

What's THE News
THE STAR'S REVIEW.

Superior court, which has been in session here for two weeks, is expected to adjourn today.

Dogs not listed for taxes are not subject to license says the North Carolina attorney general in enforcing the view of the county superior.

Cleveland county educates her school children cheaper than 82 counties in the state. The cost per pupil in the Shelby schools is less than in any other town in the state.

One man attended court here this week with a number of small shot in his body. Kings Mountain news of the shooting.

A number of county farmers with County Agent Hardin will be for a trip next week.

Boiling Springs is to get a big out of the next Baptist campaign, told in today's Star.

Jurors for the special term of court to be called here in September are given in this issue.

The G. O. Hamrick suit, taking two days for trial in the court, ended yesterday with the plaintiff getting \$400 damages on Justice & Dellinger.

PEOPLE CLOSE TO COOLIDGE THINK HE IS OUT RACE

Rapid City.—The opinion that Coolidge's statement that he does not choose to run for President in 1928 might have more than a meaning dwindle further in the summer capital and the belief become almost positive that he is unequivocally eliminated himself from occupancy of the White House after March 4, 1929.

Several reasons for this belief are most prominently to the fore in Rapid City. First, it is pointed out, Mr. Coolidge could scarcely be used any other than the word "chance" in making his pronouncement and still keep the country from thinking him to be presumptuous to the extent of believing the nomination next year actually was his. Had he said: "will not run for President in 1928," he would be presumed, it is held, that the republican convention would nominate him.

It is argued further that if Mr. Coolidge had said "I will not be a candidate for the republican nomination in 1928," the same controversy would have arisen with the belief that the President was merely declaring himself not a candidate, but not that he would decline a nomination if forced upon him. Second, it is declared by those in regular touch with the President by his statement Mr. Coolidge need the door to pledged delegates from some States which hold their primary election before the national convention. In those States, it is necessary for an aspirant to certify himself in order to make a primary election result. It is held that if the President had any desire to continue in the White House, he would not have eliminated himself in these terms.

South Dakota is one of the States with these primary elections. If the President desired the delegates from this State, it would be necessary for him to accept the primary meeting to be held early next month. If he did not sign the platform, he could not be certified to voters at the primary.

Third, it is pointed out that the statement could in no way be construed as leaving the President in a position to go one way or another in the event the nomination was tendered him. It is held that in the final analysis, the time came for him to accept or reject the renomination choice would be up to him and he already has made his choice not to run, that there was a different conclusion.

In addition, the President by making his pronouncement was held to have tacitly assented to any individual declaring himself a candidate and seeking support, when he made his choice. It must be appreciated that he did not expect the field to remain open to others who do choose to run for President.

Mr. Force to Picnic.

The first force is planning a picnic near Tuesday, the guests of the picnic winners in the June sale. Charlie Snake was one of the picnic winners for high school. Mrs. Fitzhugh - Dodd is the second prize with \$15 and some added, the clerk's winning a big half-holiday.

BOILING SPRINGS WILL GET \$40,000 IN BAPTIST DRIVE

Baptists to Launch Campaign Soon For A Million And Half Dollars For Its Schools

The Baptists of North Carolina are getting ready to launch in the fall or winter a drive for a million and a half dollars to strengthen the seven educational institutions of the North Carolina State Baptist convention, which includes Boiling Springs High School, in Cleveland county, as well as Campbell, Chowan, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wake Forest and Wingate. Max Gardner was recently made general chairman for the campaign which will be waged in celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of Baptist work in North Carolina. Mr. Gardner is still in Europe but will be home in time to throw his active support into the campaign which will be state-wide in its scope. In a folder just issued, there appears a picture of the main building at Boiling Springs High School of which Prof. J. D. Huggins is the principal.

There is a five-fold purpose in the centennial fund, according to information received from Raleigh. (1) To wipe out encumbering mortgages, thus giving the buildings back to the institutions. (2) To end the annual interest payments of \$70,000 which now have to be made out of the benevolent contributions from churches and to release this amount for the current educational work. (3) To construct certain new buildings. (4) To supply equipment vitally needed. (5) To strengthen the training centers for men and women preparing for the ministry, mission service and Christian citizenship.

\$40,000 For Boiling Springs
When this million and half dollars is raised, \$40,000 will go to Boiling Springs in which the people of Cleveland and adjoining counties are deeply interested. Distribution will be made as follows:

| Institution | Amount |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Boiling Springs | \$ 40,000 |
| Campbell | 40,000 |
| Chowan | 25,000 |
| Mars Hill | 85,000 |
| Meredith | 1,000,000 |
| Wake Forest | 250,000 |
| Wingate | 60,000 |
| Total | \$1,500,000 |

Baptist Growth
It is pointed out that the Baptist State convention was conceived and began co-operative work in 1830. The total membership of all Baptist churches in the state was approximately 20,000. From this meagre beginning, a little less than 100 years ago, the Baptist churches in North Carolina have grown to a total membership of 375,767. The churches number 2,243. Sunday schools, 1,917 young people's organizations, 959 W. M. U. organizations and 1,566 ordained ministers. Approximately forty-eight per cent of all the churches in North Carolina are Baptist. The value of Baptist church property, exclusive of the holdings of the institution listed, is conservatively placed at eighteen and a quarter million dollars. In 1925 contributions for all purposes amounted to \$3,913,000. In these past hundred years the Baptist churches have been a great factor in up-building North Carolina and have saved hundreds of thousands of souls for the Kingdom. With all of this growth, wealth and strength, the Presbyterians and Methodist outstrip the Baptists in college enrollment. There is one Presbyterian enrolled for each 38 members; one Methodist for each 67 members and but one Baptist for each 95 members, so the appeal is to strengthen the Baptist institutions so the Baptist boys and girls can be educated at Baptist institutions and trained for religious work.

At Belwood School

Belwood school opened its second year last Monday. A large number of the parents were present. Rev. F. A. Burns who is conducting a revival at Norman's Grove church conducted the devotional exercises. Parents, old and new members of the faculty made short snappy remarks. Two extra teachers have been added and three changes made. The school enrollment has reached 320 for the grades and 90 for the High School.
Prof. A. R. Reep, of Woodbine high school, Woodbine, N. J., conducted our chapel exercises Tuesday morning.
The outlook for the year is good. Great interest is being shown.

Cost Educating Youth In Cleveland Is Lower Than Average In State

"NERVE GONE" MAN TELLS OF KILLING CLOSE TO HICKORY

Thomas Jacobs Describes Shooting in Which Earl Williams Was Killed. A Mystery.

Charlotte, Aug. 5.—Nerves shattered and peace of mind destroyed as the ever-recurring visions of a desperately wounded man pleading for life flashed across his mind. Thomas Jacobs, 35, of 317 South Poplar street, yesterday placed himself in the hands of county authorities and accused Manly Justice of 4 North Graham street, of firing the bullet that fatally wounded Earl Williams.

In the wake of this information city and rural police were searching the county for Justice last night but were confident that he could not be found in this vicinity. The story Jacobs told yesterday seemed to clear the mystery that has surrounded the wounding of Williams. He told of an afternoon automobile ride near Hickory, of a quarrel over a debt, of a heated argument and of the sudden shooting.

He told how the party of three had been drinking and how the wounded man pleaded with his angered opponent to refrain from firing on him again. He told how he had watched the papers and kept in constant touch with the Hickory hospital as he anxiously waited for the outcome. When he was taken to his home to get some clothing before being placed in the county jail, he said to his wife:

"Well, I've done what I said I was going to."
"If you hadn't, I would have," she replied.

Williams was shot on Monday of this week and died Tuesday. He maintained that a negro had fired on him after offering to sell him some liquor. The element of mystery was introduced by the two white men who brought Williams to the hospital and left hurriedly. One of them gave a fictitious name and a fictitious Charlotte address.

In narrating the story, Jacobs was indefinite and almost evasive at times. According to the story, Williams, Justice and he "were just riding" in Justice's car. They stopped at the roadside some distance from Hickory after Justice had started arguing with Williams over a \$50 debt. Jacobs did not know, he said, how the debt was incurred.

"They argued for 15 or 20 minutes. When Justice said he would kill Williams if he didn't pay him, I started to walk away. Then Justice shot."
The force of the bullet sent the wounded man sprawling in a near-by ditch and Jacobs ran to his aid. "We've got to take him to a hospital," he said.

"You won't take him in my car," Justice is said to have replied. After a brief argument, Williams was bundled into the car and he drove rapidly to Hickory. "He put me out of the car after we carried Williams to the hospital and that's the last I've seen of him," Jacobs said.

The youth of Cleveland county is educated at a lower cost per pupil of \$8.43 than the average pupil in North Carolina. This information is revealed in "School Facts," a publication issued by the superintendent of Public Instruction in the state.

The average cost per pupil of each school child in Cleveland county each year is \$18.11. The State average is \$26.54. This county ranks 82nd with only 18 counties having a lower cost per pupil. The cost per pupil in Rutherford county is \$23.50; in Gaston \$29.53; in Lincoln \$19.43; in Catawba \$23.27; in Mecklenburg \$29.22.

The average cost per colored pupil each year in this county is \$9.31, and the county ranks 46th. The figures cited above are for the school year of 1925-26.

Shelby Ranks Low
Similar to the county, the cost of educating a pupil in the city schools of Shelby is far below the general average in the state. In fact, only two towns, have a lower per capita cost. Mooresville and Henderson rank slightly under Shelby. The per capita cost in Shelby was \$29.05, and with the two exceptions every town in the state had a higher per capita cost than Shelby. Of the 16 towns in Shelby's group Shelby ranked next to lowest.

In discussing school costs "School Facts" has the following to say: "Seventy-seven per cent of the total amount, \$22,822.34, spent for running the schools in 1925-26 was for the salaries of teachers and principals. In other words, it cost \$17,581,208 to actually instruct the 818,739 children enrolled in school that year. The remaining twenty-three per cent was spent for such items as fuel, janitor service, supplies, light water, transportation of pupils and the overhead expense of administration."

COMES TO COURT WITH SHOT IN BODY

Mr. John Van Dyke of the state line section below Kings Mountain is a hard fellow to halt. He attended court here this week with a score or more of shot in his head and back.

Van Dyke, a well known figure in the courts here and who at one time sued county officers was shot Monday by a tenant of his, Joe Jackson, when he and the tenant had a "falling out" when Van Dyke attempted to show him how to farm, it is said. Jackson was arrested Wednesday night by Deputy Greel Ware and taken to York, the shooting happening in South Carolina, it is understood.

Only one of the load of shot was removed, physicians at Kings Mountain thinking it better not to remove the other shot at the present time. An account of the shooting taken from a Kings Mountain newspaper appears elsewhere in The Star today.

Workers' Council Enjoys A Picnic

The Workers Council of the First Baptist church, made up of Sunday school officials and teachers, held an outing and picnic Wednesday afternoon at Pineview lake. Short talks were made by Judge B. T. Falls, Sunday school superintendent, and Zeno Wall, pastor, prior to the picnic "feed". An enjoyable afternoon was spent by the entire assemblage.

DRAW JURORS FOR SEPTEMBER TERM SUPERIOR COURT

Judge Clayton Moore Will Preside At Two Weeks Term For Disposal Civil Cases.

The county commissioners at their meeting this week drew the jurors for the special term of Superior court to be held here for two weeks in September, beginning on September 12.

Judge Clayton Moore will preside at the term, it is said by baristers. The term will be devoted entirely to the civil issue calendar. Jurors for the first week are: T. F. Humphries, R. G. Burris, J. I. Morehead, J. T. Davidson, W. A. Ware, V. O. Cline, J. L. Grigg, H. Clay Cox, O. C. Connor, Thomas A. Sellers, W. F. Daves, J. D. Eskridge, George Beam, J. D. Rudasill, R. A. Ivester, W. F. Hamrick, D. F. Buff, A. A. Whisnant.

The second week jurors are: John Wehchell, J. H. Hamrick, S. H. Austell, Z. Cline Barber, M. A. Ware, L. Y. Harrelson, G. M. Harmon, B. R. Dellinger, S. L. Burgess, C. A. Cabanis, Gary Hamrick, Boyce Holland, Chancey P. Crowder, E. Frank Grigg, Forrest Davis, Thomas F. Cline, J. L. Wellmon, Clyde Warlick.

HAMRICK TO GET \$400 IN DAMAGES

A jury in Superior court here yesterday afternoon awarded damages of \$400 to G. O. Hamrick in his suit for \$5,000 against Justice & Dellinger, former Shelby Grocery firm.

The damages were awarded for false arrest and incidents subsequent to the arrest. Speight Beam and Peyton McSwain were attorneys for the plaintiff and C. B. McBrayer represented the defendants.

The suit hinged about an account said to be due the grocery firm from Hamrick. A member of the firm, it was testified, had Hamrick sign a check to be held for a time for the debt and after a time had Hamrick arrested and placed in jail for failure to pay the check.

Efird To Open 42nd Store In Asheville

Closes Lease on Asheville Building For Twelve and One-Half Years at \$160,000.

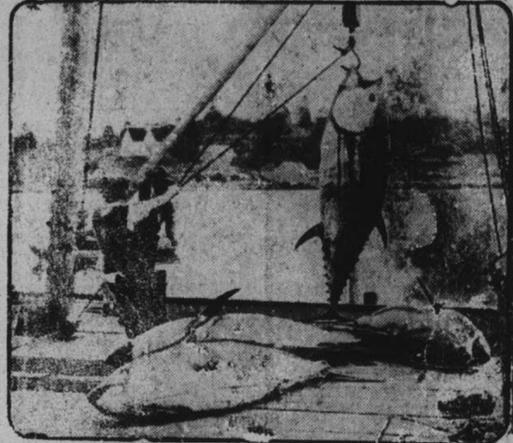
Efird Brothers, owners and operators of 41 department stores in the Carolinas and Virginia, one of which is located at Shelby, will open their 42nd store in Asheville in the old Krebs building on Patton avenue, having secured a lease on the building from the Harkins estate for 2 and a half years for a total consideration of \$160,000. Mr. Efird sees a great future in Asheville and has wanted to establish a store there for a long time. The store will employ about 100 people.

Vet Of County Is Head Of Very Long Line Descendants

Father Of 16, Grandfather Of 45. Great-Grandfather Of 45. All Grand Children Living.

A Confederate veteran and native of this county comes near holding the grandfather record at the state convention of Confederate veterans in Raleigh this week. A dispatch from Raleigh says: "So far James M. Cook, of Clover, S. C., holds the record of heading the longest line of descendants of any of the veterans making their records known. Mr. Cook, who is a native of Cleveland county, N. C., is the father of 16 children, the grandfather of 45, and the great-grandfather of 45. "To the best of my knowledge all my great-grandchildren are alive and healthy," Comrade Cook asserted. "The assertion applied equally to the great-grandfather himself. He is the picture of health and well conceals his age—87."

How They Bring in Tuna Fish



One of the great industries of the northeastern Canadian coast is fishing. This picture shows how the giant tuna fish are unloaded at the dock at Hubbards, Nova Scotia.

COUNTY FARMERS GOING ON JAUNT MYRTLE BEACH

Thirty Farmers Going With County Agent. Will Visit Famous Coker Seed Farms.

Next Monday morning—bright and early at 6 o'clock—thirty optimistic Cleveland county farmers, led by Alvin Hardin, county agent, will load up their gas tanks and crank the lizzies for a hike to distant parts. They are going on a vacation.

Sounds odd that farmers are going on a vacation; but such is the fact. They are going fishing. Their immediate destination will be Myrtle Beach, which according to Hardin lies between Wilmington and Charleston.

Having caught all the fish in that part of the Atlantic, they will then get down to the real business of the expedition; namely, that of inspecting the farm lands in the eastern district of the Carolinas. Then they will take in the Coker Seed farm at Hartsville, on the way back.

105 Merchants Now In Kings Mountain

Kings Mountain.—Who'd a thought it? Kings Mountain has 105 active merchants with a commercial rating with one of the two outstanding rating concerns in the world. What's more during the last 15 months there have been 20 business concerns here to either go out of business or change hands, according to the books of this concern, says the Kings Mountain Herald.

The Herald inquired as to what kind of business changed hands more often. Quick as a flash "Filling stations are literally turning my hair gray," responded the agent of the rating concern as he turned on his heel in the Herald office Friday and snuffed his cigar with his middle finger. "I lost dozens and dozens of them that either go out of business or change hands before we can get the information printed in the rate book," he said. "Are business men as careful of their credit as they used to be?" queried the editor. "Yes," was the reply with qualification that there is one race that will not rate at all and another that will bear just as much squeeze and then go twisted. "But the average American merchant is just as reliable as ever," he said.

Epworth League And Scouts Will Conduct Program

The Sunday evening service at Central Methodist church will be held by the Epworth League and Boy Scouts of Troop 5, which is the church troop. The program will start at 8 o'clock and is held for the benefit of the young Scouts and Epworth League. The program is as follows:

Origin, Nature and Organization of The Epworth League—By Marietta Hoyle. The Nature and Works of The Epworth League—By Elizabeth Austell. It's Contributions—By Bill Grigg. Our League Symbols—By Elizabeth Reviere. Lafayette We are Here—By Gilmore Singleton. History of Our League—By Charlie Mae Laughridge. Playlet—Six girls; one boy.

DOGS NOT LISTED NOT SUBJECT TO LARCENY, RULING

Attorney-General Agrees With County Solicitor In Dog Matter. Ends Little Controversy.

Dogs in Cleveland county, or elsewhere in North Carolina, not listed for taxation are not subject to larceny.

That is the official ruling that ends a minor controversy developing some weeks ago at the county court house. The ruling made by County Solicitor P. C. Gardner is endorsed by Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt.

Not so many weeks back a dog case came up in the court here and the county solicitor said that it was not a misdemeanor to steal a dog not listed for taxes. There were dog owners and barristers who disagreed, and dog owners and barristers who agreed. So the attorney general was called in as a referee.

It was found by law that an owner of a dog is not required to list a dog for taxation until the dog is six months of age, but if he wishes to do so the dog may be listed at any age and thereby be subject to larceny.

COURT ADJOURNS TERM HERE TODAY

The present term of Superior court here, presided over by Judge Michael Schenck, will adjourn this afternoon, it was stated at the court house today.

The court this week has been litigations, major and minor, have been of cases have been continued devoting its time to the disposal of disposed of while quite a number until the special civil term in September.

Auditor Explains Register's Salary

To Editor of The Star. In my report for the second quarter, dated July 22nd, published in The Cleveland Star, I reported salary of Register of deeds as \$1,212.50. Of this amount A. F. Newton, the present register received \$650.00; Miss Jennie Spake, stenographer, \$262.50; and the remainder \$300 was for R. L. Weathers, the former register of deeds, for back salary for December 1921, January, February and March 1921, as clerk hire, and all these were ordered paid by the board of county commissioners. JOHN P. MULL, County Auditor.

"Country," Yes, But Eggs, Oh No

The telephone jangled in The Star office yesterday. "Got any country eggs?" came the query over the wire. "No, just some country editors," was the reply from this end. "Must have the wrong number," said the other end. "Yes," agreed this end. No. 11, Thank you.
Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Houser are expected to return home tonight from Saluda after spending two weeks there.

J. L. SHUFORD DIED SUDDENLY TODAY IN HICKORY SHOP

Son-in-Law of Mr. J. A. Weaver Drops Dead in Barbershop. Funeral Here Saturday.

J. Len Shuford, young Hickory barber and son-in-law of Mr. J. A. Weaver, of East Marion street, dropped dead in a Hickory barbershop this morning about 11 o'clock, according to messages received here by relatives. Although it was not stated it is thought that death was due to heart trouble.

Mr. Shuford was not in ill-health enough to cause worry and his death was an unexpected shock to friends and relatives. The deceased married Miss Gertrude Weaver and has since marriage lived with her at Hickory or Shelby, only moving to Hickory from Shelby in the spring of this year, having conducted a barbershop here for some time. He was well known in Shelby and popular with all who knew him. Back in the winter the small child of Mr. and Mrs. Shuford died of pneumonia at the home of Mr. John Weaver here. Mr. Shuford's death being the second tragedy in the family within a period of a few months.

The deceased was about 29 years of age and a native of that section. The funeral services, it is said, will be conducted from the Weaver residence here tomorrow, Saturday, afternoon at 3 o'clock and interment will follow at Sunset cemetery.

BANK DEFENDANTS BONDED FOR COURT

Former Blackburg Cashier Has Bond Signed By Brother. Other Bonds Made.

Gaffney, Aug. 4.—M. F. Sapoch, of Gastonia, N. C., who was cashier of the Citizens' Bank of Blackburg when that institution closed in April two years ago, and who is one of four men named in a warrant charging conspiracy to violate the state banking laws, appeared before Magistrate Floyd L. Baker here yesterday and arranged \$500 bond for his appearance at the next term of circuit court for Cherokee county.

The bond was signed by his brother, J. G. Sapoch, of Blackburg, who is named in the warrant as one of the witnesses against the former cashier. Magistrate Baker received notice that R. L. and A. L. Elliott, who with C. R. Elliott, are named in the conspiracy warrant sworn out last week by C. H. Bird, of Blackburg had appeared before Magistrate John D. Hamer at Spartanburg and arranged bond in the sum of \$500 each. The bonds were signed by Miss Kate Webb and Mrs. Clyde Elliott.

C. R. Elliott had arranged bond last Saturday before Mr. Baker. None of the defendants had asked for a preliminary, and none will be held unless such a request is made, Mr. Baker stated.

A warrant charging the Rev. W. L. Spinks with breach of trust in connection with his handling the affairs of the Citizens Bank as liquidating agent, has been turned over to Sheriff J. G. Wright for service. Mr. Spinks is said to be in Mississippi. The warrant was sworn out by J. H. Allison of Blackburg.

Three Dover Mills To Close For Week

It is vacation time with the Shelby textile plants. The three Dover mills, so-called Dover because Mr. John R. Dover the enterprising mill executive is the executive head of the Eastside, Dover and Ora mills, will not operate next week in order to give the employes a vacation period. They will rest, visit, motor and enjoy various forms of recreation while the spindles are idle. At one or two of the mills, painters will be busy, brightening up the plants.

Install Elevator For New Business

The installation of the electric elevator in the Blanton and Wright store to serve the Wootton "The Ladies Shop" on the second floor, which will open sometime about the middle of this month, was begun today. The "lift" will be placed at the front of the store, on the south side. It is expected the job of installation will be completed within the week.