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## GOOD JOB AND GOOD CAUSE

The Pilot this week turns out the job of printing the premium list for the Sandhills Fair, and with the best printing machinery that is made, in the hands of competent printers, the work is of a type that bigger shops than this one in Vass would not be ashamed of.

But enough for the printing. The publication sets forth what the fair has to offer exhibitors this year, and it is a list of premiums that is worth the effort of the Moore county farmer to win some of them. Besides the many thing usually included at the fair, the fair this fall will be out of the common order, for the Berkshire congress will be given company by an Ayrshire cattle display that will make the fair of much benefit to the farmer of the county. Hogs and cattle are featured strongly at the Sandhills fair, and probably no fair in the state will have a better show of cattle than this institution in our own county.

Charlie Picquet and Marion Wall are both working to make the fair a benefit and an interest to the whole people. Along with the agricultural exhibits will be many things of interest, for each season those who have the fair on their hands attempt to add features that will give variation to the more ordinary adjuncts of a purely agricultural gathering. A copy of the premium list can be had by addressing either Mr. Wall or Mr. Picquet at Pinehurst, and when sending for one have one sent to an interested neighbor.

## A NEW DISEASE

A minister not a thousand miles from Vass who is too modest to allow his name to be used has discovered a new disease. In describing it he says the patient shows no symptoms on Saturday night, awakes Sunday feeling fine and eats a hearty breakfast. About church time the attack comes on and keeps him or her at home. About noon the patient feels easy and hungry and eats a good dinner. In the afternoon he is able to walk out. He comes back and eats a hearty supper, but just about church time there is another attack. He retires early, sleeps well, and on Monday morning is able to get up and go to work. The disease never makes its appearance except on Sunday, and never interferes with sleep or appetite. The pastor says there is no cure for it but faith, and that it is a disease which is yearly carrying thousands to the devil. He suggests that a very appropriate name for it would be "Sunday sickness."

Our sympathy goes out to the man who starts with his wife for an auto ride, gets nine miles in the country, runs into a rain storm and then has to admit that he didn't put the windows down.

## DEATON STARTS TOWN PLOT

Francis Deaton came to Vass a few days ago, and last week got in considerable work on the new town planning project. He went over several of the streets, and made several measurements and surveys, and finally decided that he would take the railroad as a base line for the general survey. With this in view he located a street line on the west side of the railroad, holding a building front even with the line already established by the Mercantile Company's block, and the bank building, and he extended that line from the cotton mill to the railroad crossing that comes over at Keith's store. On the east side he located another preliminary line, figuring for another street running from the postoffice building up to the tobacco houses at the other railroad bridge, and parallel to the street on the west side of the track. This would give a block of lots between the railroad and the street on the east side, and they would be set off for business purposes. A feature of the lots on the east side would be that down toward the tobacco warehouse they would have shipping facilities by rail, as they would run back to the railroad where a siding is available.

From the postoffice eastward the present street line is accepted on the north side, as the curb and sidewalk are already laid down there. On the south side of the street provision will be made for curb and walk, with a 30 feet roadway between, and each sidewalk will be set off about five feet from the building line, in order that a good wide street may be maintained.

On the west side a new street will be proposed beginning at the point where the roads from Cameron fork, the ont road coming into town and the other keeping to the westward on to Lakeview. Mr. Deaton proposes at the fork or near that point to continue the road from Cameron straight down the course it has been coming, which would bring it through the corn field west of the Pilot office, and parallel with the railroad until a point down near the cotton mill is reached. There he would swing to the west, and make a straight line for the west end of the dam at Lakeview, making a road with but the one curve in it, and cutting out the hills all the way to Lakeview store. The idea would be to have this become the state highway, and to locate it so that it would serve all purposes of a permanent road for the future as well as the present. At the curve before the cotton mill is reached a road would continue back toward the station, and would be the continuation of the straight course from Lakeview. This would allow an approach from the south to the station, and the present approaches from the north would be increased by the new road

which would run a few feet from the Pilot office, and traffic could come from that road into the road past the hotel and continue to the station.

Other plans include the widening of the Carthage road that leads out the Union church way, making of it a street with ample width for all town uses, and having in view the ultimate needs of a considerable portion of that street as a town street when settlement is more general. Some cross streets between the railroad and the part of the one to the west will be considered. These will be planned to give a good width for future traffic as well as for the present, and with the home phases as well as business locations to be kept in mind.

All of this is not entirely plain sailing, for some protest is heard from persons who do not look favorably on some of the propositions for cutting the land. Mr. Deaton says he is going to show what he thinks is the best method of planning for the future of the town, and then the people who are interested will have to take up the matter and see what they think about it, and how they propose to use the suggestions or how they can offer better ways to get the town plan that is needed, before Vass grows much farther and is tied up forever to an inconvenient street and lot system. The majority of the sentiment seems to be with Mr. Deaton's scheme as far as he has outlined the preliminary ideas, and those who are at the back of the movement say they think no difficulty will be met in carrying it out, as it is of so much importance to get right now when it can be done, that obstacles will be moved when they are met.

## A BIG QUESTION

Farmers around Vass are facing an important decision—a decision which must be faced by the farmers of every section of this broad land. Shall they join in the movement to market their crops co-operatively, or shall they continue as at present? It is a business question which each individual farmer must decide for himself, and in order to do so intelligently he should take advantage of every opportunity to inform himself. There are those who criticize the new plan. The question raised should not be kept in the dark; it should be studied carefully in making a decision, and if the new plan is sound no criticism will kill it. If it is not sound the sooner the country finds it out the better. And the way to find out is to talk with your neighbor and discuss both the weak and the strong points. But the farmer alone must be the judge.

The wise farm hand has learned not to judge the dinner by the tone of the dinner bell.

## LAKEVIEW THRIVING

The crowds that have been coming to Lakeview have been among the greatest in the history of that resort. The bathing beach has been one of the most active water spots in the state, and it is doubtful if some of the ocean resorts have had more people than at times have thronged the water here at the local resort. Hundreds have been on the grounds on different occasions, and the best feature of it is that the numbers are steadily increasing as the place becomes better known. Lakeview has become recognized as an excursion point by the Seaboard Air Line and that is a material help in drawing patronage.

## WEST END

Miss Wilma Mims passed the week-end in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford and daughters, of Bowling Green, S. C., and Miss Lois Adams, of Clover, S. C., have returned home after a visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner Poole passed through here Monday.

Miss Edith Hurley is visiting Mrs. Martin.

Mr. Donald Eifort, Lewis Davis and Miss Lucile Eifort are spending some time in the mountains.

Mr. Robert Auman, of Norfolk, Va., spent Sunday with Mr. Claude Auman.

Miss Anna Wilson returned Sunday from a visit to her sister in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Patterson have returned to their home in South Carolina.

Vivian and Holston Tucker passed the week-end with home folks.

W. H. and Wade Marlette went to Hamlet Sunday afternoon.

Glenn Lewis and Walter Morris spent Sunday with home folks here.

A large crowd of young people enjoyed a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barnetts, Friday night, and again Saturday night a square dance was given at the home of Mr. Cox. It was almost too hot to dance, but it is hard to keep from having the time of your life at Mr. Cox's.

The country is certainly having some fun these days talking about West End losing the first half in the baseball league. We have not become discouraged yet; the other half has not been finished. Last Monday the team lost to Aberdeen, but Wednesday came back strong, when, by good playing, won from Southern Pines, 4 to 0. They were only one hour and five minutes playing this game. Saturday they went to Biscoe and won by a score of 6 to 3.

Rev. Mr. Culberth preached here Sunday. The protracted meeting will start at the M. E. church the last of September.

Rev. L. Smith will preach here Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.