

COUNTY TO GET \$218,000 ROAD FUND IN TWO YEARS

Clinton Allotted \$36,000 In Urban Distribution By Highway Department.

Special to The Chronicle.
Columbia, Feb. 22.—The city of Clinton will receive \$36,000 and the city of Laurens \$43,400 during the next two years from urban funds of the state highway department, and Laurens county will receive \$218,600 from the department's secondary funds, according to a distribution for 1949-50 and 1950-51 which was approved last week by the state highway commission.

A total of \$2,385,000 in urban road money, of which \$1,144,732 is federal aid and \$1,240,268 is matching state funds, were distributed on the basis of population in the towns and cities where the funds are applicable. Clinton, with a population of 5,704, will receive 1.51 per cent of the total, and Laurens, with a population of 6,894 will receive 1.82 per cent.

The secondary road money was distributed among the counties on the formula of one-third to population, one third to rural road mileage, and one-third to area. The secondary funds for the two-year period total \$9,225,000, of which \$4,425,446 are secondary federal aid funds and \$4,799,554 are matching state funds. Laurens county, with an area of 713 square miles, will receive 2.33 per cent as to area; 2.33 per cent as to population, with a population of 44,185 persons, and 2.44 per cent in regard to rural roads, as the county has 1,131 miles of rural roads. The total percentage of the fund to be allotted to Laurens county is 2.37 per cent.

Lenten Services At Lutheran Church

A series of services in observance of Lent is announced for St. John's Lutheran church of this city, by the pastor, the Rev. James C. Dickert. They will begin on next Wednesday evening and continue through Easter Sunday. The sermon topics are centered in the events in the life of Christ leading immediately up to His crucifixion.

An outline of the dates and time, with sermon topics for the series, follows:

Sunday Mornings—11:00
Theme: "Let Us Go With Him"
March 6—"Into the Wilderness of Temptation."
March 13—"To Visit His Friends."
March 20—"To the House of Prayer."
March 27—"To A Lakeside Feast."
April 3—"To A Brookside Vigil."
April 10—"Palm Sunday—"On a March of Triumph."
April 17—"Easter—"Into Life Eternal." Holy Communion.
Wednesday Evenings—7:30
Theme: "With Him Still"
March 2—"Ash Wednesday—"To Jerusalem."
March 9—"Into the Upper Room."
March 16—"Into Gethsemane."
March 23—"As He is Arrested."
March 30—"As He is Denied."
April 6—"To His Trials."
Holy Week (April 11-15)
8:00 P. M.
Theme: "Hymns of the Passion"
Monday—"Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing, Which Before the Cross We Spend."
Tuesday—"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me."
Wednesday—"Jesus, and Shall It Ever Be, a Mortal Man Ashamed of Thee?"
Thursday, Holy Communion, "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face."
Good Friday—"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded."
The public is extended an invitation to attend all of these services.

Methodists To Have Laymen's Day

Sunday will be observed as "laymen's day" by Broad Street Methodist church, the pastor, Rev. Pinkney L. Bauknight, has announced. The speaker will be Senator Ralph T. Wilson of Laurens. All members are urged to be present. Those not attending other churches are cordially invited.

FOOD Is An Important Item With Housewives

You will find helpful Grocery and Market News in THE CHRONICLE every week from leading food stores in the city. Read the advertisements—they tell you about changing prices each week and where you can buy to advantage.

'Military Day' To Be Staged At College March 4

Students of the Reserve Officers' Training corps unit at Presbyterian college will present an original "Military Activities" day on Friday, March 4, beginning with a formal dress parade on Johnson field before Clinton citizens, the student body and invited guests.

Col. Robert E. Wisor, Jr., and Mrs. Wisor, of this city, have been chosen by the unit to be honored guests at the four featured events. Colonel Wisor, now retired, holds the army's record for years of continued service as an ROTC professor of military science and tactics. He was at the college for eight years, and service at North Carolina State college and the University of Maryland brings his total years of service to 16.

Marvin Gibbs, of Elberton, Ga., senior student serving as cadet lieutenant colonel for the year, is in charge of the activities.

The parade will begin at 4:30 p.m., with the entire unit in military formation. At 5:30 there will be a reception for the unit, the officers and their guests in the Student Christian Association building. The military banquet will begin at 8:30 p.m. in Judd dining hall. Colonel Wisor will speak on "The Advantages of the College ROTC unit." The annual military ball will be the last feature of the day, starting at 9:30 in the armory.

In charge of proceedings are: Cadet Major Lewis Hay, banquet; Cadet Captain William McMillan, reception; Cadet Master Sergeant Edward Kenney, decorations for the ball; Cadet Major George Watt, military ball; and Cadet Captains Wilbur Kaiser and Lammie Thurmond, grand march.

Final Report For March of Dimes Given By Thomas

J. C. Thomas, Clinton chairman of the recent March of Dimes campaign, said yesterday the drive has closed and that collections totaled \$1,652.20 in this area, an increase of more than \$400 over last year. He expressed his appreciation to workers and contributors alike for their part in making the drive a success.

The report of Chairman Thomas follows:

Academy Street school, D. S. Templeton, chm.	\$3.44
Bell Street school, E. F. Johnson, chairman	29.26
Bell's Wishing well, Durward Murdock, chm.	20.01
Clinton High school, R. P. Wilder, chm.	58.23
Clinton Mills, J. C. Boyce, chairman	315.68
Dapper Hosiery Mill, H. M. Lukstat, chm.	16.10
Deposit Boxes, directed by Edmunds Young and the Scouts	231.42
Florida Street school, Wilmot Shealy, chm.	82.48
Girls collection on streets, Mrs. Roger Henry, chm.	52.96
Hallmark Mfg. Corp., Mrs. Ione Adair, chm.	29.23
Lydia Mills, Walter Danhoff, chairman	136.34
Mail and Advance collections, Mrs. John Spratt, chm.	382.80
Movies, Leland Young, chm.	72.25
Penney's Wishing Well, R. N. Blackwelder, chm.	27.44
Providence school, Miss Margaret Blakely, chm.	33.00
State Training school, Miss Lois Blakely, chm.	21.77
Thornwell Orphanage, Mrs. Dennis Sowers, chm.	24.79
Moose Lodge, Joanna	25.06
Total	\$1,652.20

The Crisps Observe Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Crisp, highly regarded residents of Mountville, observed their 50th wedding anniversary Tuesday, February 22. Mrs. Crisp is the former Miss Blanche Hipp.

Mr. and Mrs. Hipp are 71 and 72 years old, respectively, and are active in community and church circles. Mr. Hipp is a deacon of the Baptist church.

Many relatives and friends in Mountville and other parts of the county, as well as elsewhere, joined in extending them hearty congratulations and best wishes on their anniversary.

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Joanna Responds In Heart Campaign

Col. R. E. Wisor, county chairman for the National Heart fund raising campaign, said yesterday that the residents of Joanna contributed \$553 in two days the past week to the fund. W. K. Waites is chairman in that community for the campaign.

"The Joanna people have made a fine start, Chairman Wisor said, "and I wish to commend them for their interest and generous response."

WILL OF LATE W. J. BAILEY UPHeld IN COURT ORDER BY PROBATE JUDGE

Granddaughter Petitioners Fail In Action To Break Will. Wasson In Decision Says Insufficient Testimony Brought To His Court. Attorneys for Petitioners To Appeal To Higher Court.

In an order handed down in Laurens yesterday Probate Judge J. Hewlette Wasson upheld what was alleged to be the last will and testament of the late William J. Bailey, Clinton banker and industrialist, who died April 11, 1948, leaving an estate appraised at \$2,327,619.76, plus his homeplace valued at \$35,000.

Petitioners in an action to break the will were his two granddaughters, Mrs. Frances Bailey Brooke, of Lexington, Va., and Mrs. Florence Bailey Adams, of Atlanta, who were bequeathed \$25,000 each in the will.

Mrs. Brooke and Mrs. Adams are the daughters of William Cyrus Bailey, the only son of the testator, who died when they were children, and Mrs. Marion Fleming Bailey, of Augusta, Ga., who was bequeathed the sum of \$15,000.

The bulk of the estate was left in fee simple to Mr. Bailey's three sisters, Miss Toccoa M. Bailey, Mrs. Emma B. Cornelson and Mrs. Mary B. Vance, and to two nephews, Silas P. Bailey and Robert M. Vance, all of this city.

Action to break the will was begun July 1, 1948, when O. L. Long, Laurens attorney, filed for himself and associate counsel, D. M. McConnell and C. B. Taliaferro, of Charlotte, N. C., a petition in behalf of the two granddaughters, requiring the executors of the estate to prove "in solemn form" the "said paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament" of the deceased banker and industrialist. Two of the executors were the nephew legatees, Silas Bailey and Robert Vance. The third was W. P. Jacobs, who died subsequent to Mr. Bailey.

Testimony was taken October 12 and 13, 1948, before Judge Wasson in Laurens and arguments were heard before him Jan. 7 of this year. In the testimony and arguments, attorneys for the petitioners based their case principally on the testimony of W. M. Bobo, one of the three witnesses to the will, who testified that "to his best recollection," Mr.

Jury Brings True Bill Against Truck Driver In Laurens

Laurens, Feb. 21.—A grand jury here Monday brought out a divided report on the truck and bus drivers charged with reckless homicide in the death of Miss Eleanor Simmons, Lander college day student from Cross Hill, who was killed January 21 when a truck and passenger bus sideswiped each other on a bridge across Cane creek several miles north of Cothran's bridge on the Calhoun highway.

A true bill was brought out against William Rachel, driver of the truck, and a no bill against Carl C. Hardin, driver of the bus.

The case of Mrs. Mary Ross Collins, indicted for murder at the November term of court in connection with the fatal shooting of her husband October 28, was continued by the court until the June term, along with several other cases.

College Choir To Make Florida Tour

Thirty members of the Presbyterian college choir appeared in an hour's sacred concert at Arsenal Hill Presbyterian church in Columbia Sunday evening, presenting a pre-Easter program of worship songs. The choir is directed by Dr. Edouard Patte.

Having sung in four states during the fall, Dr. Patte and the choir have plans made for a Florida tour the week of March 26 and will sing in churches in Jacksonville, Orlando, West Palm Beach, Miami Beach, St. Petersburg, Tampa, Ocala, and Waycross and Savannah, Ga.

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Speakers Named For Religious Emphasis Week At College

Rev. Samuel Wiley, of Anderson, Dr. Dwight Chalmers, of Greenville, Rev. James A. Overholser, of Greenwood, and Rev. Tom Cook, of Laurens, will lead the annual Religious Emphasis week of worship, seminars, and student-faculty discussions beginning on the Presbyterian college campus Tuesday, March 1.

A committee of 50 students and six faculty members has planned for four days of concentrated religious activities beginning with a leaders' kickoff dinner in the college dining hall at 8:30 Monday night.

Preparatory prayer meetings have been held this week on the campus, and members of the six fraternities will devote their regular Monday night meetings to devotionals.

Mr. Wiley, pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Anderson, will speak at chapel sessions at 10:30 on the mornings of Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, and at 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday at vesper services.

On Tuesday members of the faculty will have open house at their homes for members of the student body and visiting speakers. Faculty members and Clinton ministers will lead the discussions. Other informal gatherings include dormitory sessions among the students and a faculty forum, all to be held on Wednesday night.

Dr. Chalmers will speak on "Christian Education and Secularism" at 8 o'clock Thursday night in a special faculty session in the radio forum room of the college.

Mr. Overholser is pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Greenwood, and Mr. Cook, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Laurens, will lead the songs for each program.

The faculty committee chairman is Lt. Col. Powell A. Fraser, and its members are Rev. James S. Gray, Rev. Andrew Anderson, Dr. Edouard Patte, Dr. Jabir Shibli, Rev. T. Layton Fraser, and Dr. R. K. Timmons.

Blue Hose Announce Baseball and Tennis Schedules for Spring

Presbyterian college's baseball team will open its season March 28 against Davidson here, and play 13 other games on a schedule released by Athletic Director Walter Johnson.

The schedule: Clemson here; April 6—Wofford here; April 9—Clemson there; April 12-13—Mercer there; April 25—Newberry there; May 3—Newberry here; May 4—Erskine there; May 9-10—Mercer here; May 12—Erskine here; May 13—Davidson there.

Presbyterian college's tennis team, state champions last year, will meet at least 14 teams this season.

The schedule: March 30—Newberry there; April 6—South Carolina here; April 7—Newberry here; April 15—Duke there; April 16—Wake Forest there; April 19—North Carolina there; April 20—Davidson there; April 21—Kalamazoo here; April 23—Erskine here; April 25—Wofford here; April 26—Furman there.

April 27-30—high school tennis tournament here; May 2—Wofford there; May 3—Clemson here; May 4—Furman here; May 5, 6, 7—state intercollegiate matches here.

Kiwanis Official To Visit Club Tonight

Dr. Paul M. Wheeler, head of the English department at Winthrop college, and lieutenant governor of the Ninth division of the Carolinas Kiwanis district, will make his first official visit of the year to the local Kiwanis club this evening at 7:30, with all member invited. The dinner-meeting will be held at the college.

The meeting will be followed by a director's meeting at which time Gov. Wheeler will confer with the officers and directors about the 1949 International Kiwanis program.

Sound Picture Sunday At Methodist Church

A sound picture, "No Greater Power," will be shown at Broad Street Methodist church Sunday evening at 7:30. This is the story of Zaccheus as recorded by St. Luke. The film shows him as an impoverished potter who takes advantage of circumstances to eventually gain the exalted position of tax collector of Jericho. He uses his wealth and power to further his own selfish ends, but everything changes when he meets with the Master in his home.

High School Basketball Teams Here This Week

The upper-state semi-finals and finals in both "A" and "B" classes in basketball will be held in the Leroy Springs gymnasium Friday and Saturday.

These games will top off the 23-game tournament which is being held here this week.

ROAD PROGRAM PLANNED FOR COUNTY

Senator Wilson Sponsors Bill of \$660,000 Bond Issue for Surface-Treating Highways.

Columbia, Feb. 22.—Senator Ralph T. Wilson today launched a \$660,000 program to surface-treat an estimated 150 to 200 miles of roads and to condition for all-year round use many other miles of roads in Laurens county.

A bill he introduced in the senate this morning called for the issuance of \$660,000 worth of bonds to pay the cost of the road building, including equipment and materials and the salary of an engineer.

The roads to be surface-treated or otherwise conditioned are to be designated by County Supervisor Lander B. Stoddard and at least one member of the Laurens County Board of Commissioners either before or after the issuance of the bonds, Senator Wilson said.

He expects that about \$60,000 will be needed to buy road building equipment, but the bulk of the money will actually be spent on the roads.

The bill allows for the repairs and building of bridges, but Senator Wilson said he believed there is little of this to be done.

The bonds will be sold by the Laurens County commissioners at public or private sale and will bear interest at the rate of not more than three per cent annually, payable semi-annually. The county auditor is directed by the bill to make a sufficient annual levy upon the principal and interest of the bonds to pay them off as due.

Senator Wilson said some road work will be carried out on contract to the state highway department, to be paid for in the annual state-federal allocation.

During the next two years, Laurens county is expected to get \$218,600 from state-federal funds and in addition will share in the state farm-to-market roads program figuring about half that sum.

"The people out over our county have a right to good roads for carrying out their business. They are entitled to be able to get where they want to go without any difficulty. It is my aim to make all the roads usable the year round," the senator said.

Other members of the Laurens delegation, Representatives C. L. Millam, Robert C. Wasson and Charles Culbertson are generally in accord with him on the road building program, he said.

Last year voters defeated a \$600,000 program that would place the roads under control of a county board of seven road commissioners.

Joanna Mills Cuts 40-Hour Schedule

Effective this week all departments of the Joanna Cotton Mills company at Joanna, went on a 40-hour weekly schedule due to the condition of the textile market. The announcement was made by Walter Regnery, president of the company, who expressed the opinion that the elimination of all overtime will prevent any further curtailment.

A general slowing down in the textile industry is reported, some mills having closed down completely, while others have cut back to a two or three days a week schedule.

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