

PEOPLE ASKED TO GIVE THANKS

Gov. McLeod Issues Thanksgiving Proclamation and Speaks of Blessings People of State Enjoy.

Columbia, Nov. 25.—Governor Thos. G. McLeod of South Carolina, today issued his annual Thanksgiving day proclamation in which he called upon the people of the state to join with the nation in a day of gratitude for " manifold blessings " enjoyed during the year. The proclamation follows: "It is a hallowed and treasured custom of the people of the United States to acknowledge as a nation once a year their gratitude to God for His goodness and manifold blessings. The people of South Carolina may join the nation with genuine sincerity this year in observing the Thanksgiving season. Especially may we be grateful for health, prosperity and progress in the face of difficulties. The state has not suffered from plagues or pestilence, and the people have responded with unusual liberality to the call of the suffering when calamities visited us. Contentment and faith in the eternal verities of life abide in the hearts of the people. Many are our blessings, few our afflictions, and great should be our gratitude.

"Now, therefore, I, Thomas G. McLeod, governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby set and proclaim Thursday, November 27, as a day of Thanksgiving and prayer to God for the rich blessings He has visited upon our state and its people during the past year. I earnestly hope that the significance of our observance of the day may be found in the hearts of the people and not in the manifestations of a holiday. I especially urge that our citizens gather in their houses of worship to give thanks and praise to God. May all our people mindful of their allegiance to an all-wise Providence, bow on this day with reverent hearts before God, the Giver of all good and perfect gifts and fervently thank Him for His mercies, love and bountiful blessings."

P. C. SCHEDULE FOR NEXT YEAR

Gridiron Menu for 1925 Calls For Nine Games With State's Leading Teams.

The football menu for the P. C. varsity for 1925, has already been prepared and was announced yesterday through Prof. H. E. Sturgeon, faculty representative. It will include nine games with the opening gun to be fired at Clemson on September 26. The season will close, as this year, with the Citadel classic in Charleston. Oglethorpe and Furman are the two new teams to be included in next season's schedule. Relationship has been renewed with Furman, and Oglethorpe has been added to the list, although the date is still pending.

Next year's indications point to one of the strongest teams P. C. has ever put in the field. The schedule arranged is an ambitious one, and already plans are under way to make the 1925 season the greatest football year in the institution's history. The schedule complete, is as follows: Clemson at Clemson—Sept. 26. Erskine at Due West—Oct. 2. Oglethorpe at Clinton. (pending) Oct. 10. Davidson (place undecided)—Oct. 17. Newberry at Newberry—Oct. 23. Furman at Greenville—Oct. 31. Wofford at Clinton—Nov. 6. Carolina at Columbia—Nov. 20. Citadel at Charleston—Nov. 26.

NOW NEARING COMPLETION

The new post office building on North Broad street is now nearing completion. Within the next few weeks it is expected that the finishing touches will be added and it will be ready for occupancy not later than the 15th of January.

LADIES TO HOLD "APRON SALE"

Just before Christmas, watch for the Clinton Made Aprons made by Clinton Maids. The Woman's club will hold this sale, the date to be announced later.

ONE MONTH MORE

Just thirty days to Christmas. Those will be long days for the children and short days for the older folks. Do your Christmas buying as early as you can. If for nothing else, shop early because of the larger selection to pick from. You can save time by reading The Chronicle advertisements and planning your Christmas shopping accordingly.

THE CHRONICLE "The Paper Everybody Reads"

EVIDENCE SHOWS WOMAN MURDERED

Dark Stains Found in Lutheran Parsonage. Remains Found Week Ago Partially Cremated.

Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 24.—Evidence tending to show that Mrs. Addie Sheatsley, 50, found practically cremated in the furnace of Christ Evangelical Lutheran parsonage in Bexley a week ago, was murdered, was unearthed today in a minute search of the house by investigating officials, according to a statement tonight by County Prosecutor John R. King.

Dark stains, which may be spots of human blood, found on a table covering stuffed away in an upstairs closet, on a pair of blue trousers, on a floor rug, on the asbestos covering of a heat conduit directly above the furnace door, and in other places, Prosecutor King said, proves to him, with other evidences he has in his possession, that Mrs. Sheatsley was a victim of murder, and that her body was cast into the furnace in an effort to hide all trace of the crime. The only other possible theory which Prosecutor King has in mind is that she might have committed suicide and her body been placed in the furnace by some person who did not want it to become known that she had taken her life, he said tonight.

Other discoveries, termed by the prosecutor as "important", included the finding by David Shadrack, Bexley marshal, of an unturned fruit jar lid containing about half an ounce of red fluid, which Chemist C. F. Long said closely resembles human blood. Bits of tissue which might have been human flesh were found on a step of the cellar stairway.

Red finger prints were found on the door of the clothes chute in the basement by Detective Harry Carson.

The supposed blood stains will be analyzed by Chemist Long.

The bottle of poison which turned up missing from the medicine cabinet in the Sheatsley home last Monday night, according to authorities, was found in the medicine cabinet today. According to Mr. King, the Rev. C. V. Sheatsley, husband of the victim, told him it was missing when he went to look for it, noticing acid fumes in the house after he had discovered the body. Authorities say they are unable to account for its disappearance and reappearance.

Informed of the day's developments, the Rev. Mr. Sheatsley, in a telephone conversation from Paris, Ohio, this afternoon, said the stains were "probably rabbit blood," he having killed several while hunting Saturday. He said he was glad the poison bottle had been found.

In an effort to determine the effect carbon-monoxide gas, generated within the furnace would have upon living animals, Chemist Long and Dr. H. M. Brunade, a pathologist, late this afternoon placed two guinea pigs in the fire. For a minute and a half they scampered about in the fire vault, Mr. Long said. After their bodies were partly consumed they were removed; and blood taken from their lungs will be analyzed for traces of carbon-monoxide poisoning. Mr. Long also took samples of gases generated by the furnace for examination.

Blood taken from the lungs of Mrs. Sheatsley, which Mr. Long analyzed for traces of carbon-monoxide poisoning, showed negative results, the chemist reported to the prosecutor. Mr. Long said this proves the victim was dead before her body entered the furnace.

Ashes taken from the furnace pit were sifted by the authorities late this afternoon with the result that almost 50 bits of charred bone were turned over to Dr. Brundage for examination.

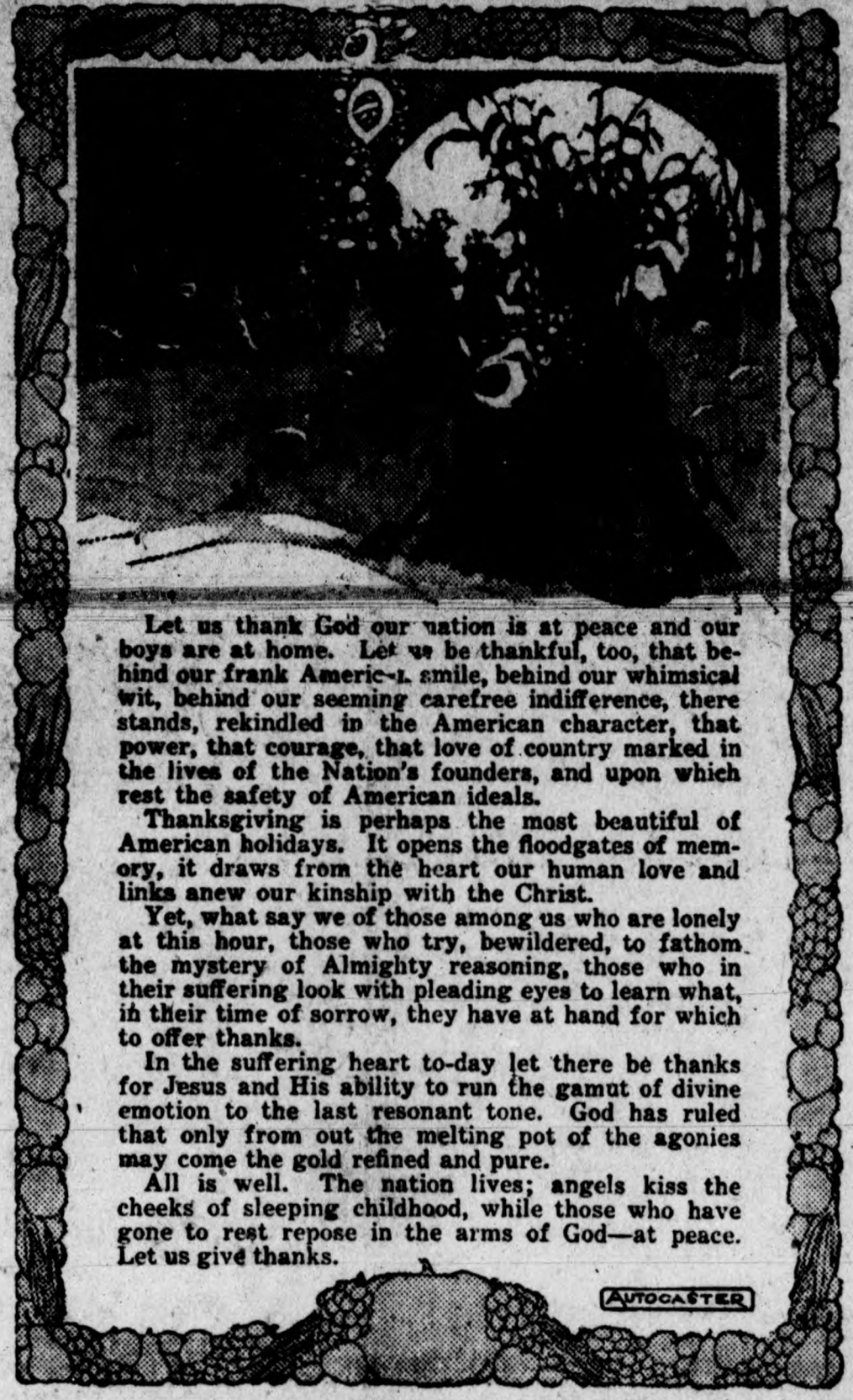
No trace of teeth or bones which positively could be identified as part of the skull were found, Mr. King said. Conflicting statements have been made as to whether the skull was attached to the body which was buried at Paris, Ohio, last Thursday, according to authorities. In an effort to clear up this phase of the mystery, Mr. King tonight held a conference with undertakers who prepared the body for burial.

He intimated he thought the head might have been severed from the body. A packet, with bits of unknown substances and a few hairs on it was found in the cellar and turned over to Mr. Long for examination.

FORMER PASTOR TO SPEAK HERE SUNDAY

Rev. W. H. Stevenson, of White Oak, will occupy the pulpit of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church next Sabbath. Mr. Stevenson formerly served this church as pastor and is universally loved by the congregation. His return to the city will be welcomed by his people as well as his friends of other denominations.

The Rock of Gibraltar, commonly called the "Watchdog of the Mediterranean" is about 1,437 feet high.



FINE SHOWING FOR COUNTY TEACHERS CITADEL WORKS TO BEAT P. C.

Join the County and State Teachers' Associations One Hundred Per Cent Strong.

According to information obtained at the office of the county superintendent of education, Laurens county teachers have joined the county and state teachers' associations 100 per cent strong for the current year. There are 206 teachers in the county, and the annual dues are collected and forwarded by the county superintendent. In addition to such a fine showing in membership of the county and state organizations, 173 teachers have joined and paid their dues as members of the National Education association, with headquarters at Washington.

In a letter to Miss Kate Wofford, relative to the receipt of the enrollment report to the National association, Charl Williams, field secretary of the legislative division, Washington, had this fine word of commendation:

"The further fact that your teachers were all enrolled in local and state associations is the best evidence I know of the high professional standards which must prevail in your county."

LOCAL CLUB TO HAVE BANQUET

Members of Billy Sunday Club Plan Anniversary Meeting at Festal Board.

The Clinton Billy Sunday Club will hold a banquet and inspirational meeting on the evening of December 4th. This is the anniversary of the club and arrangements are now being perfected by the committee in charge to make it an enjoyable event.

Following the serving of the dinner, there will be several inspirational addresses from prominent out-of-town visitors. It is expected that the entire membership will be present for the occasion.

Charleston Eleven To Stage a Driving Offense Today Against Clintonites.

Charleston, Nov. 24.—Drive, drive, drive. That's what the Citadel coaches are after this week in preparation for the game with Walter Johnson's Blue Stockings here Thanksgiving day at noon. Drive, drive and more drive. It must be had if the cadets are to win from the Clintonites and they realize this. That is why the men are devoting more energy than ever before, so it seems, to perfecting this type of offense. Hogrefe has been about the only consistent line plunger and the coaches are trying to have Kilpatrick in condition to be of great help to him when Johnson's men are faced in the final game of what Citadel men consider a decidedly successful season although like other South Carolina elevens, it is not perfect.

With Captain Wagener to open holes on one side and MacFarland on the other the Bulldogs are hoping for a touchdown or two from sheer driving power. They may get it that way and they may have to resort to the overhead attack to get it and then they realize that during this time the Presbyterian will be doing some scoring attempts of their own. They are fully aware that it is quite difficult to score on a Johnson coached team at all and that is why they are driving every afternoon. Last year the cadets fought them to a scoreless tie at Clinton and this year they are hoping to win, but they know what they are going up against.

Promise of an interesting game is made. It will be the last appearance for Captain Wagener and he is expected to play his best. MacFarland, Nesmith, Berry, Weinberg and Matthews have one year more and the rest of the squad is composed of sophomores.

Egypt is buying great quantities of coal from Great Britain.

P. C.-CITADEL GAME TODAY

Johnson's Eleven in Fine Shape For Thanksgiving Encounter in Charleston.

For the past week Coach Johnson has had his team going through carefully designed practices in order to get them in shape for the strong Citadel team on Thanksgiving day. Only one scrimmage was indulged in during the past week and the men are fast recuperating from many injuries that have held P. C. back somewhat all during the season.

The cancellation of the game with Piedmont by the Piedmont authorities gave the Blue Stockings an extra two days to practice. No opportunities for practice have been lost and except for the evening P. C. freshmen played Newberry freshmen the varsity has been out every afternoon. Although no serious injuries were sustained in the Erskine game some that played in it were already on the wounded list and have not been able to do much since. Griffith has been on the shelf now for about three weeks with an injured knee. He attended several practices last week but did not take part in the scrimmaging as his knee is still in bad shape. If he is unable to play against the Citadel it will to some extent disable the Blue Stockings as he is a very accurate passer.

All other injured have rallied and are back to don a uniform again before they meet the Citadel. Warner who has been out for sometime with a bad knee is back again to groom his toe before meeting the expert Berry of the Bulldogs. Wilson also is fast recovering and in fact has participated in several scrimmages of late. He is indeed a veteran at the quarter position and is an expert field general but due to prolonged illness extending over a period of two years he has not been able to coach himself in his former style this year. Edmunds, a newly found half, is still going good. This young fellow has labored for three years on the scrub team but recently has shown up fine in practice. Coach Johnson gave him a chance in the Erskine game and he was undoubtedly the individual star of the game. Unfortunately this is his last year but he says he is going to give the Citadel all he has Thanksgiving, so the Bulldogs might expect trouble from this source.

"Taken as a whole the Blue Hose are running smoother now than they have the whole season, says Coach Johnson. A tone practice last week he was heard to ask his men, "why haven't you been running like this all season?" This was a hard question to answer but in the heart of every man there arose a grim determination to continue the good work and if possible wind up the season with a victory from the Citadel.

WELCOME FOR NEW PASTOR

Rev. L. P. McGee Received By Various Denominations At Methodist Charge.

Laurens, Nov. 24.—In honor of the Rev. L. P. McGee, newly appointed to the pastorate of the First Methodist church here, the congregations of the other churches of the city last night united with the Methodist church in a welcome service. Following the sermon, which was preached by Mr. McGee, Dr. W. H. Dial, member of the board of stewards, in behalf of the board and membership of the church, extended greetings and a warm welcome to the new pastor, and then introduced Dr. Weston Bruner, pastor of the First Baptist church, who expressed his delight in the privilege of joining with the Methodists in a welcome service to Mr. McGee. In a happy vein the new pastor responded to the expressions of love and felicitations and said it shall be his chief desire to promote the cause of the church and Kingdom building in Laurens. The Presbyterian church at present is without a pastor.

Mr. McGee was appointed to the First church at the recent session of the Upper South Carolina conference, and moved here from Spartanburg during the past week. He preached his first sermon for the Laurens congregation Sunday morning. He succeeded the Rev. P. F. Kilgo, who has taken up his work as presiding elder of the Anderson district. Mr. Kilgo completed the quadrennial as pastor of the First church of Laurens, and on the eve of his departure for Anderson union services were held in his honor.

Changes Made In School Faculty

Miss B. Copeland has resigned her position as a member of the Providence (Lydia) school faculty, effective last Friday. Miss Helen Bailey, teacher in the city schools, has been transferred to Miss Copeland's first grade work, and Miss Essie Young succeeds Miss Bailey as third grade teacher.

CLINTON TO OBSERVE TODAY

All Business to Suspend for the Day. Union Services at the First Baptist Church.

Today, November 25th, is Thanksgiving Day. It has been so proclaimed by President Coolidge and everywhere it will be observed as a national holiday. Here in Clinton, as elsewhere, all classes will unite in observing the day.

At ten o'clock in the First Baptist church, a union Thanksgiving service will be held, at which time Dr. B. R. Turnipseed, president of Lander College of Greenwood, will preach the Thanksgiving sermon. All denominations in the city are invited to take part in this service. A special collection will be made to be equally divided between the church orphanages of the state.

All banks, stores and business houses, and the postoffice will be closed. The city schools, orphanage and college will observe the day and a holiday spirit will reign supreme throughout the day.

The usual Thanksgiving P. C.-Newberry football classic is not on this year's program. Instead, the Presbyterians left yesterday for Charleston where they will meet the strong Citadel eleven this afternoon on the gridiron. A number of Clinton people are in Charleston for the event.

Thanksgiving Day is not without historical interest. It is a day especially set apart for the offering of thanks. After the first harvest of the New England colonists in 1621, Governor Bradford made provision for their rejoicing together by offering praise and thanks to the Great Maker of the universe. In 1623 a day of fasting and prayer in the midst of a terrible drought was changed into a day of thanksgiving by the coming of rain. Gradually the custom was established of appointing a day of thanks annually after the harvest. These appointments were made by proclamations by the governors of the New England colonies. During the Revolution a day of thanksgiving was recommended by congress. Since 1863, the President of the United States has appointed a day of thanksgiving (usually the last Thursday in November) and the proclamation has been followed by similar proclamations from the governors of the respective states down to the present date. It is a day in which the people of Clinton have always shown an interest and this year will be no exception.

Presbyterians Plan Christmas Cantata

Choir Now Working to Present Special Program Sunday Night Before Christmas.

W. P. Jacobs, director of the choir of the First Presbyterian church, has just announced the completion of plans for an elaborate musical program in the form of a Christmas cantata to be presented by the choir on Sunday night, December 21. On that occasion the entire program will be given over to music.

An especially attractive and tuneful cantata, "The Beautiful Prince of Peace," has been selected to be presented. Miss Sybil Burdette, of Chocoma College, will probably play the organ, allowing Mrs. W. P. Jacobs, the present organist, to sing with the choir on that occasion.

The following choir members are expected to take part in the program: Sopranos: Mrs. W. P. Jacobs, Mrs. A. W. Brice, Mrs. D. M. Douglas, Mrs. S. C. Hays, Miss Norma Hallett, Miss Nan Copland, Miss Myra Leaman, Miss Ruth Crawford.

Altos: Mrs. B. O. Whitten, Mrs. H. A. Copeland, Mrs. N. R. Young, Miss Clara Duckett, Miss B. Copeland, Miss Benet Duffrey.

Tenor: Dr. A. E. Spencer, Dr. B. O. Whitten.

Bass: W. P. Jacobs, C. J. Killen, T. B. Jacobs.

As it is the first strictly musical program presented at the First Presbyterian church for some time, the announcement is being received with a great deal of interest by the music lovers of the community. The public will be cordially invited to attend.

GONE TO MARKET AGAIN

B. L. King left last night for New York to replenish his stock of ladies ready to wear. This is his second trip to market this fall and is made necessary by the splendid sales made by his firm during the past few weeks.

AT BAPTIST CHURCH

In the absence of Rev. Edward Long, pastor of the First Baptist church, Mr. C. H. Bobo of Innes, occupied the pulpit, last Sunday morning, and at the evening service, Dr. Dudley Jones was the speaker, both being heard by large congregations.

OPEN YOUR HEART!

Christmas is coming. Are you going to unlock the bars of your heart—wide—to the generous emotions which well up from deep inside of you? It is more blessed to give than to receive—more joyous—more thrilling. Even old Scroogs of the Dickens story, learned that life is not all sternness and struggling—not all coldness and hostility.

No—for the spirit of man is made of something nobler which tries to come to the surface—especially on Christmas Day.

And is there anything which is really more fun than making the children happy. How many little curly-heads are waiting now for that magic Christmas morning? How many youngsters will be standing before your Christmas tree this year—wide-eyed with joy?

How many of your older friends will you remember this year—friends you love even though you cannot tell them so?

Man! Why not stretch and stretch and stretch that Christmas gift list? Add and add and add to it! Open your heart!

Go gift-hunting in the stores today and tomorrow—and the next day, too. Catch the Christmas spirit.

"At Christmas play and make good cheer, For Christmas comes but once a year."

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