

Odd News, This Not A Candidate Comes Out Today

When a thing keeps happening it eventually becomes a part of the daily events not listed as news. But when a thing happens regularly for a time and suddenly drops off, that's news, ladies and gentlemen.

ADVENTURE CALLS BUT OWLS HOOT, AND BOYS RETURN

Shelby Boys Decide to Go West, Hike Nine Miles, and Finding No Eldorado Come Back.

Here's a story about "Billy" and "Bud." Billy and Bud are two Shelby youths—say roughly 14—for whom life went drab and stale.

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They walked all the way to Mooresboro, with the exception of the last long mile, which they were helped over in an auto. Mooresboro is about 10 miles from Shelby, so they hiked nine miles that afternoon.

As the shades of evening descended they looked for a place to camp, and made their bivouac in a wood—a wood in which the shadows were very deep, and in which the owls have a habit of hooting as darkness falls.

They ate a can of pork and beans, and being tired with the first afternoon's adventure, turned in. At nine o'clock it is said Bud said to Billy: "Billy are you game to go on?"

At 12 o'clock Bud again asked Billy what he thought of going on. "Sure," said Billy, "We'll go to Nevada, and maybe from there to California."

At three o'clock, so the story goes, Bud again repeated his question. This time Billy said maybe they would go as far as Brevard, this state, where his brother lives.

BASEBALL SEASON GETS UNDER WAY HERE THIS WEEK

Highs Will Play Kings Mountain In Early Season Encounter On Friday.

Baseball news trickles up from the spring training camps of the majors regularly these days and about the streets the talk is beginning to veer around to the anticipated activities of Ruth, Cobb, Speaker and the various lights of the national pastime—and just as the fever begins to set in word comes from the high school that the Shelby Highs will this week start the local season off in a game with the fast Kings Mountain team.

The initial horsehide contest is scheduled for Friday afternoon, but as yet there is some doubt as to where it will be played. The original schedule calls for the game to be played here, but Coach Morris says there is now a likelihood that the first taste of the season may go to Kings Mountain.

Just how the Highs, who fall heir to uniforms that have gone victorious through two state titles, will stack up is a mystery as yet. "It all depends—as usual—on how the new bloods come out."

Just how long it took them to lay their plans is not revealed, but the hunch was said to have been cooking for some time. Last Friday they put it over. With an outfit of a blanket, three cans of pork and beans and an exchequer of \$30, Friday afternoon they assembled for the jaunt, and as the sun started over the meridian, they set out on their long hike to the wide open spaces.

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Cops Records



Charles McGinnis, Wisconsin captain, carried off major honors at the indoor Illinois relay carnival at the University of Illinois this year. He rolled up 5463 points, the second largest record in the history of the all-round test.

FACT OF JESUS IS LITTLE'S SERMON AT CHURCH HERE

Eloquent Charlotte Pastor Gives External, Internal and Supernatural Evidences of Christ.

Dr. Luther Little, pastor of the First Baptist church, Charlotte, through an exchange of pulpits with Dr. Zeno Wall of the First Baptist church here, preached a sermon of wonderful eloquence and power Sunday morning on "The Fact of Jesus," the congregation filling both the church auditorium and the Sunday school room.

So, Friday is the day when the big sport breaks. Thereafter the Highs will be playing regularly following the Morris plans, of getting real training in games prior to the state series.

Philadelphia.—Contained in the cargo of the Norwegian motor ship Betjeanne are forty locomotives for South American consignment.

ing the story offered to bring them to Shelby. Meantime the parents of the two lads had a drab night Friday. Billy as you probably are aware is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Z. J. Thompson and Bud is the son of Mr. and Mrs. "Heavy" Lybrand.

"Heavy" and Julian Thompson, Billys older brother, put in a hectic night Friday looking for the wanderers in the mountains. They did not get back until well toward Friday midday.

Now that the kids have had their fling, it is said they are prepared to settle down in the dull town, and go on living as before, and let Mix and Hart do their stuff on the plains of New Mexico. But they had a fine time up until about 9 o'clock Friday night.

Dr. Little brought further evidence of the fact of Jesus from the men who lived with and around Him, men from all walks of life for he was popular with the masses. Those who hated Him as well as those who loved Him bow their heads to His matchless greatness.

FREIGHT CARS IN WILD DASH OVER MILES OF TRACK

Sixteen Cars Break Away at Ellenboro and Plunge Wildly Down Track to Bostic.

As the hour neared midnight Saturday a freight train not scheduled, unchaperoned and without a guiding hand, dashed madly in its freedom across six to eight miles of steel rails between Ellenboro and Bostic. Unofficial accounts term it one of the most spectacular runaway trains in the history of the section.

Final work in clearing up the debris, smashed cars and freight, was completed late last night, it is learned, and in railroad circles the talk is of what might have been in the mad dash of 16 freight cars over a downhill stretch to another station where they piled up and derailed.

Information here is to the effect that late Saturday night a Seaboard train was making up its load. At Bostic the train had picked up 16 loaded cars from the C. C. and O. tracks and pulled them on to Ellenboro. At Ellenboro, it is said, the freight stopped on a slight grade to pick up other cars there. It is understood that the 16 loaded cars were cut loose from the locomotive while the other cars were being attached. Slowly the cars cut loose began to roll backwards. Little by little they picked up speed and when next noticed the 16 cars were roaring out of sight back towards Bostic. Back through the night they hurtled, gaining momentum in their journey enough to shove them over the small grades, from the top of which they sped downwards to pick up speed for the next, and thus they roared on to Bostic, ploughed into the town only to derail at the crossing of the C. C. and O. tracks. There sometime later the runaway cars were found by the Bostic men from which they had departed.

Thirteen cars were derailed, it is said, smashing up into a great pile of cars and merchandise. No one was injured in the spectacular flight of the cars, there being no one on the cars and the track was forsaken back over the miles to Bostic owing to the late hour of the night.

Lattimore Takes Dramatic Honors In Local Contest

Championship of Rural Dramatics Awarded on Presentation of Play "Peggy."

Lattimore high school is the undisputed dramatics champion of Cleveland county rural schools. That honor came to the school in the final county-wide dramatic contest held at Central auditorium here Friday night. Three schools, selected as the best in the county, offered plays Friday night Lattimore emerging winner over the Grover and Casar schools, all presenting fine one-act plays.

Lattimore's one-act offering was "Peggy" and the brief presentation by the players won high praise from the judges—C. C. Sorrels, Mooresboro; Misses Selma Webb and Elizabeth Ebeltoft, Shelby.

The contest brought to an end the first county-wide movement in dramatics. It is now considered too late for the Cleveland county champion to get in the state contest.

Supernatural Facts. Then there is the supernatural fact of Jesus. If we would have meekness we would find it in Moses, long-suffering in Noah; patience in Job; courage in Elijah; keen insight in all that is beautiful and good in David; fortitude in John the Baptist; enthusiasm in Peter; intelligence and erenity in Paul; love (that finest and best of all) in John the beloved. All of these splendid qualities combined are found in Jesus of Nazareth, the only perfect man. He can't be classified because he has no comparative relationship with other men. He lives alone in His majesty and power and we can not think of Him being better than he was. He reached the goal of human perfection and measured up to the top notch of His reachings.

18 Divorces Line Court Calendar In March Term And No Marriage In Month

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Some people may believe that the talk about decreasing marriages in North Carolina and increasing marriages in South Carolina, because of \$5 marriage license in this state, is all bunk, but the official county records here for the first two weeks of March show such to be true. With two weeks of the month gone Register of Deeds Andy Newton states that he has not sold a single marriage license during the month, and not one application has been made for license. So far as is remembered, and so far as the records reveal, this is the first two weeks in many years that a marriage license has not been issued under the official seal of Cleveland county.

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222 ENROLLED IN TRAINING SCHOOL AT CHURCH HERE

Cleveland County Standard Training School, Presbyterians and Methodists Opens.

The first session of the Cleveland County Standard Training school for Sunday school leaders was held yesterday afternoon at Central Methodist and Presbyterian churches of the county, will continue through Friday March 18. Classes hereafter will be held each night beginning at 7:30.

Reports from the first meeting yesterday state that 222 were enrolled in the classes representing 17 different churches in the county.

The directors and instructors of the school are: O. V. Woosley, Claude T. Carr, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. E. R. Michaux, Miss Corinne Little and Miss Atha Bowman. The course will cover Christian Religion, Pupil Study, Junior Pupil, Primary pupil and Beginner Pupil.

LAKE LURE NOW FILLED TO BRIM

Lake Lure.—In several days less than five and a half months from the date the mammoth dam was closed at the end of last September, the waters of Lake Lure completely covered the 1,500-acre basin and during Thursday night for the first time poured over the top of the dam, having reached the maximum 104-foot stage.

Speeded considerably by heavy rainfalls, the filling operation took far less time than many anticipated. While unforeseen delays made it impossible to have the big generators in operation in time to take immediate advantage of power, engineers at Lake Lure believe that it will be only a matter of a few days before the automatically controlled plant will be transmitting a full load to the Blue Ridge Power company lines. The estimated annual output is around 13,500,000 kilowatt hours.

Long before the maximum stage was reached, owing to the great depth and spread of the lake, it was possible to introduce a number of water craft that have been playing regular about the aquatic playground.

Actual construction operations upon the million dollar dam started July 1925, with Mees and Mees of Charlotte, in charge of the engineering, and the Clement-Dunaway company, also of that city, handling the contracting labor. Nearly 30,000 cubic yards of concrete were required to pour the masonry monster, that measured 585 feet long. Three distinct types of dam construction were employed: Multiple arch or the greater portion of the distance gravity type at the triple spillway; and hydraulic core at the far end. Several hundred workmen were given many months' employment. Much of the labor was performed with the aid of powerful flood lights at night, in order to expedite completion.

McCormell Sells Out To Stillwell

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