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Forest Protection Set-up Completed

Towers to Be Constructed and Towermen Appointed—Purpose Is to Stop Needless Waste.

The Barnwell County Forest Protective Association announces the completion of its set-up, with the exception of construction of towers and the appointment of men to fill the positions of towermen. The purpose of this organization is to prevent the needless waste to the promiscuous woods burning and to extinguish such fires as may burn beyond control throughout the county.

The county has been divided into two districts, each of which will be under the supervision of a county warden; these wardens in turn will follow instructions given them by the county ranger. It will also be the duty of the wardens to familiarize themselves with the desires of the landowners and to supervise the work of the crew leaders and volunteer fire-fighters. All fires should be reported to the warden or to the nearest crew leader, unless it is more convenient to notify the county ranger. In cases where landowners intend to burn brush, it will be greatly appreciated if that fact is reported to one of the above named before hand.

In each of the two county districts, ten strategic points have been designated for the location of a fire crew, consisting of three men, who will respond to all fire calls.

District No. 1, under the supervision of County Warden Reeves Grubbs, of Barnwell, consists of the following crews:

Kline and Morris School Districts—M. C. Lee, leader; B. O. Norris and W. B. Harley.

Big Fork School District—R. M. Barker, leader; Grover Sanders and W. H. Thomas.

Hercules and Friendship School Districts—Floyd Creech, leader; Ernest Ray and J. E. Lain, Jr.

Hilda and Reedy Branch School Districts—Monroe Rowell, leader; A. N. Black and Curtis Still.

Ashleigh and Double Pond School Districts—J. H. Lancaster, leader; F. W. Delk and Jasper Owens.

Blackville School District—Jerome Martin, Sr., leader; L. E. McCormick and L. M. Eubanks.

Healing Springs School District—Leon Lott, leader; Murray Odum and I. F. Keeler.

Oak Grove and Barbary Branch School Districts—O. H. Morris, leader; Henry Falls and Charlie Morris.

New Forest and Mt. Calvary School Districts—Matthew Lott, leader; J. N. Weimortz and Christopher Porten.

Barnwell School District—L. H. Connor, leader; Lawson Holland and Harold Peacock.

District No. 2, under the supervision of County Warden Albert Weathersbee, of Ellenton, consists of the following crews:

Williston School District—Robert Hiery, leader; Denzel Bolen and Drew Givens.

Long Branch School District—E. G. Birt, leader; J. S. Keel and J. B. Ross, Jr.

Elko School District—Cleveland Youngblood, leader; J. T. Staley and Maurice Hair.

Tinker's Creek, Green's and Cedar Grove School Districts—Clarence Boyd, leader; Tollie Jowers and Jerome Mitchell.

Pleasant Hill School District—Raymond Owens, leader; R. Rutland and Q. A. Tarrance.

Dunbarton, Old Columbia and Joyce Branch School Districts—R. F. Rountree, leader; Walter Burkhalter and W. F. Bates.

Four Mile and Richland School Districts—Lenwood Bush, leader; A. O. Dunbar and William Dicks.

Meyer's Mill and Ellenton School Districts—C. G. Youngblood, leader; Gary Cobb and Robert Peeples.

Seven Pines School District—Rufus Moore, Jr., leader; Jim Still and Geo. Cook.

Red Oak and Diamond School Districts—E. G. Hay, leader; Josey Boyles and Harper Ellis.

The cooperation of landowners, hunters and travelers in the prevention and extinction of fires is requested and will be greatly appreciated by this organization.

Misses Rosalie Spann and Mary Clowney, of Sumter, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Perry A. Price.

Denmark Depository Was Robbed Monday

Three Employees of Institution Were Locked in Vault by Two Unmasked White Bandits.

Denmark, Dec. 2.—Two unmasked robbers thrust three employees of the Edisto Cash depository into its vault early today and escaped with approximately \$7,200.

B. M. Steadman and Miss Sue Allen, clerks in the depository, said they and the negro janitor were confronted by two white men with pistols immediately upon opening the institution at 9:15 a. m.

Steadman said the shorter of the pair jabbed him with a gun and demanded cash, saying he understood the depository usually had \$10,000 on hand. He at first argued and then under threats gave directions for finding \$7,000 in bonds.

The robbers locked the three in the vault and slipped away in a 1934 black (Ford) sedan toward Columbia with \$4,000 in bonds of a Denmark municipal water works issue, \$3,000 in negotiable government bonds and approximately \$200 in silver.

W. L. Brannon, cashier of the depository, released the trio from the vault when he came in approximately ten minutes after the robbery and heard them beating on the door.

Thomas H. Daniel, State bank examiner, said at Columbia that depositories were fully protected from loss by the federal Deposit Insurance corporation and that officials of the depository said it had "ample burglary insurance."

State constables and highway patrolmen were on the lookout for the robbers.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CONTRACT CLUB.

Mrs. B. Wilson Walker entertained the members of the Wednesday Afternoon Contract Club and a number of guest players Saturday afternoon at one o'clock at one of the loveliest social affairs of the early winter season. A hint of the approaching Christmas season was seen in the decorations of holly with its large cluster of bright red berries.

Mrs. J. W. Ruff, Mrs. Thos. M. Boulware and Mrs. S. V. Brown assisted the hostess in serving a two-course luncheon from a beautifully appointed table in the dining room. Six tables were arranged for bridge in the living room and den, and after the luncheon several rounds of contract were enjoyed. The high score prize for club members, double decks of cards, was won by Mrs. W. L. Molair; the consolation, a set of four mirrored coasters, was cut by Mrs. B. P. Davies; the high score guest prize, double decks of cards, was won by Mrs. Joe Nettles, of Columbia, and Mrs. J. Julien Bush, of Clarendon, Va., as honor guest, was presented with a suede card table cover.

Those other than club members who enjoyed the occasion were: Mrs. Joe Nettles, of Columbia; Mrs. Theodore Vogel, of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. J. Julien Bush, of Clarendon, Va.; Misses Rosalie Spann and Mary Clowney, of Sumter; Miss Julia Lemon, of Columbia; Mrs. Winchester C. Smith, Jr., of Williston; Mrs. Herman Brown and Mrs. D. Stanley Brown, of Blackville; Mrs. Estelle Patterson, Mrs. W. W. Carter, Mrs. W. J. Lemon, Mrs. Martin C. Best and Mrs. Angus Patterson.

4-H Local Leaders Meeting.

The local leaders meeting of the 4-H Club work was held Saturday, November 23rd, in the Home Economics room at the Barnwell high school building. A very inspirational talk was made by Miss Mary Shaw Gilliam, her subject being "Accessories." After the meeting a song service was held at the home of Miss Elizabeth McNab, home demonstration agent, under the direction of Miss Grace League.

Mrs. R. Wade Finklea, of Dillon, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. B. C. Norris, of Snelling. Mrs. Finklea is a musician of note.

Lewis Connelly, Jr., and a party of friends, of Atlanta, landed at the Barnwell airport Sunday morning and motored to Blackville for a visit to Capt. L. J. Connelly.

Mrs. Pat Jones and Christie Jones, of Atlanta, Mrs. Teris Christie and Mrs. Drew Christie, of Augusta, were the guests of Mrs. P. J. Drew and Mrs. Charlie Brown, Sr., on Friday.

Seen and Heard Here During the Past Week

A Little Sense and Nonsense About People You Know and Others You Don't Know.

A large crowd in town Monday, the occasion being "December salesday" and the opening of the Court of Common Pleas. A report that a photograph of Miss Elizabeth Mace, of Barnwell, has been selected for the beauty section of the Clemson College annual. Hunters complaining of poor luck Thanksgiving Day—the opening day of the bob-white season. Rain, that began falling about one o'clock, drove the hunters to cover.

Several local football fans back from their trek to Philadelphia to witness the Army-Navy game. Cold, sunshiny weather. Jim Bush, of Clarendon, Va., who is visiting Barnwell relatives, saying that he killed five partridges "on the rise" a few days ago—and a local hunter wondering whether or not Jim gave them a chance to "rise". Heavy white frost Tuesday morning covering rooftops and lawns, having the appearance of "a little snow".

Lt.-Gov. J. E. Harley, looking very much improved in health, greeting old friends at the Court House Tuesday.

Martin Best telling about being thrown from and kicked by a mule while hunting Monday.

BUNCH-HARTLEY WEDDING.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 2.—The wedding of Miss Norma Bunch, of Atlanta, youngest daughter of Mrs. John David Bunch, of Danburg, Ga., and Mr. Dan Manville Hartley, of Barnwell and Abbeville, S. C., son of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Hartley, of Charleston, S. C., was solemnized on Monday, the 25th ult., at 4 p. m. in the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Thos. Vincent Heard, Jacksonville, Fla.

Dr. Malcolm Lockhart, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, performed the ceremony in the presence of relatives and intimate friends. An improvised altar of greenery and baskets of yellow chrysanthemums was the setting for the wedding party. Ivory tapers burned in ivory candelabra and arrangements of yellow blossoms were placed to advantage about the rooms of the home.

Thomas Heard, Jr., sang "I Love You Truly" and "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms." The bride was attended by Mrs. John Key Griffin, of Dublin, Ga., as matron of honor. Mr. Hartley had as his best man, Perry Buckingham Simms, of Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Griffin was gowned in an afternoon model of velvet in an autumn shade. The sleeves were long and full, and the neckline was draped in a graceful cowl. Her turban was in matching velvet, and she carried a bouquet of Gerbera daisies.

The bride, who was given in marriage by Mr. Thomas Vincent Heard, was charming in her wedding gown of Normandie blue velvet, fashioned with a yoke of cream Battenberg lace and long puffed sleeves finished with cuffs of velvet. She wore a small hat made with a tulle crown and a tucked blue velvet brim. Her flowers were an arm bouquet of Talisman roses. Mrs. D. P. Hartley chose a wine crepe model, her corsage was of gardenias. Mrs. Heard was lovely in a black velvet model, her flowers were white carnations.

Mrs. James Arthur Watson, of Batesburg, S. C., was charming in a green crepe with a corsage of gardenias. A reception was held following the ceremony. The bride's table was laid with a lace cloth and centered with a low silver bowl of pink carnations and candytuft. A wedding cake stood at one end of the table. Mrs. Harry Douglas and Mrs. Lucy Tucker served, and Mrs. Owen W. Daniel presided at the bride's book.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley left for a wedding trip to south Florida and will be at home after December 1st in Abbeville, S. C. Mrs. Hartley traveled in a rust wool dress with rust hat and brown accessories.

Mrs. Hartley attended Anderson College and South Western University of Memphis. She has made her home in Atlanta for the past five years.

Mr. Hartley is a graduate of Furman University and the University of Virginia and has numerous friends throughout the State who will be interested in his good fortune in winning the heart and hand of so charming a help mate.

Out-of-town guests at the wedding

Common Pleas Court Opened Here Monday

Judge G. B. Green, of Anderson, Presiding.—About 45 Civil Cases Are on Roster.

A scheduled two weeks term of the Court of Common Pleas for Barnwell County convened here Monday morning, with Judge G. B. Green, of Anderson, presiding. Due to the absence of local attorneys, the actual trial of jury cases did not begin until Tuesday morning, and the first day was spent in the argument of equity cases before the presiding judge.

Some 45 cases are on the roster for trial at the present term and the opinion was expressed this week that the Court will be in session the entire period.

Only one case was disposed of Tuesday, a verdict for the plaintiff for \$550 actual damages being found in the case of W. Angus Morris vs. the A. C. L. Railroad Co. This was a suit for \$2,900 damages as the result of the Morris automobile being struck by a train at Denmark.

The Court was engaged in the trial of the case of H. P. Morris vs. the Southern Railway Co. and Rizer Auto Co. when The People-Sentinel closed its forms.

John I. Hutto.

Blackville, Nov. 29.—John I. Hutto, 69-year old farmer of near Blackville, died at his home this afternoon at 2 o'clock after a week's illness. Mr. Hutto paid his debts and was known as a successful farmer.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at Double Pond Baptist Church. Mr. Hutto was a member of this church and of the Woodmen of the World.

Survivors are Mr. Hutto's widow, who was Miss Elizabeth Hartzog, and five children: J. H. Hutto, of Denmark; Mrs. B. T. Darnell, of Denmark; Mrs. J. W. Boggs, of Charleston; Mrs. L. E. McCormick, of Blackville; and Mrs. J. R. Rogers, of Denmark.

Dr. Morse to Speak.

Dr. Josiah Morse, of the University of South Carolina, will be the guest speaker at the meeting of the Barnwell County Teachers' Association, which will be held at Williston next Tuesday afternoon, December 10th, at 3:30 o'clock. "He's just about the most interesting speaker in South Carolina, and those who have heard him will surely be there," says Horace J. Crouch, county superintendent of education, "and those who stay away will miss a great treat."

Doctor Morse will address the general session first so that he may get back to Columbia before nightfall. The department meetings will be held after the general session.

December Salesday.

There was quite a large attendance at the legal sales in front of the Court House here Monday, at which time G. M. Greene, Esq., completed a couple of Master's sales, seven tracts of land were sold by Sheriff J. B. Morris under tax executions, and 61 lots and tracts of land were disposed of by the Forfeited Land Commission. Prices for the lattes ranging from \$1 to \$115 per acre or tract, and at times the bidding was rather spirited. The usual salesday crowd was augmented by the attendance of jurors and witnesses at Court.

Boiling Springs 4-H Club.

The Boiling Springs 4-H Club held a meeting November 8th at the school house. Miss Elizabeth McNab presided over the meeting, which opened with a song, followed by the ritual. The secretary's report was read and the roll called. The lesson was the oat in relation to the costume. Eleven members were present.

Red Cross Roll Call.

The Red Cross Roll Call Drive in Blackville ended with an enrollment of 40 members. Small donations were also secured. J. E. Williams was chairman of the Blackville committee, and he was assisted in securing members by Misses Pearle and Ruth Hoffman.

included Mrs. John Key Griffin, of Douglas, Ga.; Mrs. James Arthur Watson, of Batesburg, S. C.; Perry B. Simms, of Washington, D. C.; George W. Manville of Barnwell, and Mr. and Mrs. D. Peyton Hartley, of Charleston.

Claims This County Owes Aiken Money

Treasurer Williamson Says Barnwell's Debt is \$4,200 Plus Interest for 14 Years.

Aiken, Nov. 30.—An apparently forgotten financial agreement has placed Barnwell County in the debt of Aiken County to the extent of more than \$4,200, plus accumulated interest over a period of 14 years. If allowed to stand, the debt will eventually total \$7,500 more in principal.

In 1919, the federal government, Aiken County and Richmond County, Ga., undertook to build the Sand Bar Ferry bridge over the Savannah River. Aiken's share of the cost of the project was \$52,100 and several school districts located in the section to be benefitted by the span voted bonds in amount. One of the districts was Ellenton, which lies partly in Barnwell County. By a legislative act, a special tax was imposed to retire the bonds and the treasurer of Barnwell was empowered to pay each year to the Aiken County treasurer the proceeds of the tax levied and collected in that portion of Barnwell County whose citizens voted for the bond issue.

Barnwell's Share About \$300 a Year. The bonds were issued July 1, 1920, and will mature in 1945. They are callable, however, in 1945. The amount apportioned to be paid by Barnwell County is approximately \$300 per year. One payment was made to the Aiken treasurer in 1921, but none has been made in the 14 years since. Aiken County, in the meantime, has assumed payment of the bonds, the school districts having been relieved by legislative act of the indebtedness, so the debt of the Barnwell County Ellenton school district is due directly to the county.

County Treasurer Thomas H. Williamson has all the records in the transaction and has not allowed the matter to be dropped, although all efforts to collect from Barnwell County have been fruitless. The present grand jury, at the last term of court, recommended that "proper steps" be taken to collect the debt. No further action has since been taken, however, Mr. Williamson attributed the complication to a possible confusion of the accounts in a change in the Barnwell treasurer's office shortly after the bonds had been issued.

A somewhat similar situation exists in a bond issue for the Monetta school building, Mr. Williamson says. The Monetta school district lies both in Aiken and Saluda Counties, and the residents of the district voted \$10,000 in bonds for the erection of the present building which is on the Aiken side of the county line. Soon afterwards, however, the Saluda County residents of the district withdrew their children from the school and sent them to the Ridge Spring school. This practice was continued, and Saluda County, he says, will pay only the interest on the bonds, having refused all responsibility for the principal. The debt burden thus rests practically entirely on the residents of the district who live in Aiken County.

Hair-Baxley.

Williston, Dec. 2.—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hair, of Williston, announce the marriage of their daughter, Eva to Mr. Manley Baxley, of Barnwell.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. L. G. Payne, of Blackville. The bride was gowned in dark blue crepe with accessories to match, her flowers were cream rose buds. After the ceremony, the couple left for Charleston, and other points of interest. After their return, they will make their home with the bride-groom's parents.

The bride is a charming brunette and has a host of friends in Augusta, where she held a position several years. Mr. Baxley is a prosperous farmer of Barnwell.

Joyce Branch 4-H Club.

The members of the Joyce Branch 4-H Club held their monthly meeting Friday, November 22nd. The president of the club, Maggie Lou Anderson, presided. Songs were sung, led by the song leader, Bertha Kneece. The meeting was then turned over to Miss Elizabeth McNab. Information was given on the care of hats. Members present were: Maggie Lou Anderson, Margaret Kneece, Marguerite Beatty, Louise Bates, Mildred Kneece, Betty Beatty, Bertha Kneece, Marie Burkhalter and Vivian Burkhalter.

Mildred Kneece, Reporter.

Youth Killed While Hunting on Saturday

David Hair, of Rosemary Section, Accidentally Shot by Own Gun on Squirrel Hunt.

Williston, Dec. 2.—David Hair, 16-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hair, of the Rosemary section, near here, was instantly killed Saturday afternoon while squirrel hunting. According to J. J. Boyd, Jr., who accompanied him, young Hair had climbed a tree to rout a squirrel from a hollow and as he came down he knocked over the shotgun which he had left leaning against the tree. The gun discharged, the youth taking the entire load beneath his chin.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon from the Rosemary Church, the Rev. J. E. Raney officiating. Interment was in the Old Field cemetery.

The young man was a senior in the Williston High School and had always been an honor pupil. Besides his parents, he leaves three sisters, Mrs. Manley Baxley, of the Long Branch section; Miss Ida Hair, of Laurinburg, N. C.; Miss Margaret Hair, of the Rosemary section, and two brothers, J. Ernest Hair, Jr., and an infant brother.

COTTON SEED MAY BE BAD FOR PLANTING PURPOSES.

According to the results of germination tests for a least a half dozen farmers in Barnwell County, the cotton seed which is being saved by our farmers may be practically worthless for next year's planting. Some of the supplies of seed are testing as low as 40 per cent, but most of them running from 50 to 60 per cent. In order to know whether seed are good, as to germination, it is necessary to have them tested. Take about one pint sample of each lot of seed, put in separate bags and numbered, then send by parcel post to the Commissioner of Agriculture, State Office Building, Columbia. Clearly show the farmer's name on the package sent in so that returns may be made to the proper person. No cost is attached to these tests and it will be found to be very accurate. All farmers are urged to have their planting seed tested now in order to determine whether it is necessary to dispose of their supply and purchase good seed from other sections where favorable seasons prevailed for saving good planting seed.

Corn Weevil.

It was very interesting to a farmer recently to observe that in shucking old corn late in the season for feeding that those ears that had good close shuck extending well over the tip of the ear were not badly damaged by the corn weevil. In selecting seed corn for planting this is a very important point to remember. Selection should rally be done in the field, getting those ears which are of the proper size and development and the proper number per stalk and which are well covered with good shuck extending over the tip. A generous supply of these ears should be selected and well kept until the early spring and then individual ear selections are made as to the other important points necessary for a good seed corn supply.

Those farmers who are interested in controlling corn weevil with the use of Carbon Disulphide will find that very good results may be obtained at a very small cost if the corn barn is made fairly tight and good material is used properly. Directions and prices of material may be secured through the County Agent's office.

H. G. Boylston, Co. Agt.

Wilson-Myrick.

A marriage of much interest to a wide circle of friends and relatives was that of Miss Laura Gracie Wilson, daughter of Mrs. LeRoy Wilson, of the Big Fork section, and Mr. John Simeon Myrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Myrick, of Ulmers, which was solemnized at Allen's Chapel Church Sunday afternoon at one o'clock, the Rev. Sam Danner performing the impressive ceremony in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends.

Mrs. Myrick attended the Barnwell High School, and is a young woman of rare beauty and personality, and has a host of friends in this and Allendale Counties.

Mr. Myrick is a young business man who holds a responsible position with an insurance company in Aiken where the young couple will make their home for the present.