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## PREPARING FOR DEATH OF MISS BOLL WEEVIL ANNA DARDEN

### What to Expect

The boll weevil is now present in the south east corner of North Carolina, and judging by experience in other states, it is estimated it will travel north at a rate of about 70 to 80 miles a year. It is expected to reach the northeastern corner of North Carolina in the fall of 1922 or 1923, and afterward in the years 1924 to 1927 to fill in the remaining territory of the entire cotton area of this State.

The first year after invasion is one of light injury, because the weevil is not yet estimated in all fields, according to Franklin Sherman, State Entomologist, who says that the second year after the first invasion is the real test.

"The fact that the first year after invasion is one of light injury is dangerously misleading. Thoughtless and hasty farmers in the territory already invaded will say this spring when preparing for cotton—'Well the Weevil is here, now we will see what it amounts to.' The fact that 1920, the first year, will normally be one of light injury will lead these same men to say next fall—'See, we have made a good crop with the Weevil among us,—it isn't nearly so bad as it has been described.' But, this year, 1920, will not be the year of real proof in that corner of our State, 1921 is the first year that can give the real test.

### Amount of Damage Varies

"The year of first real test, the second year after first invasion by the weevil,—may be one of unusually heavy damage by it, or one of unusually light damage,—for just as there is no fixed regularity about its spread, just so there is also no fixed regularity about the amount of damage done by it.

"In some years in some localities it has decreased the yield per acre, when cultivated and tended by former methods, as much as 80 or even 90 per cent. In other years the loss in the same localities may be as low as 10 or even only 5 per cent,—again,—there is no fixed regularity about it."

Mr. Sherman's estimates of the 10 year average loss from the boll weevil after it has been fully established, assuming that present methods of cultivating cotton are continued, give an average loss of 25 per cent in the southeast corner, the warmest part of the coastal plain; 20 per cent in the northern part of the coastal plain; and in the upper or higher part of the coastal plain a loss of 15 per cent. In the piedmont the loss is expected to vary from 5 to 10 per cent.

### Losses May Wipe Out Profits

In commenting on these estimates, Mr. Sherman says: "Let us take the upper coastal plain, that area for which I am predicting a normal loss of 15 per cent in the yield assuming present methods of culture. Does it seem to you that farmers can easily stand this loss? If a farmer in this area is now producing cotton at a net profit of 15 per cent on his total investment, then, theoretically, this loss of 15 per cent will exactly cancel his profits, leaving his cotton an absolute profitless crop. I venture the guess that the majority of men who grow cotton in this area do not clear 15 per cent on their investment, or have not averaged it over any period of years,—and it is averages that I am talking about. Much less can growers lower down in the coastal plain afford to ignore their expected loss of 20 and 25 per cent,—if the loss averages these figures it will be a heavy blow.

"Those who can produce cotton so economically as to offset the loss from weevil can continue to produce cotton in spite of weevil,—those who cannot continue. So it is a test of skill and resource of the farmer.

The Trying Re-adjustment Period  
"One of the most important factors in the situation is the feeling of panic and alarm that strikes into a neighborhood during the first three to five years after the weevil gets fully established. That is the trying adjustment period. When the farmer who has not carefully laid his plans in advance, has planted his usual acreage of usual varieties in the usual way, on the usual credits, and then finds at picking time that he has far less of a crop than usual, he is seized with panic. This state of mind affects laborers, tenants, landlords,

Travling life's uneven dusty highway for more than four score years being weary with the journey of life, Miss Anna Darden went home to meet her Saviour on February 23rd at the home of her nephew Mr. Mark Gatling on Church Street.

"Miss Anna" as she was always called was only sick a few days with asthma, she always prayed that her Lord would not let her linger in her last illness, and He consented her prayers.

She joined Mt. Tabor Church when quite young and ever lived a true and faithful member, she attended the church here regularly, tho she held her membership at Mt. Tabor near Mapleton.

Miss Anna taught school for a number of years, being greatly loved by her pupils, as to know her was to love her.

She being a woman of more than ordinary ability and one who knew and loved her Lord devotedly. In her early life she pledged her allegiance to Him and with an unquestioning faith and beautiful devotion she followed her ascended Lord until He said to her "Come up higher". That she was ready to enter upon the rest that remaineth for the people of God was abundantly attested by her long life of consecrated service, as well as by the testimony of her own words.

She left the impress of her holy life upon all with whom she came in contact, she never failed to take a firm stand for her church and her Lord.

She knew whom she had believed, and was fully persuaded in her soul that Christ was able to keep that which she had committed unto Him against that day.

Through the years the gracious influences which she set in motion will continue to minister to those whose good fortune it was to come within the circle of her acquaintance.

She visited all the sick in her community regularly, and they would wait and watch for her coming, to hear her comforting words of encouragement, which would always cheer them so much; they will miss her loving companionship, and her many talks of hope, and treasures laid up above.

She has gone to be with father mother, brothers and sisters who long since preceded her to the better world, she being the last to enter the Great White Throne, and oh! how happy she is now, her soul basking in the sunlight of Jesus.

Her remains were taken to her old home near Mapleton and the funeral services conducted by her Pastor Rev. Underwood, assisted by Rev. Fred Collins of Ahoskie after which her body was laid to rest in the family cemetery.

She leaves to mourn their loss several nieces and nephews and a brother in law and a host of relatives and friends; and may they all meet her in the Great Beyond. Knowing that death to her "Means only life with all joy peace and rest."  
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### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heart felt thanks and gratitude to our many kind friends and neighbors for their unceasing kindness during our recent sickness, especially to our nurse, Mrs. Burk, and Dr. Greene for their faithful attention to us. May God bless them all.  
Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Slaughter.

merchants and banks. It is a state of psychology in dealing with a new big problem. It is here that county agents, banks, merchants and all kinds of economic organizations can contribute toward holding the morale, if you will, of the community at a high level.

"Sober sense and shrewd judgment will win out, as they always have. To meet this condition we must tell our people frankly that the weevil problem is serious, but not insurmountable,—that it has been met and surmounted in all the states to the south of us, even those where the weevil will probably always be more destructive than with us."

665 quickly relieves Colds and La-Grippe, Constipation, Biliousness, loss of Appetite and Headaches.—adv.

### MURFREESBORO NEWS

Miss Mary and Ruth Benthall gave a rook party to a host of friends last Wednesday evening. They were served with a delicious course of ambrosia, cake and candies. Those present were Misses Cloyce and Neva Futrell, Sue Lawrence, Antoinette White and Florie Barnes, and Messrs. John Sewell, Fred Joyner, Howard Short, Herman Babb, Mark Lawrence, George Campbell and Jobe Futrell.

Miss Neomia Wiggins has returned from Richmond, Baltimore and New York, where she purchased her spring millinery.

Mrs. Stanley Winborne and two children Vaughn and Mollie are sick with the "flu".

Mrs. Fannie Jernigan, of Harrellsville, is the guest of her daughter Mrs. Stanley Winborne.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Evens Tuesday, February 16th a little girl.

Mr. Robert Jernigan of Ahoskie was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Winborne Sunday.

Miss Marie Evens a member of the Woodland Graded School faculty is now home as the school has closed on account of the "flu".

Quite a number of our people went to Edenton Friday in regard to Chowan College.

Mr. Robert Britton of Winton was in town last Wednesday.

Mrs. E. W. Waters of Portsmouth is the guest of her sister Mrs. H. W. White.

Mr. J. A. Campbell and family spent the week end with friends relatives at Belvidere.

Mr. W. D. Boone of Winton was in town on legal business Tuesday.

Mr. Robert Vann of Murfreesboro R. F. D. has accepted the position with P. C. Parker and Son as salesman.

Mr. L. J. Lawrence is in Norfolk at this writing.

Miss Mary Babb, who has been suffering with the mumps is very much improved.

Mrs. Earl Deverport and daughter Evelyn who have been visiting relatives and friends in Franklin returned home Tuesday.

Mr. R. E. Story of Winton was in town Tuesday.

Miss Antionette White spent the week end in Mapleton the guest of her uncle Mr. E. W. Whitley.

Miss Grace Pierce a member of the Conway Graded School spent the week end with her mother Mrs. Ella Pierce.

Mr. John Sewell was in Conway Monday.

Mrs. T. B. Vann is visiting in Como the guest of her father Mr. T. E. Vann.

Miss Myrell Britton, who has been suffering with the "flu" is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Vaughn spent Saturday in Mapleton with their daughter Mrs. Ike Wiggins.

### NOTE OF THANKS

Mr. Editor:—We wish to ask space in your paper to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to our many friends who have so generously administered unto us during our bereavement, and who in so many ways have shown their sympathetic care during the illness, death and interment of Mrs. Ella Mae Banks, wife of B. C. Banks, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Garrett.

We wish to assure them that their interest so manifested, shall never be forgotten.

B. C. BANKS,  
MR. AND MRS. A. E. GARRETT.

### NOTICE

To the tax payers of Harrellsville Township, Hertford County.

I will be at the following places on the dates named below for the purpose of taking your personal property lists.

It will be necessary for you to meet me at one of these places and give in your lists to avoid being returned unlisted and double taxed.  
Harrellsville, March 6, 8, 9, 13, 1920.  
Lloyds x Roads, March 4 and 11, 1920  
Newsome, March 5, 1920.  
Mt Pleasant Mill, March 10, 1920.

W. E. CULLENS  
Tax Supervisor for Hertford County.

—Rub-My-Tiss is a powerful antiseptic; it kills the poison caused from infected cuts, cures old sores, teeter, etc advertisement.

### WINTON WAVERLETTIS

Mrs. John E. Vann spent last week in Goldsboro with her daughter Louise Vann, who holds a position there.

Messrs. Charlie and Sidney Matthews, who holds positions in Norfolk spent last week end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bridger, son Robert and Miss Zada Miller spent last Friday in Ahoskie with Mr and Mrs. Jeff Jenkins.

Mr. P. R. Eure from Norfolk spent last week end with his mother.

Miss Kate Williams, the assistant cashier of the Bank of Winton, has been confined home in Cofield for the past week with influenza.

Mr. R. C. Bridger was in Raleigh last week.

Mr. John Northcott, one of Winton's boys who holds a position in Norfolk spent last week end at home with parents Mr and Mrs. J. A. Northcott.

Court was suspended this week on account of so much "flu" in town.

Miss Effie Grant returned from her home last Monday where she was at the bedside of her sister, for a week who has been very ill with pneumonia.

Miss Myrtle Pearce is away at this writing visiting friends at Cape Charles.

We have several cases of influenza in town. We are glad to report they are all doing nicely.

Mr. Robert Britton spent a few days last week in Asheville, N. C., at the bedside of his cousin, Roswell Britton.

Mr. Robert Vann from Suffolk was at home last Sunday.

Mr. W. A. Sykes, of Elizabeth City, has accepted a position as cashier of The Bank of Winton and expects to move his family here the first of March.

Mr. Collen Sewell from Murfreesboro was a caller in town last Wednesday night.

Mr. H. L. Miller, our County Demonstrator, came last week, we give him a cordial welcome to our town.

Messrs. R. E. Story and W. D. Boone were in Murfreesboro last Wednesday.

Mr. H. V. Bailey is spending a few days in Raleigh with parents.

Messrs. N. W. Britton and John E. Vann attended the trustees meeting at Edenton last Friday.

Winton's new garage building seems to be nearing completion. We understand this garage will be fully equipped with modern machinery and do all classes of Auto and machine work.

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### WESLEY BIBLE CLASS GIVES VALENTINE PARTY

On Friday evening, February 20th, 1920, the Wesley Bible Class of the Ahoskie Methodist Church gave a very delightful Valentine Party at the attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor. This party was to have been given on the 14th of February, but on account of the death of Mrs. Roy Parker it was postponed until the next Friday night.

The guest entered into the living room where many interesting games were played. Miss Annie Laurie Sessoms and Mr. Walter Corwin won the prizes for pinning the small heart nearest the center of a big heart, while blindfolded. A string of beads with a heart at the end was presented to Miss Sessoms and a delicious red "outow" tied with a dainty bow of ribbon was presented to Mr. Corwin, several other games were played and after cards were drawn by the guest with "trying" sentences on them they met at their appointed places and form there into the dining room where they were served with delicious iced grape punch and cake. A toast was given the committee by Mr. R. B. Taylor. Then in the living room proposals to the boys were rendered by the girls, each boy receiving two proposals. Mrs. R. B. Taylor received the honor for the best proposal. Other games were played and at 11:30 the guest departed, having spent a most enjoyable evening.

Those present were; Misses Louise and Ethel Basnight, Almada Miller, Hilda and Helen Johnson, Annie Laurie Sessoms, Myrtle Powell, Mary and Sue Barker, and Mrs. C. G. Conger, Messrs. Harry and Arthur Baker Deway Powell, Walter Corwin and Jack Barker.

See that the label on your paper is dated in advance, if you want the Herald to continue coming to your home.

## ELECTRICITY FOR FARMS

An advertisement, published recently by the Delco-Light Company of Dayton, Ohio, announces that there are over 100,000 Delco-Light electric light and power plants in service on American farms. To those who have watched the progress of agricultural country this announcement gives cause for thought as to the future of electric service for the farm.

Let us go back for a minute and look at another mechanical product of rather recent origin, but in almost universal use today on the farm as well as in the city.

In September, 1902, the town of Lebanon, Ohio, held its first Centennial Celebration. There were at that time two residents of the village who owned automobiles, wheezy and asthmatic affairs of the "one-lung" type, resembling madeover buggies in appearance. Occasionally they could be persuaded to run for a short distance, but most of the time they were "stalled" in the barn or on the streets, and their owners were stretched on their backs underneath, tinkering with the insides.

Now one of the features of the Centennial Celebration was a street parade consisting of many horse-drawn floats and other vehicles. And it is a matter of record that His Honor the Mayor issued an order on that day that the town's two automobiles be parked "in the lot back of the standpipe, lest they frighten the horses during the parade."

What a change eighteen years have made! The horse of today, what is left of him, casts an indifferent eye on cars of all sizes and kinds, whizzing by him at all speeds. And the automobile is the universal means of transportation for both city and country.

Three things are responsible for this universal usage. They are, first, the sound sense of the self-propelled vehicle idea, second, awakened and educated public interest in that idea, and third, the tremendous improvement in the design and construction of the modern automobile, as compared with that of 1902.

The history of the automobile suggests a prophecy for the future of electric on the farm. And indeed today we find that prophecy well on its way toward fulfillment.

The first farm electric plant was installed some thirty years ago and three seems to have been little progress during early years toward improvement along mechanical lines. Like the first automobile it had a great many mechanical faults. Furthermore little if any effort was made toward stimulating interest in the idea of electric service for the farm. The natural result was that despite the fundamental soundness of the idea, only twelve thousand plants had been installed on farms in this country up to four years ago.

Then suddenly a change took place. The Dayton Engineering Laboratories Company of Dayton, Ohio, know all through the automobile world as makers of "Delco" starting, lighting and ignition equipment, announced that it would market a farm electric plant designed and built along new lines. The experience of this company in building electrical apparatus for automobiles was doubtless of invaluable assistance in the early engineering work and probably helped them to produce a plant which was successful from the first. A new concern, now known as the Delco-Light Company, and also located at Dayton, was organized for manufacturing and selling work. The product was produced under the name "Delco-Light."

The Delco-Light Company and other manufacturers have placed about 150,000 plants in service during the last four years, a record which establishes beyond question the soundness of the idea of farm electric service. A great amount of educational work has been done not only for electric plant manufacturers but by agricultural colleges and other educational institutions as well. And there has been constant and sincere effort on the part of manufacturers to improve their products. The plants produced today are well made and are reliable in operation. They can be counted on to deliver continuous and satisfactory service.

All this means just one thing,—that the next few years will see the farm electric plant as common a th-

## DEATH OF MRS. ELLA MAY BANKS

On Sunday morning, February 22, at two o'clock at a sanitorium in Asheville, Mrs. Ella May Garrett Banks departed this life after a lingering illness of several months, aged 26 years and 10 months.

Mrs. Banks was the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Garrett of Ahoskie. She joined the M. E. Church at the age of twelve years and remained a consistent member until health failed.

She was married four years ago to Mr. Bernard C. Banks of Winton and hand in hand they turned their faces with eagerness toward the great task of life which they believed God had called them.

Only a little while, just a few miles of the mortal journey did this young couple walk side by side, cheering and comforting each other. Their young lives had scarcely fused in the pure white flame of love's holy passion, before the hands that clasped so lovingly at the Bridal Alter, were wrenched asunder, she became a victim of that dreaded disease Tuberculosis, and all life's tasks were done. Her life work had just begun, but surely God never blunders and through faith and sweet submission we must leave it to him.

The glory of motherhood had crowned her young life, and she left a bright sweet little girl of 1.2 years loves supreme gift, in whose pure prattling presence the lonely husband may live over again the few brief years of wedded bliss, and find in its holy companionship a bond and a voice that will make the past more than a memory. Why the dear Lord called her so early with the dew of youth still upon her, we cannot understand, perhaps He needed her for some larger task in some fairer world so we will think of her as still living, still loving, still learning, until earth's shadows lift and we shall know, even as we are known.

Until a few weeks ago Mrs. Banks was cheerful, sunny hearted abounding in hope, that she would grow better and return to her loved ones, as she had done once before, but alas! She grew weaker each day and only a few hours before she died she told her husband and mother she was ready to die and prayed the Good Lord would take her home as she knew she could not recover. She went to sleep on Saturday night and woke up about one o'clock asking if her husband was with her, he told her yes he was by her, and she says well; I believe I'll go to sleep again, and that was an everlasting sleep from which she never woke, but in an hour passed to the great beyond as peaceful and quiet as a lamb.

Her body was brought to Ahoskie Monday morning and on Tuesday at 12:30 o'clock the funeral services were conducted at the M. E. Church by Rev. Boone of Windsor in a very impressive manner, after which her remains were laid to rest in the town cemetery to await the resurrection morn. She is survived by her husband and little daughter, father, mother, brother and sister in law, her youngest brother preceded her to the better land just three months. The many beautiful floral tributes proved the love and esteem in which she was held. And while her loved ones are sad and lonely and broken hearted, may they look forward to a joyful reunion over on the other shore.

"Your earthly voyage is over and you have crossed the bar,  
Your day of life has ended and the sun gone down in the west,  
Earth's sorrows can no more your peace disturb or mar,  
For you're peacefully asleep and atrest  
Beautiful hope we may meet in that city afar,  
When our voyage is over and we too have crossed the bar."

E. M. B.

ing as the automobile,—will see the vast majority of farms in this country enjoying the same kind of dependable electric as we find in the city.

It's a long cry from the Centennial Celebration in Lebanon, Ohio, to "electricity for every farm," and the average citizen of that day probably dreamed neither of the automobile as a real means of transportation nor of the even remote possibility of electric light and power for the farm. Yet today finds one of these dreams realized and the other rapidly dawning.