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## Lobby Inquiry



Joseph Daniels, former Secretary of the Navy in the Wilson Cabinet, and now a publisher of Raleigh, N. C., as he appeared before the Senate lobby investigation committee and testified regarding an editorial in his paper attacking Chairman Rankin of the Democratic National Committee.

## Jaffney Has A Number Of "Jake" Paralysis Cases; Deny Drinking

May Be A Dozen Cases There, Physicians Say. Victims To Recover.

Jaffney, April 11.—Several cases, perhaps as many as a dozen of "Jamaica ginger paralysis" have developed here and in Cherokee county in the past few days, a survey conducted showed. Physicians reported a number of patients had been under treatment for several days. Most of the victims, it was said, showed a disinclination for publicity.

Some of the patients admitted drinking what was supposed to be Jamaica ginger, according to physicians, while others denied consuming such a concoction but claimed to have partaken of other alcoholic fluids.

In practically all instances, the victims have shown similar symptoms. The affliction developed first with pain in the calves of the legs, which gradually became more intense with the paralysis taking effect in the feet and later ascending up to and above the knees. A few of the patients have felt the effects in their hands also, it is said.

The most of the victims thought they had contracted rheumatism, at first, and some were treated for this trouble until developments indicated the nature of their affliction.

According to chemical analyses made elsewhere after the appearance of the "jake" paralysis, the concoction which the victims used contained quantities of carbolic acid, creosote, and other poisons that affect the nerves controlling the action of the legs.

The paralysis was first reported several weeks ago from the middle west, but since that time appears to have spread practically all over the south. Government agents are attempting to trace the poisonous ginger to its source of origin.

Physicians here said the victims generally recover, but that sometimes recovery is a long slow process.

## Rev. Mr. McDiarmid Speaks In Virginia

Addresses Synod Committee At Roanoke And Another Meet At Mt. Airy.

Rev. H. N. McDiarmid, pastor of the Shelby Presbyterian church, was in Roanoke, Virginia, yesterday where he attended a meeting of the Synod of Virginia's committee on men's work of the Presbyterian church, being invited by Mr. F. L. Temple, the chairman.

The Shelby minister, who is chairman of men's work in the North Carolina Synod spoke Wednesday morning at the Winston-Salem Presbytery in session at Mt. Airy. He will be back in Shelby in time for the monthly meeting of men tonight at the Presbyterian church.

## Prominent Farmer Passed Last Night

Mr. Philander Bridges Dead In Beams Mill Section, Funeral Saturday.

Mr. Philander Bridges, aged 70 years, one of the most prominent farmers and best known citizens of the Beams Mill section, died at the home of his son, Mr. W. C. Bridges, last night about 10:30 o'clock, death resulting from the infirmities of age.

Funeral services will be held at Pleasant Grove church Saturday morning at 10 o'clock conducted by Rev. G. E. Abernethy.

Mr. Bridges, who was a highly respected citizen and generally admired by his neighbors, friends and acquaintances, had been in declining health for several years. He had lived in that section all of his life and was one of the sections leading and most stalwart citizens.

His wife preceded him to the grave, and among the survivors are two grandsons who live in Shelby.

## McBrayer In Race To The End, Says

Attorney C. B. (Pat) McBrayer, who some time back announced his candidacy for solicitor of county court, declared today that he was in the race until the finish. A report has been in circulation for several days that Mr. McBrayer had withdrawn or would withdraw, but the report, he declared today is without foundation.

Other announced candidates for the office are P. Cleveland Gardner the present solicitor, and Attorney J. Clint Newton.

## Presbyterian Men To Entertain Their Boys

The men of Shelby Presbyterian church will meet Friday, April 11, at 7 p. m. in the dining room of the Sunday school building. In this supper meeting the men will have as their special guests the boys of the congregation. An interesting program has been planned under the leadership of Mr. L. P. Holland and Mr. M. H. Randolph.

## Cleveland Cloth Mill Team Managed By Morris May Enter Semi-Pro Baseball League In Section

Number Of Players Employed By Mill Team Being Trained Now.

Information here today had it that officials behind the Cleveland Cloth Mill baseball club, which was a fast diamond outfit last year, may consent to have their club form the nucleus for an independent Shelby team to play in a semi-pro or amateur league as is being proposed in

the section. The Cloth mill has eight or nine good amateur and semi-pro ball players employed there the year round and the boys are already in training and have new uniforms and other equipment. The suggestion that the Cloth mill team represent Shelby in the proposed league wins the approval of fans and another report has it that Casey Morris,

## Community House For Shelby Mill People Finished

Social And Civic Center Building Provided For Employees At Shelby Mill.

A community building, two stories high and centrally located, has been completed at the Shelby mill village and is now ready for the use of the social and civic bodies of this splendid industrial community. It will be the meeting place for the Thrift club, Boy Scout troop, Textile club and Sewing club, all of which are functioning in the village.

The building has a neat and well equipped kitchen, shower baths, a dining room that will seat 145 people, a reading room, etc. One room is set aside for a first aid station which Mr. R. T. LeGrand, the popular head of the mill, hopes to provide soon when conditions will warrant.

While the building is not as yet furnished, it is completed and is being fitted up for the convenience of the citizens of the village and where their social and civic activities will be carried on.

The sewing club will serve a supper at the community house Saturday night of this week, charging 75c per plate, the proceeds to go for charity. These suppers have been served before and are said to be everything one might expect in taste, variety and abundance of good things to eat.

## Carolina Band Here Next Tuesday Night

Famous Musical Organization, Known Throughout South, Coming To Shelby.

The University of North Carolina band, one of the souths best known musical organizations, will give a concert at the Shelby high school auditorium Tuesday night of next week.

The band, which first attained wide fame by its performances at gridiron games, is made up of skilled musicians and in addition to the full band numbers there will be violin and trumpet solos. The Carolina band appears here under the auspices of the Shelby high music department of which Prof. W. T. Sinclair is director.

## Shelby Musicians To Broadcast Tonight

Mr. John Kester, tenor, and Miss Sedahlia Probst, pianist, will broadcast tonight over radio station WSPA at Spartanburg. The popular Shelby musicians will be on the air from 10 until 10:30.

## Shelby Growth Shown By Facts Of Old Census

Only 990 Here In 1880 Census

Town Ten Times As Large As It Was At First Census. County Gain Shown.

If the census now underway, shows Shelby to have nine or ten thousand population, as is expected, the town will be just ten times as large as it was when the first government census was made here.

Old census figures, searched out of the U. S. census records by T. W. Hamrick, Jr., show that only 990 people lived in Shelby when the first census was made in 1880. The first census was made in 1840 but no records are given of Shelby until 1880.

No record of the county population is shown before 1900 and at that time 25,078 were the figures given.

Shelby Population. The old records given Shelby population at the various census intervals as follows:

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|----------------|-------|
| 1880           | 990   |
| 1890           | 1,394 |
| 1900           | 1,874 |
| 1910           | 3,127 |
| 1920           | 3,609 |
| 1925 (special) | 6,890 |
| 1930           |       |

The figures given for the entire county were:

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|------|--------|
| 1900 | 25,078 |
| 1910 | 29,494 |
| 1920 | 34,272 |
| 1930 |        |

## Taxpayers Urged To List Their Property

There Is Penalty For Those Who Fail To List, Newton Announces.

Cleveland county property owners are urged to list their property during April by W. R. Newton, county tax supervisor, who publishes a listing warning in today's Star.

The law requires that a penalty be inflicted on all property owners who do not list during the month and Mr. Newton calls attention to this requirement. Listers are now at work in all the townships of the county.

## Weathers Will Build Burned Home Back

Material is being placed for rebuilding the dwelling of County Commissioner R. L. Weathers which was burned during a high wind on Monday at noon. Since the fire Mr. Weathers and family have been living across the street in the Mrs. Pattie Ware house, occupying the downstairs. Mr. Weathers carried \$4,000 insurance on the dwelling but had nothing on the furniture. His loss was considerably more than his coverage.

## Highs To Play Kings Mountain Saturday

Game Here Tomorrow, Shelby Playing Charlotte In Charlotte Today.

The Shelby highs and Kings Mountain, rivals of old, will meet here tomorrow, Saturday, afternoon in the city park with Coach Christenburys team determined to put a crimp in Shelbys winning streak. A close game is anticipated.

This afternoon the Morris outfit is playing Charlotte a return game in Charlotte. The locals defeated Charlotte here last week 3 to 1 due to the masterful hurling of Hamrick, but since Hamrick pitched Tuesday it is not likely that he will start against the Queen City team today. With the game being played there the probability is that the strong Charlotte team may give Shelby the first high school defeat of the year.

## Rutherford Banks That Failed Had 301 Stockholders

(From Rutherford News.) The six banks that closed on Feb. 4, 1930 had a total of 301 stockholders who owned a total of \$416,300 stock. The Farmers Bank and Trust Co. had 153 stockholders who had a total of \$263,200; the Rutherford County Bank and Trust Co. had a total of 114 stockholders who owned a total of \$151,800, while the Chimney Rock Trust Co. had 34 stockholders who owned a total of \$21,300. The above figures include branch banks.

## High Court Frees Woman Who Got Life



Mrs. Etta Mae Miller, grandmother, once sentenced to life for violating the Michigan State prohibition law, has been assured continued liberty by a decision of the State Supreme Court. She had formerly been sentenced to life in the Detroit House of Correction following her conviction for selling a "pint of liquor" in December, 1928.

## Committeemen County Schools Named For Term

No. 3 Township Wants New Centralized High School, Boards Consider Election.

At the meeting of the county board of education this week a delegation of citizens from No. 3 township appeared before the board and petitioned for a special election to be held in that township for the purpose of having the citizens vote upon a centralized high school for the township.

If the request is granted it will be necessary for a change to be made in the county-wide school plan and a meeting has been called for Saturday, April 26, to discuss the modification required. If the needed change is made in the county-wide plan at the meeting the board of education will likely ask the commissioners that the election be called as requested by No. 3 citizens.

Another feature of the board meeting was the appointment of a number of new school committeemen for the rural schools. On the majority of the county school boards the term of one or more members expire each year. The new committeemen named were:

Palmer school—C. E. Holder; Holy Springs—John Welch; Prospect—S. D. Jones; Mt. Pleasant—D. B. Matheny; Grover—A. H. Rollins; Bolling Springs—J. L. Hamrick; Flint Hill—Edgar Moore; Sharon—D. D. Dodd; Shanghai—J. B. Wallace; Waco—M. C. Whitworth and Zeb Cline; McBrayer—John A. Borders; Earl—R. F. Borders; Patterson Springs—G. B. Patterson; Cedar Grove—Fred Blanton; Pleasant Hill—C. E. Camp and John Gantt; Lattimore—D. G. Washburn and John A. McBrayer; Mooresboro—R. G. Burrus, C. C. Walker and A. L. Jolly; Bethlehem—Spurgeon McSwain; Bethware—Wayne Ware; Piedmont—P. P. Richards, John Schenck, and Decatur Elmore; Dixon—Whitney Wells; Fallston—R. W. Wilson; Belwood—Gordon Carpenter; Caser—A. A. Parker and A. R. McNeill; Moriah—Joe Logan; Plonk—C. S. Plonk; Oak Grove—T. A. Champion; Marys Grove—Pink Beatty; Broad River—Leo Putnam; Stubbs—O. C. Black; Ross Grove—Thad Allen; Elizabeth—Julius Mull; Poplar Springs—Mills Cline and E. W. B. Clark; Zion—J. L. Spangler; Patterson Grove—Bun Patterson; Beaver Dam—T. P. Hamrick; Beams Mill—Lem Hamrick; No. Eight—Will Davis and E. M. Eaker; Hayes—Carl Baxter; Philbeck—O. C. Cook; Trinity—E. B. Lovelace; Whites—A. E. Elmore; Dover Mill—Charles Buice; County Line—Charles Connor; Park-Yarn—C. E. Neeller, Jr.

## Postal Council Met On Tuesday

The Cleveland County Postal Service council, held its quarterly meeting and banquet at the Isaac Shelby hotel Tuesday night. The postal employees with their guests to the number of 75 were present. The meeting was called to order by the president, followed by singing "America." The invocation was offered by Rev. R. L. Forbes. Those present then proceeded to enjoy a splendid menu. Delightful music was rendered during supper by Mr. Forest Bolin and his string band. The address of welcome was delivered by Alderman John P. Schenck, Jr. This was responded to by Rev. W. E. Furcron. "A Kentucky Story" a highly entertaining and humorous reading was given by Mrs. Howard Camnitz.

The principal address was made by Attorney C. B. McBrayer. A number of questions previously assigned relating to the postal system were answered which were of especial interest to the employees. The officers were re-elected as follows: J. H. Quinn president, S. E. Weir, vice president, J. W. Hartgrove, secretary. Palm Tree M. E. church was selected as the next meeting place.

## Lions Club Play At Piedmont Saturday

The Shelby Lions club minstrel will be given at the Piedmont school Saturday night, April 12, beginning at 8 o'clock instead of at the Lattimore school as previously announced.

## Negro Robber Shot In Fight Thursday Night

Hit In Leg By Deputy Bob Kendrick

Put Up Fight When Officers Caught Him Working On Safe Here.

Ell Campbell, colored, was shot in the leg here last night by Deputy Bob Kendrick after the deputy and Policeman Marshall Moore had surprised the negro while he was attempting to rob the safe at the Suttle hatchery, the negro putting up a scrap when cornered and knocking the deputy down with a flashlight before he was winged in the leg.

The struggle between the robber and deputy brought them so close together, that Policeman Moore could help very little or bring his gun into play before the deputy was slugged for fear that he might aid the wrong one in the dark.

Seen At Safe.

Hatcher Jones, an employe of the Suttle hatchery, went by the hatchery while going home last night and accidentally noticed the negro working about the safe. He hurried to a telephone and called the police department. Policeman Moore answered the call and took Deputy Kendrick with him. The policeman entered the front door and the deputy was sent to the rear door. Seeing that he was trapped at the front Campbell, it is said, made a dash for freedom out the rear door running into the awaiting deputy just on the outside. He swung his flashlight at the officer, knocking him down. After the officer was knocked down the negro it is said took a crack at the officers head with a partly filled whiskey bottle and it was then that the officer fired from the ground and wounded the negro so that he could not hit him again or escape before Policeman Moore and Jones, who accompanied the officers, could get hold of the negro.

The bullet, fired from a small .32 calibre gun, entered the fleshy part of the thigh, it is said, and is not considered a serious wound. Campbell being treated at the Shelby hospital where he was taken again today to have the bullet removed. Campbell has been in trouble here before, being charged some time back with entering the A. V. Wray store and stealing a quantity of clothing. He later served time for stealing beer liver from the D. A. Beam firm.

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During the banquet Mr. Webb called the toastmaster over the phone and extended an invitation to the entire party to attend the Webb theatre as his guests. The offer was heartily accepted and the remainder of the evening spent at the theatre.

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## Grover Officer Has Stolen Chickens

Deputy C. H. Sheppard of Grover has 20 stolen chickens and he captured the thief but the thief made his escape from the Grover lock-up soon after he was incarcerated. Last Monday two men giving their names as J. A. Matthews of Gaffney and Jas. Coffee of Cowpens drove into Grover in a roadster with two sacks full of chickens, alleged to have been stolen. Coffee was released but Matthews was jailed. Soon thereafter he escaped. Owner of the stolen chickens can get them by identifying.

## Daughters To Meet At Kings Mountain

Seven chapters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet Tuesday April 15th at Kings Mountain and a number of ladies from the Benjamin Cleveland chapter of Shelby expect to attend. There are seven chapters in the district comprising Cleveland, Lincoln, Gaston, Rutherford and a part of Catawba county. The meeting will be called to order at 10:30 o'clock.