

# History Of Famous Man For Whom Shelby Was Named

Shelby moving along at a rapid pace in keeping with the progress of the state is called one of the new and coming towns of North Carolina, but despite the progressive spirit Shelby is a historic Revolutionary War town—at least in the sense of names. The town was named after Col. Isaac Shelby, one of the leaders at the Kings Mountain battle and the county itself was named for Col. Benjamin Cleveland. Furthermore practically all of the main streets of the "city of Springs" are named for Revolutionary War heroes—LaFayette, Washington, Marion, Warren, DeKalb, Sumter, Morgan, Graham, Lee and others. This paper has long been of the opinion that the D. A. R.s should have pictures of Col. Shelby and Cleveland along with their life histories placed in the county courthouse as a matter of county pride and to preserve the rich history of the county. Many of the younger generation are not familiar with the proud history of the town.

In recent weeks the Gaffney Ledger has been publishing a series of entertaining articles by Rev. J. D. Bailey on "Some Kings Mountain Commanders." The articles are, and should be of much interest all over this section, where live descendants of the men who fought one of the memorable battles of American freedom. Not only do Rev. Mr. Bailey's articles tell of the important commanders but many of the privates and lesser officers are mentioned together with facts unrecorded by history and of a very interesting nature. Last week Mr. Bailey told of the life history of Col. Isaac Shelby, for whom the Cleveland county seat was named, and below we reproduce a part of the Ledger article that should be clipped, preserved and handed down to the coming generations by the people of this section:

**Father From Wales.**  
"Evan Shelby, the father of Isaac Shelby, was born in Wales in 1720, and emigrated with his father's family, to America, about 1735, and settled near North Mountain, in what is now Washington County, Maryland. Here, Evan soon became a noted woodsman, hunter and Indian trader. During the old French and Indian war, he figured prominently on the Maryland and Pennsylvania frontiers, first as a lieutenant, and then as a Captain. On one of these campaigns, he discovered an Indian spy, gave him chase, in view of many of the troops, overtook, and tomahawked him. Subsequently, Colonel Christian led an expedition against Chickamaugas, and at Point Pleasant he won a decided victory, beating the Indians back. Evan Shelby distinguished himself in this engagement. Later he rose to the rank of Colonel, and then General. He died December the 4th, 1794, at the age of seventy-four years.

**Shelby's Birth and Early Life.**  
"Isaac Shelby, son of General Evan Shelby was born near North Mountain, Maryland, on the 11th of December, 1750. Because of the excitement and disturbances of Indian wars, he received only the elements of a plain English education. At the age of twenty-one, he went into the cattle business; and for some time he was engaged in herding and feeding cattle in the extensive natural range west of the Alleghenies. In 1771, the Shelby family removed to the Holston county in Virginia.

**Receives Lieutenant's Commission.**  
"The Indians giving the Colonists a great deal of trouble, in 1774, Isaac Shelby joined, and received a commission of Lieutenant in the militia, commanded by Colonel William Pres-

ton, the County Lieutenant of Fincastle. Coming in Col. Preston's presence, and, according to his father, was looking on, Isaac did not show him the proper military courtesy; where-upon the old gentleman exclaimed: "Get up, you dog you, and make your obeisance to the Colonel!" This brought the young officer to his feet, and somewhat abashed, he made a public apology.

**Serves With Distinction In Father's Company.**  
"At Point Pleasant, October 10th, 1774, where the frontier riflemen fought the allied Indian tribes from sun-up till sun-down, Lieut. Shelby, who was second in command of his father's company, served with great gallantry. The Indians being defeated, Point Pleasant was then made a garrison, where young Shelby remained in service until July 1775, when Lord Dunmore, then English Governor, ordered the troops disbanded; lest, they might enlist their sympathies with, and become obedient to the whig authorities.

**Service Rendered 1775-1780.**  
"In 1776, he was engaged in exploring the wilds of Kentucky, surveying lands for Henderson and Co., who had purchased extensive tracts from the Cherokees. While thus engaged, he was commissioned a Captain, and, in 1777, Governor Henry appointed him a commissary of supplies for the different frontier garrisons. It is said that, "It was only by his most indefatigable exertions that the large amount of provisions required, could be obtained." In 1778, he continued his commissary services, providing for the Continental army, and for Gen. McIntosh, who made an expedition against the Ohio Indians. In the early part of 1779, he pledged his individual credit for his father's troops while on the Chickamauga expedition. At this time he was asked to the Virginia Legislature, from Washington Co., and shortly afterwards, Governor Jefferson commissioned him a Major for the escort of guards to the Commissioners, who were engaged in extending the boundary line between Virginia and North Carolina. The new survey put Major Shelby's residence in the latter State; consequently, in November, 1779, he was appointed by Governor Caswell a Colonel and magistrate of the new county of Sullivan.

**Colonel Shelby Great Services In South Carolina.**  
"In the spring, and early summer of 1780, Colonel Shelby was in Kentucky looking after his landed interests, which five years before, he had marked out and claimed for himself. While thus engaged, he received the intelligence of the fall of Charleston which caused him to return home in July, determined to enter, and remain in the service until liberty was secured. Upon his arrival, he found a message from Col. Charles McDowell, of Burke County, begging him to furnish all the aid he could towards checking the enemy, who were over-running the Southern States, and had reached the western borders of North Carolina." In a few days, Shelby crossed the Alleghenies with two hundred mounted riflemen. In the meantime, Col. McDowell, with three hundred men, had pushed on towards the over-run territory, and on the night of July 15th, he encamped at Earl's Ford on North Pacolet river, where he was surprised by the British Major Dunlap, and suffered some severe losses. Realizing now more than ever before, the desperateness of the situation, Col. McDowell, set about to reinforce his regiment all that he could from the sparsely populated settlements on the head of the Catawba,

Broad and Pacolet rivers, that he might watch the enemy's movements, and fall on any of his pillaging and marauding detachments whenever possible. It was at this time, he sent urgent messages to Colonels John Sevier and Isaac Shelby to come to his aid. In a short time after the night affair at Earl's Ford, Colonel McDowell took post at the Cherokee Ford on Broad river in what is now Cherokee county; and about the 25th of July, Colonel Shelby joined him at the head of his two hundred mounted riflemen. Sumter hearing of the ravages of Ferguson and his associates, west of Broad river, directed Col. Elijah Clarke with his Georgians, together with those who resided in that region, and wished to aid in its protection, to repair to that quarter. Captain William Smith, of the Spartan District, and his company, availed themselves of this opportunity. Arriving at the Cherokee Ford, Clarke and his forces met McDowell, who had been joined by Colonel Shelby, Andrew Hampton and others."

## STREET SKATING ENDANGERS LIVES: IS AGAINST LAW

Hendersonville News.

A city ordinance prohibits skating on the streets. Children persist in violating this law. Street skating is considered by police to be extremely hazardous. Motorists are complaining that skaters appear to think themselves immune from being run over, and many narrow escapes from personal injuries are reported.

The police are faced with this situation; persons under 16 are juveniles under the law. The impression prevails among many children that they cannot be arrested and punished. But they can. There is a juvenile court in Hendersonville. There is a probation officer whose duty it is to arrest juvenile offenders. Chief of Police Powers intends calling for the arrest of violators of the skating law unless they stop the practice, but he first wants the parents, through the newspapers, requested to please restrain their children.

A boy is reported to have said to a policeman the other evening, when asked by the officer to stop skating on the streets: "Go to hell! I'm not 16."

## TRIPLETS ARE BORN TO COW AT CLARKTON

Lexington Dispatch.

"Three of 'em—count 'em. And both mother cow and her three calves are doing well, thank you." That or something like that is what Mrs. Annie McLeod, of near Clarkton, tells visitors who are coming to her farm to see the triplet calves to which her milk cow gave birth three weeks ago. All three of the calves are well formed, healthy and evidently happy, according to reports from those who have been to see them.

The oldest residents and those most versed in the lore of cattle breeding say they have never heard of triplet calves before. Twins have been and are not extraordinary, they say, but triplets are more than they have ever heard of before.

## A "Fighting Man."

Robesonian.  
Some Senators now call Dawes "Fuzzy Wuzzy," says a newspaper headline. Sure he is bound to impress Senators as having the characteristics of the "first-class fighting man" that Kipling made famous. To paraphrase:

'S's 'ot sand an' ginger when alive, An 'e's generally shamin' when 'e's dead.  
'E's ducky, 'e's a daisy, 'e's a lamb!  
'E's a injia-rubber idiot on the spree,  
'E's the on'y thing that doesn't give a damn  
For ancient senatorial dignity.

## NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TO SATISFY MECHANIC'S LIEN FOR REPAIRS.

Under and by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 2435, Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina 1919, I will sell at public auction for cash at the Court house door in Shelby, N. C., on Saturday, March 28, 1925, at 12 o'clock noon, or within legal hours, in order to satisfy a mechanic's lien for repairs to the radiator of a certain automobile belonging to one Gus Degree, and for certain smaller repairs to said car, in the amount of \$24.80, the following described personal property, to-wit:

One Buick six touring model automobile, Model K-45, motor number 561,290.

Said automobile is in good condition, and is now in my possession at King's Place near Shelby, N. C., where it may be inspected at any time.

This March 10, 1925.  
(Signed) MACK ELLIS, 2-13

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For Face and Common Brick O. E. Ford Co.'s is the place.

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# NEW SPRING SUITS

YES, MEN—THE NEW SPRING STOCKS HAVE ARRIVED—SUITS IN SMART STYLES FOR MEN AND YOUNG MEN WHO WANT TO BE WELL DRESSED AND UP-TO-DATE WITHOUT BEING FORCED TO PAY FANCY PRICES.

Young Men's SUITS

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16 and 18 inch bottom trousers. Light colors in grey and tan.

STYLEPLUS SUITS

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We've never had a prettier line of patterns and styles than this season. Models for men and young men.



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Wide bottom trousers and bright new colors.

All Wool

SERGE SUITS

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Full English Models, also Regulars

Guaranteed in every respect. Neatly tailored, well fitting.

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NEW ASSORTMENTS OF SHIRTS, HATS, TIES AND SOCKS TO GO WITH THAT NEW SUIT—TO COMPLETE THE OUTFIT.

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Drop in and see the new shapes and colors that will be worn by well dressed men this season. Our Hats are shapely, graceful, well made and comfortably fitting. Correct styles and reliable quality.

DUNLAPS — \$6.50

STETSONS — \$7.00

... And a Snappy Line at \$5.00

Cheney CRAWATS \$1.00 & \$1.50

OTHER TIES In new assortments 50c and \$1.00

WIDE BELTS \$1.00

SURE FIT CAPS \$1.50 to \$3.00



## THE FLORSHEIM SHOE FOR MEN

Decidedly handsome are these new Florsheims for Spring and Summer. Correct leathers and lasts. Carefully made by experts, who know how to build style, shape and good wear into Men's Shoes ..... \$10.00  
Other Good Brands ..... \$5.00 and \$7.50



# W. L. Fanning & Co.

## AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The WHITEWAY DRY CLEANING CO. wishes to announce the purchase and installation of the exclusive use of Prof. Ramsey's Friendolene Process of Dry Cleaning for Shelby.

The purpose of the installation of this system is to give to the citizens of Shelby and its communities a better class of workmanship.

Among the many advantages in patronizing establishments operating with this method are the following:

### —LADIES GARMENTS—

Silk Dresses, Gowns and Costumes dry cleaned in a manner Superior to all methods. This process enables us to prevent the disturbing of colors in severe cases, where it is necessary to resort to other methods than dry cleaning.

With this process we can, where colors have run together, Put Them Back in Place.

We can also change the colors in many garments without the dyeing process.

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