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## Knollwood Sales Nearing Hundred

The Total Figure This Week  
Has Arrived at  
Ninety-Seven

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The apple of Knollwood lots in the period of less than ten months since the first one was sold last fall to John Bloxham now totals 97, and others are in negotiation, indicating that the hundred mark will be passed before the first year has elapsed. This is the most surprising bit of community development that has taken place in this section since the Sandhills were opened to settlement, and surprising in many ways. The number of sales is not the biggest thing, for the character and type of buyers is probably more surprising. Big men of all sections and in all lines of business have joined the colony of Knollwood buyers, showing a faith in the future of the neighborhood that is of uncommon interest and of decidedly prophetic force.

No. 97 goes to Dr. Mudgett, a man whose judgment is regarded as excellent and as he had been familiar with the conditions in the Sandhills for years he is looked on as a discreet man in his investments. And there is another thing to give prominence to the Knollwood movement. The entire bunch of investors in building sites there are people of that class that depend on their own valuation of things. No following of the crowd has been observable in this case. Each buyer has sized up the situation for himself, and on the strength of his own opinion of the prospects of Knollwood and the whole Sandhills has secured his location.

Then the character of the man behind the principal forces has to do with the record of 97 over at Knollwood. The Pine Needles Inn is backed by men who have the extraordinary confidence of everybody who is familiar with the name and management of Pinehurst. The substantial type of building at Pine Needles gave assurance that whatever is done in that vicinity will be done on a durable and conscientious basis. The thoroughly modern and efficient foundation of everything at Pine Needles from inn to golf course and public utilities created the fullest confidence. It attracted the men who are taking hold at Knollwood. Also the plan of things at Knollwood had the same effect. Roads, water lines, sewers, the type of buildings, the attention to placing of buildings with relation to each other and to surroundings, all work together to advance faith in the desirability of the project, and with that the type of men who are interested added its powers.

From now on the fate of Knollwood is settled beyond any fear. Too many big men have their interests concentrated in that neighborhood to allow it to hesitate. But what is more, the attractions that have interested these men are still there and increasing, so that Knollwood will steadily be growing into greater popularity, and with its popularity into greater attractiveness as a place to make a home.

There was some doubt as to how fast building would be carried on at Knollwood, but that doubt has vanished, for no place in Central North Carolina, especially in rural regions, is witnessing so many houses of the expensive designs that are now under way at Knollwood and also at the other villages and settlements in the surrounding country of which all are units in this big Sandhill development. It does not matter that Reed is building his house six miles to the west, or that Wadsworth has bought a tract of land three miles or so to the east, or that some one else is doing something in another quarter. The reasons these men are putting big sums of money into Sandhills investments are the same—the attractiveness of the varying and many influences that bring them to the community. And as newcomers lend a

## HOW THE BREWERS INTERPRET THE ELECTION PROSPECTS

The following is a dispatch cut from one of the Sunday papers: Washington, Aug. 9 (UP)—A secret meeting of the brewers of the country has been called for Chicago on September 6 "for the revival of the brewery industry," Ernest H. Cherrington, director of education for the anti-saloon league said in a statement today.

He said Hugh F. Fox, of New York former secretary of the United States Brewers' Association, had called the meeting.

## Vass Water System Making Progress

Sixty Days Will See Plant Well  
Toward a Final Completion

It is expected by the authorities that another sixty days will see the Vass water plant well toward its final finish. The contractors have been hurrying the work along, and without a great deal of disturbance of the streets or of local travel, and they are getting down much of the big pipe. During the week the main has been carried under the railroad from the well to the east side of the village, and the main has been laid down as far as the cotton mill on the west side, and on several of the side streets. Foundation for the big tower and tank are built, and presently work on the tower about 100 feet high will be moving. Tests of some of the lines laid have shown that the job will stand a pressure of 150 pounds pressure to the square inch, which is more than it will ever have. Fire hydrants have been placed at different street corners as the mains have been laid, and on the day when enough pipes are down and the water is in the tank to afford a supply the fire system will be ready for the safety of the village.

Much commendation has been heard of the business attitude of the engineer in charge and of the contractors who are doing the job, and with the ample supply of water in the well all things now point to a different situation in Vass than that which prevailed up to the present. In two or three months more the community will have plenty of water for home uses and for fire protection, and comfort, safety and probably reduced insurance rates are in sight.

It is satisfactory to note that the whole project has been based on the most efficient scale. The well is large, with a capacity of nearly 100,000 gallons a day. The mains are big to carry the supply, the water comes from far down in the rocks, giving the most wholesome quality that can be procured, and of perfect safety for domestic use, the hydrants are large and numerous, the lines are extended as far as they are needed and can be carried farther at any time, and the whole system is excellent. Vass has today a different standing among towns of the state.

hand in further improvement that increases the charm and gives the Sandhills further interest to the man who is looking for his vacation spot.

Southern Pines has commenced to talk about that park at the Manly spring. It looks as if something will come of that, and if it does another impetus will be given the whole range of country along the whole Midland road. Knollwood is not going to see the record stand long at 97, and neither is any place in the Sandhills. The whole region is climbing every day to a new horizon.

Quality tobacco is being produced where the new fertilizer mixtures were used, dolomitic limestone applied and the ridge method of cultivation followed this year.

Poultry growers of Alamance County have ordered another car of fish meal to use in preparing their mash feed. The order made by cooperative action.

## Wicker Answers Dr. McBrayer's Article

Pinehurst Man Writes On The  
Political Situation of  
The Day

Editor The Pilot,  
Vass, N. C.  
Dear Sir:

Being one of the many "Hoover Democrats" to be found in Moore County, I cannot let Dr. McBrayer's letter in last week's Pilot go unchallenged.

I do not pretend to debate one of the Doctor's calibre, but I believe his conclusions are illogical, if we grant the premises upon which they are based.

One—we may suppose from his statements—is, that liquor is physically and morally injurious to the human race. The other; that religious persecution is incompatible with a free and Democratic government.

While the Federal government makes it a crime to manufacture or sell spirituous liquors, and while the responsibility of the enforcement of this law has been to a great extent in the hands of the Republican Party; yet our own state has been trying with Democratic officers, to enforce similar laws for the past twenty years, and since the inception of the Volstead Act, they have been jointly responsible with the Federal officers, for its enforcement, who can say which has been more diligent?

But why single out the Prohibition laws? We have automobile laws, and reasonable ones at that; our maximum speed limit being the highest of any of the states, yet; were we to strictly enforce them; practically the entire population would be subject to prosecution. Yet I believe the automobiles inflict more fatalities than does alcohol.

Would the gentleman say that this attempt at enforcement by our Democratic officers was a failure, and that we should elect Republicans, who had promised to "point out a way" by which every man could drive as he D— please?

Does not the gentleman realize that an experiment of this magnitude cannot be completed in ten or twenty years? Even a revolution, which apparently spreads like wild-fire, has smouldered in the minds of past generations, and the visible indications are only the culmination of the philosophy and wisdom of past generations; silently but surely solidified in a final day of action.

If our prohibition laws will influence one percent of our population

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## Marked Changes At Carolina Hotel

Building and Grounds Remodel-  
ed at Cost of Many  
Thousands

When the folks begin to come back to Pinehurst in a couple of months they will have to look twice to recognize much of anything. The biggest change is at the Carolina where the first thing to catch the eye is the entire remodeling of the ground. New roads have been constructed, a big lawn in front of the entrance with commanding gateways, and walks and shrubbery are provided and the scene is entirely changed to the advantage out the outlook. The approach to the house makes it one of the most pleasing pictures in the Sandhills.

The whole scheme outside is handled in pleasing manner, and the minute the guest arrives inside the building he perceives that the same touch has been given the whole structure. New hard wood floors are laid all over the building, and a large proportion of the rooms have been refurnished in the most modern designs and convenient form. The effect is to make the house seem like a new creation. The Carolina, known from North to South and East to West as the most prominent golf haven in the world, will greet the older guests with a pleasing surprise, and receive the new ones with a gratifying air and certainly of comforts that will add still further to its popularity with the growing patronage that increases every year.

To help matters along the No. 5 golf course will be ready for more players, thus expanding the capacity of the golf field by about 25 percent. The new links are in good shape, the variegated weather of the summer permitting building and also stimulating the growth of grass on the fairways. With the new course and the Pine Needles course of last winter now in capital condition. Pinehurst now has six courses for the winter, to say nothing of the opportunity at Mid Pines and Southern Pines, so it is assumed that golf this coming season will set a new pace and that the visiting players will far exceed the number here in any previous season.

One of the new buildings that tells the progress of the community is the addition to the school house. This will greatly increase the capacity of the village schools, which now have become one of the leading public

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## Vass Vocational School Provided

Local Board Arranges to Trans-  
fer Farm Life Activities  
to This Location

One of the most progressive things done recently for the welfare of the community is the scheme backed by local men whereby the school board is able to transfer to Vass the vocational agriculture department which has been discontinued at the Eureka school because of the closing of that institution. Citizens of the Vass neighborhood realized the great benefit that Eureka had been conferring on the county, and in order that that benefit might not be stopped a plan was devised to move the agriculture department to the new school at Vass, and H. L. Seagrave who has so successfully carried it on at Eureka will come to Vass as the head of the department.

Since the enlarged school has become a fact in Vass it has been growing along substantial lines as it was intended, and with the vocational department it will offer training to the rural children along the lines of farm operation and work, the farm at home affording the opportunity to apply the theoretical training offered in the school. Vass is in a good farm section, and is also close enough to Eureka to permit the Eureka students who have not yet completed their work to go on with it here.

Farming will be the chief feature of the vocational work at the Vass school, as it is more the intention to make the new work apply to the farms than to the other industrial fields, and thus to supplement a local need. Arrangements will be made to take in outside students wherever it is practical, and after the movement is established what is to follow in the way of expansions will be determined. Walter Graham, in speaking of the movement said that Eureka has gained so many results from the school that it seemed like throwing away a good opportunity to let the department die, and as Vass is located much like Eureka it was determined to bring the school here. Many the the side lines over there have been so helpful to the farmers in buying, marketing, production, etc., that several thousand dollars of profit have come to Eureka through the influences of the school, and those influences will continue in Vass.

## MATHEWS ADDS FINE BIG LIBRARY TO HIS OFFICE

W. D. Matthews, local limb of the law, may not have in his head all the law in the world, but he comes mighty near having it in his office, for among recent additions to his law library he has added about a hundred volumes of a new law encyclopedia, with a latin name, that contains about all that has been dug up about laws and cases and court practice and decisions since Moses was tried for killing the Egyptian. Practically every subject that is handled in law is treated, and with the normal text goes the report of hundreds of thousands of cases, the comment on court treatment of them, the practices in the various states and in foreign countries wherever such applies, and it is doubtful if such another complete authority is anywhere else bound in covers. Mr. Matthews also has a large collection of other legal volumes, as well as of general literature that inclines toward law, and if he ever goes into court without full information as to the relation of his case to the law it will not be for want of plenty of complete information on the subject in his office. It is doubtful if any other subject is so fully covered by printed information in any office in this state as law is covered by the encyclopedia of law in Mr. Matthews' office. If he would read ten pages a day of it he could not cover the whole list of books in ten years.

## Muse Clan Hold Their 7th Annual Reunion

Was Attended By Large Crowd—Held At  
Lakeview. Arthur Muse of Hamlet  
Master of Ceremonies

The Seventh Annual Reunion of the Muse family was held at Lakeview August 9th.

Arthur Muse, of Hamlet, was "Master of Ceremonies." Miss June McIver Hemphill gave a reading entitled, "A Tribute To The Muse Clan," which was enthusiastically endorsed, and she responded with "The Little Maid and the Lawyer."

Mrs. Lula Muse read an historical paper of the Muse Clan, entertainingly written by her distinguished sister, Mrs. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourne, N. C., this was read with Mrs. Muse's usual fine expression and was thoroughly enjoyed. Mrs. Muse was also chairman of the memorial committee.

The following personal tributes were given to Mrs. Alex Muse, by Mrs. Flora Black, to Mrs. Joseph Womble, by Miss Mattie Kate Shaw; to A. K. Muse, by Miss Bonnie Muse; to An-

drew Shields, by Mrs. Jim Muse; to George Muse, by Mrs. Morgan.

An elegant dinner was served. June McIver Hemphill's reading at the Muse Reunion, which was composed by Mrs. Mitchell Guthrie, of Cameron.

In the lovely month of August Each and every year, Old Moore County sees a gathering Of a noted people here.

'Tis then the mighty clan of Muse Meets together once again Coming from the hill and mountain, From the valley and the glen.

And such joy in this assembling, Such fond greetings fill the air, How it strengthens ties of friendship

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