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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, eulogies, thanks and obituary notices, after one death notice has been published. This will be strictly adhered to.

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The scientists who say he can add 50 years to the average human life will in a nicked hour be before he reaches the proverbial "three score and ten."

Let's make another claim for Shelby: there is a less percentage of foreign born in Shelby a population than any town in this country with a near 10,000 population.

A new home means a new family. 312 new homes mean 312 more families, and there were 312 homes built in Shelby on 1924. Estimate for yourself and keep it multiplying.

Another impossibility: 50,000 bales of cotton in Cleveland county without enough fertilizer properly applied. And as Will Rogers might say this is not a fertilizer advertisement, but a prosperity pointer.

When the city limits are determined for the greater Shelby we wonder if there'll be an attractive sign near the limits welcoming visitors and strangers to the town.

This foreign disease that grabs those who quickly assume power and authority seems to be catching. Once it was Trotsky that in one week would die of the "flu," by an assassin's bullet, paralysis, suicide and several wars. Now it seems to be Mussolini, premier of Italy. And the funny thing is that they're still living at the end of the week.

The Charlotte Observer in one respect at least is somewhat like The Star. They've heard so much about proposed, get the proposed, hard surface coming to Cleveland county, that when an editorial was written or read the following was put in circulation: "12 miles of grading between Shelby and the Rutherford county line? It would mean another link in one of the real outstanding highways of the state, Wilmington to Asheville. But when do we get it?"

HIGH LIGHT LIGHT
 We have been told that some of the electric transmission lines being built in the county, while the rural lighting program is underway, are entirely too low to the ground and might become dangerous to man and beast when the summer rays of the sun cause the copper wires to sag even lower. The voltage is necessarily high on transmission wires and are dangerous to come in close contact with. As a matter of precaution and safety, we would suggest that the builders of these lines keep this matter in mind so that our wave of progress in rural lighting might not prove fatal to any one. Copper wires that are strung during the cold days of winter should be stretched almost to the breaking point because they will naturally sag when summer comes.

LET US KNOW THE AUTHOR.
 Communications come to The Star each week without the name of the author and these letters must be thrown in the wastebasket because we do not know whether the subject matter is reliable or not. We do not wish to publish the name of every person who sends a communication of news or a discussion of a public question, but the editor must know this in order to prevent any impositions. You can imagine how serious it would be to publish a marriage, for instance, that never happened. Such communications come, so imagine how serious it would be if no such ceremony had ever been performed. Now and then some flippant girl thinks she is playing a good joke to say that a certain boy had courted a certain girl "one night last week." Such a fact might be interesting to the community, but it is not good newspaper copy. We would therefore ask our correspondents,

whether they are authorized to write or send in matter now and then unsolicited, not to attempt punks or jokes. There is too much good, worthwhile news that deserves the space in a newspaper, than to invade the private affairs of any individual.

BOOST THE SCOUTS.

How many Boy Scouts have you ever seen in trouble? The boy that believes in the creed of "a good deed every day" seldom encounters trouble in life, during his boyhood or in manhood. It is the training that counts, it costs considerable to enforce laws, but little to make a Boy Scout.

Chief of Police O'Brien, of San Francisco, says:

"We of the police department have always co-operated with the Boy Scouts, and I am proud to say that since the movement was first started, over eight years ago, not a single Scout has ever evoked arrest."

"The Boy Scout creed of 'a good deed every day,' tends to do everywhere precisely what Chief O'Brien says it has done in his city. It is a creed broad enough for any man; it is better than most men ever follow. There is not better business than to encourage such helpful agencies.

Boost the Scouts. Your boy might well be one. All of this training cannot be home training. He must come by some-where than you think—by these with whom he comes in contact. Showing a better way than the Scouts? Associations formed young generally last. Pick out the best you know that were once Scouts—and you'll pick few from jails and prisons.

THE DAY OF THE MULE.

The annual reviews of the horse market reveal the unmistakable fact that the mule is gaining on the horse in popularity on the farm. The cotton and tobacco crops of the South are "all mule," says the research department of the National Association of Farm Equipment manufacturers in a recent survey of farm power. The Kansas City horse market in 1924 was 85 per cent mules. In other years the ratio was about 65 per cent mules and 35 per cent horses. Horse prices dropped off \$25 a head at that market last year, though mules held their own. The drop in horse and mule receipts at East St. Louis, the greatest horse and mule market in the world, was over 37,500 head last year. Horses dropped \$15 a head at St. Louis, but mules showed little drop in value. Records at the 67 U. S. markets reveal a loss of 15 per cent in horse and mule receipts at the markets during 1924 compared with 1923. Chicago also showed drops in both receipts and prices. The mule, however, is a big business because of the expense of the horse feed, less sickness and other qualities unobtainable in the horse. The mule's rise is given as the reason for the horse's decline.

THE GREAT IS WON.

The story of progress that Shelby has made in the past few years might relate to the growth of building and loan associations. It is remarkable—almost unbelievable—yet so. The cold places, the still colder cash, the homes, are here to show.

Back when some of us were young, and others younger, the Shelby Building and Loan association was organized. Those interested in the organization could hardly vision more than one thousand shares; anything above that was only a pipe dream. Now the charter of the association, that once permitted a total of 20,000 shares, has been changed so as to read 50,000 shares. Which means that one association now has over 20,000 shares in force, the most remarkable record of any building and loan in the state. Assets of \$1,100,000—a million and more get you—and still growing. No doubt when the association was organized a man would have been considered unusually optimistic if he had ever predicted that the entire Shelby would be worth a million dollars. Perhaps it would not have been without the building and loan associations.

We all may boast, but it is the building and loan associations of the town that are back of the building. The more than 20,000 shares in force at the Shelby Building and Loan, the total shares in force at the other associations, they tell the story of the growth of Shelby—and will be telling it 20 years hence.

Congress would have done better to refer the Muscle Shoals issue to the Literary Digest—San Francisco Chronicle.

THE NEXT MAYOR.

Just who will be the next mayor is a matter yet to be determined. One man is in the race and others are likely to follow, so what we have to say is not intended to influence voters for or against candidates or prospective runners. We now have a greater Shelby. The new census will probably give us a population of 8,500 or more. To properly administer unto the affairs of eight or ten thousand people and finance an organization of such proportions calls for a business man, one who is capable of dealing with and solving big problems—one who can practice economy and at the same time provide the revenue necessary to give the necessary municipal improvements and advantages to our welcome brothers and sisters who have just joined our fellowship.

In the next place we need a working mayor—one who feels that his duties are not confined to the city hall, but who realizes that his time and attention should be given all over the Greater Shelby. In order to see that all departments function properly, the new mayor should be capable of directing the affairs of these several departments. The mayor's job is no longer a figure-head office. The matter of settling for the privately owned municipal improvements in the new territory and extending these improvements to develop sections, requires a business mayor who is willing to give his full time and is capable of handling big problems. If it requires more than the present salary to get such a man, the town could make no better investment.

Mrs. Catherine Wright Gingham Passes Away

Noble Woman of Fallston Passes Away at the Age of 40 Years. Buried at Friendship.

(Special to The Star.)
 Wednesday February 18th the spirit of Mrs. Catherine Wright Gingham of Fallston passed from earth to its abode in the skies.

Deceased was born June 19, 1885, aged 40 years, 8 months, 8 days. She was married to Mr. Rufus Gingham February 14, 1910. She leaves to mourn their loss, a husband, a little daughter 11 days old, and an adopted son two years old, a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Wright, the former having been an invalid for 4 years and was unable to attend the funeral. Also two sisters, and one brother, Mrs. S. N. Leonhardt of Vale, Miss Lizzie Wright, and Mr. Avery Wright of Fallston. She professed faith in Christ and joined Friendship church at an early age, and remained a faithful member until death.

Catherine was a fine Christian woman, sympathetic and even tempered. Never known to murmur or complain, even in her last hours she was so patient an submissive. All that loving hands could do, was done, but Jesus said come up. Just before the end which came peacefully, she looked up in the face of her friends, and said, "You have done all you could for me." Her remains were tenderly laid to rest in Friendship cemetery. Rev. Mr. Morgan and Rev. John Greene conducted funeral services.

We deeply sympathize with the grief stricken family.

Mrs. Mary Crowder Is Victim of Paralysis

Widow of Late Wm. Crowder Dies at New House at Age of 74 Years. Mother of Eleven Children.

(Special to The Star.)

A shadow of gloom and sadness was cast over this community Tuesday afternoon when the Death Angel came and carried away our dear loved one Mrs. Mary Jane Crowder. Mrs. Crowder was sick only a short time, being stricken with paralysis about one o'clock Monday and died at 4:30 Tuesday afternoon. Feeling as well as usual she had gone out to her son's, Roy Crowder and had walked out into the yard or about the woodpile. She was found lying there, where she had fallen, a few minutes later. One side was paralyzed and she was never able to speak again till the end came. All was done for her that loved ones could do but to no avail.

Mrs. Crowder was 74 years of age the 16th of January, and was the widow of William Crowder who died 22 years ago as a result of an accident while cutting logs in the woods. Before her marriage she was Mary Jane Grigg. She was mother of eleven children, eight of whom survive, they are: Mrs. Clayton Philbeck, Mrs. John Bowen and Champion, Arthur, Roy and Josh Crowder all of New House, and Billie Crowder and Mrs. C. Fortenberry of Forest City. She has 31 grandchildren and 4 great grand children. In addition to these she is survived by a number of brothers and sisters.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock at the home of her son, Roy Crowder, where she died. A great throng of relatives and friends were present to show the last tribute of respect. The funeral was conducted by Rev. Z. D. Harrill a former pastor. He was assisted by Rev. D. G. Washburn.

The pallbearers were: grandsons: Clarence and Tom Philbeck, Rush Bowen, Lee Crowder, Forrest Fortenberry and Len Grayson. While the flowers were carried by the granddaughters: Callie Philbeck, Ada Bowen, Cora and Pinkie Fortenberry, and Pinkie Harrill, niece. The great concourse of people and the abundant floral offering showed the great esteem in which she was held. The body was laid to rest in the family burial ground at the old home.

Mrs. Crowder in her early life united with Sandy Plains Baptist church where she remained a faithful and consistent member. He was a good and loving mother, a kind and generous friend, gentle and tender toward all with whom she met. She will be greatly missed in the home and in the community. Our sympathy goes out to those she leaves behind, and may we each so live that when the summons comes we too, shall hear the "well done" of our Great Master.

Giving the lambs ducks their walking papers scarcely can be construed as cruelty to animals.

It is strange how much time some people waste in telling the world how busy they are.—Philadelphia Record.

European statesmen say that Uncle Sam is a Shylock. And our recollection is that a tricky lawyer talked Shylock out of his loan, both principal and interest.—Southern Lumberman.

An enthusiast's editor in Paris says that France owes the United States a debt she can never repay. That confirms the worst fears of our bankers.—Southern Lumberman.

TRY STAR WANT ADS.


JUDGE GRANTS MAN'S WISH FOR SENTENCE TO PRISON

Greensboro, Mar 2.—R. D. Dunnagan, a man who came here last week arrested to get sentenced to federal prison, and who was referred to Danville, Va., where a federal court term was being held, got his wish today, three years in the United States prison.

The man was a drug addict and had served time in the Atlanta penitentiary. He had been treated there for the habit, but out of the prison, he again fell into its clutches. He told the judge at Danville today that he thought three years in prison would make a man of him and the judge agreed. He begged for a sentence.

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