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Negro Shoots Wife Today

Will Gilliard, Shelby negro, shot his wife two times in the left side about one o'clock this afternoon while the two were talking near the Blanton stables on Trade street.

Immediately after firing the two shots into the body of his wife, Lela, the negro ran at full speed to the county jail, five blocks away, where he ran into the kitchen and asked to be locked up quick. After he was placed in a cell, Deputy Mike Austell took the gun, which was still hot, from Gilliard and little by little began to get details of the shooting.

Meantime the wounded woman was rushed to the Shelby hospital, where late reports stated that she was in serious condition. Surgeons at the time were in the operating room trying to locate the two bullets, both of which entered the left side of the body near the arm-pit, one bullet going through her arm before going into her body.

Reports from those near the scene of the shooting have it that Gilliard who only recently got off the gang for threatening his wife, met her in the alley near the stable and was walking along talking to her, when the woman screamed out "No! I'll not have you back."

"Well, I said I'd kill you, and here goes," a passerby stated that Gilliard yelled as he began to pump the contents of his blue-steel .38 into her body.

CLAIMS WIFE WAS INSULTED IN SHOW

Charged Man Next To Her In Kings Mountain Theatre With Annoying.

County Judge John Mull heard a right unusual case during his county court grind in Kings Mountain yesterday.

Charges preferred in the case, by a Bessemer City man, was that a young Kings Mountain man annoyed and insulted his wife in a Kings Mountain theatre Tuesday night. Complaint was that the man sitting next to the married woman kept rubbing against her and touching her body. The defendant denied that any such thing was done and on the stand declared that the theatre was crowded and that it was impossible to move without touching persons on adjoining seats with his elbows. He denied that he touched the woman with his hands.

The evidence it was said presented in court against the defendant did not seem to be so strong as was the charges in the warrant and the defendant was freed by the court.

Shelby Is Church Going Place, Says A York Newspaper

The following from the Yorkville Enquirer should be of interest here, especially to those of the Baptist denomination:

"Over in the adjoining county of Cleveland at Shelby, where the folks believe in doing things on a big scale, the Baptists are now engaged in building an addition or annex to their handsome church edifice whereby it will be possible to comfortably seat 1,000 people at church and another 1,000 at Sunday school ever Sunday. It must be admitted that is a large for any one church or Sunday school or both in a town the size of Shelby. Why, it is to be seriously doubted if there were 1,000 people attendant upon all the church services in Yorkville last Sunday morning."

Democrats At Casar For Al

The political philosophy that Democrats remain more loyal to their party in sections where the Republican vote is strong is borne out this year by the Casar community, according to J. L. Walker.

Mr. Walker says that every one of the several score Democrats at Casar, a strong Republican center, will vote for Gov. Alfred Smith with one exception and he vows that he will not vote for the Republican candidate.

BRONZE TABLET TO HONOR SOLDIERS; UNVEIL NOV. 11TH

Heroes From Cleveland Who Died In World War To Be Commemorated In Bronze.

A beautiful bronze tablet near three feet wide and four feet high has been ordered by The Star Publishing company to be paid for with funds which The Star raised a few years ago to commemorate the soldiers who served in the World War and the 31 who made the Supreme Sacrifice. This tablet will be placed either in the court house or on a wall at the East or West entrance and be unveiled here Armistice Day, November 11th with appropriate ceremony. The ladies who are members of the various women's clubs are planning the first observance the county has ever had of the signing of the armistice ten years ago and various features will be provided on the program. A dinner will be served to the ex-service men who went from Cleveland county. They number between 400 and 500 and fully 350 of them are expected here.

The bronze tablet is a beautiful and permanent memorial not only to those from Cleveland county who served in the World War but to the 31 men who made the Supreme Sacrifice, either in camp or on the battle field. The tablet will have a large American eagle in relief with the years 1917 when the United States went to war and 1919 when the evacuation order was issued and the troops left Germany. The names of the deceased soldiers will stand out on the bronze tablet, together with a sentence from Woodrow Wilson spoken in 1918 honoring the men who served their country so faithfully in its most trying days.

Type of Marker Debated. Just what type of memorial would be erected was debated for two years. The Star raised over \$300 from small contributors in its appeals through the paper. Suggestions came thick and fast when the war was fresh on the hearts of the people and some wanted to build an athletic stadium, some suggested a handsome arch at the cemetery entrance, others the lighting of the concrete bridge between Shelby and Cleveland Springs, some a granite shaft with a doughboy statue on the court square, to commemorate the "boys," but each suggestion required more money than was available and no other source was found from which to get funds. Finally The Star decided to use the funds on hand and erect a bronze tablet in or on the Court House and a beautiful tablet has been selected, the bronze to be of U. S. Government specifications, the letters to be highly polished and the background ripple effect.

A delivery from the factory has been guaranteed in time for the Armistice Day unveiling.

Cotton Estimates In Star's Contest Play About 45,000

Average of Estimates Range From 42,000 To 46,000 Bales. Other Guesses.

If all the estimates made on the Cleveland county cotton crop could be totalled and divided by the number of estimate it is likely that the average estimate would be close to 45,000 bales. Ninety percent of the estimates in so far are between 42,000 and 46,000 bales.

Ends October 31. All estimates must be in The Star office by October 31, a week and one-half yet. At the final ginning report The Star will give \$5 to the estimate nearest the ginning total.

Recent estimates are: Evans Edkins, 43,327; Mrs. Clyde Kee, 42,793; Cicero Grigg, 39,300; Mrs. Bryan Gardner, 45,050; Max Daves, 44,275; Vernie Daves, 41,278; F. C. Sweezy, 47,538; T. A. Champion, 45,151; R. B. Watterson; Durham Moore, 44,175.

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A candidate has only so many good speeches in his system—so many different speeches, that is. There are only certain issues on which he dares to touch at all.

But over the radio he can't make the same speech twice. If he does, most of his audience is likely to exclaim that they've heard that one before and turn the dial. That, your correspondent judged from a few nights of listening in, was the main tour in Smith's wake.

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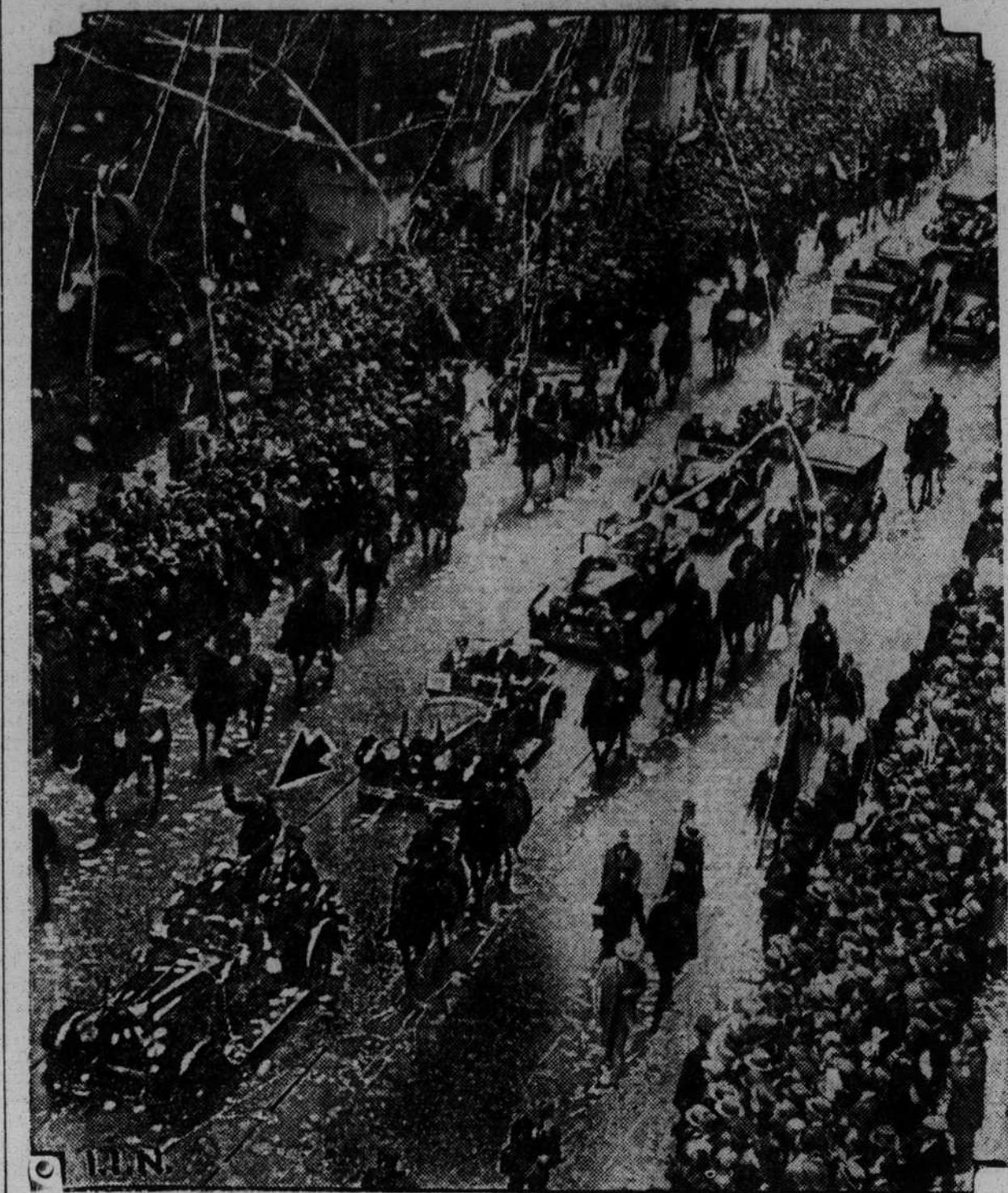
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There is little doubt that, barring the radio handicap, Smith would gladly have accepted the opportunity to make several additional addresses. Instead, he is forced to content himself with personal appearances through part of the contested territory.

Hoover is up against a similar handicap, but is fortunate in that it fits in with his strategy. That strategy has been to virtually ignore Smith and so the fewer speeches he makes the better.

Smith is trying to sell himself to the country; Hoover believes that he has already been sold to the country and that conditions can win for him with little positive aid from himself.

Hoch! Viva! Salud! Hoo-ray! Hey! Hey!



Vociferous welcome in New York's own best style—ticker tape, sirens, parade, police, City Hall—was accorded bluff, old Dr. Hugo Eckener, commander of the Graf Zeppelin, and his companions on gallant air exploit. Photo shows Eckener (arrow), Germany's iron chancellor of the air, riding, a la Lindbergh atop the tonneau of his automobile, up the glory trail men call lower Broadway.

Campaigns Not What They "Used To Be"

Bryan Travelled Thousands Of Miles. Radio Has Changed Things.

Washington.—Presidential campaigns never again will be what they used to be. William Jennings Bryan traveled 18,000 miles in the campaign of 1896 and spoke as often as he could persuade the engineer to stop. But it won't happen again.

For several reasons. First, of course, the radio has changed everything. Today the candidate can reach millions, from one end of the country to the other. If campaign speeches decide elections, then radio and the newspapers will provide that decisive factor rather than personal stump speeches of the candidates regarded from the standpoint of their effect within earshot.

Again, political parties have come to realize that it is important to keep their candidate in good health. The horrible possibility that a candidate might collapse or even die during a campaign, leaving his party in an unprecedentedly unfortunate position, has often been brought home to them.

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WILSON WAS FOR LIGHT WINE AND BEER, CLAIM NOW

Sent Wet Plank To San Francisco Convention, Tumulty Reveals.

Philadelphia, Oct. 19.—President Wilson wrote a light wines and beer plank for the platform of the Democrats in their national convention at San Francisco in 1920, according to his confidant and secretary, Joseph P. Tumulty, in a talk to a Democratic gathering at the Ritz-Carlton hotel.

"A few days before the convention," said Mr. Tumulty, "President Wilson delivered to a trusted friend a copy of a proposed 'wet' plank and asked him to submit it to the committee on resolutions of the San Francisco convention." The tentative draft of the plank was as follows:

"We recognize that the American saloon is opposed to all social, moral and economic order, and we pledge ourselves to its absolute elimination by the passage of such laws as will finally and effectively exterminate it. But we favor the repeal of the Volstead act and the substitution for it of a law permitting the manufacture of light wines and beer."

"Evidently the trusted friend who had this in charge felt the 'dry' atmosphere of the convention was unfavorable and so the president's plank, prepared by himself, was not even given a hearing before the committee of resolutions.

"Time and again when we discussed the Volstead act, President Wilson would say: 'The wrong way of doing the right thing. You cannot regulate the morals and habits of a real cosmopolitan people by placing unreasonable restrictions upon their liberty and freedom. All such attempts can only end in failure and disappointment. In the last analysis, in these matters that seek to regulate personal habits and customs, public opinion is the great regulator.'"

"There could be no more appropriate setting than here, in the birthplace of the nation, to make a plea for the preservation of those inalienable human rights proclaimed in the Declaration of Independence. There could be no timelier occasion to say a word in behalf of progressive liberal government than the present gathering, in which are so many important citizens of this city and commonwealth who have put aside for the time being their party affiliations to promote the candidacy of the great progressive liberal governor of New York for the presidency.

Sees Smith Misrepresented. "Although the Democratic platform at Houston eliminated the tariff question as an issue in the campaign, so far as any sincere and fair discussion of it could be had, the opponents of Gov. Smith are attempting to revive it, and by misrepresenting the Democratic attitude are seeking to alarm the business world and frighten wage earners into support of the Republican candidate.

"So keenly did Woodrow Wilson feel about this matter that, though weary and sick, with the date of the San Francisco convention approaching, he believed it was the duty of his party to speak out frankly and courageously and avow its attitude toward the unreasonable features of the Volstead act.

"I was present when, consulting with Democratic leaders, he took advantage of every opportunity to put before them the necessity for frank and courageous action. So deep were his convictions about this vital matter that it was his intention soon after the passage of the Volstead act over his veto to send a special message to congress making for the repeal of that act and the passage of legislation permitting the manufacture and sale of light wines, or at least a modification of the Volstead act changing the alcoholic content of beer."

Mrs. Washburn Still Very Ill At Hospital

Mrs. D. G. Washburn, wife of Rev. D. G. Washburn, a beloved Baptist minister of the county, continues very ill at the Shelby hospital. For a week or more her life has been hanging by a slender thread and grave fears have been held by attending physicians and members of the family that she could not survive much longer, but she is a woman of wonderful vitality and this morning she seemed a bit brighter.

North Carolina Chain Gangs Rival The High Schools

Third As Many Turned Out Of Convict Camps As Out Of School.

Raleigh.—The state graduated 13,095 seniors from high schools in 1927 and released more than a third as many, or 4,800 prisoners from convict camps, according to figures published in the "Public Welfare Progress," the official publication of the State department of charities and public welfare.

Continuing, the article says: "Few of those who complete the high school course ever get a chain gang education, although the high school graduation is no insurance against it. A study was made of the North Carolina chain gang by Professor

Get Drunk Now For 20 Cents, Cop Here Says

Policeman McBride Poston, veteran member of the Shelby police force, doesn't see why the drinking people want any change in the prohibition laws.

"They can get drunk at a total cost of only 20 cents, and they couldn't do that in the days of the old barrooms," the officer states.

His observation developed from the fact during his work recently apprehending drunks he has found that bay rum is now one of the favorite "kicks" with the colored drinkers and some of the white drinkers of Shelby. Nearly every alley, he says, has a few empty bay rum bottles scattered along it, and one of the recent raids by city police resulted in several bottles being found on a drunk.

Two ten-cent bottles of bay rum will stand a fellow on his head, a colored boy told Poston.

California Judge May Speak Before "Antis" In Shelby

Marvin Ritch To Address Anti-Smith Meeting At Beaver Dam Saturday.

Announcement is made by anti-Smith leaders here that Judge Nathan Newby, appointed to the supreme court bench in California by Woodrow Wilson, may speak at an anti-Smith meeting here Saturday night, Oct. 17.

On the coming Saturday night Marvin Ritch, Charlotte attorney and former football coach, will speak at an anti-Smith meeting at the Beaver Dam school house.

No Negro Votes. In the last issue of The Star in connection with a political article it was stated that efforts were being made, according to colored people, here to have them organize and vote. The impression was gained by anti-Smith leaders that the report inferred that the anti-Smith Democratic group might have something to do with this report. Such was not intended in the news item, but in fairness the following is quoted from a letter by George W. Vaughn one of the leaders in the anti-Smith organization at Eastside:

"The local anti-Smith Democratic club is not making, and will not make, any attempt to 'organize' voters, white or colored. We expect to confine our activities to bringing anti-Smith Democratic speakers to the county to present our views to those voters who like to hear both sides of a question before they make a decision, and no attempt will be made to canvass voters and coerce them to vote against their convictions."

(Editor's Note: In order that the item about organizing the negro vote here might be made plain, it should be recalled that the paragraph in connection with the subject stated that the attempt was being made from Washington. A local colored man, prominent among his race here, informed The Star that he had received letters from Washington about starting such a movement. He did not mention any organization.)

Baptists Holding Service At School

Although the First Baptist congregation is holding services at the Shelby high school building while the church interior is being remodelled, the attendance at both church and Sunday school is holding up well. Dr. Zeno Wall, the pastor will preach Sunday morning on "A Big Danger Signal" and at the evening service at 7:30 on "A Great Invitation." Sunday school at 9:30. B. Y. P. U's at 6:30 p. m.

NEGRO BOY DIES IN CRASH COMING FROM FAIR GROUND

A ride in from the fair ground, where the county negro fair is underway, on the running board of an auto proved to be a death ride last night for Roger Roberts, 18-year-old colored youth of the Bowling Springs section.

The fatal crash occurred on highway 20 near the Cleveland Springs driveway about 11:45 last night.

Roberts, according to information given Police Chief Richards, was riding on the running board of a car driven by Fred McDowell, also colored. Just in front of them coming west to Shelby was a car driven by Lanton Ward. I. R. Rogers, it was said, was driving in the opposite direction, going in the direction of the fair grounds. Just about the time that the Ward car was ready to meet the Byers car the McDowell car, with Roberts on the running board, started to pass. Anyway the three cars jammed together with a crash.

Roberts apparently died almost instantly, reports are. His neck, a leg, and arm and other portions of his body were broken, it is said.

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McDowell, Ward and Byers were all jailed by the police officer to await a hearing.

Hickman Is Hanged For Crime

Fox Says He Deserved Hanging If Any Man Did.

(Special to Star by INS.)

Edward Hickman, kidnapper slayer, died on the gallows San Quentin prison, California, at one twenty-five Eastern Standard time. He was calm until the end.

He read his Bible incessantly and declared before going to his death that if any man deserved hanging he did. He attributed his criminal career to over-education.

San Quentin, Calif., Oct. 18.—William Edward Hickman will be hanged here shortly after 10 o'clock tomorrow morning for the murder of Marion Parker, Los Angeles school girl.

A final effort today to have Warden James B. Holohan delay the execution until Hickman could be examined mentally met with failure.

Thomas Hickman of El Paso, Texas, father of the condemned youth, went before the warden with a lengthy affidavit signed by Dr. C. M. MacFall of the University of Virginia, which said the slayer is insane. Dr. MacFall examined Hickman several times before his trial in Los Angeles.

Warden Holohan declined to call a board of physicians to conduct a sanity investigation and the elder Hickman left, probably to see his son no more until he sees him on the gallows in the morning.

The condemned youth spent the day in the death cell, devoting most of his time to reading his Bible and meditating. No one is expected to visit him tonight or tomorrow but the chaplain, Rev. William A. Fleming, a Catholic priest, and the two guards who maintain a vigil over the cell.

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