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FAIRFIELD COUNTY NEWS AS REPORTED BY CORRESPONDENTS

MOSSY DALE.

This "scribe" went to see his people at Lykesland last Sunday and as he had a red-headed chauffeur he had a good chance to observe the crops, etc. on the way. From J. C. Chappel's to Columbia cotton and corn are both poor, but below Columbia I was surprised to see some good cotton, and corn is better than for many years. I was surprised, too, at the great stacks of hay along the roadside.

I understood that about two million dollars is being spent on the Garner's ferry road from the old Hampton place to Congaree river, though I think that includes one-half the bridge to be built by Sumter and Richland counties.

Hogs and rattlesnakes abound in that section, and the farther you go down the "worse" they get.

Last Saturday afternoon a select number of the most distinguished men of the county met at the old Smith Spring and enjoyed a feast of barbecued pork and hash. The only gentlemen that I recognized in the party from Winnsboro were Lord Owens and Col. Tom Boulware. They did not even look in as they passed down, but as they returned and after they had eaten the hog they hailed me "hello old pardner." Now was not that a nice way to treat a man who had not eaten much that day, neither the day before; but as Perry and Beckham were there I could not have enjoyed eating even barbecue from the same table with them; besides I never like to eat anything when there is any doubt as to how it was obtained. However, I do not accuse the parties of any wrong doing, but Young Smith, who lives just below me, disturbed the whole community for four or five nights after the mysterious barbecue calling hogs. I have not yet learned whether or not he found the lost one.

A few nights ago my boy, W. W. Irby and S. L. Mann were possum hunting, the dogs treed something that did not smell like the best cologne, and before they got quite to the tree it jumped and hit the ground so close to Mr. Irby that he had to bury his brother's coat that he was wearing. They decided after Mr. Mann had smelled the coat, that the varmint was a pole cat.

Mr. Guilds, president of Columbia College, will make the address at the annual meeting of the Fairfield and Richland Bible Society at Cedar Creek church on Sunday, October 3, at 11 o'clock a. m.

GREENBRIER.

W. R. Smith spent the last weekend in Lancaster.

Mrs. A. C. Goldsmith and children spent several days in Columbia recently.

Ernest Castles left last week for Columbia, where he will enter the University of South Carolina.

I. N. Merchant, of Newberry, spent Friday evening in the community.

Mrs. C. L. Smith left Thursday morning for Asheville.

Harry Trapp, of Columbia, was a visitor in the community Monday evening.

Miss Mary Goldsmith spent Sunday in Waynesboro, Ga.

Miss Sadie Smith attended the Ashford-Cousins wedding in Winnsboro Friday evening.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lyles, Jr., a son, September 27th.

UNION.

Our school has opened and all of the children are back at their books hard at work, under the management of Miss Ruby Richardson, of Winnsboro.

Messrs. P. B. Roberts and G. B. Hagood have been attending court.

Misses Marie and Naomi and Dr. J. L. Harrison were visitors in town recently.

Mrs. Laura Timms and daughter, Miss Willie, spent the evening with her brother, Mr. J. W. Harrison, one day last week.

Miss Elma Steele, of Winnsboro,

spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Carrie Steele.

Miss Ruby Richardson spent the week-end in Winnsboro.

Miss Mamie Crawford has returned from a visit in Columbia.

Mr. James Macfie and family spent Sunday evening at the home of Mrs. Agnes Lemmon.

Mr. R. L. Steele of Charleston, spent the week-end at his old home with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Steele.

We are very sorry to report the death of one of our oldest colored about 90 years of age, Wade always stood for that which was right and was respected by both white and colored.

MITFORD.

Miss Mary Thomasson came home for a week to her mother, Mrs. J. F. Thomasson, could go to see her mother, Mrs. Fannie Haynes, who was very sick.

The Mitford and Stover people had a moonlight picnic Wednesday evening, which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Mollie Dye is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. John Hutson, of Great Falls.

Mrs. J. F. Thomasson spent Thursday with Mrs. J. M. Smarr.

Mr. Alex. and Master J. B. Glass spent Saturday with Mrs. B. F. Ford.

Mr. Rufus Keistler spent Sunday with Mr. Alex. Glass.

Miss Mary Thomasson spent Sunday night with her aunt, Mrs. J. S. Glass.

UPPER MITFORD.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Witherspoon have returned home from a very pleasant visit to children and friends in Sumter Silver and Pinewood.

Will Keistler, Strother Ford and Ned Young are delegates from Mt. Zion church for the Sunday school convention that met at Cool Branch, Chester county, September 28th.

We had a refreshing and needed rain the past week.

Peanuts is one thing the boll weevil has not destroyed, so we still have one thing left.

Mr. C. S. Ford has returned from court. He reports a pleasant time while in town.

The Wateree news says that they are building a new school house and one that was needed from the reports that are brought out. This is good news to its sister school and to the teacher that will take charge and the community in general.

They may have their sociables, moonlight picnics and drive their Ford cars, but the "Scribe" has cane 12 feet high and six inches around. Beat it if you can.

Mr. Strother Ford is keeping "bach", and he is a noted cook, so he says.

HICKORY RIDGE.

Mr. W. K. Dawson, of Columbia, spent a day last week with Miss Eula Erice.

Mr. R. M. Brice, who has been in the barber business at Bamberg for several months, but now back in Winnsboro, spent Sunday at home with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Taylor, of Winnsboro, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Timms.

Mr. T. R. Brice, of Winnsboro, spent Sunday in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. James Park and little son, of Hillcrest, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Timms.

Mr. R. M. Paul, of Lebanon, was in the community recently.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. J. W. Luther is very sick, but hope that she will be out again soon.

The Ridge school will start Monday morning, October 3rd. The teacher is Miss Toltbert, of Greenwood.

WOODWARD.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Nicholson and children have returned to Auburn, after spending a week with

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ADVICE BY THE COUNTY AGENT.

Now that the boll weevil has reduced the yield of cotton to one bale per plough in most sections of the southern part of the county and also in some other sections of the county, those in the central and northern section of the county, who are making from three to eight bales per plough, should consider themselves very fortunate and now take warning for another year. You may say that we will very likely have a severe winter, followed by a dry summer and that we will make a good cotton crop next year. This may be true, but suppose we don't, and we have conditions favorable for the boll weevil again next year, and you come up with one bale to the plow, and have nothing you can sell to convert into cash. Well, this can very easily happen, so right now is your time to make preparations so such a condition will not face you.

Make up your mind now that you are going to raise everything you need for man and beast to eat on your farm and that you will get some cash out of other things besides cotton, for I think it would be unwise not to plant some cotton. Remember that you can grow some hogs chickens and other crops for sale, sell some cream and then make cotton too.

Your county agent will be glad to help you get some fruit trees and set you out an orchard, but would advise you to see him at once and order out your trees, as good nursery stock is said to be very scarce. Good peach trees can be bought for about thirty cents each.

Coleman Turner, pig club boy, has a fine Duroc Jersey barrow that is making a wonderful game. Dr. I. Stevenson and Elizabeth Dye also have pigs that are gaining very rapidly.

MUCH COTTON SOLD.

Dillon, Sept. 27.—The farmers in this section have marketed cotton faster up to this time than ever known on the Dillon market. The luss of the cotton has been extra good, due to the fact that since cotton began opening there have been no rains at all. The first heavy rain fall since September 1 came yesterday afternoon. Since the middle of September there have been as many as 300 to 400 bales of cotton sold on this market almost daily. Cotton sold freely today on the Dillon market at from 20.14 to 21 cents.

The best firms of the country are represented here and competition is keen at all times. The Dillon mills have also been on the market for the last three weeks and have seemed keen for cotton. Large brokers also have had special men here working with the local representatives and much cotton is being taken up by them.

The farmers are beginning to buy seed grain for fall planting and expect to plant large acreage of grain and are going to cut cotton practically out, due to the ravages of the boll weevil, which has made its appearance very plentifully since the first of August. There has been absolutely no top cotton crop at all and no blooms. If the weather continues good, the cotton in Dillon county will be all picked by October 15 to November 1. Practically no cotton is being stored, but is being rushed on the market as fast as it is ginned.

FOOTBALL AT MT. ZION.

Hartsville high will be the first on the local gridiron schedule, the Pee Dee coming out of their lair Friday, to atone for the melancholy defeats of last year. The old gold and black warriors expect a stiff fight, but are slated to nose out in the finish. The game will commence at 3:30 in the afternoon, and for the joy of seeing 'em battle the spectators will be taxed twenty-five and thirty-five cents, with all "take and put" tactics outlawed.

The local team this year will present a new set of players, many of the old stars having departed to shine in collegiate football.

ASSOCIATION PLANS FIGHT.

R. C. Hamer, president of the South Carolina division of the American Cotton association, said yesterday that he had read with a great deal of interest of the action of the committee which met in Columbia Tuesday to consider an agricultural program which would meet the conditions caused by the invasion of the boll weevil, and said the cotton association would welcome the support of the committee and all existing agencies.

"The American Cotton association," said Mr. Hamer, "has for some time been giving most earnest consideration to the conditions confronting the cotton belt because of the weevil and how they could best be met. Two plans which were thought to be the most suitable and most feasible were submitted to a referendum of the members of the American Cotton association. Every farmer was asked to vote for the plan which he thought the most feasible and which could most effectively be carried out. Great interest was taken in the referendum and approximately 50,000 votes were cast.

"The plan adopted by an overwhelming vote follows:

"First. Three-fourths of all open lands to be devoted to food and feed crops and to pasturage for live stock.

"Second. One-fourth of the cultivated land to be planted in cotton, well fertilized and worked so as to produce the best yield under the most economic conditions of labor and other expenses.

"Third. Encourage the rapid organization of statewide co-operative marketing associations for handling cotton and other farm products.

"Fourth. Adopt economic reforms and efficiency in the future baling, warehousing, financing and marketing.

"The South Carolina division of the American cotton association is, of course, committed to this plan, and will make every effort within its power to put it across in South Carolina. We are already pushing with all the vigor at our command the campaign for the formation of the South Carolina Cotton Growers' Co-operative association. We plan to begin shortly a food and feedstuffs campaign and we shall make every effort within our power to have the farmers plant only one-fourth of the cultivated lands in cotton next spring in order that the cotton may be intensively cultivated and the ravages of the boll weevil reduced to a minimum.

"We propose to devote most of the time of the annual meeting of the South Carolina Cotton association in December to a discussion of the boll weevil and it is our hope to have the foremost experts of the country with us at that time to tell us how cotton can best be grown under weevil conditions.

"The American Cotton association at its annual meeting in Birmingham October 26-29 will discuss plans for putting the program into effect over the belt generally.

"We ask the united support of the people of the state in our campaign. Surely this is a time when the people of the state must stand together and meet the menace which confronts us."

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Mr. "Happy" Adams, of Columbia, representative of the Roddy Motor Co., who handle the famous Buick automobiles, was in our village Tuesday demonstrating one of the 1922 model, five-passenger cars. We noticed that our good friend W. E. Rambow was riding in this new speed wagon, and we believe that he had Mr. Adams come all the way from Columbia to give him a noon-day ride. Still Mr. Rambow may be contemplating stopping one of those automobiles in a garage around here. Bob Dale said "shucks, Rambow is not going to buy any car. He can run his other jobs on that hot air of his, but it takes money, hard money, to buy and run an automobile." We are waiting to see what success Rambow's hot air will have in the purchase and operation of a car.

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MUSIC CLUB ENTERTAINED

Mrs. K. R. McMaster entertained the Music Club Tuesday afternoon. There was no regular program at this meeting was a business one. Miss Alice Doty was elected president, and Mrs. C. S. McCants and Miss Alice Walker were the new members elected.

SANITARY WATER ANALYSIS.

Charleston, S. C. Sept. 14.—Sanitary Water Analysis No. 2022 of water received September 13, 1921, from Board of Public Works, Winnsboro, S. C.

Results in parts per million.

Chlorine 19.00

Free Ammonia 0.02

Albuminoid Ammonia 0.04

Nitrogen in Nitrates 0.10

Nitrogen in Nitrites 0.00

Total solids 56.00

Bacterial Analysis.

Bacterial indications of contamination. Negative

Remarks: Analysis indicate water to be of good quality and free from contamination.

Respectfully submitted,

F. L. Parker, M. D.

ASHFORD-COUSIN.

Miss Alice Ashford and Mr. Olin Cousins surprised their many friends Friday afternoon by quietly motoring to the Baptist parsonage in Winnsboro, where they were married by the bride's pastor, Rev. John Bomar.

Mrs. Cousins is the attractive daughter of Mr. W. R. Ashford, and never looked more pretty than on her wedding day.

Mr. Cousins is a prominent farmer of Newberry.

Misses Sadie Smith, Margaret Ashford and Messrs. I. N. Merchant, of Newberry, Hugh Mann and Bob Pope were the only witnesses of the marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Cousins caught the 4:40 train going north for points unknown. They will be at home to their many friends at Newberry after September 28.

We regret very much that this marriage will take Mrs. Cousins from our vicinity.

This happy couple have the best wishes of hundreds of friends for a long and happy life.

Greene & Co., Engineers, spent the day in our village Wednesday.

Mr. W. W. Cook, of the architectural department of Lockwood Greene & Co., Engineers, of Boston, Mass., paid us a visit Wednesday.

The recent rains came in time to save the collards and fall flowers. Our feelings were helped considerably too.

Mr. Charlie Windham, who has been away from Winnsboro for several months, is in our village shaking hands with friends this week.