

On August 27th, 1921, the Home Demonstration Club Market for Marlboro County was opened in a very small booth on the Court House square.

The market was made possible through the efforts of Miss Edna Earle who was County Home Demonstration agent at that time.

The market grew slowly at first but in a few years it was necessary to enlarge it. Some time afterward it was moved off the square and placed on part of the lot where the hospital now stands. Later it was moved to the present site and again enlarged. After all these additions it was still too small to accommodate the County women. In the spring of this year, 1936, the Mayor of Bennettsville and the County Delegation purchased the lot adjoining the market lot and in cooperation with the Federal Government, through W. P. A., let the contract and began the erection of the handsome and commodious market building which we now occupy.

The total sales since the market was established are not available at this time. Sales for the first year were \$460.78; sales for last year (1935-36) were \$4879.54.

The Home Demonstration Club Markets are under the supervision of the home agents. Marlboro has been fortunate in securing some of the very best, Miss Edna Earle, Miss Jennie Boyd, and the present agent, Miss Janie McDill.

Any statement of the market would be most untimely were we to fail to mention the genuine support given

[Ca. 1936]

to this enterprise by the women of Bennettsville who have
been so faithful in their liberal patronage.