

One more week until Christmas and the gift trading.

One life each day. That's the toll of automobiles in North Carolina, says a news article today.

Report comes that Kings Mountain may have a new newspaper.

A business college for Shelby is being talked by the Chamber of Commerce and the head of an Atlanta business college.

Deputy Plato Ledford made one of the biggest Christmas hauls of the season this week when he captured a car worth 35 gallons.

The city schools close today and will reopen on the first Monday in January.

About over the county farm folks are preparing for Christmas according to correspondence and community items in today's paper.

Mr. George Blanton, Shelby banker is the new president of the local Kiwanis club.

Mrs. G. C. Kimbrell, former Shelby girl who died yesterday in Charlotte, was buried here today.

A car stolen here Wednesday night was recovered Thursday at Lincolnton.

The school heating controversy that affected several schools in the county and town has been satisfactorily adjusted, it is said.

Fred Logan, former college football star, is connected with Quinn's new uptown drug store.

Remember the unfortunate on your final Christmas list.

MRS. G. C. KIMBRELL PASSED THURSDAY

Daughter of Mr. T. H. Abernethy Dies of Heart Trouble. Funeral Services Here Today

Mrs. Eula Byrd Kimbrell, of Charlotte, wife of Mr. G. C. Kimbrell and a daughter of Mr. Tom H. Abernethy of Shelby, died at her home in Charlotte Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, death resulting from heart trouble.

Short funeral services were held at the Charlotte home Friday morning and the remains were brought here about noon today and taken to the home of her sister, Mrs. A. V. Hamrick, where funeral services were conducted this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Dr. Clay I. Hudson, of Charlotte, and Dr. Zeno Wall of Shelby. Dr. Hudson was Mrs. Kimbrell's pastor at Pritchard Memorial Baptist church, where she was a devoted member. Interment was at Sunset cemetery here.

Mrs. Kimbrell was well known and well loved in Shelby, having spent her girlhood and school days here and having a number of relatives in the section. She was married to Mr. Kimbrell about 14 years ago and has since that time made her home in Charlotte.

Surviving are her husband, G. C. Kimbrell; one son, Maurice, and one daughter, Miss Louise. Her father, Mr. T. H. Abernethy survives, as well as the following brothers and sisters: Chess Abernethy, of Vidalia, Ga.; C. V. Abernethy, of San Mateo, Fla.; Lamar, T. J. and Ben Abernethy, of Gastonia; Paul Abernethy, of Shelby; Mrs. Robert Bell, of Asheville, and Mrs. A. V. Hamrick, of Shelby.

Fred Logan With Quinn's New Store

N. C. State Football Star Buys Interest in New Uptown Drug Store

Fred Logan, captain of the 1926 N. C. State football eleven and a son of Sheriff and Mrs. Hugh Logan, has purchased a third interest in Dewitt Quinn new uptown drug store on South Washington street. "Just a whisper off the square" and is now connected in a personal capacity with the new firm.

The new uptown drug store is now open for business with Messrs. Quinn and Logan in charge and holiday goods are being placed in stock as rapidly as possible with the complete store ready for a full business by the first of next week, it is said.

New Chief



Maj. Gen. Charles P. Summerall is the new chief of staff of the United States army. This picture was taken the day the general took up his new duties in Washington.

MORE TALK HEARD ABOUT FOOTBALL GAME CHRISTMAS

Bill Craver Has a Charlotte Eleven To Meet Shelby Stars. Other Games.

If Shelby football followers can find a complete outfit of former stars it seems as if the town will participate in a Christmas football tilt either here or in Charlotte.

This week Harry Grigg, former Shelby star, wrote that he would bring a Forest City eleven down for a holiday game if the legion post would sponsor the event. Now comes the information—for the second time that Bill Craver, Charlotte star, has a Charlotte eleven that "will be pleased to meet" an all-star Shelby aggregation there on Christmas. So, apparently the move is now up to Shelby, but from interest taken locally in such games little is to be expected. No one seems willing to sponsor such a team unless Junius Auten, who first talked of the Charlotte-Shelby game, or Grigg should get up an eleven.

However, local fans have been lapping from the dope bucket and on paper they have arranged an eleven that should give most any team a hot game. Charlotte it is said has secured permission to use Charlotte boys now at Chapel Hill and presumably the Shelby eleven could also include present college players. One of the line-ups doled out by fans runs something like this (speculation only): Casey Morris and Charlie Austell, ends; Coble, former Shelby star, and Fred Beam, tackles; Cant. Fred Logan, N. C. State, and Bill Beam, guards; Harry Grigg, center; Steve Furches, quarter; Max Connor and Jay McMurry, half backs; Brevard Hennessy, "Coon" Magnus, or Arnette, or McEntire, of Boiling Springs, full back. Added to the list and as a drawing card, fans have placed Spurlock, of Lenoir-Rhyne, who might be persuaded to play in such a game. And about town there are a dozen or more former high school stars to plug up gaps in the proposed outfit or to take somebody's regular berth. But as has been said such an eleven is mere speculation. Yet fans get a kick out of contemplating such a team for a game either with Charlotte or Forest City.

Jake Wade writing in the Charlotte Observer has the following to say about such a game: "Santa Claus may bring Charlotte sport fans a smashing football game, it developed yesterday when Bill Craver, former high school star, received a letter from Chapel Hill that opened a way to such a contest. "Craver has been interested in staging a game here Christmas day between a team comprised of Charlotte present and former stars and a Shelby all-star aggregation. He wrote Chapel Hill in an effort to recruit players. Edison Foard, former Charlotte high star and last year a member of the Carolina varsity, has replied that he and the other former Charlotte players, including Harry Schwartz and Garrett Morehead, would be eager to participate in such a game Christmas day. Josephs, Osborne and Presson are three other Charlotte boys at Chapel Hill who will be on the proposed team. "Craver said last night that nothing seemed in the way of staging the game and plans would go forward at once to make the necessary arrangements. The games will likely be played at Independence park

Geo. Blanton Heads Kiwanis Club For Following Year

New Officers Are Elected At Kiwanis Meet Served by Domestic Science Club Of Night School.

George Blanton, active vice-president of the First National bank was elected president of the Kiwanis club for the ensuing year at the club meeting held last night at the South Shelby (Morgan street school building) when the Kiwanis members were served a most bountiful and tastefully prepared dinner by the domestic science class of the night school which is sponsored by the club and by the city for a period of twelve weeks. Dr. E. B. Lattimore was elected vice-president, while J. D. Lineberger, retiring president becomes a vice-president under the rules of Kiwanis International. C. R. Hamrick is treasurer, Max Washburn district trustee, J. S. Dorton, C. R. Hoey, R. T. LeGrand, Wm. Lineberger, J. C. Newton and C. S. Young are directors. Miss Sara Warren is teacher of domestic science at the Morgan street night school and her pupils served the dinner, declared by the Kiwanis members to be one of the best prepared meals the club has ever had at home or abroad. The dining room was beautifully decorated with holly, Christmas trees, etc., green and red predominating in ever detail. After the four course meal was served, the club adjourned to the auditorium where the members joined the 100 pupils of the night school, ranging from the teens age to past the half century mark—men, women and children who are taking advantage of an opportunity to add to their education at night, being compelled by circumstances to work for a livelihood during the day when the day-schools are in session. Miss Ruth Howie's day pupils rehearsed in the auditorium a Christmas pageant. The birth of the Christ child was symbolized in the manger at Bethlehem with Mary and Joseph hovered near Him. There gathered the angels, shepherds and wise men, and as the Christmas carols were sung, pupils in proper costume came to the city of David, symbolizing the dominion of the Saviour over the races of mankind. The singing was beautiful and impressed upon the large audience the approach of the Christmas season. Miss Ann Adams, teacher of music in the school, played the piano accompaniment and at the conclusion, Dr. Reuben McBrayer vice president, presiding, called upon Max Gardner to deliver the thanks of the club for the bountiful meal and the splendid entertainment to which the club had been treated.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Write a letter to Santa Claus and tell him what you want for Christmas. For the convenience of Cleveland county children. The Star will publish letters up to December 22. All letters should be in before that time. Write yours today and send it to The Star. Auto and Goodies. Dear Old Santa Claus: I live at 604 West Warren St. almost five years old, I want you to bring me a little automobile, some candies, nuts, etc. Please don't forget Al and Cal Your old friend, DON COX. Shelby, N. C.

Train and Candles. Dear Old Santa: I am a little boy nearly three years old live at 604 West Warren street. I want you to bring me a little Choo-Choo train, some candies nuts and gum, and remember all others. Your best friend, JAMES COX. Shelby, N. C.

Wants a Hammer. Dear Old Santa: Thought I would write you as I am a little boy four years old. Please bring me a little hammer, a truck, oranges, apples and some candy. Old Santa please don't forget little sister Olivia for she wants you to bring her a new baby doll and lots of other new things if you have them, but please don't forget mamma and daddy for they would like to have a stick of candy. Santa, don't forget the little children who have no mamma and daddy. May the Good-mama bless you old Santa this Christmas. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Good night Santa. EDWARD GRANT.

Wants a Baby Doll. Hello, Old Santa. Christmas will soon be here. I thought I would write you again as you was so good to me last year, as cotton is so low, don't know whether you can be as good to me as you was last year. But listen, do the best you can. Please bring me a new baby doll some, apples, oranges, candy a lot of nuts. Don't forget my little brother J. W., for he is wanting you to bring him a little pocket knife, rubber ball and lots of candy, too. Well, Old Santa, I have got one more thing to tell you. I have a little new sister, Ruby Mae, please bring her a new rattler-bell and a box of candy suckers, ha, ha. Do not forget all the little children. May the Lord bless you, Old Santa, to get these things. Good night Old Santa. Wishing you a merry Christmas. LILLIAN LEE HAYNES.

Wants Automobile. Dear Santa: I am a little boy 8 years old and going to school. Please bring me a little automobile and plenty of candy and nuts. Please remember my little brothers Odell and

Horace Bell. Car and Goodies. Dear Santa: I am just a little boy 4 years old. I want you to bring me a little car and lots of candy, apples and nuts. Please don't forget my little brother Shrold. TALMADGE QUEEN. Kings Mountain.

Wants Football. Dear Santa Claus: I go to school, this is my first year. Please bring me a football, candy, oranges, apples, nuts and all good things to eat. I have a little sister, her name is Betty Lee. She wants a doll and carriage. CLYDE McSWAIN, jr. R-4, Shelby, N. C.

2026 Ginning Not Up To 1925 Mark. Raleigh.—Despite constant predictions of a record cotton crop in North Carolina, 1926 ginnings have not yet caught up with the total for 1925. This is shown in the department of commerce report indicating that only 1,000,502 bales had been ginned in the state up to December 1, 1926 whereas up to the same date last year 1,033,226 bales had been reported. Robeson showed the greatest number during the present year: 64,064 as compared with 58,685. Johnston came next with 63,376, a decrease from last year which showed 67,839.

PLANS BUSINESS COLLEGE BRANCH IN SHELBY SOON

Atlanta Man Here Discussing School With Secretary Newton. Heads College.

B. Dixon Hall, president of the Atlanta Business college was in Shelby yesterday in conference with J. C. Newton, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, with a view of opening a branch college here to teach four courses of study, stenographic course, secretarial course, commercial course and commercial typewriting course. Mr. Hall is looking over the North Carolina field and finds Shelby a most inviting location for such an institution. He is native of Georgia, operates a large school of this character in Atlanta and 30 or more branch schools in different parts of that state. He is now engaged in opening a number of schools in North Carolina and is on a tour of the state, investigating locations. He had not decided yesterday what he will do, but assumed Mr. Newton that he is favorably impressed with Shelby and that a school will be established here in all probability.

GET STOLEN AUTO NEAR LINCOLNTON; TWO BOYS MISSING

Fred Wagner's Car Taken From Main Business Street of Shelby on Wednesday.

Wednesday afternoon Mr. Fred Wagner parked his Ford roadster against the Lafayette street curb just in front of the Confederate monument and walked across the street to the business section. The time was about 4:30. Shortly before 6 o'clock he returned to get his car, but as happens occasionally the car was not there.

Thursday Mr. Wagner received a message from Lincolnton stating that his car had been found there, a Shelby city license plate causing the Lincolnton chief to call here about the car. According to information from Lincolnton the car was abandoned near there by two youths wearing red sweaters.

Shelby Will Play Charlotte Again

The Shelby Highs and the Charlotte Highs, rivals of many years on the gridiron, will meet again next year, the game to be played in Charlotte.

Although the Shelby schedule for next year has not been made public the early schedule of the Charlotte eleven is out and the Shelby game is booked for Charlotte on October 21, next year. Charlotte so far has only one other home game outside of the Shelby game.

Officials Probe Rutherford Wreck Southern Train

Commissioners Build Wall Around Jail To Protect Prisoners From Outsiders

Rutherford, Dec. 16.—Officials of the Southern Railway have been here since the wreck on December 6 of passenger train No. 113 trying to solve the cause of the wreck. They offer \$100 for the arrest of the guilty party or parties who pulled the spikes from the cross-ties the night of December 5. To date the guilty parties have not been apprehended.

Deputy Sheriff, Thomas J. Vickers, of Colfax township, captured a copper still last night with 300 gallons of beer near Bostic. A run had just been made. It was concealed in a gully with a branch arbor over it. The officer smelled the odor of the beer and made an investigation. It had a trap door which was hidden.

The county commissioners have decided to erect a seven-foot concrete wall around the new jail on Washington street with a seven-foot fence on top of that and a barbed wire on top of the fence to keep intruders from molesting prisoners. Dr. B. A. Stevens, of the department of extension of the State university, addressed a meeting of parents at Caroleen-Henrietta high school recently at which 180 parents were present, besides

No, It Isn't a Sight-Seeing Car



The new British one-man tank, demonstrated recently in maneuvers at Camberley, is pictured above. The combination wheel-caterpillar tread makes for speed on the smooth spots and a sure climb over the rough

Autos In North Carolina Claim One Life Each Day

Auto Death Toll In State Already Greater Than That Of 1925. Forty-Nine Last Month

One human life a day was the automobile's grim toll in North Carolina in 1925 but it will be greater in 1926 for figures made public by the vital statistics bureau show that more than 365 persons have died in automobile wrecks on highways and at grade crossings in the first eleven months of the present year, says the Raleigh Times.

Already 31 more persons have died in automobile accidents in eleven months of 1926 than died in 12 months of 1925.

Speeding, reckless automobile drivers or careless pedestrians caused the death of 49 North Carolinians during November, according to the vital statistics, announced Wednesday. Four of these were killed at grade crossings when trains crashed into cars; 45 died from injuries received in other forms of automobile accidents. The state's automobile death toll for the first 11 months of the year was 396, an average well over one a day.

Many Fire Fatalities. The usual November increase in fatalities from fire, largely caused, say, experts, from carelessness in starting fires and heating plans for

The total of 15 for deaths by lightning was not increased during the month. Total violent deaths for November were 173. The total for the year now stands at 1,313.

County Officer Makes Big Haul In Capturing 35 Gallons Booze

Two Young Defendants Tried Within Two Hours Of Capture And Sentenced To Roads By Court

Deputy Plato Ledford holds the record so far for the biggest booze haul of the holiday season. Wednesday afternoon the officer nabbed two men, a Ford roadster and 35 gallons of Christmas liquor somewhere in the No. 10 section.

As another record the defendants were brought to Shelby and given a hearing—and a sentence each—by Judge Mull in about two hours after their capture.

Deputy Ledford, it is said, apprehended the car and its occupants about 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. In the car he found seven 5-gallon cans of liquor and also a pint bottle about the person of one

Another Newspaper Is Now Talked For Kings Mountain Says Report

Kings Mountain, Dec. 17.—According to news article in The Herald of Thursday Kings Mountain may soon have another newspaper.

The Herald says of the proposed paper: "If plans mature Kings Mountain will have another newspaper, according to information considered reliable. The plans are in the formative stage and a stock company is being organized for the purpose of financing the project. It is our information that Mr. O. B. Carpenter is the chief promoter and that a number of substantial business men are co-operating."

"Just what it is proposed to call the new publication we have not learned nor just how much the company is to raise in capital stock. It is understood that a well known newspaper man from a nearby town is being considered in connection with the operation of the plant. We understand that the promoters hope to have something definite to announce in the near future."

"The Herald has been cognizant of this move since its inception but has withheld comment until something had actually taken shape."

SCHOOL HEATING SQUABBLE COMES TO AN END HERE

Heating Company Adjusts Differences With Fallston, Belwood and South Shelby

A satisfactory adjustment has been made by the Dermott Plumbing and Heating company, of Durham, with County Supt. J. H. Grigg on the Belwood and Fallston school building jobs and with City Supt. I. C. Griffin on the Morgan street school job. It will be recalled that after a re-check on these new buildings heated by Dermott company of Durham, it was discovered that the heating equipments did not measure up to specifications and part of the money due the heating company was withheld by local authorities. While the boiler sizes were not as large as specified, the heating plants are giving reasonable service and said to be adequate to the needs of the buildings. However, when it was found that the heating was not up to specifications an adjustment was demanded and a representative of the Dermott Heating company here yesterday, made a refund of \$309 on the Fallston building and \$355 on the Belwood building. In the matter of the South Shelby building, it was agreed that the Dermott company would either refund \$385 or put radiation in the basement rooms which are not now heated. Radiation in the basement rooms was accepted rather than the refund in the money. While the jobs were not as specified, it is not known just where the blame attaches. Mr. Blair of the state department of education, has been assisting the local school men in seeing that the matter was adjusted to the satisfaction of the school authorities.

CHARITY FUND IS PLANNED FOR POOR

J. B. Smith, Welfare Officer, Accepting Contributions—Kiwanis to Canvas for Funds

C. S. Young, one of the officials of the Associated Charities, which was organized less than a year ago, but which has never functioned because a lack of funds made a report to the Kiwanis club Thursday night at its meeting at the South Shelby club and the club decided unanimously to contribute money to the cause in the hope that other organizations would do likewise. Chas. Hoey, C. R. Webb and Will Arey were appointed a committee to solicit from members of the Kiwanis club. It is hoped when this is done that the fraternal orders, churches and civic organizations, all of which are represented in the personnel of the Associated Charities, will also contribute something to the fund with which to relieve the most destitute during the winter months. J. B. Smith, county welfare officer, says there are fewer needy cases this winter than he was able to find last winter. He finds the unfortunate ones, more determined to help themselves than ever before and feels that the supervision of expenditures which was given in charity cases last winter, has had much to do with the improvement he now finds. He is willing to accept contributions and see that they are properly distributed. In each case he makes thorough inventory of the needs of charity cases and allots just what portions he thinks wise. He is co-operating with ladies of the Woman's club who are busy looking after cases that are needy and those who wish to contribute are rest assured that while the Associated Charities is not functioning, the money will be properly expended and due reports made when the winter season is over.

Shelby Schools Close Today For Holiday Season

The Shelby city schools will close this afternoon at the regular school hour and will remain closed until after the Christmas holidays opening again Monday, January 2. Practically all of the out-of-town teachers will leave today and tomorrow for their homes, the majority, however, remaining over until Saturday.

The last session of the night school until after the holidays was held Tuesday night.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Splendid Christmas music will be a feature of the services at the local Presbyterian church Sunday. Those who had the privilege of attending the Christmas vesper service at this church last year when a beautiful cantata was sung by the choir are looking forward with increasing interest to a similar effort this year. The vesper service will be held Sunday at 5 o'clock, or weeks the choir has been under the efficient direction of Mrs. William L. McCord in preparation for rendering the cantata, "The Story of Bethlehem" as written by William R. Spence. A large congregation, no doubt, will hear the inspiring musical program Sunday afternoon.

The choir will sing two anthems at the morning service at 11 o'clock, "And There Were Shepherds" by Wilson, and "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" by Stults. At this service the pastor, Rev. H. N. McDiarmid, will have for his subject "Worship Him." Sunday school will meet at 2:45. This congregation invites the public to the enjoyment of these inspiring services.