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## Choose J. L. Myatt Master Farmer

Twenty-Two Johnston County Farmers Nominated; J. W. Stephenson and J. Rufus Creech Tie For Second Place

For the past three years State College has been awarding at amencement a certificate of meritorious service to one or more farmers. These men are usually nominated through the county farm agent. Since Johnston has no farm agent, The Herald asked that its readers vote for outstanding farmers sending their ballots to this publication to forwarded to State College. The sponse was not as general as it was hoped it would be but those who sent in lists evidently had givthe matter due consideration. Twenty-two farmers living in

field route one, receiving the larnumber of votes and there- missed a day from school nor been \$25 fine and cost. fore being selected as the master farmer of Johnston county. J. W. Rufus Creech of Smithfield, route her entire school life, according to with the cost. He was given two the mules. tied for second place, with W. certificates presented from super- weeks in which to pay. A. Price of Wilson's Mills, coming

Others who were nominated were years old on the 15th of January, ter, of Four Oaks route 4; Nathaniel Kirby, of Kenly; S. A. Lasiter, of Four Oaks route 4; Chas. Kirby, of Selma route 1; T. E. Johnson, Four Oaks route 4; T. E. Woodall, Princeton route 3; D. Glover, Wilson's Mills route 1: Hilliard Price, Selma; Will H. Lassiter, Smithfield; W. S. Earp, Selma route 1; W. E. Atkinson, Kenly; J. Lib Lee, Benson route 2, Marshall Lassiter, Smithfield route 1; W. V. Blackman, Benson route 2; Henry Underwood, Wilson's Mills route 1; W. H. Flow

### HUGH RAGSDALE MAKES RECORD AT STAUNTON

WAYNESBORO, Va., April 18 .nis matches ever seen in the val- street they ran into a wagon with Judgment was suspended upon the ley of Virginia Fishburne de- two mules hitched to it. Mr. payment of the cost. throned the strong S. M. A. team George Edgerton, owner, was yesterday. Fishburne scored a de- driving. One of the mule's head on a capias for judgment, or to cisive victory over the visitors by was badly crushed. The other one show cause why judgment should wining three singles matches and escaped without an injury. The no be passed on him in a former

A. in two straight sets. Ragsdale were a great many cars passing cost of subpoenas. defeated Steinford of S. M. A. in and a man driving a Hudson made Arthur Hodges was found guil

and Walsh decisively and the darkies had passed through year defeated Stegar and Steinford of Goldsboro before the telephones S M. A. in straight sets. It was could be hitched up for business. brilliant. This elongated netman to Bentonville has been graded and was the shining light throughout opened through Princeton the trafthe contest. Many times did he do fic on Saturday and Sunday is imwhat seemed to be the impossible mense. Hundreds of automobiles by smashing the ball back at his come from each of these sections by smashing the ball back at his come from each of these sections operated a car on the panel lings of the product and the net. He was at to enter upon highway number 10, way and operating car without the helpful suggestions in regard to en by coaches and managers of lesser extent Illinois, Kentucky, Mr. William Britt who upheld the produce cotton and lots of it. The production of fresh foldill the saveral terms on the campus and Louisiana. ably assisted in this match by the immediately behind the other on ment of a \$10 fine and cost and how they may be preserved in were present to enjoy the supper, 000,000 acres, or 6,250,000 square with Ragsdale the onslaught upon . M. A. He was at all times Wake Forest College has accepted

S. M. A. has its strongest team expects to be here each third Sun- Dunn, who was charged with vioin years and this team has been day for morning and night servpredicted to be the southern ices. Mrs. Andrews came down champs until defeated by the with him Sunday. The church with prostitution and assignation strong Fishburne quartet.-Staunton News, April 14.

## Tantalizer

There are exactly enough let-ters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smith-field, and if the right one de-ciphore him. ciphers his name and will pro-sent it to The Herald office sent it to the Heraid office, we will present him with a complimentary ticket to the Victory Theatre. Tickets must be called for before the fol-

Lawrence Stancil recognized his name last issue. Today's -fantailzer:

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Bedroom Tragedy. "Dick almost drowned last

them together again.

"No! How come?" "The pillow slipped, the bed pread and he fell into the spring."

Rev. Wallace O. Andrews from

er. They realize the fact that a

gain without a special invitation.

## Perfect Attendance Liquor Cases In

ollowing criminal cases being bers of the class of 1927.

Louis Atkins, who was charged with operating a car while under the influence of whiskey and violating the prohibition law, was found not guilty as to possession of whiskey, but was convicted of operating a car in an intoxicated ondition. A 60-day road sentence vas suspended upon the payment of a \$50 fine and the cost. Notice appeal was given.

H. W. Williams, who had been operating a car without proper Miss Louise Biggs, daughter of lights, was assigned to work the Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Biggs of this county roads for a period of 30 minated, John L. Myatt of Smith- city, has an unusual record as to days and pay the cost. Capias not tardy a single time in eight years,

For the possession of intoxicat-

ntendents of the local school which Lonnie Sanders was found guil-Louise was fifteen ty of possession of intoxicating liquors. He was sentenced to the Albert Whitley, of Selma; Andrew and is in the ninth grade. She roads for 30 days and required to the wagon and tearing the body Brewer, of Princeton; Zeb Lassi- nakes a grade each year with pay the cost. The road sentence of the car from the wheels. was suspended upon the payment of a \$10 fine and cost.

Negroes Run Into For being drunk on a public ighway, John Barbour, Jasper Futch and John Futch received a Team Of Mules fine of \$10 each and were required to pay one-third of the cost

John McLamb, John Henry Mc-Driving Dodge Coupe, amb, Maggie McLamb and Edith ped at the scene of the McLamb were in court for resist-Men ing an officer. J. H. McLamb was Crash Into Wagon and sentenced to the roads for 60 days from their cuts. When they reachand taxed with one-fourth of the ed the hospital, however, they reost. The other defendants received a 30 day jail sentence, to be PRINCETON, April 20 .- Sat- discharged upon the payment of rday night about nine o'clock a one-fourth the cost each.

Dodge coupe, traveled toward Oscar Hargis was in court or Goldsboro on the highway at the two counts-violating the prohibi rate of 60 miles per hour with tion law and reckless driving. He three negroes in the car. At Pine was convicted of reckless driving

Robert Johnson was brought in negroes did not stop but increas- case. The defendant was ordered Amos defeated Stegar of S. M. ed their speed. At this time there to pay the cost of the capias and

straight sets. Burrows lost to an effort to catch the Dodge, and ty of possession of whiskey. A 60 Wallace of S. M. A. by a close he did overtake the Dodge six day road sentence was suspended margin in three sets. Walsh de- miles down the highway but just upon the payment of \$50 fine and feated Clark of S. M. A. in three as he was going to pass the Dodge the cost and on condition that the sets. Amos and Burrows lost to the Hudson slung off a tire and defendant does not violate the pro

sci fa and capias.

lowing his twelve-year-old son to few ladies were present. However, day evening at 6:15 o'clock in operate a car on the public high- Miss Garrison gave numerous and South dining hall at a supper givsuspended sentence upon the pay- eggs, the food value of eggs and "Ali members of the class teams diminutive Walsh. Amos shares Saturday evening and night and on condition that he secure prop- water glass and thus have fresh listen to and take part in the

> The state took a nol pros with the call to the Baptist church and leave in the case against Needham lating the prohibition laws.

Charlie F. Lawhon was charged secure this excellent young preach- tution and assignation. A motion was made and allowed to dismiss ting in prostitution and assignarited to come out and hear him one time and then they feel reas- tion. He received a 60 day road nably sure that you will come

Junior R. A.'s To Meet. The Junior Royal Ambasadors will meet at the church Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. William Norman Holt, Jr., will have charge of the program. All the members are urged to be present.

Recorder's Court ston county will graduate from N. C. C. W. at Greensboro at the ield from June 4 to 6. They are: Most of the Criminal Cas- Miss Ruth Parker Brooks of es Tried This Week Smithfield, who will receive the Had to Do With Intox- degree of bacheror of science music; Miss Edna Coates, also of degree of bachelor of science in this city, Miss Thelma Creech of Benson, Miss Sarah Richardson of Clayton, and Miss Lucy Wellons of Recorder's court met in regular Four Oaks, RFD., all of whom session here Tuesday and was con-inued through Wednesday, the lor of arts. There are 265 mem lor of arts. There are 265 mem

## Hurt In Wreck

Two Men Driving Dodge Coupe Run Into Wagon In Which He Was Riding

Speeding along highway numer 10 Wednesday night, a Dodge coupe driven by Messrs. L. F. Johnson and P. F. King of Wake ounty, crashed into a wagon near the Grantham place about two and even months and eleven days, In ing liquors, John (Jack) Moye re- a half miles west of here and in-Stephenson of Smithfield, and J. fact she has a perfect record for ceived a \$10 fine and was taxed jured the driver of the wagon and

According to information received here, the car ran into the wagon driven by Mr. Arthur Batten about nine o'clock, wrecking The car was a complete wreck. drivers of the car were badly cut about the face and head. Officers soon arrived on

scene. Deputy Sheriff J. O. Ellington put Mr. Batten into his car to bring him to the Johnston County Hospital for treatment, while a traveling man who stopbrought the other injured men who were said to be bleeding profusely fused to stop, and made their es cape before they could be checkd in their flight.

Mr. Batten is still in the local ospital. An examination revealed uises and lacerations about his dy, and it is feared that his left is fractured. He was very ainfully hurt and is still unable

move himself in bed. Mr. Batten lives on the farm o Mr. D. B. Hamilton, He had been near Clayton to get a cow which he had bought, and was returning ne when the accident occurred.

The wrecked car was examine the officers for whiskey, but ne was found. The reckless driv ers have not yet been apprehend

### MISS GARRISON HAS CLUB MEETING AT FOUR OAKS

W. Jasper Godwin, charged with violating the prohibition law, was agent, held an initial club meetthis match that Ragsdale was Since the highway from Kenly called and failed. Judgment ni si ing in the kitchen of the Metho- "Announcement of the names of ciated Press. dist church.

with other things.

Before the ladies adjourned they of places on the varsity. members are very much pleased to and aiding and abetting in prosti- of each month. The next meeting right forward, '29, Winston-Salem; lars. good preacher does not usually the case as to prostitution and as- kitchen of the Methodist church. taff, center, '28, Fayetteville; Miss preach to an empty house. Every signation, but the defendant was At this time a real club will be Rula Dowd, side center, '27, Canfound guilty of aiding and abet- organized and plans for future dor; Miss Hazel Kearns, right sentence and was taxed with the gestions in regard to some phase Selma cost. Capias not to issue upon the of club work which will be worth- "Juniors, it will be observed, Arkansas refugee camps; rail There is still a hope that the Pine payment of \$50 fine and cost. He while indeed. It is hoped every took three places on the team, and traffic and wire communication de tunity to improve their homes and tions." thus produce better citizens for the coming years. Again they are urged to attend this second meet-

> The eternal triangle usually nds up in a wreck-tangle.

## WILL GRADUATE Cotton Affair Is Arkansas Levee

throne King Cotton Meets Hearty Response As It Is Presented to Various Clubs

The plans for enthroning King otton in Johnston county, which ouncil of home demonstration work together with other clubs of ne county, promise now to reult in something that will mean t only an enjoyable social event tton goods.

The movement is stressing the earing of more cotton clothes, and he using of cotton house furnishgs. Fifteen or more prizes have ready been secured from manuvarious types of cotton dresses which will be exhibited, and more are expected to be added as soon as others are heard from, accordng to the county home agent, Miss Minnie Lee Garrison, who is ending every energy for the suc-

The affair will be staged May 6th, and will be held in the afternoon and evening. The eveing program will be for the ous clubs will put on stunts for his entertainment.

Three attractive prizes have been cured for the best three stunts, less than ten dollars each.

The general committee will meet morrow and plan subcommittees, a place to hold the exhibit will be decided at this time.

Local organizations are taking keen interest in the movement, will be exhibits showing the numrous things that are made from

vement sponsored by woman's ee clubs, but the men are also joining in and working to help make it a success, and if the plans underway are not hindered by bad weather or some other unforeseen bstacle, the recrowning of King Cotton will be a gala occasion.

SELMA, April 20.—Selma is justly proud of the achievements of her boys and girls who have and colleges. The following, clip-

the members who constitute Ransom Moore Sanders, for al- of sufficient advertising only a Carolina college was made yester-Due to illness in town and lack varsity basketball team of North BRIEF SUMMARY OF er license within ten days for his eggs the year round. She then songs by various students and prepared four different dishes hear the spokesman, Miss Joanna nade from boiled eggs combined Dyer, of the department of physical education, name the winners

> decided to meet regularly, the "In the following are the names ime being every second Thursday positions, classes and addresses of afternoon after the first Monday the members: Miss Grace Hankins, to be held then on the twelfth Miss Olive Brown, left forward, '28, of May at three o'clock in the Wilmington; Miss Christine Huwork will be made. Miss Garrison guard, '28, Farmville, and Miss Pine Bluff, Little Rock, and numplans to give some helpful sug- Mary E. Parker, left guard, '30,

woman and young lady in town a senior, a sophomore and a fresh- moralized; cities cut off from the may be re-united, even though it court and his bond was fixed at will take advantage of this oppor- man secured the other three posi-

> No Such Luck. Mistress: "I saw the milkman Cross; federal, state and city gov ing as well as all others and be- kiss you this morning. I'll take ernments cooperating in rescuing the milk in myself after this."

would kiss no one but me,"

of Worst Flood The experiment. Mississippi Area Has The test was made at Holt's

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 20 .in another state along the great showing the truck made. river doubled their efforts to save ut in the consumption of more lives and property in the fertile wlands.

Hurdling the levee of the White River at Clarendon, Ark., the racing waters early today surged To Ship Another changed its streets into foaming whirlpools, where boats, men, animals and swaying houses were tossed about in tragic disorder. Reports of heavy loss of life to Selma Kiwanians and tardy residents of the lower sections went unconfirmed until relief agencies could explore the stricken town.

Driven by a break in the Arcansas River a few miles Northwest of Little Rock, the swelling floods charged down in a diminishing wall upon the town of leasure of King Cotton and var- Levy and moved on to increase the wide inundation in North Little Rock, across the mad stream from the capital city.

The Little Rock municipal water plants was abandoned late today when its protecting dyke, held for two days by an heroic band of men, became a sieve through which mouncement of which will be hostile elements sifted. Three or made in the next issues of the four days' supply of the healthful county papers. The selection of water remained in the city's res-

Along the hundred mile stretch tween New Madrid, Mo., and Helwell as the home demonstra- ena, Ark., inhabitants of a score tion clubs of the county. An in- of towns and of the productive teresting feature of the occasion farm lands were making preparations for the increment of waters which moved Southward through This is not simply a and over the St. John's Bayou Lev-

Meanwhile, disease 'appeared among refugees in camps at Wynne and Parkin, Ark., where was told that there were 250 cases Wiggs to make it possible. VARSITY TEAM of measles, 250 of whooping cough and 50 to 75 sick with mumps in the camp. National Guard authorities ordered its medical department to dispatch relief groups at once to the stricken points, Isola

zone out into the various schools tion camps are to be established. "By authority of the Secretary ped from a Greensboro paper will of War," the chief engineer mes-

## FLOOD SITUATION

Estimated homeless. 50,000 per-

Persons affected: 100,000, directly or indirectly.

Lives lost: Impossible estimate ore than dozen known dead. Property loss: Not estimated, cut far into the millions of dol-

Worst sufferer: Arkansas, with ost of its lowlands inundated. Persons homeless in Arkansas: pward of 20,000.

Cities hardest hit; Clarendor ber smaller communities.

outside; schools closed and threatened breaks of other levees on major streams in the state. Relief measures: American Red

homeless, establishing camps and weather bureau estimated from Janet: "It won't do you any caring for refugees. National two to four weeks before flood good, mum. He promised me he guard troops, members American waters will pass that city.—Asso-Legion and Boy Scouts doing po- ciated Press.

NEW SEAGRAVES FIRE

The new Seagraves fire truck, which was recently purchased by Proving Popular Suddenly Breaks which was recently purchased by the town, was tested out Monday and it more than measured up to The Movement To En- Flood Disaster Menace factory engineer, made the test Grows; Brief Summary and Mr. H. T. Freeman, of Atlanta. Ga., inspector, witnessed the

> mill between here and Princeton According to Mr. Jolly, the pump operating for two hours with 120 ounds of pressure pumped 767 The menace of flood disaster in gallons of water per minute. In the Lower Mississippi Valley in- a half hour period with 200 pounds States in the interest of a No creased tonight as Arkansas felt of pressure it pumped 481 gallons anew the scourge of the swelling a minute. The engineer and inwaters and guardians of defense spector were well pleased with the A picture of this truck will ap-

pear in an early issue of the

## Car Of Poultry

Merchants Pleased with First Attempt; Contemplate Shipping Car of

SELMA, April 20.The success with which our first poultry car cial fertilizers. One man can ea was received has prompted us to ily cultivate 150 acres. No cho make arrangements with the State Bureau of Markets in Raleigh to horse cultivator from to to three ship a poultry and egg car once times is the method of cultiv car will be in Selma on Saturday, sled for gathering cotton was in April 30, to buy, as before, all troduced in that section and wit classes of poultry for cash at the the sled, a man using two mule car door. Due to the desire of the can gather eight to ten acres farmers we have arranged this day time, and will at each succeeding car, buy eggs for cash. In doing in that western territory, our fathis the farmers must realize that mers are going to find the tail of the St. Francis River basin, be- eggs of good weight, clean and of competing in the raising of co fresh will bring a price superior

ppear on the advertising to fur- ed attention to the growth of beish a cash market for any sur- ter staple cotton, in my opinion lus commodities which are held our only salvation. n the farm. To this end any farof this help will please notify J. Blocker of Lubbock, Texas, wh committee, as to the nature ton Trade Journal of New high waters of the St. Francis and amount of the commodity have driven hundreds of fugitive which he wishes to sell. It is defarmers and their families. Gov- sired to ship a car of hogs as soon ernor Martineau, at Little Rock, as enough farmers will notify Mr.

### FOUR OAKS STUDENTS

FOUR OAKS, April 18 .- The lo-Oaks debated with Black Creek average cotton man and tis-Reed Bill Should be Enacted." and the black land sections lost to Black Creek. Black Creek here, it will stand justified. sent two debaters here to repreaffirmative side. Four Oaks lost is no longer a matter of exp nere also but their speakers de- mentation. serve a great deal of credit for Counties have produced this you iefending their side of the query in such a splendid manner.

Services At Barbour's Chapel Services at Barbour's Chapel Advent Christian church will be conducted by Evangelist A. E. Bloom, of Chicago, Ill., and the pastor commencing on Monday night, April 25, and continuing through the first Sunday in May Services only at night.

Elder Bloom is a successful pas or as well as an evangelist of great ability. Come out and hear

J. O. BAKER, Secretary. Four Oaks, N. C.

lice and guard duty.

Outlook: Even higher stages forecast as cloudbursts and heavy ains, principally in Arkansas added more water to that already in sight. River stages at many places already highest on record

Probable duration: New Orlean

## TRUCK IS TESTED OUT H. P. Stevens On Cotton In Texas

Thinks Competing With Cotton Farmers of the Texas Plains Will Be Harder Each Year For N. C. Growers

York cotton firm, writes interes ingly to The Herald concerning the cotton situation in around Lubbock, Texas. He says is hard for one to appreciate situation unless he has had t privilege of seeing that vast en pire of Western Texas, but sug gests that the next best thing to locate the town on a big w

Mr. Stevens further writes: It has only been within the pa en years that it was even thoug sible to grow cotton, success of Lubbock. Now this is the co on center of that vast plains res on, which in the past year pro fuced almost 40 per cent as muc otton as the entire state of Nort

Carolina produced. Cotton is grown in that term tory without the use of comm ping but plowing it with a four month from Selma. This tion. During the past season

Under conditions such as we fin ton growing harder each year. Di versification, rotation of crops, on It is the desire of the Kiwanis riching the soil by planting leg ub and merchants whose names uminous crops and paying mark

Mr. Stevens encloses an Wiggs, chairman of the poul- was published recently in the "C leans," and which is herewith

In behalf of the South in go eral and Texas in particular I be ieve this is a good time to say word about cotton acreage ov the Plains country another seaso IN TRIANGULAR DEBATE We are being asked daily, "What is your estimate of intended ac age reduction in your territory al school here entered the tri- Our answer is, probably no red ingular debate which was held tion and possibly a consideral ver the state Friday night. Four increase in certain areas. To query: "Resolved, That the Cur- acreage over portions of the South They presented their debate in an Texas in particular where the co musually creditable manner but of production is much higher the

It should be remembered the there is a vast, untouched expans their banner year, an aggrega of 475,000 bales. It is true th scarcely a drop in the bucks when compared to the total cre of the South, but there are live ally millions of acres of raw here capable of producing cott and the potentialities are great

Turn to page eight, please) **AUNT ROXIE SAYS** 



droves, and comes back in wood,"

"Cullud folks goes Nawth