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Today's North Carolina Weather Report. Mostly cloudy tonight and Saturday...

Would Make Ball League County Affair

Lawndale Club Would Like To Get In Loop, Perhaps Union, Too, Want Meeting.

Since the suggestion was made in The Star of Wednesday that the four textile mill clubs in Shelby should be formed into a four-club league...

At Lawndale, where "Dutch" Whisnant, former Shelby high star and later a professional hurler, is managing a crack amateur team...

In the Union section of the county there is another fast baseball aggregation which has been turning in some of the best games in the county this summer.

Former Pastor At Boiling Spgs. Dies

Rev. J. M. Hamrick, Principal Of High School For A Year, Dead In Richmond.

The Rev. James M. Hamrick, 56, died early Thursday at the home of his son, Mr. Hamrick, a native of North, in Richmond, Va., was a graduate of Wake Forest college...

His last pastorate, which he held at the time of his death, was the Schoolfield Baptist church of Danville. He had filled pulpits in Gaffney, S. C., Lexington, N. C., and Richmond.

Mr. Hamrick was principal of the Boiling Springs high school for one year, was pastor of the church there and a member of the board of trustees for a number of years. He is a native of Rutherford county and was well known in this county.

Cloth Mill Stages Annual Frolic On Thursday, July 4

Baseball, Races, Swimming And Diving Contests, And Big Dance Booked.

The annual frolic or picnic off the employees of the Cleveland Cloth mill will be held at Cleveland Springs on the afternoon and evening of Thursday, July 4, it is announced.

The program opens at 2 o'clock with a baseball game between the married men and the single men of the plant. Next will come a series of footraces to be followed by three-legged races and wheelbarrow races for both men and women—men to be the passengers in the wheelbarrow races for the women and girls. At 4:30 the swimming and diving contests for both men and women will be staged. Following the big company dinner at 6:30 will be the annual square dance at the Cleveland Springs hotel.

Two Cars Stolen In Shelby In Few Days

J. A. Bradford, traveling man of Statesville, reported to the police yesterday that his gray body Model T Ford roadster which he parked at the curb on West Warren street while he spent the night at the Hotel Charles, was missing the next morning and is still missing. He is offering a reward of \$25 for its return. Then on Saturday night a car belonging to a young man of the Patterson Springs community was stolen in Shelby and has not been heard of since, although officers in all near-by towns have been asked to keep on the lookout.

King Case To Start First Thing Monday In Chester, Stated

Big Trial Likely To Attract Scores Of People From Shelby And County.

The trial of Rafe B. King, of Shelby, held in connection with the death of his wife, Faye Wilson King former Shelby school teacher, at Sharon, S. C., last January, will likely be taken up early in the day Monday at Chester, S. C., where the term of district court opens.

The indictment against the Shelby man was preferred at York, county seat of the county in which Mrs. King died, but attorneys for the defense won their appeal for moving the trial to another city due to the fact that they contended sentiment in York county has been stirred against their client.

Two Shelby Attorneys. Among the defense attorneys are two Shelby lawyers, B. T. Falls, former county judge, and Clyde R. Hoey. They will leave Shelby early Monday morning for Chester, they informed The Star today, and they will be accompanied by the defendant, who has been at the home of his parents here under a \$5,000 bond.

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May Take Week. Since there are a large number of witnesses to be heard, reports as to the number differing, the trial may take up the full week. The Shelby attorneys, who are taking a leading part in the case, are taking a leading part in the case.

New Superintendent Speaker For Rotary

Wants Shelby's Schools To Keep Pace With Remainder Of City.

Capt. B. L. Smith, formerly of Rutherfordton, the new superintendent of the Shelby city school system, was the chief speaker at the Rotary club luncheon here today. Messrs. Thad Ford and L. P. Holland, members of the city school board, were also guests of the club. Dr. Tom Gold, another member of the board, is a member of the club. In a fine address Capt. Smith urged that the Rotary club, the Kiwanis club, and other civic organizations and citizens generally strive to have their schools keep step with other progress of the town. His talk included several fitting illustrations of the worth of developing the children of a community.

Pete And "Snook" Webb Take On Laxton Brothers Saturday

Shelby's Two Junior Carolina Champs Will Play Charlotte's Brother Golfers.

A gala afternoon for the golf fans of this section is assured tomorrow, Saturday, when the Laxton brothers, Irwin and Fred, crack young Charlotte golfers, come here for the first 18 holes of a 36-hole exhibition match with Shelby's golfing pride the young Webb brothers, Pete and Fred ("Snook"). The youngsters, all of whom are or have been champions, will tee off at the first hole at Cleveland Springs at 2:30 in the afternoon, and a message sent to the Webbs today by the Laxtons had it that the local youngsters, who can spot any golfers hereabouts several holes and lick them handily, better be playing in top form or be prepared to take a licking. Three of the four youngsters have held the junior Carolinas championship and the exhibition match should be one of the best ever staged in this section of the state and will golf fans from other nearby cities and towns as well as from Shelby and Charlotte. Pete Webb won the junior title from Irwin Laxton in 1928 and dropped it this year to his brother, Fred Webb, on the Sedgfield course at Greensboro. Fred Laxton does not have the golfing record of his brother, Irwin, who is the Charlotte city champion, but is considered one of the Queen City's best golfers. There will be no charge for witnessing the crack golfing match and the Shelby public is invited to the course.

New Employees Of City Take Office Monday

Ligon Clerk, Moore Policeman, Spangler Street Supervisor, Miss Reinhart Resigns.

Several changes in the list of names of the payroll of the Shelby city government will be made Monday since this month ends the month's notice to employees who are taking up other work.

Mr. L. E. Ligon will on Monday take the office as city clerk succeeding Mr. Fred P. Culbreth, who goes with an auditing firm. Another new clerk is to be employed by Mayor McMurry as Miss Bessie Reinhart, who has been assistant clerk for two years, resigned this week to accept, it is understood a position with the Dover mill office.

Mr. Ernest Spangler will take over the duties of street work overseer succeeding Mr. Nelson Self who is now employed as a bread salesman. Mr. Self left the city employ last Monday.

Deputy Sheriff Marshall Moore, a former police officer, will also go to work for the city Monday donning one of the blue uniforms worn by Police Chief Poston's force. A report on the street last week that Mr. Moore might not accept the position as policeman is erroneous according to Mayor McMurry.

Mr. Sylvanus Gardner, better known as Squire Gardner, who resigns Monday as head of the garbage and trash department, will become head of the Wilson Coal company which opens a coal yard here at the Seaboard depot. The Wilson Coal company has places at Forest City and Rutherford and is just entering Shelby. A. R. Beam of Forest City is manager of the three places.

Much Interest In Contest Tomorrow

Eastside-Cleveland Cloth Game Expected To Be Tight Baseball Battle.

The baseball game scheduled at the city park here Saturday afternoon between the fast Cleveland Cloth mill team and the strong Eastside club is attracting considerable interest among baseball fans. Sherrill Hamrick, who hurled Shelby High to a state title, will be on the mound for the Eastsiders while Homer of Cherryville, is scheduled to throw them up from the fork side for the cloth mill boys.

Resident of the two textile villages are keyed up to an enthusiastic pitch over the contest while the uptown section is interested due to the fact that several of Casey Morris' high school champions will be in the two lineups.

Mrs. McCord Attends Brother's Funeral

W. B. Riley, brother of Mrs. Mm. A. McCord, S. Washington street, was found dead in bed at his home at Hodges, S. C., early Wednesday morning. He had been suffering with kidney trouble and complications. Mr. Riley was the younger brother of Mrs. McCord and was a prominent merchant and farmer at Hodges. He was 50 years of age and the funeral was held at 1:30 home Thursday afternoon, attended by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCord and son Riley of Shelby.

Pendleton's Help On Theatre Music

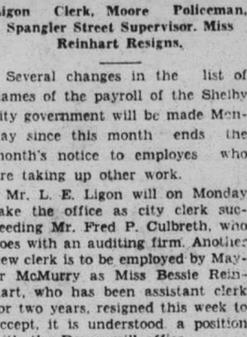
Pendletons have pulled a stunt at the Webb theatre, which gives a variation to the many forms of phonograph operation. Putting a small portable phonograph in the operator's booth at the theatre, they connected it with a full toned combination radio and electro located behind the screen. Thus the operator in the booth, can perform upon the larger instrument located on the stage of the theatre. The device works effectively, and the effects are as pleasing as the idea is novel.

Home Coming At Pleasant Hill Church

Home coming and dedication exercises will be held at Pleasant Hill Baptist church Sunday, June 30, when a new church building has recently been erected. Song service begins at 10 o'clock, followed by speaking by former pastors at 10:30. Rev. J. B. Davis of Boiling Springs will deliver a sermon at 11 o'clock and this will be followed by a picnic dinner at noon and another song service in the afternoon.

He's Rich With 12 Grandparents

Eddie Ledbetter claims a record. Whether it is state-wide or nationwide, his parents do not know, but Eddie has an even dozen grandparents, yet none to spare. He is the 18 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ledbetter who live in the Shelby Mill village and gives the names of the dozen to prove his claim.



His grandparents are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ledbetter, Shelby R-3. His great grand parents are Mr. and Mrs. E. W. T. Ledbetter of Shelby R-2; Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Pearson of Shelby R-3; Mr. and Mrs. George Green of Boiling Springs.

Association Meet Of Sunday Schools At Boiling Springs

Page, Eason And Davis On Program There Sunday, All Day Session On.

An all-day session of Group one of the Kings Mountain Baptist Sunday School association will be held at Boiling Springs the coming Sunday, June 30, according to Mr. B. P. Jenkins, group superintendent.

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15-Cent Tax Cut Here Seen By A. E. Cline

County Business Manager Says Prospects Now Point To Good Slash In Tax Rate.

"A county-wide tax reduction of 15c in Cleveland county looks possible now," said A. E. Cline, chairman of the board of county commissioners, speaking last night before the Kiwanis club, in the Woman's club building where the club members were served a delicious meal by one of the divisions.

"The best that can be done on schools is to reduce the tax from 60c to 54c, while the one cent tax on gasoline for roads will permit a reduction of about 9c. We have been doing our best to practice economy and efficiency and stimulate progress, but we don't want to progress faster than we can finance. For the last few years the county has not had a deficit in any fund and has none this year, except in the bridge fund caused by the floods of last summer."

Mr. Cline was speaking somewhat in answer to a resolution recently passed by the Kiwanis club, favoring the county matching a state fund to provide a county health nurse in Cleveland. "Such an officer would no doubt be a fine step and I and the other commissioners, Dr. Gold and R. L. Weathers favor such a move, but we think it would be useless to provide the nurse without funds with which to work and to carry on this important mission. It would mean tax money which we do not have. Folks need and expect a tax reduction, but if they are willing to pay for progress such as a health nurse, health officer and match the \$25,000 Duke gift to the hospital, we are willing to make the levy in the interest of health as we are authorized to do by law, if the citizens are willing."

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Postmasters Send Praise To Shelby For Entertainment

Mr. W. B. Knowles, of Wallace, retiring president of the North Carolina Postmasters League, has sent the following letter to Mayor S. A. McMurry expressing his appreciation of the entertainment given his convention here recently: "In behalf of the North Carolina League of district postmasters, assembled in your grand city on the 14 and 15th of June, I wish to thank you for your kindness and generous hospitality during our short stay. 'We greatly enjoyed our brief visit and hope we shall be privileged to come that way again.'"

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Big Speakers For Spanish-American Vets Here July 8-9

Governor Gardner, A Vet Himself Coming; Commissioner-In-Chief Coming Also.

A number of distinguished personages will be in Shelby to take part in the program of the annual encampment of North Carolina veterans of the Spanish-American war, which will be held here Monday and Tuesday, July 8-9.

The speakers will include Governor O. Max Gardner, who was a teamster in an Illinois regiment during the conflict, although he was only in his teens; and Col. W. L. Grayson, commander-in-chief of all the Spanish-American war veterans in this country.

Congressman Chas. A. Jones is also booked for a talk, while representatives of the pension and veterans bureau will tell of the progress being made in hospitalization and pension work.

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