

WEATHER

(Week of July 22-29)
 High: 92 Low: 65
 (July 28) (July 22)
 Rainfall: 2.52 ins.
 (July 22, 23, 25, 27)
 Soil Temp. Range: 80-85 degrees

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LEGION LEAGUE CHAMPIONS—Shown above are members of the Clinton American Legion team which last week won the League Nine championship and this week is participating in the Upper-State quarterfinals against Greenwood. Team members shown above are, front row, left to right: Arnold Lietzey, David Mangum, Tony Mims, Rick Thompson, Stan Elrod, Billy McNinch, Jim Garrett; standing: left to right:

Coach Sam Owens, Andy Ellis, Mike Bridges, Tommy Motes, John Chaplain, Billy Young, Matthew King, Troy Bowen, and Coach Fred Satterfield. Buzz Tedards, the starting pitcher in Tuesday night's Clinton win and catcher Tommy Shields were warming up when the picture was made and were not available for the picture. For complete coverage of the playoff series, see page 7-A in today's Chronicle.

Beltline Plan Dominates Land Use Public Hearing

Planners Sponsor Hearing

Discussion of a proposed beltline road around Clinton dominated a public hearing Monday on a land use plan and preliminary thoroughfare plan for Clinton.

There were 22 people at the hearing which was held at Belk Auditorium on the Presbyterian College campus. This included 13 interested citizens, five members of the sponsoring Clinton Planning Commission, two members of the Wilbur Smith and Associates staff, a representative of the Upper Savannah Development District and a newspaper reporter.

The land use plan itself received little comment from the audience. However, the bulk of the hour and a half meeting was taken up in discussion of the proposed beltline which is part of the preliminary thoroughfare plan.

All comments from the audience concerning the proposed beltline were in opposition to the route between Highway 72 south and Highway 72 north.

The Planning Commission will send the land use plan and preliminary thoroughfare plan to City Council for its approval. The commission will note that the ring road or beltline route received criticism and will be subject to further study.

Reese Young, an interested citizen, commented, "Whitten Village, Presbyterian College and Thornwell have been taken care of in this plan but the little fellow haven't been taken care of...I can't have confidence in a plan as long as I don't feel the planners are looking out for our interests."

Mr. Young was referring to the fact that the beltline route does not cut through the property of the three institutions mentioned.

Tommy Hollis, a member of the Planning Commission, said, "Most of the enthusiasm for this beltline has been generated by the Planning Commission. The community doesn't have the necessary information on what should be done. I don't want to be a party to anything like this which doesn't have community support. We're destroying the confidence of a lot of people in the Planning Commission because of this one particular phase. It's unpalatable to too many people."

Planning Commission Chairman Ed Campbell said that several years ago, the State Highway Department was asked by the Chamber of Commerce to come to Clinton and see what can be done about the town's traffic problems. Campbell said, "They came up with the idea of this beltline, after considerable study. Later, Wilbur Smith and Associates planning firm, was asked to come in and conduct their long-range planning survey. They came up with virtually the same thing. The Highway Department heard complaints about the beltline proposal at the first public hearing. There will be a design hearing later which will spell out exactly where the beltline should go. If there is no support for the proposal at that time, the Highway Department undoubtedly will be happy to just drop the whole idea."

It was suggested that the beltline route be moved farther out of town. Mr. Campbell replied, "We asked about moving the route out but we were told that doesn't serve the purpose of getting people from one side of town to another without having to go through the downtown there's not enough traffic farther out to justify a route there. We don't want to lose the confidence of anyone. We're all in this together. We want to build our community and we have to be able to get people in and out of

our community if we're going to grow."

Cally Gault, another interested citizen, asked if any studies have been made to show exactly how much traffic the proposed route would take off the downtown roads.

Phil Simons of Wilbur Smith and Associates referred to a 1968 Highway Department survey which shows average 24-hour traffic daily for the summer months. The survey shows there was an average of 8,300 vehicles per day in the downtown area while there were 8,500 vehicles passing the busiest point on Interstate 26 just outside of Clinton.

He said, "There have been no specific origin and destination studies. Those studies are very elaborate and expensive. Our people can look at the level of traffic volume and we know, by experience, what they mean. We can generally tell how many vehicles will be going where and where they are coming from. We know we do have some heavy traffic demands which could be alleviated by a local traffic collector route such as this so-called proposed beltline. We aren't talking about a by-pass. We see it as a local collector road, serving a need of getting people from one side of town to the other."

extended through annexation and that property within the city limits would be made available for development.

Currently, he said, 36.3 per cent of the land within the city limits is vacant. Of that which has been developed, 40 per cent is residential; 4.8 per cent is commercial; 2.8 per cent is industrial; and 8.8 per cent is public or quasi-public (schools, Presbyterian College, Thornwell Orphanage, etc.)

In presenting the preliminary thoroughfare plan, Bob Gleason of Wilbur Smith and Associates, explained, "The thoroughfare plan must be compatible for the land use plan. Also, this plan helps determine road priorities for federal and state highway road projects." He also said, "You already have a tremendous investment in thoroughfares. This plan will help to maximize use of your thoroughfares."

George Cornelison, a member of the Planning Commission, requested that, in view of the 1968 traffic survey, some thought be given to the possibility of four-laning Highways 56, 72 and 76 from the north.

He is a member of David-

POPULATION PROJECTION

In presenting the land use plan, which will be the basis for the other phases of planning, including zoning, Mr. Simons said Wilbur Smith and Associates' projections estimate there will be about 15,000 people living within the Clinton city limits by 1990. The planning area's population will be over 20,000, he said.

In response to a question, he said the projection assumed that the city limits would be

persons who were responsible for the firebombings.

Two rural stores were destroyed by fires ignited by firebombs and five other businesses were damaged in a two-and-a-half hour period July 16-17.

The firebombs were glass bottles filled with gasoline or kerosene with cloth jammed in the neck as a wick.

A \$1,000 reward is being offered for information leading to the apprehension, arrest and conviction of the person or

Harris was born in Honea Path, and was graduated from Greenwood High School. He received a B. S. degree in Textile Manufacturing from Clemson University.

He joined Greenwood Mills in 1954 and worked as a loom fixer, a cost accountant and industrial engineer. He has also been Manager of Industrial Engineering and Assistant Plant Manager of Greenwood Plants Nos. 4 and 5, Durst, Ninety Six Plants Nos. 7 and 10, Joanna Plants Nos. 13, 14 and 16 and Adams Plant.

Harris is married to the former Joan Bonnett of McCormick and they have four children. He is a member of the Greenwood Kiwanis Club

Check merchants' advertisements in this week's Chronicle for those "Dollar Days" bargains. "Dollar Days" start today, Thursday.

Other Memoirs

BY JOE H. SIMPSON

Today's memoirs are strictly for young boys. I am thinking of my first sling shot.

Well do I recall going to the woods and selecting a limb from a dogwood bush to make my slingshot prongs and then to Young's Pharmacy with a nickel to get two rubber bands.

Yes, I killed a few birds with this, which I should not have done.

Next came my first air gun which I thought was tops, and especially when I bought my five hundred shot Daisy. I recall being under a mulberry tree in the back yard of my neighbor, Mr. George Bailey, when a bird lit in a bunch of leaves and I fired into the leaves with my air gun thinking it was a jaybird.

Down fell a mockingbird. It was not quite dead so I rushed to water and sprinkled some on its head, trying to revive it, but failed. This was a good lesson for me, for to this day I have never shot at another bird without knowing what kind it was.

PC-Lander ROTC Plan Set

South Carolina's first ROTC cross-enrollment will open the Presbyterian College military unit to male students from Lander College this fall, according to a joint announcement by the two college presidents.

PC President Marc C. Weersing and Lander President E. Don Herd, Jr., have completed an agreement whereby interested Lander students will come to the Presbyterian campus for drill and instruction leading to a second lieutenant's commission in the United States Army Reserve.

The program will be headed by Col. William B. Tuttle, Jr., a West Point graduate now completing his first year as professor of military science at PC. Serving under him are three officers and four enlisted men. This staff will handle all of the instruction and administrative work, and Third Army headquarters will provide the necessary uniforms and other equipment. Lander will provide for transporting its cadets to Clinton for the one afternoon per week of training.

The Presbyterian College ROTC unit, one of the oldest in the nation and highly ranked through the years, had a battalion of 346 cadets last session. Some decline in this number is expected in the future as the basic two-year ROTC requirement is made voluntary for sophomores this coming year and for freshmen in 1971-72. The advanced course has always been voluntary for elected juniors and seniors, who are currently paid \$50 monthly by the Federal government. Academic credit is given all four years.

Col. Tuttle said the joining of two colleges in ROTC cross-enrollment is a new concept—the first such program in South Carolina and only the second in the Southeast. He is optimistic about the new cross-enrollment relationship with Lander, adding:

"I understand Lander College is enrolling increasingly large numbers of male students, and I believe our ROTC program can attract a share of these young men. When we get a sufficient number, these cadets can form their own Lander Company within our battalion and wear a Lander shoulder patch on their uniforms. Upon successful completion of the course, they will be commissioned second lieutenants in a social ceremony at Lander Commencement exercises."

Col. Tuttle also pointed out the Lander cadets will receive the same consideration as PC cadets for ROTC scholarships and for air flight training. During the past year, 13 PC students received these grants which cover tuition, books and laboratory fees. Flight training is available to senior cadets under a special program using Greenwood Airport facilities.

Academic credit for ROTC participation, awarded by Presbyterian College, will be recognized by Lander. The battalion has a two-hour drill and leadership period for all cadets each Thursday afternoon. In addition, freshmen have a one-hour military class each week and earn two hours of academic credit for the year. Sophomores have two classes weekly and earn four hours of credit, while juniors and seniors in the advanced courses meet three classes for six hours of credit each year. Six weeks of training at Summer ROTC Camp follows the junior year.

The Presbyterian ROTC unit was established in 1919, within a year after Congress authorized the reserve Officers' Training Corps program. It is a branch general unit, providing graduates with a choice of assignments in the adjutant general's corps, armor, intelligence and security, artillery, chemical corps, engineers, finance, infantry, medical service, military police, ordnance, quartermaster and signal corps. Over the years, the PC unit has produced more than 1,500 officers, and many of these remained in the Regular Army to rise to higher ranks. The group includes two army major generals, two national guard generals and more than 50 full colonels.

Col. Tuttle said the Lander freshman cadets will receive all of their training on Thursday afternoon by remaining after the drill period for the hour of classroom instruction. He pointed out that, as PC goes on its new 13-13-7 calendar this year, the regular ROTC program will be conducted only during the two 13-week fall and winter terms, starting Sept. 2 and ending April 9.

Mountville Woman Dies Of Gun Wound

Mrs. Nellie Grant Mackall, 35, of Philadelphia, Pa., was shot and killed in an accident on July 23, in Mountville.

According to Corner Marshall Pressley, the accident occurred when her brother, John Grant, was showing her a single barrel shotgun that she reportedly asked to see. Pressley said that Grant pulled the trigger of the gun, not knowing the weapon was loaded. The gun went off and killed the woman.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at Zion Hill Baptist Church in Cross Hill. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Mackall was a daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Grant of Mountville. She was a graduate of Bell Street High School and a member of the 59th Street Baptist Church in Philadelphia.

Surviving also are two sisters, Miss Jessie Grant of Mountville and Mrs. Geneva H. Burse of Philadelphia; and two brothers, John Douglas Grant of Mountville and Casper Grant of Lancaster, Pa.

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ROTC AGREEMENT — Gilbert S. Guinn, vice-president for academic affairs of Lander College, left, and Dr. William F. Chapman, academic dean of Presbyterian College, right, examine an agreement between the two institutions which will enable Lander male students to become members of the ROTC unit on the Clinton campus. Looking on is Colonel William B. Tuttle, Jr., who heads the program at PC.

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