

Hopkinsville, Ky. Jan. 3, 1929 .

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, Ed L. Weathers, W. O. Soyars, Jas. Breathitt, Jr., L.K. Wood, Horace Kingsbury, Phil E. Chappell, W.B. Holmes, Jr., Dr. F.M. Brown, Arkley Wright, Dr. W.E. Gary, and Paul S. Powell.

In the absence of President Walker, James Breathitt, Jr., Vice-President, called the meeting to order after dinner, and the minutes of the December meeting were read and approved.

Excuses were granted for the absence of S.P. White, John Stites, W.H. Southall, P.C. Walker, and D. P. Smith from the present meeting; Jas. Breathitt, Jr. and Ed L. Weathers from the December meeting, and Jas. Breathitt from the November meeting.

On the program were Arkley Wright, who read a paper on "Progress", and L. K. Wood on "Cumberland Gap" or "Wiasoto". A general discussion followed.

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

Phil E. Chappell,
Secy-Treas.

Hopkinsville, Ky. Feb. 7, 1929.

At the regular meeting of the Athenaeum held this evening at Hotel Latham, the following members were present:

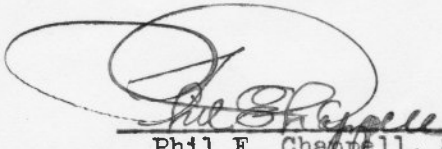
Chas. M. Meachan, Ira L. Smith, John S. Tites, J.W. Downer, Geo. E. Gary, Jouett Henry, Frank Rives, A.E. Eckles, S.Y. Trimble, H.W. Linton, Jas. A. McKenzie, Ira D. Smith, S. P. White, Alvin H. Clark, Ed L. Weathers, W. O. Soyars, C.E. Woodruff, W.H. Southall, L.K. Wood, P.C. Walker, Horace Kingsbury, Phil E. Chappell, H.A. Long, Dr. F.M. Brown, Arkley Wright, Dr. W.E. Gary, and Paul S. Powell.

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

Excuses were offered by Alvin H. Clark and H.A. Long for absences from the January meeting. Both were accepted by the Society.

H.A. Long read a paper on "Clara Barton" and P.C. Walker on the "Works and Life of Paul". A general discussion followed.

There being no further business the society adjourned.


Phil E. Chappell, Secy-Treas.

Hopkinsville, Ky.

March 7, 1929.

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, Ira D. Smith, S. P. White, Ed L. Weathers, W. C. Soyars, C.E. Woodruff, Jas. Breathitt, Jr., L. K. Wood, Dr. F.M. Brown, Arkley Wright, Dr. W.E. Gary, D. P. Smith, and Paul S. Powell.

In the absence of President Walker, Jas. Breathitt, Jr., Vice-President, presided. The meeting was called to order and the minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

Excuses were offered and accepted for the absence of Jas. A. McKenzie, Jno. Stites, and Phil E. Chappell, from the present meeting, and D. P. Smith and Jas. Breathitt, Jr. from the February meeting.

Jas. A. McKenzie's paper "Personal Recollection of Hon. J. Proctor Knott", was read by Judge Ira D. Smith, and W. C. Soyars read a paper on "The Super-governed America".

A general discussion followed.

H.W. Linton acted as Secretary Pro-Tem.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

H.W. Linton
Secy Pro Tem

Phil E. Chappell
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Secy.

April 4, 1929.

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, H.W. Linton, Jas. A. McKenzie, S. P. White, Alvin H. Clark, Ed L. Weathers, W. O. Soyars, C. E. Woodruff, W.H. Southall, P.C. Walker, Horace Kingsbury, Phil E. Chappell, H. A. Long, W. B. Holmes, Jr., Arkley Wright, Dr. W. E. Gary, D. P. Smith and Paul S. Powell.

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

Excuses were offered and accepted for the absence of Ira D. Smith and S.Y. Trimble from the present meeting. Jas. A. McKenzie, Ira. D. Smith, W.B. Holmes, Jr., H. A. Long, A. H. Clark, W.H. Southall from the March meeting, and W.B. Holmes, Jr. from the February meeting.

As customary it was voted to have the open meeting on the First Thursday Evening of May, moving the May Program to the first Friday night in June.

H.W. Linton of the Arrangement Committee for the open meeting reported arrangements made with the Latham Hotel for the dinner at \$1.50 per plate.

The Program Committee, consisting of the President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer, was requested to prepare a program for the open meeting, also a full program for the ensuing year, and to notify the members of the open meeting, and to have the programs printed.

The following officers were elected for the next year, President, Jas. Breathitt, Jr., Vice-President, C.E. Woodruff, Secy. Treasurer Phil E. Chappell.

Ed L. Weathers read a paper on "Trees" and J.W. Downer on "Oliver Goldsmith".

A general discussion followed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Phil E. Chappell, Secy.

Open Meeting
 May 2, 1929

WIT AND WISDOM AT ANNUAL MEET OF ATHENAEUM

Twenty-Seventh Annual Banquet.—Breathitt Presides.

With only one of its 29 members absent, Judge Ira D. Smith, the Athenaeum held its 27th open session at Hotel Latham Thursday night and the occasion was in many respects the most notable of the series running to 1902. The guests assembled in the parlors at Hotel Latham at 7 p. m., and a reception was given with the receiving line made up of the following committee: President and Mrs. James Breathitt, Jr., and then guests, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Glover, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Linton and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Woodruff.

The guests entered the beautifully decorated dining room at 7:30 o'clock and found the arrangements entirely different from previous years. Instead of long tables and three sides of the capacious room, there were half a dozen or more tables grouped about a central table. All of the tables were decorated with beautiful flowers, pink being the color scheme. On the various tables 27 tall candles burned throughout the evening. The electric lights were not turned on until the guests were at their places. President James Breathitt, Jr., was at the table in the southwest corner of the room, which was equipped with a radio microphone, and all of the speak-

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ers spoke from that corner of the room.

The invocation was pronounced by Dr. P. C. Walker, of the Baptist church. The following menu was served in courses:

Menu

- Fruit Cocktail
- Half Spring Chicken on Toast
- Potato Balls
- Green Peas and Pimientos
- Hot Rolls
- Coffee
- Head Lettuce
- Thousand Island Dressing
- Wafers
- Ice Cream
- Cake

Salted Almonds Mints

The literary program began at 8:45 and lasted until 10:45. Lieutenant Governor Breathitt, the society's president, presided and extended the guests a most cordial welcome on behalf of the society, which has held a banquet every year since 1902. Most of the speakers of the evening were from the original organizers, who participated in the first open session. Gov. Breathitt was at his best as a toast master and there was not a dull moment while he kept things moving.

The first speaker was Ira L. Smith, whose topic was "What Next? If Any Why?" Mr. Smith handled his subject in humorous vein and handed out alternate chunks of wit and wisdom and covered so much ground that his hearers were kept guessing what would be next. He set a pace that made the other speakers realize that the occasion called for their best efforts.

The President next announced that the next subject would be "The New Man," and called upon John Stites to discuss it, and for twenty jolly minutes he kept his hearers in the best of humor. He closed with a brilliant peroration calling for new men who could make themselves worthy of and keep the pace set by the new women. Mr. Stites is one of the Athenaeum premier orators for post-prandial occasions and his brilliance was never displayed to better advantage.

The next speaker was Judge Alvan H. Clark, who came to his old friend Mike, of the WFTW studio, in his fighting clothes. His subject was "Time Tired and Eternity," and he first paid his respects to those who had made him the butt of some of their facetious remarks in the previous speeches. When he launched into what he called the "main body of his speech," he rose to a newly discovered peak of oratory and finally disappeared temporarily in the clouds. He finally landed in a burst of hand-claps leaving his hearers in such a state of hilarity

that it took the next speaker twenty minutes to sober them down.

The President next called upon Chas. M. Meacham to discuss "The Seats of the Mighty." In breaking up what had been a happy occasion while the other speakers were up, Mr. Meacham concluded by stating that it was his painful duty to tell the orators who had poured their eloquence into the radio, that it was not "hooked up" and the other states and foreign countries had missed their speeches.

The weather clerk has supplied weather delightfully cool and pleasant for May and the occasion was from start to finish a delightful one. Those present were:

Members

President and Mrs. James Breathitt, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. M. Meacham, Rev. and Mrs. Paul Shell Powell, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Southall, Judge and Mrs. Alvan H. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Herschel A. Long, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Soyars, Mr. and Mrs. S. Pettus White, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Linton, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Denny P. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rives, Dr. and Mrs. P. C. Walker, Mr. Geo. E. Gary and Mrs. A. B. Anderson, Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Brown, Dr. and Mrs. Horace Kingsbury, Mr. and Mrs. Arkley Wright, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Eckles, Mr. and Mrs. John Stites, Col. Jouett Henry and Mrs. Green Henry Russell, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Downer, Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Garf, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Holmes Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Smith, Messrs. Seldon Y. Trimble, Phil E. Chappell, and Ed L. Weathers.

Guests

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Bassett, Mrs. James Breathitt, Sr., Miss Louise Breathitt, Mrs. D. H. Owsley, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Glover, Mr. Joe McCarroll, Jr., Rev. and Mrs. G. P. Dillos, Mrs. A. H. Clark, Miss Clara Means, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Penick, of Elkton; Mr. R. M. Fairleigh, Mrs. Thos. D. Roberts, Mrs. J. J. Lum, Dr. and Mrs. Gant Galtner, Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Beazley, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Blakey, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. T. Edmunds, Mrs. W. R. Brumfield, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Albritton, Miss Martha Terry

Smith, Mrs. Robert Weathers, Elkton; Mrs. Joe Penick, Elkton; Dr. and Mrs. Austin Bell, Alfred Eckles, Jr., Hugh Linton, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Lanier, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Lanier.

Hopkinsville, Ky. June 7, 1929.

At the regular meeting of the Athenaeum held this evening at Hotel Latham, the following members were present:

Chas. M. Meacham, Ira L. Smith, Jno. Stites, J.W. Downer, Jouett Henry, Frank Rives, A.H. Eckles, S. Y. Trimble, H. W. Linton, Ira D. Smith, Alvin H. Clark, W. O. Soyars, C.E. Woodruff, W. H. Southall, P. C. Walker, Horace Kingsbury, Phil E. Chappell, W.B. Holmes, Jr., Dr. F.M. Brown, Arkley Wright, Dr. W.E. Gary, and Paul S. Powell.

After dinner the meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Woodruff, and the minutes of the April meeting were read and approved. A clipping of the New Era was accepted as the minutes of the Open Meeting on May 2, 1929 at Hotel Latham.

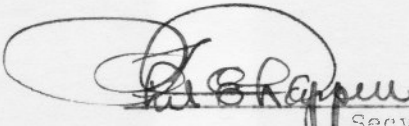
Excuses were offered and accepted for the absence of James Breathitt, Jr. and Geo. E. Gary from the present meeting, and John Stites, F. M. Brown, from the April meeting.

The resignation of Judge L. K. Wood was read and accepted.

W.B. Holmes, Jr. read a paper on the "Bible in Literature" and Dr. W.E. Gary on "The Present Day World Picture".

A general discussion followed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned until the First Thursday evening in September.



Secy-Treas.

Hopkinsville, Ky. Sept. 6, 1929.

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 Stires, J. W. Downer, Geo. E. Gary, A. H. Eckles, S. Y. Trimble, H. W. Linton, Jas. A. McKenzie, S. P. White, W. O. Soyars, C. E. Woodruff, W. H. Southall, P. C. Walker, Horace Kingsbury, Phil E. Chappell, H. A. Long, F. M. Brown, Arkley Wright, Paul S. Powell.

After dinner the meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Woodruff, and the minutes of the June meeting read and approved.

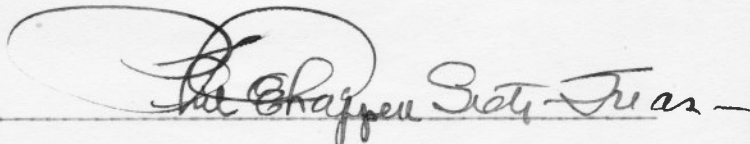
Excuses were offered and accepted for the absence of Ed L. Weathers, from the present meeting, and Geo. E. Gary, Jas. A. McKenzie, S. P. White, and H. A. Long from June meeting.

Motion was made and seconded, and carried that the Vice-President appoint a Membership Committee and he named Pettus White, H. A. Long, and H. W. Linton on this Committee.

H. W. Linton read a paper on "Innocence Aboard", and Jas. A. McKenzie on "Aunt Sallie and Others".

A general discussion followed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.



Phil E. Chappell, Secy. - Treas.

Hopkinsville, Ky. Oct. 3, 1929.

At the regular meeting of the Athenaeum held this evening at Hotel Latham, the following members were present:

Chas. M. Meucham, Ira L. Smith, J.W. Downer, Frank Rives, A.H. Eckles, S. Y. Trimble, H.W. Linton, Ira D. Smith, S. P. White, C.E. Woodruff, W. H. Southall, P.C. Walker, Horace Kingsbury, Phil E. Chappell, Dr. F.M. Brown, Arkley Wright, Dr. W.E. Gary, D. P. Smith, and Paul S. Powell.

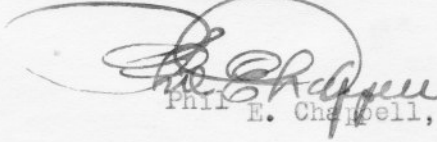
After dinner the meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Woodruff, and the ~~June~~ meeting read and approved.

Excuses were offered and accepted for the absence of W. O. Soyars, Alvin H. Clark, Jouett Henry, W.B. Holmes, John Stites, Geo. E. Gary, and Jas. A. McKenzie from the present meeting, and Ira D. Smith, Frank Rives, and D. P. Smith from the September meeting .

Paul S. Powell supplying for Frank Rives, read a paper on Charles Darwin and Ira D. Smith on "Filling Stations".

A general discussion followed.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.


Phil E. Chappell, Secy-Treas.

Hopkinsville, Ky. Nov. 7, 1929.

At the regular meeting of the Athenaeum held this evening at Hotel Latham, the following members were present:

Chas. M. Meacham, Ira L. Smith, Jno. Stites, J.W. Downer, Geo.E. Gary, Jouett Henry, Frank Rives, A.H. Eckles, H.W. Linton, Jas. A. McKenzie, S. P. White, Alvin H. Clark, W. O. Soyars, C.E. Woodruff, W.H. Southall, P.C. Walker, Horace Kingsbury, Phil E. Chappell, H.A. Long, W.B. Holmes, Jr., Dr. F.M. Brown, Arkley Wright, Dr.W.E. Gary, D.P. Smith, and Paul S. Powell.

After dinner the meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Woodruff, and the minutes of the October meeting read and approved.

Excuses were offered and accepted for the absence of Ira D. Smith, Jas. Breathitt Jr., from the present meeting, H.A. Long from the October meeting, Jouett Henry and W. B. Holmes from the September meeting.

The Resignations of Ed L. Weathers and S.Y. Trimble were read but by unanimous vote were not accepted. A Committee consisting of John Stites, C.M. Meacham and H.W. Linton were asked to visit these gentlemen for a reconsideration, in view of being considered our two most valuable members, and to report to the Club at the next regular meeting.

Alvin H. Clark supplying for W.H. Southall read a paper on "Some of My Experiences as a Solider". Frank Rives did not present his paper and was substituted in Mr. S.Y. Trimble's place on the December program.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Phil E. Chappell,
Secy-Treas.

Hopkinsville, Ky. Dec. 5, 1929.

At the regular meeting of the Athenaeum held this evening at Hotel Lathan, all members were present excepting Jas. A. McKenzie, Ira D. Smith, W. O. Soyars, P.C. Walker, Horace Kingsbury, and Paul S. Powell.

After dinner the meeting was called to order by President Jas. Breathitt, Jr., and the minutes of the November meeting read and approved.

Excuses were offered and accepted for the absence of Horace Kingsbury, P.C. Walker, Ira D. Smith and Paul S. Powell from the present meeting, and Jas. Breathitt from the October meeting.

The Committee to ask for reconsideration of Mr. Weather and Trimble's resignation reported the presence of Mr. Weathers and asked to make a report on Mr. Trimble at the next meeting.

The Membership Committee submitted the names of Joe McCarroll, Jr., and F.W. Fink, and recommended their election to membership in the society.

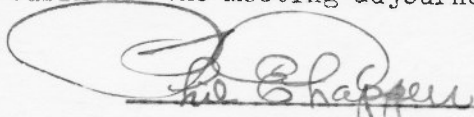
Ballots were spread and the said McCarroll and Fink were duly elected members, and the Secretary so instructed to notify them.

The Secretary read the resignation of Geo.E. Gary which was regretfully accepted. By vote of the Club the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Gary of his election to honorary membership.

Jas. A. Breathitt, Jr. was granted a leave of absence from the next three meetings.

Frank Rives read a paper, "The World Moves" and Jas. Breathitt, Jr. on the "Workings of the Kentucky Legislature".

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.


Secy. Treas.

"The World do move"