

Contract Let For Work At Post Office

Work on air conditioning, lighting and other repairs at the Clinton post office will get underway shortly, Postmaster W. D. Adair stated yesterday.

Contract for the work has been let by the General Services Administration, a department of the U. S. government, in Atlanta.

The contract was awarded to Travers S. Foster Construction Company of Greenville, on a bid of \$44,336.

The work is expected to be completed in 150 calendar days.

Lutheran Church May Relocate

A called meeting of St. John's Lutheran Church will be held immediately following the service next Sunday morning to consider a recommendation from the Council that a new church site be purchased.

Upon favorable action on the part of the congregation the property will be bought immediately and initial steps toward relocation will be taken at an early date. The recommendation has the unanimous support of the Council and the site has been fully and enthusiastically approved by synodical and LCA officials.

Daniluk Named Pack 21 Cubmaster

John P. Daniluk, administrative assistant at Presbyterian College, is the new cubmaster of Clinton Cub Scout Pack 21.

He has taken over the duties succeeding Morris Seymour and called an organizational of the pack for January 20. He invites all boys between the ages of 8 and 10 1-2 who are interested in joining the pack to attend this meeting scheduled for 7:30 p. m. at the American Legion Hut.

Daniluk is experienced and well-trained in cub scout work. While serving with the PC military department several years ago, he was assistant cubmaster of Pack 21 (1959-61) and then became cubmaster for the 1961-62 school year. He returned this fall to join the PC staff after retiring with 20 years of Army service behind him.

Lutheran Councilmen Installed On Sunday

At the service last Sunday morning in St. John's Lutheran Church Harry E. Bedenbaugh, Robert I. Boland and D. W. Dominick were installed as members of the Council. They were elected recently by the congregation for a term of three years, beginning January 1st. They succeed Herman L. Shealy, Wyman M. Shealy and H. C. Suter who, according to the provisions of the constitution, were not eligible to succeed themselves.

At the regular December meeting of the Council held last Sunday evening a vote of appreciation for the service of the three outgoing members and of welcome to the new members was taken.

Bank of Clinton Pays Dividends At Rate of 10%

The board of directors of the Bank of Clinton announce the payment of the 16th consecutive annual dividend to stockholders of record December 1.

The payment was at the established rate of 6% and an extra payment of 4%.

Checks were mailed to stockholders on Tuesday.

Shares outstanding total 10,000 with a par value of \$10.

In addition to the \$100,000 capital, the bank's last statement lists \$100,000 in the surplus account, \$82,364.09 undivided profits, and reserves of \$50,000.

The board of directors of the corporation includes the following local business men: R. P. Hamer, T. E. Addison, T. H. Copeland, Harry Y. McSweeney, Leaman D. Jones, J. C. Thomas and J. Leland Young.

The officers are: Hamer, president; Addison, vice-president; McSweeney, cashier; Jones, assistant cashier. Cecil E. White is attorney for the corporation.

Christmas At St. John's Church

Two special services will be held in the St. John's Lutheran Church during the Christmas season. On Sunday evening, December 20, the Sunday School will present a program by the children, beginning at 7:00.

On Christmas Eve, beginning at 8:30, the traditional Candlelight service will be held. As usual, this will consist largely in the singing of Christmas Carols and in the symbolic lighting of the candles. In former years this has proved a popular worship service.

To both of the above, and indeed to all services, the pastor and people of St. John's extend a most cordial invitation.

Broad Street Christmas Program Sunday Night

The children's division of Broad Street Methodist Church will have its annual Christmas program at 7 o'clock Sunday night, December 20, in the sanctuary. Following the program, the young people will be entertained with a party in Hodges Hall.

TB Seal Sales Now Total \$13,362.19

Mrs. Joe H. Seal of Greenwood, chairman of a group of volunteers who opened Christmas Seal returns on Thursday, announced that \$4,166.75 was received. This now brings the total up to \$13,362.19 which is ahead of the receipts at this time last year of \$13,200.88.

The state's income from last year's campaign has exceeded all previous totals. The Laurens-Greenwood Association hopes to set a record by surpassing the total of last year of \$19,632.66.

Volunteers working with Mrs. Seal at the Greenwood School District Office were William S. Brunson, W. C. Holroyd, Mrs. Irby Horne, J. W. Hughey, Mrs. S. L. Leaman, W. C. Sproles, and Mrs. S. A. Tinkler.

Fox Attacks School Children

Several children were recently attacked by a gray fox while they were waiting for a school bus in the Bonds Cross Roads community.

The children frightened the fox away by beating it, and later Clarence Hill of the community killed the wild animal. Suspecting rabies, Hill sent the head of the fox to the S. C. Health Department in Columbia for examination. The Health Department will be not reported on whether the fox was diseased.

Area Residents Win \$1,000 In Merchants Event

Four Clinton-Joanna area residents were winners of a total of \$1,000 Saturday afternoon at a drawing sponsored by merchants of Clinton who participated in a "Loyalty Days" trade festival which began early in October.

Mrs. Sarah O'Shields of Joanna won \$500; Mrs. Claude Madden of Route 1, \$250; Mrs. L. L. Copeland, Jr., Musgrove St., \$150; and Mrs. Gertrude Brazill of Sloan St., \$100.

The drawing was the final one in the weekly series, and was postponed from the previous week because of rain.

Weekly drawings had been held for four \$25 cash prizes.

Some weeks ticket holders were not present when the four numbers were called. These were added to the next week's drawing, and as the process continued, accumulations from previous weeks totaled 13 at the final drawing for the \$25 prizes. At that time, calling of numbers continued until winners were secured for all 13 prizes. A total of \$2,500 was given away during the event.

Power To Be Off Sunday

Due to necessary maintenance work on the electrical power distribution system the power in the Clinton Mill community will be off for approximately one hour Sunday, December 20, beginning at 1:00 p. m.

Christmas Scene Be Repeated

The Senior High Fellowship of the First Presbyterian Church will again this year present a live Christmas scene on the lawn in front of the church.

The scene will be arranged three nights during Christmas week, Dec. 21, 22, and 23, between 7 and 9.



Rev. C. E. Russell Named Moderator Reedy River Assn.

Rev. C. E. Russell, pastor of Hurricane Baptist Church near Clinton, has been named moderator of the Reedy River Baptist Association.

He succeeds Rev. Earl Wilson, former pastor of the First Baptist Church of Whitnirre, who recently accepted a pastorate in Rock Hill.

Rev. Russell was named to the post by the executive committee of the Reedy River Association. In similar action, Melton Wall, a layman of Newberry First Baptist Church, was elected to serve as vice-moderator.

Rev. Charles Lucado, pastor of Hunt Memorial Baptist Church, Newberry, is associational clerk, and served as secretary pro-tem of the committee meeting.

Rev. Ralph E. Rhyne is chairman of the executive committee.

Erskine Alumni In Area Contribute 100% To Campaign

One hundred per cent of the alumni in the Clinton-Laurens chapter of the Erskine College Alumni Association have already made contributions to the 1964-65 Living Endowment campaign, earning \$400 in challenge gifts for the campaign from an anonymous donor.

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. S. C. Gambrell of Owings, the Clinton-Laurens chapter is one of five Erskine alumni chapters to have had every member contribute to the annual fund campaign.

Chairman for the Clinton-Laurens chapter, in addition to Mrs. Gambrell, include Mrs. R. L. Plaxico, Clinton-Joanna chairman; Mrs. L. Roy Adams, Cross Hill-Mountville chairman; Mrs. Gambrell, Gray Court-Owings chairman; Mrs. Milton Blakely, Laurens chairman; and Miss Betty Blakely of Ora.



Winners of \$1,000 In Sales Promotion

Here are the winners of a total of \$1,000 offered as prizes in the recent "Loyalty Days" trade festival conducted by Clinton merchants. The final drawing for prizes was held Saturday afternoon on the city parking lot on S. Broad

St. Left to right, Mrs. Sarah O'Shields, of Joanna, who won \$500; Mrs. Claude Madden, Route 1, \$250; Mrs. L. L. Copeland, Jr., Musgrove St., \$150; and Mrs. Gertrude Brazill, Sloan St., \$100.—Photo by Yarborough.

House Burns Sunday

City firemen answered a call to this house in the Gideon Hill section Sunday morning at 11:15 and had the fire put out in a few minutes. Considerable damage was done to the house and contents. The home is owned and occupied by Mrs. Mary Williams, who was away attending church services at the time of the fire.—Photo by Quinton.

Dept. of Performing Arts Being Added at College

A department of performing arts is being added to the Presbyterian College curriculum to offer comprehensive study in art, drama and music, Dean Joseph M. Gettys announced today.

He said drama and music will start in the fall of 1965; art, in 1966. They are conceived as a single large program, within the liberal arts framework, encompassing these three major fields of interest.

Dr. Gettys pointed out the offerings of the new department will include formal courses in theory and technique as well as private lessons given individually. He already is engaged in lining up well-trained instructors of established competence within each field.

The department of performing arts represents an expansion of the college's present courses in fine arts. It will also incorporate within its total program the previous work of the robed choir, the band and public speaking. The program is designed to bring an increased appreciation of our cultural heritage, while helping to develop in students their creative and interpretive gifts of self-expression.

Courses in speech will be associated with drama. As the art program develops, it will touch upon some areas of architecture, and later commercial art and fashion design. The department curriculum will include 11 courses in art, seven in drama, four in speech and eight in music—in addition to provisions for private music lessons and work in applied art and drama.

Belk Auditorium will serve as home for the new department of performing arts at Presbyterian College. This versatile \$500,000 structure combines a 1,200 capacity auditorium of unusual acoustical quality with a three-story fine arts section composed of studio rooms, sound-proof practice areas, dressing rooms and other facilities required by the program.

The auditorium has drawn the high praise of performing artists ranging from the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra to the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo.

Rides On Tuesday For R. B. Simmons

Benjamin R. Simmons, 90, died early Monday morning at Bailey Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

A native of Camden, he lived in Montrose, Ga., many years before he moved here 10 years ago to live with his daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Speake, at 104 W. Walnut St. He was a son of the late William H. and Caroline Davis Simmons. He was a member of Montrose Baptist Church.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Lois Thomas, Mrs. Christine Maxwell and Mrs. Mary Helen Adams of Macon, Ga. and Mrs. Speake; two sons, James B. Simmons of Jacksonville, Fla.; and W. L. Simmons of Douglas, Ala.; two brothers, Melvin Simmons of Coffee County, Ga.; and Frank Simmons of Douglas, Ga.; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 3 p. m. at Montrose Baptist Church in Montrose, Ga. Burial was in Montrose Cemetery.

Red Cross Makes Appeal For Help

Mrs. Irby Hips, field representative for the American Red Cross, appeals for help for a family of seven whose home was destroyed by fire last week.

In the line of clothing the father wears size 38 and the mother 14. The children include four boys ages 2, 5, 6, and 8, and one girl, age 10. All the home furnishings were completely destroyed. Anything in the household or clothing line would be appreciated. Mrs. Hips may be contacted at 689-2779 or 689-1499.

Christmas Music At Calvary Church

Christmas music will be presented by the youth choir of Calvary Baptist Church during the morning worship service at 11:00 a. m., Sunday, Dec. 20.

On Sunday evening at 7:30 Calvary Baptist Church will present the Christmas cantata, "Sing Noel," by Jeanne Shaffer. Soloists will be Earl Martin, Dorsey Turner, Miss Barbara Brazill, Mark King, and Vernon Trammell. Music will be under the direction of Mrs. Eva Land. Organist will be Miss Mary Ellen Lee, and pianist will be Miss Emily Trammell.

Fraternity Has Christmas Party For Thornwell Tots

On Saturday afternoon, Dec. 12, members of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity at Presbyterian College and their guests for the Christmas dances entertained with a Christmas party for the children at the Baby Cottage at Thornwell. During the afternoon gifts of toys were distributed and the children enjoyed opening and playing with the Christmas toys.

Telephone Co. Observes 85th Year of Service

"This month we celebrate our 85th anniversary," says Clinton Southern Bell Manager D. H. Martin. "We were incorporated under the laws of New York State on December 20, 1879, only about three years after the invention of the telephone."

"Growth until about 35 years ago was slow compared to what it has been since then," Martin continued. In November 1929 Southern Bell installed its one millionth telephone in Atlanta. "At mid-year 1964, the company had 8,415,000 telephone in service." Southern Bell and independent companies together now serve approximately 11 million telephones.

In 1960, wage payments to employees in South Carolina amounted to \$8,538,000; and 1963 wages were up to \$22,318,000. In South Carolina, the telephone company paid \$229,000 in taxes for 1963; a total of \$16,836,000 was paid out in taxes. "In other words, we pay \$4.43 per main telephone per month in taxes," Martin added that this does not include the 10 per cent Federal Excise tax now placed on local and long distance rates.

"For the first 50 years of Southern Bell's operation, equipment was crude compared to what we have today," commented Martin. "Some of the older

citizens can remember when you went down to the telephone office to place a long distance call, and they can remember turning that crank and saying "Hello, Central" to place a local call."

Times have indeed changed. Introduction of dial service had been one of the greatest stimulants to growth. Columbia became the first city in Southern Bell to convert to 100 per cent dial in 1922. Southern Bell's last "Hello, Central" exchange in South Carolina, Marion, goes dial on December 20. As it goes, tomorrow's telephone, Touch-Tone, comes to the state for the first time. "Instead of a rotary dial, it features push-buttons," says Martin.

"We are pleased with the progress we've made in our 85 years," Martin continued, "and even more with the advances we've made in equipment and service since World War II. But there is much to be done yet. For example, only 65 per cent of the families in our South Carolina area have telephones."

"We are constantly striving to make rural service better, and plan to eventually eliminate the necessity for eight-party lines in rural areas, reducing them to four-party," Martin added that urban four-party lines also will be eliminated in the future.



Cars Damaged In Collision

These two automobiles collided Saturday night about 7:15 at the intersection of W. Main St. and N. Bell St. One was driven by Monty Fletcher of Rt. 2, Laurens, and the other by Caroline Cato, of Lydia, with two young children in her car. Linda Wright, of Laurens, was a passenger in the Fletcher car. No serious injuries were reported. The Cato car was traveling east on W. Main St. and the Fletcher car entered W. Main St. from N. Bell St. Fletcher was charged with failing to yield right-of-way as he entered W. Main. City officers George Corley (left) and Chesley Richards (right) investigated.—Photo by Quinton.

Duke Endowment Gifts Total \$687,409 in County

County Teachers Meet For Yule Entertainment

The annual Laurens County Education Association banquet was held last Thursday night in the dining hall of Presbyterian College.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the room and from the ceiling were suspended bird cages decorated with red roses and greenery.

R. E. Martin, president, presided, and introduced the Barber Shop Quartet of Laurens, who presented the evening's program.

State Study Committee Visits Whitten Village

The South Carolina Committee on Mental Health and Mental Institutions, headed by Pickets Senator Earle E. Morris, visited Whitten Village, near Clinton, yesterday to view new construction and to observe new programs in action.

The visit here by the committee was a step to accelerate South Carolina's efforts to aid the state's retarded children.

Following the Clinton visit, the nine-member study group will meet in Charleston this morning (Thursday) for an all-day survey of the mental health program.

The morning session will be devoted to the report the committee will make to the 1965 General Assembly, Morris said. In the afternoon, the Association for Retarded Children and trustees of the proposed \$3 million Retarded Children's Center at Summerville will be heard.

Scheduled to brief the committee on plans for the new center are Dr. Vince Moseley of Charleston, chairman of the board of trustees, and Dr. Ernest Cicinea, the superintendent.

The federal government is expected to put up about \$1.1 million to match \$2 million appropriated by the 1964 legislature for the Summerville Center, Morris said. He was optimistic that construction can begin soon on the 350-acre site, already acquired at a price of some \$173,000.

"I think they can get started early in 1965," Morris said, "but there's still some red tape about the federal matching funds."

Initially, the center will have 500 beds, Morris reported, with 750 beds projected as the ultimate goal. He praised Dr. Moseley, the trustee, and Dr. Cicinea, predicting their efforts will result in an outstanding program that will benefit the entire state.

Morris said he was hopeful also that construction can begin soon on a diagnostic clinic at the South Carolina Medical College in Charleston.

More than \$85,000 is being sought in the 1965 budget for operation of the Charleston clinic, the senator said. The plan is to have all of the 1,000-to-1,200 children now on waiting lists at such places as Whitten Village and Pinelands visit the clinic for determination of the services available to meet each applicant's needs.

Laurens County Institutions Have Received a Total of \$687,409 from the Duke Endowment in the 40 Years of its Existence.

Observing its 40th anniversary this month, the foundation was established on Dec. 11, 1924, by James Buchanan Duke as an instrument of philanthropy for citizens of North and South Carolina. It provides aid for colleges, hospitals and child care institutions.

Over the 40 years, Thornwell Orphanage of this city has received a total of \$535,483.

Bailey Memorial Hospital has received \$54,616 during the short period of its existence, of which

\$4,616 was for assistance in financing charity care and \$50,000 was for construction of the plant costing more than a million dollars.

The Laurens District Hospital has received \$97,310, of which \$57,310 was for aid in charity care and \$40,000 was for improved facilities.

Hospitals are assisted in their charity programs on the basis of \$1 a day for each free day of bed care given.

South Carolina institutions have received a total of \$24.5 million from the endowment since its establishment.

In the intervening years, the Duke Endowment has become one of the nation's major foundations, with assets at the end of 1963 totaling \$334 million and gifts to its beneficiaries in the two states amounting to \$185 million.

It has contributed \$125,467,500 to higher education, \$29,778,000 to assist hospitals in financing charity services, \$15,195,607 to help provide more adequate hospital facilities and services, and \$7,447,848 to aid in support and care of orphans and half orphans in the Carolinas.

Bearings Plant Has League Team

The Clinton Bearings Plant of The Torrington Co. is sponsoring this year a basketball team which is included in the Greenville Class B Boys' League.

With their first home game scheduled for 7:30 to 9:00 p. m. (Thursday) at the Clinton National Guard Armory, the Torrington cagers will play each Monday and Thursday until Feb. 11, except for the Christmas week.

All home games will begin at 7:30 and there will be no admission charge for games played in Clinton.

Players on the team include Bobby Thomas, Bill Crawford, Jimmy Thompson, Earl Waters, John Cumble, Melvin Bailey, Ray Cumble, Dixon Brooks, Russ Emerson, Ronald Corley, Larry Walker and Claude Hartline.

College Holidays To Begin Friday

Christmas holidays for Presbyterian College students are scheduled to begin this Friday and extend through January 3, 1965.

The 16-day vacation period will begin officially at 1:00 p. m., Friday. It will end at 6:00 p. m., Sunday, January 3, with the first classwork set for the following Monday morning.

Upon returning to the campus, students will have a two-week period of study before facing the first semester examinations on January 19-20.

Retired Teachers In Meeting Today

The Retired Teachers Association of Laurens County will meet in the Friendship Room of the Laurens Federal Savings and Loan Association this afternoon, December 17, at 3:30. All retired teachers whether or not members are asked to come. The meeting is of special interest to teachers who have retired before July 1, 1964.

Erskine Chapters Get Awards

Five Erskine College alumni chapters have already scored 100 per cent in participation in the annual Erskine Living Endowment Campaign. Receiving alumni-giving incentive awards for 100 per cent support on behalf of their chapters during Homecoming Day December 5 at Erskine were (left to right): Mrs. Milton Blakely, for the Laurens-Clinton Chapter; Brice Carson, Columbus, Ga., for the Moreland-Newman Chapter; Mrs. Guy Smith of York, York-Clover Chapter; Everett Carson, Gastonia Chapter; and Mrs. Dwight Ellis, Abbeville Chapter.