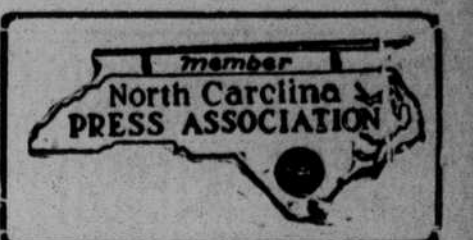


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SHELBY'S BONDED DEBT RANKS LOW REPORT REVEALS

Bonded Debt of Town 14.7 Percent Of Assessed Value, Kings Mountain Very Low

The bonded debt of Shelby considering assessed value falls below that of 64 other North Carolina towns and cities, according to statistics issued by the University News Letter.

Shelby's bonded debt is set at \$1,234,500, or 14.7 per cent of the assessed value of the town.

Andrews, where the bonded debt is 43.3 per cent of the assessed value has the highest bonded debt considering valuation, while Belmont with a bonded debt that is only 1.3 per cent of the assessed valuation ranks as the lowest in the state.

Kings Mountain, Cleveland county's second thriving town, ranks far down the bonded debt list with a debt of only \$376,000, or 7.1 per cent of the assessed valuation.

Rutherfordton with 34.1 per cent, Hendersonville with 28.8, Forest City with 23.6 and Cherryville with 16.4 bonded debt for assessed valuation all have a higher bonded debt per cent than Shelby.

Other neighboring towns having a smaller bonded debt percentage than Shelby are Gastonia and Lincoln.

MRS. MARY TURNER BURIED ON SUNDAY

Widow of the Late Barrett Turner Succumbs After Short Illness Was 67 Years Old

Mrs. Mary Turner, widow of the late W. Barrett Turner, died Saturday at 12:45 o'clock following a brief illness with rheumatism. On Monday preceding her death, a rheumatic pain started in her fingers, rapidly worked to her side and hips and death came to relieve her suffering on Saturday.

Surviving are two sons, Fred Turner of Shelby; Hazel Turner of Earl; one daughter, Mrs. Susan Moss of Ninety-Nine, S. C., and two brothers, John and Will Austell of Gaffney, S. C.

To Talk On Cotton Seed And Grading

Dr. R. Y. Winters, an expert from the state department of agriculture will be in Shelby Friday March 11 and talk on the various varieties of cotton seed at the Planters and Merchants Cotton Warehouse near the Southern depot. Dr. Winters has a very helpful message to farmers and those interested in better cotton seed are cordially invited to hear him. An expert in the grading of cotton will accompany Dr. Winters to Shelby and give a demonstration that day at the bonded warehouse on the grading of cotton. Farmers and others interested in these topics are invited to hear these authorities on cotton.

Company Merger On Autos Planned

A movement is afoot here to form a stock company to handle Pontiac and Oakland automobiles. The plan is an expansive one. Five local business men will, insofar as the plan is now matured, form the company, with the Arey brothers, Will and Ward, taking a leading hand.

Mr. Barnes of the Barnes, Young Motor company, of Charlotte, was in Shelby the latter part of last week, perfecting details for the new venture, and Monday (today) Will Arey went to Charlotte to put further pegs in the deal.

It is said the local company will compose some of the best rated business men in town.

To Rush Work On Highway 20 At Night With Lights

Contractors Will Work Under Blazing Electric Lights To Complete Stretch For Spring Travel

Highway construction at night is something new for this territory but it will be introduced in a week or two on Highway No. 20 in hard surfacing a 25-mile link between Rutherfordton and Lake Lure, according to reports in Shelby.

In order that traffic will not have to detour for long in the Spring when the heavy travel sets in, it is learned that the contractors are bound to complete the 25 mile stretch in 90 days from March 15th and in order to do this, electric lights are being placed along the route so that construction work can go right along without interruption when night comes.

It is understood that Lake Lure is about filled with water and that a big building program will be instituted in the Spring, so in order that the development might not be delayed and highway traffic inconvenienced, the building of this 25 mile link will be rushed day and night to completion.

Work Night Shift It is understood that two or three shifts of workmen will be on the job and that construction work will not let up after it starts unless weather conditions render it impossible to continue. The grading has been let to three companies, 9 miles to one, 11 miles to another and 5 miles to another. Lavender Brothers of Earl are said to have one of the contracts. The route will be changed somewhat in the mountainous section where

Worry Over School Standing Is Blamed For Suicides Among Youth

By International News Service Bloomington, Ind.—Worry over grades and general school conditions are not responsible for the wave of suicides among college students, according to Dr. G. S. Snoddy, head of the psychology department of the University of Indiana.

"Suggestion is the biggest factor back of the enormous increase in suicides," Dr. Snoddy said. "A stronger element of instability runs through it all. The individual becomes weak, discouraged, sometime 'broke,' and his future is not altogether bright." "Because somebody else does it, he does it; and so, we have the excitable, neurotic, queer and unsocial types killing themselves. Too much excitement and over-indulgence also are responsible, he said.

Women Voters Will Check Up On Work Of Lawmakers In Meet Soon

Raleigh, (INS.)—The accomplishment of the 1927 legislature will undergo the careful scrutiny of the North Carolina league of Women voters here on March 10, 11 and 12. This and a forecast of what the legislature is likely to do two years hence, will be one of the main features of the women voters' annual school of citizenship here.

The citizenship school will be held here in connection with the voters' league annual convention. Numerous speakers from the state and all parts of the country have been obtained to address the school and the convention, according to announcements made here.

Boy Scout Meeting Here Tuesday Night

The Shelby Boy Scout organization here will effect an organization at a meeting to be held Tuesday night at 7 o'clock in the Scout hall on the second floor of the Royster building, it is announced by Dr. Reuben McBrayer, vice-president of the Piedmont council.

R. M. Schiele, scout executive for the Piedmont council, will attend the meeting and assist in the organization as well as discuss scout work with those present. Details concerning the training course for scout masters will also be taken up at the meeting.

The necessary \$1,000 for additional scout work here has been raised, it is further announced, and there are now seven organized troops in the town.

New Speed Limit On Highways 45 Miles Per Hour

Raleigh.—The speed limit of North Carolina's highways will be forty-five miles an hour under the provisions of the traffic regulation bill which has passed by the House of Representatives. This bill fixes the speed limit in cities at 20 miles per hour and the speed limit in business districts at 15 miles per hour.

Until four years ago the speed limit was thirty miles per hour. The last General Assembly boosted it to 35 miles.

LOCAL BUILDING SELLS FOR \$1,800 PER FRONT FOOT

Business Property Gets Back In Trading Here With Lineberger Sale to Hoey.

Shelby let out a notch in its economic belt Saturday when the price of the "key" property of the town, the old Masonic building, was boosted from forty to forty-five thousand dollars in a trade for the transfer of the parcel from William Lineberger to Clyde R. Hoey.

The Star is informed the deal involved "approximately" forty-five thousand, and from inside information it may be stated this is so close to the actual figure, as to leave not many prices for a dope between.

When this property was last sold it fetched the tidy sum of forty thousand, this being the transfer as between the Masonic lodge and Messrs Cox and Riviere. What William Lineberger paid these purchasers for the holding has not been revealed.

But the fact remains that this parcel has a frontage of but 25 feet which totals the front foot cost at around eighteen hundred dollars, which it is agreed as fast stepping main street price for property in a town the size of Shelby.

As a matter of fact, it is said, that price would look good in real estate circles for main street property, in towns much larger than Shelby in many of the rapidly developing cities of the country.

Mr. Hoey told The Star he made the purchase as an investment. The lower story of the structure, which is two stories high, is occupied by Rose's five and ten cents store and the second floor by offices.

MRS. COEL BLANTON DIED ON SATURDAY

Beloved South Shelby Woman Was Buried Sunday at Sharon Methodist Church.

Mrs. Aquilla Moore Blanton, wife of Mr. Coel Blanton of South Shelby died Saturday afternoon at 4:20 following an illness of five months duration, a sufferer with leakage of the heart. She had been confined to her bed for some time but was a patient and uncomplaining sufferer. Mrs. Blanton was 43 years of age and was born and reared in the Sharon community, a sister of Marshall Moore of the Shelby police department.

While Mrs. Moore held her church membership at Sharon she was active in the religious affairs of the LaFayette Street Methodist church and had a host of friends where she was known.

Local Golfers To See Kirkwood Play

Quite a number of Shelby golfers are expecting to visit Hickory Wednesday afternoon to witness a match between Jess Sweetzer, amateur champion of 1926, and Joe Kirkwood, the Australian trick shot. Kirkwood and Sweetzer will play in a foursome at the Hickory Country Club beginning at 2 o'clock. Dick Ballenger and Henry Westall will make up the remainder of the foursome.

In addition to the contest between the two famous golfers Kirkwood will exhibit several of his trick shots, it is said, such as driving a ball off the face of a valuable watch without touching the watch. It is understood also that Sweetzer, who is recuperating from a breakdown and has been staying for some time in Asheville, may be invited to play the new Cleveland Springs course by Chas. L. Eskridge, president of the Cleveland Springs club.

Now Up-To-Date

The bus station is spreading out—feeling its oats. Once it was only a bus station; somewhere to go if it was raining, between the hacks. Now it has taken on the general atmosphere of real hospitality, with E. H. Griffin, the genius in charge, establishing a lunch stand.

Griffin has been in charge of the station two years. He has made many friends here; folks like him. About two weeks ago he had an idea. Why not give the lunch coming through town something to eat, to help them bear the burden of their journey!

P & N Heads Inspect Shelby Section Of Proposed Route Of Railroad Extension

General Manager And Chief Engineer Tour Over Territory Shelby Route Would Tap

Hopes of securing the extension of the Piedmont and Northern railroad by Shelby in the plan to connect the links of the road between Gastonia and Spartanburg were brightened during the last part of the past week by the visit to Shelby and the Shelby area of two high officials of the road.

The officials, who spent Friday and Saturday in this section, traveling here in a private car over the Seaboard, were Ed. Thomason, vice president and general manager, and Frank H. Cothran, chief engineer of the road. Mr. Thomason is a native of Cleveland county and a brother of Mr. Val Thomason, who recently moved to Shelby from the lower section of the county. Accompanying them were W. P. Gill, an assistant engineer, and others, it is understood.

These officials of the road, it is said, were seeking all the information possible concerning the construction route of the extension from Spartanburg to Gastonia. Several routes are being considered by the road, one of which is the Shelby route to tap valuable textile industry shipments and agricultural shipping points in this section.

Tour Over Section The official party, it is understood, came here from the Caroleen-Cliffside section, which would be tapped, it is thought, should the routing be by Shelby. The party arrived late Friday and spent the night and Saturday in this section, meeting bankers, prominent business men and chamber of commerce officials here. During the day a visit was made to Boiling Springs to overlook that region.

The inspection made by the party seems to be thorough and will likely be of great value in determining the location of the road extension. No information concerning the trip and the nature of the territory covered was made public by the party, yet hereabouts the official visit is heralded with interest as it indicates that the route by Shelby is being given due consideration. Naturally the local feeling is that the road should come by Shelby and leaders here are of the opinion that the information gained on the visit will be of real worth to this section.

It is generally apparent that complete consideration will be given all practical routes and the P & N chiefs are not going into the extension in any haphazard manner.

Engineers Working

P & N engineers are said to be working now in Spartanburg and Cherokee counties making survey of proposed routes, some of them being located between Cowpen and Chesnee.

According to reports from lower Cleveland engineers have also been active in that section going over likely sites for bridges and locating rock quarries necessary to the construction of the road should the routing come this way.

It is known that the party here Friday and Saturday spent Thursday night in Spartanburg and also visited the sections between Spartanburg and Shelby as well as inspecting the Shelby region Saturday.

With the visit here of the officials local people have taken even a deeper interest in securing the extension.

The Newspaper and Sales. Modern life is much different today from what it was a decade ago. Today, a great deal of buying is done over the telephone.

This in turn, means that opportunities for purchases advantageous to the buyers are now almost completely centered in newspaper advertising.

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cess in his new field of labor. We cannot announce his successor now and do not know when we can do so. Of course we have been looking for him but he is going to be hard to find.