

# Political News

By Hamrick Campaign Committee.

The chief interest just now is, who is to be the next highest man, at least that is the question asked a dozen times a day.

There are six running for Mayor—but only two in the race—Hamrick and ———? Which do you want?

Some of the candidates can only hope for a complimentary vote—which I'm sure would be appreciated by them—but there is too much at stake to waste your vote—Don't do it. You are selecting a head for a seven million dollar corporation.

Of course, if the people of Shelby prefer going back to the cave age—Why, he'll be with you, regardless—for he means to stay in Shelby.

Isn't it possible to beat all five contestants—instead of simply being high man? We think it is, and we shall be just a little disappointed if he doesn't.

One of his opponents says "there hasn't been an honest election in Shelby in 40 years"—Whether that is true or not, we can't say—but we do say—that this election is going to be an honest one, insofar as he is concerned, and if there isn't enough honest to goodness men and women in Shelby, who can't be bought, to elect him Mayor, he doesn't want the position.

An invitation to a love feast after election—would taste better than a good dinner on election day.

Many of his best friends think he should get out in the manufacturing districts—Possibly it would be good policy to do so—but he knows all those people and they know him—and we would bet our last dollar that he will get just as many votes there as they will.

The latest curb market report is five to one on Hamrick—and the curb market is usually right.

He could make a lot of wild promises—but we would be afraid to do it—in the face of the four men who are going to be elected aldermen—and any candidate who thinks he can throw sand in their eyes is going to get left.

We are not promising anything—other than to try his level best to fulfill the oath of the office—and if you will read that oath—you'll think it a plenty.

As to any changes in employees—if the four men that are to be elected aldermen think, after taking the oath of office, that the town can be better served, by changing, then changes there will be.

None of the present employees desire to remain, if the new Mayor or board feel that more efficient help can be secured for less money. All positions will be open June 1st. Send in applications for any position you might like. We can assure you that it will be duly considered.

Mail them to the City Clerk, or Mayor Hamrick—after Monday, May 2nd.

For information of those who don't know—We will say that he was born one bright Sunday morning—just as the church bells were calling the people to service. His mother considered it a good omen and predicted that he would be a minister some day, but circumstances or environment, or whatever you wish to call it—didn't permit and finally she became reconciled, and would quite often laugh at the idea of ever having such thought.

However, she told him there was not much hope of him ever being president—but that he might—if he was reasonably good, be mayor some day. So here he is.

What are you going to do about it?

Another thing—some people want to know what he is going to do if elected mayor, and that's a rather hard question to answer—for he is somewhat of a dreamer as well as being practical with it—and we can't see any big things that we can afford right now—but there are a lot of little things he would like to do—One of them is to make Sunset Cemetery a prettier place and clean up the REAR of the CITY HALL.

## CLARK TALKS OF CITY CANDIDATES

Daily News Writer Discusses City Politics in Shelby, Charlotte And Raleigh.

(R. R. Clark in Greensboro News)

In a number of the urban settlements the biennial contests for burgomaster and other official positions of trust, if not of profit, have been quite spirited. A citizen candidating for the post of public safety in Charlotte proclaims that he "was reared between the plow handles." You wouldn't think the Queen City was so much of an agricultural community that the "plow handle" vote would be a factor, but this safety candidate is taking no chances. The "plow handle" candidate adds, however, that he "is well qualified," being a college graduate and a world war veteran. No mention of majoring in college athletics, usually accounted a prime virtue in those who have it.

Another Charlotte candidate feels called to deny rumors that he is "against the Masons" and is given to imbibing hooch.

A Shelby candidate asserts: "I can not and will not lie to the voters and make promises which I can not live up to in order to win vote. If elected," the Shelby man continues, "I promise the voters to cut taxes if it can be done consistent with solid, sound business sense." And he concludes with this assurance: "If elected it won't make a fool out of me. If beaten it won't even dent me."

Don't know how it is in the "city of springs," but it is not in every bailiwick that a candidate who will not prevaricate would lead the voting on election day. Sometimes the voters just seem to prefer the fellow who promises them what they know he can't perform. In fact, seeing how it is in campaigns and elections, you are almost forced to the conclusion at times that the electors don't care for 'em strictly honest.

Gene Culbreth, who is trying to hold on as burgomaster of the state capital, is from the old home town and sympathy would naturally be with him on that account. But when he takes unto himself as a part of his job authority to tell the male citizenry, by official proclamation, when to change headgear he is infringing on personal liberty to an extent that cools ardor; and if anything happens to him he will know he brought it on.

## Hi-Y Boys Have Annual Banquet

The annual entertainment of the boys of the Shelby Hi-Y club was held Friday night in Cental school building.

A large number of the boys dressed in their blue coats and white trousers and also with their hostess, attended the party. The large hall was well decorated and at 8 o'clock the doors were opened. A well planned program was given and Mr. Mason the leader of the Hi-Y club conducted it. The program ran as follows: Several pieces by J. P. Panther, jr., the harmonica. A sermon by Byard Falls who took his text from "The Potato Patch," the seventh row; the fifth hill and the fourth potato. A contest between the most appreciated hostess was held to determine their knowledge of what the real aim of the Hi-Y is. A Hi-Y pin was awarded to the winner and Miss Dorothy King was the winner of the pin, after a careful study of three judges. Games also were included in the program. Following the games were the refreshments and then some time was spent in electing the new officers for the coming year.

The president being absent Gilmore Singleton the vice-president conducted the elections. In a formal method the following were elected to the following offices: for President, Robert Gidney; for vice-president, Charles Caveny; for secretary, Bill Grigg and for treasurer, Grady Frances. A few words were received from each newly elected officer and a hearty congratulation was given to each. In conclusion we were given a song by the quartet of our club. We as Hi-Y members, have been made to feel and know the real spirit the Hi-Y contains. With the newly elected officers and the hopes of our present leader Mr. Mason being with us another year, we feel sure that many will join us in creating, maintaining and extending throughout our high school and community a higher standard of Christian characters.

## MR. J. A. DYCUS IS GIVEN SURPRISE BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mr. J. A. Dycus who lives near Cleveland Springs was somewhat surprised Sunday April 24 when he returned from church and found relatives and friends had gathered to help him eat his birthday cake. There were 35 relatives and friends and all enjoyed a good dinner.

## BODY OF MAN IS FOUND BY TRACKS

Clyde Gains, Not Expected to Live, is Suspected. Don't Think Train Killed Man.

Newton, April 25.—The body of Oscar Flemming, 30, of Maiden, was found in a railroad cut near Hickory early this morning by a girl going to her work in Highland. His skull was fractured just back of the left ear, and the ear was split. The body bore no other scars except a small bruise which he is supposed to have received from the fall.

He leaves a wife and three small children, the youngest being only eight months old. The body was brought to Sherrill's undertaking parlor and was later taken to Lenoir where most of his relatives live.

An inquest started soon after the body arrived in Newton, but on account of the absence of Clyde Gains, who left Maiden in company with Flemming about 3:30 Saturday afternoon and who has not been heard from until late this morning when he returned home, no verdict could be reached.

Gains, who is reported to have swallowed three bicarbonate tablets one week ago in an effort to take his own life, said to be a heavy drinker, was brought to Newton at 12:30 today and while he was in the sheriff's office awaiting an interrogation by the coroner's jury, suffered a severe internal hemorrhage which rendered him immediately unconscious.

He was rushed to a Hickory hospital and is not expected to recover. He is reported to have a wife and two children. Both men were employees of the Maiden Chair Co., and live near each other. Flemming's wife stated that although the two men were on friendly terms when they left home so far as she knew, they had been previously at outs with each other when both men were drinking. Judging from the small fracture on the skull which would lead one to believe that he was struck with a rock, the general opinion prevails in Newton among those who saw

the body, that he met with foul play, and since Gains is supposed to have made conflicting statements about his knowledge of the affair, he is suspected of committing the act.

## JUNE 3 SET FOR DEATH OF GASTONIA BURGLAR

Gastonia—Friday June 3, is the date set by Judge W. F. Harding for the electrocution of Will Taylor, negro convicted in superior court here of first degree bur-

lary. Taylor was captured on the night of February 8 in the residence of Dr. L. N. Glenn after the latter had engaged in a furious hand-to-hand battle with him. This was the first case in which the death penalty has been inflicted in Gaston county in the past eleven years. He was taken to the station at Raleigh Sunday by Sheriff G. R. Rhyne, Deputy Sheriff Miles Rhyne and Officer John Hord.

## PUEBLO IS BUILDING CHILDREN'S THEATRE

(By International News Service.) Pueblo, Colo.—A children's theatre, with all stage equipment sealed down to child proportions, is being constructed in a local studio of dramatic art to accommodate the thespian instincts of the young. The child's delight in participating in make-believe will be developed here into an art, under

the direction of skilled supervisors. But the child actors will not be hampered by adult conventionalities in their exclusive theatre. No lofty wings or vast rostrum will add terror to natural shyness as the youngsters make their entrances and play their parts. The audience will be restricted to thirty—and the age limit will be considerably less, the directors promise. Children's plays will be the order in the diminutive hall.

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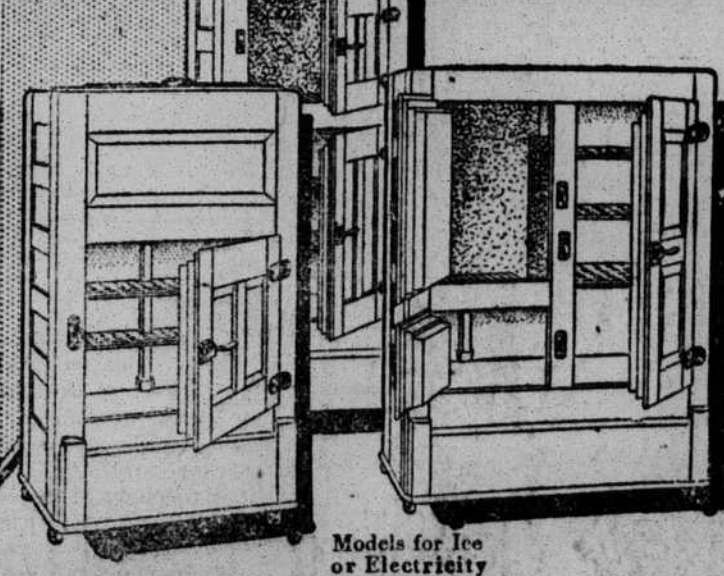
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The French Gown Salon on our Second Floor is featuring this week everything that's new and desirable in afternoon and evening gowns for both Madame and Mademoiselle—and at prices that range from \$15.00 to \$150.00. Bouffant Taffeta, Chiffon, Sheer Crepe, Silk Crepes, Satin and lace are all used very effectively on these frocks. All the new color combinations are shown in this display.

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## Cretonne Pillows, 59c Each

Just arrived this week, Cretonne Pillows of many colors, usually much higher priced values. State Size and color wanted in Mail Orders.

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In all the soft, pretty shades that will accompany afternoon frocks—grays, tans, beige, nude and white. These are Aug. W. Smith Co. quality hosiery—pure silk, perfect and highly desirable. A complete range of sizes are here.

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## THE PICTURE HATS ARE BACK IN STYLE

The shady, wide brimmed hats are the very thing for formal occasions says Parisian stylists—and so the Aug. W. Smith Company's new Millinery Salon provides a profusion of these artistic and lovely shady brimmed picture hats, in delicately colored pastels or in flattering dark shades. Then, too, there is every variety of smart little close fitting hats for less formal occasions. Priced \$5.00 to \$19.75.

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