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SCHOOL TRUCK FOR OLD BEAM SCHOOL

Board Of Education Authorizes Transportation Of Children Of That District To Waco School.

At the regular monthly meeting of the county board of education held Monday it was ordered that a truck be bought for the purpose of transporting school children from the old beam district to Waco, and all children from the St. Paul district who desire to attend school at Waco. The order in full reads as follows:

"The board orders that a truck be bought for the purpose of transporting any or all of the children of the old beam district to Waco, and such children from the St. Paul district as may elect to take advantage of said transportation, provided there is room on the truck and that suitable arrangements can be made through the county superintendent. The board further orders that in event the attendance is sufficient that the patrons be allowed to operate the truck at their own expense for the first two months. This truck is substituted for the one previously offered St. Paul."

New Colored School. An item of interest in the work of the board was their offer of \$2,100 to the colored people of Compact, No. 4 township for the erection of a three room Rosenwald school building. The offer is made on the provision that the plan is approved by the state. By the Rosenwald arrangement \$900 will be given for the building from the Rosenwald fund.

In approving the bills the education board noted the presence of bills submitted that had not been previously approved by the board. For instance some school district goes ahead and repairs a building without consulting the board with the expectation that the county pay one-half or the proportioned part. Hereafter it was learned from members of the board, that no bills will be paid unless approved beforehand.

The board approved the employment of Miss Faye Elmore as stenographer and bookkeeper in the office of County Superintendent J. C. Newton. Miss Elmore has already started work in her new position.

Following a request from a committee from the Dixon school that they be given an additional acre of playground and that the board assist in paying a bill of \$159.52 committee of board members composed of Messrs. Spake, Ridenhour and Newton, were appointed to investigate the matter and make recommendations at the next meeting. The same committee was ordered to investigate the advisability of covering the vestibule of the colored school building.

Among the other work passed upon was the agreement to pay one-half on the metal roofing for the Hardin school, the district to furnish the labor. It was voted to offer transportation to the children of the Hardin school to Grover, and in the event of acceptance the offer on the covering to be automatically suspended. A new truck will also be bought for Piedmont to replace the old Traffic truck, which is to be used as an emergency truck.

250 Conversions In Three Green Meetings

Rev. John Green of Fallston is making a wonderful record as a revivalist, three recent meetings resulting in 250 conversions. Mr. Green closed a meeting this week at Palm Tree Methodist church which he conducted for ten days and 150 conversions are reported. He did all of the preaching except a few sermons by Rev. E. N. Crowder and Rev. L. E. Stacy. Frank Lee led the singing which was a great feature of the revival. T. G. Philbeck who was in Shelby one day this week says it was the most wonderful spiritual upheaval he has ever witnessed in his long life. The attendance was good throughout the meeting and the interest was intense. Mr. Green is a vigorous preacher and his sermons have a telling effect. Recently he has conducted revivals at Kadesch with 70 conversions and one at Fallston with 40 conversions.

Central Methodist Church.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Our school is very interesting. Let every member be present and if you are not a member you are invited to join. Preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor. Subject "A Wasted Life." At 7:30 the subject will be "Dancing." Many in this church and also in other churches have requested a sermon on this subject. All who do not worship elsewhere are invited to this service.

The young people who are going away to school will be the "honor guests" at this service. They will be given reserved seats. Good music at both services and a hearty welcome.

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Patterson Springs, Earl, Belwood And Casar Want Lights

Rural Communities Over Cleveland Are Much Interested In Having Electric Lights and Power.

Cleveland county people have become seriously interested in making their farm homes and farms more attractive and comfortable through electric lights and power. At first the idea was one of talk, but now the dreams seem materializing, or will at least in a few years.

Friday night the people of the Patterson Springs and Earl communities will meet at Patterson Springs with County Agent Lawrence and others to discuss the electric development of their section. Monday night, September 8, a similar meeting will be held at Belwood and Wednesday night, September 10, at Casar. The Patterson Springs and Earl folks plan to cooperate in erecting a line from a proposed sub-station at the Post Road to extend south and serve both communities with electricity for lights necessary farm power, so far as is practicable. Belwood and Casar have similar aspirations and are discussing joining with Fallston for a line from Lawndale, where more power is generated than is used by the mill and that community. Perhaps other plans will come up at the meetings, but something definite at least is underway.

Farm Board Interested.

The county board of agriculture, which is already "making its mark" over the county, is deeply interested in the electric development of the rural communities of the county and a discussion of the matter featured the regular meeting held Monday. Far-sighted farmers can easily vision the time when farm life will be revolutionized by electricity and that Cleveland is stepping out in the lead is a tribute to the intelligence of the farm folk of the county.

Outside interests are taking notice of the "era of light" here and many newspapers are commenting on the progressiveness of the county. In an editorial entitled "Cleveland Leads the Way" the Greensboro News concludes as follows:

"We suppose that Cleveland may be the pioneer county in the enterprise of combining effort to finance the purchase of electricity from the great producers. There are apparent economies in this method that will make an immense difference. Unless unforeseen difficulties arise, Cleveland will presently be a county in which the farm that is not equipped with electricity will be the exception. There should be economies on the productive side, as well as on the domestic side, that will eventually pay the costs of installation of necessary equipment while paying for the current as received."

Mr. and Mrs. Royster Return From Europe

Visited Five European Countries While on Tour and Made Long Airplane Trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Royster, who were married in Greenwood, S. C., on July 12, returned to Shelby Tuesday morning following a honeymoon spent in Europe. They landed in New York from the Minnetonka at noon Monday. During their stay abroad they visited Scotland, Holland, England, France and Belgium.

Mr. Royster who saw overseas service during the World war, says that the French and English cities look practically the same, the only change noted being the absence of American soldiers on the streets and elsewhere. California, he stated, is the talked of state in Europe because of motion pictures. One of the first things a native of Europe will ask an American is about California. They show only best pictures and are well attended. Liquor and wines may be bought in a grocery store in Brussels, Belgium, but boys and girls under 16 years are not allowed to see the "movies" except on special occasions. Belgium is apparently recuperating faster from the aftermath of the war than some parts of France, but the effects can still be seen everywhere, although some cities entirely wiped out have been rebuilt, according to Mr. Royster. While in England Mr. and Mrs. Royster attended famous Wembley Exhibition, which is in the nature of our exhibitions.

The young couple made a trip from Rotterdam, Holland, to Paris by passenger airplane. The trip was made in a little over two hours and would have taken seven or eight by train. The big plane was fitted comfortably and the air voyage was considerably smoother than by rail or ship they say. Mr. and Mrs. Royster sailed to Southampton on the Majestic.

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NEGRO KILLED BY JEALOUS HUSBAND

Lee Coleman Shoots Ernest Rudasill After Finding Rudasill in Room With Coleman's Wife.

Ernest Rudasill, colored, died Wednesday evening about 7 o'clock in the Shelby Public hospital from three bullet wounds received Tuesday evening when he was shot by Lee Coleman, also colored, in Coleman's home on the alley to the rear of Hoey Motor company. Coleman, who is confined in the county jail, pleads the "unwritten law." Rudasill was a plasterer on a construction job here in Shelby and had been off the "chain gang" only a short time, having served a sentence for assaulting his wife.

According to the two versions of the shooting, that of Coleman and his wife, the affair took place in a room in Coleman's house where Coleman found his wife and Rudasill together. Coleman, who was for a long time employed in the Shelby laundry, has been working recently in the laundry at Forest City, Rudasill. It is said, was a roomer in the Coleman home here, having been given a room by Coleman. Returning Tuesday evening about 8:30 from Forest City Coleman alleges that he found the front door locked and through the window saw his wife and Rudasill in a compromising situation. After forcing his way into the room, according to Coleman and his wife, Coleman walked to a bureau drawer where he secured a .32 calibre Spanish gun and with the same began firing at Rudasill, each of the three shots taking effect. Officers were notified and arrived on the scene before the scuffle was over, finding Rudasill and Coleman locked together, scuffling over the gun, both bloody from the freely bleeding wounds of Rudasill. The two were parted, Rudasill rushed to the hospital and Coleman, who admitted the shooting with the "home defense" explanation, being placed in jail.

The version of the shooting given by Coleman's wife who was before marriage Ida Davis, was the same as that of her husband with the exception of the alleged motive. She says there were no immoral relations and that her husband had no right to shoot Coleman. According to her story she was merely talking with Rudasill, a roomer, at the time of her husband's arrival. Upon examination at the hospital it was found that Rudasill was shot in three places, once in the right hip, once in the right thigh, and in the left side of the abdomen, the latter puncturing the intestines at three places. The negro took his suffering stoically, but little hope was held out for his recovery, although he did not die until the following evening.

Coleman will be given a hearing, it is said Monday, before Recorder B. T. Falls. O. Max Gardner has been employed to represent Coleman.

"Side Show of Life" At Princess Theatre

Friday, the Princess Theatre management will present the unusual, and entertaining story of the circus and circus people, those folks who follow the glamor and ring thrill for life once they start. "The Side Show of Life" is the title of the screen play as taken from the popular novel "The Mountebank." Everybody loves a circus and everybody will more than like this circus story on the screen.

A Great Masterpiece. For 20 years "The Virginian," that immortal story of a real man and love has been the masterpiece of Western literature, and now it is being shown on the screen, more attractive, more lovable, more appealing than ever. In all fiction no hero has been more popular with readers than the nifty, slow talking, fighting "Virginian" and Kenneth Harlan as the Virginian is a fighting loving fiend. Shelby people will regret missing this extraordinary attraction.

SHELBY TOWN CLUB WILL PLAY ELLA MILL SATURDAY

"Lefty" Robinson, manager of the Shelby baseball club, announces that the club will play the Ella mill outfit on the city ball park Saturday afternoon. The Ella team has added a new pitcher and the players feel confident of defeating the "town club" and the game is the result of a challenge issued Robinson by the manager of the mill team. This will be the last game of the season as the football season will soon open up.

High School Books.

Williams and Hamrick have received all high school books that are required in the schools of Cleveland. Pupils can be supplied by calling in person or phone or mail orders. Ad

Paragon Buys The Arcade Furniture Store To Operate

Two Big Stores Consolidated—Paragon to Build Three Story Addition 50x50 Feet.

The Paragon Furniture Co., on yesterday closed a deal whereby it purchases the stock of furniture of the Arcade Furniture Co., owned by Frank Hamrick and son Frank Jr., the store to be continued at the same stand in the Hamrick building by the Paragon company, owned by P. L. Hennessy, Jack Palmer, Mal Spangler and J. D. Lineberger. Members of the two firms began taking stock yesterday and when this is finished the store will be officially taken over and operated by the Paragon. Young Mr. Hamrick who has been in active charge, started business about one year ago and has been quite successful. The Paragon started six years ago with four enterprising and popular business men and its business has grown to an enormous proportion.

So rapid has the growth of the Paragon been that the owners have decided to double the capital stock of the company, erect a three story addition 50x50 feet between the two front store rooms on Warren street and the large two-story brick warehouse to the rear giving a floor space for one of the largest stocks of furniture and undertaking in Western Carolina. An electric elevator will be installed and the undertaking parlor and morgue will be given additional floor space which has been needed for some time. It is understood that construction work on this three story brick addition will start at early date and be ready for the fall trade.

The Arcade which has just been acquired will be under the active management of the Paragon officials.

Mrs. H. H. Wilson Is Victim of Pellagra

Well Known Young Shelby Woman Died at 26 Years, Leaving Husband and Two Children.

Mrs. Homer H. Wilson, well known young woman of South Shelby died in Broad Oaks sanitarium Monday evening at 6:30 o'clock following an illness of several years with pellagra. Her health had been bad for sometime so she was taken to Broad Oaks several weeks ago in the hope that her life might be prolonged, but the end was inevitable and her many friends are saddened at her passing. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Farris who live at the Lily Mill where Mr. Farris is one of the bosses. As a member of LaFayette Street Methodist church she was a consecrated and beloved member. Her remains were brought to Shelby and the funeral was conducted from the Wilson home in S. Shelby Wednesday morning at 10:30 by Rev. J. W. Ingle and her remains were buried at Sunset cemetery.

At First Baptist Church.

The pastor, Dr. Lemons, will occupy the pulpit at both the morning and evening services. The evening service will be at 7:30 ad will be a special service for the boys and girls going away to school and for the senior class of the high school. Special seats will be reserved. The subject at this hour will be "Our Master Passion." At the morning hour the annual election of all the officers of the church will be held. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. and a place and class for all. The officers of the Sunday school for the coming year will be elected at this hour.

Board To Discuss Shelby's Tax Rate

The board of aldermen were meeting in special session Thursday afternoon to discuss the tax levy for this year, basing their calculations on the annual report of receipts and disbursements recently compiled by Mrs. Suttle, clerk, and from which City Attorney O. M. Mull had made a budget of expenditures and recommended a tax rate of \$1.30 on the \$100 property valuation, an increase of 20 cents over last year. Whether this rate is accepted, raised or lowered remains for the board and mayor to say. The city board is asking for more money which if granted will require a tax rate higher than that recommended by Attorney Mull. The increase in the tax rate is due mainly to bonds which are coming due and must be paid.

It has been found that the total value of real and personal property in the town of Shelby on the tax books is approximately six million dollars.

SHELBY COTTON MILL BUILDING ADDITION

New Cloth Room and Additional Space for Looms to Balance up Mill Machinery. Large Reservoir.

The Shelby Cotton Mill, according to R. T. LeGrand, the popular superintendent, is building a brick addition approximately 60x108 feet on the northeast corner on the present building, the addition to allow for a rearrangement of machinery, a large cloth room and spooling department and the probable addition of more looms to balance up the present equipment of machinery. Work has already started on construction and most of the material has been bought and placed on the ground. The Shelby mill is the largest textile plant in Cleveland county with 20,000 spindles and 400 looms, making pajama checks and satteens. The addition has been found necessary in order to balance up the machinery so that there will be no lost motion or delay in the process of manufacture.

Excavation has been made for a reservoir having a capacity of 300,000 gallons, this reservoir to supply water for the mill and to be used as a swimming pool by the operatives. The mill already has a reservoir of 175,000 gallons but this has not been sufficient to supply the mill.

Trial Of Lawndale People On Saturday

Reports Here Have It That Richards and Mrs. Sweezy Will Be Tried in Alabama

Garfield Richards and Mrs. Dolly Sweezy, both married and of Lawndale, arrested recently in Huntsville, Alabama, on an alleged white slavery charge, will be given a hearing there Saturday, according to information. Richards remained in Huntsville following the arrests, but Mrs. Sweezy returned to this county with her father, although she left again this week for Huntsville to be at the trial, it is said. They were released until trial by the Alabama or Federal authorities under bonds of \$500 each.

Home From Texas After 30 Yrs. Absence

Mr. Fletcher Falls is visiting his native county for the first time in 30 years. He left Cleveland 50 years ago and has been back only once since. At present he is stopping with his brother Squire J. Z. Falls on West Marion street and this week his other brother, Dr. B. F. Falls of Cherryville joined them in a reunion to talk over old times. Mr. Falls marvelled at the growth of Cleveland and said that if he had remained at his farm four miles east of Fallston he would have been a rich man despite himself because land values had mounted rapidly in the past half century. Mr. Falls married a Miss Williamson of this county. She died about six months ago. His several children are all grown and doing well in business in Texas.

Consulting Engineers Open An Office Here

Walter L. Furr and D. R. S. Frazier, graduate civil engineers who maintain an office in Concord, have opened an office here in the former headquarters of the Whiteway pressing club in the Courtview building for the practice of their profession in this section of Western Carolina as civil and consulting engineers.

Messrs. Furr and Frazier are expert engineers on water supply, sewerage, steel and road paving, park and playground layouts, and surveying and subdivision of estates. Through their Concord office they have established a fine reputation as an engineering firm and they should prove a needed as well as welcomed addition to the professional life of Shelby.

Messrs. J. D. Lineberger, Frank Sherrill and Fred Webber, owner of the S. and W. Cafeteria in Durham, Winston, Charlotte, Asheville and Greenville are on a trip to Chicago. Accompanying them were five managers who go to inspect the eating places in Chicago.

The right size, right grade and the right price waiting for you at Piggly Wiggly. Ad

Stranger Pulls Off Good Bogus Check Scheme In Shelby

Apparent Representative of Fake Kentucky Coal Company Fleeces Local Concern and Hotel.

Recently a salesman, a fake salesman, struck Shelby, which is not unusual as many salesmen "make" Shelby, fake ones too, but this one left a souvenir or so—in fact two, one to the amount of \$35.60 and the other \$36.30. His scheme was a smooth one, one of the smoothest ones noted in this day of superfluous checks and minus bank accounts. The shrewdness of the plan is even proving interesting to the secret service men, who may, and may not, make the salesman regret his visit to the "City of Springs."

The fellow who represented himself as W. C. Wells, a salesman for the Round Mountain Fuel company, of Harlan, Kentucky, was about 45 years of age, tipped the scales at around 160, and stood about five feet six. After arriving in Shelby he jotted his name on the register at Cleveland Spring amid the tourists and vacationists and proceeded to visit the business section of Shelby. In the course of his calls he made the acquaintance of Mr. Clarence Cabanis at the Ideal Ice and Fuel company, and as the banks were closed asked Mr. Cabanis to cash an expense check on his company, the Round Mountain Fuel company. The check was made out with a proteograph with the firm name on the check and was apparently "good as gold." It was cashed as was another tendered Mr. Vanstony at the hotel.

However, all that glitters is not gold and upon an inquiry made of the Harlan National bank it was learned that Mr. Wells was not known there and that there was no such firm as the Round Mountain Fuel company. The bank, although, had an idea that the same "Mr. Wells" at one time visited Harlan, where he picked up money in a similar manner claiming to represent an Alabama firm.

Once the crust was broken officers realized that the checks were especially printed for the work and their method of reasoning is that Wells has a partner who mails out the checks, knowing what town or city Wells will strike and at what date. The checks are made out, similar to all traveling salesman's checks, from an itemized expense account and would hardly arouse suspicion. Some think that Wells may represent a new firm every time he strikes a new town so that he will be harder to trail.

Former Orchestra Girl Dies In Bloomington

Shelby people will regret to learn of the death of Miss Lila Ove at her home at Bloomington, Indiana, on Tuesday of this week. Miss Ove was a victim of pneumonia, following an attack of pneumonia. She was a member of the orchestra at Cleveland Springs Hotel last summer when her sister and Miss Dolphini furnished music for the summer season. She was pianist in the organization and a most attractive, talented and modest young lady who made many warm friends during her short stay in Shelby. It is understood that she was a member of a prominent Indiana family and that her father, John Ove, is worshipful master of the Masonic lodge at that place and actively identified as official of one of the largest Sunday Schools in the city of Bloomington.

DAVIS URGED TO MAKE TRIP TO KINGS MOUNTAIN

(By H. E. C. Bryant in Observer.)—Washington, D. C., Sept. 2.—Senator Simmons has received the following letter relative to the invitation he extended to Hon. John W. Davis to deliver the address at Kings Mountain on October 7th.

"I beg to acknowledge your kind invitation of August 28th to Mr. Davis. I am sure if it is at all possible for Mr. Davis to be at Kings Mountain on October 7th, he will be there. As you will realize, our plans concerning Mr. Davis' appearance are definitely made. He is just embarking on a three weeks' tour of the west, and in the meantime, we have to have another trip arranged for him on his return. I will be pleased to communicate with you further about this.

"NEGRO WEDDING" AT BOILING SPRINGS SATURDAY

There will be a mock negro wedding and connected with it other enjoyable amusements at the Boiling Springs high school auditorium Saturday evening Sept. 6 at 8 o'clock.

Come if you wish to enjoy an entertainment of much fun and interest. Ad

FARMERS MUTUAL HAS \$10,000 SURPLUS

Million and a Half Dollars Insurance In Force With 1,400 Policyholders. Rate 35c.

At the annual meeting of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Cleveland County held in the court house Saturday afternoon, W. R. Newton, secretary-treasurer reported that the association has \$10,000 cash surplus that the rate of insurance is only 35c on each \$100 worth of property and that there are approximately 1,400 policy holders, all of whom are farmers. This a co-operative association operated at a minimum of cost to the policy holders and is confined to farmers. It has been operating in Cleveland for a number of years with great success, saving the farmers much money in premiums annually.

During the year just closed, approximately \$4,500 was paid out to policyholders on claim for fire, wind and storm damage. This a lower claim loss than for several years, the average claims running approximately \$5,000. At the present the total insurance in force is a million and a half dollars which is a gradual increase since the company was first organized.

At the meeting Saturday all of the former officers were re-elected as follows: J. S. Wray, president; O. M. Mull, vice president and attorney; W. R. Newton, secretary and treasurer; Joe E. Blanton county agent with one director from each of the eleven townships in the county; No. 1 J. A. McCraw; No. 2 W. C. Hamrick; No. 3 W. A. Gladden; No. 4 J. Bun Patterson; No. 5 Miles P. Harrelson; No. 6 E. C. Borders; No. 7 A. B. Jones; No. 8 S. C. Lattimore; No. 9 P. L. Peeler; No. 10 A. T. Mull; No. 11 George W. Peeler.

LIST OF PATIENTS AT SHELBY HOSPITAL

"Billy" Burns Sustains Broken Leg—Lady 70 Years Old Undergoes Operation for Appendicitis.

"Billy" Burns the 14-year-old son of Prof. and Mrs. W. D. Burns of Piedmont high school is at the Shelby Public hospital suffering with a broken leg sustained a few days ago when a car ran into him while he was horse back riding. Two cars attempted to pass young Burns in the road and although he and his saddle horse were in the side-ditch, one of the cars sideswiped him, breaking a leg. A companion was riding another horse with him and a car-side-swiped him, tearing his shoe completely from his foot.

Mrs. N. A. Norman, Shelby R-2, although 70 years of age underwent an operation for appendicitis but she is getting along nicely.

W. T. Owens of Shelby had a carbuncle on the back of his neck and skin was grafted from another portion of his body to the place where the carbuncle had afflicted him.

Mr. W. Cicero Lutz, prominent local contractor, is getting along nicely from an operation last week, but it will be two weeks or longer before he is able to return home.

Mrs. A. E. Cline of Kings Mountain, wife of County Commissioner Cline is recovering from an operation and will be able to return home in a few days.

North Warren of Shelby, operated on three days ago for appendicitis is getting along nicely.

Miss Florence White of Belwood, operated on for abscess will be able to go home this week.

Francis Locas of Lawndale is a patient for treatment and is getting along as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Robert Dorsey is gradually improving and will be able to go home shortly.

Albert Bridges, of Shelby, abscessed ankle, will go home in a few days.

Wm. Lee, Shelby, who has been a patient for seven weeks with rheumatism has been suffering intensely and is very weak.

Wm. Cook, child, operated on for hernia, will go home in a few days.

Mrs. William Andrews and infant son are both doing nicely.

Mrs. F. R. Turner, operated on ten days ago will go home soon.

Dr. George Carrington of Durham is relieving Dr. J. W. Harbison, surgeon, while he is attending a clinic in Philadelphia.

Misses Ella McNichols and Etta Beverly who have been at Black Mountain for several days, will return home today.

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