

Yesterday was the weekly auto day.

Once and anon a defendant in county court comes away complaining about the high cost of having one's self arrested and tried.

There'll be all kinds of chickens at the county fair this month. It's a foregone conclusion that there'll be hundreds of the type referred to as flappers nowadays.

Now they're estimating a cotton crop of 50,000 bales for Cleveland county. Keep up with the estimates in The Star and watch for the first information on the ginning reports.

Another article in The Star today says that a delegation of Gaston county farmers will visit this county during the week seeking information on modern farming methods.

The football eleven from the Gaffney school will during the season encounter two of Cleveland county's strongest gridiron teams in Boiling Springs and Shelby.

Lattimore, one of the most progressive communities in the county, will stage a big community fair this month and a peep at the premium list leaves the impression that it will be some event.

Corn Cracker writes down in his usual mood and grows sarcastic at the idea of Lincoln being born in this state.

Here's a tip: Don't take time off from work to do anything except to read The Star for Recorder Mull is suggesting in today's issue a workhouse for those who won't work.

Omey! Happy Jack will be back at the fair grounds on September 28th, and The Star will twinkle again on Wednesday.

Sheriff's Sister Died On Friday

Mrs. Ida Hogue, Native of County, Passed at Her Home In Newport, Arkansas.

Sheriff Huga Logan Friday received a telegram notifying him of the death of his sister, Mrs. Ida Hogue, death occurring at her home in Newport, Arkansas.

Mrs. Hogue, widow of John Hogue, left Cleveland county about 30 years ago, going with her sons to Arkansas where she has lived since. She was about 63 years of age and was well known to many of the older residents of the county.

Sheriff Logan on first receiving the message planned to attend the funeral, which was held there, but later decided that it would be impossible to make the trip.

Riviere In Charge Star's Jop Plant

Mr. Pink Riviere who has been operating the Commercial Printery in the Courtview hotel building, has accepted a position in The Star's job printing department, succeeding Mr. W. R. Adams who left last week for Clarksburg.

WORKHOUSE HERE URGED BY MULL; BOY REFORMATORY

Judge Mull Suggests Reformatory For Boys and Workhouse For Worthless Men

What to do with men, charged with non-support of their families, and boys who break the law without realizing the seriousness of crime is a puzzle to Recorder John P. Mull in his "daily grind" at the county house disposing of a great majority of the small cases before they are carried to the Superior court, involving a heavy expense to the county.

A work house for such men was suggested by Judge Mull at the Thursday night Kiwanis club meeting when he filled the program at the regular weekly meeting. Judge says he is in a predicament when he finds a man charged with non-support. If he is fined he can't pay. If he is put in jail, he is an expense to the county.

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Such seems to be the opinions of many of the county's leading farmers. At Austell's barber shop, where discussions from international statesmanship to turrip patches are disposed of, the McWhirters are positive that the crop will come nearer 50,000 bales than 40,000. Their estimates come from hearing many estimates by farmers visiting the shop.

A better idea as to prospects will come by another week when "fodder pulling time" is over and cotton picking starts in dead earnest. Meanwhile a record corn crop is to be disposed of.

Everett Houser On Shelby News Staff

Mr. Everett Houser, a well-trained and gifted young newspaper man, son of Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Houser, of Shelby, has accepted a position on the staff of the Cleveland News, owned by Mr. Milton Tiddy. He succeeded Miss Myrtle Jones this morning and will give his attention to editorial work.

2,148 CHILDREN IN SCHOOLS OF SHELBY ON FIRST SCHOOL WEEK

They washed his face, scrubbed his ears, patted him on the back and sent him to school this week—2,148 hims and hers.

The Shelby city school system dropped into its first full school week this morning with a registration of 2,148 students—a new opening record for the town.

Last year the opening registration was only 1,878, according to Supr. I. C. Griffin. The increase in students shown during the year is 270 with several score more of students expected to come in during this and next week as the rush season on the farm permits.

An idea as to the growth of Shelby and its school system, which ranks second in its group, may be gained from the following figures: Opening attendance in 1916 was 610; in 1926, 2,148. In other words, today's attendance was three and one half times that of 1916.

Today's enrollment by schools was as follows: Sumter, 206; Washington (estimated), 150; Jefferson, 213; Marion, 279; LaFayette, 257; Morgan, 367; High school, 376; colored school, 300.

Liquor And Whites Feed Judge Mull's Court Here

Leaves Her Teeth In Coat—Cleaner Finds Them There

And He Sent 'Em Back Right Away So Patron Wouldn't Lose a Meal

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CHAMBER HAS NEW COMMITTEES

At a meeting of the board of directors of the chamber of commerce held a few days ago Secretary J. C. Newton asked for the appointment of several committees which will assist him in the work of the club. Prospects are bright for satisfactory accomplishments by the club and the fall is opening up and business becomes more active.

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Recorder John P. Mull's "tear proof." That is, he is hard to make cry, for if tears come easily, he would be brought to tears over many cases that come before him in the Recorder's court. Judge John has a heart and sympathies with the erring and down fallen, but so often the mothers, brothers, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends of convicted offenders come to him after he has dispensed what his conscience tells him is justice.

Tried 2141 Cases

Two thousand one hundred and forty one cases have come before him in the 21 months he has been recorder. Practically all of the cases that are tried in the Superior Court have passed before this bar of justice.

10 Per Cent Not Guilty

In 21 months his court has collected in fines and costs \$28,118.18, an average of \$1,340 per month or \$44.60 per day. Ninety per cent of this sum goes into the school fund to educate the youth of the county.

Liquor Violation In Majority

But what have these 2141 people done? Judge Mull answers that question because his docket shows that 33 per cent or 727 violated some of the prohibition laws. Giving of worthless checks comes next. During his 21 months on the recorder's court bench 328 or 15 per cent have been charged with this growing crime which comes second to the number of liquor violators.

The majority of the violators before the recorder's court are white people. Judge Mull recalled the remarks of some tax payers made when the new court house was built. They declared then it would be foolish to spend so much money for a court in which to try negro criminals, but it seems that the records show that whites predominate over blacks as criminals in Cleveland county.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude H. Grose have as their guest this week, his brother, Mr. J. C. Grose of Forest City. Mr. Grose is a ministerial student at Duke university, where he will finish next year.

MORE BROOD SOWS FOR COUNTY URGE OF MAX GARDNER

Gardner Tells County Farmers How to Dispose of Their Surplus Corn Crop

Not so long since O. Max Gardner, Shelby's lawyer-farmer, gave Gaston county folks some pertinent tips on farms success and in the tips told of the success being made in Cleveland. His latest move is to show the farmers at home that Gaston leads in some things.

With the information comes a valuable suggestion to farmers of the county anent their big corn crop and more porkers. As head of the Cleveland county board of agriculture Mr. Gardner passes along the suggestion, which if followed here would undoubtedly add to the prosperity of the county.

"In my Gastonia speech I told of the agricultural superiorities of Cleveland, but did not tell in what respects Gaston surpasses us. One conspicuous superiority of Gaston over Cleveland is in brood sows. Gaston has three times as many hogs as we have—better hogs.

"The shortage of corn last year in this county resulted in the killing of many of our brood sows; we are woefully deficient in swine this year. My thought is that it would be fine, and I think profitable, if some of our livestock dealers would ship into Cleveland county three to five hundred shoats weighing from 50 to 100 pounds, to be sold to the farmers of the county. There is going to be an unusually large corn crop and every tenant will have some surplus crop. If every farmer would buy a shoat in October and feed it his surplus corn it would save hundreds of dollars next spring and summer on the meat bills alone.

"Corn will be very cheap this fall and I can think of nothing better than the fattening of 500 hogs this fall and winter. They tell me that Georgia is a better place right now in which to buy hogs than in Tennessee, and I believe shoats would sell fast on the market here now."

That Mr. Gardner make a wise suggestion in his statements seems to be the opinion of other members of the farm board and agricultural leaders of the county. Apparently it is now up to local livestock dealers to order the hogs and to the farmers to buy them and thus make money while solving their surplus corn problem.

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Will Meet Boiling Springs Squad In First Game. Shelby Game Comes Later On

Gaffney, S. C.—The Gaffney high school will open the football season this year with a game here September 24 with the Boiling Springs high school, of Boiling Springs, it has been announced. The following week Shelby, will be played at Shelby, and October 8 the North Greenville Academy, of Tigerville, will come to Gaffney to meet the locals here.

Boiling Springs will be a new opponent for Gaffney, the two eleven's never having met before. The information here is that Boiling Springs has good prospects for a strong team. Shelby and North Greenville have been regular opponents for the locals for the past several years.

Order Restrains Youth From Living With Wife

Unique Court Order To Keep Couples From Living Together During Annulment Proceedings

Association Date To Be Changed To September 5 And 6

The Kings Mountain Baptist association will in all probability change the date of its annual meeting this year from September 29th and 30th to October 3rd and 6th, in accordance with the wishes of the executive committee and the majority of the member churches. The executive committee in meeting on Thursday at the Baptist picnic and thanksgiving service asked the First Baptist church of Kings Mountain, the entertaining church this year, if a change in the date would be agreeable to that church and Rev. C. J. Black, pastor, when asked over the telephone this morning what action had been taken, stated that at a recent meeting of his deacons, they consented to entertain the delegates of the association in the event the date was changed by the executive committee.

Thus ends a subject which has been under consideration several weeks, the change being suggested because of conflict with the Cleveland county fair which meets Sept. 28th and runs for 5 days, many of the farmers who will naturally be delegates to the association, having exhibits and official duties at the county fair exhibits.

EPWORTH LEAGUE IN MEETING HERE

Three Hundred Members From All Over Shelby District At Central Church

Approximately 300 Epworth leaguers coming from all sections of the Shelby district attended a union meeting of the district league at Central Methodist church here Friday night. The session was considered one of the most successful ever held in the district and the result was that Shelby was again selected for the next meeting place. Three towns made a bid for the meeting to be held Friday, December 10, and the vote of the meeting was to return to Shelby.

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Newton filed a restraining order to keep the State highway commission from building a highway and the town of Shelby had a restraining order served while building a street, but a new type of restraining order has been introduced in the courts here.

A deputy sheriff left the court house Saturday with a restraining order and journeyed to No. 2 township where the order signed by Judge James L. Webb was to prevent a young married couple from living together as man and wife.

The order came after one week of matrimonial happiness, the young couple having been married one week ago Saturday in South Carolina.

The age of the child- bride and alleged physical defects of the young husband furnished the motive power for the matrimonial restraining order.

Just a week ago, Letha Clary, aged 14, and Alfred Blanton, a few years older, journeyed to South Carolina, where getting married isn't such a problem, and were married according to regulation of that state. They returned to this state and began living as do other husbands and wives, or so says the complaint of Mrs. Mary Clary, mother of the bride, who alleges that the girl is too young to be a wife and that they were married without her consent and against her will.

Has Legal Question In addition to being unique by keeping a man and his wife apart, the action being taken may involve a legal point between two states and methods of matrimony.

The first step was to institute the annulment proceedings. This being done the mother wanted to get her daughter back home until the matter was decided. Then came the complaint and the subsequent restraining order, the merits of which were shown the Superior court jurist by Capt. McSwain and was signed by him. In addition to ordering the boy not to live with the girl as man and wife until after the matter is adjusted in court, the order further says that he shall not interfere with her, or her mother, while she is in the custody of the mother.

Those acquainted with the case have already broached a question in discussing the matter. If they were legally married in South Carolina how can the marriage be annulled? The complaint in the annulment papers apparently contains a clause or so anticipating the question: One allegation is that the girl is too young to be married. Another that she was married without the mother's consent, and a third, that her husband owing to physical defects could not have obtained marriage license in this state. And for the matter of playing safe still another cause is added, in tending to show a violation of a North Carolina law. This charges that the trip to South Carolina was for no other purpose than to violate a North Carolina law, which would not permit their marriage in this state. Therein may come the interstate law and its complications.

In its unique rating many new legal angles may develop should the case continue in the courts without compromise. Some of the many other questions asked are: They were legally married in South Carolina, so if they moved back there and lived would it be possible to annul the ceremony? Can the trip to South Carolina for the purpose of marriage be interpreted as an intended violation of any North Carolina laws? Can the state of North Carolina annul a marriage made in the state of South Carolina? A state where once married one remains married insofar as that state dissolves matrimonial bonds?

Unusual in practically every angle—no angle being more unusual than that of restraining a man from living with his wife—the case will naturally attract wide interest over the two states. As it is, by the restraining order, the young man has a wife but is not to live with her until after the October term of court here, and perhaps not then, all of which is up to the court to decide.

Blissfully married for one week, then separated by a court order. Such is life. P. S. For some folks, at least.

DOLLING UP HOGS FOR EXHIBITION AT COUNTY FAIR

Expect Biggest Hog Show Yet At Fair This Fall. Joe Blanton In Charge of Show

Tons and tons of hogs will be shown at this year's Cleveland county fair, Shelby, September 28 to October 2, announces Secretary Dr. J. S. Dorton.

Special efforts are being made by the management to interest every farmer in this locality in entering one or more animals in the show. To stimulate interest in the show, liberal classifications have been worked out, and the breeds recognized in the premium list include Poland Chinas, Hampshire, Duroc Jerseys and Berkshires.

Cash prizes and ribbons will be awarded to the owners of winning hogs. Director Joe Blanton, who is handling the details of the swine show, is trying to interest every breeder in this section to enter his best animals. He is making plans for an extraordinary show.

Show hogs must be clean to get much consideration from the judges this year. Warm water and tar soap, applied with a scrubbing brush to free the skin from scales and dirt, will win many a blue ribbon this year. A dry brush rubbed vigorously over the entire body after it has become dry is advocated to stimulate the flow of oil and make the skin smooth and pliable.

White pigs are often rubbed down with sweet oil and vaseline to soften up the skin. Black pigs are not only rubbed down in the same way but often given liberal massages with lamplack to add shiny blackness and lustre to the hog, for most judges are opposed to the too liberal use of "cosmetics" preparing an animal for the ring.

Entries for the hog show will be received until September 27.

Gaston Farmers Coming Here On Inspection Tour

Delegation Will Be Escorted Over County By Agent Hardin and Farm Leaders

Gastonia, Sept. 13.—A delegation of Gaston county farmer and business men will go to Cleveland county next Wednesday, Sept. 15th to study conditions in the county according to information given out by County agent Al. Man. Special attention will be given to the cold storage proposition mentioned by Mr. Gardner in his recent address here, and also to crop conditions in Cleveland county.

Mr. Altman requests all who wish to go, to be at the courthouse at 8:30 o'clock next Wednesday morning. He says enough have signified their intention of going to guarantee the trip. The county agent in Cleveland county and Mr. Gardner have been notified, and they are expecting the delegation and will be prepared for a good crowd. It is earnestly requested that as many farmers and business men as can get away try to make this trip, for there is much of value, to be learned from an inspection of crops and farming conditions in Cleveland county.

Auction Sales Is Called A Success

The auction sale of the M. H. Hopper place, in the Cleveland Springs district Friday went over with a whoop, reviving interest in real estate transactions in the section.

The tract embraced ninety-three acres, and was completely disposed of, the property bringing, according to figures supplied by J. B. Nolan company, selling agents, approximately fourteen thousand dollars.

The contracts were all confirmed, three sales, which were confirmed on the grounds, being settled up later in Shelby. The Nolan company announced that its sale was in every way satisfactory to the company, as selling agents, and to the owner, M. Hopper.

The following purchasers of the property were listed: E. L. Loveman, J. L. Thomasson, J. G. Blanton, J. W. Allen, C. E. C. Lemo and T. E. Wilson. The winner of the Ford car which was given away, was Mr. Ponder, of Shelby.