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Aid in Administering Vaccine

This is part of the group of medical men, nurses, scouts, and others who assisted in administering the final Sabin polio vaccine at the Clinton High School Sunday afternoon. In spite of inclement weather, 6,709 persons took the vaccine at this school which was only 16 less than the number at the second clinic in December. The vaccine was also administered at other schools in the county. Persons who failed to get the vaccine at any of the three clinics are advised to go to their physicians for the immunization.—Photo by Quinton.



Body of Driver and Car Removed From Lake Greenwood Monday Afternoon

These scenes show activities that took place Monday afternoon when the body of a Charlotte man and the car he was driving were removed from Lake Greenwood.

wood, after plunging into the lake early that morning. Men in the boat are shown as they removed the body of John Thomas Rucker from the water. They are Laurens County Coroner Marshall Pressley, County

Game Warden Garvin O'Dell, and State Game Warden John Ellison. The other photos show two stages of pulling the car from the water.—Photos by Paul Quinton.

Senator Says

Legislators Studying Tax Equalization Program

Laurens County Senator King Dixon said Monday that the legislative delegation is considering the institution of a tax equalization program and exploring the possibility of county purchases being made under jurisdiction of a purchasing agent.

He disclosed the information in remarks made at the annual open meeting of the legislators prior to going to Columbia on Tuesday for the meeting of the South Carolina General Assembly.

Dixon said a tax equalization program is being studied and if

it is determined to be worthwhile, legislation will be introduced. Such a program, he said, would cost the county between \$125,000 and \$150,000.

In the event the purchasing office is set up, the senator said, an agent would be designated to make purchases for all county departments.

The County Board of Commissioners was requested by the senator to provide restroom facilities for Negroes in the court house.

He said the county is in excellent financial condition, with a surplus on hand and no prospect of tax increases in 1964-65.

The meeting, lightly attended, heard a number of Lake Greenwood property owners and from other areas request improvements for roads. Sen. Dixon said he would request that the roads be placed in the state highway system.

C. L. Milam of Mountville, farmer representative questioned the legislators about tax increases, saying that his taxes had been increased \$300 in recent years.

A. B. Culbertson of Laurens spoke out for better schools and requested the delegation to take a second look at educational television. He said, "It is not worth a hoot to this state." He said we need to get some of the "deadwood out of the schools and to reorganize the system" and he said one of the things "we can't afford in this state is to spend \$9 million for gymnasiums."

The delegation agreed to conduct public meetings on the first Monday of each month while the legislature is in session in Columbia.

In addition to Sen. Dixon, Laurens County legislators are Representatives Marshall Abercrombie and David S. Taylor.

James M. Lea Dies In Charleston

Friends here will be interested to learn of the death of James M. Lea, 76, last week in Charleston.

Mr. Lea is remembered here by a number of friends and acquaintances. He came to Clinton as a boy and was raised at Thornwell Orphanage. He married the former Miss Eunice Riddell of Laurens, also a stuvener years ago.

He was a successful furniture merchant in Charleston. He is survived by a son, a daughter and a sister.

Pepsi Shindy Show Sponsors CHS Band

Friday evening, January 24, the Clinton High School Band will present the Pepsi-Cola Shindy Show at 8:00 p. m. at the Clinton High School auditorium. The Pepsi Shindy Show is seen on WFBC-TV every other Sunday afternoon from 3:30 to 4:00 p. m. and features outstanding folk talent from high schools and colleges in the Piedmont section of the state.

Camp Fire Directors To Meet Tuesday

The Board of Directors of the Clinton Council Camp Fire Girls will meet Tuesday evening, January 21, at 7:30 at the Camp Fire Hut.

All members are urged to attend.

Hogan Named Director Broadcasters Asso.

Bill Hogan, of radio station WLBG in Laurens, was named as one of the directors of the South Carolina Associated Broadcasters at their meeting in Columbia on Saturday.

Camp Fire Leaders Hold January Meeting

The January meeting of the Leaders Association of the Clinton Council of Camp Fire Girls was held Monday evening at 7:30 at the Camp Fire Hut.

Mrs. Phillip Abner, leaders representative, had charge of the program.

Plans were made for the Father-Son banquet to be held in February, and ideas given for the Jr.-Hi-Horizon Club social to be held in the near future.

Leaders of the Kadoka, Petaga, and Lewa districts were present.

Mothers March Slated for Jan. 31

Mrs. R. Michael Turner, chairman of the Mothers March of Dimes, has announced that plans are being made for the Mothers March in Clinton January 31.

The area captains helping in the march will include Mrs. Robert Plaxico, Jr., Mrs. John Gallman, Mrs. James Walker, Mrs. Rufus Sadler, Jr., Mrs. E. N. Sullivan, Mrs. Lewis Hay, Mrs. Keith McGee, Mrs. Fred Tumbin, Mrs. Frank Meadows, Mrs. George Brockenbrough, and Mrs. Lois Davis.

William Crawford At St. Louis School

William A. Crawford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis A. Crawford of Joanna, has enrolled at Parks College of Aeronautical Technology of Saint Louis University in the 45-week airframe and powerplant mechanics course. Crawford is a 1963 graduate of Clinton High School.

Receives Award at The Citadel

The Distinguished Air Force ROTC Cadet Award is being received by Cadet Duckett M. Adair, senior at The Citadel, from the president, General Mark W. Clark. Looking on are the Vice Commandant of the Air Force Academy, Denver, Colorado, and Lt. Col. Franklin W. Taylor, professor of Air Science at The Citadel. Cadet Adair received the award at ceremonies held recently in Gen. Clark's office. The award is arrived at by a process of evaluation of the moral character, loyalty, academic achievement and leadership potential of the cadet concerned.

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PC's 1964 Football Slate Announced

Presbyterian College will play a ten-game football schedule in 1964. Athletic Director Cally Gault announced today.

The slate for next fall is the same as last year, except for one change. This finds Appalachian replacing The Citadel for a November 7th engagement. It is one of four home games listed on PC's 1964 schedule.

The Blue Hose will open at Clinton September 19 against Frederick College, one of the victims of Presbyterian's defeated last year in compiling a 3-4-1 record. They will close with the annual Thanksgiving afternoon clash with Newberry College on November 26.

Here is the schedule:

September 19—Frederick at Clinton; 26—Lenoir Rhyne at Hickory, N. C.; October 3—Wofford at Spartanburg; 10—Davidson at Clinton; 17—Furman at Greenville; 24—Tampa at Tampa, Fla.; 31—Troy at Troy, Ala.; November 7—Appalachian at Clinton; 14—East Carolina at Greenville, N. C.; 28—Newberry at Clinton.

Tailoring Class To Begin Next Week

Mrs. Harry Bouknight announces the adult tailoring class will begin on Monday, January 20, at 7:30 at the high school home economics department. The class will be for persons knowing how to sew, and will be scheduled for 14 weeks.

A class for beginners will be scheduled later in the spring. There will be no charge as the classes are sponsored jointly by the South Carolina Department of Education and School District 56.

TB Association Annual Meeting Slated for Jan. 30

Four subcommittees have been set up to make plans for the annual meeting of the Tuberculosis and Health Association.

The committees are as follows: Attendance: John W. Drummond, Greenwood; Mrs. T. P. Kendrick, Laurens; Mrs. John T. Young, Clinton.

Hospitality and Registration: Mrs. W. F. Mauldin, Greenwood; J. R. Noble, Laurens; David H. Roberts, Clinton.

Physical Arrangements: Mrs. C. Bruce Barksdale, Greenwood. Program and Publicity, Wade C. Harrison, Jr., Troy.

The second annual meeting of the Greenwood and Laurens County group will be held at Lander College dining hall in Greenwood on Thursday, January 30, at 7:30 p. m.

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Funeral services were held Saturday, with interment at Lincoln Memorial Cemetery near Washington.

Surviving are three step-daughters, Mrs. G. C. Nabors of Joanna; Mrs. Irby Holland of this City; and Mrs. French Cooley of Camden; one son, A. dger Adair; three daughters, Mrs. Oscar D. Robb, Mrs. Eddie Dove and Mrs. Walter Stewart, all of Chillum, Md.

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Charlotte Man Loses Life When Car Leaves Bridge

The body of a Charlotte, N. C., Negro man and the car in which he was traveling were recovered from the waters of Lake Greenwood at the end of Cothran Bridge on the Laurens County side on Highway 72 Monday afternoon.

The body of John Thomas Rucker, 25, was recovered at 3:15 p. m. after the car, a 1957 Pontiac, was located about 1 p. m. some 50 feet from shore in water about 30 feet deep. The car was recovered about 4 p. m.

The car evidently entered the bridge from the Greenwood side of the Lake, apparently skidded on the icy roadway, jumped up on the sidewalk and scraped the railing for some distance before plunging off the bank into the lake after clearing the bridge.

At first it was believed there were other occupants in the automobile, but Laurens County Sheriff R. Eugene Johnson Monday night said apparently Rucker was the only occupant.

The man apparently was en route to Charlotte from Georgia where he, his wife, and two young children had visited with members of his family and relatives of his wife.

Officers initially believed his wife and children were in the car but later discovered they took a bus home and arrived in Charlotte about 5:40 p. m.

The sheriff said E. L. Buffington, who lives about 500 yards from where the accident happened, told him he heard a noise about 5:30 a. m. Monday and about 7 a. m. noticed a sign was down when he passed over the bridge on his way to work in Greenwood. But he thought no more about it, he told the sheriff.

An investigation was begun when an unidentified man flagged down State Highway Patrolman William E. Gibson and told the patrolman about 8:30 a. m. he had discovered markings indicating a car might have struck the concrete left side of the bridge.

The patrolman said there also were marks on rocks that lined the almost perpendicular incline down to the water's edge.

Roy Still, chief of the Greenwood County Rescue Squad, said his men went to the scene after receiving a call from the S. C. Highway Patrol and immediately began a search for the car.

Chief Still and his men were hampered by the strong, icy winds that churned the waters of the lake.

State Highway Patrol Cpl. Grady Jones and Patrolman Gibson kept traffic moving across the bridge as the highway at times was blocked by rescue operations.

Assisting Sheriff Johnson, his deputies and the rescue squad in the operations were Laurens County Coroner Marshall Pressley and South Carolina game wardens.

The boat which eventually recovered the body, contained Pressley, Laurens County Game Warden Garvin O'Dell and S. C. Game Warden John Ellison.

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Kiwanis Officers and Directors

These officers and directors will lead activities of the Kiwanis Club during the coming year. They are shown upon assuming their duties recently. Left to right, front row: J. G. Thomas, district governor of the 9th Kiwanis Division; Ben Hay Hammet, president; Marvin

Gault, past president; George Brockenbrough, secretary-treasurer; back row: Jim Neal, A. R. Hamilton, Joel Cox, R. P. Wilder, and Ralph Tedards, directors. Not shown are L. H. Lee, vice-president, and Frank Sherrill and Dr. R. M. Fuller, directors.—Photo by Yarborough.



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