

VICTORY IS FINALLY WON

IN THE COUNTY LINE ELECTION MATTER — CHARLOTTE SENATOR DECLARES HE WILL NOT BE PARTY TO ALLIANCE AGAINST CLEVELAND.

Cleveland county has won in the county line election matter. Victory is complete. The House has voted favorable on the bill to confirm the result of the election of 1915 in which Cleveland county won the Kings Mountain territory from Gaston by a majority of 71 votes, although Gaston attempted to set the election aside on the ground of fraud. The House last week passed the Cleveland county bill, and the House gave the bill a final call majority of 85 to 9 on Wednesday. It was expected to come up yesterday for final reading. Writing to the Greensboro News, W. T. Bost, the Charlotte correspondent has this to say:

Cleveland county won just the best of victory prized by Cleveland citizens today when Gaston, joining issues with the luckier unit on the county line, received only nine of the 41 votes cast.

The fight is now ancient and hoary. Two years ago the two counties a-courting of Kings Mountain did their best by persuasion, and Kings Mountain by 71 majority went all the way to Cleveland. Hitherto the city had divided affections between the two counties, each owning a large share in wealth and population.

Gaston lost hard. Recently that county instituted suit for nullification of the election, alleging fraud. Since the session opened Gaston presented a bill repealing the election of two years ago. Cleveland sent down Clyde Hoey and a fine lot of special pleaders who had little difficulty in surrounding the committee. The house was asked to pass the Cleveland county bill today establishing the new county line and it did so, 85 to 9.

During the debate Pharr, of Mecklenburg, taking his political future in foot and hand, read from the Gastonia Gazette, which assailed Cleveland county politicians. The article declared that Mecklenburg long has cherished hope of shelving Cleveland "pets," but Gaston had invariably stood with Cleveland. Now Gaston will join with "her friend across the Catawba," the article concludes, and Pharr lit into the scheme. He chewed up the opposition, said he had no sympathy in any such move, refused to join any such conspiracy to put out well-deserving men. He was cheered.

Gaston's threat to remember Cleveland in future political battles was voted in Tuesday's issue of The Gastonia Gazette and is the basis for Senator Pharr's declaration that he will not be a party to any alliance against Cleveland, in the political arena. The article referred to by Senator Pharr is republished in this issue of The Star.

Play at Elizabeth Saturday Night February 17th

"Oak Farm," an especially attractive rural drama of two hours and a half duration, will be given at Elizabeth school Saturday night, February 17th. There is not a single dull moment from the rise of the curtain in the first act to its final, closing down in the third and last act. The characters are well chosen, each being admirably suited to his or her part. The cast is composed of the following: Messrs. Paul Anthony, David Allen, Elzie Lee Beam, Byron Wilson, Ralph Mauney, Lawrence Roberts, and Bynum Weathers; Misses Kate Roberts, Jennie Allen, Olive Crabtree and Ferol Hord.

Charlie Alexander and his renowned string band will furnish music for the occasion. Between acts there will be a special program, consisting of special music, quartette and effective tableau.

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TROOPERS HERE FROM BORDER

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY SOLDIERS ARE IN SHELBY — SPECIAL TRAIN WITH 500 MEN ARRIVED AT 7 O'CLOCK—MAY NOT BE MUSTERED.

The troops train with 13 Pullman cars, headed by two engines and hauling 500 men of the First North Carolina Regiment arrived in Shelby Wednesday night at 7 o'clock, after a six-day trip across the continent from El Paso, Texas where the soldiers had been on border duty since last June. Col. J. T. Gardner who has charge of the entire First Regiment said the men were in fine trim, showing an average gain of six pounds or more per man. Since the boys left Carolina soil, only had died.—Private Thompson, of Newton having been killed while riding on top of a coach as the troop train was leaving Knoxville, Tenn. The soldier's head struck a low bridge and crushed his skull. Another soldier was drowned at Morehead City before they left for the border. Aside from these accidents, the boys have enjoyed particularly good health and all fared well, except for the sand storms which destroyed their special dinners on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years.

No Muster Orders

Col. Gardner stated yesterday that he had no orders as yet to muster out the troops. The ten companies comprising the First Regiment with over 1,000 men proceeded to their home stations, the trains taking different routes at Asheville, the Gastonia, Shelby, Charlotte, and Concord guards, machine gun company of Charlotte, band and supply company coming by Shelby Wednesday. Col. Gardner says he is of the private opinion that the troops will not be mustered out at present on account of the crisis with Germany. Major Wallace who was here with Capt. Mack to muster the troops received notice Wednesday dispatching him to another point, so he left an hour before the soldiers arrived in Shelby. Capt. Mack remaining here to await further orders.

Parade the Streets

When it was learned that the soldiers would arrive Wednesday every effort was made to put the city in order for their arrival. Mayor Pro Tem Hamrick had the army cleaned, engaged quarters in the court house, Dr. Royster Building and the J. S. Martin brick store room where 150 men will be housed while in Shelby. Arrangements have been made to feed the soldiers at the City Cafe and Cleveland Cafe while they are in Shelby. If they are mustered out here it will take four or five days, possibly longer, as every part of the equipment must be checked, books audited, and the men physically examined.

As a welcome to the soldiers, every store front in Shelby was decorated with large and small American flags, the Government postoffice building floated a large American flag for the first time, boys and girls carried small flags and bunting streamed from every up-town business house, including public buildings.

The troops were first scheduled to arrive at 2 p. m. but delays in Asheville and en route, held them back until 7 p. m. Immediately upon their arrival, the five companies, together with the supply company headed by the First Regiment Band paraded the streets amid shouts and waving flags. They broke ranks in front of the Central Hotel and the troops mingled about the streets until 9 o'clock when those destined to other points, left on the special for Blacksburg, S. C.

The experiences of the boys as they talked to crowds about them, were related to eager ears. Some of the troopers brought home as souvenirs, Mexican burros, (small jacks), Mexican goats, dogs, etc., which attracted much attention.

150 Men Here

The men who are here constitute the Cleveland Guards, 60 strong, the supply company, regimental band and headquarters staff made up of non-commissioned officers, orderlies and mounted scouts. Many unfamiliar faces are seen, the band, supply company and headquarters staff being made up of men from various companies in the regiment. Even the Cleveland Guards did not have full company strength and recruits were put in from other places, most of them coming from Waynesville.

List of Cleveland Guards

Shelby's Strong Legal Talent That Won Great Victory in County Line Controversy



HON. CLYDE R. HOEY

Here are the men who won the great battle in Raleigh where the Legislature affirmed the result of the Kings Mountain county line election. With several millions of dollars worth of taxable property and several thousand people involved, it was by far the greatest fight in which Cleveland county has ever had a hand. Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, a leading counsel made a state-wide reputation by his matchless argument, his superb logic and skillful management of the case. He rose to the height of his strength and power in his speech before the Senate and House Committees and has re-



HON. ODUS M. MULL



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ceived unstinted praise from the press and public. Attorneys O. M. Mull and D. Z. Newton put in most effective work. Mr. Newton making one of the ablest speeches of his life before the committee. To Hon. Mull and Newton the citizens of Cleveland county are under lasting obligations. They fought with a county patriotism that surpasses understanding. It is also gratifying to note the handsome majority in favor of Cleveland in the Senate over which Lieutenant Governor O. Max Gardner presided. This is evidence of Mr. Gardner's strength and influence in behalf of Cleveland and with deep sympathy over which he so ably presides.

The following is the list of the active members of the Cleveland Guards:

- Capt. H. A. Logan
- First Lieutenant Chas. P. Roberts,
- Second Lieutenant T. O. Grigg,
- First Sergeant Victor Rudasill,
- Supply Sergeant C. A. McCraw,
- Mess Sergeant Robert A. McCraw,
- Sergeants: Fitzhugh L. Wilkins, Clem Costner, Jack Ligon, Sam Green, Tom Abernethy.
- Corporals: Fred Leonard, John Humphries, Thornton Bostic, Sankey Blanton, Jasper Branton, Claude Cobb, William Lyles, James McBrayer, Rufus Sparks, Avery Terry.
- Cooks: James E. Cline, Fred Grasty.
- Mechanic: John Shytle.
- Musicians: Elmer R. Downs, Robert Rice.

First Class Privates: Mazie Blanton, General Ellis, Freddie Green, Carl Hamrick, Robert Hare, Lester Jarrett, Julius Lovelace, William McFalls, Eugene McBrayer, Albert McFadden, Manuel McElroy, Chas. Melton, Manuel Moore, Lewis Phillips, Thomas Roberts, Odus Street, Frank Stubbs, Julius Smith. Privates: John Coffey, Amos Eddins, Walter Greenway, Sam Jones, Hillard Leatherwood, Ora McSwain, Posey Martin, Jerry Presley, Doy Seay, Neally Smith, Shelby Stamey, Carl Warlick, Bryan Huskey, Davis Ayers, Ambrose Chapman, James Lands, Sidney

Luncheon and Stoker Tonight

When the 150 men who are to remain in Shelby arrived, each man was given a paper bag filled with oranges, bananas, apples, etc. From the tie of each bag dangled a postcard of some Shelby scene. These bags were fixed at Lineberger's store by the ladies and men and tonight there will be a smoker and luncheon given to the soldiers in the J. S. Martin building by the ladies of the Civic League and Daughters of the Confederacy, the city appropriating \$100 with which to bear the expense. The luncheon will consist of a plate with sandwiches, pickles, meat, etc. Following the luncheon will be the smoker. This treat to the soldiers will begin at 6 o'clock and end at 8 when all of the soldiers will be admitted free to the entertainment to be given at the School Auditorium. The play by local talent is entitled "Travelers" and is arranged by Miss Gates.

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\$80,000 BOND ISSUE FOR COUNTY

A PUBLIC NECESSITY FOR BRIDGES — COMMISSIONERS ASK THAT COURTS BE REDUCED FROM FOUR TO TWO TERMS—BUY THREE BRIDGES.

The Cleveland County Commissioners, all five being present at the regular monthly meeting on Monday, decided to sell \$80,000 worth of bridge bonds bearing 4 1-2 per cent interest. The issue will not be subject to a vote of the people because the money is for a public purpose—to purchase bridges washed away by the late rains and to build new ones. At least something like \$100,000 worth of bridge work has to be done and the estimated cost is \$150,000. The estimated interest on the bonds will be the lowest rate of interest at which they think the bonds will be salable, the bond market having been very good for some time. However, the new German crisis may tighten up the money and bond market so the bonds can not be sold for this amount. Clerk J. J. Lattimore is planning to advertise the sale of the bonds in financial papers.

Reduce Courts to 2 Terms

On motion of Hon. D. S. Lovelace, it was ordered that the county attorneys be requested to prepare a bill to be presented to the present Legislature asking that the number of courts for Cleveland be reduced from four to two terms (Spring and Fall). There has been a strong sentiment for fewer courts and it is thought there will be a reduction in Cleveland.

Order 3 New Bridges

Another step of importance was the letting of a contract with Austin Brothers for three steel bridges at a cost of \$10,154.00. Competitive bids from the Austin Company, Champion Bridge Co., and Virginia Bridge Company were opened the first Monday in January, Austin Brothers being the lowest bidders.

Miscellaneous

- Bills were ordered paid as follows: E. C. Borders, services as commissioner from Oct. 9th to Jan. 23rd, \$89.80.
- W. C. Barnett, bridge work \$2.
- Gilead Green, part burial expense R. McSwain \$5.
- Zimri Kistler, lumber \$7.20.
- W. A. Cook, bridge work \$10.
- J. B. Lay, bridge work \$44.99.
- W. G. Poston, No. 3, granted release on poll, listed twice.
- F. L. Divenny, lumber \$5.16.
- W. D. Hoyle, bridge work \$3.20.
- Barbra Wilson allowed \$2 per month for support for 3 months.
- T. A. Harmon, goods for coffin for Moore, \$10.35.
- J. H. McCarter, part burial expenses, Mrs. Byers \$5.
- Beverly Patterson lumber \$59.55.
- Z. C. Tate, part burial expense Rowland Tate \$5.
- E. W. Wood, bridge irons \$6.50.
- J. R. Gamble, pay roll county line road \$194.55.
- J. B. and L. C. Palmer, executors, granted release on \$1,500 solvent credits (error.)
- M. P. Guffy, No. 7 township, granted release on \$560 real estate, (error.)
- R. H. Ledford hauling for culvert, \$150.
- Susie Pruett allowed \$1.50 per month for support.
- Ed Laughridge work on boiler \$2.50
- S. S. Weir, judge election \$6.
- W. D. Lackey, expense pauper \$4.
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- W. D. Lackey postage \$24.02.
- D. S. Lovelace, service from Dec. 1 to Feb. 5th, \$98.
- L. C. Palmer, service from Dec. 3rd to Feb. 3rd \$40.40.
- J. L. Lackey, d. s. service \$2.
- E. W. Dixon, calling court \$6.
- R. E. Campbell, blankets \$7.50.
- Clary Bros., blankets \$6.
- Thompson's Co., glass \$4.45.
- R. R. Lackey, jail fees \$58.55.
- J. J. Logan, executor, part burial expense John W. Howell, account pension roll \$20.
- L. U. Arrowood, cement \$40.30.
- W. W. Barron, work on jail 75c.
- J. G. Dudley, work at Court House \$2.00.
- W. J. Arcey and Sons, auto service \$2.
- T. W. Hamrick Co., spoons for jail 65c.
- McMurry-Hull Co., merchandise for jail \$1.
- Farmers Hardware Co., hardware, \$13.82.
- Dr. J. S. Hood, holding inquest \$10.
- J. B. Porter, Silas Russ, Z. C. Mauney A. H. Cornwell, Hoyle Alexander, Jess Hord, jurors \$1 each.

- J. S. Hood, medical services \$6.25.
- E. P. Lindsay, d. s. services \$2.10.
- County Home Bills
- Favel and Oxford, shop work \$3.75.
- W. W. Barron, plumbing \$3.45.
- M. A. McSwain, groceries \$1.90.
- Southern Cotton Oil Co., meal, \$12.00.
- W. H. Williamson, treating stock, \$2.50.
- A. B. Blanton, dry goods \$5.85.
- Lattimore Drug Co., drugs \$2.85.
- J. L. Suttle Co., dry goods and groceries \$76.67.
- Farmers Hardware Co., hardware \$13.07.
- M. A. Grigg, supplies \$2.20.
- J. C. Mull, salary and help \$71.50.
- Tom Parker, work \$16.80.
- W. H. Blanton, shop work \$8.75.
- Shelby Foundry, shop work, \$3.32.
- J. D. Lineberger's Sons, roofing \$5.
- J. H. Anthony, meal for county home \$2.70.
- J. L. Allen, groceries \$12.9.
- J. C. Mull, fruit trees \$15.50.
- Total \$241.73.

R. R. HAYNES DIES IN FLA.

WEALTHY CLIFFSIDE MILL MAN AND INFLUENTIAL CITIZEN OF BIG AFFAIRS, DIED SUDDENLY IN FLORIDA—BURIED YESTERDAY.

Mr. Raleigh R. Haynes died suddenly at his winter home in St. Petersburg, Florida at 5 p. m. of apoplexy and his remains were taken to Cliffside where the interment took place yesterday afternoon at 2 p. m. Rev. C. J. Hunt pastor of the Baptist church of Cliffside and Rev. A. C. Swofford of Morganton, conducting the funeral services.

Mr. Haynes was born in Rutherford county near the site of the Cliffside mills on June 20th, 1851 and beginning his career in an humble way, rose to wealth and influence by reason of his splendid business qualities, indomitable perseverance and superb judgment. Not only was he the president of the Cliffside Mills, the largest gingham plant south of the Mason Dixon line, but he was president of the Cliffside railroad, Postmaster at Cliffside since the office was started, banker, farmer, merchant, lumberman, etc. He was a clean man morally, actively identified with everything that tended toward the uplift of his many employees and the county in which he lived. He was perhaps the largest land owner in this section and has been a model constructive force in the State. His mill village was a model of sanitation and good government and his employees were staunch and true friends because of his sympathetic attitude toward them.

For two or three years he not been in good health and had been a hospital patient and a resident later in Florida in quest of physical betterment. With all of his interests combined his wealth is estimated to exceed a million dollars, although he was not a man of humble habits, always mingling freely with his friends of moderate means and never assuming an attitude of scorn or indifference to the poor.

Cleveland county was particular distressed to hear of his death for he had many close friends here and had begun the development of a water power plant between Nos. 1 and 2 townships and the extension of his railroad on Cleveland county soil. A number of his Shelby friends went to Cliffside yesterday to attend the funeral.

Mr. Haynes was twice married. His first wife was Miss Amanda Carpenter of Rutherford. To this union were born eight children who survive: Mrs. Zeb Jenkins, Mrs. J. Rush Shull, Mrs. Barron Pressley Caldwell, Chas. H., Robert R., Dr. Grover C. and Walter Haynes, all of Cliffside, and Mrs. Robert Love of Gastonia.

The second wife was Miss Letia Kelley, deceased. Mr. Haynes was a Baptist by faith, and had been a church member since early childhood.

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