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ORPHANAGE COMMENCEMENT BEGINS TOMORROW NIGHT

Opens With Declamation Contest. Baccalaureate Sermon Sunday by Rev. J. L. Oates. Address Before Graduates by Rev. John McSween. Annual Meeting Board of Trustees Next Tuesday.

Arrangements for the holding of the Thornwell Orphanage commencement exercises have been perfected and a program of interest has been announced. The exercises will begin tomorrow evening at eight o'clock with the annual declamation contest by high school boys, the winner in the contest to be awarded a gold medal.

The baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class will be preached next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock by the Rev. J. L. Oates, D. D., pastor of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church of Columbia.

On Monday evening, June 9th, the members of the William Plumer Jacobs and L. Ross Lynn literary societies will present their annual play.

Tuesday morning at ten o'clock, the graduating exercises will be held, diplomas presented, medals awarded, etc. The address before the graduates will be delivered by the Rev. John McSween, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Clemson College, and a member of the orphanage board of trustees. At three o'clock in the afternoon, the annual meeting of the board of trustees will be held and will be presided over by its chairman, Ex-Governor Martin F. Ansel, of Greenville.

The week's program will close Tuesday night at eight o'clock with the usual school exhibition in which a large number of the boys and girls of the institution will participate. A program of interest is always presented on this occasion and the young performers are always greeted with a capacity audience for this entertainment. To all of the exercises, the public is cordially invited.

This year's graduating class is composed of two girls and six boys, as follows: Miss Bessie Maecher Brooks, Winnaboro; Miss Ruth Wall Rucker, Elberton, Ga.; John Alan Dugan, Anderson; Henry Meredith Fliedner, Little Mountain; Edgar Harry Morton, Greenville; Francis O'Neal Stevens, Ocala, Fla.; Charles Walker Wilson, Clinton, and James Allen Stamps, Atlanta, Ga.

Laurens To Have New High School

Contract Is Let For \$136,000 Building. Work To Begin At Once.

Laurens, May 29.—Work on the foundations for the new high school building will begin at once, according to statements by members of the board of trustees of the Laurens city school.

The contract for the erection of the building has been let to H. B. Patilo, well known contractor of Columbia, S. C. The base bid accepted by the board of trustees was around \$136,000. Other work embraced in the contract will run the total cost well within the appropriation covered in the special bond issue voted for maintaining and building school purposes. The bond issue called for \$185,000.

The new school house is to be located at the north side of the present graded school building, and will be of approved architectural design and on larger dimensions than the old building. It will be provided with ample class rooms, a gymnasium, domestic science rooms and on the second floor, in addition to class rooms, there will be a spacious auditorium.

"We are building now to provide for the housing of 1,200 to 1,500 children," said one of the trustees in discussing the plans that had been adopted in carrying forward the enterprise.

It is estimated that it will require eight or ten months to complete the new building and to make some necessary changes in the arrangements of rooms and connections with the present school house, and the installation of the heating plant for both buildings. Meanwhile the school will be able to take care of the pupils that are likely to ask for admission the coming season.

The plans of improvement provide for additional facilities for the negro graded school, and this part of the program will be amply cared for; it has been stated by the same authority quoted above.

MASONS HOLD DISTRICT MEETING

Nearly Four Hundred Masons Attend Convention Held Here. Congressman Byrnes Speaks.

Congressman James F. Byrnes, of Aiken, delivered an inspiring address before the district convention of the 11th Masonic district held in Clinton last Thursday afternoon, May 29.

Mr. Byrnes' address was on the subject of the part Masonry is playing in directing the affairs of the nation. In his speech he highly complimented the fraternity on its strength and influence and position of leadership. His speech was enjoyed by nearly 400 Masons who attended the convention.

In addition to the address of Mr. Byrnes, the convention was favored likewise with addresses by: Hon. Geo. T. Bryan, of Greenville, on "The George Washington Masonic Memorial"; Kenneth Baker, of Greenwood, on the subject of "Masonic Service Associations"; as well as short talks by M. A. Lanford, Woodruff; R. W. Beatty, Whitnire, and Chas. E. Mackey, Greenville, district deputies of their respective districts.

Campbell Lodge No. 44, A. F. M., of Clinton, was the host of the occasion, and Wm. J. Jacobs, District Deputy Grand Master of 11th Masonic district, of Clinton, presided over the meeting.

The ladies of the James Barrie Parrott Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Clinton, served a delightful supper to the attending Masons in a commendably efficient manner, particularly in view of the large attendance and the absolute absence of confusion or difficulties.

A conference of the Worshipful Masters of the Masonic lodges in the 11th district was held immediately after supper, and immediately followed by a meeting of Campbell Lodge No. 44, in which Masonic degree work was conferred.

The District convention was said to be one of the largest ever held in the district, well attended by every lodge in the district as well as being attended by representatives from over fifteen lodges outside of the district. It was the largest Masonic gathering ever held in Clinton and probably was the most successful and interesting.

Criminal Court To Meet Next Week

Jurors Are Drawn To Serve For June Term. Several Cases On The Docket.

The June term of General Sessions court will convene next Monday, June 10th, with Judge C. C. Featherstone of Greenwood, presiding. Jurors have been drawn during the past week and a heavy docket is announced by the solicitor for the approaching term. Jurors drawn are:

Waterloo—H. E. Watkins, C. M. Simms, Geo. W. Culbertson.

Cross Hill—J. C. McGowan, L. E. Martin, G. D. Nelson, Robert M. Hill.

Hunter—W. S. Denson, T. W. Dillard, L. T. Bailey, T. P. Davis, M. B. Bedenbaugh, E. J. Adair.

Scuffletown—J. M. Patterson, T. P. Poole.

Laurens—J. E. Lammous, C. O. Chaney, F. K. Taylors, A. L. Hudgens.

Dials—W. M. Myers, R. B. Chatman, Z. C. Reaves, S. L. Peden, J. C. Hipp.

Youngs—J. A. Britton, E. P. Patterson, W. W. Roberts, J. Will Henderson, H. B. Gossett, J. B. Godfrey.

Sullivan—W. L. McDaniel, H. O. Walker, J. H. Roper, B. S. Jacks, W. M. Pitts.

COMMERCIAL CLUB MEETS TUESDAY

The June meeting of the Commercial Club will be held next Tuesday evening in the club rooms. The hour for serving the dinner is eight o'clock and all members are urged to bear the bear in mind and be on time.

GIVE THE PICTURE A TITLE— WIN THE \$35.00 CASH PRIZES

The Chronicle today carries a picture for which \$25.00 will be awarded to the writer sending in the best title, \$10.00 to the one sending in the second best. Turn to the big announcement, study the picture, and send in your title or titles.

With every renewal or new subscription to The Chronicle a chance will be given to win the

two prizes. Read the big advertisement for particulars. It will be found on page six.

Get busy—write a title for the picture, or several of them if you prefer. What has happened in that home? What is happening there? What is going to happen? A few, simple words will explain it all—and win the prize.

ROTARIANS TO STAGE BIG GAME

Clinton and Laurens Clubs To Meet In Laurens This Afternoon In Exciting Clash.

The Clinton-Laurens Rotarians have decided they can play baseball as well as do other things. Whether they can or not, will be demonstrated this afternoon in Laurens when the Clinton nine will journey over to meet the Laurens aggregation. The game is to be called at 4:30 and a big attendance is expected to be on hand.

The two line-ups have not been announced, yet it is rumored that several "stars" are included in the menu. Their return to the diamond will be witnessed by a big crowd and a spirit of keen rivalry exists between the two clubs. One week from today, the Newberry Rotarians will appear in Clinton to meet the local club.

P. C. And Davidson Play At Asheville

Presbyterians of Two States Will Meet In Opening Football Game On September 27th.

The annual football game between Davidson and the Presbyterian College of South Carolina will be played at Asheville instead of Rock Hill as heretofore.

The game will be played on September 27th and will be the first football contest between college teams to be played in Asheville since the World War.

The two institutions, Davidson and P. C., are ancient rivals and their football games in past years have been close and hard fought. Davidson won the last annual clash 3 to 0 in the last minute of play. In 1922 P. C. captured the annual game by the score of 8 to 7.

The fact that Asheville has no college eleven of its own to support and that few college games are played there is expected to materially boost the attendance when the Presbyterian teams will go there for the season's initial game.

Campaign Dates Are Announced

The itinerary of the senatorial and state office campaign for the approaching summer has been announced by H. E. Edmunds, secretary of the state Democratic executive committee. The state office aggregation will appear in Laurens on Friday, August 8th, and the senatorial party comes on July 16th.

TO MEET AT GOLDVILLE

The South Laurens Singing convention will meet with Goldville church, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, June 8th. All singers and lovers of good music are cordially invited to meet with us. H. Y. Abrams, secretary and treasurer, Clinton.

IMPROVING OUR SERVICE

THE CHRONICLE has just added to its mechanical plant, a splendid assortment of new type that adds to the attractiveness of the paper, especially its advertising columns. This improvement is made in step with our policy of continually striving to improve our paper, both in its news department and mechanical appearance.

THE CHRONICLE now maintains free to its advertisers, two excellent advertising services—The Autocaster and The Western Newspaper Union Service—giving attractive cuts and advertising suggestions from the country's leading advertising experts. Both of these services are furnished the advertisers of the county exclusively by THE CHRONICLE. They are a part of the service we are rendering in our advertising department.

THE CHRONICLE doesn't want to appear boastful, but it is literally true that few, if any, weekly papers in the State have a more modern or complete newspaper and job printing plant than ours. And we are not satisfied.—We are continually improving our plant. Other announcements are soon to follow.

On our headmast, twelve years ago, we inscribed these words: "THE CHRONICLE Strives To Be a Clean Newspaper, Complete, Newswy and Reliable." This is still our goal.

THE CHRONICLE keeps on its toes to serve its readers and customers—to be of service in the community.

BOY SLAYERS TO PLEAD INSANITY

"Dementia Jazzmania" New Phrase Coined To Describe Mental State Of Leopold and Loeb.

Chicago, June 2.—"Not guilty by reason of insanity."

That will be the defense of Nathan E. Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb when placed on trial for kidnaping and slaying Robert Franks, thirteen-year-old school boy.

The trial is expected to be the most sensational in the annals of the country, according to attorneys who were lining up today for the defense and prosecution.

The defendants are sons of millionaires. It was estimated the combined fortunes that will be available in the attempt to save the youths from the gallows aggregate \$15,000,000.

A new phrase already has been coined to describe the mental state of the defendants—it is "dementia jazzmania." It is an off-shoot of "dementia americana," which had public attention a generation ago when Harry K. Thaw was on trial for the slaying of Stanford White. Thaw was found not guilty of murder because of insanity.

The new type of insanity, according to alienists, exaggerates the ego of the individual until he imagines he is mentally what Jack Dempsey is physically—a sort of super-self.

The state is already preparing to combat the insanity plea—State's Attorney Crane has had three well-known alienists observing the youths—Dr. Hugh T. Patrick, Dr. William G. Krohn and Dr. Archibald Church. These alienists are said to be, as a result of observations already made, prepared to swear that the youths are sane and that they were sane at the time the crime was committed.

Jacob Franks, father of the slain boy, said the prosecution would be pushed.

"No punishment is too great," he said. "The prosecution will be carried to the limit."

Mr. Franks made the statement when he learned of a report that strong pressure was being brought to bear to have the prosecution dropped so far as the Franks family is concerned.

GONE TO WASHINGTON

Dr. L. Ross Lynn left Monday afternoon for Washington and Richmond where he will spend a few days in the interest of the orphanage.

BATTLE OF BALLOTS COMES NEXT TUESDAY

Stage All Set For Municipal Primary. Four Aspirants For Mayor's Seat. Eleven Candidates For Aldermen. Record-Breaking Enrollment. Ladies to Play Important Part in Result.

COTTON CONDITION BELOW AVERAGE

Placed At 65.5 Against 71 Last Year. Condition In South Carolina Is 68.

Washington, June 2.—The condition of the cotton crop on May 25 was 65.6 per cent of normal, compared with 71.0 a year ago, 69.9 in 1922, 66.0 in 1921 and 72.8, the average of the last ten years on May 25, the Department of Agriculture announced today in its first report of the season.

The condition of the crop by states follows: Virginia 62; North Carolina 71; South Carolina 68; Georgia 68; Florida 77; Alabama 70; Mississippi 69; Louisiana 70; Texas 66; Arkansas 58; Tennessee 54; Missouri 52; Oklahoma 58; California 91; Arizona 90; New Mexico 89.

Announcement of the acreage planted to cotton this year will be made by the Department next month when a forecast of production also will be issued. The area in cultivation at the end of June last year, the department announced, was 38,709,000 acres as revised by a final check, the areas picked last year was 37,130,000 acres, and the yield per acre was 130.6 pounds.

This year's cotton crop began the season with the lowest condition with the exception of 1920, since the keeping of condition records was begun, 53 years ago. In its first report of the season, issued today, the Department of Agriculture placed the condition on May 25 as 65.6 per cent of a normal. In 1920 it was 62.4 per cent of a normal on the same date. The condition this year is 7.2 per cent below the average condition on that date in the last ten years. A forecast of production was not made with today's report as statistics of acreage are not collected until June 25. The estimate of acres and forecast of production will be made July 2.

Condition in foreign cotton producing countries is very good, the department announced in a summary of reports from abroad. The average in the principal producing countries this year exceeds that of last year by more than 2,000,000 acres, these reports indicate.

Douglas Honored With Degree

Head of Presbyterian College Receives L. L. D. Degree From Southwestern Presbyterian University.

The Southwestern Presbyterian University of Clarksville, Tenn., at its commencement exercises on Tuesday conferred its honorary degree of L. L. D. upon Dr. Davison McDowell Douglas of this city. Dr. Douglas was invited to attend the exercises and left Monday morning for Clarksville to be present to receive the degree which comes in recognition of his ability as an educator. His friends in the city will learn with interest of the high honor that has been bestowed upon him.

Churches Unite In Sunday Service

According to an established custom, the churches of the city will withdraw their morning services next Sunday to attend the services at the Thornwell Memorial church, at which time the baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class will be preached by Rev. J. L. Oates, D. D., of Columbia. The pastors of the city urge that their congregations make special efforts to attend the evening services in their respective churches.

GOES TO LEXINGTON, N. C.

E. F. Anderson, for several years past overseer of the carding room at the Clinton Cotton Mills, has resigned his position and left this week for Lexington, N. C., where he has accepted a similar position with the Decotah Cotton Mills. He expects to move his family by the middle of the month.

ENROLLMENT BY WARDS

Ward One	94
Ward Two	262
Ward Three	287
Ward Four	147
Ward Five	377
Ward Six	391
Total	1437

The stage is all set for the "battle of ballots" that is to come in next Tuesday's municipal primary at which time a mayor and six aldermen will be nominated to preside over the destinies of the city for the next two years. In spite of the large enrollment, very little interest has been manifested in the election but the next few days will doubtless see a general "warming up" and an interesting and exciting campaign is expected before the winners are declared.

The secretary's books show an enrollment of 1437, an increase of 228 over two years ago, this being the largest enrollment in the city's history. Of the total, 848 are voters of the city box, and 589 at the Clinton Mill. The enrollment is about evenly divided between the men and women, and the vote of the latter will play an important part in Tuesday's results. In wards one, two, three and four the registration is about the same as two years ago, while in wards five and six, composed largely of the Clinton Cotton Mills, there is a substantial increase.

The polls will open at 8 a. m., and be kept open until 4 p. m. Two voting precincts will be provided, one at the police station for city voters and the second at the Clinton Mill. The election is to be held under the Australian ballot system as provided by law. One ticket will be provided for the majority candidates, and a separate ticket for each ward for the candidates for alderman. Each voter will scratch all names he or she does not wish to vote for. The candidates for alderman are to be voted upon only by the voters of each respective ward instead of by the city at large as two years ago. A majority of the votes cast will be necessary to nominate a candidate for either mayor or alderman, and in case a majority is not secured, a second primary between the two candidates receiving the largest number of votes will be run over one week later.

The chief interest, of course, is centered in the mayor's race for which seat there are four aspirants. The incumbent, W. H. Simpson, is not standing for re-election. In the aldermanic field, five of the present members of city council are standing for re-election, only F. M. Boland, representative from ward five, not being in the race.

The managers and clerks of the election for the two voting precincts have been appointed and the election will be held in accordance with the constitution of the city Democratic club and the Acts of the General Assembly regulating primary elections under the Australian ballot system. The managers are: city box: M. C. Nash, T. F. Milam, R. J. Copeland, Sr., W. M. Sumerel. Clifton Mill box: F. C. Pinson, J. C. Templeton, John Wilson, R. F. Jackson.

The complete list of qualified candidates, both for mayor and alderman, follow:

For Mayor
Lee Add Blakely, P. S. Jeans, J. E. Jacobs, Sr., R. L. Bailey.

For Aldermen
Ward one—Henry T. Hearn, C. C. Bailey.

Ward two—Jas. I. Adair, T. J. Blacklock.

Ward three—S. Gary Dillard, Frank Kellers.

Ward four—L. R. Stone, J. Griffith.

Ward five—R. C. Collins.

Ward six—J. P. Carter, E. G. Fuller.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Richbourg have returned from the lower part of the state where Mr. Richbourg taught the past term.