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CRIMINAL COURT WILL CONVENE FEBRUARY 18

Judge T. S. Sease to Preside. Grand and Petit Jurors Drawn.

The February term of the Court of General Sessions for Barnwell County will convene here February 18th, with Judge T. S. Sease presiding. Grand Jurors for the ensuing year and petit jurors for the first week of the approaching term have been drawn, as follows:

Grand Jurors.

Hold-overs: John R. Myrick, Blackville. J. W. Peters, Blackville. Carlos E. Hall, Williston. J. F. Ready, Great Cypress. C. W. Mitchell, Barnwell. Lennie W. Hutto, Georges Creek. New jurors: Henry K. Delk, Blackville. W. R. Kennedy, Williston. L. Weiner, Barnwell. R. J. Rountree, Williston. A. W. Munis, Four Mile. A. N. Black, Georges Creek. C. P. Owens, Barnwell. J. R. Rosier, Bennett Springs.

M. B. Whittle, Blackville. S. H. Ussery, Barnwell. W. D. Delk, Barnwell. J. G. Shipes, Blackville.

First Week Petit Jurors.

V. L. Brown, Four Mile. J. D. Davis, Barnwell. N. C. Grubbs, Jr., Georges Creek. Frank Fields, Barnwell. W. E. McNab, Barnwell. Willie T. Still, Georges Creek. G. C. Matthews, Williston. A. W. Ellis, Bennett Springs. F. J. Greene, Williston. H. E. Fickling, Blackville. A. P. Collins, Georges Creek. J. B. Black, Barnwell. T. O. Davis, Red Oak. F. A. Creech, Barnwell. C. R. Gibson, Georges Creek. P. M. Hair, Williston. J. Pickens Bell, Williston. A. T. Beard, Red Oak. C. H. Delk, Blackville. Willie Harley, Georges Creek. S. H. Still, Blackville. J. W. Spies, Blackville. W. T. Willis, Jr., Williston. H. W. Sanders, Barnwell. W. H. Wooley, Elko. B. R. Long, Barnwell. Earl H. Jenkins, Great Cypress. B. A. Rountree, Richland. T. J. Langley, Barnwell. Byron Purcell, Blackville. W. J. Lemon, Barnwell. B. L. Peoples, Four Mile. B. F. Owens, Four Mile. B. F. Gibson, Great Cypress. J. C. Fowke, Red Oak. W. A. Dyches, Blackville.

Second Week Jurors.

J. C. Hoffman, Blackville. R. R. Johnston, Williston. C. C. Owens, Jr., Barnwell. W. P. Walsh, Williston. D. T. Black, Barnwell. Idis Brabham, Bennett Springs. A. F. Weimorts, Williston. J. E. Sanders, Barnwell. Jesse Rountree, Bennett Springs. Angus B. Alexander, Barnwell. H. M. Cook, Red Oak. Monroe Rowell, Georges Creek. F. H. Miller, Barnwell. W. E. Cunningham, Williston. Johnson Lane, Georges Creek. S. H. Greene, Richland. Leroy Ferguson, Red Oak. Arthur Still, Williston. Murray R. Turner, Blackville. Marion S. Hair, Rosemary. J. A. Jenkins, Great Cypress. W. C. Bell, Williston. E. F. Weeks, Blackville. G. M. Rosier, Bennett Springs. W. H. Dicks, Bennett Springs. E. G. Hay, Red Oak. J. W. B. Dixon, Rosemary. Furman Creech, Barnwell. E. H. Weissinger, Blackville. J. S. Plexico, Great Cypress. R. H. Burckhalter, Richland. B. F. Baughman, Bennett Springs. T. F. Penwell, Red Oak. S. E. Sease, Red Oak. George Broome, Four Mile. E. E. Fickling, Blackville.

The days gain 11 minutes in sunshine this week.

Mrs. Edgar A. Brown and little daughter, Emily, left Tuesday for a visit to her sister, Mrs. John Stevens, in Kershaw.

"I had rather read The People than a daily paper," said Mr. D. C. Bush, of Ellenton, when he called at this office Tuesday to renew his subscription. Thank you, Mr. Bush.

GROUND HOG SAYS SIX WEEKS MORE OF WINTER

Little Weather Prophet Was Frightened by His Shadow Saturday.

If the ground hog is to be believed as a weather prophet, there will be six weeks more of winter in this section. According to an old tradition, this little animal wakes from his long winter nap on February 2nd and comes out for a look around. If the weather is cloudy, he does not see his shadow, which is said to frighten him, and remains above ground, which is taken as an indication that cold weather is over. On the other hand, if the sun is shining, he becomes frightened at his shadow and scampers back into winter quarters for another nap of six weeks, which means that Spring is that far in the future.

The sun was shining brightly Saturday, which was "ground hog day," and if there is any truth in the tradition, "Winter will linger in the lap of Spring." Easter falls on April 20th this year, which is another indication of a late Spring.

"INTENTION TO PLANT" DETRIMENT TO FARMERS

Secretary Wallace Says Report Will Not Be Issued This Year.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Members of Congress, from the cotton States, have been assured by Secretary Wallace that the Department of Agriculture will not make an "intentions to plant" report on cotton acreage this year. Representative Rankin, Democrat, Mississippi, chairman of the group's committee on the readjustment of cotton crop estimates and reports, announced today.

Representatives of the Agricultural Department, in a recent conference with Southern Congressmen, said Mr. Rankin, indicated it was not intended to issue an "intentions to plant" report in 1924, but rumors that such a report would be made public prompted Mr. Rankin to get in touch with Mr. Wallace again.

"It is the contention of the committee," said Mr. Rankin, in a statement, "that the publication of these 'intentions' reports based on highly inflated guesses as to how much cotton the farmers are going to plant, has had a depressing effect on the cotton market from which it did not fully recover until after the entire crop had been gathered and placed on the market, thereby costing the cotton growers many millions of dollars instead of benefiting them."

NEGRO PERIODICAL VERY BITTER AGAINST BYRNES

Significant Reference Taken as Implied Threat Against "Jimmie"

Washington, Feb. 2.—The Washington Tribune, a publication edited by Washington negroes, proceeds today with great bitterness against Representative J. F. Byrnes of South Carolina because of his action in knocking out of an appropriation bill an item in favor of Howard university, negro educational institution of \$207,000.

Mr. Byrnes acted because of a sermon delivered by a preacher, a trustee of that institution, criticizing Woodrow Wilson's Christianity and the Christianity of white people generally, because such teaching, it was contended, tended to create friction between the races.

The Tribune declared that Mr. Byrnes represents a district, the majority of the "citizens" of which are negroes and a state in each district of which a majority of the "citizens" are negroes. It threatens to bring about his defeat when next he asks South Carolinians for their suffrage.

The Tribune significantly refers to the report, current at that time, that the late Representative Ragsdale of South Carolina, who opposed certain appropriations for Howard university, was killed by negroes in the race riots which disturbed Washington some years ago, the report was proven false. Its resurrection by The Tribune is regarded by some members of congress as an implied threat against Mr. Byrnes.

Auto Turns Turtle.

A Ford touring car occupied by three negro men and two negro women turned over Sunday afternoon at

MORE NEW SUBSCRIBERS ADDED TO MAILING LIST

The People's Family Continues to Grow as the Weeks Go By.

Hardly a week passes that does not see new names added to The People's rapidly growing subscription list, and the number of satisfied readers of this paper is now larger than at any time since October, 1918, when under orders from the War Industries Board, the names of all delinquents were dropped from the mailing list. This increase has come in spite of the fact that a large part of The People's trade territory was lost in the formation of Allendale County, which witnessed the establishment of two new papers there. The establishment of a third newspaper in Barnwell County has failed to retard the steady growth of this paper.

The publisher of The People takes this gratifying growth as evidence of the fact that this paper is supplying a real need—that of a progressive weekly paper that furnishes its subscribers with the news while it is news. The People has been told on numbers of occasions that, week in and week out, it publishes more interesting general county news than all other newspapers in the county combined.

Since last issue of The People, the following new names have been added to the mailing list:

- Miss Minnie Lou Baxley, Greenville. J. S. Wood, Martin. Miss Juanita Bodiford, Augusta. F. A. Dyches, Blackville, route 3. Miss Eula Hair, Denmark. B. B. Ray, Barnwell, route 1. A. J. Johnson, Blackville, route 2. The People also begs to acknowledge renewals from the following subscribers: W. H. Hutto, Blackville. J. C. R. Grubbs, Hilda. M. W. Morris, O'ar. E. W. D. Morris, O'ar. R. L. Wooley, Williston. T. A. Greene, Dunbarton. J. W. Newton, Barnwell, route 3. S. J. Cochran, Martin. J. J. Keel, Elko, route 2. D. C. Bush, Ellenton. B. O. Cave, Allendale.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION MEETS HERE SATURDAY

The Rev. J. Dean Crain, of Columbia, to Deliver Address.

The Rev. J. Dean Crain, of Columbia, will deliver the principal address at the meeting of the Barnwell County Teachers' Association, which will be held in the Barnwell high school building Saturday, Feb. 9th, at 11:00 o'clock. Dr. W. M. Jones, of Barnwell, pays Mr. Crain the following high compliment: "Rev. Mr. Crain is the most popular speaker in the South Carolina State Baptist Convention."

Dinner will be served by the ladies of the Barnwell Methodist Church. The following program has been arranged for the occasion:

Song. Devotional Exercises by Dr. W. M. Jones. Music by Williston, High School Boys Chorus.

School Improvement Associations by Mrs. A. H. Ninstein, of Blackville, Barnwell County organizer.

Music by Blackville teachers. Introduction of speaker by Dr. W. M. Jones.

Address by Rev. J. Dean Crain, Pastor Second Baptist Church, Columbia. Business. Dinner.

Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Coaches of High Schools in Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell and adjacent territory are herewith extended an invitation to attend this meeting. A conference of these school officials will be held immediately after adjournment for the purpose of organizing a sectional athletic association. It is hoped that every school will be represented at this conference.

the intersection of Main Street and Marlboro Avenue. All of the occupants of the car with the exception of one man escaped practically unhurt. Medical attention was rendered to the injured member of the party, who was knocked unconscious. The driver of the car, who is said to have tried to turn the corner at a rapid rate of speed, was arrested for reckless driving.

VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION MADE TO SCHOOL LIBRARY

Teachers and Students Grateful for Encyclopedia Britannica.

The teachers and students of the Barnwell high school are deeply grateful to the Hon. C. C. Simms, of this city, for the donation of a beautiful set of the Encyclopedia Britannica, and hope that the patrons of the school will join in this appreciation. The People has been requested to publish the following interesting letter which accompanied the contribution to the school library:

To the Honorable Board of Trustees of the Barnwell Graded Schools and J. D. Robison, Superintendent of the same:

Because of my long affiliation with the Barnwell Graded School and my interest in the school and its general power of development of intellect in this community, I desire to donate to the school the Ninth Edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica as a foundation around which the school and its patrons may find a nucleus to the establishment of a proper library dedicated to the advancement of thought upon the proper lines amongst the pupils and patrons who may become eligible to such instructions.

I have contributed before to this library, but have found the contribution was not appreciated, if the carelessness and indifference with which the books were handled are any indication. I apprehend that none of these books contributed may now be found in your library, and such as may be there are only recovered by more or less exertion on the part of the officers of the school, and are in a more or less dilapidated condition due to the fact that the fly pages have been torn out by the parents when lacking stationery with which to write orders to the stores in the community. This appeals to me as an indication of the lack of regard towards literature in this community; also indicates the lack of appreciation of the world of thought, energy and industry and research on the part of the authors that have brought about their productions. It also brings to my mind that our people do not regard any intellectual development, by books or otherwise, except that which might produce some information as to the stock markets or other mercantile enterprises; hence the development of our community does not proceed upon the higher altitude of thought leading not only to those things that are familiar in this life but absolutely regardless of the continuity of life beyond the grave where commercialism has no place.

I have always regarded books as about the only true and sincere friend that I have had. I could read them and lay them down; in the meantime I could take up another book and read it and likewise lay it aside. I have never had any complaints from these books by way of jealousy or otherwise in any discrimination that I might make. They are always ready, between their covers, unasked, to give me out of the wealth of their authors' ability and research, every information that they could, and they were willing to have that privilege extended to me from others. They have never complained to me or criticized me. They were only willing to help me as best they could, therefore, I look upon them as the best friend that I have ever had, because they were friends without criticizing; they were friends giving all that they could and asking nothing; never complaining and never fretting at supposed discrimination.

You can understand, therefore, the reverence that I feel at this dedication to your school of this rather splendid edition as a foundation for your library dedicated to the proper uses of the school, not to be taken hence at the wills and fancies of the scholars or the succeeding professors or teachers; not to have the fly pages torn out to write orders upon; not to degrade the authors by the carelessness of business and thoughtlessness, but for the great purpose of making a proper mind. I trust that you will receive this in the spirit in which it is offered; not as an idle gift, but as a substantial desire to help the intellects of your children, and that from this foundation a great library may be instituted, and being instituted, not have an accumulation of books, but have the accumulation and desire to read the books that you have and to obtain wisdom and understanding

DUNBARTON WILL ELECT OFFICERS FEBRUARY 13

Preparations Being Made for Coming of Chautauqua This Spring.

Dunbarton, Feb. 5.—The friends of Mr. George Anderson will regret to hear that he has been quite ill for the past two weeks.

The friends of Miss Jane Owens will regret to learn that she is confined to her home on account of sickness. Miss May Owens, assistant teacher, took her place. It is hoped that Miss Jane will be able to be back at her place in the school room before long.

The Chautauqua Committee had a meeting Thursday afternoon. Mr. King, Supt. of the School, was elected manager of the committee; Mr. B. F. Tisdale, treasurer; Mr. B. F. Anderson, chairman of the ticket selling committee, and Mr. T. E. Killingsworth, tent manager. Those on the contract guaranteeing the Chautauqua are very enthusiastic over its success, and resolved to do everything in their power to put it across when it comes. This is one of the things that will boost a town, and we venture to say that our community will get quite a lot of advertising when the show comes.

The election of officers for the town of Dunbarton will be held Friday, February 15, 1924, at the store of P. J. Hiers. The following will act as managers of the election: P. J. Hiers, Gilmore Hiers and J. L. All. A meeting of the citizens as scheduled for Wednesday night for the purpose of nominating the mayor and wardens, but as this paper goes to press before the results of this meeting can be had, it will be reported next week. At this election every voter in Dunbarton will be given a chance to say who shall conduct the affairs of the town for the ensuing year.

The negroes of our community are to be congratulated on their fine work in connection with their new school building. They have raised fifteen hundred dollars in cash, which is to be supplemented by funds from the state and county, the local district, and the Rosenwald Fund. Actual work on the building has been begun by the contractor, Mr. Knopf, and it is estimated that in sixty days the building will be completed. This school building will cost approximately five thousand dollars, and it is located between Dunbarton and Donora, close to the Four Mile Educational Institute.

BUDGET OF INTERESTING ITEMS FROM BLACKVILLE

Amateur Aviator Stops Over While En Route from Florida.

Blackville, Feb. 5.—Mr. N. E. Stroms, of Asheville, N. C., was a guest at the Shamrock Hotel several days last week. He had purchased an aeroplane at Pueblo Beach, Fla., and was flying from there, following the beaches to Charleston. He stopped at Fort Moultrie while in the City by the Sea. Mr. Stroms is an amateur aviator, and bought the machine so as to become more expert. He expressed a special liking for Blackville, and said he would probably visit here again next year. He also visited Tybee and other points of interest while coming from Florida.

Measles is raging in Blackville, but only about three cases in town are very serious. Master Bobby Stiven-der has a complication of measles and pneumonia. Miss Dearie Bates is very ill, as is also Leonard Blume. Mrs. David K. Briggs has recovered from a very serious operation and is able to be out again. Mr. Bob Walker is in the Orangeburg Hospital, where he went for an operation for appendicitis. Since the operation he contracted pneumonia and has not been getting on so well. Mr. J. M. Halford was a business visitor to Barnwell Monday.

Friends of Mr. T. Asbury Hutto will regret to learn that he is suffering from a physical breakdown.

Magistrate R. L. Wooley and Mr. Scott, of Williston, were in the city salesday on business.

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Hoping that it may be the commencement of a great library, I remain,

Yours very sincerely, Chas. Carroll Simms.

R. B. FICKLING INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK

Car Collides Near Monetta Sunday With That of Negro.

Aiken, Feb. 4.—R. B. Fickling, of Blackville, lies unconscious from wounds received late Sunday night near Monetta when his car and that of Jesse Morris, negro construction worker from Columbia collided. Mr. Fickling was accompanied by his 12-year-old daughter when the collision occurred, and the child today stated to the authorities of Aiken that her father had driven his car far out to the side of the road to avoid collision, and that Morris dashed into it. The car of Mr. Fickling was completely demolished and he received severe injuries about the head and spine. He was hurriedly taken to the Leesville hospital.

News of the wreck reached Aiken today and officers McElhany and Arthur Shepperd went to the scene to investigate, and while there met Morris, who had returned from Columbia to take his car home. The man was at once placed under arrest charged with assault and battery and attempt to kill and with driving a car under the influence of liquor. Late this evening he was placed in the Aiken jail to await the result of Mr. Fickling's injuries.

Mrs. Fickling Quite Ill.

It is understood here that Mr. Fickling had been to Columbia to visit his wife, who is reported as being very ill at a hospital there, and was on his way home when the automobile accident occurred.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS FROM WILLISTON

Guests at Birthday Dinner Entertained by Talented Musicians.

Williston, Feb. 2.—Mrs. M. L. Bolic and son, Robert, of Hickory, N. C., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Weatherslee.

Oscar L. Weeks has returned from a visit to Asheville, N. C. Mesdames R. M. Mixson, M. F. Weathersbee and J. S. Remsen attended a meeting of the Daughters of 1812 in Columbia last week.

Mrs. W. R. Kennedy was hostess Wednesday afternoon to the bridge club. After the games a salad course with hot coffee was served.

Mrs. Clothilde S. Thompson has returned from St. George.

W. W. Player, of Elliott, has been visiting his son, Prof. M. M. Player.

Mrs. E. B. Jackson and children, Mrs. J. A. Tyler and Mrs. J. N. Tojar of Wagener were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Harley last week.

Mrs. George W. Allen, of Savannah, and Mrs. Allie Anderson, of North Augusta, and Guy Willis, of Savannah, were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Edwards and Mrs. Nan Feaman spent last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Kennedy on their way back to Hendersonville after spending several weeks in St. Petersburg and touring other parts of Florida.

R. J. Rountree is in Columbia this week as a juror in federal court.

Senator A. M. Kennedy left Tuesday morning for Columbia.

Mrs. Leslie Mellichamp and son, Leslie, Jr., of New York City, are visiting her father, L. S. Mellichamp.

Mrs. Fred Powell left last Monday to visit relatives in Garfield, Ga.

Mrs. Martin F. Weathersbee entertained with cards at her home Tuesday afternoon. After the delightful games refreshments were served.

Miss Nina Frederick has returned to Columbia to resume her studies there.

Mr. and Mrs. Mouzon Smith, of Edgefield, Mr. Servetas and friend, of Aiken, and Evangelos and Theodore Servetas, of Edgefield, were the guests of Mrs. J. Schenck Remsen, of New York, at a birthday dinner given January 27. Mrs. Remsen is spending the winter with Mrs. M. F. Weathersbee. The Messrs. Servetas are unusually talented musicians and charmed their audience with a number of select, classical and popular compositions, among which were "The Angel's Serenade" and the beautiful Greek song, "Love Words," rendered in the Greek language.

Among the visitors to Barnwell on Saturday were Messrs. Maner Morris and E. W. D. Morris, of the Olar section.