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SHOOTING AFFRAY NEAR BARNWELL ON THURSDAY

Evans Patterson Attacked by Rock, Rich and Horace Dunbar.

A shooting affray, in which the principals are negroes, occurred near Barnwell Thanksgiving Day. From what can be learned, it appears that Rock, Rich and Horace Dunbar were gambling at the home of Evans Patterson, who was working some distance away in a field. Upon being informed as to what was going on at his house, Patterson is said to have ordered them away, whereupon the trouble started. When hostilities ceased, Patterson had received wounds in the left side and Rock Dunbar was shot in the face. A horse was driven to death bringing one of the wounded men to Barnwell for medical attention.

Rock Dunbar and Patterson were arrested and lodged in jail, but the latter was released as no charge has been made against him. Rock is charged with assault and battery with intent to kill and also with violating the prohibition law, as Sheriff Sanders found a quantity of mash at his house. The still was found at the house of Marily Dunbar, who was also arrested for violating the prohibition law.

BARNWELL RANKS 23RD

IN SCHOOL EXPENDITURE Charleston, Florence and Bamberg Counties Lead the State.

Barnwell County ranks 23rd in South Carolina in amount of money spent per capita on the education of her white children, according to an announcement made a few days ago by the State superintendent of education. Charleston County leads the State, with Florence and Bamberg in second and third place.

Counties in this section show the following per capita expenditures and the last column indicates the rank in the State:

Aiken	\$30.29	58
Allendale	48.71	5
Bamberg	62.49	3
Barnwell	40.04	23
Calhoun	45.59	12
Colleton	40.77	20
Dorchester	26.55	49
Hampton	27.39	37
Jasper	40.20	22
Orangeburg	45.37	14

MR. R. H. MORRIS.

Blackville, Nov. 25.—On Nov. 14th the Death Angel entered the home of Mr. R. H. ("Bob") Morris and claimed him as his own. Mr. Morris was about 69 years old. He died at his late home at Healing Springs. He leaves to mourn his death the following: His wife and nine children, four girls and five boys, Miss Carrie Mae Morris, Mrs. W. A. Odom, Mrs. C. E. Williams, of Allendale, Mrs. R. F. Odom, Messrs. B. P. Morris, R. L. Morris, of Augusta, Ga., A. M. Morris and Carl Morris. His remains were laid to rest in Blackville cemetery on Tuesday, Nov. 15th, the funeral services being conducted at his late home by the Rev. D. W. Heckle. As he lived, so he died, in the faith. D. W. H.

A. C. MATTHEWS, JR.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Matthews, of Barnwell, were shocked Thursday afternoon to hear of the sudden death of their little two-year old son, Alfred Crowell Matthews, after an illness of only three hours. He was apparently in perfect health up until dinner time, but refused anything to eat. A doctor was hastily summoned and a short time after his arrival, the little fellow suffered a hard convulsion. Other physicians were called and everything possible was done to save the little life, but his condition grew steadily worse and he passed away at 5:30 o'clock. The child was born December 19th, 1919.

Another sad death occurred the same night, when one of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rich's children died at Blackville of diphtheria after a short illness.

The people joins with many other friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved families.

The many friends of Mrs. Solomon Blatt will regret to hear of the death of her mother, Mrs. Green, of Sumter, which occurred Monday after a long illness.

BALDOCK FAMILY DEATHS NOT CAUSED BY ARSENIC

Officials Investigate Alleged Poisoning in Allendale County.

Arsenic poisoning did not bring about the deaths of four members of the family of Joe Lee, of Baldock, Allendale County, judging from the condition of the stomach and intestines of the mother of the family, according to the report submitted to Governor Cooper by Dr. C. V. Akin, representative of the State board of health, who, in company with Dr. A. H. Hayden, epidemiologist of the State health body, went to Baldock to investigate the deaths from a health standpoint.

Four members of this family have died and the father is now very ill in a hospital in Augusta. The State health department was requested by physicians and citizens of the community to send representatives to make an investigation.

Dr. Akin said that the internal organ of one of the children had been sent to Clemson College for examination, and that the internal organs of the mother had been sent to Charleston. If arsenic in sufficient quantities to cause death was ingested with food or water, the examinations now being made should readily detect the presence of the poison, Dr. Akin said.

A well-located near a stable lot, furnished the water for the family. Dr. Akin says physicians of the community said they had examined the water and found present in it "wriggle-tails" in large numbers and very much alive. The presence of the animals in a living state was opposed to the theory of the well being poisoned, Dr. Akin says. Symptoms described by attending physicians also tend to rule out the poison theory.

REEDY BRANCH NEWS.

Reedy Branch, Nov. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. Victor Martin spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Grubbs, Sr. Mr. and Mrs. Corbett Hiers and Misses Eunice and Virginia Hiers spent Sunday with Mr. W. R. Black. Messrs. Broadus Still and Freddie Hiers were in this section Sunday night.

The friends of Mrs. Howell Delk will be glad to learn that she is recovering from her recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Black and children, of Springfield, were in this section for a few hours Thursday P. M.

Mrs. McRoy Boyles and children spent Thursday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Baxey.

The many friends of Mrs. M. D. Black will be glad to learn that she is recovering from her recent illness.

Mr. Shellie Still was a visitor to Miss Carrie Dyches Saturday night. Misses Pearl, Ineeda, and Iris Grubbs spent Thanksgiving in Blackville with their sister, Mrs. T. J. Still.

Mrs. John Gary Grubbs spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. M. Grubbs.

Miss Juanita Still has been spending some time with Miss Agatha Still, near Friendship.

Mr. Emmett Still spent the week-end with Mr. Shellie Still.

Misses Myrtle Grubbs and Aviee Hiers spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Black.

Mr. Shellie Still spent Sunday night with Mr. Hewlett Still.

Miss Ethel Collins spent the week-end with Miss Florence Still.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Eubanks, of Elko, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Still.

Miss Josephine Grubbs spent a few days with friends in Blackville.

CHRISTMAS SAVINGS PARTY.

The money saved by the members of the Christmas savings party, that is operated by the Home Bank with the small Liberty Bell Savings Banks among the children, will be distributed Dec. 10th, and all the members are requested to bring their bank books and Liberty Bell banks to the Home Bank. The children have saved this year about \$1,700. This is small compared with other years, as conditions prohibited them from saving, but President Calhoun says he looks for a good year in 1922, and requests that all the children begin in January to save for the next Christmas. The seven hundred dollars will be placed on the large table in the front of the bank each day until Dec. 13th, when checks will be issued to the members.

President Harding Now Heads Red Cross



Succeeding former President Wilson, President Harding was recently elected president of the American Red Cross. He is here seen accepting the office. From left to right: Maj. Gen. Merritt W. Ireland, Surgeon General, U. S. A.; Dr. Livingston Farrand, chairman Central Committee of the Red Cross; the President; Asst. Secretary of the Treasury Elliot Wadsworth; Rear Admiral Edward R. Stitt, Surgeon General, U. S. N.

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE OF RED CROSS IN BARNWELL

Miss Susie Dawson Here to Assist in Annual Roll Call.

Miss Susie Dawson, field representative from Red Cross headquarters in Atlanta, is in Barnwell this week to assist in organizing for the annual Roll Call, scheduled for Dec. 5 to 10. Miss Dawson made a talk at the school house Tuesday morning in the interest of the Junior Red Cross, of which Miss McMillan is the local chairman. In speaking of Red Cross work, Miss Dawson said: "Some of us first learned of the great service of Red Cross when the Red Cross of War went over with the boys to see them through the fight. The Red Cross of Peace is even greater than the war organization, working as it does to heal the wounds of war, to prevent disease and ignorance and pauperism, to minister in time of disaster, and to educate a citizenship in helpfulness and service.

"The war is over. But where are those who gave their health and hope of home and happiness that we might have peace? Some of them, 26,300 strong, are in government hospitals today—over eight times as many as were there in 1919. Red Cross workers are with them in the hospitals to write letters home to see that they have some recreation and happiness, to keep in touch with the Home Service workers at the boys' homes that she may know how to render service to their families. Last year the Red Cross spent \$10,000,000 on the ex-service man and his family.

"There are many other activities of the Red Cross, which can be barely mentioned in passing: First Aid classes to reduce deaths from fatal accidents; Junior Red Cross with its education of the child in service to his community and to childhood the world over; European Child Relief to help the children suffering as a result of the war.

"This is YOUR Red Cross. It is going to be just as strong and effective as you make it. Each citizen of this county must feel that he is called to be a part of this work. Invest a small amount of money and a big amount of interest in the Roll Call to be put on in Barnwell County Monday, December 5th, and you will find it a paying investment. For the greatest investment you will ever make is an investment in need and to your community."

To Bridge Savannah Near Allendale.

Washington, Nov. 21.—The House today passed the Senate bills authorizing construction of bridges across Great Pee Dee River at Mers Bluff Ferry, S. C.; over the Savannah River at Burton's Ferry, S. C.; and across the White river in Prairie County, Ark.

Burton's Ferry is in Allendale County, between Allendale and Sylvania, Ga. This will be good news to the people of that section, as it will afford them an exceptional road to Savannah, Ga.

FIFTH ANNUAL RED CROSS ROLL CALL DECEMBER 5-10

To Furnish Food and Clothing for Destitute Children Overseas.

I am the Red Cross of peace. I heal the wounds of war. I am a refuge from flood and pestilence. The love of little children is mine. I am the Red Cross of peace.

The object of the American Red Cross has been briefly set forth thus:

"The union of all who love in the service of all who suffer."

Why should you belong to the American Red Cross?

1. Because it is taking care of the nation's disabled service men who fought for you.

2. Because it is safeguarding American life. It has trained and assigned 1335 public health nurses.

3. Because it relieves suffering from disaster and accidents. Since 1881 the A. R. C. has contributed more than \$14,000,000 for disaster relief at home and abroad.

4. Because it is still helping in the reconstruction of the world.

5. Because the Red Cross has fed and clothed from 4 to 5 million orphan children in the past year.

Just now the challenge is to furnish clothing and food for destitute children overseas. Babies are being born in the midst of privation so pitiful that thousands have been wrapped in old newspapers at their birth because there is nothing with which to clothe them. The Mission of Religion is to save men's souls. The Great Master was not indifferent to the salvation of men's bodies as well. Closely intertwined in the moral and spiritual welfare of the people are the many details of physical life that are alike ways and means to the higher development of mind and soul.

Mrs. A. A. Lemon, Roll Call Chairman, Mrs. H. L. O'Bannon, Secretary.

LYNDHURST ITEMS.

Lyndhurst, Nov. 28.—Dr. W. M. Steinmeyer and family, of Beaufort, spent Thanksgiving here, the guests of relatives.

Miss Julia Gantt, of Winnsboro, was here for several days during the past week, the guest of her aunt, Miss Sarah E. Gantt.

Messrs. Fred H. Gantt and S. S. Hay, of Columbia, motored down on Wednesday, spending Thanksgiving with relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Hay, of Estill, paid a flying visit to relatives during the past week.

Messrs. W. D. Gantt, Stephen Ellis and Edwin Ellis, of Barnwell, were among the Thanksgiving visitors to our little burg.

Both the resident and visiting sportsmen made quite an advance on the feathered tribe during the past week, and if every reverberating report had meant a dead bird, no doubt a trap shoot would have been necessary for Christmas.

James O. Patterson, a member of the Barnwell Bar, was in Bamberg for the day Tuesday.—Bamberg Herald.

SUCCESSFUL TRUCKING HINGES ON TWO THINGS

Standardization of Product and Co-operative Selling Only Solution.

During 1922 many farmers who have never grown truck crops before are going to grow truck in an attempt to find a crop more profitable than cotton under boll weevil conditions. It is safe to say that many new growers will be disappointed unless they determine (1) to put up for market a well graded and well packed product, (2) to join a co-operative marketing association that has made it a business of marketing truck crops.

Even when these things are done, says F. L. Harkey, agent in marketing, Clemson College, there may come the disappointment of low prices. But the chances of finding a ready market for individual lots of produce, especially if these lots are ungraded, are few. One may visit any of our markets and ask the wholesale and retail produce dealers how they prefer to buy produce and they will answer:

"From a commission house, an association or other selling agency that is responsible, has a good reputation, handles a well graded and well packed product, and is in the business today, tomorrow and next week. We prefer to deal with such agencies rather than with individuals because we are able to get a supply at all times of a uniformly graded product and those people want our business. If, on the other hand, we attempt to deal with a lot of individual shippers, each one having his own ideas about grades, packs, etc., sooner or later there is a great deal of dissatisfaction on the part of both shipper and receiver. We are not in business for charity."

Above all things, plans for the selling of crops should be made before they are planted, for planting truck crops without knowing beforehand how they are to be marketed is worse than planting cotton and not knowing whether the boll weevil will get it or not. Many letters are received weekly by the marketing division of the Extension Service asking how many acres of produce are necessary to insure truck-side buyers at shipping time. Answer: that depends upon the market demand for the crop at time of harvest, and also upon the grading, and whether or not competing sections are grading better, etc. The truck-side buyer can not and will not take all of the chances involved in selling truck for the high dollar. Experience and figures over a period of years have shown that the shipping of any truck crop is more profitable to the grower when he grades right and ships through a co-operative marketing association, taking his losses and his gains and paying for losses when they actually occur and not paying some one else to take a chance for a poor market all of the time.

Summarizing: Through an association only do we get proper grading. Through an association only do we get proper selling. Join a truck growers' co-operative marketing association.

BLACKVILLE POSTMASTER.

George M. McGruder has been appointed postmaster at Blackville, to succeed B. J. Hammet, who died a few days ago. Mr. McGruder's appointment is temporary, and an examination will be held later.

Upon the death of Mr. Hammet, who had served some twenty years, a post office inspector visited Blackville and temporarily appointed Mrs. Hammet, wife of the former postmaster, to fill the position until a regular appointment could be made. It is stated from Washington that this appointment was overruled and Mr. McGruder given the appointment.

Cotton Ginning Report.

There were 7,724 bales of cotton ginned in Barnwell County from the crop of 1921 prior to November 14th, as compared with 26,210 bales to the same date in 1920. Prior to November 1, of this year, 7,591 bales had been ginned, as compared with 23,634 bales to the same date last year. In other words, only 133 bales were ginned in the county in the first two weeks of November, as compared with 2,576 for the same period in 1920, a decrease of 2,443 bales.

BARNWELL COUNTY NEGRO SHOOTS TWO WHITE MEN

Shooting Occurred Friday Afternoon Near Edisto River.

Springfield, Nov. 25.—Boyce Cook and Clifford Gantt, two white men from Barnwell County, were shot this afternoon by a negro named Kirkland who was in turn possibly mortally wounded by the two officers. Messrs. Cook and Gantt were taken to a hospital in Columbia. The shooting took place just across the North Edisto River in Barnwell County about three miles from Springfield. The officers had gone to arrest another negro who escaped when the negro Kirkland began firing upon the officers with a shotgun. Mr. Gantt was the most seriously injured of the two white men. Mr. Cook put Mr. Gantt and the wounded negro into the car and drove on to Springfield where medical attention was given. The white men were taken to Columbia, and the negro was taken to the Barnwell jail, the sheriff of Barnwell County being asked to meet the prisoner in Blackville.

Kirkland in Penitentiary

Fearing an attempt at lynching, Sheriff C. Keys Sanders, of Barnwell, rushed Kirkland to the State penitentiary in Columbia. It was fortunate that he did so, as it is understood that at least three automobiles loaded with armed men came to Barnwell shortly after his departure and were told that the Sheriff was headed in the direction of Blackville. He made his way to Columbia by another route.

From what can be learned, Kirkland, whose first name is Herman, fired upon Cook and Gantt without any reason whatever. He bears an unsavory reputation in the community in which the shooting occurred. It is understood that he will recover from his wounds, unless complications set in.

ROSEMARY ITEMS.

Rosemary, Nov. 24.—Mrs. Landrum and children of Richmond, Va., were the guests of Mrs. L. P. Williams last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jennings, of Williston, were visitors at Rosemary Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy and Mr. and Mrs. Dora Hair, of Augusta, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Manson Hair.

Miss Julia Lott spent the week-end with her parents near Williston.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hiers spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Hiers.

Misses Pearl Eby and Corinna Turner and Messrs. Etheridge, Theodore Baxley and Sidney and Edward Carroll were in this section Sunday afternoon.

Miss Valerie Mitchell spent the week-end with Miss Mamie Willis.

Mrs. Callie Hair of Barnwell spent several days in this section last week.

The friends of Mrs. A. P. Hiers and Miss Lerne Hair will be glad to hear they are recovering from their recent illness.

Messrs. Otis Frederick and Eugene Lott were the guests of Misses Inez and Janie Randall Sunday.

Miss Mamie Willis entertained a large number of her friends Friday night.

Misses Inez and Janie Randall spent Sunday with Miss Aileen Woodward.

Mr. Joe Powell was a visitor in this section Saturday.

Miss Lizzie Woodward spent Sunday with Mr. Robert Woodward.

Mrs. Annie May Kennedy spent Sunday with Mrs. Hamp Woodward.

Mr. Willie Kennedy is spending some time in Aiken.

Mr. Charlie Willis spent Sunday in the Pleasant Hill section.

Mr. T. B. Wall spent Monday with Mr. J. H. Randall.

DAVIS BRIDGE ITEMS.

Davis Bridge, Nov. 24.—The rain for the past week has been a very welcome visitor to this section, encouraging the sowing of grain and fall breaking of land.

Mrs. Mary Revis, of Augusta, is visiting her niece, Mrs. Minnie Porter.

Mr. E. H. Weeks was a business visitor to Aiken Saturday.

The relatives and friends of Mr. E. T. Bates are glad to know he is speedily recovering from injuries received by a run-away cow.

Mrs. M. J. Boylston has been ill for the past week.