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### EDITORIAL NOTES.

Another change in President Roosevelt's cabinet was made necessary by the resignation of John D. Long, Secretary of the Navy. Representative W. H. Moody, of Massachusetts, was named as his successor. The passing of Long causes no regrets here. May we never see his like again.

Don't forget the good roads meeting to be held in Shelby on the first Monday of March—March 24th. The crying need of Cleveland county is better roads. Attend this meeting and hear what the experienced good roads speakers will have to say. Vice-President Ramsaur should have the hearty co-operation of the progressive people of good old Cleveland county in his efforts to do something for the betterment of our public highways.

This town is a most delightful place, and all that is necessary in order for Shelby to grow rapidly into a city is for the outside world to become better acquainted with her matchless climate, the beauty of her scenery, the wealth of her undeveloped natural resources and the many and varied attractions she has to offer the seeker after pleasure, health or wealth. Admirably located, good railroad facilities, surrounded by a fertile and productive soil, which responds bountifully to the touch of the husbandmen, and inhabited by a people as hospitable and generous as they are honest and progressive—Shelby is the ideal place to live and a most inviting field to home-seekers and investors. Look this way and come to Nature's sanatorium and be "healthy, wealthy and wise!" Let's make this a busy city—a bee hive of industry—a thriving, bustling, bustling municipality, where business and pleasure are divided into proper proportions, and where a good moral influence prevails.

It seems that Col. Bryan never knows when he has said enough. Recently a whole side of the Commoner was fired at David B. Hill's candidacy for the presidency, and all because Hill don't endorse everything in Kansas City and Chicago platforms. This constant measuring of a man's Democracy by an absolute and unqualified endorsement of everything contained in these two platforms makes us mortal tired, and Col. Bryan appears to think it is a sin to oppose any portion of either and still call yourself a Democrat. Perhaps it has never occurred to him that we had Democratic platforms before either of these delverances were made, and platforms that appeared to suit the country pretty well too. It might not be amiss for him to begin to find out that the next Democratic Convention will make a platform differing materially from those adopted by the last two conventions.

Let every voter remember that he must pay his poll tax before the first of May. Demos. at should see to it that their taxes are paid so as not to lose their right to vote. The elections this year will be very important.

## Headache.

Sick headache, nervous headache, neuralgic headache, catarrhal headache, headache from excitement, in fact, headaches of all kinds are quickly and surely cured with

### DR. MILES' Pain Pills.

Also all pains such as backache, neuralgia, sciatica, rheumatic pains, monthly pains, etc.

Dr. Miles' Pain Pills are worth their weight in gold. I am never without a supply, and think everyone should keep them handy. One or two pills taken on approach of headache will prevent it every time.

The senatorial race promises to be lively enough. It won't be long until you can hear the voter talking about his favorite and disfavoring on his "points of superiority." All of the candidates have strong personalities and seldom does the citizen have with an array of talent to choose from. The names of Overman, Glenn, Craig, Hoke, Watson, Alexander and Osborne are synonyms of ability and eloquence!

Don't let the Republicans forget that their party has a force bill for the South under discussion in Congress, and that Blackburn and Moody voted for it in the caucus. They may claim that they voted for it in order to defeat the reduction of representation bill for the South, but that subterfuge won't answer. If they don't want the force bill passed why can't they have the manhood to come out boldly against it like Hon H. G. Ewart, a Republican, did when he was in Congress? But, ah, Blackburn and Moody are made of inferior stuff, politically. There is one consolation—the places which know them now will soon know them no more forever, after their present terms expire. However, no force bill will be passed!

—Mr. George Magness has moved to Beattytown and will farm this year.

—Chief B. E. Hamrick is having a new fence put up around his residence.

—The days are growing perceptibly longer as spring time approaches.

—Every day somebody orders the Amos Owens Book. Have you got a copy yet? The price is only 25 cents.

—Mr. Will Limerick has moved to the Spangler house, and will occupy it with the family of Mrs. T. C. Ellis.

—Mr. Major Hopper has moved to Mr. W. J. Crowder's and is keeping house in the upstairs portion of the house.

—Rutherfordton's popular hostility, the Iso-Thermal, was crowded with visitors last week. It is admirably managed and has a good patronage. Mayor R. B. Clark is the "presiding genius" and a most congenial host he is.

—A correspondent writes: "Miss Laura Powell, of Polkville, has entered the school at Fallston for the spring term. She is a daughter of Mr. John A. Powell. He is a hustler and believes in educating his children. Wish we had more of such men."

—Mr. W. B. Palmer, our enterprising and successful merchant, sends THE STAR to his aunt, Mrs. Susan C. Williamson, in Delta, Florida, who is over 81 years old and the eldest sister of Dr. V. J. Palmer of this county. This is a pleasant way to remember your relatives or friends who live in distant states.

—Among our renewals last week, not previously mentioned, were: Messrs. L. C. McSwain, of Patter son Springs; J. B. Blanton, of Moorboro; Dr. A. J. Whitcomb, of Rutherfordton; Dr. T. C. McBrayer, of Forest City; Rev. W. D. Bostic, of Henrietta, and George Borders, colored, of Waco. Messrs. P. C. Rollins, of Gamble's Store, J. W. Peeler, of Polkville, and others, were among our new subscribers added. THE STAR thanks its many friends for their kind remembrances.

Moved to Gaffney City. The Gaffney Ledger says: "Mr. D. J. Holt, the enterprising Cherokee avenue merchant, has sold his stock of goods to Green Bros. & Co. of Boiling Springs, N. C., who will continue the business in Mr. Holt's old stand. These North Carolina gentlemen are well known in Gaffney and we give them a hearty welcome to the city. Their high character and former business success gives assurance of future success in our city. We sincerely wish it for them."

Death of a Good Citizen. Mr. Crockett Peeler, a good citizen and substantial farmer, died on Tuesday last week at his home in Upper Cleveland and his body was laid to rest Wednesday at Pleasant Grove, Rev. Z. D. Harrell conducting the funeral services. Deceased was 59 years old, a useful and worthy citizen. Three children survive him. The bereaved relatives and friends have our heartfelt sympathy.

Generations of Joneses. Little Dora Jones, daughter of Mr. D. S. Jones, of Lattimore, has more lineal ancestors of the Jones name than any other person in the State, we believe. Her father and mother were both Joneses before their marriage, and her grandmother and grandmother were both Joneses before their marriage, but none of them were related any ways closely.

### PERSONALS.

Lewis G. Rowand, of New York, a specialist on concentrating, that is a construction engineer on the mining of precious metals, spent several days here last week.

J. B. Rhyne, a prominent Waco farmer, was here Wednesday.

Wm. L. Plonk and wife, of No. 5 township, were here Wednesday. Mr. Plonk is a prosperous farmer and substantial citizen.

Oscar M. Suttle and Claude L. Miller visited in Bessemer City and King's Mountain last week.

Mrs. W. J. Clifford, of Gastonia, visited her mother, Mrs. Mary Hendrick, in Shelby last week. Her many Shelby friends were delighted to see her.

James H. Hines, of Edgefield, Ga., arrived Friday on his way to Ellboro to visit Mr. Foster Seam. His health has been bad for some time.

Mrs. J. L. Webb was in Charlotte on a visit last week.

J. G. Lutz, a capable and popular young man of Belwood was a pleasant caller and renewed last week.

J. E. Dural and son, Jack, of Spartanburg, were Shelby visitors last week. Mr. Dural has several electric light contracts on hand.

Mrs. A. P. Weathers and Mrs. A. S. Hord visited relatives in the Pearl section last week.

James A. Ware and Frank L. Hoyle were out working insurance for the Farmers' Mutual Fire Association last week. They travelled over Nos. 7 and 8 townships.

Miss Maggie Black left last week for the North to buy her spring stock of millinery.

Miss Dora Hamrick and Mrs. O. C. Bostic visited relatives and friends in King's Mountain last week.

Misses Blanche and Mattie Stroup, after a pleasant visit to Shelby, returned to their home at Fallston last week.

B. F. Scoggins, a prominent farmer of Hickory Grove, S. C., was a pleasant Shelby visitor this week.

Rev. W. O. Goode, a successful young Methodist minister of Forest City, was a pleasant Shelby visitor last week.

Mrs. J. H. Weaver left last week for Rutherfordton to spend some time with her son, Dr. C. C. Weaver, who is president of the institution.

Deputy D. S. Butler, of Grover, came in Wednesday with three colored prisoners who were placed in jail in default of \$100 and \$300 bonds. They were Allan Wray, John Jones and John Cowan, charged with breaking in a box car on the Southern Railroad at Grover and stealing five boxes of tobacco, one box of crackers and a sack of California fruit, and the last named negro is charged with concealing these stolen goods. The robbery occurred about ten days ago and Deputy Butler worked up the case and arrested two of the negroes and Special Detective Tom Haney, of the Southern, assisted him in working up the case against the third man and in making the arrest. The jail continues to receive new recruits and the cell is already chock full.

Every Child Enrolled. Mr. C. R. Canipe, who has just closed his school at the El Bethel school house, is a most excellent teacher and has done good work during the past session. He is content and painstaking assistant was Miss Carlyle Ware. Every child of school age in the district was enrolled in school and the average attendance was good. This is a fine record and the good El Bethel people are to be congratulated.

Laurelridge-ROLLINS. Mr. Augustus Laughridge, of Lawndale, and Miss Laura Rollins, of Shelby, will be married on March 20th, at the home of the bride's father, Mr. D. C. Rollins, Rev. Chas. F. Sherrill officiating. The worthy and capable groom-to-be is a popular young man of Lawndale and the bride-to-be is an attractive and fascinating young lady of Shelby. The bride wishes them all good things.

Exceptionally Fine Work. Messrs. L. E. Powers & Son, of Rutherfordton, are fitting up the new drug store of Dr. A. W. Thompson with finely carved oak furnishings, manufactured and carved in Rutherfordton. Mr. Austin Powers is a designer and carver of rare skill and ability and is doing an exceptionally fine piece of work in fitting up this new drug store building.

Important Election Year. Asheville Citizen.

There are to be elected in North Carolina this year ten Congressmen, a Legislature which will elect a United States Senator to succeed Senator Pratchard, Supreme Court Judges to succeed Chief Justice Furches and Associate Justices Clark and Cook, nine Superior Court judges to succeed Judges Winston, Timberlake, Robinson, Neal, Coble, Starbuck, Moore, Justice and Jones; a railroad commissioner to succeed Abbott; sixteen solicitors and all county officers, including Superior Court clerks.

Killed by a Penail. Raleigh, March 12.—The child of Presiding Elder K. C. Holt, colored, fell from a chair and pierced its temple with a lead pencil. It died this morning.

### 20 Drowned on a River Boat.

SPLENDID SHOWING FOR THE YEAR 1901 OVER 1900.

Some very interesting school statistics were figured up yesterday in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. They show the great improvement that was wrought in the public school system for 1900 to 1901. The number of white districts in 1901 was 5,483, and colored 2,559. This was a gain of 61 white and 71 colored districts. There were 5,411 white schools taught in 1901, as against 5,047 in 1900, a gain of 364; and 2,418 colored schools taught in 1901, as against 2,344 in 1900, a gain of 74, making a total increase of 538. The total number of schools taught in 1901 was 7,829.

The ill-fated boat left here at noon yesterday on her regular trip, carrying a large miscellaneous cargo of freight and a number of passengers. At 2 o'clock this morning, as the steamer was entering Lake Palmyra, a sudden storm of cyclonic proportion came out of the west, catching the Providence broadside. The little vessel was lifted almost entirely out of the water, her upper works blown away and her hull turned bottom side up in 40 feet of water. The victims were drowned like rats in a trap. Only nine of the entire boat's company were saved. The property loss will amount to several thousand dollars. Messrs. Cassidy, Scott, Roup and Lancaster were all married men and leave large families. A steamer carrying caskets and divers left here for the scene immediately and will attempt to recover all the bodies.

Mooresboro. S. M. DAVIS.

My observation is that there are few towns in Western Carolina in which are more homes of beauty and simplicity of style than Mooresboro—homes where the sun shines, and hope sparkles, and happiness bubbles, and where THE CLEVELAND STAR twinkles; and when the editor stops there on his canvass for State Senator he will find that I am correct. The Mooresboro congregation, intelligent, good looking and attentive on yesterday endured length and leanness in a sermon as good soldiers. That elegant dinner and gracious hospitality in the Christian home of Bro. Lewis Scoggins, were greatly appreciated and enjoyed.

The clever wife and lovely daughter, the family pictures and reminiscences, the splendid record of their useful absent children, and the account of the sad death of a precious daughter (Mrs. Large) in the far West, with the winsome presence of her two sweet children, all contributed to the interest of my short visit. I hope on another visit to break bread (corn and wheat) with that noble bird of double plumage, Martin Martin. And during the year with all Mooresborites.

Good Road Meeting Monday March 24th.

Having been appointed by the state convention of the Good Road Association Vice-President for this county, wish I to call a meeting of the citizens at the above named time at the court house in Shelby, to consider the matter of organizing a County Good Roads Association.

We propose to have present speakers who are alive on the subject of good roads. I feel that the people are ready to move in this matter. Let us move at once and form some plans by which our present bad roads may be improved. We hope to see present at that meeting a good representation from all over the county.

Very Respectfully, T. J. KILMER, Secretary.

Letter from Kentucky. Correspondence STAR.]

To my many friends and relatives—I take this method of writing to you all about my visit to North Carolina, and my return to Kentucky. I left for North Carolina February 7th and returned March 2nd. I waded in the snow from house to house till I saw very near all my old friends that were living. Some had passed away. I was on the road home three days and nights. Was thrown off my route on account of heavy rains. Arrived home Sunday night, March 2nd and found very cold weather. The farmers are behind with their work, some have done no plowing and sowed no tobacco seed. So I will close. Yours truly, R. C. FORTENBERRY.

Freemunion, Ky. A South Carolina man who was here one day last week swapped a three-year-old mule for a brindle dog and a white-handle razor. He went home rejoicing in his trade, walking and leading his dog, with the "weapon" safely stowed away. Evidently mules are not valued very highly in the sand hills of Chesterfield, or else dogs and razors are up.—Monroe Journal.

### Public School Gain.

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The number of white districts having no school in 1901 was only 72. In 1900 this number was 379. There were 141 colored districts without a school in 1901; the corresponding number in 1900 was 144. This shows a tremendous gain in the white schools. There were in 1901 twenty-nine Croatan school districts in Robeson county and two in Scotland county. Of these 29 schools were taught.

### Mississippi's Good Example.

Mississippi is not so large a State and is not so rich a State as North Carolina, and its proportion of negro population is much larger than North Carolina. The people of that good commonwealth—the home of Jefferson Davis, Lamar and George—are alive to the educational demands of the time, as this statement of the acts of the Legislature shows: "Appropriations of \$2,500,000 for the public schools of the State for the next biennial period. This is the largest appropriation ever made in Mississippi for this purpose."

"Increased appropriations for all the State educational institutions, and providing for the erection of new buildings at the University of Mississippi, Agricultural and Mechanical College, Aiken Agricultural and Mechanical College, Industrial Institute and College. These colleges got about \$300,000 more than was given at the last Legislative session." Such magnificent appropriations for education by what has been regarded as one of the most unprogressive of Southern States shows that the people of that State have realized that education must precede and go hand in hand with industrial progress.

Mississippi's long step forward is an example for emulation by all the Southern States.

### Only a Republican Howl.

Some weeks ago a great howl went up from certain Republican papers over the discovery of the fact that the tax receipts in Watauga county contained no poll tax item, and that no voter would be able to prove by his receipt that he had paid his poll tax. They declared positively—these Republican newspapers—that this was a Democratic trick to enable the Democrats to carry Watauga county. Now it turns out that the blanks complained of are gotten up by the sheriff in each county, who contracts with any printer they see fit to have blanks printed, and that to the sheriff, county commissioners and all other county officers of Watauga are Republican. They made out the form for their tax receipt, and if there is any trick about it, it is a Republican trick. We are therefore not likely to hear anything further about the matter from the Republican papers.

### DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK? Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Most everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmor's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy. It is the greatest medicinal discovery of the nineteenth century, discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmor, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles, liver or bladder trouble. It will find the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmor & Co., Empire Building, New York. The regular fifty cent bottle of Swamp-Root is here for only one dollar.

### BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK AND BLACK MINORCA EGGS

From carefully selected breeds. Price \$1.00 per setting. DR. R. E. WARE.



### GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

OUR stock is now complete. Our new goods are all in and we are prepared to supply your needs in Shoes, Dry Goods, Notions, Hats, Heavy Groceries, etc. In fact our store is indeed a

### GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORE.

We carry what the people want, and our prices are right and we treat all alike. The advantage in prices we have secured in buying for cash during the dull season will enable us to give our customers remarkable values in all lines. Be sure to come to our new store. Next door above the bank.

### NIX BROTHERS, SHELBY, N. C.

### WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED

35,000 Pounds Flour, 38,000 " Corn, Also a Big Lot Sugar and Coffee.

If You Want a Bargain, Come to See Us.

YOURS TO PLEASE, C. B. Suttle & Co.

### Thoroughbred Chickens.

Thoroughbred Buff Cochins for sale at \$1.00 for a setting of 13; Chicks grown, per pair, \$3.00. The cockerel and hen, father and mother of these chickens, took the premium at the Winston Fair in the year 1900. Apply to MRS. V. A. PERNELL, Shelby Hotel, SHELBY, N. C.

### Shelby Foundry and Machine Shops.

Flows, Stoves, Engine and Cotton Mill Repairs Promptly attended to at all times. B. B. BABINGTON PROP.

### Administrator's Notice.

Having this day qualified as administrator of the estate of J. T. Horton, deceased, in Cleveland County, N. C., notice is hereby given to all parties indebted to said estate to make immediate payment to me, and all persons having claims against said estate are notified to present them for payment to the undersigned, properly proved, on or before the 4th day of March, 1903, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. This March 4th, 1903. J. T. HORTON, Administrator.

Wanted at Once. A good man, trustworthy and reliable, to operate switch board at night, and to keep phones and lines at work in day-time. SHELBY TELEPHONE CO. A. W. ESKRIDGE, Prop.