

Around Our Town

— Shelby Sidelights —

With Renn Drum

SOMETHING THE YOUNG GENERATION perhaps never witnessed before occurred one day this week at the post office corner of the court square. By the young generation we mean those boys and girls just reaching the age when they may have a date now and then—youngsters who cannot recall the day when a trim Rock Hill buggy was in the driveway instead of the family automobile.

The unusual occurrence was a near runaway of a team of mules which became frightened at the bell and the change of the red and green lights on the traffic post. Out east Marion street the team headed somewhat wildly with the driver clinging on to the lines in old time saw-fashion.

What memories such a scene brings back!

It doesn't seem so long ago to many of us since all horses and mules were dreadfully afraid of those horseless, sputtering contraptions we know nowadays as automobiles.

Remember some of the trips to town when dad saw one of the contraptions coming, alighted from the buggy, led Dolly over to the side of the road, and with close clutch onto the birdie, while mother herded the youngsters out of the buggy and rushed them over into a nearby field where they would not be injured if Dolly decided to act a fool when the horseless contraption came popping by? Great old days!

A runaway of a team was almost as common in those days as is an auto smash-up these days, if such be possible. Many farmers angered at the fear instilled in their teams by the horseless contraptions

carried the family shotgun along when they came to town, prepared, if occasion demanded, to turn a load of bird shot into the young squirt who dared pop that thing by to scare the mules and horses.

The average team driver and his team were as wary of an automobile in those days as Buck Hardin is of an airplane right today. Buck likes to look at the airplanes, but he doesn't crave any more altitude than he gets in his flivver as he hits the high places coming down the Cleveland Springs road hill by Doc Osborne's.

Those were the days, the up-in-years Shelby people tell us, when Charlie Eskridge was roundly hated by any number of the sporty young fellows about town who hauled their spooning dates out in nice rigs, behind snappy-stepping steeds.

It was in those days that the young fellows and their girls when a picnic was planned at Cleveland Springs would call up M. Eskridge and find out just when he planned to take his horseless contraption (a motorcycle) out before they would set a definite date for the picnic frolic. Many times, certain business men here tell us, Charlie Eskridge with his first autos and motorcycle would worry them to death by driving by just when they had their best girl out for a buggy ride and were preparing to get down to the point. A passing auto just ruined buggy love-making. A fellow could not talk honeyed-phrases and "sugar baby" stuff when recovering from his anger at his boasted horse for becoming upset at the peculiar carriage—and, too, the horse would be so nervous for hours that it was impossible to toss the reins over the dashboard and play hands

with the sweet thing. And on occasions the horse couldn't be restrained and would dash across a nearby ditch, unceremoniously dumping both the young swain and his girl in the briars.

Tell some of the youngsters of today that such things happened and they will pooh-poo at you.

As the years passed the horses and mules became more and more accustomed to their motor rivals so that today it is considered unusual news when a horse or a mule becomes frightened at an automobile.

That's why it looked a little odd to see the team of mules try to stage a runaway at the traffic light here this week.

In topping of that topic and moving along, lickety-split (That's a phrase of the horse-and-buggy era) to something else, remember the day when seldom an issue of The Star twinkled forth without some account of a runaway on the front page? Well, how long has it been since you've read of a runaway on the front pages?

BY THE PAPERS WE SEE THAT Terry Roberts had to call off several bouts this week because he is said to have broken a finger here last week when he knocked out Grady Sizemore. This colyum will not venture to say that Terry didn't break his finger, for Terry is a big, tough boy, but we will say that if Terry broke his finger he didn't do it hitting Sizemore for the latter never got close enough for Terry to land. Mebbe he hit one of the ringside posts when Sizemore dropped to his knees, as he frequently did, getting out of the way.

THIS PARTICULAR TOPIC IS INTENDED for the elderly folks about town, who, having heard of promiscuous petting, necking, etc., have gained the definite impression that the young boys and girls of today are going to the dogs, or worse, rapidly.

Some of them say that the young courting couples these days have never heard "bed-time" called in their lives, and that parents are to blame because they do not get their

youngsters in at a decent hour at night. That's all bologney! Part of it anyway.

One of the sheik boys about Shelby so informs us, and he goes about quite a bit among the young girls who are not half as ashamed of their knees as their mothers were (get the "were"—mothers are that way now) of their ankles back before the World War.

"Why, darn it! I don't believe there are a half dozen girls in town whose dates do not hear a bed-time call at a perfectly proper hour—and it's usually around 11 o'clock or before. Parents aren't so hot these days about letting their girls stay out too late as some of the blue howlers think."

Then he went on to describe the various bed-time calls he hears about modern Shelby as he goes about his date.

In one home, he said, the hall clock (and there are still hall clocks that keep time) seldom gets through striking eleven until a shoe begins tapping on the floor of the upstairs bedroom overhead. If there isn't immediate action, he added, the shoe-tapping increases to such an extent that it sounds as if 15 youngsters are piling into bed and tossing their shoes on the floor.

In still another home the father, just before retiring begins to whistle "Curfew." That's a hot one! Another watchful mother always sets the alarm clock for 10:45, and the boys who call on her daughter have never asked more than once why the clock was going off.

Then there is still another dad, the sheik relates, who doesn't limit himself to tapping his shoe on the floor upstairs, but does his tapping with his foot in his shoes if any sleek-haired Romeo is still hanging about his house at 11 o'clock. And the sheik told about that one as if he knew first-hand just how that dad uses his boot.

ONE OF AESOP'S FABLES: IT isn't any trouble whatsoever for a stranger to purchase a pint of bootleg about Shelby this week.

NEW FORESTRY HEAD AT STATE COLLEGE

Raleigh—Dr. Julius V. Hofmann who recently resigned his connection with the Pennsylvania State Forest school, Friday began his duties as director of the new school of forestry at North Carolina State college here.

Dr. Hofmann, reared on a farm in southern Minnesota, began his career as a village school teacher, graduating later at the University of Minnesota with degrees in forestry and a Ph. O. A as forestry with the United States government, he traveled extensively at home and abroad. In 1924 he took charge of the management of the 23,000-acre school forest of Pennsylvania.

During February, Dr. Hofmann will study forestry conditions in North Carolina before taking charge of the forestry school of State college on March 14 when the third term classes in preliminary studies begin. He is not unfamiliar with North Carolina forestry conditions today, but is desirous of gaining further first hand knowledge.

Chicago's Salvation.

From The Louisville Courier-Journal.

Chicago police the last six months have killed 30 gangsters and wounded 54, the police commissioner reports. The gangsters, in addition, have killed more than 100 of their own number. Chicago's salvation may be attained by a process of elimination.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as executors of the will of T. H. Bridges, late of Cleveland county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased to present them to the undersigned on or before the 21st day of December, 1929, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment.

JOHN L. BRIDGES, GEO. O. BRIDGES, Executors of T. H. Bridges, Dec'd.

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER EXECUTION.

North Carolina, Cleveland County. In the Superior Court: L. U. Arrowood, Plaintiff

vs. S. L. Baber and wife, Alice Baber, et al., Defendants.

By virtue of an execution placed in my hands, pursuant to a judgment of the superior court at special November term, 1928, in the above entitled cause, I will sell to the highest bidder, at the court house door in Shelby, on Monday, February 18, 1929, at 12 o'clock M., the following described real estate, situated on the east side of S. LaFayette street in the town of Shelby, N. C.:

All those certain lots of land situated in No. 6 township, town of Shelby, Cleveland county, state of North Carolina and being lots Nos. 6 and 7 as appear on plat of said property, which plat is of record in the office of the register of deeds for Cleveland county, N. C. in book of plats 2, page 2, reference is hereby made for full description and which is hereby made a part of this instrument, said lands being a part of the Fortune place, lying on the east side of S. LaFayette street and being those same lots which were conveyed to A. W. McMurry by Bernice Hamrick and S. H. Hamrick, guardian of Bernice Hamrick by deed dated March 30, 1925, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Cleveland county, N. C., in deed book 3-P, page 345.

To satisfy the said execution for \$264.72 and interest thereon from February 1, 1928, and the further sum of \$29.90 the cost of the action. The interest to be conveyed is the entire property above described during the coverture of S. L. Baber and wife, Alice Baber, and the absolute title in the event S. L. Baber survives his wife, Alice Baber, as will more fully appear by reference to the judgment roll in the office of the clerk of superior court of Cleveland county, N. C.

Terms of sale: Cash. This the 17th day of January, 1929.

H. A. LOGAN, Sheriff of Cleveland County, N. C.

The point the supreme court must decide is whether water in the railroads justifies soaking the public. —Greenville News.

Statement Of Condition

SHELBY AND CLEVELAND COUNTY BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION

Of Shelby, N. C. As Of December 31, 1928.

— ASSETS —

The Association Owns:	
Cash on Hand and in Banks	\$2,231.71
Mortgage Loans	484,390.00
(Money loaned to shareholders for the purpose of enabling them to own their homes. Each loan secured by first mortgage on local improved real estate.)	
Stock Loans	73,412.00
(Advances made to our shareholders against their stock. No loan exceeds 90% of amount actually paid in.)	
Accounts Receivable	57.61
(Temporary advances for insurance, taxes, etc.)	
Office Furniture and Fixtures	299.48
TOTAL	\$560,390.90

— LIABILITIES —

The Association Owes:	
To Shareholders: Funds entrusted to our care in the form of payments on stock as follows:	
Installation Stock	\$246,193.50
Prepaid Stock	176,030.00
Full Paid Stock	\$56,350.00
Undivided Profits	76,817.40
(Earnings held in trust for distribution to shareholders at maturity of stock.)	
Other Liabilities	5,000.00
TOTAL	\$560,390.90

State of North Carolina, County of Cleveland: Jno. P. Mull, secretary-treasurer of the above named association personally appeared before me this day, and being duly sworn, says that the foregoing report is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

JNO. P. MULL, Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30 day of January, 1929. FRANK L. HOYLE, JR., Notary Public.

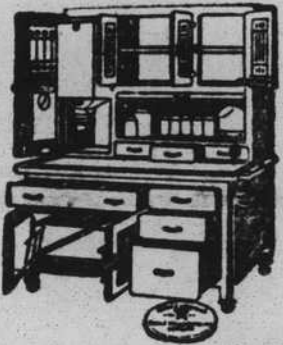
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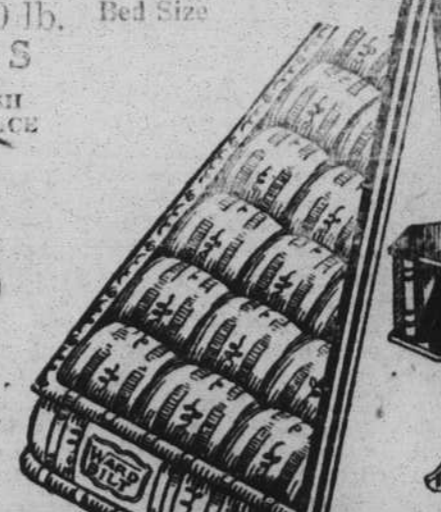
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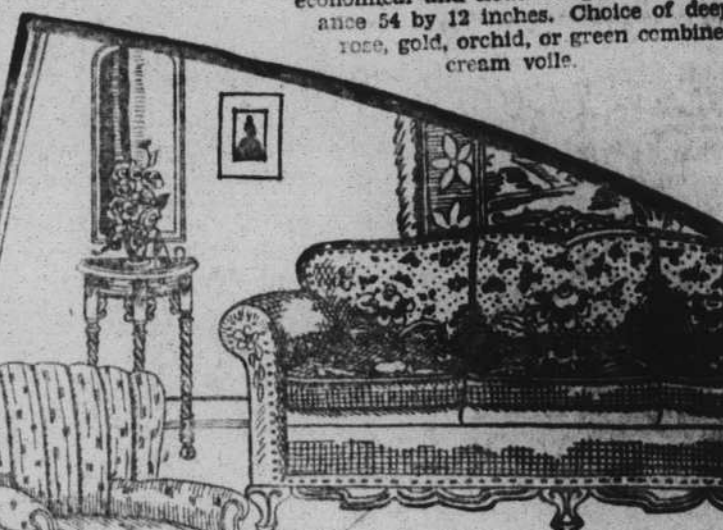
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