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MAYOR MOODY WILL NOT OFFER FOR REELECTION

BRANDS CERTAIN REPORTS AS Blackville Schools LIES IN FIRST DEGREE.

Says That He Did the Best He Could With the Backing That Was Given Him.

he has denied these reports to his friends, they continued to circulate. In a statement given to The People-Sentinel for publication this week, however, Mr. Moody states emphatically that he is not a candidate and brands as lies "in the first degree" certain reports that were circulated against him several months ago. "I did the very best I could with what backing I had," says Mr. Moody in his statement, in which he denies that he is taking any hand in the approaching primary election.

Under the caption, "A Statement the Voters of Barnwell, S. C.," Mr. Moody addresses the citizens of Barnwell as follows:

"I am not in the race for Mayor, but will state that I did the very best I could with what backing I had. As to the propaganda that was reported against me several months ago, I shall brand it a lie in the first degree. I am only writing this now as I feel it my duty to the town and my name.

"As to the present race for Mayor and Council, I shall tell the public I mas. am hands off in every way. I only hope for the uplift of our town that it shall be one of the best for its Suggest Change at I am taking steps for or against any one will be just hae the one above

"In closing permit me to say that in my opinion, if we put politics aside and have closer cooperation in what we are trying to do, it will be better for the town and the younger generation that will take our place when we are gone."

Mr. Anderson Withdraws.

Last week's issue of The People. Sentinel contained the announcements of six candidates for the office of Alderman-a full ticket. One these, however-Mr. J. Norman Anderson-has withdrawn from the race. His withdrawal is a source of regret to his many friends in Barnwell, as they believe that he would make an excellent official. .

Many Buyers Coming for Cucumber Season

News that Barnwell is to have ve cucumber market this year is atracting favorable comment from many sources, as evidenced by the following dispatch from Wauchula, Fla., to "The Produce Bulletin":

"At Barnwell, S. C., there is a fine crop of cukes, Rockyford cantaloupes and melons due to come on in June and July. Barnwell is 10 miles from Blackville, S. C., which has been the main cuke shipping point for many years, but Barnwell has the Atlantic Coast Line as well as the Southern Railway with virgin soil for the growing of cukes, loupes and melons, so that this fact, coupled with the competitive railroad point, makes Barnwell the best point for buyers in the North and West, to place their orders It means fully as good if not better cukes and loupes than Blackville and also means lower freight rates.

"Some of the largest and best f. b. buyers will be located at Barnwell. S. C., this year and prospective buyers on the other end will make no mistake to make their connections now for the Barnwell deal.

"The J. B. Mixson Brokerage Co. will follow up the deal to Williston, Fla., about May 10 and to Barnwell, S. C., for the big cake, loupe and melon deals during June and July."

In Honor of Mrs. Stevens.

Mrs. Charlie Brown, Sr., entermed Monday afternoon with two les of bridge in boner of Mrs. John T. Stevens, of Kerehaw. The high score prize, a set of score pads, was won by Mrs. Edgar A. Brown and the guest of honor was presente with a dick of cards. Delightful refreshments were served after the

Close Friday Night

Blackville, May 18 .- Another successful year of the Blackville High school under the direction of Supt. G. Frank Posey will come to a close For some time past there have been Friday evening, May 21st, with rumors that Mayor J. G. Moody, Jr., graduation exercises in the school would seek re-election in the ap- auditorium, beginning at 8:30 o'clock. proaching primary election and while On Thursday evening, the 20th inst., the music pupils of Miss Martha Bruce will give a piano and violin recital, an elaborate program having been arranged for the occasion.

The following is the program of the graduation exercises:

Invocation. "America."

Salutatory-Edward Herman Nine-

stein. Music.

Class History-Edith Catherine Funderburg.

Music.

Class Prophecy-Virginia Vaughn Boylston. Music.

Class Will-Bessie Louise Walker Music.

Class Grumbler-John Pinkney Hair.

Music.

Valedictory-Margaret Mercedes

O'Gorman.

Address-Dr. D. W. Daniel. Presentation of Medals and Diplo-

Benediction.

Vamp in Case of Fire

Mr. L. S. Lowe, deputy fire inspector for the State Insurance Commissioner made an inspection of Barnwell on the 15th inst. and reports that found the city of ru suggests certain changes at the Vamp Theatre to make it safer in case of fire. These changes are outlined in the following letter to The People-Sentinel and this paper is quite sure that the owner, Mr. M. C. Diamond. will have them made as soon as they are called to his attention:

"Editor, The Barnwell People-Sentinel: As deputy for the State Insurance Commissioner, I made an inspection of your town May 15th and am glad to report that your town is very clear of rubbish. I am sorry to report, however, that I am condemning your theatre building as very unsafe to the lives of your people on account of inadequate fire escapes. The doors in the back should be one on each side, five feet six inches wide and open outward, with a clear swing. The platform should be wider and better steps to ascend the platform so that in case of fire the children would not be trampled, crippled, and killed in a stampede. The city's fire chief will show what changes are needed to make the theatre safe for the audience to escape with ease in case of fire."

Col. Calhoun Resigns After Long Service

Col. Harry D. Calhoun, who recently resigned as a trustee of the Barnwell schools, after serving continuously for fifteen years, says that his work has been a labor of love and that he parts in an official capacity with the children, who have been ar inspiration to him during all these years, with great reluctance. Hi association with many superintendents and teachers during his term of service has been a bright spot in hi life and in resigning he wants it understood that he is not severing his connection with the great cause educating the children of the community, but sincerely believes that he has served the district long enough and that some one with children of school age can and will serve better. He states further that it has been his henor and pleasure to have two boys to be graduated from the Barnwell Highway Commissioner ... High School and that he will con- Secretary tinue to work for the advancement of Auditor the institution as a private in the Highway Engineer ---

Prof. H. M. Guyot, of Abbeville Maintenance Engineer spent the week-end in the city with Locating Engineer

Praises Small Town Movie Fans



Douglas Fairbanks, famous motion picture actor, says the small town audience is a better judge of pictures than those in the big city. Before releasing his pictures he always exhibits them four or five times in rural theatres to find out what is wrong with his work.

BARNWELL HIGH SCHOOL TO CLOSE NIGHT OF JUNE 1

REV. GEORGE T. HARMON.

Class Play Monday Evening, May 31, and Commencement Exercises the Following Evening.

let, with the commencement exer- extent.

cises in the high school auditorium. The graduating class this year is probably the largest in the history of the institution-24 in number, as follows: Blanche Elise Bennett, Mildred Anna Cail, Miriam Louise Creech, Benjamin Franklin Davis, Horace Edward Harley, Manley Agatha Harrison, Maggie Estelle Jones, Basil Manley Jenkins, Julia Calhoun Lemon, Verna Mae Lee, Margaret McAllister. Annie Booth Moody, Reuben Lavinia Moore, William Rufus Moore, Mary Frances Moore, Pearl Owens, Ethel Owens, Robert Brown Parker, Susie Peacock, Harold Joseph Ready, James Tarlton Sanders, Wade Hampton Sanders and Mary Boulton Wal-

secretary.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON BY Wind Damages Crops in Barnwell County

Hundreds of acres of cotton in this section are reported to have been killed or badly damaged by wind and sand storms that raged for more than The Rev. George T. Harmon, of 24 hours, beginning early Saturday will preach the bacca- afternoon following a light shower of laureate sermon for the graduating rain and continuing throughout that class of the Barnwell High School on night and most of Sunday. Conserva-Sunday evening, May 30th, at 8:30 tive men estimate that the loss will lock, according to an ennounce I amount to thousands of dollars, The ment made this week. On Monday greatest damage, of course, has been evening, the 30th inst., the class play on light, sandy lands and many fields will be presented at the Vamp Thea- are said to have been swept clean of tre and the session will be brought to vegetation. The cucumber and waterclose the following evening, June melon crops also suffered to some

A hail storm early Saturday afternoon is said to have done some damage to crops South of this city. I is to be hoped that the damage is not as great as early reports indicated as many farmers consider it too late to replant cotton with the boll weevil as a factor. As a result many cotton fields will probably be replanted with corn and if this is done the involuntary reduction in cotton acreage will not be an unmixed evil.

Read With Much Interest.

"Your paper is read with much in terest in this neighborhood," writes Mr. John Bates, of Jackson. Mr Bates, who is a surveyor, is quite sure that many others also read The The officers of the class are Brown People-Sentinel with a great deal of Parker, president and Essie Morris, interest and consequently is using its advertising columns.

Bureaucratic Officers Draw Largest Salaries

With the exception of the Governor whose salary is \$7,500 a year, and of the State Superintendent of Education and the Attorney General, each of whom received \$5,000 a year, the salaries of the constitutional officers of the state-that is, the Comptroller General, the State Treasurer, the Secretary of State and the Adjutant General-are each \$3,600, to which sum these salaries were recently increased from \$2,500.

Among the bureaucratic officersheads of boards, bureas and commissions and clerks and employes in these subsidiary offices who are paid salaries equal to, or more than these constitutional officers, are the follow-

Highway Department

Construction Engineer ---Bridge Engineer

Tax Commission Chairman _____ 5,000.00 Commissioners (each) ____ 3,750.00 Director, Income Tax 3,600.00

Board of Health Epidemiologist _____ 3,600.00 And so forth and so on, ad infini-

Director, Business License __3,600.00

tum. South Carolina Gazette. State Employs an Army.

The same issue of the Gazette which the above facts and figures were published also contained article showing the total number of employees on the payroll of the State in various departments, boards and commissions, together with their salaries, which are truly astounding, to say the least. Not counting the ber of employees of the State \$6,000.00 reformatories, the number totals well of the marriage April 5th, in 6,000.00 670 with salaries amounting to \$1,-! Orlando, Pla., of Miss Rubye Gilmore 3,600.00 080,476.22 - more than the total of Birmingham, Ala., and Henry 6,000.00 amount appropriated by the State not Clifford Harrison, of Barnwell. Mr. 3,800.00 so many years ago. The Gazette es- Harrison made his home in Colu 3,900.00 timates that "the number of State for several years where he has no Locating Engineer 3,500.00 a thousand, excluding the schools and at home at 484 South Roselind ave-ful refres

PERRY SANDERS PROBABLY **FATALLY INJURED IN WRECK**

Williston-Elko High School Closes Soon

Williston, May 17 .- The commence ment exercises of the Williston-Elko school system will begin Sunday morning, the 23rd inst., with the annual sermon, which will be preached by Dr. Hugh R. Murchison, of Col-

seventh grade of the Williston grammar school will hold its exercises. bankment in the western part of The senior class of the school will Barnwell Sunday morning. I celr two present the play, "Daddy Longlegs," children escaped with minor injuries. Wednesday evening, May 26th.

school with the address by Dr. G. Croft Williams. All of the programs will be given in the auditorium of Creek. the high school building.

Dies in Columbia.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ingram Dewey, wife of Charles Dewey, of Jacksonville Fla., formerly of Barnwell, died yes terday morning at the Columbia hospital. She was a patient at the hos pital five days.

Mrs. Dewey was 41 years of age and was a woman of pleasing personality, who had scores of friends who mourn her death. She is surgived by her husband, Charles Dewey, and a six year old son, Harry Dewey. of Jacksonville, Fla. She is also survived by her mother. Mrs. H. -L. Bronson, of Parnwell; two Isisters, Mrs. A. R. Wallack, of Denmark. and Miss Mamie Nell Bronson, of Barnson, R. L. Bronson and John Bronson, all of Barnwell.

this morning where services and interment will be made. The services will be conducted by the Rev. Howard Cady.-The State, May 18th

Body Laid to Rest.

The body of Mrs. Charles Dewey. terday (Wednesday) morning in the ley. Episcopal Churchyard in this city, the Rev. Howard Cady conducting the funeral services in the presence of many sorrowing relatives and sympathetic friends. The beautiful floral W. R. Davis. offerings that covered her last resting place bore silent witness to the love and esteem in which Mrs. Dewey was held by those who knew her.

The news of Mrs. Dewey's death L. H. Miller. brought sadness to the hearts many friends in Barnwell, her girlhood home. She was a woman of sterling character, brilliant mind and charming personality and there are scores who mourn her passing in the bright morning of life.

Hercules Locals.

Hercules, May 17 .- Mrs. N. B. Baxley and children left for Atlanta recently to visit the former's father, Mr. W. C. Baxley, who is quite sick. Mrs. W. A. Morris and children are spending some time with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Still.

Mr. C. S. Creech and children spent the week-end with his daughter, Mrs. J. M. Templeton near Double Pond. Mr. Adrian Still and family spent

Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Sanders.

Ellenton, were the week-end guests of Mrs. J. H. Still. Mr. and Mrs. Willie Still spent the week-end with the latter's parents, MA and Mrs. Willie Collins, near

Govan. Miss Alice Creech spent last week with Miss Lillian Morris of Olar.

Mr. L. S. Still made a business trip to Blackville last Thursday. The wind storms we have had re-

cently have made the little crops look very bad.

Gilmore-Harrison,

colleges, the State hospital and the News has been received in Barn-

CAR OVERTURNED IN TOWN SUNDAY MORNING.

Mrs. Sanders Painfully Hurt While Two Children Escaped With

Minor Injuries.

Mr. Perry Sanders, a young white farmer, whose home is near this city. was probably fatally injured and his Tuesday evening, May 25th, the wife was painfully furt when their automobile turned over down an em-

The accident occurred when Mr. Friday evening, May 27th, comes Sanders lost control of his car, which the graduating exercises of the high is said to have been traveling at a rapid rate of speed, on the causeway leading to the bridge over Turkey

The injured man was hurried to a physician's office, where it was found that his back and both legs had been broken, he being paralyzed from the waist down. He was later taken to an Augusta hospital, where a more thorough examination showed that his spine was crushed. Little hope is held out for his recovery, it is said, the attending physicians stating that he may live a few days but that his ultimate recovery is very doubtful.

Mrs. Sanders was carried to the home of a relative and though suffering from shock was soon reported as resting comfortably.

Announce Program for Union Meeting

The following is the program for the joint Union Meeting of the Ram well Association which will be held a The body will be taken to Barnwell Ghent's Branch Church on May

Friday, May 28th. 10 a. m.—Devetionsi, S. D. Guyton. 10:30 Organization. 10:30 Organization 11 Introductory Sermon, C. K.

11:40-"What message have of who died in a Columbia hospital Mon- distinctive Baptist principles for the day morning, was laid to rest yes- Church life of today?"-A. F. O'Kel

12:10 p. m.-"Shall we favor con solidation of weaker Churches, as schools, to promote efficiency? not, how shall we meet the need?-

12:40-Miscellaneous business.

2:15 p. m .- Devotional, J. A. Cave. 2:30-"What is a standard Church in things material and spiritual?-

3:30—Sermon, G. N. Smith. Saturday, May 29th.

10 a. m.—Devotional, Earle Zorn 10:25-"Are the younger me in our churches receiving from lders the training needed to highly efficient church service 1 the coming generation?-J. B. Car-

11-Sermon, A. F. O'Kelley. 11:35 "What do we owe to other as Christians in Church, bu ness and social life?"-D. W. Heckl L. H. Miller.

12:10-"What duties do mutually owe each other?"-L H. Miller, W. R. David

12:40-Miscella Dinner.

2:15 p. m.—Devotional. 2:80-"The importance and func-

tion of the Daily Vocation Bi School." General discussion open to

2:30-Sermon, J. A. Cave. Sunday, May 30th. Sermon-Preacher to be suppli by J. B. Caxton.

Mrs. J. Julien Bush entertained Thursday morning with a twobridge luncheon in honor of Mrs John T. Stevens, of Kershaw. Br was played at three tables and after several rounds had been enjoyed in was found that Mrs. Solomon Br had made the high score and she wa nest of honor was presented with beautiful bouquet of Spring So

Dualieste Bridge Club Moots