3rd and 2nd, as two successive batsmen were thrown out at first. Weatherspoon's single scored Butler. Safeties were garnered by Cameron and Caddell - the latter previously credited with a home run with no runners on. And Miss McCue then, in the role of slugging heroine, clouted one for the circuit to break up the game.

## Tennis Tournament

The Southern Pines Tennis Committee will sponsor a tennis tournament beginning this May 25th.

Registrations will be accepted at the Sandhill Sport Shop until 6:00 p. m. on May 23rd.

This tournament will consist of: Singles for men... singles for women... doubles for men... mixed doubles.

## General Menoher Is New Commander At Fort Bragg

Assuming new duties as post commander at Fort Bragg last week was Brigadier General Pearson Menoher who, on Thursday, May 9, succeeded Brigadier General Jonathan W. Anderson. General Anderson has received orders for an overseas assignment.

In addition to his office as Post Commander, General Menoher will continue as commander of the Personnel Center, which he took over last in 1945, having increased the discharge capacity of its Separation Center to over one hundred per hour.

Born at Fort Monroe, Virginia, the new commander is the son of Major General Charles T. Menoher, who commanded the celebrated 42nd "Rainbow" Infantry Division in World War I. General Pearson Menoher graduated from West Point in 1915 as second lieutenant of cavalry, and during World War I served through the Mexican Border campaign under General John J. Pershing.

Menoher saw service in World War II as Chief of Staff for the XV Corps, and was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptional ability displayed in supervising the planning and execution of the Sarrebourg defense, his seizure of Bitch, penetration of the Seigfried Line, crossing of the Rhine and Main rivers, and the capture of Bam-

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## Captain Loomam Thanked By Senator Clyde Hoey

Captain Matthew J. Loomam, who has been a familiar figure in the Sandhills during the last three years, on May 6th sent Senator Clyde R. Hoey a petition signed by some forty residents of Southern Pines, supporting the British Loan. This last Wednesday Captain Loomam received from Senator Hoey the following letter:

Dear Sir: I wish to thank you for the communication on May 6, 1946, in support of the British Loan, which was filed by you and a large number of citizens of Southern Pines.

I will not write to all the signers but since your name appeared first on the list, I will appreciate it if you will transmit to the others my thanks for sending this petition. It is in harmony with my position. I supported the British Loan all the way through and made a speech in support of it on May 3. It was my privilege to be the presiding officer in the Senate throughout the whole day on last Friday when the British Loan was passed. With best wishes, I am yours very truly (signed) Clyde R. Hoey.

Captain Loomam was Aide to General Molitor of the 13th Airborne in France and is now leaving the Army for a career in the State Department.

## Sandhills Join Nation in Race to Help Check Post-War Starvation

### PASSENGER TRAINS

The Seaboard Railway announced early this week the restoration of passenger trains following modification of an ODT order restricting service because of the fuel shortage caused by the coal miner's strike.

Restoration of The Palmland, trains 191 and 192, between Jacksonville, Fla., and Miami, Fla., was scheduled with the first trip from Jacksonville on Tuesday and the first trip from Miami on Wednesday.

Service on trains 38 and 39 between Jacksonville and New Orleans was resumed on Monday. Trains 21 and 22—local passenger, mail, and express—between Hamlet and Rutherfordton, were slated to resume service on a daily basis on Wednesday.

Trains 409 and 410 between Tampa, Fla., and South Boca Grande, Fla., were scheduled for daily service beginning on Wednesday. Trains 507 and 508 between Venice, Fla., and Tampa, Fla., were restored yesterday.

Trains 11 and 12—local passenger, mail, and express—were to have been restored today between Hamlet and Atlanta, Ga.

## Camera Club Show Novices Mysteries Of The Dark Room

The Sandhills Camera Club held its third bi-monthly meeting last Tuesday, again at Colonel Donald Madigan's on Ridge street.

Eighteen camera enthusiasts from Southern Pines, Pinehurst and Ft. Bragg attended. Prints were submitted for constructive criticism as to composition, with Mrs. Madigan doing the criticizing, and Tom Johnston holding the blackboard, wiping same clean when necessary. Dr. Kemp later congratulated Johnston on his efficient maneuvering of the cloth, Fred Chappel and Walter Harper concurring.

A very interesting discussion was launched by Colonel Madigan on first, the developing of the film, and secondly, on the developing of the paper. The fundamentals were explained in language suited for the absolute novice... which was just as well, since one charming member wanted to know whether the paper in which the film was wrapped was the "paper" that was developed for the contact print. As the Colonel pointed out: "If anybody thinks this Camera Club is for experts only... no! It is for those interested in the camera. No matter how little they know, if they have the interest, (Continued on Page 8)

## League of Women Voters Meets Today at "Center"

All women interested in organizing a League of Women Voters are invited to attend a meeting today in the Director's Room in the Civic Club Building, now known as the Community Center Building. The meeting will be held at 3:30 p. m. (today, Friday, May 17th). The purpose of the meeting will be one of explanation and discussion, political, but non-partisan.

## "IT PAYS..."

Bessie Chandler Clarke, of Chandler's Greenhouses, reports the receipt of an order for a corsage from a woman in Maryland who saw the Greenhouse ad in THE PILOT.

## Local AVC Chapter Scouts, Women Join To Collect Food

### 100 Million Now Starving In European Countries

It was decided at Monday night's meeting of Moore County's Chapter of the American Veterans Committee that the time had come where only action, and swift action at that, could help the Sandhills catch up in the Nation's present drive to send food to the starving millions in this war-torn, war-weak world.

While there has been considerable feeling and talk, there have been too few actually joining those others who have put their weight behind the drive, felt the local AVC Chapter.

To that purpose a committee was nominated that was to go out and organize a door-to-door collection of canned food to be sent to those who, without America's help, will slowly starve to death. This committee consisted of: Raymond E. York, Chairman, aided by: Jere McKeithen, Tommy Atkinson, Lennox Forsythe, Ray Bucklund, and Tom Johnston.

Although it was undisputed that what our Sandhills area can do will only be a drop in the huge famine bucket, still with thousands of other similar communities doing likewise, a very definite and appreciable help will be given those who need help right now.

The collection will begin Saturday in Southern Pines and Aberdeen, and the following Saturday in Pinehurst.

The Boy Scouts of America, as they have so often done before, generously donated their services, and will collect the food cans from 9 to 12 Saturday.

Tom Atkinson contacted the Rev. Thompson Davis of the Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church in Southern Pines, who put him in touch with the Ladies Auxiliaries, headed by Mrs. Alma Brown and supported by Mrs. Joe Thomas, Mrs. Dorothy Avery, Mrs. Harold Collins, and Mrs. T. A. Jones. These ladies were in complete accord with the drive and will furnish the

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## Miss Floyd and "Jessie" Her Seeing Eye Dog Dispell Some Misbeliefs

It is no easy matter to be the owner of a "Seeing Eye Dog". Not easy to be blind, not easy to get one of these highly intelligent animals if you are blind. In the first place, Seeing Eye Dogs cannot be bought and given to a blind person as a gift.

When asked just how one goes about getting a Seeing Eye Dog, Miss Nettie Ruth Floyd, seen last week on the streets of Southern Pines, answered simply and clearly "We earn them."

To earn "Jessie", Miss Floyd had to prove that she could earn her own living. Her first step was to attend the Braille School for Blind in Raleigh.

In North Carolina there happens to be a law for which most blind people are very thankful. The law is: Blind people can not beg on the streets. One reason the blind are glad of this law is because it is a great help in educating the public into realizing that the blind can get along on their own just as anyone else. Another reason, it clearly shows that the blind are not to be considered as objects of charity. Two people in Southern Pines through mistaken kindness, made that mistake, and Miss Floyd "worked up a storm" telling about it later. She said she

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