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## Builder Arrested for Fraud Fails to Appear When Case Is Called in Court

Donald S. Denoff, local real estate developer and building contractor, failed to answer when called on a fraud charge Monday in Moore County Recorder's Court at Carthage. Under \$750 bond for his appearance, he has not been found and is presumed to have left Moore County, said the sheriff's department.

He has numerous creditors, according to reports reaching The Pilot from several sources, for amounts running into many thousands of dollars.

Denoff is president of the Denton Realty Co., a corporation which was chartered in July, 1958, had built some 30 to 40

homes in the area and was doing an estimated \$300,000 annual business.

He was arrested Friday for fraud and false pretense in connection with a check for \$750 allegedly paid to the Southern Pines Plumbing & Heating Co., for subcontract work on the Methodist parsonage which the firm was building. On the strength of the check, according to the warrant, he secured a release from the plumbing and heating firm. The check was known to be valid at that time, but the next day Denoff closed out his bank account, rendering the check invalid, said an investigating officer.

Arrested Friday at his home in the Golfcrest area on South Valley Road, Denoff was placed in the Moore County jail from which he was released that night on a \$750 bond posted by Harold A. Collins of Southern Pines. Unless Denoff is found and tried at Carthage, the bond will be forfeited.

In court at Carthage Monday, Judge J. Vance Rowe ordered a capias issued for Denoff, with scifa on the bondsman, returnable Monday of next week.

While waiting in the sheriff's office, Denoff was served with a claim and delivery proceeding by which the Citizens Bank & Trust Co. attached a car they had financed for him.

When arrested, he was in process of having all his furniture moved to the Sandhills Bonded Warehouse. He told Deputy Sheriff J. A. Lawrence he had just sold his home, and planned to stay for a while with his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garlin on Hill Road, while looking for another home, the deputy said.

However, when he failed to show up for trial Monday, it appeared that he had left town, with his wife and two young sons.

E. Earl Hubbard, chairman of the board of trustees of the Southern Pines Methodist Church, said that should Denoff not return and straighten out his

## SCHEDULES GIVEN

### Air Service Use Increases But Not Meeting 'Average'

Use of Piedmont Airlines service at Southern Pines-Pinehurst Airport, granted by the Civil Aeronautics Board on a "Use It or Lose It" basis, has been throughout the winter failing to reach the required average of five passengers per day, but has been rising lately and is expected to exceed the required average over the next few weeks.

Through the first 22 days of this month, there were 106 Southern Pines-Pinehurst passengers, report C. E. Donahoo, station manager, and E. G. Cooke, agent, at the airport. This comes to 4.86 passengers per day—close to the required average.

Piedmont service to Southern Pines-Pinehurst, however, remains seasonal. It will end the last of April, to resume again in October.

The committee named by the county commissioners to administer airport affairs (the county owns the airport) has been urging widest possible use of the Piedmont service. Some weeks ago, a letter went out to key Sandhills people from J. E. Sandlin of Southern Pines, acting chairman of the committee, stating that "commercial flights in our area are our most valuable asset in attracting tourists and industry and thereby improving our standard of living."

The letter pointed out the Use It or Lose It basis of the Piedmont service and urged, "Let's do what we can to insure that Piedmont will be able to continue serving us."

Two weeks ago, Piedmont's replacement of DC3's with pressurized, air conditioned Martin 404 planes was effective, applying to two of the schedules at the local

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OVER THEY GO!—Flying Cottage (No. 6), winner of the featured Sandhills Cup in Saturday's Stoneybrook hunt race meeting, shows his great form, with front legs outstretched, as he clears the timber, neck and neck with second-placing Jamaica Boy (No. 4). Joe Aitchison, Jr., is Flying Cottage's rider. J. Shepherd is riding Jamaica Boy. (Humphrey photo)

## FIRST IN SANDHILLS CUP AT STONEYBROOK

### Flying Cottage Wins Top Race

Flying Cottage, a big bay gelding that appears to be destined for a great career as a steeplechaser, charged home eight lengths ahead of Jamaica Boy to win the Sandhills Cup, featured race at the 15th annual meeting of the Stoneybrook Hunt Racing Association, here Saturday.

Bred in Ireland and trained there as a Grand National entry, Flying Cottage was brought to the United States by his owner J. Blain Van Urk of Unionville, Pa., who was on hand Saturday to see him register his third top win of the past six months. Last fall he copped the Byers trophy at Rolling Rock in Pennsylvania and the Chronicle Cup at Middleburg, Va.

Trained by W. Burley Cocks and ridden Saturday by Joe L. Aitchison, Jr., of Laurel, Md., last year's leading steeplechase rider with 37 wins to his credit, Flying Cottage was in the lead all the way, as he galloped the two and a quarter miles without seeming to extend himself, sailing over the 12 timber fences in high style.

Jamaica Boy, ridden by J. Shepherd and owned by Burford Danner, came in second five lengths ahead of Mrs. Lawrence W. Knapp, Jr.'s Fiery Fox, ridden by Tommy Walsh, formerly the nation's leading rider and nephew of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. (Mickey) Walsh on whose Stoneybrook Farm the track is located. Kingdon Gould, Jr.'s Perky Miss, ridden by R. Gould, ran fourth.

The other two entries, Smoke, Jr., and Mythmaker, fell during the race. Both horses and jockeys W. Turner and R. Zimmerman were not seriously injured.

Mr. Van Urk, who was here as a placing judge for the races as

well as to see Flying Cottage run, said that Trainer Cocks has "done a sensational job" with Flying Cottage. The horse, said Mr. Van Urk, was for a long period extremely nervous, refused to eat and appeared to be unfit for competition. Cocks, he said, has brought Flying Cottage to his present excellent condition.

"He'll either be one of the greatest steeplechase horses that ever ran or he'll go to pieces again," said Mr. Van Urk after the race—and I don't think that's

going to happen."

Mr. Van Urk, a 1905 graduate of Princeton, where he was intercollegiate heavyweight boxing champion, is a longtime visitor to the Sandhills and has ridden for many years with the Moore County Hounds. He is an authority on sporting subjects, and has written extensively in this field.

The co-featured Stoneybrook Open Hurdle Race, which like the Sandhills Cup carried a \$1,500 purse, was for the spectators perhaps the most exciting contest

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## Local Precinct Split, Pinedene One Created

### New County Registration To Be Held

In connection with the creation of two new Moore County precincts and the elimination of another, the county board of elections has ordered a new registration of Moore voters before the May primaries. All persons who expect to vote in the primaries must register during the designated period.

Books for the new registration will open at polling places on Saturday, April 21, and will close at sundown, Saturday, May 12, said Sam C. Riddle of Carthage, chairman of the board of elections.

In a county-wide official designation of precinct boundaries the Moore County board of elections has split the former Southern Pines Precinct into two precincts and has created a new Pinedene Precinct that includes the Golfcrest, Country Club and Pinedene communities south of town.

Spies precinct in upper Moore has been eliminated by action of the board and its voters divided between the Westmore and Robbins precincts, most of them going to Westmore.

Members of the board of elections are Sam C. Riddle of Carthage, chairman; J. Hubert McCaskill of Pinehurst and Coy Lewis, Sr., of Robbins. Riddle and McCaskill are Democrats and Lewis is a Republican. All three were recently reappointed to their posts.

All precinct lines throughout the county have been specifically designated, clearing up in many locations doubt as to where the former precinct line really was. Chairman Riddle said the board had tried to follow natural divisions, relying heavily on a State Highway map with all roads designated by number and thus instantly and positively identifiable.

In no case, he said, does a precinct line cross over a township line. He said that while the precinct mapping project has been under study for many years, he had queried three state's attorney generals and had been advised by them all that precinct lines and township lines should not cross. In some elections there are township candidates for constable or justice of the peace, to be voted on by residents' of that township only.

Division of the Southern Pines precinct, which had far above the normal number of registered voters for one precinct, has long been urged by town officials, local elections officials and others.

The action of the board of elections creates a North Southern Pines and a South Southern Pines precinct. The dividing line, roughly described, runs through West Southern Pines on Pennsylvania Ave., continuing through East Southern Pines on Pennsylvania to May St., turning north on May to Connecticut and out Connecticut to the Hoke County line. In Southern Pines therefore, voters living north of this line would be in the new North Southern Pines precinct and those living south of it, in South Southern Pines.

Pinedene

The newly created Pinedene precinct is created from territory formerly in the Aberdeen precinct which had extended into the Southern Pines community so that persons living on the Southern edge of Southern Pines had to go to Aberdeen to vote.

Mr. Riddle said that Aberdeen precinct, with 2,119 voters on the books, was also becoming too big and that the board felt that, with growth in both Aberdeen and

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## Baseball Dropped At SPHS for '62

Baseball has been dropped from the 1962 spring athletic program of Southern Pines High School, Coach John Williams has announced. He said that in two weeks, only seven boys, all freshmen except one, had responded to a call for baseball candidates. All of last year's team graduated in 1961.

Next year and in following years, interest in baseball is expected to increase, because of former Pony League and Little League players entering high school.

Mr. Williams said that a varied intramural athletic program for boys and girls is planned for the spring term with competition in track, tennis, golf, volleyball, badminton, table tennis and other sports.

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## THE WEATHER

Maximum and minimum temperatures for each day of the past week were recorded as follows at the U. S. Weather Bureau observation station at the W E E B studios on Midland Road.

	Max.	Min.
March 22	59	45
March 23	61	44
March 24	69	34
March 25	68	40
March 26	45	41
March 27	68	32
March 28	70	33

## More Tryouts For Little League Set

The Southern Pines Little League baseball tryouts will continue Saturday. All 10-year-olds are asked to report to the new park on Morganton Road at 9 a.m. and all 9-year-olds are asked to report at 2 p.m.

Any boy who is eligible to play Little League baseball and has not signed an application blank may do so at the Park Saturday during these tryout periods. No boy will be eligible unless he is properly registered.

All outstanding applications must be turned in at the park by Saturday afternoon, it was emphasized.

## FIREMAN'S BALL

The 29th annual Fireman's Ball, for benefit of the Southern Pines Volunteer Fire Department, will be held Saturday night at the National Guard Armory on Morganton Road, with Troy Richardson and the Moonlighters providing the music for dancing from 9 to 1. Couples only will be admitted. Tickets are on sale by volunteer firemen.

## Longleaf Pine Sent to Danville, Va., Man as Memorial to His Missing Son

A longleaf pine tree from the Sandhills will be planted at Danville, Va., as a memorial to a young man who is reported missing and presumed dead on a flight over the Pacific.

The tree was sent Tuesday after being packed under supervision of a local nursery, to D. H. Broome of Danville who sent the following letter, dated March 22, addressed to the Chamber of Commerce and received here by the Information Center last week:

"Gentlemen:

"A few years ago my son and I visited in your lovely town and he immediately fell in love with those long needle pines that add so much to your area.

"My son enlisted in the Army last fall. In his last letter, before shipping out for the Philippines, he asked me to get one for our back yard so he could enjoy it when he returned in eighteen months. I tried our local nurseries and they do not have them.

"My son, Pvt. Joseph F. Broome, was one of the 107 who were reported missing last Thursday on the Flying Tiger charter-

ed plane between Guam and the Philippines.

"I am determined to fulfill his request. Even though he may never see it, it can be a memorial to him. He loved growing things so very much.

"Will you please furnish the address of someone from whom I can obtain a good-sized long needle pine right away for immediate planting?"

In the minds of town officials who learned of the letter there was immediate agreement that a tree should be sent to Mr. Broome in the name of the town. Accordingly, with the tree, went this letter from Mrs. Raymond P. Cameron, administrative secretary of the Information Center:

"The Town of Southern Pines sends to you our deepest sympathy on the loss of your son, Pvt. Joseph F. Broome.

"We are shipping to you this day, March 27, 1962, one small pine tree, to be planted as a memorial to your son, from the Town of Southern Pines, North Carolina."

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## Youth, 19, Waives Hearing on Charge Of Manslaughter

Gerald Wayne Lambert, 19, of Aberdeen, who police say was the driver in a one-car wreck that killed two other young men on Midland Road in November, waived preliminary hearing in last week's session of Recorder's Court. The case was transferred by Judge Harry W. Fullenwider to Moore County Superior Court at Carthage for grand jury action at the May term.

Lambert is charged with manslaughter, driving under the influence of alcohol or a narcotic drug, careless and reckless driving and having no proof of financial responsibility.

He was not represented by counsel at last week's hearing.

In the accident on Midland Road, the automobile which Lambert is alleged to have been driving, left the westbound lane of the dual highway, in a 35-miles-per-hour zone, and struck a large tree in the center section between the lanes.

Ronald C. Benton, 19, and Robert S. Wicker, 20, were killed in the crash and Lambert was seriously injured that he was hospitalized for several weeks.

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## Dignitaries Present at Stoneybrook; Children's, Mule Races Draw Interest

A warm, sunny day, a crowd estimated from eight to ten thousand persons, music by the 82nd Airborne Division band, interesting pre-race events and the presence of military and civilian dignitaries topped off the racing program at the Stoneybrook course here Saturday.

Seated side by side in the reviewing stand in the center oval were Democratic Congressman A. Paul Kitchin of the 8th District and Republican Congressman Charles R. Jonas of the 10th District, who may turn up as opponents in a race for Congress in the new 8th District, if Kitchin wins the nomination in May. Jonas has been nominated in a district GOP convention. With them were their wives. Military dignitaries present were Lt. Gen. and Mrs. Hamilton H. Howze and Major Gen. and Mrs. T. J. Conroy, all of Fort Bragg. The congressmen opened the day's program in a military ceremony.

Attending in a private party and enjoying a picnic before the races was Rep. Kitchin's opponent in the May Democratic pri-

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