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MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1927.

TWINKLES.

This Spring season was once famous for its June brides, but noting that 12 divorces were granted here in two hours, the season may soon be better known by its April divorces.

There's no hint of a boom, but the observant will note that the vacant places about Shelby are filling up. A big new house, and a \$40,000 business building announced in two days.

Dr. Copeland, the senator and advisor, together with members of the medical advisory realm may now step aside for newspaperman who apparently knows what he is talking about via experience, the best source of all for advice. B. P. Lowrance, field secretary of the North Carolina newspapers, opines: "I do not believe good food hurts anyone." It is prelude to the opinion: "I certainly did eat a plenty. Did not feel any worse on account of doing this."

A TIMELY SATURDAY

Several Shelby merchants have through logical reasoning decided upon the "best trading Saturday" of the month in Shelby. Taking the cue from observation it is our guess that the last Saturday in each month, or the Saturday before the well-known "first Monday", is Shelby's best trading day.

If you noticed last Saturday, or any other similar Saturday, there were numerous young ladies about the feminine shops and stores of Shelby. They were buying dresses, hosiery, Easter bonnets, and other feminine apparel. The real secret of the day is to be ascertained a few hours earlier in the morning. The scene being that of the county superintendent's office, where the teachers of the county get their checks, and the county treasurer's office, where they get their pay. It is a considerable sum of money these teachers spend in Shelby on monthly pay-days Saturdays and wise merchants are profiting by their reasoning through advertising their heaviest near the end of the month when the teacher who is to get her check within a few days begin to look about for the articles she will be in need of.

GROWING IN SPRINGTIME

A lanky, half-grown boy with his feet spreading and his arms lengthening may have the chickenpox, or any other of numerous youthful ailments, but nevertheless after the ailing period passes the youth continues to grow. Such growth is only natural.

A town with steady payrolls, increasing financial interests, and a growing population may have a winter slump, a slow-up period, but let spring time come along and the slump disappears along with the biting winds. Although the entire country, especially that dependent, or semi-dependent, on agricultural matters seems to have been slightly below normal for a period the so called business slow-up in this section was more a matter of psychology. And even that percentage of the mental bugaboo seems to be disappearing these days. Shelby merchants report better sales to date than at the same period last year, several of these same merchants anticipating their best business year in 1927. Homes are still going up and building and loan associations are making loans for more homes. Several new payrolls are being added to the town's weekly income. What's more the news columns of this issue tell of another fine, new business structure. The last issue of The Star told of a big club house for Cleveland Springs. Indication enough that Shelby by mid-May will reflect as much real activity as that of last year.

CROWDED COURT DOCKETS

It is an evident fact that the Superior court dockets of North Carolina are jammed and packed. Such reports emanate from all sections of the state. The emergency, or "bevo" judges together with the recent legislative attempt to increase judges and solicitors are results of this condition. In many of the larger, or heavy populated counties it would very near take a full time court to keep the docket clear. In numerous other counties the Superior court grind is usually many cases behind. The present day courts have more than they can handle in the regular terms, and extra terms being allotted by the governor do not seem entirely able to cope with the situation.

It may be otherwise in some of the counties but in the opinion of this paper crowded court dockets in Cleveland county are in part due to the lack of support given to minor courts. As the memory serves county recorder's court and such other minor courts were created with one of the reasons assigned to the fact that these courts would alleviate the "big court" jam. Have they?

Otherwise counties have county court and city police court and like Cleveland the cases going up to Superior court are so numerous that the court finds itself unable to handle anything like the entire docket scheduled to be disposed of. It is noted in open court here, and also by way of conversation with local barristers, that a large number of the many cases on the Superior court dockets come as appeals from the county court. Of course, many cases must come up to Superior court from the county court after a preliminary hearing because the charges are beyond the jurisdiction of that court, but a goodly percentage of the case coming up do not come up for that reason. Instead many of these cases are appeals.

Perhaps if there are some method of having the decisions of the county court stick up the Superior dockets of this state would clear up about as readily as by the extra judge plan. Meaning that with less work to do extra courts and extra judges would not be necessary. If the county courts are for the purpose of dealing with minor matters with the ultimate aim of lightening the Superior court work then there should be some method of having this purpose brought to realization. Let the county courts handle county court cases and let that be the final handling. Of course, every person brought into the courtroom charged with an offense has the open privilege of an American citizen of appealing, and continuing to appeal, until there are no higher courts to which an appeal may be made. But somehow or some way this increasing bugaboo or more court work than can be handled must be met. This proposed solution of putting a curb on minor appeals from county courts, that take up considerable Superior court time, usually with very little change in the sentence, is only one way of wondering how

the situation might be alleviated. How the proposal could be made to work is a matter for the astute lawmakers or bar associations to figure out. But nevertheless the county courts seem to be failing in one of their prime purposes and the failure can hardly be credited directly to the working of the court, but rather to the many appeals and responsibility for such.

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HURRYING ANGEL OF
DEATH VISIT IN SHELBY

(R. R. Clark in Greensboro News.)
The Star is convinced that "Shelby is an easy town to die in." The newspaper man admits that he has not tried it, but he says whenever anybody gets seriously ill in Shelby the report goes abroad that he is dead. The broadcasters who anticipate the arrival of the grim messenger may not mean to hasten the event, but it might create that impression on the subject if the news reached him; and that would hardly make his going out more pleasant.

Blouse Strangles

Elizabeth, N. J.—Apparently strangled when his blouse was caught at the end of a ladder, the lifeless body of Vincent Wack, 60, barge captain, was found dangling from the ladder against the side of his barge.

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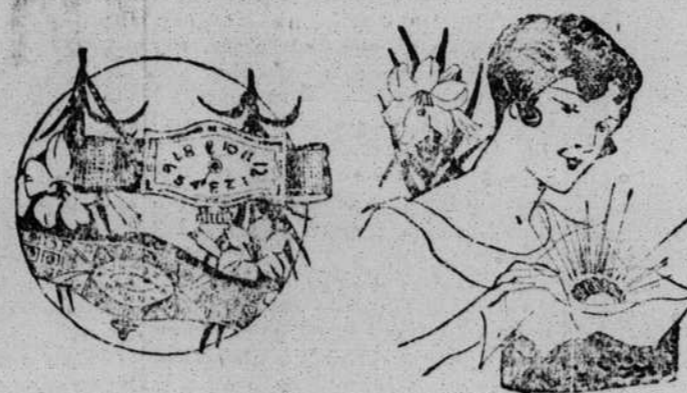
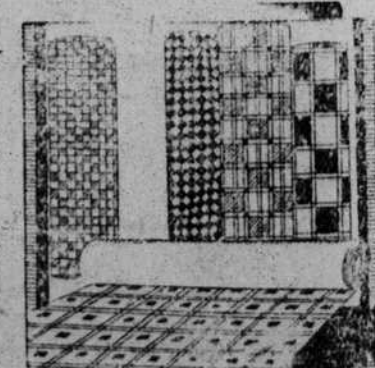
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