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BARNWELL COUNTY HAS LEARNED TO DIVERSIFY

County Agent Boylston Reviews Progress Made by Farmers.

A great deal has been written concerning the progress that has been made, in different parts of the State in diversified farming and getting away from the one crop system. Having worked in this county for about eight years, thereby being in a position to watch the progress that has been made, I feel that I can say that there is no county in the State that has made more progress. Very little has been said, but a great deal has been done.

Instead of just having one cash crop, the farmers of this county have very near a dozen. This change has not taken place over night, but has been going on for a number of years. The type of farming as a rule has been a very high type. The best seeds are used, thorough preparation and cultivation, and rotation of crops generally practiced. The control of diseases and insect pests is being taken on to, more and more, a great deal of progress having already been made in controlling blight and anthracnose in watermelons, cucumbers and cantaloupes, and black root in cotton along with diseases of other crops.

Velvet beans have played a great part in the land building program of the county. There is as large, if not larger, acreage of velvet beans in this county of any county in the State.

In order that one might appreciate just to what extent this county has developed, I give below the approximate amounts of different crops that were sold from the county during the year 1923:

Asparagus	83 cars
Cantaloupes	100 cars
Watermelons	600 cars
Cucumbers	250 cars
Cow Peas	80 cars
Peanuts	75 cars
Hogs	45 cars
Hay	50 cars
Rye, seed	5 cars
Straw Berries	5 cars
Cured Sweet Potatoes	3 cars
Oats, seed	10,000 bushels

The figures are not available for the amount of corn, velvet beans, syrup, etc.

The town of Williston, the head of the South Carolina Asparagus Association, is noted as asparagus center. The asparagus acreage is increasing from year to year and the growers have one of the best co-operative marketing associations in the South. Williston is also noted as a cow pea market. Approximately 80 car loads of the 1922 crop were shipped from this point.

Blackville is the center of cucumbers and cantaloupes, practically all the cucumbers and cantaloupes being shipped from this point.

Barnwell, the county seat, has a good acreage of asparagus, practically all the strawberries are grown around Barnwell; watermelons, cucumbers, peanuts and other crops are grown here too.

As a whole, I feel that the county has made wonderful progress on diversification, enough probably, and only now needs to balance her system some better.

Very truly,
H. G. BOYLSTON,
County Agent, Barnwell County.

Double Pond News.

Blackville, Route 2, Dec. 24.—This community sympathizes with Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Collins in the death of their daughter, Lottie, who was buried last Sunday afternoon at Double Pond church.

Mr. R. W. Warren left Sunday night for Pinetta, Fla., to visit his son, who has been in Florida for a number of years. We wish him a pleasant trip.

We are glad to know that little Louise Warren, of this community, is better after a few day's illness.

We are sorry to know that Mr. Henry Bodiford and family have left us and moved to Blackville.

Mr. Lee Croft has purchased a new Ford car.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Croft and little son returned Sunday morning from a visit to his uncle, Mr. Wash Croft, near Denmark, whose wife is very ill.

Advertise in THE PEOPLE.

Harding Memorial Fund.

Barnwell people contributed quite liberally to the Harding Memorial Fund, the sum of \$52.50 having been raised by Mr. H. B. Cawley, acting for Col. Harry D. Calhoun, county chairman. The list of contributors is as follows:

\$1.00—Miss C. A. Cave, Mrs. Henrietta Ablard, Miss Lena Cave, G. E. Duke, W. J. Root, J. D. White, H. B. Cawley, H. D. Calhoun, R. A. Deason, M. C. Diamond, C. A. Hensley, P. W. Price, E. R. Cail, F. W. Falenstein, B. P. Davies, M. M. Mazursky, R. S. Dicks, V. S. Owens, J. D. Robinson, W. E. McNab, Lemon Bros. Best Pharmacy, L. A. Cave, Thos. M. Boulware, Ed. Peacock, E. D. Robinson, F. S. Brown, T. S. Vickery, D. C. Vickery, J. J. Vickery, L. C. Vickery, L. A. Plexico, L. Cohen, T. M. Verdry, J. L. Cheek, Jack Reynolds, Terry Richardson, H. W. Sanders, S. O. Barker, T. S. Cave, J. A. Porter, L. E. Morningstar, M. B. Hagood, S. B. Moseley, Wm. McNab, Dr. W. M. Jones, N. B. Gamble, Edgar A. Brown, C. F. Molair, Solomon Blatt.

\$2.00—Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hutchison.

50c—E. A. Hayes.

Death of Mrs. J. W. Bates.

The many Barnwell County friends of Mrs. Janie Bates, wife of Capt. J. W. Bates, of the Siloam section, were grieved to hear of her death, which occurred at four o'clock Saturday morning, after an illness of only two weeks. Mrs. Bates, who was 62 years of age, suffered a stroke of paralysis on the night of December 15th, and in spite of medical skill and the tender nursing of loving hands, the Grim Reaper bore her spirit to its final reward. Her body was laid to rest Sunday afternoon in the Mt. Olivet Churchyard, the Rev. J. G. Martin conducting the funeral services in the presence of a large number of sorrowing relatives and sympathetic friends.

Capt. and Mrs. Bates were married 36 years ago, two children blessing their union. Before her marriage she was Miss Janie Sanders. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Charlie P. Morris and Miss Mollie Bates, one sister, Mrs. Susan Davis, of Allendale, and one brother, Mr. John E. Sanders, of the Siloam section. The people joins with other friends in extending sympathy to the family in their great bereavement.

W. S. S. Mature Jan. 1.

"War saving stamps, series 1919, will mature Jan. 1, 1924, and it is estimated that about \$60,000,000 of these stamps are outstanding at this date," said Postmaster E. A. Deason a few days ago. Continuing Mr. Deason had the following to say:

"Holders of the 1919 war savings stamps have the privilege of exchanging them, either in whole or in part, for the new issue, Treasury savings certificates, with a higher, more attractive interest return. These new Treasury savings certificates, which are not subject to market changes but increase in value every month, were placed on sale December 1, 1923. The postmaster states that \$20 in war savings stamps will purchase a \$25 Treasury savings certificate and \$100 in war savings stamps will buy \$125 in Treasury savings certificates. Similar exchanges can be made in other amounts.

"Owners wishing to receive cash or to reinvest their holdings should apply at once to the post office for prompt settlement."

Progressive Barnwell County

Under the above caption The Augusta Chronicle comments as follows upon County Agent Harry G. Boylston's review of farming conditions in Barnwell County, which will be found elsewhere in this issue:

There are those who claim that, in the matter of crop diversification, Barnwell county, South Carolina, has made more telling progress than any locality in this section of the South. We have always known the farmers of Barnwell as men who kept abreast of all movements forward.

The Chronicle has been favored with a letter from H. G. Boylston, county agent of Barnwell county, in which he tells of conditions there, and which bears out the progressive and business-like course of the farmers of Barnwell, and we give it here as evidence of what has been and is being accomplished there.

Send your Job Work to The People.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

NEWS FROM WILLISTON

Mrs. Martin F. Weathersbee Hostess to Hart's Battery Chapter.

Williston, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Martin F. Weathersbee was hostess of Hart's Chapter U. D. C., on Friday afternoon, December 14th. There was an average attendance notwithstanding the fact that this was one of the most inclement days of the year. After reports of officers and standing committees the chapter voted to remember all the veterans and wives of veterans around Williston with a Christmas box consisting of nuts, fruits, home made candy and pound cake. Mrs. W. H. Manning volunteered to have these boxes made in the 7th grade by the students in manual training of which grade she is a teacher. It was decided to buy two health bonds from the committee selling Xmas seals. Each member of the chapter was assessed 25 cents to cover cost of these bonds. A committee was appointed by the president to get up and print the chapter year book of the ensuing year.

Mrs. L. H. Boylston made report of her trip to the state U. D. C. convention in Newberry where she went as a delegate. Her report was quite interesting.

During the social hour the hostess served a delightful course with tea. The colors of the season were carried out in the refreshments and favors.

Mrs. Q. A. Kennedy, Jr., entertained at cards Tuesday afternoon. After the games, a delicious salad course was served.

Thursday evening of last week, Mr. and Mrs. Q. A. Kennedy, Jr., entertained with a six o'clock dinner. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Willis, of Denmark; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Willis and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kennedy, of Williston.

An event much enjoyed by the younger set of Williston was Wednesday evening of last week when Miss Kate Osborne entertained the Williston football team. The team took this occasion to present their coach, Prof. M. M. Player, with a handsome gold knife and chain with the greetings of the season. The evening was most delightfully spent with contests and other games, after which the charming young hostess served ambrosia and cake. A Christmas tree added to the pleasure of the evening.

The following young ladies have returned from college to spend the holidays at home: Miss Mary Harvey Newsum; Coker; Mrs. Wallace Wolfe Thompson; Misses Bessie Thompson and Ruby Courtney, Winthrop; Misses House Black and Hattie Smith, Converse; Miss Martha Dixon, Bristol, Tenn.

The following teachers have returned to spend the holidays at their homes in Williston: Miss Mertis Thompson, Colliers; Miss Mattie Lee Bennett, Sweetwater; Miss Gretchen Hair, Hampton county; Miss Maxie Hair, Wolf Pitt.

Miss Frances Rankin is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. W. J. Cook, at Greeleyville, and Miss Connie Crouch has gone to Johnston to spend Christmas. Misses Rankin and Crouch are teachers in the Elko school.

Miss Elinor Dunbar, of Ellenton, stopped over for a few days this week with Miss Mary Harvey Newsum on her way home from Coker.

Mrs. B. F. Drummond has returned from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Williams at Elko.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Newsome spent last Sunday with Dr. Robert Black in Bamberg.

Mrs. D. P. Johnson, of Blackville, and Mrs. Allen Brown, of Barnwell, were visitors in Williston Tuesday Senator L. A. Hutson, of Orangeburg, and his mother, Mrs. N. T. Hutson, of Springfield, were Sunday guests of Mrs. J. W. Cook.

Messrs. David Garrison and Watson, of Greenville, were visitors this week of the former's sister, Mrs. D. T. Latimer, and were accompanied by Mrs. Latimer and children who will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents in Greenville county.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cave and son, Eugene, of Columbia, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Templeton and two daughters, of Denmark, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Williams.

Mrs. Clotilde Thompson and Mrs. W. C. Smith, Jr., have returned from a visit to the former's brother, Con-

THE DAVIS-LEE CHAPTER

MET WITH MRS. S. H. STILL

School Improvement Association Dedicates Tree to Late President.

Blackville, Dec. 22.—December 10 the School Improvement Association of Blackville dedicated a tree on the school grounds to the memory of the late President Warren G. Harding, a magnolia tree being given to the Association by Mrs. E. E. Partain. Appropriate exercises were held in the auditorium.

The Davis-Lee chapter of the U. D. C. held its December meeting with Mrs. S. H. Still, hostess. The president, Mrs. T. L. Wragg, had an interesting report of the convention in Newberry.

Mrs. Julius Strobel, of Washington, D. C., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Molony.

Mrs. S. L. Jarrett, of High Point, N. C., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. H. Ninestein.

The following college students are home for the Christmas holidays: Misses Dorothy Wragg, Vera Lowe and Olive Ray, of Winthrop College; Florence Ninestein, of Columbia College; Mary Still, of Converse College; Imogene Still, of Brenau; Eugenia Still and Sara Fickling, of Greenville Woman's College.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Browning are spending the holidays in Blackville. Lawrence Groves spent last Friday and Saturday in Charleston.

The December meeting of the Joseph Koger Chapter of the D. A. R. was held December 18 with Mrs. J. V. Matthews as hostess. The regent, Mrs. A. H. Ninestein, presiding. After the business was disposed of an interesting program was rendered. Mrs. W. H. Hines, Mrs. E. H. Weiskinger, Mrs. L. C. Still and Mrs. T. O. Boland, after adjourning the Daughters spent a pleasant hour, during which the hostess, assisted by Mrs. W. E. Matthews, served refreshments.

Miss Dorothy Minus, of St. George, was a recent visitor to Mrs. L. C. Still.

Miss Olive Baxley, of Washington, D. C., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Baxley.

Will Wear Collar and Tie to Town

We visited one of our Towns some time ago and it so happened that we had on our everyday clothes which were also unclean we met some old timers in overalls, and other common looking garb who were just as clever as ever but for common we didn't find it so. We saw a Small portion of an Editor but piced no chat with him. The merchants didn't seem to think that there was much of anything in our pocket which was correct, so we resolved that hereafter we will put on a Starched Collar and a Tie of some Sort and put Buttons in our Shirt in place of Safety pins and thereby look as near like Bueca as we know how we don't mean by that to call it a complaint or even a criticism but would advise people who go to town to look as much like a Town Dude or that they had corn to Sell, as they possibly can. We wish it understood that we are a good friend to the Town folks and admire and not begrudge the way they are fixed-up their everyday being far ahead of our Sunday fixings.

Riah Mas.

Mr. J. A. Cochran Dead.

Announcement is made of the death of Joseph A. Cochran, who died in a local hospital yesterday after an illness of ten days. The funeral will be held from Joyce Branch Baptist Church, Dunbarton, S. C., this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ada Cochran, one brother, sister and one nephew.—Augusta Chronicle, Dec. 26.

Mr. Ted Riley came down from Furman University, Greenville, last week to spend the holidays with Barnwell relatives and friends.

Mander Norman Smith, U. S. N., stationed at Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Simpson Hutson is visiting her son, J. L. Hutson, in Savannah. G. W. Ready, of Frostproof, Fla., is visiting in this section.

Mr. W. C. Smith, Jr., is erecting a handsome residence on East Railroad Avenue.

County Auditor W. H. Manning has about completed his residence in Williston and expects to move into the same around the first of the year.

Union Meetings.

The following is the program of the Barnwell Baptist Union meetings to be held December 29th and 30th: 1st Division meets at Edisto, 2nd Division meets at Hilda, 3rd Division meets at Mt. Calvary.

Queries: "What benefits have come to our Churches from the '75-million campaign'?"

1. Rev. O. B. Falls, N. H. Fender, C. W. Rentz, Jr.

2. Rev. W. R. Davis, S. S. Williams, J. O. Sanders.

3. Rev. L. H. Miller, Rev. O. J. Frier, R. S. Weathersbee.

Query No. 2. "What does each local Church owe to itself, its community and to the Kingdom of God?"

1. Rev. Walter Black, J. B. Gilham, Virgil Manuel.

2. Rev. D. W. Heckle, C. F. Carter, W. M. Jones.

3. S. A. Hair, T. J. Grubbs, R. R. Johnston.

Query No. 3. "What are the essentials of a Christian home?"

1. Rev. C. M. Robinson, N. H. Fender.

2. Rev. J. F. Davis, J. W. Bates, I. S. Edill.

3. Rev. O. J. Frier, C. J. Fickling, R. E. Woodward.

Preachers for Sunday morning:

Division No. 1, Walter Black or C. M. Robinson.

Division No. 2, W. R. Davis or W. M. Jones.

Division No. 3, O. J. Frier or D. W. Heckle.

In the event that another query is needed the following has been suggested and each division selects its own speakers: "What are the essentials of normal Christian growth?" Each division is asked to select its own order of discussion of topics. Note: Owing to the fact that the lists of churches as sent in to the program committee would have put two meetings in one division, the lists will not be published now. Each Church is asked to send its delegates to the latest meeting.

O. J. Frier,
W. M. Jones,
J. O. Martin.

WRITES SONG ON DRUM HEAD—EARNS A MILLION

The story of how "Yes, We Have No Bananas" was written is one of the most fascinating in history. One night, Frank Silver, the young New York song writer and orchestra leader, who was conducting his own orchestra at Murray's Restaurant, on 42nd Street, was entertaining a number of his musical and newspaper friends at a little supper at the famous Broadway dining resort, a few weeks before it closed. At the table were some of the best-known humorists and writers in New York, among them Tad, the famous cartoonist. Silver joined his guests at the special table, which adjoined the space reserved for the orchestra. It was late at night and everyone was hungry. Tad, after disposing of a plenteous sirloin steak, asked the waiter to bring him some black coffee, and some fruit,—some apples, some pears and bananas. The waiter was a foreigner, he fetched the apples and the pears, but not the bananas. Tad asked him where the rest of the order was. "Yes," replied the waiter. "Yes what?" said Tad. "Yes, yes," still replied the waiter, bowing and smiling apologetically. "Say what do you mean 'Yes'?" The waiter bowed again and said "Yes, we have no bananas at all, None in ze house." "Say, that's good," chimed Silver. "That'll make a bully song, 'Yes, We Have No Bananas.'" "Get me some paper quick," he said. There was no paper at hand, and going over to the orchestra stand he "borrowed" his drummer's bass drum, and quickly scrawled the words and music of the song on the head of the drum. Going to the piano he played it over. It struck the fancy of the crowd like lightning and everybody laughed and began to sing it. Silver "borrowed" the drum for the night and took it with him to his hotel where he copied the song, and the next day took it to his publishers, who grabbed it. Two weeks later it came out, and spread over the country like wildfire, and now a few months later the young composer is counting his royalties daily, they having already reached the astounding figures of five hundred thousand dollars, and another half million for the publisher. Frank Silver (himself), brings his famous Jax band and brilliant company to the Yamp Theatre for a performance here January 11th, and this promises to be one of the surprise attractions of the season.

COUNTY AGENT CARRIES

ON WORK SUCCESSFULLY

District Agent, Miss Bessie Harper, Reviews Results for 1923.

Miss Bessie Harper, District Agent, has sent The People the following report of work done by Miss Elma Cave, Home Demonstration Agent, in Barnwell County for the year 1923:

During the present year the work of the Home Demonstration Agent has been most successfully carried on. After a ten days intensive course of study at Winthrop College early in January, Miss Elma Cave, the efficient Agent, returned to Barnwell to present to the members of her 7 Women's clubs in the county the various projects of the Department from which they together selected a year's program of work each club. Thus, the women in selecting their own course of study take a great deal more interest in the work. Under these projects are lessons in clothing, including all forms of sewing, millinery, making of inexpensive but very valuable dress forms, remodeling and renovation of old clothing; conservation of all kinds of food stuffs; dairying; food and nutrition work, household management; production, poultry raising and marketing. The women themselves when proficient in a certain line give demonstrations at the club meetings.

A prescribed four year's course of study including regular monthly lessons in clothing, dairying, food and nutrition, production and conservation and marketing is given the girls.

There were 137 members in these clubs. Miss Cave carried on this work in 9 Boys' and girls' clubs with a membership of 84.

During the year Miss Cave visited 187 homes, making 389 visits, receiving 247 calls at her office, spent 80 days in the office and 97 in the field, wrote 928 letters and 23 articles for publication, held 2 community fairs, 1 county fair, 1 short course, 1 Rally Day and held 82 meetings for women with an attendance of 691 and 60 girls' meetings with an attendance of 484, 9 boys' and girls' meetings and 12 community meetings.

In her women's work Miss Cave's report shows 167 homes influenced to serve better selected foods as a result of a meal planning campaign; 167 women and 42 girls making better bread, 167 influenced to improve practices in child feeding and care, involving 205 children; 46 women and 9 girls making their own hats; 188 homes influenced to adopt better sanitary closets; 15 kitchen tables raised; 3 washing machines bought, 3 kitchen cabinets and 10 wood boxes put on legs.

Besides work done in organized communities, miscellaneous work has been done in food conservation, poultry raising, hat making, gardening, home conveniences and interior decoration over the county. Almost every part of the county has been reached during the year by some phase of Home Demonstration work. There is one Community Club and one Community Poultry Association. A very successful club exhibit was held at the close of the club year. The exhibits shown were most creditable and for these splendid prizes were contributed by local organizations. For next year Miss Cave plans to put on a milk campaign and nutrition classes with the children.

Cunningham for Commissioner.

Allendale, Dec. 15.—The friends of R. B. Cunningham are urging him to run for railroad commissioner to succeed R. J. Wade, whose term expires in January, when the General Assembly will elect his successor.

Mr. Cunningham has served Allendale County as a member of the legislature for the past four years in a most acceptable manner and the people of this section of the State feel that justice demands that they should have a representative on the board of railroad commissioners. Mr. Cunningham is well fitted for the duties of that office, having served as a member of the Ways and Means Committee of the House for four years.

Christmas passed off very quietly in Barnwell with the exception of the usual war-like celebration of the birthday of the Prince of Peace. There was comparatively little drunkenness and everybody seemed to be in excellent humor.

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