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Deason's Drug Store Suffers \$100 Loss

Barnwell's First Robbery in Several Years Occurred at Early Hour Wednesday Morning.

Barnwell's first robbery in several months was committed here Wednesday night when an unknown prowler entered Deason's Drug Store by way of the skylight and escaped with a small amount of cash, watches and jewelry valued at about \$100. So far nothing has been missed except the cash, and the jewelry which was in a showcase near the rear of the store and right below the point of entrance.

About 2:30 that morning, Monroe Morris, manager of the store and Wilson Walker entered the front door and heard a disturbance near the rear. They stepped out and Mr. Walker summoned the night watchman while Mr. Morris watched from the front of the store. Mr. Morris states that he thought possibly it was a cat until he noticed the outline of a man in the dim light near the prescription counter. J. S. Still, the night watchman, and Mr. Walker returned and the three of them entered the store, and, noting that the door leading to Dr. Marshall's office in the rear was open, dashed on through. After a thorough search which proved fruitless, they returned to the prescription counter and noticed the broken skylight. A search was then started behind the store and a ladder leading to the roof was found.

The searchers acquired the county bloodhounds and they trailed the culprit through alleys and back streets until the trail was lost at the Barnwell-Blackville highway.

The prowler left scores of plainly marked fingerprints on the lattice work which he used to climb down from the roof, and a fingerprint expert from Columbia was enlisted to take these. Sheriff J. B. Morris and his deputy, Gilmore S. Harley, have some clues on which they are working and it is expected that the guilty party will be apprehended shortly.

Triple "C" News Notes

(By Arthur Ridgock, Reporter.)

There were two high lights in the news of Co. 4468 during the past week, the dance and the ball game. We will talk about the dance first. It was given at the recreation hall Friday night, with George Hall and his orchestra, from Batesburg and Blackville supplying the music. It was a dance that the people who attended will talk about for a long time. Everybody was in high spirits, and everybody was having a big time, but there was no disorder of any kind during the evening. The girls came from Blackville, Barnwell, Williston, Aiken, Walterboro, and various other points. There were plenty of visitors, some of whom came a distance of 75 miles. This was by far the best dance we have pulled so far, and on the strength of it we hope to have another in a couple of weeks.

Chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Plexico, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Phillips, Dr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Brown, Lieut. and Mrs. Charles A. Ritchie, Lieut. and Mrs. Wm. T. Dodd and Mr. and Mrs. James Nevils. During the intermission the chaperones and a few friends enjoyed a buffet lunch at the Sweetwater Country Club.

Baseball Game.
On Saturday, June 6th, the ball team finally clicked together and won a game. Now we are on our way.

It was an exciting game that took Co. 4468 ten innings to beat the supply Co. from Fort Moultrie, 7 to 6. The Supply Co., got the lead in the first inning, but Co. 4468 kept drawing up with them and tied the score in the ninth. In the tenth the Supply Co. did not score. Then came Barnwell's turn. Cook, first man up, drew a pass and went to second when Ricker was hit by the pitcher. Lord hit a grounder that the first baseman handled well and threw Cook out going to third. Hook then singled, filling the bases. With the bases full, Vincent did the famous Casey act and struck out. Then Ellison hit the ball deep in center field, and the game ended when Ricker came home with the deciding run.

Good work, fellows! Keep it up!
The next scheduled game is with Georgetown at Georgetown on Saturday, June 13th, but we are trying to get them to come on Friday, June 12th, so as to be here for the big bar-

Common Pleas Court Second Week Jurors

Scheduled Two Weeks Term of Civil Court Convenes Here Next Monday Mornng.

Petit jurors for the second week of the Court of Common Pleas, which convenes here next Monday with Judge Hayne F. Rice, of Aiken, presiding, were drawn Monday, as follows:

- M. S. Hair, Green's Academy.
- W. B. Harley, Kline.
- R. L. Hair, Williston.
- Jos. Ashley, Four Mile.
- W. P. Walsh, Williston.
- M. M. Mazursky, Barnwell.
- B. Wilson Walker, Barnwell.
- J. M. Diamond, Barnwell.
- P. A. Baxley, Blackville.
- C. D. Owens, Kline.
- Toby Sanders, Reedy Branch.
- J. M. Anderson, Greene's Academy.
- W. F. Shuler, Williston.
- C. G. Youngblood, Ellenton.
- A. G. Hay, Friendship.
- T. D. Creighton, Jr., Seven Pines.
- Harry Birt, Long Branch.
- W. Hayne Dyches, Hilda.
- W. W. Martin, Blackville.
- B. F. Gibson, Kline.
- Walter Givens, New Forest.
- W. L. Gleaton, Barnwell.
- Wm. R. Carroll, Blackville.
- J. M. Rowell, Hilda.
- J. B. Robinson, Green's Academy.
- Jennings A. Owens, Barnwell.
- J. T. Staley, Elko.
- J. F. Swett, Meyer's Mill.
- W. L. Molair, Barnwell.
- H. W. Still, Blackville.
- Glenn Browning, Barnwell.
- A. D. Connor, Jr., Barnwell.
- P. E. Allen, Blackville.
- Joe Croft, Double Ponds.
- Pete Johnson, Ellenton.
- Victor Lewis, Kline.

Candidates for Magistrate.

Elsewhere in this issue of The People-Sentinel will be found several new announcements for magistrate.

Down in Great Cypress township, Magistrate J. W. Sanders is seeking reelection after having served very acceptably in this capacity for several terms. Prior to that time he was a federal prohibition law enforcement officer and participated in numerous raids throughout the State.

Over at Hilda, W. K. Black is seeking election over the incumbent, Magistrate Paul H. Sanders. Mr. Black was elected to the office four years ago and served one term. Both he and the present incumbent have numerous friends who are confident that the office will be in good hands, regardless of the outcome of the primary election.

W. T. Still, of Snelling, is making his first entrance into the arena of politics and qualified Monday to make the race against Magistrate J. M. Hill, who was elected four years ago. Mr. Still is a highly respectable citizen and has been a farmer all of his life. He has many friends who are confident that he would fill the office very creditably.

A Wonderful Dog.

Flowers Calhoun was in town Tuesday with his famous "Doberman Pincher" dog, which attracted much interest here. This species of dog is especially noted for their fighting qualities, and also as watchdogs. Mr. Calhoun's dog has been in a number of fights and has won all of them.

Miss Julia Taylor, of the National Producing Co., is in Barnwell for the purpose of staging the musical comedy drama, "Sky High," under the auspices of the Barnwell D. A. R. Chapter. Fifty local people will be in the cast.

becue the foresters are having that day. If Georgetown does not come, another game will be arranged, probably with Dunbarton.

On Wednesday after Mr. Bryan had his class in Current Events and Citizenship, we had several interesting boxing bouts, with Ellison, Gray, Lavender, Chavis, Giles, Creech, Shuler and Davis supplying the fun. The grand climax was the knockout of Gray by Guerry. After that nobody wanted to box any more. Gray came to in the first aid room 15 minutes later and was on the job the next morning. Somebody seemed to think it was a fake knockout, but that is not what Gray said.

Captain Hindman was at camp on Friday for an inspection, and Chaplain Phillips held regular services on Sunday.

OPENING GUN OF CAMPAIGN FIRED TUESDAY AT HILDA

Candidates for State Senate, House of Representatives and Other Aspirants Made Their Initial Appeals for the Suffrage of the "Deer Peepul."

Those who went to Hilda Tuesday morning to attend the opening meeting of the Barnwell County campaign, expecting to witness a display of political fireworks and hoping that factional feeling would be stirred up, must have been greatly disappointed. Instead of the political bitterness which apparently some had hoped to witness, the meeting was as calm as a May morn and harmony and the best interests of the county were apparently the watchwords. Instead of the anticipated political explosion, the audience heard the opponents of the present delegation praise its members and their management of county affairs in the highest terms but sought the support of those who are not satisfied with the present county administration.

The meeting was presided over by N. A. Hiers, of the Hercules club, who introduced the first speaker, J. M. Sprawls, of Williston, candidate for the State senate. Declaring that he has no criticism to make of the members of the present delegation and the manner in which they have handled the affairs of the county in the past, he said that if the voters are satisfied with the present management of the county he advises them to vote for Senator Brown and the other two members of the delegation, but that if they are not so satisfied he will appreciate their support.

Mr. Sprawls was followed by Senator Edgar A. Brown, who, in a well balanced speech of some length, reviewed what the delegation has accomplished, including the building of one of the finest road systems to be found in any county in the State; the reduction in auto tags to an average of \$2.52 each, the lowest in the United States; the establishment of a health unit for the benefit of the poor people of Barnwell County, paid for by the State; the establishment of a rental text book system, which will reduce the cost of text books to the children, beginning August 1st of this year, to one-third of the present cost of buying such books, and also a provision to furnish free text books to all first grade pupils in the county. This, the Senator said, will lead in three years to free text books for all grades for all school children in the county.

The House Candidates.
J. W. Folk, of Williston, a former member of the house of representatives, like Mr. Sprawls, declared that he has no criticism to make of the present delegation or its management of county affairs, but that "things are always cut and dried in Barnwell County," and that he favors the election of "all officers by the people."
C. H. Beatty.
C. H. Beatty, of Dunbarton, said that he is a newcomer in politics, has no criticism of the present delegation but would like to represent the people in the legislature if they desire to make a change.

H. Cecil Youngblood.
H. Cecil Youngblood, of Elko, also a new comer in politics, made a speech very much along the same lines as the other two house candidates.
Winchester C. Smith.
Representative Winchester C. Smith, of Williston, seeking reelection to his fourth term, thanked the people for their support in his previous campaigns and reminded them of the fact that six years ago he made them two promises—biennial sessions of the legislature, which he has supported wholeheartedly, and the reduction of State and county taxes, which has been accomplished largely through the efforts of the present delegation.

He further stated that he is a farmer and business man and that naturally he has the best interests of the property owners at heart. He stressed the fact that he was largely instrumental in the passage of the law requiring open formula on fertilizer, which is for the benefit of the farmers.

Solomon Blatt.
Col. Solomon Blatt expressed his heartfelt appreciation to the people of Barnwell County for the privilege of having served them in the house of representatives for the past two terms without opposition. Referring to Mr. Folk's statement that he favors the election of all county officials by

the people, Colonel Blatt produced the records to show that Mr. Folk, in 1932 as a member of the house of representatives from this county, was instrumental in passing the law which took the election of the supervisor and county commissioners out of the primary and placed their selection in the hands of the county delegation.

Colonel Blatt reviewed fully the record of the delegation and his fight in the house for the mortgage moratorium act, which prevents the foreclosure of mortgages on farms and homes during the depression; the reduction of penalties on delinquent taxes; the reduction of the county debt; the reduction of the county debt and operating expenses; the fair and square management of the affairs of the county for the benefit of all the people; the delegation's cooperation in securing federal funds for various projects in the county; the passage of the rental text book system, lowering their cost by two-thirds, beginning this year; the passage of the bill providing for free text books for all first grade school children of the county; provision for a county health unit, financed by the State. He referred to the fact that he is the author of the first bill providing for the reduction in auto license tags.

In discussing the county's finances, Colonel Blatt praised in the highest terms the cooperation that he has received from his colleagues and the county officials, citing figures from the treasurer's and auditor's offices that show the splendid condition of the financial affairs of the county and the economical manner in which the county government is being operated. The records show that the county debt has been reduced \$20,000 annually for the past several years and that bonds, notes and school debts in the amount of approximately \$180,000 have been paid in the past few years while reducing the tax levy and putting the county on a cash basis.

All unopposed candidates were introduced to the audience and expressed their grateful appreciation for being allowed to continue in office without opposition.

Mrs. S. R. Goodson.
The many friends of Mrs. S. R. Goodson, 88, Barnwell's oldest resident, were grieved to learn of her death which occurred at two o'clock yesterday (Wednesday) morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. O. Crout, in Columbia, after an illness of several weeks. Her body was brought back to her old home and will be laid to rest this (Thursday) morning at ten o'clock in the Mt. Arnon Churchyard, the funeral services being conducted by her pastor, the Rev. J. A. Estes.

Mrs. Goodson, who was the widow of the late John M. Goodson, had made her home in this city for many years and had a host of friends throughout the county. She was a member of the Barnwell Baptist Church. She is survived by the following children; Mrs. C. E. McGregor, of Girard, Ga.; Mrs. C. P. Freeman and Mrs. J. O. Crout, of Columbia; L. J. Goodson, of Boston, Ga.; J. B. Goodson, of Gainesville, Fla.; J. F. Goodson, of Wadley, Ga.; and E. E. Goodson of Barnwell; one sister, Mrs. Martha M. Owens, of Kline; two brothers, L. P. Knepton, of Blackshare, Ga.; and J. F. Knepton, of Brookland, N. Y. She is also survived by 13 granddaughters and 13 grandsons, and also a large number of nieces and nephews all of whom have the sincere sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

Typoid Clinic.
The following notice is issued by the Mayor of Williston and should be of interest to the public:
"There will be a Typhoid Clinic held in Williston at the grammar school building by Dr. L. T. Claytor, public health doctor, on Monday, June 15th, beginning at 2:30 o'clock p. m. All who are financially able should see their family physician at once; those unable to do so, are specially urged to attend the clinic on the date named."

Williamson-Kemp.
Coming as a complete surprise to their many friends was the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Williamson, daughter of Mrs. J. B. Ross, of Barnwell, and James R. Kemp, formerly of Washington, D. C., but now of Ellenton, on Saturday afternoon at the office of the Probate Judge in Barnwell. The bride is an honor guest of the Barnwell High School of the class of 1932 and at the time of her marriage was employed on the re-indexing project at the Barnwell County Court House. The groom holds a responsible position with the Leigh Banana Crate Company, at Ellenton, where the young couple will make their home.

Mrs. Martin C. Best and son, Martin, Jr., returned home last Thursday after spending several days in Union with relatives.

Boxing Match to Be Staged Here Friday

American Legion Post of Barnwell Is Sponsoring Several Bouts at Vamp Theatre.

The American Legion Post of Barnwell is sponsoring a boxing match, which will be staged in the old Vamp Theatre here tomorrow (Friday) night, June 12th, at 8 o'clock.

The main event will be between "Red" Watts, now of Barnwell, 130 pounds, and Jack Monroe, of Charlotte, N. C., 130 pounds. This will be a six-round bout. Watts was formerly Southern intercollegiate lightweight champion, having fought at the University of South Carolina for four years and later turned professional, losing only one professional fight out of 13, seven of which were won by knockouts. Jack Monroe has a record of 47 fights, with 43 victories. He is a hard hitter and one of the best new-comers in the fighting game.

The semi-final will be between Weston Carroll, of Barnwell, 143 pounds, and Bennie Harley, of Orangeburg, 145 pounds, four rounds. S. E. Moore of Snelling, will fight McTyre Calhoun, of Barnwell, four rounds. Carroll and Moore will be remembered for their success in both boxing and football on the Barnwell high school team. Calhoun has had several successful seasons on the Clemson College boxing team. Bennie Harley is one of the best men that Orangeburg has turned out in several years.

Another fight that has not been previously advertised but has been arranged at the last minute will be between Mike Arant, 150 pounds, of Orangeburg, and "Skeet" Hilton, of Jamison. This fight is scheduled for three rounds. Willie Sanders, 80 pounds, of Kline, and "Hookie" Carter, 80 pounds, of Barnwell, are also on the card. Local fans will remember with pleasure the action they saw in these two boys when they fought some time ago and an even better bout may be expected tomorrow night.

Due to the fact that an exceptionally large crowd is expected, the scene of the fight may be shifted to Fuller Park if arrangements can be made in time. Reserve seats may be had in order to insure getting a clear view of the bouts.

Brown-Taylor.

Of interest to quite a number of friends in Georgia and South Carolina was the marriage of Miss Irma Lucille Brown to Mr. J. Murray Taylor, which took place in Aiken Monday night, June 1st. The ceremony was performed by R. W. Taylor, Judge of Probate of Aiken County.

The bride was lovely in a pink lace blouse and pink accessories. There were no attendants. The bride is the only daughter of Mrs. T. W. Vignati, who, before her marriage to Mr. Vignati will be remembered as Mrs. Lucille C. Brown, of Barnwell, S. C. and Augusta, Ga. Mr. Taylor is the youngest son of the late H. M. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor, of Sparta, Ga., and is employed by the Wolfe Printing Co., of Augusta.

Those attending the marriage were: Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Vignati, mother and step-father of the bride, Mrs. T. D. Creighton, the bride's grandmother, Dan Brown, brother of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sturgis, Miss Rose Vignati, Joe Vignati, friends of the contracting parties. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor will be at home after the 15th at 939 Telfair Street, Augusta, Ga.

Service Training School.

A service Training School, under the supervision of Mrs. John C. Hogg, of Barnwell, was organized here on Monday when 19 colored women ranging in ages from 16 to 45 were given a physical examination at the County Health office in the Court House by Dr. L. T. Claytor, public health physician for the counties of Allendale, Bamberg and Barnwell. Classes will be held at the colored school building in Barnwell in the home economics rooms. These women will be trained for better service in the home. This is a PWA project.

Field Day and Barbecue.

The Barnwell County Forestry Protective Association will hold its annual field day and barbecue Friday, June 12, at Fuller Park in Barnwell for the crewmen and their families. A program, consisting of forestry talks, games and contests, has been arranged for their entertainment.

Don't forget to see the WPA exhibits at Fuller Park this week.

24 Candidates Enter Democratic Primary

State Senator, Representatives and Five Magistrates Are Opposed This Year.

When the time for filing pledges and paying assessments in county races closed here at 12 o'clock noon Monday, 24 candidates were lined up at the tape for the races this summer and for the first time since his election without opposition eight years ago, Senator Edgar A. Brown, of Barnwell, is being opposed for reelection. Three candidates entered the lists against Representatives Solomon Blatt, of Barnwell, and Winchester C. Smith, of Williston, five of the eight magistrates face opposition for reelection, while the other four county officers, seeking re-election this year have clear fields.

Most of the new candidates are entering the political arena for the first time, only one aspirant for legislative preferment—J. W. Folk, of Williston—having stood for election. In several instances, candidates for magistrate opposing the present incumbents have made campaigns in previous elections. W. W. Cain, of Blackville, who filed against Dr. O. D. Hammond, was a candidate for the house of representatives several years ago; W. K. Black, who is opposing Paul H. Sanders for magistrate at Hilda, served in this capacity several years ago, and W. H. Harden, who is opposing J. W. Sanders for magistrate in Great Cypress township, was a candidate for the place two years ago.

Although there had been rumors that J. Buist Grubbs, of Barnwell, would enter the race against Sheriff J. B. Morris, he announced last week before leaving for West Point, N. Y., to attend the graduation of his son, Lieut. Elmer W. Grubbs, that he would not be a candidate this summer. There had been no reported opposition to R. L. Bronson, G. M. Greene and J. T. Still.

The complete list of entries as filed with the county chairman is as follows:

State Senate—Edgar A. Brown, (incumbent), of Barnwell, and J. M. Sprawls, of Williston.

House of Representatives—Solomon Blatt (incumbent), of Barnwell; Winchester C. Smith (incumbent), of Williston; J. W. Folk, of Williston; H. Cecil Youngblood, of Elko, and C. H. Beattie, of Dunbarton.

Sheriff—J. B. Morris (incumbent). Clerk of Court—R. L. Bronson (incumbent).

Master in Equity—G. M. Greene (incumbent). Coroner—J. T. Still (incumbent).

Magistrates. At Barnwell, G. M. Hogg (incumbent); Bennett Springs and Four Mile township, G. R. Peeples (incumbent); at Blackville, O. D. Hammond (incumbent) and W. W. Cain; at Great Cypress, J. W. Sanders (incumbent) and W. H. Harden; at Hilda, Paul H. Sanders (incumbent) and W. K. Black; at Dunbarton, C. S. Anderson (incumbent); at Red Oak, J. M. Hill (incumbent) and W. T. Still; at Williston, J. W. Cook (incumbent) and T. P. Mitchell.

The opening meeting of the campaign was held Tuesday at Hilda and an itinerary to cover the county will be announced later.

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