

Around Our TOWN Shelby SIDELIGHTS

By RENN DRUM

This news announcement that W. J. Cash, known among his college chums as "Sleepy," will have an article in the July number of American Mercury with Senator Furnifold Simmons as the topic is of more interest to us than any announcement we've seen in some time.

Very little soft soap and taffy are used in Mercury articles, but instead the views expressed are often so sharp that they give one the idea that a razor blade is being used to slowly slit the skin from the victim, or the subject of the article.

Furthermore, Senator Simmons is always a good topic in North Carolina, and since last fall he has been much of a national topic, because he has his enemies and his friends and both are usually extreme in their views; to some people the senator is nothing less than a saint in the guise of a Democrat (?), politician, while to others he is the opposite, and then some, to the saint, and the fill-in may be left to the individual imagination. To top that off this column, along with numerous others hereabouts and elsewhere, has been

of the opinion that young Cash would score and score heavily ere many years in the fields of higher writing. Readers of The Cleveland Press, late of Shelby, which he edited for some time, will recall that his editorials were of a type not exceeded by the most literary and philosophical editorial pages of the larger papers. In fact, and we say it as a compliment, his philosophy in comment upon and in observance of current events was a bit more of the thoughtful magazine type than of the newspaper type. We await the July issue of the Mercury with interest, and it is our opinion that many copies of the issue will be read in this section despite our frequent inclination to term Dr. Mencken, the editor, a sour-grape critic with a brilliant but a diseased brain.

THE INSIGNIFICANT LITTLE

TAX NOTICE

This is to notify all persons, firms and corporations to meet the Township Tax Listers at the following places on the dates mentioned and list their taxes for the year 1929.

The law requires all polls, personal and real property to be listed during the month of May.

All farmers will go prepared to make a crop report. This report is for statistical purposes and has no relation to your taxes whatever.

No. 1 Township J. A. McCraw, List Taker.

Flint Hill, Morning, May 6th. Trinity School House, May 6th, Afternoon. Sharon School House, May 7th, All Day. C. J. Hamrick's and Sons Store, May 8th, All Day. Jolley's Store, Thursday, May 9th, All Day. Boiling Springs School House, Saturday, May 11, all day. M. D. Moore, List Taker.

No. 3 Township Val Thomason's Store, Tuesday, May 7th.

Earl, Wednesday, May 8th and 18th. Patterson Springs, May 6th and 25th. Austell Bettis, List Taker.

No. 4 Township E. L. Campbell, List Taker

Champion's Store, May 7th. Goforth's Store, May 8th. W. I. Wolfe's, May 9th. Waco, May 10th and 11th. M. P. Harrelson, List Taker

No. 6 Township Stubbs, May 6th, P. M.

Q. H. Metcalf's, May 7th, P. M. Queen's Precinct, May 9th, P. M. Court House, May 8th to 30th. W. R. Newton, List Taker

No. 7 Township Turner Cabaniss' Residence, Monday A. M. May 6th.

Pink Lovelace Store, Monday P. M. May 6th. Lattimore, Thursday, All Day, May 9th. Mooresboro, Saturday, All Day, May 11th. C. C. Walker Store, Tuesday, A. M., May 14th. Louis McSwain's Store, Tuesday P. M., May 14th. R. W. McBrayer, List Taker

No. 8 Township Polkville, Monday, May 6th.

Delight, Tuesday afternoon, May 7th. Camp Call Tuesday, May 14th. New House, Wednesday, May 15th. Palm Tree; All day, Wednesday May 8th. B. P. Jenkins, List Taker

No. 9 Township Wright's Store, May 7th, A. M.

Double Shoals, May 7th, P. M. Porters' Store, May 9th. Lawndale, May 14th. Fallston, May 15th and 16th. W. A. Gantt, List Taker.

No. 10 Township Philbeck School House, May 6th, A. M.

J. T. Warlick's Store, May 6th, P. M. J. M. Ledford's, May 7th, A. M. Joe Costner's May 7th, P. M. Boyle's Store, May 8th, A. M. S. L. Wellmon's, May 8th, P. M. P. L. Peeler's Store, May 11th, P. M. M. N. Gantt, List Taker.

No. 11 Township Warlick's Store, Monday, May 6th, afternoon.

Julius Pruett's, Friday, May 17th, afternoon. Moriah School, Friday, May 24th, All Day. Warlick's Store, Friday, May 31st, All Day. A. A. Horton, List Taker W. R. NEWTON, County Tax Supervisor.

line in a recent issue of The Star stating that the new city administration might put an end to the sounding of the fire siren at noon each day has caused any amount of conversation about town. Quite a number of folks, by the talk heard, endorsed the likelihood the moment they read about it, while others were not so hot for it seeing as how they've been setting their watches and clocks thereby. The outcome of the report will be interesting, and we say that not giving a tinker's tink whether it is stopped or not. At first it gave us a shiver down the spine but we've become accustomed to it.

HOW MANY THINGS ARE blamed upon the mayor of a city concerning which he has nothing to do? About the only way to answer the question presumably is to run for the office, win if possible, and find out. Often this department finds it a struggle to fill up, but just the other day Mayor Dorsey handed us a bit of verse from the Municipal magazine anent the subject.

"It will not be of much benefit to me now but with the best wishes for my successor perhaps it will cause some of the people some of the time to be a bit more lenient with Mr. McMurry after he takes office," he said. And that expression, if you analyze it, indicates that Mayor Dorsey knows how to lose and lose with a smile—which, incidentally, never lowers the rating of a man with his fellow-citizens. But here come the verses, entitled "Blame The Mayor!" Herb Gee wrote 'em.

If you're "stuck up" with a gun, Blame the Mayor! If the street cars do not run, Blame the Mayor! If your sewer is not laid, If your taxes are not paid, If the trees give off no shade, Blame the Mayor!

If you're sore at all mankind, Blame the Mayor! If your pants are patched behind, Blame the Mayor! If the motorists all speed, And no traffic signs they heed— Wrecking humans 'til they bleed— Blame the Mayor!

If the street lamps do not light, Blame the Mayor! If the crossings are a fright, Blame the Mayor! If the water mains run dry, Don't give forth a lusty cry— Step right up and black the eye Of the Mayor!

If the weeds grow in your lawn, Blame the Mayor! If your savings cash is gone, Blame the Mayor! If your Jersey cow dries up, If you lose your pointer pup, Do not drop tears in a cup— Blame the Mayor!

If we never bridge the bay, Blame the Mayor! If it rains 'most ev'ry day, Blame the Mayor! If your false teeth break in two So that food you cannot chew, There is just one thing to do— Blame the Mayor!

If your hens refuse to lay, Blame the Mayor! If you fail to draw your pay, Blame the Mayor! If the streets all need new pave, If your soul you cannot save, Do not spout and rant and rave— Blame the Mayor!

If bootleggers ne'er are fined, Blame the Mayor! If the "cops" are never kind, Blame the Mayor! If the poison that you drink Puts your thimble on the blink— Makes your feet a skating rink— Blame the Mayor!

If in gratitude you lack, Blame the Mayor! And your civic duties slack, Blame the Mayor! If this City—by—the Gate Has a fame both wide and great; Equaled nowhere—in no state— BLAME THE MAYOR!

NOTICE

North Carolina, Cleveland County. In Superior Court. W. A. Beam, Executor of the Estate of J. F. Beam, deceased. vs. Eugenia Beam, widow; Claude Beam; Mamie Daniels and husband, F. R. Daniels; W. A. Beam and wife, Helen Beam; Ethel McGee and husband, Sproles McGee; G. R. Beam; and Lois Stainback and husband, Banard Stainback. The defendants, Mamie Daniels and husband, F. R. Daniels; Ethel McGee and husband, Sproles McGee, will take notice that an action, entitled as above has been commenced in the superior court of Cleveland county, North Carolina. Said action being brought by the executor of the estate of J. F. Beam for the purpose of providing funds to pay the indebtedness against said estate. And the said defendants, above named, will further take notice that they are required to appear before the clerk superior at his office in Shelby, N. C. on or before the 27th day of May, 1929, and answer or demur to the petition of the plaintiff or the relief asked for therein will be granted. This the 23rd day of April, 1929. A. M. HAMBRICK, Clerk Superior Court. Jno. P. Mull, Atty.

WHEN THE ELDERS DRANK-AND NOW

"Say Not Thou that the former days were better than these," we read in Ecclesiastes 7:10; but there are always the wobegone who wall that the church is failing, that the good old days of piety, faith, hope, and charity are gone from the earth. J. W. Meminger answers this particular brand of defeatism in the Reformed Church Messenger with some pungency, which he addressed primarily to those of his own faith, may well apply to the wallers of other churches. "You could say," he writes, "the church was being destroyed when Paul was in the Mamertine prison and the Christians were being butchered in the Coliseum at Rome."

"You could say it when John Chrysostom was banished to the desert to die, when Savonarola after thundering against the sins of his day in the old Duomo died in the public square in the city of Florence. You could say it when Zwingli in Switzerland, the Gospel of Christ and warning their people against the sins, not only of the world, but also of the church. Whitefield and Wesley flamed out again in what seemed to be an infinite and decadent age. We remember Moody with plain sermon and Gospel hymns bringing thousands to make a profession of their faith in Christ, and we remember how he was criticized and his Gospel hymns ridiculed by seminary professors and prominent ministers in the reformed church.

"We looked wise, boasted of our theology and our peculiar philosophy. We sat around spitting hairs and chanting our prayers, talking high church and low church while thousands of people hungry for the Gospel of Christ were seeking church homes in other denominations. "But the church is not failing. As I go in to scores of pulpits, East and West, and look into the faces of splendid congregations, I am ready to declare that we have higher average intelligence and finer spirit of fellowship, a better appreciation of the church and what the church stands for, than in any period of the past. Of course we have our backward congregations; we have here and there a preacher who is a parasite, preaching for what he can get out of it, ignoring the larger work of the Kingdom. But with all that and in spite of all that, the moral and spiritual standing of our membership in the Reformed church is higher than at any time in the past.

"Our oldest members can remember when our elders drank whisky and our deacons drank beer and the members drank hooch. We will not mention the ministers. But drunkenness, profanity and attending sins were all too common. All that has passed away, we have come to a new and better day."

Commissioner's Sale Of Land By virtue of the authority invested in me by decree made in the Superior court of Cleveland county in Special proceeding entitled "Alice Canady and husband, Roland Canady et al vs. Lloyd Ellis and wife, Alice Ellis et al." I will on Saturday June, 15th, 1929

At the court house door in the city of Shelby, N. C., at 12:00 o'clock, noon or within legal hours offer for sale to the highest bidder the following described real estate, situated in No. 4 township, Cleveland county, N. C., and bounded as follows: First tract: Lying and being situated on the lick branch, adjoining the lands of J. W. Irvin, W. W. Harry and others. Beginning on or at a stake, Harry and Irvin's line and runs thence S. 75 E. 87 poles to a post oak Irvin's corner; thence with Harry's line N. 36 W. 38 poles to a post oak, marked L. B. Corner; thence North 33 West 48 poles to a stake, Harry's line; thence S. 47 West 100 poles with Harry's line to the stake at the beginning, containing 20 acres, more or less and being that same tract conveyed to Non Ellis by G. W. Green by deed dated January 1, 1825 and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Cleveland county, N. C., in deed book B. B. at page 34.

Second tract: A certain tract of land lying and being in No. 4 township, Cleveland county, N. C., and more particularly described and defined as follows: Beginning at a stone pile in an old line of the Dock Irvin old place (J. W. Gidney estate now) and runs thence S. 55 1-2 W. 46 poles to a stone; thence N. 57 W. 40 poles to a stone; thence N. 63 W. 25 poles to a knot; thence N. 79 W. 63 1-2 poles to a maple on a branch; thence up the branch as it meanders to a stake on branch; thence with the old line N. 60 E. 54 poles to a stake; thence with old line S. 71 E. 126 poles to an oak stump; thence S. 32 E. 14 poles to the beginning, containing 37 1-2 acres, more or less and being lot No. 1 of Dock Irvin old place on lick branch as surveyed and divided into 4 lots by Ira Hardin, surveyor on October 18, 1901, said lot adjoining lots 2 and 4 of said tract being that same lot which was conveyed to Non Ellis by C. C. Gidney et al by deed dated October 23, 1907 and recorded in the office for the register of deeds for Cleveland county, N. C., in deed book K. K. page 335. Terms of sale CASH. This May 14th, 1929. FRANK L. HOYLE, JR., Commissioner. Jno. P. Mull, Atty.

No Time For State Brag, Says Historian

Chapel Hill.—"North Carolina has gone a long ways in the last 30 years and has achieved a place of leadership in the South, but there is no time for bragging or resting," R. D. W. Connor, Kenan professor of history and author of a number of volumes on North Carolina history declared before university students.

Professor Connor's was the second of a series of six chapel lectures the university is arranging for students at the University of North Carolina. "We've never done anything in a big way in North Carolina except our highway system," Professor Connor told students, evaluating North Carolina today after the state's 30 years of progress.

North Carolina has come to be regarded today as the leading southern state, but even now the people are getting weary of leadership, evinced by the material cut in highway appropriations made by the last general assembly.

"It is much easier to develop leadership than to maintain it," he warned, and urged students as future citizens against either an attitude of bragging and self-satisfaction with regard to their state or an attitude of timidity.

"Don't boast or brag. There is nothing to brag about yet. If we doubled our per capita expenditure for education, we'd still be below the average. Don't be timid. Don't be afraid of the burdens and responsibilities of leadership."

Prague.—An actress, unable to sleep in a hotel because of insects, sued the owner and was awarded \$36.00 damages, the amount spent on doctors' bills and medicine.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Costner and Glasco, contractors and builders of Shelby, N. C., has this day dissolved, and that any indebtedness contracted in the name of said partnership is illegal. The firm or partnership of Costner and Glasco no longer exists as such and in the future we, the partners, will trade for ourselves alone and be personally responsible only for such obligations we make in our own names. This April 15th, 1929.

PRESTON GLASCO, AND H. J. COSTNER, formerly trading as Costner and Glasco. 4t-17p

PUBLICATION OF SUMMONS

Cleveland Bank & Trust Company, executor of the will and trustee of James Franklin Ware, deceased, petitioner,

vs. James Eastham Ware, Rev. W. R. Ware, Mrs. Laura Wells, Dr. A. B. Ware and Mrs. A. E. Alspaugh, defendants.

To Mrs. A. E. Alspaugh, non-resident defendant: You are hereby notified that a special proceeding has been instituted, as above entitled, in the superior court of Cleveland county, N. C., for the sale of certain real estate belonging to the estate of James Franklin Ware, deceased, for the purpose of creating assets to settle indebtedness existing against said estate and a petition has been duly filed in the office of the clerk of the superior court of Cleveland county, in which you are named as one of the defendants; you are further notified to appear at the office of the clerk of the superior court of Cleveland county, N. C., in Shelby, N. C., on or before Monday, June 10, 1929 at 10 a. m. and answer the petition filed therein, or the relief prayed for by the petitioner will be granted. This May 6, 1929.

A. M. HAMBRICK, Clerk Superior Court, Cleveland County. Ryburn & Hoey, Atty. for Petitioner.

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PRUNE ALL YOUR SHRUBS AFTER THEY HAVE BLOOMED

Prune shrubs after they blossom so that new growth for next season's blooms may be made during the current season, say horticulturists.

Ornamental shrubs require somewhat different pruning methods than do fruit trees. Shrubs fall into two classes. Those which blossom early set their flower buds during the preceding year. If they are pruned during the following winter or early spring all blossom is destroyed. They should be pruned immediately after they blossom. In this group are Spirea, Japanese quince, Japanese snowball.

For the most part limit pruning to the removal of injured, dead, or ungainly branches. Never give them a typical "barber's haircut," for this destroys their natural symmetry and grace. Clipped hedges should be pruned at least twice during the year. All plants profit from an occasional and intelligent pruning.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having this day qualified as administrator of the estate of Martha Canipe, deceased, late of Cleveland county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to me properly proven on or before the 16th day of April, 1930 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery thereof. All persons owing the said estate will make immediate settlement to the undersigned. This April 16, 1929.

HOSE BEAVER, Administrator of Martha Canipe, deceased. pd.

SPECIAL EXCURSION FARES TO WASHINGTON, D. C. AND RETURN VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY SYSTEM.

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 1929. ROUND-TRIP FARE FROM SHELBY, N. C. — \$13.00 — Tickets on sale Friday, May 17th, final limit midnight May 22nd, 1929. Tickets good going and returning on all regular trains (Except Crescent Limited.) Big League Baseball—Athletics vs. Senators, May 18 and 19. Call on Southern Railway Agents for reservations and information. R. H. GRAHAM, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

\$20,000.00 COUNTY OF CLEVELAND, NORTH CAROLINA NOTE BOND ANTICIPATION

Sealed bids addressed to the undersigned will be received by the board of commissioners of Cleveland county at the office of the county commissioners at the court house in Shelby, N. C., until 2 p. m., Friday, May 24, 1929.

For the purchase of a \$20,000.00 note or notes aggregating said sum, dated June 1, 1929, and falling due June 1, 1930, interest payable semi-annually, said note or notes to be issued for borrowed money in anticipation of the receipts of the proceeds sale of \$20,000.00 bridge bonds authorized by an order of governing body of said county finally passed on January 21, 1929.

Bidders are invited to name the rate of interest not exceeding 6 per cent, which said note or notes shall bear and whether the issue is desired in one or more notes. The right is reserved to reject all bids. A certified check payable to the board of commissioners of Cleveland county for two per cent of the note must accompany the bid. Dated May 8, 1929. A. F. NEWTON, Clerk Board Commissioners, Shelby, N. C.

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CAROLINA STORES advertisement listing various products like Macaroni, Libby's Fruit Salad, PORK & BEANS, Johnson's Floor Wax, Listerine, FLOUR, and SPECIALS FRIDAY & SATURDAY.

Make Performance your Yardstick advertisement for Buick cars, featuring a Buick car image and pricing information for Series 116, 121, and 129.

OLD FIDDLERS CONVENTION AND BAND CONTEST. PIEDMONT HIGH SCHOOL, Lawndale, June 1st, 7:45 O'Clock. Various Forms of Music, including Orchestras, Fiddles, Banjo Pickers and Guitar Pickers. Several Bands Will Also Compete. \$30 in CASH Prizes. Let Everybody Come For Big Time.