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BOYER PREACHES TO 64 GRADUATES ON SUNDAY NIGHT

Declares In Commencement Sermon That Young Folks Are Not Going to Devil.

Preaching to 64 members of the Shelby High school graduating class and a packed auditorium of friends and relatives last night at Central Methodist church, Dr. Hugh K. Boyer, the pastor, declared that, contrary to the pessimists, "the young folks of today are not going to the devil."

"Look back into your youth," he urged elders of the big congregation, "and you will find that they are no worse today than you were. They just have the impetuosity of youth. You had it. They also have desires, purpose and faith, the fundamental principles that carried another youngster, the world-famed Lindbergh in his hop across the Atlantic."

The Methodist pastor in his thoughtful talk to the graduates, who lined the front pews of the center aisle, used as his text the words of Jesus found in Matthew, 4:16, "Follow Me."

"The world of today has changed from the world of other days," Dr. Boyer stated in informing the graduates that their future, the life before them, depends upon their individual efforts and ideals. "Once was your ancestry was questioned. You were asked 'Who was your grandfather?' and 'How much money has your father?' but it is different today. The question you will face is 'Who are you?' and 'What can you do?' and 'Whither do you go?'"

The minister pointed out that success does not merely happen, neither does failure. Both come as a climax anything else than chance. And in success he pointed out that the greatest danger is a sense of security, warning the youngsters just facing life that the little things, that sometimes go unnoticed, are the most dangerous in wrecking lives. He pointed out the feeling of security enjoyed by the 1,600 souls perishing on the Titanic. "The vessel that couldn't sink." Youth, and the desire and faith of youth, is exemplified in the life of Christ. Neither you nor I can conceive of Christ other than as a young man. His youth goes on forever as does all youth. In Him is exemplified the faith and purpose of all youth."

In concluding Dr. Boyer reminded the 64 young people, whom he frequently referred to as "young ladies and gentlemen at the commencement of life," that service to fellow men is the real service in this world and through it all that ideals must be set and held.

Rev. H. N. McDiarmid, Presbyterian pastor, conducted the opening prayer and also read the Scripture passages in the absence of Dr. Zeno Wall, Baptist pastor, who is away assisting in a revival at Spindale.

Very Few New Cases Smallpox Reported

Very few new cases of smallpox are being reported in the county during the past week or so, it is announced. Although numerous cases were reported during the first weeks of the month the epidemic seems to have been on the decline since mid-month, it is said. New cases, it is thought, are smaller in number now than at any time in two months.

To Present Pupils In Music Recitals

Three music recitals will be given this week to which the public is cordially invited. Mrs. Wm. McCord will present her high school pupils on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock; Miss Bertha Bostick will present her high school pupils on Friday night at 8 o'clock and Mrs. McCord and Miss Bostick will jointly present their elementary pupils Friday night at 8 o'clock. The three programs will be held in the high school auditorium.

Aged Wilkes Woman After Hiking Honors; Doesn't Believe In Horseless Carriages

North Wilkesboro, (INS.)—Laurels of North Carolina's long distance women hikers now attempting to establish new long distance walking records are menaced by a Wilkes county entrant.

Mrs. Anne Barnes, 80, widow of the late S. D. Barnes, of Boomer, doesn't think anything of a six-mile jaunt over the mountains in fact, she takes the little hike everytime she decided to visit his sister Mrs. William Ferguson and other relatives across the mountainous country.

Junior Debate On Tonight With Senior Night Tuesday

Sophia Hunt, Freshman Debater, Wins LeGrand Medal. Juniors Contest For Gardner Medal. Gardner To Speak Tuesday Night At Graduating Exercises. Medals To Be Given.

The annual junior debate will feature the high school finals program here tonight at 8 o'clock in the Central school auditorium. Music for the evening will be furnished by the High school orchestra.

The young debaters, who will contest for the O. Max Gardner medal, will debate the immigration policy of the United States. The affirmative will be represented by Kathleen Young and Milan Bridges while Billy McKnight and Benton Champion will be the negative debaters.

Father 94, Son 74 Hear Gardner Speak

Dr. Zeno Wall, being a minister of the gospel might be believed when he tells this one. Last week he motored up to Mars Hill with Max Gardner who was to deliver the literary address at the school finals. Dr. Wall is an alumnus of Mars Hill and president of the alumni association to which position he was re-elected. That mountain folks just naturally live to ripe ages is illustrated by this experience of Dr. Wall. He saw an old mountaineer on the school campus, a little stooped and feeble. Mars Hill is a familiar spot to Dr. Wall and he likes to recognize old acquaintances. In speaking to the old gentleman and inquiring about his health, the 74-year-old replied that he was not feeling so well on that particular day and that his father was in much better health. Dr. Wall's eye opened in wonder that a man so old should have a living father. But presently the father came tripping by with an air of eternal youth. The father was 94. "Can you beat it," as they say on the comic strip.

Father 94, and son 74, had walked a considerable distance to hear Max Gardner, they said, and added they would walk ten miles to vote for him for governor.

Tom Webb Has Big Mountain Orchard

The beautiful laurel in bloom on Buffalo mountain, a development owned by Mr. Tom Webb of Shelby, has been attracting many visitors. The flowers have shed off now, but in their height of glory, the white and pink mass literally covered one side of the mountain and presented a site that was beautiful to behold. Buffalo Mountain is just north of Laurel Hill church on a 1,000 acre tract of land which Mr. Webb purchased a year or more ago.

Mr. Webb has in mind to make a beautiful play ground. The pinnacle of the mountain is 800 or more feet above Shelby and on a clear day with binoculars, one can see the water tank to the rear of the city hall in Shelby. Mr. Webb has planted 2,500 peach trees, 600 apple trees and a variety of other fruits which will be in bearing within a few years.

Death Of Child Under Two Years

Charles Hubert Russ, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Russ died Saturday May 21st at the age of one year, eight months and seven days. The little fellow was sick 13 days and during this time suffered intensely. He was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Russ and was dearly loved not only by the parents, but by many friends and relatives of the family. He was buried at Buffalo cemetery on Sunday May 22nd. The bereaved family has the sympathy of their many friends.

WASHBURN HEADS LOCAL MASONS IN FRIDAY ELECTION

Succeeds Carr E. Cline as Worshipful Master of Cleveland Lodge. Others Move Up.

At an election of officers of the Cleveland Lodge 202 A. F. and A. M., Friday night George D. Washburn was elected worshipful master to head the lodge for the coming year. Mr. Washburn succeeds Carr E. Cline as master, having moved up from senior warden to the master's chair.

James F. Roberts was named senior warden to succeed Washburn; Lawrence P. Holland is the new junior warden succeeding Roberts. C. S. Young was re-elected treasurer and Russell G. Laughridge was re-elected secretary. Mr. Washburn will within the next month appoint his other officers of the lodge. Of recent years younger Masons have been taking a more active interest in the work of the lodge and the elective officers have been rotating from chair to chair while moving to the master's chair.

WEST SHELBY TO GET NEW SCHOOL BUILDING, SAID

West Shelby may by the opening of the next school year have a new school building on the type of the new school structure in North Shelby.

This was learned by The Star following a recent meeting of the school board. At this meeting, it is said, the old board recommended that such a structure be built in West Shelby, but the actual decision will be up to the new school board, which goes into office Wednesday, it is added.

Many Visit Opening At Casket Factory

Local Ladies and Men, as well as Visiting Undertakers go Through Factory.

Several hundred local ladies and men and many undertakers from the two Carolinas visited the opening of the Shelby Casket company on Thursday on N. Washington street. The opening was held in order to give the local people an insight into the class of merchandise this new industrial plant is making and enable them to answer questions put to them by outsiders about Shelby industrial plants. The Shelby Casket Co., started just a few months ago and is just now turning out fifteen or more handsome designs of caskets. It is the only factory of its kind in this section and all visitors spoke in high terms of the variety, the style and the workmanship on the caskets. Mrs. W. R. Casstevens and Miss Olive Singleton served punch to the visitors while Mrs. Z. J. Thompson and Mrs. W. F. Wright conducted the ladies through the display and work rooms. The men were conducted through and the process of manufacture explained by Z. J. Thompson and Mr. W. F. Wright.

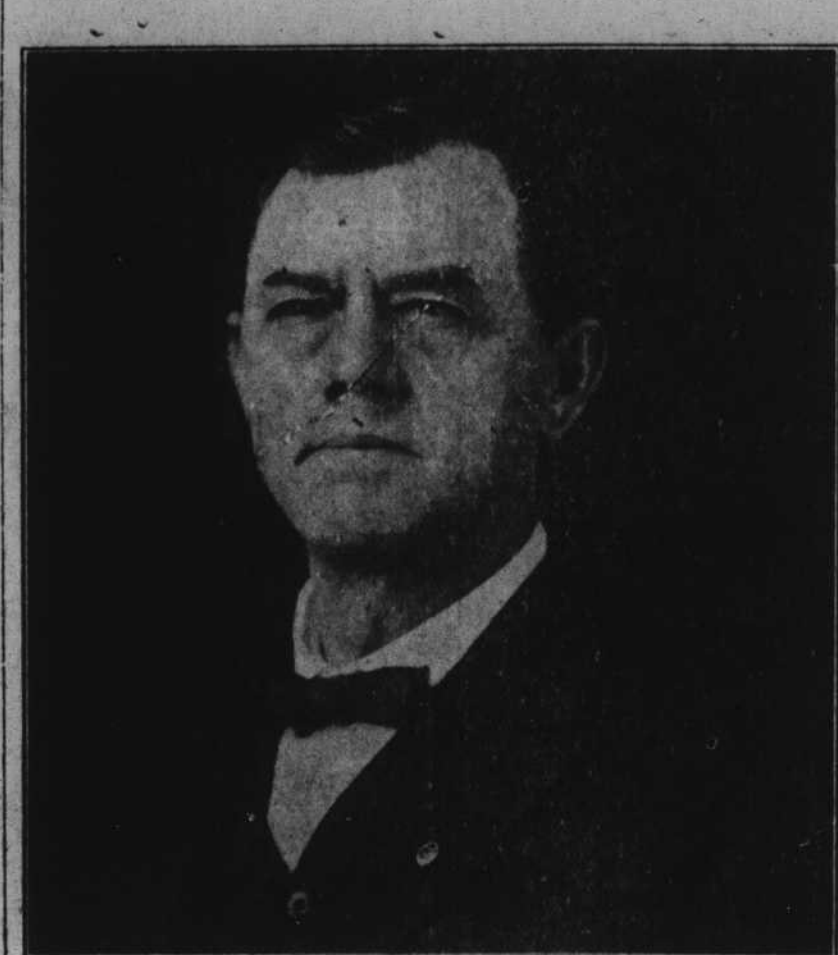
Wake Forest To Get Best Athletes In County This Fall

Alumni of Wake Forest college hereabouts are elated over the fact that three of the most promising young athletes ever turned out in Cleveland county schools plan to enter Wake Forest this fall. They are Arthur Hord, Kings Mountain; Ralph Gillespie and "Dutch" Whisnant, of Shelby.

Find Parts Of Human Body On Train Tracks

Charlie Woodson, local clothing salesman, stated here just after noon today that he was at Forest City this morning and while near there noticed a crowd along the railroad tracks of the Clinchfield road. Investigating he found that an arm, chin and other portions of a human body had been found scattered along the track. The body had apparently been ground to pieces by a train about one mile and a half below Forest City. Latest reports indicate that the body was that of a hobo who had apparently fallen from the train and under the wheels where he met a horrible death.

ENDS MAYORALTY TERM TUESDAY



MAYOR A. P. WEATHERS

Weathers Administration In Building Record In Regime

City Regime Going Out of Office Tomorrow Handled Affairs During Greatest Period Of Construction and Expansion in History Of Town. Built Water Plant, Streets, Sidewalk, Abattoir, and Smaller Improvements All At Low Cost.

Tomorrow evening at dusk a city administration under which Shelby's greatest period of construction and expansion was established will come to a close when Mayor A. P. Weathers and Aldermen T. W. Hamrick, John Schenck, jr., John Toms, and M. D. Hopper relinquish the municipal reins to Mayor-elect W. N. Dorsey and his new board of aldermen.

Look about the Shelby of today, and then, if your memory is working smoothly, take a glance at the Shelby of May 30, 1925. The results of a progressive administration, under a mayor who goes to work in his shirt sleeves with the milk wagons before 7 o'clock, can easily be seen. New school buildings, one of the finest water plants of any town out of the city class in the South, new water mains, new streets, new sidewalks, additional fire fighting equipment, modern abattoir and incinerator, traffic signs, and so on.

And, the high light of that progress is financial stability. Ordinarily when improvements are added and money is spent the financial source isn't as strong as it was before the spending, but during the past two years city bonds have sold better than ever before in the history of the town.

Limits Extended One of the high lights of the administration was the extension of the city limits to a one and one-half mile radius, giving Shelby a population of 8,854 at the special census taken in September 1925.

150,000 Water Plant Prior to the building of the new plant, the old plant built 20 years ago by the late L. J. Wagner could not supply household needs, much less meet requirements in case of fire. Today the present plant has a seven million gallon reservoir, complete laboratory, filter plant and built in units to enable additions that will take care of phenomenal growth in the future. This mammoth new, modern plant cost approximately \$150,000. The location of the plant was changed so that the intake from the river is above the mouth of the drain watershed of North Shelby, enabling this section to have sewer conveniences without polluting the general city water supply.

Two big water mains lead into Shelby from the present station and in case one should break or become damaged the city will not be helpless with a curbed water supply. Many thousands of dollars were saved by cutting down the size of one main in the engineer's specifications and utilizing the old main by connecting it with the new plant. Low Cost Street Work To say it briefly, and nothing

TRAIN KILLS MAN AT CROSSING IN KINGS MOUNTAIN

Mark Short, Former Kings Mountain Man, Dies on Tracks at Margrace Mill Crossing

Mark Short, 33-year-old Bessemer City man and a former citizen of Kings Mountain, met instant death Sunday night when his car crashed into the pilot of the northbound Crescent limited at the Margrace mill crossing in the Southern edge of Kings Mountain.

A Charlotte dispatch says: "Mark Short of Bessemer City, was hurled to instant death last night when his light automobile crashed into the pilot of the speeding northbound Crescent limited at a grade crossing near Kings Mountain.

The crack train was 30 minutes late in arriving here because of the wreck. News that the train had struck an automobile spread quickly among the crowd at the Southern station and hundreds of persons crowded around the green engine to view the mangled pilot.

According to J. Lee Harrison, of Greenville, the train's fireman, Short crashed into the train after skidding in the dusty side-road on which the tragedy occurred.

The impact of the collision threw the small automobile about 20 feet from the track. When members of the train crew reached Short he was dead. The automobile was practically demolished. W. M. Kiziah, of Salisbury, the engineer, was not a witness to the wreck, he said. It occurred on the fireman's side of the engine cab. Jason Cannon, of Atlanta, was the train's conductor.

91 COUNTIES TO GET PART SCHOOL FUND ON JUNE 15

Raleigh.—Ninety-one counties in the state will probably participate in the distribution of the \$3,250,000 school equalization fund, but just what the size of the allotments will be to those counties has not yet been definitely determined, and will not be announced until the next meeting of the State board of equalization on June 15, it was announced by LeRoy Martin, secretary of the commission.

It was at first expected that the equalization board would announce the allotments of the fund to the counties at its meeting here this week, but while the tentative allotments were made, it has been found necessary to check these back against the valuations in the various counties before making them public. Thus the board feels that it has complied with the law which makes it mandatory to have the allotments made by June 1, although they will not be officially announced until June 15.

Harrill Now Heads Club At N. C. State

R. H. Harrill is Elected President Of Cleveland County Club, List of Boys at State.

The Cleveland County club at State college at a call meeting on Thursday May 26, 1927 elected the following officers for next year. President: R. H. Harrill; vice-president, George Dedmon; secretary and reporter, Steve Woodson; treasurer, Zeb Plunk. A talk was made President "Tommy" Harrill urging us to send more men to State college. At present Cleveland county is represented by: J. A. Anthony, T. C. Harrill, R. H. Harrill, R. A. Kendrick, Brevard Latimore, Charles Eskridge, Fred Plunk, Zeb Plunk, C. D. Forney, George Dedmon, Henry Nichols, Steve Woodson. In the past few years "upper Cleveland," as Cleveland is called here, has had two presidents of the student government; one vice-president; captain of football team, and a number of the Golden chain, honorary fraternity, Coach Gus K. Tebell will visit in Shelby in the next few days and a warm reception will be appreciated by the Shelby boys at State.

A professor says four hours sleep is enough, but our idea is that he had better wake up. It is said the artificial blond is passing. Yes, she passes often and we always recognize her.

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