



Camp Fire Girls Candy Sale Begins

Charles G. Buice, chairman of the annual Camp Fire candy sale, announced the sale will begin today and continue until a date to be announced.

The well-known candy is sold once a year as the only fund raising project of the Community Chest supported Clinton Camp Fire Council. Proceeds will be used to help defray the cost of summer camp.

Mr. Buice said proceeds will be the same as in previous years and that any girl desiring to attend camp may pay her own camp fee by selling candy. Each girl will receive twenty-five cents toward her camp fee, her individual girl will receive five cents and ten cents will go into the general camp fund.

The candy sales also provide an opportunity for Camp Fire Girls to learn how to handle money, keep records and work together toward a common goal. A certificate of merit will be presented to the Camp Fire girls selling the greatest number of boxes of candy.

Candy Sale Begins Today

Jenny Rice is shown making an early sale to Mrs. Leonard L. Cathey of Sunset Blvd. to officially open the Camp Fire Candy sale which begins today. Jenny, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Rice, is a member of Kadoka District. She led all three districts last year in candy sales for the Clinton Camp Fire Council and earned the largest portion of her fee to attend Camp Greenville.—Photo by Yarbrough.

Joycees To Conduct Lite-A-Bike Project

The Clinton Joycees will conduct a Lite-A-Bike day on Saturday, March 5, President Bob Hanson announced.

All bike owners are asked to bring their bikes to the municipal parking lot in the center of Clinton between 10:00 a. m. and noon on that day. The Joycees, under the direction of Ed Madden, chairman, will put reflector tape on each bike, free of charge. This safety reflector tape enables the bike to be seen more clearly at dusk or at night. In addition plastic name tags will be attached to each bike with the owner's name on it. Please print your name on the coupon you will find in this paper and bring it with you on Saturday.

The reflector tape was donated by the Laurens VFW, through the courtesy of the 3-M Company.

Miraculous Recovery Made By Youngster

Danny Lanford, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lanford of 400 Caldwell St. is living proof that miracles do happen. On Thursday Feb. 10, while experimenting with a homemade bomb, stuffing firecracker powder into copper tubing, a spark ignited the powder setting off an explosion that badly ripped his fingers, burning his hand, and propelling a piece of copper into his heart.

After emergency treatment and repair to his hand at Bailey Memorial he was transferred to Self Memorial, Greenwood. Here amazed doctors found that the metal had worked its way into the chamber of his heart, moving through the right artery to become lodged under his right arm. From there it was removed by surgery.

On Furman List For First Semester

Misses Harriet Wilson and Carol Sanders, Clinton students at Furman University, Greenville, are listed on the dean's list for academic achievement for the first semester.

New Concert Association Members Will Get Bonus

The Community Concert Association's 1966-67 membership campaign goes into its second week next Monday as workers approach prospective new members who in joining will get a bonus concert in April of this year.

Buyers of '66-67 tickets, who have not been members this season, will be eligible to see "Two Go Dancing", the final attraction of the 65-66 year, on April 5.

Coming to Clinton during next fall and winter will be Richard Hayman, and the Manhattan PoPs Orchestra, Ronald Turini, pianist, and The Revelers, a male quartet. All concerts are held at Belk Auditorium on the Presbyterian College Campus.

Tickets are \$7.50 for adults, \$3.00, children and students; and an additional charge of \$4.00 for adults or students who wish to attend the concerts in Greenville, which has a reciprocal arrangement with the Clinton Association. An extra charge of \$1.00 is made for unreserved seats for children in Greenville.

Mrs. Frank Sherrill, president of the association has suggested that persons not wishing to buy memberships for themselves, instead purchase a gift membership to a deserving young person in the city schools, or at Thornwell or Whitten Village.

Workers are invited to a coffee at the Hotel Mary Musgrove at 10 a. m., March 7, where they will meet Mrs. Mary Wallace, representative of Columbia Artists Management, Inc., New York City. Campaign workers will also turn in their renewals at that time, according to Mrs. Robert Wassung, and Mrs. Robert Hanson, co-chairman of the membership campaign.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week wind up membership renewals for the next season.



CLAUDE A. CROCKER

Crocker Is Named To Lead Chamber

Claude A. Crocker, personnel director for Clinton Mills, is the new president of the Clinton Chamber of Commerce.

He will assume his duties April 1 and will serve for the coming year.

Currently serving as a director, Crocker has been active in work of the Chamber of Commerce for many years, as well as occupying posts of responsibility in other phases of community activity. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church and the Lions Club.

Other officers of the Chamber are I. Mac Adair, first vice-president; M. D. Milam, Jr., treasurer; and Don G. Creighton, retiring president, will serve as second vice-president.

Directors beginning three-year terms April 1, recently elected by mail ballot, are C. W. Anderson, W. R. Anderson, George H. Cornelison, Charles T. Pitts and Dr. Louis M. Stephens.

Holdover directors are Pringle Copeland, Crocker, L. O. Edwards, L. V. Powell and R. S. Truluck, serving until 1967; Adair, W. C. Baldwin, Tom Plaxico, Shelton J. Rimer and Robert B. Wassung, who will serve until 1968.

Mrs. Moorefield To Head League Of Women Voters

Mrs. David Moorefield of Clinton was elected president of the Laurens County unit, League of Women Voters, at an organizational meeting last Tuesday.

The group will be known as a "provisional league" for at least one year, possibly three years, in order to give its members time to study and become informed in matters pertaining to county, state, and national government.

Other officers are: first vice-president, Mrs. Neal Prater, Clinton, second vice-president, Mrs. Sara Dixon DeLoach, Laurens; secretary, Mrs. Calvin Reed, Clinton; treasurer, Mrs. Frank Childress, Laurens; board members: Mrs. Margaret Williams, Laurens; Mrs. John Glover, Clinton; Mrs. B. H. Maddox, Clinton; and Mrs. Marc Weersing, Clinton.

Additional board members will be appointed at the first meeting of the above group, who were elected by interested women present last Thursday. Mrs. Larry Savelkoul headed the nominating committee.

Membership in the new organization is open to all women of Laurens County of voting age who are interested in government. For the provisional period members will study under the supervision of Mrs. Edmund Yaghjian, of Columbia, organization chairman of the South Carolina League of Women Voters.

Two From Clinton Are Nominated For Service Academies

Two young men from Clinton have been nominated to fill three vacancies at the United States Naval Academy and the United States Air Force Academy by Robert Ashmore, representative from the Fourth Congressional District.

Marion (Mac) Curry Hiers, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hiers of 103 Woodrow Dr., a freshman at the University of South Carolina, is one of six nominees from this district to the Naval Academy. There is one vacancy.

A senior at Thornwell High School, Robert Emmett Little, III, is a nominee along with nine others to fill two vacancies at the Air Force Academy.

Rep. Ashmore named 28 youths to compete for his six vacancies at the three service academies. No one from this area was selected to vie for the West Point opening.

Bond Ceiling May Face Referendum In Laurens County

Columbia—Legislation which would allow Laurens County voters to decide on increasing school bond ceilings by 100 per cent got a favorable report from the Laurens House delegation Thursday.

Reps. Marshall Abercrombie and J. C. League reported Sen. W. C. (Bill) Dobbins' twin resolutions out of the delegation committee with favorable recommendations.

The resolutions permit voters to decide in a November referendum if the constitution should be amended so that the school bond ceiling could be hiked from 8 to 16 per cent of assessed property valuation.

The county's districts, 55 and 56, need the additional bonding power to finance building programs.

The House delegation's action assured legislative approval of the resolutions.

Laurens solons also gave the nod for final approval of Sen. Dobbins' bill providing for the transfer of \$10,000 from the general fund to the contingent fund.

Part of the money will be used to pay salaries of two deputy sheriffs at Joanna, and the remainder for general county purposes.

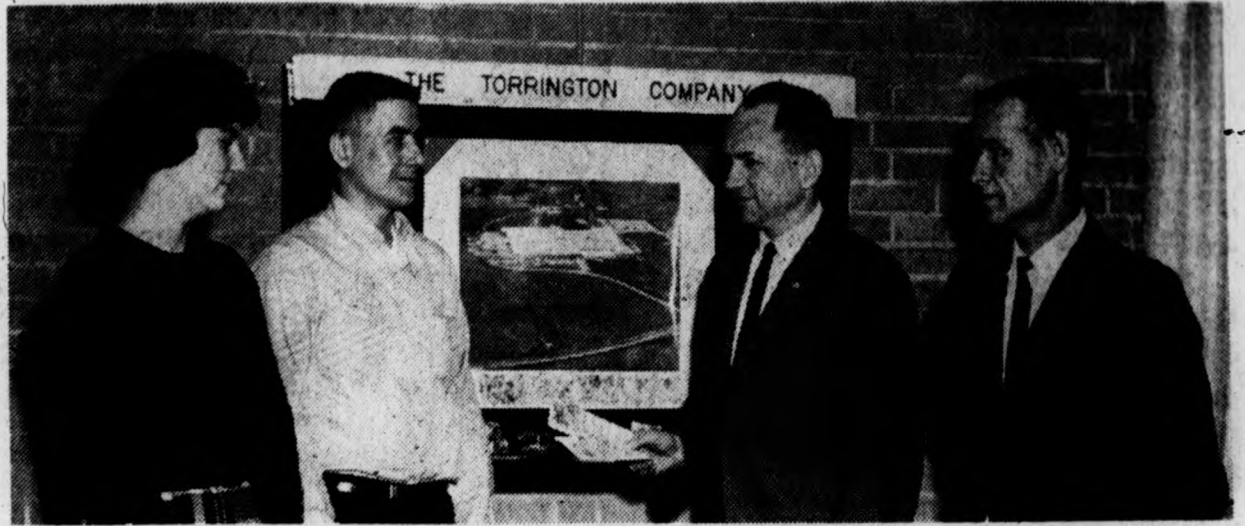
The bill got a second reading Thursday and, with unanimous unopposed House session, reading Friday during a local consent, won approval for final action.

Mrs. Jones Winner Of Slogan Contest At The Torrington Co.

Mrs. Joyce Jones of the needle bearing assembly department won first place in the plant-wide safety slogan contest recently sponsored by the Torrington Bearings Plant of the Torrington Company.

Second place went to Ray Riley of the heavy duty grinding department.

Mrs. Jones' slogan, "Be Safety Conscious Every Day, At Home, At Work, or on the Way," has been entered in a state-wide competition sponsored by the South Carolina Accident Prevention Council.



Wins Safety Slogan Contest

From left are Mrs. Joyce Jones, winner of a safety slogan contest at The Torrington Co., Ray Riley, Robert B. Wassung, plant manager, and E. C. Huffstetler, safety director. (See adjoining story).—Photo by Yarbrough.

County Democratic Convention Slated for Monday at Court House

Laurens County Democratic Clubs elected officers in reorganization meetings Saturday and named delegates to the county convention.

The reorganization of the clubs was effected to conduct primaries scheduled for later this year.

The County Democratic convention will be held Monday in the court house at Laurens, beginning at 10:00 a. m. Officers and a state executive committeeman will be elected and delegates named to the state convention.

It is expected that several resolutions will be presented to the convention for adoption or rejection.

Immediately following the convention a meeting of the executive committee (executive committeeman from each precinct) for candidates, arrange a campaign will be held to set entry fees, schedule, and to transact other business that may come before the committee.

George L. Phinney of Laurens is current chairman of the party for Laurens County, and Mrs. Claude Cook of Laurens, vice-chairman. R. L. Plaxico of Clinton, is the county's member of the State Executive Committee.

Following are officers and delegates named to the county convention of precincts in the Clinton area:

CLINTON NO. 1
Clyde Taegue, president; A. H. Howard, vice-president; V. Parks Adair, secretary; R. L. Plaxico, executive committeeman.

Delegates: J. J. Clark, A. H. Howard, V. Parks Adair, Mrs. Rhett P. Adair, Rhett P. Adair, Boyd W. Holtzclaw, Clyde Taegue, R. L. Plaxico, J. K. Haselden, Mrs. Lois Thornley, R. F. Sumner, Cecil E. White, C. D. Pitts, J. L. Arnold, L. L. Copeland, Jr., C. S. Robertson, L. H. Bagwell, George W. Bagwell, J. J. Mabry, B. M. Dutton, L. H. Bagwell, Jr., William Spooner, Russell Cooper, E. R. Knox, S. A. Pitts, R. J. Copeland, Jr., Arnold Dixon and George Corley.

CLINTON NO. 2
Harry C. Layton, president; John D. Dowd, vice-president; Bill Phelps, secretary-treasurer; Charles H. Johnson, executive committeeman.

Delegates: Reese Young, Gene Lucas, Russ Emerson, Harry C. Layton, Bob Wickham, Ellis Huffstetler, John Dowdle, Bob Black, Ray Pitts, Bill Phelps, Tom Ramage, Charles H. Johnson, Grady Chandler, John H. Hunter, Harry Wilkes, Ray Whiteford, Nolan Suddeth, Claude Crocker, Mrs. Joe Mc-

City Democratic Groups Contend

A hassle developed at Clinton Democratic Precinct No. 2 Saturday afternoon that may wind up in the county convention for settlement.

At issue was whether or not a meeting could be held on the grounds of the Armory, usual voting and meeting place for the precinct, after the building was found to be locked.

Two contending groups argued the point, with one group wanting the session held on the grounds, at the announced time, the other contended that the meeting should be postponed until that night.

Parties from each side left the premises to telephone for information as to whether the meeting could be postponed until night.

Upon returning to the Armory, the parties stated they were unable to contact authorities they sought. At this point, Charles H. Johnson, executive committeeman for the precinct, stated that the meeting would be postponed until 7:00 Saturday night.

Spokesmen for the other side then said they had already held a meeting (on the Armory grounds).

Harry C. Layton, president of the precinct organization, stated that he was on the site, and available, and did not call any meeting to order that afternoon.

Upon convening of the night session, and as the meeting was called to order, Larry Ingle, spokesman for the group that claimed to have held the afternoon meeting (and returned for the night meeting) interrupted to state that since the afternoon session was held, the night meeting was illegal, and therefore they could do nothing but walk out, which they did.

It was not learned what business, if any, was transacted during the afternoon meeting (when about a half dozen were present). No list of officers or delegates to the county convention, selected by the group, was on file with county Democratic officials, it was stated.

The night session, with about 50 persons present, resulted in the election of a full slate of officers and delegates.

Gee, Mrs. Chris Adair, Jr., Wil-mot Shealy and Ralph Tedards.

CLINTON MILL
Truman Owens, president; S. S. Williams, vice-president; J. R. Cox, secretary; Truman Owens, executive committeeman. Delegates: Harry Foster, Paul Foster, Andy Hames, Billy McClaude Crocker, Mrs. Joe Mc-

Owens, J. H. Hughes, Roy Holtzclaw, Jimmy Braswell, Cecil Lawson, Reginald Cheek, Vardy Cannon, Colie Campbell, Clyde Croy, Winfred Lusk, Mrs. Eva Land, Mrs. A. D. Lancaster, Mrs. Joel Cox and Mrs. James Traynham.

LYDIA MILL
B. P. Lark, president; Tom-mey E. Moore, vice-president; David Word, secretary; B. P. Lark, executive committeeman.

Delegates: Robert Webb, Homer Birch, James W. Campbell, Frank Moore, Claud Gilstrap, Calvin Cooper, Ernest Hendrix, Clyde Trammell.

JOANNA
James Simpson, president; Rofe Clark, vice-president; W. W. Niver, secretary-treasurer; W. C. Dobbins, executive committeeman.

Delegates: J. J. Hawkins, C. N. Franks, James Thomas, E. L. Thomas, Rofe Clark, J. L. Clark, W. W. Niver, Cecil O'Dell, Jimmy Clark, W. C. Dobbins, Hack Prater, Guy Prater, L. R. Thompson, W. R. Lanford, W. K. Waits, C. E. Abrams, L. T. Lawson, Rev. Ross Pickett, Rev. Byron Harbin, James Simpson.

HOPEWELL
C. R. Workman, president; J. R. Crawford, vice-president, secretary-treasurer; James Williams, executive committeeman.

Delegates: Hugh Buford, Downs Monroe, James Williams.

LONG BRANCH
Sammy Compton, president; Franklin Sinclair, vice-president; Mrs. Roy Harris, secretary; Mrs. C. D. Benjamin, executive committeeman.

Delegates: Mrs. S. E. Compton, Sr., J. D. Cunningham, Robert Elmore, Grady Smith.

SHADY GROVE
R. C. Franklin, president and executive committeeman; Mrs. J. A. Bledsoe, secretary; J. C. Nabors, vice-president. Delegate: R. C. Franklin.

CROSS HILL
Joe H. Shealy, president; Martin Boyce, vice-president; Rev. W. F. Mitchell, secretary; Joe H. Shealy, executive committeeman.

Delegates: S. M. Leaman, Martin Boyce, H. Kenneth Hanna, Rev. W. F. Mitchell, Joe H. Shealy.

MOUNTVILLE
G. C. Watts, president; W. F. Lynch, vice-president and secretary; S. B. Goodman, executive committeeman.

Delegates: S. C. Blackmon, L. R. Adams, S. B. Goodman.

Local Hospital Gets Accreditation For Three-Year Period

Bailey Memorial Hospital has been accredited for a period of three years by the board of commissioners of the Joint Commission of Accreditation of Hospitals.

In approving the Clinton hospital, the commission stated that it "wishes to commend you for maintaining standards deserving of accreditation and for your constant effort to improve the quality of patient care."

The commission also commended the new construction program which will add a new wing and 50 beds to the hospital, with completion slated for this year.

Fred N. Crawford, Jr., is administrator of the hospital. On the board of directors are Ryan F. Lawson, chairman; G. R. Blalock, M. D., vice-chairman; David R. Meyers, secretary; W. C. Neely and John M. Simmons.

Damage to Sub-station Equipment Darkens City

A power blackout which paralyzed Clinton for three hours last Wednesday night was caused by damaged insulators at the sub-station, shorting out the city's main power line.

Richard D. Gredler, city engineer, pointed out that ice which lightly covered the area at the time was not responsible for the failure. Damage to sub-

station equipment was blamed, but it is not likely to occur again, Mr. Gredler said. Clinton was in darkness from 9:00 p. m. until midnight.

The city purchases power from Duke Power Co. and operates its own utility system. Out of operation were lights and electrically-powered furnaces and appliances, causing minor inconveniences in the business and residential areas. and at Presbyterian College, Thornwell Orphanage and Whitten Village. Bailey Memorial Hospital switched immediately to emergency generators though officials were concerned about heat in patients' rooms, and Clinton Mills used its own utility system to keep plants in operation.

Police used a fire truck mobile radio to maintain communications with city patrol cars as the base shortwave transmitter was disabled. City police reported "no real trouble" during the three-hour blackout, and there was no report of a fire.

Mountville Holdup Trio Is Arrested In Chattanooga

Two men and a teen-age girl who robbed a Mountville merchant and a customer of \$24 and a wrist watch Tuesday afternoon of last week were arrested on Friday in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Laurens County officers went to Chattanooga and brought the fugitives back to Laurens, where they are being held in the county jail.

Sheriff R. Eugene Johnson identified them as James Tuck, 32, of Jonesville, N. C.; Mildred Ann Cheek, 19, of Elkin, N. C., and Robert Swain, 20, an AWOL soldier from Greensboro, N. C.

The trio pulled the telephone off the wall before driving off from the store operated by G. C. Watts at Mountville on Highway 72.

Watts said one of the men, armed with a pistol, accompanied by the other two, came into the store shortly after 3:00 p. m. and forced him to surrender \$20 from his wallet. A customer, Walter F. Lynch, was robbed of \$4 and a wrist watch.

The two men and the woman then drove off in a 1960 green Ford with North Carolina license plates.

The license numbers were noted, it was said by officers, and ownership of the car was soon traced. A south-wide alert was instituted, but nothing was heard of the culprits until they were arrested Friday in Chattanooga.

Graham Crusade To Begin Friday

Famed Evangelist Billy Graham begins a Crusade in Greenville's Textile Hall at 7:30 p. m. Friday, with half the seats in the 22,000 capacity auditorium already reserved by groups in the Piedmont area of the state.

Dr. Graham will speak every night, through March 13, at 7:30 and on Sundays at 3 p. m. Admission is free, and reserved seats are available for any session at the First Presbyterian Church and Baldwin Motor Co. in Clinton.

Bus transportation to Textile Hall is available Friday night to anyone calling the office of the First Presbyterian Church between 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. today and tomorrow.

Cadet Robert Johnson Makes Academic List

Cadet Robert E. Johnson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson of Clinton, has been named to the dean's merit list at the U. S. Air Force Academy in Colorado.

Cadet Johnson, a member of the class of '68, will wear a special star insignia on his sleeve in recognition of his outstanding academic achievement.