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SECRETARY CAPERS PAYS VISIT TO CO. INSTITUTIONS

Says Need of This Section Is a District Almshouse.

Assistant Secretary Capers, of the State Board of Public Welfare, visited the Barnwell County Almshouse, the jail and the chain gangs on March 28 and has made the following report of his inspection:

The Almshouse.

The Barnwell County almshouse needs more than anything else at the present time some one to wait on the inmates and attend to the general cleaning up of the buildings and grounds. The population of the almshouse is now ten persons, only one of whom is able to do any active work.

The one best recommendation that can be made is that Barnwell County join in with contiguous counties and establish a district almshouse. This would provide for the proper care of the poor at a minimum cost.

The score for the almshouse is 647 out of a possible 1,000 points.

The Jail.

The outstanding feature of the Barnwell County jail is its cleanliness. Though lacking in classification facilities, the jailer uses good judgment in the handling of the prisoners.

The interior of the jail has been newly painted. This means much to the looks and sanitation of the jail, and preserves the steel work.

The abolition of the fee system with three meals per day instead of two, and the installation of shower baths is again recommended for the improvement of the jail.

The score for this institution is 777 out of a possible 1,000 points.

The Chain Gangs.

Thirty-four negro men are now serving time upon the two Barnwell County chain gangs under the supervision of Foremen Boylston and Baxley. No improvements of value have been made at either camp within the past year.

The negro, Hugh Scott, mentioned in last year's report has been transferred to the State Penitentiary where he will receive long needed medical attention.

Both camps use some comforts for bedding. These are unsatisfactory as they cannot be washed, and are a natural refuge for vermin. Blankets are recommended.

At both camps the prisoners' quarters and bedding were not clean or in order. The general lack of cleanliness about the camps was especially noticeable. The thorough policing and sanitation of both camps is recommended.

The water supply is adequate, but not convenient, being 200 yards away from the campus.

Sewage disposal is properly handled. However, the soil pits are located too near the camp.

Some new camp equipment is badly needed at both camps.

The score for camp No. 1 is 715 and for camp No. 2 is 707 out of a possible 1,000 points.

Ladies' Auxiliary Meets.

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Church of the Holy Apostles of Barnwell was held here Thursday, April 15th, at the church. Mrs. John Cart, of Orangeburg, vice-president of the Charleston Convocation, was present and made an impressive and interesting talk. Plans were made for future mission work in the Auxiliary. Mrs. Cart also visited other places in this section.

The regular meeting of the Auxiliary was held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. Julian Bush. The members of this organization have taken up the study of Japan during Lent.

Mrs. B. P. Davies, Publicity Chairman.

Oak Grove Sewing Club.

Olar, April 10.—The Oak Grove Sewing Club held its regular meeting Thursday, April 8, for the purpose of making the second garment. Miss Elma Cave, of Barnwell, gave instructions. The girls had their work complete and up-to-date. Miss Cave also made a talk about the short course and explained to the girls about the exhibit and what is in store for the one who is the winner.

The attention of our readers is called to quarter page adv. of the Home Bank appearing on the local page of this issue.

BROWN AND WEISSINGER THROW HATS IN THE RING

Announce Themselves as Candidates for Reelection to House.

Col. Edgar A. Brown, of Barnwell, and the Hon. G. L. Weissinger, of Blackville, announce their candidacy for reelection to the House of Representatives in this issue of The People. The former is finishing his second term and the latter his first term as Barnwell County's representatives and both have made excellent records in the legislative department of the State government.

If elected, Col. Brown has announced that he will be a candidate for the Speakership of the House and his chances of election to this post are said to be splendid. He is one of the best known and most popular members of that body and is generally recognized as one of its leaders. He has been active in politics for a number of years and is at present chairman of the County Convention and chairman of the State Executive Committee. He was a member of the staff of former Governor Cooper.

Mr. Weissinger was urged to make the race for the State Senate, but after mature deliberation decided that he can best serve the people of the county, for the present at least, in the House. Both of these gentlemen have many friends throughout the county who are confidently predicting their reelection.

BUDGET OF INTERESTING ITEMS FROM DUNBARTON

B. F. Anderson Buys Hotel Property.

Work Begins on S. S. Rooms

Dunbarton, April 14.—The hotel building, which was sold last week, was bought by Mr. B. F. Anderson. It is not known definitely what he expects to do with it, but it is likely that he will find someone to take charge and run the hotel as it was originally designed for.

Mr. Brigham, the new barber, has moved temporarily into a house on Mr. T. J. Hier's place. As soon as a vacant house in town can be secured he expects to move here.

Active work on the Sunday School rooms began last Monday. All the lumber and brick are on the ground, and the doors, window frames, and sash have been bought. The committee in charge of the building states that work on the addition will be pushed to completion. The rooms are greatly needed in our church plant, and everybody is willing to cooperate to get them.

Preaching next Sunday will be as follows: Joyce Branch at 11:30 a. m., and Dunbarton at 4:30 p. m. Mr. Johnson, the new pastor, is taking hold of the field with great enthusiasm, and the people are taking a great interest in the work of the church. The largest congregation in many months greeted the pastor at Dunbarton at the night service last Sunday night. A special feature of the services for the last two weeks has been the selections rendered by the male quartet.

The missionary meeting which was well attended and very gratifying. Dinner was served on the grounds.

Bobbed hair is just getting to be the style in Dunbarton now. Several of the girls have severed their tresses and the only thing which keeps all the young ladies from following suit is the argument of their parents. Go it, girls. If anything can make you more beautiful, try it.

Mr. T. E. Killingsworth's baby, Teddie Boy, has been sick for the past week. We hope that he will soon be well.

Mrs. J. F. Bolt, of Laurens, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. B. F. Owens.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. King and Miss Hilma Rice attended the Teachers' meeting in Blackville last Saturday. They spent the week-end with Mrs. S. R. Ray, of Healing Springs. Little Herbert Ray King decided not to accompany his parents back, and is staying this week with his grandmother.

Everything is all set for the Chautauqua which comes to Dunbarton on May 1, 2 and 3. Posters may be seen on every hand now advertising the show, and it is expected that the biggest crowd ever assembled in Dunbarton will take in the programs of these three days. It is understood that Barnwell and Allendale will have the same Chautauqua, but this will not

COTTON GROWERS WILL MAKE SPIRITED DRIVE

To Answer What They Term Efforts to Crush Marketing Plan.

With "I will sign my neighbor" as their slogan, 14,000 South Carolina farmers, members of the South Carolina Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association, will this week make their answer to what they believe to have been desperate attempts to break up cooperative marketing of cotton made by cotton gamblers during the past two months.

A contract has been sent to every member of the association and this week each member is expected to call upon a neighbor who is not a member and attempt to get him to join the association. Tuesday meetings were held in every county in the State at 11 a. m. At these meetings the machinery for holding the annual elections was set in motion and delegates elected to the district conventions, which nominate the candidates for director.

"From time immemorial" says a statement issued from headquarters of the association, "the cotton grower has been abusing the gamblers and speculators who have been living off his labor on the farm. In an effort to get a square deal for himself he has joined in with acreage reduction movements. Holding movements, and in some sections of the belt years ago a "burn-a-bale" movement, were launched. The relief offered by these movements—if any relief came at all—was very temporary. More often than not the grower failed to profit at all because so many of his fellow growers would break faith with him and increase their acreage while he was reducing and sell while he was holding, thereby defeating the whole movement.

"After years of serious study the plan of cooperative marketing of cotton was evolved. When it was first announced it was greeted with the general remark that it would be impossible to get the farmers to sign the ironclad, legally binding contract. Large groups of farmers did sign the contract, however, and today cooperative associations are functioning in 11 States and growing in strength. "At first but little attention was paid to these organizations, the general comment being that 'Oh, this is just another one of those farmers' movements that will last a year and die.'"

"Instead of dying, as was predicted, these associations have grown in strength so that now instead of looking upon them as a joke the gamblers and speculators regard them as a real menace.

"Since the first of the year the world has witnessed a break of over ten cents a pound in cotton, this notwithstanding the fact that there has not been a bale of cotton grown in that time, nor has there been anything to indicate that last year's crop was larger than had been expected. The consumption figures have been good and it is generally admitted that the supply is the shortest in a half century.

"What then is the logical conclusion to reach? The bear raid was primarily aimed at the cooperative marketing associations and its foremost object was to crush them.

"The fight is on. On the one side is the speculator, who would crush cooperative marketing in order that he might continue to live off the grower. On the other side is the cotton grower, who is figuring to have a say so as to what his cotton is worth. The time has come for every grower to take his stand. The members of the association are going to give their neighbors an opportunity to line up with them and we believe the response in South Carolina is going to be wonderful."

Farm Work Again Delayed.

The wet weather of the past week has again delayed the farmers of this section in their work and as many were already behind, it would seem that they will start the race against the boll weevil under a serious handicap this year.

interfere with our attendance to any great degree. Season tickets will go on sale the latter part of this week. Tickets will be \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for children for the season tickets, and the regular admission will be 75 cts. for single performances.

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EXCELLENT MEETING OF TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

G. F. Posey, of Blackville, Elected President for Next Year.

Blackville, April 14.—The Barnwell County Teachers' association met at Blackville Saturday. The weather was inclement and the roads in bad condition, but despite these facts about forty teachers from all over the county assembled at the High School auditorium for the meeting.

In the absence of the Rev. L. H. Miller, who was placed on the program to conduct the devotional exercises, Supt. C. W. Riser offered the prayer during the opening song.

Miss Mattie E. Thomas, State Supervisor of Improvement Associations, spoke upon the value of the improvement associations to the smaller schools and urged every school teacher to organize one in her community. Miss Thomas made a splendid appeal and her address was timely and well received.

The teachers had the pleasure of again hearing a violin solo by Miss Bruce who was assisted by Miss Black at the piano. Music by these two Blackville teachers has been one of the joyful factors this year in making the teachers' meetings the best in years. This was the last meeting this year but it is hoped that these two teachers will be in the county again next year so as to add life to the meetings.

The principal speaker of the day was Prof. E. H. Henderson, of Furman University. Mr. Henderson's address was clear, well worded and along the line of present tendencies in our educational system. His address was both a warning and an inspiration.

Mrs. Clara J. Hitt gave a report of the State Teachers' Association which was held in Columbia in March.

Officers were elected for the next school year as follows: President, G. F. Posey, Blackville; Vice-President, H. H. King, Dunbarton; Secretary, H. J. Crouch, Elko. The vice-president was instructed to add to his duties that of reporting the meetings to the county newspapers.

A most enjoyable dinner was served by the School Improvement Association of Blackville. The dinner was served in the banquet room of the new Baptist church. This was the last meeting this session.

Col. R. M. Mixson for Senate.

Col. R. M. Mixson makes formal announcement in this issue of his candidacy for the State Senate, bringing the number of entries in this race to three, the other two being Dr. A. B. Patterson, of Barnwell, and Dr. W. C. Smith, of Williston. Col. Mixson has represented this county in the House of Representatives and was also a candidate for Congress several years ago. In addition to being active in politics, he has been identified with various farmers' organizations, being president of the cotton association several years ago. Being a farmer himself, he promises to give close attention to the best interests of the agricultural classes.

Auto Accidents Sunday.

Sunday was marked by automobile accidents in and near Barnwell. A collision occurred that afternoon between two Ford touring cars at the corner of the Bank of Western Carolina building, opposite the Court House, resulting in some damage to one car but no injury to the occupants. A short time later, a Ford touring car, occupied by five young men from Reevesville, in Dorchester County, turned turtle on the Barnwell-Allendale highway, about three miles south of this city. The driver of the machine suffered a broken collarbone, one of the young men was cut about the face while the others escaped with minor bruises. It is said that the car was passing another at the time of the accident and encountered soft dirt on the edge of the road. The machine was badly damaged.

Dr. J. C. Atkinson and daughter, Miss Johnnie Atkinson, are out of town for a few days this week attending the wedding of Miss Jessemine Burroughs, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Burroughs, of Conway. Dr. Atkinson will perform the ceremony.

Mr. W. A. Knepton, of the Baldock section, was in town several hours on business Monday.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS FROM WILLISTON

Mrs. L. H. Boland Entertains U. D. C's at Home of Mrs. Self.

Williston, April 14.—Mrs. L. H. Boland was hostess to the members of the local U. D. C. Chapter at the home of Mrs. M. B. Self Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Q. A. Kennedy, Messrs. A. M. and J. E. Kennedy attended the funeral of Miss Louise Owens in Washington week before last. Miss Owens was the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Clarence J. Owens.

Mrs. J. A. Rountree has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. H. H. Altman, in Charleston.

Mrs. E. M. Givens and children, of Bishopville, are the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. P. F. Parke.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Sprawl and children, of Kathleen, Fla., have been the guests of relatives and friends here for several days.

After a pleasant visit to Mrs. A. M. Kennedy, Miss Annie Crowder has returned to her home in Hendersonville, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hair, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Weathersbee, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Kennedy, Mrs. M. L. Bolick, Robert Bolick and Miss Annie Crowder motored to Augusta one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Shuler, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Willis and Miss May Willis spent Monday in Augusta.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence J. Owens, Jr., and little daughter, of Washington, are the guests of relatives in Williston.

Mrs. Clothilde Thompson, Mrs. Murray Smith and Miss Louise Prothro enjoyed a visit to Magnolia Gardens, near Charleston.

Mrs. M. E. Barker, of Rock Hill, Mrs. B. D. Carter and Sarah Carter, of Bamberg, spent Wednesday with Mrs. J. A. Latimer.

Mrs. Murray Smith has returned to her home in Coronado, Cal., after an extended visit to Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Smith.

J. A. PORTER FIRE LOSS WAS ADJUSTED LAST WEEK

\$100,000.00 Stock of Merchandise to Be Offered to the Public.

The fire loss of the J. A. Porter Co., of this city, whose stock of goods was damaged by fire ten days ago, was adjusted Friday and a "Big Fire Sale" is being inaugurated today by this concern, which takes a page advertisement in this issue of The People to "tell the world" of the exceptional bargains to be found during this sale, and in addition the reserve stocks of groceries and hardware in their warehouse, which were uninjured by the fire, will be offered, while they last, at "Fire Sale Prices." This is an exceptional opportunity for the people of this section to supply their needs at money-saving prices.

Mr. Porter also wishes to take this opportunity of thanking the members of the fire department for their efficient work in subduing the blaze and to also thank others for the assistance rendered at the time of the fire.

Second Quarterly Conference

The Second Quarterly Conference of the current year will be held in the Barnwell Methodist Church on April 27th, at night. The Presiding Elder, the Rev. John H. Graves, will preach at eight o'clock, the usual church hour, and hold the Quarterly Conference immediately thereafter. He hopes to meet a large congregation with all the officers of the charge.

Dr. Patterson Announces.

The People this week publishes the formal announcement of Dr. A. E. Patterson, candidate for the State Senate. Dr. Patterson has represented Barnwell County in both branches of the General Assembly and is too well known to the voters to need any introduction. Dr. W. C. Smith, of Williston, announced for this office last week.

It is understood that plans for the new Baptist Church here have been drawn and submitted to the building committee by Mr. Willis Irvin, architect, of Augusta. The members of the Methodist Church have also consulted an architect relative to plans for their new church.

Mrs. R. E. McFall, of Anderson, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Armstrong, this week.

95 DELEGATES TO ATTEND THE COUNTY CONVENTION

Barnwell, Blackville and Williston to Have Largest Representation.

When Chairman Edgar A. Brown calls the County Democratic Convention to order at 12 o'clock noon, on Monday, May 5th, there should be 95 delegates present from the 17 clubs in Barnwell County—an increase of practically 50 per cent, over the number in attendance two years ago.

Under the rules of the Democratic party in this State, the number of delegates to the County Convention is ascertained by the membership of the various clubs, one delegate being allowed for every 25 members or majority fraction thereof, based on the number of votes polled in the first primary of the preceding election year. According to this rule, the clubs are entitled to the following number of delegates:

Club.	Vote in 1922	No. of Delgts.
Barnwell	499	20
Bennett Springs	62	3
Blackville	395	16
Double Pond	49	2
Dunbarton	80	3
Elko	156	6
Four Mile	40	2
Friendship	72	3
Great Cypress	129	5
Healing Springs	48	2
Hercules	121	5
Hilda	97	4
Red Oak	56	2
Reedy Branch	50	2
Rosemary	109	4
Siloam	53	2
Williston	348	14
Total	2364	95

In 1922 the number of delegates elected to the County Convention was 66, twenty-nine less than for the present year, the increase being accounted for by the fact that the women voted for the first time in this State two years ago. At that time Barnwell sent 13 delegates to the Convention, Bennett Springs 2, Blackville 11, Double Pond 2, Dunbarton 4, Elko 4, Four Mile 1, Friendship 1, Hercules 4, Hilda 3, Red Oak 2, Reedy Branch 2, Rosemary 2, Siloam 2, and Williston 9.

The number of delegates to the convention this year is only one less than in 1916, before the formation of Allendale County.

Moseley-Lewis.

"Special to The State." "Barnwell, April 13.—Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Moseley have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Shelley Virginia Moseley, to Thomas Sumner Lewis, Jr., of Atlanta, Ga., March 23. The marriage was performed by the Rev. S. L. Morris at his home in Atlanta in the presence of relatives and intimate friends.

"Miss Moseley is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Bull Moseley of Barnwell and is a popular member of the younger society set of the State and of Atlanta, where she has been an admired visitor. She is the granddaughter of the late James O. Patterson, who represented the Second South Carolina district in congress for several years. Miss Moseley comes of a long line of ancestors, who have been substantial men and leaders in politics and professional life of the State for generations back. Her great-grandfather, Augus Patterson, a jurist of great note, was president of the senate for 33 consecutive years; a life size painting of him hangs in the senate chamber at the State House in Columbia.

"Mr. Lewis is a popular young man of Atlanta, both in the social and business circles. His grandparents were pioneers in Atlanta and rank high in the city's progressive department. He is associated with the firm of McArthur-Holland Real Estate company of Atlanta, Ga. Congratulations and best wishes are being tendered the young couple."

Doing Good Work.

The members of the Ladies' Guild of the Barnwell Episcopal Church expect to finish their Lenten sewing this week, and will forward 66 garments to the Episcopal Orphanage at York. The material for these garments was given by the members, who also did the work. Both of the Episcopal organizations—the Guild and the Auxiliary—are doing excellent work.

Send your Job Work to The People.