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Pinehurst Scheme On Little River.

Fine Farm Developing, With Park Project Not Far in the Future.

Over on Little River, between the Carthage highway and Pinehurst and the road from Southern Pines to Carthage, Pinehurst has begun an important work that is destined to exert a variety of influences. The location embraces many hundred acres, taking both sides of the river for a distance, and extending to Wad's Creek, on the northeast side. It has a soil of which the Bradley greavelly sandy loam is a constituent, and the Norfolk silt loam and the Congaree silt loams prominent, with the Kalmia loam also present in a part of the area. Better land for general farming could not be selected. The place is well watered with the two streams near the boundaries. It is timbered with magnificent forests, from which the clearing that has been in progress has piled up hundreds of cords of wood. The surface contains a considerable sprinkle of gravel, some sand, some clay, and the bulk of the whole place is tillable. It has the possibilities of a wonderful farm.

The tract was bought with several things in view, the first being a site for a new piggery, and also an additional pasture range for Pinehurst cattle and horses. The expansion of the village at Pinehurst is crowding against the farm there, and a desirable location for the livestock of the corporation has been sought for some time. When this admirable location on the river was discovered it was promptly secured, and work commenced to carry out the plans for a place for the pigs and some of the other stock.

But when the start was made it was found that the natural topography of the land with its location between the two streams is so interesting that more ambitious dreams were awakened, and it is now probable that before the plans are all worked out one of the finest wood land parks in the Central part of North Carolina will be created there on the banks of the river, and it will be not only a park, but a gathering of many interesting plants not native in this section as well as many that will be gathered from the neighborhood and set among the trees and shrubs already growing there native. In the boundary the varieties of soil are such that a large group of plants is growing, some that are not found frequently in this vicinity, and they will be cared for carefully and their number increased. On the steep hill slope south of the river, and up the stream from the Southern Pines road, is a long extension of a steep hill not far back from the stream, and it is pretty well covered with plants not very common, and also by many fine big trees of various types that make the spot highly interesting.

On this big tract nearly a hundred acres has been cleared and put into crops and pasturage, and the corn that is growing in the 35-acre field set apart for it is a typical Pinehurst crop. It is big, well eared, thick on the ground, and an illustration of what Moore County can do with corn. But a bigger tract is given over to pasturage, and on a field of Japan clover, Dallas grass, carpet grass, and perhaps some other pasture plants a herd of horses, cattle, a few hogs and about 75 goats are trying to keep the sward mowed down so it will not grow too dense and kill out the undergrowth of new grass. The goats are expected to aid in clearing the ground in the vicinity of underbrush, and to help shape up the tract for further clearing.

It is the intention to extend the clearing on the tract until it is big enough to care for the herd of hogs at the Pinehurst farm, and probably ultimately the cows not wanted at the dairy will be moved out to the river, and perhaps in due season the dairy will go there also, as it is but

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WEST END SCHOOL TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 12TH.

West End school will open at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, September 12. It is earnestly desired that all pupils be present the first day in order that they may get a list of the books to be used this year.

We shall be glad to have as many of the patrons and friends present for the opening exercises as can come. We are looking forward to a good school year and shall be glad to have the friends of the school give us encouragement by being present on the opening day.

J. F. SINCLAIR,
Principal.

Plans For Planting Midlands Highway.

Kiwanis Wants to Make the Mid- lands Road Finest in the State.

At the Kiwanis dinner at the Southern Pines Congregational church on Wednesday, Colonel Hawes, Gordon Cameron, Judge Way and Talbot Johnson were appointed a committee to study the idea of taking the Midlands highway into hand and trying to plant it to shrubbery and grass and otherwise landscape the territory along the line and in the central spaces that will make it the most interesting and attractive road in North Carolina. Considerable discussion brought out a lot of interest, and it is the intention to place the subject before the folks who live on the line of road or have possessions in that section, and urge them to join in this scheme and make their neighborhood that achievement that the original design for the road included when the first survey of it was made.

The road is now graveled from Pinehurst to McDeed's Creek, and would have been much farther along had not the weather been such as to interfere in the last two or three weeks with work. The grading has progressed well up toward Southern Pines, and the rest of the job is now a matter of a short time and a little fit weather, and the Kiwanis folks want to have their plans ready to do their work during the fall and winter. Incidentally for those who want to plant grass seed is was announced that seed can be procured in Southern Pines and Aberdeen through the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce and Howard Burns or Frank Buchan. The price will be low.

A report from the railroad crossing at Aberdeen says that the Seaboard

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CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ASHLEY HEIGHTS DISASTER

The list of receipts from Moore County by the American Red Cross for the recent cyclone disaster have been added to the Hoke County fund and awarded pro rata among the helpless disaster sufferers. These receipts are hereby acknowledged as follows:

Pinehurst	\$201.55
Vass	85.00
Southern Pines	134.00
A. & P. Tea Co., through Southern Pines	100.00
Pender Stores, through Southern Pines	50.00
Roman Eagle Lodge of Ma, sons, Aberdeen	114.50
Knights of Pythias Lodge, Aberdeen	85.50
Christian Endeavor, Bethesda church, Aberdeen	5.00
Total	\$775.55

Besides this amount the Girl Scouts of Southern Pines, led by Lieutenant Emily May Wilson collected 40.78, from which they bought and personally distributed clothing among needy victims.

Respectfully submitted,
C. B. METCALF KEATING,
Chairman, Moore County Chapter
American Red Cross.

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Character In Our Public Schools

Moore County Farm Notes

Much Interest Shown in Alfalfa. 4-H Club Quite a Success.

Much interest has been shown in alfalfa as a hay crop in the county this year. Last year several farmers prepared land to be sown to this, one of the best hay crops. The long drouth in the fall made seeding rather late and the hard freeze in the early part of the year killed part of the acreage sown. C. T. Maness, near Acorn Ridge, got an excellent stand of his. Already he has cut this field three times and thinks his next cutting will be as good or better than either of the other three.

I am in touch with parties who handle good seed at the lowest possible price. We can also get lime without much trouble. There are a great many farmers in the county who should put out a few acres of alfalfa as a supplement to the other hay crops. Following are some details regarding the crop for our section:

1. Kind of soil. Alfalfa grows best on clay, clay loam or heavy sandy loam soil with well drained subsoil. Fields should be well drained and fertile. Do not try to grow alfalfa on poor land. You will be disappointed in the crop.
2. Preparation of soil. Seed bed should be well turned and harrowed and reasonably free from grass and weed seed. A crop of cow peas or soy beans should be plowed under before seeding if possible.
3. Fertilization. Alfalfa should be fertilized with plenty of good stable manure if possible, before seeding. This should be broadcast and cut well into the soil. Commercial fertilizers are desirable but not necessary if plenty of stable manure is used. Lime is also very essential and may be applied according to the type of soil. On the heavy clay soils an application of as much as three tons may be applied.
4. Variety of seed to use: Alfalfa seed grown in the United States are best adapted to conditions here. Personally I prefer the Nebraska grown

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Seawell Will Not Withdraw From Race

Republican Candidate for Gov- ernor to Start Campaign in Near Future.

Sept. 4, 1928.

The Editor,
The Vass Pilot,
Vass, N. C.

Dear Sir:—

Some days ago there appeared in the leading State dailies an announcement that, due to his continued illness, Herbert F. Seawell, Republican candidate for Governor, would probably withdraw from the race. This announcement was without authority or foundation. I am informed by the Chairman of the Republican State Executive Committee that if his resignation was presented it would not be accepted.

This letter is written to request that you insert in the columns of your paper in some prominent place the statement that Mr. Seawell has no intention of resigning or withdrawing from the high honor that his party has seen fit to bestow upon him; that he is improving rapidly from his illness and that his condition is neither serious nor precarious, and, that in only a short time he will begin a vigorous campaign.

Thanking you for this and other favors, I am,

Very truly yours,
HENRY SEAWELL.

Miss Mary Thornton
Care University of N. C.

Plea for Training That Will Rate Morals as High as Information.

It is a well known fact that the objective of the public school is to educate and not to do the work of the home or the Sunday School or Church. At the same time the principal and his faculty have a great opportunity to indoctrinate the young under their charge in the fundamentals of morality. In this fast and modern day though there have been so many things tagged on to the work to be done in the school that sight has been lost of some of the things that must be had or we build on a sandy foundation, that will sooner or later crumble. I recall the days spent in the three-months public school in the small town where I attended as a boy more than 35 years ago—a one-room school building with a large fire place in the end, two long benches where from time to time the scholars could get near enough to warm up, then the others would take their turn. Only two rows of cheap desks, no separate rooms. This will make the young smile. Still we got something that counted in those days that was worth more, immeasurably than the little book learning we got. It was ground into us that the "fear of God was the beginning of wisdom," by the man who stood at the helm and dealt out to us from Proverbs every morning. He ruled with an almost iron hand, but he ruled well and righteously, with the rod in one hand, the Bible in the other. In our modern day we hear much of our fine, up-to-date school houses and equipment, our busses, etc., and it is all very convenient. We could not go back to the other days if we would, and we would not if we could, still we must not lose sight of the character building idea of the public schools. I do not say that it is being neglected for this. We do not know absolutely, still I do say that there is danger of losing sight of the most substantial thing in our mad rush for keeping up with "Lizzie," and we might be due for a fall.

It is costing a good deal to keep up our schools. Maybe we are not paying out any more than we should but at the same time let us be sure to get our money's worth while we go along. A man offered for the best all round scholar in his school a prize known as the Excelsior Medal or prize. Morality or Christian character counted for 60 points, scholarship or school work 30 points, and ten points for attitude toward school work in general. Probably many would not so rate it. At the same time the 60 points for morality covering as it does obedience, to the common rules of school ground ethics which is a basis of all the rest, we must conclude that he is not far from right.

Now in our Sunday School work we have allotted to the teacher about an average of 20 minutes for teaching the lesson proper, the other part of the hour is important and given up to devotional, and organization work, but with only 20 minutes one day in the week we have a total of around 24 hours a year for distinctive religious teaching. Take the small number of children even in Moore County who attend regularly the Sunday School services, and we can at once see that a great deal is not being done for the child's spiritual welfare when many of the homes do little or no Biblical teaching. On the other hand we have the eight month day school operating five days to the week at least six hours to the day and we have a total of 960 hours devoted to education and 24 to the spiritual nature in the Sunday School. Now for fear some one might think I was about to advocate turning our day schools into Sunday Schools I will say there is no place in our day schools as I understand it for teaching Christianity as our

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Rain Fails To Halt Seaboard Officials.

100 Golfers Defy Elements On Southern Pines Course.

(By WILLIAM SCHROEDER.)

The Seaboard Air Line performed at the Southern Pines Country Club Saturday, Sunday and Monday in a fashion that undoubtedly set a world's record for precision, timing and rapid accomplishment, to stand in railroad annals for years.

In the face of a sudden spell of intermittent downpour from Labor Day laden skies, about 100 officers and employes of the railroad gathering here in special Pullmans from all over the South ran off seven flights of golf match play, seven flights of consolation, a visitors' tournament, blind bogey competition and a 36 hole medal play, awarded a host of prizes declared a score of champions, had a good time about Southern Pines and departed for their various departmental offices all over the Seaboard map.

Even E. C. Bagwell, general manager of the road, turned out in plus fours from his private car parked near the depot to assist B. C. Prince, freight traffic manager, Norfolk, Va., and president of the Seaboard Golf Association, in running off the meet. Prince, by the way, said so far as he knew, the Seaboard is the only railroad in the country to have a golf association, calculated to bring the officers and men closer together. The occasion was the second annual tournament.

The large, beautiful cup given by President L. P. Powell of the Seaboard went to C. F. Blake, of Savannah, Ga., medalist, with a 183 for the 36 holes. Permanent possession comes with three years' successive winning of the medal honors. This year was the first time the championship cup was offered.

W. H. Bunkley, left-hander gofer of Norfolk, Va., was the match play winner of the meet. He defeated G. Z. Phillips, of Washington, D. C., one up, with a card of 89 in the final 18 holes on the 71 par 6,307 yard course.

SANITARY WORK IN MOORE COUNTY.

Six weeks ago Moore County put on an all time sanitary officer. This sanitary work comes under the health department. The object of this work is to educate the people of Moore County along the lines of sanitation and make Moore County a more healthful place in which to live. The sanitary officer is Miss Mary MacLeod. She is visiting the people of the county and calling attention to the necessity of sanitary wells, privies, back lots, etc. She is also checking up on dairies, hotels and cafes to see that they provide the public with good wholesome food.

Miss MacLeod says she has found the people of Moore County to be the finest and highest type of citizens. Wherever she goes she finds chivalrous, appreciative people, such as some folk think lives only in story books.

During the six weeks she has been working she has visited a number of homes, dairies and cafes. The people visited have responded wonderfully to any suggestions and have shown that they are anxious to cooperate with the health department in making this county an ideal county to live in.

Miss MacLeod is ready and anxious to serve you at all times. If you need her write or telephone her at Carthage.

MOORE CO. HEALTH DEPT.

Farmers in Burke County have become interested in the Guernsey breed of dairy cattle and have commissioned their county agent to buy some cows for them.

Over 1,000 farmers of Ashe county attended the celebration featuring the formal opening of the Kraft cheese factory at West Jefferson on August