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FINE SHOWS AT YELLOW TENT

Chautauqua Attractions Are Drawing Large Crowds Daily. Program Continues Through Friday.

TODAY AT CHAUTAUQUA

3:30 P. M.—Grand Concert, Zedeler Symphonic Orchestra.
8:00 P. M.—Concert, Zedeler Symphonic Orchestra.
8:30 P. M.—Lecture, "The Inexcusable Lie," Private Peat.
Tomorrow
3:30 P. M.—Band Concert, Bachman's Million Dollar Band.
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The Redpath Chautauqua opening here last Friday afternoon, has been attended by the largest crowds in its history. The "big tent" has been the center of attraction for the past five days and the pleasing shows given there have been well received by the chautauqua-going public. The program this year, in the opinion of many, is the best the Redpath people have ever offered, affording all kinds of entertainment, something to suit and please every taste.

Under the direction of the congenial superintendent, Mr. Leo S. Rosenkrans, everything has been running smoothly and wisely. Mr. Rosenkrans upon the initial opening, won the Clinton people and has proven quite a favorite with the large audiences. It is his first visit here and having made so favorable an impression, both as a gentleman and as superintendent, it is hoped that he will be returned next year in like capacity.

Last night, "Robin Hood," one of America's best loved comic operas, was the feature attraction and the largest crowd of the week was present to enjoy this production which was presented by the May Valentine Opera company with a notable cast of principals, tuneful chorus and symphonic orchestra. The traditional costuming and the special scenic and lighting effects gave additional charm to this Redpath super-production. This blithe tale of merry England was brightly told and sung, and the tunes which were brought out their popularity by the famous old Bostonians were heard with pleasure. Songs, dances and ensemble acts all excellently done by Miss Valentine's company which has come to the Chautauqua from the theatre.

Miss Valentine's company arrived yesterday for the first of the "Grand Old Opera" season at the Yellow Tent. A special feature of the week is the presentation of the "Inexcusable Lie," a play which is being given with a special program for the people and some of the grandest scenery. An interesting feature of the week will be the presentation of the "Inexcusable Lie," a play which is being given with a special program for the people and some of the grandest scenery.

"Robin Hood" takes many people here as never before. In the past few days, Mrs. George Van der Meer, of Mount Morris, when Henry Gray Barnard was the Starlet, Miss Josephine Farber the Akona Dale, Francis Fox the Will Scarlet, George Frothingham the Little Bear. These veterans can almost hear Mr. Cowles as he sings the "Amen-amen Song," or Miss Farber as she sings "Oh! Promise Me." The world has passed through numerous vicissitudes since the Bostonians were idolized the nation over. It was a great comic opera organization and "Robin Hood" was its outstanding success, proving a drawing card for well nigh a generation. Another generation has passed and still "Robin Hood" is a distinct favorite.

For each ten weeks Miss Valentine's company will travel in its luxurious motor coach on the seven day circuit of the Redpath bureau. When the leaves are falling the company will return to the theatre, and it is hoped by all who heard the production last night that Miss Valentine will again return to Clinton in some other popular comic opera.

Monday night the play "Adam and Eva" was given, and proved to be all and more than the advance notices had claimed for it. This is one of the great comedy successes of recent seasons in this country and it completely captivated the large audience.

"Artist" Night" Tuesday evening was one of the finest entertainments of its kind ever given in Clinton. Miss Ruth Ford, American mezzo-soprano, gave an artistic recital with the assistance of a wonderful pianist and violinist. An excellent program was provided, giving Miss Ford fine opportunity for displaying the opulence of her voice and her versatility in style. Miss Ford has achieved a wide reputation as an artist and all music lovers hearing her were delighted with the program.

Mr. Thomas Burgess, of Beaufort, visited his sister, Mrs. J. C. Sparks, this week. Mr. Burgess was en route to Laurens where he will be in charge of Sparks five and ten cents store.

ONE MILLION TO COTTON FARMERS

Cooperative Association Makes 1925 Payments. South Carolina Is Third in Membership.

Columbia, May 1.—Checks totaling approximately \$1,000,000 were mailed out today by the South Carolina Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association to its members on cotton delivered to it this season, it was announced by officials of that organization. These checks represent additional payment but they are not the final payments. The checks go into every county in the state.

Figures received by the association today show that close to 5,000 farmers in the belt, have signed the cotton cooperative marketing contract since January 1. Alabama is leading all other states in the number of new members, 1,198 having signed in that state. North Carolina is a close second with 1,278 new members. South Carolina with 680 is running third in the list. All states are preparing to handle greatly increased volumes of cotton next season. The state of North Carolina has issued a challenge to any state in the belt to deliver a larger per cent of its crop next season than North Carolina. Oklahoma has already accepted the challenge and South Carolina will accept it. Officials of the South Carolina association said today that the sign up in this state included many of the largest growers in the state.

A meeting of the Edgefield county members has been called for next Tuesday afternoon, May 5, at 3:30 o'clock in the opera house, at Johnston, and a Barnwell county meeting next Friday afternoon, May 8, at 3:30 o'clock in the court house. A. H. Ward, district extension agent of Clemson College, will speak at the Edgefield county meeting.

WAR ON DIRT TO BE MADE

Civic Association and Mayor Jacobs Proclaim Clean-Up Week May 11th-16th.

At the request of the Civic Association, I am proclaiming that the week beginning May 10 and ending with May 16 is set apart as a Clean-Up Week for the city of Clinton. All citizens are earnestly requested to cooperate with the city government in making a thorough clean-up of all premises. Collection should be made especially of all tin cans, papers and anything which will hold water and thereby cause unsanitary conditions of all kinds and dirt which may compromise the decomposition of things.

All such articles should be placed in a box or barrel on the sidewalk and such boxes or barrels should be placed in front of the premises. The boxes should be placed in front of the premises in a way that will not obstruct the sidewalk. These arrangements should be made by the property owner. If everybody will work together to the end of a clean and healthy city, then many cases of illness and much misery will be avoided by keeping down dirt and mosquitoes to a minimum.

Signed: J. F. JACOBS, Mayor.

BACHMAN'S BAND CLOSING NUMBER

Million Dollar Organization In Two Concerts Tomorrow Will Close Chautauqua Season.

Bachman's Million Dollar Band, conducted by Harold Bachman, one of the noted band masters of the day, will bring Clinton's Seven Day Chautauqua to a close tomorrow night, at which time new and spectacular features will be introduced, with special scenic and lighting effects. This popular band originated in a military band organized by Mr. Bachman at the outbreak of the World War. While it was in France an American general commended it as being worth a million dollars to the American army. The "Million Dollar" sobriquet resulted.

The well known overture from "William Tell," a "Storm in the Alps," "In the Clock Shop," and many others are some of the special numbers to be given. The afternoon program is a separate one from the night performance, two entirely different groups of selections to be played at each performance.

Services at Duncan's Creek Church Sunday

There will be services at Duncan's Creek church on Sunday, May 10th. No services will be held on the third Sunday. Dr. Dudley Jones asks that the entire congregation be present. Arrangements will be discussed, so as to suit the change made necessary by Dr. Jones' acceptance of the pastorate at Owings. The services will be held at 11 a. m. A hearty invitation is given to attend this interesting old church next Sunday.



MOTHER MY TREASURE

The world gave me bread and my butter,
The world gave me pleasure and pain,
It taught me the words I should utter
It gave me the sunshine and rain.

The world gave me money and pleasure
And also the wisdom to see,
It gave not my one greatest treasure
For God gave my Mother to me.

SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR SUNDAY

Local U. D. C. Chapter To Hold Memorial Exercises At Presbyterian Cemetery.

The Stephen D. Lee chapter, U. D. C., cordially invites the public to attend the memorial exercises to be held at the cemetery at the Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The veterans, members of the U. D. C., and school children of the city are asked to meet at the monument on the public square at 3:45 p. m. All will march from here to the cemetery, at which place the following program will be carried out:

Song: "O'ward Christian Soldiers."
Welcome: Mr. J. F. Jacobs, Mayor.
Prayer: Rev. L. E. Wiggins.
Quartette.
Address: Dr. Dudley Jones.
Song: "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder."
Decoration of graves.

Each member of the U. D. C. is requested to bring two wreaths, and any one else that will do so to bring at least one.

ARSENIC IN FLOUR NEARLY FATAL

Pie From Poisoned Barrel Almost Fatal to Parents and Two Children.

South Carolina, May 4.—A man who had been ill for some time, died last night at the age of 25, after eating a pie made from a barrel of flour which had been found to contain arsenic. The man, Mr. J. H. Poats, and two children, the 10-year-old son and 8-year-old daughter, became ill after eating the pie.

The man, Mr. J. H. Poats, of the Wolford office, declared that the flour eaten by the Poats family contained a large quantity of arsenic. A further investigation disclosed the carcass of a poisoned rat in the container from which the flour had been taken.

The theory is that the manufacturers of the flour had been troubled by rats and had placed arsenic in a quantity of flour hoping to poison the pests. Later, it is believed, this deadly flour was inadvertently packed and shipped to the trade.

The Poats family ate a pie Friday and almost instantly four members of the family became seriously ill. Mr. and Mrs. Poats and their daughter, Ella, 14, and their son, Grayson, 11, displayed alarming symptoms and a physician was hurriedly summoned. The youngest member of the family, a baby, did not eat any of the pie. Attending physicians stated that the four members of the Poats family undoubtedly would have died had the flour been used for biscuits instead of pie, as a slightly larger quantity of arsenic would have proven fatal within a short time. Grayson Poats' condition was more serious than that of the other members of the family, it was stated. Ella Poats' condition Monday had improved to such an extent that she was able to return to high school and the other members of the family are now well on the road to complete recovery.

Winner Given In Spelling Contest

The First National Bank of this city offers a \$25.00 gold piece each year to the best speller in the Clinton High school. Mrs. L. B. Dillard made up the list of words and graded the contestants. Miss Margaret Finley won first place, Miss Benet Godfrey, second, and Miss Zeline Davis, third. Miss Finley having won this honor last year, the award was made to Miss Benet Godfrey, who stood second in the contest.

GRADUATES TO HEAR ADDRESS

Rev. E. E. Strong of Fayetteville, Tenn., To Preach Baccalaureate Sermon For High School.

The Rev. E. E. Strong, dean of Bryson College, of Fayetteville, Tenn., has accepted an invitation to deliver the baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class of the Clinton High school on Sunday-evening of May 17. The exercises will be held in the Thornwell Memorial church and as is always the case, will be attended by a large audience, the churches of the city uniting for this special occasion.

According to the custom of rotating the sermon among the local pastors, it fell to the lot of the A. R. P. church this year to furnish the speaker. Mr. Strong, who is to be in Clinton on this date, accepted the invitation of the church and Superintendent Witherspoon, and will make the address before the young people of the graduating class.

NEXT SUNDAY WILL BE MOTHER'S DAY

Event Will Be Observed in Churches Throughout the Country For Twelfth Time.

Sunday, May 10, is Mother's Day, observed as Mother's Day. This will be the 12th year of official observance. The second Sunday in May has been set aside as Mother's Day by an act of Congress passed in 1914 by Woodrow Wilson. This provision was made for display of flags on public buildings, as well as the expression of respectful tribute to motherhood.

That the idea was a welcome one has been proved by the rapid growth of ceremonies in connection with the day. Church services on Mother's Day are now almost universally arranged with the day in mind, and other customs of the day are springing up. A white carnation is the accepted flower to be worn in memory of one's mother, and the sending to mothers of especially designed greeting cards noting the day is another simple method of expressing appreciation which has met with approval.

The actual origin of the movement which led to setting aside Mother's Day is not generally known, hence seems worthy of attention in view of the increasing observance of it. Investigation shows that Miss Anna Jarvis, of Philadelphia, in 1908 made the first step toward Mother's Day when she asked that the church in the little Virginia town where her mother had been a leading spirit, hold a service in her memory. A little later the Philadelphia churches are found to have been generally observing one Sunday in May as Mother's Day, and the plan grew to culmination in National legislation.

Various English customs act as a precedent for the idea of Mother's Day. In the days when young men and girls were bound out as apprentices or maids, the fourth Sunday in Lent was set aside as a day when they might return to their parents. Still earlier, the idea is found in Rome when on the same fourth Sunday, girls were annually brought to the Mother Church. Even the pagans had their idealization of motherhood expressed in the worship of a super-goddess known as Rhea, the great mother of the gods.

EXPECT PENSIONS FOR LAURENS THIS WEEK

According to an official statement given out this week the Laurens county pension roll will contain about 250 names this year and the pension funds to come to this county will amount to about \$24,000. It is expected that the funds will arrive and be paid out some time this week.

LAURENS VETS IN ANNUAL MEET

Survivors of Three Commands of County Gather For Thirty-Ninth Reunion.

Laurens, May 4.—Featured with exercises by the school children and several addresses, including one prepared by Judge O. G. Thompson entitled, "The Fall of Jackson," the 39th annual reunion of the survivors of three Laurens Confederate commands was held Saturday at the Gray Court-Owings schoolhouse, midway between Gray Court and Owings, 12 miles west of Laurens. Miss Varina Davis Brown, daughter of the late Col. J. N. Brown of Anderson, and Capt. H. P. Griffith of Gaffney, were guests of the veterans and both, on being presented responded in feeling words of appreciation of the honor.

The prepared address on Jackson was read by C. A. Power, the author being too unwell to undergo the fatigue of its delivery, though he was present and presided over the exercises of the day. Being the anniversary of the day General Jackson was fatally wounded, May 2, 1863, at Chancellorsville, the sketch tribute by Judge Thompson, who was himself engaged with his command in the battle that raged in the vicinity of Chancellorsville, was appropriate as well as constituting a fitting tribute to one of the outstanding figures of American history.

Stirring addresses were made by James H. Sullivan, member of the house of representatives from Laurens, and Dr. Graves L. Knight, dean of Anderson college, both sons of Confederate soldiers, natives of Laurens county.

The three companies represented in the reunion were: Company G (The Laurens Briars) Third South Carolina regiment; Company E of the Fourteenth, and Company E, Third battalion. Eighteen veterans and 14 wives and widows of Confederate soldiers were present, together with a large assembly of friends and neighbors from the surrounding country. Following the conclusion of the day's program, a picnic dinner was given, and the reunion was pronounced as one of the best held in several years.

Captain Griffith was commander of one of the companies and he makes it a rule to meet with the survivors every year, if possible. Colonel Brown became the regimental commander, after enlisting and serving in different ranks with one of the Laurens commands. Judge Thompson was a member of the "Laurens Briars," one of the historic companies comprising the renowned Third South Carolina regiment.

SPEAKS TONIGHT AT YELLOW TENT

Private Peat, Soldier-Author, To Feature Tonight's Chautauqua Program.

Harold R. Peat, who as Private Peat won an international reputation in the telling of his war experiences during the great World War, will deliver his noteworthy lecture, "The Inexcusable Lie," at the chautauqua tent tonight. His address will follow the concert offered by the Zedeler Symphonic Quintet.

Private Peat in his lecture discusses the problem of the proper education of the youth of the world, with the idea of producing a better understanding among the nations. He asks for a more just appreciation of the real qualifications of greatness. A war hero, he tells vividly of the horrors of the war.

As a speaker Private Peat is essentially dynamic and sincere. Everywhere he has appeared this season on the Redpath circuit he has made a profound impression and has been enthusiastically received.

FIDDLERS TO GATHER HERE

Old Time Convention To Be Held In School Auditorium On May Fifteenth.

An old time fiddlers' convention will be held under the auspices of the Improved Order of Red Men of Niagara Tribe No. 52, in the graded school auditorium on Friday evening, May 15th. The curtain will rise at eight o'clock and a big crowd of music lovers from all over this section is expected to be on hand. Fifty dollars will be given away in prizes.

All string musicians of the state are extended a cordial invitation to be present and take part in the entertainment.

CAMPBELL LODGE WILL MEET FRIDAY NIGHT

Campbell Lodge No. 44, A. F. M., will hold their regular meeting Friday night, May 8th at 7 o'clock. The time has been moved up to 7 o'clock in order that those who desire may attend the chautauqua. The secretary, V. P. Adair, urges all members to be present.

BIG CASES FOR CIVIL COURT

One Against Railroad, Another Against Clinton Cotton Mills. Court Convenes May 11.

Laurens, May 2.—One of the biggest cases to be heard at the approaching term of Civil Court which convenes here on the second Monday in May, is a suit growing out of the death of Mrs. Della Rochester, wife of Rev. W. P. Rochester, both of whom were killed on the 7th of August last year when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by the locomotive of a passenger train just below Fountain Inn in this county. W. T. Kennett, as administrator, brings suit against the railroad company for damages in the sum of \$50,000 for the death of Mrs. Rochester. The case has been set for Friday of the first week. Another suit in the same amount for the death of Mr. Rochester is pending, but will not likely come up for trial at this term.

Another case of importance to come up during the second week is that of Wm. L. Bishop against the Clinton Cotton Mills for damages alleged to be due as a result of the death of his son, who, it is claimed, was killed by an explosion at the mill some time last year.

The term, with Judge C. C. Featherstone presiding, is scheduled to last two weeks. A list of first week jurors was published last week. Following is the list for the second week, beginning the third Monday:

Laurens: Jack Cothran, Ambrose L. Hudgens, B. W. Hellams, J. J. Coats, L. R. Gray, E. F. Fincher, M. L. Roper.

Dials: M. W. Boyd, W. G. Taylor, John W. Owings, M. N. Campbell, J. States Curry.

Youngs: E. J. Sloan, F. L. McIntyre, Brooks Fowler, F. E. Bobo.

Scuffletown: F. L. Donnan, C. L. Madden.

Jacks: Walter D. Glenn.

Hunter: W. N. Blackwell, I. H. Bagwell, J. J. Clark, O. H. Shealy, C. L. Coats, W. T. Putnam.

Cross Hill: S. D. Jones, John W. Ropp, H. N. Carter.

Waterloo: J. M. Pearce, J. Wade Cudhertson, J. T. Hill, W. C. Mitchell.

Sullivan: John B. McCuen, B. E. Crawford, C. W. Abercrombie, B. E. Crawford.

KIWANIANS TO MEET IN UNION

Clinton, Newberry and Union Clubs To Hold Inter-City Meeting On May 11th.

The entire membership of the local Kiwanis club, joined by the Newberry club, will go to Union on the evening of May 11th for a special inter-city meeting. The first of a series of such meetings was recently held with the Clinton club at which time it was decided to hold the next meeting in Union.

The program for the evening will in charge the meeting to be held next term, while the Clinton club will have in charge the meeting to be held next month in Newberry. The local club will go in cars to Union, a special committee having been appointed at last week's regular meeting to get a one hundred per cent attendance for this special meet.

ZEDELER QUINTET THIS AFTERNOON

Afternoon and Evening Concerts To Be Featured by Symphonic Quintet.

The Zedeler Symphonic Quintet will be the Chautauqua attraction this afternoon and tonight. This quintet ranks with the greatest of the small orchestra organizations and is composed of five musicians of high artistic standing, whose abilities as solo artists have won enthusiastic commendations from discerning critics. All of the selections used by the company, both in ensemble and individual offerings, are chosen from the works of the master musicians. They will have the entire program this afternoon, and in the evening will give the prelude concert preceding the lecture by Private Peat, internationally known, on the subject of "The Inexcusable Lie."

Dr. Jones Takes Owings Pastorate

Dr. Dudley Jones, member of the Presbyterian College faculty, has accepted an invitation from the Owings Presbyterian church to accept its pastorate. He will preach for the congregation on the first and third Sundays. In addition to this work, he is supplying Duncan's Creek and Thornwell Memorial church in the absence of its pastor, Dr. L. R. Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Danziger returned from New York Saturday.