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ABBEVILLE--LET'S GET ACQUAINTED COME

GRICULTURE ABBEVILLE COUNTY

Crops---Value of Farm Lands Shows Steady Increase.

(BY W. R. BRADLEY)

e time in the county's history ment. roduction of indigo was quite em in the county's agricultural y crop. At present the dis-place. of coal tar products has sed the agricultural product

in volume and fineness. e furnished by Mr. Jas. Gi- pure juice of the apple. on the subject of silk culture very interestingly on this sub- here. and judging by what he has y, silk culture is doubtless a g proposition here.

fact is, the resources of Abpatches I have ever seen in equal quality. It is as productive is a slate like matrimony? Because was grown in this county by as any land. From the standpoint young girls reckon on both.

early every crop needed for a low country negro. Not once s food and every product did he raise it, but each year he ed for his clothing can be raised enough rice to do him on on in Abbeville county, the gar- this patch which was only a small spot of South Carolina. No swamp, and his crop never failed of the State produces more him. He even claimed that the ed crops than will Abbeville rice he raised was better than the State, as well as among the greatproduct of the coast country.

the production of corn, con- Abbeville county is probably dins are ideal; as much corn vided in a way in which no other pe made to the acre in Abbe- county in the State is divided. county as is possible to be South of the Seaboard railway scholars, teachers, and citizenship the home of the first denomiling high character, good business uced any where. In the pro- there are more negroes than whites. has been of the best, whose stand- national college in the State, which methods and an ambition to be ion of wheat, we have fallen North of the Seaboard there are ards were as high as the highest. religious college was established come the equals of the best of the nd only owing to the fact that more whites than negroes. South Abbeville's business men, reaching some three generations ago, and older merchants. he use of commercial fertilizer of the Seaboard land is worth from far back into the dim past, have whose good work is so extensive We would not attempt to specify ave made our lands sour with fifteen to twenty dollars per acre, held the confidence and esteem of with the bounds of the common or discriminate between men who and to produce wheat it is while North of the Seaboard land all men. Abbeville's merchants country. necessary to neutralize this is worth from thirty to forty dollars have won for the town that good by means of some base such the acre. The reason is patent.

ts, rye and barley are easily about years ago when the largest tions the integrity of merchants in these parts of the Sunny South worth is known to all men who n, and peas are to us our ag- landed estates were in the lower the town of Abbeville has been abounding with its golden grain read the Abbeville newspapers, tural salvation. In addition part of the county, some of them without reproach, while their hon- and its fleecy staple. In the legis- and the substantial benefits to be roviding good food for man including thousands of acres of esty and fair dealing has been the lative halls, in the councils of the derived from dealing with the busbeast, this legume has the land. The owners of these estates guiding star that has brought dis- nation, at the bar or on the bench, iness men of Abbeville can be ater to reach out into the air and did not encourage the settlement tinction to themselves and profit to Abbeville county has always had tested by all men who have dealt from it its fertilizing proper- of their estates by small white far- their customers. The fact of their places of honor and usefulness with the Abbeville merchants. and place them in the ground mers, but rather discouraged them. long standing in the mercantile with the peers of the greatest and This is especially true of the cus-They preferred the negro as a ten-world is the strongest testimonial best of earth's renowned sons. hile not much tobacco is raised ant, and excluded the white man. to their possession of the sterling In business circles Abbeville has the Abbeville merchants and who bbeville county at present, at The result is that these estates are qualities that make men of worth been no less renowned for its know them best.

s and rolled to Charleston by in the lower part of the county just read the Abbeville newspapers, and integrity have been with us and are daily extending to borrowold Charleston road. So tight as good as land in the upper part, and the substantial benefits to be from the first. Their character for ers all sorts of favors. he leaf packed in these large and at half the price, we may ex- derived from dealing with the bus- fair dealing and high integrity has t many people are aware that high to be bought as an invest- of those customers who have long-

not been taken up long ago is that ville. The most generous accomacts. The most of the indigo they have not been advertised. was produced about five or People do not know of the cheap- buyers and borrowers. iles west of the village, near ness and the quality of the land. banks of Little river. Not When they do we may expect valwas indigo produced, but it ues in this part of the county to ed to be, at that time, a good quickly move up to their proper

nen it comes to clothing Ab- Peaches grow to perfection. One e county leads any in the man wlll make two thousand bush-. She produces cotton as well els of pears this year, the quality hy county, she produces as of which fruit is A1 in every parwool as any county in the ticular. Grapes grow to perfecand in the past she has pro-tion. Certain apples rarely ever I silk, something that no oth- fail. Many men in this county punty in the State, to my make apple vinegar for sale; thouledge, has produced. The sands of gallons have been recentof this county is especially ly made in the upper part of the ed to the production of the county and this happens every erry on which the silk worm year. If you want pure apple vin-This production of silk was egar apply to the Press and Banduced by Mr. Gibert, and ner, and we will tell you where you ed for some time under his su- can buy the pure juice of the apple sion. In the files of the Press without one drop of commercial Banner is a very interesting acetic acid in it; nothing but the

Any other fruit that may be beville county. Mr. Gibert grown in the State may be grown

The county roads are gradually being improved. Iron bridges are replacing wooden structures, telephone lines are increasing, the e county are practically un- mileage is much more now than n, even to us. Farms in this they were a year ago, and a year y that a few years ago made hence will show a greater increase. e of cotton to five and six The trend is upward and onward. now make a bale to the acre. Abbeville's water powers have that at one time was thought been practically untouched, and yet almost worthless is now prov- they are equal to those of any one be most valuable. Because county of the State. No county ve not tried other crops than has brighter prospects. No county aples many do not realize the has a more brilliant outlook for the y of crops that are possible future. No better advice could be duction. Rice, for instance, given to the investor than to say to t considered a possible pro- him-buy Abbeville county land. man paper is worth repeating, for, here, and yet one of the best It is cheaper now than any land of though depending on a play of words,

BUSINESS MEN OF ABBEVILLE NOTED FOR FAIR DEALING

bil Adapted to Growth of All For a Century the Integrity of Our Merchants Business Men of Abbeville Tour Has Been Proverbial and Their Accommodation Has Been Helpful.

(BY HUGH WILSON)

est men of the nation. Whether in politics or in the learned purime the production of the fra- today tenanted largely by negroes. and of character. We would not preachers and teachers, its schol-

est had business relations with the The only reason these lands have merchants and bankers of Abbemodations are daily extended to For a hundred years the city of

Abbeville, like the people of Abbeville county, have been distinguished for intelligence, learning and splendid service along all the In the matter of fruits, Abbeville lines of activity in high endeavor county will compare favorably and usefulness. The people of the with any county in the State. city and county have lived in har- is rather to be chosen than great which contribute to the pride and

of health the county is unsur-

Our only need is an awakening

to the immense and rich resources

come into our own, and Abbeville

will take her place in the galaxy of

counties where she rightly belongs.

PRE-EMINENT ADVANTAGES OF ABBE-

VILLE IN PARAGRAPH.

1. Advantages of location. 2.

Abundance of ground for man-

Splendid railroad communication.

ufacturing sites. 4. Good water

and plenty of it. 5. Low taxes,

good public buildings. 6. Agree-

able and comfortable social condi-

tions, elevated domestic life, good

churches, excellent public schools,

first-class hotels and cheap mar-

kets. 7. Solid banks, public-

spirited business people, conscious

of Abbeville's natural advantages,

pulsating with pluck and virility,

and imbued with confidence in the

destinec greatness of the city. 8.

Cleanliness and sanitary conditions.

Bright Conundrum.

The following conundrum in a Ger-

suits, Abbeville has stood second for the early establishment of the Besides the old and tried firms, we to none. Abbeville's lawyers, best schools in the State, and it is have many younger firms possess

character and moral worth have reasonable cost. found in our merchants the necesgenerously helped along the road tist, A. R. Presbyterian. to prosperity.

only gained the confidence of their welcome visitors to the city. customers in every part of the

a crowd at the coming institute.

Abbeville for a hundred years individual and corporate good. while their generous dealings with has been distinguished for its high Men of Abbeville county from the customers has been that guiding standards along all the lines of ac- first have nobly stood in the front star that has brought distinction to tivity and in all the spheres of use- rank, among whom no dissension themselves and profit to their cusfulness. Abbeville's learned men has existed and between whom no tomers. The fact of the long have, from the first, stood in the contention has existed, except that standing of many firms in the merfront rank among the men of the contention as to who could best cantile world is the strongest testiwork and best agree for the public monial to their possession of the sterling qualities that are so neces-Abbeville county is distinguished sary to make worth and character.

stand so high and are so ready to Learned men from Abbeville serve the public. They are more name which is rather to be chosen county have lent lustre to the fame able to present their claims to pub-This state of affairs was brought than great riches. For general and glory of the best country in all lic confidence than we are. Their tomers who have longest dealt with

Abbeville has not only good weed was one of the leading This state of affairs will not exist attempt to discriminate between ars and statesmen, its lawyers and merchants, but it has three of the stries in this county. Much always, however, when once the men who stand so high. Their its high class citizenship. In the best banks in the world. They made here and packed in hogs- people learn that land can be had worth is known of all men who mercantile business men of ability are generous and accommodating

In schools, the town of Abbeville s that in crossing streams the pect to see farmers moving to iness men of Abbeville can be at- descended from the earlier genera- has a first class high school at did little or no damage to that part of the county from other tested by all men who have dealt tions and has been a benediction which boys and girls may get a counties where land is now too with them. Especially is this true alike to rich and poor. Men of first class education at the most

Abbeville has splendid church sary aid when credit was needed. buildings, perhaps the finest to be And our merchants have found found in any town in the up-countheir truest friends in the men try, namely: Methodist, Episcowhom they had wisely aided and pal, Presbyterian, Catholic, Bap-

The splendid new court house county, but they have won for and the imposing structure of the themselves that good name which city hall or theatre are buildings mony and good feeling, honoring riches. For generations the integ- pleasure of all who come to Abbeeach other, and in promoting rity of merchants in the town of ville, while answering a public de-

strength to their united efforts for Abbeville has been proverbial, mand.

ONE WAY TO COOPERATE

(Miss Linda Clement in Progressive Farmer.)

Generally speaking, the different phases of club work practical that we possess. When we once in a small town are very limited. And yet these few available departrealize what wealth we have only ments, when one stops to think, are a great deal more difficult to "get awaiting development, we will at" in the village than in a city.

The civic department, odinarily, is the first attempted. Immediately, through a lecture or the medium of your town paper, you ask your community to clean up, screen against flies, remove the offending pigpen, cet., and straightway you have personally insulted every lady in town-you have insinuated that she does not keep her premises clean.

The Womans Club in our town solved this "clean up" in a practical and tactful way. We cleaned up our town premises and had the garbage wagon, which we furnished, carry off our own rubbish first, thus setting an example not only in this but in all other sanitary means of keeping the town's health perfect.

Next in importance to the sanitary work we have attempted what I believe no other club in the State has been interested in. Allow me to make what, at first, may seem a disconnected explanation. Our town is located in the heart of a prosperous agricultural section. Possibly 75 per cent of the county's farmers are land-owners. And yet her soldiers has been a priceless that will prove of interest as well these are notoriously indifferent as to modern methods of agriculture. heritage for the worthy sons of no- as benefit. The State has for several years held conjointly here a farmers and wo-ble sires, the integrity of the men man's intitute. Ten twelve per cent of farmers or attend their depart- whom she has furnished to the ment, and last summer there were about 15 farmers' wives and daugh- judiciary has in no small degree ters in the woman's lecture rooms. Our Womrn's Club has taken the contributed to the elevation of the matter up. We have suggested to the manager of the Farmers' Union bench and increased the venerathat we hold a farmers' picnic here on the day of the institute. We have sought to interest farmers wives by donating a sum of money to Carolina hold their judiciary. be given as prizes for the best cake, bread, etc. We have asked through the county paper for individual subscriptions that we may give Abbeville county still has a reprea larger number of prizes. We expect to carry posters to different sentative in Cokgress whose voice parts of the county advertising the picnic, and we expect the co- is heard in the nation's councils operation of the Farmers Union, and we guarantee the State lect urers and whose loyalty to the people of

TO CULTIVATE CLOSER **BUSINESS RELATIONS**

County to Become Better Acquainted With Friends.

(BY W. T. WALKER)

and business relations should exist his constituency. between the people of the county | Today Abbeville county is honseat and their friends and neigh- ored by having as head of the bors throughout the county, busi- State's highest court one of her felness men of Abbeville have decided low citizens, Hon. Eugene B. to visit friends in all sections of the Gary, whose just and wise deci-

to strengthen the ties which bind a benediction to bench and bar. the people of Abbeville county to This county is further honored by their county seat, to renew old the presence of its fellow-citizen, friendships and form new ones-in Hon. Frank B. Gary, upon the other words to get closer together circuit bench of the State, which for mutual benefit.

ant social intercourse. They wish South Carolina, whose record is are identical and that what affects equalled and never surpassed. adversely the prosperity of one To enumerate all of the great

that the basis of our prosperity craft, but we want also to occupy lies in the success of our agricul- the same commanding position in turists, and, while, of course, they the world of commerce and of agdo not presume to be able to teach riculture and of manufacturing, our farmers the methods by which and we believe that the surest way success is attained on the farm, to accomplish this laudable purthey do want to be of assistance to pose is to meet and know each oththem in any manner that lies in er, to discuss the problems which The people of the town love their power. They are willing to affect our common concerns and Abbeville's merchants have not their friends and are always glad to co-operate with their friends, but cooperate along the lines that will to do this they believe that it is best advance our mutual interests necessary to have a clearer idea of and assist us in the development how they can best serve them.

Citizens of the town of Abbeville oped resources. have an abiding faith in the people

beville has always led the people tion in which the people of South

In the person of Wyatt Aiken his district and watchfulness of

Believing that a closer personal their interests has endeared him to

sions and uprighr character and The object of these visits is to lofty ideals are an inspiration and he graces with distinguished court-The business men of the town esy and impartial justice. Another are desirous of a better acquain- citizen of Abbeville who has attance with their fellow-citizens of tained distinction and whose fidelthe county, and believe that the ity to the principles of truth and best way to establish cordial rela- honor are unswerving is the Hon. tions is to mingle together in plsas- Fraser Lyon, Attorney General of to know every man in the county, the pride not only of his own counand they want every man in the y, but of the entire State. The county to feel that the merchants office of Comptroller General is of Abbeville are his friends, that now held by a citizen of Abbeville he is ever welcome within the city's in the person of Hon. A. W. Jones, gates, that they realize the inter- who has established for himself a ests of all citizens of the county record of efficiency which is seldom

class of citizens is bound to have and good men of Abbeville who its reflex in the welfare of all other have risen to positions of high classes. They believe that a more honor would be to write a volume. thorough knowledge of the needs The point sought to be emphasized of each other is well calculated to is that we are all proud of the recencourage a spirit of co-operation ords of our distinguished fellowwhich is so necessary to the devel-citizens; that it is good for us to reflect upon the commanding posi tion which these men have accord-The people of the town know ed our county in the realm of stateof our unlimited though undevel-

The merchants of Abbeville beof their county. They believe they lieve that they have advantages to have the grandest county in the offer to shoppers which are un-State, and they are sure that the equaled in this section and they sturdy yeomanry of Abbeville is its believe that it is perfectly proper greatest asset. They are confi-that they should make known these dent that the people of the coun-advantages. They feel sure that try feel as much pride in their the most effective way in which county seat as the county seat feels they can be of assistance to the in them, and are anxious that the people of their county is to aid the town of Abbeville shall more them in bearing the burden of the than maintain the foremost posi-increased cost of living by offering tion which she already enjoys them the merchandise which they among the cities of South Carolina. need at the best prices which the The co-operation of all the people, market affords and by extending working together in harmony is all them every consideration consistthat build a great city. They ask ent with sound business policy. that co-operation of all the people, Having this end in view, they have to the end that their city shall not enlisted the cooperation of their only hold the lead which it already local papers and are presenting has, but will soon outstrip her ri-through them in a iimited way some cogent reasons why the coun-In many ways the county of Ab- ty seat should be favored with the business of the county, and they of South Carolina. The voice of invite your careful attention to her statesmen has resounded in the these announcements, believing councils of the nation, the valor of that you will find in them much

Campaign Dates

State campaign meeting at Abbeville-

Friday, August 16. COUNTY CAMPAIGN McCormick-August 6. Bordeaux-August 7. Willington-August 8. Calhoun Falls-August 9. Lowndersville-August 10. Antrevi le—August 21. Due West—August 22.