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YANKS ONCE CAMPED ON "COURT SQUARE"

Aged Citizen Who Remembers Yankee Encampment Has Never Seen Federal Court in Action.

When the first term of Federal court convenes here next month "Uncle Doc" Suttle, 82-year-old Confederate veteran, barring mishaps between now and then, will pilot his trusty walking stick into the court room for his first glimpse of a United States court in action. "Uncle Doc" has seen the Cleveland county court house surrounded by Federal troops while they were camping on the "court square" following the Civil war and he has watched Shelby grow from a one-store town into a bustling little city, but he has never been a spectator in a Federal court, which is unique. Shelby is the home of a distinguished man who has been a Federal jurist around four years yet one of the town's oldest citizens is eagerly awaiting September to see just what takes place in a court that represents the national government.

Mr. Suttle is characteristic of a large number of people in Shelby and over the county who have never attended district court, and many will attend the term in September from the same curiosity that attracted Mr. Suttle and others to the "court square" in '66 to see the "Yankees" in camp. More Soldiers Than Citizens. It will be news to some that the Federal troops once used Shelby's historic "court square" as a camping ground, yet it is true and many of the older residents recall vividly incidents connected with the encampment here. Mr. Suttle says that there were some two or three hundred troopers under the command of Captain House and that they remained here for about a month the year after the war, he having seen them following his departure from the Confederate army at the end of the war.

They were a gentlemanly bunch and treated the town people nicely enough, considering the times, "Uncle Doc" recalled. "Very few people lived here then and there were about as many northern soldiers as there were town people. Plato Durham who was a captain in the Confederate army, and a bunch of the other boys about town had some fun out of the Yankees on an occasion or two, but there was never anything out of the way on either side."

Negroes Packed Court House. "While the Yankees were here I remember coming down one Sunday to hear a speaking in the court house, it was the old brick courthouse then, by one of the Yankee officers. Nearly everybody in the court room, where the seats sloped up from the bench to the ceiling, were negroes, the speaking being for their benefit. In his speech the officer told the negroes that they were free and could do what they pleased. It was a short time after this that the Ku Klux Klan, they talk so much about now, was organized by Plato Durham and others with Durham as its head here."

It is hard for the younger generation to look at the present day court square in the heart of Shelby with its fountain and benches, where tired Clevelanders stop for a breath in the shade to catch up with life, and realize that 58 years ago the same plot of ground was dotted with the tents of hostile soldiers. To realize the change is to get some conception of the growth of Shelby in the last half century. There were no "picture shows" just across the street for the soldiers to attend; a motor propelled drinking fountain was yet to be dreamed of; the idea of a telegraph instrument ticking off the changes on the markets only a few feet from where they watched over a little Southern town would have brought a laugh from the young Northern troopers. Yet such is Shelby today.

Negro Election Judge. While in a reminiscent mood Mr. Suttle was reminded of the first vote he cast following the war. A 300-pound negro was the election judge and tendered Mr. Suttle a Grant ticket when he approached the box. However "Uncle Doc" says he refused the proffered ticket and the negro told him "to vote what you please and get on away from here."

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING. The policy holders of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Cleveland county will hold their annual meeting in the court house on Saturday, August 30th, 1924 at 10 o'clock a. m. All policyholders are urged to attend. J. S. WRAY, President. W. R. NEWTON, Secy-Treas.

PIGSKIN PRACTICE STARTS NEXT WEEK

High School Football Players to Begin Practice Monday. "Casey" Morris Will Arrive Soon.

Monday will see the opening of the football training season on the city ball park when about 30 high school boys trot out to loosen up stiff joints and toughen themselves for the regular season. "Casey" Morris, former University star who takes the position of athletic director left vacant by Dick Gurley, is expected to arrive on next Saturday.

Prospects for the Shelby eleven this season are considered brighter than ever. More material than ever before will answer the gridiron call and if "Casey" can coach like he can play local fans will soon be dreaming of the state football championship. It is rumored that Morris will teach a new system—the Fetzer system. He is now in the coaching school at Chapel Hill under the direction of Coaches Bill and Bob Fetzer, under whom he made such a remarkable record as an athlete. Assisting Morris will be Prof. T. S. Cheek, a new member of the high school faculty, who is also an athlete. Cheek is a graduate of Elon and has taken post graduate work at the University. He is also attending the Fetzer school. Even if Morris starts a new system here the highs will have to learn few fundamentals for many of the regulars are back and they can readily adapt themselves to another system following three years training under Gurley. To the new boys out for the team it will all be football.

Line is Strong. There is no worry about the local line and its ability to stand up against any opposing line or backfield onslaught in Western Carolina. Among the regulars that will be out on the field Monday are nine full fledged linemen from last year's eleven. As yet there are one or two slightly weak places in the backfield, but the new coach may make some shifts that will eliminate the weak spots.

Among the 30 or more boys expected to be out next week are at least 15 letter men or substitutes of last year and at least five more have been in a few games. In the line will be several old players of all state mention, such as: Captain Auten, guard; Fred Beam, Cline Lee and J. Harrill, tackles, and Harry Grigg, center. On one end of the line will be Broadus Newman, while George Wray, Melvin Peeler, Max Dixon and others will fight for the remaining wing berth or a chance at the other end should Newman be used in the backfield. Other regulars in the line, who will be back are Vernon Grigg, Callahan and Weathers, while other line candidates are Costner, Sarraat, Mauney, Thompson, Sparks, New, Pendleton, Harris and Cleveland Line.

Morris will have six old backs from which to choose his offense. Max Connor, versatile at any position; Theos Hopper, George Dedmon, Magness, Babington and George Wray. Among the other backs will be Clyde and Jim Wilson, Laymon Beam and Heaven. There is also a rumor about that among the new men who will enter school this fall will be an experienced quarter and half.

The first game of the season is expected to be with Rockingham, Bard Lawrence's outfit, about the latter part of September.

Big Cadillac Bus And Buick Collide

Driver of Tearing Car Fined \$50 in Recorder's Court for Collision Monday Afternoon Late

A big Cadillac bus, operated by the Wright-Carpenter bus line of Gastonia, and a Buick touring car driven by J. J. Worthy, an insurance man of Gastonia, collided with considerable damage to both cars Monday evening about 6:45 on the Cleveland Springs road just beyond the hotel. As an aftermath Worthy was fined \$50 and the repair costs before Recorder Falls Tuesday morning, it being charged by bus-line officials that the insurance man was driving while under the influence of intoxicants and driving recklessly. A. C. Jenkins driver of the bus at the time of the collision, and a number of witnesses were offered by the prosecution, which was represented by Attorney O. M. Mull. Worthy through his counsel, former State Senator D. Z. Newton, and witnesses, denied both charges.

At the time of the collision, which happened just after a shower of rain, the bus was headed towards Charlotte and the touring car coming in the direction of Shelby. The touring car was turned around and facing Kings Mountain as a result of the impact, while the bus went quite a distance before it plunged off a fill to the left of the pavement near the foot of the grade. There was one passenger in the bus, but neither he nor the drivers of the two cars were injured.

DOKEYS TO HOLD BIG CEREMONIAL IN SHELBY ON MONDAY



The Above Is The Suez Temple Brigand Team Of Charlotte, To Take Part in Ceremonies

DOKEYS TO TAKE TOWN ON MONDAY

Baseball, Big Parade and Other Events To Feature Ceremonial in The Afternoon.

Something like 1,000 people will be in Shelby Monday for the town's first big Dokey ceremonial to be staged by Suez Temple No. 73, of Charlotte. A complete program, part of which will be for the public, has been planned for the afternoon and evening. Although the formal exercises will not start until 4 in the afternoon, there will be a number of informal and interesting events before that hour.

Perhaps the most outstanding section of the program, for the public, will be the Tyros, which will be led by the brigand team and drum corps in full regalia. This will include a drill and be participated in by the Divan, Tyros and Dokies. Following the parade there will be ritualistic work at the Pythian hall in the Gardner garage, and a banquet at 6:30 in the evening at Cleveland Springs hotel, followed by eighth order work at 8 o'clock in D. O. K. K. headquarters. Baseball at 2:30.

Although the club that will furnish the opposition is not definitely known "Lefty" Robinson, manager of the Shelby club, has assured Pythian officials that Shelby will meet some outfit, probably Gaffney, S. C., on the city ball park at 2:30 so that the game can be played before the parade. Both clubs will be strengthened for the day in order to furnish entertainment for the visitors.

There will be around 100 Tyros to cross the hot sands led by the visiting brigand team, about 30 of whom will be Shelby Pythians. That day will be long remembered at least by the Tyros is the guarantee of the team. Program of Events. The formal exercises have been scheduled as follows:

- 12 o'clock—Registration of all Tyros at Pythian headquarters.
- 2:30—Baseball, Shelby vs. Gaffney.
- 4:30—Drill by Brigand team and Drum corps.
- 4:45—Parade, Brigands, Divan, Tyros and Dokies.
- 5:00—Ritualistic work in hall at Gardner garage.
- 6:30—Banquet at Cleveland Springs hotel.
- 8:00—Eighth order work in Dokie hall.

McSwain Prominent In Virginia Agriculture

Horace E. McSwain, son of Mr. Floyd McSwain of near Earl is one of the most valuable men to agriculture in Virginia, according to W. P. Talbert a school mate of Mr. Floyd McSwain and a native of lower Cleveland. Mr. Horace McSwain is also a native of Cleveland but for a number of years has been farm demonstrator in Kentucky and Virginia. Recently his picture appeared in the Richmond Times-Dispatch with this notation "Born on a farm in Cleveland county, N. C.; graduated from an agricultural course at Berea college, Berea, Kentucky 1913; superintendent farm and forest Pine Mountain settlement school, Pine Mountain, Kentucky 1913-1914; county agent in Kentucky 1914-1920; county agent for Charlotte county, Virginia since 1920."

Singing Convention At Zion Next Sunday

There will be a singing convention at Zion Baptist church, five miles north of Shelby next Sunday, August 31st beginning at 10 o'clock. The convention is composed of Double Shoals, Union, Zion and Ross Grove classes. It is expected that a special class of singers will come from Gaffney, S. C., according to Joe S. Blanton, director of the convention. The Men's chorus of the First Baptist church, Shelby, Bethlehem's mixed class and other classes of the county are expected to be present. Dinner will be served at noon in picnic style. All lovers of music are cordially invited to be there and hear or participate in the music.

Play at Fairview. There will be a play at the Fairview school house August 30, given by the Casar Baptist Sunday school. The title of the play is "Valley Farm." Admission 20 and 35 cents.

Presbyterian Men To Hold Meeting At Rutherfordton

Kings Mountain Presbytery to Gather at Rutherfordton on Tuesday With Men's Club.

Presbyterian men of this section are invited to a mass meeting of the men of Kings Mountain Presbytery at Rutherfordton, Tuesday, September 2, at 10 a. m. They will be guests of the Men's club of the Rutherfordton church and dinner will be served them by the ladies of that church.

This mass meeting is the outcome of a meeting of the representative men from 16 of the churches in Kings Mountain Presbytery when they were guests of the Men's club at the Gastonia First church on July 8, at which time the Men's League of Kings Mountain Presbytery was launched, since that time and during the month of August a number of men's clubs have been permanently organized and machinery put in operation that will help strengthen and finance the work of the home mission committee in the mission fields of the Presbytery.

The membership embraces all male members of the church over 16 years of age and each church is expected to send just as many representatives as possible to Rutherfordton next Tuesday. Business men who feel they can not devote the entire day can attend their morning correspondence and other business details, leaving this end of Presbytery in time to arrive in Rutherfordton for dinner.

Rev. J. R. Purcell, executive secretary of assembly's work with men, will be the speaker of the morning and the work of the local league and executive committee, with address by Dr. J. H. Henderlite, will occupy the afternoon session. Mr. C. B. "Pat" McBrayer, of Shelby, will preside and Mr. S. A. Robinson of Gastonia is the secretary. Rev. G. R. Gillespie, an organizer will report on work accomplished during the month of August. All men of all of the Presbyterian churches are urged to be present even at some sacrifice of other duties.

List Of Deeds On File For Record

- D. A. Beam to J. F. and L. H. Ledford, lot on S. Morgan street for \$1,200.
- W. J. Roberts and wife to E. W. Gibbs, two lots to rear of Dr. Gibbs home \$450.
- Anna R. Green to R. W. McBrayer and wife 51 1-4 acres in No. 7 township \$2,200.
- W. R. Newton and R. L. Weathers to Simon Fite lot in Freedman \$1,500.
- W. R. Newton and R. L. Weathers, lot in Freedman to Vickie Hart for \$1,150.
- J. M. Runyans to P. H. McSwain 18 1-2 acres below Earl for \$2,627.
- W. M. McSwain to Elijah McSwain, two tracts in No. 5 township, for \$1,000 each for love and affection they have for their son. Subject to life estate.
- W. M. McSwain and wife to Elijah McSwain and George E. Weaver, widow of Chas. Weaver, 51 1-2 acres in No. 3 township for \$662.
- J. M. Dagherhart and wife to Ollie Thackerson one acre for \$1.00 and other consideration.
- A. J. Jennings and wife to W. M. Wellmon, 30,000 square feet just outside N. E. limits of town of Shelby for \$700.
- J. M. Carpenter's executor Plato Carpenter to W. Mayberry Carpenter 35 acres in No. 5 township, for \$1,000 in accordance with will, also the executor deeds 55 acres willed to Mary Susanna Eaker, 40 acres to Plato Carpenter, 67 acres to Ethel Carpenter and 55 acres to Franklin Carpenter.

Visit the Piggy Wiggly Store today and you will join the line of thrifty housewives. Adv.

SCHOOL IN SOUTH SHELBY OPENS 1ST

Indications Are That Attendance Will Be Larger Than That of Previous Term.

The South Shelby school will open Monday, September 1, according to an announcement made this week. Prospects for the school year are bright and the largest attendance in the history of the school is expected. There were 400 pupils enrolled last year and indications now point to a larger enrollment, says Principal W. M. Lovelace.

The list of teachers given out are as follows: First grade, Mrs. Colin Hall, Mrs. Joe Nash and Miss Adeline Bostick. Second grade, Misses Minnie Warlick and Helen Horton. Third grade, Mrs. Thomas Moore. Fourth grade, Mrs. Frances Hoyle. Fifth grade, Miss Helen Eskridge. Sixth grade, Miss Berne Hamrick. Seventh grade, Mr. Harri Hamrick. Eighth and ninth grades Mr. W. M. Lovelace.

Mrs. Mabel Quinn Lovelace will be in charge of the department of music.

Shelby Players May Help Coach Lenoir

"Shine" Blanton, Dr. McBrayer and H. M. Pippin To Assist Gurley in Football.

It is likely according to information received today that Hackett Blanton, Jr., known in the athletic world as "Shine," will go to Lenoir-Rhyne college at Hickory this fall as assistant coach to Dick Gurley, athletic director there. Blanton, who was last season star half back on the University of North Carolina eleven, will make a definite answer Tuesday to the proposition.

Coach Gurley will be assisted in coaching the line at Lenoir-Rhyne by two other Shelby men, Dr. Reuben McBrayer, a former lineman on the University of Pennsylvania eleven, and H. M. Pippin, a former Auburn player now director of young peoples work at the First Baptist church here. Dr. McBrayer assisted Gurley last year in coaching the local high school eleven, while Pippin was for three years a high school coach before coming here.

20,000 Attend Ball Creek Camp Meeting

Twenty thousand people attended the Ball Creek camp meeting last Sunday according to J. G. Mauney of the local Seaboard station who with his family went over in Catawba to visit his grandfather, John Setzer and attended the old fashioned religious service. Many estimate the crowd at considerably over 20,000. Mr. Mauney's grandfather, Mr. Setzer is 89 years old but is bed-ridden now with dropsy. This is his first year to miss the camp meeting since he came home from Gettysburg. He recalls that the camp meeting at Ball Creek started 10 or 12 years before he was old enough to attend and that it has continued every year since until today it is larger than ever before. Sickness this year prevented his attendance, the first time he has missed since the war, although he has maintained a place for his family and friends at the camp ground for well over a half century.

Mr. J. L. Davison is spending several days in York, S. C., on business.

Boiling Springs Has Ordered Bond Issue For Electric Plant

Three Towns of Boiling Springs, Lattimore and Mooresboro Working Toward Light Plants.

The town of Boiling Springs on Monday night of this week at a meeting of the town officials authorized a bond issue of \$12,000 for building and constructing an electric light and power system and levy a tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds, according to Town Clerk Fitzhugh B. Hamrick who was a Shelby visitor yesterday. This is in line with the movement on the part of Lattimore, Mooresboro and Boiling Springs to erect electric lighting plants in these three towns, the power to be furnished by the Southern Power company with a sub-station at Mooresboro. Recently the town of Lattimore authorized the issuance of \$15,000 in bonds for the same purpose while the town of Lattimore is working on a bond issue of about an equal amount. Each town will build its own plant and serve its own customers, but they will work in connection with each other in that they will all operate from one sub-station and buy power jointly from the Southern Power company. Mr. Fox in charge of contracts for the Southern Power company has promised to supply current in about three months so the three towns are working to have their light plants ready for their customers by Christmas.

A. M. Hamrick Opens Real Estate Agency

A. M. Hamrick is this week opening a real estate agency in the Courtview Hotel building, his office to be in the room vacated by the Whiteway Pressing club. The office has been renovated and improved. Mr. Hamrick is now securing options on property, both town and rural, which he will offer for sale. In connection with real estate he will handle rentals and local stocks. Mr. Hamrick for a number of years was a traveling salesman but retired last year to look after his farming interests. He is a native of Shelby and has many friends throughout the county who wish to see success in his new venture.

At First Baptist Church.

The pastor, Dr. Lemons, will occupy the pulpit at the morning hour and the subject will be "Does God Count Us Worthy." Good music and a helpful hour for all. Sunday school at 9:45 A. M. and you are invited to be present. The annual election of the officers of the church and Sunday school will be held the first Sunday in September. A religious census of the town will soon be taken. A larger program for the church will be undertaken in the next few weeks. Prayer meeting Wednesday night and on last Wednesday night the largest crowd in many months was present. Let's have 200 next Wednesday. You are invited to all these services.

McNEELY'S STORE DRESSED FOR BIG FALL TRADE

The interior of the J. C. McNeely Company's Store has been in the hands of the painters and cleaners for several days this week, to make ready for the expected big fall trade. The wood work has been painted a pretty battleship grey while the walls harmonize in a pearl grey. Floors, rugs and show windows have been renovated and the store presents a neat and attractive appearance. Mr. McNeely recently returned from New York where he purchased his fall merchandise, finding business there twice as good as last year with every indication of a prosperous season.