

## CHAMBER HEARS WESTON ON VALUE OF IODINE VEGETABLES

Director of Natural Resources Commission Tells of Recent Discovery and Terms It State's Big Chance for Wealth and Prosperity. More Iodine in Farm Produce in Piedmont Than in Coastal Regions. Speaker Urges That the Gospel Be Spread Throughout Large Goiter Territory of Nation.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce, together with a number of invited guests, heard Dr. William Weston of Columbia, chairman of the South Carolina Food Research commission and discoverer of the heavy iodine content of South Carolina grown vegetables, tell the story of the proposition from every phase on Tuesday evening in a thoroughly interesting address.

The attendance was unusually large and the evening's program given over entirely to Dr. Weston's address. Quite a large number of prominent farmers and business men from all sections of the county were present for the meeting as guests of the club, and President Winn presiding, extended a most cordial welcome to the visitors and told of Clinton's pleasure in having the "iodine story" brought direct to the club by the eminent Columbia physician. Dr. Weston was introduced by Dr. B. O. Whitten who spoke in the highest terms of his work as a member of the medical profession and congratulated the president on his alertness in bringing the speaker to Clinton to tell of the opportunities facing the state as a result of the discovery that fruits, vegetables and milk produced in this state are unusually high in iodine content.

After expressing his pleasure in being present, Dr. Weston began his address by declaring that the high iodine content of vegetables in this state, spells prosperity and freedom to the agricultural people, and especially is this applicable in the Piedmont section where farm products are richer in iodine content than in any other section of the state or country.

"When I say there is iodine in South Carolina's vegetables, I am substantiated by leading chemists," Dr. Weston declared. The medical profession of the state is behind this movement, he said. Referring to the fact that 30,000,000 people in America and Canada are afflicted with goiter, the speaker declared that if they had eaten and would eat South Carolina vegetables, they could not have it.

Further developing his theme, Dr. Weston asked, "What does this discovery mean to you?" It means opportunity for wealth if the people will become aroused and can these vegetables in order that their mineral values may be held intact. He stressed the importance of establishing canneries throughout the state to give to the world South Carolina vegetables in order to make the most of the opportunity that is now presented. Unless South Carolinians become aroused to this opportunity, they will prove false to their birthright. He also told his hearers that it had been discovered South Carolina's milk is the most valuable in the nation.

Continuing, Dr. Weston declared that South Carolina should advertise the glad news to the world. When this information has been carried to the goiter regions of what South Carolina has to offer, there will be, as a matter of fact there already is, an insistent demand for vegetables grown in this state with their high iodine content, which have been established beyond the shadow of a doubt and the findings approved by the medical profession of the nation. After a recent conference with Dr. Copeland of New York, on the discovery, he quoted Dr. Copeland as saying in part:

"Dr. Weston, this is most amazing and extraordinary. It means that it will surely save the lives of a large number of people in this nation. South Carolina should be the richest state in the nation, if its people take full advantage of this discovery."

Dr. Weston went on to tell his hear-

### Visiting Minister Here Sunday

The Rev. L. T. Phillips of Earhardt, will occupy the pulpit of North Broad Street Methodist church next Sunday morning. The pastor, the Rev. O. M. Abney, extends a cordial invitation to the public in general to attend the service.

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ers the effect on the human body when it receives less than the needed supply of iodine. The enlargement of the thyroid gland is almost inescapable, he said. He pointed to the lowering of the birth rate as a result of this disorder. Two-thirds of the United States is in the goiter belt with the percentage per hundred running extremely high. Where there is a great deficiency in this important mineral element, people in these areas would dwindle to a tenth of their number in four generations, and most of this number would be deformed, insane or otherwise crippled. This is not a theory, he declared. It has been studied and conclusively proven.

"We have lived in poverty long enough, and there is no excuse for this condition," the speaker said. "In South Carolina we must begin to consume South Carolina products. We must produce more than we consume with the credit balance in the state's favor."

In concluding his highly interesting message, Dr. Weston said it is the hope of the Natural Resources commission to spread word of the discovery all over the nation and he called upon his hearers, individually and collectively, to lend their voices to this movement. The time is here for every man and woman to do his duty and put his or her shoulders to the wheel and unite in making the very best of the wonderful opportunity the discovery has afforded us. "South Carolina has a monopoly on this health-giving element that was placed in the soil by Providence. Other states have tried to find it but can't."

Dr. Weston told of the meeting soon to be held in this county under the auspices of the Natural Resources commission and he made a plea for a united support and interest on the part of the people in advertising this important discovery. When this message is given the world, prosperity will increase and South Carolina vegetables will bring large premiums over produce from all other sections of the nation.

Several questions were asked Dr. Weston after his address. Upon motion of Rev. John McSweeney, the visitor was offered a rising vote of thanks and appreciation for his visit and message to the club, after which the meeting adjourned.

### Farm Board Asked To Probe Tobacco Prices

Florence, Aug. 10.—Dr. M. D. Nesmith, of Lake City, chairman of the organization committee of the South Carolina cooperative tobacco association movement, organized in 1928, was authorized at a meeting of the committee here today to send a telegram to the federal farm relief board in Washington, D. C., calling the attention of the board to the low prices being paid for tobacco on South Carolina markets as compared with the prices being paid for the same grades of tobacco on the Georgia markets.

The resolution stated that while South Carolina is averaging around 15 cents a pound, Georgia is averaging 22 cents a pound.

Dr. Nesmith was requested also to bring to the board's attention the "discrimination shown last season between South Carolina and North Carolina and Virginia. South Carolina averaging 12.83 cents a pound, while North Carolina and Virginia averaged something like 20 cents a pound."

An investigation of the situation by the Federal Farm Relief board is requested in the resolution. The meeting of the organization committee was called in an effort to obtain better tobacco prices and to take steps toward the organization of a new cooperative tobacco association under the federal farm marketing law.

### Miss Adair Away On Buying Trip

Miss Ella Adair, accompanied by her saleslady, Miss Alice Ruth Hollis, left Monday for Northern markets to purchase fall goods for the well known Ladies Shoppe of which Miss Adair is owner. They left for Charleston, from whence they sailed yesterday on the "Cherokee" for New York and are now enjoying a delightful water trip. Miss Adair states that she will bring back the newest and most complete collection of ladies ready-to-wear, millinery, etc., she has ever offered. In her absence from the city for the next ten days, The Ladies Shoppe is in charge of Miss Grace League.

## UNPOISONED FIELDS SHOW FAR GREATER INFESTATION

Clemson College, Aug. 12.—During the week ending August 10 data on boll weevil infestation was gathered from Florence and Bamberg in the east to Greenwood and Union in the Piedmont, and from the summary prepared by Prof. Franklin Sherman, entomologist, it is clear that again the fields which are not poisoned are showing much heavier infestation than those which are poisoned.

In general average more than half (54.4 per cent) of the squares in unpoisoned fields were infested while only 18.2 per cent were infested in the poisoned fields. The heaviest county average of infestation was 70.5 per

cent in unpoisoned fields in Aiken county and the lightest was 12.5 per cent in the poisoned fields in the same county.

Although some evidence of restlessness among the weevils was noted, it is stated that no definite migration had been noted at Florence but migration is to be expected soon. During Farmers Week, August 5-10 at Clemson there was testimony that weevil increase had apparently slackened during July, which month averaged hot and dry. There was also much testimony of the presence of natural parasites which are destroying a perceptible number of weevil grubs in the squares.

### COTTON HIT BY CROP ESTIMATE

Market Slumps \$5.00 Bale Following Government's Report Thursday. Weather May Change Price.

New Orleans, Aug. 11.—The main feature in the cotton market the past week was the government report issued Thursday morning forecasting the crop of this year's growth based on August 1 condition at 15,540,000 bales. As this was a larger estimate than the trade expected and larger than the average of the private authorities the effect on values was a sharp decline which by the close of Saturday had carried the October option down 103 points or a little more than \$5 a bale.

Prior to issuance of the report the market was gradually improved on buying based on the drought in Texas and the activity of the boll weevil. The market advanced 10 points or half a dollar a bale above the close of Saturday last but as soon as the government's estimate was known there was heavy selling by those who had carried long contracts over the bureau period. There was also some hedge selling by ring traders on the belief that the breaking of the Texas drought and the checking of the weevils by warm dry weather in the eastern belt might result in an even larger crop than the government's estimate.

This selling led to a further decline on Saturday and the lowest price of the downward movement. The market closed the week with prices at the lowest levels reached. The low closing level was due to indications of rain over the week-end for Texas which it was hoped would break the drought prevailing over a great part of that state.

The future course of prices, traders believe will depend largely on the weather during the next few weeks. Dry, warm weather in the eastern belt and rains in the west probably will make for a still lower level of values whereas mild showery weather in the one section and continued drought in the other might bring about a rally.

### SULLIVAN GROUP HOLDS REUNION

Judge Featherstone Presides At Gathering At Lebanon Church. To Be Annual Affair.

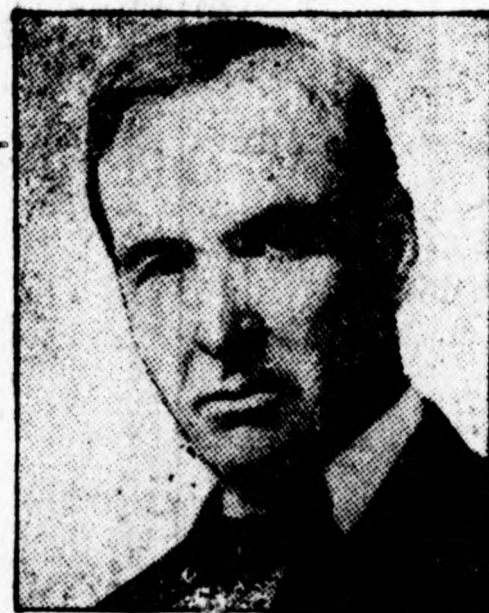
Laurens, Aug. 10.—The Sullivan family reunion, one of the outstanding institutions of the kind in this section of the state, was held Thursday at Lebanon church, Dunklin township, Greenville county. The exercises of the day, as usual, consisted of devotional and song services and special addresses.

Judge C. C. Featherstone of Greenwood, acted as presiding officer, the beloved president of the reunion organization, Capt. George W. Sullivan of Williamston, having died since the last annual meeting. To fill the vacancy, Capt. William D. Sullivan, 91-year-old Confederate veteran, who had served as vice-president for many years, was unanimously elected president, and Judge Featherstone likewise was named as vice-president. B. A. Sullivan of Laurens, was reelected secretary and treasurer.

The speaker of the occasion, J. Frank Eppes of Greenville, native of the western part of Laurens county, grandson of James Eppes, whose wife was a Miss Sullivan before marriage, delivered an excellent address. Another fine talk that was greatly enjoyed was by the Rev. Charles E. Burts, D. D., prominent Baptist minister of South Carolina, who is now pastor of a church at Macon, Ga. Doctor Burts is also related to the Sullivan family and his presence and informal speech gave added interest to the day's program.

Shortly after the noon hour the 100 or more reunionists gathered about long, bountiful laden tables, under the spreading oaks, for the annual reunion feast. Members of the widely extended family of Sullivans were present from various points in the Piedmont section of South Carolina, from Georgia and other states. It was voted to hold the 1930 reunion at the same place, the second Thursday in August.

Mr. Johnnie Austin of Laurens, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jack W. Anderson.



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### Wingless Hens



A new breed of chicken minus wings and toe-nails is the evolution of Dr. R. T. Renwald of Omaha. Dr. Renwald says this change will revolutionize the poultry industry. He believes chickens originally were fish.

## TWO ARRESTS IN WILLIS CASE

Warrant Out for White Man Implicated. Negro Held Says He Was Paid \$50 To Kill Greenville Sheriff.

Greenville, Aug. 13.—Warrant for arrest of Harmon Moore, one of the white men implicated in the confession of Blair Rook, Negro, in the murder of Sheriff Sam D. Willis, was issued here early this afternoon before Magistrate G. L. Cooley and two officers were dispatched to serve it in an adjoining county. Officers went to Pickens for him but found he was working near Seneca, and left for that place.

No report had been received from them at a late hour tonight, and their whereabouts were unknown to local officers.

Exact charges contained in the warrant could not be learned here tonight. Officers were expecting Deputy Sheriff Mack Parsons and State Constable T. T. Henderson to return at any hour with their prisoner.

Greenville, Aug. 13.—Blair Rook, Negro, today was being held in the Greenville county jail on a charge of having shot and killed Sam D. Willis two years ago.

Confessing the killing in a written statement, the Negro said that he was promised \$500 by two local white men for committing the deed. He only received \$50, he said.

Rook, whose name was withheld in the first announcements of the confession made to Sheriff Cliff Bramlett and other officers, was permitted to talk to newspapermen today. The names of the men who are alleged to have paid him for the killing were withheld, although the sheriff said he expected to make other arrests shortly. One of the men implicated by the Negro is said to have been prominent in public affairs.

Sheriff Willis was killed as he drove his automobile into his garage at midnight June 11, 1927. The killing has been a mystery from the start. Shortly after the sheriff's death his wife and Chief Deputy Henry Townsend were arrested and tried on circumstantial evidence. They were acquitted.

On last January 1 when Sheriff Bramlett took office, Deputy Sheriff George D. King told his superior he had a lead on the case. He was told to work on it. On last Tuesday he arrested Rook at a construction camp in the northern part of the county and brought him to jail here. The confession was made the next day. The sheriff withheld news of the arrest until last night while officers worked on leads furnished by the Negro.

The Negro's confession, which he reiterated to newspapermen today, said that he went to the rear of the Willis home for the sole purpose of killing the sheriff. He said he walked up the driveway to the garage and hid himself on the right side in some hedge bushes. He waited there about an hour. When the sheriff entered the driveway the Negro said he crawled to the corner of the garage and as the sheriff started into his home he stepped out to fire.

The sheriff heard the movement and turned. Rook said he shot once and saw the sheriff stagger. He then stepped closer and fired two more shots into the falling body. He then turned and walked away. Rook said that when he left the officer was on the ground.

As he crossed the street Rook said he saw the lights come on a parked car and cut across the fields, going into a Negro settlement after crossing two creeks. In the first creek he dropped his gun, an automatic. After going through the Negro settlement he went to a house where one of the men who had engaged him to do the killing was staying. He spent the night in the latter's automobile.

Rook said he was "approached" about the "job" some months before and was promised \$500 if he did it. Then he was told that he would be killed if he did not do the killing or if he told anyone about the negotiations. (Continued On Page Ten)

### City Adopts New Ordinance Code

A new code of ordinances governing the Town of Clinton, has been re-drafted and adopted by City Council. It sets up the complete criminal laws of the town and required several months work on the part of the city administration. Antiquated laws and regulations were discarded, new sections added, and the entire code approved to date at a recent meeting. For the information of the general public, the complete collection of ordinances is published in today's paper upon a motion adopted this month by council.

### COUNTY UNITS TO BE PERFECTED

Many Counties Being Organized By Resources Commission. Meeting In Laurens August 23rd.

Clemson College, Aug. 12.—After a conference here with extension and other workers W. W. Smoak, chairman of the organization committee of the South Carolina Natural Resources commission, announces that plans laid and dates fixed for the organization of county units in the Piedmont and central districts, Mr. Smoak having recently completed organizations in Pee Dee counties, where he says much interest and enthusiasm were shown.

Dates for organization meetings in the Piedmont are: Newberry, August 16; Chester, August 19; Pickens, August 21; Laurens, August 23; Winnsboro, August 26; Union, September 2; Gaffney, September 3; Rock Hill, September 4; Lancaster, September 4; Greenville, September 6; Anderson, September 10; Walhalla, September 11.

Central counties will hold meetings for organization as follows: Greenwood, August 24; Columbia, September 12; St. Matthews, September 13; Orangeburg, September 14; Bamberg, September 16; Barnwell, September 17; Allendale, September 18; Hampton, September 19; Ridgeland, September 20; Beaufort, September 21; Lexington, September 23; Aiken, September 24; Saluda, September 25; Edgefield, September 16; Abbeville, September 27; McCormick, September 28.

### Services Begin At Kinard Sunday

The revival services at Sharon Methodist church of Kinard will begin August 18th and continue through the 23rd. The first service will be at four o'clock Sunday afternoon, and thereafter services will be at 11 a. m. and 8 P. M.

Rev. G. H. Pearce of Prosperity, will preach at each service. Mr. Pearce is a man of ability and power and is one of the most capable of the younger members of the Upper South Carolina conference.

The pastor, Rev. H. E. Bullington, and the entire membership of the church extend a cordial invitation to all to attend these services.

### Mr. and Mrs. Carter Gone To Market

Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Carter left Monday for New York to buy fall goods for the well known Carter store. They expect to purchase a very attractive and complete line of ladies' ready-to-wear which they expect to have on display at an early date. Mrs. Zee McLees will join Mrs. Carter next week and they will enjoy a Canadian trip of several days before returning home.

### Templeton Family To Hold Reunion

On Wednesday, Aug. 21st, a Templeton family reunion will be held at Cross Anchor, at the home of L. B. Templeton, Sr. All Templetons and descendants are invited to meet and organize a clan.

Everybody is expected to bring well-filled baskets for the picnic dinner which will be served on the grounds.

### Missionary To Speak Sunday

The pulpit of the First Presbyterian church will be occupied next Sunday morning by the Rev. Richard Anderson, missionary to South America, who is on a visit to his brother, Jack W. Anderson. The pastor, Dr. D. J. Woods, is spending August on his vacation in Virginia and in his absence his pulpit is being filled by local and visiting ministers.