

FIND WATERMELONS RICH IN CONTENT OF IODINE

Analysis Recently Completed Shows Product High With Health Preserving Element. Cottonseed Meal Also Ranks High. Figures Given for Other Vegetables.

Recent analyses of South Carolina fruits and vegetables continue to pile up the high iodine content. A report just received by Dr. William Weston, managing director of the South Carolina Natural Resources commission, giving additional figures, shows that watermelons have an iodine content of 402. When it is realized that the average for South Carolina Irish potatoes is 211, and that South Carolina potatoes are in insistent demand in the goiter region on account of their high iodine content, it will readily be seen what a vast future opens up for South Carolina melon growers in the markets of the country.

The analysis of cotton seed meal, which has been eagerly awaited for the reason that animals suffer equally

with human beings in the goiter regions, has exceeded even the most optimistic expectations. Cotton seed meal shows an iodine content of 140.

Additional samples of lettuce, which have been examined, raise the average iodine content of this vegetable from 761 to 912. Turnip tops have gone up to the high average of 376. Rye in hull shows 86. Beet tops are averaging 657.

Some of the figures have already been published. A statement of the results so far at the state laboratory in Charleston, as furnished to Doctor Weston and given out Saturday through John K. Aull, secretary of the Natural Resources commission, "will show an opportunity for the growers of South Carolina fruits and vegetables which has hardly yet been realized," said Mr. Aull, "and when these figures are given to the goiter regions, favorable reaction is certain to be very swift in view of numerous reports and inquiries received from these regions." Dr. Weston was highly gratified, but by no means surprised at the showings, continuously being made by the laboratory tests.

The figures issued from the office of the Natural Resources commission Saturday are as follows:

	No. of Samples	Average Iodine Con't
Asparagus	26	285
Green beans	14	210
Beet tops	3	657
Cabbage	17	263
Carrott tops	6	433
Chinese cabbage	1	300
Collards	3	232
Cucumbers	2	530
Egg plant	3	187
Kale	2	278
Lettuce	13	912
Mustard	2	224
Okra	3	223
Onions	6	222
Pimientos	1	150
Rape	3	300
Spinach	19	692
Summer squash	7	625
Turnip tops	7	376
Blueberries	2	206
Dewberries	1	169
Peaches	3	162
Pears	1	65
Strawberries	5	181
Tomatoes	8	112
Watermelon	1	402
Artichoke	1	182
Beets	9	182
Carrots	16	213
Irish potatoes	76	211
Ruta бага	5	200
Sweet potatoes	70	98
Turnips	13	271
Cottonseed meal	1	140
Peas	3	136
Oats in hull	1	20
Peanuts	1	67
Rye in hull	1	86

the chain stores to raise or reduce their prices as the occasion demands.

"The world and its business is operated on credit. Several days ago call money in New York was 15 per cent with three institutions in control; what would it have been had only one been in control?"

"I am a small farmer," said the speaker, "and last year had about 50 bushels of okra and one morning threw a bushel in my car and carried it to Columbia where a chain store offered me only 35 cents per bushel for it. The chain store is a merger of a lot of small stores and now your old corner grocers are gone. Where the farmer had ten men wanting to buy his vegetables and products he now has but one. The mergers are here and there are going to be more. What are we going to do about it? The answer is through the law making forces of congress, for they can surely stop them. If something is not done in ten years we will see individuals as a mere speck among the organized forces. Abraham Lincoln said a nation cannot exist half free and half in slavery. I say no nation can exist where there is a double standard of living. We are up against that problem today."

"The average farmer in the United States received \$440.00 for his year's

work while that of the average industrial worker is \$1,460.00. Is not the farmer entitled to as high a standard of living as anyone. I maintain that the average farmer, tilling 31 acres of land, and endeavoring to educate an average family of five is up against it and the result is deserted farms.

The speaker eyeing J. H. Hope, state superintendent of education, said "Don't you ever allow Washington to take charge of your schools in South Carolina, and please do not allow them to have any influence over our school system. Because if you do you will rue the day when you do."

The remedy, said the speaker, lies in the right kind of education. "No educated white people were ever in slavery or ever will be." Is the right kind of education obtained at the big universities where efficiency and the money side of life are stressed or is it obtained at the small colleges of the state where the Word of God is taught? The hope of the country lies in the small institutions of the state like Wofford, Furman, Presbyterian, Erskine and Newberry.

Mr. Lever said that the busted banks of the state had about ruined him but "thank God I still have a good wife and two children and courage to fight and work and carry on."

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LEVER ATTACKS BIG MERGERS

Urges Remedial Legislation. Former Congressman Principal Speaker At Newberry Reunion.

Newberry, Aug. 4.—The annual Newberry college reunion took place Saturday at Little Mountain and despite sweltering weather an unusually large crowd, variously estimated at around 5,000, composed of friends, students and alumni of Newberry college came from all sections of the state and joined in making the occasion one never to be forgotten.

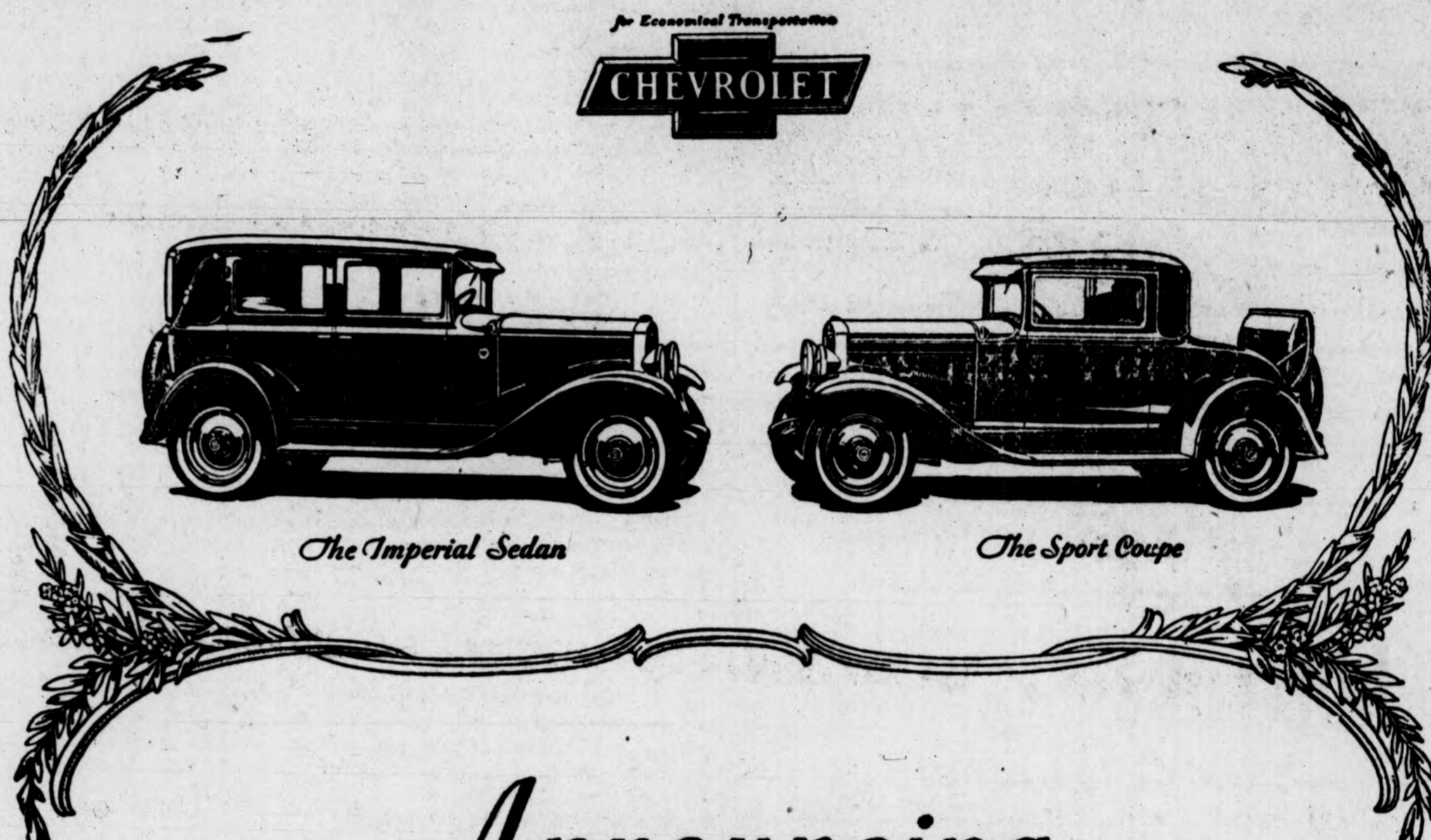
Newberry college, like all other colleges in the state, is proud of her graduates and especially is this true of Hon. Asbury F. Lever, a graduate of Newberry college and a former congressman from South Carolina, who was the main speaker of the day.

Mr. Lever spoke of certain tendencies of the times, "a machine age in which we live. Modern machinery, now in force, makes us know that individuals are more and more ceasing to have that part in the affairs of the world which they had before. It is an age of organizing forces of man. It is a day in which all kinds of business interests are merging and welding together individuals into one entity. This business of merging is not restricted to any one line of business as it is being carried on in banks, oil companies, food products companies and many other lines too numerous to mention."

"The banking capital of South Carolina is today controlled by two institutions. The Associated Bond and Share company of New York city was recently taken over by the Morgans with the expenditure of over 100 millions of dollars, and Mr. Lever declared that within five years the electric power facilities of the United States will be controlled by three companies and that the majority of the stock will be owned by probably a dozen multi-millionaires. The companies referred to will be located in New York, Chicago and San Francisco."

"The greatest word in the English language today is power (electric) and we right here in our midst are realizing the power of electric power."

"The chain stores of the land then came in for comment by the speaker who predicted that within six months the food supply of the nation will be in a merger and in control of practically one group of men, thus enabling



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