

Is a Paper Devoted to the Upbuilding of the Sandhill Territory of North Carolina

Address all communications to THE PILOT PRINTING COMPANY, VASS, N. C.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1925

SUBSCRIPTION \$2.00

WOODMEN OF WORLD MEET AT BANQUET

Hotel Vass Gives Them Feed of Their Lives

The Woodmen of the World held a banquet at the Hotel Vass Thursday evening of last week and everybody who was there tells the one story, that it was a great assortment of eating things. The meeting was opened with a preliminary brief address by Walter Leslie, and prayer by Rev. Dougal Monroe. During the disposition of the vittles a lively flow of jests led by Prof. W. D. Matthews gave interest to the affair along with a brief talk by Rev. Monroe. Then Prof. Matthews presented the speaker of the evening, E. B. Lewis, of Kinston, who eighteen years ago had organized the Vass camp.

Mr. Lewis paid a bit of attention to evolution, which does not seem to frighten him very much, as he says folks do not understand its significance as fully as they might. But he says it is the change that is steadily going on in all things, and worth looking into further. He then mentioned the fact that his organization in its beneficial work is backing the schools, and other public institutions in Moore county and other sections of North Carolina, for it holds large investments of its surplus in the bonds of many counties of the state.

Of the loyalty of the organization he offered as evidence that 44,000 members of the society were in the army during the war, and thousands never came back. A movement was started to build in France a monument to the members who had fallen there, but later a hospital in California was decided on as a more suitable memorial, and several hundred victims of tuberculosis have been restored to health by that hospital. It is not generally known but it is a fact that when President Wilson was providing a plan for insuring the soldiers who had entered the government defensive forces he sent for a prominent Woodman and the plan adopted was based on that of the society.

Mr. Lewis advised the members to be careful in selecting new members. He said the first thing is to consider that the society wants to make better men and to keep their organization on a basis of good citizenship. He does not believe so much in leaving everything to the church and school in making good men and women, but in laying the foundation in the homes. Upright, intelligent, patriotic men must be the product of clean homes, he told his hearers, for, he said, "men will not fight to defend boarding houses. They will stand by their homes to the end of

any bitter warfare, but the home must be one that makes the right kind of men and women, and our order must do its duty in making that kind of homes."

MISS MUSE THE BRIDE OF CHARLES M'COLLUM

In a pretty ceremony at the First Baptist church in High Point Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, Miss Margaret Muse, of Carthage, became the bride of Charles McCollum, of Miami, Fla. Glenn and Nellie Muse, brother and sister of the bride, entered first, followed by the bride and groom. The bride was becomingly attired in brown with a hat of ashes of roses and carried a bouquet of Bride roses. Miss Iris Burrus at the piano rendered the wedding march from Lohengrin.

The pretty ring ceremony was used and Rev. L. T. Wilson, pastor of the church, performed the ceremony, which was witnessed by only the members of the immediate families of the principals and a few friends. Immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. McCollum left for Miami, Fla., where they will make their home.

Mrs. McCollum is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Muse, of Carthage, and was educated at North Carolina College for Women, Greensboro. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. McCollum, of Greensboro, and is a prominent druggist of Miami, Fla.

NIGHT PAGEANT AT THE SANDHILL FAIR

Over 500 Adults of The Sandhills Will Participate—Thursday Night

In keeping with its determination to introduce things entirely new, the Sandhill Fair has arranged a night pageant in which over five hundred adults of the Sandhills will participate. This will be held on Thursday night of the Fair week.

It is to be an historical pageant portraying the early history of the state with spectacular effect. The Court of Queen Elizabeth will be represented in all the pomp and elegance of the age, for it was to her that the Captains Amidas and Barlow returned to tell of their wonderful expedition to the new world, and their landing upon Roanoke Island.

Another scene pictures the brave and courageous people resisting the crafty Tuscarora Indians who were a menace to the early settlers.

The old fashioned wedding with the fiddlers and dancers will be most interesting. Several spectacular dances by women in Greek costume will enhance the production.

(Continued on page five)

HOW Von CANNON BECAME A BANKER

John McQueen Pushed Him Into a Doubtful Job

At the Kiwanis dinner at Southern Pines Wednesday F. W. Voncannon, of the Bank of Pinehurst told his experience since he started in life in Randolph county in 1881. He said he was educated in a one-teacher school, except a bit of high school work in Asheboro later on, and then he went into lumbering in various sections until in 1914 the Bank of Pinehurst was started and John McQueen sent for him and asked him to be cashier. McQueen encouraged him with the opinion that the bank would never amount to much, but thought it worth while to start work there, and Voncannon concluded he would put in about a year in banking. Instead of a year he is now in his tenth year and the Bank of Pinehurst has grown to be one of the strong institutions of Middle North Carolina. He thinks Moore county good enough for a longer period, and his great gratification in his experience in the country is the number of friends made.

The Raleigh Kiwanis club sent in a challenge to other clubs that think they can play golf when the Kiwanis district meeting is held at Pinehurst, and some of the boys who swing a nasty stick intimated that Raleigh might come prepared to sit in the sackcloth if they start to play golf with such artists as Hiram Westbrook, Judge Way, or try out that mystery swing Claude Hayes has made famous. Hayes got into a discussion with Prof. Morton about truancy in the schools, and reported that an investigation led him to believe a strong arm truant officer with some persuasion and a big club could get most of the truants in school. Prof. Morton held to the creation of more public sentiment in getting the missing fifty per cent of delinquents in school, and the subject was pressed with considerable interest from both view points.

Edward W. Shedd, a former resident of Aberdeen, who is in the community looking over old scenes, talked about Arizona, and some of the rest of the Pacific coast country. He told of the mountains so steep that in the town of Jerome the houses are built on slopes so abrupt that some of the folks have the garage on top of the houses, which they approach with the car from the back way, which is on the hill top. He also mentioned the eccentricity of the sharp curves on some of the mountain roads, especially at one curve where the horse he rode had to bend double to get around the abrupt angle. Mr. Shedd was welcomed by the old residents and likewise by the younger ones.

River company. The seed proved good, and about that time Abruzzi seed rye from the neighborhood farms commenced to come in, and the Litte River began to gather up the seed that looked to be good. The result is that the store has had a considerable offering of seed rye from good farmers, and now Mr. McCrimmon is planning to have all his rye seed raised in this neighborhood, and also to make a start at securing garden and field seeds, especially string beans, butter beans, okra, and other seeds of general use, for he argues that the three or four thousand dollars that his stores pay out to seed dealers elsewhere might as well be paid to farmers in the county as to be sent away. Then it has been shown beyond doubt that seed made where it is to be used is better adapted for the soil and climate where it is to grow.

Mr. McCrimmon tells *The Pilot* that he wants to discuss this subject with the farmers and to have them figure with him on making seeds for the coming year. Last year he handled a lot of the Eureka corn and cotton seed and the results are good. He will probably have more next year, for the farmers are paying attention to their supply of seed, and seeing that it is carefully selected from good stalks and good varieties. Abruzzi

(Continued on page 8)

MR. G. C. SHAW RAISES POTATOES

Harvested Around Five Hundred Bushels—Buyers Come Long Distances

G. C. Shaw has been showing the folks up around High Falls what can be done in the production of potatoes. Last month he harvested about five hundred bushels some weighing in the neighborhood of a pound each. In a lot he brought down to Harry Lewis at Southern Pines, seventy bushels graded number one, ten bushels graded number two and he had culled out two bushels from this lot which he left at home. The potatoes were planted on a piece of ground on this side of the river not far from the Reynolds mill. He had a yield of about two hundred bushels to the acre. The variety was Irish cobbler. Mr. Shaw says that not much attention has been paid to Irish potatoes up in his section but that he is right favorably impressed with them. He expects to raise next year fifteen hundred bushels, for he is satisfied that he can make a good crop at reasonable cost and get a good price for them. When it was known this year that he had good potatoes, buyers came with trucks from Durham, Greensboro, Pinehurst and elsewhere and the only

(Continued on page five)

PINEHURST STARTS BUILDING SCHEME

New Warehouses, New Station and Freight Depot

For some time Pinehurst has been getting restless under restricted building capacity for certain prominent requirements, and has been planning for expansion. With the location of the permanent highways a conclusion was reached to move the Norfolk Southern railroad and also to relocate the passenger and freight stations, and with that decision the Pinehurst Warehouses arranged for a new site for bigger warehouses opposite the new station, and at a convenient point on the new railroad and on the new highways to both the northward and to Carthage. So plans were drawn for a group of buildings not far from where the new highway goes under the new railroad tracks, and just south of the new bridge the passenger station will be given a site on the east side of the track and the warehouses and freight station on the west side.

The Warehouse site has been staked out and hands are at work on the preliminary tasks. The first of the group of buildings will be one of the warehouses, 100 by 90 feet on the front and side, one story high. On the side next the railroad the warehouse will have its loading and freight siding, and on the other side next the highway it will have its loading platforms for vehicles on the road. Ample yard room on the railroad will be at hand, and plenty of loading and parking space for wagons and trucks on the highway side. The second building of the warehouse group will be the same size on the ground as the first one, but it will be two stories high, and will not be undertaken until next year, as the first one to be built will give about 9,000 square feet of floor space which is nearly twice as much as the present warehouses afford, and that is about as much as can be done this year. Building during the busy winter season is too much in the way.

On the same side of the railroad as the Warehouses will be built the railroad freight house, farther south along the track. The new passenger station will be opposite the Warehouse buildings, so that all the railroad conveniences in the way of freight and express shipments will be at hand, and the railroad will have its stations at the junction of the two highways in Pinehurst, as well as convenient to all parts of the village by the new roads which are being hard-surfaced now.

Removing the old passenger station is necessary to permit the highway to be built across the tracks near the station, and when the railroad and the

(Continued on page 8)

The Church and Sunday School Again

Subscriber Says He is Glad to See the Press Taking an Interest

It is refreshing to see the secular press taking an interest in the things that pertain to the spiritual man and the editorial in last weeks paper under the above caption describing the work of a well known business man who is loved not only for his own but his work's sake and incidentally touching on a subject that lies close to the heart of all true Christians—that of sabbath observance. The Editor says "the wide and overriding of church and Sunday school by the flippant occupations that have been taking Sunday completely from Sunday school and church are serious things."

The Christian Herald of New York, probably the most influential and widely known undenominational magazine in the country, at the present time, has started what is known as a "Christian Conscience

Crusade," the object of which is to stir the individual conscience up on the things that are fundamental. In their issue of August 15, they run an article on the "Crusade and the Sabbath, remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy" in which among other things they say.

"One of the crying evils of the present time, is the Lord's day desecration. This is generally admitted. Some go so far as to characterize it as the outstanding sin of the present generation, for when the one day in seven which was set apart for physical rest and spiritual uplift is diverted to less worthy channels the door is opened to a long train of evils. Neglect the spiritual man and the whole man suffers irreparably. One of the favorable omens of the times is the reviving interest in this subject

(Continued on page 8)

FORMAL OPENING OF SCHOOL NEXT MONDAY

The formal opening of the Vass-Lakeview school will be held at eleven o'clock on next Monday morning, and all patrons and friends of the school are invited to the present. Several speakers will be present to make addresses.

School opened last Monday and the work of organization is well under way.

WANTS FARMERS TO HELP MAKE SEEDS

Little River Stores Believe in Home-Grown Types

The Little River Stores are making an effort to interest the farmers of their territory in raising seeds that are used in this section. The project had its beginning with the farmers of the Eureka section who started with a type of cotton seeds and seed corn. They were successful in establishing in a few years a grade of seed that brought good crops and they put their surplus at the disposal of the Little

Taxes Collected for Last Month

Sheriff Fry Reports Over \$330,000 to September First

Report on the Public Taxes for the month of August 1925

Subjects	Last Report	This Month	To Date
Ad Valorem and Polls.....	\$348,547.70		\$348,547.70
Sheriff's Discoveries & Unlisted.....	14,743.71	\$ 143.56	14,887.27
Schedule B, Nos.	858.63		858.63
TOTAL TAXES - - -	\$364,150.04	\$ 143.56	\$364,293.60
Reliefs or Abatements.....	1,968.34	184.60	2,152.94
Collected (Down).....	\$319,904.42	\$10,798.31	\$330,702.73
TOTAL - - -	\$321,872.76	\$10,982.91	\$332,855.67
Balance, Receipt on Hand.....	42,277.28		31,437.93
CASH Collected (as above) -	\$319,904.42	\$10,798.31	\$330,702.73
Deposited County Treasurer -	306,750.00	10,000.00	316,750.00
Commissions Retained -	9,101.84	286.00	9,387.84
Balance, Cash on Hand -	\$ 4,052.58		\$ 4,564.89

I hereby certify that the above is a true account of the public taxes charged to me and returned by me, and that the return is a full and true record of all unlisted taxes collected.

R. G. FRY, Sheriff.