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**HARRINGTON PROCEEDING
RIGHT AT LAKEVIEW**

W. J. Harrington was in Vass a day or two ago, and in talking about Lakeview he says the lake has the best patronage it ever knew at this season, and that the tone of the attendance is better than ever. Among other things he said that he had started in to make Lakeview a place anybody can come to with the confidence of finding the right sort of amusement, and the right rules and regulations. He left with the Pilot two cards of which he has posted copies at the grounds, as follows:

Notice to Bathers!

In the interest of common decency and morality the County Board of Welfare directs that bathers in public places shall not be permitted to appear dressed in bathing suit only, except while passing directly from the bath house to the water and return.

Ladies will not appear in one-piece bathing suits.

Campers at resorts may be permitted to pass from the house they occupy to the water provided that in addition to bathing suit they wear raincoat or wrap.

Drunkenness, profanity, rowdiness in any form, any immodest style of apparel, or any act of conduct contrary to decency, law and good order must not be permitted.

By Order of
MOORE COUNTY BOARD OF
PUBLIC WELFARE

Notice!

The public needs this place for innocent pleasure and recreation.

We want to make it clean and wholesome in every way.

YOU CAN HELP!

If you see or know of anything that deserves criticism, do yourself and us a favor by helping the management suppress everything that is objectionable in any way.

If what is done here pleases you tell others; if not, tell us.

.....Manager

In addition he has posted the grounds and the dancing pavilion and the bathing rooms and landing with notices calling attention to the fact that no tendency toward any objectionable practices will be allowed. To make sure that these rules mean business Mr. Harrington has had several arrests made for infraction of the rules and of the state law; some of the offenders have been given suitable fines by the magistrates and some are held for court. Half a dozen or more cases have been dealt with in this manner, and the result is that the sky has cleared. Those young fellows who had thought Lakeview means throwing proper action to the winds have had their lesson, and Mr. Harrington says he does not look for much more of the conduct

Peach and Melon Lands About Vass

The talk of peach lands about Vass has led to considerable looking over the neighborhood, and one day last week a bunch of folks made a systematic investigation in several directions out from the town, having in mind particularly the ridge land that would serve for peaches. Out the road toward Cameron a fair amount of high ground was noted, showing that a pretty fair acreage of land fit for peaches could be found this side of Cranes' Creek valley. But a more promising region was the ridge that leads between Cranes' Creek and the river out toward Carthage. Out the road that leads toward Union church the ridge is high most of the way, and an observer can look from the high points there across the intervening valleys and see that this ridge is high enough to afford drainage into a low basin that is miles in width and capable of carrying off the cold air in great quantity.

A particularly noticeable spot out on that ridge is the home of a negro, Doc. Henderson. Doc. has a good place, high above the frost line, and he is said to be a right good farmer. But all along the ridge the same conditions showed. From the top of the ridge the view in all directions showed that Vass has plenty of high

ground close in, and that a big acreage of peach orchards is possible. Land through this section is much cheaper than it is in some sections of the county, and offers good chances to those who would make orchards.

Further investigation out the Lobelia road showed good ridge land out that way, as the drainage on both sides toward the creek and the river indicate that frosts would not do harm. Here and there in both directions peaches are seen in small quantities where they have been planted for home use, and their condition is evidence that the fruit will thrive. When it has come through this year with frosts killing fruit in every other section of the United States little doubt is felt as to the prospects of peaches on the ridges around Vass.

And as for cantaloupes, they have always proven their availability for this land. The sentiment was that peaches and cantaloupes can be planted with safety on the land about Vass, and that it is a movement that should be encouraged, and that the local people should undertake in a moderate way. The conclusion reached was that Vass has just as good peach and cantaloupe land as any place, and at lower prices than most sections.

UPPER HOKE ITEMS

Hot weather, and the best season you ever saw. Crops look good and green and are growing to beat the band. While a lot of crops are late it's noticeable that late corn is more promising now than what was planted earlier. Some farmers contend that early corn will make heavier ears than late, but we hardly think there is anything to this, especially if corn is planted, say, by the middle of May and the season from then on is good. We may expect as heavy a yield as earlier planting will make.

The tobacco crop is very good but not so far along as it was this time last year. There will be fifty per cent more hay grown this year than last in our section.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wolf and little daughter, of Winston-Salem, spent the past week at the home of Mr. W. H. Simpson, on Simpson Hill. Mr. Hal. Cash, of Winston-Salem, was also a visitor at Mr. Simpson's for a few days last week. Mr. Wolf operates a large barber shop in Winston-Salem, while Mr. Cash is chief dispatcher for the Southern Railway there. We hope these boys will visit our section again soon.

We have been informed that an up-to-date highway will be built from Camp Bragg to Pinehurst, via Lamont's Bridge, Lobelia and Vass in the near future. Also a phone line will be erected along this route; poles are being placed at the camp end of the line now. We will be glad to have

**MID-PINES GOLF
GROUNDS FINISHED**

The new golf course at Mid-Pines, near Southern Pines, is completed except for the necessary maintenance, and the final cleaning and rolling touches that will be necessary as the surface settles in the fall. The grass is coming green all over the eighteen openings, and the management says that the new course will be in as good condition by fall as the course at Pinehurst. The club house is coming fast. The frame of the three stories is up, and the big building will soon be closed in. Knollwood promises to be a lively place by the time winter comes again and the new golf course is in operation.

PEACHES AND MELONS MOVING

The expectation of the peach men was that the Elbertas are about ready to move, and that next week the shipments will be going on in good shape. The cantaloupe men were expecting to be under way by the last of this week or the first of next week. It is reported that the cantaloupe shipments will be a big surprise as commission men are on the ground and asking for contracts for everything in sight. One firm in the north has asked Odgen Jones for a car load a day through the shipping season. Peaches have been sold in considerable quantity for three dollars on the car, but it is the expectation that the buyers now in the county will make a vigorous effort to buy heavily as the fruit comes in to the station from the orchards. Everything at this writing points to a big and profitable crop, and the orchard and cantaloupe men are feeling right satisfied with the prospects. If you want to see the fruit movement in lively swing get out among the orchards in the next week or so. It will be the biggest shipment ever sent out of Moore county in the same length of time of any agricultural product made in the county.

this much needed improvement. It will be a great benefit to a lot of farmers along the route as well as opening a first-class route to Fayetteville from Vass and this section.

Mr. W. J. Johnson, of Route 2, gave a bee robbing Saturday night to the delight of his friends. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Cameron and children, Mr. and Mrs. Archie McGill, Mr. J. W. Smith and children, Mr. B. B. Johnson and his aunts, Mr. A. K. McMillan and his best girl, A. C. and Mrs. Smith, Misses Allie, Bettie, and Katie Black, from below Raeford, and several others too numerous to mention. All had a good time with plenty of the finest of honey.

There was preaching at Mt. Pleasant church Sunday; quite a large crowd was present.

complained of. He says he proposes to make the law decisive in holding Lakeview to the high plane its fine opportunities entitle it to occupy, and that from now on every rule that ought to be enforced will be enforced to the limit.

Crowds are coming in from everywhere this summer, and calling for accommodations that indicate an appreciation of the way Mr. Harrington is handling the place. The Pilot is not in the business of selling building lots for Lakeview, but it does look as if the present would be a right good time to pick up a house site over there along the lake shore, or on the ridge above, for some day that place is destined to be a popular spot through the summer months, and not a bad one in the rest of the year.

AN INNOVATION AT THE HOTEL

Mrs. Bliss, of the Vass Hotel, has opened a tea room in the room adjoining the office and dining room, and in the afternoons during the summer and fall this feature will be available for patrons and visitors. The room is decorated in attractive colors, with an effective lighting scheme, and it will be a pleasant place for lunches for automobile parties, for little gatherings or for persons who want to drop in for an informal bite to eat and a place to rest and chat. The women who have looked it over predict a wide popularity for it as fast as folks become aware of its existence.