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Showers Tonight. Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Increasing cloudiness followed by showers in interior late tonight and Tuesday. Warmer in central and extreme west portions tonight.

MRS. SPURLIN IS BURIED SUNDAY

Saintly Woman Of Fallston Section And Mother Of Solicitor Spurgeon Spurlin Passes

Mrs. Katherine Spurlin, 73-year-old widow of Monroe Spurlin who died eight years ago, died rather suddenly Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock following a stroke of paralysis which she suffered just ten hours previous to her passing. Mrs. Spurlin was one of the most consecrated women in the community, beloved by all who knew her and the sorrow of the community was manifested in the large crowd that attended the funeral services at Pleasant Grove Baptist church. It was one of the largest crowds and one of the prettiest floral offerings that has been seen at Pleasant Grove.

Mrs. Spurlin lived three miles north of Fallston with her son, Frank Spurlin. She was a charter member of Pleasant Grove church and her body was interred beside her husband who preceded her to the grave. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. G. P. Abernethy, I. D. Harrill and Zeno Wall. Special music was rendered by Mr. Horace Eason.

Surviving are five sons, Gaston, Frank and Buford Spurlin, prosperous farmers of the Fallston community, E. G. Spurlin, secretary-treasurer of the Stamey company and Hon. Spurgeon Spurlin, solicitor for this district, two daughters, Mrs. John Boggs and Mrs. Boyd Lattimore. Twenty-three grandchildren also survive, together with two brothers, Messrs. Kem and Zem Williams and one sister, Mrs. Amos Wright.

Hickory To Meet Shelby Here For Grid Game Friday

Highs Have Another Tough Foe. Zeno Wall Given High Praise.

The Shelby Highs are having two hard weeks of it in a row. Last Friday it was Charlotte, and the coming Friday it will be Hickory, considered the dark horse for the State football title this fall.

The strong Hickory eleven, led by Pinky James and Red Espey, both brilliant performers, will play at 3:30 on the city gridiron. Last year Shelby defeated Hickory but with a couple of regulars missing from the Shelby line-up due to injuries, Hickory has the edge. The odds for the visiting eleven increase when it is noted that they have swept over every opposing eleven this season by good margins. Recently they gave Chakales and his Asheville sport writers declared Hickory to have one of the best high school outfits ever seen there.

Some Runner. Randy Edmondson, Charlotte News sport writer, in his coverage of the Charlotte game here paid a high tribute to Zeno Wall, scrapping little Shelby field general. His mention of the young quarterback follows:

"Wall has the making of a real ball carrier. He runs like a veteran on a college team and handles the team well. He threw most of the passes and when he was in the backfield the spectators just took more interest in the game.

He is short, stumpy and probably weighs less than 130 pounds, but is hard and tough. He received an injury in the first period and was forced from the game, but came back in the second half and played until the final whistle. Some college will be lucky to get him. We predict a great future for this lad."

Brother Of Mr. T. P. Jenks Passes Away

Words has been received here of the passing of Lincoln county of Mr. Augustus Henry Jenks, brother of Mr. T. P. Jenks of Shelby, who died October 18 at the age of 65 years. Mr. Jenks was married June 26, 1884 to Cora Bess and to this union was born eight children—five boys and three girls. All are living. Mr. Jenks also leaves to mourn his departure, his wife and one brother, T. P. Jenks of Shelby and one sister, Mrs. George Beam. Mr. Jenks was a devoted husband and kind, affectionate father and in his passing his wife, children and friends feel a keen loss. He was a man of broad intellect and of few words but deep thought. During his life he made many warm friends who will remember him for years to come. He was buried at Bess' Chapel Methodist church.

Cole Blease Speaks At Kings Mountain; Hoey Here Monday

South Carolinian Speaks Next Saturday, Hoey Here For Court.

Campaign oratory of types and parts is billed to be heard over Cleveland county this week and net as the campaign nears its close.

Fire-eaters, spell-binders, whoopee artists and just plain campaign speakers are on the lists for forensic offerings during the week, it is announced from the several headquarters.

Bleas and Hoey. Of more interest perhaps than any other announcement is that coming from Judge B. T. Falls, county Democratic chairman, that Senator Cole Blease, of South Carolina, will speak at Kings Mountain next Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The announcement rated by him as next in importance is that Clyde R. Hoey will be back home for a speech next Monday afternoon after stumping this state and Virginia. Next week is court week and Hoey will speak at 2 o'clock at the court house Monday afternoon.

Newell Coming. The Republicans list as their big speaker of the week the coming of Hon. Jake F. Newell. The well-known Republican chairman, will assure us of "four years of Hoover administration."

An Anti-Speaking. On Saturday night, it is announced, Judge Nathan Newby, of California, will make an anti-Smith address in the court house here. This means three speakings in the county next Saturday—one Democratic, one Republican, and one anti-Smith.

Crowd For Blease. The appearance of Blease, the South Carolina fire-eater, at Kings Mountain, is expected to draw one of the largest crowds of the campaign in the county and people from all sections of the county are planning to hear him. The Kings Mountain high school auditorium will seat about 2,000 people. It is said, and for the information of those in various sections of the county who want to hear Blease Chairman Falls announces that the auditorium will be arranged to hold a large gathering. It was hoped to have Blease appear in Shelby but this was impossible due to his speaking dates.

RITCH MAKES AN ANTI-SMITH TALK

Charlotte Lawyer Addresses Anti-Smith Rally At Beaver Dam School.

Marvin L. Ritch, Charlotte attorney, was the principal speaker at an anti-Smith meeting held Saturday night at the Beaver Dam school, just west of Shelby.

Mr. Ritch was introduced by Mr. Joe E. Blanton, of Shelby, who is the head of the local anti-Smith organization.

Between 60 and 75 people attended the rally it was estimated.

Burglar, With Gag In Hand, Found In Home Of W. Hill Hudson; Attempt At Wall's

Mr. Hudson Awakened To Find Intruder Near Bed With Cloth In Hand.

Shelby had one of its biggest burglaries Sunday morning early.

A burglar entered the home of Mr. Hill Hudson, prominent traveling salesman living on West Marion street at 2:30 o'clock Sunday morning, and evidently intended to stifle any outcry by tying a piece of bed spread over his victim's mouth. Mr. Hudson awoke in the dead hour of the night with a feeling that some one was in the room. He switched on the light at the head of his bed and there stood a white man wearing a sweater and cap pulled down over his eyes. The intruder crouched and wheeled around so Mr. Hudson could not get a good view of him. Then he ran for the steps leading to the basement through which he gained entrance and in leaving, dropped the piece of bed spread, about the size of a towel, which he evidently intended to tie around the mouth of any one in the house who

The Fox's Last Photo



This official photo of Edward Hickman, alias "the fox," was taken Oct. 17 at the request of his mother in Kansas City. It shows the slayer of Marian Parker dressed in civilian clothes just before he was given the garb of the condemned and placed in death cell at San Quentin prison.

Hickman was Normal Body Post-Mortem

College Medical Authorities Find Large Brain But No Affliction.

San Francisco.—University of California medical authorities, after performing a postmortem on the body of William Edward Hickman, have announced that so far as they could determine, there was no constitutional evidence of insanity.

Hickman was hanged for murder at San Quentin Prison. The report of the examiners indicated that there was nothing abnormal about the endocrine glands—the internal organs of secretion which are held by scientists to contribute toward mental affliction. The brain was found to be unusually large.

Democratic Women To Meet Tuesday

There will be a meeting of the Women's Democratic club in the court house Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at which all women are invited, especially the young women, according to an announcement this morning by one of the leaders of this organization. Three good women speakers will deliver short addresses and the meeting gives promise of being a most interesting one.

Laughs And Jokes Behind The Bars After Wife Dies

Will Gilliard Unperturbed When Told That Shots He Fired Proved Fatal.

Down in the county jail Will Gilliard, colored, laughs and jokes with the other prisoners although there may be intervals when he can vision himself being seated in the electric chair at Raleigh.

Friday shortly after noon Gilliard whipped out a gun on Trade alley and shot his wife, Lela, twice in the left side just under the arm-pit. Then he ran at full speed to the county jail and asked to be locked up.

Saturday morning about 9 o'clock the woman died in the city hospital despite the efforts of surgeons to save her.

It is not likely, it was said today, that Gilliard will be given a preliminary hearing as superior court convenes here next Monday with Judge James Webb presiding.

The real cause for the shooting is not definitely known. It is understood that the negro said something about his wife fooling around with another man before he shot her.

Fire Breaks Out Three Times In Houser Residence

Catches Twice After Firemen Leave. Blaze Starts From Oil Heater.

A fire Saturday afternoon at the home of Mr. Bert Houser, corner Sumner and Morgan streets, brought out the Shelby fire department three times.

The first call came in the afternoon about 3 or 3:30 o'clock when a blaze broke out in the bathroom from an oil heater. After it was thought the blaze was extinguished the fire department left only to be called back an hour or so later when the fire broke out again. The third call came later in the night when a neighbor noticed still another blaze spring up in the house.

The family moved from the home and carried out the furniture after the roof was considerably damaged.

Fiddlers To Play At Boiling Springs

Old Time Fiddlers Convention At Boiling Springs Saturday Night October 27.

There will be an old time fiddlers convention at Boiling Springs Saturday night October 27, beginning at 7:30 o'clock and some of the best musicians of the two Carolinas will perform. All musicians are cordially invited to compete at this convention as there will be no admission charge or admission fee.

Prizes as follows will be awarded: For the best string band \$10, second best \$5; best fiddler \$5, second best \$2.50. Best banjo and fiddle \$3; best mandolin \$3, second best mandolin \$1.50; best banjo \$3, second best banjo \$1.50; best guitar \$2.50, second best guitar \$1.50.

The convention will be held under the auspices of the Carolyn Garrison Bible class and a small admission charge will be made.

Auction At Casar On Wednesday Morn

The Nolans—meaning the J. B. Nolan company—are announcing an autumn auction, the sale of the W. F. Warlick farm, located near Casar, for Wednesday morning next. Rush and Rush, well known here, will do the selling. The farm contains ninety-seven acres, and has been subdivided. Farm houses, including a modern residence, and personal property will all go under the hammer.

Couple Married At Court House Here

Hubert Clark and Essie Champion, young people of this county, were married at the county court house here Saturday afternoon by Squire T. C. Eskridge.

Bishop Cannon To Speak At Rutherford

Forest City, Oct. 20.—Bishop James W. Cannon, of the Methodist Episcopal church, will be in Rutherford county October 27, and will fill one speaking engagement. It is not known yet where the speaking will be held, but it will either be in Forest City or Rutherfordton.

DRIVER OF DEATH CAR BOUND OVER TO HIGHER COURT

Fred McDowell, driver of the auto on which Roger Roberts, young negro man was riding when he was killed Thursday night, was Saturday bound over to superior court under a \$500 bond. The bond was set after a preliminary before Recorder John P. Mull, and was given.

The two other colored men held in jail in connection with Roberts' death were freed by the court. They were Lenton Ward and L. B. Byers. Ward was driving a car just in front of the McDowell car and Byers was going east when the three cars crashed into each other, presumably because McDowell was attempting to pass the Ward car just as it met the Byers car.

The dead youth was badly broken up in the crash. Other Court Cases. Two women with the show operating at the negro fair were given a hearing in county court Saturday, one for being drunk and the other for driving while intoxicated. The first one was taxed with the costs while the latter paid \$50 and the costs.

Frank Allen, of Gaston county, was fined \$20 and the costs on the charge of stealing a fountain pen in the Piedmont cafe Friday night.

The court docket Saturday was heavy but the majority of the cases were minor charges, such as drunkenness.

Several Estimate Crop This Year Will Pass Last

Estimates Run Close To 50,000 Bale Mark. Contest Closes October 31.

Have you made your estimate yet as to how many bales of cotton Cleveland county will make this year? If not, the estimate should get in this week or early next week as The Star's contest closes on October 31.

Write your estimate on a slip of paper with your name and address upon it, and leave the slip at The Star office or mail it. The best estimate gets \$5 at the end of the ginning season.

Recent estimates are: Mrs. Myrtle Whisnant 45,982 bales; Wilbur Whisnant 49,793; A. W. Whisnant, 48,237; Bulah Hunt, 43,425; Marie Hunt 47,826; Jesse Pearl Whisnant, 46,300; Leona Hunt, 44,235; J. M. Walker, 37,679; D. W. A. Cooper, 49,454; Samuel Hamrick, 45,535; Mrs. Samuel Hamrick, 46,650; W. C. Lanier, 44,500; Woodrow F. Cooper, 44,444; J. P. Blalock, 46,666; Woodrow Morris, 37,618; Mrs. B. C. Houser, 50,000; B. C. Houser, 48,000.

Simmons To Speak In Raleigh Oct. 25

Booked For Thursday, Big Day Of State Fair—Appear In Auditorium.

Raleigh.—Senator F. M. Simmons will speak in Raleigh Thursday evening, October 25, at the city auditorium, in opposition to the Democratic candidate for the presidency, Alfred E. Smith. W. L. Knight announced.

Mr. Knight, who is directing the anti-Smith campaign from Raleigh has booked Senator Simmons for Thursday, the big day of the state fair. Barring speakers of rational note such as Bryan, Roosevelt and Champ Clark, the state fair has not been a felicitous season for addresses and lectures. Theatricals have gone terribly, but it is believed with the new modes of making the capital, the automobile and the good roads, Senator Simmons may fill the "old cave" with folks even if he falls utterly to reach them with his voice.

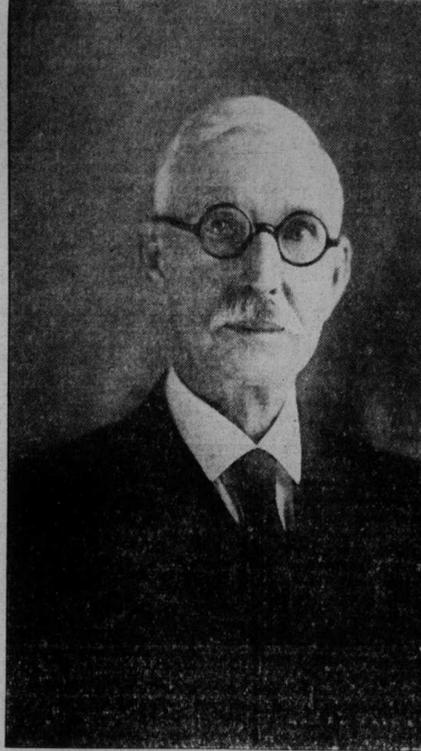
His coming to Raleigh will be over-matched in public interest by Al Smith alone. The anti-Smith folks mean to give him one whale of a crowd.

Senator Simmons will speak from the same stage, it was announced as Dr. A. J. Barton, Baptist minister, who is making a wide campaign against Governor Smith. Dr. Barton has spoken in Raleigh recently.

Young Democrats To Meet Tuesday Night

Al R. Bennett, organizer of young Democratic voters in Cleveland county, announces that a meeting of the Shelby committees and club members will be held at the court house here Tuesday evening with important business to be transacted. All club members in and out of Shelby are urged to attend if possible.

First Gastonia Teacher Dead



Mr. J. B. Blanton, prominent Mooresboro citizen, who died last week, taught Gastonia's first school in 1880. At that time there were two or three stores, and a blacksmith shop in Gastonia, but no churches.

May Be A Contest Over The Election

MR. JOHN BLANTON EARLY TEACHER, DEAD

Leading Citizen Of Mooresboro. Taught First School In Gastonia In 1880.

Mr. John Blanton, one of the pioneer school teachers of this section and prominent merchant of Mooresboro, died Friday night at a private sanatorium at Morganton where he had been a patient for treatment for several days. His death was due to a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Blanton had been in poor health for some time, but was in Shelby one day for the fair and here greeted many of his friends. Mr. Blanton is a full brother of W. Hackett Blanton, of Shelby, and a half brother of Mr. James A. Wilson, of Shelby. The funeral was conducted Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Sandy Plains Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Stouemire, assisted by Rev. John W. Suttle, of Shelby, and Dr. W. H. Frazier, president of Queens college, Charlotte. A tremendous crowd gathered to pay a tribute of respect to his noble life and one of the largest floral offerings ever seen at Sandy Plains attested the esteem in which he was held.

Taught First Gastonia School. Mr. Blanton taught school in early life. He taught the first school in Gastonia in 1880 and was responsible for the sentiment which caused the citizens to build a two-story school building, one of the largest in this section of the state at that time. Then followed a building boom when the first cotton mill in Gaston was erected.

Mr. Blanton was a clean, upright citizen, honest in his dealings, generous and kind. He became one of the leading and most influential citizens of Mooresboro, being president of the Mooresboro Cotton Oil company and was a merchant, farmer and fertilizer dealer. He was twice married, the first time to Miss Barr of Lincolnton. After her death he married Miss Lillian Purcell, of Mooresboro, who survives with ten children; R. S. and W. M. Blanton, prominent business men of Charlotte, Mrs. J. A. McBrayer, Mrs. J. Walter Lucas, R. P. and John Blanton, Jr., all of Mooresboro; Charles and Fred Blanton, of Columbus, Polk county; Mrs. Frank Speight, of Rock Hill, S. C., and Mrs. C. O. Champion, of Mooresboro. Also surviving are one brother, W. Hackett Blanton, of Shelby, a half brother, Mr. James A. Wilson, of Shelby, and one sister, Mrs. J. D. Andrews, of Roxboro.

Assuming that Smith should carry Ohio, New Jersey, Texas, Arizona, Connecticut, Florida, North Carolina and Oklahoma, there would be 12 additional electoral votes which might be considered his, taking these states by themselves. (Continued on page ten)

VOTERS TO PASS ON AMENDMENTS ELECTION DAY

Three Important Amendments To State Constitution Coming Up.

With all of the furor raised over the presidential campaign and the other political races a goodly percentage of North Carolina voters no doubt have overlooked the fact that they will vote upon three important amendments to the state constitution on November 6.

With so much talk about Al Smith and Herbert Hoover, The Star is of the opinion that voters should be aware of the three amendments to be voted upon next month. No voter should cast a ballot for or against an amendment blindly and for that reason The Star explains, as best it can, the amendments.

What They Are. The first is an amendment to increase the pay of legislators; the second has to do with establishing certain judicial districts, and the third is on the matter of tax levy.

H. M. London, legislative librarian, explains the amendments as follows: Discussing the amendment changing the pay of members of the general assembly, Mr. London says: "This amendment relates simply to the pay of members of the general assembly. As the constitution is now written, the members of the body are allowed \$4 per day for each day of the session for a period not exceeding 60 days. They may serve longer than 60 days, but without compensation. They are entitled, also, to 10 cents per mile going and coming from their homes by the nearest route of public travel. The presiding officers of the two houses are allowed \$6 per day and mileage. The same compensation is allowed for only 20 days of an extra session."

"It is proposed in the amendment that the members of the general assembly shall each receive a salary for the term of their office of \$600. The salaries of the presiding officers of the two houses shall be \$700. No mileage is allowed in either case. In an extra session should be called, the members shall receive, in addition to the compensation referred to above, \$8 per day for 20 days only, while the presiding officers shall receive \$10 per day, for 20 days only. This likewise is without any mileage at all."

Solicitors' Districts. The object of the amendment providing for solicitorial districts, Mr. London says, is to eliminate "entirely the connection between solicitors and judicial districts."

"As the constitution now stands, the solicitor must be elected for each judicial district. There are now in the state of North Carolina 20 judicial districts and 20 solicitors. The object of this proposed amendment is to eliminate solicitors and judicial districts and to establish what is called in the proposed amendment, "Solicitorial districts." The proposed number is 24. The general assembly, however, is granted authority to reduce or increase this number as it may from time to time deem wise. If this section is adopted, then we will have in the state of North Carolina a system of judicial districts and also a system of solicitorial districts, thus enabling the general assembly to increase the number of judges without increasing the number of solicitors or to increase the number of solicitors without increasing the number of judges."

Taxation Amendment. The proposed taxation amendment is largely to authorize classification of intangible personal property, Mr. London points out. "In the constitution as now written, section 3 of article V, all property of every description is required to be taxed by a uniform rate. That section also provides machinery for what is known as the home exemption provision. The rest of the section contains authority to tax trades, professions, franchises and incomes.

The amendment to this section (Continued on page ten.)

Forest City To Open New City Hall Nov. 1

Forest City, Oct. 20.—Forest City's new city hall will be ready for occupancy about November 1, according to Mayor Chas. Z. Flack. This building cost approximately \$25,000.

GOVERNOR'S IN SIGMA NU CHAPTER

In the recent fraternity rush at the University of North Carolina, James Webb Gardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. Max Gardner, was pledged by the Sigma Nu fraternity.