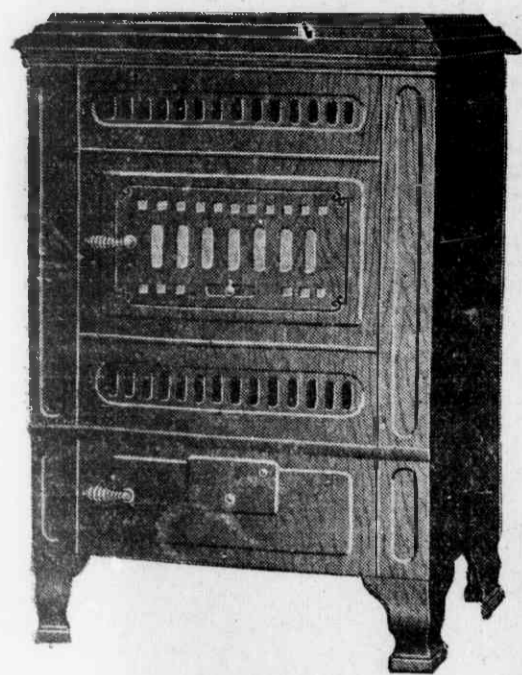


**SOUTHERN PINES AND PINEHURST TIE AT GOLF**

Pinehurst and Southern Pines golfers fought to a tie in another of their series of matches held Wednesday afternoon, the score being 13 1-2 to 13 1-2.

Playing for the two towns were: Pinehurst—Ferree, Keating, Dupont, Kelly, Gardner, McCaskill, Vail, Hurd, Seawell, Leach, Bowman Caldwell, Sledge, Dr. Bowman, Higgins and Dudgeon. Southern Pines—Woodward, Page, Kelly, Sheppard, Wilson, Harris, Barron, Eddy, Vetterlein, Jordan, Daniels, Pottle, Medlin, Gifford, Johnson and Morrison.

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**"Heaven" Subject of Series of Sermons**

**Rev. J. F. Stimson To Treat Questions Raised at Bible Forum Gatherings**

The popularity of a series of topical sermons delivered last winter by the Rev. J. Fred Stimson at the Southern Pines Baptist Church has promoted another program of similar type beginning Sunday, October 4. The subjects have been selected from the work of the Bible Forum, (Frank Buchan's Bible Class), which for three or four weeks has been pursuing an inquiry into the interpretation of "Heaven," with much interesting discussion of the question.

Mr. Stimson on the evening of October 4 will talk of Heaven in the broad sense that it is a final haven of those who have earned a place where rewards are conferred on those who are deserving, and which is the common acceptance of the word. On October 11 he will have for his topic, "The Heaven," as it is expressed in the first chapter of Genesis where it is said that God created the heaven and the earth. Generally most folks ascribe the same meaning to the word in both cases, but the Bible Forum has rather inclined to the proposition that some differentiation is indicated between "heaven" and "the heaven," which Mr. Stimson will consider. On October 18 will follow another phase of the use of the word when the "Kingdom of Heaven" will be the theme.

**WEST SOUTHERN PINES ANNEXATION UPHELD**

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white folks that the colored people had on their hands an elephant that they did not seem able to handle. Their limited finances prevented any suitable modern conveniences in the way of streets, water and sewer equipment, suitable police protection, sanitary provisions and many other things that community action demands in any place where sufficient funds are available. The problem is a big one, and as those who studied it realized that the colored section is physically and always will be, a part of the Southern Pines community the realization that the white man must help in the colored man's problem was apparent. That is why the legislature was asked to annex the colored town to the white town. But objections followed, and an attorney was engaged to take up the colored man's idea of protection against the capture, and when Southern Pines proposed to collect the back taxes due in the abolished West Southern Pines an injunction was asked from the courts to pre-

vent the sale of property for the taxes. That brought the complicated matter to a head, and it looked like a long war, for the attorney for West Southern Pines said the intention was in case the injunction failed to stop the tax sales to go to the Supreme Court of the state, and if necessary to the Supreme Court of the United States, a proposition that meant long, costly and destructive war between the two communities.

**Cooperation Hoped For**

This attitude is perhaps eliminated by the conference of Lawyer Andrews and the town commissioners Tuesday afternoon, when it is believed a new movement was set on foot that will unite the two influences in a work that will establish the former West Southern Pines on a footing that has never been attempted before, with the white authorities working with the leaders of the colored section, helping to develop the colored quarter of the joint town to their best proportions and efficiency, the whites lending a hand in every way for the welfare of the negroes, yet placing as much of the responsibility for the success as possible on the shoulders of the negro leaders and people.

Mayor Stutz explained to Lawyer Andrews that Southern Pines as it grows has to grow all around the West Southern Pines area, and that it is imperative that Southern Pines shall do all in its power to make the West Southern Pines neighborhood the best possible neighborhood, for the main town is affected just as much by shortcoming in the smaller unit as the small place it, while the colored folks by the help of the white folks can make much more progress and more efficient growth and broadening than they can by themselves.

**Limited Self-Government**

In talking about the matter Mayor Stutz said that while the tax sale will go on it is not the intention to dispossess anybody of his property. Where individuals are unable to pay their taxes they have been encouraged through providing some work for them that might be equivalent to the amount involved. Also as much leniency is extended as possible, for the commissioners do not want to bid in and take any property for obvious reasons. Moreover plans have been under discussion by the commissioners whereby the colored leaders in West Southern Pines may have a responsible hand in carrying on affairs on their side of the creek, for the commissioners desire to encourage as much responsibility and self-government there as can be made effective. The town board recognizes the fact that West Southern Pines must always be aided financially and every other way by the larger neighbor on this side of the creek, and has plans for that purpose as fast as Southern Pines finances permit.

Lawyer Andrews in talking with The Pilot expressed the hope that the suggestions of Mayor Stutz at their Tuesday conference could be carried out, and said he and his clients would be glad to work toward a scheme having that end in view. It seemed the sky was materially cleared at that meeting. From the sentiment gathered by The Pilot in its talk with various persons in position to analyze the matter it would appear that the attorney in asking an appeal is playing for position, and that the outlook is for a settlement of the vexed problem that will vastly improve conditions in West Southern Pines, which means in the entire community.

**MRS. RIPLEY WRITES SAGA OF THE SANDHILLS**

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nakedness, with skill, and with a clean and honest literary style that makes her book a jewel. She stayed with her story through the days of the good crops, the freeze, the big snow of March, the trying periods when Georgia wrecked prices; she helped Clem to raise dewberries, and had her disillusioning fling with honeydews, she packed two-two, two-three, ring-pack bushels, and took all the degrees.

**Golden Era Ends**

It is no use for me to tell what she tells, for she can do it so much better that it is a waste of time to try to pick up her story any place but in her own book. It would be a joy to say that the narrative finally came to the point where they all lived together happily ever afterward, but it has the usual fly in the ointment. The Pumpellys quit and moved away. Then one day the Derbys came back from the fall visit to New Bedford, or wherever they went up that way in the fall, and said they were going back north. And Ben Butler disposed of his place, and the one black velvet dress that she wore several years to the affairs at Pinehurst and Southern Pines began to be depressing.

However, the good book says the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, and Clem had been writing

stories and sending them out to publishers, and one day a check came back. Then some more came, and in time they were able to take the baby and the Chevrolet and go down to Charleston for a vacation. An offer came to buy the orchard, and it was accepted, but the man who had awakened the hope concluded after looking it over that he did not know enough about peaches to take the chance and he fell down on the deal. Clem had found that he could earn more money writing stories than playing the Sandhill peach gamble and they turned their backs on the happy little home out from Samarand which seemed to cost more each year than it came to. And along about that stage of the history "Katti" writes at the bottom of a chapter, "The End."

**Melancholy Joy**

Finis is all right for her story, for she had finished that one, but Katherine Ripley has done such a fine thing in her narrative that it is not to be suspected that this is the end of all. If some clear winter night I should look up to the brilliant constellation of Orion, and with Rigel, Betelgeuse and the three or four others outstanding in their fascinating light, another had appeared there on the celestial equator, it would suggest to me this charming new star that has come into the open sky of Sandhill authors. "Katti" is a peach, and her orchard threnody is about as pleasant a bit of melancholy joy as I have ever encountered.

In a way it reminds me of years ago when I was a tramp printer and had landed in a shop where a cynical member of the craft was accused by another fellow workman of having no sense of humor. "Humor, hell," was the response. "Didn't I laugh when the galley boy got his hand in the proof press and mashed three fingers nearly off?"

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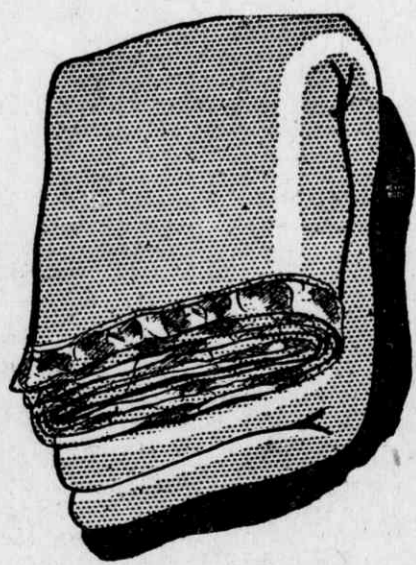
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