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## Two Pedestrian Deaths Ruled As Accidental

Deaths of two pedestrians were ruled accidental by juries in two separate inquests conducted here Tuesday by County Coroner Marshall Pressley.

One inquest jury ruled that William (Billy) Ward, 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ward, came to his death by "mischance and accident" after he was struck by a car January 23. He died the following day.

According to testimony by Clinton City Policeman Allen Simon, Ruben Blackwell, 16, of Clinton, was driver of the car which struck the child on Bailey Street, a block from his home on Jefferson Street. The officer estimated the speed of Blackwell's car as approximately 25 miles an hour or less. He testified that the child darted from the sidewalk into the car's path.

The death January 25th of Huey T. Bonds, 27, of Clinton, also was ruled the result of "mischance and accident."

Bonds was hit by a car on Highway 72 four hours before his death. A witness, Charles M. Harris of Clinton, testified he was traveling north on the highway when he saw two men walking beside the road. He said he saw the actual impact when Bonds was hit by a northbound car in hard rain.

State Highway Patrolman W. E. Gibson testified that the driver of the car which hit the victim was Charles W. Johnson.



## Mrs. Carter Is 'Career Woman of Year'

Mrs. Grace Connor, president of the Clinton Business and Professional Women's Club, presents a silver pitcher to Mrs. K. N. (Eugenia) Carter, judged as Clinton's Career Woman of the Year.—Photo by Dan Yarborough.

## 81 Cases On List

### Court To Convene in Laurens Monday

A one-week term of criminal court will convene in Laurens Monday morning, with Judge T. B. Greneker of Edgefield, resident judge of the 11th Circuit, presiding.

Panel for the 18-member grand jury to serve for 1964 and petit jurors were announced last week.

Facing the court will be a list of 81 cases. Twelve of them will be continued cases to go directly before the court for sentencing or trial. Sixty-nine new cases will go before the grand jury for return of true bills or no bills.

Following is the list of cases received by Clerk of Court Walter E. Dunlap:

William E. Bruce, drunk driving (2nd offense); Bobby Lewis Gregory, violation liquor law; William James Bell, pointing firearm; Ross David Starnes, drunk driving (2nd); Johnnie B. Valentine, non-support; Thomas Edward Satterwhite, drunk driving (3rd); Joe Lewis Morgan, storebreaking and larceny; Fitch Lee Morgan, storebreaking and larceny.

Connie Griffin, assault and battery; James W. Denny, obtaining money under false pretenses; William Andrew Chapman, drunk driving (2nd); Tamadge Babb (to be sentenced in Feb.) drunk driving (2nd).

NEW CASES:  
Richard Virgil Bates, kidnapping; Kenneth Eugene Palmer, armed robbery; Coax Arnold Sanford, Jr., two charges of housebreaking, safe cracking and grand larceny; Billy Bragg and James Carson Taylor, housebreaking, grand larceny and safe cracking; also housebreaking and grand larceny; Joseph D. Picklesimer and Rob Long, two charges of housebreaking, safe cracking and grand larceny.

Simmie Young, forgery; William E. Chandler, Jr., worthless check; John Bailey Crowe, J. Patt Hunnicutt, Jr., Homer Waites, James (Cotton) Patrick, housebreaking and grand larceny; Adger C. Shaw, worthless check; John Allen Harris, two charges of reckless homicide; Isaac Boston, Jr. (deceased 1-31-64), housebreaking and grand larceny; Johnny Earle Blanton, drunk driving (2nd); Gary Cagle, non-support; Ulysses Cunningham, non-support.

Rex Chandler, disposing of property under lien; Roy Lee Williams, disposing of property under lien; Carol Crocker, non-support; Freddie Lee Thompson

and Felton Bennett, grand larceny of auto; John Arthur Smith, Freddie Lee Thompson and Felton Bennett, grand larceny of auto; Freddie Lee Thompson, Edward Wilson, Jr. and Felton Bennett, two charges, grand larceny of auto; Edward Wilson, Jr. and Felton Bennett, grand larceny of auto.

Cecil David Rhodes, forgery; John David Satterwhite, peeping tom (three charges), also forgery; Richard Dennis Hill, housebreaking with intent to commit a crime (two charges), also housebreaking and grand larceny; Larry Pilgrim, assault with intent to kill, also breaking without entering with intent to commit a crime, malicious injury to real property, discharging firearms at and into dwelling.

Albert McFall Wiggins, housebreaking, safe cracking and grand larceny; Robert Kohn, non-support; John L. Cook, housebreaking and grand larceny; I. W. Conway, housebreaking and grand larceny; Franklin David Reynolds, housebreaking and grand larceny; James Thompson, assault; Joe C. Moan, violation liquor law; Lonnie C. Bradbury, drunk driving (3rd); Leroy Gary, using car without owner's consent.

Charles W. Smallwood, assault; Sandra Y. Tucker and Charles R. James (Jones), living in adultery; Jerry Cagle, disposing of property under lien; Rufus Simpson, housebreaking and grand larceny; I. W. Conway and Billy Conway, receiving stolen goods; Donald Williams, Nathaniel Dillard, violation liquor law; Furman Anderson, Jr., non-support.

Wylie Perry Kennington, drunk driving (2nd); Tony Davenport, non-support; Floyd Joseph Morton, Jr., Charles David Staggs, grand larceny of auto; Robert C. Beck, disposing of property under lien; David Ralph Holcombe, James Earl Ellison, grand larceny; Woodrow W. Rice, grand larceny of auto; Ernest Vandiver, forgery.

## Churches Observe World Day of Prayer

The annual observance of the World Day of Prayer will be held at Broad Street Methodist Church Friday afternoon at 3:30. The Baptists will have charge of the program and representatives of other churches will participate. There will be a special program for all children in Hodges Hall at 3:30.



## Rimer's Dealers Here for Meeting

Shelton J. Rimer was host Tuesday and Wednesday to a meeting of his dealers from Maryland to Florida for a showing of his "Azalea" mobile homes and the new "Zipper" models (shown above parked on North Broad Street in front of Hotel Mary Musgrove). Rimer has been manufacturing the "Azalea" models for some years at his plant here. Recently he opened a new plant on South Broad Street near the armory for production of the small model "Zipper." Other models were parked elsewhere for viewing by the dealers.—Photo by Yarborough.

## Senator Johnston To Address High School Group Friday

A United States Senator will come to Clinton Friday because of the interest of a 15-year-old high school boy in governmental affairs and government leaders.

South Carolina Senator Olin D. Johnston will address the student body of Clinton High School upon the invitation of Butch Rice, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Rice of Joanna.

Butch wrote to the Senator and requested that he speak to the civics class, and in a person-to-person call from the Senator Friday, he told the youth that he would address the class this coming Friday from 9:30 to 10:30 on the operation of the legislative branch of the government.

However, school officials state that the address will be before the entire student body.

The young student first wrote to Senator Johnston last summer asking for information about the honorary citizenship of Sir Winston Churchill.

The youth said he received a lengthy reply from the senator and since, he has written several times requesting pamphlets and books containing information that would be helpful in his civics class studies.

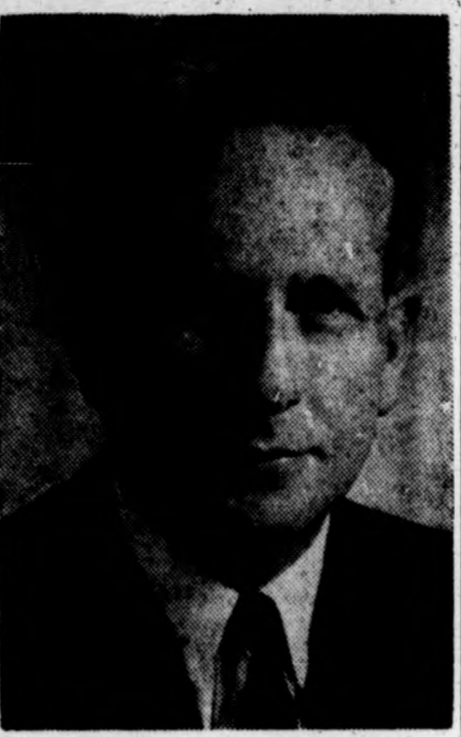
Writing letters is his hobby, Butch said. He has a cabinet in his room almost full of communications with political figures. Among his prize possessions, he said, are letters from the late President John F. Kennedy.

Young Rice said he wrote his first letter to the President about his inaugural address and, after that, averaged about a letter a month to the chief executive.

The boy said he is interested in politics, but is particularly interested "in the Post Office branch of the government." After he finishes high school, he plans to serve in the Navy, then get a government job, he said.

Butch also has letters from governors of all 50 states and autographed pictures of many world leaders, among them a photograph of the late United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold.

Mrs. Hayne Workman is teacher of Butch's history class.



## N. C. Banker To Address Kiwanians At Meeting Tonight

Clinton Kiwanians will hear an address by Thomas I. Storrs, executive vice-president of the North Carolina National Bank, at the club's first February meeting this Thursday night.

He will speak on the European Common Market at the 7 p. m. meeting in the Mary Musgrove Hotel. Kiwanis President Ben Hay Hammet will preside, and Robert M. Vance of the program committee will introduce the speaker.

Before coming to the North Carolina National Bank in 1930, Storrs had been a vice-president of the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond in charge of the Charlotte branch. He was educated at the University of Virginia and Harvard University, and he served more than five years in the Navy in World War II and the Korean War.

In his present capacity with NC National, Storrs is in charge of the Greensboro office and supervises the bank's offices in several other cities. He is a member of the faculty of the School of Banking of the South and the Stonier Graduate School of Banking, and he serves as a member of the American Bankers Association's Banking and Financial Research Committee.

Also active in church and community affairs, he is president of the United Fund of Greater Greensboro, a member of Greensboro's Commission on Human Relations, second vice-president of the city chamber of commerce and a vestryman in the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church.

## Local Institutions To Get Duke Funds

Two Clinton institutions and one in Laurens will share in appropriations of \$1,483,302.36 to aid hospitals and child care institutions in South Carolina and North Carolina in financing their increasing load of charity work.

Announcement of the grants were made by trustees of the Duke Endowment.

Thornwell Orphanage will receive \$41,950.93; Bailey Memorial Hospital, \$4,616; and Laurens District Hospital, \$4,811.

Figures released by Thomas L. Perkins, chairman of the Endowment, show that these appropriations bring to \$38,814,175.36 the contributions made in 39 consecutive years to assist hospitals and child care institutions of the two states in their charity services. Additional funds will be allocated at the February meeting of the trustees when hospital applications completed since the current appropriations were made will be considered.

Marshall I. Pickens, Endowment secretary and trustee and executive director of the Hospital and Orphan sections, said that hospitals are assisted on the basis of approximately 62 cents a day, for each free day of care. The funds, based on charity care in the fiscal year which ended Sept. 30, are being distributed to 143 hospitals and 43 child care institutions in the two states. Hospitals receive \$992,921 of the total and child care institutions \$490,381.36.

Child care institutions used \$442,131.43 for institutional care, \$24,562.72 for 150 children who are in college, \$16,890.05 for 230 children given foster home care, and \$6,797.16 to help widowed mothers in the care of 60 children at home.

The Endowment was established by James B. Duke in 1924.

## Republicans Set Precinct Meets

Organization and reorganization meetings of Republican Clubs of all precincts in Laurens County will be held Feb. 22 at 3 p. m. at the usual precinct polling places unless otherwise specified.

County Chairman Niles Hanna said delegates elected at the precinct meetings will convene a Laurens County Republican Convention on Monday, Mar. 2, at the court house in Laurens.

## Opposed To Bond Issue

### House Members Would Use Surplus Account

### Direct Distance Dialing To Begin Here March 22

Direct distance dialing for long distance calling will go into effect on March 22 for Clinton. The new method of making long distance calls will be as easy as calling a friend across town, says D. H. Martin, Southern Bell Telephone manager.

Direct distance calling is a method by which anyone can place a station-to-station call within the United States, including Hawaii and Alaska.

You must know the person's telephone number to use "DDD." However, you can call "information" and secure the number if you do not know it.

### Council Authorizes Sewer, Water Lines

Sewer and water lines will be installed in Bond Street prior to paving next spring, according to action taken by City Council at its February meeting Friday night at city hall.

Council approved the award of a contract to Eagle Construction Co. for installation of the sewer line at a cost of \$5,600. The water line will be built for approximately \$4,800.

The sewer line is part of a proposed \$200,000 sewerage expansion program, for which the main sewage stabilization pond and fall line contract will be awarded early in the spring.

A group of residents of the Clinton Mill community appeared before council to request that something be done about speeding on streets of the area and motorists disregard of stop signs at intersections. Mayor J. J. Cornwall and council assured the group of strict enforcement there and throughout the city of traffic regulations.

Council agreed to buy an additional patrol car for the police department and put the motorcycle now being used up for sale.

Harry McSweeney reported for the Recreation Commission that Wilmot Shealy has been appointed director of recreation, succeeding D. S. Templeton, resigned. McSweeney stated that several members of the commission had resigned or become inactive and their replacements are needed. The appointments will be made at the next meeting of council.

McSweeney also stated that the boys league park will have to be removed from the Presbyterian College campus because of contemplated construction on the site. He requested that city forces remove lights from the field and set them up on a new site adjoining the Clinton High School athletic field, which will be developed for use of the boys league, which this year will not be affiliated with any national or regional boys league.

Investigation will be made of the feasibility of construction of a sewer line to serve an area known as Red Line. The request was made by D. B. Smith, Joe L. Davidson and B. Davidson.

Council directed that a 6-inch water main be extended approximately 600 feet on Horne Street from N. Owens St., and that a fire hydrant be placed at the corner of N. Owens and Horne St.

The session was presided over by Mayor J. J. Cornwall, with all councilmen present: Boyd Holtzclaw, ward one; S. A. Pitts, ward two; Harry C. Layton, ward three; L. W. Cooper, ward four; George W. Bagwell, ward five; James C. Craine, ward six.

### Sgt. Ellis Receives Commendation Medal

Sgt. Gayal H. Ellis, son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Ellis of Route 2, Clinton, received the Army Commendation Medal in mid-January while serving with the Department of Maintenance at Fort Rucker, Ala.

Sergeant Ellis received the award for his performance of duties during his recent assignment in the 526th Transportation Company in the Canal Zone.

The sergeant attended Clinton High School.

### Funds Sought From Whitten Timberlands

Columbia—Legislation permitting Whitten Village of Clinton to keep up to \$30,000 to purchase additional lands or for capital improvements.

Any funds over that amount would go into the state's general fund.

### Named Director

Lewis Bagwell, manager of radio station WPCC, Clinton, was elected a director for the S. C. Broadcasters Association at the recent state convention in Greenville. Bagwell will represent his district for a two-year term.

### Laurens County Senator King Dixon and two members of the House of Representatives are at odds over how to provide funds to buy road equipment for the county.

Senator Dixon introduced a bill which passed the Senate to hold a referendum on the question of issuing \$150,000 in bonds, \$114,000 of which would be used to purchase road equipment, \$12,000 is earmarked for establishment of a rescue squad, and \$23,000 is set aside to enable the county to participate in the proposed technical education program for the Laurens area.

The House delegation held up action on Dixon's bill after first reading in the House and had it referred to them for study.

At the same time, the House members, Representatives David Taylor and Marshall Abercrombie, introduced a bill last Wednesday directing a transfer of \$50,000 in county surplus funds so they can be used for purchase of road equipment for the Supervisor's department.

Both solons explained their reasons for seeking the transfer of the unappropriated surplus funds.

Abercrombie said a surplus of more than \$78,000 was generated in the 1963-64 supply bill. He said the House bill fulfills a commitment made to the supervisor and county commissioners.

Taylor said Dixon cut \$50,000 earmarked for "desperately needed new equipment" from the supply bill last year.

Taylor said he agreed subsequently to the amendment deleting the \$50,000, but only after an understanding with the senator that the \$50,000 for equipment would be returned to the supervisor if sufficient surplus developed.

Taylor said the anticipated revenue indicated a surplus would develop when the supply bill was written.

The solon said the \$78,000 showed up in an audit and he signed an agreement last fall to introduce legislation providing the equipment funds.

"I feel that this equipment is much needed for the continued progress of our county, and I have supported it from the outset. To keep the faith of the people of our county, this bill was introduced."

Taylor is against the bond issue, he says, "Because our county is on a sound financial basis. The first impression anyone would get is that our county is not solvent."

Taylor said he favors a pay-as-you-go policy. "These items proposed by the senator can be financed with current funds."

Taylor forecast a county surplus of \$100,000 at the end of the fiscal year. This, he said, would be enough to do all the senator proposed.

"I cannot see floating bonds which would, in the long run, be retired by our children. If these things are needed, then we should pay for them ourselves."

The lawmaker said the senator's bill would be delayed until he can "talk with the people at home and see if a real need exists."



## Danforth Lecturer Speaks Today And Friday At College

Dr. Brand Blanshard, well-known scholar and Danforth lecturer in philosophy, will be on the Presbyterian College campus for a two-day visit this Thursday and Friday.

The public is cordially invited to attend all four lectures to be given by this former Rhodes scholar and retired chairman of the Yale University philosophy department.

His main lecture is scheduled for Friday at 10:00 a. m. in Belk Auditorium. It will be on the subject "The Right and Wrong of Conformity." Other speaking engagements for Dr. Blanshard while at Presbyterian College are:

Thursday, 12 noon—"In Defense of Reason," in Belk 301; Thursday, 7:30 p. m.—"The Life of the Spirit in the Machine Age," also in Belk 301; and Friday, 12 noon—"Science and Philosophy" in Belk Auditorium.

Dr. Blanshard's writings and lectures have gained him the reputation as "the philosopher's philosopher." He has lectured in this country and abroad. And his two-volume book, "The Nature of Thought," published in 1940, was rated as one of the ten outstanding works on philosophy produced in the United States since 1900. He has produced two new books in the past two years.

A native of Ohio, Dr. Blanshard holds degrees from the University of Michigan, Oxford University as a Rhodes scholar and his doctorate from Harvard. He also has studied as a Guggenheim Fellow.



## At Autograph Party

Dr. T. Lawrence Connelly is shown here autographing copies of his book, "Will Success Spoil Jeff Davis," at an autograph party held at The Chronicle's Stationery Store last Friday afternoon. Standing by is Mrs. Connelly, who, according to Connelly, was "chief typewriter ribbon changer" during the process of writing the book, and—still according to Connelly—"wrote most of the manuscript, corrected my errors, etc." Dr. Connelly is professor of history at Presbyterian College.—Photo by Dan Yarborough.