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SHELBY'S POPULATION BY NEW CENSUS IS 8,854

Population Has Doubled In Short Period Of 5 Years

More People Here Than Lived in No. 6 In 1920. Increase In Five Years Is 5,245

From 3,609 in 1920 to a population of 8,854 in 1925—that's the official history of the remarkable progress Shelby has made during recent years.

Citizens were expecting an increase and although some were optimistic enough to hope for 10,000, the majority of the estimates fell below 8,000 and around the 7,000 mark.

The census taking under the direction of J. T. Nicholas, census expert of the department of Commerce, was completed and the preliminary figures given out Friday afternoon. The official count of the population of Greater Shelby was made at the request of the municipal government, the Kiwanis club and business interests of the city.

A Wonder Growth.

North Carolina has made wonderful progress in recent years but it is doubtful if there is more progressive example anywhere in the state than Shelby. Doubling in population in five years the town moves from the little town class into that of the small city group.

Some Official Figures.

Of the total population of 8,854, 7,358 are white and 1,496 colored. Of the white population 3,696 are male and 3,662 female, a difference of only 34. Of the negro population 676 are males and 820 females, there being 144 more females than males.

The School Children.

There are in Shelby 2,808 children between the ages of 6 and 21—2,328 white and 480 colored. Of the white children 1,158 are males and 1,170 females. Of the colored 215 are males and 265 females.

With the school teachers in this fall and the many children that attend school here the population, unofficially, will easily run over 9,000.

Increase Figures Shown.

In 1920, five years ago, the official population of Shelby was 3,609. And the increase in five years is double plus 1,636 people. In 1910 there were only 3,127 people living in Shelby, and in 1900 only 1,874, an increase of nearly 7,000 in 25 years, the increase being more than many estimated the present population.

With a growth during the next five years more conservative than the last five years, Shelby by 1930 should have between 12,000 and 15,000 people.

Passes the Township.

In 1920, at the time of the last census, there were only 8,409 people living in No. 6 township. Now there are 45 people more than that living in Shelby alone.

Extension Helped.

The extension of the city limits several months ago helped increase the official figures. A bill was passed at the recent session of the general assembly by Judge B. T. Falls authorizing extension with out a vote. It is estimated that between 2,000 and 3,000 people were brought in by the extension of the limits, the city boundaries before that time reaching only a short distance from the court square.

It may be possible at a later date to furnish a more detailed list of figures showing the population by wards and sections.

Assisting Mr. Nicholas in the work were: Leo L. Freeman, J. McMurry, C. B. Way, Marvin Blanton, D. W. Plummer, T. P. Jenks, Mrs. C. S. Nev, J. L. Davidson and J. L. Smith.

Pray for Rain At Kings Mountain

Kings Mountain, Sept. 6.—There is plenty of water in Kings Mountain and of the best quality, but the mayor, realizing the seriousness of the drought in the country at large, and recognizing the place and efficiency of prayer as set forth in the Scriptures, issued a call upon the people for a special service of prayer for relief in this emergency. In response to his call such services were held in all the churches of this community.

Miss Kate Beam of Washington, D. C., returns home today after a visit to Mrs. Oscar Palmer and Misses Kate and Selma Webb. Her mother was buried last week in Rutherford county and Miss Beam came down with the general party.

FOURTEEN DIE IN SHENANDOAH CRASH

America's Pride Wrecked in Storm. Demolished Craft Carries Commander and Others to Death.

Caldwell, Ohio, Sept. 3.—America's pride of the air, the Shenandoah, lies scattered about the rugged hills of southeastern Ohio, broken and twisted—only a memory.

In her plunge to earth during the early morning hours Thursday she carried to their deaths her commander Commander Zachary Lansdowne, of Greenville, Ohio, and 13 other officers and enlisted men of her crew of 43.

Caught in a line squall while attempting to ride out a severe storm, the giant ship's massive framework broke in twain more than a mile up in the heavens and plunged in separate parts to the ground.

Eclipsing many of the tales of disaster which have been written of the sea, men hung on the girders and pieces of rigging of the parts of the monster as they floated through the air. Most of them saved their lives by jumping as the parts of the giant gas bag neared the ground.

Shoots Upward 7,500 Feet.

After battling the elements for several hours, the huge aircraft suddenly shot upward to an altitude of approximately 6,500 feet from a 3,000 foot level where the dirigible buckled amidship. The pressure and twisting was so great that it broke the ship in three sections.

The control cabin, swung beneath the fore-section of the ship proper, broke away and crashed to the ground while at an altitude of several thousand feet. It carried most of the crew who were killed.

Released of the control cabin, the fore section measuring about 150 feet and bearing seven survivors, free-ballooned for more than an hour and finally was landed near Sharon, 12 miles from where the control cabin crashed near Ava.

To Earth in Three Pieces.

The main section carrying 26 survivors landed with a crash which sent several of the crew diving through the outer covering to the ground. A middle section of some 15 or 20 feet settled down in pieces over the countryside.

Lieut. W. E. Sheppard, of Washington, D. C., engineer, either jumped or was wrenched from his holding. His mangled body was the last to be recovered and identified.

The control cabin, crowded with officers and men in their desperate battle with the elements, was the death trap. This apparently was torn loose from the section of the gas bag to which it clung after the first rent, and fell by itself. The wreckage of the control cabin gave up the bodies of Commander Lansdowne and 12 other officers and enlisted men.

Wild and Thrilling Ride.

Those aboard the nose section had a wild and thrilling ride and landed 12 miles from the place where the cabin compartment crashed. Several of the officers had just left the control cabin and were climbing up the ladder into the "cat walk" of the ship proper, when the cabin broke loose.

Suspended in midair and hanging to a girder, they crawled or were pulled to places of comparative safety.

One, not so fortunate, F. J. McCarthy, chief rigger, was swept from his perilous perch in the forward end of the nose to the ground when the motorless craft struck a tree. He is in a Marietta hospital in a serious condition.

With three men forward and three aft in the nose of the craft it was maneuvered to a safe altitude after brushing trees and at least one farm house. Lieut. Comd. C. E. Rosendahl and Lieut. J. B. Anderson directed the release of the helium gas and gasoline in such a way that the nose landed without severely injuring any aboard. The dead were then taken to Bella Valley, a nearby village.

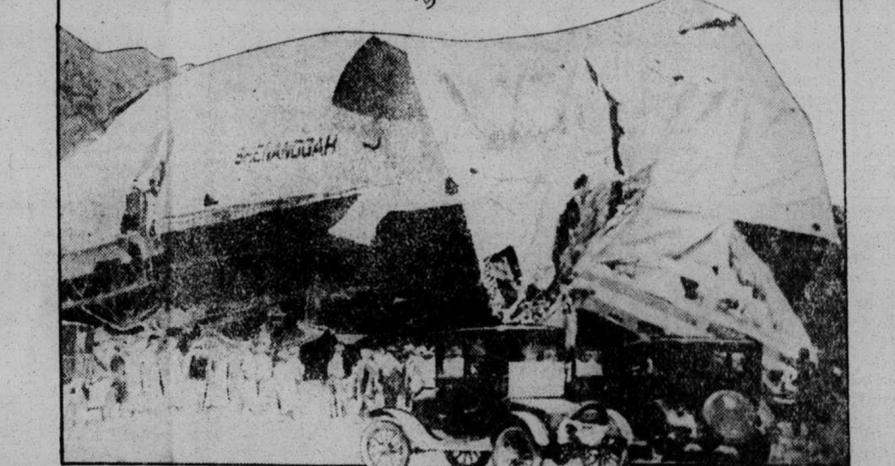
REV. MR. LITTLE SPEAKS AT THE M. P. CHURCH

Rev. Lawrence C. Little, executive secretary of the board of Young People's work of the Methodist Protestant conference, of Concord, delivered an inspiring address at the Methodist Protestant church to a large congregation Sunday night. Rev. Mr. Little spoke of the problem of the young people in the church and his discussion dealt with methods of solving the problem. He came to Shelby in the afternoon from Caroleen where he delivered a similar address in the Methodist Protestant church at that place.

New Depot Opened At Kings Mountain

Kings Mountain, Sept. 6.—The new Southern railroad depot is finished and will be opened for business Tuesday morning. It is an attractive and commodious brick veneer building with interior finish in dark oak. It contains six or eight rooms, including a waiting room for colored people and a waiting room for white people and a ladies rest room. It is well equipped with all modern conveniences.

NAVY'S PRIDE IN RUINS



Here are the remains of the navy's pride, the giant ship Shenandoah. Riding against a storm near Caldwell, O., early in the morning of Sept. 3, the huge frame buckled, then broke in two, crashing to the ground in two pieces. Fourteen men were killed and 28 injured. Picture here was taken just a few hours after the crash. Some of the farmers and townfolk, who rushed to the scene and assisted in disentangling the dead and injured, are shown in the picture.

COLORED FOLKS TO HAVE LARGE FAIR

Planning for Big Attendance at Fair Grounds for First Colored Fair, October 14, 15, 16, and 17.

The colored people of Cleveland county are planning for a gala week during October 14, 15, 16 and 17, the date of their first county fair. The event will open on Wednesday and will continue through Saturday, and colored people from all sections of Western and Piedmont North Carolina are expected during the four days.

When the idea first originated for a fair among the colored people one of such scope as is now planned was not dreamed of and the outlook now is that the fair here will bring together more colored farmers than any other similar event in this section of the South. Everything that goes to make up a successful farm show has been booked. The colored farmers of the county and section are preparing exhibits, the schools will have floats and exhibits, and a good midway has been secured. Officers of the fair association, Rev. J. W. Roberts, president, and Lester V. Borders, secretary, have secured the J. J. Page shows, including eight shows and six big rides and a brilliant midway of 45 concessions.

Another big feature of the fair will be the coming of Dr. Charles Satchwell Morris, nationally known colored lecturer and educational leader. Dr. Morris will speak on Friday, which is "Educational day."

To Have Big Races.

The big county fair to be held a few weeks prior to the colored fair will have very little on the colored fair when it hits the race track. Race horses from Darlington, S. C., Athens, Ga., and Norfolk, Va., have been booked, and in addition to the professional races there will be a number of local races, the racing feature to be a part of each day's program.

The colored fair will be held on the county fair grounds east of Shelby on the Kings Mountain-Shelby highway. All the rural schools for the colored will bring floats and exhibits according to the secretary, and a prize will be given to the most appropriate float.

Lester Borders, secretary of the fair, says that the colored farmers of Cleveland are taking much interest in the fair and that nearly every farmer will exhibit his best product, everyone attending being urged to bring in some form of exhibit. An idea that will be stressed at the fair is the producing of more feed crops.

Inquiries regarding the fair are coming in from colored people in all sections of the state and indications are that several thousand will attend each day of the four big days.

Handsome New Masonic Temple on Court Square Corner Will be Thrown Open to Public Friday Evening From 8 Until 10

Friday evening from 8 until 10 o'clock the doors of the beautiful four-story Masonic temple on the court square corner at the intersection of Washington and Warren streets will be thrown open to the public for the first, and probably the last time. Those who desire to make a tour of the handsomely finished and equipped interior of the temple are asked to remember the hours. Quite a large crowd is expected to attend and the invitation is extended to all the citizenship of the city, county and surrounding counties, to Masons, their relatives and friends over the entire section.

A reception committee of Masons in the various degrees, and of the Woman's club, occupants of the second floor, will welcome visitors on every floor. Light refreshments will be served, according to Masonic officials.

The building is Shelby's finest and most costly structure in the business section. It was first occupied by the Masons in July with Worshipful Master Charles S. Young presiding at the first meeting there, at which new officers for the lodge were installed with Capt. J. F. Roberts as worshipful master.

The local lodge has strengthened much in recent years and is now held in high esteem by the Grand lodge. The new temple is the fulfillment of a plan Masons have held for many years and their welcome as they open the

doors of the new temple for inspection. asks that the town and county come and rejoice with them in their new structure dedicated to a noble work.

Visitors Friday evening are asked to enter the Masonic entrance on the Washington street side and will be carried by elevator to the fourth floor descending for an inspection of the entire building. On the fourth floor is the Blue Lodge, the meeting place of Master Masons. On the third floor are the rooms of the Commandery and Chapter, while the second floor is given over to the Woman's club for club rooms and library and also contains the big banquet hall and kitchen of the Masons. On the first floor is the Shelby branch of the J. C. Penney company, mammoth retail store organization, which will also be open during the evening.

The interior of the temple is handsomely furnished and equipped, the electric arrangement and lighting fixtures together with the draperies being well worth a visit of inspection.

Following the custom of the lodge the interior of the temple will likely never again be thrown open to the general public and all who wish to see the interior of the temple should visit there Friday evening. There will be no formalities, speeches, or program.

Judge James L. Webb is holding court in Robbinsville this week.

R. L. HARRILL IS DEAD AT LATTIMORE

Church Deacon and Former School Official Dies at Lattimore. Buried There Monday.

Mr. Robert L. Harrill, one of the leading citizens of Lattimore died at his home there Sunday afternoon about 6:30 o'clock following an illness of two weeks with cancer of the stomach. Mr. Harrill was sixty-odd years of age and one of Lattimore's most prominent citizens. He was a deacon of the Lattimore Baptist church and a member of the school board until he asked to be relieved a year or more ago.

Mr. Harrill was married to Miss Julia McSwain who survives with the following children: John Harrill, Mrs. R. L. Hunt, Mrs. John S. Blanton, Mrs. William Davis, Lera Harrill, Dr. Charlie Harrill of Lincolnton, Col. Harrill, assistant cashier of the Lattimore branch of the Union Trust company, and Howard Harrill. One brother, W. C. Harrill of Lattimore and one sister, Mrs. John B. Hamrick of the Beaver Dam community also survive.

The funeral was conducted at Lattimore Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock and the interment was at the Baptist church cemetery amid a large crowd of friends, the funeral services being conducted by Revs. D. G. Washburn, A. C. Irvin and I. D. Harrill.

Mr. Tom Roberts spent the week end in Charlotte with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Baucom.

Mr. Hudson Hartgrove has returned from a two weeks vacation.

RANKIN PRESENTS TROPHY TO SCHOOL

Shelby High School Baseball Club Receives Cup as Result of Its Championship. Gardner Speaks.

E. R. Rankin, secretary of the State High School Athletic association came to Shelby Thursday and presented in person the handsome trophy cup to the Shelby High school baseball team which has equalled the state record and won the championship two years in succession. The scene of the presentation ceremony was at the Kiwanis club meeting at Cleveland Springs with the members of the championship baseball team present to receive each a gold miniature baseball, a souvenir from the Kiwanis club members, which they will wear as a watch charm.

Coach Casey Morris who piloted the locals to victory in the face of the greatest obstacles could not be present at the ceremony for he was playing with the Kanapolis team on that day against Fayetteville for the independent championship of North Carolina. But Coach Morris came in for due praise, having taken raw boys, most of them untrained in athletics, and whipped them into victors. It startled baseball fans throughout the state.

Broadus Newman, manager of the team received the trophy and a round of hand clapping greeted him and his team-mates as they stood in a row before Mr. Rankin, the Landis of high school athletics.

Lessons for Life's Game.

Max Gardner presented the miniature baseball but before he did so, he delivered a stirring address in which he upheld the athlete and the benefits and lessons he receives for playing the game of life. In the first place, the athlete learns that to be successful he must be clean inside and out and that his mind and body can not be active and alert after living unclean lives and dissipating their strength. An athlete who plays the game fairly and squarely will not spike his opponent in the game on the athletic field or in the game of life. He must not resort to underhanded methods, he must not skip bases or dodge his duties or the rules of the game of life as well as the athletic games. He learns the lesson in baseball that he cannot play for his own glory and to himself alone, but he must play with his team-mates, assist them in their efforts and always co-operate with each other to the fullest extent, subjecting himself at all times to the commands of his leader, the coach on the sideline who is studying and directing the game from every angle.

The following players each received a miniature gold baseball as a token of the appreciation of the town, the school and Kiwanis club and the public generally in their wonderful victory:

Clyde Wilson, Roy Self, Charles Magness, Fred Bean, George Dedmon, Max Dixon, James Grice, Max Conner, Jack Hoyle, Melvin Peeler, Ed Harris, John Sparks, Johnnie Washburn, Broadus Newman.

TEACHERS TO HAVE EXTENSION COURSE

Newton Urges That All County Teachers Meet at Auditorium Here Saturday Morning.

A meeting of all the teachers in the rural schools of Cleveland county is called for Saturday morning at Central school auditorium here by J. C. Newton, county superintendent. This meeting is very important, according to Mr. Newton, and he urges that every teacher be present if possible. The meeting will last only about one hour and opens at 10:30 o'clock.

University Extension.

An arrangement has been made whereby the University extension course will be given all teachers who desire to take the work. This work taken in the extension course will count towards renewing and raising certificates, and also towards degree work. One full summer school will be given during the course of the year through the work. The classes, taught by Dr. Mosher, of the University of North Carolina, will be held each Saturday morning, beginning October 1. All teachers present will have the opportunity of enrolling in these classes Saturday morning.

These courses, if a sufficient number of teachers enroll, will take the place of the regular county teachers' meetings.