

# The Camden Chronicle

WATCH BENTON COUNTY GROW

CAMDEN, TENN., APRIL 9, 1935

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## Escaped Jail Birds Caught At Bruceton

J. T. Sanders, charged with possessing liquor and public drunkenness and Theo E. McMackins, charged with the robbery of the depot at Big Sandy escaped from the county jail last Friday by picking the lock we understand.

Sheriff King and aids on the lookout for the escaped prisoners located them near Sawyers Mill and after chasing them to the railroad yards at Bruceton the officers caught them at that place in the act of catching a freight train to make their get away.

They were brought back to Camden and placed in the jail

### HOLLADAY HIGH SCHOOL

Bill Pratt spoke to the part time boys at our last meeting

The part-time boys lost to Sardis 32-10 in the part-time basket ball tournament at Martin, March 29. The following boys played, Jessie Barnes, Jessie Kirk, Herman Evans, Bob Pratt, Eldon Barnes and Thelmon Flowers.

Mr. McIlwain entered the following F.F.A. boys in the judging contest at Martin, March 29: Troy Cain, Lyndell Cantrell, Leon Smothers, Burdon Flowers, James Jordan and Eldon Smothers.

The F. F. A. boys met Wednesday night and held an initiation for those boys that have joined the chapters since Christmas. New officers were elected at this meeting as this will be our last meeting until after school closes.

Harold Oxford spent the week-end in Bruceton.

A birthday dinner was given in the home of John Oxford Sunday in honor of Mrs. Oxford's mother, Mrs. G. W. McIlwain.

Sadie Rowlette, spent Sunday in Bruceton.

The Juniors and Seniors visited Shiloh National Park Saturday and Sunday. Everyone reported a nice time.

## SEED LOAN NOTICE

Seed and feed loans are now available for Benton County farmers who fulfill certain Government regulations.

First, before signing an application for a loan they must read the agreement to which they must swear.

Second, they must have tried to obtain credit else-

## Garden Club Beautifies Court Yard In Camden

The Camden Garden Club with the help of the county officials have begun the beautifying of the court yard. A portion of the yard has been turned under and resowed in grass.

The garden club asks the cooperation of the people of the town and county in helping them to keep the court yard cleaner and nicer looking than our neighboring counties.

Benton County should be proud of the courthouse we have, and should take pride in the fact that we can make our county building and yard one of the most attractive looking places in West Tennessee with the cooperation of the people.

Let's all work together and help keep the town as a whole clean.

## More Cash For Growers Goal

Production of a cotton crop of approximately 11,500,000 bales which will bring supplies into still closer line with prospective demand, help to sustain prices, and secure the largest possible income for growers, is the objective of the 1935 cotton program of the AAA.

Probable carry-over on August 1, 1935, prospective demand for American cotton both in the United States and in foreign countries, and the price situation, were carefully studied in the effort to determine the size of crop which would return the largest possible income to cotton producers.

This study indicates that 1935 production should be about 11,500,000 bales in order that the carry-over by 1936 might be reduced to a nearly normal level.

All producers who signed contracts in 1934 and all producers on farms not now covered by contracts, but who are now being offered opportunity to sign 1935 contracts adjust their base acreage by the full 35 percent upon which adjustment payments can be obtained, it is estimated that the objective of 11,500,000 bale crop will be achieved.

It is the opinion of Culley A. Cobb, chief of the cotton division of the AAA, that a crop of this size will return to producers greater total in-

## Benton County Singing Convention April 13-14

The Benton County singing convention will be held at Crooked Creek Saturday night April 13 and Sunday April 14.

The Saturday night convention will begin about 7 p. m., and the Sunday convention will be held all day.

Each community of the county is requested to have representatives present at this convention, as this will be one of the largest gatherings held for some time. Visiting singers are welcome to come and take part in the convention.

Geo. H. Cowell,  
President

### POST OAK

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hudson spent Sunday with Will Bonds and family near Mt. Carmel.

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Lewis were called to McKenzie one day last week by the illness of their son, Glyde, who had pneumonia.

Mrs. Guy Fry and children of Camden have been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Lewis. Carlos Hudson and family of Camden have moved into our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McKelvey of Illinois spent the week-end with his father, W. J. McKelvey.

Miss Mhriel Hudson spent the week-end with her aunt, Mrs. Ray White, at Camden.

J. D. Brooks celebrated his 82nd birthday Sunday, March 31. Those present were: E. C. McIver and family, I. G. Brooks and family and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McKelvey.

Mrs. J. D. Griffin will close her school at this place next Tuesday, April 9. The program will be given that night. A play entitled "Cinderella" will be presented by the 7th and 8th grades, and other dialogues by the smaller grades.

## To Correspondents

Please send in your articles not later than Tuesday of each week. Would rather have them Monday if possible.

Several articles have been omitted, due to the fact that they were received too late for publication.

## Cotton Ginnings

The Bureau of Census reports that there were 2,822 bales of cotton ginned in Benton County, from the crop of 1934 as compared with 2,357 bales from the crop of 1933.

## History Of Methodist Churches

At the recent zone meeting of the Women's Missionary Society, the following histories were presented of several Methodist Churches.

**Shiloh:**  
The church was organized by C. C. Mitchell, Tom Swindell, Jeff Hicks and others, and services were held in a log house near Center Hill school until about 1865. At that time the church was moved near its present location, still using a log house. In 1907, C. N. Mathis, pastor, the present building was erected. The present pastor is the Rev. L. A. Smithmyer.

**Morris Chapel:**

In 1883, W. P. Morris deeded one acre and 15 poles of land for the purpose of erecting a church building. On this site was built a one room log church, which had eight members. By 1895 the membership was 40-50, and more land was deeded by Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Stephens, and Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Johnson. A frame building was erected, and in 1927 was moved slightly and later was finished with field stones. This church was dedicated October 25, 1934.

Rev. M. H. Alexander, pastor. The pastor now is the Rev. A. E. Holt.

**Eva:**  
In 1912 a Sunday School was organized at Eva, with the assistance of W. P. Redick of Camden. In the same year the church was organized, with a membership of 18. Services were held over the cotton gin, but eventually the Eva Land Co. gave land, and people of all denominations gave material and labor for a building. From 1919 to 1932 the church was in the Eva Circuit, but since then has been in the Camden Circuit. The membership at present is 137 and the pastor is the Rev. A. E. Holt.

**Cowell's Chapel:**  
The first Methodist church in the county (at that time part of Humphreys) was organized at Chapel Hill, later called Cowell's Chapel in 1824 by Benjamin Peilbes, who was sent here by another conference. Joseph Cowell built a little cabin 400 yards from the present place of worship. Unfortunately the early records have been lost. The present pastor is the Rev. A. E. Holt.

**Camden:**  
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