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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.

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TWINKLES.

"A woman is only a woman," said Kipling, but that was before they could register to vote.

It's hard nowadays to tell whether an actor is expressing "quaking fear," or doing the Charleston.

Shelby should welcome the Clean-up Day. Strangers must think of windy days that we have a scrap paper factory here.

If Babe Ruth can come back so strong who knows what the Democratic party may do nationally at the next election?

All the luck in the world to the big graduating class at Shelby High this week. May they turn out to be most anything besides newspaper folks.

Twenty-five homes under construction, a Legion club house and a golf club house in the offing—Shelby bids fair to build up all the vacant spots in the section.

As our opinion if the Supreme court rules anything like Judges Webb and Shaw, and public opinion and editorial writers, then Newton will have Highway 10 right through her heart.

The Campaign for Christ in the big revival tent should prove far-reaching in Shelby. There will be those who will go to a tent that would never visit a church. Believe it or not, it's so.

Another Charlotte officer has made a blunder. Meaning the one who said that boys do not play hooky any more. For is, the youngsters are so modern about it that an old-timer seldom catches on.

After this week and don't forget it, the majority of some 30 Cleveland county candidates, will sing "Show me the Way to Home." And about half of the 30 who just know they have the primary "sewed up" will find that it was only a mirage blotted out by crosses on a piece of paper.

A. HARDIN, COUNTY AGENT. The Star is interested in the work—and especially in his attitude toward his work—of A. Hardin, newly appointed county agent.

Mr. Hardin is giving thought to his job, and is thoroughly in

earnest in what he is doing. And for a man to be sincere and earnest is a pretty substantial guarantee of success.

Hardin took charge of the beautification of the court square, and has made a beauty spot of it. And he is not yet through. He knew the nature of the elements with which he is dealing.

He says he intends to bring the park into even a higher state of perfection. And he has done what he has done and is planning to do more, in spite of a few rather discouraging circumstances.

Hardin talked openly in discussions with The Star, his interviews appearing in these columns, about the needs of Cleveland county agriculturally. Many did not agree with him. Some said he had overshot the mark. He was rather severely criticized in some quarters for his utterances.

But the fact must be borne in mind that the man said what he did say, took the attitude he took, because he believed he was acting for the best interests of the local farmers. He had their interest at heart. And when a man has your interest at heart, criticism of him should be sparing and very measured.

Hardin will make good here, given time. He has backbone, sincerity and untiring industry. This newspaper feels very much encouraged over the spirit he has shown since he came here, arguing even a better day for Cleveland county agriculturally.

SHELBY'S FUTURE.

Happenings about Shelby and Cleveland county during the past month speak well for the future of Shelby.

The happenings spoken of are the graduating classes going forth this spring from the schools of Shelby and the surrounding county.

Modern progress is much a matter of brains and preparation.

Cleveland county is an outstanding county not because the farm soil here is richer than any other, but because brains were used by the men who till the soil—minds trained for modern progress, ready to discard antique farm methods for late, progressive measures.

Shelby has grown more rapidly than any town in North Carolina during the past five years not because of any miracle, or single attraction, but because business leaders have kept step with progress.

A community where education is a stranger can hardly hope for a magnificent future.

New do you get us.

This week near one hundred graduates will go out from the high schools of Shelby, many to seek a college education, others to buckle down and turn their training into personal advancement and community progress. That's a record class for Shelby, but Shelby is growing and training men and women will be more demanded in the years to come. The fellows in charge now, the leaders—they cannot go on forever. Some day their shoes must be filled. If progress is to continue the shoes must be filled completely.

And out over the county more farm boys and girls completed high school training this year than ever before. Their jobs are ahead. They have started right the training to fill those places ahead.

Seeing the number and ability of the boys and girls making up

these various graduating classes is indication enough that the section will continue to progress.

And the cycle will keep turning. Benefiting from proper training these graduates in turn during the years to come will broaden the training of their children.

Such is the backbone of progress.

FOR THE CHILDREN.

At the banquet given to Shelby real estate men last week at Cleveland Springs Mr. A. P. Marshall urged every realty man to inform Shelby parents to send their children to Cleveland Springs every day during the summer, where they would be entertained, exercised and protected. And therein Mr. Marshall offers a tin to Shelby in general.

While homes are being built, factories erected—and Shelby grows the children should not be neglected. They are more important than all the others; they mean more to Shelby's future, and greater care should be taken in their building. Shelby has no municipal parks where children may play and be properly supervised while parents are busy. Ever long such parks safely supervised will become a necessity.

For the summer, though, it seems as if the children will be taken care of. Playgrounds are being built at Cleveland Springs and added to tennis, bathing pool and other attractions the youngsters of the town will find entertainment galore through the courtesy of the resort developer. Added to the invitation is the more inviting information to children—every child and his, or her play will be under the direction of Dick Gurley, Lenoir-Rhyne coach and former Shelby athletic director, who during three years past had much to do with building clean bodies and clean minds for Shelby's youth. His duties this summer will be entirely confined to supervising and taking care of the children who will play without cost. There in Mr. Marshall adds another asset to Shelby that should find a welcome.

The need of a children's program in any growing town is evident, and about which the Hendersonville News says:

There are, in our midst, men and women who lament the customs and manners of our young people, and with some degree of apprehension, wonder what the race is coming to. The openness with which modern youth frankly indulges in age old propensities assists in the creation of the idea that the sheiks and fappers of filandom, and their habits are the vogue in the community.

We are not here to argue the cause of youth or to persuade sincere men and women that what they believe is untrue. Rather let us look to the future and imagine how the next crop of children will turn out. Let us ask ourselves seriously, the question: "What do the adults do in behalf of the growing children?" The answer, with rarely an exception is simple, and simply "nothing". Adult citizens, preoccupied with business affairs do not, as a rule, give any of their time and money to children other than their own. Few of us look upon our youth as the wards of society. We dismiss them from mind and provide nothing for their proper, wholesome development, excepting in the matter of schools and churches.

In our plans to make Hendersonville bigger and better we have no program for children. They are left to their own devices for amusement, and lacking proper recreation, they sometimes do what adults disapprove. However, before justly condemning the young people, we should give them the attention they deserve.

Mt. Holly Farmer Dies Under Tractor

Mount Holly, May 24.—Charles Hoover, 45, of Mimsville, well-known farmer, was almost instantly killed this morning at 11 o'clock when a tractor turned over on him while he was

at work in a field. The machine turned over just after he had crossed a ditch and had started up an embankment.

Mr. Hoover was a substantial mail carrier of Gaston county. His wife died several years ago. He is survived by three children.

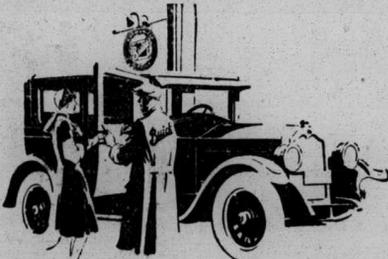
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