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Number of Delegates Shows Big Increase

Twelve Precincts Show Gains Because of Heavy Vote in First Primary in 1934.

Because of the heavy vote cast in the first primary election in 1934 the number of delegates to the Barnwell Co. Democratic convention which meets in Barnwell on Monday, May 4th, will show an increase of 21, it was revealed by an examination of figures compiled here this week by B. P. Davies, secretary. The total number of delegates to the county convention this year will be 124 as compared with 103 in 1934.

Clubs which show an increase in representation are as follows: Barnwell, 8; Double Ponds, 2; Elko, 1; Four Mile, 3; Friendship, 1; Great Cypress, 1; Healing Springs, 2; Hercules, 1; Hilda, 1; Rosemary, 1; Williston, 1; Yenome, 3.

Only three clubs show a slight loss, they being: Blackville, 2; Reedy Branch, 1, and Siloam, 1.

Bennett Springs, Dunbarton and Red Oak remain the same. The increase of three delegates at Yenome and the loss of one at Siloam is accounted for by the fact that a new club was formed at Yenome in 1934 and many Democrats who formerly voted at Siloam now cast their ballots at Yenome precinct.

The following tabulation shows the number of delegates in 1934, the first primary vote that year and the number of delegates that each club will be entitled to in 1936, each club in the county being entitled to one delegate for each 25 votes or majority fraction thereof cast in the first primary of the previous election year:

	1934	1934	1936
	Digts.	vote	Digts.
Barnwell	23	765	31
Bennett Springs	2	46	2
Blackville	19	417	17
Double Ponds	2	89	4
Dunbarton	3	87	3
Elko	3	108	4
Four Mile	1	99	4
Friendship	3	93	4
Great Cypress	7	193	8
Healing Springs	3	137	5
Hercules	5	140	6
Hilda	5	141	6
Red Oak	3	76	3
Reedy Branch	3	59	2
Rosemary	3	111	4
Siloam	4	64	3
Williston	14	386	15
Yenome	0	73	3
Totals	103	3084	124

The rules of the party also require that the various clubs shall meet their fourth Saturday in April of each election year for reorganization. The fourth Saturday this year will be April 25th. Delegates to the county convention will be elected on the basis of the above tabulation.

The State convention will meet in Columbia on Wednesday, May 20th, at 10:00 a. m. Barnwell County is entitled to six delegates to the State convention and will be limited to that number, the rules of the party forbidding a delegation to vote in fractions.

MUCH INTEREST SHOWN IN WORK FOR CRIPPLED TOTS

Just to show how vitally interested little children are in the crippled children's work, the little Seven Pines school, taught by Mrs. W. Bratton Parker, came in Monday with the money to purchase a scroll—\$5.00—to help with the work. So eager were these little children to do their bit—only 25 in number—that they could not wait for the birthday of the crippled children, which falls on Friday of this week, but came in Monday. This is the first school thus far in the county to buy a scroll. Mrs. Parker is chairman for that district and is a wonderful worker. Mrs. R. R. Moore is assisting Mrs. Parker in the work in the Snelling community.

The Reedy Branch Baptist Church purchased a scroll Sunday afternoon. The pastor of that progressive little church, the Rev. Mr. Jernigan, made an appeal to the members and the amount was raised in a few minutes. Mrs. N. C. Croft is chairman for that district, her helpers being Mrs. Jeff Black, Mrs. Willie Baxley, Miss Mamie Still, Mrs. Stephen Hiers and Mrs. Charlie Brown, Jr., the last two named being teachers in the Reedy Branch school. This school will observe the Birthday of the Crippled Children on Friday also.

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Seen and Heard Here During the Past Week

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

L. C. Eidson walking high, wide and handsome after landing an 18-pound rockfish while fishing in the Edisto River Friday. . . . March, which came in more or less like a lamb, roaring like lion Thursday. . . . And last week's cold snap delaying the opening of the asparagus season. . . . But fruit trees in full bloom. . . . A lady expressing surprise that a certain "dignified looking gentleman" had visited the French Casino while on a visit to New York City, and the said d. l. g. replying that he "cast aside his dignity like the female performers did their clothes." . . . The singing of the mocking birds. . . . The name of Albert Rufus Morgan, Jr., in the list of 37 sophomores at the University of South Carolina who were on the honor roll for the first semester by virtue of attaining an average of 87½ or over. He is the son of the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, a former rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles. . . . Many Barnwell people motoring over to Augusta to attend Sally Rand's fan dance—and most of them admitting that they were disappointed in the performance. . . . This headline in Saturday's issue of The State: "BYRNES PREDICTS ROOSEVELT TWINS." (Since when has our Jimmie turned Walter Winchell in the matter of forecasting "blessed events"?)

Drs. H. A. Gross and L. T. Clayton driving new automobiles. . . . A negro fisherman wearing a pair of rubber boots through which his toes were protruding. . . . Supervisor J. W. Patterson remarking that over-loaded fertilizer and lumber trucks are destroying bridges in the county, and others commenting on the fact that heavily loaded trucks from Florida and elsewhere are ruining the surface-treated highways. . . . Several new subscribers to The People-Sentinel. . . . Real spring weather—balmy sunshine and showers, followed by a thunderstorm Monday night and wintry weather Tuesday, snow flurries being reported a few miles north of Barnwell.

BAPTISTS HOLD MEETING IN INCLEMENT WEATHER

The Spring meeting of the Barnwell Baptist Association was held Tuesday in the Healing Springs Baptist Church. In spite of the very inclement weather, about 75 persons, representing 15 of the 38 churches in the association, met and carried out the proposed program for the day. The program was centered around Dr. W. S. Brooke, of Columbia, the enrollment and promotion secretary for the South Carolina Baptists.

Mrs. A. V. Collum, of Blackville, conducted the opening devotional on the subject, "I am the Vine, ye are the branches." The Rev. J. Aubrey Estes, pastor of the Barnwell Baptist Church, spoke on "The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club," and the Rev. B. B. Jernigan delivered the morning sermon on "Service."

Dr. Brooke was in charge of the program in the afternoon, leading in a discussion of the importance of the Lord's Acre movement. Many gave testimony of the fact that they had planted acres for the Lord and were so pleased with the movement that they are continuing. The Reedy Branch Church reported about 60 members of this movement. The meeting was closed with a message by Mrs. T. R. Pender, of Williston, on the importance of the Bible.

The Healing Springs members served a delicious barbecue dinner.

How to Count a Billion.

If you were to count silver dollars at the rate of 90 a minute, working 10 hours a day and 300 days a year, it would take you nearly 62 years to count \$1,000,000,000.00.

In other words, if you were to begin counting at this rate on your 21st birthday, you would be almost 83 years old by the time you finished your first billion.

Work it out for yourself. Sixty times 90 would give you \$5,400 an hour. Ten times that would give you \$54,000 a day and 30 times that would give you \$1,620,000 counted in a year's time. Dividing 16,200,000 into 1,000,000,000 would give you 61.72 or the number of years required to count one billion.

Legislators Take Steps Toward End

End of Session Is Nearer as Evidence Is Given of No Intent to Change Wet Law.

With the highway reorganization question whipped into shape for early enactment and the liquor control issue practically settled, the South Carolina legislature has taken a long stride toward sine die adjournment before expiration of the constitutional "40 days."

Two dry-sponsored proposals to modify the present liquor legalization law met defeat by senate votes so conclusive as to be regarded as settling the issue for the current session, and both branches approved in principle a drastic reorganization of the present State highway commission setup.

A bill for local option on liquor was killed by a 21 to 14 vote by the senate some time ago, and Tuesday of last week the body in a surprise move took up a measure to ban liquor advertising and rejected it, 18 to 10.

No Radical Changes.

The votes, together with similar action in eliminating from another bill a provision to limit private possession of liquor to one gallon, and house action in killing a bill to declare the latest hours of sunrise and sunset as the times for opening and closing liquor stores, were taken as indicating the present liquor law would not be radically changed at the present session.

Meanwhile, the senate amended a house highway reorganization bill for legislative election of highway commissioners, to retain present commissioners in office until the expiration of their terms.

Other lesser amendments were made in the bill before it was returned to the house Friday for concurrence.

Although the measure admittedly was headed for a free conference, approval of the basic reorganization plan by both branches was considered an indication of speedy enactment.

Whether Governor Olin Johnston would approve it was problematical, but he has advocated popular election of road commissioners.

Action upon the two major issues left appropriations and social security among the principal questions yet to be considered.

On Appropriations.

Senate finance committee spokesman said it had practically completed hearings upon the annual appropriation measure and was ready to begin intensive work upon revision of the \$8,000,000 bill sent over by the house in an effort to bring it out as soon as possible.

Senator Henry Sims, of Orangeburg, chairman of the senate social security committee, said he would press for action next week upon a joint resolution for a referendum upon a proposed constitutional amendment to enable the State to participate in federal pension program.

He also indicated he would introduce measures for unemployment compensation and to create an agency to administer a State social security program if the electorate favors amending the constitution.

Although few legislatures in recent years have completed their work in the 40-day period for which the constitution authorizes pay, the current one expected to round out its 40th legislative day this week with progress to its credit.

S. C. Road Fight.

Columbia, March 14.—Attorneys intimidated in the State Supreme Court today that Governor Olin D. Johnston's administration-long fight against a hold-over highway commission might be taken to the United States Supreme Court.

The question of validity of Johnston's suspension of ten State highway commissioners was taken under advisement by the State court after a hearing marked by sharp exchanges between counsel.

Attorneys for the commission asked the court to declare the payment of Chief Commissioner Ben Sawyer's salary and the signing of county road reimbursement bond agreements legal, while lawyers for the governor demurred to the entire action on grounds that the court had "no jurisdiction."

Thos. E. Snelling, of Charlotte, N. C., was the guest of his father, Judge John K. Snelling, one day last week while on a business trip through this section of South Carolina.

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More Cotton is Made by Plenty of Potash

5-10-10 Fertilizer Leads Other Mixtures in Clemson's 4-Year Tests Over the State.

Fertilizer containing 10 per cent. potash produced 686 pounds more seed cotton per acre than the same fertilizer containing no potash, and 228 pounds more seed cotton per acre than the same fertilizer containing 5 per cent. potash in a comprehensive series of field tests conducted over a period of four years by the Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina and described in its 48th annual report.

In these tests an investment in potash from 60c to \$3 per acre returned extra lint cotton worth from \$10.60 to \$24.10. Each pound of muriate of potash in the fertilizer produced from 5.7 to 10.6 pounds of seed cotton, depending upon the rate of application.

The table following gives the average yields obtained in the tests. All plots were top-dressed with 15 pounds of nitrogen and the equivalent of 600 pounds of 5-10-10 (N-P-K) fertilizer was used at planting with the extra potash added.

Fertilizer	Muriate of Potash in fertilizer	Yield of seed cotton per acre
5-10-0	None	557 lbs.
5-10-2½	30 lbs.	874 lbs.
5-10-5	60 lbs.	1,015 lbs.
5-10-7½	90 lbs.	1,137 lbs.
5-10-10	120 lbs.	1,243 lbs.

The tests were conducted by Dr. H. P. Cooper, W. B. Rogers, and R. W. Wallace on 68 separate plots at the Sandhill Station and in cooperation with farmer soil important soil series in the Piedmont and Coastal Plains sections of South Carolina. Some of these soils were known to be deficient in available potash. The report states:

"Since there has been an unusual amount of cotton rust due to a deficiency of available potash in recent years, there has been a marked increase in the amount of potash included in the average cotton fertilizer sold in the State. Where there is a marked deficiency of available potash in the soil the cotton plants shed their leaves early in the season, which results in a large proportion of the cotton bolls not developing properly. These undeveloped bolls do not open normally and the cotton is often of poor quality and very difficult to pick."

The 5-10-10 fertilizer used on the plot which produced 1,243 pounds of seed cotton per acre contained potash equal to 120 pounds of muriate of potash per acre, or 300 pounds of high grade kainit per acre.

BARNWELL RALLIES AROUND ROOSEVELT

Blackville, March 17.—Barnwell County went on record here Monday strongly in favor of the re-election of President Roosevelt at a meeting called by Mrs. H. L. Buist, Democratic county vice-chairman.

Mrs. Buist introduced Sol Blatt, of Barnwell, who commended the women for their undertaking and pledged his support and co-operation.

Ex-Senator James H. Hammond, president of the Richland County Roosevelt club, spoke of the need of such an organization in each county of the State.

Mrs. L. H. Jennings, Democratic national committee woman urged that the women not only organize according to the Reporter plan, "which is a study in citizenship," she said, but that the club subscribe to the "donkey banks."

The following officers of the Women's Roosevelt-for-Re-election club were elected: President, Mrs. A. H. Ninestine; secretary, Mrs. Nicholas Martin; treasurer, Mrs. P. A. Baxley, all of Blackville. Two vice-presidents, one from Barnwell and another from Williston, are to be elected at a later meeting.

BIG STILL DESTROYED NEAR RAY'S CROSSING

Sheriff J. B. Morris and his deputy, Gilmore S. Harley, captured a big 120-gallon copper still, together with 500 gallons of mash and two gallons of liquor, near Ray's Crossing over the Little Saltkeahatchie River Wednesday of last week. The plant was in operation at the time of the raid, but the operators fled through the swamp at the approach of the officers. The still was destroyed.

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Large Crowd Attends "Mortgage Burning"

Blackville Baptist Church Debt of \$30,000 Has Been Paid in Full in Four Years.

On Sunday, March 8th, a large and enthusiastic congregation gathered in front of the Baptist Church at Blackville and witnessed the burning of a paper which represented the last indebtedness existing against the church. This event was the culmination of an intensive two weeks' campaign, during which time the sum of \$4,000.00 in cash was raised. The members and friends of the church are rejoicing over this wonderful achievement and they are profoundly grateful to the Rev. L. G. Payne, the pastor of the church, who led them in this undertaking. When Mr. Payne came to Blackville, in August, 1931, the indebtedness of the church amounted to approximately \$30,000.00. He immediately began the difficult task of getting this debt out of the way and was successful in reducing it considerably by April, 1932. Since then he has been faithfully ministering to the people and preparing them for the completion of this task, and it is almost unbelievable that in the short space of four and a half years the church has settled all its indebtedness. It has taken real leadership to accomplish such a task during these years of depression, bank closings and crop failures in a purely agricultural section. But for the great spirituality, the deep devotion, the brilliant leadership, the indomitable spirit, the undying faith, and the untiring efforts of the Rev. L. G. Payne, the Blackville Baptist Church would still be in debt. He has veritably led the church through the Red Sea.

The congregation is now looking forward to the dedicatory services which will take place in the near future, and to the continued ministry of one who has been a blessing not only to this church and community, but to the entire State of South Carolina.

A Member.

Triple "C" News Notes

Tree Planting.

The boys are still planting trees, and are very much interested in their work. Many of them are teamed up to see how many they can plant in a day. So far the unofficial record is held by Jesse Martin and Hulon Graves, who are alleged to have planted 2,500 in one working day.

Basketball.

On Friday ten boys from this camp went to Monck's Corner to play a game of basketball with the Monck's Corner camp. We were scheduled to play a game Friday night and one Saturday morning, and we regret to confess that the home camp boys won neither. Probably it was lack of practice.

However, we did have a good time Saturday. We returned by way of Charleston and did a little sight seeing. We stopped at The Citadel on the way in and then went to the museum. Some of the boys scoffed at the idea of the museum, but we had trouble rounding up the crowd to get away from it. We then went down to the battery and saw Fort Sumter in the distance, after which we took some time off and some went to the picture show and others just roamed about. It was the first trip to Charleston for several of the boys, and was much enjoyed.

Baseball.

Now that basketball is over, we are all agog over baseball, in which our prospects are considerably better. Probably the first game will be between the Barnwell camp and the Walterboro side-camp. The boys down there think they can beat the ones up here, and have sent numerous challenges.

Religious Services.

We had two services last week. On Monday night Rev. Mr. Estes was out and gave his usual very enjoyable sermon, and on Thursday Chaplain Phillips was here. Both services were well attended.

Major Wells was here during the middle part of the week for his monthly inspection.

A large majority of the members of the local grammar and high school faculties attended the annual meeting of the South Carolina Education Association in Columbia last week. Most of the teachers went on to their respective homes for the week-end.

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Sheriff Recaptures Noted Jail Breaker

Broadus Hoover Arrested at Dance at Home of Mrs. Viola Sanders Saturday Night.

Broadus Hoover, who has engineered two breaks from the Bamberg County jail, was recaptured Saturday night by Sheriff J. B. Morris at the home of Mrs. Viola Sanders, near Kline, during the progress of a dance. The Barnwell County sheriff walked in unannounced and had Hoover under arrest and on his way to jail before he "knew what it was all about."

Hoover's last jail break was effected February 16th, only a few hours after he had been returned to the Bamberg County jail following his apprehension in Florida. Four fellow prisoners followed him to freedom. On that occasion he used a window weight and a milk bottle to keep quiet one prisoner who refused to join him as he and his 4 confederates burned a hole in the top of a cage and let themselves down a blanket rope from the roof. Six months previously, he and eight other prisoners effected their escape from the Bamberg jail.

Acting upon the request of Sheriff T. J. Hadwin, of Bamberg, Hoover was lodged in the Barnwell County jail by Sheriff Morris until such time as he is brought to trial. Bamberg County is erecting a new jail with the aid of a \$25,000 WPA grant. He is charged in Bamberg County with housebreaking and larceny.

Broadus is one of the Hoover brothers who have been in the toils of the law on several previous occasions.

BLACKVILLE WOMAN WINS COTTON CONTEST PRIZE

In the cotton contest for 1935, Mrs. C. H. Mathis, of Blackville, won 2nd prize in the Lower District. She had taken first State prize in the contest in 1930. Already 15 farmers are entering this contest for 1936, says H. G. Boylston, county farm agent, who states that practically all of these are buying purebred seed direct from the breeder for planting on their fields. Other farmers are expecting to join and the county's membership will, no doubt, be as large as in any other year.

Threatens Sheriff's Life.

J. G. Kitchings, of the Western part of the county, was arrested in Barnwell Sunday on a charge of being drunk and disorderly after he had threatened to kill Sheriff J. B. Morris. He was convicted in Magistrate G. M. Hogg's court Monday morning and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 or serve 30 days on the chain gang. The sentence was suspended on condition that he leave Barnwell County and never return.

Kitchings was acquitted several years ago of the murder of C. M. Rogers, Jr., according to Sheriff J. B. Morris. Rogers' throat was cut and the defense contended that the injury was sustained in an automobile accident.

Colored Boy Badly Burned.

Edward Peoples, colored, 8-year old son of Ben Peoples of this place was terribly burned on Monday afternoon about the face and hands. From information obtained it seems that Edward went to the home of a nearby neighbor and upon finding a quart jar of gasoline he struck a match and threw it into the jar to "see what it would do." The jar exploded and the contents went into the face of the boy, taking every vestige of skin from his face and neck, and also burning all of the hair from his head. Medical aid was secured at once and the little fellow is doing as well as could be expected.

Meyer's Mill 4-H Club.

The Meyer's Mill 4-H Club met on Tuesday at the Dunbarton school house with seven members and two visitors present.

Miss Gene Swett, local leader, had charge of the meeting. The lesson was on "Laundering Hints." After a discussion of proper laundering practices a demonstration on the proper way to launder silk and synthetic garments was given.

Those present were: Misses Marian Ellis, Cecil H. Meyer, Talula and Gladys Wilson, Nell Owens, Gene and Mae Swett. The visitors were Misses Sallie Williams and Margaret Kneese.

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