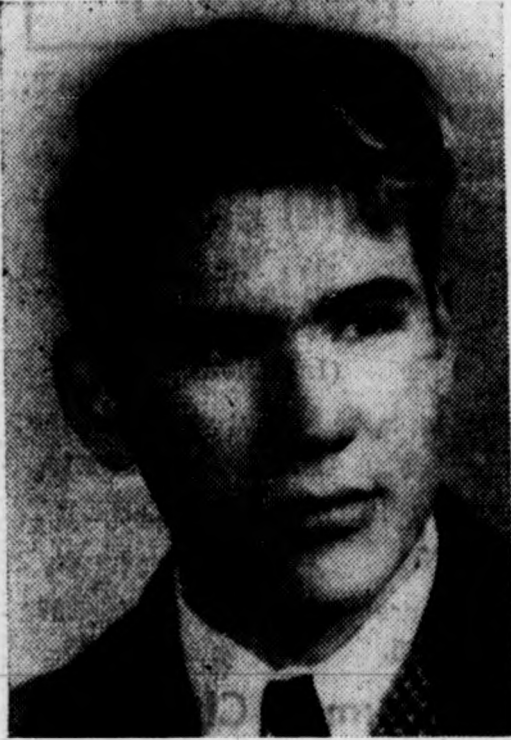


### Wilder To Head State Press Group



DONNY WILDER

Donny Wilder, a rising senior at Clinton High school, was elevated from vice president to president of the South Carolina Scholastic Press association at their annual convention held during the past week in Charleston. He succeeds Miss Margaret Davenport of St. Andrews parish high school.

Donny is sports editor of The Sentinel, students' publication at the school, and has been a leader in the work of the state association since entering high school. His friends will be interested in the announcement of his election as president of the group for the coming year.

Donny is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Wilder.

### Airline Agrees To Pay \$60,000 In Civil Actions

Eastern Air Lines, Inc., on Monday agreed to pay \$60,000 to survivors of William A. Moorhead, vice-president and general manager of Joanna Cotton Mills company at the time of his death, January 13, 1948, in the crash of a Douglas DC-3 near Washington, D. C., and Shelburn M. Warner, contractor of this city, who was killed in the same crash.

The agreement was reached in open court on separate civil actions at Greenwood Monday morning before Judge C. C. Wyche of Spartanburg.

The Air Lines company was sued several months ago for \$250,000 by Mrs. Annette Moorhead Henderson, executrix of her father's estate. Mrs. Frances C. Warner at the same time filed complaint asking for \$150,000 from the airline as executrix of her husband's estate.

The two men were killed in a crash of the Greenville-to-Washington flight of an Eastern plane near Oxon Hill, Md., about five miles south of Washington. The complaint said the plane was going into a Washington airport for a landing when the fatal crash occurred.

The plaintiffs were represented by the firm of Grier, McDonald, Todd & Burns of Greenwood.

### Mr. and Mrs. Sadler, Jr., To Make Home Here

Friends of Rufus E. Sadler, Jr., will be interested to know he has been released from the navy and is now associated in business with his father at Sadler-Owens pharmacy.

Ensign Sadler was on active duty three years following his graduation from the United States Naval academy at Annapolis, Md.

Mrs. Sadler is the former Miss Mary Doherty, of New York, and they have one daughter, Sara, 14 months old.

### Orphanage Pupils To Present Recital

The Thornwell orphanage music department will present a large number of piano pupils, boys and girls, in recital on Friday evening, May 13, at eight o'clock in the chapel. The department is headed by Miss Luva Macdonald and Miss Gloria Owens. The public is cordially invited for the program.

### Pulley Now Held In Laurens Jail; His Wife Released

Sheriff C. W. Wier said Monday that he had released Mrs. Jackie Ramsey Pulley, wife of Grover "Tojo" Pulley, now held in the Laurens jail. She had been detained for questioning at request of Tennessee officers, when she and her sister arrived Saturday to visit the former's husband. Sheriff Wier said the car they drove was an exact duplicate of the one in which Pulley was riding when he was arrested near here by two city policemen on the afternoon of April 21.

Officers in several states are still trying to connect Pulley with several safe-cracking jobs and murder, but so far have not succeeded.

A federal warrant charging Pulley with violation of the national fire arms act was issued in Greenville several days ago. He is being held by Sheriff Wier in lieu of \$10,000 bond on a charge of possessing burglary tools.

### 4-H Rally Day Draws Big Crowd, New Officers Elected

The auditorium of the Agricultural building in Laurens was filled to overflowing Saturday morning for the annual 4-H Rally day program. William Jones, president, 4-H County council, presided. Helen Teague is secretary.

The devotional was conducted by five girls from Bethany 4-H club with Mrs. Ruth Curry as local leader. Mrs. Adeline V. Long, assistant demonstration agent, gave the welcome talk and the response was given by Bertha Ann Compton, member of the County-Wide 4-H club.

During the roll call by clubs the members stood while counted to determine the club having the largest number of club members present and to become known to other club members. The State Training school, with Mrs. B. Sloan as local leader, had 72 present, which was the largest number present from any club.

In the business session, Helen Teague was elected council president for the coming year; Johnny George was named vice-president; Claudella Burgess, secretary; and Herchel Gibbs, treasurer.

J. B. Williams, assistant county agent, presented checks for sale of 4-H beef calves sold this spring to the following: Carl and Ray Stoddard and Jimmy Lindley. Robert Wrenn received his check before the meeting as he was unable to attend. Billy Ray Traynham received a check given by Chilean Nitrate Education service for 1948 field crop winner. Billy produced 41 bushels of corn per acre on four acres, using Wood's hybrid seed corn S-270.

J. H. Watts, Jr., received \$50 saving bond given by Firestone Tire and Rubber company for 4-H soil conservation work.

Announcements and brief comments were made by Susan Hall, home agent; also brief remarks were made by Joe Jones, district 4-H club agent of Clemson, and C. B. Cannon, county agent.

The main part of the program was presented by 10 clubs, ranging from music to plays, all of which were educational and entertaining. The clubs with local leaders taking part on the program were: Greenspond, Mrs. Mary W. Weathers; Barksdale-Narnie, Mrs. E. J. Ewart; Hickory Tavern, Mrs. E. M. Morrow; Long Branch, Mrs. W. R. Brown and Mrs. T. B. Samerel; Mountville, Mrs. J. H. Watts; Oak Grove, Mrs. Grace Cain; State Training school, Mrs. E. Sloan; Trinity Ridge, Mrs. Virginia G. Griffin; Bethany, Mrs. Ruth Curry; and County-Wide club assisted by home demonstration agent.

Refreshments were served at the end of the program made possible through the cooperation of a Laurens business firm. Although a rainy day, there were 300 club members, local leaders and parents present.

### Heavy Percentage State High School Graduates Failing In College

Special to The Chronicle. Columbia, May 4—The State Department of Education this week released to the South Carolina General Assembly a special report on the number of South Carolina High School graduates from Laurens and other counties of the state who enrolled, passed, failed, and withdrew because of failure during the college summer school of 1947 and the college year of 1947-48.

The special report is required by an act of the legislature.

In the 16 four-year white colleges in the state 3,364 high school graduates entered freshman classes, 1,355, or 40 percent, finished all of their work, and 463, or 13 percent, withdrew because of failure. In the five four-year Negro colleges of the state 958 high school graduates were admitted, of which 517, or 53 percent finished all of their work, and 68, or seven percent, withdrew because of failure.



### Mother — America's First Lady

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### Surface Treated Road Program Well Under Way

County Supervisor L. B. Stoddard said yesterday that the surface treated road program is well underway, about nine miles of black top road having been built during the past two weeks. About 25 miles has been graded and top soiled, he said, and will be surface treated as soon as the county engineer approves the completion of the work.

The supervisor said the county road force is making splendid progress in preparing the roads for surface treatment. The county is doing all the construction work and buying the materials. A. T. Sistare, Spartanburg contractor is applying the material as the low bidder with a bid of ten cents per square yard.

Due to the new machinery and trucks purchased recently, the supervisor said, his force will be able to build between 50 and 60 miles of black-top road this year. The board of commissioners, he said, feels that the county has the best set-up for such a road program it has ever had.

### County Gas Tax Goes Up Each Month

Special to The Chronicle. Columbia, May 4. — Laurens county will receive \$5,920 this month from the distribution to the counties of the state of one cent of the six cent state tax on gasoline, according to State Treasurer Jeff Bates. The distribution is made monthly, on the basis of the number of motor vehicle licenses issued for each county. The remaining five cents of the tax is retained by the State Highway Department.

During April a total of \$290,512 is being allotted to the counties of the state from the tax collections made last month. Receiving the largest portion is Greenville, which will receive \$26,513, while the \$1,460 allotted to McCormick county is the smallest allotment for the month.

In April of 1948, the distribution totalled \$249,048, of which Laurens county received \$4,877.

### College Choir Heard In Sacred Program

The Presbyterian college choir made their last appearance of the 48-49 session at the First Presbyterian church here Sunday morning. The regular sermon was omitted and a full hour program entitled, "To the Glory of God" was impressively presented before a large congregation.

Dr. Edouard Patte is director of the choir.

### NEW SUBSCRIBERS HONOR ROLL

A man said yesterday he does not take THE CHRONICLE because he does not have time to read it. He is like the man who was so busy chopping wood he did not have time to sharpen his axe.

You are missing a lot if you are not a subscriber of this paper. It is full of news about people and things in which you are interested.

Welcome and thanks to those on our Honor Roll this week:

- THOMAS E. BALDWIN,
- MRS. ALLEN SIMMONS,
- Clinton.
- H. R. BERRY,
- MRS. J. M. THOMPSON,
- Mrs. ROY E. MCCOY,
- West Clinton.
- F. L. THORNBURG,
- MRS. DAVID SATTERFIELD,
- Lydia Mills.

### Slightly Over 93% County Taxes Collected for 1948

When the tax period for the collection of 1948 Laurens county taxes ended April 15, slightly above 93 percent of the total tax conscript had been collected, according to Treasurer Sam M. Leaman. This percentage was the highest in many years, he said.

When the books closed only \$26,765 of the total of \$405,443 remained uncollected, the treasurer said. The amount of unpaid taxes will be turned over to the county tax collector for collection with costs added to the 7 per cent penalty which has been in effect since the first of April. Late taxpayers turned in \$2,853.29, including the 7 per cent penalty, the treasurer reported.

### Kiwanis Boy of Month



JACK SPILLERS

Jack Spillers, of this city, member of the senior class at Clinton high, is the Kiwanis club "boy of the month" under a plan recently adopted, and he was presented to the club at its meeting the past week. Jack is the son of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Spillers. His father for the past year has been pastor of Calvary Baptist church of the Clinton Mills community. Jack plans to attend Clemson college, he says.

The "boy of the month" is selected by a faculty committee on the basis of leadership, cooperation, scholarship and general school spirit and activities.

### College Students Enjoy Picnic At Camp Monday

The Presbyterian college student body went to Camp Greenwood on Saluda river Monday afternoon for the first annual student body picnic, sponsored by the Student Christian association of the college.

L. V. Powell, manager of the dining hall, had charge of serving the meal.

A game of softball between faculty members and students was played, and other sports indulged in, including swimming, races and stunts by the fraternities. New members of the SCA cabinet were installed. Ben Collins, of Miami, Fla., is the president.

### GAMES THIS WEEK

- Central Carolina League
- Friday—Riverdale at Clinton.
- Saturday—Clinton at Riverdale.
- Tuesday—Watts at Clinton.
- King Cotton League
- Friday—Greenwood at Joanna.
- Saturday—Joanna at Greenwood.
- Mid-State League
- Saturday—Lockhart at Lydia.
- Wednesday—Lydia at Ottaray.

### Officers Named For T. B. Association At Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Laurens County Tuberculosis association was held in Laurens last week.

W. T. Bolt, of Laurens, the retiring president, was given a vote of thanks for his services the past two years.

Mrs. J. Hamp Stone, of this city, read the report of the nominating committee which was adopted as follows:

President, Henry M. Faris, Laurens; first vice-president, Mrs. John Carey Bolt, Gray Court; second vice-president, W. K. Waites, Joanna; secretary, Miss Beaufort Copeland, treasurer, Leroy Burnas, Laurens.

The executive committee was named as follows: R. E. Babb, Mrs. Sarah DeLoach, Dr. Martin Teague and Gordon Collins, of Laurens; Mrs. Gray Harris, Gray Court; Mrs. J. H. Stone, of this city. The board of directors was also elected, with their term of office assigned.

The budget for the new year was presented by Mr. Burnas and adopted by the group present. The budget is based on the seal sale of the previous year. The 1948 seal sale total was reported as \$7,500. Eighty-five per cent of this amount is used to fight tuberculosis in Laurens county.

The annual report disclosed that 66 new cases of tuberculosis were discovered during the past year. 8854 chest X-rays have been made since April, 1948. A reduction in the death rate was noted.

The association's main objectives for the new year include the following: A more intensive educational program in ways of preventing and controlling the disease; wider use of X-ray facilities, that all cases may be found; cooperation with health officials in placing under medical care active cases who may be spreading infection; rehabilitation of ex-sanatorium patients.

### Memorial Day Exercises Announced for May 10

On Tuesday, May 10, the Stephen D. Lee chapter, U. D. C., will sponsor the annual observance of Memorial day. Mrs. J. Hamp Stone, chairman of the committee, announced that plans have been completed.

A parade, headed by the ROTC band of Presbyterian college, members of the U. D. C. and others, will form at 10 o'clock at the library on South Broad street and proceed to the Confederate monument on the square. There the band will play several selections and a prayer will be made.

Mrs. Stone also states that school children in the lower grades, bringing flowers, will gather at 10:45 at the Presbyterian cemetery to decorate graves. A talk will be given by Dr. W. R. Turner, a salute will be fired, and taps will complete the program.

### Erskine College Quartet To Sing Sunday At A. R. P. Church

This Erskine college quartet will render special music at the local Associate Reformed Presbyterian church next Sunday morning, and the public is cordially invited to attend the service.

The quartet is composed of Miss Eleanor Bryson, soprano; Miss Harriet Edwards, alto; Eugene Grier, bass; and Harold Parrott, baritone. Raymond Thigpen is accompanist.

The young people have sung at a number of churches in this state and in North Carolina and have been favorably received. They recently gave a half hour program over station WFBC, Greenville.

The service Sunday morning will be broadcast over station WLBG, the church has announced.

### Music Concert To Be Presented

The annual music concert, composed of three hundred children's voices from the four schools in the city, will be presented on Tuesday evening, May 10, at eight o'clock in the Clinton high school auditorium. The concert is given each year by the music departments of the schools, with the public invited.

### Hi Students Attend State Press Meet

At the annual convention of the South Carolina Scholastic Press association held during the past week in Charleston, the local high school was represented by the following: Miss Helen Outz, adviser, official delegates, Carolyn Young, Betty Jean Summerel, Dial Jacks, special delegates, Charles Johnson, George Espieg and Catherine Espieg. Donny Wilder, newly elected president of the association, also attended.

In the news department, The Sentinel was one of the divisional trophy winners in the story-of-the-month contests.

### LAURENS COUNTY SOIL CONTEST OPEN TO FARMERS

Prizes Amounting To  
\$1,800 in Cash and Merchandise Offered. July  
1 Is Closing Date.

Supervisors of Laurens County Soil Conservation district report that progress is being made in the Piedmont Communities Soil Conservation contest in which Laurens district is participating. Business firms and organizations of this area have already offered prizes amounting to approximately \$1,800 for Laurens county farmers. Supervisors say they are confident there will be other prizes offered before the closing date of the contest on July 1.

To date, prizes have been offered as follows:

- Spartanburg Herald-Journal, \$300 cash; Clinton Cotton Mills, \$200 cash; Joanna Cotton Mills, \$200 cash; Montgomery & Crawford Co., Spartanburg, \$100 in merchandise; Pitts-Dillard Implement Co., Clinton, concrete mixer; Pitts Implement Co., Clinton, tractor drag barrow; H. D. Payne & Co., Clinton, two tractor tires; W. B. Blakely Seed plant, Laurens, 1,000 lbs lespecheza sericea seed; E. E. Cox Seed Cleaning plant, Clinton, 500 lbs. lespecheza sericea seed; M. S. Bailey & Son, Bankers, Clinton, \$50 cash; Southern Cotton Oil Co., Laurens, 1 ton fertilizer; Henry Gramling & Pringle, Gramling, \$85 in fertilizer; Henry Gramling & Niagara Chemical Co., Gramling, \$85 insecticide; Spartan Grain & Milling Co., Spartanburg, \$50 cash; Laurens Kiwanis club, \$25 savings bond.

Eleven groups, representing 196 farmers, have entered the contest to date, as follows: Barkedale-Narnie, J. Herman Power, leader, 14 farmers; Gray Court-Owings, Fred Stoddard, leader, 16 farmers; Green Pond, Roy W. Curry, leader, 16 farmers; Hopewell, W. P. Dickson, leader, 31 farmers; Lanford, Roy DeShields, leader, 22 farmers; Mountville, L. P. Burnas and George Wham, leaders, 13 farmers; Ora, Milton Y. Blakely, leader, 21 farmers; Poplar Springs, Garvin O'Dell, leader, 10 farmers; Trinity Ridge, J. W. Tinsley, leader, 20 farmers; Youngs, W. D. Lomas, leader, 18 farmers; Waterloo-Center Point, J. H. Wharton, leader, 10 farmers.

Supervisors wish to extend an invitation to any group of farmers in Laurens county to enter this contest. Requirements are that there be at least 10 farmers in a group. Ryan Lawson, chairman of the board, states that any farmers who wish to organize a group may receive assistance in organizing and entering the contest by notifying any member of the board of supervisors. These supervisors are: Ryan Lawson, Clinton; Warren Ansley, RFD, Laurens; H. O. Abercrombie, RFD 1, Ware Shoals; Sam Fleming, Ora; W. P. Dickson, Clinton.

Farmers may also notify the county agent, vocational agricultural teachers or soil conservation service technicians for help in organizing and entering the contest.

Mr. Lawson also invites any business firm in this area to participate in the contest by offering prizes to winners in the contest. Any supervisor will be pleased to discuss the purpose of the contest with interested business firms at any time before July 1, which is the closing date for entering the contest.

Mr. Lawson also states that there will be at least 20 groups of 10 or more farmers to enter the contest by the closing date, and that soil conservation service technicians stand ready to assist farmers in planning a complete soil and water conservation plan on their farms immediately after they enter the contest. The plan, worked out on each farm, will be the basis for which applied soil conservation practices will be judged.

Farmers who enter the contest by July 1 will have two full years to apply soil conservation practices and compete for prizes offered.

Rules for the contest may be obtained from the county agent, vocational agricultural teachers or soil conservation technicians.

### FOOD

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