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## COUNTY STORE LAW PASSED BY DAVIS

It is Illegal to Store in Rural Section To Be Open During Sunday Hours.

A complete Sunday "blue law" for Cleveland county was not enacted at the recent special session of Legislature although several bills were introduced. However, a bill was passed making it a misdemeanor to open a store in the rural districts of Cleveland county between midnight Saturday and midnight Sunday for the purpose of the sale of articles of merchandise, which does not include gas and oil.

The bill was introduced and passed by Representative J. R. Davis, of Kings Mountain, but as yet Mr. Davis has no extra copies of the bill and The Star is unable to present the law verbatim, which will be done later. Original bill to give the county commissioners power to close rural stores on Sabbath failed to pass as did the "gas tight" measure also introduced.

The law passed making it a misdemeanor to do business in a rural store on Sunday was created with the aim of closing up cross roads nuisances and "joints" where almost every kind of "merchandise" is sold. The bill does not apply to drug stores, Mr. Davis declared in a conversation with The Star, but only to stores doing a general mercantile business. There has been quite a bit of conjecture as to what law or laws pertaining to Sunday observance had been passed at the special session and the statement by Representative Davis will tend to clear up matters.

**Against Port Bill.**  
The ship and waterway bill, which was referred to the people to be voted upon in the general election in November, will be killed by the people, the Cleveland county legislator thinks. Mr. Davis has been against the port bill since the beginning and is willing that the people take a "crack" at it.

## Another Zane Grey Film At Princess

The picture Tuesday at the Princess theatre will greatly interest every body with an ounce of blood for it is from the Zane Grey story of the majestic Arizona canyons, "The Heritage of the Desert." The story is that of a courageous man's fight against a powerful and unscrupulous rival—for a girl, and it was staged in America's greatest scenic setting. To top it all it is a Zane Grey romance of western action with Bebe Daniels to help the thrills.

Wednesday comes "Miami" with Betty Compson at her best in a sensational drama of modern society laid in the gorgeous winter play-ground of the ultra-smart set. A brilliant exposé of society gone mad—risking all for a new thrill. Thursday will be a picture hard to get along without, "Bread," the most talked of novel last season. A story of marriage and freedom. Always after the honeymoon there is the problem, "Bread." If every woman knew what marriage means is the thought of Thursday's entertaining film.

## First Baptist Church Will Elect Officers

Next Sunday morning the congregation of the First Baptist church of Shelby will elect officers for the coming associational year. Three deacons and two deaconesses will be elected by open ballot without nomination. Other officers of the church including the officers of the Sunday school will be elected at that time. It is most important that the membership of the church take an intelligent interest in these elections.

The regular Sunday evening meetings in the various churches of the city will be resumed next Sunday evening. Evening meetings at the First Baptist church will be held at 7:30 rather than at 8 o'clock. Prayer meeting at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening. Note change of time. This will be a meeting of special interest.

**Sunday School Council.**  
At 7:00 o'clock Wednesday evening and not at 7:30, the Sunday school council of the First Baptist church will convene in important session at the church house. Be on hand on time.

**—Not Guilty—**Charlie Bridgeman, a married man of South Shelby, and Blanche Taylor, a young girl also of South Shelby, were charged with immoral conduct in recorder's court last Friday, but after a trial by jury were acquitted. O. Max Gardner appeared for the defendants, while Captain Peyton McSwain represented the state in the absence of Solicitor Burrus.

**—Buys Turner Home—**C. B. Suttle, Jr., has purchased J. A. Turner's residence on N. Morgan street which he will occupy when Mr. Turner vacates the same.

## Annual Session Of Missionary Union In Meet At Zoar

24 Societies of Kings Mountain Association Represented at Big Meeting Friday and Saturday.

The thirteenth annual session of the Woman's Missionary union of the Kings Mountain association was held with Zoar Woman's Missionary society of the Zoar church, on August 28th and 29th. Twenty-four societies were represented, with 235 delegates and visitors in attendance.

The reports of superintendent, Secretary-treasurer and leader of mission study showed that much better work had been done during the past year in any former year. This was evident in the number of new societies organized, increased mission study and the amounts contributed to all objects. One of the things which should be mentioned, was the sending of sufficient funds to Miss Attie Bostick, one of our missionaries in China, to purchase a Ford touring car. This was due almost entirely to the generosity of the Shelby First W. M. S.

The papers read by the women show ed much time given to preparation, especially those on state and home missions by Mrs. W. O. Johnson of Grover Foreign Missions by Mrs. J. D. Huggins of Boiling Springs and Women and Stewardship by Mrs. W. N. Johnson of Kings Mountain.

The importance of "Fostering Young People's Societies" was the subject of a talk given by Mrs. Pippin of Shelby First W. M. S. and Mrs. Rush Padgett of South Shelby W. M. S. spoke about the "Trend of Times." Miss Ollie Mae Putnam of Zoar W. M. S. gave her experience in getting her Sunbeam band to reach the standard of excellence. Her talk was full of information to prospective leaders of Sunbeam bands. A demonstration of Sunbeam work was made by Zoar, New Hope and Elizabeth bands.

A great inspirational address was given by Dr. W. N. Johnson about the Twin Impulses of the Young Christian and Miss Mary Warren, our corresponding secretary from Raleigh, won the hearts of her hearers, giving them both inspiration and information, in her fine address.

Rev. G. P. Abernethy gave a splendid talk on the campaign, emphasizing the growth along spiritual lines. The annual sermon was preached by Dr. H. V. Tanner, who is pastor at East Kings Mountain, and Bethlehem churches, on Thursday night. A pageant which illustrated what the W. M. U. means to the world, was also given that night. This was written by Mrs. Wacaster.

"The Master's Call" was the subject of Mrs. Wacaster's address and was indeed a great appeal for better and more efficient service. The love and devotion of all the women in the association was expressed to her in the gift of a beautiful wrist watch, which was presented by Mrs. Frank Elam of Lawndale.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Mrs. John Wacaster, superintendent; Mrs. George E. Lowell, secretary and treasurer and Mrs. C. J. Woodson, Mission Study leader. Boiling Springs is the meeting place next year.

The Union found the women of Zoar "given to hospitality" and "full of good works," and the splendid fellowship of this meeting is expressed in its motto "Laborers together with God."

## Local Officers Get Army Deserter Here

Horace M. King, of the Sixth Field Artillery, Fort Hoyle, Maryland, was arrested here Monday by Chief Hamrick and local officers charged with deserting from the United States army. King, who is quite a young man, is said to have lived in Shelby at one time.

Information has it that King left Fort Hoyle for his home in Asheville something like 30 days ago and failed to report at the Fort at the end of his time. When located by officers here he said that he was just visiting around with old friends and seemed to be eager to get back in camp. He said that he had been in the regular army for about four years.

## GET ESCAPED GASTON CONVICT HERE SATURDAY

Saturday afternoon Deputy Sheriff Jerry Runyans and Policeman Hester arrested on the streets here a white man by the name of Crook, who was an escaped convict from the Gaston county road force. Crook, who escaped sometime last March, is said to have been serving a year's sentence for abandonment and non-support. He was taken back to Gaston county by officials from that place Saturday, and will serve the remainder of his sentence, only a short time having been served before his escape.

Piggly Wiggly sells only the best. The best house keepers buy there. Do you? Ad

## DOKEYS HAVE BIG CEREMONIAL HERE

Large Number of Candidates Chased Over Hot Sands. Banquet At Cleveland Springs

The hot sands grew hotter and the jungl ebeasts more ferocious as the afternoon and evening progressed Monday in Shelby. Monday was not only Labor Day, but to the Tyros it was Labor Day and Dokey Day. The blue fezzes were much in evidence as were the dreaded Brigands, but outstanding were the frightened and trembling Tyros in red, in blue and in green; dressed and half dressed; faces painted more colors than the Comanche Indians ever dreamed of.

Several hundred Dokeys were in attendance throughout the ceremonial Monday and about 100 candidates were escorted over the hot sands and by the yelling tiger with the Brigand team of Suez Temple No. 73, Charlotte, conducting the rites. With the town decorated for the occasion late Sunday evening everything was in readiness, with the possible exception of the candidates, early Monday morning. Dokeys from Charlotte, Gastonia and all over the section covered by the Suez Temple arrived throughout the morning and registration of Tyros at the headquarters in the Gardner Garage started at 12 o'clock. From noon until 4 in the afternoon the antics and mingled surprise and embarrassment of the candidates as they were paraded over the streets in many comic and entertaining garbs furnished enjoyment to the public assembled "uptown" to see the Dokeys celebrate. As a side entertainment for the visitors there was a ball game at the city park between Shelby and Mooreville.

The big parade led by the Brigand drum corps was held later in the afternoon and there was a large crowd of spectators for the colorful event. Ritualistic work was carried on in the hall at the Gardner building from 5 o'clock until the banquet at Cleveland Springs at 6:30. Following the banquet Eighth Order work was put on in the D. O. K. K. headquarters.

Among the local candidates taken in were: "Shine" Blanton, J. L. Davison, John Campbell, Brevard Hennessey, Bob Andrews, R. E. Carpenter, H. C. Griffin, John R. Hudson, O. W. Long, M. H. Austell, J. C. McNeely, G. G. Rollins, A. V. Hamrick, B. M. Whisnant, J. R. Ligon, George Alexander, Miller Harris, Julian Hord, Wade Hoey, Max Washburn, Jesse Washburn, J. S. Dorton, H. C. Long, Peyton McSwain, Hugh Hoyle, William Andrews, J. W. Wilson, S. M. Morrison and W. D. McRae.

**Park Orator—**Now would any one like to ask a question?  
**Small Boy—**How much will yer take fo rthe box yer standin' on? We want ter make a rabbit hutch.—London Mail.

**Conversation in a drug store:**  
Gimme a tablet.  
What kinda tablet?  
A yellow one.  
But whats the matter with you?  
I want to write a letter.

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**Penerosa—**I just happened to think dear, this is the last evening we can be together until tomorrow.

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## COLORFUL CEREMONIES STAGED HERE MONDAY BY DOKEYS SUEZ TEMPLE



THE IMAGINATION OF A TYRO WORKING WHEN HE SAW BRIGAND TEAM

## Sloan Philbeck Out On Bond Of \$800

Saturday evening about 8 o'clock Sloan Philbeck, young married man, of Earl, was released from the county jail on a bond of \$800 for his appearance at the October term of Cleveland Superior court to answer the charge of abducting Jessie Francis, the handsome wife of Avery Francis, also of Earl, on Wednesday night, July 30. The bond was signed by five men and Philbeck. The original bond was for 1,000 but was reduced to \$300. Those signing it were: John J. Earl for \$400 and following for \$100 each: Lamar Davis, T. L. Moss, E. B. Olive, W. J. Arey and Sloan Philbeck.

Philbeck had been confined to the county jail since Tuesday August 12, when he was placed here following a hearing before Magistrate T. C. Eskridge. He and Mrs. Francis were brought back from the state of Washington the day before by a deputy sheriff of Whitman county. Following his release from jail Philbeck returned to his home at Earl.

## MRS. J. B. BLANTON BURIED AT SHARON

Well Known Middle-aged Woman of Sharon Section Died After Three Months Illness.

Mrs. J. B. Blanton died Saturday evening at 6:40 o'clock at her home between Shelby and Sharon after an illness of three months from a complication of kidney and heart trouble. Mrs. Blanton was 43 years of age and before marriage was Miss Lavenia Hardin, a highly consecrated and esteemed woman who loved her church and home in a most passionate manner. The news of her death was a source of great sorrow to her many friends. She is survived by her husband, two children Mrs. Clarence Philbeck and Hubert Palmer Blanton and one grand child. Two sisters, Mrs. B. F. Wilson and Mrs. C. E. Beam and one brother, Mr. David Hardin also survive.

Her remains were buried Monday afternoon at Sharon. The funeral services being conducted by Rev. G. P. Abernethy at 3 o'clock a large crowd of sorrowing friends and relatives gathered to pay a tribute of respect to her noble life. She was a member of New Hope Baptist church, Earl.

**Minnie, who was that nery young man who just left you?**  
**Hes a boy who clerks at the corner grocery, ma'am.**  
**Uh-huh! Now I know what they refer to when they advertise "Fresh Every Day."**

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## RICHARDS AND MRS. SWEEZY ARRESTED

Couple That Disappeared From Lawndale Some Weeks Back Caught By Officers in Alabama.

Another feature developed in Cleveland county's second elopement sensation last week when information was received here that Garfield Richards, a married man of Lawndale, and Mrs. Della Gantt Sweezy, of the same place, had been arrested in Huntsville, Alabama, charged with white slavery, it is said. The couple, both of whom are married and have several children, disappeared about the same time from their homes at Lawndale some weeks back, and community reports had it that they eloped together.

Following communication with relatives here Mr. Amos Gantt, father of Mrs. Sweezy, left Friday morning for Alabama, while two brothers of Richards, Tom and P. P., are said to have left for Huntsville the preceding evening. The two Richards, according to a Shelby man with whom they talked, stated that they would try to have the trial held in Alabama so as not to make another "spectable" for this county like the Francis-Philbeck hearing. The trial will be held there in all probability officials say.

Richards, who was considerably older than Mrs. Sweezy, is the father of a number of children and is a mill employe at Lawndale E. M. Sweezy, husband of Mrs. Sweezy who was at Hickory when his wife left has been searching for her in this and neighboring states since her departure, and it was reported here that he was locked up at Little Rock, Ark, as a suspicious character, but being released later. Mrs. Sweezy took two of her children with her, leaving two others at home.

Under a Huntsville, Alabama, date line she is said to have communicated with relatives here sometime back stating that she was employed in a mill there and was not with Richards. However, it is said, following the arrest that she wired her father, while Richards wired his brothers.

## PIEDMONT ALUMNI TO MEET AT LAWDALE SATURDAY

The annual meeting of the alumni of Piedmont High School will be held Saturday at Piedmont at Lawndale, according to Prof. J. H. Grigg, head of the association of former Piedmont students. There will be no formal exercises or speaking, but a good time is expected in old time picnic, get-together fashion. There will be a baseball game in the afternoon.

Piedmont students are scattered over a wide territory in this section and many former pupils of the well known institution are expected to attend the annual affair Saturday, the sixth.

**—Mr. Short Moves—**Mr. Clyde Short has moved with his family into his newly completed bungalow home on the Cleveland Springs road.

Show me your diploma, demanded the producer. The applicant tried to explain that it was not customary for college graduates to carry diplomas around with them.

## Blalock To Speak To Farmers Here Next Saturday

"Dirt Farmer" and General Manager of Cotton Growers Association Scheduled for Address.

Hon. U. B. Blalock, general manager of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative association, will speak to the farmers and business men of Cleveland county in the court house here at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, September 6, according to an announcement by the association.

Mr. Blalock is one of the leading farmers of North Carolina and a real "dirt farmer." He has managed very successfully the cooperative association since its beginning and should be heard with interest by the farmers and others of this section. His visit here means that the association he heads recognizes Cleveland as one of the leading cotton counties in the state.

The Cooperative association has made unparalleled progress as a new organization, starting from nothing it has grown to a membership of over 35,000 members handling over 130,000 bales of cotton amounting to 20,000,000 in a period of three years. The bankers and business men of the country recognize the organization as one thoroughly reliable and sound in its business dealings. Unlimited credit is extended to the association because of the careful guarding of the credit standing and because of the efficient management.

The state should be justly proud of this, its most representative organization, which operates for the mutual good of the growers and the public. Its purpose is to secure a fair price for the grower and to keep the public from having to pay the enormous tolls of speculation in cotton. This is being accomplished by systematic and orderly marketing, proper grading and handling.

## Local Officers On State Rifle Team

Captain Peyton McSwain, commander of Company K, local unit of the state guard, left Monday for Washington where he will spend several days before leaving for Camp Perry, Ohio, as a member of the North Carolina Rifle Team to take part in the national matches. Second Lieutenant H. C. Long, also of Company K, will leave for Camp Perry Wednesday.

Captain McSwain and Lieutenant Long won places on the team, to be composed of 10 men, while in the annual encampment at Camp Glenn, Morehead City, this summer. The best marksmen in the different units scattered over the state entered the match for a berth on the team and it is quite an honor for the Cleveland county company to have two marksmen on the team, which is expected to make a good record on the range in the national contests.

**—Mr. Spangler Buys—**The Shelby Building company has sold to C. R. Spangler a lot on N. Morgan street for \$3,000. Mr. Spangler will build a handsome two-story home which he will occupy. He will move to Shelby shortly to be associated with Z. J. Thompson's lumber plant.

## MAKE PUMP STATION REPORT THIS WEEK

McCrory Engineer About Through With Inspection And Will Present Plans to City Aldermen.

It is expected that at a special meeting of the city aldermen will be held this week to hear the preliminary report of J. R. Bracwell, engineer for the J. B. McCrory Company of Atlanta, who has been making an inspection of the city pump station and facilities. At a recent meeting the board authorized an inspection with presentation of estimates for a renovation and remodeling of the station by the Atlanta firm. Although the inspection has been made it will be some time before definite estimates can be presented as the engineers must figure on the improvements that are approved by the town fathers.

**Under Two Plans.**  
The general opinion is that the engineer will make an estimate in two forms: one for the renovation and improvement of the present plant, and the other an estimate of an entirely new plant. It is thought by some that the cost of bringing the plant now being used up to a satisfactory point of service would cost almost as much as a new and modern plant, which would serve the growing town for many decades. However, others think that with needed improvements and changes as suggested by the engineer that the present plant would serve for 20 or 25 years yet. Of course the entire matter is one of conjecture as no report has yet been made to the board and nothing concerning the report is known.

Mr. Bracwell, the engineer, in talking of the matter unofficially stated that from the apparent rapid growth of the town and the likely extension of limits that he considered a new plant a good idea. Should board decide on a new plant the engineer said he would suggest that it be located a half mile or so nearer town with the intake at its present location. The place he has in mind is suitable for good storage facilities that would carry the town over an extended period of almost any kind of weather.

As usual there are those about town who favor remodeling the present plant, while there are others who would like to see the aldermen authorize the construction of a new and modern plant. A new plant will be a necessity in five or 10 years even with improvements now on group contends, while the others say the present plant has many years of service ahead with proper renovation.

## Local Bank Helps Pure Bred Cattle

Pure bred cattle is being greatly encouraged in Cleveland county by the Cleveland Bank and Trust company which offers to help deserving boys to buy a calf or heifer with a view of raising a fine milk cow. The bank has started a pure bred calf club and already ten or more boys and girls have joined, the bank taking their share for the cost of the calf, the amount to be paid back later in addition to helping deserving boys and girls finance the purchase of pure bred stock, the bank is offering prizes as follows: \$10 for best calf or heifer; \$5 as second prize to member whose cow or heifer shows the best care and treatment; \$5 third prize for the best composition written on the subject "How I raised my Calf or Heifer."

Cleveland is coming to be known better and better as a dairy county and the Cleveland Bank wishing to encourage the young people in this work, are helping finance the purchase of calves which will encourage the young people and later stimulate the dairy industry.

## Winner Hosiery Is Sold For \$15,801

The Winner Hosiery mill, a defunct manufacturing concern which has manufactured hosiery for the last few years at Boiling Springs, was sold Monday at public auction at the court house by F. B. Hamrick, receiver and the same was bid in by E. T. Falls for the creditors at \$15,801. The largest creditors are Thompson company (Z. J. and Carl) who hold a mortgage against the Winner for \$25,000 and the directors who hold a mortgage for a similar amount. The total liabilities amount to approximately \$110,000. The property was first sold separately, the town of Boiling Springs offering \$300 for the electric light department but no bid was received on 31 acres of real estate on Broad river. In offering the holdings separately the bids totalled \$15,800 after which it was offered as a whole and brought \$1 more. This bid will remain open for 20 days, subject to a raise.