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Col. Charles Lindbergh is today the guest of North Carolina at Greensboro, flying there from Spartanburg, S. C. Lindy this morning flew across Cleveland county and circled several times over Kings Mountain. Sidelights on Lindy as gained by a member of The Star staff in an interview at Spartanburg are given today.

Both Elder and her pilot, George Haldeman, who hopped off for France from New York Tuesday afternoon were picked up Thursday afternoon about 850 miles from France by a Dutch ship. The plane "The American Girl," had a leak in the engine and when Miss Elder sighted the ship she landed her plane near it and was picked up. The plane was destroyed by fire soon after landing. The first girl to get so far across the Atlantic—about 3,000 miles over the 3,800-mile journey—will be landed at the Azores with her pilot.

In the second section of The Star today—there are two sections—may be found an article on Bolling Springs station over a junior college there, together with news of East-side, Dover and Ora, South Shelby and elsewhere.

YOUTH HELD HERE THOUGHT ESCAPED CONVICT OF STATE

Boy Held For Stealing Car And Entering Taylorville Stores Has Record Behind.

Jake Graham, a youthful chap, has been in jail here this week facing two serious charges, yet Jake's troubles seem to be just beginning. It will be remembered that the youth was arrested over the weekend for stealing an automobile on the Shelby streets Saturday night. After his arrest clothing he had in his possession aroused suspicion and officers coming here from Taylorville, Alexander county, stated that Graham secured the clothing from two stores he is alleged to have robbed there. However, before the Taylorville officers got here Judge John Mull has bound the youngsters over to Superior court on the auto larceny charge. For a day or so the discussion has centered about what to do with Jake—try him here for auto stealing, or return him to Taylorville for store-breaking?

Now the problem is more complicated. Yesterday county officers were rather assured that Graham must first answer another call—that of the state prison for an escaped convict.

After Graham had been in jail here for a day or so long came reward cards from Raleigh. One of the cards had the photo of a youth by the name of Pearl Graham, alias Duck Grims, stating that he escaped from the prison in September. The photo bore a resemblance to the boy in jail, but he at first denied that he was the escaped convict. Later when shown the photo it is said that he admitted being the person pictured. According to the card Graham is only a little over 16 years of age and was serving a two year sentence for house breaking in Caswell county when he escaped. Ten months of his sentence had been served when he escaped. It was said.

The problem of what to do with Jake now seems to be divided under three heads: First, send him back to Raleigh to finish his term; try him here for stealing a car, or send him to Taylorville for a store-breaking charge.

Colored Man Cut Here Circus Night

Odel Renwick, colored local man, attended the circus Wednesday night and then spent several hours in a doctor's office getting himself stitched back together.

The colored man's head was literally cut to shreds about the scalp and he left a trail of gore behind as he was led to the doctor's office. After having several dozen stitches taken in his head to close up his wounds the negro got up and walked home. Will Gilleard is charged with having wielded the knife, and Will has been missing since.

Rev. Henry Teichmann of Berlin was suspended by a council of his church for "degrading a serious religious ceremony." His offense consisted of marrying two couples in an airplane. Then his critics went up in the air.

We shall simply have to build more and bigger stadiums, that's all. It looks like they are being born even faster than one a minute.—American Lumberman.

LINDY GOES OVER COUNTY IN PLANE AS CROWDS GAZE

"Spirit of St. Louis" Flies Low Over Kings Mountain and Drops Greeting There.

Col. Charles A. Lindbergh riding in the cockpit of the world's most famous airplane, "the Spirit of St. Louis", cut a swath through the air over Cleveland county today as he passed over en route to Greensboro from Spartanburg. The trip across Cleveland county from the South Carolina line to the Gaston line took only a few minutes for the daring boy who hurtled over the Atlantic alone, but in that short period scores of hearts picked up a beat or so and many gasped and danced in delight as the sun glinted on the wings of the big silver monoplane that was an integral part of the major performance in the history of air travel.

Lindy was scheduled to leave Spartanburg around 9:30 and from that hour on in the eastern and southern sections of the county all eyes were trained on the air above hoping to catch one fleeting glimpse of the famous "We" as it passed along, but Lindy, courteous knight of the air that he is, gave the more to look at.

Down in the village of Earl in southern Cleveland they will chalk it up as a red letter day to be remembered. Just before 10 o'clock the people of that section saw two specks in the sky, one silvery from the rays of the sun. A few seconds later two big planes roared above as Lindy and the army plane accompanied passed by.

A few minutes after 10 o'clock Lindy and his escort appeared over the southern section of Kings Mountain, and for a brief span Kings Mountain stood transfixed, all eyes aloft—for Lindy tendered the people of the battle ground town a real thrill. Once he circled his plane about the town, and again he circled, getting lower and lower, giving those below a near glimpse of the youthful head in the little opening behind the throbbing motor. Three times he circled and on one low dash over the business section he dropped his formal greeting to the crowd. Then the big motor pointed its nose back to the sun and began to climb and just a few minutes later "The Spirit of St. Louis" was nothing but a shining speck as it disappeared to the east. Lindy was gone. He always gets there on schedule time and he was due at Greensboro at 11:30. But for 10 or 15 minutes the boy who gave the world its biggest thrill was over Cleveland county soil.

Among those who saw Colonel Lindbergh circle Kings Mountain were numerous Shelby people who motored over with the hope of seeing him. At Spartanburg Wednesday a representative of The Star talked with Lieut. Donald Keyhoe, aide to Lindbergh, about having Lindbergh come over Shelby on his trip to Greensboro and at the time the personal representative of the flier thought it likely and requested that invitations be sent. Thursday wires were forwarded by Mayor Dorsey. The Star and the chamber of commerce, but late in the afternoon Lieutenant Keyhoe wired: "Colonel Lindbergh sincerely regrets that he cannot fly over Shelby due to a heavy schedule ahead necessitating his arrival on time." After the message was posted here many motored to Kings Mountain to be under the direct path of the flight.

Shelby Highs In Game Here With Gastonia Today

The Shelby high eleven is this afternoon playing one of their big pre-series games with the Gastonia eleven at the local field.

Although conceded an even chance of victory by fans Coach Morris was not so confident before the game of victory. "They have a good eleven and Shelby is not the best going."

AN APPLE TREE IS IN BLOSSOM

Caroleen—Sunday a young Juniper tree was observed by the owner, B. A. Hamrick, to be in bloom and also to have several fair sized apples upon its branches. The blossoms are perfect and the fruit is stated to be excellent. The tree, only five feet in height, blossomed in the Spring and later had a good crop of apples. This phenomena has not been seen in the county for a great many years, at least not in this section.

Lindy A Mere Boy But Has Plenty Of "It"

Drops Eyes and Blushes When the Crowd Yells "Lindy" Is Genius on Aviation.

(By KENN DRUM.)

We've seen the most famous "We" of all time. If you've ever been a boy and had to be "introduced when company" came—of if you've ever seen a tousle-haired, embarrassed youngster going through the formality of an introduction to some awe-inspiring stranger then you have about the best idea possible of how Col. Charles A. Lindbergh looks when howling throngs of people, old, young, white and black—begin yelling "Lindy" like unto an army of maniacs.

In Spartanburg, S. C., Wednesday the writer, along with a number of Shelby folks, had the "thrill of a life time" in seeing the youthful prince of aviator manipulate his famous air buggy "The Spirit of St. Louis" through leaping clouds as he greeted for the first time an assemblage of Carolinians.

Later in the day we saw him lead a parade, as he rested on the folded top of an automobile with his feet dangling at the end of his long legs on the seat between Governor Richards of South Carolina, and Major Brown, of Spartanburg. Thirty minutes later the youngster, who set his eyes and the nose of his plane to the east and swept across the uncharted Atlantic while a world looked on and cheered, made it evident that he was more than "Lucky Lindy" by speaking without a pause or halt for eight minutes while thousands of people, their eyes beaming with admiration and hero-worship, stared him in the face.

At 4:30 in the afternoon the writer along with 25 newspapermen and newspaper women of three states was accorded the privilege of a private interview with the trans-Atlantic flier in the reception room of his suite at the Cleveland hotel. The interview lasted for nearly 30 minutes and every person present was permitted to ask up to three questions—none of which, it was insisted, were to be of a personal nature. And the machine-gun rapidly with which the replies came back to that barrage of questions left not a shred of doubt but that Lindy when he hopped to Paris knew everything that was to be known in aviation. Timid personally and amid the ovation of thousands, Col. Lindbergh holds his composure and is far from being "rattled" when he answers questions. Yet the modesty which has been his greatest asset, is written all over every act and motion.

Hypnotizes Girls.

The hypnotism of the smiling, boyish eyes of the long lanky hero hold over a girl must be doubly magnetic. One young girl reporter in the room began giggling with joy over being there just as soon as she found a seat and she was still giggling when she left the room. Once she forgot her joy of being in the presence of the most cherished man living long enough to venture one question. "Colonel" she asked, "how did you like my home town of Spokane, Washington?"

The colonel gave his widely-heralded grin, bowed and replied: "Help yourself, lady. Help yourself." Perhaps the giggling girl reporter still wonders just what the only statement ever addressed to her by the boy of boys really meant. Chivalry may have its original home in the South but the Lochinvar of the West never forgot his courtly bow before answering every question addressed to him by a lady.

Let's Go Christmas.

The representative of The Star if he ever makes a trans-Atlantic trip by air will likely do so on Christmas. Lindy told us that Santa Claus day was just as good as any other, and that's about all the information four questions from the writer brought out.

The first one was: "Colonel, considering the weather and season do you think the chances are favorable for Ruth Elder making a successful flight?"

Lindy: "How can I answer that. It has been weeks since I've seen a weather chart."

"What we meant (amid a few stammers an embarrassment at being cut down) was: Is this a good season of the year for such flights?"

Lindy: "Good as any other."

"Don't you think the weather is more favorable in the springtime, the season in which you made your hop, than now?"

Lindy: "Not if the weather is favorable. If the weather is all right I would as soon go on Christmas

No New Developments In Recall Movement

Recall Attorney Out of Town and New Actions Await His Return Here.

No new shells have been fired during the last day or so in Shelby's political strife, and so far as can be learned no one has been injured by stray shrapnel of political gossip. The recall movement continues to line up signers on the petition, but further action awaits the return to the city of Peyton McSwain, recall attorney, who is attending an out-of-town court.

On Wednesday night a gathering of several recall leaders was held, according to reports. Very little of the events at the meeting were made public, except the announcement that nothing more would be done until McSwain returned. A discussion of the city registration was taken up, it was said. All names on the petitions and not those of qualified voters will be removed by the recall faction before presentation, they say. It is also said those who are not registered but have become of age or lived here long enough since the last election are entitled to sign the petition. Members of the group state that they have been questioning closely those who sign to see if they are properly registered and entitled to sign.

Requests have been made, it was announced, from residential sections to have the petition brought around for families to sign but through the 750 signers the petitions have remained for the most part in the business and industrial sections, it is said.

Just what action will be taken when McSwain returns is not known but leaders presume that the petitions will be filed with the county board of elections just as soon as others are filled.

Hit By Train, York Man Dies

Uncle of Mrs. H. D. Wilson of Shelby And Father Of Two Grover Ladies.

William Thomas Hartness, 53, Confederate veteran of western York county was struck and killed on a Southern railway grade crossing in Sharon, S. C., early Wednesday.

He had been to the postoffice for his mail and was walking across the track at Hill's crossing near his home when the accident occurred. Death was almost instant.

Surviving are the following children: John S. Hartness, cashier of the Bank of Sharon; W. R. Hartness, Mooresville, N. C.; Mrs. Amanda Harper, Charlotte; Mrs. W. R. Hambrichts and Mrs. James Hardin, N. C., and Miss Eliza Hartness, Sharon.

Mrs. H. D. Wilson of Shelby is a niece of the deceased.

Green Flies



Here is William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor in the flying togs he wore recently when taking a flight in Washington. He went up with Lieut. L. J. Maitland, first of the flyers to reach Honolulu.

POSTAL COUNCIL IN MEET AT FALLSTON

Interesting Program Enjoyed By Carriers And Postmasters In High School Building.

The Postal Service council of Cleveland county held its regular quarterly meeting at Fallston high school building on the evening of Oct. 11th.

This council included all the rural and city carriers and postal employees with their wives and a large number of invited guests. Postmaster J. H. Quinn was chairman. After a short business session the following educational and entertaining program was thoroughly enjoyed:

Song—America; invocation, Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald; address of welcome, Prof. C. M. King; response, Postmaster C. A. Brittain. Music—Wright quartet; Needed postal legislation Postmaster J. H. Quinn, song (selected) Mrs. Geo. A. Hoyle; Recitation, Miss Terah Pinkleton; music, "What relation should exist between the postmaster and his rural carriers?"; Carrier George A. Elam; "Grouping and painting mail boxes and posts," Carrier A. F. Collins; recitation, Miss Ruth DeCamp; music, Wright quartet. "What the schools can do to improve the mail service," Prof. W. G. Gary; vocal solo, Miss Euzelia Smart; An efficiency examination (humorous), Carrier J. W. Lee; music.

The meeting adjourned to meet in Shelby in January. The Parent-Teachers association with Miss Janey Stamey as supervisor served a very elaborate banquet.

MARRIAGES SHOW GAIN IN COUNTY OVER PAST YEAR

More Marriages Here In 1926 Than In 1925. Divorces Are Less. State Decrease.

The tinkle of wedding bells can still be heard above the din and grind of the divorce court in Cleveland county.

Marriages in this county in 1926 show a gain over the marriages in 1925, and divorces in the county in 1926 were less than the divorces of 1925.

That would prove a solid jolt to the solar plexus for the pessimist who would believe that little Dan Cupid has lost his cunning with the bow and arrow.

In 1926 there were 135 couples married in Cleveland county, while in 1925, 203 couples were married. Eleven-cent cotton does not put a crimp in cupid when he sets the range. In 1925 there were 24 divorces granted in this county and last year there were only 20, or four less than in the preceding year.

More This Year.

In the state as a whole there was a decrease in marriages and the same applies to many counties adjoining Cleveland, but not here. And from the office Register Andy Newton it is learned that more Cleveland county couples are being married this year than were last year.

In Burke county there was a decrease in marriages and an increase in divorces. The same was true in Catawba. In Gaston there was a gain in marriages and divorces and the same was true in Lincoln county, in Rutherford there was a marriage gain and the same number of divorces.

The state report says: "The number of marriages in North Carolina decreased 646 or 2.8 percent during 1926, says a report of the department of commerce at Washington. During 1925 there were 23,337 couples entering into wedlock, while in 1926 the number dropped to 22,691. At the same time, divorces increased one percent, 1591 being granted during 1926 while but 1576 were granted during the year previous. There were 20 marriages annulled in 1926, this being the first year for which statistics of annulments have been collected.

Estimated population of the state on July 1, 1926, was 2,850,000 and on July 1, 1925, 2,812,000. On the basis of these estimates, the number of marriages per 1,000 of the population was 7.9 in 1926 as against 8.3 in 1925, and of the number of divorces per 1,000 of population was 0.557 in 1926 as against 0.560 in 1925.

The number of marriages was reported by the register of deeds and the number of divorces by the clerk of the superior court of each county. The figures for 1926 are preliminary and subject to correction.

Dr. and Mrs. Anders Now At Roxboro

Mrs. Anders Is Native Of Shelby, Julia Wilson Before Her Marriage.

Shelby friends will read with interest the following from the Bulletin of the First Baptist church of Roxboro, because Mrs. Anders before marriage was Miss Julia Wilson, a sister of James A. Wilson, half sister of W. H. Blanton of Shelby and John Blanton of Mooresboro.

We are happy indeed to have in our midst Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Anders. Dr. Anders is a son of Mrs. J. D. Anders and brother to Misses Lucile and Beverly Anders, who are teaching in our public schools.

Dr. and Mrs. Anders expect to sail soon for Ogbomoso, Nigeria, in British West Africa, where they will be engaged in Medical Missionary work, under the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission board.

Dr. Anders is a man of unusual ability and has had splendid preparation for his work. He is a graduate of Wake Forest and Columbia universities, also Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. He did his intern work at Bellevue hospital in New York. He had his practical training under one of the greatest of medical missionaries as he was for some time associated with Dr. Sir George Grenfell of the Labrador coast.

It was while here that Dr. Anders first met his wife who was then Miss Carolyn Loring of San Diego, Cal., who was also doing mission work with Dr. Grenfell. Mrs. Anders is a graduate of one of the western universities and a very charming and capable young woman.

Because a girl refused to marry him a man in Essex has stayed at home for 50 years; but we've known a man to do that just because the girl did marry him.—Punch.

Dorsey Is Opposed To Having Circus In Shelby Again

"If it is within my power to prevent such there will not be another circus to show in Shelby during my term as mayor," it was stated yesterday by Mayor W. N. Dorsey.

"As I see it the town instead of being benefited by a circus is damaged instead, both morally and financially. A lot of local money is spent and carried out of town, the streets and town in general are very hard to clean thereafter, officers are overworked—and nothing gained by it all," the mayor said. He added that it might not be in his power to prevent another circus, but was positive that if he had such a power he would exercise it.

ENROLLMENT GAIN SHOWN IN LOCAL SCHOOLS ALREADY

First Month Report of City Schools Shows Gain of 197 Over Last Year's Record.

The attendance report for the first month of the Shelby city schools reveals a gain in enrollment of 197 over the same month last year.

The average attendance in all the city schools so far this year is 92 per cent. The LaFayette school leads in enrollment with 512, the high school ranking second, and Morgan school third.

Table showing enrollment and attendance by schools for the first month. Columns include Building, Enr., Av. At., and percentages.

Commanders At Kings Mountain

Rev. J. D. Bailey Writes A Book, Two Chapters Devoted To Cleveland And Shelby.

Rev. J. D. Bailey, who lived at Gaffney before he died, wrote a very interesting history of the Commanders at the Battle of Kings Mountain and Mr. Ed DeCamp, the former editor of the Gaffney Ledger, prized it so highly as a contribution to history that he has published the story in book form. Much interest should attach to the new history in Cleveland county because one chapter deals with Col. Benjamin Cleveland and another with Col. Isaac Shelby from whom this county and town were named. The Bailey history is very accurate, and complete and is historically correct, says Mr. DeCamp. General Campbell, Col. Hambricht, Col. Lacey, Col. Williams, Col. Sevier, McDowell, Major Winston, Col. Ferguson are treated in other chapters. One section is given over to Kings Mountain ballads.

It deals with one of the critical periods of American history for in the summer of 1780, the "darkest" period of the Revolution was on hand. The British transferred the seat of war to the South and the flower of the Southern army consisted of more than two thousand men, commanded by Gen. Horatio Gates.

A number of copies of this new book have been consigned to The Star office for sale at \$3 each.

W. J. Erwin Succeeds Wikle At Ella Mill

W. J. Erwin is the new superintendent of the Ella Division of the Consolidated Textile corporation, succeeding J. R. Wikle who recently resigned to become superintendent of a large mill at Magnolia, Ark. Mr. Erwin arrived this week from Lynchburg, Va., where he has been connected with the executive offices of the Consolidated company for a number of years. Mr. and Mrs. Wikle are now on a trip to Providence, R. I. and will return to Shelby the last of this month to leave shortly thereafter for their new home in Arkansas. The Consolidated Textile corporation operates nine mills in the South, the Ella here being one of the chain. Shelby regrets exceedingly to give up Mr. and Mrs. Wikle.

Now that Mr. Coolidge has refused to run, who will fall heir to the Indian vote?—Arkansas Gazette.

EX-MAYOR STATES THAT MONEY WAS COMING FOR BILLS

Weather Says Money Due His Regime Was Enough To Pay Bills Left Over.

Numerous city bills for value received while the old administration was in office were left for the present Shelby administration pay, according to former Mayor A. P. Weathers, but at the same time money due the old administration and yet to be collected was enough and more to pay those bills.

In a written statement handed to The Star yesterday and signed by him, former Mayor Weathers says: "In your Monday's paper where Mayor Dorsey referred to the increase in the tax rate by his administration of five cents on the \$100, he is quoted as saying 'we had to pay accounts totalling approximately \$13,000 that were approved by the old board, also \$7,000 borrowed at bank.' This has been taken by some of the taxpayers to mean that when the old administration (of which I was mayor) retired, we left the city in bad financial condition and in order to set the matter straight and place myself and my former colleagues, Aldermen Hamrick, Schenck, Tomlin, and Hopper in the proper light before the public, I wish to make a brief statement.

"When we took charge of the city's affairs two years ago, there were bills totalling \$10,000 left for us to pay and we did not regard it as anything unusual because we went in at the beginning of the month with all of the current bills of the preceding month upon us and at the same time the current revenue of that month due the town with which to pay these bills.

"Mr. Dorsey says we left his administration approximately \$20,000 to pay. That may be true but at the same time we left in uncollected taxes due the town \$31,591.35; approximately \$9,364.00 due the town by water and light patrons, \$512 due the town by Wagner and the fair association, making a total of over \$40,000 due the town of Shelby with which to pay the accounts he referred to as unpaid.

"We had bills filed with us for payment totalling \$8,711.10. Much of this was for material bought of us, on hand for the present administration to use.

"The public should understand that our term of office expired May 31st. All water and light bills due for that month were collectible by the new administration to help pay the bills due by the town. I estimate these bills receivable at \$9,364.00 as we collected from water and light patrons during the last year of our administration \$112,376.52. The \$31,591.00 was due for unpaid taxes and this amount was left for the present administration to pay the bills we left owing. Our time for meeting was first Tuesday night which fell on June 6th. Our term of office had expired and we were of course out before these were passed for payment.

"I make this statement purely to keep the record straight and with no intent to reflect on the new administration. It is done in justice to myself and the four men who so ably assisted me in handling the town's financial affairs. In substance I admit we left unpaid bills, but we left revenue to come in that was double the amount we owed. No administration has ever gone out with all bills paid."

Forest City Plans For New City Hall

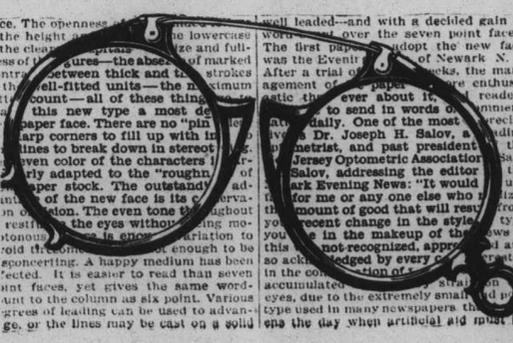
Forest City.—A new city hall, to be erected at an early date, has been ordered by the city's board of aldermen.

The building will be built on the town's property on North Powell street, and will cost from \$20,000 to \$25,000.

The structure will be two stories, constructed of brick. It will contain the city's offices, mayor's office, small court room and fire department.

Plans are also under way to enlarge the city's fire department. The purchase of a new fire truck is contemplated and a full time fireman will be placed on duty, with a closely organized volunteer fire department.

CHILD SMOTHERS UNDER COTTON WHILE PLAYING Anderson, S. C.—John Thomas Burgess, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Burgess, residing near here, was smothered to death Wednesday while playing with a group of children. The youngsters were finding sport in covering themselves with the cotton. Several combined in covering the Burgess child and before he could be extracted suffocation had killed him.



NEW GLASSES FOR OUR READERS

Many of our readers have expressed their commendation of the new and more readable type recently adopted by The Star for its news columns. While this type appears much larger and can certainly be read with far less strain on the eyes it is actually quite compact and gives fully as many if not more words to the column as the smaller type formerly used.

The Star is among the first papers in the country to give its readers the benefit of this remarkable new type.

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