

WEATHER

(Week of April 29-May 6)
High: 81 Low: 46
(May 2) (May 6)
Rainfall: 1.46 ins.
Soil Temp. Range: 64-76

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Approved By Council

New Fire Alarm Board Planned

Clinton City Council Monday night approved a proposal to construct a fire alarm board on the city parking lot at the corners of South Broad St. and E. Carolina Ave.

would build the board themselves at a cost of less than \$1,000. The total cost is expected to be about \$1,900.

The volunteer firemen said that a board located on the parking lot, site of the old Clinton Hotel, would be more central and more convenient for firemen.

Representatives of the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department made the request, saying they

Cemetery 'Break-Out'

There was a "break-out" last week at Rosemont Cemetery.

A cemetery visitor apparently was locked in when the gates were locked Thursday evening. On Friday morning, Street Supt. Eddie McGee found one of the gates at the cemetery had been knocked down by a car or truck.

Guns, Bullets Reported Stolen In Two Break-Ins

Clinton police are investigating two break-ins, one in a home and the other at a business firm, during the past week.

Both occurred last Sunday.

A window was knocked out of a house at 1003 Sloan St. and 20 buckshot shells and eight or 10 boxes of 22 caliber bullets were reported stolen, along with a fishing rod and fly rod.

Also, on Sunday, a break-in was reported at Yarborough Oil Co. where rifles, guns and pistols were stolen, along with bullets and a 17-jewel man's watch. The total value of the missing goods was set at about \$350.

Two Fire Calls

Clinton firemen answered two calls during the past week.

On Saturday, firemen extinguished an automobile fire at Bailey Memorial Hospital. On Monday, the eaves of the Wrangler Restaurant were scorched and suffered minor damage from a fire which is believed to have started in a neon sign.



BY DONNY WILDER
Editor, The Chronicle

These are my absolutely final words on Daylight Savings Time. If I don't get it right this time, forget it.

I don't think anyone has missed my recent blunders about the changeover to Daylight Saving Time but, just in case, here's a brief recap: Two weeks ago, when we switched to Daylight Saving Time, I advised people to reset their clocks. Unfortunately, I advised them wrong. I said you move the clock back an hour. Then last week, I tried to straighten out my error. I made another. I said that if you had followed my advice, you would have been two hours early for church. Zap—wrong again. You would have been late.

My neighbor, Dr. Louis Stephens, has offered to give me two alarm clocks—one for Eastern Standard Time and one for Daylight Saving Time. I have gratefully agreed to accept the clocks, provided he will accept the responsibility for setting the Daylight Saving Time clock.

If there's anything wrong with this article, you will not see a single line about it in the next week's Chronicle. At the rate I've been going, this could continue until it's time to change back to Eastern Standard Time.

What are you supposed to do when we go back on Eastern Standard Time?
No comment.

May Day! May Day!

If Mrs. Millette Wham of Mountville had known what the day had in store for her, she probably would have dressed differently for the May Day festivities at Coker.

Mrs. Wham's daughter, Sister, and Cody Simmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Simmons of Mountville, were members of the winning crew team. It's tradition for the losers to push the winners in the water.

Mrs. Wham was just standing there watching the losers push the winners in the water when she was accidentally bumped—right into the water, wearing her "May Day" finery.

Mrs. Wham emerged from the water with her pocketbook still crooked in her arm. She was a good sport about it all and was the hit of the "May Day" weekend.



BEST IN SHOW—Presbyterian College student James Keen discusses his painting with noted art critic Paul Mocsanyi. Keen's painting won 'Best in Show' honors in the judged art exhibit held in conjunction with the Festival of Arts.

Clintonians Win Art Awards

Clintonians won several awards last week in the judged art exhibit in the Fourth Annual Spring Arts Festival at Presbyterian College.

Miss Betty Fryga won two first places, as did Sophie Young. Mrs. James (Betty) Walker also won a first place.

Miss Fryga won first prize in photography with "Texture Study" and won first in color drawing with a work entitled "Missed the Plane."

Miss Young won first prize with a black and white drawing entitled "Meg" and won first prize in sculpture with an un-

titled entry. Mrs. Walker won first prize in watercolor with a landscape.

Presbyterian College student Bo Keen won "Best in Show" honors for his painting entitled "Whirlwind World."

Local Phone Rate Increase Is Requested

Southern Bell Telephone Company has asked the South Carolina Public Service Commission for authority "to make slight increases in its monthly local service rates to help offset the sharp increases in the cost of providing service." The new rates would be effective with July telephone bills.

According to J. W. Travis, Vice President and General Manager for Southern Bell in South Carolina, rates will increase 25¢ to 45¢ for a residence line and 25¢ to 90¢ for a business line.

Here in Clinton and Joanna, monthly rates for residence private lines would increase 45¢ and business individual line 90¢.

In explaining the necessity for the new rates, Travis said, "We have not had a general increase in our local service rates in South Carolina since 1952. Inflation has finally caught up with us in spite of the increased productivity of our employees, constant improvement in techniques and efficiencies in operations and technological advancements."

He pointed out that wage costs in South Carolina increased from \$11 1/4 million in 1952 to \$41 million in 1969, taxes have gone up from \$4.6 million to \$30.4 million, the costs of new buildings, vehicles, and materials have increased sharply, and the interest on borrowed money has risen from about 3% in 1954 to almost 9% today.

"We have reached a point," Travis explained, "where increased costs have surpassed our ability to absorb them."

Other increases proposed include service connection charges which would go up \$1 to \$2 depending on circumstances, charges for certain types of cord switchboards and associated equipment, and 15¢ a month for business additional directory listings.

Some rate schedules, however, would decrease. Charges for a color telephone will be decreased, special telephones for customers with impaired hearing or speech will drop 25¢ per month, and measurement of mileage charges for private lines and extensions will be changed to use airline rather than route distance.

No change is planned in intrastate long distance rates.

Fryfogle Is Elected President Of Ascoe

Kenneth E. Fryfogle has been elected President of Ascoe Felts, Inc. in Clinton, according to a recent announcement by the firm.

Mr. Fryfogle has served as General Manager of Ascoe Felts since its founding in 1966 and has been largely responsible for the company's leadership in innovative high-synthetic content needed felts. He has held executive positions in the paper machine clothing industry for 24 years and previously was president of two companies in this field.

Ascoe Felts began the manufacture of wet felts in 1967 and was incorporated as a separate company April 1, 1970. The recent incorporation reflects the firm's growth as a supplier of wet felts to the pulp and paper industry.



KENNETH FRYFOGLE

Paper makers' wet felts, produced by Ascoe Felts, Inc., are currently being marketed and used with outstanding success in all paper producing areas of the United States.

10-Mill Levy Increase School Tax Hike Approved 449-357

Voters in School District 56 voted Tuesday 449-357 in favor of a 10-mill tax levy increase for the general operation of schools.

The increase will raise the levy from 48 mills to 58 mills for the operation of the schools.

School officials had pointed

out that the increase was needed to cover an anticipated deficit of \$40,000 to \$50,000 in the 1970-71 budget.

School Board Chairman James Von Hollen said the deficit was caused by general cost-of-living increases in expenses.

In the referendum, the proposal received its support in the Clinton and Lydia polling places. The Clinton poll voted in favor of the proposal 374-246, a 128 - vote margin. The poll included voters from the Clinton attendance area (voters registered in Clinton No. 1, Clinton No. 2, Clinton Mill and Long Branch precincts).

The Lydia poll, for voters in the Lydia Mill precinct, voted

21-9 in favor of the proposed tax increase.

Voting against the proposal were Joanna (32-50), Mountville (7-20) and Cross Hill (15-32). Joanna included voters registered in Joanna, Hopewell, Renno and Shady Grove precincts. Cross Hill and Mountville were for voters registered in those respective precincts.

The results were verified Tuesday night by the Laurens County Board of Education. Their tally showed that 812 votes were cast and there were six spoiled ballots.

The 92-vote margin meant that 56 per cent of those who cast ballots voted in favor of the proposal.



REV. WILLIAMS

Williams Resigns Pastorate

The Rev. Zeb C. Williams has announced his resignation as pastor of Providence ARP Church in Clinton, a position he has held since November of 1964.

In announcing his resignation to the congregation Sunday, Mr. Williams said he has accepted a call to Midlane Park Presbyterian Church in Louisville, Ky. He also plans to do graduate study at Louisville Seminary there.

His resignation at Providence ARP Church is effective in June.

Mr. Williams has been active in community and Presbyterian College affairs. He has served as president of the Clinton Elementary School PTA; publicity chairman of the United Fund; a member of the Religion Department and Guidance office at PC; chaplain of the Clinton Fire Department; member of the Clinton Rotary Club; advisor for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at PC; advisor for Pi Kappa Phi social fraternity; publicity chairman for the PTA and Community Concert series. In addition, he also has contributed to the Clinton Chronicle with feature articles and pictures.

Mrs. Williams has served as librarian at Bailey Elementary School and at Thornwell School.

Piedmont Tec Offers Revised Plan For County

GREENWOOD — A revised plan for Laurens County participation in the Piedmont Technical Education Center has been presented to the Laurens County Legislative Delegation by the Piedmont Technical Education Commission.

The plan allows Laurens County to become a participating county in the Piedmont Technical Education Center upon payment of an entrance fee of \$5,000 per year, starting July 1, 1970, and continuing from 15 years at the same base fee.

The yearly financial support from each county is based on student enrollment, figured by determining the number of student contact hours for the first six months of each school year (July 1 through December 31) and using this as a basis for projecting the budget for the coming year.

Student participation from Laurens County for the first six months of the school year was 22,986 contact hours. Therefore, the annual participation fee for Laurens county for 1971 is \$8,277.

Based on the formula, Greenwood county will pay \$55,000 for 1971 in local support based on 152,516 student contact hours. Other participating counties pay a proportional amount based on student participation during the same period of time.

Rep. Paul Culbertson said the latest proposal has come too late for consideration this year. He said, "It is my feeling that if Laurens County could have worked out something without increasing taxes, I personally would have favored it and feel it would have benefited the county. However, the House has adjourned and I don't know what could be done at this late date."

Exchange Club Light Bulb Sale Scheduled

The Clinton Exchange Club will begin its annual lightbulb sale Tuesday, May 12. Proceeds will be used to carry out community projects.

Last year, the club raised approximately \$500 and contributed all proceeds to the Clinton High School Band to help purchase new band uniforms.

Exchange Club President Carl Leonard said the club has several worthwhile community projects and many of them will be aided by proceeds from the sale.

Other Memoirs

BY JOE H. SIMPSON

I came across a picture recently of myself wearing a derby hat. These derby hats had their day even being worn by the younger men as well as the adults.

Then there was the cap age. Large caps, small caps, one piece tops, several parts put together, caps with ear protectors, lined caps, thin caps for the summer time, cheap caps and expensive caps. Then there were the knit caps, beret caps and tams.

Of course, in the summertime, there were soft straws, hard or sennett straws and the popular panama straw hats. More felt hats were worn then than now. By the way, do you know what the best men's fur felts are made of? You know what everything you wear is made from but I doubt if there is one out of twenty-five who knows what material is used in a good quality fur hat. They are made from RABBIT fur or hair and just the opposite from a cow's hide, the rabbit's stomach hairs are the best.

So much for our men's and boys' headwear and now we will have a few words about our fair ladies' head covering. Back in my childhood, a few of the larger dry goods stores would hire professional hat makers for the ladies' business and these were called milliners, who were trained in this type work in the large northern markets or plants. You could have your hat individually made, using birds, flowers, feathers, ribbons and other materials. The cost of some of these hand made jobs was not so high as you might think. One of the outstanding hats for the ladies was the wide brim milton straw hat. Some of our Clintonians who were in the hat business these wide brim jobs were not so much a talk. Yes, they were pretty and in some ways



'OLD FASHIONED' YOUNGSTERS — Miss Virginia Byars' fourth grade class at Clinton Elementary School recently dressed in "old fashioned" clothes as part of their celebration of the Tricentennial. Shown above, front row, left to right, are: Steve Smith, Lee Neighbors, Tommy

Ramage, George Walker, Hal Cheek and Jeff Benjamin; second row: Scott Owens, Cindy Meadows, Sherry Bryant, Sandra Crowe, Debbie King, Pam Harbin and Beth Dowdle; back row: Phyllis Landers, Shirley Fleming, Donna Berry, Lynn Walley and Barbara Black.