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## Some Will Go In For Strawberries

Subject Discussed at Meeting Held Here Saturday—About 50 Acres to be Planted in This Immediate Section.

A meeting of farmers and business men of the county was held in the court house Saturday for the consideration of raising strawberries in this immediate vicinity.

The meeting was opened by Farm Demonstrator O. O. Dukes, who asked Mr. K. M. Biggs, president of the Chamber of Commerce, to state the object of the meeting. Mr. Biggs said that the main object was the boll weevil, and stated that on account of his appearance in this section something else besides cotton had to be raised. He further stated that the prospect for a good corn crop was the worst he had seen in years.

Mr. J. T. Lazar, Columbus county farm demonstrator, was introduced and began telling of the methods of raising strawberries as were used in the Chadbourn section. Before he had spoken 15 minutes the inquiring farmers began asking him questions relative to the growing, marketing, and care of the berry. He then answered questions until the meeting adjourned, during which time those present were asked how many acres they intended to plant. Out of the few present several stated they intended raising from 1 to 2 acres. It is generally thought that about 50 acres will be planted in this immediate section.

## Elzie Hill Yearns For Robeson County Chain Gang

Writes Supt. Townsend from Grifton, Ga., Jail—Says He Escaped Because He Was Not Treated Right—Escaped from Gang 3 Times.

Mr. J. I. Townsend, superintendent of roads of Robeson county, is in receipt of a letter from Elzie Hill, a young white man who has escaped from the county roads of this county three times, in which he states he is in jail at Grifton, Ga., charged with receiving stolen goods and that he is anxious to return to Robeson and finish a 12-months' sentence.

Hill states in his letter that he was not treated right when he was serving on the roads here and gives that as his reason for escaping. He is wanted in Cumberland and Hoke counties on charges of store-breaking and Mr. Townsend states that as soon as the Georgia authorities are through with him, Hill will be brought back here for further punishment.

Elzie Hill has a long police record against him. He is considered good at committing crimes but bitter at escaping after receiving his sentence.

The letter to Mr. Townsend was mailed June 7th and asks that he be sent for immediately, also stating that he has not told the authorities there of his record here.

## MRS. LUTHER TYNER RECOVERING FROM GUN-SHOT WOUND.

Accidentally Shot When Gun Fell From Buggy—Skin-Grafting Necessary.

The condition of Mrs. Luther Tyner, Buie R. 1, who is undergoing treatment at Baker's sanatorium for a gun-shot wound she received about 3 weeks ago, is reported as very much improved.

Mrs. Tyner, husband and child were riding in a buggy when a shot-gun fell out of the buggy and was accidentally discharged, the load taking effect in her thigh, making a serious wound. On last Tuesday skin was grafted to the wound, her husband, his brother, Mr. Lucy Tyner, and Mr. Murphy Lewis, a brother of the wounded woman, supplying the necessary skin.

A hearing will be given Duckery Brooks, Indian, this afternoon on the charge of being connected with the shooting of Hubbard Lowrey, chief of police of Pembroke, May 28th. The purpose of the hearing is to try to get a bond set for Brooks, who told Will Fred Locklear to get a gun and shoot Lowrey.

State Senator L. R. Varner and former Senator H. E. Stacy left this afternoon at 1:30 in the latter's auto for Chapel Hill to attend commencement and meeting of the board of trustees of the State university.

Messrs. Elwood Whaley and Herman Crump returned in the wee sma' hours this morning from Chester, S. C., where they spent the week-end. Mr. Whaley says Mr. Crump went just for the trip.

Mr. Alfred Bell, of The Robesonian's composing room, force, who went to the home of his parents in Apex several weeks ago on account of the illness of other members of the family and has himself just recovered from an attack of pneumonia, returned to Lumberton last night.

Mrs. S. M. Duncan and baby, Louise, and son, Mr. Howard Duncan, of R. 1, Lumberton, were among the visitors in town Saturday.

Miss Mary Hayward of Fayetteville spent the week-end here visiting Miss Monie Collins.

## Man and Wife and Child Narrowly Escape Drowning

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Ivey and Small Son Irvin Had Fearful Experience in Lumber River Friday—With Child on His Back Mr. Ivey Stepped Into Hole Over His Head—Mrs. Ivey Taken From Water Unconscious.

### THEY WERE WADING WHEN MR. IVEY STEPPED INTO HOLE

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Ivey and small son, Irvin, who live on Mr. B. M. Lawson's place near Orrum, narrowly escaped drowning Friday afternoon about 1 o'clock in Lumber river, one and a half miles from their home.

According to Mr. Ivey, who was a Lumberton visitor Saturday, he and his wife and child went to the river and were carried up a short distance by Mr. Will M'White in a boat, where they got out and started down stream wading. Mr. M'White going on up stream fishing. Mr. Ivey had placed his son on his back and everything went along fine until he stepped off into a washout which was a good bit over his head. Mrs. Ivey, seeing the child go down with its father, jumped for it and went down herself. When Mr. Ivey came to the top the boy had such a strong hold on his father's neck that it took some time to get it loosened enough for him to get his breath. Mrs. Ivey in the meantime had gone down several times and was practically exhausted. Mr. M'White, who was a short distance away in the boat, and Mr. Asbury Britt, who was near by on the shore, hearing the cries and seeing the struggling, went to the rescue and assisted in rescuing Mrs. Ivey.

As soon as they reached land it was found that Mrs. Ivey was unconscious and she was carried to the home of Mr. Isham Stone, where medical attention was given her. Dr. T. C. Johnson, who was summoned by phone, went to the home and found her condition serious.

Saturday morning at 7 o'clock Mrs. Ivey regained consciousness and ate a good breakfast. Mr. Ivey, thinking her condition very much better, came to Lumberton Saturday morning to tell Dr. Johnson that there was no need of his returning. Just before reaching town he was notified by telephone that his wife had become suddenly worse and to send the physician.

Mrs. Ivey was brought to the Thompson hospital Saturday afternoon where her condition is reported as being very favorable, although she suffered a great deal during the night and part of yesterday.

## Young Man Dies While Boating At Waccamaw

Mr. Ralph Pridgen of Tabor Suffered Heart Attack While on the Lake Yesterday and Died Before Reaching Shore—Young Lady Only Other Occupant of Boat—He Was Member of a House Party.

Mr. Ralph Pridgen of Tabor, Columbus county, died suddenly at Lake Waccamaw yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock while in a motor boat on the lake with a young lady, a Miss Dickson, a member of the orchestra at the pavilion. Mr. Pridgen had been in robust health, just a few minutes before his death told Miss Dickson that he was not feeling well and they would have to land. Almost immediately thereafter he told her he was choking and to take the wheel, which she did, catching him as he fell, and though she had never steered a boat she managed to reach the shore safely. All efforts to revive the young man proved futile. The remains were taken to Chadbourn late yesterday afternoon.

Deceased and his sister, Miss Rosa Belle Pridgen, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Knox Proctor of Whiteville at a house party in a cottage at the lake. He is the youngest son of Mrs. Jeanette Pridgen. His father the late C. C. Pridgen, was a prominent citizen of Columbus county, formerly a member of the board of county commissioners. He died suddenly about 5 years ago in very much the same way the son passed away yesterday, death being due to a heart attack.

Mr. Jno. B. McLeod returned Thursday night from New York, where he took a special law course at Columbia university for the past several months. Mr. McLeod has accepted a position with the firm of Johnson & Johnson, attorneys.

Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Tebeau arrived yesterday from Alexandria, Va., where Dr. Tebeau has been for the past 3 years at the Episcopal Theological seminary. He was ordained on June 4th and preached his first sermon yesterday in Fayetteville at the Episcopal church. Rev. and Mrs. Tebeau are guests at the home of Mrs. Tebeau's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Whaley, on North Elm street. They expect to leave Friday for Hendersonville, where they will spend a few weeks, after which they will go to Bend, Oregon, where Mr. Tebeau has accepted work.

## Title to Site Must First be Secured

Decision on Contemplated Improvement by Goat Club Deferred Until Permanent Site is Secured—Present Site Only Leased—Committee Will Report at Meeting Thursday Night—Club to be Incorporated—Several Apply for Membership.

When a goodly number of members of the Goat club met at the riverside club house Thursday evening to hear the report of the committee appointed to thrash out suggestions for improvements, it was found that an important matter upon which any extensive improvements are contingent had been overlooked. This matter, which takes precedence of any other in securing a permanent site, and the committee was continued to make further investigations and report at a meeting to be held Thursday evening of this week.

The land on which the present club house is located has been leased without rent for ten years by Mr. Gerald Pittman to the club a year ago, when the club was started by a few men merely as a place of resort for themselves and their friends, without thought of converting it into a country club. Mr. Pittman's generous offer was for a lease of ten years without monetary consideration, the lease to be renewed at the end of that time for a stated rent. This agreement Mr. Pittman is perfectly willing to stand by, but members of the club decided that before the contemplated improvements are made it will be necessary to secure a deed for the property to be used.

When this phase of the situation was brought to the attention of the club by President J. D. McLean it was unanimously decided that action on contemplated improvements must be deferred until this matter is settled. Mr. Pittman offered to sell two acres to the club, where the club house is located, for \$1,200, or about three acres, extending from the river to Riverside drive, for \$2,000. That it was the general opinion, would give an admirable site for the club house, but of course would not provide for a golf course.

Mr. A. E. White renewed his offer to donate his half interest in ten acres between the river and the paved highway about opposite the oil mill. It was suggested that a suitable location for a club house might be found on this land.

Both these available tracts, and perhaps others, will be investigated by the committee and report will be made to the club Thursday evening.

At the meeting Thursday night it was unanimously decided to incorporate the club. The question was raised as to whether it would be desirable to change the name, but sentiment proved strongly in favor of retaining the name of Goat club. President McLean called attention to the fact that one of the most famous clubs of the West goes by that euphonious name, which others suggested has a flavor and a tang, and attention also was called to the fact that the Goat club already is known far and wide.

Several applications for membership were received and a motion was passed that the rules be suspended and they be admitted, at once, but later it was learned that the constitution provides that all applications for membership must be filed for 30 days, and the motion was ruled to be out of order.

The large number of members who attended this meeting, when it was thought that plans would be submitted for beautifying the grounds and making other improvements that would make the club house and grounds a more attractive place, indicated that there is keen interest in this matter and that when a deed to a site is secured suggested improvements will be carried out. The entire project has assumed much larger proportions than was at first contemplated.

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Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Rowland, June 9.—Miss Grace Meeks, who has been visiting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Evans, left Monday for New York.

Mr. F. N. McKellar was among the Shriners attending in Washington this week the annual convention of the imperial council.

Miss Bertha Baker left Tuesday for Scranton, Pa., where she will spend a few days.

Miss Nina Carmichael of Marion has for several days been a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Williams.

Misses Elizabeth McKellar and Aletha Bracey left Monday for Blue Ridge, where they are attending the young peoples' conferences.

The following young ladies have returned home after attending Teacher's college at Greenville: Misses Willie, Ora and Flora McCormac, Dora Belle McLeod, Katie Bullock and Mabel Watson. Miss Lucia Mae McCallum, who was also at Teacher's college, went to Blue Ridge to attend the young peoples' conference.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Sinclair returned Wednesday from Rock Hill, where they visited.

Local society has been very much interested in the marriage of Miss Virginia Pullen to Mr. W. E. Lynch, which was solemnized in the First Baptist church at Clie on last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Lynch is well and popularly known here, having been a member of the local school faculty. Mr. Lynch is a rising young attorney of our town. On their return from their wedding trip they will make their home here, where they possess a large circle of friends.

Among those from here attending the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Buck, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John Milton Lytch, Miss Kate McKenzie, Messrs. D. P. McKinnon, L. Veasey, Wade Barker and Addison Lytch, Miss Lollita Lytch and Mr. and Mrs. Victor McA. Bond.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ivey and son, William, of Americus, Ga., are visiting Mrs. Ivey's mother, Mrs. M. J. Leggett, and her sister, Mrs. R. S. Bond.

Rev. and Mrs. Jno. McSilver and three children of Timmonsville are guests in the home of Miss Kate McKenzie.

Mrs. Charlie Cox was hostess this week to the Thursday afternoon Rook club.

The woman's club held its regular monthly meeting Monday afternoon at the library. This club will hold its next meeting in September. The officers for the new year have taken charge and all committees have been appointed.

Miss Nellie Robertson has returned from Goldsboro, where she visited her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Robertson.

Messrs. Earl McKellar and McKinnon Hines have come home from Davidson college, where they were students during the past year.

Miss Jenette Ball of Raleigh is a guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. James McCallum.

The Home Demonstration club held its regular monthly meeting Friday afternoon with Mrs. B. A. Edens.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCoy and three children are visiting relatives in Summerton, S. C.

A large number of people were guests Friday afternoon of the Yakin River Power Co. At their salesroom here, Miss Emma A. Purdy, domestic science instructor of Mansfield, Ohio, gave a cooking lecture and demonstration of electric cookery. Mrs. C. H. McIntyre held the lucky card which won an electric percolator. Sandwiches, pickles and iced tea were served. Since this company has come into our town we are getting better service and many electric fixtures are being installed in the homes and places of business.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Spough have moved to Lumberton from Goldsboro and they and their infant daughter are boarding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Furman Barnes, North Pine street. Mr. Spough is traveling for Bailey Brothers of Winston-Salem.

—The Redpath Chautauqua will return to Lumberton next year according to Mr. Jas. D. Proctor, who had the matter of securing guarantors in charge, following the engagement of the chautauqua a few weeks ago. More than 50 names have been secured as guarantors and the contract has been closed for the return of the chautauqua.

—Mrs. Kate Thompson is having material placed on her property on Seventh and Elm streets for the erection of a brick dwelling.

—Miss Julius Betha returned Friday from Wilson Mills, where she spent a few days with friends following her graduation at Salem college, Winston-Salem. Mrs. Sue A. McLeod, grandmother of Miss Betha, attended the graduation exercises at Salem college last week.

—Mesdames James K. Norfleet and Robert Crawford of Winston-Salem were guests Tuesday of Mrs. Sandy McLeod. Mrs. Norfleet, who is state president of the American Legion auxiliary, addressed a meeting of the auxiliary here Tuesday evening.

## Cotton Market

Reported by J. H. Barrington

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 26 1-2 cents the pound.

## Items of Local News

—Special communication of St. Albans lodge No. 114, A. F. & A. M., Tuesday night, 8 o'clock, for work in the third degree.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Mrs. Lodeila Hyatt and Mr. John Skipper. Miss Maude McLellan and Mr. Douglas Barnes.

—Mr. A. W. McLean returned Saturday morning from Washington, D. C., where he spent a few days and saw the wonderful parade of Shriners Thursday night.

—There will be a regular meeting of the local post of the American legion in the legion hall Thursday night, at which time the matter of memorial fund will be brought to the attention of the members.

—The annual field day exercises will be held at Samarand Manor, Samarand, N. C., Thursday, June 14th, and everybody is cordially invited to attend these exercises, according to Miss Elizabeth Frye, county welfare officer.

—Mrs. J. A. Sharpe returned Saturday morning from Washington, D. C., where she had been a guest at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Boucher, since the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Anna P. Courtney, in Baltimore last Tuesday.

—Dr. G. Blair Jennings, a well-known chiropractor of Greensboro, has taken charge of the office in the cotton mill office building occupied until today by Dr. E. Clay Hodgkin, who leaves tomorrow for Greensboro, where he has opened an office.

—Mr. J. O. Williamson, who lives on R. 2 from Chadbourn, was a Lumberton visitor Friday. Mr. Williamson says that he made only a little over \$500 on two acres of strawberries because his tenant neglected them, and that many of his neighbors made around \$1,000 an acre.

—Owing to an error due to hasty preparation of copy, the name of Mrs. T. L. Johnson was omitted in mention of those composing the choir which sang at the funeral services of Mrs. Anna P. Courtney held at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sharpe, a week ago yesterday afternoon.

—Mr. C. W. Smith of R. 4, Lumberton, was among the visitors in town Saturday. Mr. Smith will be 80 years old on the 22nd of next month, and he and Mrs. Smith have been living together nearly 58 years. He has promised The Robesonian a little write-up about his wife and himself when he reaches his four-score years.

—The bottom can be seen very clearly at White Lake, where the water is many feet deep, and this fact caused Mr. Dougal Calhoun, local mechanic, to suffer slightly from injuries received yesterday when he dived into water he thought was several feet deep, but was only a few feet. Mr. Calhoun is in worse for the experience today, with the exception of a sore neck.

—The Thompson hotel changed management today, Mr. J. T. High of Whiteville taking charge, succeeding Miss Anna Thompson, who has conducted the hotel for the past several years. Miss Thompson moved today to the Carlyle residence on Third street, formerly occupied by Mr. George Lennon, and will conduct a boarding house, and take roomers.

—Dr. W. W. Parker left yesterday afternoon for Raleigh, where he will take oath of office as a member of the board of examiners of optometry of North Carolina, having received his commission to this office Saturday. From Raleigh he will go to Hendersonville, where he will attend a joint meeting of the board of examiners and the State Society of Optometrists.

—Messrs. Robert McIntyre, Robert Caldwell, E. J. Britt, D. R. Shaw and Welt Whisart, all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, have returned from Washington, D. C., where last week they attended the great Shriners convention, which is conceded to have surpassed anything of the kind ever held before. They say they never before witnessed such a gorgeous pageant and can hardly hope ever to see such sights again. The parade Thursday night was especially brilliant.

—Capt. A. B. Small of Lumberton does not want anybody to get the idea that he is the A. B. Small mentioned in Thursday's Robesonian as defendant in a suit brought by heirs of the late Chas. Bullock of Fairmont. The Mr. Small referred to in that news item is Mr. Ab Small of Fairmont, E. 1, and his initials are said to be J. A. Capt. A. B. Small says he has never been "lawed."

—Mr. Wade Whisart of Lumberton recalls a strange co-incidence in connection with the mysterious shot, or whatever it was, that broke the windshield of Mr. Geo. L. Thompson's car on the road to Rowland one day last week, mentioned in Thursday's Robesonian. He says that some 20 years ago Mr. F. M. Townsend of McDonald was accidentally shot by a hunter in the same neighborhood, a birdshot taking effect beneath one of his eyes and leaving a scar, and that it never was discovered who fired the shot.

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