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MOUNTAIN EAGLE RECALLS HISTORY

Old Paper Published in Shelby Shows Heated Controversy Over Secession—Gidney Prominent.

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There has come into the hands of The Star a copy of the Mountain Eagle also carried a roll of the Paquet guards, one of the first companies in the Confederate army...

The paper carries under the heading "Three Lives Lost" the following "A sad and painful occurrence took place on Monday night the 4th of February 1861 in Broad river at the Cherokee Iron works..."

One of the largest advertisements in the paper was for Dr. J. F. Miller's drug store. In addition to selling drugs, medicine, varnishes, oils, brushes, perfumes and confections, etc., he offered brandies and wines for medicinal purposes.

A. H. Gaither was an attorney-at-law at the time; D. A. Putnam was an artist in house, sign and ornamental painting; M. L. Putnam was a watchmaker and repairer; A. M. Shields ran a carriage factory and did blacksmithing...

The inaugural address of Jefferson Davis was published, he being the first and only president of the Confederacy. His inauguration took place at Montgomery, Ala., and the paper says of it that "the procession was the grandest pageant ever witnessed in the South."

Mr. Gidney Called. A meeting was held at St. Pauls church at which A. P. Holfield announced himself a candidate for the secession convention and opposed to secession. "J. W. Gidney, esquire, being loudly called for, responded to the true spirit of the young and gallant Southerner—he was a native of the state and county of Cleveland, and he felt proud to flash his maiden sword in so good and holy a cause as that of the rights of the states and their duty to sustain them."

Speaking of the convention and secession the Mountain Eagle said editorially "Citizens of Cleveland, Rutherford and Polk. By all the memories that cluster around the bleaching

Cleveland Farmers Have Some Capital To Brace Confidence

It is Estimated that 2,000 Bales of Last Year's Crop are Still Being Held by Farmers.

Cleveland county farmers are a confident bunch, speaking in a way. Pessimistic visitors frequently wonder why. These visitors are usually from sections where the boll weevil has been felt, or where the season has been anything but good.

It is estimated, that the government alone knows, that there are from 2,000 to 2,500 bales of cotton in Cleveland county from last year's crop yet unsold. The boll weevil and a bad season—although it is not likely—may play havoc with this year's production, but neither will eliminate the 2,000 bales.

The fellow who considered cotton as capital to the farmer talked a little bit further when asked about cotton prices this fall. "It depends on two things, season and production being one, and the European situation is the other. The latter outlook is brightening up to a considerable extent and speaks well for a good price this fall."

Why The \$5,000 For Shelby Public School

Three New Teachers to Care for Additional Enrollment—9 Months in Elementary.

Why the request of the city school board for the aldermen of Shelby to provide \$5,000 additional money to run the Shelby public schools, has been a question which many local taxpayers have no doubt asked since The Star published last week the budget for the coming year which called for an additional tax levy of 25 cents on the \$100 property valuation.

"The length of term in the elementary grades has been increased from eight to nine months in order to conform to the requirements of the state school law which applies to all local tax districts."

"The 25 cent increase in the tax rate is not solely to meet the school requirements, but the bulk of the increase is to meet bonds coming due."

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their sympathy and kindness during the death of our dear wife and mother and we also want to thank the Stamey company for their kind assistance in burial.

The rich man doesn't know how much happiness there is in a five-dollar bill unless he once worked for \$15 a week.

bones of your fathers on Kings Mountain—we exhort you to do your duty to your county and leave the consequences to God."

The Mountain Eagle was published in a room at what is now the College Inn and O. C. Sarratt was one of the

IS SHELBY DRIFTING MORALLY? DR. LEMONS

Citizenship Must Wake up so Righteousness Will Prevail. Series of Popular Sermons.

Rev. R. L. Lemons, pastor of the First Baptist church introduced on Sunday night a series of popular sermons which he will preach each Sunday evening by asking the question, "Is Shelby Drifting Morally?"

The moral drift is not peculiar to Shelby but every waking day brings fresh evidence of moral decadence everywhere. Leopold and Loeb whose crime has been one of the saddest and strangest occurrences in all the court annals of America is evidence that crime crouches at the door of all our boys and girls and only by the closest paternal love and attention can they be saved.

"I believe it is time for this community to get up and see what is happening. Joshua wondered why his small army was defeated until God told him that sin and disobedience was at the bottom of their defeat. He doesn't compromise with sin and I believe if every Christian citizen in Shelby would do his duty, law-breaking would stop tomorrow."

"Shelby has its hands on the wheels and is driving straight to material progress and success. One reason for this is that we are following a fixed course and this is good. We would despise the man who would purposely serve us out of the course to material prosperity. Yes, we are moving toward intellectual propriety with one of the finest schools in North Carolina. All of this is good, but the reason why we don't do more for our moral success is because there isn't a fixed conviction on moral questions. We need to become conscious of a moral sense of duty. Under all expressions of our social and business life, there is a failure to do our duty toward Him."

Dr. Lemons, in his following sermons, will no doubt point out wherein Shelby is drifting morally.

MRS. JEROME CLINE DIES AT LAWDALE

Mrs. Louisa Beam Cline widow of the late Jerome Cline died at her home at Lawdale, following a stroke of paralysis Saturday afternoon at 6:30 o'clock. Mrs. Cline was about 60 years old and a devoted mother and church member, holding her membership at New Bethel Baptist church where the funeral will be conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Cline's husband died about three years ago. He was one of the leading farmers of that community. She is survived by five children: Grover, David and Furman Cline, Miss Lou Cline and Mrs. Will Spangler. One sister, Mrs. Nancy Grigg who lives on N. Morgan street also survives, together with two brothers, Mr. David Beam of Cleveland county and Rev. John Beam, a Baptist preacher of Roxboro and superintendent of the person county schools.

Building Store House—P. F. Grigg will begin next week the erection of a large business house on the site of the old Shelby Creamery property in South Shelby which he purchased some months ago. He will build of wood and sheet metal a building 50x100 feet with basement and sell coal, wood, fertilizer and feeds of all kinds.

Hair bobbing for ladies and children done by Miss Turney at Mrs. F. N. Wood's millinery store, South Shelby.

The Star for nine months at \$1.50 to your boy or girl off at college is cheaper per copy than a letter.

Piggly Wiggly is a wise selection for the housewife.

\$1.50 sends The Star for 9 months to your boy or girl off at school.

Ku Klux Speaker Is Booked For Shelby

J. L. Hamme one of the official speakers of the Ku Klux Klan will speak in the Court House or on the Court Square of Shelby Thursday night of this week, beginning at 8:15 o'clock. The Ku Klux Klan has been making an effort for some time to perfect an organization here but this is the first time a public speaker has been sent here to announce the principles of the Klan. The speaking will be public and ladies as well as men are cordially invited to hear Mr. Hamme, according to an announcement sent to The Star.

Cleveland Capital Some Trading Town

Circus Hits Town and Is Sold Before Colored Balloons Get Well Distributed.

There may be a business slump in some sections of the country, but a pessimist would have to suffer a bad attack of the "blues" before he could see anything resembling "hard times" in Cleveland county. Right here it might be declared that anything from a share of stock in the Cleveland county fair to a two-ring circus may be bought and sold in Shelby. Saturday night and Sunday a fleet of big wagons started moving Golden Brothers circus from the train to the "lot" for a "stand" Monday, but on Monday several hours before the balloon man had located a good corner it was no longer Golden Brothers Trained Animal Shows, but the Christy Shows, having been sold before it had been in Shelby a circle of the clock to the head of the Christy Shows.

Officially from the office of the show it is announced that John Pluto, president and chief stockholder of Golden Brothers, Incorporated, early Monday morning, sold the show to G. W. Christy, president of the Christy Shows, which are well known in North Carolina and the Southern states. Headquarters of Golden Brothers is in Little Rock, Arkansas, while the main office of Christy is in Beaumont, Texas. Mr. Christy, who was in Shelby and handled the trade in person, states that there will be a number of additions and that the show will be increased and complete the season as mapped out but under Christy management. The shows here Monday were under the direction of the new manager. The purchase price was not made public and perhaps the manager thought it would be best to let the small boys, who always go down early in the morning, to still think that a real circus would sell for something like a "million dollars or more". Legal transactions in connection with the sale were handled by Attorney Clyde R. Hoey.

DEFENSE DAY IS OBSERVED LOCALLY

National Defense Day, Friday, was observed in Shelby by a program held Friday evening in the Company E. armory on Morgan street. Taking part in the program were the Cleveland Guard, local unit of the North Carolina National guard troops, ex-service men and a number of visiting officers.

Following regular drill and parade around the court square several short addresses on "Defense Day" were made at the armory. Captain Charles P. Roberts, who commanded a company in the 30th division during the world war, spoke briefly on the spirit which carries men forward in battle. First Lieutenant A. M. Huffman, Chaplain, O. R. C., of Kings Mountain made a short talk in explaining National Defense Day, while 1st Lieutenant M. H. Austell, who is temporary command of Company K in during the absence of Captain McSwain at Camp Perry, presented warrants to the non-commissioned officers of the outfit. After the formalities Mess Sergeant Ernest H. Johnson served members of the company and visitors with "warm weiners" and cold drinks. There were about 25 reserve officers, former soldiers and citizens united with the soldiers in observing the occasion.

Mr. E. F. Lewis Dies in Shelby, Age 69

Mr. Emanuel Franklin Lewis, born October 22nd 1855, died in Shelby Saturday and his remains were buried Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Sunset cemetery, the funeral being conducted at the Methodist Protestant church of which he was a member, by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Hidenhour. Mr. Lewis had been ill for about ten months. He was well known in Shelby and had been a member of the M. P. church for some time.

Surviving are the following children: L. P. Lewis, Mt. Holly; A. C. Lewis, Marion; O. C. Lewis, Shelby; Sidney Lewis, Hickory; Mrs. Mattie McDonald, Hickory; Mrs. J. C. Rhodes, Gastonia; Mrs. Dora Stephenson, Chester, S. C.; Mrs. Estella Mathely.

Reasonable prices on millinery and ready-to-wear for ladies at my store in South Shelby. Mrs. F. N. Wood, 14 season's experience.

POTTERY KILNS TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 20

A Visit to Jugtown Where One of the Oldest Arts in America Is Practiced.

Those of Cleveland county who have become interested in the pottery plants in Catawba county might be interested to know that the potters will burn kilns and have newly made wares ready for sale after September 20th. A representative of The Star visited two of these plants last week and found them well worth while. Jugtown pottery has been known for years but only recently have the people manifested any particular interest. The women of Shelby have shown a peculiar interest in pottery since the manufacturers have turned to fancy designs. One of the oldest potters found in that section was Mr. Johnson, aged 74, who learned the trade in East Tennessee and has been following it for 60 years. He confines himself to crockery wares, jugs, churns of the cruder sort, although he is an artist in his line, working in a picturesque little log cabin beside the road with his furnace near at hand.

The Hilton, ten miles from Newton have the largest plant, three men working all the time, making 250 different designs. They cater more to the artistic rather than the strictly useful and so well have they become known that an order is never solicited. Orders in fact rather than they can make the wares. Some days 15 to 20 automobiles drive to their door, mostly with women customers wanting to buy the fancy products which are later painted for ornamental purposes in elegant homes throughout the land. The Hilton pottery was brought into the limelight by exhibitions at the Made-in-Carolina expositions held in Charlotte. Articles appearing in the press recently have revived interest in this art, one of the oldest in the country, which dates back to Indian days.

"Why don't you hire more men and increase your output to meet the demand," inquired The Star representative. "We can't get the men," replied Mr. Hilton, "it takes four years for one to learn the trade and we can't find people who are willing to serve an apprenticeship that long."

Highs Play Gastonia At Kings Mountain

The Shelby High gridders will meet the Gastonia high eleven at Kings Mountain on Tuesday, October 7, the date of the Battleground celebration, it has been announced. The locals first game will be on Friday, September 26.

The game in Kings Mountain is expected to be witnessed by a larger crowd than any other during the season owing to the big celebration on there that day. The event will draw thousands of people from the two Carolinas to the historic mountain, while the game is the chief athletic attraction. The elevens are expected to be better matched than ever before. Word comes from Gastonia that Coach Pat Crawford has a heavy, fast moving outfit and that they intend to score on Shelby for the first time. Appearances here are that Gastonia will meet a stronger Shelby eleven than ever before, which assures the descendants of the Kings Mountain heroes some real athletic entertainment for the day.

McBrayer And Hoey Buy Hull Grocery

A sale of business interest announced the latter part of last week was that of the grocery business of Mr. Guy Hull, on North LaFayette street opposite the First Baptist church, to Messrs. Chas. C. McBrayer and Flay H. Hoey. Immediately following the sale Messrs. McBrayer and Hoey took charge of the business and will operate it under personal management.

Mr. Hoey and Mr. McBrayer until recently headed the Shelby Fruit and Produce company, which was sold to a Spartanburg, S. C. firm. They announce that in the established business that they now own that they will handle a complete line of heavy and fancy groceries and feedstuff.

Bevy of Girls Leave for the N. C. College. A bevy of pretty Cleveland county girls left yesterday morning for Greensboro to enter the North Carolina College for Women, the number going from Cleveland this year to this institution being the largest the county has ever sent. Leaving Monday morning were Misses Rosalind Nix, Louise Lever, Frances Whinsant, Minnie Eddins Roberts, Mary C. Hamrick, Sara Austell, Alpha Gettys, Hattie Gidney, Margaret Ross, Pearl Dixon, Ovidio Roberts, Isabel Hoey, Edith Arrowood, Mary Palmer, Grace Bolling and possibly others.

Large Number Enjoy Kiwanis Outing At Belvedere Heights

Kiwanians and Families Spend Pleasant Evening in Regular Old-time Picnic Fashion.

The Kiwanis meeting last Thursday evening varied from the regular enough to become a family outing affair instead of individual semi-formality. Some 100 people, Kiwanians, their wives and children, attended the open air picnic held in Belvedere heights, the attractive Lineberger development east of town on the Cleveland Springs highway. Formalities were cast aside and the evening was joyfully spent in characteristic picnic style, with the "eats" featuring—as is generally the case at picnics.

The picnic program has been planned for sometime, but never reached the stage of realization until Thursday. Several Kiwanians, names withheld, desired that the picnic meal be prepared by cafe chefs, while others wanted it "home fashion", and perhaps the debating groups were responsible for the delay. As things came off Thursday evening the "home fashion" champions were easy winners. It was ordained by club officials that the "eats" be brought along with the wives and children—and they were. Horseshoe and checker paraphernalia were taken along by those who planned to put in the evening, but the main part of the program—disposition of the open air sunner—ran over time and darkness fell long before the disposition was made. As for the children the entertaining evening spent by them will naturally bring about another "outing" next year, which means that the picnic will be an established affair.

The site of the picnic was ideal. Although not out of town the new development is an attractive location for out of door occasions with its bubbling springs and open places and still within reach of city conveniences. The outing Thursday was handled jointly by Kiwanians I. C. Griffin and Chas. A. Burrus. The program the coming Thursday evening is to be an attractive one according to the program committee. Joe Patton and his Entertainers of the Made-in-Carolina Exposition, Charlotte, will be among the attractions, and every Kiwanian is urged to be present.

Deacon Appeals His Sentence On Roads

Saturday morning in recorder's court George Hogue, colored, for years a leading deacon in Shoal Creek church, No. 3 township, was sentenced to eight months on the county roads on several liquor charges preferred against him, and immediately following the sentence an appeal to Superior court was noted.

In the section around George's home a still was found some weeks back by the officers and upon a search of the house a half pint of liquor was found together, the officers testified, with several other bottles that smelled of the beverage produced from corn. George denied any connection with the still, but testified that he bought a pint in Kings Creek on the road leading to the "rock house," the half pint being what was left over. The bottles, he said, were picked up by his wife and daughters to be used for various purposes around the house. A number of prominent citizens of No. 3 testified to George's good character and his faithfulness in church duties and work, but Recorder Falls took note of the prosecuting evidence and decided upon the eight months. The appeal was entered by Clyde R. Hoey, the defendant's lawyer.

At the same court Clarence Burroughs, colored, who a month or more ago use his knife on Cicero Sarratt, was given a hearing. Immediately following the cutting Cicero's feelings toward Clarence were rather heated, but the heat seems to have subsided since and Cicero was loath to attach much blame to Clarence's act. The judge let Clarence go with a \$10 fine with the remark to Cicero that "if you want your head smoothed down, I have no objections."

Has Seen the Four Jails of Cleveland

Mrs. John F. Stephens, age 92 years, who spent most of her life in Shelby is here on a visit with relatives from Muskogee, Oklahoma, where she is making her home now with her daughter, Mrs. S. E. Gidney. She is here with Mr. and Mrs. Gidney for awhile, coming last week from Washington, D. C. where she has been visiting. Mrs. Stephens remembers the four jails Cleveland county has had. The first jail was a log structure, the next was a brick affair situated where Charlie Laughridge's home now stands, while the third jail now stands, but is being replaced by a new \$80,000 structure on the eastside of the present jail. Mrs. Stephens, although 92 years of age has a clear mind and active body for one of her advanced years.

All of us know the rules for getting ahead, but most of us think our case is important enough to justify a few exceptions.