

LITTLE STARS

COTTON, per pound 23c
COTTON SEED 60c

—Emancipation—The colored population will celebrate their emancipation here January 1st with a parade in which they will undertake to show their progress along all lines since slavery. Speeches will be made and music furnished.

—Some Egg—Mr. D. E. Wesson, of Shelby route 2, is exhibiting to his friends an egg of unusual size. The egg measures eight inches around the long way and 6 1-2 inches around the center. It is the product of his own poultry flock and is attracting some attention.

—Makes Assignment—Ceph Blanton, well known local grocer, made a voluntary assignment to creditors on Tuesday of last week and his store was closed. The perishable goods were disposed of. The many friends of Mr. Blanton will regret to learn of his misfortune. It is understood his largest creditors are wholesale grocery firms.

—Injured By Car—W. Van Weathers was right seriously injured Christmas eve night when he was run down by a car at the intersection of Washington and Graham streets. His leg was injured and his head bruised, but he is getting along very well. The driver of the car that struck him is not known because he hurriedly left the scene after the accident.

—Trains Off Thursday—Seaboard trains Nos. 31 and 34 going to Charlotte each morning from Rutherfordton and back in the afternoon will be discontinued Thursday of this week, according to authority granted the Seaboard officials by the State Corporation Commission. This request was granted, it is alleged, because the jitneys haul the bulk of the passengers and the trains are running at a loss.

—Golden Anniversary—Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Ledford who live seven miles north of Shelby on the Fallston road will celebrate their fiftieth, or golden, wedding anniversary, on Wednesday, January 7th, with a dinner, according to an announcement by their one son, Mr. D. C. Ledford. Golden anniversaries are somewhat rare and all relatives and friends of the well known couple who have enjoyed half a century of living together are asked to attend the dinner and bring well filled baskets.

—In Hospital—Mr. and Mrs. Purnum Weathers took their eight-months-old son Eynum, Jr., to the Charlotte Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat hospital Friday, where the child was operated upon for mastoiditis. The operation was a serious one and the child will have to remain there for another week, Mrs. Weathers remaining with him.

—Moves to Shelby—J. B. Nolan moved with his family yesterday from Lawndale to Shelby, occupying the Rube Spangler new two story house on N. Morgan street.

Low gowns demand high salaries upkeep.

Held Down.

"You have sworn to tell nothing but the truth," cautioned the judge. "Nothing but the truth?" gasped the fair witness.

"Precisely."

"Well, judge, with that limitation on me, I might as well warn you that I'm not going to have much to say."

Native of Cleveland Dies at Little Rock

Mrs. M. C. Williams of Lawndale received a letter announcing the death of her brother Alfred R. Crowder. Mr. Crowder died in a hospital in Little Rock, Ark., Saturday December 20, following an operation.

Deceased was 65 years and 6 months. He has been a member of the Baptist church since boyhood, and lived a consistent Christian life. He told his loved ones that he was ready. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mary E. Crowder of Little Rock; one son, J. M. Crowder of Little Rock, and sister Mrs. M. C. Williams of Lawndale. Mr. Crowder was born and reared in Cleveland county and moved to Little Rock about 20 years ago. He has a number of friends in Cleveland county that will regret to hear of his death.

Mr. Jackson Dies At Age Seventy Years

James William Jackson was buried from the home of his son at Eastside Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

If Mr. Jackson had lived until the 25th of January, he would have been 70 years old.

He suffered a stroke of paralysis and lived only a short time. He was never able to speak after the stroke of paralysis and died Saturday morning at 8:30.

Mr. Jackson was born in Georgia but for a long number of years he had lived in Shelby.

He leaves five sons, Lester, Edward, Charles, Church and Felix; and two daughters—Mrs. Mollie Taylor and Mrs. Alice Wall.

Rev. C. F. Sherrill, assisted by Rev. A. S. Raper, conducted the funeral services.

Mr. Jackson was buried in the Zoar cemetery by the side of his wife, who died thirteen years ago.

PERSONALS

Folks you know or the go

Mr. D. Z. Newton spent Christmas with his father in Lincoln county. Miss Betty Blanton, of Asheville, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Sue Andrews, of Charlotte spent Christmas here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Andrews.

Judge James Webb is holding a special term of court in Murphy this week.

Miss Lucy Hall spent the week end in Charlotte with Miss Mary Sue Turner.

Miss Grace Hayes spent yesterday in Shelby visiting relatives and friends.—Gastonia Gazette.

Miss Caroline Blanton attended a party given by Miss Katherine Stokes on Tuesday evening in Charlotte.

Miss Katherine Dover spent part of the Christmas holidays in Lincoln with her sister, Mrs. Frank Love.

Mr. Steve Furchess spent Christmas in Statesville with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Furchess.

Dr. and Mrs. Reuben McBrayer have returned from a visit to relatives at Sanatorium, this state.

Mr. H. C. Champion has been visiting friends at Chapel Hill through the holidays.

Mr. Thomas Palmer of Polkville, who is a student at the University is spending the holidays at home.

Mr. Frank Shull of Passaic, N. J., is spending the holidays here with his father, Mr. C. H. Shull.

Mrs. L. Sinkoe of Atlanta, Ga., has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ike Berger during the holidays.

Mr. W. B. Tucker returned to his home at Louisville Sunday after spending a few days here with Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Nash.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Woodson who have been living in Tennessee for the past few months, have returned to Shelby to live.

Mr. Ben Husband of Foreston, S. C., who is attending school at the University is visiting friends at Lawndale.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Burrows will return Thursday from Mocksville where they have been spending Christmas with her parents.

Mrs. C. H. Hardin and little daughter Louise, have returned from a visit to her mother Mrs. C. A. Dilling in Kings Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Love, of Lincoln and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lacey, of Monroe, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. John R. Dover.

Miss Ella McNichols, superintendent of the Shelby hospital was called last week to New Jersey to the bed side of her sister who is quite ill.

Mr. Jack Paison, of Jersey City, N. J., was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Ryburn during the holidays.

Miss Ollie Sherrill of Winston-Salem and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sherrill of Charlotte, spent the holidays here with Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Sherrill.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stevens of Greensboro were guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hull during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Moriarty spent the Christmas holidays in Charlotte with relatives. They are spending the winter at Cleveland Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie West of Richmond, Va., were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hull during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. George Frick of Baltimore, Md., spent Christmas here with his mother and sister, Mrs. Cecelia Frick and Miss Emma Frick.

Miss Alma Blanton, Miss Blanche Wilson, Messrs. Ryburn Yarboro and Roy Wilson spent the day in Charlotte Christmas.

Mr. Grover C. Hamrick has been spending the holidays with his mother Mrs. M. N. Hamrick on S. Lafayette street.

Mr. H. T. Hudson who has been spending the holidays with his family on N. Lafayette street, returns today to Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Green of Charlotte spent last week with his parents, Squire and Mrs. Gilead Green in the Double Springs community.

Messrs. Broadus, Joseph and Virgil Wright, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wright of Earl, who have been attending school at Chapel Hill are spending the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Poage of Milligan College, Tenn., have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Avery McMurry. Mr. Poage is teacher of English in the Milligan College.

Mr. Tom Bost of Raleigh, Mr. Arthur Dixon of Gastonia and Hon. D. F. Giles of Marion spent Sunday here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. Max Gardner.

Miss Millicent Blanton will leave the first of January for a trip to Florida and Bermuda with her grandfather, Mr. A. N. Wood, of Gaffney, S. C.

Mr. Charlie Turner of the McLaren Tire and Rubber company, Charlotte, spent the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. Eli Turner in the Sharon section.

Dr. C. M. Peeler and Son George and Mr. Henry, on the construction force of J. P. Little and Son returned Saturday from Rockingham where they enjoyed a coon and Possum hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Nichols of Wilmington, N. C., spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Nichols at Earl. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols were married about three weeks ago.

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Around Our Town

—SHELBY SIDELIGHTS—

Yes, Willie, it's easy to understand why resolutions are made at the beginning of a New Year. It's getting over Christmas that brings about so many resolutions to be broken. The average American two or three days after Christmas feels like the littered floor of a department store looks early Sunday morning just after a big Saturday night rush.

'Course there are some whose heads feel heavier than their boots—that's because of bootleg. And there is more "flavor" in Christmas nowadays.

Anyway, here's our wish for a glorious New Year. A year with over 40,000 bales of cotton for Cleveland county; new business houses for Shelby; better and bigger things for everyone.

A taxi terminal for Shelby would not only relieve the traffic congestion downtown, but it would lend the place a little more "class"—whatever that may be. With North Carolina a bus state without equal and other cities and towns having up-to-the-minute bus stations and terminals Shelby should by all means have a terminal for her own busses and jitneys—and above all it is needed.

However, a taxi terminal does not mean that we are as yet large enough for the Yellow Cabs and their rivals.

The midnight oil father used to burn while at college, his son now puts on his hair.

Speaking of hair reminds us of the transformation that has taken place in the barber shop—yes, even the shops here in Shelby. Perhaps the ladies do not notice it, but they never until recently became "next" store patrons. The men observe it through some with a smile that suppresses a sigh, others not so cheerfully. The change is best expressed, to our way of thinking, by J. W. C. in the Greenville (S. C.) News as follows:

He'd put his feet upon a chair,
He'd cuss and laugh and smoke;
He'd read the new Police Gazette
And hear the latest joke
And if he had to wait too long
He'd swear an oath and scold—
But that was back a year ago
In barber shops of old.

Today he timidly appears,
He struggles back a frown.
"Why, howdy do, Mrs. Jones," he smiles,

"And how are you, Mrs. Brown?"
For half an hour he waits to get
The whiskers off his jaw,
Then to a lady friend he gives
The chair he's waiting for.

But to all things is an end,
Rewards are for the brave;
And after thirty minutes more
Our hero gets a shave.
He grabs his hat and starts to go—
And meets his wife's best friend
And after she is through with him
He has to shave again!

This paragraph is for the perusal of those who do not believe in newspaper "advertising," but enjoy newspaper "publicity":

"An editor and a merchant were discussing the virtue of billboard advertising. The merchant contended that more people read the billboard than the newspapers. After a lengthy conversation in which neither man would give in, the men parted.

"The next week the merchant came tearing down the street to the newspaper office wanting to know why the obituary of his wife's mother was not in the paper, especially after he had seen that a copy was taken to the newspaper office. "Well," said the editor, "I know you wanted the obituary read by the people so I took it out and nailed it up on your billboard."

Have the cross-word puzzles helped your memory? Was, or was not the "court square" covered with ice one year ago? The answer may be made in two words a pronoun and a verb, the first with two letters, the second with three.

A Pittsburgh preacher says that solving cross-word puzzles is a mark of "childish mentality." Perhaps if he had delivered his message through the Sunday comics it would have had a greater reach. Mayhaps he is right, but if he is, America as a whole is still in its infancy.

From reports local Legionnaires in an extemporaneous rehearsal exhibited that they have not forgotten how to escape unscathed from what was apparently a deadlier place than a planted Hun mine chamber.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Prince of Wales' bull won the international live stock show, which was one way of giving it the international flavor.

Good service from your car requires good oil, use Texaco clean, clear, full bodied motor oils. Ad

THANK YOU

WE THANK OUR FRIENDS FOR THE BEST PATRONAGE DURING 1924 THAT THIS STORE HAS EVER HAD. WITH BEST WISHES TO ALL AND A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

T. W. HAMRICK CO.

Jewelers & Optometrists.

FOR QUICK SALE

- 1 Iron Safe.
 - 2 Clothing Racks.
 - 3 Spool Thread Cases.
 - 1,000 Coat Hangers.
 - 1 Umbrella Show Case.
 - 2 Stoves (Heaters.)
 - 2 Folding Display Tables.
 - 8 Tables, six to eight feet long.
- On account of closing out our Store No. 2, we must sell these items at once. PRICES ARE CHEAP.

WRAY-HUDSON COMPANY

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

We wish each and every policy holder of The Conservative Life Insurance Company, and to every one a happy and prosperous New Year. To those that are not policy holders and expect purchasing life insurance, we ask that you allow us to explain the many advantages of a policy with the

Conservative Life Insurance Company
The Royster Company
State Mgrs., North & South Carolina.

Bert Price,
General Agent.

William Hudson,
General Agent.

Marvin Blanton,
District Agent.

Mrs. Lula Moore Died at Cliffside Saturday

Gaffney Ledger.

Mrs. Lula Moore, 63 widow of T. M. Moore, died Saturday night Dec. 20th at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. M. Bridges, at Cliffside, N. C., following two weeks illness of pneumonia.

Funeral services were conducted at Camps Creek Baptist church Sunday, and burial followed with P. S. Courtney, funeral director, in charge.

Mrs. Moore is survived by two sons, C. C. and J. O. Moore, both of whom live on Gaffney route 2; and two daughters, Mrs. Bridges and Mrs. Lizzie Green, of Boiling Springs, N. C. Eighteen grandchildren and one great grandchild also survive in addition to a brother H. L. Pritchard, of Gaffney, route 1, and a sister, Mrs. Lee Green, of Gaffney, route 7.

Inability to recognize anything but trouble is the kind of stuff grouches are made of.

FOR 1925

We wish you happiness and success, and wish to thank our friends and patrons for the business you have given us during the past year and to assure you same has been truly appreciated by us.

We hope to merit a continuance of same and it will be our aim and desire to serve you better and oftener during 1925.

AREY BROTHERS

Dealers

Texaco Petroleum Products.

Chevrolet Cars, Parts, Service.

STAR WANT ADVERTISEMENTS PAY

WE THANK

Our many friends and patrons for their generous patronage accorded us during the past year—and wish you a happy New Year.

THE WHITEWAY DRY CLEANING CO.

Louis M. Hamrick, Mgr.

STAR WANT ADVERTISEMENTS PAY

IS YOUR NAME On Our "Interest Pay-Roll"

Our savings depositors have just "drawn their pay" again. In other words, their accounts have been credited with the interest their money has earned.

Are you one of these lucky, THIRTY ones? Is your name on our "Interest Pay-Roll?"

A number of our Savings Depositors had large amounts of interest placed to their credit, others not quite so much. It all depended on how earnestly and how regularly they saved during the past year.

Remember that you can make it more next time by beginning now to SAVE MORE. And all the while, interest piling upon interest, will keep making the sum to your credit larger and larger. If you are not a savings depositor of this bank, you should be. You should be drawing two incomes—one from your work and one from your savings in the form of interest. Then, if sickness or accident stops your working wage, your interest wage will go right on.

A new interest period begins on January First. All deposits made up to and including January Fifth will draw interest from January First. Begin now to save your money systematically and safely in a steadily growing account with this strong institution.

YOU WORK FOR YOUR MONEY

MAKE YOUR MONEY WORK FOR YOU

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF SHELBY

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS HALF MILLION DOLLARS

Resources Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars.