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TEN CENTS

Fire Christmas AM Destroys Interior Of Jack's Grill

Restaurant Suffers
Nearly Total Loss
Stevens Opens Branch

The first local Christmas fire alarm since C. L. Hayes startled Christmas diners by turning in one for Dr. Gladmon's office 45 years ago, thrilled out at 6:20 o'clock Wednesday morning calling out the men of the Southern Pines Fire Department to battle with a smoky blaze in Jack's Grill.

The fire, originating from a motor in the basement, had been smoldering for some time when discovered by Chief Newton who turned in the alarm. On arrival at the scene, firemen found flames pouring from the roof ventilators. They had, apparently, worked up the partitions to the attic. This blaze was soon doused, but the fire raging in the basement and coming up through the flooring gave the men a stiff battle before being subdued.

The damage to the building, erected by E. C. Stevens in 1939, is considerable though it does not show from the outside.

O. R. Conrad, proprietor of the Grill, will have but little salvage from his extensive equipment and heavy stock. He is insured in both the Stevens and Barum agencies. Loss is estimated to exceed \$12,000.

Hounds Kill Fox In Season's Best Hunt on Thursday

Three Pups Out, Take
Leading Part In Run
Near McDeed's Creek

"Jinny's doctoring some sick hounds; she can't come but Ozelle will tell you!"

That was the tale when the Pilot reporter called upon the Lyle-Away Stable to inquire about the fox-hunt yesterday. But when Master-of-Hounds Ozelle Moss came to the phone, quite a story unfolded.

"We killed our fox, first of this season," Ozelle said. "And best of all, we had three pups out for the first time on fox and they were right in at the kill and helped to pull him down."

Hounds met at the LePage place, the master stated and drew down toward the Pine Needles Hotel garbage dip, a likely spot for wandering foxes. Just short of the dump, they picked up a fresh line and went away. Then ensued as good a run as the Sandhills country could give; through the woody draw along McDeeds Creek, along the high ground back of Preache-Stimson's farm, south of the Howell Orchard, now owned by E. M. Aiken. At one point hounds ran within a hundred yards of the MacGruder Dent place, and the staff had to nip across a bit of the fairway to stay with them. "Hardly any," the Mas said, "we don't reckon they mind; it was just along the edge when the fox was finally pulled down the run had lasted one or and fifteen minutes, most of it real galloping."

In the field and thoroughly enjoying the sport were B. A. Tompkins and his youngest, Judy, on her first fox hunt, Harold Collins, Charles Evert, Mrs. Tom Zachery of Salisbury, Mr. and Mrs. Babcock, with Corbett Alexander, Micke Walsh and guest, the two Dwat Winkelmans.

The Master stated that drag hounds would meet Saturday morning at 10:30 at the south corner, and the next fox hunt would be Tuesday morning.

THE PILOT
WISHES EVERYONE
A
HAPPY NEW YEAR

County Educators Press For School Bond Issue Vote

Delegations Plan To
Meet Commissioners
On January 6th

January 6th: the date set by the board of education of Moore County for presentation to the commissioners of the petition, drawn up by the county school boards, asking for a special election on the proposed bond issue of \$1,250,000 for new school construction.

It is expected that an annual levy of from 28 to 37 cents on each \$100.00 of valuation of real and personal property will be required to pay for the new buildings needed to make the schools of the county adequate to their needs.

The petition, which was drawn up and passed on by an enthusiastic gathering of school people at a meeting December 17th in the Carthag Court-room, goes to the board of education for consideration Tuesday night. Their approval is to be assured and the meeting with the commissioner has already been planned by speakers and committee members are being organized and is expected that a large delegation from each school district will go before the county board when they meet on January 6th.

Ray Starts Rival Newspaper Here

Macaulay May Be
Fired From Pilot

A story of family rivalry comes to light in the discovery that a newspaper is being published in Southern Pines under the editorship of Dickie Ray. Others on the staff are: Malcolm Clark, manager, Donald Reed, associate editor, Dot Hendricks, secretary. Also helping to bring out the paper are Carol Sue Humphrey, Harold A. Collins, Jr., Dorothy Ann Swisher, Lois McCordle. The offices are located in the classroom of the Eighth Grade, whose teacher is Martha Langston.

Successful in concealing the first number were the editors, but Number 2, dated November 15th, found its way to the Pilot desk, where it received the attention to be expected, under the circumstances.

The verdict, given with understanding, (Continued on Page 4)

John Lang Appointed Secretary To C. B. Deane

C. B. Deane of Rockingham, Congressman Elect from the Eighth North Carolina District, announced on Monday the appointment of John A. Lang, Jr., of Carthage, as his secretary.

Lang is a graduate of the University of North Carolina of the Class of 1930 and received from the same institution his Master's Degree in 1931.

Since his release from active duty in the European Theatre of War with the U. S. Army, he has served as Field Secretary of the North Carolina Hygiene Society. From 1935 through 1942 Lang was first, assistant to the educational director in Washington in charge of CCC Camps, and thereafter served as North Carolina Administrator of the National Youth Administration.

Ring Out Wild Bells

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the sky
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no rest;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife
Ring in the nobler modes of life
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times,
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite,
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand warlike old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kinder hand;
Ring out the darkness of a land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be

—Tennyson

Many Festivities Are Planned For New Year's Week in Southern Pines

Many New Year's week activities have been planned for Southern Pines. At the Country Club, open house will be held on New Year's afternoon, and the Hunt Club breakfast is scheduled for Tuesday morning at 11:00 o'clock. A holiday dance will be given by the Sandpipers for members and guests Saturday night, December 28. Reservations and tickets to the dance can be obtained at the Country Club. Golfing is a daily attraction. The dining room will be open as usual for dinners, light lunches, and breakfasts.

The Village Inn will have a gay New Year's eve party on Tuesday night, with orchestra, favors and noise-makers, says George Buttry. The Inn will be open from 5:30 p. m. to 2:00 a. m. Dinner will be served.

James Warman announces a gala New Year's eve party at The Dunes, with hats, favors and noise-makers, and dancing to the music of Bob Miller's orchestra. New Year's eve will find the Club House of the Pine Needles

McPherson Garage Destroyed By Fire

McPherson's Garage in Cameron, across the highway from the McPherson home, was destroyed by fire early Thursday night of last week, together with several automobiles which were in the basement garage. One of these was the property of "Dutch" Hudson of Vass and The Pilot has not learned to whom the others belonged.

There was no insurance on the building, in which George Faulk operated a garage, and Sam Taylor, a service station.

The fire, which was discovered about 7:30 p. m., is believed to have started from an overheated stove. Fire apparatus from Sanford and Carthage was called, but the flames, whipped by a stiff breeze, had gained too much headway for the building to be saved.

It's Almost Time To List Your Property

Now that Christmas preparations are over, the Bre County Tax Supervisor and his corps of list takers are hoping that property owners will run their thoughts to the list of their property for taxation that listing can get underway first of January.

Listing must be done during January, or the property owner will be subject to a penalty. All male persons between the ages of 21 and 50 years are required to list their polls during the same time. Persons who have been exempted from payment of poll tax are required to exhibit certificate of such exemption.

Mrs. D. J. Blue of Rutledge Route 3 is again the list taker for McNeill township which Southern Pines is located

Christmas Goodies From Local Group Cheer 30 Families

Generous Response
Amplly Fills Baskets
For Town's Needy

Over thirty families received Christmas cheer from the people of Southern Pines through their Council, in this year's annual Christmas distribution.

The Community House-Civic Club was the scene of great activity Tuesday before Christmas, as the workers of the Council of Social Agencies met to fill the baskets. In charge was J. C. Phillips, treasurer of the organization, who was pinch-hitting for President, Morris Johnson then engaged, on that busiest of days, in filling the dozens of baskets of his eager customers.

Mrs. J. H. Towne, Miss Birdilla Bair, Augur Towne, and Louis Scheipers were among those taking a big part, while three members of the Teen-Age group, Billy Warner, Fred Arnette, Jimmy Dickerson, did yeoman service both in filling baskets and carrying them around for delivery. Helping for West Southern Pines were Edward York and P. T. Saunders.

It was stated by the treasurer that over \$40.00 had been received, to pay for the Christmas cheer, with more to come, while the amount of staples and goodies obtained through the barrel collections in the different stores had brought in so much that there was enough left over to pass on to the Elks Club, for help in similar work.

Scouts Publish Monthly Bulletin

The Moore County Boy Scouts announce that, with Volume 1, No. 1, they are starting a monthly bulletin of scout news. It is called "Scout Signs," and the first number contains, besides reports of interest, advice on scouting and suggestion as to proper behavior on solemn occasions.

Under the title, "New Troops" the bulletin says: "The efforts of our Organization and Extension Chairman, Mr. A. L. Burney, are bearing fruit. Two new troops have been added in the County. We extend a hearty welcome to Troop No. 206, Pinebluff, R. G. McCaskill, Scoutmaster; and Troop No. 208, Cameron, James C. Kelly, Jr., Scoutmaster. Congratulations to Mr. Burney, a success in Scouting to our new troops."

"Neighborhood Commissioners" comes next. The news here is that the Commissioner Service is now fully staffed and will begin operations the first of the year. Here is a list of the Neighborhood Commissioners and their troops: Major William White, Pinebluff, Aberdeen, Southern Pines; Captain Cicero Muse, Carthage, Highfalls, Robbins; Lt. Col. Walter Washburn, Manly, Vass, Cameron, Mr. Frank McCaskill, Pinehurst, West End.

The commissioners will visit each troop once a month to help the Scoutmaster and Troop Committee with any problem that may arise.

Good Luck to the new publication will be the wish of all interested in scouting and boys.

VETERANS ORGANIZE BASKETBALL TEAM

With Roy Stutts, Sr., as business manager and H. A. Borst, Jr., as coach, an all-veterans basketball team has been organized in Vass. The team is composed of Curtis Bettini, captain; Joel Stutts, Leon Caviness, James McBride, Max Edwards, Charles Cameron, Neill Johnson, Buddie McRea, Malcolm Blue, and Hugh McLean.

Welfare Christmas Work Sponsored By Jaycees Is Outstanding Success

PEACE DISTURBED

A double disturbance of the peace occurred in the usually quiet town of Vass between 10 and 10:30 o'clock Christmas night. Coming home from an evening call, Mayor H. A. Borst let his wife out at the front of the house while he drove around to the garage. Hearing a commotion among his chickens, the Mayor investigated and found a big fat possum in the chicken house. Afraid the intruder would get away if he left to get a weapon, Mayor Borst kept his flashlight on the possum while he let out a lusty yell for his wife to bring a pitchfork. The Mayor meted out justice to the prowler, but to date, no charges have been preferred against the Mayor for his part in disturbing the peace.

New Year's Show At Country Club Ring This Sunday

First In Some Time,
Show To Attract Many
Holiday Visitors

The New Year's gymkhana and horseshow will be held at the horseshow grounds of the Southern Pines Country Club Sunday, December 29th.

The afternoon's card lists six classes: first, a class for open hunters, to be run over the outside course; second, pair jumping class; third, knock-down-and-out; fourth, children's horsemanship; fifth, ladies' horsemanship; sixth, potato race.

Louis Scheipers, Chairman of the Equestrian Committee, is expecting a large turnout of hunters and jumpers.

More Pretty Windows Delight The Passerby

A few more windows have been decorated since the Pilot's mysterious characters took their trip around town.

Messrs Panda, Teddy et al have subsidized for the time being, to lead a new life from now on, and a much more exciting one than sitting around a tree, even if you could go prowling and looking into store windows after dark. They have left it up to the Old Man himself to take a look, and this is what he says:

Franjean has a lovely window, changed during the past week frequently to keep up with the ever growing Christmas spirit. Gene Stevens is out to catch Santa Claus' eye, too, with a festive display of color. The Shaw Paint people should believe in color too, and their window shows that they do. It shaw is painted up and gay as can be.

And now the old Pilot sticks his neck right out, a block long, and says that in his estimation the Barnum window is the prettiest in town. The C of C may shudder at the display of snowflakes fluttering down even if their president did help to put 'em there, but everybody that goes by stops to exclaim; "Oh, how pretty!"

W. C. JONES DIES WHEN CAR TURNS OVER

So far as The Pilot has been able to learn, the holiday season in this section has been marred by only one major accident. William Columbus Jones was killed Christmas Eve when his car turned over between West End and Eagle Springs. The young man is reported to have been working at Franklinville. His parents are from the Candor section.

Thousand Dollars and Much Food, Clothing, Bring Joy to Destitute

One of the finest pieces of humanitarian work ever put across in Moore County was the Christmas Cheer program sponsored by the Carthage Junior Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Moore County Welfare Department, and it is believed that not one Moore County child was overlooked at Christmas. The Jaycees are delighted with the hearty response which came from all sections of the county.

When the program was undertaken by the Jaycees, they showed their real interest by contributing \$500, and this amount was increased to \$1,000 by donations from others. In addition, there was a large quantity of clothing, food, cooking utensils, and furniture donated. Several of the churches held White Christmas services, the proceeds of which were turned over to the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Volunteers helped pack boxes for all the families on the list, and on the day before Christmas volunteers other than Jaycees provided eight automobiles to help deliver the Christmas cheer. The exact number of families helped is not available at this writing, but the response is thought to be much better than that of last year.

Mid-Winter Show Will Be Held At Pinehurst, Dec. 28

The Program for the Mid-winter Horse Show to be held at the riding ring of the Carolina Hotel, commencing at 2 p. m. on the afternoon of Saturday, Dec. 28th, will be as follows:

Model Hunters: Horses to be shown in hand—Judged on conformation.

Pair riding: Judged—50 per cent horse—50 per cent rider.

Green Hunters: Horses to be shown at walk, trot and canter and over jumps not exceeding 3' 6"—on the Hunt course. Judged on conformation.

Bridle Path Hacks: For Academy horses—To be shown at walk, trot and canter.

Children's Class: 10 years and under.
Open Hunters:
Junior Horsemanship: 11—18 years of age.

Knock Down and Out Jumping.
Entries will be accepted at the post. Competitors are requested to make an early appearance, in order that the program can be run off on time.

Aberdeen Building Is Damaged By Fire

Early discovery of the fire and the fine work of the Aberdeen Fire Department prevented the destruction of the practically new Smith-Hudson building on Popular Street in Aberdeen when fire broke out around 7:30 Sunday evening. The building houses Smith's Jewelry Store, the Sandhill Appliance Company's store, Lawrence Farrell's Men's Shop, and the insurance office of J. D. Arey.

Origin of the fire is not known. It was discovered in the rear of the building by H. W. Rogers. Damage to the jewelry store was mostly from smoke. Several automobile and truck tires were destroyed, a quantity of toys burned, and the front window of the Sandhill Appliance Company's store was broken. Farrell's store escaped with minor smoke damage, and Arey's office was not damaged, it is reported. Total damage from fire, smoke and water has not been estimated.