

Haskell Deaton And His "Air Circus" Plan Big Sunday Show At Resort Field

Stunts, Jumps, Sunset Carson and Gus Travis Too

Starts at 2 p. m.

Large crowds are expected to view the big air show—"Haskell Deaton and His All-Star Air Circus"—to be held at Resort airport Sunday beginning at 2 p. m., according to officials of the sponsoring Sky Cruise club, who said that runways are to be used for parking space for the hundreds of cars expected from all over the section.

Sunset Carson, western film star, and Gus Travis, Charlotte Observer columnist, will be present at the air show in addition to Deaton and his famed array of daring fliers and parachutists.

The "air circus," which has been showing for some time at air fields in North and South Carolina, has won a high measure of fame for the unique and thrilling acts exhibited, and the fine quality of airmanship displayed by stunt pilots who take part.

Auto-Plane Stunts

These include the Thrasher brothers of Elberton, Ga., who perform combination auto-airplane stunts original with themselves; Phay Daughtrey flying the famed stunt clipping "Bug"; Ben Huntley, who does low-level aerobatics with smoke equipment in a specially built biplane, and others.

Huntley and Daughtrey perform individually and also team up for a dual act of close formation flying, loops and diving said to provide the utmost in air (Continued on Page 5)

Maples Injured In Fall From Horse

Eugene Maples wanted the horse he was riding to go straight ahead, during a pleasant canter after the horse show Sunday, but the horse knew the road leading to the left led to his stable, and had a different idea.

There was an abrupt turn, a collision with a pine tree and a bad fall for Maples, Southern Pines High School senior, who is now in Moore County hospital with his jawbone broken in two places.

The fall knocked him unconscious, and he remained so during the considerable time it took to get him to the hospital. Miss Barbara Backer, his riding companion, hailed a car which by luck happened to pass along the wooded Pinecrest Manor road where the accident occurred. She asked that a doctor be called. The message was relayed to Bob Craft, at Craft's Service station on nearby Highway 1, who called the doctor, then after a lapse of 10 or 15 minutes without the doctor's appearing, went himself to (Continued on Page 5)

District Program Given Close Look, High Praise Of Top-Ranking Scouters

Boy Scouting in Moore county was given a close look this week by two distinguished visitors out to learn all about it, and it stood the scrutiny well.

Commendation of its leaders, praise of the progress made during the past year and wholehearted encouragement to "keep up the good work" was given scouters and scoutmasters of the district by Gen. Joe Byron, of Hagerstown, Md., chairman of the national Boy Scout committee and a member of the national board, and Smith B. Richardson, of Greensboro, also a member of the national board, and chairman of Region 6, which includes several southeastern states.

They were guests Monday night at the Scoutmasters' Round Table dinner meeting at the Carthage hotel at Carthage, in company with W. D. Campbell, council commissioner and member of the regional committee, as part of a tour of the Pee Dee council in South Carolina and the Oconeechee council in North Carolina, which were selected as represen-

COLLEGE GAME

Residents of this section will see their first intercollegiate baseball game in some time Thursday, April 1, when Wake Forest and University of Pennsylvania teams will meet on the town athletic field.

The Wake Forest team will come to Southern Pines for the day. The Pennsylvania boys, however, will arrive the day before on their southern circuit, and stay overnight.

The game has been arranged through cooperation of Jim Weaver, Wake Forest athletic director, and Horace Hendrickson, head baseball coach (also backfield coach in football season) at Pennsylvania. Supt. P. J. Weaver said. Proceeds will benefit the local ball park.

Hunter Trials On Town Showground Sunday, March 21

Hunting Abilities Will Be Shown

The picturesquely named "Swamp Fox" course, otherwise known as the town showgrounds, will be the scene of the second in the current series of events of the local horse world, when the hunter trials of the famed Moore County Hounds are held there Sunday, March 21, beginning at 2 p. m.

Hunter trials differ from the usual horse show in that they are designed to bring out a horse's qualifications as a hunter as opposed to a show horse. Entries are judged, not on points, but on ability to cross a country safely, fast, and with pleasure to the rider.

Decision as to the Sunday date, which it was thought would be more convenient for many townspeople, was made at a meeting of the committee held at the D. W. Winkelman home Tuesday night.

Chairmen

The event, which will have the cooperation of both the Town of Southern Pines and the Chamber of Commerce is in the hands of the hunting people. Fred McBride, secretary-treasurer, will be in charge of publicity. Mrs. W. O. Moss was named hunter trials program chairman, Mickey Walsh racing program chairman, Dwight Winkelman grounds chairman.

Proceeds of the event will benefit the panelling fund of the Moore County Hounds except for the refreshment sales, which will be in charge of the Moore County Hospital auxiliary for the benefit of their hospital work.

tative of the best of the region, from which much could be learned to assist with work in other places.

Contrasting Programs

The two councils were chosen as presenting two important, but quite different programs—that of the Pee Dee predominantly rural, and the Oconeechee with many towns ranging from village to urban Raleigh and Durham.

The Moore district, as the most outstanding of the outstanding Oconeechee council, received special attention, and reports made at the meeting were earnestly listened to.

At the close of the meeting both visitors commended the type of scout work which is going on here, and said that if the Moore County spirit could be extended over the entire country it would mean great progress for scouting everywhere.

Especially noticeable, they said, was the increase in membership in the 12-15 year age group (exclusive of Cub Scouts and Senior (Continued on Page 5)

City Extension Sentiment Poll Is Chamber Plan

Resolution From Rotary Studied

The Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce will take a poll of post office boxholders in an effort to ascertain public sentiment concerning extension of the city limits, it was decided by the directors at the semi-monthly meeting, held at the Community building Tuesday night.

The decision followed presentation by Tom Wicker, secretary, of a letter from Harry Lee Brown, secretary of the Southern Pines Rotary club, in which he enclosed a copy of a resolution passed at the Rotary meeting of February 13.

The resolution, passed without a dissenting vote, was in favor of extending the city limits to include adjacent sections already well built up, and was passed on to the Chamber for recommendation to the town board, or for such other action as the directors saw fit.

Hoke Pollock, who had presented his views on such extension before the Rotarians February 13 on request of Garland Pierce, program chairman, summarized them briefly for the Chamber of Commerce at the suggestion of President John S. Ruggles. Municipal planning trends today, he said, favor inclusion within corporate limits of sections where fundamental urban services are needed and can be immediately given, and it is certainly seen as a community stride toward progress.

The 1947 General Assembly so simplified the procedure, he declared, that it can be easily done by municipal action. A referendum may be called, if desired, by objectors, provided these are in sufficient number.

Some discussion followed, with individual expressions favoring (Continued on Page 5)

Local Horses To Run In Camden Races Saturday

There will be a scurry and hurry after the hunt on Saturday, it is expected, when members of the field dash out of their pinks and into their whatever-they-may-be's to run down to Camden for the Springdale Race Meeting. Interest in the races is high, with the news that several entries have been made from Mickey Walsh's Stoneybrook Stables.

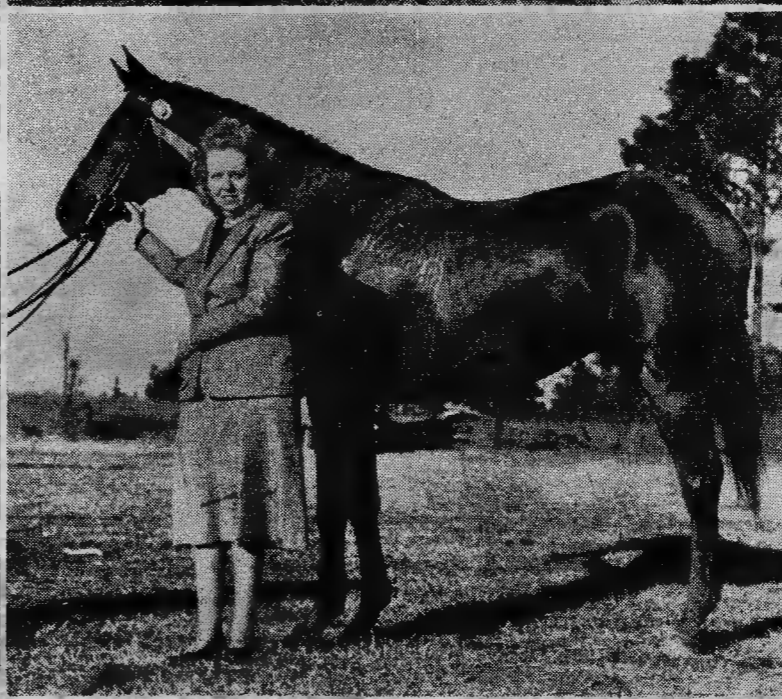
Reports come from Camden, where this next Southern horse event is to be staged, that the entries for Saturday's race-meet are very gratifying. Harry Kirkover and Ralph Chase, chairman and secretary respectively of the Carolina Cup committee, which is running these two meetings, report that 49 horses are entered in the five races scheduled for this Saturday.

The meeting will be held on the historic Springdale course, just outside Camden and will be the first of two events, the second, the Carolina Cup Meeting, taking place just two weeks later.

Racing will start promptly at 2:00 p. m. with the running of the Bloomsbury, six furlongs on the flat. Following, in climactic succession will be a hurdle race, the Holly Hedge, of 1 1/2 miles, the King Haiglar Steeplechase, about two and a quarter miles over timber, The Mulberry, named after Camden's famous Mulberry Plantation belonging to the Williams family. The afternoon of racing will close with another flat race, The Kamchatka, of one mile.

"From interest shown to date," stated Kirkover, "we feel sure of a large attendance not only from our own but from neighboring states. Some of the best horses now in training in the East are entered in this meeting." Kirkover said that the committee was delighted that Southern Pines stables would be represented this year.

Three Champions In a Row



Three firsts and a green hunter championship was the extraordinary record chalked up by Flagshon, shown above with his owner, Mrs. Audrey Kennedy of Southern Pines. This was his first show, too, which makes it even more remarkable. Mrs. Kennedy thinks he is the best prospect she has ever had. Flagshon is by Flagpole, son of Man o'War, out of Fashion's Best, foaled in May '44. He was bought from Morton (Cappy) Smith, shown in the upper photograph with the two other champions of the show: Faugh a Ballagh, champion conformation hunter, and Sombrero, champion open jumper. Which might well put this hard-riding horseman from Middleburg in the championship class himself. (Photo Humphrey)

Chamber Of Commerce Show Is Huge Success

by E. O. Hippus

The Chamber of Commerce Horse show, which started in a drizzle, ended in a blaze of glory. It was a climax grand in itself, apart from the slow start. And damp and cold as that start was it did little to dampen the spirits or chill the ardor of all the people who had looked forward for the last few weeks to this March 6th and 7th event.

They turned out on Saturday in brave style and if a few slipped away before the last class, it was only to return with added enthusiasm as Sunday's warm sun and wine-like air sent spirits flying sky-high.

It seemed to have a similar effect on the folks that all this excitement was about. The horses galloped and jumped, strutted their stuff and showed off, to delight every heart. It seemed as if the spell of wet weather had just added vigor and grace to their paces.

As for the going, except for a slightly slimey bit in front of the second inside chicken coop, where they had to dig in for the trappy jump, it couldn't have been better. In fact, the ground was so springy and yet so well dried out after the rain that a good many people from other parts expressed amazement at how well-drained the site was.

Not Site, But Soil

"But it isn't the site," said the Chamber of Commerce, as well as all Sandhillers within hearing. "Or rather, it is the site, too, but it is also the way almost all of our country is, around here. You can ride, or hunt, the day after a night's downpour because of this light sand-clay soil."

"Or play golf," interjected a rather unhappy-looking hanger-on, hopefully. Nobody took him up on it.

Saturday's show, the opening day, started on the dot with the Judge John Prestage of White

One Convict Is Killed As Two Escape From Road Gang At Robbins Tuesday

PARADE FOR GAVIN

The battle-famed 82nd Airborne Division will parade in honor of their commander, Maj. Gen. James Gavin, who is being transferred to a new post. Over 10,000 paratroopers are expected to march past the reviewing stand where the youthful commander will take the final salute of the men whom he led to victory. The parade will take place at Fort Bragg today, Friday.

Stevenson, Brother Of Mrs. Ives, Runs For Governor

Surprises Old Timers With Brilliant Start

Two weeks ago Mrs. Ernest Ives of Southern Pines, sister of Adlai Stevenson, Democratic candidate for governor of Illinois, left here to go to Bloomington to open the family home for the opening meeting of her brother's campaign. Last week "Time Magazine" described the event in such eulogistic terms as are seldom seen in this hard-boiled publication.

"He was a smash hit," said "Time," adding, "when it was all over, veteran Chicago newsmen knew that a dazzling political star had been born." "Time" describes the event "... Stevenson, a novice at campaigning, was completely at ease in Bloomington, where he spent his boyhood and where his family has long published the Daily Pantagraph. At a reception in the high-ceilinged Stevenson homestead on elm-lined Washington Street, he bore up like a veteran through two hours of hand-shaking."

Sandhillers friends of Stevenson, who have met him when he was visiting his sister here, are not surprised that his friendly charm won the hearts of his constituents. Nor, familiar as many have been with his sister's ability as a speaker, are they surprised to find the family characteristic in the would-be governor. "Time" continues "... It was his post-reception speech ... that made his fellow Democrats jump with joy. The speech was sometimes folksy, sometimes eloquent, always forthright." When Stevenson accused his rivals, "the unconscionable spoils machine ... which holds the state in its grip," "Time" says: "The diners went wild with joy, yelling, 'Go get 'em, Ad!'"

Adlai Stevenson, who was legal advisor to secretary of the Navy Know, during the war, has recently been serving as alternate member of the U. S. United Nations delegation. He gave up this post to undertake his present campaign for the governorship of Illinois.

Marshall, ex-MFH, Enjoys Show, And Show Enjoys Him

Did the folks come to see the General or did they come to see the horses? That was the question that fascinated and caused lively discussion among a few onlookers at the show on Sunday.

No satisfactory answer was ever arrived at, but one thing was evident: the General came to see the horses. And if it was clear, too, that the horses didn't give a whoop about seeing the General that was surely all right by him. But they were certainly the only folks there that didn't.

The Pollock box, where he sat, was the loadstone for many wandering feet, as people old and young, big and small, male and female, hung about and looked their fill. Many of them, surely, would like to have done more than look. There was a "we're with you, Sir!" or even "Us folks is a-backin' you, boy!" look in many an eye and a lot of people wished they had the nerve of the small cub scouts and shy little girls who sidled up for autographs which the General so generously gave.

Coroners' Jury Absolves Guard

Search Continuing

One convict was shot to death by a guard and two others made good their escape, in a three-man break for freedom from a road gang working in the town of Robbins Tuesday at 11:30 a. m.

A coroner's jury, empanelled at Robbins by Coroner Hugh P. Kelly shortly after the shooting, exonerated the guard, Joe Watson of Sanford, of any blame in connection with the death of R. D. Taylor, 22, of Lumberton, rendering their verdict that it was done "in line of duty."

Bloodhounds were secured at once and a posse accompanied by Supt. M. C. Jackson of the state highway prison camp near Carthage sought Marvin Overman, 32, and Everett Watts, 26, without success during the ensuing day and night. By Wednesday night the fugitives had not been recaptured, and the search was continuing.

Sheriff C. J. McDonald said that the men, working near the Robbins depot in front of the home of Dr. W. N. McDuffie, suddenly broke and ran across the street and the railroad track, and "hit for the woods." Watson called to them to halt, warning that he would shoot, and, as they kept running, fired the double-barreled shotgun with which he was armed.

Taylor, who was about 75 yards away, fell with a bullet wound in his back and also in the back of his head. He is said to have died at once.

All three men had been recently sentenced for breaking, entering and larceny, Taylor last December 15 from Robeson county, Watts also from Robeson on January 21 and Overman from Randolph February 16.

FIDDLERS' MEET

Swing your partners!

There'll be lively stepping at the American Legion hut tonight (Friday) at the "olde time fiddlers' convention" the Legionnaires are sponsoring for the benefit of their charities and baseball program.

Merry music of the Scottish Sandhills will be played by Yarboro's Sandhills Fiddlers, the Caddell-Rosser band from Carthage and the Daniel Frye Family Players, among others, with figures called in the old-fashioned way, and prizes awarded for the best bands and dancers.

Square dance sets will be led by such noted figure callers as Duncan McCrimmon, from the Inverness-Vass-Lakeview community; John Stewart, Carthage, and Ray McDonald, Aberdeen. Best square dance set will get a special prize.

It looks like a big evening in the old time manner, so come one, come all.