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Barnwell County 4-H Certificates Awarded

Miss McNab Announces the Winners of Certificates.—Much Work Accomplished.

Seventy per cent. of 4-H members of Barnwell County have completed projects commenced in the fall and will receive certificates for work accomplished. More 4-H certificates will be issued this year than in any previous year since 4-H clubs have been organized in the county. A score of 70 per cent. is necessary for a certificate.

"My Part in the Home," a phase of The Home Management Project, was chosen by twelve 4-H clubs as the major project for the year. The purpose of the project was:

1. To help the 4-H club member to become a helpful member of the home.

2. To aid her to see contributions she can make to the family and home.

3. To give her skill in doing every day tasks.

4. To show her the value of her time in relation to her family and herself.

5. To train her to know the value of money.

Monthly meetings were held with demonstrations and discussions.

Features that added pleasure to the year's work were songs, picture study, Christmas programs, nature study and contests. Clubsters completing the year's work will be entitled to attend the annual encampment July 26 to 30 at Camp Long.

Requirements for the year's project were:

1. Keep an account of money spent for a year;
2. Make a schedule of time at home;
3. Improve methods in doing tasks as dishwashing, ironing, bed making and setting table;
4. Assist with family ironing during club year;
5. Be responsible for own bed correctly made;
6. Practice family courtesies;
7. Practice social courtesies;
8. Attend six meetings;
9. Complete notebook.

Club members to receive certificates are: Julia Whitstone, Lucie Brown, Christie Davis, Ella Mae Kemp, Audrey Lott and Mae Hill, Healing Springs; Maud Ruby Knopf, Mary Dwyer, Helen Williams, Allie Black, Hilda; Mary E. Barker, Grace Barker, Ethelene Hagg, Lisa Mae Hagg, Janetta Creech, Brownie Creech, Donnie L. Norris, Anne Barker, Big Fork; Marie Buckhalter, Margaret Kneese, Mildred Kneese, Ruth Kneese, Thelma Harley, Vivian Buckhalter, Joyce Branch; Carrie G. Grubbs, Leira Grubbs, Deborah Black, Carolyn Black, Reedy Branch; Mae Sweet, Alice Wall, Rebecca Anderson, Mae Bates, Nellie Owens, Cecil Meyer, Lena Schampert Zeldia King, Lunette Bates, Meyer's Mill; Caroline Fowke, Irma Allen, Annie Fowke, Helen Fowke, Louise Gantt, Laurie Gantt, Betty Gantt, Marie Gantt, Boiling Springs; Helen Keel, Lois Renew, Lois Owens, Virginia Hair, Long Branch; Miriam Creech, Emily Creech, Wilma Creech, Amelia Croft, Mamie Nell Sanders, Chlotilde Still, Ruth E. Still, Joe Winnie Morris, Madeline Still, Frances Creech, Myrl D. Still, Leila Mae Croft, Elma Croft, Hercules; Martha A. Harley, Mildred Mahaffey, Mary Dicks, Norma Anderson, Joan Bauer, Jaudon Harley, Margie Summer, Alva Stevens, Barnwell.

Poultry members receiving certificates are: Carolyn Black, Lavalette Still and Miriam Creech.

Club members to receive diplomas are: Maud Ruby Knopf, Joan Bauer, Alva Stevens, Leira Grubbs and Laurie Ella Gantt.

Ties for First Place.

Mrs. Basil M. Jenkins was notified Monday by P. Lorillard, Inc., of New York City, manufacturers of Old Gold cigarettes, that she, along with "more than a thousand other contestants," had submitted the correct solutions to the first 90 pictures in the Old Gold contest. This places Mrs. Jenkins in a tie for the first prize of \$100,000.

A set of 90 more puzzle pictures were enclosed with instructions to complete and mail before midnight of Monday, June 23rd, in an effort to break the tie and decide the winner of the grand prize. This is the only living set of puzzles which has been reported from this section.

Unusual Old Couple Lives at Blackville

Eulie Newton Has Worked Side by Side With Her Husband in the Field.

R. B. Fickling, of Blackville, tells The People-Sentinel of a rather unusual old couple who live on his plantation at Blackville—Calvin Newton and his wife, Eulie Newton. Calvin is 59 years old and his wife is 57, says Mr. Fickling, who continues as follows:

"When they married, Calvin was 20 years old and his bride was two years his junior. They have 17 children—11 boys and six girls, and most of these children are on my plantation now. Eulie gave birth to three children in one year, one boy being born on January 1st and twin boys on the 24th of the following December.

"After having been married for five years, Calvin's wife plowed side by side with him for 15 years, she doing the laying off of the rows by stake. Many days she cut cordwood; many days she cut and hewed crossties; many days she put up as many as 500 shingles. They both read and write well. Calvin only went to school one month in his life, but his wife taught him how to read and write at night after she had worked all day.

"This couple came to Blackville from Hampton County. There, Calvin, after a day's work in the field, would cut an acre of rice at night and his wife would tie and shock it that same night. They are a very thrifty couple and save their money. They lost \$980 in a Hampton bank failure.

"Calvin and his wife are still very active in farm work on my place and can pick 500 pounds of cotton a day. Eulie is the best cucumber picker I have on my farms. They have enjoyed good health but Calvin has never had a physician but once in his life."

Suggests B. D. Carter For S. C. Governor

Bamberg Lawyer Would Have Second Circuit Solicitor in Governor's Race Next Year.

Bamberg June 19.—Harry M. Graham, Bamberg attorney, in a communication to the Bamberg Herald, advocates the "drafting" of Solicitor B. D. Carter, of the Second Judicial Circuit, for governor of South Carolina in the election next year. Mr. Graham urges Mr. Carter forward because of his peculiar fitness to the position, predicting that "he would bring our people together and do a wonderful work for South Carolina." Solicitor Carter is described as a "man of mature judgment, a lawyer who excels in his line of endeavor, a man of limitless energy and perfect integrity, of affable manner, but with strong conviction—a man who respects all of our citizens, both white and black, all of whom are required to respect him likewise—a straight, upright man." Mr. Graham feels that he is just the type of man needed as chief executive today. "He is not a politician in its general meaning, but is a statesman who dares to do right but fears to be wrong."

Mr. Carter has served as solicitor for about ten years, and is one of the few prosecuting attorneys in the country whose political popularity has increased during his term of office. He frequently refuses to prosecute cases where he considers the defendant is not guilty, and frequently asks the court for a lenient sentence where extenuating circumstances exist.

Solicitor Carter is a prominent church official, and is teacher of the men's class in a local Sunday school.

When asked concerning Mr. Graham's article, he said that he had given the matter no thought, and that the "nomination" came as quite a surprise to him. He has given no indication that he would seek the Democratic nomination, but his friends believe that he would not decline a Statewide demand for his services.

Teacher Elected.

Miss Lena Reed, of Cameron, has been elected to fill a vacancy in the local elementary school. Miss Reed is a graduate of Collier College, Magna Cum Laude. She has taught in Walhalla five years and comes to Barnwell with the strongest possible recommendation.

VENERABLE BARNWELL LADY TELLS OF WARTIME LIFE

Miss Anna Walker, Beloved Barnwell Lady, Tells Very Interesting Story of War Between the States and the Ellenton Riot.

One of Barnwell's oldest and best loved citizens was persuaded to reminisce here last week and as a result a dramatic story was brought to light.

Miss Anna Walker, now in her 85th year, modestly denied that there was anything unusual about her except the fact that she has lived beyond the allotted three score and ten, but "Miss Anna," as she is affectionately known, proceeded to tell some tales of Barnwell and this section.

Miss Anna was born in Edgefield County at the home of her grandparents, but says that she really regards Barnwell as her home as she came here when just a child. She was born on November 6, 1852, the daughter of Anne Lamar Carey and Nathaniel George Washington Walker. A sister died about two years ago and her brother, Col. N. G. W. Walker, now resides in Barnwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker owned a plantation near Barnwell, "Bonnie Doon," which is now the property of B. L. Easterling, of Barnwell, and it was there that a good portion of her childhood days were spent. Her father, also had a 26-room hotel in Barnwell which he operated prior to the War Between the States.

During her childhood days, the War Between the States was fought.

"How well do I remember the day that my home was literally burned over my head," Miss Anna said, when she had finally been prevailed upon to discuss the bitter days of war times. "I was just a child, in my early teens, when the soldiers marched through this section and completely desolated our countryside. The day that Sherman's men reached Barnwell, I was standing in front of my parents' home. Several other ladies were on the front porch talking to a few Confederate soldiers, who were on their horses in front of the house.

Ask for Gold.

"The ladies were begging the soldiers to leave before Sherman's men arrived as his coming had been heralded and we knew that he was then at the city limits, but they refused to leave until the troops came in sight. Then they spurred their horses and rode over Turkey creek.

"The Union soldiers rode up in front of our house and one of them asked if there were any gold watches on the premises. Knowing that they would be searching for anything of any value all of the valuables had been hidden except one watch, but before the owner, a very conscientious lady, who would have immediately claimed possession of the watch, could utter a sound, one of the group told the soldier that they had been prewarned and had, therefore, hidden everything of value. He seemed satisfied and did not search us.

"That night a group of the officers came and requested permission to come upstairs to the family drawing room and play the piano. This permission was granted as it was really a command in the guise of a request. I had seen a few of the Confederate soldiers and their uniforms were of a faded gray, bedraggled with mud and, in some cases, spotted with blood, so when the Union officers marched in in their fine goldbraded uniforms, I was taken aback. We couldn't believe that it were possible for the Union soldiers to be so excellently and lavishly outfitted, while our men in gray were in such dire need of clothes to protect their bodies.

"Apparently these men, the officers, were of good breeding, as their manners were faultless and they showed us every courtesy. They had brought one of their men to act as pianist, and after singing several of the popular songs of ladies would care to play and sing. One of the group accepted the offer and immediately started playing and singing 'My Maryland' quite lustily. One of the soldiers joined in until she reached the lines.

Officers Embarrassed

"March, March, she spurs the Northern man.

"The location, she turns, she

comes, she comes."

"But there he stopped turned and walked out of the room in embarrassment. After a very sociable evening the officers courteously thanked us for the entertainment and took their leave without so much as making a piece of furniture.

"The next morning, however, the same officers came to bid us farewell and were upstairs talking when one of the old negro men-servants rushed up the stairs screaming for us to leave the house at once that it had been set on fire by the Union soldiers. We quietly filed out and stood in the rain while the place was reduced to ashes.

"These are my most vivid memories of the War Between the States."

But, Miss Anna wasn't to lead the peaceful life from then that she wanted. After some of the immediate perils of the reconstruction days were over, a friend, Mrs. Cannon, of Ellenton, asked her to come to Ellenton and teach her three children as there was no public school to which she could send them. Miss Walker agreed and in the fall of 1876 she took up her abode in Ellenton.

Her stay there was short lived, lasting only through the first term of the agreed school year, due to the fact that the Ellenton riot, the riot which put Ellenton on the map and went far towards the election of Wade Hampton as governor of South Carolina, happened shortly after she moved there.

See Negro Rioters.

Word came one afternoon that the negroes were overlapping even the bonds of the carpetbagger rule in a community above Ellenton and all the young men of the town immediately left to aid their friends and relatives. Miss Walker was sitting on the front porch of a friend's house, a widow, and there was only the widow's son and her aged father in the house at the time, when a band of several armed negroes marched through the edge of the yard.

Nothing was said by either the ladies on their porch or the negroes, but the mistress of the house called the yard boy after they had gone through and asked what was up. The boy replied, "Nothing, that I know of Mam, 'cept they say they is going to kill everything from the cradle to the grave."

A night of terror followed with every noise sending the ladies into a frenzy. Next morning, however, A. P. Butler and his men from Beech Island arrived and on the following day General Johnson Hagood and his men from Barnwell put in their appearance on the scene. These two companies of men roamed the countryside, killing every armed negro that they found.

No residences were burned in Ellenton to Miss Anna's knowledge, but numerous smokehouses and outbuildings were burned to the ground.

Miss Anna's relatives prevailed upon her not to return to Ellenton, so she opened a private school in Barnwell. Several years later she and a Mr. Kennedy opened the first graded school in Barnwell. It was in a two-room building and she had the younger pupils, while he taught the advanced students. After teaching for 25 years in her native Barnwell, she left to accept a position in the Summerville schools which she held for two years, moving on to Hartsville for a year and thence to Shorter college in Rome, Ga.

After one year at Shorter, Miss Anna decided against returning for another year, due to the illness of several members of her family. She secured instead, a position in Columbia college so that she would be nearer Barnwell. She stayed at Columbia for three years before moving to G. W. C. in Greenville, where she taught for eight years. Her last teaching was done in a three-year stretch at Miss Bonham's Sun Air School in Columbia. It 1922 she returned to Barnwell 44 yrs and is still a Barnwell citizen.

Miss E. W. Vogel, of Bamberg, spent the weekend with Mrs. E. E. Stone.

Local Garden Club Appoints Committees

Beautification of Presbyterian Church Grounds and Marking of Streets Proposed.

The Barnwell Garden Club was entertained very delightfully on Friday afternoon by Miss Dora Green and Mrs. E. D. Peacock, at the home of the former. The reception hall, as well as living room, was made attractive by the use of vari colored flowers.

In the absence of the president, Mrs. J. J. Bell, the business session was presided over by Mrs. G. M. Greene. After the minutes were read, reports from officers and all committees heard, two committees were appointed, one looking toward the marking of all streets of the town, the other for the cleaning of the Presbyterian Church grounds. The first named committee is composed of Mrs. P. H. Harvard as chairman, Mrs. Furman Davis, Mrs. B. L. Easterling, Mrs. Shelly Black, Mrs. P. W. Price and Mrs. P. W. Stevens. The Lions Club and other organizations of the town are to assist in this worthwhile project.

The beautification of the Presbyterian Church grounds has been postponed until fall, when shrubbery can be transplanted safely, but during the summer months Mrs. P. W. Stevens, Mrs. C. F. Molair, Mrs. J. N. Dicks, Mrs. J. E. Mahaffey, Mrs. W. W. Carter and Mrs. Harvard will act as a committee on Upkeep and Grounds and preparations made toward early planting of shrubbery, etc.

It was also reported at this meeting that Mayor C. G. Fuller and the members of the town council were interested in further beautification of Fuller Park and stand ready to lend assistance in the fall when work will begin on the Park. This club, with the assistance of other organizations and private citizens of the town, hope to plant azaleas in large numbers as well as other shrubbery at the park this fall.

After all business was laid aside, the meeting was turned over to Mrs. C. F. Molair, who had charge of the program for the month. "The Garden of Fragrance" was read very effectively by Mrs. Molair after which a paper on "The Iris" was given by Mrs. J. N. Dicks. Mrs. F. S. Brown, who had recently visited the beautiful gardens of Mrs. J. L. Coker, of Hartsville, gave a description of these gardens. Six members of the club were requested to bring an arrangement of flowers and Mrs. J. M. Brodie and Mrs. P. W. Price acted as judges. Mrs. W. W. Carter was awarded the blue ribbon for the prettiest flowers while Mrs. B. L. Easterling was given a red ribbon for the most attractive arrangement.

"The Plant Alphabet," an interesting contest, was thoroughly enjoyed. Mrs. G. M. Greene won first prize, Mrs. J. E. Mahaffey second. Attractive pot plants were given as prizes. Guests other than club members were Mrs. R. E. Brown and her mother, Mrs. Wells, of Savannah.

The hostess served delicious punch and crackers. The July meeting will be held with Mrs. P. H. Harvard with Mrs. P. W. Stevens as assistant. Mrs. P. W. Price and Mrs. E. D. Peacock will have charge of the program.

William B. Norris.

William Benjamin Norris, 76, died at his home in the Yenome section of Barnwell County early Saturday morning. Mr. Norris was active up to the time of his death.

Funeral services were held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Mount Olivet Baptist church, with the Rev. G. W. Hopkins, pastor of the church, conducting the rites. Interment followed in the adjoining cemetery.

Mr. Norris was a farmer of the section in which he lived, having been born and reared there and had always taken an active interest in the affairs of the community. He was a leader in both religious and social life of the community and a member of Mount Olivet church.

He is survived by one son, E. O. Norris, of the Big Park section, one daughter, Mrs. Lottie Bryant, of Vaulter; three brothers, J. M. Norris, Samuel and Bennett Norris, all of Lake City, Fla.; several grand children and several nieces and nephews.

Building in Barnwell Heavy Past Months

New Business Building and Several Residences Being Erected in the Town.

Building projects in the business and residential sections of Barnwell are probably more numerous at the present time than in any other period since the depression. New stores have just been completed on Main street and workmen are busily engaged on the renovation of other business district property as well as some residential property.

The Barnwell Hotel on Main street is rapidly nearing completion, the workmen being engaged at the present in the completion of the lobby and doing the insulation work. The coffee shop has been opened to the public to take care of the truck buyers who are here for the trucking season. However, the manager of the coffee shop stated recently that even further work would be done on that portion of the hotel. Next door to the hotel work will soon start on the new quarters for the local post office, according to G. Bates Hagood, local business man, who recently received the contract for furnishing space to quarter the post office. This will be a handsome brick building with new fixtures, the outside matching that of the adjoining hotel.

The work on the new filling station on "The Circle" which is being constructed by R. A. Easterling, of Denmark, for use by L. A. Flexico, who has operated a filling station at that stand for a number of years, is progressing rapidly and should be soon completed.

This will be one of the most up-to-date filling stations in this section of the State when finished and Mr. Flexico states that he will be fully equipped to render any possible service to the motorists.

The Peoples Funeral Home, which is to be located on Burr street, will be completed within the next month or six weeks. The property, which was purchased recently by E. M. Peoples and son, of Hampton, from Willis S. Browning, is situated next to the Episcopal church on Burr street. The old home is being completely remodeled for use as the undertaking establishment and a six-room dwelling is being constructed on the same lot for use by the manager of the concern.

Several Barnwell people have moved into new homes in the past few weeks and work on the others is going along nicely. Quite a bit of major and minor repair work has also been done in the town.

Carolina Student Dies Following Auto Wreck

Craig Baxley, of Blackville, Driver of Car, and J. B. Henson, Also Injured.

Edward Peter Parker, son of W. A. Parker, of Graniteville, died at 7:30 Monday morning at the Columbia hospital as the result of injuries received in an automobile accident on the way to Charleston for the week-end early Saturday.

Mr. Parker was a student at the University of South Carolina Summer school and would have graduated in pharmacy at the end of the session. He was registered for the past winter session and had done all of his college work at the university.

Parker left home for Charleston with J. B. Henson and Craig Baxley, who was driving the car, about midnight Friday. The car overturned after crossing a railroad track between Bamberg and Denmark. Parker and Henson were thrown clear of the wreck.

Michael Ussery, of Barnwell, on his return from Bamberg, brought the wreck victims to Columbia.

Parker talked clearly Saturday, but complained of a paralyzed feeling below the waist. He sustained neck and back injuries and face bruises.

Henson, halfback on the Carolina football team, who is employed in the State highway testing laboratories on the university campus during the summer was not seriously hurt, but badly bruised and shaken up. Baxley received bruises, but was not admitted to the hospital.

Parker's body was taken to Graniteville Monday. Funeral arrangements were not announced here.

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