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LINCOLN PRODUCT MOUNTAIN SOUTH, GARDNER DECLARES

LINCOLN AND WILSON Pays Tribute To Lincoln And Raps Oil Scandal In Address Before Charlotte Rotary.

Abraham Lincoln "was the marvelous by-product of the amalgamation of the poverty, sacrifice, initiative and racial purity of our undistinguished forebears, the poor whites of the mountain south," declared O. Max Gardner, of Shelby, former lieutenant governor of North Carolina, in a Lincoln's birthday address, before Charlotte Rotary club at its weekly meeting Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Gardner was introduced by President Wade as "the most sincerely loved citizen of North Carolina, a man having the broadest friendships of any man in the state." He was given a great ovation.

"The blood that coursed through the veins of Zeb Vance was no more truly southern than that which coursed through the veins of Abraham Lincoln," declared Mr. Gardner, in his address, which contained both a tribute to the great world figure whose birthday anniversary was being observed and a vigorous discussion of the present day indications of recent corruption in high places in Washington.

"The recent rottenness and intrigue revealed in high office in Washington must be laid bare in all of its ramifications," the speaker declared. "It is too black for white-wash."

"The faith of the average citizen in his government is being sapped and undermined and his confidence blasted. He is dazed and wondering—wondering seriously—if all public men are not for sale. This is a terrible condition, and I am afraid I have not overstated it. This thought is the tragedy and shame and danger and heart-ache of it all.

"If the time ever comes when the average man is convinced that the seat of his government is contaminated and honeycombed with graft and the selfish interests have successfully blinded the eyes of the public conscience, of our public men, look out! Beware! It is then, and only then, that I can begin to hear the flop and flare of the red flag of anarchy and the black flag of bolshevism in free America. It is then and only then that our institutions will be undermined and our boasted civilization desperately endangered.

Corruption the Exception "Of course you know and I know that the vast majority of our public men in all political parties are honest, and that corruption is a rare exception. But you know and I know that right now there are millions of people in America who firmly believe that you can buy for a price (and they are being bought) every public man from the President of the United States down the line to the township constable. It is the irony of fate and the sarcasm of politics that the honest men in public life must suffer because of the corruption of the few who are not on the level.

"In this connection may I lay this tribute upon the altar of North Carolina's public life and public men? I have been intimately identified with our state government and general assembly for many years, and I am happy to say that I have never suspected any men in high office in North Carolina, republican or democrat of being guilty of corruption in the discharge of public duty. If this statement is true, and I firmly believe that it is, then it involves a higher tribute to our citizenship than the unequalled and unexcelled social, agricultural and industrial development of North Carolina, and affords a guarantee of the state's uninterrupted progress to greater things than she has ever yet achieved.

Never Reached White House. Many departments of our government have at times been infested with an actual criminal who has prostituted high office for private and personal gain, but, thank God no slimy trail has ever marked its way to blur and blacken the integrity of the White House. This fact, so faithfully recurring in our national life, is con-

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FOREST CITY NOW HAS KIWANIS CLUB

Permanent Organization Effected There at Interesting Meeting Held Monday Night.

A Kiwanis club was permanently organized in Forest City Monday night at a meeting attended by representative men of that town and members of the Shelby club, which has sponsored the organization there, together with Joseph L. Bowles, jr., international field representative.

An organization meeting was held last week there but only a temporary organization was formed to perfect plans for the meeting held Monday night, at which officers and directors were elected and the various committees appointed. The start made by the club is auspicious, there being 52 charter members.

The meeting held in the school building there was characterized as "full of pep" and invaded by the Kiwanis spirit. In addition to the Shelby Kiwanians, three Kiwanians were present from Lincolnton. In addition to the Forest City men who addressed the meeting, lively talks were made by L. Burge Beam, president of the Lincolnton club and county superintendent of education in Lincoln county; C. A. Burrus and Rush Hamrick, of the Shelby club. The selection of a regular meeting place and other details of the active work of the new club will be decided upon later by the committee named.

Officers and directors were: President: Dr. Wm. A. Avers.

First vice president: Dr. A. C. Duncan.

Second vice president: J. H. Thomas.

Secretary: F. I. Barber.

Treasurer: B. H. Long.

Trustees: R. R. Blanton.

The board of directors: T. R. Padgett, M. W. Harris, B. B. Doggett, C. E. Alcock, Charles Z. Flack, W. P. Hall and Capt. B. L. Smith.

Shelby Kiwanians attending the meeting were: Messrs. George Moore, Rush Hamrick, Jack Palmer, Max Washburn, J. S. Dorton and C. A. Burrus.

Hoey Is Counsel In \$60,000 Damage Suit

A suit for \$60,000 personal damages by Mrs. A. B. Skelding against the Seaboard Air Line railway was begun Monday in Charlotte before Judge A. M. Stack of Monroe at the opening of the second week of civil court.

The suit is the result of a collision between a Seaboard Air Line train and an automobile owned by Mr. Skelding and family at Peachland, Anson county, June 8, 1922, while Mr. Skelding and family were enroute from Charlotte to Wilmington.

Mrs. Skelding will be a cripple for life, physicians say.

Following the decision as to Mrs. Skelding's suit there will be a suit in which Mary Retram Skelding, six year old daughter of Mrs. Skelding, is the plaintiff. She sues for \$20,000. She also is alleged to be permanently injured. Attorneys for plaintiff are John M. Robinson, W. S. O'Brien Robinson and the firm of Parker, Stewart, McRae and Bobbitt, of Charlotte. Representing the Seaboard are E. T. Cansler, L. L. Caudle of Wadesboro, Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby and V. H. Wood, of Monroe.

Central Methodist Church.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Be present. Be on time. Bring a friend with you. No Sunday school is doing finer work. You can't afford to miss it. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. You are most cordially invited to worship with us. You will enjoy a warm welcome and delightful fellowship. Good music at both services.

Primary Girls Hold Inter-School Meet

The girls of the primary schools of Shelby held their first inter-school field meet Wednesday afternoon under the supervision of Coach Gurley. Marion school was in the boys meet came out victorious, winning by a margin of seven points. Marion's total pointage was 35, while LaFayette and Central tied for second place with 28 points.

Attend Palmer Funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Plato Miller were in Shelby Monday to attend the funeral of Dr. Ben H. Palmer, prominent physician of that city who died Sunday from paralysis. He had practiced medicine in Shelby for about 30 years. —Lincoln County News.

Mr. L. W. Hamrick is spending several days in Atlanta on business.

WOMAN MAY LIVE WITH BROKEN BACK

Miss Lottie Swink's Condition is Still Critical, However—Two Funerals Largely Attended.

Miss Lottie Swink who is a patient in Dr. Crowell's hospital at Lincolnton with a broken back as a result of her injury Sunday afternoon when Seaboard train No. 16 struck a Ford roadster between Waco and Cherryville, may recover, although her condition is still critical, according to information received yesterday afternoon from Cherryville. Miss Swink was one of the five in the party and her injuries are considered serious, but there have been rare cases where people with broken backs have lived and there is still a possibility of her recovery.

Mrs. Keller who was instantly killed in the accident was buried Monday at Cherryville. Austin Grigg who died early Monday morning as a result of his broken legs and internal injuries was buried Tuesday. Large crowds attended both funerals.

Blair Dellinger another member of the party has slight injuries, but is recovering. Ray Gates, who was at the wheel of the car when the tragedy occurred was uninjured.

Mr. Mike Borders Is Buried At Elizabeth

Former Cleveland County Citizen Dies in Charlotte at the Age of 77—Buried Wednesday.

Following an illness of two years, during which he suffered with cancer of the throat, M. Borders, 77 years of age, died early Wednesday morning at his home, 514 East Seventh street, Charlotte.

The body was brought through the country by motor hearse followed by the funeral party which arrived at Elizabeth church Thursday morning at 11 o'clock where the services were conducted by Revs. A. C. Irvin and W. G. Camp.

Before moving to Charlotte about 8 years ago Mr. Borders was a prominent farmer of Cleveland county, living in the Elizabeth section.

Surviving are his widow, who was Miss Nancy Kendrick, of Cleveland county, two daughters, Mrs. E. H. Kissiah, of Charlotte; Mrs. Maude Thrift, of Shelby; six sons, Fuller Borders of Cleveland county; John E. A. H., Dewey, Fred and Cliff Borders of Charlotte; two full brothers, Elzie Borders, of Shelby and Hugh Borders, of Shelby and Hugh Borders, of Patterson Springs and two full sisters, Mrs. Sue Moss, of Gastonia; Mrs. Mollie Mauney, of Shelby, and Mrs. Rebecca Lowery of Patterson Springs. Two half-brothers Griff and Andy Borders of this county and four half-sisters, also survive.

Former Shelby Woman Dies in Oregon City

Mrs. L. A. Powell whose maiden name was Miss Lizzie A. Smith, a step daughter of the late Dr. G. H. Heatwole, died in Troutdale, Oregon, on January 30th, according to a letter received by a Star subscriber, Mrs. J. T. Heatwole in Denver, Colorado, another former Shelby resident. Most of her early life was spent in and near Shelby and Blackburg. Many of the older people of this section will remember her. She lived in Kansas for several years but had lived in Oregon for the past 12 years. For the past ten years she was in charge of the public library at Troutdale, Oregon. Surviving are a grown son and daughter and one grand-daughter. The interment was at Troutdale. Her brother J. T. Heatwole of Denver, Colorado, was with her when she died.

CHILD OF MR. AND MRS. A. H. CANIPE BURIED AT ST. PAUL

The Death Angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Canipe Sunday afternoon, February 3, 1924 at two o'clock and claimed as its victim their darling baby Lena Mae. She was 11 months and 26 days old. Her death followed an illness of 12 days. She was a sweet little child and made friends with all whom she knew. She was greatly loved by her parents and one little sister Pauline only two years and three months old at Lena Mae's death.

Her remains were laid to rest at Saint Paul cemetery Monday afternoon, funeral and burial services being conducted by Rev. Mr. Houser pastor of St. Paul church.

May God's richest grace abound in the hearts of those who mourn.

AVA FISHER.

Mrs. F. N. Wood returned today from Gaffney, S. C., where she had been visiting Mr. Wood's mother.

2ND PUBLIC DEBATE RAMSÆUR SOCIETY

The Following is the program for the second public debate of the Ramsæur literary society of Boiling Springs high school which takes place at the B. S. school auditorium Saturday night February 23rd with R. M. Lee, M. G. Latham and L. H. Blanton judges.

Solo—"Polacca Brillante" by Calla Clement.

Reading—Almeda by Julia Grayson Oration—"The Typical American Woman by Alma Kee.

Trio—"Summer Zephyrs" by Misses Huggins, Hamrick and Lovelace.

Debate, Query: Resolved, that the Ku Klux Klan should be condemned by all right-thinking Americans. Affirmative: Gladys McClure, Edna Humphries, Negative: Lizzie Lee Kendrick, Ollie Rippey.

Reading—"Buying a Railroad Ticket" by Bruce Barnes.

Essay—"The Importance of Voice Music in Public Schools" by Mary Helen Keeter.

Chorus—"Po' Little Lamb" by Misses Keeter, Lovelace, Gettys, Pruett, Hollifield, Clement, Barnes, McClure, Kendrick, Allred.

Marshalls: Louise Whitaker, Chief; Lelia Gettys, Emma Greene.

Elimination Series Starts On Friday

Shelby Plays Rutherfordton Here Today in First Game for State Honor. Locals Win Two.

Details in the schedule for the elimination series for the North Carolina high school basketball championship were worked out by conference managers in Greensboro Wednesday night Shelby, Rutherfordton, Lincolnton, Piedmont and Forest City are listed in group four.

Shelby plays her first game in the elimination series here today, Friday, with Rutherfordton. Lincolnton plays Piedmont at Lincolnton. The winner of the two games play each other and that winner meets Forest City, who drew a bye.

Group 4 schedule is: Shelby vs. Rutherfordton at Shelby, February 15. Lincolnton vs. Piedmont at Lincolnton, February 15. Forest City drew a bye.

Locals Win Two Games. The Shelby cagers added two more victories to their list this week, defeating Bessemer City Tuesday afternoon and the strong Boiling Springs quint Wednesday afternoon.

In the Boiling Springs game Wednesday afternoon the local cagers exhibited their best form of the season. Earlier in the season the two fives fought out a nip-and-tuck contest with Shelby winning by a one-point margin and Wednesday's game with Wall starrine was equally as warm, the locals winning by an eight point margin, 29 to 21.

Tuesday afternoon Gurley's court artists avenged a defeat of earlier in the season, when they walloped Bessemer City 44 to 20 in a one-sided game. The entire Shelby team passed and shot well and exhibited a rare form of defense. The line-up follows: Shelby (44) Bessemer City (20) S. Kiser (2) right forward J. Kiser (7) Kendrick (8) left forward Purcell (6) Wall (18) center Hawkins (5) Beam (4) right guard L. Kiser (0) Bynum (2) left guard

Substitutions, Shelby: Connor and Self (4).

List Of Deeds Filed With The Registrar

Chas. C. Hamrick and wife Maggie Hamrick to Carl S. Thompson, lot on side of west Shelby \$75.

W. R. Hartness to D. P. and J. C. Washburn, house and lot on Marietta street \$1,500 and other consideration.

W. R. Hartness to O. Paxton Elliott, lot on N. Washington St., for \$1,600.

L. A. Jackson to T. C. Tate lot in southwest Shelby for \$2,500.

M. M. Moore to M. D. Moore, 25 1-4 acres in No. 2 township for \$1.00 and other considerations.

Hattie Morrison and husband J. A. Morrison, lots in southwest Shelby for \$100 and other considerations.

C. B. McBrayer to Jake F. Eaker and J. C. Newton, 3 lots of Dr. T. E. McBrayer property for \$4,600.

O. C. Sarratt to L. Y. and B. O. Randall 6 acres in No. 3 township \$1,000.

C. J. Yelton to G. H. Brittain, four lots in Lawndale for \$500.

Mr. and Mrs. Russel G. Laughridge were Charlotte visitors yesterday.

SHELBY HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL FOR FEB.

Largest Number That Has Been on The Honor Roll for 1923-24 Session Thus Far.

The following is the honor roll for the Shelby public schools for the month ending February 6th, this being the largest number that has attained this distinction during the 1923-24 session:

Sixth grade—Pauline Byers, Mary Frances Carpenter, Mary Reeves Forney, Burtie Gettys, Virginia Faison Jenkins, May Ellen McBrayer, Elizabeth Riviere, Ralph Gardner, Robert Gidney, Alex. Geo. Palmer McSwain, Fred Mintz, Frank Abernethy, Lula Agnes Arey, Elizabeth Austell, Gladys Colquitt, Ruth Dellinger, Mabel Hamrick, Virginia Hunt, Dorothy Kinr, Larue Lackey, Ruth Laughtide, Madge Putnam, Dorothy Putnam, Alice Sanders, Margaret Vanstony, H. Clay Cox, W. D. Larkey.

Seventh grade—Sara Best, Margaret Bost, Martha Eskridge, Ethel Webb, Kathleen Young, Lalase Shull, I. C. Griffin, Malcolm Howell, John Lineberger, Billy McKnight, William Webb, Guy Bridges, Harrell Putnam, Lois Turner, Boneta Brown.

Eighth grade—Helen Leverette, David Troutman, Troy McKinney, Billy Newton, Margaret Blanton, Bernice Borders, Donnie Sain, Bertha Nozles, Della Noggles, Bertha Carter, Brady Lail.

Ninth grade—Attie Mae Eskridge, Constance Sain, Sidney Anthony, Katherine Dover, Virginia Hoey, Lucile Morehead, Dorothy McKnight, Mary Stutte, Charlotte Tedder, Lilly Webber.

Tenth grade—Alma Putnam, Roy Self, Letha Callahan, Mary Ruth Lemons, Nelson Callahan, Caroline Blanton.

Eleventh grade—Irma Bridges, Helen Campbell, Alpha Gettys, Hattie Gidney, Mary C. Hamrick, Isabel Hoey, Minnie E. Roberts, Margaret Ross, Frances Whisnant, Hugh Arrowood, John McKnight, Mae Bost, Selma Greene.

Fast-Riding Rodeo Coming To Shelby

Glimpse of Fast Pading West to be Seen Here Three Days Beginning Thursday.

Fifteen animals that are so wild that a bride has never been closer than the pasture fence are wanted by the Warren Hoyle Post of the American Legion. Tom Howard, broncho-buster extraordinary, wants to ride 30 animals that have never been ridden here next Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and so far only 15 have been secured.

Howard's Rodeo show is typical of the west of other days, Howard and his company are a few of the remaining "cowboys" that have not been earned in by the "movies" or hit the long trail. Howard himself is one of the best riders that ever clanked a snur in horseflesh and his daredevil riding is expected to prove the big attraction of the legion entertainment. The outfit, which consists of horses, mules and steers, will be brought here early next week from Spartanburg, S. C., where the show is wintering.

The Shelby Concert band, W. S. Buchanan director, will play at all performances. Two performances will be given daily at 3 in the afternoon and 8 in the event at the local baseball party Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 21-23.

Her Sister Dead—The many friends of Mrs. Ceph Blanton will regret to learn of the death of her sister, Mrs. Ed White who passed away Wednesday morning in Catawba county. She was buried yesterday at Grace Lutheran church in Catawba, Mr. and Mrs. Ceph Blanton and her mother, Mrs. Shuford, Miss Rosa Mae Shuford, Mrs. S. F. Witherspoon and Miss Sara Witherspoon and Rev. M. D. Younts of Shelby attending the funeral.

Miss Elsie Hicks, of Hickory is visiting relatives and friends in Shelby. Rev. R. M. Hoyle, of Kincaid Mountain, was a Shelby visitor this week.

Mrs. J. V. McFarland who has been here visiting Mrs. B. H. Palmer and attending the funeral of Dr. Palmer, returns to her home at Rutherfordton today.

Card of Thanks.

To the many friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us in our hour of bereavement we wish to express our very deep appreciation and gratitude. May God's richest blessings rest on each and every one of you.

Mrs. B. H. Palmer and Children.

COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS HOLD ANNUAL EVENT HERE ON FRIDAY, APRIL 4

Big Day Will Be Featured By Webb-Hoey Contests Among High School Students And Field Day Program, According To Plans By School Officials—Tennis And Basketball Tournaments—Baseball Feature.

Cleveland county High School Day, the big annual event of the county high schools, will be held this year on Friday, April 4, according to a decision reached Monday by county high school officials in conference with County Superintendent J. C. Newton here. An annual event that draws to Shelby school children and people from all sections of the county, the day includes the Webb-Hoey contests and the open high school field meet, in which high school boys and girls of the county test their intellectual and physical prowess.

The main events of the day are the Selma C. Webb Essay and Recitation contests, the Clyde E. Hoey Oratorical contest, and the big field meet. Other contests of lesser importance with awards are held, but county-wide interest centers on the major events.

In the Hoey Oratorical contest, which is for boys alone, each school is allowed two entrants. The orations must be original and the maximum time for delivery is 12 minutes. Last year the medal was won by F. Guy Walker of Boiling Springs, who chose as his subject "The Children's Day."

The Selma C. Webb Recitation contest is for girls alone and each school is permitted two entrants. Eight minutes is the maximum time. The Webb Recitation medal was won last year by Miss Virginia Hamrick, 15-year-old daughter of Chief and Mrs. B. O. Hamrick, an entrant from the Shelby High School.

The Selma C. Webb Essay contest is open to boys and girls and each school may enter five contestants. The maximum number of words is 1500. The essay must be written and turned in to the judges at least two weeks before the contest. Entrants in this contest are advised to file their names to the essay. The Webb Essay medal was awarded last year to Miss Margaret Lackey, of Kings Mountain High School, who used as her subject "Woman's Part In The History Of The United States."

Field Meet. In the field meet, athletic events for the boys include the following: Dash—100 yard, 220 yard, One-half mile,

and mile. One mile relay, four men. Running broad jump and standing broad jump; running high jump and standing high jump; shot put. Events for girls include the 50 and 75-yard dashes and the 200 yard relay for four girls. Each school may place two entrants, and points will be awarded for first, second and third places. First places netting five points, second three points and third place one point.

An addition this year is a tennis tournament, including doubles and singles. So far the tournament is for boys alone, but if as many as three schools wish to enter girl racquet artists similar rules will govern their tournament. Elimination tournaments will be held among the schools before April 4, so that only two schools will be entries in the final doubles and singles. The winning school in the tennis tournament will be awarded five points and the school to combat the winners in the final tennis will be awarded three points.

In the field meet last year Shelby emerged winner with a total of 39 points. Boiling Springs copied second place with 28 points and Kings Mountain took third with 16 points.

Basketball and Baseball. Beginning immediately a series of basketball games will get underway to determine the champion high school unit in the county, and if possible a mythical all-county five will be named. Schools so far that have decided to enter the basketball tournament are Boiling Springs, Fallston, Shelby, Piedmont and Waco. Others may possibly enter before the tournament opens. The five entrants have been named. Boiling Springs and Fallston will meet first and Shelby will play the winner. Piedmont and Waco will play each other and the winner will meet the winner from the other trip or county honors.

On April 4, the day of the high school events, the two leading high school baseball teams in the county will play in the local baseball park for the county championship.

Other events, regulations and awards will be published in this paper as they are decided upon and made public by officials in charge of the day's contests.

New Jail Plans Not Yet Decided Upon

The postponed meeting of the county commissioners which was to have been held Monday of this week at which time the commissioners were expected to pass upon the plans and let the contract for the proposed new jail, was called off because the representative of the Roanoke Bridge and Iron Co. was sick and could not attend the meeting. The commissioners will meet as soon as the Roanoke Bridge man can reach Shelby.

It will be remembered that when plans were first drawn by Wilson and Berryman, architects, and bids were received, the lowest bid was about \$101,000 which the commissioners thought too much money to spend for a jail. The architects were instructed to cut down the plans which has been done. They have been submitted to the state prison board and the state board of public welfare. It is understood that the Roanoke Bridge and Iron Co. has submitted a bid on the present plans of about \$62,000, this company having been the low bidder on the previous plans which were rejected.

Hatcher Hughes Tells Where He Was Born

Thanking The Star for the clipping about his Broadway success "Hell Ben for Heaven" Hatcher Hughes answers The Star in the following humorous style which must be characteristic of his stage success:

"I have been informed by my parents who, I believe, were present on the occasion, that I was born in the Polkville, not the Lawndale section. For all I know Lawndale may be just as good a place to be born in as Polkville; but I've never tried it. I have tried Polkville and found it perfectly satisfactory. In fact I can recommend it highly to any ambitious young fellow who is on the look-out for a good place to be born. It has borne the responsibility for my birth uncomplainingly all these years and I feel that the burden should not be shifted to Lawndale now.

TO THE FARMERS. Don't wait until the spring season opens to place your orders for a Fordson tractor and implements. Get your order in early and avoid the usual rush. We will receive in the next few days a carload of Tractor implements, also big shipment of tractors.

Just drop us a card or phone No. 241 and we will have a representative call on you with full and complete information.

Ad CHAS. L. ESKRIDGE.

Miss Virginia Henkel will be the guest of Mrs. Frank Hoey next week.

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