Research Report

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Banks and their directors

Commercial National Bank

Jesse Brunt

Marvin F. Meaders, pres., Meaders Chevrolet Co.

Edmond K. Metcalfe, part owner, Farmer's Tractor & Implement

Garland C. McColl, pres., Greenville Transportation Co., Inc.

& v-pres., Port City Barge Line Inc.

James C. McRae, exec., v-pres., Commercial National Bank

Jake B. Nash, pres., Delta Implement Co.

Walter L. Shelton

Jake Stein, coowner, Sam Stein Co., & Stein's Self Service.

owner United Dollar Store

Connell S. Sykes, pres., Commercial National Bank

Matthew L. Virden III, architect

Bur_teace H. Winn, Sr.

Greenville Bank & Trust Company


Robert E. Crosby, pres.-mgr., Delta Co-operative Compress

& chairman of board Valley Chemical Co.

Richard W. Harbinson, owner, The Harbinson Co.

I. B. Issenberg, owner, Riverside Poster & Advertising Co.

& pres., Greenville Ice & Coal Co., Inc.

J. Albert Lake, attorney with Wyss, Hafer, Lake & Tindall

Sam A. Smith, works mgr., U. S. Gypsum Co.

Arch P. Toler, pres., Greenville Bank

Joe Weinberg, chairman, board Greenville Bank

First National Bank

Leroy P. Percy, chairman of Board, First National Bank

Nathan P. Adams, v-pres., First National Bank

Frank Baird, pres., Baird & Co. (wholesale hardware,

building materials, plumbing, furniture, electrical supplies)

John W. Baskin, pres., Baskin Transportation Co., pres.-

mgr., Port City Towing Co., Port City

Barge Lines Inc., v-pres., Greenville

Transportation Co.

Walter F. Carnahan, v-pres., trust officer, First National Bank


& sec., Delta Supply Co.

Francis E. Hall, coowner, F. E. Hall & Associates (engineers)

Wade W. Hollowell, pres., First National Bank

D. C. Montgomery, Jr., physician

Chamber of Commerce

A strong power source in Greenville

Manager, Doug Guthrie

Industrial Foundation, a division of Chamber of Commerce, very active

in promoting industrial development

Industrial park, in north-east section of Greenville, companies

located there:

Moscow Screw Company

Mid-States Metal Products
Moeller Manufacturing Company
Atkins Saw
Glover Brooks

These industries employ over 1,000 persons & are
principally responsible for a 41% increase in per capita
income from 1950 to 1963, from $1,083 to $1,531.
(Also in town is U. S. Gypsum Co., Warren Produce (broilers)
& Greenville Mills)

Greenville Port & Industrial Area, current major project,
located on Lake Ferguson, basic facilities completed, but no
industries have as yet come to Greenville; as industries
locate, site will expand from 115 acres to 1,000 acres.

All industries coming to Greenville have a 10 year tax exemption
from city and county taxes on all physical property and facilities
and are under RAWL program.

Utilities
private:
electricity, Mississippi Power & Light Company
gas, Mississippi Valley Gas Company
Republic:
water, city of Greenville

Unions
One union in town, negligible influence
Plumbers & Steam Fitters Local 618

Mississippi Employment Security Office
Manager, Clarence Morris
staff, all white
as colored/white signs, but two separate waiting sections, one for
Negroes and one for whites

Names and business connections of mayor, city council, a county supervisor

Mayor
Patrick A. Dunn, owner Pat Dunn Moving & Storage Co.

City Council
Robert A. Blackmon, owner The Marion Parlor (drugstore)
Howard M. Martinson, owner Martinson Fire Co. & Delta Oil Co.
Rufus R. Mock, exec, v-pres., mgr. Greenville Compress Co.
Jake Markon, sec.-treas. The Fair Inc. (women's apparel)
Sam Smith, works mgr. U. S. Gypsum Co., Board of directors
Greenville Bank & Trust Co.
Bryan Wilson, owner The Old Country Store, coowner Bryan Wilson
Tire Co.

County Supervisors
M. H. Rich, first district, Chatham
Jeff Davis, second district, Avon, v-pres.
Herman J. Caillouet, third district, Greenville, coowner (with
wife) King's Rest Court
Fred Neal, fourth district, Leland
W. P. Powers, fifth district, Darlove, pres.

Arthur D. Brooks, county chancery clerk
D. Hilton Waits, attorney County Board of Supervisors, residence Leland
Interview with Charles Burton, colored county agent for Washington County

Federal agricultural programs in Washington county:
Extension Service
Soil Conservation
Agriculture Stabilization & Conservation
Productive Credit Association, farmers own stock in a administer assn.
Federal Land Bank, source of low interest loans to Productive
Credit Assn.
Farmers Home Administration, loans money directly to poor credit risks

There are over 300 Negro landowners in the county, of which about 250 are classified as farmers by Burton. These 250 farmers own an average of about 40 acres. 40 acres are, however, inadequate for supporting a family so most Negro farmers, or members of their families, hold part-time jobs in factories or elsewhere in town. About 100 Negro farmers own more than 50 acres, about 15 own over 150 acres. From 100 acres a farmer can net between $7,000 and $10,000 a year, according to Burton.

Most Negro farmers live in clusters, with only a few scattered out in the county. Most of these farmers live in Glen Mary, Winterville (Many of the large landowners live in these two communities), Wilmot, Arcola, Darlove, Selma, and Glen Allen (7 farmers). Some of the richest farmers are: John Jordan, 400 acres; Jack Taylor, owns 150 acres, rents 240+ acres more; James Jenkins, 600-700 acres near Glen Allen.