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ELLENTON CLUB HOLDS INTERESTING MEETING

Means and Efforts for Boll Weevil Control Discussed Saturday.

The editor of The People greatly enjoyed a trip to Ellenton Saturday as the guest of the Ellenton Agricultural Club...

The club is housed in a substantial two-story building right in the thriving little town of Ellenton.

The writer was greatly interested in the proceedings of the business meeting.

One important matter under discussion was whether or not the Ellenton Club should join a "farmers' exchange"...

After this matter had been disposed of, the subject for the day: "Means and efforts of fighting the boll weevil," was thoroughly discussed.

It was rather surprising to learn what a comparatively small number of the farmers present were poisoning their cotton...

Of course, that is hardly possible, but it will have its effect of discouraging many from the use of poison.

However, the molasses-arsenic mixture had its advocates, who expressed themselves as believing in its effectiveness.

One farmer is said to have an exceptionally fine crop, he having counted 127 squares, blossoms and bolls on a stalk, half of them being bolls.

At the conclusion of the business meeting, Mr. Buckingham served a most elegant barbecue dinner to the men, after which the dining room was prepared for the ladies...

Many of the editor's old friends were among those present and the day was pleasantly spent in renewing old acquaintances and making new ones.

Plant now fall beans, set tomatoes, plant squash, collards, and cabbage, also fall cucumbers, Irish potatoes, corn and turnips.

If there is to be a crucial time for the cotton crop this year, it is now fast approaching, and, too, if poisoning was ever essential it is now.

The weevil is now fast increasing and if some measure of control is not used serious damage will no doubt result.

Cotton prospects will pay. One single application of dust and then wait for several weeks probably is not the proper plan, but apply three applications four days apart...

When you have made an infestation count you find that you only have a light infestation you will stop for the time being at least until the weevils accumulate again.

Calcium may be bought in some places as low as fourteen cents per pound.

Another matter of interest to farmers is that of pulling fodder from corn. Now, it is pretty hard work to try to induce a farmer to not pull fodder when he has not made plans for his forage otherwise, but if he has it will certainly pay him to not pull fodder...

Mr. and Mrs. Wray, of Charlotte, N. C., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Nohair this week.

LARGE CROWD ATTENDED BARNWELL BABY CLINIC

"Better Babies Week" Was Great Success in Barnwell County.

The "better babies week," which was held in Barnwell County last week by the State Board of Health, under the auspices of the County Medical Association...

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FORMER BARNWELL MAN HAS A THRILLING TRIP

MR. GEO. M. ARMSTRONG TELLS OF AUTOMOBILE TOUR FROM ST. LOUIS TO THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS.—PRAISES BUICK CAR FOR ITS RELIABILITY.

Capt. J. B. Armstrong, treasurer of Barnwell County, has received a most interesting letter from his son, Mr. Geo. M. Armstrong, formerly of this city, telling of his experiences on an automobile trip from St. Louis, Mo., to the Rocky Mountains...

He gives full credit to the wonderful performance of his Buick car, which was equal to every difficulty of the road.

His letter is as follows: "Slopes of Caribou Mountain, Idaho, July 18, 1923.—Dear Papa: The days since the last week in May have been so full of things to be done that I have found no time to write a single long letter, but now with two hours free I will try to write to all of you.

There are few opportunities to write when on such a trip as this and living in a tent so please read this and send it on to the rest of the family.

Let each one send it to another and in this way a word from us here in the wilds of the Rockies will be gotten to all.

"I'll start the narration from early June in St. Louis to give an idea of our experiences, some of which have been quite interesting to us.

"Our last few days in St. Louis were terribly crowded with innumerable things to be done at the last moment, which seem always the case, and our determination to leave at six a. m., June 6th, could not be adhered to but we did get away at 2 p. m., after having done a hard day's work.

Instead of 175 miles the first day of driving we made 85 and were glad to make that much. The roads of Missouri when we had a terrible vegetation as to impossibility of which you have probably heard and we expected terrible times through that state but really had only about 25 miles of the 300 through Missouri that very very bad.

However, we missed a collision with another machine only by inches as the first afternoon out of St. Louis because of inability to get out of the deep muddy rut.

"It began to rain when we got to Kansas City and the whole of Kansas was flooded before we got out. You probably read of the floods in Kansas during early June through most of which we had to travel. The mud of Kansas is worse than Missouri and we had to plough through 400 miles of it.

Our experiences through the state were extremely trying and I really can't see how we ever got through without going over some embankment into a ditch of getting stuck. I surely will give the Buick a wonderful boost for it took us through places it seemed impossible to go and never hesitated once though some of it had to be in low gear.

Our worst experience in Kansas was the day out from Topeka when it took seven hours to make forty miles and another trying hour to get back into the rut when we missed the ditch by inches. Reports from Manhattan ahead were that if we didn't hurry and get into the city the river would soon be out of its banks and entry would be impossible.

"Swimming a river didn't seem as bad as the road we had passed, so we pushed on and did get into Manhattan just a short time before the river overflowed its banks and covered the road. At Salina, Kans., the road ahead was covered with water and the river rising but we learned of a possible detour and we hurried along and made that only to be held up again a few miles further along by more rain and high water.

For us and the machine there were constant slides and slips terrific bumps in the mud holes and I am sure the dust pan must have scraped for 100 miles through that State of Kansas.

"There were pleasant experiences too, like the one in Manhattan when we decided to desert the tent for the night because of the mud. We were directed to a possible home at which we might stay and found two men on the front porch who said the lady of the house was away but that we

might stay for the night. The next morning rather early before we left we began to converse with the old gentleman who seemed most kind and genial. When asked what we owed him he replied that there was no charge, that we looked alright to him, he was glad to have us and that we were welcome on our return.

We learned that his name is George Washington and he surely lived up to it.

We were told of the wonderful roads we would find in Colorado and most of them were fine but it took Colorado roads to get us "stuck" for the first time and only time. There was a car almost turned over in the mud ahead of us at about dusk and there seemed no place to pass but after looking around we thought we could make it and tried it, only to be hopelessly mired in a few feet ahead. Luckily the other fellow had gone a mile or so ahead for a team and he soon pulled us out with the statement that he had already pulled nine out of the same place that afternoon.

"The first sight of nearing the snow-capped Rockies was an inspiring one for me and I have been continuously thrilled since that time. We had very little time because of that lost in the mud and did not see much of the many wonderful things around Denver except to take the drive up Lookout Mountain, where we saw among other things, the grave of Co. Wm. F. Cody, or "Buffalo Bill" as he is better known. That mountain road was my first one and the creeping sensation we often speak of was with me more than once as we barely passed other machines on the overhanging ledges hundreds and hundreds of feet above the narrow valley below.

"Near Fort Collins, Colorado, we saw one of the most interesting touring parties which consisted of a big wagon drawn by ten oxen, with the sign, "From Connecticut to California." At the various tourist camping grounds and especially at Denver we got more than one laugh at the way tourists travel. Foods unnumberable are to be seen, some dressed up as houses with windows and even curtains and others disguised in about every conceivable way. The luggage some of the tourists take along is amazing. We saw iron beds, the family cat, canaries and dogs galore and would not have been surprised to have seen the cow taken along for milk or the piano along for the daughter's music lesson.

"We had five blankets along and two cots to use in case of mud. Every night we used them on the way out was cold and we simply couldn't keep warm. At Laramie we added a double blanket to the supply and now make one bedding roll for the two of us which is always used on the ground as cots are too heavy for a trip like this. We have needed them all some nights and others have been sufficiently warm to dispense with all but two.

"From Denver we made Laramie, Wyoming in a day and stopped two days with our friends, the Paysons. Dr. Payson is the Botanist at the University of Wyoming and it is Dr. and Mrs. Payson that we are with on this trip.

The trip through central Wyoming is hot, dry and rather disagreeable—the trip through the Red Desert—so Dr. Payson traveled by auto with me and Johnnie and Lois came by train to Montpelier, Idaho three days later. The trip through Wyoming was a fine one even of one day was spent through the desert, for the plains, the hills and mountains were all new to me, and the scenery really fine. It was in camp the first night out of Laramie that I heard the first coyote wail out its blood-curdling yell and that has been the only one heard this far. I saw a dead one by the roadside but haven't seen a live one.

"I was undecided whether to leave the machine at Montpelier, Idaho or try to make Afton, Wyoming. Afton is 45 miles from the railroad and across two mountain ranges on to very good road, but I was told a Ford touring car would be a good one as I decided to

APPROACHING MARRIAGE OF CORDIAL INTEREST

Miss Louise Grimmer and Mr. T. R. Fishburne to Wed.

Blackville, July 28.—An approaching marriage of cordial interest is that of Miss Louise Grimmer to Mr. Thomas Rutledge Fishburne, which will take place in the late summer.

Mr. Fishburne is a former Blackville boy, having moved away only a short while ago. He has been connected with Castle Heights Military Academy, Lebanon, Tenn., since his graduation from the Citadel, class of 1921.

He is a young man of noble qualities and comes from a very prominent South Carolina family. He has a countless number of friends here who are deeply interested in his happiness.

Mrs. Herman Brown and her smaller children are at their summer home in Atlantic City. Mr. Brown will leave Saturday, motoring through the country to Charlotteville, Va., where his son, Mr. Stanley Brown, is visiting. From there they both will motor to Atlantic City to spend a while during the hot season.

The Bridge Club of the younger social set was delightfully entertained by Miss Rebecca Blatt last Wednesday evening.

Mr. Charlie Brown, of Barnwell, was a visitor in Blackville on Wednesday evening.

Miss Virginia Padgett, of Hamburg, has returned home, after a visit to her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Turner.

About thirty "Blackvillians" attended the B. Y. P. U. assembly at Greenville and report it as being a grand and glorious occasion.

Mrs. A. H. Ninesie and family are among the campers at Holman's bridge, where the river Edisto flows.

Lightning performed some queer "stunts" here at Howard's machine shop yesterday afternoon, frightening the occupants of that building and those living near. It also struck the home of Dr. O. D. Hammond, but injured it very little.

Mrs. J. R. Keel and daughter, Miss Marian, are visiting Mrs. Keel's daughters, Mrs. Norman Youngblood and Mrs. Alonzo Bates, at Elko.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Johnson, Mrs. Caroline Kelley, Miss Leonard Kelley and Mrs. Emma Birt motored to Orangeburg last Friday.

Friends of Mrs. Evelyn Bell will regret to learn that she is in the Orangeburg Hospital for surgical treatment.

Messrs. Laurie Huist and Tracy Willis are campers out at Edisto river this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moore and children, of Florence, are visiting Mrs. Moore's mother here.

Miss Mattie Ruth Martin, of Salley, is the guest of Mrs. Crum Boylston.

Dr. and Mrs. Ben Storne are spending the summer in the mountains of Western North Carolina.

Messrs. N. G. W. Walker, W. J. Lemon and Sheriff Keyes Sanders, of Barnwell, were here Sunday afternoon, to attend the third Quarterly Conference held at the Methodist Church.

Mr. Willard Fishburne, of Brunswick, Ga., is the guest of Mr. Leon Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cain, of Winston-Salem, N. C., returned to their home Sunday, after a two week's visit with their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wilden Cain.

Messrs. Briggs Kammer and J. J. Ray, were recent visitors in Orangeburg.

Miss Louise Still, of Spartanburg, who has been the guest of Miss Cecile Pickling, has returned home.

Mr. Frank Ayer, of Greenville, was the guest of his brother, Mr. R. A. Ayer, last week.

Miss Thelma Holten is visiting relatives in St. Petersburg, Va.

BARNWELL SHIPS MANY CARS OF WATERMELONS

Shipments from This Point Totalled 190 Cars Saturday Night.

Nearly two hundred carloads of watermelons have been shipped from the town of Barnwell up to Saturday night, July 28th, according to figures secured by The People Monday, this city shipping more than any other town in the county. Shipments since that date have brought the total number well above the 200 mark, as growers have been active in loading this week. Up to and including Saturday, 110 cars had been shipped via the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, while the Southern Railway had handled 80, making a total for the two roads of 190 cars. This does not include shipments from nearby points, such as Snelling, Yonome, Ashleigh, etc., where many cars have been loaded by farmers who reside in Barnwell but planted melons near those shipping points. It has been estimated, however, that the shipments from Snelling have brought around \$30,000 to the shippers at that point.

Two Barnwell farmers loaded three cars one day last week, for which they received \$1,000. The following day they loaded two more that brought \$500 on the tracks, making a total of \$1,500 for the five cars, or an average of \$300 each. These two men have sold about \$5,000 worth of melons from a 50-acre field. Other growers have also received excellent prices for the juicy fruit, and from the standpoint of prices the season has been a great success in and around Barnwell. The People know of a farmer in an adjoining county, however, who planted 30 acres of melons, using over 1,000 pounds of fertilizer per acre, and he only realized \$25, or less than \$1 an acre, from the field.

Having received good prices for asparagus, strawberries, cucumbers and watermelons, and with good prospects for a cotton crop, Barnwell County should certainly be in better shape agriculturally than has been the case in the past two or three years.

BARNWELL COUNTY WINS FIRST DENTAL HONORS

Takes Lead in Establishment of Dental Clinic for Schools.

Dr. E. A. Early director of dental clinics, state board of health, announced yesterday that Barnwell county has the distinction of promoting the first countywide dental work of public schools in South Carolina.

The work, according to the dental director, will begin October 1 and has been made possible through appropriations by the school improvement associations of Blackville, Dunbarton, Elko and Williston and the associated charities of Barnwell.

There will be free examinations with a fee of 50 cents for each operation, these operations being limited to amalgam and cement fillings, cleaning and extraction. Any treatment work should be performed by the child's local dentist, Dr. Early said.

The establishment of this dental clinic is under an act of the last session of the legislature, which provided for the employment of a dental director. The remainder of the expenses are to be borne by appropriations from the counties and a small fee from the parents of the school child. In the case of the Barnwell schools, the fee is barely one-fourth of the entire cost, according to Dr. Early.—The State, July 31.

Kammer-Watson.

Blackville, July 28.—Special: The approaching marriage of Miss Natalie Kammer, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kammer, of Blackville, to Mr. William Ready Watson, of Johnston, which will take place on Wednesday, afternoon of August at 5 o'clock, at the Baptist Church, is an event of unusual importance among their many friends here; in fact, all over the State and many other places, where they have hosts of friends.

Miss Kammer is a young woman of sterling worth whose Christian character, pleasing manner and sweet disposition has won for her a wide circle of friends.

Mr. Watson has been connected with the faculty of the Catholic School at Beaufort for several years and has been a friend of the late Mr. Watson who went with him through life.

Mrs. W. E. Peterson and children of Greenwood, S. C., are visiting Mrs. I. F. Hill.

Messrs. Leon Brown, Willard Fishburne, Laurie Smith and Henry Still are among the campers, out on the river.

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