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MEETING WAS HELD SUBJECT WATERMELONS

A meeting was held at the court house Wednesday morning at 11 o' clock in response to a call issued by County Demonstration Agent Jas. W Shealy for the purpose of discussing the advisability of the farmers in this section planting watermelons on a large scale for shipment to the northern markets.

Mr. Rudolph Farmer of the extension division of Clemson College was present and explained the best method of cultivation and the best variety of melon to plant for shipping purposes. Mr. Farmer said that the land to be planted to melons should be broken not later than March, and after the danger from frost had passed the land should be laid off in checks of 8x10 or 10x10 feet and the seed planted at the intersections. That the land should be cultivated lightly for sometime and at the last plowing cow peas sowed. That the hay harvested after the melon crop had been gathered would in some instances pay the entire expenses of both crops. Melons should be fertilized with 7-5-5 grade, and the Tom | taxes and held the same until Sep-Watson variety was the best for shipping purposes.

Mr. Farmer did not advise going into any one thing too strong, but said the farmers should diversify, grow some of everything that would bring a profitable price. That truck growing was no more of a gamble now than cotton under bell weevil conditions.

The sentiment of the meeting was demonstrated when conditional pledges were asked for 'as to how much acreage would be planted to melons. Practically everyone present agreed to plant from one to five acres. Mr. Farmer said that under ordinary conditions a carload could be expected from every two acres, and that the average price a car last year was \$125 f. o. b. shipping point. Mr. Farmer advised the gathering that if melons were to be marketed successfully and at the best prices those going into the business would do well to join the state association of watermelon growers which is now being organized. A meeting of the state association will be held in Denmark next Monday, March 13, and Messrs. D. E. Efird and J. A. Barre were selected at the meeting to attend the state convention and report their findings at the next meeting of the people here, which will be held in the court house Saturday, March 18, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Farmer said that 1,300 cars of watermelons were shipped from the small county of Allendale last year, and that in most cases good prices were obtained.

All those interested in the project are requested to be present at the meeting on the 18th.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE ON GILBERT CIRCUIT

The second quarterly conference for 1922 will be held at Pond Branch or

mext Saturday, March 11th, 1922. Rev. J. R. T. Major, the presiding elder , will preach at 11 o'clock a. m. After preaching dinner will be served on the grounds.

after dinner. All church officers are expected to

be present with full reports.

The business session will be held

REV. L. W. JOHNSON

DEATH OF MRS. HALL.

Mrs. Lewie Hall died at her home last Friday shortly after noon. She death came as a great shock to her landoing fine. samily and friends, she being taken of PLAY VT CHEROKET so afterwards. Mrs. Jigil was in such said

the Lexington confetting Saturday at Saturday. March J. at 8 o'clock. A ternoon, the Rev. Mr. Walface offic sidal admission for will be changed. burke and Whitten.

DR. ROBERTS ATTENDINGS, ye, We wish to announce that there

Dr. G. F. Roberts left Tuesday The public is cordially invited. night to attend the 185th annual communication of the grand lodge, A. F., M., of South Carolina, which opened We hope for her a speedy recovery. in Charleston this morning for a two-day session. He will return Friday morning. Dr. Roberts is day evening. worshipful master of Lexington

TAXPAY'NG TIME EXTENDED TO JUNE.

A joint resolution was passed by the general assembly extending the time for paying taxes until June 1, 1922. The bill was passed sometime ago, but the governor vetoed it, and All are getting along nicely. then both houses of the legislature overrode the governor's action, and latter's sister, Mrs. C. E. Lewis, for the bill is now law. Following is the short while Sunday morning. bill as passed:

"A joint resolution, to extend the time for the paying of state and county taxes for the year 1921 until June 1st. 1922, with certain penalties.

"Section 1. Be it resolved by the general assembly of the State of South Carolina: That the time for the payment of taxes for the year 1921, be extended June 1, 1922, with the follows Cortes: Add for taxes paid during Jan. per cent.: ing March, three per cent 17men; Come per cent.; and on taxes paid after June 1st, eight per cent.; and that immediately after June 1st, 1922, the county treasurer of the various counties of the State, respectively, shall write up executions for all unpaid tember 1st, 1922; at which time they shall turn over to the sheriff for collection all unpaid executions. And any delinquent taxpayer shall have the right to pay hsi taxes, covered by such execution, to the treasurer at any time prior to September 1st, 1922, without any additional cost, other than the penalties herein provided for, and the usual one dollar fee al lowed the treasurer for preparing and issuing executions. And the treasurer shall be entitled to credit for such executions on hand in his annual settlement with the comptreller gen-

"Section 2. That the payment of taxes any time within the time herein provided shall be deemed and taken as payment within time allowed by law and any one paying taxes within said time shal lbe allowed to vote in any general, primary, municipal registration, or special election thereafter during 1922."

SOME TURNIPS.

It must be handed to P. B. War ner and W. P. Warner for the fine turnips they have been placing on the Columbia market recently. Both of these gentlemen have proven that they can raise something else of market able value beside cotton. Ruta baggas can be raised profitably as ev denced by these gentlemen, Mr., W. P. Warner was in the treasurer's office recently and paid his taxes, something over \$45.00, and said in handing the money to the treasurer, that was the result of one load of turnips sold on the Columbia market at \$1.75 per hundred. Some of his turnips weighed six pounds.

A little more diversified farming on the part of our people as practiced by these farmers would tend to make our people more independent of the boll weevil.

CHIEF KELSO TO FLORIDA.

Chief Chas, H. Kelso left Wednesday night for Jacksonville and other points in Florida, where he will remain for several weeks. This trip is an annual even with the chief. He will return to Lexington for a short stay before going north.

MR. S. L. RAWL ILL.

Mr. S. L. Rawl, the popular court crier, was taken to the Baptist hoshad been in good health and her Last reports are to the effect that he

the 44th year of her age, and besides seather public is cordially invited to a husband she leaves three children, sattend a negro play restick to Your Her remains were laid to rost in Word Gal," at Cherokee school next

SINGING DOTS:

MASONIC COMMUNICATION will be a fish fry and other amusements at Thor on 10th of this month.

> We are 'very sorry to know that Mrs. Earnest Shumpert is very ill.

Mr. Drayton Spires visited at the home of Mr. Shellie Lewis last Sun-

Mr. Forest Jefcoat and family dined

with his father.

WATERINGFORD. NEWS.

The health of our community is fairly good at this writing we are glad to say.

Caleb and Mrs. Lewis are all smiles tonight. It is a bouncing big boy:

D. C. and Mrs. Kyzer visited the

Thos. and Mrs. Barefoot children from down near Pelion were last Sunday's guest of H. A. and Mrs. Howard.

A. L. and Mrs. Kirkland visited friends pear Wateringford last Sunday evening. E. F. and Mrs. Kyger and child-

ren spent last Sunday night and Monday with the latter's parents, G. W. and Mrs. Shumpert. The beaming face of M. R. Crout was seen in our midst again today.

We have been informed that the Boiling Springs school came to an abrupt close last Friday without any

ceremony whatever. Several of the young folks of the Boiling Springs Sunday school on joyed themselves last Sunday evening in an outing on the rocks near Wash Rikards. Look out there is rattlesnakes and other dangers around those ugly rocks.

It seems that our honorable legislature has valued dogs higher than men in Lexington county. You have to my \$1 for your head and \$1.25 your dog, but then there is that ta, to be paid for. Why not tag the men too, so we could tell who has paid his tax, and who hasn't, as we understand that is the reason why the dog has to wear his label. We think that if the legislature would pass such an act it would go farther towards helping the county treasurer collect taxes than to extend the time. for we feel satisfied that not many would want to go in company wearing a brass tag dangling against a fried shirt. A word to the wise is sufficient .

LITERARY SOCIETY PROGRAM.

Following is the program of the Palmetto Literary society, Lexington high school:

- 1. Recitation-Coke Harmon. 2. Rules on Etiquette-Thelma
- Hendrix. 3. Jokes-Ben Price.
- 4. Composition-Danner Oxner.
- 5. Musical Selection-Thelma Kleckley.
- 7. Reading-Willie Lois Smith. 8. Debate: "Resolved, That Woodrow Wilson is a greater man than! George Washington was". Affirma-
- Harman. Negative speakers: Chris. Kaufman, Ernestine Lorick. 9. Class Criticism-Ruth Sex.
- 10. Declamation-Frank Hayes. 11. Commedian Songs-Mary Wallace.
- 12. Musical Selection—Blondelle

OPENING A SUCCESS.

The opening of the Red Arrow Filling Station Friday evening was, not who is considered one of the leading only a nice social affair, but a grand educators of the middle west, and Dr. success in face of the coelement E. C. Brooks, who has gained a weather. The Ladies Improvement wide reputation among Superintend-League's net receipts were \$26.00 ents of Education of the South will for the benefit of their cause. Mrs. be the speakers. Humphries was the winner of the first five gailons of gasoline.

which the proprietor feels grateful 1922-1923. undergraph beat his good treatment on Friday evening Dr. Hugh S. will continue to grow and the Magnit. Field Secretary of the National

SANDY RUN DOTS.

We are having some the weather

at the time of this writing. Mr. and Mrs. Shala Rucker and Mr. Lucius Williams were the guests ness session will be held. of Mr. W. H. Rucker and a family,

also Mr. Ernest Williams and Miss Jimmie Inabinet were visitors at Mr. Willie Rucker's Sunday night.

Quite a number of our folks at-

LEXINGTON SCHOOL

Pelow is given the honor roll of the Lexington high school for the month

First grade an Thomas Wingard, Goode Sarratt, Augustine Sox. Advanced first grade-Marcesta

Hook. Louise Paxton. Second grade—Ruby Callison, Sld-ney Lee Steeler Jr., J. C. Shephard,

Jr., Dorothy Wingard, Third grade Permell Mattie Katherine Gibbs, Josephine Harman, Virginia Harman, Myrtle Lybrand, Mildred, Lybrand, Elliese Pound, Mary Sue Price, Cornelle Roberts, Suedelle Shealy, Eula Mae Slice, Flossie Sox, Levils Steele.

Fourth grade Zela Caughman Christine Harman Matile Lee Hendrix, Margaret destald, Grace Shealy, Come again Max when we are at Charlie Matthews Arthur Oben-

> Fifth grade Cutharine Cauchman Evelyn Caughman, Sarah Dreher, Helen Obenschaln

Sixth grade-Wise Caughnean James Dreher, Frank Powell.

Seventh grade Leona Corine Fields, Bena Belle Kleckley. Ruth Shealy. Eleanor Shearouse Vermelle Hendrig

Eighth grade-Section one: Ruth George, Dalsy Hall, Minnie Rose Harman, Walter Hutto, Section two: Thelma Kleckley, Marion Roof, Sam Corley, Barringer Wingard.

Ninth grade-Virginia Evans, Annie Franklow, Clarice Harman, Ernestine Lorick .

Tenth grade Gladys Harman, Annette Meetze, Annie Julia Clark. Edith Roof.

Eleventh grade Nola Price. Miss Boozer's Music Class--Anna Lee Corley, Virginia Nipper, Bedlah Fox Wingard, Ruth George, Flossie Sox, Leona Steele, Evelyn Caughman, Eleanor Hook, Catherine Caughman. Rhude Meetze, Sarat Dreher.

Mrs. Reof's Mis. Class-Walter Butto, Verneria andrix, Harold Smith, Christopher Kaufman, Lena Belle Kleckley, James Dreher, Helen Obenschain, Geraldine George, Sara Hampton Kaminer.

STATE TEACHERS MEET

The program of the State Teachers Association has just come from the press and R. C. Burts is mailing them out to the teachers of the state this week. The program is a forty page bulletin. In it will be found general information about the railroad rates, hotel ararngements, etc About twenty pages of the program are given over to the advertisements of school supplies, etc. which will be of interest to teachers.

There are almost twenty departtive speakers: Amy Franklow, Odis mental programs, all of which will be of interest to teachers.

There are almost twenty departmental programs, all of which will be carried out on Thursday and Friday of the Association. These departmental meetings have many practical and helpful subjects for discussion.

The General Sessions will be held on Thursday evening, Friday Noon, Friday evening, and aSturday morning. On Thursday evening Dr. T. E. Johnson of Lansing, Michigan,

Friday at noon Dr. Henry D. Philfive dollars in gold for selling the lips, Rector of Trinity Church will speak on the subject of High School Mr. Simon Bouknight is the station Athletics. Dr. Phillips was formermanager and art mechanic who will by president of the S. I. A. A. and bis ready; to serve courtequaly the has a wide knowledge of inter-scholpublic at any and all times for their agric athletics. Supering adent J. wants. The station has since its E. Swearingen will speak also at opening, been like any hap-bazed for this meeting on "The Outlook for

> al Education Association will speak Twenty minutes will be given to the Uliteracy Commission at which time several pupils will sprak on the subject "What Adult Schools have meant to mil." Saturday morning a busi-

Sunday. AMERICAN LEGION WILL Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle Furtisk, GIVE MINSTREE GIVE MINSTREE SOON.

The Lexington, post of the American Legion is preparing to put on a minstrel at the high school auditended Sunday school at Calvary last torium at an early date. No definite Sunday. Come again folks and let's date has been set for the show, but Union have a bigger and better Sunday it will probably be given the latter with part of March.

BATESBURG NEWS.

Love Wise, a negro charged with entering the First National bank building last December was arrested in Florida last week and brought back to this state by Sheriff Roof and lodged in the Lexington jail. Beauregard Bowens, a brother-in-law of Wise, confessed that he and Wise committed the robbery. The Bowen boy is only about 14 years of age and as he has made two or three different statements already the people are not inclined to attach very much importance to what he says. Some of the stolen goods were found in the posses sion of the boy and immediately following his arrest he made a confession implicating his brother-in-law in the robbery with him. Wise in the meantime had moved to Florida and it was upon the confession of Bowen that a warrant was issued for Wise. It is reported that Wise denies having any connection with the robbery.

Mrs. Daniel Miller was taken suddealy ill last Sunday and was rushed to the Leesville Infirmary for treat-

Magistrate E. R. Steadman left Friday of last week for an extended visit to his daughter, Mrs. Fontelle Kennerly of Savannah.

Chief of Police D. I. Kirkland is attending U. S. court in Florence this week as a witness in the Landy liquor case sent up from this county.

The faculty and students of Summerland college attended preaching service at the Batesburg Baptist church Sunday morning.

, Batesburg lodge No. 138 A. F. M. will hold its regular communication next Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Each member is requested to be pres

Dr. W. T. C. merman made a siness trip to "decileld last Wed, nesday. The Sabbath school organized by the Lutherans of Batesburg a few weeks ago is growing in attendance at every meeting. Mrs. W. W. Thunswill has charge of the alt'i bible case. Mr. Leffie Shealy, a galefate of Newberry celoffice is the efficient superintendent of the school. Efforts are being made to oranize a Lutheran church in this town in the near future.

Hen. M. E. Rutland returned last week from Elienton where he had gone to pareless some pure bred hogs. He has already shipped two car hads of hogs from this town this his trip. season.

Mr. L. C. Merchant will move his family this week to New Brookland where he has accepted work on the pelice farce.

Mr. M. I., Haze manager of the Eatesburg Beverage and Ice company made a business trip to Columbia

The total enrollment of the Batesburg graded school for this session has reached 344. Prof. S. A. Genes is principal of the school.

The recent heavy rains have put our roads and streets in an almeimpassable condition.

SOMETHING ON HIP BUT ESCAPE

Cleveland, March 6.-1 Sawicki today refused to the score of men who w before him, arrested end when found car? half pints of whis pockets.

"Many respect little around wit icki said. "It's the right to person is kr But when carried in

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TAX COLLECTIONS GOOD IN FEBRUARY.

During the month of February County Treasurer W. J. Smith collected \$34,403.13 in taxes. In view of the fact that the county had heavy obligations to meet, the officials made an appeal to the people of the county to pay up, and the above result was more than gratifying, and they were able to meet all obligations due.

The total taxes assessed for 1921 was \$327,934.74, and at the close of business February 28. \$234,644.13 had been paid in leaving a balance to be collected of \$93,290.61.

The legislature last week passed a bill extending the time for the payment of taxes to June 1, the bill being printed in another column of the paper today.

CONGRESSMAN FULMER . HAS FREE BOOKS.

We are in receipt of the following letter from Congressman H. P. Futmer which is self-explanatory:

"From time to time I am having various government publications alloted to me and I would be pleased to distribute these to school libraries and am writing to ask if you will be so good as to mention this in your paper, saying that if those schools having libraries will write me, I shall be pleased to put them on my mailing list for whatever books are available."

PERSONALS.

Mr. F. E. Wingard of Columbia motored over Sunday to visit his

Mrs. B. H. Bearden and children, Henry Jr., and Frances Wingard of Columbia, is spending a while with her mother, Mrs. T. R. Wingard.

Mr. and Mrs. Reid S. Wingard of Columbia spent Sunday with Mrs. I. R. Wingard. Mr. Pickens W. Bouye, one of the

best farmers and cleverest men on

Lexington Route one, paid us appleaswat fall Saturday! Mr. S. P. Shumpert was in town Monday. He has just returned from a lege and carrier on route 3 from this trip to Charleston, for his health. We are glad he was benefitted and that there was some pleasure connected with his trip. He saw about two hundred of the I'. S. Navy boats and a number of the Marines, there in winter quarters, and lot of other sites. He teels improved from his stomach troubles and pleased with

Misses Olga Rawl and I- ... teachers at Gaston, car and returned Su their trip and

Mr. Jacob sick man his bed. improv

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