

Hopkinsville, Ky.
January 6th, 1916.

At a regular meeting of the Athenaeum held on this date at Hotel Latham, the following members were present: Austin Bell, F.M. Brown, L.H. Davis, J.W. Downer, A.H. Eckles, L. E. Foster, W. T. Fowler, H.W. Linton, T.J. McReynolds, James A. McKenzie, W.S. Peterson Frank Rives, Ira L. Smith, Ira D. Smith, F.M. Stites, S. Y. Trimble, C.M. Thompson T. C. Underwood, S. Pettus White,

After supper in the Ordinary, the Society was called to order by President S. Y. Trimble, and at roll call the following were noted absent without excuses: John C. Buffy, and George E. Gary.

On motion duly made and seconded the following excuses for past absences were accepted: Dr. Stites and Mr. Thompson for November and December, Mr. Rives and Dr. Brown for December and Mr. Trimble for November.

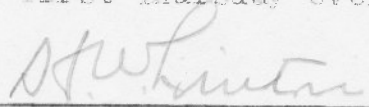
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The minutes of the December meeting were read and approved.

On call of the program, S. Pettus White read a paper on ~~entitled~~ "The Monroe Doctrine," and J. W. Downer presented a paper entitled "The Story of a Crime." after which followed a general discussion.

The secretary read the resignations of Col. Jouett Henry, and P.B. Brooks which, on motion were accepted with regrets.

There being a vacancy on the Membership Committee occasioned by Col. Henry's resignation, the President appointed A.H. Eckles to fill said vacancy on the Membership Committee.

On motion adjourned to meet the first Thursday evening in February.


S E C R E T A R Y.

Hopkinsville, Ky.
February 3rd, 1916.

At a regular meeting of the Athenaeum held on this date at Hotel Latham the following members were present: Austin Bell, F.M. Brown, L.H. Davis, J.W. Downer, A. H. Eckles, L.E. Foster, W.T. Fowler, Geo. E. Gary, H.W. Linton, T.J. McReynolds, Jas. A. McKenzie, Frank Rives, Ira L. Smith, John Stites Ira D. Smith, F.M. Stites, S.Y. Trimble, T.C. Underwood, S.P. White and Alvan H. Clark.

After supper in the Ordinary, the Society was called to order by President S.Y. Trimble, and at roll call the following: John C. Duffy, W.S. Peterson and J.T. Hanbery were noted absent without excuses.

On motion Geo. E. Gary was excused for absence from the January meeting.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

The program was then called. H.W. Linton responded with a paper entitled "Brook Farm", Dr. F. M. Brown with a paper entitled "Dreams". A general discussion of the papers followed their reading.

After the program Mr. Ira L. Smith read to the Society a letter from former member John Franklin Bible, relating some incident of his plantation life in Mississippi.

The Secretary was instructed to notify Dr. H. P. Sights that he would be expected to present a paper at the March meeting, he having failed to read a paper at the November meeting when he was on the program.

On motion adjourned to meet the first Thursday evening in March.

H.W. Linton

S. E. C. R. E. T. A. R. Y.

Hopkinsville, Ky.
March 2nd, 1916.

At a regular meeting of the Athenaeum held on this date at Hotel Latham, the following members were present: Austin Bell, L.H. Davis, J.W. Downer, A.H. Eckles, L.E. Foster, W.T. Fowler, Geo. E. Gary, H.W. Linton, Chas. M. Meacham, Jas. A. McKenzie, W.S. Peterson, Frank Rives, Ira L. Smith, Ira D. Smith, H.P. Sights, F.M. Stites, T.C. Underwood, S.P. White, J.T. Hanbery, Alvan H. Clark, and Mr. Pollard White, of Cadiz, as a visitor.

After supper in the Ordinary, the Society was called to order by Vice President Frank Rives, in the absence of the president, and at roll call the following were noted absent without excuses: F.M. Brown, John C. Ruffy, R.F. McDaniel, John Stites, and S.Y. Trimble.

On motion excuses of Prof. W.S. Peterson and Judge J.T. Hanbery for February absences were accepted.

The minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

The program was then called. H.P. Sights responded with a paper entitled "The Death of the Spirit of A Nation", followed by J.T. Hanbery whose subject was "Should We Prepare for War?" These papers were discussed at length by many of the others present.

There being two vacancies in the membership, the Committee on membership reported the names of Dr. J.G. Gaither and Rev. J. N. Jessup, and after balloting both of said gentlemen were duly elected to membership in the Society.

It was decided by the Society to hold its usual May Banquet provided for in the by-laws. The President thereupon appointed the following as a committee on Arrangement for said occasion: L.H. Davis, S.P. White and H.W. Linton. The regular program committee consisting of the President, Vice-President and Secretary was directed to prepare and submit a program for the occasion, and both committees instructed to report to the next regular meeting.

On motion, adjourned to meet the first Thursday Evening in April.

H.W. Linton

S E C R E T A R Y.

Hopkinsville, Ky. April 6th, 1916.

At the regular meeting of the Athenaeum held this date at Hotel Latham, the following members were present: Austin Bell, L.H. Davis, A.H. Eckles, L.E. Foster, Geo. E. Gary, H.W. Linton, Chas. M. Meacham, Frank Rives, Ira L. Smith, John Stites, Ira D. Smith, T.C. Underwood, S. Pettus White, Alvan H. Clark and J.N. Jessup.

After supper in the Ordinary, the Society was called to order by Vice President Frank Rives, in the absence of the president, and at roll call the following were noted absent without excuses: F.M. Brown, John C. Duffy, R.F. McDaniel, Jas. A. McKenzie, W.S. Peterson, H.P. Stites, F.M. Stites, and J.G. Gaither. On motion Mr. Stites' was excused for absence from March meeting.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

The program was called, and the following papers were read, T. C. Underwood, "Where Are Your Wits?" Frank Rives "Mexico."

The Committee on Arrangements for May Banquet reported that it had arranged with Messrs. A.D. Noe & Son to hold the annual banquet at Hotel Latham on the second Thursday Evening in May, beginning at 8:15 o'clock, reporting the menu agreed upon, to be furnished at \$1.00 per plate, with no guaranty as to number of plates. The report was accepted and the Committee continued for the purposes of further arrangement of details of the occasion.

The Program Committee reported the following speakers and subjects for the banquet:

Dr. C.M. Thompson, "In Passing." *L E Foster*
H.W. Linton, "Some Words."
Geo. E. Gary, "Rhyme & Reason"
Ira L. Smith, "Bald Facts."
T.C. Underwood, "The Periscope."

Which report was adopted, and the Committee continued.

This being the regular time for the election of officers for the ensuing year, the election was entered into. Frank Rives was nominated for President and unanimously elected, A.H. Eckles and John Stites were nominated for Vice President, and on ballot the said A.H. Eckles was elected Vice President; and H.W. Linton was nominated for Secretary and duly elected.

The Membership Committee reported a vacancy and submitted the name of T.W. Perkins for membership in the Society; the ballot was taken and said Perkins was duly elected to membership.

Adjourned to the next regular meeting night in June.

H.W. Linton

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