



MRS. HAMM

## Mrs. Marion Hamm Honored As Joanna Mother of the Year

Saturday afternoon the Joanna clubhouse was the scene of a delightful joint meeting of the Joanna Men's club and the Joanna Woman's club. Walter Regnery, president of the men's group, presided, and an excellent supper prepared by Vernon Garner, Lester Hair, and Carl Franzen, was served buffet style.

Governor J. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina was a special guest of the club and made an address on better things for our state. He enumerated many of the industries which have recently come to South Carolina, but stated that there is still plenty of room for further expansion and he is exerting every effort to bring industries into the state. He commended the progressiveness of the community, calling attention to the factors which go to make up a desirable place in which to live.

Special honor of the occasion was paid to Mrs. Marion Hamm as the town "mother of the year." She was escorted to the clubhouse by Governor and Mrs. Thurmond and Mrs. G. N. Foy, president of the Woman's club, where she received her gifts and in turn was presented a gift of flowers. J. L. Delany, superintendent of the plant, complimented Mrs. Hamm on the fine contribution she has made to the community. Mrs. Hamm has resided in Joanna for a period of 48 years and has been increasingly loved by the residents of the community as the years went by.

Preceding the talk by Governor Thurmond, the ladies' group enjoyed an informal buffet supper in the front rooms of the clubhouse. The music room, the lounge, and the reading room were decorated in red and white gladioli, red roses, and greens. Supper was served from a prettily appointed table in front of the full-length mirror and was presided over by Mrs. John Ross, Mrs. Dollie Mae Carr, Mrs. Joe Abrams, Mrs. Mary Simpson, Mrs. Lavinia Cooley, Mrs. Rolfe Clark, and Mrs. Ella Hair. Mrs. Mildred Bowers served iced tea from a smaller table.

Music was furnished by Mrs. Frances Giles and Mrs. Carson Nabors. A small receiving line was formed in order that all might meet and chat with Mrs. Thurmond, the first lady of the state. In addition to the two honor guests, the executive board of the Woman's club and Mrs. Walter Regnery were in the receiving line.

## Masonic Meetings Listed By Secretary

Campbell Lodge No. 44, A.F.M., will hold a regular communication meeting May 17. On Thursday, May 19, the Master Mason degree will be conferred. On May 27 the William Plummer Jacobs Chapter No. 54 will confer Royal Arch degree M.E.G.H.P. Hugh N. Layne, of Roebuck, will preside. All members and their companions and visitors will be welcome, according to V. P. Adair, secretary.

## Clinton City Gets \$11,122 Liquor Tax

The city of Clinton and incorporated towns in Laurens county received \$68,526.25 from the alcoholic liquors tax last year, it was announced this week from Columbia. The allocation is based on population. Clinton received \$11,122.36; Laurens, \$13,443.26; Cross Hill, \$1,023.82; Gray Court, \$782.15; and Waterloo, \$292.36.

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## Last Rites For Lt. George Browning At Joanna Sunday

Funeral services with military honors for Lieutenant George Blacklock Browning, who was killed in action in Belgium January 4, 1945, will be held at the Blacklock vault at Joanna Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The Rev. A. E. Holler, of Batesburg, will be the officiating minister. Active pallbearers will be members of the Clinton National Guard unit and the salute will be given by a firing squad from the ROTC unit of Presbyterian college.

Flower girls will be Miss Mary Nancy Robertson, Mrs. Barbara Counts, Miss Betty Baker, Miss Doris Baldwin and Miss Jo Copeland. The honorary escort will be composed of Wilson Yates, Keith Purcell, Herbert Griffin, Bobby Duncan, Lt. Powell Way, A. C. Workman, Jr., Harry Baldwin, Rufus Sadler, Jr., Charles Yarborough, Eugene Pinson, Kelly Waites, Jr., J. C. Lambert, James Simpson, Alex Crawford, Hugh Edward Brock, and Otha Johnson.

Lt. Browning was the son of Mrs. Nellie Adams Browning of Newberry, and the late James L. Browning of this city. In addition to his mother, he is survived by one sister, Miss Violet Browning of Newberry, and his grandmother, Mrs. M. E. Browning of this city.

Lt. Browning was a student at the Citadel when he entered service and would have graduated in the class of 1944. He went overseas in September of 1944, and was acting commander of his trench mortar company at the time of his death and a member of the 84th Infantry division.

## Last Rites Held Here Sunday For Mrs. J. L. Thornley

Mrs. Elizabeth Hill Thornley, 76, widow of John L. Thornley, died Saturday morning at a Columbia hospital following an extended period of declining health.

The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon from the Gray Funeral Home, conducted by the Rev. P. L. Bauknight, and the Rev. L. E. Wiggins of Woodruff. Interment followed in Rosemont cemetery.

Pallbearers were: W. J. Henry, Arnold Cannon, Lee Add Blakely, J. H. Pitts, W. B. Owens, J. J. Cornwell, Eugene Bostick and Edward Ray.

The services were attended by a number of friends and relatives from here and elsewhere, with many lovely flowers banked upon her grave as an expression of the love and esteem in which she was held.

Mrs. Thornley was a native of Pickens county but had made her home in this city since 1919. She was a daughter of the late Richard K. and Bell Hurt Hill, and a member of the Methodist church at Pickens.

She is survived by two sons, L. O. Thornley of this city, and Fant H. Thornley of Birmingham, Ala.; a daughter, Mrs. Taylor Martin, of Newberry; a sister, Mrs. H. W. Nix of Concord, N. C.; and one granddaughter.

## Student Council At High School Named for Year

Donny Wilder has been elected by the Clinton high school student body as president of the student council for the 1949-50 session. He was also elected president of the rising senior class.

Other officers named by the student council are: Billy Somerville, vice-president; Myrtice Rhodes, secretary-treasurer.

Eighth grade students elected to serve on the council for the next four years are Kenneth Baker, Mary Sue Darr, and William Coats.

Frances Elliott has been elected as vice-president of the rising senior class; Betty Jean Sumerel, secretary; and Wallace Abrams, treasurer.

Officers for the rising junior class are: President, John Davis; vice-president, Ted Mears; secretary, Ruby Jo Darr; treasurer, Truman Owens.

Rising sophomore class: President, Frank Young; vice-president, Bobby Cason; secretary, Mary Catherine Anderson; treasurer, Terry Thomas.

Rising freshman class: President, James McElhannon; vice-president, Jolene McGee; secretary, Ann Hellams; treasurer, Charles Oxner.

## Civil Court Begins In Laurens Monday

The term of civil court will convene in Laurens on Monday, May 16, with Judge Steve C. Griffith of Newberry, presiding over the term. Thirty-six petit jurors have been drawn for the term by the jury commissioners.

Hunter township jurors follow: Eugene C. Prater, J. D. Hairston, C. E. Dunaway, R. J. Copeland, Jr., W. E. Henry, John H. Fulmer, W. C. Gardner, C. K. Tompkins, George J. Sineath, C. L. Braswell, J. C. Smith, John D. Jeanes, and Luther J. Brock.

## Conferees Report \$112,854,709 Money Measure

Columbia, May 10.—A \$112,854,709 state budget bill was recommended to the legislature Monday by a free conference committee that shied away from new taxes.

The 1949-50 spending bill is balanced, if tax commission estimates of next year's revenue are accurate. The conferees said the total is \$60,000 under the amount the state is expected to take in.

The senate wanted to spend \$117,940,179. The House adopted a money bill worth \$113,340,126. The conferees undershot both figures in order to keep spending within revenue limits.

The committee said it deemed it "inadvisable in the present situation to suggest new revenues for increased appropriations."

But the conferees did do some juggling in order to keep their budget report balanced. They proposed to raise a needed \$390,000 by taking away from the cities the money they now get from motor transport fees. This money would be banked in the state treasury instead.

This step was taken, the conferees explained in a statement, as an alternative to keep from cutting off a proposed 2 1-2 per cent of the counties' share of state income tax money.

The appropriations to the various branches of the state government suggested in the conferees' report parallel closely the recommendations of the State Budget Commission.

The Department of Public Welfare fund, which both the Senate and House tried to boost considerably, was set by the conferees at \$330,000 more than the welfare department is getting in the current year.

The free conferees committee acted swiftly in what Chairman Edgar A. Brown frankly said was a move to try to bring final adjournment of the legislature next week.

A deficiency appropriations bill, asking for \$1,300,000 more to pay teachers for the current year, was on the desk today, awaiting introduction tomorrow.

## Boy Scouts Plan Two-Day Camporee Outing May 20-21

Boy Scouts of Laurens county will attend a Camporee at Greenwood State Park Friday and Saturday of next week, May 20 and 21, according to W. P. Sheppard, Campaign and Activities chairman for the county.

Activities of the camporee will include demonstrations in scoutcraft, games and inter-troop competition. The scouts will camp as troops Friday night and will cook their own meals for the entire stay. Awards will be given to the best troops after inspection of campsites and participation in games and contests. The public is invited to visit these activities.

An entertaining campfire will conclude Friday evening after they have spent the afternoon preparing camp. Saturday activities will begin with a formal inspection immediately after breakfast. Following the inspection demonstrations and competition in scouting projects will continue for the entire morning. Games will follow the lunch period until the breaking of camp later in the afternoon.

Mr. Sheppard will be director of the Camporee and will be assisted by Carroll Pitman, local field scout executive. This activity for the Boy Scouts of this area is under the supervision of the Laurens district committee of the Blue Ridge council.

## World War I Vets Plan Laurens Reunion

World War I veterans of Co. D, 118th Infantry, and those who were members at any time prior to the war, will hold a reunion in Laurens on Saturday, June 4. The meeting is to be held at the armory in Laurens and will last from 3:00 p.m. through that day. Plans are being made for a Dutch barbecue supper and with a minimum of speechmaking.

Every ex-member of the company is urged to attend. Each one is requested to notify Chas. F. Fleming, Palmetto Bank, Laurens, of his intention to be present.

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MRS. HENRY RUSS,  
City.

Mrs. Fred W. Mitchell of Asheville, N. C., spent last week with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Sowers.

## Lt. T. Duckett Young Drowned In Virginia, Rites Held Sunday

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in Laurens for First Lt. Thomas Duckett Young, native of this county and a former resident of Greenwood, who was drowned on a fishing trip Saturday afternoon near Fort Eustis, Va., where he has been stationed. He was thrown into the water as the boat was docking. The services, conducted from the home of his parents, were in charge of the Rev. T. C. Cook of Laurens, and the Rev. James Overholser of Greenwood, and largely attended by friends and relatives. Interment followed in the Laurens cemetery.

Lt. Young had a large family connection here. He was a nephew of Henry M. Young and Mrs. T. J. Blacklock, a grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. C. (Kit) Young, highly regarded pioneer residents of this community. He also had a large number of cousins in the city.

Lt. Young was the son of Ross D. and Lillie Ray Young, former Clinton residents. He was a veteran of World War II, having served with the engineer corps on Ascension Island and also saw duty on Guadalcanal in the Philippines, Korea and Australia. He was graduated from the Laurens high school and the University of South Carolina in the class of 1929.

He married Miss Elizabeth Waller Arnold, of Greenwood, in 1930. In addition to his wife and one daughter, Miss Elizabeth Ross Young, he is survived by his parents; two sisters, Mrs. Carol Hart of York, and Mrs. L. B. Massey of Spartanburg; and one brother, George H. Young, of Laurens.

## Local Officers Awarded Certificates In Training School

Forty peace officers of Laurens county received certificates last week for successful completion of a two-week special training course in Laurens.

This was the third such course conducted under sponsorship of the Laurens police department, headed by Chief William T. Ivey, the Clinton police department, headed by Chief B. B. Ballard, and the Laurens county sheriff's office, with Sheriff C. W. Wier at the head.

The certificates awarded meant the officers had attended the sessions daily in an effort to improve themselves for enforcing the laws.

The school came to a close with a barbecue dinner, with E. P. Riley, of Greenville, assistant U. S. district attorney, as the principal speaker. Riley stressed the importance of the work of officers, calling attention to the dangers involved. "Times are changing," he said. Officers have got to keep up with the times and take advantage of science in crime detection.

Mayor L. E. Bishop of this city, and Ed Groves, of the FBI, were introduced and spoke briefly during the program, as did several others.

The following members of the Clinton police department received certificates: Chief Ballard, Assistant Chief W. B. Blakely, Marvin Stewart, J. V. Lowe, Howard Watkins, W. A. Patterson and Horace P. Horton.

H. R. Jones of this city, and Deputy Sheriff R. F. Pitts of Joanna, were included in the group receiving certificates from the sheriff's office.

## Army Enlistments Sought By Ham

M-Sgt. Edward Q. Ham, the local USA and USAF Recruiting Sergeant, announced yesterday that Lloyd W. Ellison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ellison of this city, enlisted in the U. S. Army for three years on May 9, and is now stationed at Fort Jackson for preliminary training.

Sgt. Ham also stated that he will be in Clinton on Tuesday and Friday of each week for interviewing applicants for enlistment in Army or Air Force. Effective May 1 the score on the General Classification Test was lowered from 90 to 80, he said, to permit those men with high physical qualifications to enlist in the U. S. Army. The minimum score for Air Force remains at 90.

## 'Tojo' Transferred To State Pen

Sheriff C. W. Weir stated several days ago that he had transferred Grover Tojo Pulley, held first in the city jail here and then in the Laurens jail, on a charge of possessing burglary tools, to the state penitentiary, Columbia, for safe keeping. Pulley is under a federal warrant for violation of the national firearms act, and since his arrest by local officers more than two weeks ago has been questioned by officers from several states as a suspect on various major crimes.

## STATE TRACK MEET TO DRAW BIG CROWD HERE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

### Miss Helen Ligon Pleases Audience In Concert Here

Miss Eugenia Helen Ligon of Greenville, lyric soprano, pleased a large audience with her concert program given Tuesday evening in the college chapel under the auspices of the Clinton Music club and college. Her accompanist was Mrs. Roy Fowlkes, also of Greenville.

Miss Ligon is a graduate of Furman university and Juilliard School of Music and ranked among the top four contestants in national auditions held this year in New York City and this state. She has a lovely voice and charming personality that quickly win her audience. With each number she was liberally applauded and was generous with her encores.

The audience was invited to the college dining hall at the conclusion of the program where refreshments were served by members of the Music club and all were given an opportunity to meet the Greenville artists.

Miss Ligon's program follows:  
Some Rival Has Stolen My True Love Away (Broadwood).

The Heavens Are Telling (Beethoven).

Come, Beloved (Handel).

I'll Be No Submissive Wife (Lee).

May Night (Brahms).

The Omnipotence (Schubert).

Still As the Night (Bohm).

Widmung (Schumann).

Hester's Prayer (The Scarlet Letter—Gianini).

Suicidio (La Gioconda—Ponchielli).

The Last Rose of Summer (Martha Plotow).

Je Veux Vivre (Romeo and Juliet—Gounod).

My Johann (Grieg).

Into the Night (Edwards).

My Hero (Strauss).

The Dear Old Woman (Davis).

Italian Street Song (Herbert).

### County Entries In Five-Acre Cotton Contest

Cotton growers of Laurens county are reminded by County Agent C. B. Cannon that application blanks for the State 5-acre Cotton Improvement Contest are available at his office. While the final date for filing the application is July 1, those who are interested are invited to enroll now.

Mr. Cannon points out that the 5-acre cotton contest was planned and is being conducted by the Clemson Extension Service for the purpose of encouraging larger yields per acre of better quality cotton; and to assist in establishing the better practices in the use of good seed of improved varieties, better cultural practices, profitable fertilization, control of insects and disease damage, and better harvesting and ginning.

He says that the sooner a contestant enrolls and begins the application of these suggested practices on his demonstration field that more likely he is to provide a good yield of cotton.

Mr. Cannon also reminds farmers that prizes totalling \$5,000 are available for the state, district, and county prizes in 1949 with a sweepstakes prize of \$1,000 to any grower in the state who tops the present record of 8,275 pounds of lint cotton on five acres now held by J. Harvey Neely of Chester county.

### U. D. C. Chapter Has Memorial Program

Honoring the men who fought and died in the War Between the States, exercises were held Tuesday, May 10, at the Confederate monument on the square. A parade headed by the ROTC band of Presbyterian college and composed of U. D. C. members, marched up Broad street to the monument. The band gave several selections and Rev. J. H. Darr offered prayer.

Later the group marched to the First Presbyterian church cemetery where Dr. W. R. Turner made a historical address. A number of school children decorated the graves of Confederate soldiers with flowers. A salute was fired and taps completed the program.

At the conclusion of the exercises, members of the chapter joined for a lunch luncheon at the Hotel Coffee shop.

### GAMES THIS WEEK

Central Carolina League  
Friday—Clinton at Watts.

Saturday—Watts at Clinton.

Tuesday—Clinton at Ware Shoals.

King Cotton League  
Friday—Joanna at Ninety Six.

Saturday—Ninety Six at Joanna.

Mid-State League  
Saturday—Ottaray at Lydia.

Wednesday—Newberry at Lydia.

### Six Colleges to Compete In Extravaganza of the Year. Finals at 2 P. M. Saturday.

Six college track teams will assemble on Johnson field at Presbyterian college Friday for the 22nd annual South Carolina track meet. The freshman meet and varsity trials are slated for Friday afternoon, with the varsity finals to follow Saturday at 2 p.m.

The Clemson Tiger trackmen, undefeated in four dual meets this season, are pre-meet favorites to cop the team title. The Tigers are expected to be pushed by both Carolina and Presbyterian for top honors, though both have been defeated by Clemson in dual meets. Carolina's cindermen nipped the Hosemen by six points in a dual meet, but the Blue Hose made a considerably better showing against the powerful Tiger trackmen earlier in the season than did the Gamecocks.

Last year's state meet saw three records fall as Carolina's Norman "Scooter" Rucks took two and helped establish another. No cindermen have undermined any records thus far this season in dual meets, but several loom as threats to set new marks.

Carolina's Ray McKenzie has run the 100-yard dash in 9.8 seconds, just one second off the state record set by Hutt of Carolina in 1934. Carl Pulkinen, of Clemson, is a possibility to crack the 880 title now held by Franklin, of Clemson.

One of the top scraps of the day should come when Presbyterian's Blake Watts squares off with Clemson's Bobby Thompson in the 440 run. Watts defeated Thompson earlier, but both trackmen have made the course in 31.8 seconds.

Bob Rayle, of Clemson, is the distance favorite along with Cliff Brown of Presbyterian. Rayle has defeated Brown in the mile run, while Brown is undefeated in the two-mile jaunt with a 10:48 mark.

Jack Doffert, of Clemson, is yet to be topped in the low hurdles, while his teammate, Julius Townsend, and Wofford's J. C. Ballew are rated high in the high hurdles.

In the field, Presbyterian's Walter Gooch, who accumulated 22 points in a meet with Furman, is expected to collect several points along with W. A. Holsouser of Clemson, and Doug Loveday of Wofford. Holsouser is undefeated in the shotput, as is Loveday in the javelin throw.

Other strong fieldmen slated for the program include Paul Stombaugh of Furman, Jerry Brown of Clemson, and Dewey Riddle of Presbyterian.

The Citadel boasts Burt Oppamier as undefeated in the high jump, having cleared over six feet this season.

Presbyterian's undefeated relay team, consisting of Gooch, Ken McCutcheon, George Fleming and Blake Watts or Henry Galloway, is topped to take the mile relay run. The Presbyterian runners have rounded the cinderpath in 3:33.6 thus far, not having been pushed by opposition.

### Laurens Wins Highest Rating In Safety Contest

(From The Laurens Advertiser)  
Laurens has won the highest rating in its class in the United States for pedestrian safety in 1948, according to an announcement received yesterday by Chief of Police W. T. Ivey from Lt. George Hurteau of the state highway patrol, South Carolina representative in the National Pedestrian Protection contest, sponsors of the safety program.

According to the notice, Laurens placed first for cities between 5,000 and 10,000 population, with a score of 865 in a possible 1,000. The next highest contestant had a score of 811 or 54 less than Laurens. A total of 360 cities were in the class.

Chief Ivey said yesterday that he wanted to express his appreciation to his officers and the public generally for their cooperation in making this record possible.

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