

Growth of Pine Orchard

Improvements That Have Been Made at the Shore Resort and Others That Are Planned.

Pine Orchard, the Newport of Connecticut, has been rightly named. Of all the delightful summer resorts in this state (and it is a fact that Connecticut has her full share of them) there is no other which has become as popular, as far famed, and at the same time as exclusive as Pine Orchard. Fifteen years ago might well mark the beginning of the place as a recognized summer resort, although there were a number of cottages there previous to that time. It is within the past ten years, however, that the great improvements have been made, and that it has come to be recognized as a fashionable summer resort.

It is the Pine Orchard Improvement association, which was incorporated in 1903, which has done much for the progress and improvement of the place. Every matter which is to be for the good of the place is put into the hands of a committee appointed from the association, and to see that proper attention is given to them, one has but to observe the work which has been done and is planned to be done in the future.

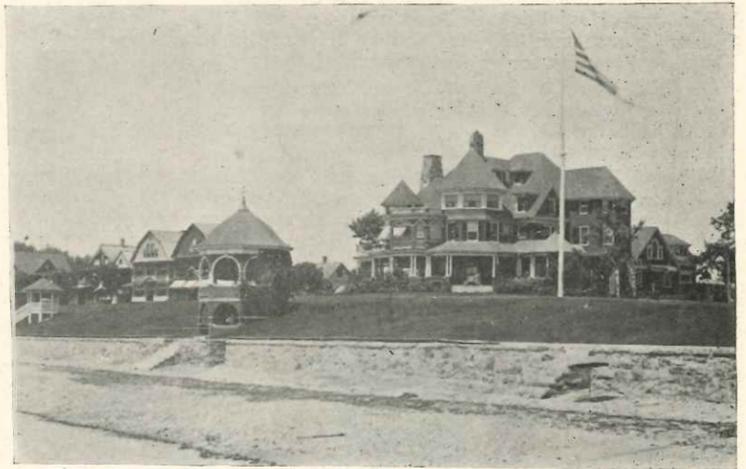
One of the changes now being talked of is the removal of the Country Club house from its present position to the other side of the woods, and considerably nearer the shore. This house is the center of the social life during the summer, and is too far from the cottages. The plan is to fill in the flats off the shore, move the club house beyond the golf links to the other side of the strip of woods, and build a pier and an anchorage for boats at the front of the club house. This could not be done before next year or the year after, but when it is done, it will be one of the greatest improvements

Stony Creek, for instance, they are breeding continually in the meadows, and for this reason the pest cannot be gotten rid of. The Pine Orchard associa-

ing, depending wholly on voluntary contributions for this support. New windows have been put in this season, as well as a large revolving ventilator in the roof. The president of the Union Chapel association is Mr. F. C. Bradley, with Mr. S. E. Dibble, treasurer, and Mr. Killam, clerk.



LAKE IN YOUNG'S PARK.



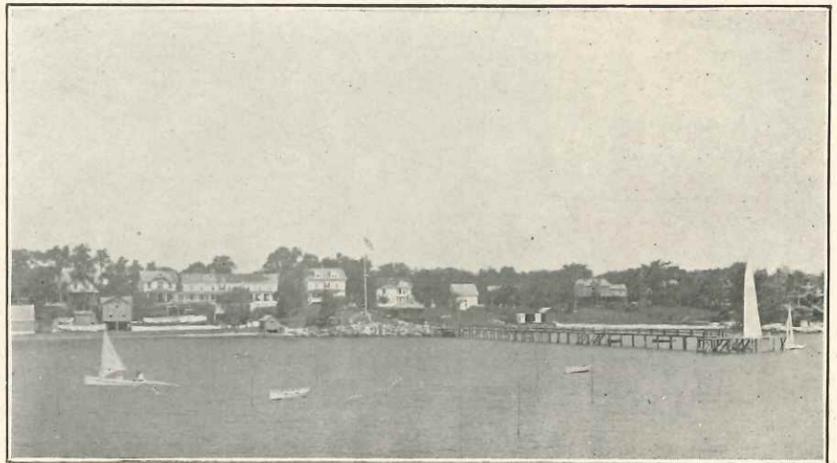
RESIDENCE OF A. M. YOUNG.

More people from New Haven than from any other city spend their summers at Pine Orchard. There are also a number from Meriden and Springfield, as well as New York. Mr. A. M. Young of

tion has done its part faithfully, and it but remains for others to add their assistance. The private



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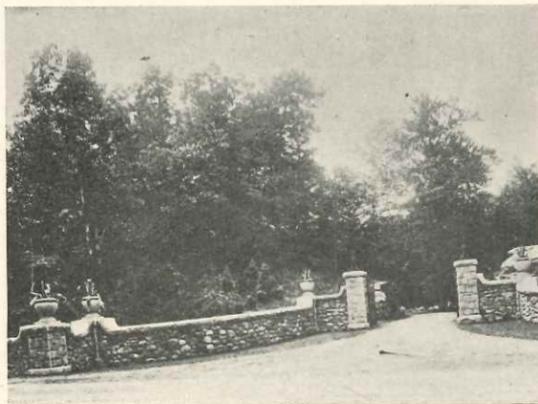
THE SHELDON HOUSE.

which Pine Orchard has seen in some time. Each year the club is becoming more popular, and its removal nearer the cottages and the shore would but add to its popularity.

Automobile owners have been more than grateful to Senator Minott E. Chatfield, Mr. Winthrop G. Bushnell and Mr. John T. Manson for their efforts toward the erection of a garage. This was built early in the season and, accommodating, as it does, between forty and fifty machines, it fills a long-felt want. There has been quite a bit of building this season. Two handsome cottages were erected near the F. C. Bradley property near Hotchkiss Grove. One is owned by Rev. F. A. M. Brown, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, and the other by Mr. J. Willis Downs, also of this city. Mr. Joseph P. Beach of Cheshire, who is one of the pioneer cottagers at Pine Orchard, and has, perhaps done as much for the resort as any one person, has made extensive repairs on his Columbia cottage. In fact one would hardly recognize it as being the same house. There are now in the neighborhood of eighty-five houses at the Orchard, and the summer population is between five and six hundred.

Special appropriations are made each season by the association for sanitary purposes. Particular attention has been paid to the oiling and ditching of the meadows near by, in the endeavor to get rid of the mosquitoes. This has been, to a great extent, successful. The meadows within the jurisdiction of the association have been kept practically free from breeding places, but of course at Indian Neck and

roads are also being kept in excellent condition under the supervision of a committee from the association. A new stone walk is being laid from Island View road to the shore with a flight of steps leading down to the water. This will be a great con-



ENTRANCE TO YOUNG'S GARDEN.

venience to the cottagers who live back from the water and have hitherto used the private paths to the shore.

The Pine Orchard chapel has proved itself to be the most successful summer chapel along the shore. Built ten years ago, it has always been self-support-

New York has the largest and handsomest place on the shore. Among the New Haveners are Mr. and Mrs. William R. Tyler and family, Mr. Winthrop G. Bushnell, Senator and Mrs. Minotte E. Chatfield and family, Mr. William S. Wells, Miss Genevieve Wells, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Benton and sons, Mr. and Mrs. David Daggett, Mr. H. C. Rowe and Mr. Gordon Rowe, Mr. Walter Camp and family, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Todd, and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Dibble and family.

It is understood that Mr. Rowe is contemplating the erection of another handsome summer home at Juniper Point, where already extensive grounds are being laid out. This property was acquired by Mr. Rowe about four years ago, and in location and surrounding is one of the most charming spots in that vicinity.

The present officers of the Pine Orchard association are: Mr. Henry C. Rowe, president; Mr. George L. Sheldon, vice-president; Mr. David Daggett, clerk; Mr. M. E. Chatfield, treasurer; and Mr. S. E. Dibble, health officer.

One of the enthusiastic cottagers at the Orchard is Mr. Hubbard of Meriden, of the Bradley & Hubbard Manufacturing Company of that place. Mr. Hubbard and family are spending their first summer at the resort, and will, in all probability, become members of the summer colony.

At the Union chapel in Pine Orchard to-morrow afternoon the sermon will be preached by Rev. Frank H. Bigelow, rector of St. Luke's Episcopal church in Stamford. Mr. Ericsson F. Bushnell will be the soloist. Mrs. Bushnell will be at the piano.