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STREET WORK BEGINS HERE JULY FIRST

Construction Work On \$125,000 Worth Of Asphalt and Concrete Streets Begins July 1st.

Ely Construction Co. and Zeb B. Weathers and sons will begin construction work on the \$125,000 street improvement project on July 1st in accordance with their contract which specifies that actual work must commence within 15 days after the letting of the contract June 16th. The Ely company with headquarters at Wilmington, was the low bidder for the asphalt streets while Z. B. Weathers and sons received the contract for the concrete alley-ways and both have given bonds for the faithful performance of contracts. The Ely Co., as has been previously noted, put down the first asphalt streets Shelby ever had when the hard surface was placed around the business section.

Asphalt streets will include the extension on S. LaFayette through South Shelby, the extension of West Graham, the widening of E. Marion or No. 20 highway six feet on each side to Lineberger street, Lineberger street from No. 20 highway to the new Eastside graded school building now under construction. South Shelby citizens have petitioned for a forty foot street through that section but the width has not been determined by the city council. S. LaFayette street is 32 feet wide at the old corporate limits and in all probability the extension will not be any narrower than this. Ely Construction Co., does all of the asphalt work.

Weathers and sons were low bidders on the concrete alley-ways when include both alleys on each side of the Baptist church extending from N. LaFayette street to N. Washington street. An effort is being made to pave the alley between the Star office and R. E. Campbell's Courtview hotel property to Lackey's Buick garage, but this has not been approved as yet. The alley between Judge Webb's building and the Paragon will be paved to Graham street also the alley at the Royster building on S. LaFayette street to S. Washington street.

Election Board Asks Early Return of Vote

All tickets have been sent out to the respective registrars together with a letter of instructions in accordance with the request of the state board of elections, asking that the ballot boxes be sealed in order that a recount could be made, should same be demanded. It was also requested that no tickets be distributed by the registrars and judges until the day of the second primary, July 3rd, except for the necessary absentee voters.

County Chairman, Bynum E. Weathery, advises that an emergency supply sufficient to meet the demands of the various precincts is being kept on hand, and wishes to inform each registrar that if he finds there is an insufficient supply in his package to promptly notify the board and a new supply will be immediately dispatched. If, on the day of the primary, it is discovered that the supply is running low communicate with the chairman at the court house.

It is hoped that each registrar will comply with the instructions in regard to making returns. The county board hopes to be able to fully tabulate the votes on Monday following the election, which will be first Monday, July 5th, and to that end requests each registrar or judge to bring the official returns to the court house by 10 o'clock a. m. so the canvassing board will be able to go about the task without any delay or inconvenience.

Anyone desiring to procure tickets for the purpose of mailing to absentee friends who would be interested in voting in this second primary are requested to see Chairman Bynum Weathers or Secretary J. F. Harris at once as they are now in position to furnish ballots for that purpose.

Tom Dixon Explains Wildacres Matter

Thomas Dixon, who is back of the Wildacres development, stated in an interview with Mr. Bennett, Shelby lawyer, Thursday, that all claims due against his branch office in the city would be paid by him personally. Mr. Dixon further said that Wilber had been under his direct supervision, that these and other obligations were the result of sales management, and that the entire force had been reorganized as a result of the affair. He plans the reorganization of Wildacres on an entirely different scale, and expresses himself as regretful of the occurrence.

One of America's Great Trees



—NEA, Chicago Bureau
This giant sycamore near Worthington, Ind., is the largest tree in Indiana and one of the largest in America. It is almost 45 feet in circumference at the base, and its topmost branches are approximately 125 feet from the ground. How old the tree is a matter of conjecture.

Wake Forest Alumni Here Contribute to Their School

Thirty Gather Around Festive Board, Building Law Library and Endorsing Bible Chair.

An effort is being made to raise \$2,000 from the alumni of Wake Forest college in Cleveland county to help build an addition to the library at this large Baptist institution to provide space for the law library and more recitation rooms for Prof. N. Y. Guley's law classes. This movement was launched at Cleveland Springs hotel Thursday night with 30 alumni gathered around the festive board and listened attentively to an appeal made by Arch McMillan, alumni secretary and Dr. Bagby, college pastor, both of whom declared that the present facilities are inadequate with 42 teachers and instructors trying to teach the boys in 17 class rooms. Dr. Guley says ample books are available from the 1,100 law students who have passed the state board from his law school, acknowledged to be one of the best law schools in the South, but books are piled in the middle of the floors and more space is absolutely necessary. In addition to providing for the law school a part of the \$84,000 which Mr. McMillan and Dr. Potat are trying to raise from the alumni, will be used to endow the chair of Greek which Dr. W. B. Royce has been teaching consecutively and without interruption for over 60 years—a record unheard of in the annals of education.

Talk Over By-gone Days.
Dr. Potat who was scheduled to speak at the alumni gathering had to fill an appointment at Winston-Salem, consequently he did not appear at the meeting but the alumni were enthusiastic about the alma mater and readily subscribed about \$500 toward the goal set, Rush Hamrick, J. C. Newton and John P. Mull were appointed a committee of three to select alumni and present the urgent appeal with a view of securing the remainder of the amount.

O. M. Mull who presided, displayed one of the first sweaters that was awarded an athlete 25 years ago. He regards it as a priceless relic of his college days and when he held it up before the 30 alumni, the boys cheered like they did in the days of victory on the fields of contest. George Blanton, E. Y. Webb and E. B. Lattimore, who were members of that famous football team which won Southern honors, recalled those days of victory, while Clyde Jones, member of the victorious team of last year emphasized the importance of athletics. Judge E. Y. Webb who has been for 30 years, pointed out the wonderful work the college is doing in spite of limited facilities and called attention to the law school, medical school and athletic life which have brought such fame to the institution. Wake Forest men are now holding high positions of trust and honor in this and other states which is evidence of the fine work that is being done under limited equipment.

O. M. Mull was elected president, B. T. Falls vice president and Mex Washburn secretary-treasurer of the alumni association which will be a permanent organization and hold annual meetings, according to the suggestion of Attorney C. B. McBrayer.

JULIUS DELLINGER RETURNS TO STATE

Writes Letter To Star From Denver Telling of Northern Trip Coming To Shelby On Visit

A member of The Star staff has received a letter from Charlie Ross, whom Julius Dellinger, of Denver, has generally come to be called, telling of his arrival home in the North Carolina town, and of his plans for the future.

Ross is planning a trip to Shelby, as the city that gave him the start on his course toward world renown, but he says he will wait until such time as Mrs. Gibson (Mr. Gaffney's sister) arrives here, so that he may have a visit with her.

Mrs. Gibson knew Dellinger or Ross back in the old days. It was she who it was thought had the picture of young Ross taken about the time he was at Gaffney, which would, could it have been secured, cinched the matter of the Ross identity.

Ross said nothing in his letter about the New York World offer of twenty-five thousand dollars for the story of his life, but he did mention that he plans to put out such a work. And he says further that he is going north again at an early date.

Meantime, his trip has confirmed him in the belief that he is the lost Charlie Ross, having been accepted in New York and Philadelphia as the lost lad.

Note—William Lineberger, back in Shelby Wednesday from a two weeks visit in Philadelphia and New York, states that he heard a great deal of comment while in the big town about the Ross affair, many expressing the belief that Charlie Ross had at last been found.

New Faces Appear In The Star Office

New faces have appeared in The Star office. The faces are more discernible and appreciated by members of the fourth estate who carefully scrutinize every type face that is used in the newspapers. Readers do not notice type faces as much as printers and publishers. The reader class only "takes in" the general appearance of a newspaper, but the general appearance is made up by the careful selection of different faces of type which tell the story in print. The Star has just received an array of new type faces which will materially add to the dress of the advertisements, giving snap and variety to this important part of the paper which is a sort of shopping guide to the 20,000 who scan these pages every other day. The Star is always anxious to keep abreast of the times and its policy is to improve the paper in style, make-up and appearance when the treasury will permit.

Gala Meet At Resort Today

Business Men From Half Dozen Towns of Section Enjoying Half Day Play at Springs.

An early outlook at Cleveland Springs today speaks for the success of the big gathering there of the business men of the section for a half day vacation and community event. The meeting is the result of an idea forwarded by Gastonia and Shelby newspapers for the mingling together of the leading business men of the western piedmont section, attendance being restricted to luncheon club and chamber of commerce members and their families.

The afternoon is being spent in various forms of play at the Shelby resort, consisting of golf and tennis tournaments, horseshoe pitching, swimming and diving.

Quite a number of golfers were listed for the golf tournament with several teams on hand for the tennis games, while Dick Gurley, Cleveland Springs play director has arranged numerous attractive water events.

The crowd is expected to increase in size considerably late in the afternoon and evening as other business men and their wives come in from neighboring towns for the evening program. With about 100 outsiders in attendance during the afternoon around 100 others are expected in for the evening's activities.

At the "dutch" banquet in the hotel this evening addresses will be made by Clarence Kuester, Charlotte chamber of commerce secretary, and Col. Wade Harris, editor of the Charlotte Observer, and also talks by club and commerce officials of the visiting towns with O. Max Gardner acting as toastmaster.

Visitors here came from Gastonia, Lincolnton, Kings Mountain, Clover, S. C., Rutherfordton, Forge City, Gaffney, S. C., and other towns. Around 150 Shelby business men and their wives will be among the evening gathering.

Thompson Starts Work On \$25,000 Building

C. A. Morrison and Son have been awarded the labor contract for the erection of the \$25,000 brick store building which Carl Thompson is having erected on West Warren street, adjacent his lumber plant and facing the Southern railway tracks. Mr. Thompson has been excavating for this building for several weeks, after the old wooden buildings occupied by the Shelby Grocery company was removed from the site. The building will be 90x120 feet, two stories high with a basement. Construction will be of brick. After the building is completed it will be partitioned off to suit the needs of the occupant. It will be ideally located and constructed for the use of a wholesale firm because the railroad track extends along one side and the street on another, facilitating shipping by truck or rail.

Material is now being placed on the ground and Morrison and Son expect to begin actual work on Monday of next week.

Star Advertising—It Pays, They Declare

Does STAR advertising pay? Ask Wray-Hudson. This firm inserted a page ad in the past Wednesday's issue of this newspaper, announcing a sale.

Thursday morning the store was packed. According to Mr. Hudson many could not be waited on. "We had one of the biggest days' business we ever had," said Mr. Hudson, "and I give credit for the result to Star advertising."

"It certainly pulled business for us. Our sales were more than double the figure we had put down as the maximum of our expectations." The crowds of Friday were almost equal those of Thursday.

Branton Goes With New Cleaning Plant

Announcement was made Friday that Worth Branton, for two years with the Whiteway Dry-cleaning company, had resigned from that firm and bought a half interest with J. C. Bowling, of the Shelby Dry-cleaning company.

Mr. Branton will move over bag and baggage to the Shelby company, in the Beam block, Monday. This young man is well and very favorably known in Shelby, and his friends are congratulating him upon his move of going into business as a proprietor.

SUMTER STREET IS NOW BEING WIDENED

Southern Railway Engineer Coming To Look Over Proposition Of New Bridge

A force of workmen are engaged in widening Sumter street from the overhead bridge to the rear of the high school building to the rear of Squire T. C. Eskridge residence, the street which was ordered opened several years ago under the J. T. Gardner administration. Sumter was widened from Morgan to the bridge a year or more ago, but the narrow bridge and lack of funds hindered further work. Some of the prettiest residential property in Shelby lies along this new street and the old buildings and barns will be removed. When Sumter is opened to the rear of the Eskridge home it will turn into W. Marion alongside the Eskridge residence. This will furnish a new drive to the cemetery and probably place on the market some of the most desirable close-in residential property. No petitions have been signed asking for street paving or sidewalks but this will no doubt follow later on.

Mayor Weathers was in conference a few days ago with a Southern railway representative in regard to a concrete bridge, supplanting the present wooden structure, and the railroad official expressed himself favorably to the permanent structure. He will send an engineer here at an early date to make another investigation of the request on the part of the city for a concrete bridge and if it meets with his approval, a concrete over-pass as wide as the street and sidewalks will no doubt be built.

Rains Help Realty And Other Business

Recent Showers Inject New Pep Into General Business of Section. Prospects Brighter

The recent rains have proved very stimulating to business in general in Shelby and over the section.

Local real estate agents say that sales and trades have picked up very briskly during the past week with the promise of better weeks ahead. And the same report comes from the stores and other business centers of the town.

A section that depends primarily on the cotton crop prospects were none too inviting during the drought and a slight wave of pessimism invaded the business world, checking to an extent real estate activity although not having much noticeable effect on general retail trade.

With the showers of the past week and the report from the office of the county agent that the cotton crop will likely turn out well in the county a change can be noted on the streets.

Numerous new residences are now under construction in the town and the years building program bids fair to hold up to par if not an improvement.

Presbytery Meeting At Shelby Church

The Presbytery of Kings Mountain will have a called meeting in the Shelby Presbyterian church Monday at 2:30 p. m. to receive two new ministers and arrange for their installations. One of these young men, G. C. Bowman, of Bessemer City, will be examined for licensure and ordination. The public is given a cordial welcome to all the activities of the church.

At the Presbyterian church Sunday there will be services appropriate to the season. No regular service is allowed to last more than one hour, and every minute of that hour is filled with helpful worship. The workers council of the Sunday school will convene at 9:30 a. m. The worship periods of the departments begin at 9:45 a. m. J. S. McKnight is the superintendent, and he is asking for a large attendance Sunday morning. At 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. the pastor, Rev. H. N. McDiarmid, will preach on timely topics. In the morning his subject will be "Danger of Hearing," and "Restored" will be the evening theme. The junior and senior Christian Endeavor will hold their meetings at 7 p. m.

Lefler to Build at Cleveland Springs

Alfred P. Marshall, director of sales of Cleveland Springs estates announces that a home site in the development was yesterday purchased by Mr. B. A. Lefler, sales manager of the Charles L. Eskridge garage.

Mr. Lefler, it is understood, will at an early date start the construction of an attractive home in the development.

Highest Honors



—NEA, New York Bureau
Ellen Elizabeth Benson, 12, was graduated from her preparatory school in New York City this year with the highest honors in her class. Her teachers believe she is the most amazing girl prodigy in the country, having a mental age of 19. She is to art in college next fall.

Another Suit In R. R. Crash

According to information from Charlotte the second damage suit resulting from a fatal grade crossing accident on the Dowd road on April 26 was started Wednesday in superior court when the estate of R. H. Sparrow filed a \$50,000 damage complaint against the Southern railway.

The suit followed a \$60,000 complaint filed last Saturday by the estate of J. V. Sparrow of Cleveland county who with his father, R. H. Sparrow, was killed when their Ford touring car was smashed to bits by a northbound Southern train eight miles from Charlotte.

Mrs. Mary Knight, as administrator for the estate of R. H. Sparrow, filed the complaint.

LINEBERGER HEADS CLEVELAND HOTEL

Vanstory Surrenders His Lease and Directors Get Lineberger to Operate the Hotel.

J. C. Vanstory of Goldsboro, manager of the Hotels Kennon and Gausboro, and lessee with his brother Henry Vanstory manager of the Cleveland Springs hotel who met a tragic death about six weeks ago, surrendered his lease on the Cleveland Springs hotel Tuesday of this week and the directors put J. D. Lineberger in charge to operate the institution for the stockholders. Mr. Lineberger has taken charge but has not leased the institution. His position there is simply that of representative of the directors of the Cleveland Springs company and the stockholders and he will continue in charge of affairs until some permanent arrangement is made.

There was a noticeable improvement in the dining room fare of the hotel when Mr. Lineberger took charge. He has had considerable experience in making menus, being one of the owners of the S. and W. chain of eating places in the Carolinas. It is understood that the directors will authorize Mr. Lineberger to carry on an advertising campaign for summer visitors. Outlook is very promising and there is already an appreciable increase in the number of guests with Cleveland Springs estates offering recreational facilities and making a strong bid for outsiders to come and enjoy the climate, cuisine, mineral waters and recreation at this noted old resort.

Miss Reinhardt Dies At Virginia Home

The remains of Miss Janie Reinhardt who died last week at Warren, Va., were brought to Cleveland county for interment last Thursday at Kades Methodist church, Belwood. Miss Reinhardt had been living in the Belwood community until 7 years ago when she moved to Virginia with Mr. and Mrs. John Webber with whom she had lived for nearly a half century. She was a woman of fine qualities and her death is learned with great sorrow to her many friends in the two states. She was "sick for awhile with meningitis and pleurisy which ultimately affected her heart, resulting in her sudden death. A large crowd of friends from Virginia accompanied the remains to Cleveland county and Revs. Charles Goode and John Greene conducted the funeral services.

POLITICS CENTER AMONG FARM FOLK

Second Primary Results Apparently Up To Vote of Farmers Judging From Working of Candidates

With Cleveland county's second primary only a week and one day in the offing, interest is at low ebb in Shelby, with little more being shown over the county.

However, it's the county vote that will decide things as appearances go. Anyway, that seems to be the belief of the two county candidates and the two outside candidates for Superior court solicitor.

In Shelby one hears considerably less talk of the second primary than was the case in the first—and interest was none to high before the first primary although a heavy vote was cast.

Shortly following the first primary the political dopesters surmised that the outcome of the second would be up to the farm vote. "Getting the farmers out for the second primary without a full ticket will be the big job," they said.

And apparently the remaining candidates accepted the prophecy as straight dope.

Messrs. A. M. Hamrick and George D. Washburn, the two county candidates for clerk of court, are not visibly giving Shelby a hard working, but reports eking in from the rural sections have it that they're letting none of the proverbial "grass grow under their feet" in the farm sections. Both have campaigned Shelby and Kings Mountain to an extent and apparently feel confident that their forces are properly lined up in the incorporated places, leaving full time work where it is expected to be a task to get out a heavy vote.

In that instance someone may be fooled. From general appearances and by the predictions of some only a light vote was looked for in the first primary, and nearly 6,000 people expressed their wishes that day by crossing a ballot. And, on the other hand, the greater number of voters may feel like that they got enough kick out of the initial ballot battle and a light vote may result. Either light or heavy, the two candidates for Clerk George Webb's office seem to believe that the farm vote will have much to do with their future.

Sam Ervin and Spurgeon Spurling, candidates for the solicitor, look at it from practically the same viewpoint, it seems. Both men have been recent visitors in Shelby, but not for any long stay. Their cars soon headed for the rural sections, and on various occasions have the trips been made out with friends in the county.

AFFLECK TO PLACE PROPERTY ON SALE

The Affleck holdings in and about Shelby will go on the realty sales market next week, it is announced by Mr. Phillip G. Affleck, of Washington, owner of the property.

Mr. Affleck, who is in Shelby to attend the business men's gathering at Cleveland Springs today, is having the final survey made of his valuable property adjoining the Cleveland Springs Estates. The Washington man, now a big Shelby booster, was very much interested in the luncheon club meeting today and announced some time back that he intended to be present.

On Highway 20 His first property to go on the market will be what is known as the Affleck Sub-division No. One, which is just east of the Cleveland Springs Estates on highway 20 and the Elizabeth road, lying between the estates and Cleveland Heights, the development of Gardner and Mull.

Mr. Affleck has had the property plotted and announced that by mid-week it should be in the hands of local real estate agents, who will handle the sales. He purchased the property in several separate deals and will unite it and block it for sale. This property, favorably situated, is considered the highest residential property on the Cleveland Springs road, or especially in that vicinity which has become a realty center.

Following the sale of the sub-division the Washington realtor plans to open a second one on the Lincolnton highway, disposing of a part of the Wilson lands purchased some months ago by him. Then, he says his lake just west of Cleveland Springs Estates towards Shelby, will be constructed and a lake residential section opened.

Having a very optimistic opinion of this section, Mr. Affleck expects homesites about Cleveland Springs to be more in demand by another year and still more as the outside world gradually learns of the climatic and living advantages of the section.