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SENATOR SMITH MAKES TALK ON COOPERATION

Gives Running Review of Farming Conditions in Past 25 Years.

Quite a large and representative audience from every section of Barnwell county heard Senator E. D. Smith deliver one of the finest and most eloquent addresses heard in many years at the court house Friday afternoon, his subject being "Cooperative Marketing of Cotton." Before launching into his subject, however, the senator paid a high tribute to his friend, former colleague and for the past two and a half years, his chief executive, President Warren G. Harding, whose sudden death Thursday has been the cause of nation-wide sorrow. A message of sympathy was sent by the farmers present to Mrs. Harding.

Senator Smith was presented to the audience by Col. Harry D. Calhoun, who stated that he needed no introduction to a gathering of Barnwell county people. The senator's address was forceful throughout and he held his audience spellbound for nearly an hour. Senator Smith began his speech with a review of the financial conditions of the American farmer from the passage of the banking act in 1882 down to the passage of the federal reserve act in 1913, which was the first time, he said, that the American farmer had been given any consideration in banking legislation. He also outlined the change brought about by the war finance corporation and more recently by the federal intermediate credit act.

Senator Smith spoke somewhat at length on the relation between modern business and modern agriculture. He stressed the fact that modern business was highly organized, whereas, on the other hand, modern agriculture with all of its opportunities was as yet not an organized business. He reviewed briefly the conditions affecting the Southern cotton farmer 25 years ago when there was no financial legislation in his behalf, no system of warehouses, no opportunity of financing cotton over long periods in order to effect orderly marketing and no cooperative associations with proven records of services accomplished. This, he said, is all changed now. The only question before the Southern cotton farmer is whether or not he will unite with his brother cotton farmers and collectively assert his strength in order that individual freedom may be enjoyed.

Senator Smith stated that, with a sign up of 75 per cent. of the total of cotton grown in the South, the cooperative association would be in a position to promote orderly marketing and to merchandise the cotton at a price that will cover the cost of production and give a fair profit to the producer.

The senator was at his best as he stated the old and new positions of the Southern cotton farmer. He declared that the Southern cotton grower must decide for himself as to his future. The opportunity of economic freedom is his for the mere acceptance.

He drew a parallel between the fight of the American colonies for independence in 1776 and the struggle being waged by the cooperative marketing associations today for freedom from the domination of prices by the gamblers of New York and Liverpool.

Problem Can Be Solved.

He ridiculed the idea that the problem can not be solved, calling attention to the great strides that have been made in perfecting the mastery of electricity from the time Benjamin Franklin flew his kite into a thunderstorm down to the present day, when it is possible to carry the sound of the human voice hundreds of miles through space by utilizing this mysterious force. He urged the farmers to pool their cotton as the men of the Revolutionary war pooled their resources in an effort to establish a price for the fleecy staple that would insure something more than a bare living to the men, women and children who toil day in and day out from one year to another to provide food and clothing for a hungry and naked world.

"Better," he said, "to lose seven cotton crops, as the Revolutionary soldier fought for seven years, if by doing so the farmers of the South are able to dictate the price of their commodity."

Senator Smith received an ovation at the conclusion of his address.

WOMAN SHOWS FIGHT IN RAID ON WHISKEY STILL

Aiken Officers Capture Big Moonshine Plant Near Dunbarton.

Aiken, Aug. 8.—A raid attended with some difficulty was made late this evening by Sheriff Howard and his two deputies, Shepherd and Robinson in the Mossy School district. A moonshine plant with about twenty gallons of liquor was found on the place of John Owens near Dunbarton. In the raid the officers said they were hindered in their search of the premises by Mrs. Owens, who roundly abused the sheriff with her tongue and even pulled a shot gun on the officers. Sheriff Howard was struck at several times by the irate woman but he did not molest her beyond seizing the shot gun and unloading it and then warning her of the futile attack on an officer doing his sworn duty. A warrant was sworn out for John Owens, alleged owner of the still, who was absent at a saw mill when the raid was made. The whiskey was found in the Owens home and a thirty gallon steel drum still was found covered up in the Owens barn.

ELKO NEWS.

Elko, Aug. 7.—It has been definitely announced that the protracted meeting at the Elko Baptist Church will begin here on the morning of the Third Sunday in this month, which will be the 19th inst. Pastor Funderburk will be assisted in these revival services by Rev. Frank Funderburk of Varnville, S. C. Mrs. Funderburk will have charge of the music. The public generally is invited. A profitable meeting is anticipated.

Quite a number of our folk are this week in attendance upon and enjoying the revival services held morning and afternoon at Rosemary Church. Pastor Hackle is being assisted by Rev. Will O. Gordon, of Dunbarton. Miss Cora Hutto left this past week for Richmond, Va., where she pursues a post graduate course in millinery work.

Miss Mary Stansell left for Columbia last Saturday with her aunt, Mrs. Mary Harley and her daughter, who had moved down for several days visit to relatives here.

Mr. W. H. Woolley came home from Charleston last Saturday where he has been engaged in selling watermelons for the past month. He had a Charleston friend as his guest for the week-end.

The Negro migration must now be about to come to a stop. Aunt Julia Tyler, an old negress of the ante bellum type, who has been down in Florida now for more than a year has returned. She says, "Kaalina" is good enough for her.

A slight change was made the first of August on mail route of carrier No. 1. This route is in charge of G. E. Crouch. The change was made from the old Woodward place near Rosemary Church to the Barnwell-Williston old road near Mr. L. M. Sprawls residence. Mr. A. E. Hair is the carrier on route No. 2. Mr. Hair promised to tell your correspondent just where he expects to spend his vacation and insisted that his name be put in the paper.

No body was lonesome in Elko last week, it was the annual protracted meeting week at St. Peter's Church, the local Negro church. Friends of Mrs. C. L. Woolley are glad that she is rapidly improving. Mr. E. L. Lee of F. P. Lee and Co., Charleston, was a visitor to the home folks this last week-end.

Some time ago, Miss Vivian Free, of Bamberg, was the guest of her Winthrop College class mate, Miss Elizabeth Johnston.

Mr. W. H. Hair drove into town one day last week in a new Coupe automobile. It was the popular variety. Recently Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hair, of Augusta motored down from Augusta and spent the day with their home folk, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mr. C. M. Hair has recently opened a new hardware store on Broad Street under the firm name of Hair and Culler, and has an attractive line of new hardware and sporting goods.

Miss Polly Walker suffered an attack of acute appendicitis a few days ago. Her early recovery is hoped for.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson and children, of Bamberg, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Cooper, of Blackville and children, and Mrs. Nellie Williams are coming a

few days to keep an engagement elsewhere.

LARGE TANK FALLS TO GROUND IN BLACKVILLE

Sabbath Stillness Rudely Disturbed by Terrible Crash.

Blackville, August 7.—A terrible crash broke the usual Sabbath stillness when a large water tank in the yard of Mr. Void Ayer fell to the ground Sunday morning, due to the foundation giving way. It was the property of Mr. J. M. Farrell and had furnished water for many homes here. Mr. Ayer's little sons were playing near the tank shortly before it fell, but fortunately had gone down town a few minutes before the crash.

Lightning set fire to the home of Mrs. Hattie Buiet, of this city, recently. The bolt ran down the chimney, igniting the mantel and several chairs with wire springs. The flames were extinguished before any material damage was done.

Messrs. B. E. Cooper and W. H. DeWitt, Sr. are enjoying the possession of new Buick cars.

Mr. and Mrs. David A. Hutto, of Hickory, N. C., announce the birth of a son, born July 28, who will be called Elbert Steadman, in honor of the late Mr. J. Elbert Steadman, of Denmark, father of Mrs. Hutto. Mrs. Hutto will be remembered as Mrs. Elberta Steadman Rice, of Denmark. Mrs. Horace Crouch and several friends, from Elko motored to Blackville Saturday morning.

After a month's visit to relatives in Atlanta, Miss Mary Martin has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Myrick and family were recent visitors to relatives in Appleton.

Master William Altman is visiting his sister, Mrs. Joe Chapman, at Hartsville.

Miss Frances Duncan, of Columbia, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Cecile Fickling.

Friends of Mr. J. L. Baigt will be glad to learn that he has recovered from a spell of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ferguson, of Appleton, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Myrick recently.

Mr. W. H. DeWitt, Jr. is visiting in Virginia.

Friends of Mrs. Judson Hair will regret to learn of her serious illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hal D. Hill.

Dr. David K. Briggs has returned from a very enjoyable and instructive visit to Northern cities.

The Frisella Club was entertained by Mrs. R. Bowman Still, last Thursday afternoon.

Dr. W. C. Milhous came over Wednesday evening to speak about the Dental Clinic to be established in the Public Schools of Barnwell County. On account of several other very important social activities in town and so many residents, being away for the summer, he had a very small, but appreciative audience.

The Busy Bee Sewing Club was entertained by Mrs. Thos. L. Wragg last week.

After a visit to her sister, Mrs. C. L. Toney, in Columbia, Miss Myrtle Altman has returned home.

The Rev. J. W. H. Dyches and his interesting family, of Fort Mill, are visiting relatives in Barnwell County. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Martin, last Wednesday. Mr. Dyches is the popular Baptist preacher at Fort Mill. He was born and raised in Barnwell County and is one of the many "Barnwell County boys" who have "made good", and has many relatives and friends who are giving him and his family a very cordial welcome.

Mrs. A. H. Ninestein and little daughter, Eleanor, went to town Wednesday, for Eleanor to get treatment in a hospital, for tonsil trouble.

Mrs. Cleckly and little daughter, of North Augusta, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Baxley. Mrs. Cleckly will be remembered as Miss Bertha Baxley.

Miss Olive Baxley, who holds a Government position in a distant city, is visiting her parents.

Miss Edna Blume is visiting her sister, Mrs. Brogden, near Swansea.

Mr. J. M. Halford was called to Barnwell last Monday to the bedside of his sick aunt, Mrs. Hattie C. Williams, who died last Tuesday and was buried Wednesday evening at the Halford burying ground near Barnwell.

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FLEECY STAPLE OPENS IN BARNWELL COUNTY

The People Gets First Open Cotton Boll From Col. Walker.

Cotton is beginning to open on a small scale in this section. The first open boll of the fleecy staple brought to the office of the Barnwell People was grown on the plantation of Col. N. G. W. Walker, near Corley's mill, this county, and was picked by his little grandson, little Walker Wilson of Florida. Colonel Walker, who is vice president of the First National bank of this city, has an exceptionally fine crop of cotton this year, much of which is out of danger of boll weevil ravages. He plants an improved King big boll that is coming to be known in this section as "Walker's Improved King Cotton."

The cool wet weather of the past several days has caused increased weevil activity, but the farmers are putting up a stiff fight to save their crops.

A Remarkable Mule.

Mr. C. F. Molair, of this city, has a mule that can qualify for a Carnegie hero medal, it having saved a young calf from drowning a few days ago. It seems that Mr. Poughattan Harley had pastured one of his cows and her young calf on Mr. Molair's place, which is farmed by Will Taylor, colored. There was quite a deep hole in the pasture that was nearly filled with water by the recent heavy rains. The calf ventured too near the hole and fell in. The mule, whose name is Ross, was in another part of the pasture at the time but was attracted to the noise by the mournful cries of the distressed mother cow. Ross immediately grasped the situation and attempted to rescue the calf by catching hold of its ear with her teeth. Although the ear was nearly bitten off, the calf slipped from her grip and went under the water, where upon the mule dropped to her knees, immersed her head, seized the calf and threw it about ten feet away to safety. It then stood guard over the little animal until it recovered from its mishap and was able to stand on its feet again. The rescue was witnessed by Taylor's wife.

Another case of close friendship between dumb animals has been the source of much amusement to Barnwell people lately. A young pig took a strong liking to the saddle horse of Sheriff Keys Sanders and follows it through the streets of this city.

Farmers Ginney Rebuilt.

Attention is called to the advertisement of the Farmers Ginney appearing in this issue. This plant, which was destroyed by fire last year, has been entirely rebuilt from the ground up and is now equipped with four of the latest improved gins and one double press. Mr. B. S. Moore, the manager, states that he is in a better position than ever to handle the new crop in an efficient manner. The capacity of the plant is 75 bales a day. See advertisement for prices.

Mr. J. R. Johnson and his aunt, Miss Addie Altman have gone in their automobile to visit relatives in Alabama.

Mr. Frank Lunday, of Springfield, is visiting friends here.

The Rev. Luke Glennan has accepted a vacation offered him by his churches and will leave Wednesday morning for the upper part of the state, to spend his vacation with his mother.

Mr. Charlie Stringfellow has what might be termed a "possum ranch." He has some pet possums, among them a female with 15 possums in her pouch. It is an interesting sight, and one a great many of the older people around here had never seen before.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church was charmingly entertained by Mrs. McGradon Monday afternoon.

Mr. Charles Harding, acting engineer for the New York Jewell Continental Filter Company, has finished his work here at the Sand Screening Plant on Bullock's Run. Mr. Harding has returned to his home at Rutledge, N. J.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS FROM WILLISTON

Many Visitors to and from Lively Little Town.

Williston, Aug. 6.—Miss Edna Lott is visiting in Johnston.

Mr. John Weathersbee is visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Courtney.

Mrs. Jennings Woodward is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Folk.

Mrs. A. A. Myers visited relatives in Branchville last week.

Lonnie Williams, of Charleston, visited relatives here recently.

Miss Martha Dixon left Tuesday for Greystone Camp, Tuxedo, N. C.

Mrs. J. C. Thomas and children of Aiken, are visiting relatives here.

Miss Florrie Lee Scott has returned from Winthrop summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Smith, Jr., are spending some time in Waynesville, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cunningham and child are returned from a visit to Liberty Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Green and daughter, of Houston, Texas, are visiting Miss Bessie Green.

Messrs. W. E. Prothro, M. A. Smith and Rev. M. B. Buckley spent Wednesday in Orangeburg.

Miss Lucy Phillips, of Sandersville, Ga., is visiting Miss Bettie Matthews and Mrs. B. M. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Armstrong are visiting relatives in Savannah and Effingham county, Georgia.

Mrs. C. A. Usery and Miss Elmo Usery are visiting in Batesburg, Newberry, Saluda and other points.

Miss Edna Lott has been attending a house party at the home of Miss Dorothy Lantry at Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sadler and children left last week for Felton to visit Mrs. Sadler's sister, Mrs. Ligon Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Q. A. Kennedy, Jr., and guests spent Wednesday in Augusta, enjoying Dean's Bridge Swimming pool.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shuler and daughter, Annie Rebekah, have returned from a visit to Mr. Dan Kiser at Leesville.

Mr. D. C. Weeks spent last Sunday in Summerville with his nephew, who was seriously hurt in an automobile accident.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Grubbs, of Laurinburg, N. C., and Mrs. Anna Green, of Saluda, were visitors recently of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Powell.

Mrs. George Cadden and children have returned from a visit to Mr. James Hancock, in Blacksburg, and Mrs. James Cadden, in Augusta.

Mrs. A. E. Harley, Miss Mary Harley, of Columbia, Mrs. N. H. Stansell, of Orlando, Florida, Mrs. Rosa Stansell and Miss Mary Stansell, of Elko, were visitors in Williston Wednesday.

Messrs. W. D. E. W. and H. M. Black left last week for a fishing trip near Cottageville, making the trip in Mr. E. W. Black's covered truck.

Mr. J. W. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bell and their guest Miss Emily Elkins, of Egypt, Ga., visited the former's sister, Mrs. J. W. Blanton, of Orangeburg.

Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Kitchings and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Boylston, of Metter, Ga., are visiting in this section. Mr. Kitchings is assisting in a revival at Calvary Baptist church.

Misses Eloise Anderson, of Timmonsville, Sarah Carroll, of York, Margaret Rainey, of Beaufort, and Bessie Boylston and Walton Richardson, of Allendale, are attending a house party given by Mr. and Mrs. Q. A. Kennedy, Jr.

Stoney Defeats Grad.

Thomas P. Stoney has apparently defeated John P. Grace for the office of Mayor of Charleston, the former leading the present incumbent by 1,070 votes in Tuesday's primary election, with only one box to be counted. The election was the culmination of a lively campaign, which was featured by Grace's attacks on the Ku Klux Klan and his charges that Masonry had been commercialized in Charleston, the idea apparently being to make it appear that these two organizations were arrayed against Catholicism. It was the issue. The People congratulates the Klan and Masons order on their sweeping victory.

The friends of Miss Fannie Givens of Dunbarton, will be rejoiced to learn that she is recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

MAYOR ALBERT BENNETT ISSUES PROCLAMATION

Hours of Mourning Proclaimed to Honor Memory of President.

Mayor Albert J. Bennett has issued the following Proclamation: "Whereas, the Divine Creator, in His infinite wisdom, has removed Warren G. Harding, twenty-ninth President of the United States, from his service here and called him to his reward; and

"Whereas, the President of the United States and the Governor of South Carolina have proclaimed Friday, August 10, as a day of mourning, calling upon the Nation and the State to pay homage and respect to the memory of our beloved and lamented Chief Executive;

"Now, therefore, I, Albert J. Bennett, Mayor of Barnwell, in accord with the proclamations of the President of the United States and the Governor of South Carolina, and believing that the people of Barnwell are anxious to give expression of their esteem for the late President by a concerted tribute to his memory, do hereby proclaim hours of mourning from three to five o'clock Friday afternoon, August 10, the day on which his body will go to its last resting place in Marion Ohio, the President's former home.

"I respectfully call upon the heads of all places of business in the town of Barnwell to close their doors during these hours, and suggest that as many people as possible attend the memorial service at the Barnwell Baptist Church, beginning at four o'clock P. M., and how in humble submission to the will of God in removing the nation's leader from us and to express their love, admiration and respect for Warren G. Harding, the man and the President."

Harding Memorial Service.

There will be a memorial service in honor of the late President, Warren G. Harding, in the Barnwell Baptist Church Friday afternoon, August 10th, at four o'clock. The following gentlemen have been asked to deliver short eulogies: Charles Carroll Simons, J. E. Harley, T. M. Bulware and Solomon Elliott. The musical program will be arranged by a committee of ladies. The business and professional men of Barnwell are requested to close their offices and stores from three to five o'clock Friday afternoon, in conformity with the proclamation of Gov. McLeod. The people of Barnwell and vicinity are urged to attend this memorial service.

Missionary To Africa At Baptist Church Sunday Morning.

An interesting service will be held at the Barnwell Baptist church on next Sunday morning, Aug. 12th, when Rev. George W. Sadler, a missionary of the Southern Baptist Convention to Nigeria, Africa, will give an account of his experience in that field. Mr. Sadler has just returned home after an absence of several years and will give an interesting account of his stewardship there.

His service as a missionary was interrupted by the World War, and returning home he enlisted as a private, but for distinguished service in action he was decorated by Gen. Pershing with a medal for distinguished service and was promoted to the chaplaincy of his regiment. He fought with the Third Division. He is a most interesting speaker and the people of Barnwell are most cordially invited to hear him. Mr. Sadler was so fortunate as to find his wife in a Barnwell county girl, Mrs. Annie Laurie Maynard, of Williston.

The pastor of the Barnwell Baptist church will preach on Sunday night, which will be his last service before going on his vacation.

The Barnwell Oil Mill.

Mr. W. E. McNab, who has been connected with the Barnwell Oil Mill and the Southern Cotton Oil Co. at Barnwell for the past 20 years, has leased the ginning plant of this concern at Barnwell for the present cotton season. During the past few weeks, this plant, which consists of six 70-horse power, has been thoroughly overhauled and new saws installed, which will insure the maximum turnover and prompt service to the customers of this ginnery. The price for ginning, bagging and less will be found in Mr. McNab's advertisement elsewhere in this issue.