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KINGS MOUNTAIN FETE WILL DRAW MAMMOTH CROWD

Program For Big Anniversary Of Battle Next Friday Announced To Public.

Kings Mountain—Approximately 15,000 patriots from the Carolinas are expected to gather here Friday for the annual celebration of the anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain, which is said to have been the turning point of the Revolutionary war.

Among the chief speakers of the occasion will be Dr. Hiram W. Evans, of Washington, D. C., imperial wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, United States Senator Walter F. George, of Vienna, Georgia; and Congressman Alfred L. Bulwinkle, of Gastonia.

Sport Events

The days program will also include picnics, sport events, and other activities calculated to sustain the interests of the great crowd. A band concert will precede the address by Evans, which will be followed by an elaborate display of fireworks.

Morgan S. Belser, of Charlotte, imperial representative of the K. K. K. in North Carolina states, that this is the first time that the organization has participated in a celebration of this sort in North Carolina. He is expecting several thousand klansmen from the Carolinas to attend in their official uniforms. Evans comes here from Joseph, Missouri, and will leave immediately following his address to spend the night in Charlotte.

The battle of Kings Mountain, which gave reason for the holding of the approaching celebration, was fought October 7, 1780, between 900 woodmen of the Carolinas and Tennessee and a force of 1,100 Britishers under the command of Major Patrick Ferguson.

The site of the battle is just over the line in South Carolina and is appropriately marked by a monument erected by the federal government. The Colonials scored such a victory here that it enabled General Nathaniel Greene to carry out a campaign sending Cornwallis to Yorktown to surrender.

The Program

The program includes: 9 a. m.—Band concert Mountain View hotel. Fort Bragg band composed of 29 pieces.

10 a. m.—Grand parade beginning at West End school on Mountain street, including military units, military band, floats, etc.

11 a. m.—Celebration oration to be delivered by Senator Walter F. George, of Vienna, Georgia. Address to be held on platform at Central school grounds.

1:00 p. m.—Exhibition of horsemanship by the cavalry troop of Lincoln, including Roman riding, Cossack riding, hurdling and horseback wrestling. This exhibition will be held at Speedway park.

7:00 p. m.—Band concert at Central school grounds.

3:30 p. m.—Football contest, Kings Mountain high school vs. Shelby high school, Speedway park.

9:00 p. m.—Fireworks display at Speedway park.

1:30 p. m. J. C. BRIDGES, President.

Singing Convention Here Next Sunday

The singing convention will be held at the Second Baptist church here next Sunday, October 9th. In this convention will be singers from South Carolina as well as from surrounding places in North Carolina. A spicy variety of numbers consisting of solos, duets, trios, quartets and choruses. Classes from different churches in this section will be given their turn. All who can sing the Old Christian Harmony songs are invited to come and bring their song books.

All song lovers are invited to present. Convention convenes at 1:30 p. m.

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Gasoline Tax In State In Record

Raleigh.—A record-breaking collection of gasoline tax was made by the automobile bureau of the state department of revenue during September when this tax poured a total of \$816,152.23 into the coffers of the road fund.

This is the biggest monthly collection of gasoline tax ever accomplished in North Carolina and collections of gas tax for the first quarter of the present fiscal year are more than the quarter million dollars ahead of collections for the first quarter of the preceding fiscal year, officials said.

Shelby Likes To Air Buggy Ride

Maybe Lindy's feat of hopping to Paris caused it, and again something else may be responsible, but scores of Shelby people have been taking air buggy rides recently.

On the past Sunday the commercial aviators at Cleveland Springs employed all the business they could handle, taking up passengers from early morning until late in the evening, most of the trips up carrying two at a time. So numerous were the passengers that several tickets had to be returned when dusk made it impossible to take any more trips.

They Are Wed at 92 and 81



R. H. Carlow, 92, a veteran of the Confederate army, took for his bride Miss M. J. Carlow, 81, at the Confederate Home for the aged in Austin, Tex. She accepted and here bride and bridegroom at the ceremony. Carlow resides at the Confederate Home for the aged.

City Tax Rate Up Five Cents In Old Limit, Four Cents In New

Tax Rate For Year In Old Limits Is \$1.25. State Board Makes Report On Sewerage Disposal Plant Here.

The city's tax rate was boosted last night by mayor and city council from \$1.20 per \$100 valuation of real and personal property to \$1.25 in the old limits. In the new limits, extended about two years ago, the rate is boosted from 86 cents per \$100 last year to 90 cents this year, 4 cents up.

Assessed valuation of property within the circle a mile and a half in diameter from the court house is approximately nine million, three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, according to W. R. Newton, county tax supervisor who recently completed his calculations of the returns.

At the regular session of the city fathers last night, a report was read from the sanitary engineer of the state department of health reviewing the condition that obtains at the septic disposal plant. The report verified that of Engineer. Bishop made a few weeks ago, saying that the septic disposal is inadequate and jeopardizing the health of the citizens in that community.

It will be recalled that the city has under consideration a bond issue to build a new septic disposal and sewer lines to better provide for the section of Shelby east of Washington street.

A. C. Miller appeared in protest

over opening the proposed alley alongside his property on S. Washington street to S. DeKalb and action was withheld until the members of the council can look into the situation more fully.

Refund to Ex-Mayor. Ex-Mayor A. P. Weathers was ordered refunded \$425 which he paid back into the city treasury at the expiration of his term. It will be recalled that when the administration's changed, O. M. Mull retiring city attorney and C. A. Burrus, new city attorney ruled that the general law governing municipalities would not permit the aldermen to raise the salary of a mayor of a town Shelby's size beyond \$125 per month or pay anything extra for services.

When the new administration proposed to boost Mayor Dorsey's salary, there was some difference of legal opinion as to which law governed in the matter and the question was referred to R. L. Ryburn, dean of the Shelby bar, who wrote the city's charter and held that the mayor's salary could be anything the city council saw fit to make it. Mayor Dorsey's salary was raised on this legal opinion, and since the council accepted the Ryburn opinion, Ex-Mayor Weathers was refunded the \$25 per month for 17 months which he received as extra pay for extra duties placed upon him because of the improvements under way. The vote to refund the money was unanimous and without question.

Governor McLean's Budget System Has Proved A Success, Declares Commission

Raleigh, Oct. 4.—(INS.)—Operations of Governor McLean's executive budget system have proved it a very satisfactory success, according to reports made to the chief executive by members of the advisory budget commission, it was learned here today.

Members of the commission reported that the system has brought about a co-operation between the executive and administrative branches of the state government. It has, they also reported to Governor McLean, made the administrative agencies of the government more responsive to the will of the legislature, in connection with the expenditure of appropriations for maintenance and permanent improvements at state institutions.

The heads of the various state institutions, which members of the commission have just visited on their semi-annual inspection tour, expressed themselves as being entirely satisfied with the workings of the new system, members of the commission declared.

Members of the commission also reported to Governor McLean on the condition of each of the state institutions—some 30 in number—which they visited. The reports indicated that all of the institutions are amply provided for in funds, not only for maintenance but for permanent improvements.

Mrs. Logan McCloud and her son of Norfolk, Va., were rendered speechless for several hours when lightning struck near them.

Star Circulation New Peak Now

More people will read today's Star than have ever read the paper heretofore.

Between Monday's and today's issue the paid circulation of The Star soared beyond the 4,000 mark. This circulation is known as bona fide circulation—it was not gained by special campaigns or prizes, but on the merits of the paper, a majority of the new subscribers being entirely voluntary.

The delivery of The Star is now the speediest ever. Twelve carrier boys serve uptown Shelby and the suburbs, delivering the home news to the front door within an hour of publication.

Incidentally, no newspaper ever published here had a 4,000 paid up circulation without campaigns or prizes. Meantime The Star continues to grow. The next step is a circulation of 5,000, and there are from four to six readers per subscriber.

EASTERN STAR TO STAGE BIG MEET AT TEMPLE HERE

Ninth District Meeting Convened Here Thursday Afternoon. Two Sessions Billed.

The district meeting of the Ninth district of the Eastern Star of North Carolina will be held at the Masonic temple here Thursday afternoon and evening with the delegates as guests of the Shelby chapter U. D. C.

The district is comprised of the following chapters: Rutherford, Boiling Springs, Lincoln, Arame, Maiden, Cherryville and Shelby. District Deputy Mary A. Venable will open the meeting at 2:30 in the afternoon and the address of welcome will be by Mrs. Irma Wallace, worthy matron of the local chapter. The response will be given by Mrs. Dorcas Falvey.

A supper will be given following the afternoon program of business. The evening program will open at 7:30 and includes addresses by the grand matron, Mrs. Alice Harper Parker; grand patron, Leon Cash; W. W. T. Etyeres, Rev. John S. Wood and Mrs. Grace K. Edwards, associate grand matron.

Approximately 150 delegates are expected to attend the meeting, it is said.

94 Persons Over 100 Die In 1926

Raleigh.—Ninety-four of the persons who died in North Carolina during 1926 were more than 100 years old, study of figures compiled by the bureau of vital statistics of the state board of health show.

By a strange coincidence exactly 94 centenarians died in North Carolina during 1926.

Of those whose ages were recorded as more than 100 years, 78 were negroes and 16 were whites.

The records reveal that the peak of deaths among the white residents of North Carolina is reached in the four-year period between the ages of 70 and 74 that is, after the first year has been survived.

The peak of deaths among negroes in North Carolina in 1926 was reached in the four year period from 50 to 54.

Among the whites the peak of death's age was stationary but among the negroes there was a considerable improvement as the 1925 peak of death period had been between the ages of 20 and 24.

Figures show the first year the most fatal. In 1926 there were 6,792 deaths of infants of less than 12 months old.

After the first year fatalities slump sharply reaching their lowest mark in the eighth and ninth years.

After the ninth year the death's grow greater by year until the twenty-fourth year is passed.

After the twenty-fourth year, deaths remain fairly station till the fiftieth year when they increase year by year until they attain their maximum in the four-year period between the seventieth and eightieth years, fulfilling as it were the maxim about man's allotted span of three score and ten.

Deaths remain about the same through the seventy ninth year and then fall sharply away.

Mrs. Grant Wilkins, of Chicago, arrived Tuesday to be the guest of Mrs. Jean Schenck at her home in the Cleveland Springs Estates.

6-MONTH SCHOOLS WILL OPEN LAST WEEK OF OCTOBER

More Than 6,000 Children to Answer School Bell on October 24, Board Decides.

Six thousand and three hundred school children—those who attend the six months schools in this county—will start to school on Monday, October 24, according to a decision made by the county board of education in a meeting this week.

Forty-five white schools in Cleveland county still operate only six months of the year, while 32 negro schools have a term of the same length. Approximately 3,300 children attend the white schools and 3,000 the colored schools.

To Have Election. At the same meeting the county board heard a petition for a special election in parts of the Union and New House districts of No. 7 township. The petition was approved and will go to the county commissioners for action. If the election is granted and carried the territory in question will be consolidated with the Lattimore school.

Other than the business mentioned above the board meeting was devoted to routine matters.

City's Red Grange In College Football

Max Connor, Best Gridiron Back Ever Developed Here, Starts College Career.

Max Connor, the best home town product for the football field Shelby has ever developed and one of the finest halfbacks ever seen in action in North Carolina, will on Saturday play his first college game. Connor left yesterday for Rutherford college and will no doubt be in Marvin Ritch's backfield when Rutherford takes on Emory and Henry Saturday in Virginia.

Connor, for four years a star on the high school eleven here, was for three years an all-state half-back and mentioned for all-Southern. By numerous college coaches he has been rated as the best passer and broken field runner ever to play in the state, college or high school. When he finished school here a half dozen colleges sought his services, but until this year he has not entered any college.

Ritch's Rutherford eleven has one game at Charlotte this year.

Hospital Nurses At Best Fair Booth

A feature at the John M. Best Furniture Co. booth at the county fair last week was the emergency service furnished by the nurses from the hospital were at the booth at all times ready to render first aid and Mr. Best had his handsome new ambulance on hand to serve in case of emergency. A number of patients were carried home and to the hospital for attention. The nurses were on hand from early morning until late at night. Another feature of the Best booth was the rest room accommodations with free ice water served in sanitary drinking cups.

Highs Will Play Kings Mt. Friday

Second Game Of Season To Be Part Of Battleground Celebration There.

The Shelby highs will go into their second game of the season Friday afternoon when they meet Kings Mountain there as a part of the battleground celebration.

During this week Coaches Morris and Falls are trying to build up the strength of the local line. The attempt does not center so much about the building of the regular line, but in substitutes. In the first game of the year Morris had only one substitute to send in. Since that time several of the boys who were attending the fair or were injured have returned for practice and the line should be in far better shape.

Observation among the dope hounds after the first game was that the backfield looked good but the line weak in spots. Coach Morris reminds that about fifty percent of the line is new material and will come along as the season progresses.

A good crowd of high school followers is expected to journey with the local eleven to Kings Mountain for the game.

"Happy" a small dog owned by W. W. Garrett of Salisbury, Mo., uses wheels strapped to her body in lieu of her hind legs, which were cut off in an accident.

Largest Crowd Ever At Annual Baptist Meeting

Don't Argue, Just See Star Bulletin

Who will win the series beginning today, the Yanks or Pirates? Which has the best team? Have the Waner boys outdistanced Ruth and Gehrig?

Baseball fans who would argue over the merits of the two teams in the nation's biggest pastime should consult The Star's bulletin board.

The Star bulletin has today the photos of the star players of both teams; the pitching records of the two teams; how each player on the Pirate team compares with the player in the same position on the Yank team—their hitting and fielding averages, together with the principal facts on the series.

Why argue? Visit The Star bulletin and settle the argument. It tells everything—except which team will win.

Four Routes South Of Shelby Proposed

No. 1 Citizens Offer Petition Asking That Ellis Ferry Bridge Be Not Built.

A delegation of citizens appeared Monday before the county commissioners and filed a petition opposing the proposed erection of a bridge across Broad river at the Ellis Ferry site and the matter of a bridge site and location of State highway No. 18 was freely discussed but no action has been taken by the commissioner.

Months ago a big petition was presented asking for a bridge at Ellis Ferry.

Estimates as this cost of the proposed Ellis Ferry bridge range from \$30,000 to \$200,000. Some have thought that the state would build a highway direct from Shelby to Gaffney if the county would erect a bridge at the Ellis Ferry site.

So far there are four distinct routes proposed for the road from Shelby to Gaffney, Earl and Patterson Springs citizens want the highway by these two towns. Grover people think that the road should connect there instead of Gaffney. The second route is south to Val Thomasson's store site, thence down the ridge to the Dravo bridge and thence into Gaffney over the present road. The third route proposed is direct south to the Ellis Ferry site across Broad river thence into Gaffney. This route would touch a section of No. 1 township which now has an indirect road to come to the county seat. Boiling Springs and No. 2 township citizens want the route via Boiling Springs, thence south across the river over a steel bridge already erected and on into Gaffney.

No definite decision is expected as to the routing of No. 18 south for some time as Mr. Kistler says the county's quota of road funds for the present is being spent on Highway 18 north and the highway from Kings Mountain to Grover.

COTTON MARKET

Cotton was quoted at noon today on New York exchange: October 20.61; December 20.96; January 21.04. Yesterday's close October 20.90; December 21.12; January 21.24.

New York, Oct. 5.—Southern weather last night clear, forecast east Texas fair, west Texas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas fair today increasing cloudiness tomorrow. Mississippi and eastern belt fair or partly cloudy today, showers tomorrow.

News record makes condition 51.7 and estimated crop 12,684,000. They place the ginning at around 5,200,000 or about 41 per cent of crop. Journal of Commerce makes condition 53.6 and crop 13,334,753 bales.

Weekly review from Memphis in Journal of Commerce is bullish on Texas and Oklahoma.

Moderate business in Worth street. Look for nervous market until bureau, fears of a larger figure than last month is causing liquidation by timid longs, but even if it is 12,750,000 it should mean 25 cent cotton later on.

Married 90 Years; Two Local Couples

Newly married couples hereabouts who are having their early matrimonial sea tribulations should take heart. Imagine being married 90 years.

Yesterday, October 4, two Shelby couples celebrated their wedding anniversaries. One couple, Squire and Mrs. T. C. Eskridge has been married fifty years. The other couple, Mr. and Mrs. Kemp Kendall, has been married 40 years.

Membership Of 41 Churches Now Over 10,000—Fine Spirit Prevails, Dinner Served.

The largest crowd ever in the history of the Kings Mountain Baptist association, marked the first day's session held yesterday with the Double Shoals church six miles north of Shelby, with all of the 41 churches composing the association represented by delegates except one which sent its church letter. The reports reveal that the church membership now exceeds 10,000 and the Sunday school enrollment exceeds this number a record which is perhaps not equaled in the South by any Baptist association. Usually the Sunday school enrollment is considerably under the church membership, but this association shows a Sunday school membership in excess of the church roll and in addition has the largest per cent of Standard Sunday schools in the state and the only double A standard Sunday school in North Carolina. The Sunday school which holds this enviable record is that at Double Springs.

Dr. Wall Preaches. Dr. Zeno Wall preached the introductory sermon this morning on the subject of "Cleaning Out the Wells." It was declared by all to be a masterful deliverance, just what was expected by this beloved minister. Dr. C. E. Madry delivered an address on the "Co-operative Program and the Centennial Campaign for higher educational schools" which will be launched in this part of the state after the first of the year. Reports were received on state, home and foreign mission work and the B. Y. P. U. work with addresses by Rev. D. G. Washburn, G. G. Page, James A. Ivey, field worker and others. At the night session Rev. H. E. Waldrop spoke on the report of the B. Y. P. U. work which has been most gratifying and is responsible for the fine enrollment in Sunday schools in the association.

Rev. C. J. Black of Kings Mountain preached a doctrinal sermon last night, his subject being "The Atonement." The night session was well attended. Preceding the addresses by Messrs. Waldrop and Black, Miss Spurlin of Ross Grove and a quartet from Double Shoals furnished music.

Unlike the days of a decade ago when the delegates rode for miles to the association in buggies behind mules and horses, all came in automobiles. Parking space was at a premium. The dinner was just what was expected from the hospitable people of Double Shoals community. It was there in super abundance, spread on a table fully 150 feet long and as fine cooking as one ever tasted. The homes of the Double Shoals citizens were thrown open to the delegates but most of them went home over good roads and automobiles for the night.

Many visitors were present from beyond the confines of the association. Some were there from Sandy Run and the Gaston association. F. B. Hamrick represents the Thomasville Orphanage, W. R. Beach, The Recorder, R. C. Campbell from the First church at Hickory, J. J. Beach from Gastonia, Rev. Harrell from Lincolnton.

War Vet Removed From County Jail To Hospital Here

Young Showman Locked up For Drunk Appears to Be Derelict of Late War.

At little paths hanging over from the World war, a decade back now, was seen in the dash of a screaming ambulance from the county jail to the Shelby hospital this morning.

Sunday morning a young fellow, in his early thirties, was picked up at the fair grounds by an officer because of his queer actions. The man seemed to be drunk or doped and unable to take care of himself. Brought to the county jail his condition failed to improve and this morning County Physician Moore ordered him removed to the hospital.

Ten years back the young fellow says he was gassed and wounded while overseas with the 89th division. He never recovered from the effects of the wounds and has had "spells" since that time he stated to officers in refuting the idea that he had been drinking.

Physicians at the hospital were today observing his condition to determine just what causes the daze under which he seems to be laboring. The war vet gave his name as Wyrick, and stated that he joined the Johnny Jones show as a carpenter while the show was at his home city of Roanoke, Va.