

# OPEN MEETING OF ATHENAEUM HELD LAST NIGHT HERE

## Clarksville Society Sent Large Number Of Visitors.

With an unusually large attendance and ideal weather conditions, the twenty-sixth annual banquet, or open session of the Athenaeum was a success in every way.

The presence of 25 ladies and gentlemen from the Philomathic Society of Clarksville, as special guests, was a decidedly pleasant feature. The session opened half an hour earlier than usual in order to lengthen the time of the reception preceding the dinner.

President P. C. Walker was assisted in receiving by several of the members and their wives. Mrs. Walker was not present, as she is out of the city.

With only four exceptions all of the 28 members were present with their wives and invited guests. Lieut. Gov. James Breathitt who was on the program was called out of town and was unable to be present. Judge Smith and attorneys S. Y. Trimble and John Stites were also kept away by business engagements. In the dining room the tables were arranged in the shape of the letter E with the speakers in a row on the south side of the room.

President Walker occupied a central position and presided with his customary ease and grace. His introductions were brief and in a facetious vein. The invocation was pronounced by Dr. John A. Davison, one of the Clarksville visitors.

The following menu constituted the repast:

- M E N U
- Fruit Cocktail
  - Half Spring Chicken on Toats
  - Potato Balls—Green Peas and Pimentoes.
  - Hot Rolls
  - Coffee.
  - Head Lettuce—Thousand Island Dressing.
  - Wafers
  - Ice Cream
  - Cake.
- Salted Almonds Mints

**THE LITERARY PROGRAM:**  
P. C. Walker . . . . . Toastmaster  
"Brevity is the soul of wit."  
W. B. Holmes, Jr. . . . . Memory  
Memory, the Daughter of Attention,  
Is the teeming mother of Wisdom. —Tupper.  
Geo. E. Gary—The Plea of the Cornerstone.  
What is Poetry, nobody knows,  
What is verse, anything but—  
—Gary's Anthology.  
W. M. Elliott . . . . . Aesthetics  
"If eyes were made for seeing,  
Beauty is its own excuse for being."

Alfred H. Eckles . . . . . Hypocrites  
But thou Oh! God, shall bring them down unto the pit of destruction; bloody and deceitful men shall not live out one half of their days. —Psalm 55:23

Col. Dancy Fort, of Clarksville, on behalf of the visitors, briefly expressed the pleasure of the guests from that city at being present and said he hoped at some date in the future to have the Athenaeum as guests of the Society of which he is president.

And this closed our evening of pleasure, of good feeling, sparkling wit, literary entertainment and oratory that at times reached the heights of sky-scraping eloquence.

**Members Present:**  
Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Phil E. Chappell, Mr. and Mrs. Alvan H. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Downer, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Eckles, Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Gary, Dr. and Mrs. Horace Kingsbury, Col. Jouett Henry and Mrs. Green Russell, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Holmes, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Linton, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Long, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. M. Meacham, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lives, Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Southall, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Soyars, Dr. Perry

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Crumpton Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Ed L. Weathers, Mr. and Mrs. S. Petrus White, Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Wood Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. Arkley Wright.

### Clarksville Guests:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Biser, Mr. John J. Conroy, Dr. John A. Davison, Mr. and Mrs. Dancy Fort, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Foskett, Mr. Frank Goodlett, Miss Eleanor Warfield, Mr. and Mrs. David E. Hinkle, Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Lupton, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Morgan, Mr. Robert L. McReynolds, Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Smith, Mr. Jack Selsemeyer, Mr. R. R. Vance.

### Local Guests:

Dr. and Mrs. F. P. Thomas, Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Thomas, Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Bassett, Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Gary, Dr. and Mrs. Gant Gaither, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McKee, Mr. and Mrs. K. O. Cayce, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Blane, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Tandy, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Thomas, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Gaines, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Crenshaw, Mr. Jas. A. McKenzie, Jr., and Miss Louise Bell Byars, Mr. Marion Garnett and Miss Mary Willis McKenzie, Mr. Joe McCarroll and Miss Addie Green, Mrs. Lizzie Clark, Miss Annie Smith, Mrs. C. L. Albritton, Miss Dorothy O'Brien, Miss Olga Rheinholdt.

Hopkinsville, Ky; June 7, 1928

At the regular meeting of the Athenaeum held this evening at Hotel Latham, the following members were present: Chas M. Meacham, Ira L. Smith, J. W. Downer, Geo E. Gary, Jouett Henry, Frank Rives, A. H. Eckles, S. Y. Trimble, H. W. Linton, Jas A. McKenzie, Ira D. Smith, S. P. White, Alvin H. Clarke, Ed L. Weathers, W. O. Soyars, C. E. Woodruff, W. H. Southall, L. K. Wood, P. C. Walker, Phil E. Chappell, H. A. Long, W. B. Holmes, Jr; Dr. F. M. Brown, and guest, John C. Duffy.

After dinner the meeting was called to order by President P. C. Walker, and the minutes of the April meeting were read and approved. The Secretary reported that he had adopted the newspaper account of the May Banquet session as the record for that meeting, which is made a part of the record of the society.

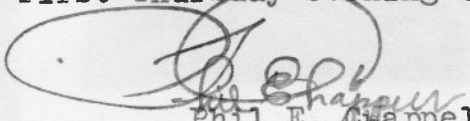
Excuses were made and accepted as follows: Horace Kingsbury John Stites, Arkley Wright and Jas Breathett, Jr; for present meeting, and Jas Breathett, Jr; for April meeting.

The President announced his appointment of S. Pettus White Chairman, F. M. Brown and Edd L. Weathers to constitute the Committee on membership.

This committee submitted the names of Denny P. Smith and Dr. W. E. Gary and recommended thier election to membership in the Athenaeum. Ballots were spread and the said Smith and Gary were duly elected members and the Secretary so instructed to notify them

The program was called: A. H. Clark responded with a paper entitled Beauty and Beast and Frank Rives with a paper on "Pests and Insects". A general discussion followed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned to meet on the first Thursday evening of September.

  
Phil E. Chappell  
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Hopkinsville, Ky. Sept 6, 1928

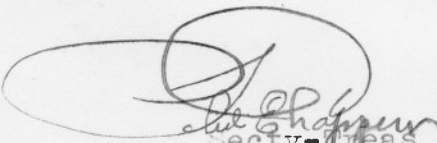
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After dinner the meeting was called to order by President Walker, and the minutes of the June ~~Year~~ Meeting were read and approved.

Excuse was granted for absence from this meeting for Jas. Breathett, Jr;

On the program were, D. P. Smith taking the place of Jas. Breathett, Jr; on this month's program, who read a paper # "Shall Congress be Supreme"; and Chas M. Meacham read a paper entitled "the Happy Hunting Ground". A general discussion followed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

  
Phil E. Chappell  
Secty-treas

Hopkinsville, Kentucky, Oct 4, 1928

At the regular meeting of the Athenaeum held this evening at Hotel Latham the following members were present: Chas M. Meacham, Ira L. Smith, John Stites, J. W. Downer, Geo. E. Gary, Jouett Henry, Frank Rives, A. H. Eckles, S. Y. Trimble, H. W. Linton, Jas A. McKenzie, S. P. White, Ed L. Weathers, W. O. Soyars, C. E. Woodruff, Jas Breathett, Jr; W. H. Southall, L. K. Wood, P. C. Walker, Horace Kingsbury, Phil E. Chappell, H. A. Long, W. B. Holmes; Jr; Dr. F. M. Brown, Arkley Wright and Dr. W. E. Gary.


After dinner the meeting was called to order by President Walker and the minutes of the September meeting were read and approved.

Excuses were granted for absence for John Stites and Geo. E. Gary for the September meeting and Alvin H. Clark from present meeting.

On the program were : Col Juett Henry who read a paper on " Development of Chemical Warfare and its problems", and Geo. E. Gary responded with a paper entitled " David The Jew".

A General discussion followed.

There being no further business, upon motion and second, the meeting adjourned until the First Thursday in November.



Phil E. Chappell

Sect'y Treas

Hopkinsville, Ky. Nov. 1, 1928.

At the regular meeting of the Athenaeum held this evening at Hotel Latham, the following members were present:  
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After dinner the meeting was called to order by President Walker, and the minutes of the October meeting were read by H.W. Linton, Secretary, Pro-Tem and approved by the Society.

Excuses were granted for absence for Phil E. Chappell from present meeting and Ira D. Smith from September and October meeting.

The membership Committee submitted the name of Rev. Paul S. Powell and recommended his election to membership in the Society. Ballots were spread and the said Powell was duly elected a member and the Secretary so instructed to notify him.

On the Program were : Dr. F.M. Brown, who read a paper on "How do they know", and John Stites responded with a paper entitled, "The Rich man, His Duty Toward Society".

A general discussion followed.

There being no further business, the Society adjourned until the First Thursday evening in December.

  
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Hopkinsville, Ky. Dec. 6, 1928.

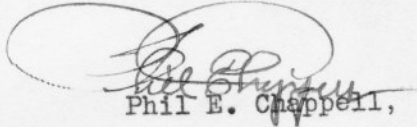
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After dinner the meeting was called to order by President, Walker, and the minutes of the November meeting were read and approved.

Excuses were granted for absences for S.Y. Trimble, Ira D. Smith, W.H. Southall,

On the program were: Phil E. Chappell, who read a paper on William Jennings Bryan , and Horace Kingsbury on Australia. A general discussion followed.

There being no further business the Society adjourned until the first Thursday evening in January.

  
Phil E. Chappell,

Secy-Treas.