

POLL BICKETT  
NO SOLONS  
PERSON BEFORE  
ASSEMBLY TO  
C. BUSH F. MESSAGE

State Will Not Ratify.  
On the eve of what promises to be in many respects, the most spectacular session of the North Carolina general assembly in recent years, support of the Susan B. Anthony amendment expressing the belief that ratification of the constitution is doomed in the house, but will pass the senate. Even doubtful.  
Governor Bickett deal only with... Later, he will on woman and other wants.

Opportunity for the Fruit Grower, Stockman and Trucker. Investigate!

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## GOVERNMENT'S DEPARTMENT

Some Timely Talks to Polk County Farmers, and others, on Timely Subjects, by County Agent, J. R. Sams.

### TWO CLUB MEMBERS SHOW HOW TO DO IT.

Total Profit in Poultry Club Work Last Year \$546.79—Fourth Year In Club Work.

How a brother and sister, working together for the fourth year in club work, have cashed in on the instruction given them by the Extension Service, is told in this letter to A. G. Oliver, Poultry Club Agent for N. C., in the Tar Heel Club News.

"Here is what myself and my brother Paul did on our back lot in 1919, with 60 hens, divided equally into three varieties 20 S. C. White Leghorns, 20 Barred Plymouth Rocks, and 20 S. C. Rhode Island Reds. We have mated pens of each and sold eggs for hatching to the amount of \$125, also sold market eggs and chickens for \$468.74 total of \$593.74. Feed and other expenses for the year were 279.22, leaving a profit of \$296.52.

"Other children can do as we did if they have a good poultry house and some purebred poultry. Mr. Oliver, you have been so kind to give us the good advice along our poultry raising. We won 27 first prizes in 1919."

"More yet. We wish to tell you about our pigeon and squab business. We have about 100 pairs of Homing and White King pigeons. We use one end of our poultry house, which is 90 feet long for one pen of pigeons making a flying pen outside for them to sun and be out in, and are using part of the barn loft for one pen. Pigeons are very profitable also when handled properly. They are not so much trouble as poultry. We ship squabs almost every week. They are dressed and packed in ice and shipped to New York. In 1919 we sold 785 squabs, which was not a very good amount on account of loosing some young ones in January and February. The amount received for these was \$445.23 feed cost \$194.96, amount of profit, \$250.27—Aileen Wagner and Paul Wagner, Newton, N. C.

### Green River Cove.

Was you ever in Green River Cove? If not why don't you go? Not so much on account of what is there; and yet there is much there already worth seeing; but because of what ought to be there. Green River Cove is in Polk county, and I'm glad of it. Polk county would not be Polk county without. But would be a much greater county, if Green River Cove were developed, which cannot be done without better road facilities. Just think that one hour's drive in a buggy or horse back, will take you from the town of Saluda, down into a gorge where there the fig, and perhaps the orange would grow. If you never saw sure enough tomatoes, then go down there and see them, weighing one lb. each, and red all over, without a blemish. Then you will see peach trees bending with luscious fruit and fig trees growing under their loads of fruit. Talk of your Tryon thermal belt for fruit and vegetables. Why, Green River Cove has that little thing skinned a mile and then some. This thermal belt is one of the greatest things in all the land and ought to be added to the wonders of the world. But Green River Cove is a greater wonder and no body knows any thing about it except a few who live there and

they do not appreciate what they have, and a few stragglers like myself who by good fortune their duty calls them there, and why a county, having such an asset will continue to let it remain unknown and undeveloped "gets my goat" as the saying goes. Then why a town like Saluda, that lives almost half the year from products grown down there, lay supinely dormant with such an asset undeveloped right in the back yard, or front yard as the case may be. Polk county and Saluda should not rest day nor night until that and Cooper Gap section have better road facilities, which in a short time would add taxable values, many times the cost of opening up better road ways.

It is worth several times the cost of the trip down there, just to see those winding stairs going down and coming back, you make only 21 zig zag, wind about's to get down, and just as many to get back out, and it is the only way out, except to climb out, then another sight to behold is Mrs. Tom Pace' flock of Rhode Island Reds—you all know that she is the woman who has such a bad hen pecked husband—she has him under such control that she really has a real modern hen house—not a great sky scraper that would have broken Tom Pace up to build—it is just a common sense affair; just like Mrs. Pace is a common sense woman—just such a hen house as any farmer in Polk county that is worth killing could provide for his wife if he would half try. Then you just ought to see how well kept that hen house is—not a louse nor a mite in it—Think how those beautiful red birds enjoy life as they sit on those comfortable perches and dream of the cold winds, snows and rains that other farmers chickens must endure that have no place but the wagons, horse troughs, buggies and etc. on which to roost—Well: this is digressing somewhat; but remember we are at Mrs. Pace's hen house right in the heart of Green River Cove. When I go down next time, I'll tell you about the John Bradley orchard, which he is bringing out of the "kinks." My plan is to bring this section of Polk county to the lime light in such a way as to have it connected to the rest of Polk county by better roads.

### MICKIE SAYS:



### OVERBROOK ORCHARD.

An Example of the Profitableness of Fruit Growing in Polk County.

In 1900 Dr. J. C. Bushnell who was out of health and a man of about 50 years but determined to live, after looking over different sections, located Overbrook Orchard one mile from Saluda, where in this healthy climate with its fine "Lithia" water plenty of sunshine and fine air and water drainage he believed he could develop a good orchard. As Saluda lies between two deep valleys and the cold air seeks the lower levels, while Saluda basks in the sunshine. This is good for fruit as folks and gives to both a lovely color.

Having purchased this piece of heavily wooded land we went to work to clear the ground and began to set the orchard which has now grown to 1600 trees.

He chose his varieties well planting largely of Stark's Delicious, Stayman Winesap, and Rome Beauty, also Grimes Golden, Oliver Reds, Jonathans, Winter Banana and a variety of good early summer apples, cherries, peaches, plums and grapes, all of which grow well here, with finest of color, flavor and greatest perfection. Dr. Bushnell tho' rely cared for the orchard and brought it to bearing apples which have taken first premium at National, State Tri-State and various county apple shows. He deserves great credit for giving to Polk County the demonstration that it can produce such fine fruit. He has received his financial reward, and spent the past winter in California. He admires California and its many attractions, but writes that for real enjoyment he prefers Saluda and its attractions. The orchard is sprayed 5 to 7 times, examined for borers twice in each year, and pruned of all wood not necessary for the growth of good fruit. It is cultivated by harrowing and disking one or more times a year. The orchard is now planted in red clover, timothy, orchard, and meadow-oat grass. This is plowed under every three years. Every five years three tons of limestone per acre is put under the outside limbs of trees. Apples are carefully picked by hand sorted into Fancy C. grade and cider or vinegar apples. Extra fancy are packed one size in board box, each apple wrapped in paper.

It has always been the standard of this orchard to produce quality not quantity, so apples are thinned when to thick to grow good apples.

Overbrook Orchard has never had an entire failure of crop, there has always been more than enough to pay expenses each year since it began bearing. The apples from Overbrook are shipped to the South Eastern states but are largely marketed within 100 miles of Saluda. As the demand for choice apples is not supplied by orchards of Western N. Carolina, there is room for more orchards of this kind. A government horticulturist recently said of this section that it was the best undeveloped apple section of United States and the markets of the whole south give the grower a nearby outlet for his crop. The present owner Henry P. Corwith also is a middle aged man who came to Saluda six years ago but without experience as an orchardist is another evidence that a man is not down and out at 50 years of age Mr. Corwith is working daily in the orchard and has put business salesman to good use of marketing of the fine apples he is producing. He has planted several hundred trees, added to the buildings uses

### Rev. Lewis Leaves.

Rev. Roy M. Lewis departed on Tuesday for a visit with homefolks at Mill Spring, N. C. He will resume his college work at Louisville, Ky., this fall and will complete his course next June, when he intends to return to Adams and again take up his work some where in this western country. During his two years stay here as pastor of the Baptist church he made a host of friends who will be glad to welcome him back. We are sure that the mother in that far away state can feel justly proud of her boy as we have all known him for the past two years as a broad minded, energetic booster for our town, a capable man wherever put, and you can't find anyone but who regretted to see him leave. "There is a big place in Adams for you whenever you want to return."—Adams (Neb.) Globe.

### PROGRAM

#### Sunday School Convention at Pea Ridge, August 29, 1920.

10:00—Devotions, Exercises. Rev. E. P. White.  
10:30—Qualification of Sunday School Teachers. E. J. Jones.  
11:00—Sermon. Rev. Roy Lewis.  
12:00—Adjourn for dinner. Served on grounds.  
1:30—Importance of Organized Classes. N. B. Arledge and Clarence Ridings.  
2:00—Sunday School as an Evangelical Agency. Miss Esther Gibbs.  
2:30—General Mass Meeting. Short Speeches from S. S. Superintendents, Teachers and Workers.  
3:00—Meeting in charge of singing leaders and a varied music program.  
Invitation extended to all to come. Bring lunch with you.

### To Live Stock Exhibitors.

All persons expecting to exhibit live stock of any kind at the County Fair, to be held on October 10 and 11, are requested to see C. J. Lynch, superintendent of the live stock department, at least 30 days before that date and make arrangements for space. If you do not do this it will be impossible to properly take care of your exhibits.

It is the desire of the fair management to make the stock exhibit one of the most interesting at the fair, so be sure and reserve space for your poultry, hogs, sheep, cattle, horses, and ect.

### For One Lone Blossom.

If you are in need of decorations and find but one lone, short-stemmed rose on your bush do not despair. Pick the flower with as long a stem as possible. Then either tie or wire the short-stemmed blossom to a longer stem of another flower; in this way there is no waste on account of lack of stem. If you have no other flowers whose stems you can use, try a bit of the branch of the plant, or, in lieu of better, avail yourself of the hollow stem of an artificial rose.

### Fear to Tell Own Name.

Among the Kayans, a tribe of the Philippines, it is a breach of manners to ask a man what his name is. If a white man does so through ignorance the man will turn to a bystander and ask that the stranger, who does not know the customs, may be informed. If a man tells his own name the evil spirits will fear him and can more readily do him harm.

power sprayer, cut-away disc harrow and other up to date machinery and is trying to use every up to date method to produce the finest of fruit. He is also interested in chickens, pigs, and gardening as well as every progressive move to the good of the community.

Saluda with its unsurpassed climate, fine water, ideal location and lands within reach of the man or woman of moderate means offers opportunity for fruit growing and stock raising that cannot be excelled in the United States.

## FROM OUR FRIENDS IN THE COUNTRY

Items of Interest Gathered From Various Sections of Polk County by Our Corps of Faithful Correspondents.

### Hillcrest.

Mrs. J. T. Camp and wife announce the marriage of their daughter Priscila Calvert, to Mr. Chism, at Sequin Texas, on the 28 of July, 1920.

Mrs. W. C. Kidd and Miss Louanna Kidd, and their niece Miss Ora Anderson, who have been visiting their brother and uncle Rev. J. E. Kidd were recalled to their home in Fayetteville, Tenn., on account of the illness of Miss Anderson's sister Ambrose Mills Camp, who has been working in Akron, Ohio, for several months is at home for a while.

Miss Fanny Dickerson, of Rutherfordton is visiting Miss Mary Camp.

Misses Bertha Mathis and Daisy Jones, Hillcrest students, spent the week-end at home.

Mr. Setzer and wife, of Rutherfordton brought their little daughters back to Hillcrest Sunday.

Rev. Ambrose Mills spent last week with his daughter, Mrs. R. L. Camp.

Mrs. Charlie Stockton of Va., is visiting her parents, Mr. Ed Walker and wife.

Mr. Albert Chism and wife have returned to their home in Sequin Texas, after a two weeks visit, to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Camp.

Rev. R. N. Hunter, Mrs. Hickman, Miss Martha Hunter Hickman, and Miss Ruth Rogers spent last week at the Linwood conference, near Gastonia, N. C.

### Columbus.

The revival services of the Baptist church have been postponed for an indefinite time on account of the rain.

Miss Vinnie Templeton of Burlington, N. C., has been visiting Mrs. E. W. S. Cobb for the past week.

Misses Evelyn and Margaret Rucker of Charlotte, N. C., are visiting relatives here.

Curtis Arledge and family of Oklahoma have returned to Columbus where they will make their future home.

Rev. Roy Lewis of Nebraska is spending a few days in the city.

Miss Bertha Kelz who has been spending the past month with Miss Minnie Arledge, returned to her home in Hamilton Ohio Tuesday.

Dr. H. H. Edwards has just returned from a business trip to Charlotte.

Preaching Sunday morning at Columbus Baptist church. E. J. Jones, Pastor.

Miss Jocelyn Sykes of Monroe is visiting her sister Mrs. Fred W. Blanton.

Arthur Ormand and wife, of Kings Mountain are visiting the latter's parents E. W. Dedmond and wife.

W. H. Hill of Rutherfordton spent last week with his family.

We are glad to know that J. G. Hughes is improving after a long spell of illness.

We are glad to welcome Fred W. Blanton and wife to their new home on Main St.

Senator E. B. Cloud is at Raleigh on business this week.

Sheriff Jackson was in the city on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perryman of Winston-Salem are visiting the

latter's sister Mrs. E. W. S. Gobb.

Mrs. F. Burgess and son of Asheville, N. C. are visiting Mrs. E. B. Cloud.

Mrs. Annie Philips is in the hospital at Rutherfordton.

Miss Adelina Pitman has returned from a visit to her uncle Will Splawn of Landrum, S. C.

Miss Annie Lois Mills is visiting relatives in Spartanburg.

There will be a meeting of the citizens of Columbus and Columbus township next Friday p. m. at court house to organize a community club for community betterment. Women as well as men are invited.

### Melvin Hill.

Dewey the fourteen year old son of S. S. Laughter, got badly hurt at school last Thursday while playing base ball. The ball struck him on the head knocking him down and rendering him almost unable to get home. The Dr. was called who advised him to stay in bed and keep quite for a few days, he would soon be alright.

Buster the little six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Reed had the misfortune of falling from a board fence Friday, where a nail protruded which entered the flesh of his thigh and cut an ugly gash which the Dr. closed up by making several stitches.

A number of persons from here attended the baptizing of Greens Creek church Sunday.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Rennett, has been quite sick for several days.

Mr. G. C. Feagan and wife also Mr. Stacy and wife visited relatives at Inman, Sunday.

The debate was well attended here Saturday night. The negative won the decision. The subject for debate next Saturday night is resolved that the Divorce law should be abolished.

Speakers on the affirmative are J. W. Stacy, W. B. Feagan, W. A. Reed, negatives W. C. McGinnis, Prof. W. A. Kreider, and G. C. Feagan, we anticipate some good speaking on the subject.

The bible school closed here last Friday evening.

Elders Branscom, Reed, and Miller, started to district conference some where in Virginia last Tuesday morning.

Jack Burnette has the biggest hog, he is about 9 months old and will weigh at least five hundred pounds.

The Bible school closed here last Friday and Mr. Harrell and his two grandchildren, Dora and Earl Bryant, returned to their home in Mitchell county, last Saturday.

Prof. Kreider and wife, made a business trip to Spartanburg last Saturday.

### Fatal Timidity.

Every day sends to the grave obscure men who have remained in obscurity only because their timidity, their lack of self-confidence, prevented them from making a first effort. If they could have been induced to begin; if they had trusted in their own powers and dared to forge ahead they would, in all probability, have gone great lengths in careers of usefulness and fame.—Orison Swett Marden.

### Is Largest Tunnel.

The longest railway tunnel on the American continent is the Rogers pass tunnel on the Rocky mountain division of the Canadian Pacific line, which is five miles in length and runs under Mount McDonald, in the Selkirk range. It was constructed at a cost of more than \$10,000,000.