

Today, June 1, meet the new mayor—and the bill collectors.

The Star today publishes a list of the graduating class at the Shelby high school, together with medal winners, honor students, and a review of the commencement program including the Gardner address. Graduates of the teacher training class, and a list of the teachers for next year are also carried.

New police regulations and rules are cited by The Star today together with other news of the installation of new city officials and city hall events.

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Chamber of commerce business meeting, firemen's banquet, deaths, town and county news events. A paper full of news today.

For other local news turn to pages three and seven.

COMMERCE BODY TO FUNCTION ON

J. C. Newton Resigns To Enter Law School For Summer—Lineberger To Act.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the chamber of commerce held Tuesday afternoon in the secretary's office, J. Clint Newton who has served effectively and satisfactorily for the first year of the chamber's operation, tendered his resignation in order to leave Monday to enter the law school at Wake Forest college where he will finish his law course under Prof. N. Y. Gulley.

Mr. Newton will be away about three months. When he finishes, he will locate for the practice of law, but has not announced as yet just where he will settle.

J. D. Lineberger was appointed to serve temporarily as the chamber's secretary and the office will be moved into the real estate office of Lineberger and Hoey in the Courtyard hotel building.

The chamber's finances are running good, but there is enough in the treasury to pay a stenographer for awhile to attend to the many inquiries that come daily to the club and to follow up the prospects for industries that are furnished by the Southern Power company in response to its advertising carried in Northern and Canadian publications.

Mr. Lineberger will direct the affairs of the chamber until another program can be worked out and a full-time secretary put in charge with ample finances to handle the situation. It was the hope that the chamber of commerce will survive and that in the early future it can be made to function to an even greater way than during its first year.

Financially speaking the club has about \$300 in the bank. About \$1,300 pledged has never been made, but the first year's operation cost approximately \$5,000 which was spent in secretary's salary, office expense, printing, advertising, etc.

McDiarmid Goes To Brother's Funeral

Shelby Presbyterian Pastor Called to Raeford on Account of Brother's Passing.

Rev. H. N. McDiarmid, pastor of the Shelby Presbyterian church left yesterday morning for Raeford, North Carolina, to attend to which place he was called on account of the death of his older brother, Fred J. McDiarmid who passed away in John Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, Md., Monday following a serious operation. Deceased was taken to Baltimore last Thursday from his home at Raeford. He was a prominent citizen of Raeford and was married only six months ago to Miss Ruth Shaw of Gatesville, Ga.

It is understood the body is being brought to Raeford for burial to-day. Deceased was about fifty years of age and is survived by five brothers and sisters, Mrs. J. O. King of Fayetteville, Rev. H. O. King of Shelby, Miss Maggie McDiarmid, John, Norman and Henry McDiarmid of Raeford, and his widow to whom he was married last November.

FORMER HIGH STAR HERE DIES IN CAR CRASH AT NIGHT

"Moco" Bynum, Shelby High and State College Athlete, Killed Instantly.

Messages received here Tuesday morning stated that Boyd R. (Moco) Bynum, former Shelby High football star and State college athlete, was instantly killed late Monday night in an automobile wreck near Winston-Salem. Bynum, who has been a tackle on the State college football team for two years, came to Shelby several years ago, being left under the care of Dick Gurley by his father. While in school here the youth was very popular and was also rated as one of the best athletes in the school. Finishing here he entered State college, where he was a student until two weeks ago. Bynum was very popular in the younger social set and since leaving Shelby had returned several times on visits. Owing to his athletic prowess and near perfect physique he was an idol among the younger boys of the town. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew L. Bynum, of Wilmington street, Raleigh, and was 22 years of age.

A Winston-Salem dispatch telling of his death says: "B. R. (Moco) Bynum, of Raleigh, was killed instantly, and J. Gentry, nineteen, and Bill Davis, nineteen, were injured when an automobile in which he was riding turned over on the Greensboro highway four miles from here shortly before 11 o'clock Monday night.

"According to Gentry, who, with Davis, was brought to a hospital here, the automobile was being driven at a rapid rate of speed when they were unable to go around the curve in the road. The machine turned over two times, it is said.

"Bynum came to Winston-Salem from Raleigh two weeks ago. He was a student at State college last year and played tackle on the varsity football team."

MRS. RUDASILL BURIED TODAY

Wife Of Mr. E. A. Rudasill. Descendant of Distinguished Ancestry Died Tuesday.

Mrs. Lillian Evelyn Smith Rudasill, wife of Mr. E. A. Rudasill, died in the Shelby hospital on Tuesday morning at 9:45 from a complication of diseases. Mrs. Rudasill had been in ill health for the past year but never gave up and kept going. She was stricken fatally ill on Thursday evening and was taken to the hospital on Saturday. Mrs. Rudasill was born in Ninety-Six, S. C., and comes from a long line of distinguished ancestry, her people being the Calhouns, the McGregors and the Fouches, the makers of early South Carolina history. She was 61 years old on January 2nd. Her father and mother died when she was quite young and she came to Shelby as a young girl to live with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Rudasill. Mrs. Rudasill being an aunt of hers before marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Rudasill now are living in Meridian, Texas. She was educated at the old Shelby Female college, and after her graduation was married to Mr. E. A. Rudasill, and into one of Shelby's most prominent and oldest families.

For a short while they lived in Blacksburg, S. C., but the greater part of their life has been spent here at the old Rudasill home on South Washington street. Mr. and Mrs. Rudasill were married in Bradley, S. C. December 2nd, 1885 by the Rev. R. H. Smart. Mrs. Rudasill was a woman of fine character and keen intellect. She did much charity work and helped the poor, and did good in many ways, never letting her left hand know what her right hand was doing. She was a big hearted woman in every respect, a loyal friend and neighbor, ministering to the sick, a most unselfish and sacrificial mother, living always for her children. She was truly a home mother and a home maker. She was conscious to the last and on the night before her going she talked to her husband and children, telling them she was prepared and ready to go. Mrs. Rudasill is survived by her husband, Mr. E. A. Rudasill, five children, Mrs. James Willard, Mr. Jake Rudasill, Mrs. Harris Bailey, of Elberton,

There will be a lawn party at Clover Hill church Friday night, June 4th. String band. Refreshments served. Proceeds to go to church. Everybody invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Frazier and Bobbie, were week-end guests with relatives in Monroe, the past week.

Gardner Tells Seniors That Friends Are Biggest Asset -- Lauds Equality

"Personality Plus" Keynote Of Success, He Tells Graduates. None Born Equal So As To Make Race Of Life Interesting. Pays Tribute To Boys Forging Ahead. 64 Youngsters Receive Coveted Diplomas.

An overflowing auditorium at Central High school last night failed to hold the mammoth crowd gathered, despite inclement weather, to witness the graduating exercises of 64 members of the Shelby High senior class.

The senior night program was considered one of the best ever held and scores unable to get inside the auditorium gathered about the doors and windows for glimpses.

The exercises opened with the junior class filing in carrying a daisy chain to the front of the stage, where members of the class took their seats. The juniors were closely followed by the seniors, in gray caps and gowns, who filed their way to the high school stage for the last time as students amid the cheers of the huge throng.

Invocation by Dr. H. K. Boyer opened the formal exercises. This was followed by the class exercises. The welcome address by the class president, Troy McKinney, evidenced that class chose as its leader a young man of remarkable talents of oratory. This was followed by the class history by Irene Bridges; class poem by Kathleen Hord; prophecy by Maude Rollins; last will and testament by Harris Ligon, and the class song.

Personality Counts. O. Max Gardner, introduced by Supt. I. C. Griffin as a man fitted to tell of the road to success because he made his own road, then spoke to the class on "Personality." The Gardner address was not of the form type, but extemporaneous, touching at time, laudatory and inspiring. It was more than an ordinary bit of school oratory for him for in the class behind him was one of his own sons and chosen as the handsome young mascot of the class was another of his sons, Max jr. He introduced his subject by declaring that contrary to precepts of patriotism and history every man is not born equal.

"If every horse had the same speed there would be no races. If every man and woman had the same qualities and were equal in ambition, personality and courage, life's race wouldn't be interesting. The Maker of All things knew what he was doing. As it is the temperament, disposition and qualities of every one differ. Life there fore is a struggle, a race, and becomes in itself a wonderfully interesting thing. Personality is the quality to be developed. Personality means popularity and friends, and today I would not trade the five best friends I have in North Carolina for all the fortune and honors I have or may have. Personality is the thing that makes the woman go by one store, one bank, and one business house, to trade at another store and bank where the merchandise and interest is the same. Personality is one of the big fundamentals of success."

Mr. Gardner interposed a few thoughts on the equality and opportunity offered in America—opportunities that no other land holds out to its young. He recited proudly a list of former Shelby High school graduates who have attained honors in recent years after leaving school here: Two consecutive presidents of the student body at State college, one at N. C. C. W., and another now head of the student body at Davidson. And last fall an incident took place that was a credit to the town and school when a young Shelby High graduate, without fortune or favor, walked into the State University and was picked as the head of the freshman class made up of 700 boys, cream of the state's young manhood.

Continuing on equality and the rewards of "personality plus" he exemplified his statements by referring to two members of the graduate class behind him. Nothing, he said, spoke better for America, the land of equality and opportunity, than that a boy of foreign descent had been named by his class mates as the most popular boy in the class. Whereupon he had Alex GGeorge, son of an Assyrian fruit merchant, to stand amid roars of applause from the packed auditorium. Next he referred to another boy graduate who was leaving school with 20 units to his credit—a boy that had worked in a textile plant and struggled on bravely just to get the diploma on the table to the right, and he asked Tom Kerr to stand up while the crowd roared out another round of applause.

The "next governor" as he is familiarly known in his home town may have made better speeches but never have his statements been

more fitting, more to the point, or better received. From his brief address there flowed advice, urge, ambition, praise, and hope. Diplomas Given. Following the address diplomas were given to the 64 class members individually by Prof. A. C. Lovelace, principal, and Mr. R. E. Carpenter, for years chairman and member of the school board.

To Superintendent Griffin fell the honor of presenting the medals and scholarships to his own class, for it was 11 years ago that he came here to head the city schools and eleven years ago the class that passed on and off the stage forever last night first entered school.

The second highlight of the evening came at this time as the big crowd of parents, relatives and friends burst out in applause as the honor youngsters marched forward for their medals and scholarship. From the two most coveted honors, best all around boy and girl, down to the athletic awards the recipients were roundly applauded. Winners of the major honors were unknown except to school officials prior to their announcement and many of the youngsters and their friends the awards came as a surprise.

An incident that "touched home" with the commencement crowd was the awarding of two new honors. One a hundred dollar check, presented by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey to the girl most deserving of a college education, was awarded to Maude Rollins, one of the girl leaders of the class. The other award proved that the speaker of the evening was not just talking when he praised the personality and pluck of Tom Kerr, the boy who worked his way through, and the youngster was presented with a \$100 check and a scholarship to State college by O. Max Gardner.

At the conclusion of the program the juniors, with their daisy chain, lined the center aisle on each side, and the seniors, leaving the auditorium with their highly prized diplomas, marched out between the two lines of new seniors placing on their heads as they passed their graduation caps. And thus, in a beautiful and touching ritual, the class of 1927 was no more.

Those Graduates. The following is a complete list of the graduating class receiving diplomas last night: Ethiel Allen, Mertie Abernethy, Margaret Blanton, Irene Bridges, Azalea Blanton, Elvin Barnett, Raymond Carroll, Nina Cabaniss, Aileen Costner, Frank Connor, Gwendolyn Doggett, Ruth Dixon, Mary Ford Elam, Bill Grigg, J. L. Green, Elsie Green, Alex George, James Webb Gardner, Ralph Gillespie, Eva Goforth.

Edwin Harris, Thomas Harris, Juanita Hoyle, Lucille Hamrick, Kathleen Hord, Alice James, Elias Kouri, Horton Kendall, Thomas Kerr, Milton Loy, Reid Lutz, Lloyd Lutz, Annabell Lutz, Charlie Mae Leverett, Marion Lemons, Montrose Mull, Herman Mauney, Berkin Mauney, Troy McKinney, Callie Owens, Jennie Lee Packard, Mary Francis Putnam, Sedalia Propst, Maude Rollins, George Richbourg, Richard Riviere, Donnie Sain, Carl Spurling, Nancy Suttle, Ruby Spangler, Lucille Smawley, Madge Spurling, Mary Brandt Switzer, Lois Stubbs, Daniel Troutman, Carl Wray Webb, Muriel Waldrop, Margaret Weaver, Joyce Wilson, Merle Williams, Clyde Whisnant, Horace Whisnant, Novella White, Lee Wray, Odus Wright, Mildred Wilson.

Aldermen Present Mayor With New Car

Mayor W. N. Dorsey entered upon his duties as mayor of Shelby today and rode to work in a new Buick coupe presented to him by the new board of aldermen as a token of their appreciation for him.

AWARDS GIVEN TO SENIORS AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Tom Kerr and Kathleen Hord Get High Honors for Boy and Girl In Class Scholasticships.

Tom Kerr, the youngster who worked his way through high school, and Kathleen Hord, daughter of Mayor and Mrs. W. N. Dorsey, were last night given the most coveted honors of the Shelby High school—that of being the best all-around boy and girl in the senior class.

Kerr in addition to working his way through school was frequently an honor student, captain of the football team, high school debater and orator. Miss Hord in addition to her scholastic record was school representative in the Latin contest, glee club member, dramatic club member, recitation representative in '26, essay representative, and honor roll student. The award for the best-all-around boy is the Max Washburn cup and the award for the girl is the Charles L. Eskridge cup. The winners are ranked according to scholarship, department, athletic, and general school interest.

Other Honor Winners. Kerr was also the winner of one of the two anonymous One Hundred dollar college scholarships, while the similar scholarship for a girl was awarded Maude Rollins. The two C. C. Blanton scholarships were given to Irene Bridges and Horace (Dutch) Whisnant. Madge Putnam was the winner of the T. W. Hamrick spelling medal. Maude Rollins was the winner of the Lee B. Weathers essay medal. Sedalia Propst was the winner of the Wm. Lineberger improvement medal. Elsie Greene was the winner of the J. R. Dover Bible medal.

Sophia Hunt was the winner of the R. T. LeGrand debaters medal. Milan Bridges, winner of the Le Grand medal last year, was winner of the Max Gardner debaters medal this year. Proficiency honors in typewriting were awarded Nina Cabaniss, Aileen Kendrick and Aileen Connor. Teacher Graduates. Including 15 graduates from the Shelby Teacher Training department diplomas were given to 79 young people last night.

The 15 teacher training graduates were: Gussie Ray Beam, Bleka Elizabeth Blanton, Mildred E. Ramsey, Vetus Costner, Jennie Mae (Continued on page three.)

OIL MEN HOLD SAFETY MEET HERE

An elegant luncheon was served 38 employees and officials of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, at Cleveland Springs hotel last night, the safety meeting held in the territory covered by Mr. Bert M. Byers who has charge of the sales in Cleveland, Rutherford and Lincoln counties and parts of Gaston, Polk, Henderson and Catawba. The meeting was presided over by Mr. J. M. Hershaw, district manager of Lenoir. Roy S. Bonsib safety engineer from New York, showed some interesting movie slides to the audience, all designed to teach safety methods which the Standard Oil men are urged to observe in their daily vocation. The meeting was a most interesting and profitable one and is in line with other group meetings that have been held throughout the territory served by the Standard Oil company, of New Jersey.

New Lawyer Comes Here For Practice

Shelby's legal fraternity was increased by one this week when Mr. B. E. Williams of Monroe located here for practice. Mr. Williams for the present has quarters in the law offices of Quinn, Hamrick and Harris in the Royster building. He was graduated at Wake Forest college where he studied law under Prof. Neeham Y. Gulley, one of the ablest law professors in the South. After his graduation he practised a year at his home at Monroe. Mr. Williams is married and he and his wife are boarding with Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Mauney on West Warren St.

NEW BOARD SWORN IN TODAY AT 9:05. CITY HALL CHANGE

Mayor Dorsey Takes Oath, Followed by Aldermen, Clerk and Policemen. Salaries.

Exactly at 9:05 this morning, W. N. Dorsey took the oath of office as mayor of Shelby for the next two years and Aldermen J. F. Ledford, Rachel Hendrick, G. M. Gold and Alger Hamrick joint placed their hands on the Book, and took the oath one minute later. All oaths were administered by A. M. Hamrick, clerk of the Superior court, the oaths being read from typewritten papers prepared by O. M. Mull retiring city attorney.

Men and Salaries. In order to make the election of police department and others in proper order, Mayor Dorsey called a short session of the new board and at 9:15 they sat together around a typewritten paper containing the minutes of the election of various departmental heads before the new board took office today. On motion put by Mr. Hendrick and seconded by Mr. Hamrick, the following men were elected: Fred Culbreth as city clerk and treasurer at \$250 per month. A. L. Richards, chief of police at \$175 per month; E. B. Roach at \$115 per month and free living quarters in the city hall for his family; N. G. Self street overseer at \$30 per week; R. V. Toms superintendent of water and light departments at \$175 per month. Chief Richards will collect all privilege taxes and see that the inspector's stamp is on all meats sold locally. J. S. Dorton will be retained as meat and milk inspector and inspect all meats sold locally at the new abattoir.

Mayor W. N. Dorsey and Police Chief A. L. Richards yesterday announced some of the new traffic and police rulings that will apply to Shelby after today—the first day being a day of grace for all violators. Thereafter, watch your step and the signals! After Wednesday there will be no double parking of automobiles in the business section. That is, if Richards and his officers see it. Some of the present electric traffic signals are not deemed necessary by the new administration and they will stand on "Safety First." The other signals, the new chief says, will mean just what they say. When the "Stop" sign is on, it means stop. In other words, by the new regulation, cars next to the curb cannot turn to the right and go up another street while the "stop" light is on. Motorists wishing to turn to the right at one of the signal corners must await the "Go" sign and do this turning while the others go straight across.

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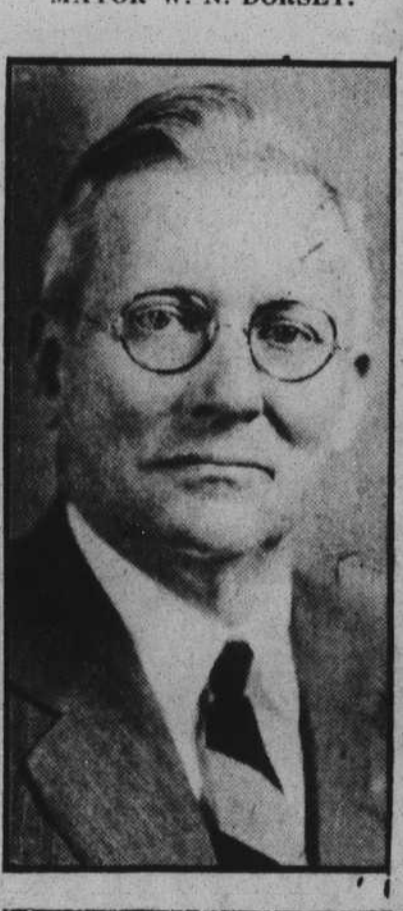
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Dorsey Praises Volunteer Firemen--Tells New Rules

Eskridge And 12 Volunteers To Remain With New Fire Chief. Mayor Has No Ill Feeling And Hopes All Factions Work Together. Wants To Hear All Complaints



MAYOR W. N. DORSEY.

"Stop"—And Watch Traffic Signals New Police Rules

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The volunteer fire department organized during the Weathers administration and handled by him was of great value to the town in systematic fire fighting, according to the mayor, W. N. Dorsey. "I feel that I myself and all citizens of the town are due to express our appreciation and sincere thanks to the retiring fire chief, Herman Eskridge, for the efficient manner in which he has handled fires during his administration, and the same applies to each of the volunteer firemen who have served so faithfully under him.

"I am glad to learn," the mayor continued, "that Mr. Eskridge will remain with the department in an official role and perhaps as assistant chief to Chief Roach. They have talked the matter over. Fire Chief Roach also plans to use about 12 volunteers, picking those nearest and most available to the trucks." In discussing the city's fire fighting equipment Mayor Dorsey added that it was hoped to install a fire siren at the city hall at an early date, expressing the opinion that the siren should prove very beneficial to the town.

No Political Factions. "I want the people to know," Mr. Dorsey stated prior to the installation ceremony, "that no political factions or cliques will have anything to do with this administration. If any ill feeling developed during the election I have forgotten it for my part and have so told those who opposed me, who, when deserving, will get just as much from my administration as any one else. The only faction I want is the united cooperation of the people in moving forward, working together for a better town. And I would like to notify all the citizens that I would rather have their sympathy and cooperation in carrying out their desires than to have their congratulations.

Here For That. "I do not want the people to feel that it burdens me for them to make complaints. That's what I am here for. My attitude is well expressed by the young couple getting married. When the minister reached the query 'Will you take this woman for your lawful wedded wife?' to which the groom replied: 'That's what I'm here for.' The new street cleaning trucks properly labelled as belonging to the street department are out today and will soon have canvass covering to prevent the scattering of trash on uptown streets. One ambition of the new administration is to have the business streets cleaned every morning, including Sunday morning.

Shelby B. And L. Has Million And A Quarter Assets

Annual Meeting Held. Loans Are Given at a Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars.

At the annual meeting of the Shelby Building and Loan association held last week in the court house, it was revealed that the total assets amount to approximately a million and a quarter dollars, the loans on first mortgage real estate in Shelby and Cleveland county to \$1,201,813.39, that the association has 22,395 shares in force. This is Shelby's oldest "Bible Malone" and one of the strongest in the state. C. C. Blanton was elected president again, E. Y. Webb, vice-president, J. F. Roberts, secretary-treasurer and Ryburn & Hoey attorneys. The following directors were elected: C. C. Blanton, C. R. Blanton, C. R. Hoey, R. Z. Riviere, T. W. Hamrick, Orlando Elam, C. L. Eskridge, Ward H. Arey, D. D. Wilkins, L. S. Hamrick, E. Y. Webb, George Blanton, A. S. Nix, George Hoyle, J. H. Quinn and J. F. Roberts.

Captain Roberts is the guiding hand of the association and the shareholders are unstinted in their praise of his business-like handling of the associations affairs. Selling Auto Tags At Eskridge's Today. The sale of new automobile license tags locally began here this morning at the Charles L. Eskridge garage, where the branch license bureau is operated. Motorists will remember that tags being sold now are for six months only and go on cars on July 1. Tags may be bought now but cannot be used until July 1.