



## Resort Airlines Stockholders Meet Elect Directors

### Burwell Reports Cook Travel Agency To Handle Skycruises

Twenty directors of Resort Airlines, Inc. met at the Airport Saturday morning to hear reports from the President, Lt. Col. L. C. Burwell, Jr., and elect the governing body for the coming year.

The report, read by the president, showed a year of expansion, of enterprise, of new ideas tried out. Of the latter, the Skyline Cruises rated as most interesting and most successful. The originator of this type of air travel, Resort Airlines is planning to continue the cruises and is making reservations, already, for trips during the next months and into the summer. While air travel has suffered a serious setback, due to the recent accidents, reservations continue to come in for the cruises, auguring a general return of public confidence.

An announcement, promising future expansion was the fact Thomas Cook and Son has agreed to handle all Resort Airlines Skycruises, exclusively. The famous travel agency will make all ground reservations for the trips and market the service through their world-wide outlets. Capt. George A. Shearwood, Pinehurst publicity agent, who was elected a director at the meeting, was formerly a member of Thomas Cook and described to the gathering the opportunities which affiliation with the travel agency would open.

Robert Lassiter, of Charlotte, attorney for the airlines, reported on his recent trip to Washington where he contacted officials of the Civil Aviation bureau and obtained assurances that the certification of the local company was proceeding well, the application being near the top of the pending list.

The entire body of directors were re-elected for the coming year, with the same officers. The executive committee was empowered to add four new directors to the list, if deemed advisable.

## Duke Glee Club Will Sing Here

The famed Duke University Glee club will give a concert at the Southern Pines High school auditorium Saturday evening, March 22, under sponsorship of the Cicic club, it was announced this week by Mrs. N. L. Hodgkins, chairman.

Tickets will be placed on sale at \$1.50 for reserved seats, \$1 regular admission with Mrs. Tucker Humphries in charge of the sale.

The Duke Glee club is known as one of the top ranking college and university choral groups of the south, with a reputation not only for the fine singing of serious concert numbers but also of lighter selections, spicing their programs with entertainment of a popular nature.

Two students from Southern Pines, Lewis Hodgkins and Philip Woolley, are members of the group.

## Actress To Play Return Engagement At Forum

Perhaps the best-remembered night of all the Pinehurst Forum presentations during the 1945-46 season was the night the lights went out in the middle of the performance. The star that shone that night was Mary Hutchinson, the non-stop character actress, who came through the ordeal in the best traditions of the theater.

Miss Hutchinson is coming back. Her return engagement is set for the next Forum evening, next Thursday, Feb. 27th., when she will once again delight her audience with her unique type of entertainment.

## Hounds To Meet At Weymouth For Drag Hunt On Washington's Birthday

The Moore County Hounds will meet on Washington's Birthday at the usual hour of 10:30 a. m., according to the master, Ozelle Moss, and the place of meeting will be the Big Pasture back of the James Boyd house, Weymouth, (between the Cherry and Boyd places). The meet will be held there, it is further stated, in memory of the founder of the hunt, who was huntsman and joint-master with his brother, Jackson Boyd, for some 25 years.

Things are very busy around the Moore County hunt kennels these days, what with new puppies arriving, the teen-age puppie group getting their spring training, and the old hounds aquitting themselves mightily well on the trail of Sandhills foxes. With more hunting people in the section than has been the case in many moons, the hunting season is booming, hounds going out three times weekly, and informal groups gathering afterwards for breakfast and that refresh of the day's run which is part of the fun.

Best run of the year was on

Thursday, the 13th. Hounds drew the lower end of the Moss big pasture, and found near the Manly Bridge, coming out over one of the big post-and-rail stock fences, to cross the road and continue through Judge Rowe's pecan orchard, to the wonderment of the white-faced cattle pastured there. Entering the McDeed's creek section, the fox ran in big loops and circles, through the old Powell's orchard, in and about, with hounds scarcely checking to pull him down finally on the edge of the Pine Needles golf course after a run of an hour and 45 minutes. This was the fifth fox killed this year.

Enjoying the sport was a field of about 30, including the Winklemans, the Cardys, W. A. Phillips and guests, Corbett Alexander and guests, W. F. McBride, the Trixes, Mickey Walsh and guests from the Stoneybrook stables.

Tuesday's run was a disappointment to the huntsman and, presumably, the hounds. "Sometimes the late time of meeting suits the

## Strange Goings-on At School House Presage Stranger Events To Come

### FEED THE BIRDS

Two years ago, in the midst of an icy spell of weather, The Pilot carried a box asking people to feed the birds. It caught the eye of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Marsh, never especially interested in birds before, and they started putting out seed, a putting-out that has grown into almost an industry, and an absorbing one. More than 100 birds may often be seen these days at the Marsh feeding stands, squabbling and twittering and carrying on like little gluttons over the delectable table of wild-bird seed, peanut butter, suet and other delicacies which Mrs. Marsh fixes up.

If this present sleet sticks, as it looks like doing, The Pilot, the Marshes, and certainly the birds, hope that some others will take the hint, and . . . . .

### FEED THE BIRDS

## Basketball Meet Schedule Set Up; Games Start Wed.

Schedule of the Moore County High School Basketball tournament, to be held during the next two weeks as climax to a lively season, was set up at a meeting of the athletic committee of the Educo club at the Carthage school Wednesday afternoon, and affirmed by the club at a dinner meeting which ensued.

Aberdeen, Southern Pines, Cameron and Pinehurst girls' teams were seeded in that order, and West End, Southern Pines, Robbins and Aberdeen boys' teams.

The tournament will be held at the Carthage school gymnasium, beginning next Wednesday, when West End and Farm Life girls' teams will play at 4 p. m., Pinehurst and Cameron boys at 5 p. m., Farm Life and Carthage boys at 7 p. m. Robbins and Vass-Lakeview girls at 8 p. m., and Robbins and Westmore boys at 9 p. m.

In the Thursday games, West End boys will take on the Pinehurst-Cameron winner at 4 p. m.; Pinehurst and Westmore boys' teams will play at 5 p. m.; Southern Pines girls will play the West End-Farm Life winner at 7 p. m.; Southern Pines boys, the

## Basketbells To Battle At Basketball Saturday Night

If you have seen night lights at the high school all this week, and if curiosity overwhelmed you and you decided to find out what was going on and were barred admission, don't get excited—just be on hand Saturday night at the school house. All this week, the Faculty Blue Jeans and the Town Bloomer Girls (see Webster) have been holding secret practice getting ready for their benefit basketball game of the year.

This game, complete with all the trappings, including a special faculty cheering section organized and led by Cheer Leader Philip J. Weaver, and the town cheering section, egged on by Cheer Leader Dick Sugg, promises a hilarious evening of entertainment, if not of scientific basketball. Bunny Harrington and Roy Grinnell will officiate the game.

As to the scientific part, Coach Anne Huntington of the faculty, and Coach B. (Bear Cat) Bair of the town vociferously dispute the issue. Huntington points to her imposing array of faculty talent, sixteen strong. "I'll start McCotter, Todd, Bailey, Buckner, Moss, Miller, and I'm going to run in fresh substitutes and wear 'em out," she said. "Then we'll pile up a score with Swisher, Sutherland, Williams, McIntyre, and Langston. I'll show Dawson a thing or two on basketball he hasn't learned."

Coach Bair also oozes confidence. "I don't believe in coaches singing the 'blues,'" says Bair. "I'm using the Meanwell system."

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## Harrington Elected Teen-Age President

President and vice president of the Teen Age club changed places in elections held at the Community center Wednesday night, as Bobby Harrington, vice president, was voted into the presidency and Fred Arnette, became his successor.

Pat Caddell was elected secretary and Billy Warner was re-elected treasurer.

This was the first official meeting of the year and 22 members paying 1947 dues formed the electorate. An immediate membership drive, to re-enroll all 1946 dues-paying members and to bring in new ones, is to be instituted.

## Men's Club Makes Gift of Clubhouse To Local School

### Teen Agers To Use Happy Meetingplace Of Former Days

With a sigh of regret for the good old days, and a cheerful salute to the natural heirs of their fine times—the youth of today—the few remaining members of the formerly flourishing Southern Pines Men's club disbanded the organization at a meeting last week, and turned over their clubhouse to the Southern Pines school.

The clubhouse, a brick and stucco building off East Pennsylvania, between Broad and Ashe streets, is to be given outright to the school for use as the

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## Fires Consume Niagara Dwelling, Much Timberland

Through the efforts of the Southern Pines firemen, and members of the local unit of the State Forestry Service, several homes in Niagara were saved when endangered by flames from the home of J. M. Patterson which was totally destroyed by fire at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Originating in the shingled roof of the five room frame dwelling, the fire was not observed until it had made such headway as to prevent the removal of all but a few articles of furniture and personal effects. Southern Pines firemen, braving the intense heat of the flaming house, kept their hose upon the home of Miss Nettie Williams, closely adjoining, while the Fire Service men turned their efforts to the home and outbuildings of Duncan Cameron. Flying sparks lodging in the home of Mrs. Sadie Marabeles, located more than 100 feet from the fire, were extinguished by local efforts.

Mr. Patterson had no insurance.

**Wood Fires**  
Shortly before 6 o'clock Saturday night, fire in the woods north of Dr. J. I. Neal's swept down to the Midland Road before it was stopped by the Pinehurst firemen and a Forestry Service crew. Four hours later the Southern Pines firement were called out to a brush fire back of McFarland's on South Leak Street. At 1:55 p. m. Sunday another brush fire blazed at Ashe Street and New Jersey Avenue, and at 3:30 the weed-grown lot east of the Osborne residence, on Massachusetts Avenue, burst into flames spreading from the trash pile.

## YOU CAN HELP!

Furniture, clothing, household supplies—everything in fact, a family ordinary uses are sorely needed by the Patterson-Hart family, whose home at Niagara with all possessions was destroyed by fire last Monday.

Following a survey yesterday, the county Red Cross chapter issued an SOS to the general public for aid for the two elderly people, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Patterson, their daughter, Mrs. Hart, and four grandchildren—a boy and girl of 11, a girl of seven and a little boy of three.

Students of the Southern Pines school, which the three older children attend, are sponsoring a clothing collection, and the Red Cross is cooperating, besides trying to gather together some other essential needs. Articles may be left either at the school or Red Cross headquarters, and will be speeded on their way to the stricken family.

## Hotels Report Bookings Piling In For Spring Season

### Influx of Visitors Gets Under Way; Many Events Planned

Though spring is still delayed, "the season" appears to have begun in Southern Pines, for hotels and tourist homes report bookings at capacity, or near capacity, for this weekend and on, with many requests for reservations being turned down every day.

While there are scattered reservations available, and managers remind that reservations are not always filled, it looks like a full season from here right on until the first week in May.

Golfers and riding enthusiasts predominate as usual among the guests and hotels report the influx of many "regulars"—people who visit here season after season, with Southern Pines as their regular address every spring.

Highland Pines Inn, with 100 registered early this week, will be filled practically to capacity over the weekend and also beginning March 1, according to Manager Garland Pierce. Groups of golfers have also booked up the hotel's two private cottages and requests are being turned down daily. Private rooms are being sought in town to take care of some of them. Numerous entertainments have been planned for the guests, including bridge and bingo, a musicale and a magic show. The 191st District Rotary convention will be held there April 24-25, bringing some 150 Rotarians and their Rotary Anns. Also, April 19-20, the Virginia-Carolina Purchasing Agents' association will convene there as usual.

"Fine Season"  
"It looks like a fine season," was also reported by Frank B. Pottle, Hollywood Hotel manager. (Continued on Page 5)

## Friday Service To Mark World Day Of Prayer

Members of all local churches are asked to unite in an annual prayer service, the World Day of Prayer, to be held this year at the Church of Wide Fellowship at 3 p. m. today (Friday).

The service will be held in conjunction with others held at the same hour in churches all over the United States and many foreign lands under auspices of the United Council of Church Women, forming a united band of prayer for achievement of world peace objectives and the increasing spiritual good of humankind.

Having as its theme this year "Make Level in the Desert a Highway for Our God," the service will be divided into four parts, led by women representing various churches of the community, as follows: Part 1, "Meditation: Desert," Mrs. R. P. Brown, president woman's auxiliary, Brownson Memorial Presbyterian church; Part 2, "Confession: Mirages," Mrs. R. S. Parker, of the First Baptist church; Part 3, "Thanksgiving: Oasis and Caravan," Mrs. F. Craighill Brown, Emmanuel Episcopal church; Part 4, "Intercession to Jesus, Head of the caravan," Mrs. Tucker G. Humphries, Church of Wide Fellowship.

Music will be by Mrs. Page Choate, who will sing three solos, one of them "The Lord's Prayer," and by Mrs. Lyle McDonald, church organist.

The offering will be used for social work among migrant workers and Indian students of the United States and students and women of the Far Eastern countries.

## New Tract Of Land Selected For Horse Show and Hunter Trial Course

### ROBBERY

One of the most serious robberies to happen here in some time took place in West Southern Pines Sunday night between 7 and 10 p. m. when the house and store of C. N. Brogan was entered and approximately \$400 in silver was removed.

Brogan, who was at church, reported the theft immediately, but to date no clues to the perpetrator have been uncovered.

## Town Board Will Meet With Stone To Ask Signals

### Local Hazards To Be Discussed With SAL Superintendent

A meeting of R. M. Stone, superintendent of the Seaboard Air Line railway, with the Southern Pines town board, relative to the placing of light signals at all railway crossings in town, is being arranged and is expected to be held at an early date, it was announced this week following a meeting of the board held last Friday evening.

A date will be arranged to suit the mutual convenience of Superintendent Stone, who lives in Raleigh, and the town commissioners, and the meeting will be held here.

This will be a follow-up of recent discussion by the board and the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce concerning the hazards of a number of inadequately marked railway crossings. The Chamber of Commerce last week transmitted to the board a request that some action be taken.

Also discussed at the Friday meeting was another request from the Chamber of Commerce, that an ordinance be enforced requiring residents to buy and display city identification tags on their cars. No decision was reached in this matter.

It was decided to change the stop signs at the intersections of Indiana street and Morganton road with the Country club road, giving the Country Club, road, now paved, the right of way.

Henry Letterlow, Negro, was given a permit to operate a taxi in West Southern Pines.

## Mrs. Jordan Addresses Historians; "Housewarming" Held At Shaw House

With more than 50 present, the February meeting of the Moore County Historical association, held at the library Tuesday evening with a "house warming" at the Shaw House later, was the largest yet held.

Members and their guests came from many points in the county for the meeting, which was featured by a talk by Mrs. Joye E. Jordan, head of the department of public displays of the North Carolina department of archives and history.

Mrs. Jordan, who is in charge of the Hall of History at Raleigh, spoke on procedures and aims in the development of a museum, with especial reference to the Shaw House, 100-year-old homestead here which the Moore County association has restored.

Limitation of scope by clear definition of aims, territory to be covered and subject matter, and remaining within the boundaries thus set, is essential if a museum is to be of true value; otherwise it runs the danger of becoming a storage place for miscellany, said Mrs. Jordan. She emphasized the necessity of definite policies concerning gifts and loans, and urged

## Pinehurst-Southern Pines Group Planning Two-Day April Show

The newly organized Sandhills Horse Show and Racing Association has announced that they have accepted from the town of Southern Pines a tract of land to be used as a horse show ring and hunter trial course. Plans are under way to prepare the ground for the projected show to be held April 5th and 6th.

This property was bought by the town three years ago from Mrs. J. H. Filgman and comprises about 50 acres of rolling land, west of the ballfield, though not adjoining it, and across the old Morganton Road from the fire tower property. There is ample room for all horse show facilities, including the stabling, office, judges' stands and hunter courses which are planned.

This is a joint project of Southern Pines and Pinehurst with the committee composed of members from both towns. Col. George P. Hawes, Jr., and James Tufts of Pinehurst, Vernon Cardy, Harold Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Winkelman and others of Southern Pines are active in promoting the show, while management is in the hands of John L. Bowers, of Black Mountain, show promoter, who states that prize lists for the two-day event will be in the mail this week and entry blanks and further information may be secured by writing him, Box 448, Care Sandhills Horse Show, Southern Pines.

## Gang Thefts Lead To Arrest, Trial Of Negro Boys

Climaxing a series of gang thefts, Edward and Willie Mickel, Leroy Simon, Willie and Leslie Wright, young negro boys of West Southern Pines, were brought before the juvenile court at Carthage Tuesday and charged with several robberies. John Willcox, presiding officer, heard the cases and put all boys on probation in the custody of their parents, advising that admission be sought at once for Edward Mickel and Leroy Simon, leaders of the gang, to Morrison Training School. All the boys are around twelve years old.

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