

The Markets. Cotton, pe r pound 18c Cotton Seed, per bu. 48c

Showers Saturday.

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Mostly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Probably showers in west and central portions Saturday. Somewhat warmer tonight.

No Plan Yet To Land Duke Gift To City Hospital

Citizens However Hope To Devise Plan For Raising \$25,000 Soon.

So far no plan has been outlined in Shelby for the raising of \$25,000 locally in order to secure the gift of \$25,000 promised to the Shelby hospital by the Duke foundation...

The announcement of the provisional Duke gift to the local hospital was made at the graduating exercises of the nurses of the hospital recently, and since that time officials of the hospital and citizens of Shelby and the county have been considerably interested...

Dr. Wall's Mother To Be Buried Today, High Shoals Church

Mrs. Wall Died Thursday Morning At High Shoals Home. Was 70 Years Old.

Mrs. Sidney Wall, mother of Dr. Zeno Wall, pastor of Shelby's First Baptist church, died yesterday morning about 9:15 at her home in the High Shoals section near Henrietta.

Mrs. Wall, who was 67 years of age, had been ill for about two weeks and her death was not unexpected although a shock to her family, and her wide host of friends.

Funeral services were conducted at the High Shoals church this afternoon at 2 o'clock with a large number of Shelby people, including members of Dr. Wall's congregation and others, attending the services.

Seven Children Survive. The deceased is survived by her husband and 7 living children, all of whom were at her bedside when she died. The surviving children are: Mrs. Docla Haynes, Raleigh Wall, of Raleigh; Roland Wall, of Mississippi; Dr. Wall, of Shelby; Charles Wall, of Goldsboro; Goyen Wall, of Carolina; and Roy Wall of Mars Hill.

List Of Patients At City Hospital

Mr. Frank Cornwell, Shelby R-5; Miss Amanda Purdy, Shelby R-4; Mrs. Beulah Sanders, Shelby; Mr. Lee B. Weathers, Shelby; Mrs. Sam Black, Cherryville; Mrs. David Bailey, Gaffney, S. C. R-2; Mr. John Butler, Ellenboro R-3; Miss Lona Spurling, Lawndale; Miss Charlotte Beverly, Shelby; Mr. J. L. Parker, Shelby; Mrs. W. F. Wilson, Shelby; Mrs. Will Leigh, Shelby; Mrs. Nan Turner, Kings Mountain; Mrs. D. L. Troutman, Shelby; Mrs. Dewey Newton, Casar; Miss Maggie Atkinson, Shelby; Mrs. P. O. Moore, Shelby; Mrs. Earl Hamrick and baby daughter, Shelby; Mrs. Frank Deveney and baby daughter, Lawndale; Mrs. Roy Probst, Shelby; Eliza Russek (col.) Grover R-1; Edna Hossy (col.) Blacksburg R-1; Nancy Williams (col.) Lawndale; Ella Jay Hopper (col.) Shelby; Miss Ann Timmerman of Limestone college attended the dance at Cleveland Springs Wednesday.

An Interesting Cleveland Town, Watch For Story

Within the borders of Cleveland county there is a town of 300 inhabitants which boasts of having the largest rural mercantile store in Western Carolina and one of the largest in the south. Despite the fact that the town has no corporations or railroads and secures its tax only from land, it has one of the best equipped and best operated rural high schools in North Carolina with enviable records in scholastic work, language contests, debating, and athletics. Watch Monday's Star for the progressive story of the unusual town of Falkston and what its high school means to the community.

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Routing Of Highway 18 Is Major Topic Over Southern Part County

Third Prospective Route Being Surveyed Now. Citizens Stirred Up.

What route will state highway 18, now being surveyed for paving by state engineers, take from Shelby to the South Carolina line? That question is the big topic of conversation all over the southeastern section of Cleveland county with several sections vying with each other for the county's newest prospective paved highway.

It may be that the new highway will follow the present routing of highway 18 out of Shelby to the Kim Hardin place and there leave 18 and swerve to the right to strike Patterson Springs church section and come in to the back of Earl at New Hope church, pulling again to the right to reach the South Carolina line. On the other hand the engineers have already surveyed, it is said, two other routes, one known as the Piney Grove route, which would strike the South Carolina line at the same place as the proposed Earl route, with the third route being still farther to the west, and more to the right of Earl. This third route is known as "the direct to Gaffney route" and would likely strike the state line somewhere in the Ellis Ferry section.

Some Dissension. Naturally the people of the Earl-Patterson Springs section are pulling for the eastern route, which will strike in to the back of Earl, over the other routes, while other citizens are divided between the Piney Grove and direct routes. The Patterson Springs church-Earl route, which would follow the present highway 18 out of Shelby for a short distance, would leave Shelby out South Washington street while both of the other routes, and perhaps still another route, would leave Shelby by South LaFayette street and South Shelby.

Engineers yesterday were working along the route which leads in back of Earl and would likely have completed their survey to the South Carolina line if it had not been for the rain. The two other routes have already been surveyed. No one seems to have any inside information as to which route stands the best chance of landing the new highway, and if the engineers and highway officials have any idea as yet as to which of the routes the highway will go they are keeping the information pretty well to themselves. Meantime the various proposed routings have the entire southern section of the county stirred up more than any other event in several years.

Spanish-American War Vets Talk To Kiwanis Club Here. Veterans Tell Kiwanians Of State Encampment Here In July. Visitors Present.

Shelby Kiwanians last night heard the outline of the preliminary plan for entertaining the state encampment of Spanish American war veterans in Shelby July 8-9 with Capt. J. Frank Jenkins, a veteran of the war and a member of the club in charge of the program. The speakers were Capt. H. W. Edmonds, of Charlotte, a veteran of both the Spanish-American war and the World war, and Chas. G. Montgomery, of the veterans' bureau at Charlotte, also a veteran of two wars. Other Spanish-American war veterans present included R. D. Henderson, of Charlotte, and H. A. Logan, J. P. Roberts and Zero Huffman, of Shelby. Capt. Edmonds and the others summarized events of the Spanish-American war and incidents connected with the veterans and their organization since that time.

Defunct Bank At Kings Mountain Accepts Deposits

Takes In Deposits On Notes. Effect Of Closing Is Felt There.

Kings Mountain, May 16.—The Kings Mountain branch of the defunct Commercial Bank and Trust company opened its doors here Tuesday to depositors and accepted deposits and certificates of deposits against outstanding notes held by the bank against depositors. Further than this the liquidating officer had nothing to give out for publication. The effect of the closing of this bank is being felt very keenly upon local business.

Masonic Meeting. Cleveland lodge 202 A. F. & A. M. will meet in called communication tonight for work in the third degree. All members are urged to attend.

Flu Epidemic Last Winter Not As Fatal As Was 1918 Epidemic

Washington.—Preliminary tabulations of the United States public health service survey of the influenza epidemic last winter, show that the disease affected only about half as many persons in each unit of population as it did during the epidemic of 1918, but that its attack was spread out more uniformly over the nation. The survey was for the purpose

Somebody Said So But Aldermen Have Not Assembled Yet

Numerous Applicants For Jobs Heard That New Board Met Last Night. They Didn't.

The word got about the streets of Shelby yesterday, especially among a score or more of applicants for city jobs, that the new city fathers and Mayor-elect McMurry would have a meeting last night, and again today rumor was that the new administration met for the first time last night to oil up the machinery of their administration.

But at the McMurry cotton office today the mayor-elect said he had not heard anything about it—"If the board met," he added, "I wasn't present, and so far as I know they did not meet."

Just when the new officials of the town will meet to consider applications and other matters is not known but there is a likelihood that a get-acquainted session will be held tonight.

Written Applications. The reports about the first meeting of the newly elected board perhaps originated on the part of applicants due to the fact that a dozen or so people looking for jobs have been told that only written applications will be considered, and for several days numerous such applications have been going in to await action by the mayor-elect and the new board when they do assemble.

The statement to applicants that their applications for jobs must be in writing and not presented personally indicates that the employees of the city under the administration which takes office in June will be selected at a meeting of the board and mayor at which time all may talk over the applicants and their qualifications.

Much Interest. There is considerable interest upon the part of citizens in the announcement of new city employees, especially so in regards to the police chief, fire chief and city clerk. But the city's next officials are not talking, and so far as anybody knows definitely there may not be a single change around the city hall, and again there is to be a complete change. Which is to say that "mum is the word" on the part of the mayor-elect and his board, and that, perhaps, has had much to do with stirring up interest about town, as heretofore the dopsters usually had a line-up on the city list a week or two before the new administrations were sworn in.

As a result, Governor Gardner did not long hesitate to accept this invitation to tell Chicago, the entire middle west and the whole nation about North Carolina its resources, its development, and its attractiveness as a place to invest capital. Governor Gardner will go on the air at 7:30 Chicago time, which will be 8:30 Eastern Standard time in all of North Carolina.

Forest City Will Have A New Hotel

Forest City, May 17.—Forest City is to have a new and up-to-date hotel, something that has been sadly needed for the past few years in order to keep pace with the growth of the city.

Mr. Cowan C. Blanton, of Blanton's Cafe this week closed a deal with Mr. Geo. W. Jones for the lease of his brick building on Depot street and is now rapidly making all arrangements to open the new Hotel Blanton about June 15.

The new Hotel Blanton will have twenty-six rooms and will be modern in every respect. The building, which is a handsome brick structure, was originally planned for a hotel and is admirably suited for the purpose. It carries steam heat and is fittingly arranged throughout for a modern hotelery.

Friendship Church To Have Memorial

Memorial services will be observed at Friendship church next Sunday May 19. Sunday school at 10 a. m., followed by a sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Morgan. Decoration of graves at 12 o'clock. Dinner on the ground.

In the afternoon the famous Deal family from Connelly Springs will sing. These wonderful singers have made many phonograph records. We are expecting some good singing. Everybody is invited.

No Damages For Loss Of Eye At Belwood Store

Supreme Court Affirms Ruling In Norman-Porter Suit Tried In Shelby.

R. A. Norman, of the Belwood section, will receive no damages from W. R. Porter, Belwood merchant, for the loss of an eye in the Porter store several months back due to a ruling by the North Carolina Supreme court yesterday in which the non-suit of the litigation here last summer was affirmed.

The evidence in the case was that Norman, a customer in the Porter store, suffered an injury which necessitated the removal of an eyeball when the young son of Porter tossed a cartridge into the store stove and it exploded. Evidence also was that Porter bore the expense of medical treatment and the purchase of a glass eye.

When the case was tried here Judge Finley non-suited the action after hearing the evidence. An appeal was then made to supreme court upon the theory that the father, proprietor of the store, was responsible for the act of his son in throwing the cartridge in the stove. Attorneys in the case were Clyde R. Hoey and B. T. Falls.

Governor Gardner On Radio Out Of Chicago Saturday

Will Tell World About North Carolina In A National Radio Hook-Up.

Governor and Mrs. O. Max Gardner left Raleigh Thursday night for Chicago, where Governor Gardner is to deliver a radio address Saturday night over station WENR, of The Chicago Daily News, in which he will "tell the world" about North Carolina. The address will be broadcast over a national net-work hook-up as well as from WENR, so that it should reach virtually the entire United States as well as Canada and other countries within hearing distance of the hook-up.

The fact that Governor and Mrs. Gardner are going to Chicago as the guests of The Chicago Daily News, one of the largest newspapers in the United States and especially in the middle western territory surrounding Chicago, is taken as an indication of the growing interest being manifest in the middle west in North Carolina. For heretofore that section of the country has shown little interest in the southern states. But it is believed that the increasing commercial and industrial development in the south and especially in North Carolina is going to focus more and more attention on this state from Chicago and the middle west.

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College Finals Start Sunday; Wall To Preach

Major Bulwinkle Makes Literary Address At Boiling Springs Wednesday.

The first commencement exercises for Boiling Springs as a junior college will open on Sunday evening, May 19, and continue through Wednesday morning, May 22.

The highlights of the finals of the Baptist institution will be the annual sermon Sunday night at 8 o'clock by Dr. Zeno Wall, of Shelby; the literary address by Major Bulwinkle, former congressman of Gastonia, and the graduating exercises Wednesday morning.

The sermon Sunday night will open the program then on Monday morning the annual declaimer's contest will be held. Students contesting for medal are Porter Shepherd, George Patrick, Felix Hamrick, and Jack Jolley. Monday afternoon comes the reader's contest and the girls contesting are Vida Price, Margaret Small, Mozelle Gold, and Maggie Cole. On Monday evening at 8 o'clock a concert by the college glee club will be given. The class day exercises are scheduled for Tuesday morning at 9:30. These exercises include the address by the class president, Carl Latham; class history by Jane Irvin; class reader, Alice Crayton; character sketches by Carrie DePriest; poem by Broadwint Cartee; prophecy by Ruth Irvin and Mary Frances McWhorter; characteristic gifts by Cone Coble; reciprocal by Norman Roberts; last will and testament by A. V. Washburn. The class sponsor is Mrs. Snuggs.

The oratorical contest will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. The contestants are Lee Powell, Butler Pruett, Carl Latham, Kelly Shepherd, and Howard McDonald. Tuesday evening at 8 will be the annual play, "The Barber of Seville," by the literary societies of the college.

The graduating exercises will come at 10 Wednesday morning, with the salutatory by Janie Wilson, the oration by Norman Roberts, the essay by Eunice Hamrick, and the valedictory by Roy Hammett. The literary address by Major Bulwinkle will follow at 11 o'clock.

Kelly Shepherd is chief marshal for the Athenaeum and Rhameur societies and Irene Price is chief marshal for the Kalliergonian and Kalagathian societies. Other marshals are Elvin Barnette, Ernest Davis, Lunette Odum, Lyda Ree Greene, Felix Hamrick, Wyman Wood, Lillian McEntire and Jessie May McCluney.

Eaker Funeral At Clover Hill Church

A. P. Eaker Dies Of Heart Attack After Long Illness. Children Here.

Mr. A. P. Eaker, 74-year-old Shelby citizen, died early Tuesday night at his home on McBrayer street, death resulting from a heart trouble which has afflicted him for four years.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Clover Hill Methodist church, a large crowd attending the services and with many beautiful floral offerings.

The deceased is survived by his wife and the following children all of Shelby: Mrs. W. E. Page, Mrs. R. T. Sullivan, Mrs. W. O. Putnam, Mrs. Frank Spake, Jr., George, Marion and Sam Eaker. Surviving also are the following brothers and sisters: Mr. Bill Eaker, of Spartanburg; Mr. Lee Eaker of Lawndale; Mrs. Callie Newton, of Shelby; Mrs. Dave Cook, of Hickory, and Mrs. Mary Hastings, of Lawndale.

Mr. Eaker was a member of Central Methodist church here.

West Virginia Man Preaches Sunday At Central Methodist

Rev. T. C. Schuler, D. D. of Bluefield, West Virginia, will preach at Central Methodist church Sunday at 11 o'clock. Doctor Schuler is a native North Carolinian. He has been for many years one of the most prominent ministers of the Holston conference. He was editor of the Midland Methodist for a number of years, the organ of the Holston conference published in Nashville, Tenn. He has filled a number of the prominent stations within his conference, and serving as presiding elder several quadrenniums, and he is now a much beloved pastor in Bluefield, W. Va. As a friend visiting Dr. and Mrs. H. K. Boyer he consented to preach Sunday morning.

SHELBY HIGHS' TWO ACES



Pictured above are the two outstanding stars of the Shelby high baseball team upon which will depend much of the outcome of tomorrow's game with Winston-Salem in Concord for the Western Carolina title. They are: left, Sherrill Hamrick, husky right hander, who has pitched all five of Shelby's title victories; and Capt. Cline Owens' Lee, leading hitter and base stealer of the team who is rated as one of the greatest fielding shortstops ever produced hereabouts in school athletics. (Star Photo.)

130 People Killed In Blast At Hospital In Cleveland; Tragedy During Rush Hour

Poisonous Fumes Carries Instant Death To Scores In Corridors And Rooms.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 16.—Spontaneous combustion in an overheated store room caused the fire and explosions that wrecked the Cleveland clinic building and took the lives of scores of patients, nurses and doctors, fire wardens reported today. As reports were received regularly of additional deaths, due to the insidious action of the fumes, the total mounted toward the 130 mark with indications that this number would be increased before tomorrow. The late afternoon list contained the names of 124 dead.

Cleveland, O.—Deadly, suffocating bromine gas, given off by two explosions of X-ray films and an accompanying fire, killed 95 persons in Cleveland clinic Wednesday. The injured list runs into the scores.

The dead were patients, doctors, and nurses who filled the four-story structure at 11:30 o'clock, the busiest hour of the morning.

The first explosion came when X-ray films stored in the basement caught fire, releasing deadly fumes. The fumes penetrated to the waiting room on the floor above.

Gas Fills Building. The hollow center of the building soon filled with gas as the intense heat below sent the fumes swirling upward. Before any one had opportunity to escape, a second blast blew out the skylight and filled every corner of the building with the bromine gas.

Occupants had no way to escape but the windows, and few were able to reach them. These were enveloped in the fumes which hung about the building and they collapsed.

The two street entrances were choked, and the stairways leading to the roof were heavy with the fumes. Every piece of fire apparatus available was centered at the clinic and every vehicle possible was commandeered to remove the bodies. An hour and a half later all had

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One Day Of School Missed In 5 Years By Three Scholars

Mildred, Eugene And Madge Camp, Of Patterson Springs, In Good Record.

There is a school-going family in the Patterson Springs section, where the three children of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Camp, who are old enough to attend school have not missed but one day altogether in a period of five years. The children are Mildred, aged 14, now in the ninth grade of the Shelby high school; Eugene, aged 12, in the sixth grade at Patterson Springs; and Madge, aged nine, in school at Patterson Springs.

Mildred, who attended school at Patterson Springs until she entered the high school here, has not missed a day in five years.

Eugene, due to sickness, has missed only one day at Patterson Springs, in five years.

A total of 14 years in school by the members of one family and only one day missed. Who can beat the record of the Camp children?

Odus Mull Speaks At Mt. Sinai Day

Memorial services will be held at Mt. Sinai church on the coming Sunday, May 19. An address will be made at 11 o'clock in the morning by Hon. Odus M. Mull of Shelby, and in the afternoon there will be a sermon by the pastor, Rev. Rush Padgett.

Banks Close Here On Monday Holiday

All the banks of Shelby will be closed Monday, May 20, which being Declaration Day is a legal holiday.

Shelby In Big Game Saturday

Morris' Team To Play Winston For Crown. Hope To Take School Band.

The Shelby highs led by Coach Casey Morris will leave Shelby tomorrow for Concord where they meet the strong Winston-Salem team in the afternoon with the hope of winning the Western Carolina baseball championship for the third time.

The locals won their way to the final contest in the west by defeating Norwood here last Tuesday 3 to 0, while the Winston-Salem team moved to the finals by defeating Spencer in Winston Wednesday 12 to 3.

Need Many Cars. The hope now is that enough Shelby autos will go to the game that the members of Shelby's state champion band may be carried along with the team and the students and fans going down for the important contests. So far Coach Morris hardly has enough cars to take all of his squad down but he hopes that other citizens will volunteer tonight or early in the morning to take some of the players, and band members down. Those who have room in their cars for one, two or three boys are urged to communicate with Ralph Gardner, the team manager; Charles Switzer, assistant manager; Prof. Sinclair band instructor, or Coach Morris.

Hard Game Seen. Winston's one-sided defeat of the Spencer team makes it plain that Saturday's game will be one of the hardest, if not the hardest tussle of the year for the Shelby boys, and unless his outfit is playing in top form Coach Morris sees very little chance to win. The Spencer team defeated Siler City by 12 runs to get into the semi-finals and then Winston came along to pile up 12 runs on Spencer. All of which means that the Shelby pitchers will have their hands full holding the Winston sluggers to a low score and in doing so must be given sterling support by Capt. Lee and his teammates. Indications now are that Sherrill Hamrick and his fast ball will be the choice of the Shelby coach for mound duty, but there is a likelihood that "Lefty" Moore will start the game with Hamrick, who has won five series starts so far, held in reserve should the Winston team start banging the ball too much.

Interest is high in the game and scores of Shelby and Cleveland county people are planning to attend. Concord is about 22 miles beyond Charlotte and the drive will take an hour and one-half or a little more each way.

Game Rained Out. The locals were scheduled to play the Gaffney team here Wednesday in a practice game but the contest was called off on account of rain. Another heavy downpour prevented the regular practice yesterday and Coach Morris is hoping for a clear afternoon today so that he may give his charges at least one good workout between Tuesday's game and the important clash tomorrow.

Widow Of Former Police Chief Here Passes In Chicago

Mrs. Mitchell, Formerly Mrs. Edgar Hamrick, To Be Buried Here Monday.

Mr. B. O. Hamrick, of Shelby, today received a telegram from his nephew, Edgar Hamrick, of Chicago, stating that his mother Mrs. A. W. Mitchell died there this morning while undergoing an operation.

Mrs. Mitchell prior to her last marriage was Mrs. Edgar Hamrick, widow of Police Chief Ed Hamrick, who was slain in the county jail by a negro, Ben Clark, here in 1904. Prior to her first marriage she was Miss Bessie Fortune, a daughter of the Mr. J. B. Fortune, once postmaster in Shelby. She is survived by her husband Mr. Mitchell and the one son, Edgar.

The message stated that the body would reach Shelby some time Monday, and the funeral and interment will be here. The body upon arrival here will be taken to the home of Mrs. M. N. Hamrick. The funeral will be held at three o'clock Monday at the First Baptist church.

A party of gay blades of Shelby left the city yesterday to attend the Kentucky derby to be run at Louisville. Steve Woodson, George Wray and W. H. Blanton, Jr. were the jolly travelers.

Big Track Meet Next Week For Shelby Grammar Grade Students

Prospective Charlie Paddocks, Nurmis, and Jim Thorpes and their girls in the grammar grades of six Shelby schools will contest with each other next Thursday afternoon at the city park here in the city's first grammar grade track event.

The contestants were chosen from the various schools with each school to have its winner in the various events in the big contests for both boys and girls Wednesday. For months Coach Casey Morris, athletic director of the city schools, has been training and instructing the younger boys and girls in the city schools in running, broad and high jumping, pole vaulting and other events preparatory to the big meet which in an athletic way will bring the real youngsters of the town together for the first time in athletic contests.

Interest in the several schools is running high with each school hoping to take high place with the most points in the event.