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## BACKING BOARD OF CONSERVATION

### Kiwanis Club Starts Movement To Develop Re- sources

The address of Dr. J. L. Stuckey before the Kiwanis club last week appears to have set on foot a movement that will result in the development of Moore county resources. Edwin McKeithen submitted a proposal that members of the club and such other citizens as have faith in Moore county try out the plan of securing some favorable sites where building stone may be quarried and put on the market, and that the whole county get in back of this idea and undertake to capitalize a sufficient organization to do business. Dr. Stuckey presented such a plain exposition of wealth of the county that those who discussed the scheme think it is a waste of opportunity to let the building stone go unused any longer, and that the fine clay shales so plentiful in the county ought to be made available now while building is talked on such active proportions.

Richard Tufts, in talking about this matter, referred to the old proverb that the Gods help them that help themselves. And Richard thinks that an organization of sufficient financial strength can be formed among our own people to try out the work of putting some of our native building material on the market. It is pointed out by some of those favorably disposed that if we get two or three buildings in different sections of the county that the fine character of the stone may be seen others will follow. For a time the idea prevailed that the red sandstones constituted about the sole building stone of the county. But Dr. Stuckey has shown such a wealth of different types of building stone and of a quality cheaper to handle than the red sandstone that those who heard the doctor's address see a new source of wealth in Moore county and would like to make a start on its development.

Dr. Stuckey will finish up his work in the county before much longer, after which the Board of Conservation and development will receive a report from him which will be printed for distribution. But the talk now appears to indicate that before the doctor has completed his report practical tests from some of the material he has found will probably be made which will allow him to point out the building stone in actual use in some of the towns of the county.

### LIVELY SALES ON THE MIDLAND ROAD

Boulevard Hills Development on the Mid-Lands road near Pinehurst on the tract bought by Sam Richardson, Frank Buchan and Jack Boyd is going along at a gait that is prophetic. The tract has been laid off in lots fronting on broad streets with five roomy parks. A number of these lots have already been sold. On the Mid-Lands road a section has been reserved for business purposes, and it is the intention to confine business to that area, and not allow it to spread over the home section.

Harrison Stutts of Pinehurst has bought eleven lots in that business territory which has given rise to considerable comment, as Mr. Stutts is looked on as a business man of good judgement. Talk on the street is to the effect that this new development is going to sell fast and that it will only be a short time until it will connect up with Pinehurst which is rapidly working out to meet it.

### NOTICE

The monthly meeting of the Moore County Chapter American Red Cross and the Moore County Health and Welfare Association will be held at the home of Mrs. T. B. Tyson in Carthage on Wednesday, May 5, at 2:30 p. m.

GERTRUDE W. TUFTS

## The Woodrow Wilson Memorial

In presenting the cause of the Wilson Memorial to the people of Moore county I hope I may be permitted to say at the outset that I am myself fully "fed up" on "drives," "quotas," "apportionments" and all the strong-arm methods of the latter day collector of money for public purposes, including community chests and centenaries, not to mention boom lot sales with their brass bands and premium Fords, and newspaper contests, presented by very attractive but persistent young women.

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## BEST SEASON EVER HAD IN SANDHILLS

### Started Earlier. Lasted Longer and Well Filled

The best season the Sandhill resorts have ever known is about its close, except for a period of conventions at Pinehurst that will run through the first two weeks of May, closing with the meeting of the Oasis Temple of the Shriners May 14 at the Carolina hotel. The season opened earlier last fall than ever, and has held on longer with everything pretty well filled all the time. The Florida congestion appeared to have a favorable influence in this section, and along with that the natural increase of visitors that goes on year by year had its part in the business.

A feature of the winter was the added number of permanent winter residents, for a considerable number of homes were bought by visitors, and building sites secured by others assure a lively summer in building in both Pinehurst and Southern Pines. At both Pinehurst and Southern Pines several new houses are under way now. Others are planned for construction in time for fall occupancy. The Carolina hotel will add several thousand dollars' worth of improvements, including a new sprinkler system, over thirty new baths, and minor features, and the Holly Inn will add 40 new rooms for help, and perhaps further additions to the main hotel, which was improved to the extent of a hundred thousand dollars last season.

Real estate transactions are believed to be about the most active that have been known here, with much higher prices than in the past, as the growing population in the villages and the public improvements are giving the Sandhill section a more substantial look to strangers.

The Carolina is booked full with conventions from now until the middle of May, one following another as fast as they can get out of the way, and a rush of business will mark the end. The Shriners figure on not less than three thousand during their meet.

### JACKSON SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Friday night, April 30, Operetta by Elementary grades, "The Sugar Plum Tree."  
Friday night, May 7, Senior play, "It Pays to Advertise." Admission 25 and 50 cents.  
Sunday night, May 9, commencement Sermon by the Rev. Elmer Willis Serl of Southern Pines. Subject, "The Untilled Corners."  
Monday night, May 10, Declaration contest and music recital, under direction of Miss Ella Walton.  
Tuesday, May 11, 10:30 a. m. graduating exercises and commencement address. Graduation exercises of 7th grade.  
Tuesday night, May 11, class day exercises.

"Nothing But The Truth," a comedy in three acts was presented by the juniors in the Jackson Springs High school auditorium last Friday night before a large and appreciative audience. This was a modern play and demanded a higher type of dramatic ability than the ordinary play, but it was the general opinion that the juniors fully measured up to the occasion.

## TOBACCO GROWERS FACED BY CRISIS

### Organization Committee Urges Tobacco Farmers To Meet Desperate Situation

Bright tobacco farmers in Virginia and North Carolina are called to assemble in Danville on Monday, May 10 to meet a crisis which threatens the welfare of all tobacco farms and every line of business in the old bright tobacco belt.

The call was issued by the organization committee of tobacco planters whom the old belt growers have entrusted with the task of gaining a sufficient membership of farmers in a new association to warrant the continuation of cooperative marketing.

The committee which have been deprived of the services of the field forces of the tri-state association, which this month released several hundred employees in its leaf, warehouse and field service departments for the sake of economy, is now putting the task of a new sign-up of tobacco squarely up to the tobacco planters themselves.

Extremely low prices and disaster for tobacco farmers and many lines of business or the continuation of cooperative marketing by means of a new association is the alternative which faces the Old Tobacco Belt, according to the statement of the organization committee for the new association of old belt growers which met in Raleigh on April 24, and unanimously passed resolutions calling on the general public and the farmers to prevent the worst financial calamity suffered by the tobacco country in a generation.

The committee points out in its statement that low priced tobacco is no longer a threat but a reality, citing the fact that the entire March sales of bright tobacco in Virginia during March, averaged less than eight cents a pound on the auction floors, a price which was less than the average first class cash advance paid to old belt members of the tri-state association throughout the season.

Aaron Sapiro, of California, looked upon as the foremost cooperative leader of America, is expected to be present at the mass meeting in Danville on May 10 at which the growers will decide whether to abandon cooperative marketing in the face of the present low prices for tobacco or continue price protection for another five years.

### MUCH BUILDING TO START AT PINEHURST

Building activity in Pinehurst continues to show the same proportions that have been going on there throughout the past year. In addition to the new houses that have already been mentioned plans have been made for a sprinkler system in the Carolina with more than thirty additional bath rooms and the rebuilding of the music room.

Arrangements have been made to change the rear of the Harvard and put in some attractive stores designed by Aymar Embury. These will be in line with the business construction that already marks the Market square section, and will materially broaden the commercial facilities of the village.

At the Holly Inn forty new rooms will be built for the employees. Plans are also in hand for an addition to the main Holly Inn, but it is uncertain whether this work can be reached for use for the coming season. But an effort will be made to have this addition accomplished, if it can be handled.

### "WHEN A FELLOW NEEDS A FRIEND"

"When a Fellow Needs a Friend," will be presented by the seniors of the Cameron High School next Friday night at 8:00 o'clock. A royalty had to be paid Walter H. Baker and company for the use of this play.

In error, it was announced last week that the admission price would be 10 and 25 cents, but the correct price for admission is 25 and 35 cents.

## Cold Weather Kills Some Peaches

The cold weather of Monday night, April 19, caught a lot of the peaches throughout the Sandhills territory. Just how severe the damage is can't be told with certainty, but some orchards estimate fifty per cent of the young fruit killed. Others say the percentage of damage is less. As the trees as a rule have an extremely heavy crop it is believed by orchard men that enough will come through all right to leave one of the biggest harvest this section has ever known. The thermometer was reported to be as low as twenty-four and ice was seen many places.

## SCHOOL ELECTION MEETS WATERLOO

### Majority So Big It Is Next Thing To Unani- mous

The vote against the proposed change in the school system in the county was so big that probably everybody was surprised. The opponents of the measure felt confident it would be defeated by a big vote, as well as by the absence of voters who had registered, and the backers of the movement expected that it would lose by three or four to one, but it seems that nobody anticipated the overwhelming vote and the absentee count that has piled up against it.

Sheffield is reported at this writing to have given 414 votes against the measure and 30 for it.  
Bensalem 300 against and 20 for it.  
Deep River 101 against and 13 in favor.

Carthage 393 against and 211 in favor.  
Ritters 151 against and 7 in favor.  
Cameron 263 against, 117 in favor.  
Pinehurst 370 against and 6 in favor.

Aberdeen 77 against and 22 for.  
The returns were not complete as this was written, and the registration that did not vote was to be heard from in making up the final majority against the proposition, but like the wound of Mercurio, which he said was not so deep as a well nor so wide as a barn door, but enough to kill him. Those who want to go into the final detail of the slaughter can await fuller count if anybody is interested in counting the complete figures.

The project was defeated.  
And as the old song says:  
"The little book lies on the shelf;  
If you want any more you can  
sing it yourself."

### JACKSON SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL FOR 7TH MONTH

First grade—Elwood Blake, G. W. Blue, Sarah Margaret Clark, Albert Carter, J. E. Glover, Dorothy McInnis, Lucile Richardson, William Ross, Ruth Thomas, Marshall McCracken.

Second grade—Janie Blake, Nita McInnis, Floyd Richardson, Edna Blue, Percy Lineberry.

Third grade—Edna R. Bruton, Ella M. Clark, Kimes Blake, Mae McInnis, Vysta Thomas, Louanna Lineberry.

Fourth grade—Willie McCracken, Harris Clark, Theresa Glaver, Carl Harris, Grier Lineberry, Monroe Morris, Bonnie Bennett, Mary Bennett, Catharine Blue, Clyde McInnis, Earline Poole, Eunice Woodley, Cleave Fishel, Alma Smith, Earl Richardson, Beatrice Richardson.

Fifth grade—George Ross, Jr., Ruby Reece, Bernice Richardson, Jeanette Bruton, Esther Hurley, Odessa Blake, Margaret Wilkes, Eugene Porter, Pearl Dunn, Ila Bell Styres, J. M. Clark, Annie Blake, Catherine Thomas, Winnie McCracken, Myrtle Long, and Charlie McInnis.

Sixth grade—Jesse Thomas, Roy Thomas, Lucy Davis, Sara Rose Radford, Elizabeth Clark, Virginia Allen.

Ninth grade—Geneva Jackson, Verna Bennett.  
Tenth grade—Alma Thomas, Mary Black Buie, Jean Currie, James Patterson.  
Eleventh grade—Gertie Britt, Mattie Williamson, Landis Bennett and Buren Bennett.

## SANDHILL POST 134 AMERICAN LEGION

### Will Hold An Important Meeting At Civic Club On Friday Evening, April 30

There will be a most important meeting of the Sandhill Post No. 134 and the Auxiliary held on Friday evening, April 30, 1926, at 8 p. m. at the Civic Club in Southern Pines. The Civic Club is located in rear of the Municipal Building.

Refreshments will be served by the Ladies Auxiliary.

The chief reason for calling this meeting is to advise you in regard to the plans of the big State Legion meeting which is to be held at Pinehurst on Saturday, May 8. On this occasion the National Commander, General J. R. McQuigg is coming to visit us and make an address, and our Post and Auxiliary are acting as hosts for the American Legion throughout the state. An extensive program beginning at 12 noon, and running through the evening has been planned and it is essential that all the members of this post be present, both at our meeting on April 30 and the big gathering on May 8. In addition to the American Legion delegations who plan to be here in large numbers, prominent representatives from Civic organizations all over the state are coming to Pinehurst on May 8 as our guests and our post must not fall down in giving them the true Sandhill welcome. It is the duty of each member to back your officers up in making this a memorable occasion.

This is also a splendid opportunity for securing and interesting new members for our post and auxiliary and you are urged to bring with you to the meeting not less than one eligible person to be signed up as a new or renewing member.

The state president of the auxiliary, Miss Annie Lee expects to be present at the meeting, April 30. This will be the only notice sent out, so do not forget it. Friday evening, April 30.

MRS. ROBERT M. LEWIS  
President, Auxiliary.  
PAUL DANA,  
Commander.

The best supply of patent medicines comes from the family garden.

The railroad companies of the south have agreed to give a half rate on freight shipments of pure bred bulls of a value not exceeding \$150 each.

Twenty-four pigs belonging to Roland Batson of Pender County gained 51 pounds each in five weeks on rations recommended by county agent W. H. Robbins. The gains were made at a cost of about five cents per pound.

"She who bends will break," is a statement made by one home economics worker in urging higher work surfaces in the kitchen.

### TO MY FRIENDS IN MOORE COUNTY

As many of you have already known, and as openly stated to many of you heretofore, I am not seeking or asking for the office of Clerk for another term, the Doctors and my own health so advising.

I sincerely appreciate the confidence given me by my own county for so many years, and trust my service has been worth the cost to all of you. As to the future, I have to say only this, that I have no selfish or financial interest, and will have none, in the election of any one to any office in the county this year, nor have I thought to have such, regardless of the many suppositions and fairy tales and other tales to the contrary. May the best candidates in our party be nominated and then elected, with no illegal or dishonorable entanglements and with as little of enmities and misunderstandings as is consistent with human nature.

J. ALTON McIVER.