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SAYS GOD DIDN'T SEND WEEVILS

Why Differentiate in Asking Removal of Pest, Is Question Asked

(W. L. Willett, in News Courier) Last Sunday was weevil fasting and prayer day in South Carolina...

While everyone must have profound sympathy for suffering and losses yet wrong interpretations and the use of wrong means can't help in these matters.

But we find several troubles here. The weevil is one of hundreds of thousands of plant parasites.

The truth is we know nothing of creation. We know nothing of what the mandate may be of this or yonder thing.

Handicaps Earth is full of handicaps. Earth seemingly was not made to set men on easy street.

The effect of this Carolina proclamation which places weevil responsibility on God will be to palsy human hands that were trying for the weevils eradication.

In the human world we have superpersonality. In the non-human world superpersonality becomes superstition.

When the citrus cancer promised to sweep the citrus industry from Florida the scientists came together and developed a complete method of control.

Probably the most important meeting ever held by the Fisheries Commission Board will be its next meeting at Morehead City, July 10th.

MRS. EDITH VANDERBILT TO BE HERE TOMORROW

The attraction tomorrow at the meeting of the farm demonstration agents who are assembled here will be a speech at eleven o'clock by Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt, president of the North Carolina State Fair.

Some forty or fifty county agents covering the Piedmont and Central districts of the State assembled this morning, Messrs. McRary and Millers, superintendents of the two districts were on hand, as well as Mr. C. R. Hudson, head of the state work.

The program today has been "County Agents' Day." The first subject was "The relation of the county agent to business transaction and how far shall he go?"

Mr. J. L. Dove of Granville discussed how best to keep up the cooperative marketing spirit and to get new members.

W. G. Yeager talked on "How shall we draw the line when calls for personal service go beyond ability of county agents to comply?"

When shall a farmer name his farm and post name, was discussed by R. G. Goodman of Cabarrus.

At six thirty this afternoon the agents will be given a barbecue at Helms pond by the members of the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs.

CLIPPING RED CLOVER Raleigh, N. C., July 6.—When red clover is sown on small grain in the spring, it usually makes but little growth before the grain is harvested.

Mr. Blair suggests that to prevent this, run the mower over the field as often as necessary but do not wait until the last of August.

On rich land or land that has been well limed the clover often grows so vigorously as to keep the weeds in subjection, and makes a good crop of hay the first year.

Mrs. Sarah Martha Tyndell, aged 69, died at Rocky Mount as the result of complications which followed a fall at the home of her daughter.

So many people are getting shot in St. Louis the Chicago visitors feel right at home.

AS BYRUM KNEW ELI RICHARDSON

First of Twenty-Six Union County Methodist Preachers to Lay Down Armor

By Rev. H. C. Byrum I am thinking back over the intervening years to those innocent, go-lucky days of my early boyhood.

We were attending a writing school taught by Mr. Thomas Secrest in the then new town of Waxhaw.

We were not thrown together often after the class of the writing school, occasionally meeting at protracted meetings.

We were coming through the struggles of those panic years. Money was some object. There was a longing in our young hearts to do something in life.

I went away to school, first to the state school, called at that day A. & M. This was about '95.

I went to Weaver College. In 1900 I think he staid at home. When I came home in 1901 I found him around his father's mill pond.

I was with him quite a good deal that summer and fall. He was as congenial and pleasant as a gentle woman. He had an unselfish spirit.

He is the first of our twenty-six preachers from Union county to lay down the armor and cross the great divide.

He had selected Salisbury as his burial place, and there on June 14 in the presence of many friends and a profusion of flowers his body was laid to rest.

Yes She Is Coming Mrs. C. L. Stiedley will be at Pleasant Grove Camp Meeting, Mrs. Stiedley was in Monroe with Dr. Weaver back in the spring.

When Union county has Dr. S. B. Belk of Atlanta and Mrs. Stiedley of East St. Louis in its bands for 8 or 10 days it is time for the people to be happy.

Once more! Listen! You had better build, or have built, a tent right now. Don't wait until time to move out then get in your car and drive out there, look at that cool spreading grove and say to your wife "If we can rent a tent we will take in the meeting."

PLYLER MILL NEWS Mineral Springs, Rt. 1, July 7.—Messrs. Earnest and Lec Snipes of Oak Hill, S. C., spent last Thursday with their mother, Mrs. M. J. Snipes of this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Belk spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Threat of Monroe.

One day last week while Mr. B. M. Montgomery went to his spring after water he discovered something in some vines near the spring which he thought was a goose.

Some men are continual "going to the dogs. No wonder they howl.

CROWELL VISITS TRAIL ON WING

Citizens Hoped For Rides But Got None and Want Him To Come Back

By Martha E. Crowell. Indian Trail, July 9.—The ice cream supper which was given Saturday evening under the auspices of the Parent Teacher Association, was quite a success.

The Epworth Leaguers were unable to fill their appointment at Siler last Sunday evening. It will be remembered, though, that there are sometimes reasonable excuses.

Mrs. D. T. Morriss visited her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Moore of Charlotte, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Reid Abernathy spent the week-end with the latter's sisters, the Misses Crowell.

Miss Willie Ruth Kendall spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Kendall.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hemby and children of McBee, South Carolina, are visiting relatives in and around Indian Trail.

The Epworth League had its regular meeting Sunday evening, the principal feature being the presentation of the pageant, The Spirit of the Epworth League.

Mrs. J. K. Sutherland is ill at this writing. She is at present in the Ellen Fitzgerald hospital.

Mr. Frank Tomberlin of Salisbury visited home folks in Indian Trail this week.

Miss Willie Rogers from Wesley Chapel is visiting in the home of Mrs. J. P. Boyd.

Mrs. Nannie Boyd has returned from Matthews where she spent several days with relatives.

Indian Trail citizens were delighted last Saturday afternoon to have Pilot John Crowell visit the village in his aeroplane.

Others on the sick list this week are Mrs. W. P. Hartis and Mrs. Milton Gurley.

DAUGHTER IN BUSINESS New York, July 6.—Miss Margaret Woodrow Wilson, daughter of former President Wilson, today entered upon a business career.

During the world war Miss Wilson sang for the Red Cross in the middle west and south. Afterward she sang in training camps in the south and for the A. E. F. and allied armies in France and Belgium.

BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESENTS 23-24 BUDGET

The Board of Education of the county yesterday presented the school budget for the coming year to the County Commissioners, setting forth the amount of money that it will be necessary to raise by tax on property to run the entire school system of the county for the coming school year.

The total salary fund for all the schools in the county for six months will be \$173,595.64. But of this sum the State will contribute from the equalizing fund directly out of the State treasury, \$42,903.02.

The total operating and equipment fund for the whole county will be \$27,886. But from other sources than on property, including in such sources the poll tax, there will be \$12,521.50, leaving to be raised by taxation on property, \$15,364.50.

Total amount required for the replacement of loans is \$9,424.21, but subtracting amount to be raised for this purpose from district tax, leaves \$2,487.04 to be included in total tax this year.

This is the budget required by law to be made up by the county board of education and presented to the county commissioners for action in levying the taxes for the year.

THE FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH FOR SOILS

Raleigh, N. C., July 6.—Ponce de Leon wasted a part of his life in riotous living and a part in seeking the "Fountain of Youth." His dreams never came true.

"Blessed with plenty of sunshine and even distribution of rainfall, a long growing season, a great variety of crops and soils; it is possible for our farmers to constantly sow crops and then turn them back into the soil for larger crop yields in the future.

"On account of their nature to make use of the nitrogen in the air it is best to sow legume crops. By their use more nitrogen will be added to our soils and of course, our fertilizer bill will be lowered," he continues.

"Mr. Pate states that it is now too late in the season to have much success with legumes but that cowpeas, velvet beans and soybeans may still be planted for soil improvement."

"Bootleg" BOLL WEEVIL POISON IS BEING SOLD "Bootleg" calcium arsenate is blamed by J. Clifton Rivers, state warehouse commissioner of South Carolina for complaints being received at his office that material bought as boll weevil poison had failed to kill the cotton pests.

Mr. Rivers pointed out that it is a violation of the law for any person or concern to sell arsenate within the state that does not come up to legal specifications.

The law also requires, he said, that the calcium arsenate sold in this state bear on containers a statement as to the ingredients of the poison.

The cornerstone of Gastonia's new \$100,000 Masonic Temple was laid Saturday afternoon with several prominent Masons from all over the State taking part in the impressive ceremonies.

Mr. P. E. Ransom of Jackson is visiting in the city.

HADDENINGS OF WILSON COUNTY

Charlotte Automobile Dealer Engages in Fistcuff With a Greek

(From the Wadesboro M. & I.) A minor court proceeding of considerable interest took place last Thursday afternoon when Mr. D. W. Sedberry, deputy sheriff and night policeman, had a hearing before Justice of the Peace C. L. Gamble, who found him guilty of contempt of court and fined him \$200.

It appears that early in June Mr. Charles E. Lambeth, the automobile dealer of Charlotte, and a party of friends, were going through Wadesboro on a fishing trip to the river. They stopped at the American Cafe and while in there some one started to take a drink. Kylos Polus, one of the Greeks who stays in the cafe, prevented the drinking and he and Lambeth had some words.

Gamble says that the Charlotte man was about to get away when he told Sedberry to detain him while he (Gamble) was writing a warrant; that he wrote the warrant and gave it to Sedberry and directed the officer to get a \$10 cash bond. He supposed the officer followed his instructions.

There seems to be some doubt as to whether a magistrate has the right to fine any one more than \$50. At present it looks like the case will go to the superior court. The whole thing, apparently, started over a disagreement as to authority.

Mr. W. H. Boyce, railroad agent at Ansonville, suffered severely last Friday night, when a burglar or burglars broke into the depot safe and stole \$2,500 in government certificates of indebtedness from him.

All the safes were broken into the same way. The thieves first broke into a tool house near the depot and got a sledge hammer and a crowbar. With the sledgehammer they hammered on the center of the safe door until it was sprung some then they inserted the crowbar and pried the door open.

It is not known what time the robbery took place, nor how many were involved. Nothing was known of them until Saturday morning, when Mr. J. M. Mauney section master, went to the tool house to get his tools and found the tool house broken open and some of Mr. Boyce's papers scattered around.

The loss is a very heavy one to Mr. Boyce, as the certificates were made payable to bearer, and it is very hard to recover property of this nature. However, the Bank of Wadesboro had the numbers of the certificates on file. They become payable next March, and Mr. Boyce may be able to recover them at this time.

The North Carolina National Guard, with a strength of more than twenty-five hundred officers and men, is getting ready for the regular summer instruction camps.