

## CLINTON BUSINESS MEN HEAR DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER

Dr. D. W. Daniel of Clemson College, Addresses Commercial Club On "The Forces That Build A Community." Other Matters of Interest Considered.

The December meeting of the Commercial Club, held Tuesday evening in the club rooms, was featured by a splendid address from Prof. D. W. Daniel, of Clemson College, who brought the business men of Clinton a message that will not soon be forgotten—a message filled with inspirational thought and one that forcibly pointed out the responsibilities that each individual citizen owes to the community in which he lives.

Dr. Daniel was happily introduced by John Spratt, one of his former students at Clemson. He expressed his pleasure in being present, speaking pleasantly of his visits to Clinton on former occasions, and after a "series" of clever after-dinner "stories," announced as his subject, "The Forces That Build A Community." The four essential factors to community development he termed as Cheerfulness, Co-operation, Cash and Character, and in a most convincing manner he drove the great truths home to his large audience that listened attentively to every word he said.

Discussing the first factor, Cheerfulness, Dr. Daniel said that this spirit is needed badly in the world today, that too many people go around with long faces crying hard times and throwing a damper on those with whom they come in contact and upon all projects that are advanced looking to the community's interest. Continuing, he said that the world is eager for power, labor and beauty, that there is a chance on all sides for cheerfulness and loyalty. Too many men in every community sit back and reap the benefits and never do anything to promote the community's interests. Every man ought to say, "This is my town, I will do my part to make it better and bigger, with the emphasis on the former."

Discussing Co-operation, the speaker said no community can get anywhere without it, that men need to look up, and not down and catch a vision of the things that are beautiful, for life is only made worth while as we develop a love for those things that are beautiful and uplifting. Each citizen should work to make his town sanitary and clean, a healthy place in which to live. He said that ten years ago the United States government spent \$31,000,000 for its rivers, \$13,000,000 to protect its forests; \$15,000,000 for prevention of disease in animals and plants; and that during the same period less than one-half million dollars had been spent for the protection and saving of the lives of the country's babies and children. He made a strong plea for healthful conditions in every community, an opportunity for the boys and girls to grow and develop properly under clean and wholesome environments.

Turning to law enforcement, he said that the county has an abundance of laws on the statute books, but that the United States is the most lawless nation on earth today. He made a strong plea for the enforcement of all laws on the part of the individual.

Discussing Cash, the third factor, Dr. Daniel stated that it takes money to build a town or anything else that is worth while. The man who is willing to invest his money for future generations, to help those who are to come after him, is the greatest man, and derives the greatest joy out of life. No man ever wants a dollar mark inscription on his tombstone, he said—we like to be remembered for other things.

Dr. Daniel cited Character as the fourth essential in town building. Life is not worth the living without Character, the skyline of all men should be tall and sun-crowned, for the boys and girls of tomorrow are going to get their inspiration and build along the lines we build today. The things that makes a city great and strong is not skyscrapers, but men—men who will stand for right that cannot be overthrown by wrong—men who are tied to truth and justice and brotherhood and will make no compromises—the spirit that makes a man willing to sacrifice in order to help his fellow-man. In closing he painted a beautiful picture of the mothers of the men of today whose incessant prayer has always been that their boys will stand for clean government and upright living. Continuing he spoke of the yet unborn babes and urged the men of today to stand for the things that are clean physically. Stand steadfast as citizens for good character, religious training and opportunities, and pure physical lives. Dr. Daniel's address was filled with optimism and inspirational thought—a strong appeal to each member of the club to shoulder his responsibility as a citizen and to do his "bit" in the program of community building. His address was immensely enjoyed and made an excellent impression upon his hearers.

The meeting was presided over by

the president, J. Harvey Witherspoon. The invocation was offered by Dr. L. Ross Lynn, and the dinner served by the local Eastern Star chapter was up to the high standard they always maintain.

Following the reading of the minutes, the introduction of several guests, reports of committees were called for.

The good roads committee reported that work is now under way on the Musgrove road and that an additional gang is soon to be placed there to push the work to as rapid as completion as possible, though several obstacles are now in the way.

City Engineer Johnson was present as a guest and was called upon for a few remarks in which he gave his impressions of Clinton since coming here a few weeks ago. He said that the city is badly in need of an extension of its sewerage system, additional water mains with six inch pipe capacity, a storage reservoir, fire pumps, etc. He told of the progress made in other communities where he has been engaged as civil engineer and urged the people of the city to give their support to the projects looking to a proper development and enlargement of municipal needs at present. He expressed himself as pleased with the club and its spirit, and during the evening affiliated himself with the organization as a member.

The chair appointed two committees to look into the matter of Christmas celebrations at the Thornwell Orphanage and State Training School. For the orphanage Dr. D. J. Brimm, F. M. Boland, J. P. Carter, Dr. J. W. Davis and S. G. Dillard were named. The State Training School committee is composed of E. G. Fuller, J. O. Barnett, Gilbert Blakely, Geo. W. Copeland and L. B. Dillard.

Mayor J. F. Jacobs called the approaching city election to the club's attention and pointed out the needs as set forth in the bond issue to be voted upon December 30. He urged a general registration and voting on the part of the people, and asked the support of the community in the approaching election for municipal improvements.

It was announced during the evening that the Presbyterian College varsity football team would be the guests of the club at the January meeting. Also, that the next meeting would be known as "Father and Son" night and that each father would be asked to bring a son or that of some friend.

The membership committee for January was announced as follows: Kenneth Baker, A. J. Milling, Dr. M. G. Woodworth, H. T. Hearn and C. W. Stone.

A committee was named to look into the matter of having the present law changed to make the office of county superintendent of education appointive by the State Board instead of elective as at present. The committee is composed of: W. W. Harris, R. W. Wade, B. H. Boyd, Jack H. Davis, and W. D. Copeland.

## THORNWELL WILL SHARE IN FUND

Local Institution Will Benefit From James B. Duke Bequest of Forty Millions.

Local interest is centered in the bequest announced by James B. Duke, multi-millionaire, for \$40,000,000 for educational and charitable institutions in North and South Carolina since the Thornwell Orphanage of this city will share in the amount set aside for such institutions. The great contribution of Mr. Duke includes "ten per cent for the benefit of white and colored orphans in the two Carolinas." No information has been received at the orphanage relative to the bequest, but it is expected that the endowment fund will be substantially increased through the gift.

In a personal statement issued by Mr. Duke he says in this connection:

"I have included orphans in an effort to help those who are most unable to help themselves, a worthy cause, productive of truly beneficial results in which all good citizens should have an abiding interest. While in my opinion nothing can take the place of a home and its influences, every effort should be made to safeguard and develop these wards of society."

## MISSIONARY WILL SPEAK SUNDAY AT A. R. P. CHURCH

The Rev. A. J. Ranson, returned missionary to India, will preach at the local A. R. P. church next Sabbath at both morning and evening services.



## STORES TELL OF CHRISTMAS

Merchants Preparing For Holiday Trade. Attractive Windows Catch the Eye of Passerby.

Christmas will soon be here—one needs only to look at the holiday appearance of some of the store windows of the city to realize this. Wherever you look, Christmas windows greet the eye, Santa Claus is very much in evidence to attract the passerby, and the little folks are busy viewing the toys and wondering what Santa will leave in their stockings. In some of the windows, the attractive red and green colors of decorations, and the tinsel and lustre added by bright lights, instantly attract those who are on the streets daily.

With Christmas shopping just 14 days off—it is imperative that you do your shopping early. Your time is short in which to attend to the thousand and one preparations that must be made for the holiday season. Into these days must be packed not only the selection and purchase of gifts, but all the other things that thoughtful Christmas entails. The Christmas spirit is seen on every side. It makes itself manifest in the gay business of gift buying. It is felt in the air. It is a compelling force causing everyone to think of others before self.

The happy season will soon be here and if it is to truly be a "Merry Christmas," in the good old fashioned phrase, there must be no lagging in the holiday march to the shops.

The merchants of Clinton are hoping for a splendid trade this Christmas and are offering attractive goods and gifts in a wide range of varieties. The Santa Claus spirit pervades the stores—it invites you to do your Christmas shopping in Clinton. The early shopper will get the best the merchants have to offer, and those who procrastinate will have to take what is left.

"What to Give and Where to Shop" can easily be decided from the advertising columns of THE CHRONICLE this week and next. Through these columns you will find just the gift you need for father, mother, wife, brother, sister or friend, as well as for the little tots who are expecting a big Christmas, and they must not be disappointed.

## FIRE DESTROYS ELLIS GARAGE

Handsome Automobile Home on West Main Street Completely Destroyed Last Thursday.

The home of the Ellis Motor Company on West Main street was completely destroyed last Thursday night by one of the most disastrous fires that has visited the city in a long while. The alarm was given shortly after eight o'clock and in a few minutes the large building was a mass of smoke and flames. The fire department responded and fought gallantly to save the building but to no avail. By its heroic work the adjoining residence of W. P. Montjoy was saved, though with some damage.

The cause of the fire is unknown. Mr. Ellis and his employees had left the building shortly after seven o'clock and no one was present at the time. It is believed that defective wiring somewhere was the cause. Several stored cars, together with those of the concern were all destroyed, as well as the tools and equipment of R. C. Tidwell, who occupied the building.

Mr. Ellis has not announced his plans for the future. He carried some insurance though not enough to cover his loss. His friends in the city sympathize with him in his misfortune.

## Anderson People Again Generous

Presbyterians Visit Thornwell Orphanage On Thanksgiving Day With Contributions.

As has been the custom for several years, the people of the First Presbyterian church of Anderson, secure the names and ages of all the children of the Thornwell Orphanage for Thanksgiving in order to remember them with gifts.

On Thanksgiving day, just passed, they sent a big truck from Anderson loaded down with groceries and packages containing a lovely present for each individual child in the institution. They crowned the whole generous performance with a check for \$380.

It goes without saying that this interest and generosity are greatly appreciated by the children and management of the orphanage.

Mrs. E. E. Caldwell, of Sarasota, Fla., arrived Saturday to spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. Leo Rounds.

## H. C. Layton Back With The Chronicle

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Layton arrived Monday from Milwaukee, Wis., to make their future home in Clinton. Mr. Layton accepting his former position in the printing department of the Chronicle Publishing Company. For several years Mr. Layton lived here before going to Milwaukee. Last year he was married to Miss Clara Henry, a former Thornwell girl and a graduate of the Georgia Baptist hospital of Atlanta. She and Mr. Layton have a number of friends here who will be pleased to know that they have again become residents of Clinton.

Mr. J. K. Hutton spent Monday and Tuesday in Charlotte on business.

## Robinson to Lead Blue Stockings

Popular Gridiron Star Named By Team-Mates To Head Next Year's Team.

At a meeting held during the past week of the football letter men of the Presbyterian College, T. M. Robinson was elected captain of the football team for the year 1925.

"Robbie," as he is well known on the college campus, is a member of the junior class, and as an athlete and student, he is very popular and takes an active part in all college activities. This is his second year on the varsity team, and in his freshman year under Coach Lonnie McMillian, he was captain of the team and made a splendid record. His election to the

## Masonic Directors Are Re-elected

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Masonic Temple held last Friday evening, officers and directors were elected and other matters of business transacted. The directors and officers named are: B. H. Boyd, president; W. P. Jacobs, vice-president; Carlton F. Winn, secretary; W. H. Simpson, treasurer; and additional directors, R. E. Sadler, Geo. H. Ellis and E. B. Sloan.

captaincy of next year's Blue Stocking eleven will give general satisfaction on the campus and in the city, where he is well known and liked by a large number of admirers.