

Around Our Town - SHELBY SIDELIGHTS - By Renn Drum.

City officials deserve congratulations for the purchase of a new fire truck, according to general reports heard on the streets. Shelby hasn't had any serious fires in several years, and has often been termed lucky for not having. But luck, if there be such a thing, is more like the worm that turns than the worm itself. Some day—pessimism not included—Shelby is going to have a fire by the law of averages and not until then will the citizens really feel grateful for the new truck—except they'll wish it were two new trucks. Years ago Statesville, a town somewhat larger than Shelby, was about as poorly equipped as Shelby as a fire department goes. And then one day a costly portion of the town burned up. The lesson that fire taught was well received. Today, Statesville has one of the best equipped fire departments in the state, and a volunteer fire fighting force that holds several world records made in state fire tournaments. Which means that a fire there now would be fought on a basis that would give the owners of beautiful homes an equal chance. Up at Hickory, as the colyum estimates, is the best equipped fire department for a small city in America. Hickory does not hold the tournament records of the Statesville department because Hickory hasn't been entering the tournaments so long as Statesville, but in recent years that fire department has garnered several honors at the annual fire races. Herman Eskridge and a local team of volunteers are now practicing regularly to represent Shelby in the next tournament. They'll not likely win first honors the first year—winning chemical and hose races at a state tournament like other things demands practice and experience as well as nerve and ability. The team that represents Statesville, and hold world honors for water and chemical time, has changed very little in seven or eight years and members of the team

have their bit down like machines. But with a new truck and a team that knows how to handle itself Shelby will be considerably safer in a month or so than ever before. For which, we say, the city deserves to be congratulated and fire insurance agents should assist in the congratulating.

When the sun beams down without mercy and not a rain cloud in sight, business is dull. Even news.

And for proof, Easing over to Ebeltoft's, which is as well known in Shelby as Eibert Hubbard was in East Aurora, the colyum encountered another specimen of the newspaper game—the only redheaded member of The Star staff—whereupon the unsuccessful attempt was made to extract some news of any variety from the bookstore sage, who was busily engaged in reading "What comes down my creek" as signed up by Harry Stillwell.

Finally the suggestion was made that in order to get a good story that Mr. Ebeltoft take his shotgun and shoot down the first half dozen folks to pass along the street. After a bit of meditation the sage gave his answer: "There's only one objection. Business is so dull that I can't afford to buy the ammunition." (The story, understand, serves two purposes: One to show the ever-present wit of the character at Ebeltoft's, and the other to fill space in this colyum.)

Horace Grigg, the new county superintendent of schools, has more reason nowadays than ever before to believe that he made a good move in accepting the offer of the board of education.

It's this way: the office of the county superintendent on the second floor of the court house, up where the breeze blows amid the tree tops, is the coolest spot in Shelby—which is a good move for anyone to make in weather as of recent weeks.

Although the 80 high school graduates didn't ask us we'd like to pass along to them the N. Y. Commercial's idea of the Ladder of Success:

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70%—I think I can.
60%—I might.
50%—I think I might.
40%—What is it?

30%—I wish I could.
20%—I don't know how.
10%—I can't.
0%—I won't.

The colyum recommends it from hearsay, never having been to the top rung of the blooming climb. "Politics came to the forefront again Saturday in Cleveland county," is the opening sentence of the Star's primary report. "Again"? Some of us on the outside had the impression that politics is always up and dressed at the head of the procession in Ben Cleveland's county.—Statesville Daily.

And in that paragraph the Statesville writer summed up the general opinion of Cleveland county and politics. Wherewith the colyum would despoil outside opinions in a ruthless manner.

Several years ago this colyum migrated to Shelby for the first time and knew little of Shelby other than that it was the home of Clyde Hoey, Max Gardner and other statesmen. And the colyum like unto other strangers had the settled opinion that there was a big room somewhere in Shelby where all these fellows—if they'll pardon the name—gathered together and outlined political policies and future campaigns. Fact is, the colyum even dreamed of getting out team after team of political correspondence to the state papers about the doings and comment of Gardner, Hoey and the others on things political.

Imagine the disappointment and chagrin to learn that Gardner was

more interested in farming and building Shelby than in talking of politics, and that Hoey devoted his time to winning his law cases, being a friend to everybody and teaching his Bible class instead of seeking out a residence in Washington to occupy when Senator Overman decided "Salisbury was the Place" and moved back home. It was the ruination of a dream.

And now we would tear to shreds the imagination of other outsiders who feel sure that at primary time Shelby is athrob with political plans and the like.

Take the recent primary for example, Hoey and Gardner were seen and heard as much in the events as were two ordinary business men and citizens. Having been an outsider once it is easy to understand how an outsider believes that they spend a goodly portion of their eight hours—and plenty more—days "politicking." In all frankness as far as this colyum can discern, and it is back in poking a nose where it doesn't belong, Hoey has never mentioned the United States Senate and instead seems to have the ambition, which is about realized, of having the biggest men's Bible class in North Carolina. And likewise Max Gardner is to all intents more interested in getting a good stand of cotton out to "Morperacre" than in that Chippendale chair in which Angus Wilton McLean parks. Friends of the Outside, it's a funny come-off, but it's that way.

Like the Statesville writer says "Cleveland may be always dressed up at the head of the political procession," but, politically speaking, it is lower by an political not degree than the office of Jim Hartness, over in Ireuell, or a dozen other places in the state. And from a news standpoint it's twice as hard here to get a political story out of the leaders as it is to put the ear to the ground and hear one in Raleigh or Washington. The "junior state capital" at Shelby is thus, and otherwise is not.

All of which is the more disconcerting to this department after hearing from "Red" Powell in Washington that Hoey may be in the free-for-all race for the United States Senate in 1932. The colyum never has been a political booster, and now some eight years ahead comes the idea that it would like to do some boosting just on knowing a man. And therein comes the disappointment. This colyum isn't read anywhere except in Cleveland county—and very little here—and all the colyum could say for Clyde Hoey as a prospective successor to Overman would be useless.—For, as we remember it, the county in its entirety, cotton, boll weevil and Republican, cast only two or three votes against Hoey when he ran for Congress. And since that those three have been reformed by a real gentlemanly manner, or have died, or gone to the Federal Inn at Atlanta.

SMITH IS CANDIDATE AGAIN, SAYS TIMES New York.—Despite his frequent assertions that he did not wish to run again Governor Smith will be a candidate for re-election is the belief of Democratic leaders, the New York Times said Tuesday. At the wedding of the Governor's daughter at Albany Saturday, Democratic leaders virtually were unanimous in feeling that the situation was such that the Governor would have to run again, the paper said. Every Democratic leader expressed complete confidence that the Governor would have to run again. Every Democratic leader expressed complete confidence that the Governor would be re-elected if he ran. The State organization of the Republicans is basing its entire plan of campaign on the expectation that Smith will be re-nominated, the paper said, and are preparing to attack his policies in a State-wide campaign two months before the conventions of both parties nominate their tickets.

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