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## Wave of Progress More Extensive

### Whole Sandhills Region Scene of Activity in Building and Improvement.

The Sandhills country never saw so much activity at one time, and so extensively distributed as at the present time. Beginning at the site of the new air port on the north, sweeping around by Pine Needles region, Southern Pines, Aberdeen, the Reed establishment, Pinehurst and back by the Midland road to Knollwood, and the whole area is one of vigorous construction. The Pinehurst Lumber Yards this week announce that they have bought the summer output of six mills wherewith to supply the demands for material for building, and with this they are almost every week calling attention to the arrival of car loads of building stuff not made by the mills of the neighborhood. Hands in numbers are employed at various points, at Aberdeen, at Reed's on the highway, at the airport, although that is about completed now, at the Pinehurst and Southern Pines golf courses, and in smaller numbers at various other jobs.

Knollwood continues that surprising distribution of building sites, the sale this week of 504 to Misses Elizabeth and Mary Schwarberg, making the eighty-ninth site disposed of over there since the first location was sold to John Bloxham just eight months ago. This makes another desirable addition to the Knollwood colony of owners, for here are two excellent women of culture and education, originally from Pittsburgh, which has a large representation in the Sandhills, but for several years residents of Southern Pines, who have had an energetic hand in local affairs. Eighty-nine building sites transferred to people of the highest social and intellectual calibre makes a pleasing record for eight months' work, and forecasts a wonderful gathering of settlers as the Knollwood and Pine Needle plans progress. And their progress is marked by the group of hands that this week started on the second house by R. A. Olmstead. Mr. Swinnerton has the excavation nearly ready for the builders, and Mr. Austin has the two-car garage up to the roof while he waits the finish of the cellar digging to begin on the main structure. The new house will be 51x35 feet, of tile and stucco and heavy ragged slate roof, in modified English type conforming to the community idea that has been adopted for the neighborhood, and with a fine outlook over the distant hills. The location is next to the Bloxham house, and the contract asks for completion by October.

Southern Pines is up to its ears in new work all over the village and out from Weymouth heights to the eastward and around the golf course. At Aberdeen the ice plant is with an army of men shoving up that tremendous building that will be about the biggest industrial structure in the neighborhood. It is progressing to where it shows what it is doing, and there an army of men are at work.

The iron works plant in Aberdeen is making headway, the steel frame showing up, and indicating a substantial structure and the prospect of a developing industry in a few weeks.

At the air port the task for the immediate present is completed. The runways have been cleared, graded, planted to bermuda grass, and the next step awaits the coming of the New York folks to arrange the plans for the extension of the development. As the time approaches for the work that is to be done later in the season to be ready for use this fall and winter arrangements for financing the scheme will be perfected and it is expected call on local contributors to aid in providing means to bring the work to its broadest stages.

To add to the activity the berry growers have been employing a lot

## Refurnishing At Pinehurst Hotels

### Seventy-Five Rooms at Carolina and Holly Inn to Have New Outfits.

The general office at Pinehurst is busy at this time studying furniture types and materials, for the Carolina is to have about sixty rooms refurnished this summer and the Holly Inn will have about a third that number supplied with new material. Entirely new equipment all the way through in these rooms, new in design and in the most modern style, with furniture made for the purpose, is the plan, giving the two houses a brilliant effect when they are opened again with the coming season.

Pinehurst has every year been carrying out an expanding building and improvement plan in the hotel system, the most notable work last year being the Pine Needles Inn. This year the expenditure of many thousands of dollars for new furniture for the two chief hotels in the village and the addition of another golf course will characterize the outstanding items of the season's work.

The plans for the hospital have arrived, but before work proceeds some minor changes are necessary which are under way at the present, and then the fine new building will be commenced. It is an imposing structure that will be not only a highly valuable utility in the whole neighborhood, but a wonderfully attractive addition to the Midland road entrance to Pinehurst, and to that part of the village. This followed by the erection of the new high school will constitute the community factors of the vicinity, which will be emphasized by the completion of the new road, which is now well along with the grading all the way from Pinehurst to Mid Pines.

## TWO ATTRACTIONS UNUSUAL AT THE CAROLINA THEATRES

The Carolina Theatres take pleasure in announcing the next two attractions because they are both "different" and both featuring stars that are very popular in the Sandhills.

On Friday and Saturday, two of Metro-Goldwyn's most popular stars, Ramon Navarro and Renee Adoree, will appear in "Forbidden Hours" a vivid romance of court intrigue and love in a modern European Kingdom. Surrounded by a royal court, with its pomp and spectacle; gorgeous nobles and brilliant assembles, Ramon Navarro has a role that is particularly suited to his talents and a role in which he will be welcomed by his many admirers.

On Monday and Tuesday, the Sandhill folks will have the opportunity of again welcoming their favorite star, Clara Bow, in "Ladies Of The Mob," a story that is entirely different from anything she has ever appeared in and in which she displays new talents which have not been called into play by her previous productions. She is ably supported by that talented young juvenile, Richard Arlen.

The cooling system at Southern Pines has been re-adjusted since its installation, eliminating the noise observed on the first two nights, and increasing the coolness of ocean breezes.

One of the regular patrons brought along a sweater Saturday night. Whether she used it was not ascertained but it spoke volumes for the thoroughness of the system. It seems safe now to guarantee that you will be comfortable in the Southern Pines Theatre on the hottest night.

of help, and now the peaches are preparing to move, and until toward the end of August men and trucks and everything that can contribute a bit of energy will be in demand in the Sandhills.

It is these things that make people have their unbounded confidence in the Sandhills.

## Kiwanians Meet With West Enders

### Fine New School House Opened to Care for the Bunch of Visitors.

The Kiwanis Club held its Wednesday dinner at the new school house at West End where the women of the village laid out a course that met with hearty approval on the part of the visitors. Many expressions of admiration were heard concerning the excellent building and its equipment, and also cordial words included the progress the village is making. West End shows evidence of prosperity and of progress, and is becoming the site of many attractive homes as well as of thrifty looking farms and orchards in the outskirts.

A proposition to send ten cars of peaches to a delegation of New York club women at Greensboro on their way from New York to New Orleans met with approval and Mose McDonald was made head of a committee to see that the peaches got to Greensboro to meet the women, and he was also authorized to go along to New Orleans to expound the merits of the fruit if the occasion seemed to require his presence. He never flinched when asked to undertake this job, and it is believed he will reflect credit on the club.

George Ross called attention to the termination of the work of vocational teaching at Jackson Springs and at Farm Life, as far as agriculture is

## MASONIC EDUCATIONAL RALLY

The District Deputy Grand Master, J. N. Hasty of the 12th Masonic District is calling a great District Educational Rally to be held with the Rockingham Lodge No. 495, Rockingham, N. C., on the evening of July 2nd, at 7:30 o'clock. At this time Doctor W. C. Wicker, Educational Field Secretary for the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, will deliver a lecture on the "Deeper Meaning of Masonry." All Masons are urged to attend this Masonic Rally. Come! Doctor Wicker has something for you.

In 1855, three hours and three minutes were required to produce a bushel of wheat, according to the Antwerp, Ohio, Argus. Now, less than ten minutes are required, because of the utilization of the tractor and other labor-saving machinery.

The hit-and-miss agricultural methods of an earlier day have disappeared behind the march of progress. Invention and scientific methods have resulted in an agricultural revolution, and the farmer is emerging happier, more comfortable and more prosperous.

concerned, and suggested the wisdom of trying to place a vocational teacher at some point in the county. The matter will be placed before the board of education next week.

## Clearing Ground Monday on Land South of Pinehurst

### Men Starting New Sandhill Estate

Monday morning with a bunch of 25 hands Bud Ritter started work on the clearing that will result in a fine new rural estate for Verner Z. Reed, Jr., on a tract of land about three miles south of Pinehurst on the road that leads out past the Walter Page property and toward Roseland. There Mr. Reed has bought about 225 acres of well located territory, and he is preparing to create one of the most attractive country homes in Middle North Carolina. Col. George P. Hawes, Jr., recently retired from service with the Army at Fort Bragg, and who immediately on his retirement made himself a home on the Midland road in the edge of Pinehurst, is in charge of the work, and has plans for what indicates an interesting handling of the possibilities. A. B. Yoemans, of Southern Pines, has made the plans for the building, which is probably the most ambitious thing of its kind in this part of the State. The site is on the ridge which divides the headwaters of Horse's Creek from those of Deep Creek, and high enough to give a broad view of the surrounding country for miles. It is covered with much pine woods, with also a fair growth of hardwoods, with a topography that gives the engineer and landscape architect full swing to secure the full charm of this hill country.

Mr. Ritter is beginning a clearing that will open a roadway of about 130 feet around the boundaries to serve as a fire barrier. Over a mile of this protection will be cut out at once, after which roads will be located about that portion of the property that is to be the house neighborhood. The roads will be laid down to fit the pine woods and the contour of the surface, which will secure excellent results. And there amid the pines will be set the house, which will be one of the outstanding features of Moore County construction. Colonel Hawes expects Mr. Reed down from New York in a few days, and on his arrival it is believed the plans will be far enough along to start work on a big scale. Dowdy & Butler have been awarded a contract to provide a water system that will afford a liberal supply, and they will put one of their biggest machines on the grounds in a short time.

Mr. Reed has been a visitor in the Sandhills through several winters, and has become thoroughly appreciative of the conditions he finds here and he and Mrs. Reed, who is a highly esteemed member of the Pinehurst community, will be factors of the life of the neighborhood. They are fond of out-door life, and will make preparations at their place for horses on a considerable scale, and for other forms of sports and amusements.

While this new project is interest-

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## CLASS OF 1926 CAMERON HIGH SCHOOL TO GIVE PLAY

The class of '26 Cameron High School will give the play, "When a Fellow Needs a Friend," Friday evening, July 6, 8:30 in the school auditorium. The proceeds will go for the benefit of the school.

We don't know of any class that has been any more loyal to their school and to each other than this class. It has been characterized by a beautiful class unity. It is indeed commendable for them to think of and work for their Alma Mata. They deserve a full house at their play. The play is an excellent royalty production, one that will more than please you.

Class Roll: Ethel Douglas, Sadie Bodyett, Edna Hancock Askew, Edna O'Brian, Ethel Boaz, Ethel Phillip Cambo, Cleta Jackson, Ola Frye, Pauline Snipes, Louise Womack, Wade Collins, Currie Spivey, Thomas Smith, Henry D. Jones, Edwin Gilchrist, Minnie Cameron and Haywood Snipes.

# THE TREES OF MOORE COUNTY

BY J. McN. JOHNSON.

## CHAPTER XIII.

"The Forests of the South! The pictures conjured before the mind by these words are at once colorful and tragic, yet full of confident promise."—Page S. Bunker.



THE PINE TREES—Pinus: The Pine Trees are by far the most numerous of our timber trees. Every man, woman and child in Moore County who lives in, a wooden house can truthfully say: "I live in a home made from this tree."

The Oak is called the King of Forest Trees; but for utility the pine outstrips the Oak. It has been called "The constant friend of man." Oak and Hickory give a graceful shade, and furnish the luxuries of life; they give by the very lusciousness of their appearance richer promises than the Pine, while Summer with its wealth and ease caresses our cheek, but when the hardships of Winter come—when we need friends—the oak and hickory, like Charity, forget their promises and lose their protecting leaves and stand stark and bare as utter strangers to our wants. In this respect the Pine is a nobler tree. The coldest blasts Boreas can pour down upon us from the frozen North do not change the nature of our constant friend, The Pine. Its winter garb is no less friendly than its summer apparel.

In North America there are forty varieties of Pine and that many more in other parts of the world. But in Moore County we have only about half a dozen; but these are the most important of all the Pine Family. So here again we have the best—as we do in almost all the goods things of life.

I shall name our Pines in the order of their importance, as I understand it:

YELLOW PINE: Pinus Australis—Long Leaf Pine. Some botanists give the botanical name of this tree as Pinus Palustris; but I prefer the old botanical name of Pinus Australis. This is our Lumber and Turpen-

tine Tree, and the name, Australia, simply means Southern. The leaves, straw, or needles of this Pine Tree are longer than the straw of any other species of Pine, and when grown slowly in the original forest, its heart wood is rich in tar, and makes our unsurpassed lightwood for kindling fires. I have always thought that it is a pitiful sight to see a boy trying to kindle a fire without lightwood splinters.

The ruthless destruction of this tree by the saw mill men has been called "The Crime of the Century;" and it was a crime that brought its own retribution, for the saw-mill men responsible for this catastrophe made no profit, but, like a rattlesnake, struck to death, the finest forest in all the arborescence of nature, and then went on poorer than they were before.

Since we have the stock-law in Moore County this noble tree despoiled by the saw-mill vandals is fast reproducing itself, and if our Legislature will give us wise and adequate forestry laws the whole face of the country will soon take on the cheerful green of the Pine Forest again; and this will be in an astonishingly short time. The Saw-mill men left enough of seed trees for reforestation, but they are not entitled to any credit for it; as they left the seed trees only because they were crooked, or doty, or unfit for lumber.

The Forest Fire is a great enemy to the Pine Trees; and it is confidently hoped that the Forestry Laws which will be clamored for in the near future, will make adequate provision for their control.

It is to be remembered, however, that the new forests of Long Leaf

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