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THE MIDLAND
ROAD.

Last week at the Kiwanis dinner Struthers Burt in discussing our international relations said nations like men, do not use enough common sense in their mutual affairs. Far too large a proportion of people start out with the assumption that they know the whole thing, and they argue from that assumption, and oppose any information unless it bolsters up their views.

So much merely to introduce another theme. The Pilot has been asked what the State highway commission proposes to do with the double road between Pinehurst and Southern Pines, and it uniformly answers that it does not know. Then usually begins a discussion as to what should be done, and as Burt said when asked about the United States sending Marines to Nicaragua, "I don't know enough of the situation to offer an opinion."

The highway commission and its engineers have made an exhaustive study of the road situation of the Midland road. It is a road that presents many unusual problems, and cannot be dismissed with a wave of the hand and an opinion. The commission has figures on traffic, on growth of the community, on traffic on other roads, on what traffic requires, and on a lot of other factors that most of us never suspected existed. The commission is composed of intelligent men, and in its employ are some of the best engineers that can be secured. These men are the best qualified judges of road building in the United States. Therefore it is to be presumed that what they do will be based on judgment, experience, desire to serve the community and the State, and on all the foundations that enter into the matter. If they leave a strip of trees between the two ways probably that will be the most desirable program. If they grade the road the entire width probably that will be because conditions that reach from today into the future will warrant that step. Beyond a peradventure the commission has carefully weighed all the evidence and reached a wise conclusion, for they are as capable of doing that after months of deliberation as the most of us are to decide intelligently offhand.

The Pilot has not bothered much to inquire as to the plans for the new road because it feels confident the commission and the engineers are going to build the best road possible, with due consideration for today but also for tomorrow, for tomorrow is a highly important period in the story of the Sandhill community.

ABERDEEN'S DAY
OF REJOICING.

Things seem to be coming Aberdeen's way in battalions. A couple of hundred men are employed in that burg at the present time in new construction, and before the season has passed half a million dollars will have been expended in creating permanent new industries and their adjuncts which will be continuing factors in the future prosperity of the community. The big ice plant and the big storage and transfer yards can not be rated yet, for such institutions are always cumulative in their influences. They don't stop, but rather they are in themselves a stimulus to other growth. A combined plant of this sort means the employment of a number of men, and that number of men broadens the community requirements for other things. More houses, more services of

all sorts, more call on the farmer for his supplies, more activity in all lines, and presently those mass calls have brought forward some other industry, and in that way the thing that is started is a continual breeder of further activity.

Then the Lorensen shop adds to the hopefulness. It will find much of its market in points outside of the immediate neighborhood, and the tendency of shops is growth, and with a widening market and a virility of youth it is permissible to look for something from this institution. Every new hand it finds a place for on its pay roll is a help in that growing power that gives reasonable assurance that Aberdeen has started energetically on the upgrade. Then another influence is brought to play with every new acquisition. More people hear from the community when it is doing more work in any line. Fruit men hear of cars iced at Aberdeen. Railroad men hear of trains assembled at Aberdeen. Climate and production and winter resort are discussed by people who hear of these things in connection with Aberdeen, and folks come to look over the situation, and some of them find advantages that they can utilize to profit.

Aberdeen is a different town from what it was five years ago. It will be interesting to watch the five years that are now immediately ahead, for the coming five years will be a new record maker.

REDUCING THE
NUMBER OF SIGNS.

The work of the Kiwanis club in freeing the highways from the road signs is having plenty of effect. Locally it is curtailing the signs, and on a broad scale it is attracting attention to the Sandhills, for from all over the Union comment is heard about the plan and the accomplishment that is under way here in Moore it shows that something is resulting from the attempts that are made to clean up the highways.

Comparisons are said to be odious, but possibly it is permissible to drag in a horrible example once in a while, and if the lesson of the comparison is effective the result will justify the citation of it. A drive along the highways leading out of Southern Pines and Pinehurst to the North will illustrate. On the Pinehurst road to Carthage signs have been reduced to a reasonable minimum, and on the Southern Pines road to Vass and beyond a similar satisfactory condition is notable. But when the traveler arrives amid the wilderness of signs up around Sanford the whole world takes on a different aspect. Sanford lies in a naturally attractive territory, but the multitude of signs of all kinds that cloud the road sides makes that community look like one of the mottled advertising pages of the modern magazine where a little reading matter in broken columns is made the vehicle to attract the reader into the limitless morass of bulletins of all sorts and types and varieties.

However, more work is needed yet in the Sandhills before the roads are wholly clear, and perhaps while we are gaining the freedom sought the contrast that the Sandhiller encounters when he goes up the road and sees that the landscape is a billboard may encourage him to come back home and help with the further work of cleaning up the remaining spots of contagion that are still left in our own community. Certainly the contrast is striking enough to point out the attractiveness of a road side that is not so palpably given over to the purpose of selling merchandise instead of laying out for the traveler those beauties of the country that travelers naturally expect and like to see when they undertake a journey.

State of North Carolina,
Department of State.
CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION.
To All to Whom These Presents May
Come—Greeting:
Whereas, It appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous

consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office, that the Spring Hill Farm, Incorporated, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated in the Town of Pinehurst, County of Moore, State of North Carolina (W. A. Way being the agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served), has complied with the requirements of Chapter 22, Consolidated Statutes,

entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this Certificate of Dissolution:
Now Therefore, I, J. A. Hartness, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 30th day of April, 1928, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stock-

holders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.
In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at Raleigh, this 30th day of April, A. D., 1928.
J. A. HARTNESS,
Secretary of State.
4t-M-11, 18, 25, J-1.

Five New Houses At Knollwood Heights You Can't Stop a Good Thing Like This

When the sale of building sites was begun at Knollwood Heights a few people of optimistic mind predicted that perhaps 25 might be sold during the winter. Some figured not so many, but none really had the faintest notion that the sales would run up toward ninety. But counting resales that is about the figure.

The swift movement of lots was finally accepted, but then came the doubter who argued that the sale of lots was one thing, while the construction of houses was another. Mr. Olmstead laid that ghost by starting the first house in time to have it completed now. Mr. Wood began another across Fairway No. 18 from the Olmstead house.

And now comes the announcement of five others in that immediate vicinity. Donald Ross, on 465 and 466 will build a house costing about \$18,000, similar in style to his fine home on No. 2 course at Pinehurst. This house will occupy two lots, and Mr. Ross will make a handsome place of it. Adjoining the Ross home, Mr. Van Keuren will build on 470, facing the Short road, while Mr. Ross faces the Swoope drive. Plans are now under consideration,

but while detail is not definitely decided the house will be another one in harmony with the start that has been made.

Across Short road from Mr. Van Keuren Richard Tufts will build on No. 141, a delightful spot for a nice home, and Richard has an eye for an attractive combination of house, site and surroundings.

On No. 513, adjoining the lot on which stands the house he has built and sold to Mr. Bloxham, Mr. Olmstead is preparing to build another house somewhat larger than the first one, also with full consideration of the relations of it to the others that are to be built.

And on 464, across Swoope drive from the Ross building, Talbot Johnson is arranging for another house of the same high type as these mentioned, and which will be suitable as neighbors for the others.

These houses will be pushed forward rapidly to be ready to occupy by fall and with the two now built or soon to be finished they will make seven new homes on the hill above Pine Needles, and the beginning of a wonderfully fine community.

Judge Way is Getting His Neighbors.

If you would like to be one of the community you can find out about a building site by conferring with—

KNOLLWOOD, INCORPORATED

PINEHURST, SOUTHERN PINES, ABERDEEN, N. C.

Or Any Accredited Real Estate Agent
in Southern Pines, Aberdeen or Pinehurst.

Safety First

Robbers do not disturb people who have nothing. A man with a thousand dollars in the bank and only a check book in his pocket has nothing for robbers to take; yet his check is as good as the money which his neighbor carries in his pocket.

It is not safe to carry money on your person when among strangers. Neither is money safe in the house. Money in the bank is safe and is always available by means of a check book. And this assurance of safety costs you nothing.

We invite you to place your money with us on checking account. We offer a safe and convenient place of deposit.

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