

PROGRAM ANNOUNCED FOR APPROACHING CHAUTAUQUA

Redpath Seven Day Engagement Opens Here On May 20th.
Famous Plays and Many Other Interesting Features
To Appear During Week.

Lorna Doone Jackson, prima donna dramatic soprano; two great plays, "Skidding" and "Sun-Up," and such notable lecturers as Hon. Nellie Tayloe Ross, the first woman-governor, and Captain Denis Rooke, dare-devil aviator, are among the many big attractions announced to appear here during the coming Redpath Chautauqua. The Chautauqua will open in Clinton on Monday, May 20th, and continue for seven eventful days packed with music, entertainment, lectures and surprising novelty features.

Lorna Doone Jackson comes to the Chautauqua fresh from metropolitan operatic successes. Although appearing with unusual success in a host of operatic roles with both the San Carlo and Chicago Civic Opera companies, Miss Jackson has scored especial triumphs by her rendition of the title role in Bizet's immortal opera, "Carmen," and thoroughly merits the sobriquet "America's Famous Carmen" accorded her by music critics everywhere. Miss Jackson will appear here in concert, with assisting artists, on the third night of Chautauqua, in a varied program featuring a number of "Carmen" selections in costume.

"Sun-Up," powerful drama of the Carolina mountains which will be presented on the second night by a New York cast, featuring Marie Pavey as the Widow Cagle, is one of the really outstanding contributions to the American drama of recent years. It tells a thrilling story of the forces let loose by the World War in the lives of simple, primitive Carolina mountaineers isolated from the world. There are many humorous turns to the play, but on the whole it is intensely dramatic.

"Skidding," the popular comedy hit which will be the feature of the seventh night, comes straight from Broadway. "Skidding" is an intriguing mixture of love and politics, told with a freshness and charm all too rare in the theatre today. It contains a sure-fire recipe for uproarious laughter. Taken as a tonic in three doses it makes for one of the most enjoyable evenings imaginable. It is presented by a New York cast.

The famous Cathedral Choir will appear on the fifth day, featuring the beautiful musical production, "The Chimes of Brittany." Three years ago the Cathedral Choir toured the big Redpath circuit and registered one of the greatest triumphs of any musical company ever presented to Chautauqua audiences. It is repeated this year in response to insistent requests.

On the sixth day comes the big musical attraction, the Blue Danube Orchestra, featuring Madame Balassa, renowned Hungarian cymbalino artist, and Madame Maria Mashir, distinguished Russian soprano. With Mme. Balassa and Mme. Mashir will be a male instrumental ensemble of all star musicians.

Hon. Nellie Tayloe Ross, former governor of Wyoming, and the first woman to be inaugurated as governor of any state in the Union, will lecture on the fourth night, taking as her subject, "The Governor Speaks." Mrs. Ross is a magnetic, compelling speaker, and her lecture here will be of outstanding interest.

On the afternoon of the same day Captain Denis Rooke, intrepid adventurer of the air, will tell the thrilling story of his solo flight from England to India, 7,000 miles, in a tiny single-

MAIL MEN IN ANNUAL MEET

Letter Carriers Apportion Funds for Rural Roads. H. D. Rantin of This City, Again Named President. Laurens, April 4.—The annual meeting of the rural letter carriers of the county was held in Laurens last Monday afternoon when officers for the ensuing year were elected and delegates to the state convention to be held at Clemson were named.

County Supervisor J. D. W. Watts and the clerk of the office, B. Y. Culbertson, were invited to the meeting after the business session to apportion the funds appropriated by the Laurens delegation for rural roads to be used as emergencies arise. The supervisor was asked in a resolution adopted by the convention to maintain the routes on a regular schedule somewhat after the plan now used to maintain the top soil roads. It was brought out that funds were insufficient to do this with as much regularity but the supervisor stated that he would keep it in mind and have the routes scraped as often as possible.

Officers re-elected are: H. D. Rantin, president; Glenn C. Abercrombie, vice-president; A. C. Owings, secretary-treasurer.

Delegates to the state convention are H. D. Rantin, Joe W. Leake, A. C. Owings, H. E. Taylor, J. M. Bryson, Glenn C. Abercrombie.

engined Moth plane. Captain Rooke's great lecture has, literally, everything—travel interest, humor, thrills and much interesting aviation information.

Other notable lecturers are Theodore Graham, brilliant publicist and authority on immigration; Frederick M. Snyder, one of the most witty and stimulating speakers on the platform, who discusses the all-important question of individual and community health in a challenging lecture; Anne Campbell, popular newspaper poet, who has gained fame by writing a poem a day for a newspaper reader-public of between three and four million people, and Montaville Flowers, distinguished educator and lecturer, in his timely, vital lecture, "What Young America Is Thinking."

The Filipino Collegians, who open the Chautauqua with a grand concert on the first afternoon, bring to Redpath audiences the fascinating music of their native land, also American popular songs.

Edna White and Her Trumpeters have been secured to furnish the music for the fourth day. These talented, vivacious entertainers come to the Chautauqua circuit this year with the plaudits of New York and Chicago audiences still ringing in their ears.

On the last afternoon the Chautauqua audience will be highly entertained by a popular-cartoon entertainment presented by John Bockewitz, dramatic cartoonist.

DEATH CLAIMS GEO. M. DAVIS

Well Known and Esteemed Citizen Succumbs To Three Days Illness. Funeral Here Tuesday.

Geo. M. Davis, well-known Clintonian, passed away Monday afternoon at his home on East Carolina avenue after an illness of only three days duration. Mr. Davis was engaged at his usual work on Friday at which time he was taken ill with pneumonia, and the end soon came. His friends hardly knew of his illness when his death was announced, his passing being unexpected and coming as a great surprise to the family and a wide circle of friends.

The funeral service was conducted at the grave Tuesday afternoon by the Rev. Edward Long, pastor of the First Baptist church, of which the deceased was a devoted member. Interment was in the Presbyterian cemetery. A large crowd gathered for the service and many beautiful floral designs brought by loving hands, indicated the high esteem in which Mr. Davis was held by scores of friends.

Active pallbearers were: Jack H. Young, R. J. Copeland, S. W. Sumerel, A. B. Galloway, Ernest Hipp and R. F. Adair.

Honorary pallbearers were: Dr. T. L. W. Bailey, W. D. Copeland, F. M. Boland, Jack H. Davis, W. W. Davis, J. W. Milam and Jas. H. Davis of Laurens.

Mr. Davis was in his 55th year of age. He was born in 1874 in the Rock Bridge section, a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Davis. The greater part of his life was spent on the farm in the community where he was reared. About ten years ago he moved his family to Clinton and had made his home here since that time. In 1900 he was married to Miss Mary Griffin of this place.

Mr. Davis was an upright citizen and his influence was always on the side of right. He was a man of strong convictions, sincere in his friendships, and a loving Christian father. He was held in high esteem by hundreds of friends and his death coming so unexpected, causes much sadness.

Surviving him are his widow and nine children: Robert C. and Alma of Atlanta; Geo. M. Jr., of Charlotte; Emily of Macon; Zelma of Winthrop college; James F., Will, Mary Collette and Beverley, all of this place. Also by three brothers, Dr. J. W. Davis and John D. Davis of this city, and Robert W. Davis of Greenville.

New Music Teacher For City Schools

Miss Harriett Carson of Sumerton, has been elected director of music in the city schools for the coming session. Miss Carson is a B. S. graduate of Winthrop college and is teaching this year in the Hartsville schools.

NEW FIBER IS DISCOVERED

Practical Cotton Substitute Found Abroad. Large Orders Are Already Placed.

Washington, April 8.—Cotton producers should give immediate and careful consideration to a situation that may mean the ruin of this industry and the consequent abandonment of acres of land used now for cotton growing. This is the old announcement from London that a practical cotton substitute has been found abroad. At least the partial significance of this information may be seen from the following editorial in the Washington Post recently:

"Considerable interest attaches to the announcement in London that American buyers have entered the market for artificial cotton manufactured from a South American plant, which is being developed by Dr. C. J. Hedley-Thornton. Until now the American cotton interests have been skeptical of the economic value of the plant. The fact that Americans have entered the artificial cotton market may presage development of this new fiber root in the United States.

"The London dispatch says that Doctor Hedley-Thornton's corporation has orders for one billion pounds of artificial cotton and that it is completing arrangements to float subsidiary companies to grow and market the product in Holland, Switzerland, Italy, Czechoslovakia and Romania. The plant grows prolifically in all of these countries in soil that is unsuitable to most crops. It is reported to be much harder than the cotton plant, is not subject to the boll weevil, and costs less to grow and harvest than cotton. It can be handled by cotton-spinning machinery.

"England is expected to have a commercial supply of the new fiber this summer and if the advantages of the substitute are as great as reported, the production in other countries which now import cotton will develop rapidly. It appears that a period of stiff competition against American cotton lies just ahead.

"It may be found practical to grow the substitute on much of the land that is now devoted to cotton in the South. And since the plant will thrive in temperate climates, cotton fields may develop in the Northern and Western states. Much land that is now unproductive might be put to work growing the substitute plant, and valuable cotton could be used for more profitable crops."

Edwards III At His Home Here

Friends in the city of J. V. Edwards, proprietor of Edwards Auto Service and Broad Street Filling Station, will regret to know that he has been quite ill at his home on Adair street for the past ten days with considerable anxiety felt over his condition. During the past few days, however, there has been a favorable change and his physicians stated yesterday that his condition has shown a decided improvement. Mr. Edwards' friends and acquaintances will be pleased to hear this encouraging report from his bedside and unite in hoping that he will soon be able to resume his place in the business life of the community.

Johnston Named State Orator

In the preliminary oratorical contest held at Presbyterian college during the past week, Thomas M. Johnston was chosen to represent Presbyterian college in the state contest to be held in Rock Hill on April 26th. He used as his subject, "The American Constitution."

Other speakers participating in the contest, together with their subjects, were: T. G. Ellis, "Modern Ulysses"; W. H. Jackson, "Conflict Between Materialism and Beauty"; and T. J. Cole, "Dollars and the Western Hemisphere."

The state contest will be held at Winthrop college this month with representatives from each of the nine colleges in the association competing.

Home Demonstrator For Laurens County

Laurens, April 8.—The appointment of Miss Mary Shaw Gilliam as home demonstrator for Laurens county, has been announced. Miss Gilliam whose home is at Abbeville, is a graduate of Winthrop college and has been in charge of the home economics department in the Laurens city schools for the past two years. Her work has been of a high order and she had been elected for another year by the board of trustees. It is understood that Miss Gilliam will continue her connection with the schools until the end of the session and will take up her new work about June 1.

CEMETERY TO BE PLACE OF BEAUTY

City Now Beautifying Rosemont Property With Evergreens, Trees and Flowering Shrubs.

City council through its cemetery committee, with the assistance of Dailey's Nurseries, has been formulating plans for some time to beautify Rosemont cemetery. The wire fence enclosure facing the highway was recently set back several feet to widen the road and give added parking space for funeral processions, and this improvement has greatly added to the approach of the property. Within the past two weeks Mr. Dailey, under the committee's direction, has been planting flowers and shrubbery to further add to the attractiveness of the place. It is planned soon to improve the drive-ways through the cemetery and to gradually continue the general beautification program now under way.

In an effort to further break the loneliness of the once bleak and barren hillside, use has been made of avenue and shade trees, cedars, evergreens, and flowering plants. Along the Calhoun highway and just inside the fence behind each post, sixty of the fast growing Lombardy poplars have been planted which stand as exclamatory points against the sky line. The four columnar type cedars standing as little sentinels in front of the rough stone pillars at the gate entrance are Italian cypress. On either wing of the fence approaching the gate is an informal grouping of plants. Ligustrums and English laurel are the background for the bed, while bridal wreath spirea will give color in spring bloom, and the border is made up of the free blooming abelia. Inside the gate the informal idea of grouping is carried out—magnolia here, laurel there, and flowering plants with some evergreen grouped in nooks and corners that are too small to be utilized for burial lots.

This varied collection of shrubbery has been planted and properly fertilized, and is now being carefully watched and cared for in the hope of making the cemetery the most beautiful spot in the entire community. The committee in charge consists of Aldermen Adair, Harris and Wilson, and Mr. Adair as chairman has been quite active and the moving spirit in carrying the work forward. The property is ideally located for a cemetery and quite a number of citizens are now purchasing lots.

SPRINGS ADDS SWIMMING POOL

Will Be Built This Summer By Lancaster Friend and Will Complete College Gymnasium Facilities.

Col. Leroy Springs of Lancaster, donor of Leroy Springs gymnasium at Presbyterian college, recognized as the finest gym in the state, has now promised to add to it a swimming pool. This feature which will complete the athletic equipment of the college, and make it the equal of any in the South, will be finished, it is understood, in time for use by the students next fall. The pool will be added as a unit to the gymnasium in the adjoining space that was excavated for it when the present building was erected.

Col. Springs told President McSweeney of his decision to make the gift while the latter was in New York a few days ago. The same engineering company that designed and erected the pool Col. Springs built in Lancaster, will come to Clinton in the near future to make a preliminary survey and get the work under way.

Col. Springs has long been a warm friend of the college and this latest gift announced on his part, is another evidence of his interest. With the pool completed, the college's athletic equipment will be rounded out to perfection and will rank favorably with the best in the South.

Clinton High School Organizes Ball Club

A meeting was held Tuesday for the purpose of organizing a baseball team at Clinton high school. Much enthusiasm was shown, with twenty-six boys present. This is the first time baseball has appeared in Clinton High for several years, but a good team is expected this year. Reid Lockman was elected manager and he reports that practices will begin right away.

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but little here below—nor wants that little long"—especially if he advertises for it in our Classified Section. Give your quarter a trial and see what it can do for you!

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54 TO GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE

Commencement Exercises Begin May 26. Dr. Lyons and J. Lyles Glenn Are Speakers for Closing Program.

Plans are being completed for the commencement exercises of the Presbyterian college which are to be held May 26-28. The exercises this year will be presided over for the first time by President McSweeney.

The baccalaureate sermon will be preached in the First Presbyterian church on Sunday morning (May 26th, by the Rev. J. Sproles Lyons, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Lyons is one of the outstanding ministers and leaders in the Southern Presbyterian church and will be heard here with unusual interest.

The commencement exercises proper will occur on Tuesday morning, May 28th, at 10:30. The address before the graduates will be delivered by the Hon. J. Lyles Glenn of Chester, well known solicitor of the Sixth judicial circuit of South Carolina. There will be in addition to the address, the usual class exercises, delivery of medals, awarding of degrees, etc.

On Monday evening at eight o'clock, the annual declamation and oratorical contest will be held in the college auditorium at which time six young men will compete for two gold medals.

This year's graduating class is composed of 54 members, the largest in the institution's history.

BROWN HEADS ROTARY CLUB

Well Known Professor Named As Leader for New Year. Directors Also Elected.

Marshall W. Brown, professor of history at Presbyterian college, was elected president of the Clinton Rotary club at its regular weekly meeting last Friday. He succeeds Bernie Parrott, who has served the club in this capacity for the past year. George Cornelison was elected vice-president; S. W. Sumerel, secretary and treasurer, and R. E. Sailer, assistant secretary and treasurer.

The new board of directors elected at the same time is composed of the following: George Cornelison, M. W. Brown, S. W. Sumerel, Dr. C. M. Workman and Dr. D. J. Woods.

Miss Aline Newsom and Mrs. John W. Little of the Academy Street school faculty, were guests of the club and presented two of their pupils, little Florence Carter and Paul Whitlock, who entertained the members with several interesting readings.

Florida Street Faculty Given

The faculty of Florida Street school for the coming year, has been announced by the board of trustees, as follows:

Mrs. W. M. R. Anderson, principal, Mrs. Raymond Pitts, Miss Agnes Davis, Miss Ina Curry, Miss Nancy Owens, Miss Benita Boozer, Miss Floy Owings, Miss Paul Vane Elrod, Miss Irene Workman, Miss Anna Bell Hudson and Miss Margaret McCord.

Two changes are made in the teaching staff over the present year. Miss Floy Owings of Owings, is an A. B. graduate of Chicora college and has been teaching the past year at Lanes. Miss Margaret McCord of Hodges, has been teaching at Heath Springs and is an A. B. graduate of the Womans college, Due West.

President Moves Into New Home

Rev. John McSweeney and family, have moved into the handsome Young home on South Broadway within the past week. It will be recalled that the residence was recently donated to the college by John H. Young of this city, as a president's home, the gift being designated as a memorial to his late brother, Geo. W. Young. The property faces the college plaza and is among the most valuable and attractive in the entire city.

Co-Ed Follies Here Friday

The University of South Carolina Co-Ed glee club will present its annual follies program in the Florida street school auditorium tomorrow evening, April 12th. Last year the Clinton Co-eds scored a distinct hit. Reports this year state that their '29 program is even better than those that have been enjoyed here in the past. The club appears here tomorrow evening under the auspices of the junior class of the college.

CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

C. F. Winn Heads Chamber of Commerce for Year. Alfred Scarborough Heard on Co-operative Marketing and Agricultural Conditions.

The April meeting of the Chamber of Commerce held Tuesday evening was featured by the induction into office of new officers for the ensuing year and an interesting address by Alfred Scarborough, general manager of the South Carolina Cotton Growers association. J. F. Jacobs, Jr., the retiring president, presided over the meeting which was well attended with a number of representative farmers of the community present as guests of the club.

This being the annual election of officers meeting, the report of the nominating committee was heard and unanimously adopted. The following officers were duly elected to serve for the coming year:

Carlton F. Winn, president.
Gilbert Blakely, vice-president.
S. W. Sumerel, secretary.
Goyle Simpson, treasurer.

Board of directors in addition to the officers: J. F. Jacobs, Jr., W. D. Copeland, R. A. Steer, Rev. John McSweeney and Geo. H. Cornelison.

The retiring president, J. F. Jacobs, Jr., in a few words expressed his appreciation of the co-operation given him during the past year and asked the same spirit of support and co-operation for the new officers. The new president, C. F. Winn, in assuming the chair, thanked the club for the honor conferred upon him and asked for an undivided support from the entire membership and pledged his best efforts in promoting the work of the organization.

M. G. Boswell of Greenville, Boy Scout director in this territory, briefly addressed the club on the contemplated plan of launching Boy Scout work here. He outlined the objectives of the organization, character and citizenship building, and the development of leadership, and asked that since a great number of local boys are interested that the Chamber of Commerce appoint a committee to co-operate with him in working out the details of two or three organizations in this city. The chair appointed the following committee: Geo. H. Cornelison, R. L. Phlxico, B. H. Boyd, Gilbert Blakely and W. C. James.

At a previous meeting of the chamber, a resolution had been adopted endorsing the idea of an annual award to the citizen rendering the most signal-service during the year. The token committee named to work out the details is composed of J. H. Witherspoon, R. W. Wade, D. C. Heustess, Dr. D. J. Brimm and W. W. Harris.

The principal address of the evening was delivered by Alfred Scarborough, general manager of the South Carolina Cotton Growers' association, and a close student of agriculture for a number of years. After expressing his pleasure in being present, Mr. Scarborough spoke of the potential possibilities of a live Chamber of Commerce organization and then went into a discussion of matters, pertaining to agriculture and its problems.

The farmer has been condemned, said Mr. Scarborough, for neglect and the lack of business methods, but the city has not understood his problems. Agriculture is a vital thing, it touches every man living and affects all the fundamentals of life. There must be an understanding, said the speaker, and a co-operation and pulling together of the city and rural population if success is to be attained and the emphasis is misplaced if it stresses only economic production.

Continuing, Mr. Scarborough gave an interesting review of farming conditions, past and present, and said the philosophy of increased production is all wrong and false unless an adequate outlet is provided, for without it, he said, the farmer is a victim of his own surplus and suffers because of his own success. Discussing the various periods of agriculture for the past 65 years, the speaker showed how the farmer has always been a specialist in production.

This is an age of big business, said Mr. Scarborough. The trend of the times is toward consolidation, a coordinating and pooling of interests, and the deplorable fact is that the farmer, more than any other class, has thus far been unable to adapt himself to these changed conditions. As an independent, unorganized producer of raw products, he can never attain that wealth and consideration to which he is rightly entitled, in the opinion of Mr. Scarborough.

Commercial life today, said Mr. Scarborough, is wealthier than ever before, the greatest era of prosperity in the country's history is now being enjoyed, but what about the farmer? His business is on a downward trend and there can be but one solution—modernize him and put his business (Continued on page eight)