



MONTEVIDEO PARK GREETES THE PUBLIC

New Mid-South Resort Embodies Many Unusual Features.

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A full realization of what has taken place and what is about to take place in Montevideo Park is becoming apparent to the public.

Under the direction of H. L. Thurston this entire tract of 530 acres has been laid out for a modern community — comprising special features unique in this section.

Extending along both sides of the hard-surfaced State Highway Number 50, a substantial White-way is nearly completed, and the park-ways have been beautiful with a variety of ornamental shrubs and shade trees. An imposing entrance, flanked by picturesque Spanish gateways, opens the way on the east side back to the main line of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, which abuts the property for a distance of 2,490 feet. West from the

gateways the main boulevard extends 80 feet in width, with double driveway and center parkways to the top of the hill where Montevideo Hotel will be built. The unobstructed, panoramic view which extends in every direction justifies the name, "Montevideo," which is of Spanish derivation and means Mountain View.

Approximately 12 miles of streets are already laid out and graded, and are to be sand-clayed and oiled. These streets extend on westward from the hotel to the site of the club house, and thence on to Aberdeen creek, which runs along the entire west boundary of Montevideo Park. This part of the property, on the west side of the highway, comprises the major portion of Montevideo Park and extends from the highway west a distance of a little more than a mile.

From the Club House site extends the golf links, an 18-hole course, which has been laid out by Frank Maples, of Pinehurst, whose practical and expert ideas will be carried out to the fullest extent. The variety of water-ways and the changing character of the land will create a new problem at every hole.

Aberdeen Lake abuts the property at the extreme northwest corner, where it is planned to have the Boat club located. This club will embody facilities for dancing and dining. Aberdeen creek will be opened for more than a mile along the west side of the Park, where boating, etc., may be enjoyed.

The plans for the hotel, by G. Murray Nelson, architect of Raleigh, have been completed and are for a hotel of the latest type. It is the intention of the management of Montevideo park to start the construction program the early part of the coming summer.

The hotel will be an imposing structure of Spanish architecture. The plans include enclosed sun porches and open terraces, extending to the tennis and roque courts at the north and south, and leading to the Italian sunken garden on the west side of the main building. It is to be fire-proof throughout, of stone, brick and concrete construction, with tile roof; four stories in height, with roof garden, basement and sub-basement. Also on the basement floor is an unusual feature, a grill room, containing an artificial ice skating rink and dance floor.

On the main floor will be the spacious lobby and cozy lounge, six hops, which will provide convenient shopping centers for the guests; dining room which will seat 1,000 persons and the ball room, with elaborate stage, equipped for cinema, dramatic and operatic attractions.

The second, third and fourth floors contain seventy bed rooms each. These together with the bed rooms on the mezzanine floor complete a total of 227 guest rooms. The rooms are large, with double plate glass windows, under which are concealed radiators. The bath rooms are to have built-in tubs and showers, running ice water, circulating hot water and vacuum outlets. Concealed lights, electric fans, radio outlets for portable receivers and telephones will complete the equipment.

The hotel will have three electric elevators. The roof garden plans embrace a stage, projecting booth and buffet and dance floor.

Another novel feature near the hotel and highway will be the series of three lakes, together with the winter bathing pavilion. Situated in a ten acre park, this pavilion will constitute one of the main attractions of Montevideo.

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ROAD BOOMERS GO TO RALEIGH

Big Delegation to Argue for New Pinehurst-Southern Pines Road.

At the Kiwanis Club a letter making an appointment for a committee to see the High Commission in Raleigh Friday morning was read and after a bit of enthusiastic discussion it was decided that a large percentage of the club would make an ef-

fort to get down to the meeting to show that the Sandhills has plenty of enthusiasm regarding the possible new job. The plan is to have the State take over the double road and possibly rebuild it, but at any rate to resurface it, and make it the kind of road that is becoming a necessity there.

The committee appointed a couple of weeks ago was charged to take the lead in the matter and to ask all others in the club or out of it to join the boomers and see what can be done. The project has already been discussed in *The Pilot*, and it seems that the Highway Commission is disposed to look with favor on it, and the folks who are going feel that a good-sized delegation will show the Commission that the county is thoroughly in sympathy with the movement.

The time of the meeting is about 10 to 11 o'clock Friday morning, and everybody who is interested is urged to go.

Murdock Johnson was the speaker of the dinner, and he told a string of jokes that puts him in the class with Arthur Newcomb, and he won about as much applause as a man can readily stand when you know that he was to be followed at night by Will Rogers.

Using Stone for Walks.

Colin Spencer is finding a sale of Moore county slate for walks and pavements. Mrs. Hoffman at Lakeview and Mr. McNely at Pine Bluff have secured material for walks, and others are investigating. The flagging can be delivered at the place of use at much less than cement walks cost, and is much more interesting from the viewpoint of novelty and construction. Mr. Spencer says the outlook for a greater use of stone is decidedly hopeful.

MRS. ROSE BUYS WEYMOUTH LOCATION.

Mrs. Robert Rose, of Binghamton, N. Y., has bought a building location on Weymouth Heights, in Southern Pines, where she will build a house to fit the location. Mrs. Rose is a friend of the Olmstead family, and the lot is on the summit close by the Olmstead home. She is at the present at the Highland Pines Inn and is much pleased with the fine climate of the Sandhills country. Her sister, Mrs. Merrill, is also a visitor at the present time in Southern Pines.

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