

## WEEVILS HAVE BEEN ACTIVE

Utmost Attention Necessary at Critical Period, Says Boll Weevil Conference at Clemson.

Clemson College.—"The first generation of weevils has been active in the central and southern part of the state for the last ten days or two weeks and it is rapidly appearing in the Piedmont section. Infestation in the southern section of the state and the Pee Dee section has been comparatively high in the last ten days, while farmers in the central and northern parts of the state will observe a rapid increase in square infestation during the next week or ten days. The appearance of weevils at this time and the increase in the number of punctured squares is due to natural developments, and this was to be expected."

The above statement was made at the boll weevil conference held here today, which was attended by Directors W. W. Long and H. W. Barre, President W. M. Riggs, Prof. A. F. Comradi and his field entomologists, and other specialists, and at which there were reports made from the county agents and specialists as to weevil conditions in the various counties. Below are the details of the facts and suggestions brought out at the conference.

Weather conditions in most sections of the state are favorable to weevil development, and the rains are unfavorable to weevil control. Over practically the entire state cotton is still continuing to fruit, but in those sections where infestation runs from 40 to 60 per cent, and with showery weather, fruiting may not be expected to continue.

Attention is particularly directed to the fact that we have arrived at the critical period in the production of cotton in 1922 when the utmost attention is necessary to keep the plant fruiting and to reduce the weevil infestation as much as possible. Farmers who are poisoning are urged to follow the directions laid down for this work with great care, and to make the different poison applications at the intervals recommended just as nearly as possible, weather permitting.

Attention is directed to the fact that because of the showery and moist weather conditions in many sections of the state, the characteristic drying open and yellowing of the punctured squares is not so noticeable as it is in dry weather, and this fact is deceiving many farmers as to the abundance of the weevil, for under such weather conditions the punctured squares remain green and keep their normal shape for a much longer period than under dry weather conditions.

At this time there are still sent in as boll weevils a number of insects which however are other kinds. Also, many squares are sent in with holes bored into them, either by the boll worm or the cotton square borer. Furthermore, there is considerable shedding on many farms, due apparently in some cases to excessive wet weather, while in other instances it is attributed to a lack of fertilizing elements. In some sections the rains have retarded cultivation. An examination of many of these fallen forms shows that upwards of 40 to 50 per cent were squares and the balance young bolls, and in some instances the great majority of the squares and bolls showed no weevil injury.

The general outlook is that, with favorable weather conditions, continued cultivation, and intelligent poisoning, the infestation can be held down in most of the fields until the dispersion period.

It is repeated that frequent shallow cultivation should be continued in order to keep the plant in vigorous condition and continued fruiting; and that where cheap labor and proper supervision are available, thorough and systematic square picking is urged every five days for the next several weeks, with special attention to collecting the punctured squares on the plant as well as those on the ground.

**Creamery Has Rapid Growth.**  
Chester.—Exceeding all the expectations of its supporters by a margin of six months in receipts of sour cream and production of butter, the Community Creamery at Chester, manufactured 3000 pounds of butter in four churning last week. Characterized by County Agent H. K. Sanders as "Chester's Big Baby," the Community Creamery was organized on a joint stock company plan, the stock being subscribed by business men and farmers of Chester and adjoining communities. Its purpose, as the name implies and as the directors insist, is to serve not only Chester but all adjoining communities as an outlet of sour cream and a consequent steady cash market for a farm product.

**Vote School Bonds.**  
Mullins.—With only one dissenting vote the voters of Mullins school district No. 16 voted on bonds for a high school building to the amount of \$45,500.

These bonds will be offered at once to the market as the bond market is very active at this time and the trustees will begin to examine plans with the view of letting the contract as soon as possible. The people of Mullins are very happy over the result of this election as it will relieve a long felt need.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY NEWS  
TOLD BY CORRESPONDENTS  
(Continued from page three)

Messdames J. F. Coleman, S. M. Brice, Sam Brice and Misses Elizabeth and Ida Brice and Mary Jane Patrick attended the picnic at Salem Thursday.

Messrs. James Brice and William B. Patrick motored to Columbia Friday and returned Monday accompanied by Joe Brice, who has just finished a course in the summer school at the University.

James Brice, Joe Brice and William B. Patrick motored to Ridgeway Monday evening where James Brice again pitched for Ridgeway in a winning game of ball against Columbia.

Miss Rebecca Hardin, of Chester, is spending a few days with Ida Brice. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brice had as guests for the week-end, the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Dougherty, and Miss Miriam Dougherty, of North.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Patrick entertained at a course dinner last Wednesday evening, the following guests: Rev. and Mrs. Parkinson, of White Oak and the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parkinson of Tennessee and Misses Moffatt, of Columbia.

Mrs. Robert Harvey, of Montgomery Alabama, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brice and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Harvey Wednesday night.

Stewart Harvey, who has been in Camp in Alabama for six weeks, returned to his home last Tuesday.

Miss Annie Laurie Caldwell has returned to her home in Columbia after spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Lewis.

Mrs. L. M. Brice had as dinner guests Monday night, Rev. A. N. Littlejohn and sister, Mrs. Smith, of Jonesville and Miss Eliza Walker, of Chester.

Miss Margaret Sterling entertained quite a number of her friends at a delightful party Monday night.

Miss Lizzie Mae McDonald has returned home after spending some time with friends at Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Will McDonald had as guests Monday, Rev. A. N. Littlejohn and Mrs. Smith, of Jonesville.

Rev. Littlejohn's three churches, Concord, Blackstock and Cornwell had a delightful picnic Tuesday in the church grounds at Blackstock.

Mrs. A. W. Brice was hostess to the Ladies Aid Society Friday afternoon. Following an interesting program given by Messdames J. F. Coleman, S. M. Brice, C. Stewart, there was a social hour during which Mrs. Brice, assisted by Mrs. Angus Nicholson and Miss Eva Nicholson and Elizabeth Brice, served a delicious ice course and mints. The Club had as guests, Messdames Angus Nicholson, Robert Harvey and Miss Louise Harrison.

The president, Mrs. J. F. Coleman appointed Messdames J. M. Blaine and T. W. Brice to prepare the program for the next meeting.

## WATEREE.

This writer has never seen such irregular crop conditions.

In one section the crop of both cotton and corn is fine while just a few miles away it is almost a failure. At the same time in one section the boll weevil is destroying the cotton crop, while in another he can hardly be found.

We have been visited recently by some mighty polite gentlemen, hunting votes.

Mrs. R. M. Crawford and son of Chester, visited our community recently.

Mrs. E. L. Isenhower, of Lake City, spent last week at the old home.

## GREENBRIER.

Miss Sadie Smith has returned home after spending last week in Charlotte with her sister and Mrs. Ed. Harris.

Miss Ruth Tarrant, of Springfield is visiting Miss Rebecca Lyles.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Hoke regret very much to see them leave the community. They left Wednesday for their new home in Hendersonville.

W. R. Smith, of Augusta, Georgia, is spending some time at his home here.

Cunningham Peay leaves Friday for Darlington where he has accepted work.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Trapp, of Columbia, spent Sunday with, Mrs. A. C. Goldsmith.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. McKeown spent Sunday at Woodward with friends.

Misses Ione and Lois Smith are at home from Winthrop Summer school.

Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Brooks, of Columbia, spent Sunday with Mrs. J. P. Brooks.

Burr Lewis has returned home after spending some time in Augusta, Georgia, with friends.

Rev. Hardy preached at Greenbrier Sunday. His friends were glad to see him again.

Miss Rebecca Lyles is at home from Winthrop Summer school.

W. R. Smith is spending a few days in Lancaster.

Mrs. George Craig and daughter, of Wadesboro, N. C., visited her aunt, Mrs. C. L. Smith here recently.

## AVON.

Misses Margaret Sterling and Elizabeth Kerr have returned from Rock Hill where they attended Summer school.

Miss Sallie Shirley from Charlotte, is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Sam Shirley.

Mr. Howe Lemmon has been in the community testing cotton for boll weevil.

Miss Margaret Sterling entertained a number of young people at her home Monday night in honor of, Miss Annie Laurie Caldwell, of Columbia, a number of games were played and every one spent a very enjoyable evening.

Misses Ruth McIlroy and Sheila Kerr spent Sunday in Woodward with the former's brother, Mr. Robert McIlroy.

Mr. John A. Stewart spent Sunday night at the home of Mrs. David McIlroy.

A very interesting game of ball was played Saturday afternoon between Avon and Blackstock, after hard playing on both sides, Avon won.

Mr. and Mrs. Parkinson, who have been visiting their son, Rev. W. W. Parkinson, have returned to their home in Tennessee.

Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Parkinson and family spent several days in the community last week.

Mr. C. B. Brice motored to Rock Hill last Friday, Mrs. C. B. Brice accompanied him.

## SHELTON.

Mr. W. B. McDowell was in Union Tuesday.

Miss Mae Hill, of Cross Keys, is visiting Miss Lillian Hill.

Misses Idelle and Enola Dye, of New Brookland, are the guests of, Miss Lucile Dye.

Miss Emmie Rabb returned to her home in Columbia after spending two weeks with Miss Clyde Coleman.

Mrs. J. P. West left Wednesday for her home in Spartanburg, after a few days spent with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Roe Coleman.

Miss Annie Ogburn, of Trio, is the guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Ogburn.

Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Kittles and little boys, Billie and Hugh returned Friday after a week spent at Tybee and Garnett.

Messrs. J. G. Wollong and W. B. Wright, Jr., were in Winnsboro Tuesday.

Mr. R. Carl Coleman, of Winnsboro, spent the week-end at home.

## HICKORY RIDGE.

Messrs. G. R. Brice and Archie Park motored to Charlotte, N. C., to spend a few days.

Miss Margaret Young who has been to Summer school is home again.

Mr. Brazington, of Charlotte, was the guest of Miss Louise Young, Sunday.

Professor Oscar Lemmon and E. U. Brice, Misses Janie Milling, Marie Lemmon motored to Columbia Wednesday.

## RIDGEWAY.

Miss Elizabeth Browne complimented her guests, Misses Mildred and Ruth Hicks, of Manning and Olin and Ray Sawyer, of Georgetown, with a progressive rook party on Tuesday morning. Tables were arranged for the players which later were used for the cooling refreshments.

On Tuesday, Mrs. R. C. Thomas entertained the Bridge club delightfully on her shaded porch. Five tables were arranged and a number of visitors added to the morning's pleasure. After the games the guests were invited to the living room where from a table centered with a bowl of black-eyed Susans, iced tea, cheese crackers and cake were served. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. J. D. Fulp, of Abbeville, Mrs. Norman H. Palmer, of Spartanburg, Mrs. Sawyer, of Georgetown and Misses Gage, of Mississippi and Louise Thomas, of Charlotte. Miss Bessie Meares held the top score.

A "Pindar Boiling" was given on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Keels in honor of their guests from Sumter.

On Friday evening the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. DesPortes was the center of a delightful gathering when she entertained in honor of her nieces, the Misses Nance of Due West. From a flower decked table on the porch, punch was served throughout the evening by Misses Arabella Nelson and Bee McConell. Several recitations by Miss Josephine Nance highly entertained the guests and songs by Miss Kennedy added to the pleasure of the afternoon. Ices and cakes were passed on the lawn. Mrs. DesPortes was assisted by Mrs. J. A. DesPortes and Miss C. W. Kay.

Miss Tiny Team, of Lugoff, is the guest of Miss Katherine McCarrell who entertained at bridge in her honor on Friday evening. The tables were arranged on the porch and refreshments served after the games were over.

J. O. Thomas and his daughters, Miss Hazeline and Louise motored from Charlotte to visit relatives here this week.

Misses Nunnery, of Fort Lawn, are guests of their sister, Mrs. R. W. Adams.

Misses Bessie Jones, Annie and Sarah Thomas, Marguerite and Dorothy Ruff and Mrs. C. M. Kay are at home from Winthrop Summer school.

Mrs. T. C. Cork, of Darlington, has returned home after a visit of several weeks to her mother, Mrs. W. H. Hick. Mrs. W. H. Hick, of Rock Hill, has also been Mrs. Ruff's guest this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Moore are at home in a visit to relatives in Winthrop.

Miss Abel Laney, of Charlotte, is the active guest of Miss May Thomas.

Misses Mildred, Josie and Hallie Hicks, of Due West, are visitors at home of Mrs. H. W. DesPortes.

H. Coleman is at home from a visit to Mrs. Easterling in Tatum.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, of Anderson are guests of, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harrison.

Miss Hicks, of Marlboro are the guests of, Miss Elizabeth Browne.

Miss Eleanor and Henrietta Thomas are spending some time in Charleston the guest of their aunt, Miss Eleanor Taft at the Y. W. C. A.

Miss Gage, of Mississippi, is Miss Ste Palmer's attractive guest.

Mrs. Nelson is spending this week in Rock Hill, the guest of Mrs. James Turbeville, of Lake City, is visiting Mrs. T. J. Castine.

Olin Sawyer and daughters of Georgetown, leave this week for a visit to relatives in Johnson and Aiken before their return home.

Mrs. Vera Ferguson, of Abbeville is the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. M. K.

J. D. Fulp, who has been with his mother, Mrs. Monroe Wilson returning to Abbeville on Wednesday.

Mr. Fulp joined en route by Mr. Fulp and his boys who had been visiting in Mill.

Austin T. Moore spent a part of the week with his parents here before leaving on Friday to Charleston Medical College where he is doing some special work this summer.

Miss Swearingen, of Columbia, is Miss Sarah Kennedy's guest this week.

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