

## "MILE A MINUTE" TO BE PRESENTED HERE FRIDAY

### Local People Prove Professionals in Various New Lines in Womans' Club Play

Now who would have thought that Dick Minish, who has so long excelled at banking, would also be a good train conductor? Well, he is and all the railroads will be bidding for his services if they see him in the play to be given by the Womans' Club, at the school auditorium here Friday evening, beginning at 8:15 o'clock.

And there is Mikey Hewitt whom we have all known as a perfectly good 100 per cent American and here we find he is as Dutch as they make them and proud of it—that is if we believe his jokes in broken English.

Then evidently Joe Hamrick has been in London for some time, and has developed a broad English accent. We are afraid he will high hat some of the small town folks. And if you have ever seen Robert Lee Harrill as a porter—he can juggle baggage and accept tips at the same time.

And there is Mrs. Hague Padgett. Well, you wait and see what she has turned out to be. You will never believe it if you don't see it with your own eyes.

Prof. A. C. Finch is in the selling business now. He could sell ice at the North Pole, and radiators at the equator.

All of these people will play in "Mile a Minute," which is being sponsored by the local Womans' Club, and will be presented Friday evening.

### CAST OF CHARACTERS

John Foretaker, conductor, Dick Minish.

Percival St. George, English tourist, Joe Hamrick.

Priscilla Lancaster, Boston School Ma'am—Mrs. Hague Padgett.

Jacob Pretzelstein, of Ohio—Mikie Hewitt.

H. E. Sellsum, traveling—Prof. Finch.

Hank Hayseed, looking for a place to settle—Bush Doggett.

Carl Loring, Nellie Loring, Newlyweds—Margaret Moores and Henry Giles.

Marie Manhattan, Romantic passenger—Bernice Kanipe.

Jimmy Kidder, News Butch—R. C. Alexander.

Will I. Holdup, Road Agent—Dr. Duncan.

Porter—Robert Lee Harrill.

### CHORUSES

Bridesmaids: Miriam Green, Annie Lee Biggerstaff, Dorothy Bostic, Lunette McMurry, Ethel Moore, Ruth Doggett.

Pirates: Mildred Moore, Commie Frye, Ruby Moore, Mildred Moores, Eleanor Gillespie, Anna Bell Ware, Catherine McBrayer, Eleanor Meares.

Farmerettes: Agnes Davis, Ethel Huntley, Dorothy Rudisill, Sarah Bridges, Oneida Welch, Mary Jones, Frances Hollifield, Rosella Gilliam.

College Girls: Ruth Doggett, Mary Hollifield, Mary Ayers, Ruth Gillespie, Miriam Green.

### CABARET SCENE

Violin Solo—A. M. Glickman.

Reading—Claire Reid.

Butterfly Dance—Frances Dorsey.

Alice Louise Minish, Mary Catherine Blanton, Madge Watkins, Trilby Hewitt.

Duet—Virginia Magness and Dorothy Greene.

Skating Dance—Madge Moore, Mary Davis, Charles Huntley, Paul Harrill.

Cigarette Girl—Ruth Dorsey.

Social Dancers: Evelyn Blanton, Dorothy Bostic, Ethel Moore, Lunette McMurry, Annie Lee Biggerstaff, Charlie Curlee, Geo. Carpenter, Francis Little, Charlie Crowell, Willie Moss.

### JOINT MEETING OF W. M. U. AND AID SOCIETY WEDNESDAY

The regular joint meeting of the W. M. U. and Ladies Aid Society will be held on next Wednesday afternoon, July 4, at 3 o'clock at the church. Refreshments will be served by the Young Matrons' Circle.

All members are urged to be present, but if they find it impossible to attend notify Mrs. Fred Webb by Tuesday morning.

## M. E. DORSEY GOES TO MOBILE, ALA., TO IDENTIFY NEGRO

### Negro in Custody Thought to Be Murderer of Shelby Policeman, Who Was Killed in 1901.

Mr. M. E. Dorsey left Tuesday for Mobile, Ala., to identify a negro held there, alleged to be the killer of chief of Police Shelton Jones, of Shelby, who was shot twenty-seven years ago.

The negro in custody in Mobile gives his name as James Murphy. He was arrested sometime ago as the murderer of Policeman Jones. The Shelby cop was killed by Jim Lowery, and it is said that the negro in Mobile closely resembles Lowery.

Chief A. L. Richards, of Shelby, went to Mobile last week to bring the negro to North Carolina, but attorneys for the negro are fighting extradition, and it seems to be up to the Shelby policeman to prove that Murphy is Lowery.

Mr. M. E. Dorsey, of Forest City, at one time employed Jim Lowery. Mr. Dorsey feels confident that if the negro being held in Mobile is Lowery he will recognize him as soon as he sees him.

In 1901, while attempting to arrest Jim Lowery chief of police Shelton Jones was shot and killed. Lowery escaped, and despite a nation-wide search, he was never apprehended.

Mr. and Mrs. McClure Noggle and children have been spending some few days with Mrs. Noggle's mother in Shelby.

## MRS. GEORGE OATES DIES IN GROVER

### Mother of Frank Oates, Rutherfordton Banker, Dead—Funeral at Rutherfordton

Grover, June 25.—Mrs. George Oates died at her home here Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Oates is survived by her husband Dr. George Oates of Grover and one son, T. F. Oates of Rutherfordton. Her other son Dr. Clyde Oates died at the Rutherford hospital about a year ago. Mrs. Oates was the oldest child of Mrs. Tom Goode of Cleveland county and is the sister of Mr. Basil Goode of Shelby.

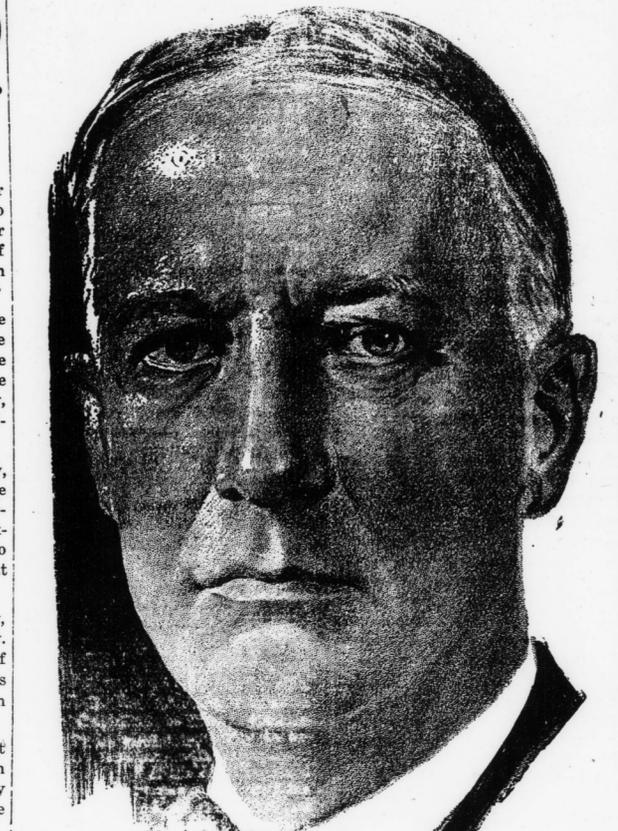
She is also survived by the following brothers and sisters, Messrs. Byrd Goode, of Charlotte, Lee Goode of Cherokee Falls, Basil Goode of Cherokee Falls, S. C., Austell Bettis of Earl, George Wolfe and Herbert Rhyme of near Shelby. A short service was held Monday morning from her home in Grover by her pastor, Rev. J. T. Dendy, after which the body was taken to the home of her son, Mr. T. F. Oates in Rutherfordton, where the funeral was held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock and interment was in Rutherfordton cemetery.

### CANE CREEK ROAD TO BECOME STATE HIGHWAY

The Cane Creek Road, Rutherfordton to Morganton, will be taken over by the State Highway Commission August 1st, widened, top soiled and otherwise improved and made a state highway, according to county commissioner G. E. Morgan. Mr. Morgan states that Chairman Frank Page, of the State Highway Commission, gave out the information Tuesday after a conference with the district commissioner.

This highway branches off of Route 19 at Ruth and goes by the way of old Westminster school, up Cane Creek to Morganton. When completed this highway will mean a saving of from fifteen to twenty miles from Morganton to Rutherfordton, by eliminating the long journey by the way of Marion.

## Smith's Nomination Practically Conceded



ALFRED E. SMITH

Houston, June 27.—Smith and Robinson will be the Democratic ticket to oppose Hoover and Curtis, according to the judgment of many well-informed politicians. Just as in Kansas City only one ballot was needed, so here has the opposition crumbled and the nominations will be made almost immediately after the roll is called. Just between now and Thursday or Friday when the nominating process begins, the Democratic national convention, already colorful and spectacular, will furnish some political sensations that may materially affect the course of the campaign.

The nomination is to be made Thursday at the latest. It will be preceded by a platform discussion which appears somewhat important now, but which will soon be forgotten.

With a score or more candidates scrambling for a position before it, the vice presidential spotlight threw spasmodic beams Tuesday upon three or four persons, perhaps lingering longest upon Senator Robinson of Arkansas, the Democratic leader in the senate.

## LETTERS WITH THREATS SENT GOOD MOORESBORO CITIZENS

### Prominent People There Get Ugly Toned Letters Written on Typewriter, Mailed in Shelby

According to word brought to Shelby by D. R. McBrayer, the town of Mooresboro is figuratively "up in the air" over the receipt Friday of a dozen or more threatened letters. The missives were addressed to a number of leading citizens of the little city, according to Mr. McBrayer, including one to His Honor Mayor Martin, another to V. B. Lovelace, the town's leading merchant; T. B. Harris, former policeman, C. O. Champion, Luther Powell and others. And a number of women are said to have been included in the list.

The letters, all apparently sent out from the same source, were written, Mr. McBrayer said, on good quality white letter paper, on a typewriter with a purple ribbon. Mr. McBrayer said he personally saw one or two of them, and he was given to understand that while all were worded differently, and contained different sorts of threats, it seemed to be evident that they were written by the same individual.

"It is the general impression in Mooresboro," he said, "that the person guilty of sending the letters lived in the town, and was familiar with the circumstances of the people he addressed." He went on to say, however, that the letters were mailed in Shelby, having been postmarked from the local office at 8:30 o'clock last Thursday morning.

Letters Contained Threats  
It is understood some of the letters advised the recipients to mend their ways or leave town; some were

## FIVE KIWANIS CLUBS TO MEET AT LAKE LURE

### Rutherfordton, Gastonia, Tryon, Shelby and Forest City Clubs to Celebrate Fourth of July

On the Fourth of July, next Wednesday, the Forest City Kiwanis club will sponsor a five club joint meeting at beautiful Lake Lure. Rutherfordton, Tryon, Shelby, Gastonia and Forest City clubs have voted unanimously for a 100 per cent attendance, if possible. Every Kiwanian of each of the five clubs will bring their families and friends and each one will bring a well filled basket of good things to eat for his own party.

District Governor Clarence Pugh, of Elizabeth City and Lieut. Governor G. Lyle Jones, of Asheville, will be the speakers at the luncheon hour. Boxing, music and song will be interspersed and each club is asked to furnish stunts for a real, old-time celebration of the national holiday.

The meeting will be held on the campus in the valley near the bottomless pools, where tables will be erected for the luncheon spread. Signs will point the way for visiting Kiwanians and on the highway welcoming the visiting brethren to Rutherford county.

Rutherfordton and Forest City can not afford to have less than their entire membership present to welcome these visitors and prove to them that Rutherford county is one of the banner counties of the State, with a cordial and hospitable welcome for all. Come on, Kiwanians, "prove to the whole district that Rutherford is a mighty good place to visit."

## BAPTIST REVIVAL OPENS JULY 22

### Dr. Zeno Wall and Dr. R. L. Scarborough to Preach

Plans are under way here for the coming Scarborough Revival which will be held in Forest City July 22 to August 5th. This series of meetings will be held for Rutherford county and the Sandy Run Baptist Association.

These meetings will be held in an open air tabernacle on the grounds of the First Baptist church. Seats will be provided for more than three thousand people with stands for the speaker and choir.

Dr. Zeno Wall, pastor of the First Baptist church of Shelby, will begin the series of meetings, doing the preaching from July 22 to 26. Dr. R. L. Scarborough, President of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, of Fort Worth, Texas, will then take charge of the services and will bring the messages for the following ten days, bringing the meeting to a close August 5. Prof. I. E. Reynolds, teacher of music in the Baptist Seminary of Fort Worth will have charge of the music.

The revival is expected to be the greatest evangelistic campaign ever held in Rutherford county, as Dr. Scarborough is one of the outstanding Baptist evangelists in the South. He and Dr. Wall are both speakers of exceptional ability and will bring many great messages while they are in Forest City.

Dr. Scarborough held a meeting similar to the one to be held in Forest City at Shelby last year and there were over one hundred additions made to the First Baptist church of that place and more than five hundred made to the various churches in Cleveland county.

## AUTO RACES AT SHELBY ON JULY FOURTH

Shelby, N. C., June 26.—Shelby will celebrate July fourth with a series of auto races and beauty contests at the Cleveland County fair grounds.

## ELIJAH A. MARTIN, FORMER SHERIFF OF RUTHERFORD, DEAD

### Sudden Illness Claims Ex-Sheriff of Rutherford County at Ellenboro Home.

Ellenboro, June 25.—The entire county was shocked to hear of the sudden death of ex-sheriff Elijah A. Martin, which occurred at his home here Thursday night. Mr. Martin retired as usual Thursday evening and was taken suddenly ill late Thursday night and died within a short time.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at his late home. The services were in charge of Rev. J. E. Hipps, his pastor, assisted by Rev. M. F. Moores, Forest City; Rev. O. C. Huston and Rev. Z. D. Harrill of Ellenboro. Following the funeral service at the home the body was carried to Hopewell church where it was interred in the church cemetery.

Pall bearers were Messrs. Hardin Lee, Robert, Arch and Joe E. Martin, Fred Harrill, Edgar Martin, O. R. Coffield. Flower bearers were Messdames M. D. Justice, A. S. Harrill, Edgar Harrill, G. S. Harrill, Della Stockton, Cecil Humpries, Weldon Walker, Ed Tanner, John Grose and Angus McFarland.

Mr. Martin, who was 73 years old, was born near Ellenboro and lived his entire life in Rutherford county. He was elected sheriff of Rutherford county in 1900 and served in that office for four terms, retiring in 1908 in favor of Mr. C. E. Tanner. After retiring from the sheriff's office he devoted his entire time to overseeing his farms in Colfax township, where he was a large land owner. He also held interests in several large business enterprises in Rutherford county and elsewhere.

Mr. Martin is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lula Walker Martin; an adopted daughter, who is a niece of Mr. Martin, Miss Jessie Martin; two brothers, J. S. Martin, Ellenboro; A. H. Martin of Mooresboro, and a sister, Mrs. Alpha Martin, of Ellenboro. Several nephews and nieces also survive.

Mr. Martin joined Hopewell Methodist church in boyhood and remained a consistent member of that church until death.

### BETHANY NEWS

Forest City, R-2, June 26.—The farmers of this section are very busy in their crops.

Rev. Z. D. Harrill will fill his regular appointment at Bethany Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Also there will be Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Come and bring a friend.

There was an interesting B. Y. P. U. program given Sunday. It was decided that the B. Y. P. U. will go on a picnic to the pump house above Ruth Friday. The crowd will meet and start about 4 o'clock.

Miss Ruth Lewis spent the week-end with Misses Ethel and Maude McDade.

Miss Blanche Womack, of the Rutherford Hospital, spent Monday afternoon with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lewis and daughter Nell, visited Mr. and Mrs. Alton Carroll Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Harry Lee Marlow and children, of Marion, visited Mrs. Marlow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Greene during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hardin and family visited relatives near Lattimore Sunday afternoon.

Miss Mary McDade spent the week end in Forest City with her cousin, Miss Clara Sue Shyities.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Green and family, of Forest City, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lewis and family and Mrs. Harrill Lee Marlow and children, of Marion, were dinner guests Sunday at Mr. Dave Green's.

Mrs. J. L. Doggett who was operated on at the Rutherford Hospital several days ago is getting along fine.

Many Forest City folk attended the opening dance, at the Esmeralda Pavilion, Saturday night, June 23rd. All were pleased with the splendid music rendered by Dunns Asheville orchestra. Dances will be continued throughout the season, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday night.