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REV. M. D. McNEILL
of Cameron, will preach at Union
Church, Sunday, Aug. 21, at 11 a. m.

WATER ABUNDANT AND EXCELLENT

Southern Pines System One of
the Best in the
State.

One of the things that was considered seriously when the Pine Needles Inn was projected at Knollwood was the water supply, and the more it was considered the more satisfactory it proved to be, for Pine Needles is to be hooked on to the big 12-inch mains of the Southern Pines system running from the pumping plant past the new hotel direct to the storage tanks on the hill at Weymouth Heights. This gives Pine Needles the first chance at the entire water supply of the system, for it is nearest the pumping plant, and on the principal delivery pipes to all the rest of the territory served. A 12-inch main with pressure enough to put water over the top of the building with a strong delivery at the nozzle of the hose is one thing. Another is the abundant supply of water all the time, the capacity of the pumping plant, which is sufficient for three times the present needs of the territory served, and the large reserve of water in the reservoirs at the plant, and the much greater reserves at the storage basin up the creek, where about three years' supply of water is held in custody.

It is hard to imagine conditions for many years where the community could be short of water unless the plant should break down, and that is difficult to conceive, for duplicate pumps are at the plant, one driven by electricity from the wire of the Carolina Power Company and the other by an enormous gasoline engine which can drive up to the tanks on Weymouth Heights more water in a few hours than the towns connected with the system use in two or three days.

As the system is still new it was decided a few weeks ago to flush out the receiving pipes that bring water from the dam to the pumping plant, and also to wash out the reservoir above the dam as more or less organic matter has been settling in the pool since the dam was built and the water began to collect. So the gates at the bottom of the dam were opened and the water flowed through for two or three days, lowering the level in the surface of the pool a foot and a half or so, and thoroughly washing out the sediment that had been accumulating. In that time a great deal more water was wasted than is used by the towns, and with the daily supply to all the customers, and the waste for the period the water surface was lowered so little that it would take months to drain the dam entirely and leave no supply there. Then when the gates were closed again the pool began to recover its level, showing that the inflow of water in the dry season that has prevailed all summer is enough to rapidly regain all the loss that has been

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SANDHILLS SIXTEEN SINGERS MAKES SIX VICTOR RECORDS

Information from the Victor Talking Machine Company, at Camden, New Jersey, notifies the Sandhills Sixteen that the records they made for the phonograph when North a few weeks ago have been acceptable, and all six of the records will be manufactured on a large scale for distribution to the trade. This is an unusual success, as the acceptance of the entire list shows about as complete a high class performance as can be accomplished. It is expected that the records will be on sale at Hayes' store in a short time as well as all over the world.

MILLER SPEAKS TO KIWANIS

Charlotte Editor Refers to Personal Factor in Industry and Business.

The Kiwanians met at the Civic Club in Southern Pines for their weekly luncheon, where they listened to an unusual address. Dr. McBrayer introduced the speaker for the day, Julian Miller, editor of the Charlotte News, who brought a real message to the Kiwanians and as Dr. Dickie expressed it preached one of the best sermons that he had ever listened to.

Mr. Miller spoke of the changing conditions, especially in this country, that has compelled business men to recognize the necessity of embodying the personal element and to some extent the spiritual in modern business intercourse and transactions.

He emphasized the fact that the modern business man recognizes the brotherhood of man spirit between employer and employe and that notwithstanding the tendency to depend largely on machinery for about every thing we do, the personal element is still the principal factor in business. He quoted Roger Babson who has recently stated that unless we embody the teaching of the "Sermon on the Mount" in business our business will put us all in Hell.

Mr. Miller caused his address with a fine tribute to the late James B. Duke who in his later years had a keen realization of the spirit of the New Testament, as regards the brotherhood of man, and who wished to be remembered not as the head of a great tobacco trust or the builder of a giant power trust, but as a benefactor who gave the bulk of his fortune for the uplift of his fellow Carolinians in a spirit of brotherly love.

CARTHAGE MAN APPEALS TO FELLOW FARMERS.

Carthage, N. C., August 10, 1927.
Mr. Editor:—I feel so much interest in the success of the Cotton Association in North Carolina, that I have thought for some time that I would write you a letter and ask you if you would be kind enough to publish it in your paper.

When I think of the fact that all business enterprises are organized except farmers I am really astonished that a great number of farmers will not join the Cotton Association. I have never seen but very few men who do not say that the Cotton Association is a good thing but still they hesitate to join. It has gone through five years and has established to the world a record for honesty. The men who have directed the affairs, including the board of directors, have done everything in their power to benefit the agricultural class. The board of directors who are men of known business ability and standing in their respective communities, have practically given their time and their services in an effort to better conditions of the cotton grower. Now since the cotton is out of the hands of the farmers it has advanced to the prices of nearly 20 cents and with a government estimate of only about thirteen and one-

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COVERED WAGON PLAYS RETURN

The Great Western Epic at Southern Pines and Pinehurst This Week.

Still the picture of pictures—still a novelty for the theatre going public—still the greatest epic of the West—"The Covered Wagon" has been re-issued and is about to start out on its second great sweep of the American continent, thus starting to rival that old but ever new picture, "The Birth of a Nation," in popularity.

The record for "The Covered Wagon" of 65 weeks in New York, 23 weeks in Boston, 22 weeks in Chicago, 30 weeks in London, 6 weeks in Paris and so on right around the globe is a record for a picture never before dreamed of and never since touched. Is it any wonder that it is still called "the greatest picture of all time?"

With its 500 prairie schooners, 100 horses, 600 oxen, hundreds of actors and 1,000 Indians from six different tribes, it is still one of the largest ever presented to a motion picture audience.

J. Warren Kerrigan, Lois Wilson, Ernest Torrence, Charles Ogle, Tully Marshall, Alan Hae, Guy Oliver and John Fox are the principal players and who will ever forget those delicious comedy scenes between Ernest Torrence and Tully Marshall and the masterly acting of that juvenile, John Fox? Those who saw it on its original visit can well afford to see it again but those who missed it that time cannot afford to miss it again!

The Pinehurst Theatre will again be re-opened for this special engagement on Friday night, August 19th, and the picture will be repeated at Southern Pines on Saturday night, August 20th.

BOY SCOUT EXECUTIVE WINS ARCHERY PRIZE

James W. Geeslin, Boy Scout executive, of Greensboro, has been awarded the prize offered by the Archers' Company of Pinehurst, in the form of a free trip to the National Archery Tournament at Boston, Mass., August 23 to 26. In winning this prize Mr. Geeslin has done some of the best shooting that has ever been done by a North Carolina man and his best American round was 538.

North Carolina will have a large contingent of archers at the tournament. Fourteen altogether are expected to leave over land Wednesday morning. They are as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Rouseveele, of Pinehurst, who are sponsoring the trip; Harold Rohm, of Pinehurst; Miss Mary Alice Patterson, Manley; Miss Frances Bowles, Pinehurst; James W. Geeslin, Greensboro; Garland Alderman, High Point; Mrs. Garland Alderman, High Point; Owen Rice, Chimney Rock; Dan Lewis, Pinehurst; Stephen A. Douglass, Greensboro; Robert Hubbard, High Point, and Scott Robinson, Greensboro.

Dr. O. C. Barker, of Asheville, is also expected to go, but will make the journey by rail. Archery has made rapid strides in

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DR. D. N. McLAUCHLIN
of Norfolk, Va., who will preach in Vass Presbyterian Church the fourth Sunday in this month.

TOBACCO OUTLOOK BEST EVER KNOWN

Quality and Prices Keeping Up
With the Big Production.

BION H. BUTLER.

The sudden advance in cotton and the strengthening in tobacco with the announcement of the short world crop, and the increased demand for cigarettes, have given to the Sandhills country such a stimulus that the optimist is once more the accredited prophet. The opening of the Southern tobacco markets strengthens the belief that tobacco prices this fall are to be better than last year, a matter that gives the Sandhill tobacco grower much encouragement. This is particularly true when the quality of the leaf is considered this summer, for farmers say the crop is one of the best ever grown in this section, in quality as well as quantity, and they are expecting prices that will compare with some of the best ever paid.

Considerable has been said recently about developing the tobacco industry of the Sandhills, and the movement has reached the place where it appears to be running of its own momentum. The area in tobacco this summer indicates that bright leaf is established as a staple and an increasing crop, and from the inquiry for land for next year the signs are that next summer will see a bigger crop. And this all points to a leaf market of considerable importance in the Sandhills. One thing that will help this consummation is the action of the growers. If they will stand by the local markets the buyers will be glad to concentrate in this section, and the ultimate policy will be drying houses, and other establishments for preparing the leaf for final shipment and use, and here will become an assembling center that will not only afford facilities for the complete handling of leaf, but which will stimulate the further production of Sandhills types of tobacco.

The distributed influence of tobacco growing is to be observed. It is not confined to any one small area, but in all directions from Raeford to West End, from Cameron to Carthage, up and down Little River, on Drowning Creek and in the intermediate communities fine crops of tobacco are now going in the barns, proving the adaptability of the whole Sandhills range for the crop. The old peach lands appear to be the finest kind of tobacco soil, and if the land that has served its uses for peaches can now be put in some other equally profitable crop the outlook in the Sandhills is exceedingly good.

Wherever tobacco has been enthusiastically backed up by the people of the whole neighborhood much profit has resulted. Wilson, Kinston, Winston-Salem, Durham and other places are sufficient evidence. It looks as if the Sandhills can do as well in this respect as any of the

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S. S. CONVENTION HELD AT CAMERON

Class of '26 Have Reunion and Other Cameron News of Interest.

Moore County Sunday School convention was largely attended, and every one seemed to enjoy it. The speaking was good. Mr. Sims told us the way to reduce taxes, stop murders, and all other crimes, bootlegging, stealing and to clear the penitentiaries was to attend the Sunday Schools. More than that, he proved it. All denominations of Cameron and community with hearty co-operation, came with full baskets and served an elegant and bountiful dinner. Also, we had good music.

Southern Pines Baptist won the pennant, with Union Presbyterian church second. The Convention will meet next year with Union.

The class of 1926, Cameron High School, celebrated its first reunion on Saturday evening, August 13th, with a delicious three-course dinner served in the Lakeside Inn, Lakeview.

The members of the class met at the lake about five o'clock and spent a delightful two hours reviewing school days, swapping experiences, making kodak pictures, bathing and boating.

At seven-thirty the attractive dining room of the Lakeside Inn, which had been reserved and decorated in the class colors, was opened and the guests found their places at the beautifully decorated table by dainty place cards in the class colors.

After the guests were seated Master James Clyde Kelly, Jr., mascot of the class, gave a toast to which Miss Ethel Douglass, president of the class, responded with a few well chosen words.

A delicious dinner was then served, consisting of fried chicken, creamed potatoes, butter beans, hot rolls and butter, iced tea, fruit salad on lettuce, ice cream and cake.

The president then called the roll of the class and each member responded with an interesting sketch of his or her experiences and achievements since graduating. Mrs. J. L. McGraw, teacher of History, gave some recent history and reviewed quite a few old and interesting "dates" of the class to the delight of all.

Prof. J. Clyde Kelly, in a short talk to the class, commended them for their outstanding loyalty, cooperative spirit and class unity, and expressed a hope that the reunion might be an annual affair. This met the hearty approval of the class and a motion was carried to have the reunion next July 4th in the Cameron High school building. The class then gathered around the piano for a few old time melodies and closed with Auld Lang Syne.

Of the 18 members of the class the following 15 were present: Misses Ethel Douglass, Minnie Cameron, Ola Frye, Saidee Bodgett, Cleta Jackson, of Cameron; Miss Edna O'Brian, of Durham; Miss Ethel Phillips and Mrs. Edna Handcock and husband, of Raleigh; Messrs. Wade Collins, Tom Smith, Charlie Smith, Edwin Gilchrist, Heywood Snipes, of Cameron; and Currie Spivey, of Guilford College; Prof. and Mrs. J. Clyde Kelly and son, James Clyde, Jr.; Mrs. J. L. McGraw and daughter, Harriet, of Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Johnson and children, of Raleigh, were callers last week of Rev. and Mrs. M. D. McNeill.

Mrs. Laura Rogers and daughter, Miss Lula, spent a day last week with Mrs. Carl Gullledge and Mrs. Ben Gullledge, on Rt. 2.

Miss Mollie McKeithen, of Aberdeen, spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. M. McL. McKeithen.

Mrs. E. M. Borst and daughter,

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