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LINCOLN CAVALRY IN COUNTY FAIR

Famous Troop Will be Attraction for
Fair Crowds and May Stage
a Big Sham Battle.

Dr. J. S. Dorton, secretary of the Cleveland County Fair association, has received a letter from Captain A. S. Lineberger, commanding officer of Troop "E" 109 Cavalry, better known as the Lincoln cavalry, stating that the troop will be glad to attend the fair and put on whatever exhibition that may be desired. This communication will be interesting to fair advocates, who, in arranging for the fair have been depending on the famous cavalry troop for one of the attractions. The troop has a historic record and is a good drawing card in the Piedmont and western sections of the state.

Captain Lineberger stated that he would expect a camp site, free tickets for his men, food during the time the troop would be here and enough remuneration to cover incidental expenses. He plans to visit Shelby soon to make definite arrangements concerning the matter.

Interest Over County.
Almost every section of the county is taking considerable interest in the county's first fair and the farmers and their wives are discussing and planning various exhibits. Union, Boiling Springs, Bethel, Patterson Springs and other sections will have community booths on an exhibition, while many of the leading farmers hope to be included among the ribbon winners with individual exhibits. There are a number of visitors each day at the fair grounds looking over the buildings and race track now under construction.

An entertaining feature of the fair, say the promoters will be the entrance of "Spark Plug" for the big race. It is not the "Spark Plug" of Barney Google fame, but one equally as graceful and funny, they say. The "World's Fair" staged in Shelby by the children of the primary grades at the closing of school will likely be given over during the fair for the benefit of the children who attend.

CAR WRECKED HERE HAD BEEN STOLEN

Early last Friday morning a Ford touring car failed to clear the heavy concrete "Go to the Right" sign at the corner of Washington and Marion streets and knocked the "silent officer" 25 or 30 feet up the street in front of Central Methodist church. A short time later officers found the car in the street where it had been left by the occupants when they apparently found it was no longer in driving condition. In the car which bore a South Carolina license was 10 gallons of gasoline and one gallon of oil, which caused the officers to think it was stolen. With the exception of the license tag there was nothing by which the owner or driver could be identified and on Saturday Chief Hamrick wired Columbia, where it was learned that the license had been sold to J. A. Murray, of Charleston. Mr. Murray arrived here Sunday and after having the car repaired Monday returned to Greenville, where he now lives. He stated that the car was stolen in Greenville Wednesday. The crash against the traffic sign bent the axles and broke a radius rod and otherwise damaged the car.

Driven by Two Boys.
A cook at Heavy's cafe en route to work early in the morning witnessed the accident and says that the car was occupied by two white boys, both well dressed. After the car struck the sign the cook says that the two got out, looked over the car for a moment, and started walking back in the direction of Cleveland Springs. From the supply of fuel in the car they had evidently counted upon making a good getaway only to come to grief through the work of a "dummy policeman."

GOOD PROGRAM ON AT PRINCESS THEATRE

Tuesday the Princess will show Alice Brady's new Paramount picture, "The Leopardess." As a South sea dancer Miss Brady becomes the sensation of New York society. Wednesday "The Rejected Woman" what men want and don't want is an entertaining attraction. Is it the good clothes, the "neckers" and beautiful spots that attract men? If you like pep and action see the answer in "The Rejected Woman."

Thursday comes an extra appealing film, "Second Youth." A good looking man that the girls proposed to, and when the danced he almost passed away with embarrassment. If you are married see this picture, and if you are not married see this picture before you get married.

PLUMBERS MEET AT SHELBY NEXT

Master Plumbers Accept Invitation
To Hold Convention in Shelby
In May 1925.

Shelby will be the next meeting place of the North Carolina Association of Master Plumbers, the invitation to come to Shelby being extended by J. G. Dudley who attended the fourteenth annual convention at Wrightsville Beach last week. Mr. Dudley pressed the invitation for the plumbers to visit Shelby and this place was selected over Raleigh and Asheville. It is understood the convention will be held at Cleveland Springs and that about 100 visitors will attend.

Mr. Dudley says the session at Wrightsville was a most interesting one. Accompanying him to Wrightsville were Mrs. Dudley and two daughters, Blanche and Elizabeth. At the Wrightsville convention the plumbers adopted a resolution recommending that Governor Morrison's state port plan be carried to a successful conclusion as one means of securing advantageous freight rates for North Carolina. E. B. Grady of Concord, was elected president of the plumbers association and the name was changed to the North Carolina Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors. The association also endorsed National Director Henry R. Langley of Wilmington as the next vice president of the national association and V. L. Peavy of Evansville, Indiana delivered an interesting address.

Open Bids on New Church Addition

Bids will be opened this week on the proposed enlargement of the Presbyterian church Sunday school and on Sunday next a congregational meeting will be called to consider the cost and what steps to take toward letting the contract. Plans have been drawn for a new brick addition to the Presbyterian Sunday school, the same to contain about sixteen separate classrooms. It is expected that the total cost of the improvement will be some where around \$25,000. For sometime the Presbyterians considered the erection of a large church and Sunday school, but after due consideration it was decided that the Sunday school annex is the most needed department and this will be added to the rear of the church. The Sunday school building and equipment will be modern in every detail and if the bids are satisfactory, the contract will be let for the work to begin at an early date.

Highs Defeat Fast Shelby Mill Club

Playing on the city park Friday afternoon the Shelby High state baseball champions, nosed out the fast Shelby mill club by a 4 to 3 score. It was the first summer game following the close of the high school season. Features of the game were a home run by Arrowood, high school first sacker, in the second frame with one on, and the fielding of Wilson, mill short stop. A number of semi-pros including "Lefty" Robinson were in the mill line-up. Batteries for the Highs were Lee and Beam, for the mill Holdman and Short.

An effort is being made to schedule a number of other games with surrounding towns and it is hoped to bring the Lory mill outfit of Gastonia here soon. "Casey" Morris the new Shelby coach, is playing with the Lory outfit.

Cyclone Auction Sale Saturday 21st

The Cyclone Auction company of Forest City will offer about 65 residential lots on Grover street, the Shelby-Fallston highway at an auction sale to be conducted Saturday afternoon June 21st, beginning at 1:30 o'clock. Last November this company sold about half of this property which is near the hospital and since the sale a number of new homes have gone up in what promises to be a rapidly growing suburban section. This property is owned by the Cyclone Auction Co., and will be sold for the high dollar upon easy terms. Prizes will be offered in order to draw the crowd. R. E. Foster is to be auctioneer and a brass band will furnish music for the occasion.

Most people who are inclined to take things easy have a hard time. Coolidge is the Republican party's leader, but they do not seem to be going in the same direction—Greenville Piedmont.

We might be able to enjoy spring if it weren't for the taxes falling due. Ask the man who uses Texaco gas, oils and grease about his results.

STRAY DOGS DOOMED BY CITY ALDERMEN

Is Now Unlawful for Dogs to run at
Large in Shelby, May Five
Owner and Kill Dog

In the last two weeks several children in Shelby and the county and a number of animals have been bitten by "mad dogs", one death resulting while a number of children are taking the Pasteur treatment. In view of the fact that there are so many stray dogs in and around Shelby and owing to the "mad dog scare" the board of aldermen at a special meeting passed an ordinance which dooms the dogs running at large.

Sentiment in town favored this move it was apparent from conversation on the streets not only because of rabid dogs but also owing to the night nuisance of stray howlers. According to the ordinance it is unlawful for a dog to run at large and when one is found doing so "shall be presumed to do with the consent of its owner." Any person violating the provisions of the ordinance shall, upon conviction, be fined \$25 for every offense.

To Kill Dogs
The third section of the ordinance, which states that stray dogs shall be killed, reads as follows: "Any dog running at large within the town of Shelby is hereby declared to be a nuisance which endangers the health and safety of the public, and the police or other officials of the town are authorized and directed to kill or impound same."

Nothing was heard of rabid dogs during the past week, the Shelby children being bitten week before last while the Humphries boy and others in the county were bitten two weeks or more ago, but during last week many dogs were killed by their owners who with the majority of the citizens of the town were aroused over the danger of so many stray dogs at a time when a dog infected with rabies was roaming the county.

J. H. DORTON DIES AT CONCORD HOME

Father of Dr. J. S. Dorton Claimed
by Death. Prominent Citizen
of Cabarrus County.

Mr. J. Harvey Dorton, aged 56 years, father of Dr. J. S. Dorton of Shelby, died Monday, June 9, at his home in Concord. Mr. Dorton, who was one of the most prominent citizens of Cabarrus county, had been ill for about two years with pella. The funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at Concord and were attended by Dr. and Mrs. Dorton.

Mr. Dorton, who was a cotton broker and for eight years treasurer of Cabarrus county, was also head clerk for North Carolina in the Woodmen of the World, a Shriner and prominently identified with many fraternal orders, being well known over the entire state.

The deceased who was twice married, is survived by his wife, two sisters and one brother, and four children as follows: Dr. J. S. Dorton, Shelby; Mrs. C. G. Burleson and Mr. James E. Dorton, of Concord; and Mrs. E. P. Yates of Charlotte.

Negress Uses Knife In Fight Saturday

Shoppers on the court square section of East Warren street were afforded some exciting entertainment Saturday night about nine o'clock when two negro women, Viola Ross and Mary Weathers, engaged in an affray on the street near Rose's store. After several rounds of sparring and hair pulling Viola is said to have brought a knife into play with the result that Mary was taken to the hospital where it was found that she had received several cuts on the arms and one or more on the head. The brawl attracted quite a crowd and when the officers arrived the two were locked together and swaying to and fro across the street.

The fight is said to have started over a man, with whom Mary was reported to have said Viola was too intimate. Viola resented the "slander" and the fight started. Officers say the two women had a similar fight something like a year ago, Mary being the one to use the knife in the former fight. Viola Ross is the wife of the negro, John Ross who escaped from the penitentiary after being convicted of second degree murder in connection with the deaths of John Dixon and wife about nine years ago.

Wray-Hudson Co., calls your attention to our special prices on Men's overalls. 50c priced is 50c made. Ask the man who uses Texaco gas, oils and grease about his results.

"CLEAN-UP WEEK" JUNE 23-28.

Announcement was made yesterday that "Clean-up Week" would be observed in Shelby beginning Monday, June 23 and continuing through the entire week. The campaign will be sponsored by the club women of the city and it is their hope to have every lawn, alley, vacant lot and all back premises presenting a neat appearance by the end of the week. The co-operation of every citizen of the town is asked during the week as the cleaning up drive will cover every section of the town and the women are determined that every "eye sore" and bit of trash or rubbish be removed. Homeowners are asked to first clean up their own premises and then aid in whatever manner possible in cleaning up the remainder of the town. With the proper co-operation the intensive week of cleaning up should add much to the beauty of the town.

J. E. WEBB BUYS THE CENTRAL CHURCH

J. E. Webb who has had a "hankering" for more up-town business property for some time has purchased the Central Methodist church property for \$35,000 from Cicero Lutz, Tom Webb and Monroe Wellmon. Mr. Webb purchased this property when it was sold by the church some months ago, but when a dispute arose as to whether Lutz and Webb had a half interest in the property, Mr. Webb sold out to them at a profit. Since that time Webb, Wellmon and Lutz have owned it but they have taken no steps toward remodeling or developing the property because one condition of the sale was that the church should occupy the property until the new church building now in course of erection is completed. It may be several months yet before the old church property can be turned over to Mr. Webb, the new purchaser, but he has certain plans for its use in his mind which he will not divulge for the present. He contemplates changing the building into business property of some kind, just the nature of which he does not care to divulge for the present.

Deed was made through W. C. Harris and Co., realtors.

Officers Get Two Stills During Week

Padus Green, Flay Wright and a man by the name of Ramsey were placed in jail during the week-end following their capture at a still near the Kings Mountain battleground. Officers making the arrest were Deputy Sheriff H. G. Ware and Chief Irvin Allen of Kings Mountain. The officers located the still and watched the operators making a run, they say on Friday evening, but did not make an arrest at that time. The liquor had evidently been made away with according to the officers.

L. C. PALMER HAS AN EDUCATED ROOSTER

L. C. Palmer, prominent farmer of No. 8 and former county commissioner, better known perhaps as "Am," has in his flock of chickens a rooster that the late T. P. Barnum, originator of the "sucker a minute" saying, would have given much for. This is not a fish story—it's about an educated chicken, and what is more it is true according to County Agent Lawrence and others who have seen the educated rooster in action—or rather heard.

Mr. Barnum would have made a fortune out of a rooster that would crow when spoken to and Mr. Palmer's rooster, "Precious" is just that kind of chicken. Mr. Palmer has only to walk up and say, "Crow, Precious," and the exultant cry of the barnyard king is immediately heard. The rooster was taught this method of crowing upon request by being fed each time he crowed, it is said. The chicken has attracted considerable attention and will likely be on an exhibit at the county fair this fall.

The news that the Senate will broadcast its sessions has played havoc with the sale of radio instruments.—Life.

About the best asset any store can have is a clerk who gives polite answers to foolish questions.

The way for Coolidge to get anything he wants is to urge Congress to do its opposite.—Greenville Piedmont.

ALCOHOL BECOMING FAVORITE DRINK

One Drug Store Has Many Calls Over
Week-end For Denatured
Intoxicant.

Some weeks back the officers arrested an old negro for being an addict of denatured alcohol. The "bolt weevil" as his fellow workers on the new jail structure called him kept in working trim by frequent draughts from a "skull and cross-bones" bottle containing alcohol. His arrest and subsequent publicity must have introduced a new beverage into Shelby for denatured alcohol seems to be much in demand during the past two weeks.

Sunday, a stylishly dressed negro youth entered a local drug store, doffed his hat and speaking to the druggist said: "Boss, I want fifty cents worth of denay."

"Haven't got it. Don't keep it," was the reply of the druggist, who after the negro departed declared that he had had at least 200 calls for denatured alcohol over the week-end, the majority of the customers being negroes. The negroes were rather reticent about what they wanted with the alcohol, although one admitted he might drink it. There is no law to prevent the druggists from selling denatured alcohol according to demand, but the druggists are beginning to play shy of such sales as they are cognizant of the deadly qualities of fluid if used as a beverage. The old saying of "flirting with death" is a mild way of talking about the fellow who drinks denatured alcohol, according to the druggists.

"If all the negroes who are calling for denatured alcohol drink it there will be several funerals in Freedom before long for the stuff comes in to us labelled with the deadly 'skull and cross bones,'" declared one druggist.

Denatured alcohol is widely used during the winter months in automobile radiators as a freezing preventative, but heretofore has been in little demand during the summer. Recorder B. T. Falls states that denatured alcohol has figured very little in court cases in the past, while Chief Hamrick says that although he has not heard much about it being used as a beverage he has heard however that it can be used as an intoxicant if mixed with ginger ale or other beverages.

LICENSE TAGS ARE NOW ON SALE HERE

State automobile licenses were placed on sale at the local office of the Carolina Motor club on July 16th, it has been announced. The officers of the club are located on West Marion street, with District Manager W. W. Hoey in charge. Any information regarding the new title registration feature may be obtained through this club's branch office, of which there are thirty-eight in the state. Titles must be secured before a license can be bought.

HATCHER HUGHES IS VISITOR IN COUNTY

Author of Hell-Bent for Heaven Visits
Mother at Kings Mountain—
Native of Cleveland

Hatcher Hughes, native of the Polkville section of Cleveland county, now living in New York City, has been a visitor in the county, the first time he has returned to his native land in several years. He has been attending the commencement exercises at Chapel Hill and on Thursday last was brought to Kings Mountain by Attorney Tom Gold of High Point, another native of Cleveland who is winning distinction as a lawyer in Guilford county. Prof. or Captain Hughes recently won the Pulitzer prize for \$1,000 with his play "Hell-Bent for Heaven" which has been running at a Broadway theatre with great success.

The Star had hoped to have Mr. Hughes over as an honor guest at the Kiwanis club, but the Thursday night meeting was postponed to make way for the visitors from Lincoln and Forest City. Mr. Hughes returned Sunday to New York to meet important engagements.

Except for the time spent with the New York cast in rehearsing the play near Asheville, it is Mr. Hughes' first visit to the state in a long while. He seemed delighted to be in Cleveland again and was busy every minute shaking hands with some old acquaintance or receiving the congratulations that were heaped upon him. He graduated at the University of North Carolina in 1907 and then spent several years there as an instructor in the English department.

Mr. Hughes looks much younger than he is. The wear of metropolitan life doesn't seem to have had anything less than a beneficial effect. Writing plays is a sideline; his chief concern is as professor of English in Columbia university, of which he has been a faculty member since leaving Chapel Hill.

It's always a good idea to find out what kind of advice a man wants before you give it.

Public Fountain is Now in Operation

The Memorial Fountain erected on the court house is now in operation and the thirsty can drink freely of the cool, refreshing water which is pumped from a depth of nearly 400 feet below the surface of the ground. The water started flowing Friday but for a day or two there was a taste of the oil in the pipes, but this has vanished and the water is clear, cool and palatable. The well was drilled at the expense of the county, while the memorial fountain built of white pressed brick and covered with tile was provided out of the town's treasury. A large pump driven by an electric motor operates all day long, the water having a continuous flow through four spigots, one of which is for the negroes and is set apart from the fountain building on the east side of the court square.

175 ATTEND B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION HERE

Washburn is Re-elected President and
Miss Davis Secy.-Treas. Dr.
Granberry Preaches.

One hundred and seventy-five delegates were enrolled here at the Kings Mountain associational Baptist Young People's convention which met Saturday and Sunday at the First Baptist church with President A. V. Washburn of Double Springs presiding. The meeting was a most enjoyable and profitable one giving an impetus to the B. Y. P. U. work in all the churches of the association that were represented by delegates. One of the features of the convention was the sermon Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. R. C. Granberry president of Limestone college, Gaffney, S. C., who preached on the subject "What Think Ye of Christ?" The church was filled to capacity with the church congregation and the visiting delegates.

Misses Jennie Mae Callahan, Charlotte Tedder, Kathleen Davis and Irma Bridges were named as delegates to the state B. Y. P. U. convention which meets this week at Wilmington and they leave this morning.

A. V. Washburn of Double Springs is the live wire head of the organization and he was re-elected president with Miss Kathleen Davis as secretary-treasurer. Mr. Washburn's reputation is spreading far and wide as a Sunday school superintendent. His school at Double Springs has the highest grade of any rural Baptist Sunday school in western North Carolina. Following in his footsteps is his son A. V. Jr., who made a report of the convention held last year at High Point. Although a youth of tender age, his report was most comprehensive and well delivered.

At the opening service Saturday afternoon with Miss Lila Woodward presiding, Mrs. Dent Harris rendered a solo "Around the Altar," following which J. J. McMurry, Jr., delivered the address of welcome which was responded to by Ralph Johnson. Arthur Gillespie delivered an address on making our B. Y. P. U.'s A-1 grade. This was followed by an address by J. C. New-town superintendent of the First Baptist Sunday school. On Saturday night the local young people gave an enjoyable reception to the visiting delegates.

Other addresses were by Rev. Rush Padgett, Archer Parker and Rev. Chas. H. Stevens of Cliffside. The singing during the convention was a fine feature, being led by J. J. Lattimore.

MRS. HULDA ELLIOTT PASSES AT 91 YEARS

Mrs. Hulda Elliott, widow of the late Verge C. Elliott died Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of her son David C. Elliott two miles northwest of Shelby at the age of 91-years. Mrs. Elliott was born in 1833, at the old Josh Beam homeplace, the daughter of Josh Beam and wife, Matilda Mauney. She was a woman of remarkable vitality, the surviving brothers and sisters ranging in age from 84 to 93 years. She had been a most active and energetic woman until the weight of years weakened her small but wiry body. Her husband who was a veteran of the Civil war preceded her to the grave about 25 years ago and since that time she has been making her home with her son David C. Elliott.

Surviving are three sons and three daughters, David, John and Eugene Elliott, Mrs. McNeely of Lexington, Mrs. Cordie Putnam and Miss Hattie Elliott.

The funeral was conducted Monday morning at 11 o'clock at the interment was at New Prospect church where she had held her membership since girlhood.

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HOME COMING DAY PLANNED FOR FAIR

Local People Enthusiastic Over Idea,
May Have Tom Dixon and Other
Notables Present.

A "Home Coming Day" for Cleveland county now seems assured from the interest being taken by local citizens and former residents of the county. Indications are that it should be one of the greatest days in the history of the county and would draw many people from every section of the country natives of Cleveland being scattered all over the United States and a number of foreign countries. From preliminary plans it is hoped to have Thomas Dixon, internationally famous playwright and author and a son of Cleveland, to take part in the program, and efforts will also be made to have as one of the speakers, Plato Durham, of Emory university, who made the address at the unveiling of Lee's head on Stone Mountain, Durham also being a native of Cleveland county. The two famous men lived in Shelby "just across the street from each other" and this will be the nature of "Home Coming Day" a re-uniting of old friends and exchange of reminiscences of olden days in Cleveland county. Definite plans are now being made and a definite date for the event will be set within a few weeks.

Suggests First Day of Fair.
Dr. J. S. Dorton, secretary of the County Fair association, is enthusiastic over the prospects of a home coming day and thinks it would mean much to the fair, draw larger crowds and furnish good publicity medium for the fair in addition to the reunion value and mingling together of old friends, present and former citizens of the county.

"The home coming should be set for the first day of the fair, because many people in surrounding counties who have never lived in this county would attend just to see and hear Tom Dixon and Plato Durham and other of the county's famous sons, and by attracting people to our fair on the first day will increase the attendance on the following days," said Dr. Dorton.

"More people than you realize come back to their home county almost every year and by having a home coming day nearly every former citizen will make arrangements so as to visit home on that occasion."

Women Support Event.
The women of Shelby and the county will perhaps support the home coming idea more than the men for the visits of faraway relatives mean much to the women. Mrs. Rush Stroup president of the Shelby Woman's club, favors a home coming day for this fall, during the fair if possible, and is of the opinion that the various organizations of which the club is composed will support the plan and aid in making it a success.

O. Max Gardner, former lieutenant governor and one of the county's sons who has attained prominence at home, thinks well of the event and that will it will mean much to the citizens of the county as well as the visitors. In referring to the proposed event he said:

"One of the finest occasions we ever had in Shelby was home coming day or week about 20 years ago. Wherever Cleveland county people may be scattered their attachment to their home county is undimmed. I believe the sentiment behind the movement will bring joy, pleasure and profit to us all, and I heartily endorse such an occasion."

Others may mind our business, but to be successful we have to do the work.