

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY NEWS REPORTED BY CORRESPONDENTS

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### WOODWARD.

Mrs. J. F. Coleman spent Thursday in Columbia with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Coleman.

Mrs. Macie Brice, Mrs. T. W. Brice, Misses Ellen, Nannie and Ida Brice and Mr. Ernest Kelly spent Saturday in Charlotte.

Sam Nicholson, who is at the University of South Carolina, came home for the week-end.

Mrs. Robert Dunbar spent a few days in Chester recently.

Miss Mattie Shirley has returned from Chester, where she has been nursing Mrs. L. A. Lewis at the Sanatorium.

J. C. Stewart, Robert McIlroy, little Alice McIlroy and John A. Stewart motored to Chester Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. C. Stewart was hostess to the Ladd Chapter at the regular meeting Friday afternoon. There was no program, as this was the time for the election of officers. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Sam Brice; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. C. Stewart; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. W. M. Reed; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. J. F. Coleman; Secretary, Mrs. A. W. Brice; Historian, Mrs. Macie Brice; Treasurer, Mrs. T. W. Brice; Registrar, Mrs. Charlie Brice. Mrs. A. W. Brice received a rising vote of thanks for her work as president during the last year. The chapter decided to have a Halloween party at the school house, the last Saturday night in October. Mrs. Stewart served a salad course and coffee during the social hour.

Miss Sarah Patrick, who teaches at Huntersville, came home for the week-end, and was accompanied by Misses Sarah and Mildred Smith, Messrs. Holsbrock, McIntyre and Linsey. Complimenting Miss Patrick's guests, Mrs. W. M. Patrick was hostess at a lovely dinner Saturday night. Covers were laid for the following guests: Misses Mildred and Sarah Smith, Mary C. Elliott and Julia Salley; and Messrs. Holsbrock, McIntyre, Linsey, Charlie McDonald, Paul Durham and William Douglass.

### BLAIR.

Mrs. J. B. Frazier, Jr., was hostess to a number of young people on Friday evening. Cards and music were enjoyed and a most entertaining evening was passed by all.

Mr. A. M. McWhirter, of Jonesville, was a guest in the home of Mrs. L. M. Blair the past week-end. Miss Ruby Coleman was the week-end guest of Miss Francis Blair.

Mr. W. E. Blair was a visitor in Winnsboro Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Henderson and family were visitors to relatives in Clinton several days last week.

Misses Bertha Crooks, Alberta Wilkes and Hannah Rutherford were week-end guests of Mrs. J. B. Frazier, Jr.

Mrs. J. B. Frazier, Sr., Mrs. Frazier, Jr., and children were visitors to relatives in Clinton several days last week.

Mr. L. M. Blair was a business visitor in Winnsboro Friday.

Mr. J. R. Ragsdale was a visitor in Union Thursday.

Miss Winter, of Columbia, who has been teaching the Blair school, has resigned on account of the sickness of her mother. The children are enjoying quite a few holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs, of Daytona, Fla., who have been the guests of Miss F. G. Feaster and Mrs. C. H. Ragsdale for some time, have returned home.

Mr. J. B. Frazier, Jr., was a business visitor in Columbia Thursday.

Mr. L. B. Fee, of Columbia, is here on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Fee.

### LONGTOWN.

Miss Lillie Mae Weir, of Winnsboro, is visiting Miss Irene Stewart and Mrs. D. F. Smith.

Mr. R. M. Bolick, of Ridgeway, was in Longtown Monday.

Mr. W. E. Wilds has been spend-

some time with his daughter, Mrs. Weir in College Place and his brother, Mr. L. T. Wilds, in Columbia.

Miss Marie Mayer left recently for Johnston where she will teach this session.

Mrs. Black is visiting Mrs. George J. Wilds at her home near Ridgeway.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Eubanks and son, Hampton Eubanks, dined with the Misses and Messrs Dixon last Sunday.

Mrs. Thos. H. Wilds spent a short while in Camden recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Weir were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. E. Smith for a part of last week.

Miss Gertrude Mayer is attending school in Florida this session.

Miss Irene Stewart, Miss Lillie Mae Weir and Mr. Maxie Stewart motored to Winnsboro Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McEachern and Mr. J. J. McEachern, Jr., motored to Columbia this week to see Miss Naomi McEachern, who is there for treatment. Her many friends will be delighted to learn that Miss Naomi is considerably improved, and they wish for her a speedy and complete recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hudson and children from South Georgia are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hudson and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hudson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Tidwell, Mrs. Nannie Bush and Mrs. Campbell, of Columbia, were among the recent visitors at the home of Messrs Joe and Marion Tidwell.

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### SHELTON.

Mr. Frank Waters, of Philadelphia, Pa., and his father, Mr. Fannie Waters, of Tuxedo, N. C., are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wright.

Miss Julia Fancette is visiting in Columbia.

Miss Mae Allen, little Mary Norrig Frocher and Mr. Lee Coleman spent Tuesday in Union.

Mr. A. M. Fancette, of Columbia, spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents.

Mr. W. B. McDowell, of Baltimore, is here on business.

Mrs. W. B. Wright, Jr., is the guest of Miss Mattie Clayton in Columbia.

Miss Ruby Coleman spent the week-end in Blair.

Messrs. R. C. and J. F. Coleman were in Winnsboro Saturday.

Mr. H. Lee Coleman was in Columbia Sunday to see his father, Mr. George W. Coleman, who is ill at Columbia Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Shelton, Miss Mae Allen and Mr. W. B. Wright, Jr., attended the funeral of Mr. Lawrence Welch at Carlisle last Friday.

Mr. M. S. Lewis spent the week-end in Chester with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wollong and Mr. Russell Clowney, of Winnsboro, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Beam Sunday.

Mr. W. B. Wright, Jr., was in Columbia Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Jack Pollard and little son, of the Salem neighborhood, are visiting Mrs. J. A. F. Coleman.

Messdames J. A. F. Coleman and Jack Pollard and little Jack Pollard, Jr., spent Friday in Carlisle with Mrs. Gilliam Jeter.

Messrs. M. S. Lewis and J. F. Beam were in Newberry Wednesday.

### MOSSY DALE.

There is too much trouble, strife, bloodshed and theft abroad in the land, and people are too busy for me to ask for space to even mention Beckham again; and I would not do so were it not that his deeds are becoming unbearable. I will mention only one instance here. Since the signs of the times point to starvation, desolation and ruin, brought about by the devastation wrought by the boll weevil, it behooves us to save everything that is eatable and

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## NEWS FROM THE WINNSBORO MILLS

The power was shut off a couple of hours on Monday, a couple of hours on Tuesday afternoon and the mill was unable to start at all Wednesday. A young army of hunters with their guns and dogs marched forth from the village early Wednesday morning in search of meat. Late in the afternoon the proud hunters came ambling home, some with trophies, others with a wan look of despair. Rabbits will be had when it rains, so that the power can be turned on and call the hunters and dogs from the field. Part of the business of we are all wishing for rain.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wilson and family motored to Columbia Tuesday and took in the circus.

A fire of unknown origin broke out about 10:30 Monday night in the rear end of a store owned by Mr. Strange and occupied by Mr. McDonald. In a very short time the entire building was in flames. Numbers of people rushed to the locality and were unable to render much assistance. But very little of the stock of goods was saved. The barber shop in the same building was a complete loss. The wind was blowing in a westerly direction and kept the blaze and sparks from seriously menacing the houses of the village across the street from the store. Had the wind been blowing in a northerly direction the results might have been much more disastrous. The store and stock of goods were partially covered by insurance.

On last Friday evening at their lovely home Mr. and Mrs. Gordon A. Johnstone delightfully entertained for the occasion Mayor and Council of the village and their wives. After a delightful evening of games and music a delicious salad course was served. We were all very glad when we were fortunate enough to have Mr. and Mrs. Johnstone as host and hostess. The superlative testimonies of those present makes us sure that this occasion was "as usual" very greatly enjoyed.

Mr. N. A. White, Mr. Gordon A. Johnstone and Rev. Geo. C. Gibson were in Columbia Tuesday on business.

Mr. G. H. Lokey spent the day in Columbia last Sunday visiting his friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Payne and Mr. Hollis Cobb, of Camden, spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Wilson. They motored home after supper Sunday evening.

Mr. Dudley Howe, in charge of the purchasing department for cotton, etc., of the Lockwood, Greene & Co., paid us a visit on Monday of this week. Mr. Howe has visited practically all the Southern states in the cotton belt and he states that conditions are worse than thought to be. He says that practically all of the cotton everywhere has been picked.

Mrs. Ben Wilson and son, Paul, have entirely recovered from an attack of diphtheria.

Miss Nell Godwin has accepted the position of nurse in our village. She arrived Monday to take charge of the dispensary and work connected with her position. Miss Godwin is a graduate nurse from the Baptist hospital, Columbia. We are glad to welcome her to our happy family of contented loyal people.

Well, sure enough, Bob Dale, missed the preaching service Sunday night last, as Rambow predicted last week. Bob says, however it isn't his fault. He says that he and Mrs. Dale went for a ride late in the afternoon and had a puncture. When he went to fix the puncture he found that Rambow had either stolen or had somebody else to steal his jack and pump, so as to make him miss church services. We haven't heard of Rambow offering any pump or jack for sale and he hasn't a car so we are inclined to believe that Bob never did have a jack or pump. He had to have an alibi. Bob says, "Boys, I will be there next Sunday." Now watch him.

The Baptist church was packed to the doors Sunday evening. Prof. Feruchi and several others of the

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## PHYSICIANS OF THIS DISTRICT MET HERE

The semi-annual meeting of the medical society of the fifth district took place in Winnsboro on Thursday, October 20th. An exceptionally day, Oct. 20th. An exceptionally instructive program had been arranged. Not only were there doctors of note from the district present, but also physicians and surgeons from elsewhere in the State. The fifth district is composed of the following counties: Chester, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lancaster and York. The officers of the society are: Dr. W. R. Wallace, president; Dr. G. W. Poovoy, Dr. W. M. Love, vice-presidents; Dr. G. A. Hennies, sec. and treas.; Dr. Robt. Sumner, Dr. C. S. McCants, Dr. R. H. McFadden, Dr. L. T. Gregory, executive committee.

Following was the program:

Opening prayer—by Rev. G. G. Mayes.

Address of Welcome—Hon. J. W. Hanahan.

Address of Welcome from Fairfield County—Dr. J. C. Buchanan, president of Fairfield County Medical Society.

Duodenal and Gastric Ulcers—Dr. A. E. Baker, Charleston, S. C.

What the Physician Should Read—Dr. E. W. Pressley, Greenville, S. C.

Principles of Feeding During the Second Year of Childhood—Dr. W. T. Weston, Columbia, S. C.

Some Phases of the Work at the South Carolina State Hospital—Dr. C. F. Williams, Supt., Columbia, S. C.

Diagnostic Significance of Certain Chest Signs—Dr. J. D. McDowell, York, S. C.

Diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat as Related to General Medicine—Dr. W. C. Twitty, Rock Hill, S. C.

Subject unannounced—Dr. J. W. Corbett, Camden, S. C.

### RED CROSS MEETING.

The Fairfield County Chapter of the American Red Cross held its annual meeting for the election of officers in the County Health office on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock.

The following officers were elected: Dr. Oliver Johnson, chairman; Mr. Ernest Blair, vice-chairman and treasurer; Miss Elizabeth Doty, secretary; Miss Alice Doty, chairman Junior Red Cross committee; Miss Maggie Neil, publicity chairman; Mrs. J. L. Bryson, chairman nursing committee; Miss Maggie Aiken, chairman membership committee; Mrs. W. D. Douglas, chairman protective committee; Dr. R. G. Hamilton, chairman home service committee, and secretary home service committee.

Miss Susie G. Dawson, Field Director A. R. C. for South Carolina, made a most forceful and eloquent address to the Chapter, stressing the fact that the war was not over, and never would be until the American people (you and I) have fulfilled the promises we had made to our soldiers at the beginning of the war, to see them through. "Are we doing this?" Thousands of our men are in hospitals being cared for by the Red Cross. Can we afford not to renew our membership and repay in this small way the sacrifices they have made for us?

### MRS. A. I. V. WILSON ENTERTAINS.

One of the most attractive parties of the season was given by Mrs. A. I. V. Wilson last Friday afternoon at her attractive home in the Mill Village. The living room and dining room were beautiful in their "allowen" decorations, which were carried out in the minutest detail.

There were four tables of players and at the end of the games Mrs. U. G. DesPortes, Mrs. Dees and Mrs. Keehan tied for the prize, which fell to Mrs. Keehan.

A salad course, with tea and sandwiches, was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. White.

## COTTON GROWING UNDER THE BOLL WEEVIL CONDITIONS

About one hundred farmers were assembled in the court house Wednesday to hear Prof. N. E. Winters, of the extension department of Clemson College discuss Economical Crop Production and Cotton Growing Under Boll Weevil Conditions. His remarks might be summed up in one word: PREPAREDNESS. It seemed in the opening that he was going to discuss only soil fertility and the building of soils, but when he gradually worked to boll weevil conditions and showed that the successful planting of cotton under adverse circumstances was dependent of the condition of the soil and its ability to develop the plant rapidly, his hearers were very much impressed. In order that his advice might reach a larger number of farmers The News supplied a stenographer and in the afternoon Mr. Winters condensed his lecture for publication. His own advice follows, verbatim:

### Economical Crop Production and Cotton Growing Under Boll Weevil Conditions.

There are two big problems that confront us, economical crop production and the marketing of the things we produce. It is not always the man who produces the biggest crop that makes the most profit. The margin of profit comes in between the cost of production and the market price. Economical crop production on poor land is physically impossible. Without the boll weevil it is possible to produce cotton year after year on poor land, depending on commercial fertilizer for producing it, and to eek out an existence with it. But it is impossible with the boll weevil present to help us harvest it.

A clean cultivated crop year after year in soil left bare during the winter, between these crops, is the kind of treatment that it takes to make in one lifetime poor depleted soil out of the richest soil we have.

Some land in the United States which made in its virgin state, when God turned it over to the old pioneers, 70 bushels of corn per acre without any fertilizer, is now making 8-12 bushels per acre after forty-five years of continuous corn cultivation with no soil improvements.

### Nitrogen Most Important Factor.

On our poor soil, nitrogen is the limiting element of the crop production. Our crop yields go up and down as nitrogen and all fertilizers go up and down. In our tests on poor soil in this State, we produce no more cotton or corn with 8-0-4 than we do when no fertilizer at all is applied.

We spent \$26,000,000 for nitrogen last year. We have spent over \$12,000,000 this year for nitrogen. For the past fifteen years we have spent annually \$15,000,000 for nitrogen in commercial form, and we have been losing 60 per cent of it, an average of \$9,000,000, annually, in the leech from our soil and through our gulches into our creeks and rivers, due to the lack of proper control of the soil moisture and the use of the green winter cover crops. It requires only about 18 pounds of nitrogen to make one-half bale of cotton or 18 bushels of corn per acre, but we lose 50 pounds of the precious stuff per acre where the soil is left bare all winter exposed to the leakage from our heavy rains. In other words, we have been losing more than we used of the most expensive part of our commercial fertilizer. God Almighty has given us enough stuff in one square mile of this old air to do the whole world 50 years for crop production if we will just pull it down and use it, and He has provided the whole world with means whereby we can pull it down and make it available for corn, cotton and other crops in our rotation by using beans, peas, clovers, and vetches adapted to our section. We can grow a greater variety of these crops than any other section of the United States and we can grow them from January 1st to December 31st and never miss a single crop. A three ton growth of velvet beans will take from the God given air and add to every acre 87 pounds of nitrogen and more than that by applying 500 pounds of nitrate of soda per acre. In the meantime they will make us

more milk and meat than anything that can be planted in the spring time, each acre producing the ruffage needed as pasture crop for one cow and two pigs during November, December and January. A winter cover crop, rye, oats, vetch or crimson clover will save about 50 pounds of nitrogen from leaking out this winter, and with vetch or crimson clover in the moisture they will add in 50 pounds from the air, giving us 100 pounds of nitrogen more to every acre next spring than we would have if the soil were left bare. This is worth about \$20.00 for production in commercial form.

Another good thing about this program, the boll weevil cannot live over winter in a green winter cover crop because he is just like everything else, he freezes more easily when wet or green than he does when dry. In order to stand our winter freezes he must lose one-third of his body moisture by evaporation and he can not do this in a green winter cover crop. Bugologists, for this reason, call this green winter cover crop the cleansing crop. If the cotton can be picked out and the stalks cut off with a disk and plowed under two weeks before frost the boll weevil will either be dead or gone to some neighbor's field by the time frost comes, because weevils live only about two weeks in the summer time without green cotton and they reproduce only when there is any cotton around, either the squares or young bolls. If it is impossible to pick out the cotton before frost and you want to raise rye, or wheat, or oats, or rye and vetch, or oats and vetch, or crimson clover in that cotton field go ahead and sow the green crop. Then after the cotton is picked out, frost has killed the stalks and the stalks are dry enough so that you can, as soon as possible, with the stalk cutter cut up these stalks or knock them down in that green crop. Then as soon as possible destroy the dry weeds and grass along the terraces and around the field out 200 feet from the field and you will destroy the winter hotel for the boll weevil. When killing frost comes, 90 per cent of the weevils go into hibernation in the cotton field, probably 10 per cent around the field, not more than 200 feet from it, and if all dry vegetation is destroyed or chopped down in that green crop within that area, the boll weevil finds it impossible to survive the winter. If no green cover crop is planted in the cotton field, cut the stalks as soon as possible with a disk harrow and plow them under. Then destroy the dry weeds and grass along the terraces and around the field as previously mentioned. Probably 90 per cent of us will not make this following winter preparations that we should.

I want to tell you that the boll weevil is one of the most appreciative little cusses you ever got acquainted with. If you provide him with plenty of green cotton right up to frost and a good hotel to winter in, he will stay with you winter and summer, and when your cotton first begins to bud out he will be there to suck the buds and when the first fruit begins to form he will be there to puncture the young squares, and from an early start in the spring the field is soon full of weevils; for three females, in the course of one season, will fill a room 10 feet square and 10 feet high with weevils. They stay until August in the fields of the man who provides them with good winter hotels. Some time in August they become so thick that they go out and find new homes, then is when migration starts and they go all over the country; then is when the man who cleans up will have no weevils in his cotton field, but if he has been growing velvet beans in his corn, destroying and plowing them under, using green winter cover crops, destroying and plowing them under, then adding a large amount of organic matter, fertilizing and liming his land for four or five years to keep that soil and organic matter in a healthy, sanitary condition, using fertilizer intelligently, mainly acid

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