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## MOORE CO. PARK ASSOCIATION | limited area in which there could be pre- | should not regard-would willingly pay

Its Purpose to Establish Reservations Along Public Highways

Organization Affected and the Plans Discussed at Meeting of Representative Citizens of Section



THE ORGANIZATION of the Moore County Park Association is one of the most important steps in the bistory of the section, opening up as it does opportunities for the uplifting of the entire community

through public reservations with their many attractions. The present organization includes Mr. Henry A. Page as president, Mr. J. B. Von Cannon as vicepresident, and Mr. Leonard Tufts as secretary-treasurer; the charter members: Prof. J. A. McLeod, Messrs. Warren H. Manning, J. Alton McIver, A. S. Newcomb, W. E. Youland and Francis Deaton. Formation of the Association is made possible by the general law passed by the 1911 State Legislature, providing for a body of citizens having powers to receive and hold for exclusive benefit of the public, gifts, land or money for the acquirement of suitable land or for maintenance of public parks which shall be free from taxation. Moore County is first to take advantage of this and at a time when values make the project feasible in a large way.

Mr. Leonard Tufts with the assistance of Moore County and North Carolina citizens, has been very largely instrumental in bringing the matter about, as the result of various excursions through the County which had impressed him with the number of places having unusual beauty either in the plant growth peculiar to the region, the occasional rock formations, or the outlooks from hilltops, valley slopes, or up and down the valleys. Noting that most of these sections could be preserved by broadening of the right of way, he found that road supervisors were powerless to take only such land as was actually needed for roads and that there was no law which would permit owners to give such beauty spots for the benefit of the public without paying taxes thereon.

The recent meeting was largely given up to discussion. Prof. McLeod opened by pointing out the value of such a law in permitting the acquirement of such reservations adjoining school grounds of consideration that the practical man

had in other directions, referring to the county will add to its distinction, its

served or added, the native plants, ani- more for beauty in horses or dogs when mals and birds, which forest cutting and a less attractive but just as serviceland clearing were so rapidly extermin- able animal, could be secured at less ating. Mr. Page mentioned particularly cost. Such men Mr. Page emphathe importance of the county's taking the sized, will soon realize that the prelead in lines of progressive action as it servation of landscape beauty in Moore



"COMPARATIVELY FEW TREES, LEFT IN GROUPS, PRESERVE THE BEAUTY AND DISTINCTION OF THE LOCALITY"

beauty as represented by fine trees, impressive outlooks and beautiful flowers. He said he believed that every man even though he was ashamed to acknowledge it, appreciated such beauty-even those who referred to beauty as a sentimental

inborn appreciation among all of natural | prosperity and its liveableness, thus making it a leader as it has been in all modern progress.

Mr. Von Cannon, chairman of the County Commissioners, expressed the opinion that the authority conveyed to the Park Association will lead to the

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## ALL PINEHURST GATHERED

Village Club Fete Most Delightful Entertainment of Many Seasons

**Attractions Numerous and Diversified** Round Out Perfect Day For Young and Old



ALL PINEHURST gathered for Tuesday afternoon's Village Club Fete and the event lingers in memory as the most delightful and refreshing affair of many seasons. Held in the open air with the Pine

Grove as the assembling place, a perfect day was essential and surely none fairer was ever created, redolent as it was with the balmy air, mellow sunshine and the sweet fragrance of Spring. Of attractions there were many and diversified which claimed the attention of old and young with, perhaps, especial attention to the children whose merrymaking was enjoyed by all. In charge of the chariots in which a short ride was enjoyed at the nominal cost of a nickel, the bowling alley, and the bean bags were Mmes. Robeson, Morse, Splane and Hunter, with close at hand, a Maypole which attendant games and dances, presided over by Mrs. Leonard Tufts and Miss Stone.

There were refreshments also, dispensed by Mmes. Langdon, Tufts, Sharpe, Hurd, Baxter, Peet, Pottle and Abbe, and the Misses Bruce and Child, with card tables under the direction of Mmes. Smithers, Redfield and Priest, while not far away, a large company contested for prizes in a putting competition in charge of Messrs. Smithers, Ormsbee and Ross. And ever and always above the murmuring cadence of conversation one heard the eloquent voice of Mr. Prestley S. Maclaughlin who made sketches in color for the small sum of fifty cents-if you happened to hand him nothing larger! Last but by no means least, was the dago, the monk, and the grisley (Messrs. J. V. Hurd, N. S. Hurd and W. S. Dillon) always surrounded by an interested group which for the time being, forgot that it was impersonation and not reality, casting reluctant glances when the strange trio wended its way Villageward, laden with many dollars.

Details of arrangement were in charge of an active committee of which Mrs. J. D. C. Rumsey was the chairman. At the bunting arched gateways dollars were

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