

Letter Comes From Old Resident Here

The following letter, received in Shelby by Mrs. Frank L. Hoyle, from her brother, Mr. E. E. Walker, written from Haughton, La., tells of the death there of Mrs. Etina Bledsoe, widow of Rev. David W. Wray, which occurred on the fifteenth of November, the day the letter was written.

All those mentioned in the communication are well known in this section of North Carolina, where they have many relatives and friends.

Haughton, La., Nov. 15, 1929. In 1867 Rev. David W. Wray, his wife, a sister of Dr. Hunter, of South Carolina, and their first born, Samuel L., three years old, left Shelby for Texas. They left behind Jim and John Wray, brothers, the latter who will be remembered as treasurer of Cleveland county, and others of the Wray family who were among the builders of Cleveland county.

After the death of Mrs. Wray, who left two sons, Samuel and Will, the latter born in Texas, in 1872, Rev. Mr. Wray in his ministerial work, located and married the second time a very accomplished lady of Shreveport, La., the daughter of the Baptist minister. Rev. Wray died, October 22, 1897, in Bossier parish. The two sons Sam and Will Wray, who live 80 miles north of Fort Worth, in Durant, Oklahoma, drove through and attended the funeral.

These men are large land holders, and have engaged in farming and cattle raising. Mr. Sam Wray told me one year he sold one man, (a Texan) 24,000 bushels of corn at ten cents per bushel. In addition to this he has eight married children living around Durant. These gentlemen would be glad to hear from some member of the Wray family, with information of kin, of which they have no knowledge other than Uncle Jim, John and Aunt Kate, but who she married they have no knowledge.

I could recall one for his information that was beautiful, and that was Miss Lou Wray, but when he inquired who her father was I had forgotten. When I return to Shelby few are the people I knew in my childhood. When I walk the streets of Shreveport, where I once knew everyone, I now seldom see anyone I know. And thus time passes.

E. E. WALKER.

Improving.

"Did God, make you, dad?" "Certainly, sonny." "Did he make me too?" "Of course, little man. Why?" "Well, he's doing better right along."



BRINGING HOME THE TURKEY

is a good thing if you don't "bring home" the wrong turkey; a young lady stenographer who had written a letter to her young man during business hours sent the wrong letter to a business firm which stated they were shipping them a carload of love and kisses instead of the axle grease that they ordered.

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Sharkey Visits Holy Cross Shrine With his Afflicted Daughter



The shrine in Malden, Mass., is still drawing thousands to the grave of Father Patrick Power, where miraculous cures are reported daily. Jack Sharkey, well-known figure of the pugilistic world, visited the grave a few days ago with his four-year-old daughter, who was born blind in one eye. The heavyweight is shown above embracing his daughter while he hopes that she may be cured.

International Newsreel

Shelby Highs Closed Season With A Win Over Kings Mountain

Hal Farris, Closing High School Career, Scores Three Touchdowns In 40 To 0 Victory.

The present football season was not such a glorious year for the orange-jerseyed Shelby high eleven, but in their final game of the schedule Friday the Morrismen reached their peak in a blaze of glory by playing a remarkably sensational contest to win from Kings Mountain, in the county's annual grid classic, by a 40 to 0 score.

Playing on the eleven which fought like a championship team to make one last stab for glory before home town fans were a half dozen or so youngsters ending their career in Shelby football togs, and head and shoulders above the lot was Hal Farris, acting captain and fullback, who gave one of the most brilliant backfield exhibitions ever staged here by a Shelby high ball totter to score three of the six touchdowns, featured in the score and to otherwise make himself obnoxious to the Christbury eleven.

Whole Team Flashy.

But the hard-driving blonde back, giving Shelby high his best on his last day, was not by himself in giving thrills to a crowd that shivered in the chilling rain to watch the contest. "Purp" Barrett, low charging halfback who alternated with Farris in ripping the Kings Mountain line to shreds and then ripping on through for touchdowns. And for the first time this year "O See" Connor, the kid brother of Max, one of Shelby's great halfbacks, sent fans scurrying down the sidelines as did his brother of old by shaking clear of the line and hula-hulaing beautifully for thirty yards through a broken field to make a touchdown possible on the next play. Johnny Hendrick generalled the eleven with fine judgment and Rippy tossed or caught passes resulting in three of the touchdowns. In fact a new passing combination, or one reversed, Farris to Rippy had Kings Mountain at the short end of a 19-0 score at the half.

But it was up in the line, a line that was alternately hot and cool this year, that the best football exhibition was given. Brown, big red-headed tackle and guard, kept fans watching him more than they did the backs as he tossed Kings Mountain backs for losses, recovered fumbles, carried the ball himself on fake plays, and did everything a good linesman should do as Shelby hasn't seen it done in some several years. Starring with Brown in the forward wall were Logan, center, who gave a fine account of himself while the regular ball snapper, Capt. Hubert Wilson, stood on the sidelines injured; and Max Putnam, rinky tackle, who seemed to be just finding himself at the art of stopping opposing plays. Out on a wing berth "Shorty" McSwain, one of the best ends turned out by Morris, was singing his swan song in characteristic McSwain fashion and late in the game a wet field was the only thing which kept him from carrying the ball 35 yards on a fake play for a touchdown. But picking stars, other than Farris and Brown, whose play kept a crowd watching the game out in bitter weather, isn't fair, for the entire team played as if it hasn't played this year, and in a

Veteran Returns to Columbia Quintet



Eddie Obey, one of the veterans of last season, has reported for basketball at Columbia University. Obey is shown as he appeared in action on the university campus.

fashion that would have changed many of the season's scores. Yet it was a young and inexperienced team and in the final game it had absorbed just enough football to really begin playing.

Kings Mountain threatened to score only once and that threat was short-lived as Shelby intercepted a pass after a speedy little Kings Mountain back returned a kick for 30 yards. Shelby's first touchdown came from a long, high pass Rippy to Farris. Farris then threw one to Rippy for the second touchdown and repeated the same formula for the third. Barrett dived and slid through the heart of the line for the fourth, and Farris, plunging like a battering ram, dived through the line for the fifth and sixth.

Our Gambling Bill.

Gastonia Gazette. The amazing statement that \$4,000,000,000 changes hands annually in the United States through commercialized gambling is made in the current North American Review by Howard McLellan.

McLellan itemizes the nation's gambling bill as follows: Baseball pools, \$500,000,000; policy games (lotteries based on daily totals of bank clearings, etc.) \$300,000,000; race track betting, \$1,000,000,000; handbook betting on races, \$800,000,000; cards, dice, and similar games of chance, \$1,000,000,000; bucket shops \$500,000,000.

It is impossible for the average man to estimate the accuracy of these figures of course. But if they represent anything like the truth—and McLellan asserts that they are an under-estimate, if anything—our gambling problem is a far greater one than most of us have supposed.

Five sons and a daughter of Major J. T. Halliman of Lewisham, Eng., are practicing physicians.

Senator Assails Plants In South

Wheeler Says Mill Workers, At Present Wages, Cannot Contribute to Any Prosperity.

Raleigh.—The textile industry "which has been afforded the highest tariff protection, provided lower average conditions for the workers employed in it than in any single important industry of similar proportions in this country" Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana declared in a statement received here of reasons for thorough and immediate investigation of the textile field.

The statement of Mr. Wheeler, who led the fight in the senate for an investigation of the textile industry on the United States was sent to Milton A. Abernathy, president of the Democratic club of North Carolina State college.

Textile workers, Mr. Wheeler said, can not with their standard of wages, contribute anything to promote their prosperity or community well being.

Conditions Worse.

"Notwithstanding the passage of the Fordney-McCumber tariff bill in 1922, giving an increase in the tariff schedules on textiles, the fact is that since that time conditions have grown steadily worse" the statement continued. "Reductions have been made in the wages of employes, and in many instances the employes have been called upon to double and triple the amount of work."

"A preliminary investigation by the committee on manufactures shows that child labor for children of 14 and over is not uncommon in the southern cotton mills because the wages paid the average adult will not support the family in decency without the child's wages. While night work for children under 16 has been officially abolished, workers of 16 are permitted to work 11 and 12 hours at night.

"It has been suggested that one of the reasons for this condition has been over capitalization as in the case of Jencks Spinning company. Another reason would seem to be the fact that many of the textile manufacturers make their sales through selling agencies, or commission houses, and that these agencies sell the goods regardless of price in order to make the commissions, and that in many instances friends or relatives of the board of directors are in control of the commission houses or selling agencies. Average Wage.

"The average weekly earnings of the workers in the cotton mills as compiled by the United States bureau of labor statistics are: Alabama \$10.19; Connecticut \$18.40; Georgia \$11.73; Maine \$13.81; Massachusetts \$16.47; New Hampshire \$18.14; New York \$16.44; North Carolina \$12.23; Rhode Island \$18.93; South Carolina \$9.56 and Virginia \$11.23.

"These conditions should not be permitted to exist in a country that boasts of the greatest civilization the world has ever seen and of the greatest prosperity."

Wife And Her Lover Held In Man's Death

Confession Was Made, However, Before Wounded Man Died. Wife Also Implicated.

Chicago.—Mrs. William O'Brien and Samuel H. Dorr today faced charges of slaying the woman's husband who died from wounds which Dorr confessed he inflicted Wednesday in an ambush in the O'Brien home.

All Wednesday, Mrs. O'Brien insisted she shot her husband. Later when confronted by her father, she changed her story and blamed Dorr. Without knowing O'Brien had died, Dorr, an insurance agent who is married and owns the apartment in which he and the O'Briens lived, confessed he ambushed O'Brien. Police said they believe Mrs. O'Brien and Dorr had plotted to kill their respective mates to obtain money from insurance policies, written by Dorr.

14-CHANCE QUERY (INS)

Edgerton, Minn.—A ring lost 11 years, was restored to Mrs. Wiekard because she said the right thing at the right time. While a tenant occupying the farm formerly rented by Mrs. Wiekard was visiting at her home she asked: "Did anyone ever find a ring on your place? I lost one there about six years ago." Thereupon the visitor pulled the ring from his pocket and told that he had found it two years ago but never knew its owner.

A Perfect Mother.

From Contact. We have heard mothers extolled from time immemorial. We have loved and praised our own mothers. We have recalled their never-ending love and devotion when we were little tots and dwell with them under the same roof.

Contrast your own definition of "a perfect mother" with the one we quote: "A perfect mother doesn't let her cigarette ashes get into a baby's eyes." Truly, indeed, the 'old order changeth.

Quick Blowing.

From The Wall Street Journal. An electric light bulb looks like a very delicate and refined piece of work, not to be produced except with great care and skill. The Corning Glass Works' engineers have, however, solved the problem of combining speed and accuracy. The largest of the glass-blowing machines developed by them can blow from 240 to 800 bulbs a minute, depending upon the size. Thus 366,000 bulbs or more could be produced in a 24-hour stretch, using the huge quantity of 40 to 45 tons of glass. Compressed air is puffed through a strip of plastic glass at proper intervals. Were it not for machines capable of this large output manufacturers would have difficulty in meeting the country's needs of well over 300,000,000 bulbs annually.

Norris Bowers of Hedgeville, W. Va., was shot and slightly wounded while using his gun as a club to kill a squirrel.

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