

## Clinton People Aid in TB Seal Campaign

Contributions from Christmas Seal users in Laurens and Greenwood Counties are running ahead of the 1964 pace, according to the latest report from the two-county headquarters. The current campaign shows contributions totaling \$18,496.47 from 5,925 persons. Shown

here are Clinton committee members tallying contribution envelopes at a recent local opening. They are (left to right): Rhett P. Adair, Mrs. M. M. Teague (executive director from Laurens), Mrs. Harry Ayers, Mrs. John T. Young, J. J. Clark, and J. H. Hunter. —Photo by Yarborough.

## S. C. Women Voters League Schedules Organizational Meet

The League of Women Voters of South Carolina will hold an organizational meeting at the Laurens County Court House Thursday, Jan. 20, at 8:00 p.m. Mrs. Edmund Yaghjian of Columbia, state organization chairman, will conduct the meeting. Mrs. Joseph Moore, state president, will also be present.

The purpose of the League of Women Voters is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government. The League is non-partisan, taking action in support of or in opposition to issues, not candidates. However, members are encouraged to work as individuals in the political party of their choice.

Membership in the League of Women Voters is open to all women citizens of voting age who believe in representative government.

## County Treasurer Reports \$1,047,575 In Tax Collections

Tax collections for Laurens County through December 31 totaled \$1,047,575.71, according to Treasurer Alne Coleman.

Of that amount, December collections amounted to \$822,475.75.

The total to be collected by the treasurer is \$1,314,253.61.

Remaining on the books to be collected is \$266,677.90, and payments made during January carry a penalty of 1 per cent, February 2 per cent, March 3 per cent, and April 1-15, 7 per cent.

After April 15, when the books close, delinquent tax payments will be subject to additional costs.

## Lutheran Council Organized for Year

At a meeting of the Council of St. John's Lutheran Church held last Sunday evening the group was organized for the year.

Dr. E. B. Keisler, the interim pastor, was made chairman; R. W. Boland, vice-chairman; Mrs. F. M. Boland, secretary; and Walter A. Sigman, Jr., treasurer of the congregation.

To fill out the unexpired term on the Council of Harry E. Bedenbaugh, who moved from the city, Herman L. Shealy was elected by the Council.



## At Open Meeting of Legislators Monday

This was the scene Monday afternoon at the court house in Laurens when the county delegation in the General Assembly held its annual open meeting prior to the opening session of the legislature on Tuesday. About 25 citizens of the county were in the

court room for the meeting, several of whom made requests and suggestions. In photo, from left, are Representative Marshall Abercrombie, Senator William C. Dobbins, Representative J. C. League, and Sheriff R. E. Johnson, who was speaking at the time.

## Parents Have Choice

# Schools in District 56 To Integrate Monday

Laurens County District 56 schools (Clinton area) will undergo a degree of integration with the beginning of next week's session on Monday, according to a statement by R. P. Wilder, superintendent.

The action came this week following publication of a "Plan of Desegregation" after notification of its acceptance by the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The plan required placing in the hands of parents a "Choice of School" form on which they could denote their choice of a school, with comparable grades, which they desired their children to attend.

The forms were to be returned by Monday, Jan. 10, and trans-

ferred, if any, were to made on Monday, Jan. 17.

Mr. Wilder stated that about 10 Negro children turned in applications to attend Clinton High School, 12 or 13 for Junior High, and a few for transfer to other schools.

Mr. Wilder said he could give no accurate count of Negroes who will be attending previously all-white schools, since the applications are now being processed.

A number of irregularities have been noted, he said late Tuesday following a meeting of the board of trustees, and canvassing of requests for transfer and decisions on their disposition will require several days. Some of the requests may be withdrawn, he said.

The plan of desegregation was submitted by the board of trustees following a meeting on Dec. 20, and copies of the plan were mailed to the HEW Department on Dec. 21.

The plan was accepted by the Department on Dec. 28. A letter of acceptance was received by local school authorities on Dec. 30.

A letter to all parents, advising them of acceptance of the plan, together with instructions on procedure and the "Choice of School" form went out on Jan. 3.

## Fine Arts Exhibit Is Underway Today

Presbyterian College's third annual Fine Arts Exhibit, featuring the artistic works of students, faculty members and their families, is being shown for the second day this Thursday afternoon.

The 83 entries went on display Wednesday in the PC fine arts studio, on the second floor of the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Edouard Patte. They will be shown again on Thursday between the hours of 3:00 p. m. and 9:00 p. m., and the public is cordially invited to attend.

The entries include canvases, etchings, wood cuts, a 40-pound fresco and several pieces of sculpture. One room is devoted to the effects of little children, aged 2 to 10.

Dr. and Mrs. Patte are sponsoring this exhibit of non-professional works.

## Servicemen In Viet Nam To Receive The Chronicle

Through cooperation of The Chronicle and Clinton's Unit 56 of the American Legion Auxiliary, Clinton servicemen in Viet Nam will be placed on The Chronicle's mailing list.

Mrs. Earl Workman, president of the local Auxiliary, has secured the name and address of T-Sgt. E. E. Hamrick as the first name on the list. Others will be added, as they are received.

Sgt. Hamrick will begin receiving the paper this week with the good wishes of The Chronicle and Auxiliary.

The feeling that servicemen in Viet Nam should not be forgotten prompted the American Legion Auxiliary to undertake "Operation Hometown Newspaper," a project of the National Security Committee.

In cooperation with the Department of Defense, an announcement was made to servicemen in Viet Nam that if

## Branch in Joanna

## Newberry Bank Joins State Chain

The Newberry County Bank this week became a member of the \$95-million State Bank and Trust Company system. Merger of the banks became effective with the final approval of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in Washington.

With the addition of the Newberry Bank and its Joanna Branch, State Bank and Trust now has 25 offices in 10 South Carolina counties.

The bank has served Newberry County customers through its Whitmire office since 1957.

S. Whitfield Perry, Jr., newly elected vice-president, will join Joe E. Roberts, senior vice-president, at the downtown Newberry office.

T. C. Tindall, Jr., is in charge of the branch at Joanna.

Advisory directors, named at a meeting of the bank's board of directors in Greenwood Tuesday, are J. N. Beard, A. J. Bowers, Jr., R. Wright Cannon, J. F. Hawkins, Waldo C. Huffman, S. C. Paysinger, Walter Regnery, Joe M. Roberts, and T. C. Tindall, Jr.

## Whitsel Named AA Back of Year

Clinton High School halfback Joel Whitsel, who recently signed a grant-in-aid with Clemson, has been named Class AA back of the year by vote of the AA Conference coaches.

Woodruff's Phil Sawyer was named lineman of the year.

Coach Willie Varner of the Woodruff Wolverines, was chosen as Class AA coach of the year. His undefeated Wolverines were the state AA champions.

These players and Varner will be honored at the Easley Jamboree on January 24 at the Easley Junior High School.

## Cannon Assists In Textbook Revision

William S. Cannon, associate professor of mathematics at Presbyterian College, will assist in the revision work of the Macmillan Company's popular "Elements of Abstract Algebra," by Dr. John T. Moore.

The announcement made yesterday noted that the second edition of this book with added pertinent information to make it more up-to-date, is to come out next summer. Cannon also added Dr. Moore in the preparation of an earlier textbook for freshman mathematics.

Dr. Moore is presently on a leave of absence from the faculty of the University of Florida to teach at the University of Western Ontario in his native Canada.

## Red-Head Girls Team to Play Clinton All-Stars

The world's champion All-American Girls' Red Head basketball team is coming to Clinton Tuesday, January 25, at 8:00 p. m. at the Thornwell gym.

This is the tallest girls team in the world playing against an all-star men's team consisting of the following: Dr. Marc Weersing, president of Presbyterian College; Coaches Cally Gault, Art Mueselman, and Bennie Crabtree of Presbyterian College; Coaches Doug Gaydon and John Dowdle of Thornwell Orphanage; Russ Emerson, Bobby Thomas, and Ray Cagle from the Torrington Co.; Leonard Price of Joanna and Paul Nye, former Presbyterian star; and Ralph Tedards, personnel manager of The Torrington Co.

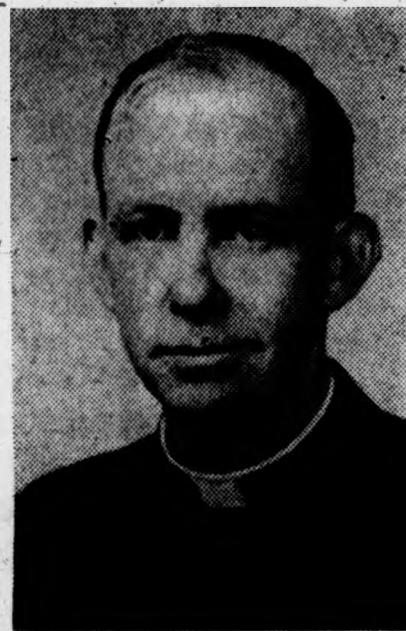
The Thornwell Kiwanis Key Club is sponsoring the game as one of their projects for the year.

Dr. M. A. Macdonald, newly elected president of the Clinton Kiwanis Club, will manage the Clinton All-Star team.

Tickets will be one dollar for high school and adults, and fifty cents for grammar and junior high students. Part of the profits will go to civic affairs in Clinton.

The world's champion All-American Red Heads played 202 games last season. They are appearing at two places in South Carolina this season.

Reserve seat tickets are on sale at the following places: McGee's Drug Store, Young's Pharmacy, Torrington Company, Clinton Mills Store, Bell's Dept. Store, Community Cash and Thornwell School. The reserve seat ticket sale will end Monday morning, January 24 at 10:00 a. m.



## Rev. John Rivers Accepts Post At Kentucky Church

The Rev. John Rivers, Rector, All Saints Episcopal Church, Clinton, will become assistant Rector at Christ Episcopal Church, Lexington, Kentucky, effective January 31.

Mr. Rivers came to Clinton in March 1960 from the Diocese of South Carolina.

He will join a staff of clergymen at Lexington that includes the Rev. Thomas A. Roberts, formerly of Christ Church Greenville, and the Rev. Giles F. Lewis, past Rector of All Saints in Clinton.

Mr. Rivers will assume special responsibilities in the ministry to Christian Education and the Episcopal Young Churchmen in addition to other clergy duties.

While in Clinton, Mr. Rivers has been active in the Ministerial Association, was Education Chairman and President of the Laurens County Mental Health Association, and has worked closely with the local Alcoholics Anonymous chapter. He has been chairman to Episcopal students at Presbyterian College.

Mr. Rivers is married to the former Jean Ellen Cleveland of Flint, Michigan. They are parents of four children: Sallie, Jay, Andrew, and Joseph.

Rivers holds a bachelor of arts degree from College of Charleston and the bachelor of divinity degree from Episcopal Theological Seminary, Cambridge, Mass.

## Hospital Board Asks Tax Hike

# Tax Equalization, Nursing Home Before Delegation

## Davidson Street Church Schedules Bible Study Week

Davidson Street Baptist Church has scheduled January "Bible Study Week" for January 17-20. Southern Baptist Convention approved units of study for each age group, nursery through adult, are planned for Monday through Thursday, beginning each night at 7:30 o'clock.

The pastor, Rev. M. Floyd Hellams, and the church study course director, Mrs. Joe Campbell, list the following departments, teachers, and units of study: Adult department — Mrs. Hellams, "John's Witness of Jesus"; Young People — Mrs. James Bryson, "John's Witness to Jesus"; Intermediate — Mrs. Bobby Joe Meadors, "Letters On Christian Living"; Junior — Mrs. Marvin DeYoung — "Men Who Told His Story"; Primary — Mrs. Roy Hauptfear, "The Story of Joseph"; Beginner — Mrs. Robert Spencer, "Sounds That Sing"; Nursery — Mrs. Oscar Kinard, "When I'm at Church".

All departments are asked to have full attendance and the members are urged to meet the requirements for Church Study Course Awards. Visitors are welcome.

## March of Dimes Workers To See Film This Evening

A film entitled, "An Extra Measure," will be shown tonight (Thursday) to chairmen of committees appointed to work on the 1966 March of Dimes, David Taylor, Laurens County Chairman, has announced.

These workers will assemble at the Mary Musgrove Hotel for supper at 7:30 (small dining room), after which Dr. Fred Holcombe will present Larry Gar of Laurens, who will make a few remarks concerning the 1966 campaign and introduce the film.

Additional committee chairmen for the Clinton area are announced today by Mrs. Marc Weersing, assistant director for the county-wide effort.

Mrs. Powell Fraser will head the Teen Activities, and Mrs. Marion Hiers will act as finance chairman. As institutional chairmen the following have accepted responsibility: Presbyterian College, Cally Gault; Thornwell, Dick Templeton; Whitten Village, Phil Rogers. Jack Bishop is acting as radio chairman, and the Boy Scouts of Broad Street Methodist Church, Raymond Campbell, scoutmaster, have placed posters and coin collectors in business establishments.

Mrs. D. H. Martin, Mother's March chairman in Clinton, has secured captains for 14 areas in Clinton and they include Mrs. Irby Ferguson, Mrs. R. L. Plaxico, Mrs. Charles Pitts,

The Clinton area would be directly affected by the three principal requests and recommendations made to the Laurens County legislative delegation at an open meeting in the court house at Laurens Monday afternoon.

The requests were for an increase in taxes to pay for charity services at Bailey Memorial Hospital, mapping of the county for tax purposes and equalization of taxes, and a recommendation that a nursing home be built in conjunction with Bailey Memorial Hospital.

Ryan F. Lawson, chairman of the board of trustees of the hospital, requested that the delegation increase the tax levy for the Clinton District from four mills to eight in order to more nearly pay the cost of providing services necessary in charity cases.

Lawson pointed out that it was recommended in the last hospital audit that the tax levy be increased to provide \$50,000 for that purpose. The present millage provides \$25,000 annually.

The need for a nursing home was suggested by Lawson. It would, he said, provide long-term care and at the same time relieve the load in many cases on the hospital.

Mapping, Equalization  
L. S. Hay, member of the Presbyterian College faculty,

appearing, he said, on behalf of a "citizens committee," favoring equalization of county property taxes, requested the legislators to have the State Tax Commission conduct a survey and mapping of the county in order to get all property on the tax books.

Three other recommendations by Mr. Hay were: that a graduated scale of market value be established for agricultural, timber, and undeveloped land; that real property and buildings be listed on the tax books at full market value with the tax levied at a given percentage of that value; that legislative or other steps be taken to waive delinquent tax penalties on property listed voluntarily before a given date, in order to encourage early voluntary listing of property.

Mr. Hay gave as an example, two city lots with houses on them that had been assessed at \$100 each, but recently sold for \$9,500 and \$18,000, respectively. The owner of the lower priced property, he said, had been paying twice as much tax, proportionately, as the owner of the higher priced property.

Mr. Hay also told of mapping operations in Greenwood County that had turned up property valued at \$3,183,264.14 that had not been on the tax books at all.

Dr. Otis M. Hill of Laurens, urged that an airstrip owned by the county and operated by the County Airport Commission, be made wider and lengthened to at least 4,000 feet.

Sheriff R. E. Johnson requested that at least two more deputies be added to his force to relieve present personnel from working excessively long hours.

Senator William C. Dobbins, who presided over the session, said that 1965 was a good year for Laurens County—a year in which the county "embarked on an era of the greatest business and industrial progress and growth in its history."

He told of new industries in the county, expansion of many already here, and mentioned the building of another new plant which may be announced in the next few days.

Other matters he touched on were peaceful race relations in the county, the orderly and adequate registering of all voters, the good shape of county finances, appropriation of \$50,000 for new machinery for road work, additional funds for the county library, new and adequate quarters for the county welfare department, raising of the road bed and building of a new bridge on Highway 208 to facilitate the building of a dam for the Duncan Creek Watershed, efforts now underway to convert the Clinton-Laurens road into a four-lane highway, the abolishing of a special \$3.10 deer and turkey hunting permit applying only to residents of this area.

Representatives J. C. League and Marshall Abercrombie also made brief remarks.

## TB Association Annual Meeting Slated for Jan. 31

The annual meeting of the Tuberculosis and Health Association will be held on January 31 in Greenwood, according to an announcement made today by Henry M. Faris, president of the association.

Faris stated that plans for the meeting are being made by a committee headed by Rev. James A. Bowers of Greenwood. He said that invitations naming the time and place of the meeting will be issued by the committee at a later date.

## Miss Abrams Named Hospital Administrator At Whitten Village

Miss Lou Abrams, R. N., joined the staff at Whitten Village in December and assumed duties as hospital administrator.

Miss Abrams has had wide experience in the field of nursing and hospital administration. She is a graduate of Thornwell Orphanage High School and the Barrett School of Nursing, University Hospital, Augusta, Ga. She was operating room supervisor at University Hospital from 1934 to 1940, and night supervisor and director of nursing at Charlotte Memorial Hospital, Charlotte, N. C., 1940-1942.

Since that time she has served as hospital administrator and director of nursing services at several well known hospitals in the states of Georgia and Florida.

Miss Abrams is a Fellow of the American College of Hospital Administrators.

## Powell, Perry Named On All-State Band

At a meeting of all high school and junior high school bands in Columbia last Saturday, two students from Clinton were selected to participate in the "All State Band". Students were selected by a panel of qualified judges and will be presented in concert later this month.

Bobby Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Vernon Powell, was selected from the high school students for "All State Band" and Carole Perry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Perry, was selected for the Junior High All State Band.

This entitles Mr. Powell and Miss Perry to spend the weekend of January 28th and 29th at Furman University for rehearsal with other All State Band members for the grand concert to be given Sunday, January 29 in McAllister Auditorium. This concert is open to the public. Harry Bouknight, band director, urges any interested person to attend as this will be the best performance of band members.

## Whitten Village Volunteers To Meet

The Whitten Village Volunteers will meet Tuesday morning, January 18, at 10 o'clock in the school building on the campus.

Mrs. Rufus Sadler, president, urges all members to be present as following the business meeting, a tour of the new recreation building will be given.

## Lions Club To See TB and Health Film

Mrs. Martin Teague, executive director of the Tuberculosis and Health Association of Greenwood-Laurens Counties, will present a film, "Point of View," at a meeting of the Clinton Lions Club Friday night at the Mary Musgrove Hotel. The meeting will begin at 7:00 o'clock.



COACH BEN OVERMAN—WORLD CHAMPION GIRLS MOORE'S ALL AMERICAN RED HEADS