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## WEATHER

(Week of Feb. 4-11)  
 High: 63 (Feb. 8) Low: 22 (Feb. 5)  
 Rainfall: .09 in.

## Smith Receives Service Award From Jaycees

D. B. Smith, manager of the local Belk's Department Store, was honored Saturday night as the winner of the Clinton Jaycees' "Distinguished Service Award."

The award was presented at the Jaycees' annual awards banquet which was held at Mary Musgrove Hotel.

In presenting the Jaycees' top award to Mr. Smith, Clinton Jaycee President Milton Moore said, "We present this award to Mr. Smith in recognition of his service to our community and to our organization."

"He has gone out of his way many times to assist us with various projects. He also has quietly done many, many things for the betterment of our community."

The Jaycees also honored:

---Mr. Hubert Todd as "Boss of the Year." He was cited for his cooperation with Jaycee projects through Jaycee members of his staff at Industrial Supply Co.

---Lt. Alan Simmons as "Policeman of the Year" for having done the most "to bring about a greater amount of understanding between policemen and the community."

---William Adair, "Young Farmer of the Year."

---Dr. Fred Chapman as "Educator of the Year." Dr. Chapman, academic dean at Presbyterian College, was particularly praised for helping to bring the community and the college closer together.

Certificates of appreciation were presented to O. P. Haynes of Radio Station WPCO and Donny Wilder of The Chronicle for their

assistance in publicizing Jaycee sponsored events.

Internal Jaycee awards were presented to:

---Joe Foster, chairman of the "Committee of the Year". Foster was chairman of the Stocking Fund Committee which raised over \$450 to finance a Christmas shopping tour for 40 needy children.

---Mike Horton, who received three awards. He was chairman of the "Financial Project of the Year", the "Battle of the Bands Competition"; he also was the "Jaycee of the Year"; and received the "Presidential Citation" as the Jaycee who was the most assistance to the president of the local club.

---D. L. Gunter as "Rookie of the Year". Gunter was honored as being the outstanding new member of the organization.

State Jaycee President J. Dan Winchester of Liberty was guest speaker at the banquet.

He outlined some of the statewide Jaycee projects which currently are under study or are under way. He said the Jaycees hope to add education concerning drug abuse to their list of projects. He pointed out that the Jaycees currently are conducting statewide campaigns on adult education and in the fight against mental retardation.

Winchester said the Jaycees feature leadership development and community service.

He said, "So many communities in South Carolina don't have proper leadership and are languishing. . . . If we show greater thrust at the local level, we can solve our own problems without having to turn to outside governmental units."



**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE**—D. B. Smith, left, receives the Distinguished Service Award from Clinton Jaycee President Milton Moore Saturday night at the Jaycees' awards banquet. Mr. Smith, manager of Belk's Department Store, was honored for his service to the community and to the Jaycees.—(Yarborough Photo)

## Wins By 2-1 Margin Suddeth Is Elected Mayor

Noland Suddeth will be sworn in Feb. 16 for a six-month term as mayor of Clinton.

Suddeth, a Republican, defeated Mayor Pro Tem Talmadge Sanders by a 2-1 margin Tuesday in a special election.

The election was held to fill the balance of the term of the late Harry C. Layton, Mr. Layton, who defeated Suddeth in a 1968 regular election, died Dec. 11.

Suddeth's term will expire Aug. 31. A regular municipal election is scheduled for August to elect a mayor and a full slate of city councilmen for a full two-year term.

Suddeth defeated Sanders by a vote of 831 to 417, carrying two

of the three municipal polls. Sanders led at the Clinton Mills Poll, 144-99, but Suddeth carried the polls at City Hall and the Armory.

Suddeth served a two-year term as mayor from 1966 to 1968. He was Clinton's first Republican mayor.

Suddeth received a healthy margin of votes at the Armory, polling place for Clinton No. 2. Suddeth received 450 votes to Sanders' 81 at the Armory. Suddeth also carried the City Hall poll, voting place for Clinton No. 1, as he received 282 votes to 191 for Sanders.

A rumored write-in campaign failed to materialize. The only two write-in votes reported were

two votes for Chick Pitts in the Clinton Mill box. In the three polling places, there was a total of 69 spoiled ballots, turned in by voters who did not follow instructions in marking their ballots.

After his election, Suddeth said, "First I thank each of the 1,319 citizens who voted Tuesday . . . This was a fine number, one we can all be proud of."

"I want to thank each and every one of the voters who gave me such a splendid vote. I shall always be grateful for such fine support. I shall always strive to serve you in an honorable way."

"May I also say 'A job well done and thank you' to all service clubs, radio stations and citizens who did such a fine job



NOLAND SUDDETH on their 'Get Out The Vote Drives'.

## Top Prep Seniors Visit PC

Forty-five topflight high school seniors from four states will assemble on the Presbyterian College campus this Thursday for a three-day visit as candidates in PC's annual scholarship competition.

They will compete for 20 grants paying up to \$7,200 each for four years of study, depending upon need. Other qualifications are the qualities of intellect, leadership and character.

The program offers ten Founder's Scholarships, each ranging from an honorary minimum stipend of \$600 to \$1,800 per year for the four years; and ten Alumni Scholarships, each ranging from \$300 to \$1,800 per year. The grants are renewable each year.

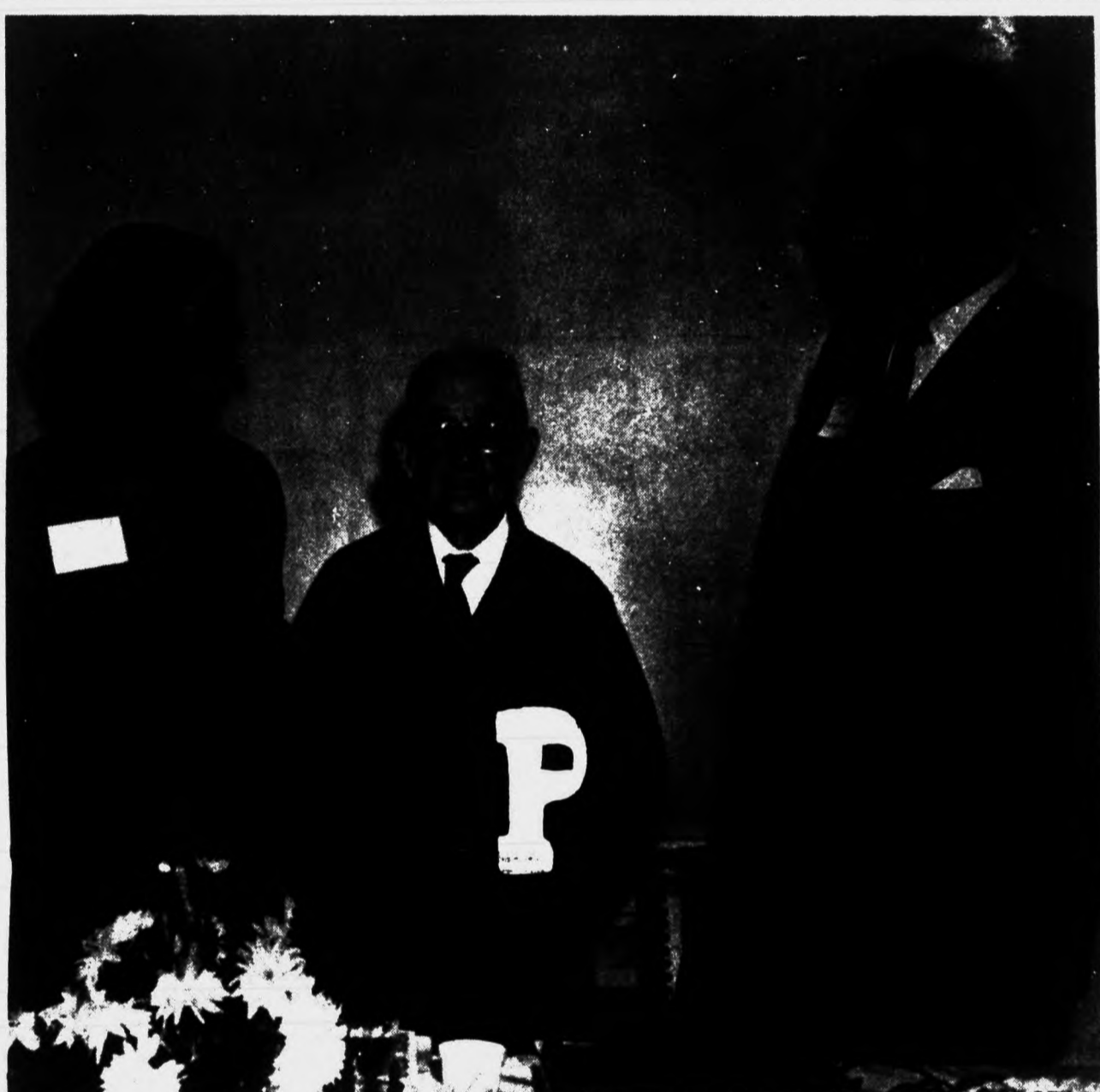
Admissions Director Joe Nixon said the 45 finalists were selected and invited to the campus on the basis of high school transcripts, test scores, extracurricular activities and recommendations. They are scheduled to arrive Thursday in time for a special dinner in Greenville Dining Hall and will visit with faculty members in their homes afterwards. The young men and women candidates will attend classes Friday morning, undergo further testing Friday afternoon and then attend the annual Military Ball that evening. After an orientation program and luncheon on Saturday, they will be free to return home or remain on campus through Sunday.

## County Council Bill Published In Chronicle

At the request of the Laurens County Legislative Delegation, The Chronicle today publishes the complete text of the county council bill on page 3-B.

Rep. David S. Taylor, secretary to the delegation, said, "We have had so many requests for copies of the bill that we have been unable to supply them all. We hope that those who wish to have copies of the bill will clip them out of this week's 'Chronicle.'"

Taylor said that if any further amendments are to be made to the bill, they must be made before the final week in February because the two major political parties will soon begin making plans about offering candidates for the county council posts and other elective offices.

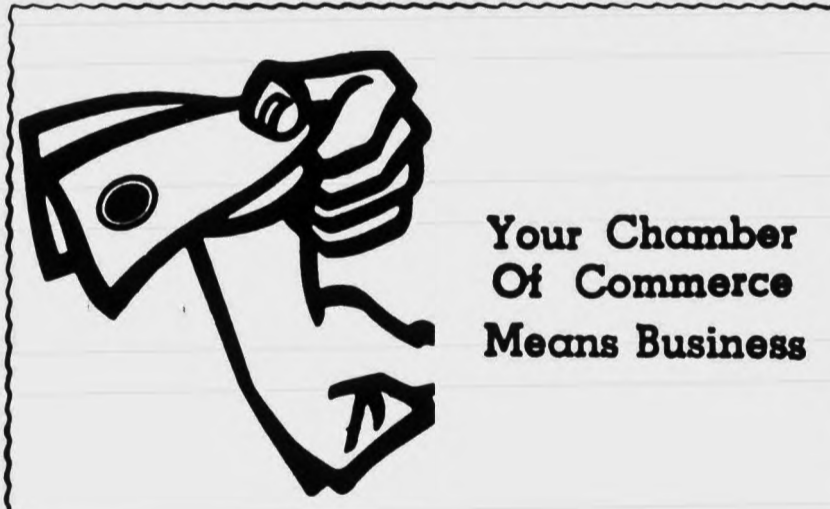


**WINS LETTER AT 91**—A Block P letter certificate and sweater for baseball participation at Presbyterian College during the 1898-99 session came more than 70 years late to Dr. T. Ellison Simpson of Society Hill when PC entertained him last week on his 91st birthday. Athletic Director Cally Gault (left) presented the athletic awards during the birthday party at which President Marc C. Weersing (right) presided. Dr. Simpson promptly donned the sweater to the enjoyment of his 60 friends and family members who came to PC for the occasion. A 1900 graduate who was a pitcher and yearbook editor at Presbyterian College, Dr. Simpson is still active as a Presbyterian minister, supplying two churches in Pee Dee Presbytery.—(Yarborough Photo)



**HONORED BY JAYCEES**—The men shown above received special awards last Saturday night from the Clinton Jaycees. They are, left to right: O. P. Haynes, of radio station WPCO, who received a certificate of appreciation; D. B. Smith, who received the Jaycees' Distinguished Service Award;

Hubert Todd of Industrial Supply Co., named "Boss of the Year"; Dr. Fred Chapman, "Educator of the Year"; Alan Simmons, "Policeman of the Year"; Donny Wilder of The Chronicle, who received a certificate of appreciation; and William Adair, "Young Farmer of the Year."—(Yarborough Photo)



Your Chamber Of Commerce Means Business

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is another article in a series designed to inform Chronicle readers about the Clinton Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors and their activities on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce.)

## AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

George Reid is chairman of the Clinton Chamber of Commerce's Agriculture Committee. Other committee members are Pringle Copeland, Dr. Dan Orr and Reese Young.

The committee works closely with all agencies involved in agromony in an effort to further advance agriculture and animal husbandry in the area's economy.

Specific projects for the year include: support agricultural education projects; plan Agri-Business tour; and help locate landfill areas for authorized county trash dumping.

A native of Newberry County, Mr. Reid has lived in the Clinton area for more than 20 years. He owns and operates George A. Reid, Inc., building contractors.

He is an active member of Broad Street Methodist Church



GEORGE REID

and is a member and past president of the Laurens County Shrine Club. He also is a member of the Clinton Kiwanis Club.

He and Mrs. Reid have one son, Al. They live on the Whitmire Highway.

## Mann To Visit In Area Today

Congressman James R. Mann (D-SC) will be in Laurens County Thursday to meet with his constituents during a congressional recess.

The congressman will be at various post offices in the county at specified times and urges that anyone who wishes to discuss anything with him can meet with him at the nearest post office.

He will be at the Clinton Post Office at 10:30 a.m. and at the Joanna Post Office at 12:30 p.m. He will be at the Mountville Post Office at 1:30 and the Cross Hill Post Office at 2 p.m.

He will start his county tour at the Gray Court Post Office at

8:30 a.m. and will be at the Ora Post Office at 9:45 a.m. He will be at the Waterloo Post Office at 3 p.m. and at the Laurens Post Office at 4 p.m.

A spokesman for Congressman Mann's office said this congressional recess is expected to be the longest of the session.

## TWO CALLS

Clinton firemen answered two alarms during the past week -- one to a grass fire on the railroad Feb. 6, and one to a kitchen fire in the residence at 222 S. Livingston Street on Feb. 7. The kitchen fire caused minor smoke damage.

## YMCA Building Drive Reorganizing

Officers of the Greater Clinton YMCA are reorganizing for the YMCA Building Fund drive, according to John Bingham, executive director of the local YMCA organization.

Addressing the Clinton Rotary Club Tuesday, Bingham said, "We had hoped to hold our building fund campaign last year but, due to circumstances beyond our control we had to postpone it."

"Harry Bolick, then president of the YMCA board, did an excellent job of getting the plans drawn and the campaign outlined but then he was transferred. So

## Dr. Benz' Work Shown At PC

A one-man showing of the work of Dr. John Benz, head of the University of South Carolina art department, is on display this month in the Douglas House exhibition area at Presbyterian College.

The public is invited to view the artistic creations of this painter who concentrates on seascapes, shorelines, landscapes and a variety of still lifes. For the past six years he has painted during summer vacations in New Jersey, working in watercolor, oils and polymer paints.

Recognized as one of the state's outstanding artists, Dr. Benz has done much to expand the University of South Carolina art department and has led in the development of the Summer School of Arts, which blends art with theater and music at Hilton Head Island.

## Clinton Merchants Meet Today; Committees Set

The Clinton Merchants and Businessmen's Association is to meet at 9:30 a.m. this morning, Feb. 12, at Mary Musgrove Hotel, according to Chairman Lawrence Gross.

Gross said the plans are for the association to meet regularly the second Thursday of each month.

He also announced association committees for the year. They are:

- Holiday and Store House---Dillard Boland, chairman; Howard Smith and Gordon Everhart.
- Parking and Traffic---Charles Buice, chairman; Charles Johnson and J. D. Edenfield.

## Home Delivery To Be Expanded At Rural Offices

Congressman James R. Mann announced today expansion of home delivery service to patrons of three rural post offices in Laurens County, namely Cross Hill, Gray Court and Waterloo.

Under the new program, patrons who live more than a quarter of a mile but less than one-half mile from their post office will be eligible to receive delivery at home. The only requirement to obtain the service is that it must be requested of the postmaster and a majority of those living in the area must desire the service.

The expansion will be accomplished through such methods as extending shorter rural routes, adding delivery stops to rural routes, the establishment of new rural routes, or through "Star" or contract routes.

Legislative---J. C. Thomas, chairman; I Mac Adair and W. C. Dobbins.

Publicity---Mrs. Martha Rice, chairman; Dan Lynch and Donny Wilder.

Street Decorations---Mrs. Perry M. Moore, chairman; I Mac Adair and J. Robert Cox.

Christmas Parade---D. B. Smith, chairman; Carl Leonard and Len Caricofe.

Finance --- Ken McCrary, chairman; W. C. Baldwin.

Promotions and Special Events

## Other Memoirs

BY JOE H. SIMPSON

My first job for pay was as a delivery boy for Simpson-Copeland Grocery Store, (no relation, but two fine men) for which I received twenty-five cents per day.

My first item to deliver was a gallon jug of vinegar to the home of Mr. Templeton, shoe cobbler for Thornwell. Since I was not an expert cyclist, I pushed the bicycle to his home and rode it back to the store.

Later, a customer stopped her car in front of the store and asked for a bottle of ketchup delivered to her home. As she drove into her yard, I arrived with the ketchup.

One other interesting event. A lady called and said she had no ice in her ice box, but wanted to make some loaf bread, and to please rush one-half yeast cake to her, and to keep the other half in the store refrigerator. The cake sold for 5c.