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We wish to call your attention to the fact that it is, and has been our custom to charge five cents per line for resolutions of respect, cards of thanks and obituary notices, after one death notice has been published. This will be strictly adhered to.

FRIDAY, DEC. 5, 1924.

BUS TRAFFIC.

A Bus Commission was appointed at the extra session of the General Assembly of North Carolina to consider and work out plans for the regulation of the commercial bus lines of North Carolina. Without a doubt this commission has an important matter to consider and while no regulations should be drastic to curb the important part of our transportation system, something should be done to make travel safer. When a driver of a bus takes the wheel of a motor vehicle, he takes the lives of his passengers in his hands and should exercise the greatest care and caution in driving the machine. Just how far the commission will go in its regulation. We do not know, but certainly a bus driver should be passed upon as to character and habits and be a man who knows the rights of others to the public highway of North Carolina. There has been such a death toll by motor vehicles in the United States and such an alarming loss to property, that if such calamity should come at a single time by an earthquake or cyclone, the loss would be looked upon as one of the greatest disasters in all history, yet thousands of lives are sacrificed and millions of dollars worth of property destroyed annually. Of course the bus lines are not responsible for all of this, but bus lines are in a commercial business, using the public highways of the state and the drivers have the lives of their passengers at stake, but every safeguard should be thrown around travel by this method because the bus lines are here to stay and in the course of a few years will be the most used method of short distant travel.

OPEN TO INSPECTION.

Now that the committee that rules high school athletics in North Carolina has ruled that the Shelby football eleven was the legitimate and fair winner of the Western North Carolina title and is eligible to contest for the state championship many things might be said. However making return charges—and we know that some could be made with more foundation than those refuted—would go in nothing. In fact such a procedure would be of the same variety as charges made after a championship was won, when they could have been made earlier in the year when Shelby was not considered a dangerous contender. As things are, let them be, but in our opinion there are few, if any, high school squads in the state that will stand the test of inspection better than Shelby.

In the recent attacks that have been made on the Shelby athletic teams remarks were made concerning out-of-town boys being on the teams. The football eleven around which the protest originated might be taken as an example. On the squad, and practically every boy of any size in school is on the squad, there are only three boys that were not born and reared in Cleveland county. How many high schools in the state can make a similar statement about their football squads or the boys they have in school? It is admitted that a goodly number—yes, the majority—of the boys on the Shelby football team are from the rural district of Cleveland county. Instead of feeling chagrined concerning such a condition we are proud of it. When things come to pass, athletics, victory or defeat that a farm boy—and Cleveland county is a county of farmers—is not allowed to participate in athletics because he does not happen to be a city boy, then things are in a bad way. From observation it appears that it is no easy task for V-neck sweaters, leather belts and balloon trousers to push back shoulders made husky through contact with the plow handles and legs made sturdy by following the cotton planter. These boys have the right to attend the outstanding school in their section and the privilege of participating in athletics even though they are the sons of farmers. As to the three boys who were not born and raised here their presence can be and has been satisfactorily explained. We wonder that if at the source of some of the remarks there are no boys in school who at one time lived elsewhere? If so no ruling prevents them from playing football if they are eligible and the three on the Shelby squad are eligible or they would never have been on the eleven.

Yes, the Shelby athletic system is open to inspection from any quarter and perhaps the inspection will reveal that Shelby has a group of boys that are not above picking cotton, making good scholastic records and playing "tollably" good football.

But "sour grapes" are not sweet even though the taste reacts on the test.

SECOND IN STATE

Last year when Cleveland county made 40,000 bales of cotton, we stood fourth in the number of bales produced. To get some idea as to the shortage of the crop in the state as a whole, Cleveland holds second place, yet our crop is one-fourth short of last year's high record. Last year Robeson county held the record, making 51,833 bales, but the protracted rainy spell this summer has cut Robeson's yield to 23,516 according to the last gin report. Robeson's crop will be about half what it was last year. We think it is a tribute to the industry and thrift of Cleveland County farmers to make about 32,000 bales this year in spite of the protracted rainy spell and in view of the fact that we are right on the edge of the cotton belt.

A NATIONAL PARK.

Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle of this district is confident that the proposition to establish a national park in Western North Carolina is receiving favorable attention in Washington by the committee which visited proposed sites in the Eastern part of America and came to look over what Western North Carolina has to offer. Major Bulwinkle stands well in Washington and we know he will use every ounce of his influence and energy toward the establishment of this great national playground and scenic park in Western North Carolina, where the mountain grandeur and scenic beauty is unsurpassed and in a section of the country which deserves recognition. Our mountains from every standpoint—beauty, grandeur, public roads and accessibility—compare favorably with those of any section east of the Rockies. Being midway between New England and Florida, the playground of America during the winter months, on a highway that will shortly connect the Great Lakes with the Florida peninsula, the section of Western North Carolina would be visited by hundreds of thousands every year.

We feel encouraged over the report from Major Bulwinkle that the committee which is making the investigation as to a site is looking favorably on our section and hope that such action will be taken in this matter.

WE WONDER WHO?

As things go now political North Carolina has its interest centered on the vacant Federal judgeship, made so by the death of the lamented Connor. Yep, it's Republican appointment, but the speculation is proving mighty interesting in Democratic circles. Be who it may he will have to fill the place of one hard to fill. Ordinarily when R. R. Clark, contributing editor of the Greensboro News, takes a fling at anything the fling is one of clear thinking and unmarked with humor. However, the Statesville writer does drop into a humor at times that is more biting than a December breeze. His latest paragraph about the probable appointment may be taken as an example:

"Talking about the selection of a judge for the vacancy caused by Judge Connor's death, there is one thing of grave concern which so far seems to be overlooked. It is a matter of record that one man, a year or so ago, proved to his satisfaction that failure to name him judge when Judge Connor was appointed was responsible for Tate's defeat, Wilson's election and our involvement in the world war. We have no 'truthers' in that judge business but we are seriously concerned at no such terrible consequences as alleged shall follow in its train. It might be playing safe to give that man the job now and avoid horrendous possibilities."

Hoey Appears In Big Damage Suit

Litigation Grows Out of Death of Man Working in a Gastonia Cotton Mill.

Gastonia, Dec. 3.—One of the biggest law suits in superior court circles of this section began Wednesday in the case of Allen Hall, administrator of the estate of W. L. Hall, his brother, against the Myers Mills, Inc., of South Gastonia. The plaintiff is asking damages to the extent of \$30,000 of the defendant as the result of the death of the deceased while working in the card room of the mill.

W. L. Hall was killed the night of July 18, 1923, while working as night overseer.

Counsel for both parties in the action is made up of lawyers of wide reputation. The plaintiff, Hall, is represented by Attorneys Marvin Ritch and Frank Flowers, of Charlotte, and E. A. Woltz and George W. Wilson, of the local bar. Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby and O. P. Mason and George B. Mason, of Gastonia, appear for the defendant.

A dangerous alien is one who thinks our government as rotten as political speakers say it is.—Newark Ledger.

Senator LaFollette says that what happened to his ticket was but an incident, but so also, we understand, is passing on, as the Christian Scientists euphemistically call it.—Columbus Ohio State Journal.

"Gas-Bags may cross Atlantic regularly." They do now; one meets them on all liners.—Elizabeth Journal.

It's queer the authorities can't discover fake stocks, when the sucker finds them so easily.—Rochester Times-Union.

Selling The Church
Dr. Lemons' Subject

Sunday school as usual at 9:45 a. m. Let us make it 600 next Sunday. If we are all in our places it will be done.

Morning worship and sermon at 11:00 o'clock. Good music. Subject of the morning will be, "Selling the First Baptist Church."

In the early afternoon an "Every Member Canvass" for the budgets of the church for 1925 will be made.

Junior B. Y. P. U. meets at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Intermediate B. Y. P. U. societies in the afternoon. It is important that all members be present.

A demonstration program of the Intermediate B. Y. P. U. society will be given at the evening worship hour, 7:00 o'clock. The program will show what is being done in our B. Y. P. U. organizations. As a part of this program 76 Diplomas and Certificates will be awarded to Intermediates and Juniors who passed successfully the examinations in the recent training school of the church. You can not miss this service. See the program for his service elsewhere in the Star.

Hi-Y Boys To Have
Week-End Meeting

What promises to be one of the most helpful and interesting occasions for boys ever held in Shelby is planned for the week end of December 12, when a "Come Clean Campaign" will be held under the auspices of the Hi-Y club of the local high school. Elaborate plans are being worked out for the meetings, which are to begin on Friday afternoon and continue through Sunday afternoon. Appearing on the program will be four or five Davidson college students, together with Mr. J. T. Fesperman, state Boys' Work secretary and Mr. G. H. Leonard, secretary for the western district. The meeting Friday night will be open to members of the Hi-Y club only, but at all other times boys who are non-members will be invited and urged to attend. Many of the problems which are common to boys will be discussed. Chief among the events from a social point of view are a hike and a weiner roast which have been planned for Saturday. Mr. Leonard and the local Hi-Y leader are at present completing details for the campaign. Further announcement giving the full program will be made early next week.

WRY STAR WANT ADS.

WIN FRUIT CAKE



There will be a demonstration held by a representative of the National Biscuit Company at the Piggly Wiggly Store on Saturday, December 6. Every housewife should attend.

A five-pound National Biscuit Company Fruit Cake will be given away to some customer that day. Be sure to visit the Piggly Wiggly Saturday.

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One 4 room house, nice vacant lot, close in, \$1250.00.

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Twelve vacant lots located in various parts of Shelby on paved streets. Very attractive prices and terms.

Three store rooms in South St. Fine location for business.

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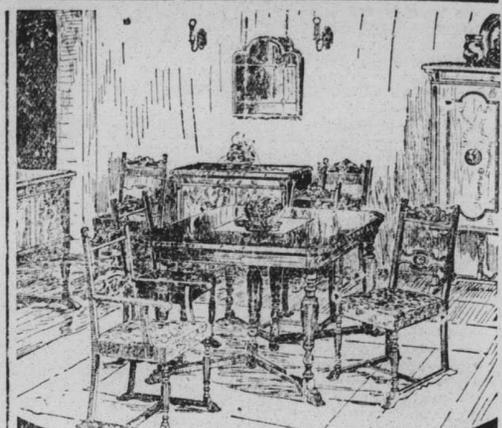
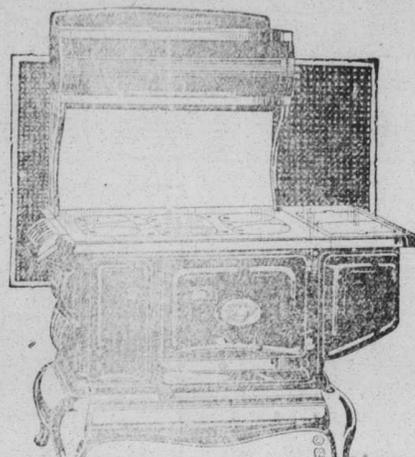
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Phone No. 397.

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— LOOK! —

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- \$100.00 Ranges at \$80.00
- \$ 85.00 Ranges at \$ 70.00
- \$ 65.00 Ranges at \$ 46.95
- \$ 35.00 Stoves at \$27.00
- \$ 31.50 Stoves at \$23.90
- \$ 6.00 Oil Heaters at \$ 3.95

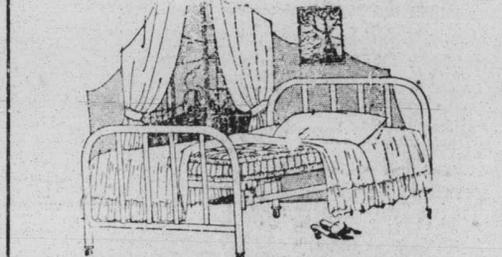
All Ranges and Stoves out to the quick. Every Piece of furniture in our stock and all furniture coming in will be put in this closing out sale.

Dining Room Suites Special for Our Sale:

- \$250.00 10-piece Suite at \$180.00
- \$175.00 10-piece Suite at \$129.75
- \$150.00 10-piece Suite at \$119.00
- \$135.00 9-piece Suite at \$ 98.00

These Suites are in Walnut, Mahogany and Oak Finishes. Biggest bargain in This Sale. Do not let this chance slip by. Act now! Don't lose any time. They will go at these prices.

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\$30.00 Iron Beds at \$21.50

ALL CHRISTMAS TOYS GOING AT AND BELOW COST. BUY THEM NOW.

These prices knock the bottom out of high prices. Its a chance for you to save A Whole car load We Offer.

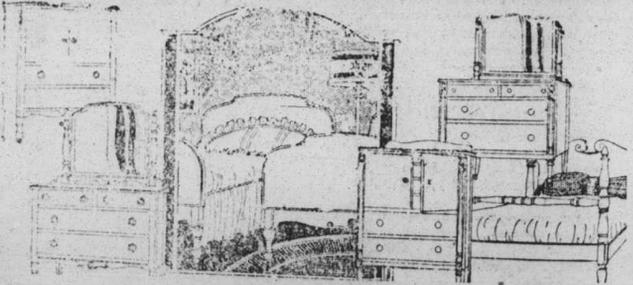
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- One 3-piece Living Room Suite, Regular price \$200.00 sale price \$148.00
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- One 3-piece Living Room Suite, Regular price \$150.00 sale price \$110.00
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- \$25.00, 9x12 Tapestry, sale price \$18.75

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