



No. 1—This log house, built during the Civil War, in 1861, still stands, is firm, and solid. It is used for grading and storing tobacco, and has been equipped with electric lights for night work of classing tobacco. It is on the Hugh Best place.

No. 2—Part of the flock of sheep on the showplace farm of Robert F. Davis. In this particular pasture, 70 head of sheep were grazing when the picture was made. The Davis home is in the grove of trees, and part of the white fences which frame the farm can be seen. This is truly a showplace.

No. 3—The dairy barn of Beauford Ferguson.

No. 4—This barn is much larger than it appears here. It belongs to Hugh Best, and has the capacity of holding two acres of tobacco for curing at one time. Carl Best produced 4166 pounds of tobacco on two acres, and sold it for \$2,298.35 net, for an average of \$55.16 per 100 pounds. Carl is now in service, in the Pacific area. He finished school in 1949.

No. 5—The modern kitchen of Mrs. Rex Messer. This is a new home just completed on Upper Crabtree.

Crabtree's History Is One Of Much Progress

The following account of Crabtree township is from the Annals of Haywood County, written by W. C. Allen. Crabtree township is one of the early precincts of the county, having been organized about the time of the settlement. It gets its name from Crabtree creek which runs through its borders. The people of Crabtree township are among the most numerous in the county. The first settlement in Crabtree township was made on the site of the present town of Sandy Mush. The boundaries of Crabtree township were defined by the line of the old Crabtree farm, the line of the ridge of what is known as the Mountain connecting the Crabtree Mountains thence to the line of the Sandy Mush Bald, thence north to

Oak's Knob; thence southwest to Pigeon river at or near Roach Shoals; thence with Pigeon river to beginning. Crabtree township is one of the most thickly settled sections of the county. The principal occupations of the people are farming and stock raising. Almost every farmer is a producer of live stock for which the township is noted. In this section, it is said, some of the finest cattle in the South are grown. Some of the earliest settlements in the county were made on Crabtree creek. Among the early settlers was Peter Mason, who came to the county about the year 1800, and built a home on Crabtree creek in which he lived to the age of 107 years when he died in 1888. Other well known men who settled in this township and became prominent were Josiah Crawford, William Penland, John Rogers, Silas Kirkpatrick, J. Bradshaw, Acton McCracken, John Enos, Joseph, and Russell McCracken. These men heroically reclaimed the forest and made it blossom as the rose. Other substantial citizens soon joined them or followed along

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cludes two women embossographers, is always looking for newer, better, quicker ways to turn out their work. The silk screen process, for instance, was introduced into government by Mr. King. From one original Mr. King says you can make up to 10,000 reproductions.

"This type of work is my life," Mr. King told me. "Farming is next." When retirement time comes he expects to settle down in Texas, where he already has some 60 head of cattle, every one of which he has named. Mr. and Mrs. King like to travel.

They've been all over the United States a half dozen times, he says, but they enjoy the quiet home life best. In his free time Mr. King does a little oil painting, portraits and landscapes, just for his own pleasure. Does Mrs. King like them? I asked. "She likes to criticize," he said.

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