

Hopkinsville, Ky. January 6th, 1921.

At the regular January meeting of the Athenaeum, held in the Ordinary of Hotel Latham, the following members were present: George C. Abbitt, Alvan H. Clark, George W. Crenshaw J.W. Downer, A. H. Eckles George E. Gary, J. W. Gaibes, Jouett Henry, A. R. Kasey, H.W.Linton, H. A. Long, Chas. M. Meacham, Jas. A. McKenzie, E. V. Rawn, Ira D. Smith, Everett S. Smith W. O. Soyars S.Y. Trimble T. C. Underwood, S. P. White, Ed L. Weathers, C. E. Woodruff Randolph Dade and Jas. Breathitt Jr.

After supper, the meeting was called to order by Vice President S. Pettus White, in the absence of the President. At roll call the following were noted absent without excuse: L. E. Foster, Frank Rives and Ira L. Smith. On motion absences from past meetings were excused as follows. Mr. Rawn for October and November, E. S. Smith and Mr. Abbitt for December.

The minutes of the December meeting were read and adopted.

On calling of the program A. H. Eckles read a paper upon the subject of "Foreign Exchange" and James A. McKenzie (substituting for George W. Crenshaw) a paper whose subject was "Judge E. H. Gary, chairman U.S. Steel Corporation". They were followed by general discussions of the topics presented.

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


S E C R E T A R Y.

Hopkinsville, Ky. February 3rd., 1921.

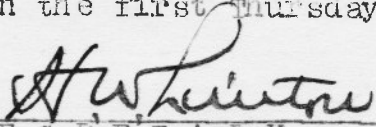
At the regular February meeting of the Athenaeum, held in the Ordinary of Hotel Latham, the following members were present: Geo. C. Abbitt, A. H. Eckles, L.E. Foster, George E. Gary, Jouett Henry A. R. Kasey, H.W. Linton H.A. Long, Chas. M. Meacham, Jas. A. McKenzie, E.V. Rawn, Ira L. Smith, Ira D. Smith, Everett S. Smith, John Stites, W.O. Soyars, S.Y. Trimble, T.C. Underwood, S.P. White, Ed L. Weathers, and Randolph Dade.

After supper the meeting was called to order by the President. At roll call the following were noted absent without excuses, Alvan H. Clark, George W. Crenshaw ~~and~~ J.W. Downer ~~and~~ J.W. Gaines, and C. E. Woodruff. On motion Messrs. Rives, Foster and Ira L. Smith were excused for their January absences.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and adopted.

The program was called. S. Pettus White read a paper entitled "Faust", and Ira D. Smith read a paper on "James M. Barrie" They were followed by general discussions of the subjects.

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



S E C R E T A R Y.

Hopkinsville, Ky. March 3rd. 1921.

At the regular March meeting of the Athenaeum, held in the Ordinary of Hotel Latham, the following members were present: Alvan H. Clark, George W. Crenshaw, J. W. Downer, A. H. Eckles, L. E. Foster, George E. Gary Jouett Henry, H. W. Linton, H. A. Long, Chas. M. Meacham, Jas. A. McKenzie, Frank Rives, E. V. Rawn, Ira L. Smith, Everett S. Smith, John Stites, T. C. Underwood, S. P. White Ed L. Weathers, C. E. Woodruff Randolph Dade, James Breathitt Jr., and Mr. David Hamilton was present as a guest.

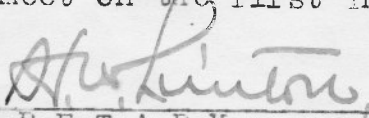
After supper the meeting was called to order by the President. At roll call the following were noted absent without excuses, George C. Abbitt, A. R. Kasey, W. O. Soyars, S. Y. Trimble. On motion Messrs. Downer, Breathitt, Crenshaw and Woodruff were excused for their February absences.

The minutes of the February meeting were read and adopted.

The program was then given, consisting of a paper by H. W. Linton, entitled "Statutory Civilization", and a paper by T. C. Underwood, entitled "When Homer Nods", and was followed by general discussions.

The Committee on Membership presented the name of John S. Crenshaw for membership in the Athenaeum. A ballot was ordered spread, tellers appointed who took the ballot, which resulted in the election of said Crenshaw to membership.

On motion adjourned to meet on the first Thursday evening in April.



S E C R E T A R Y

Hopkinsville, Ky. April 7th., 1921.

At the regular April meeting of the Athenaeum held in the Ordinary of Hotel Latham, the following members were present: George C. Abbitt, George W. Crenshaw, J. W. Downer, A. H. Eckles, L. E. Foster, J. W. Gaines, H. W. Linton, H. A. Long, Chas. M. Meacham, Jas. A. McKenzie, Frank Kives, E. V. Rawn, Ira L. Smith, Ira D. Smith, Everett S. Smith, John Stites, W. O. Soyars, S. Y. Trimble, T. C. Underwood, S. P. White, Ed L. Weathers, C. E. Woodruff, T. J. McReynolds, Jas. Breathitt Jr.

After supper the meeting was called to order by the President. At roll call the following were noted absent without excuses: ~~Jouett Henry~~ A. R. Kasey and Randolph Dade. On motion, Messrs. Trimble, Abbitt and Soyars were excused for absences from March meeting.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and adopted.

The program was called. Ed L. Weathers read his paper entitled "Ireland's Complaint", and W. O. Soyars on the subject "The Japanese Problem." These papers were followed by general discussions of the subjects.

The election of officers for the next twelve months was entered into, resulting in the election of S. Pettus White, President, H. W. Linton, Vice-President and H. A. Long, Secretary-Treasurer.

On motion duly made and seconded it was resolved that the Society hold its usual annual Banquet or open session on or about the first Thursday evening in June, the exact date to be fixed by the Committee on Arrangement. The President then appointed the following as a Committee on Arrangement: James A. McKenzie, George W. Crenshaw and T. J. McReynolds, and designated the regular program committee to submit a program, and both committees were requested to report to the next regular meeting.

On motion adjourned to meet on the first Thursday evening in ~~April~~ May


SECRETARY.

Hopkinsville, Ky. May 5, 1921.

At the regular May meeting of the Athenaeum held in the Ordinary of Hotel Latham, the following members were present: Alvan H. Clark, George Crenshaw, J.W. Downer, A.H. Eckles, L.E. Foster, George E. Gary, Jouett Henry, A.R. Kasey, H.W. Linton, H.A. Long, Chas. M. Meacham, Jas. A. McKenzie, Ira L. Smith, Ira D. Smith, Everett S. Smith, John Stites, W.O. Soyars, S.Y. Trimble, T.C. Underwood, S.P. White, Ed. L. Weathers, Randolph Dade, Jas. Breathitt, Jr., Jno. S. Crenshaw.

After supper the meeting was called to order by the President. At Roll call, the following were noted absent without excuses, -- Geo. C. Abbitt, Dr. J. W. Gaines, E. V. Rawn, T. J. McReynolds. On Motion Randolph Dade was excused from April meeting.

The meeting was favored with several numbers by the Rotary Quartet, Messrs. Bickford, Foster, White, and E. S. Smith.

The Program Committee for the open meeting announced the following selection of speakers:

John Stites, J. W. Gaines, Jas. Breathitt, Jr.
A. H. Eckles, Ira L. Smith.

The Committee on Arrangements for the June Open meeting offered two propositions; first, to have the meeting at the Chamber of Commerce with Mrs. Wyatt serving the dinner; and second, to have the meeting at Hotel Latham. Motion was made and passed that the proposition of Hotel Latham at \$2.50 per plate be accepted. It was moved and passed that the Treasurer be instructed to pay fifty cents on each plate from the funds of the ~~Club~~ *Society*.

The Program was called. Everett S. Smith read an interesting paper on, "Spigotty Life in Spigotty Land." E. V. Rawn was absent. A lively discussion followed the reading of the Paper.

President White announced a membership committee for the year as follows: J. W. Downer, Jas. A. McKenzie, T. C. Underwood.

On Motion Adjourned to meet on the First ^{Friday} ~~Thursday~~ in June.

H. R. Long
Sec. and Treas.

THE ATHENAEUM BANQUET

Not only a delicious menu, but a veritable feast of wit and eloquence was enjoyed by the members and their guests at the eighteenth annual banquet of the Athenaeum at Hotel Latham last night. Every speaker accepted the advice of Polonius in reference to the virtue of brevity, and, for perhaps the first time in history, a conclusion to the festivities was reached before the witching hour, so neither graveyards nor diners yawned.

Following an informal reception in the parlors of the hostelry, the guests repaired to the main dining room, where the following dishes were skillfully served:

The menu is as follows:

Grapefruit Cocktail	
Pickles	Olives
Half Chicken	Country Ham
New Peas	New Potato Balls
Hot Beaten Biscuit	
Lettuce and Tomato—French Dressing	
Wafers	Strawberries and Cake
Cheese	Coffee

Then came the talks, most of them entirely in a lighter vein in harmony with the occasion and all brilliant and charming. Here is the postprandial program:

Toastmaster.... Pres. S. Pettus White
Who's Who in the Athenaeum

..... John Stites
"There's but a twinkling of a star
Between a man of peace and war;
A thief and justice, fool and knave,
A huffing officer and a slave."
..... Butler.

Summum Bonum.... Dr. J. W. Gaines
"It is more blessed to give than to receive"—Bible.

Hits and Misses.... Jas. Breathitt, Jr.
"Nonsense and noise will oft prevail
When honor and affection fail."
..... Lloyd.

Some Unknown Facts.... A. H. Eckles
"Men must be taught as if you
taught them not,
"And things unknown propos'd as
things forgot."
..... Pope.

The Einstein Theory.... Ira L. Smith
"And I gave my heart to seek and
search out wisdom concerning all
things that are under heaven; this
sore travail hath God given to the
sons of men to be exercised there-
with."
..... Bible.

President S. Pettus White was faultless in the role of toastmaster. His introductions were as clear cut as a cameo, and he happily sounded the keynote of good will and fellowship that prevailed throughout the evening.

Declaring that all of the members of the Athenaeum were entitled to places in the Hall of Fame, Mr. Stites presented his original "Who's Who" and "with only the sunny malice of the faun," deftly sketching some of the paramount features of each of

Dr. Gaines gave a moral stability and distinctly literary flavor to the toast list by a discussion, in elegant phrases, of the highest good in life, briefly reviewing the philosophies of the ancients in comparison with the teachings of Christ.

Making his debut as an Athenaeum orator, Mr. Breathitt delivered one of the very brightest and wittiest speeches the society has ever heard, and defying traditions, he boldly injected politics in the meeting by espousing the cause of the Hon. Charles M. Meacham for mayor of Hopkinsville.

Never was Mr. Eckles in a merrier mood in talking about "Some Unknown Facts," although he presented an alleged apology for lack of preparation because he had been suffering with "rheumatism four months and a baby four weeks." With inimitable quaintness and whimsicality, he kept the auditors in a roar of laughter.

A fitting finale to the program was Mr. Smith's fine address on "The Einstein Theory," treating the subject on a 50-50 basis, half fun and half facts, and they were delightfully blended. He demonstrated to the satisfaction of everybody that there are now thirteen men in the world who understand relativity.

Those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Eckles, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Keith, Col. and Mrs. T. J. McReynolds, Mr. Ben O. McReynolds, Mr. and Mrs. George McReynolds, Mr. George Crenshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Gary, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sherritt, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Gaines, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Long, Rev. Everett S. Smith, G. E. Bickford, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Woodruff and Miss Sarah Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Downer and Miss Kathleen Harrison, of Louisville, Gen. and Mrs. A. L. Dade, Col. and Mrs. Jonett Henry, Mr. John S. Crenshaw, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Bacon, Miss Mary Willis McKenzie and Mr. Jas. A. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Smith, Mr. Ira D. Smith, Mr. Joe McCarroll, Rev. A. R. Kasey, Mr. and Mrs. Ed L. Weathers, Miss Annie Forbes and Mr. Wallace Hancock, Mr. C. M. Meacham, Mr. Tom R. Underwood, Lexington, and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Underwood, Mr. A. W. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Pettus White, Mr. and Mrs. James Breathitt, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Tom Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Alvan Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Long, Miss Doris Claggett and Mr. Albert Wettstein, Miss Elizabeth McPherson and Mr. Oglesby Soyars, Mr. and Mrs. John Stites, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dick, Senator and Mrs. Frank Rives, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Offutt, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Linton, Miss Frances Garnett and Mr. Joe Garnett, Dr. and Mrs. Randolph Dade, Miss Lucy Boyd

KY NEW ERA
3 JUNE 1921

Hopkinsville, Ky. Sept. 8, 1921.

At the Regular September meeting of the Athenaeum held in the ordinary of Hotel Latham, the following members were present:

Geo. C. Abbitt, J.W. Downer, A.H. Eckles, Jouett Henry, A.R. Kasey, H.W. Linton, H.A. Long, Chas. M. Meacham, Jas. A. McKenzie, Frank Rives, E.V. Rawn, Ira L. Smith, Ira D. Smith, W.O. Soyars, S.Y. Trimble, T.C. Underwood, S.P. White, Ed L. Weathers, Jno. S. Crenshaw.

After supper the meeting was called to order by President White, the following were noted absent without excuses: Alvan H. Clark, Geo. W. Crenshaw, L.E. Foster, J.W. Gaines, Everett S. Smith, Jno. Stites, C.E. Woodruff, T.J. McReynolds, Randolph Dade, Jas. Breathitt, Jr.

On motion Messrs. Abbitt and Rawn were excused for absences from May meeting.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and adopted.

The program was called- A.R. Kasey read his paper entitled: "Noah & Webster" and Chas. M. Meacham on the subject, "Lycurgus and His Successors." These papers were followed by general discussions of the subjects.

On motion adjourned to meet on the first Thursday evening in October.

*H.A. Long
Secretary*

Hopkinsville, Ky. Oct. 6, 1921.

At the Regular October meeting of the Athenaeum, held in the ordinary of Hotel Latham, the following members were present: George C. Abbitt, Alvan H. Clark, Geo. Crenshaw, J.W. Downer, A.E. Eckles, L.E. Foster, Jouett Henry, A.R. Kasey, H.W. Linton, H.A. Long, Chas. M. Meacham, Jas. McKenzie, Frank Rives, Ira L. Smith, Everett S. Smith, W.C. Soyars, S.Y. Trimble, T.C. Underwood, S.P. White, Ed L. Weathers, T.J. McReynolds, Randolph Dade, Jas Breathitt, Jr.

After supper the meeting was called to order by President White. The minutes for the September meeting were read and adopted.

At Roll Call the following were noted absent without excuses: J.W. Gaines, E.V. Rawn, Ira D. Smith, Jno. Stites, C.E. Woodruff, Geo. E. Gary, and John Crenshaw.

On motion Messrs. E.S. Smith, G.W. Crenshaw, L.E. Foster, T.J. McReynolds, Jas. Breathitt, Jr. and Randolph Dade, were excused for absence at the September meeting.

John S. Crenshaw, Geo. E. Gary, and C.E. Woodruff were excused from the October meeting.

Mr. Eckles brought up the matter of joining with the Rotary Club in making provisions for a large dining room. Upon motion duly made, Jas. A. McKenzie and H.W. Linton were appointed to confer with the Rotary Club in regard to the matter.

The program was called- Randolph Dade read his paper entitled, "Inheritance, Mr. Rawn was absent.

After a discussion in regard to the absence of Mr. Rawn without presenting a paper, Mr. Weathers moved that action in regard to the matter be postponed until the November meeting. This motion was carried.

On motion adjourned to meet on the first Thursday evening in November.

Hopkinsville, Ky. Nov. 10, 1921.

At the Regular November meeting of the Athenaeum held in the ordinary of Hotel Latham, the following members were present:

Geo. C. Abitt, Alvin H. Clark, Geo. Crenshaw, J. W. Downer, A. H. Eckles, L. E. Foster, Geo. E. Gary, Jouett Henry, A. R. Kasey, H. W. Linton, E. A. Long, Chas. M. Meacham, Jos. A. McKenzie, Frank Rives, Ira L. Smith, Everett S. Smith, Jno. Stites, W. C. Soyars, S. Y. Trimble, T. C. Underwood, S. P. White, T. J. McReynolds, Randolph Dade.

After supper the meeting was called to order by President White. The minutes for the October meeting were read and approved.

At roll call the following were noted absent without excuses:

C. E. Woodruff, Jas. Breathitt Jr., and Jno. S. Crenshaw.

On motion Jno. Stites was excused for absence from the Sept. and Oct. meetings.

Mr. Linton reported as a committee with meeting with the Rotary Club in regard to fixing up a new dining room. Upon motion Mr. Linton was instructed to act with the Rotary Club in jointly fixing the new dining room. Upon Mr. Meacham's motion, the matter of Mr. Rawn's absence from the September program was postponed until next meeting.

Dr. J. W. Gaines tendered his resignation on account of business duties- and it was accepted with regrets.

The program was called: Mr. Jno. S. Crenshaw was absent, however he sent excuses, and also word that he would be glad to give his paper at a subsequent meeting. ^{next time will attend} L. E. Foster gave a ~~delightful~~ paper on "Immigration", which was followed by a lively discussion. Dr. McGinley and the Rev. Chas. Taylor were guests of the society- and made interesting talks upon the subject.

Adjourned to meet first Thursday night in December.

HA Long

At the regular December meeting of the Athenaeum held in the ordinary of Hotel Latham the following members were present:

Geo. C. Abbitt, Alvan H. Clark, Geo. Crenshaw, J.W. Downer, A.H. Eckles, I.E. Foster, Geo.E. Gary, Jouett Henry, A.R. Kasey, H.W. Linton, H.A. Long, Chas. M. Meacham, Jas. A. McKenzie, Frank Rives, Ira L. Smith, ~~Jno. Stites~~, W.O. Soyars, S.Y. Trimble, T. C. Underwood, S.P. White, Ed L. Weathers, C.E. Woodruff, Randolph Dade, Jas. Breathitt, Jr. and Jno. S. Crenshaw.

After supper the meeting was called to order by Pres. White. The minutes of the Nov. meeting were read and approved.

At roll call the following were noted absent without excuses: Frank Rives, Ira D. Smith, Everett S. Smith, Jno. Stites, T.J. McReynolds.

On motion T.J. McReynolds, Ira L. Smith, Everett S. Smith, were excused from the December meeting - and C.E. Woodruff for absences during October and November and Jas. Breathitt, Jr. for November absence.

H.W. Linton reported that the committee appointed to act with the Rotary Club in regard to a room at the Hotel had done nothing since the last meeting. The committee was continued.

Upon motion E.V. Rawn was dropped from the roll.

The program was called, Alvan H. Clark read his paper: "Geo D. Prentice", and Jas. Breathitt, Jr. on the subject "The Other Side". These papers were followed by the general discussion of the subjects.

On motion adjourned to meet the first Thursday night in January.

H.A. Long.