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## JUDGE WAY URGES COMMUNITY TRUST

Proposed Plan for Organized  
Charity With a Workable  
System

The feature of the Kiwanis dinner on Wednesday at Aberdeen was a proposal by Judge Way to form a community trust for the more efficient and intelligent handling of charities and public welfare work backed by private contribution. The judge, who has had much experience along this line told of the plan that is working in many places throughout the country where gifts in large or small amounts are turned over to the community trust, which is an organized corporation under the law, and the funds are invested intelligently so that loss may be avoided and the income is put in the hands of an intelligent committee of the most responsible men in the community for application to such things as justify the outlay.

Judge Way spoke of the blindness of the most of the charity, and the vast improvement that could be made by having a capable committee of really practical business men to investigate the case and handle the funds, and the need of having a reliable trust company receive and invest funds offered by generous people for such purposes. His proposition made such an impression on the club that it was made the order of further investigation and discussion, and as much interest was awakened in the scheme it is likely that an attempt will be made to organize the community trust if it is deemed practical for so limited a field as this, and many of the big men of the community think it is.

The opinion of the leaders of the club is to the effect that if some movement of this sort is started it will grow to big proportions, and they voiced the intention of the club to stand by and see what can be brought out.

## PILOT OFFICE GIRL GAINS DISTINCTION

Annie McGill who has been associated with The Pilot from its beginning except such time as she has been at school, is now at the Women's college at the University of South Carolina. After a couple of years in Mitchell College in this state she went to the University and recent information from Columbia says that she has been chosen House President of student government in the Women's college of that establishment. While with The Pilot she was an excellent and dependable member of the force, and naturally the shop rejoices in the advances she is making.

## DEWBERRY MEN MEET AT HAMLET

At a meeting of the dewberry men at Hamlet, January 8, it was decided that any member of the association shall have the privilege of selling dewberries to a local cannery prior to the opening of the season, provided, however, that the grower notifies the manager of the association at least two weeks before the season opens. In case of glut in the market, should the growers desire to sell local canneries on the spot, said grower shall have this privilege provided, however, if such sales interrupt the loading of a solid car the said shipper shall be liable for that percent of the freight in proportion to cases diverted, the contract to be effective April 1, if enough acreage signs up to warrant car lot shipments.

The following organization committee was appointed:—W. L. McCoy, McBee, S. C.; R. E. Carrington, Sanford, N. C.; J. E. Phillips, Cameron, N. C.; A. H. Guild, Pinehurst, N. C.; C. E. Muse, Laurinburg, N. C.; W. R. Land, and S. W. Clark, Hamlet, N. C. A growers' meeting will be held in Hamlet January 28 at 10 a.m.

The silent partner usually has the last word.

## BLUE FERTILIZER FACTORY STARTS

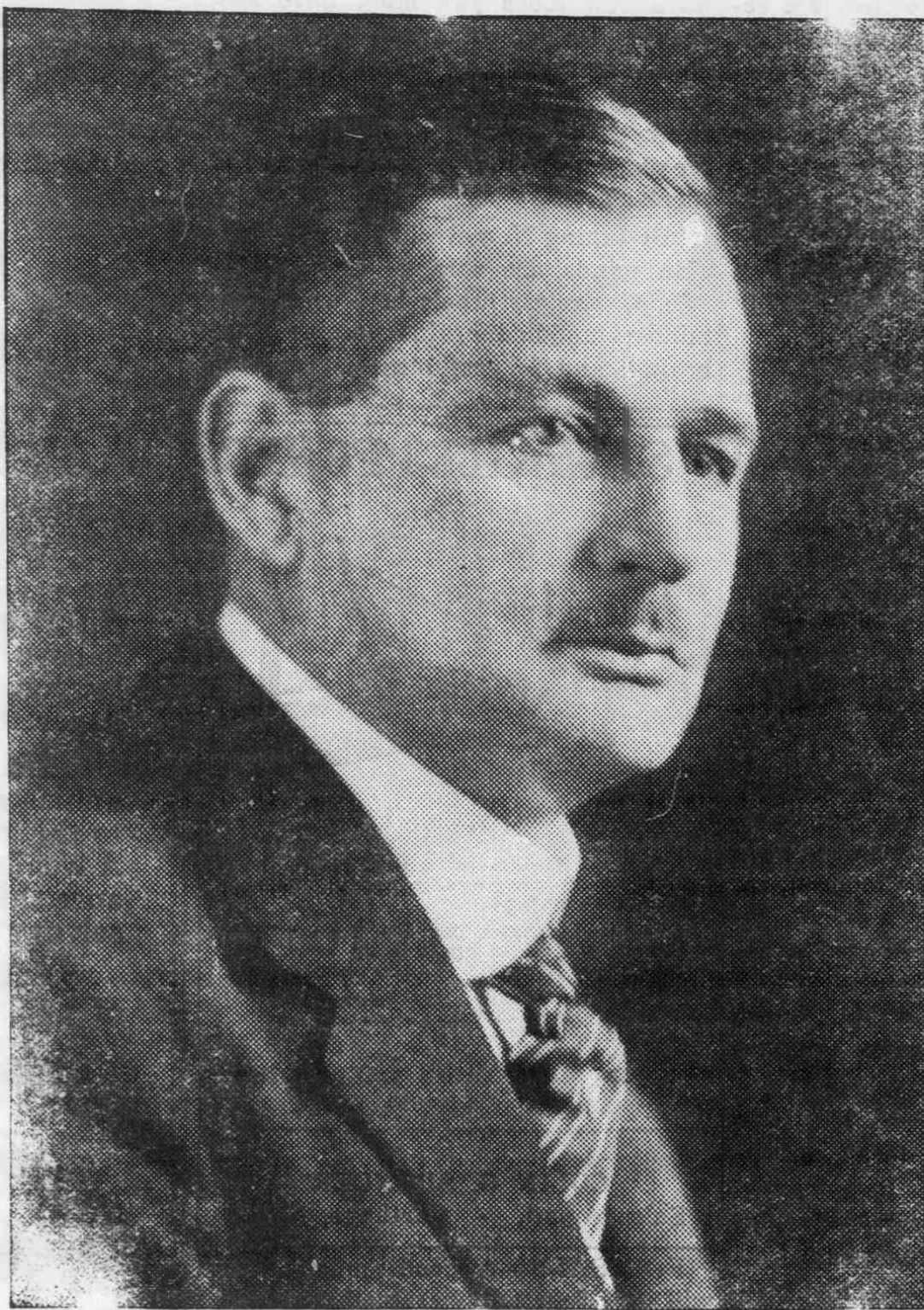
Will Begin Operation the First  
of Next Week; Output  
Greater this Year

B. A. McManus, president of the Blue Fertilizer factory at Aberdeen, says things are starting up and he expects to be in active operation about the first of next week. Material has been coming in until sixty thousand dollar's worth is on hand, with two or three times as much contracted for delivery as needed. The prospects are that the output of the factory will be about twenty-five per cent greater than last year and an extra salesman has been added to help take care of the growing trade. The reputation that has been made by this concern for meeting the requirements of the Sandhill farm and orchard has given the Blue factory a steadily increasing business. The call for plant bed fertilizer by the tobacco men indicates an active year in the tobacco belt, and Mr. McManus figures on a good sale of fertilizer to the cotton men as Moore county last year made one of the biggest cotton crops in its history, and realized for it a good price. He says peach men are also beginning to call for their spring supplies, and that every indication looks like a good agricultural year for 1925.

Last year the factory added a cotton ginning outfit, partly for the convenience of the cotton farmers, but also for the purpose of attracting cotton seed for the fertilizer factory. The gin did a good business and it will reach out for trade again this year.

On account of unavoidable trouble with the typesetting machine, The Pilot is compelled to omit the inaugural address of Governor A. W. McLean.

Cold baths prolong life. But pshaw, that means more cold baths.



GOVERNOR A. W. McLEAN

Who was inaugurated Wednesday, was elected by the largest majority any man has ever received for Governor of North Carolina.

## GOVERNOR McLEAN

When The Pilot last summer announced that it was for McLean for governor of the state the motive of the choice was clearly stated as a conviction that the man possessed the virtues of rugged uprightness, clear thinking, business ability, and a courage that would not shrink at ordinary obstacles.

Today his inaugural address is given in the main points, and the man who reads that positive utterance on public affairs can have no doubt that the new executive is rightly chosen. Mr. McLean leaves no doubt as to where he stands, and tells plainly why he stands there. There is no emotion, no effusiveness of words, no useless florid oratory, but a definite statement of fact and of intention. Capable men have been in the executive office at Raleigh, but as The Pilot reads the signs no man has been there who gave reason to expect greater things than the new arrival, for Mr. McLean while having the ability has also a broader field for action. North Carolina today is much ahead of the day when the other governors served, and more is to be expected of a governor this year than in any day of the past.

Mr. Morrison turns his back on the state house with a record that no man need be ashamed of. He has been a wonderfully progressive agent in the state's work, and if somewhat emotional at times he has offset all that in the positive gains. He has made for his state, which have not been surpassed by any of his predecessors. Time will show Cameron Morrison to have been one of the big constructive statesmen of this state, and the state to have been decidedly the gainer for his term in office.

## WHAT GOOD ROADS HAVE DONE FOR US

Four Days the First Trip, One  
Day the Last Trip From  
Same Points

In a journey I made by motor car in November, 1909, from Harrisburg, Va., to Pinehurst, N. C., I was four days making the trip. The first day I got as far as Roanoke by putting chains on all four wheels. The second day I left for Greensboro after having to be towed out of one creek and two mud holes, and losing all the tools I had in the car, as I found the next day that automobile tools were not very plentiful at that time. I arrived in Greensboro at 10:30 Saturday night, bought 13 gallons of gasoline, and slept in room No. 13, and from that day I have always thought 13 was unlucky.

I had to leave Greensboro the next morning without tools, as I could not buy them on Sunday morning. Everything was going along nicely when about 14 miles out of Greensboro out went a rear tire, and those days we had no spare tires, and it required a good kit of tools to change a tire, and mine was somewhere in the Blue Ridge mountains.

I saw a house some few hundred yards away and walked over and asked if they knew where I could borrow enough tools to change a tire. They knew of a man seven miles away who had a car. I walked the seven miles and when I got to my destination I found that the man was out driving in his car, so I returned to my car and decided to wait until a car came along, which was 5:30 that afternoon. But by this kind friend's help we got the tire repaired and came into Ashboro which is about 28 miles from Greensboro.

Monday morning I left Ashboro for Pinehurst—about 50 miles by what (Continued on page 8)

## BARBER EXPANDING KNOLLWOOD LAKE

Project Increasing in Importance  
as the Work Goes  
Forward

What started out to look like a rather modest plan at Knollwood when James Barber gave out the job for the beginning work there has reached a stage and the plans have been broadened to such an extent that the scheme is becoming one of the most ambitious in the Sandhills. Mr. Barber has looked deep into the possibilities of the site, and as the dam extends and the water rises he is able to see so much more in the possibilities than was apparent on an engineer's survey and prosy blue prints that he has ordered further work, and he has now reached to the stage where the significance of the work is clear to the spectator.

Already the dam is over twenty feet high, and it has impounded sufficient water to make a large lake that skirts the east side of the golf course at Knollwood, and which reaches to the pine covered hill across the stream toward Southern Pines. All the trees and stumps that were on the ground have been removed, and the lake when full will be an open body of water, with its beaches close to a mile in length, and the shores rising in the edge of forest to the hill tops or to the golf links. On the ridge that sweeps the whole circumference of the lake will be some of the finest building sites in the Southern Pines territory, and they will be convenient to the golf grounds, and also but a short distance from the business facilities of Southern Pines for those who want to reach postoffice, railroad, churches, etc. The lake is but a couple of hundred feet from the Pinehurst and Southern Pines double track road. Between the road and the dam Mr. Barber is clearing out the flat ground and probably will have there a park of some sort or a big garden of that type that will add to the appearance of the property.

From one side of the lake to the other the dam will be wide enough to afford a driveway, giving a chance for a road all around the water side, and putting all the homes built on the entire lake front in touch with the golf grounds, the Mid-Pines club house, the Pinehurst road, and the several roads leading into Southern Pines. The borders of the lake will be little more than half a mile in a direct line from the Southern Pines boundary. All the intervening territory between the town and the lake is high and rolling land, covered with pine forests, which will make highly desirable home sites. With the body of water so close, and the improvements that Mr. Barber is carrying on and has planned the whole area between Southern Pines and the Mid-Pines club house will be an extended park, and when it is built up with homes it will continue to be one of the most romantic and picturesque quarters of the Sandhills.

The Pilot has not gone into any questions concerning this new project, for what it all means can be ciphered out by anybody who cares to look the thing over. Many thousand dollars have gone into making that connection between the two villages, and more is following it daily. Already the lake shores, not yet defined as they will be when the water is higher, show the boundary lines to be the approach of an extended beach against a continued body of pine trees of all sizes from little to big, and of a succession of hills, high and low that are attractive enough to appeal to the artist as well as the visitor or resident, or homemaker. The work will go on into the end of the winter and spring, and by summer time the transformation will be complete. The swamp will have been superceded by a park and a lake that will be among the finest in Middle North Carolina.

It's a wonder they don't change the name of Reno, Nev., to Liberty.