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Dental Bureau Bill Attacked in Senate By Barnwell Senator

Columbia, Jan. 30.—Efforts to advance a Senate measure to create a bureau of dentistry, under supervision of the State Health Department, today drew fire from Senator A. B. Patterson, of Barnwell, himself a physician, upon the bill and incidentally upon the department, which he characterized as an "octopus."

The Senate refused to strike out the enacting words of the measure as moved by Senator Ouzts, of Greenwood, by a vote of 14 for, to 20 against the motion. The bill was then advanced to final reading with notice of amendments.

An amendment offered by Senator Ward, of Georgetown, to do away with the services of a stenographer for the proposed bureau was adopted by the Senate. This reduced the \$8,500 appropriation carried in the bill by \$1,200.

Fajing in his efforts to have the bill made a special order for next Thursday, Senator Patterson launched into a speech from the floor against the measure and the department.

He declared that the attempt to create another bureau under the State Department of Health is an effort to widen the scope of its influence to the detriment of the medical profession.

"I see in this thing a blow at the medical profession," he asserted.

He charged that the workers of the department go into the counties and engage in the treatment of cases without consulting local physicians and dentists. He further charged that the State Board of Health is under the influence of the American Medical Association.

Senator Jeffords, of Kershaw, author of the measure, rose to its defense. He declared that the bill provides for enlargement of dental work already being carried on by the State board among the children. More than 6,000 dental examinations have been made by health officials, as stated.

"The voice and the howl of the economist have been heard ever since the dawn of civilization," said Senator Duncan, of Union, in regard to opposition to the bill in the Senate. He denounced what he termed an effort "to put dollars in the balance with the welfare of the children." He asserted that to do away with the mouth hygiene activities of the department by cutting off the proposed appropriation would be "false economy."

Senator Duncan asked for a roll call on the motion to kill the measure "in order that those back home may know" how each Senator stood.

Plant Velvet Beans, Soy Beans, Cow Peas, Says H. G. Boylston

We find at the beginning of another crop year that the supply of cow pea and velvet bean seed is very small in this county. Apparently last year we were letting things go along and forgot about planting and caring for these crops. A number of years ago this county began using velvet beans a great deal, planted more and more of them until a very large acreage was planted in the county, and thereby building up a great deal of the poor, sandy land in the county.

There is no better land builder than cow peas and velvet beans, but we have begun to think again about making cotton in large quantities and, therefore, have somewhat forgotten the very important matter of keeping our lands built up, and as a result very few velvet bean seed have been saved and the crop last year was entirely too small. If we are to make cotton successfully under boll weevil conditions comparatively small acreages must be planted and the land must be built up to a good state of cultivation; therefore, more attention should be paid at this time to the growing of such crops as soy beans, velvet beans and cow peas. Soy beans is also a good land builder, as well as a good grazing crop for hogs and cattle, and makes a fine quality of hay when cured at the proper time. Those farmers who are looking ahead are now making arrangements to get their seeds of the above kind, and we should now interest ourselves at seeing where we can secure good quality seed at reasonable prices. I will be glad to furnish such information as I have relative to buying these seed.

H. G. Boylston, County Agent.

Criminal Court Will Convene at Barnwell Monday, February 16

The February term of the Court of General Sessions for Barnwell County will convene here Monday, February 16th, with Judge W. H. Townsend, of Columbia, presiding. Grand Jurors for the year and petit jurors for the first week of the approaching term were drawn Monday, as follows:

Hold-over Grand Jurors. R. J. Rountree, Williston. Koger Hartzog, George's Creek. A. W. Muns, Four Mile. Julius Lowe, Williston. S. H. Ussey, Barnwell. A. N. Black, George's Creek.

New Grand Jurors. J. A. Collins, Williston. B. W. Sexton, Barnwell. R. R. Johnston, Elko. W. F. Shuler, Williston. W. P. Still, Blackville. A. J. Owens, Barnwell. F. A. Creech, George's Creek. Wade Hampton Hutto, Blackville. M. T. Quattlebaum, Williston. Ralph Killingsworth, Richland. J. R. Moody, Four Mile. W. M. Cook, Red Oak.

Petit Jurors. N. B. Youngblood, Williston. Otis Creech, Barnwell. J. J. Huggins, George's Creek. J. B. Weeks, Blackville. T. E. Killingsworth, Richland. G. T. Bell, Williston. J. S. Blume, Jr., Blackville. S. G. Lowe, Blackville. C. B. Lazar, Barnwell. J. D. Grubbs, Blackville. G. W. Halford, Barnwell. E. H. Weissinger, Blackville. W. Floyd Johnson, Williston. T. J. Folk, Williston. Clyde Vickery, Barnwell. T. M. Willis, Williston. W. B. Powell, Williston. Seymour Ross, Blackville. G. G. Rountree, Bennett Springs. F. H. Rountree, Red Oak. J. A. Creech, George's Creek. J. A. Shipes, Blackville. A. B. Holly, Red Oak. C. F. Molair, Barnwell. T. J. Langley, Barnwell. W. P. Walsh, Williston. Press Wall, Bennett Springs. C. G. Youngblood, Williston. W. N. Brown, Four Mile. P. S. Greene, Williston. W. A. Owens, Barnwell. R. L. Moody, Four Mile. H. W. Delk, Blackville. Ernest Sease, Red Oak. A. F. Weimortz, Williston. C. B. Ellis, Jr., Bennett Springs.

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Miss Lula Chriesman Leaves for Beaufort; Miss Vann Is Agent

Miss Lula Chriesman, who for the past few months has been working in Barnwell County as Home Demonstration Agent, is being transferred to Beaufort County as Home Demonstration Agent there. Miss Chriesman left for Beaufort Monday February 2nd. This position comes to Miss Chriesman as a promotion and although she has been in the county only since October 1st, Miss Chriesman has made friends who will regret to see her leave.

Miss Chriesman will be succeeded by Miss Willie Mae Vann, of Georgia and Alabama. Miss Vann comes to Barnwell very highly recommended by the leaders of Home Demonstration work in Georgia with whom she has worked during the past year.

Miss Vann is a graduate of Monte Valla in Alabama and has had summer school work at the University of Virginia and Wisconsin. She has taught Home Economics in the schools of South Carolina, Georgia and Virginia. She was the efficient and popular Home Demonstration Agent in Toombs County, Ga., last year.

Miss Vann is not only well qualified for the position, but is a charming young woman, who will be an addition to the social and business life of Barnwell.

CALENDAR OF HOUSE IS FULL OF LOCAL BILLS

QUESTION OF CALLING CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION BRINGS RESPONSE FROM MEMBERS AS TO ITS FEASIBILITY.

Columbia, Feb. 2.—When the South Carolina House of Representatives reconvenes tomorrow night at 8:30 o'clock it will be confronted with a calendar that is crowded with local measures. During sessions of the House the last three days of the past week the calendar of the House has not been reached for the regular thirty-minute call for local matters and for this reason there has been a piling up of matters of this kind. The motion for adjournment last Friday by Carroll Nance, of Laurens, provided, however, that only local and uncontested matters be taken up at the session tomorrow night, so if a quorum is present it is expected this part of the work will be dispensed with speedily.

A general resume of the work of the Lower House since the present term began shows that local matters are greatly in the majority among the measures introduced. There have been some of State-wide interest but final action upon them is still pending.

There have been a few bills that have passed the third reading in the House and sent to the Senate. A large number also have been passed to third reading and with the House calendar in such shape it is expected that, with the clearing away tomorrow night of the local and uncontested matters, some constructive, State-wide measures will be taken up for consideration beginning Wednesday.

Auto License Time. One of the outstanding matters now pending before the House is the extension of time for the payment of automobile licenses. A resolution from the Senate extending the time thirty days was read in the House Friday and passed to second reading. A House resolution by J. O. Williams, of Pickens, and others, requesting the State Highway Department not to enforce the license expiration for a period of thirty days beginning February 1st, was unanimously adopted by the House Friday, clearly showing that body to be in accord with such a movement.

Another measure of interest is that of reducing automobile licenses and increasing the gasoline tax from the present rate of three cents to five cents. The Ways and Means Committee has had this measure under consideration and has recommended its adoption in the House.

By holding hearings mornings, afternoons and evenings, the Ways and Means Committee is making rapid progress towards the general appropriations bill. Mr. Nance, chairman of that committee, announced Friday afternoon that the appropriation requests of all State institutions had been received by the committee, the last, Winthrop College, having been presented Friday afternoon by a telegram from Rock Hill.

During the past week a bill by J. C. Williams, amended so as to make the tax on dogs one dollar, passed the third reading in the House and was

Heyward B. Bates Is Found Totally Disabled for Life

A very interesting case was tried in the Magistrate's Court here one day last week. It was the case of Heyward B. Bates against a life insurance company, in which Mr. Bates alleged that he was entitled to \$20.00 per month on a life insurance policy under the total and permanent disability clause. It will be recalled that Mr. Bates received severe injuries in a difficulty in a store in the town of Dunbarton on May 6th, 1924.

The trial of the case consumed a whole day and was tried before Magistrate W. P. Sanders and a jury. About ten witnesses testified, including two physicians, and it was shown by these witnesses that the injuries received by Mr. Bates in the alleged fight consisted of a broken nose, a broken cheek bone, a fractured skull and also that his eyesight has been impaired to such an extent as to allow him to see nothing at all.

The jury returned a verdict for the full amount claimed by Mr. Bates, and also found that he was totally

sent to the Senate. This bill brought about some debate but had enough supporters to pass it to the Senate.

Outstanding Debate. The one outstanding debate of the sessions of the House so far came last week with the reading of a resolution by Representative Duffie, of Sumter, and others, that would place before the voters of the State at the next general election the matter of calling a constitutional convention in the State and that would further empower the General Assembly with the arrangement of details should the matter obtain a majority at the polls. There was quite a bit of opposition to the resolution and it will be among those things taken up when the calendar of the House is sounded.

Immediately after reading of the resolution a vote on its rejection was taken. The vote in favor of the passage of the measure was 78 to 35 but was short of the required two-thirds majority, therefore, the matter stands rejected until the vote can be reconsidered. Mendel L. Smith, of Kershaw, made a motion to reconsider the vote, but Hamlin, of Union, moved to table Mr. Smith's motion and this second motion, the adoption of which would apply the "parliamentary clincher," must first be rejected by the House before Mr. Smith's motion may be considered. At that juncture the House was adjourned and due to the fact that the calendar has not been taken up since further debate on the subject has not been had.

Several bills have been reported upon favorably by the committees to which they have been referred. Prominent among them is a favorable report by the committee on police regulations of a bill by Representative Sloan, of Greenville. This bill would prohibit the operation of all swimming pools in South Carolina on the Sabbath.

The committee on agriculture reported favorably a resolution by Representative McAdams, of Abbeville, requesting the State tax commission to reduce assessments on farm lands at least 20 per cent. This resolution had previously been reported unfavorably by the judiciary committee.

New State Building. Some opposition to the proposed new State office building is seen in a resolution presented in the House the past week that would provide for the appointment of a committee of three members of the House and three of the Senate to look into the feasibility of purchase by the State of the property in Columbia known as the Liberty Bank property. Immediate consideration was asked for by the authors, but ten members objecting the matter was passed for consideration at a later date.

With most of the local matters presented and all of the preliminaries dispensed with, members of the House expressed the belief Friday that Wednesday would see the beginning of some real work by the House.

Negro Drowns Near Barnwell Saturday While Duck Hunting

Jack Cave, colored, was drowned near Barnwell Saturday while duck hunting in the old Hagood Mill stream. The negro was in a boat with a Mr. Cheek, son of Mr. J. R. Cheek, a saw mill owner of this city, and in some manner the boat was capsize, throwing the two men into the water. Cave, who had on heavy rubber boots, sank immediately and did not come to the surface of the water again. Mr. Cheek swam ashore and summoned assistance but the negro was dead before his body was recovered.

Coroner D. P. Lancaster held the inquest Sunday morning, the jury bringing in a verdict in accordance with the above facts.

The Wednesday Afternoon Bridge Club met with Mrs. R. H. Wilcox last week and with Mrs. C. Keys Sanders this week.

Supervisor of World Flight Is Visiting Home in Allendale

Allendale, Jan. 31.—Lieut. Malcolm Stoney Lawton, of Washington, D. C., an officer of the army aviation corps, accompanied by Mrs. Lawton, is spending his vacation with his mother, Mrs. Hattie B. Lawton, at her country home near Allendale. At the age of 27 Lieutenant Lawton volunteered and enlisted December 15, 1917.

After four months' service he was commissioned second lieutenant and July, 1921, he received his commission as first lieutenant. Soon after the conferring of this honor he was made an instructor of aviators and as such served at various aviation fields in the South, including Gerstner and Dorr fields, Arcadia, Fla.; Charleston field, Lake Charles, La., and Kelly field at San Antonio.

In connection with the apound the world flight, Lieutenant Lawton was detailed to supervise the third division extending from Japan to Calcutta, a stretch of about 5,000 miles. Among his various duties in this position was the advance work of charting the route, establishing 14 landing points, distributing supplies and repair parts for the planes, appointing representatives of the government to supply the needs of the world fliers on their arrival, and acting as their guides and interpreters.

In these arduous and responsible duties Lieutenant Lawton had at his beck and call 16 destroyers of the United States navy. The enthusiastic cooperation of the officers and men of this squadron, as in all of the other divisions, was an outstanding feature, and contributed in a general measure to the success of the enterprise, is the opinion expressed by Lieutenant Lawton.

The numerous friends in the home town of this young rising officer are showering him with the warmest congratulations over the success he has met with in the aviation corps and the prominent part he took in the enterprise of encircling the globe by air. The honors that have been conferred upon him do not seem to have entered his head with enlarging effect, but rather seem to have stolen into his heart—and the same old hearty hand-shake and cordial smile revive and strengthen the ties of boyhood.

South Carolina Corn Farmers Are Offered Over \$2,000 in Prizes

Prizes totaling \$2,230 are offered to corn farmers in South Carolina counties who make entries in the National Seed Corn Show to be held in Chicago March 2 to 7 under the auspices of the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation, an announcement received here states. The show, which is to be held during "Seed Corn Test week," is intended to drive home the need of a high germination seed corn policy to insure the country a normal 1925 corn crop.

In addition to the five-dollar prize to be awarded to the farmer in the county showing the best ear of corn, a thousand dollars in gold is offered to the farmer in South Carolina or the United States who exhibits the nation's champion ear. Another prize of a thousand dollars to the agricultural agent, farm bureau, agricultural or community organization of the county displaying the largest number of entries is also announced.

The show is open to the entire United States. Any person, boy, girl, man or woman, may enter an ear of corn. Parcel post entries will be received any time up to the night of March 7, and each ear must have the name, address, county and State of its owner on a paper which should be wrapped securely around the ear with the writing on the outside. No ear will be awarded a prize until tested for vitality and disease resistance, the judges to be selected by the American Society of Agronomy.

Entries should be addressed to the National Seed Corn Show, Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation, Chicago.

Mr. T. J. Creech, of Blackville route 2, called at The People office Monday to renew his subscription.

Mrs. L. H. Christie returned home yesterday after a pleasant visit to relatives in Atlanta, Ga., and Memphis, Tenn. The first thing she did upon her arrival was to renew her subscription to The People.

Chicken Breeders of Barnwell County in Statewide Contest

Five poultry breeders of Barnwell County have signed up for the egg laying contest which was opened Monday by Miss Juanita Neely, poultry specialist of Winthrop College. There are 80 entrants throughout the State. Those from this county who entered the contest are as follows:

- Mrs. J. W. Kichings, White Pond. Mrs. Richardson, Barnwell, White Leghorns. Mrs. A. E. Corley, Dunbarton, Brown Leghorns. C. A. Mitchell, Barnwell, White Leghorns. Mrs. Sallie R. Ray, Blackville, Rhode Island Reds.

These contestants are showing unusual interest in this new poultry project, and more than 25 counties are competing with selected pens of various standard bred birds. The contest will last six months, which will take in four high egg producing months and two low months. This will be a good test as to the egg laying ability of the average hen.

It is expected that this contest will be the means of arousing Statewide interest in better breeding of poultry, and in improving the methods of general management and feeding, as well as showing the importance of records keeping. The Winthrop college specialist has given the following reasons for conducting the egg laying contest:

- 1. To improve the standard of the breeding stock of the farm poultry flock. 2. To increase greater egg production on the farm at a minimum cost. 3. To improve feeding methods. 4. To improve methods in managing the flock. 5. To improve housing conditions. 6. To teach the importance of record keeping. The home demonstration and county farm agents are giving valuable assistance in helping the contestants select the birds for the contesting pens, as well as advising methods for feeding and management.

Rules of Contest.

- 1. The egg laying contest will open February 1 and end July 31, thus making a six months contest. 2. No contestant can enter birds in the contest except of the standard breeds of poultry. Any of the standard breeds is eligible for competition. 3. Each entry or pen must consist of ten hens or pullets of one breed or variety. Two alternatives may be selected to use only in case of death or sickness of any of the birds in the pen. The pen must be maintained at ten throughout the contest. 4. Record sheets and daily egg record cards will be furnished each contestant by the poultry specialist, Winthrop College. 5. Record sheets correctly filled out must be mailed on the last day of each month and mailed to Winthrop College, Rock Hill, so as to reach headquarters not later than the 3rd of the following month. 6. After receiving the monthly records from each contestant, the highest averages from the flocks will be made public. 7. No contestant may enter more than two pens. 8. Each contestant is required to have the home or farm agent, or poultry specialist, make an inspection of the contesting pen, records, etc., once a month. 9. Accurate feed record and daily egg record must be kept in order to give exact record at the end of the month for report. Prerogatives will be awarded to the following places: (a) highest average producing pen each month; (b) highest average producing pen of each breed each month; (c) highest average producing pen in contest; (d) highest average producing pen of each breed in contest; (e) award to contestant making most profit from eggs above feeding cost during contest.

Six Weeks More of Winter. Monday was "ground hog day" and if the little weather prophet is to be believed there will be six weeks more of winter. According to an old tradition, the ground hog wakes from his long winter sleep and comes out on February 2nd for a look around. If the sun is shining, he becomes frightened at his shadow and returns underground for another nap of six weeks, which is taken to mean that Spring is just that far off. The sun was shining in Barnwell Monday.