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Crop Outlook Good in Barnwell County

Despite Weather Handicaps, Farm Returns This Year Should Be Fair, Survey Shows.

The farm outlook for Barnwell County seems to be bright this year, despite the fact a large number of farmers already have their seed in the ground and the weather during the past few days has been rainy and cool. Unless a killing frost comes in the next few days, the consensus is that the seed already planted will survive.

More land is under cultivation this year than any year recently. Mules and fertilizer sales were larger and good farm labor has been at a premium for some time.

The truck season, which opened a few days ago with asparagus, should prove profitable this year. Asparagus is bringing a better price to date than it did last year, and the cutting began earlier. The acreage, however, has been reduced to some extent, according to local farmers and produce dealers. A good deal of grass was cut during the unseasonable weather, earlier in the year and those farmers who were lucky enough to have sufficient acreage for large cuttings at that time, received excellent returns. Every sign points to a better asparagus season in both number of crates cut and price brought on the Northern markets.

The cucumber acreage is off about 40 per cent. from last year, and with any sort of season, the returns from this crop should prove excellent also. A good cucumber season would undoubtedly help the farmers to reduce their loans considerably and leave the remainder of their crops as largely profit. The watermelon acreage has been increased about 10 per cent. and the cantaloupe acreage remains about the same, according to local produce dealers' estimates. Cotton and corn acreages have also been increased.

Should the markets hold up and a fair return be gotten for farm produce Barnwell County should have one of its best falls in many a moon, with the result that the people of Barnwell County as a whole will benefit, this being an exclusively agricultural county.

While the soil conservation program has not been started, indications are that the farmers of this section will cooperate wholeheartedly with the proposed program. This, of course, should go farther to improve the yield of the land for future use as well as help the farmer today. Local farmers seem to be more interested in scientific crop production here now than at any previous time. As soon as the new Clemson college experiment station is completed near here and is put into operation, there should be an even greater interest shown in proper crop handling.

County Committeemen Appointed

At a meeting held over the county last week committeemen were picked to serve on the soil conservation program for the coming year as follows: County Committee—R. R. Moore, Barnwell, chairman; Victor Lewis, Kline, vice-chairman; M. W. Wise, Elko, and C. G. Youngblood, Ellenton, alternates.

The community committees follow: Barnwell and Red Oak Townships—R. R. Moore, chairman; W. L. Baxley, vice-chairman, M. F. Black and H. H. Ellis, alternates. Bennett Springs and Richland Townships—H. R. Williams, chairman; I. W. Rountree, vice-chairman; H. B. Eaves and A. B. Rountree, alternates. Blackville Township—W. H. Hutto, Jr., chairman; A. H. Croft, vice-chairman; Lewis E. McCormick and J. Pinkney Still, alternates.

Four Mile Township—C. G. Youngblood, chairman; M. Turner, vice-chairman; B. L. Peoples and A. O. Bush, alternates.

George's Creek Township—Frank Sanders, chairman; S. E. Sanders, vice-chairman; Farrel A. Creech and John H. Still, alternates.

Great Cypress Township—Victor Lewis, chairman; J. W. Bates, vice-chairman; W. H. Moody, Jr., and B. O. Norris, alternates.

Rosemary and Williston Townships—M. W. Wise, chairman; Perry Sprawls, vice-chairman; N. B. Youngblood and F. B. McKerley, alternates.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. C. Gignilliat are spending several days this week near Beaufort.

Track Stars Picked by Barnwell School

Preparations Going Forward for County Field Day to Be Held Last of Month.

The eliminations for positions on the Barnwell high school track squad for the forthcoming county field day competitions were held during the past week. The following members of the squad were selected and are putting forth every effort to reach peak condition for the event:

100-yard Dash: Tommie Richardson, Arden Lemon, Briggs Grubbs and Lenwood Rosier.

440-yard Dash: Ralph Moody, Sonny Patterson, Ed Hill and Billy Moore.

220-yard Dash: Aubrey Morris, Tommy Richardson, Briggs Grubbs and Wingard Carter.

880-yard Dash: Ralph Moody, Sonny Patterson, Will Carlton and Ed Hill.

Relay: Lawrence Stevens, Wingard Carter, Jack Sanders and Aubrey Morris.

Shot Put: Jack Harley, John Ferguson, Harold Black, Louis Gantt and Bunyan Baxley.

Discus Throw: Jack Harley and John Ferguson.

Javelin Throw: Jack Harley and John Ferguson.

Broad Jump: Aubrey Morris, Arden Lemon and Wingard Carter.

High Jump: Jack Sanders and Francis Sanders.

Pole Vault: Jack Sanders, Francis Sanders, Billy Bronson, Willis Sander and Baxley Sanders.

For the girls, the following were the winners:

50-yard Dash: Elizabeth Fletcher, Mary Dicks, Rosa Lee Rosier, Grace Barker, Juanita Boyles, Marjorie Brown and Jean Christie.

440-yard Walk: Etherine Hogg, Mary Dicks, Rosa Lee Rosier, Jean Christie and Brownie Creech.

Basketball Throw: Elizabeth Fletcher, Ruth Carter, Juanita Boyles, Marjorie Brown, Sibyl Carroll and Marjorie Ross.

Baseball Throw: Elizabeth Fletcher, Sibyl Carroll, Marjorie Brown, Etherine Hogg, Dorothy Baxley, Rosa Lee Rosier and Juanita Boyles.

Running Broad Jump: Elizabeth Fletcher, Juanita Boyles, Jean Christie, Jeanette Hair, Ida Carter, Marjorie Brown and Rosa Lee Rosier.

Running High Jump: Elizabeth Fletcher, Sibyl Carroll and Marjorie Brown.

Reports Indicate Acreage Increase

Larger Production of Watermelons May Result in Lower Prices to the Growers.

Columbia, April 10.—Reports from farmers planting watermelons this year indicate an increase in acreage which, with average yields and average weather conditions in consuming centers, may result in prices to growers lower than those received from last season's crop, according to information received by George E. Prince, extension marketing agent, from the general crop section of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.

The 1937 acreage of watermelons in the Southeastern States of Florida, Georgia, North and South Carolina is expected to be about 6 per cent. higher than it was last year. A recent report from the bureau of agricultural economics shows that growers intend to increase 1937 watermelon plantings in Georgia by 5 per cent. and in Florida by 22 per cent.

In terms of acres, Mr. Prince explains, Georgia growers intend to plant 63,000 acres, an increase of 3,000 acres over last year's plantings, South Carolina, 21,000 acres, an increase of 1,000 acres, Florida growers, 19,500 acres, an increase of 3,500 acres; North Carolina, 12,800 acres, the same as last year.

The increase in acreage this year, it is explained by the general crops section of the AAA, is largely influenced by last year's favorable prices, which averaged higher than at any time during the last half dozen seasons.

Col. and Mrs. J. E. Harley, Jr., returned home this week after a visit to relatives in Jacksonville, Fla. While in Florida they motored to Miami, from which point they flew by plane to Havana, Cuba.

Partial Report Made by County Chairman

Some Sections of Barnwell County Have Not Reported in Seal Sale Campaign.

Mrs. G. M. Greene, county chairman for seal sale for crippled children, makes the following report from sections turned in to date. Some sections have not sent in reports but when same are received they will be given due credit for amounts contributed.

Blackville: Mrs. A. H. Ninestein, Mrs. Herman Brown and Mrs. L. C. Still committee—Blackville schools, \$16.55; Methodist Sunday School, \$5.00; P. T. A., D. A. R. Chapter and Ladies' Aid Society, \$1.00 each; Mr. Clark, N. Britt, Farrell, O'Gorman Store and Dr. R. A. Gyles, \$1.00 each; Mrs. D. Stanley Brown, Mrs. L. J. Connelly, Mrs. H. Brown, G. A. Baxter, Mrs. A. B. Hair, Miss Leonard Kelly, Mrs. L. C. Still, Dr. Epps, Hoffman Store, Thompson Motor Co., Mrs. A. H. Ninestein, 50c each; Mrs. W. Browning, Mrs. Villepigue, T. O. Boland, Mrs. T. O. Boland, Mrs. Lonnie Creech, 25c each; Mrs. W. W. Maloney, 15c, making a total of \$35.25. To this must be added \$8 from the Macedonia colored school near Blackville, turned over to the chairman by Susan F. Bailey, supervisor for colored schools for Barnwell County, making a total of \$43.25 for Blackville.

Double Pond, through Mrs. R. T. Williams—Double Pond Baptist church, \$2.75; Miss Elizabeth McNab, through Hilda H. D. Club, 25c; total, \$3.00.

Hilda: Mrs. N. C. Croft—Hilda Baptist Church, 1 scroll, \$5.00; Hilda school, \$4.07; Mrs. A. P. Collins and J. M. Rowell, \$1.00 each; Miss Mamie Still, 50c; total, \$11.57. Reedy Branch Sunday School has also agreed to take a scroll and this amount will be turned in later.

Williston, through Mrs. R. S. Davis: American Legion Auxiliary, scroll, \$5.00; P. T. A., scroll, \$5.00; Grammar school, \$7.14; High school, \$3.40; American Legion, \$1.00; Williston colored school, scroll, \$5.00. To this school also must be added \$3.25 which Susan F. Bailey, supervisor for colored schools, also sold through this school. Cash, 46c, making a total to date from this community of \$30.25. The colored school at Elko is yet to be heard from, but this school always responds to every call and a goodly amount is expected from it.

Morris community, through Mrs. Mollie Bates Harden: Morris school, 58c, H. D. Club, Mrs. W. N. Creech, Miss Elizabeth McNab, 25c each; Mrs. Mollie B. Harden, 17c; Mrs. W. P. Morris, 5c each; Kline H. D. Club, Mrs. W. H. Fields, B. O. Norris, 10c each; J. W. Bates, 15c, total, \$2.00.

Dunbarton: Miss May Owens, Mrs. T. W. Dicks—Dunbarton Baptist Sunday School, 1 scroll, \$5.00; Dunbarton school, \$4.34, total reported, \$9.34. The Dunbarton Sewing Club is also buying a scroll and will be reported later.

Barnwell—Business District—Mrs. Margaret S. Hogg and Mrs. Jeff Black: Adult class, Baptist Sunday School, American Legion Post, Bank of Barnwell, D. A. R. Chapter, S. C. Power Co., Masonic Lodge, Blatt and Fales, Edgar A. Brown, County officials, 1 scroll each of \$5.00; Graded school, \$5.73; C. G. Fuller, \$2.00; Clifford Barret Circle, \$1.00; Thos. M. Boulware, A. A. Lemon, C. O. Jones, L. Cohen, Lloyd Plexico, Grubbs Chevrolet Co., The Leader, A. Ghingold, Dr. B. W. Sexton, W. G. Hill, D. C. Jones, Mrs. J. B. Harley, Dr. R. E. Brown, \$1.00 each; W. J. Lemon, 75c; Miss Elizabeth McNab, Mrs. F. S. Brown, Reid Furniture Co., Harold Williams, Dick Lazar, Barnwell Fruit Co., 5 and 10c Store and B. S. Chandler, 50c each; Miss Dorothy Sanders, Mrs. L. C. Eidson, Max Cooper, Charlie Brown, Jr., 25c each; Olive Sanders, 5c, Barmie F. Owens, 10c; total for Business District, \$66.95.

House-to-House Canvass: Mrs. P. W. Stevens, Mrs. J. E. Mahaffey, Mrs. Shellie Black—J. S. Black and Mrs. J. B. Hagood, \$1.00 each; Mrs. J. B. Bostick, 60c; T. A. Holland, Mrs. T. R. Brown, L. C. Eidson, 50c each; Shellie Black, 30c; Mrs. Charlie Brown Sr., Mrs. Lloyd Vickery, Mrs. J. N. Anderson, Mrs. W. A. Fuller, Mrs. H. J. Phillips, Mrs. Olaree Cail, Mrs. W. C. Milhous, H. W. Sanders, 25c each; Mrs. J. B. Grubbs, A. D. Furtick, 15c each; Mrs. W. E. McNab, Mrs. G. R. Evans, Mrs. B. S. Moore, Sr., 10c each;

Williston Winner of Ninth District Meet

St. Matthews Is Second and Blackville Third in Track Contests Held Friday.

St. Matthews, April 12.—The ninth district high school track meet, sponsored by the South Carolina High School League was held on the St. Matthews high school athletic grounds Friday.

After counting points, Williston scored 52 to take first place; St. Matthews came second with 35½; Blackville third with 29½, and Elloree fourth with nine points.

The preliminaries began at 10:00 o'clock in the morning and the winners competed in the finals, which began at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. P. H. Bomar, high school athletic coach of Orangeburg, was the referee. He was assisted by Carl Fahey, of the highway department and others. The results were as follows:

100-yard Dash: First, Givens, Williston; second, Smith, Williston; third, Hair, Blackville.

One-mile Run: First, Keisler, St. Matthews; second, Nevils, Blackville; third, W. Delk, Blackville.

440-yard Run: First, Smith, Blackville; second, Zimmerman, St. Matthews; third, O. Otto, St. Matthews.

Half-mile Relay: First, St. Matthews; second, Blackville; third, Williston.

880-yard Run: First, Jones, St. Matthews; second, Wise, Williston, third, Grubbs, Blackville.

220-yard Dash: First, Givens, Williston; second, Delk, Blackville; third, Hair, Blackville.

Shot Put: First, Cooper, Blackville; second, Wienges, St. Matthews; third, Shuler, Elloree.

Discus: First, Johnson, Williston; second, Smith, Williston; third, Wannamaker, St. Matthews.

High Jump: First, Troutman, Elloree; second, Wannamaker, St. Matthews; third, Cooper, Blackville.

Broad Jump: First, Smith, Williston; second, Troutman, Elloree; third, Zimmerman, St. Matthews.

Javelin: First, Cooper, Blackville; second, Pender, Williston; third, Zimmerman, St. Matthews.

Pole Vault: First, Crouch, Williston; second, Pender, Williston; third, M. Still, Blackville.

Low Hurdles: First, Wienges, St. Matthews; second, L. Flenniken, Williston; third, K. Flenniken, Williston.

Community Headquarters.

H. G. Boylston, county agent, announces that headquarters for the convenience of farmers in filling out work sheets under the 1937 soil conservation program have been opened in the following communities:

Blackville—Still's old barber shop, April 15, 16 and 17.

Hilda—A. C. L. depot, April 15, 16 and 17.

Rosemary—Rosemary schoolhouse, April 19, 20 and 21.

Williston—Folk's filling station, April 19, 20 and 21.

Dunbarton—Old drug store, April 22, 23 and 24.

Atterbury's filling station, April 22, 23 and 24.

Barnwell—Supervisor's office, April 26, 27 and 28.

Kline—B. F. Jenkins' old store, April 26, 27 and 28.

Committeemen will be at the above places from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. on dates named.

Mrs. Mordecai Mazursky and children spent Sunday in Columbia with Mr. Mazursky, who is recuperating from an appendix operation at the Columbia hospital.

total, \$7.00.

H. L. O'Bannon and Dr. P. W. Stevens, \$1.00 each.

Barnwell colored school, through Susan F. Bailey, assisted by A. S. Guinyard and the other teachers of that school, \$13.50. Included in this amount is 63c contributed through Great Cypress school. This is a splendid showing on the part of this school and the school as well as its corps of teachers and the supervisor are to be commended for this fine work. This is the next to the largest contribution from any school in the county, largest amount coming from the Blackville white school, \$16.55. Total contributions from town of Barnwell to date, \$93.18.

Jordan Baptist Sunday School (colored) through Susan F. Bailey, 78c.

S. S. Convention to Meet at Dunbarton

Annual Session Will Be Held in Baptist Church Tomorrow.—Program Is Announced.

The annual meeting of the Barnwell-Bamberg Sunday School Convention will be held with the Dunbarton Baptist Church at Dunbarton Friday, April 16th. The program this year is planned to meet the needs of the teachers and officers in all the departments of the Sunday School work.

Verbal reports from the superintendents will be given. Problems concerning administration, enlistments, records and teaching will be discussed by pastors and lay-leaders within the association. Departmental conferences will be directed by the State approved workers for the several different departments. The Rev. Z. E. Barron, pastor of the Hapeville Baptist church, Atlanta, will be the inspirational speaker.

There are 38 churches in the Barnwell-Bamberg Sunday School convention and 34 Sunday Schools. There are more than 400 officers and teachers in these Sunday Schools, all of whom are urged to attend this meeting by the associational president, Geo. B. Inabinet, superintendent of the Bamberg Baptist Sunday School. All others who are interested in Sunday School work are most cordially invited to attend. The Dunbarton church will serve lunch for all who come.

The Program.

10:30—Devotional—Rev. J. M. Flowers, Dunbarton.

10:45—Verbal reports by superintendents.

11:15—The Problem of Sunday School Administration—Rev. P. D. Walker, Blackville.

11:30—Enlisting the Masses—O. W. Lancaster, Bamberg.

11:45—The Value of Good Records—Rev. W. C. Reese, Denmark.

12:00—The High Calling of the Teacher—Rev. R. W. Hollis, Ehrhardt.

12:15—Sermon—Rev. Z. E. Barron, pastor, Hapeville Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.

12:40—Adjourn. Lunch.

1:30—Song service.

1:35—Appointment of Committees.

1:40—Departmental Conferences, directed by State approved workers.

Cradle Roll and Beginner's Departments—Mrs. Dan Davis, Columbia.

Primary Department—Miss May Bomar, Spartanburg.

Junior Department—Miss Edna Campell, Belton.

Intermediate Department—Mrs. A. J. Foster, Columbia.

Young People and Adult—Rev. W. C. Reese, Denmark.

Extension Department—Miss Lullie Latimer, Columbia.

2:30—Business and election of officers. 3:00—Adjourn.

Barnwell Ring Takes Charge of University

Hummel Harley Elected President of 1938 Senior Class of Law School.

The junior "Barnwell ring" went into action up in Columbia Tuesday and its members proved themselves to be politicians on a par with their elders who have done so much to put Barnwell on the State political map in the past few years. The embryo politicians are students at the University of South Carolina, and when the smoke of the battle of the ballots had cleared away three of them had "copped" important places in the student body.

Hummel Harley, youngest son of Lieut.-Gov. and Mrs. J. E. Harley, of Barnwell, was elected president of the 1938 senior class of the law school. Young Harley is a junior law student this year and is making an excellent record at the University. He defeated two other aspirants for the place.

"Ted" Ninestein, a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ninestein, of Blackville, was elected vice-president of the study body in a spirited election. He is also a law student, who appears to have a bright future in store.

Sam Rogol, of Williston, who is also a law student, was chosen as president of the Seldon Literary Society, an organization composed of the entire membership of the law school.

The People-Sentinel joins with many other friends in congratulating these bright, ambitious young men upon attaining such high honors at the hands of their fellow students.

Senators Won Opener Here Monday, 6 to 5

Albany (N. Y.) Ball Club Barely Nosed Out University of South Carolina.

The first edition of the new Albany base ball team was barely able to nose out the University of South-Carolina nine here Monday afternoon by a score of six to five. The ability of Don Hutson, Senator outgardener, to hit safely twice with men on bases and push across four runs, coupled with poor base running by the collegians in the early innings, was largely responsible for Albany's victory.

In the first frame the Senators used a walk, a balk and two hits for two runs and a lead they never relinquished. The college lads hit safely five straight times in the eighth inning to score four of their tallies.

Burkhardt and Rudolph were very effective in the first six innings to shut out the visitors, but Benninghoff, last Albanywirlor, was nicked for all five runs. Tabor, college ptcher, was effective in the pinches on several occasions to keep the Albany club from piling up an even larger margin. He pitched out of a deep hole in the 8th when Albany loaded the bases with no one out, but the Senators were retired without getting a marker.

The Gamecocks continued their bid for victory into the final inning when they placed two men on the sacks with only one down, but the last two batters were retired on fly balls.

The next exhibition game of the spring camp season was scheduled to be played here yesterday (Wednesday) when the House of David nine came here for a game.

Score by innings:
Carolina — 000—000—140—5—9-4.
Albany — 210—300—00x—6—10-4.

Batteries: Tabor and Tomlin; Burkhardt, Rudolph, Benninghoff and Knapp, Bass.

Mrs. Hogg Reports on Educational Project

Tells of Work Done in White and Colored Schools in Barnwell County.

Under the WPA Emergency Educational Project for Barnwell County, Mrs. Margaret S. Hogg, supervisor, gives the following report of work done in the adult schools of Barnwell County, both white and colored, for the past six months:

"The division of this program consists of three agricultural schools with an enrollment of 164; one home-making school with an enrollment of 32; one general adult school with 46 enrolled; five literary schools with 250 enrolled.

"We also have two State schools with an enrollment of 30 each.

"During this period of time 262 adults have been taught to read and write. Not only have they been taught to read and write but have been taught the art of home-making. The schools have all been working on the home unit; sub-units consisting of health, citizenship, recreation and operations of the home, have been taught through posters, charts and note books.

"Through activities of this program approximately one hundred children, both white and colored, found upon a recent survey of various school districts, have been returned to the various public schools of the county. In some instances a number of these children had never attended any public schools.

"Approximately 300 gardens have been established as a direct outcome of this program, much interest being manifested in this phase of the work. "Quite a bit of historical data has been worked out through the county unit, dating back to the origin of the county up to the present time."

On April 4th, Mrs. Hogg carried 55 adult pupils on a pilgrimage to Charleston. The teachers of the various adult schools also accompanied their pupils. Visits were made to Magnolia Gardens, the Museum, the Battery, St. Michael's Church, the old Huguenot Church, the Catholic Cathedral, St. Phillips Church, the tomb of John C. Calhoun, Cooper River bridge, Fort Moultrie, Sullivan's Island, The Citadel and many other interesting as well as historical places in and around Charleston.

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