

The fair is on with three more big days to go. The midways look like the theatre district of Broadway at 11 o'clock at night—except there's more dust and more noise on the midway. Keep abreast with the fair through The Star.

In the midst of such activity do not forget that the Shelby Highs play Gaffney here Friday in Shelby's first home game of the season. It should be a corker.

George Smyrniotis, says an item today, knows politics well enough to become a citizen of the United States. At least Federal court thought so.

"Mountain people will fight and make liquor, but they will not swear a lie," that's the tribute paid to the South Mountain folks by Judge Yates Webb, according to a Star reporter.

"Harmonica Mike" a Shelby boy who has roamed the world, has been back on a visit, according to an article in this issue.

A cat has nine lives, man has two arms, and the cat stands sell three baseballs. A county youth bought the balls, started throwing at the cats and broke his arm in two places yesterday, says a news item.

The big political power of North Carolina does not live in Washington. An editorial in today's Star says that the shrewdest politician in this state is an unobtrusive clerk of court in Iredell county who has held the same office for 28 years.

A Shelby citizen is in the hospital suffering from a wound inflicted by an unknown rifle shot. Details of the shooting, so far as known, are in this paper.

Auto wrecks, fair injuries, operations—all the late events of the section in The Star today.

Those who started reading Bruce Barton's "The Man Nobody Knows" in the last Star are enthusiastic over the wonderful presentation of Christ, the man nobody really knows. If you haven't started reading it, do so today. America's learned minds, clergy and scientific, say it's the greatest book in generations. Don't miss it.

Don't miss the closing days of the fair, or the next issue of The Star.

Dorton Introduces New Way Marking Complimentaries

Fair Secretary Dorton who is also meat inspector for the town of Shelby has introduced a new way of marking human beings who are entitled to pass complimentary back and forth out of the gates at the county fair grounds because they have some official duty on the inside of the ground. These "comps" or "pass" people are required to roll up their sleeves and suffer a stamp to print "admit, Cleveland county fair, 1926" in indelible ink on wrist. By this method the pass bearers cannot stay at home and transfer their ticket to another. No one but the bearer of this indelible ink mark can get by without paying the established entrance fee. Dr. Dorton probably got this new idea from the inspection seal which he puts on fresh meat that he inspects at the market. When fresh meat passes inspection it receives an indelible ink stamp from Dr. Dorton and this means that it is o. k. The indelible mark on the wrist of those who pass in and out on the fair gate without charge because they have some connection with the affair, prevents any exchange of tickets.

Many ladies have thrust forward their pretty white wrists to the fair secretary and allowed him to imprint them with a tattoo mark.

Seven Accidents and One Emergency Case, Is Hospital's Day

Patients are plentiful at the Shelby Hospital this week. Seven accidents and an emergency case constituted the new-comers on Tuesday. Four members of the York family injured in an automobile accident, N. G. Self accidentally shot, Buford Owens who broke an arm trying to knock down a dummy kitten at the county fair for a five cent cigar and Willie Clark, seven year old school boy who sustained a fractured skull when he fell on the LaFayette street playground make up the seven accident cases. Willie Clark is a student at the LaFayette street school and lives in Southwest Shelby. While playing on the ground there he fell and suffered a fractured skull. Philcator Spangler taken suddenly ill with an intestinal trouble while working at a cotton gin at Double Shoals, required an emergency operation.

31 Imprisoned For 103 Months By Federal Court

Judge Webb Clears Docket In One Day's Grind, Fines Total \$2,350. Goldbergs Pay Big Income Sum to U. S.

George Knows Who Will Be Governor

Hand it to George Smyrniotis, proprietor of the Chocolate Shop and one of Shelby's most popular settlers. He is well informed. What's more he is an American citizen today. Yesterday, George appeared in the United States court here before Judge Yates Webb seeking his citizenship papers, being a native of Greece. The required questions were asked by the court and George got along very well until he was asked the name of North Carolina's governor. That stumped him. Clerk Blalock whispered to the judge, and the next question was: "George, who'll be the next governor then?" There was a second's hesitation before the reply: "Max Gardner."

NELSON SELF SHOT FROM AMBUSH; IS IN HOSPITAL

West Graham Citizen Was Cutting Wife's Hair in Yard When Bullet Hits Him

Nelson G. Self is lying in the Shelby hospital with a serious wound in his back as a result of a bullet striking him in the back as he was cutting his wife's hair in the back yard of his home on West Graham street Tuesday morning between 7 and 8 o'clock. An X-ray machine located the bullet Tuesday afternoon, after which it was removed by the surgeons. It is thought that he will recover unless pneumonia develops.

Mr. Self is former street overseer for the Town of Shelby, and son of the late Solomon Self. While in the yard at his home a bullet came from an unknown source and struck him in the back, just under the shoulder blade. The bullet struck a rib and ranged to ward his spinal column. From this wound he has been suffering intensely since.

Young Spangler Has Serious Operation

Philector Spangler, prominent young farmer of the Double Shoals community underwent a serious operation at the Shelby hospital Tuesday afternoon when an ugly ulcer was removed from his stomach. His condition has been quite serious and the operation was a most delicate one, but he will recover unless complications set in. Mr. Spangler was taken suddenly ill while working at a cotton gin. He was rushed to the hospital and an operation was found imperative. Mr. Spangler married Miss Vera Warlick. He is one of the most prominent young farmers in the county and his many friends hope for his speedy recovery.

Mrs. J. M. Austin of Wadesboro is at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Charlie Webb who continues right ill a her home on West Marion street.

Threw at Fair Cats And Broke His Arm

Buford Owens, 20-year-old farm youth, bought three baseballs at the fair Tuesday and decided to give the concession stand cats a barrage. Friends carried Owens to the hospital with an arm broken in two places instead of the two cigars for driving down the cats.

The youngster's foot slipped, he says, just as he was throwing and his right arm snapped in two places above the elbow. According to late reports from the hospital he is getting along very well.

Owens worked on the George Spurlin place north of Shelby.

FANNING CO. WINS FIRST FLOAT PRIZE, F. N. BANK, SECOND

Third Prize Goes to Shelby Hospital. Parade a Big Feature on Open Fair Day.

W. L. Fanning company won first prize for the best decorated float in the parade on the opening day of the county fair, the First National Bank won second prize and the Shelby hospital third, according to an announcement of the judges, C. A. Repper, of Canton, Ohio, official starter for the horse races at the fair, Prof. A. G. Oliver of the State College experiment station, Raleigh and W. L. Harris of Charlotte who is connected with the international agricultural corporation. The judges were selected by fair officials and all were out of town men. They reviewed the parade as it passed around the court square.

Two Brass Bands. The parade was a fine feature of the fair and thousands of people looked on as the long line of march proceeded from the high school building to the court square, down S. LaFayette street to the Episcopal church East on Graham to Washington, up N. Washington to C. M. E. church, thence to the county fair grounds.

The Fanning company float which won first prize had for its color scheme, pink and green. On the bow of the truck was a huge butterfly. Mounted on the truck was a giant fan in pink and green with the following pretty girls beautifully gowned, standing around the fan: Misses, Mary Lineberger, Amanda Harris, Alice Goode King, Deverly Jones, Martha Carroll Fanning.

"A Chariot of Gold" was depicted in the First National bank float which won second prize. The float was draped in a beautiful golden cloth made by the Cleveland Cloth mill. The chariot had for its central figure "Prosperity," the representative of "Plenty" attended by four hand-maidens, representing Intelligence, Industry, Integrity and Thrift. History shows that any community or county that practices these four virtues will ultimately be crowned with success and prosperity. Miss Jane Moseley represented prosperity, Miss Millicent Blanton, intelligence; Miss Adeline Bostic, industry; Miss Evelyn Dover, integrity and Miss Mary Adelaide Roberts thrift.

A hospital room was depicted on the Shelby hospital float, showing a patient in bed with nurses attending, everything in the room being spotless white. The hospital float brought forth much favorable comment and won third prize at the hand of the judges.

Big New Fire Truck Arrives in Shelby Ready For Work

The latest addition to the city's fire fighting equipment has arrived and is now at the Seaboard freight station. It is the \$12,500 American LaFrance fire truck and pump purchased sometime back by the municipal authorities of Shelby. The truck has a 750-gallon pump and it is outfitted with long-range ladders—the latest word in firefighting equipment. The new truck will likely be unloaded Thursday and brought to the city fire department for a running berth beside the present truck.

Fred Field, Shelby, Buys Store Interest

Mr. Fred Field who for some time has been connected with the Kelly Clothing Company of Shelby, has purchased with Mr. W. S. Kelly of the Kelly Clothing company the Joe Harrison Clothing Company of Statesville. Mr. Kelly will be manager while Mr. Field will leave Shelby shortly to be associated with his partner Mr. Kelly in the management of the business. Mr. Fields is a popular young man and Shelby regrets to lose him and his estimable family.

YORK DIES AFTER CRASH OF AUTOS. OTHERS ARE HURT

Andrew York, hurt in an automobile collision, together with four members of his family near Elizabeth Baptist church, Tuesday, died at the Shelby hospital at nine-forty o'clock Wednesday morning. He was unconscious from the time of the accident, and died of internal injuries. The car in which the York family was riding was driven by Deputy Sheriff Tom Sweezy, of Fallston, and was in collision with an automobile from Kings Mountain.

According to late reports here Clyde Marr, said to be the driver of the other car, is under arrest and is now in jail at Kings Mountain. The report was confirmed this afternoon by Judge John Mull.

When a car driven by Deputy Tom Sweezy, of Fallston and one driven by parties from Kings Mountain collided at the cross roads near Elizabeth Baptist church Tuesday morning, four members of the family of Andrew York were injured and others in the two cars received minor injuries. Deputy Sweezy was bringing the York family of seven to the county fair when the two cars met at the cross roads. Names of the occupants of the other car could not be learned but a woman riding in the unknown car was cut by flying glass. Her injuries, however, were not serious. Andrew York, head of the York family is still in an unconscious condition at the Shelby hospital but it is thought that his injuries will not prove fatal. In his unconscious condition the surgeons have been unable to determine the nature and extent of his injuries.

Nettie Lee York, age six is perhaps the next worst hurt in the party. She has an ugly laceration on the scalp. Donie, age 20, and Hattie May 10, were both badly bruised in the impact of the two cars, but were resting well at last reports. A two year old baby of the Yorks had slight bruises on the head, while Mrs. York was practically unharmed except for a few surface bruises.

HARMONICA KING, SHELBY NATIVE, BACK ON VISIT

Charlotte, Sept. 28—"Harmonica Mike," known from Maine to Mexico as a mouth-harp player of parts, came to perform among friends of his boyhood yesterday after triumphs in the wide world. The dapper little man, native-born North Carolinian and former youth of Charlotte, appeared before a luncheon club and exerted himself in playing the same tunes with the same gusto that have drawn the silent plaudits from a million radio audiences throughout the broad land. Born in Shelby "Harmonica Mike," less familiarly known as M. Cloyde Sullivan, was born in Shelby and largely reared in Charlotte. Since leaving Charlotte in his early youth Sullivan has done time as a newspaper man, serving on the staff of the Birmingham, (Ala.) Ledger and other papers. He has never ceased to play the harmonica since his Charlotte school days, he said. "The Voices of the Smokies," is another title that radio fans and announcers have given the former Charlotte boy, because of his fame as a harmonica artist broadcasting from station WNOX, at Knoxville, Tenn.

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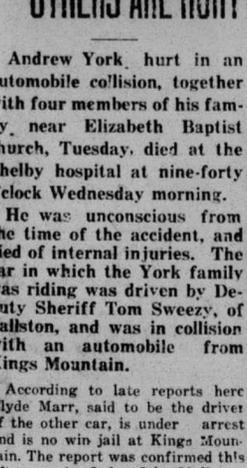
"These mountain fellows will fight and make liquor, but it's seldom you'll catch one of them swearing to a lie," Judge Yates Webb told the barristers in the Federal court room here Tuesday. "That's one thing you'll have to give them credit for. On the other hand, liquor dealers in the cities can hardly be taken at their word on the stand, but usually you can mark it down as true when a native of the South Mountain goes on the stand and makes a statement. They'd rather go to prison—most of them—than lie."

Shelby Boy, Bank Cashier at Age 24

Stanhope A. Ligon, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ligon, N. Morgan St., Shelby has been named cashier of the First National Bank at Fort Mill, S. C., succeeding Walter T. Barron who resigned to accept a position with the Fort Mill Manufacturing company. Mr. Ligon is one of the youngest national bank cashiers in the Carolinas. He has been connected with the Fort Mill bank for several years in the capacity of assistant cashier and his promotion is a source of gratification to his many Shelby friends.

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Attendance On Opening Day Smashes Past Records. Exhibits and Shows Fine.

The first day of the Cleveland County Fair is over and all attendance records for any county fair in this section of the South are thought to have been broken by the vast throngs passing through the fair gates on the Kings Mountain highway. Today automobiles are still pouring their hundreds into the big tract and another big day seems underway, while fair officials figure that Friday will rank close to the opening day from the standpoint of attendance as the entertainment for the next to final day is not surpassed during the entire fair. More Than 20,000. Twenty thousand people, coming from 10 counties in two states and from far-flung sections, milled through the gates during the first day of the farm exposition. Fair officials checking over gate receipts today found that 7,615 adults paid cash admissions yesterday, and a little over 12,000 school children and complimentary tickets took advantage of the free admission for county school children. The automobile gates registered 1,652 paid admissions—the estimated grand total attendance being between 20 and 21 thousand people. This attendance even surpasses the former record attendance of last year and with reports of the fair spreading by Friday attendance for that day is expected to clip near the 20,000 mark if fair weather holds forth. The horse show Thursday and the closing day program for Saturday should keep the attendance mark high during those days. Races Big Attraction. Indications shown Tuesday are that the race program is perhaps the greatest individual attraction. Fair officials soon realized that all race fans were to be comfortably accommodated the huge stands would have to be increased by another year. With the first heat of the opening race the stands, boxes and every available space were packed, while hundreds jammed around the track rail and still other hundreds were unable to secure a vantage point where they might get a glimpse of the activity on the track. The free acts, the best yet furnished worth-while entertainment between the heats, and the nightly fireworks program lent thrilling color to the gay midway crowds. The fair formally opened with the big float parade from Shelby to the fair grounds at 10:30 o'clock. Thereafter description of the day is impossible as to detail. Attractions covered too great a scope and the crowds were too large. It is sufficient to say that so many people packed the big fair ground tract that hundreds were unable to even get a peek inside the big exhibit halls unless they were willing to wait for hours and find a place in the eagle lines. All the exhibit halls were filled with exhibits running the gamut of the farm and industry, and collectively speaking it was the best farm exposition of the fair's history. The Nat Reiss Shows were up to and above their usual high prestige, clean, considerate, and entertaining. Their compliment came through the fact that thousands entered the midway early in the morning and remained until late at night taking in the show, freaks, and varied run of entertainment. In the crowds were hundreds from Gaston, Lincoln, Burke, Catawba and Rutherford counties, of this state, and many more from York and Cherokee in South Carolina.

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