

Shelby Schools In May Parade To Depict Work

Pageant Parade On Here Thursday

Mammoth Parade In City As May Day Affair To Be Staged By Students.

More than 2,000 Shelby school children will participate in a mammoth May Day pageant parade to be staged in the city on Thursday afternoon, May 1, beginning at 2:30 o'clock. The pageant parade has been so organized that all departments of the school activities will be represented in pageant form in the parade.

May the first is being observed as national health day in most of the schools of the country. Realizing the supreme importance of health, the Shelby schools are featuring this great principle, together with an attempt to show you just what they are doing for the children in the schools.

Every type of activity from the primary grades through the high school will be presented in this parade. Just what the children are doing five days out of the week—from early morning until afternoon? What is being done to make them better citizens? What are they learning that will make them more capable of meeting life's problems? What contact are they making with the finer and more worthwhile things of life? This parade will answer many questions that are foremost in the minds of Shelby's citizens.

The music department, comprising instrumental and vocal solos and ensembles, has done an admirable piece of work. It has reached every child in the school system, directly or indirectly. Aside from the actual participation in the various musical organizations, the children have been taught music appreciation and have the rare privilege of hearing some excellent programs. The musical groups—band, orchestras, and choruses will be represented in the parade.

Life in the home, as depicted, not only by the poet, but by the painter, and the boys and girls have learned to love beautiful pictures—whether it be a portrayal of the simple, courageous or religious life. This phase of school work will also be illustrated by Washington school pupils, who will present live.

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One Injured In Crash Sunday

Gastonia Man In Hospital Here After Truck Turned Over At Sandy Run.

H. L. Price, young white man of Gastonia, is in the Shelby hospital suffering with severe lacerations and bruises as the result of a truck in which he was an occupant turning over yesterday afternoon at Sandy Run on highway 20 just this side of Mooresboro.

Price and another man, who ran away before passing autoists could stop to give assistance, were riding together in the Ford truck which left the road and plunged over the embankment. Motorists who stopped placed the injured man in another car and rushed him to the hospital there. At the time Price was unconscious and it was feared that he might be fatally injured. He regained consciousness, however, a short time after reaching the hospital, and today it was stated that he was recovering rapidly. His injuries were described at the hospital as consisting of "lacerations of the scalp and bruises all over the body, but no fracture."

The identity of the other man has not been learned, and Price does not clearly recall just how the truck managed to leave the road and turn over. The injured man, it is understood, is employed as a service man by the Kelvinator agency at Gastonia.

Devenney Parker, A Brave Veteran, Buried On Sunday

Would Have Been 93 Years Of Age In July. Buried At Union Church.

Devenney Parker, one of the oldest Confederate veterans of the county, died Saturday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ben Camp, at Greer, S. C. and was buried Sunday afternoon at Union Baptist church, the services being conducted by Rev. D. G. Washburn. Mr. Parker would have been 93 years of age in July. He was a brave veteran of the Confederate war and lost an arm in the conflict.

The story is told that a man threatened to give Mr. Parker a licking, but seeing the missing arm said, "If it were not for your missing arm, I would whip you." Mr. Parker quickly retorted, "It is not my missing arm that keeps you off, but the good arm I have left."

His wife preceded him to the grave about 25 years ago. Surviving are the following children: W. G. Parker, of Greer, S. C.; Mrs. C. G. Ballenger, of Greenville, S. C.; Dock and Plato Parker, of Robbinsville; John Parker, of Laurens, S. C.; Joe Parker, of Amarillo, Texas; Mr. O. P. Green, R-5, Shelby; Mrs. Ben Camp, of Greer.

Carolina Old Grads Stage Banquet Here

John Schenck, Sr., Named President Of County University Alumni.

Approximately a score of former University of North Carolina students attended the Cleveland county alumni banquet held at Hotel Charles here Friday night with Attorney D. Z. Newton, the retiring president, presiding.

Mr. John F. Schenck, sr., of Lawndale, was elected president of the county alumni to succeed Mr. Newton, and Mr. Syd Chappell, acting secretary, was elected secretary to succeed Mr. Nelson Callahan.

There are more than one hundred university men in this county and it was decided to make the banquet an annual affair.

Mr. J. M. (Spike) Saunders, general alumni secretary from Chapel Hill, was the chief speaker at the banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dilling and Mrs. Annie Dilling, of Kings Mountain, were visitors in Shelby Sunday afternoon.

Shelby Band Wins State Championship

The youngsters pictured above have brought another state title to Shelby. Last week at Greensboro they won, for the second time, the class B band championship for North Carolina high schools. The band, directed by Prof. W. T. Sinclair, is pictured as it appeared when it won the same honor in 1929.

(Star photo by Ellis.)

Governor Proud Of Progress And Financial Stability Of County

These Farmers Raise Their "Hog And Hominy"; Their Cattle Know Little About Western Hay, Feed

Here are some more of those honor roll live-at-home farmers of which Cleveland county boasts:

Alonzo M. Hamrick, of the Sharon community, began housekeeping in 1881. He began at the beginning making it a practice to raise his own "hog and hominy." He has never bought any corn or hay for his stock and very little to eat for the table. In his 49 years as a farmer he has seldom missed raising all the necessary food for the family and feed for the stock on his farm. He has bought a few "messes" of meat and bought his flour within the last few years.

The livestock on the farm of W. S. Davis of the Double Springs community never knew how western hay or grain tasted until a year or two ago. Mr. Davis thought his feed was running low because of a drought and bought a small quantity of hay. He has been farming for 37 years and outside of this small quantity of hay bought one season when he later found that he really had enough for his stock, has Mr. Davis ever bought any food for the table and feed for his livestock. Even the chickens are home-fed. Two years ago he ceased raising wheat, but has taken it up again under the governor's live-at-home preachments.

Fate Wellmon of the St. Peters community up on highway No. 18 Between Fallston and Toluca has more than enough corn for his own use. In fact he usually markets quite a bit. He sells more feed stuff than any other man in that section. His table is always well supplied with home grown foods and his stock does not know the taste of foreign grown hay or grain.

Shelby Banks Get Praise In N. C.

Predicts Twenty Thousand People For Shelby In Ten Years. \$7,000,000 Bank Resources.

Governor O. Max Gardner spent Saturday night in Shelby on his way to Asheville where he has called a conference beginning today of the governors of the seven southeastern states for the purpose of discussing the problems of common concern to this area.

On Solid Basis.

While here, the governor spoke in glowing terms of the agricultural prospects of Cleveland county. He said that the soil was in the best condition he had ever seen it and that the planning and planting of food and feed crops was on the largest and most intelligent scale he had ever seen. He was very proud of the acceptance by his home county in such wholehearted manner of his live-at-home program. He was likewise gratified with the census of Shelby.

The country will now realize what we have known for years, that is, that Shelby is one of the soundest, most conservative and best balanced cities in the south. Said he, "I predict that within ten years Shelby will have a population of more than twenty thousand."

Banks A Credit to Community.

Then the governor referred to Cleveland county banks. He said the people of this territory should never cease to be grateful to Charlie Blanton and his associates. "I was told in Raleigh this week by one of the most successful business men of the state, that we had in the First National and the Union Trust company, a banking group that would do credit to the largest city in the state.

"It makes me feel mighty safe for my home people to know that our banks are absolutely sound, well managed, honestly directed and that neither of the First National nor any branch of the Union Trust company has a cent borrowed today and have combined resources of nearly seven million dollars. My confidence in Cleveland county and its institutions is greater today than at any time in my life.

Fine Citizenship.

"We can never appreciate what a great county we have until we inventory the assets of our citizenship and the character of our banking institutions. But after all, the foundation of Cleveland county is the honesty, industry, intelligence and cooperation of our people."

Shelby's Gain May Top All

Shelby's population gain in 10 years may be the largest of any town or city in the United States, according to advance census figures issued from Washington.

In 1920 Shelby had a population of 3,609. In 1930 the population was 10,867—a gain of 7,258 people, or 191 percent.

Advance figures so far show Ventura, California, to have gained 186.3 percent and leading the field before the Shelby census figures reached Washington.

Gains Being Shown.

Washington, April 27.—A growth of 22.5 per cent in population during the last 10 years is shown by the first 90 cities of 10,000 or more inhabitants for which enumerations in the 1930 census have been announced.

This first indication of the trend of the country's population is furnished by a compilation made by the Associated Press from the official preliminary announcements of supervisors throughout the country.

The country's growth as a whole in the decade ending with 1920 was 14.9 per cent, while in the previous decade ending with 1910 it was 21.0 percent growth of the country's urban population, that is people living in places of 2,500 or more inhabitants, showed an increase of 25.7 per cent in the decade ending with 1920, and for the previous decade it was 34.8 per cent.

Only one of the country's larger cities has reported thus far. It is Atlanta, which reported 266,557 people, an increase of 35.6 per cent over 1920.

Of the cities thus far reporting, the largest percentages of increase have been shown by Ventura, Calif., with 186.3 per cent; Lakeland, Fla., with 130.2 per cent, and Decatur, Ga., with 121.2 percent. Cities showing 50 per cent or more increase in the 10 years are mostly in the south and west. None with that large an increase has been reported yet in the east.

Continuing Sale.

The Kelly Clothing Company bankrupt sale is continuing for one more week. The sale is being conducted by the Charlotte Salvage Co., under the management of A. J. Hellman.

Eclipse Of Sun Locally Today

May Be Seen At Best Between 3 And 4 O'clock This Afternoon. Scientists To Study.

The people of Shelby and section are seeing or will see this afternoon a partial eclipse of the sun when the moon obscures it for a short period of time.

The eclipse in this section was scheduled to begin at nine minutes after 2 o'clock, and reach its greatest point about 19 minutes after 3, ending 24 minutes after 4 this afternoon.

San Francisco, April 28.—Promised favorable weather, astronomers along a thousand-mile front were cheered yesterday at the prospect of success in one of the most comprehensive studies of a solar eclipse ever undertaken.

In a special forecast, Observer E. H. Bowie predicted generally fair weather throughout the interior of California and well into Nevada—covering virtually the entire territory through which the outstanding astronomical expeditions will be based for the zero hour today.

There will be patches of clouds but the San Francisco weather man believes skies generally will be blue, and the scientists happy.

All Types Of Prohibition Polls Being Conducted In This Country

Magazines and Newspaper Conduct Wet-Dry Polls. Arguments Both Ways.

Washington.—Anyone who hasn't had a chance to vote his or her convictions on prohibition in some kind of a straw vote seems to be getting cheated. Probably never were there so many polls on a controversial issue as in the last few months. Big polls and little polls.

The organized dries are finally taking them quite seriously, especially the big Literary Digest poll, and are issuing carefully planned attacks designed to show that the results are not necessarily representative of the true sentiments of the mass of American citizens. Everybody is walloping in analyses, poll figures and past comparative statistics.

Your correspondent will not be silly enough to add up all the poll results, but is willing to give a brief review of this straw vote fad.

The first one of any size was taken by the Pathfinder, a weekly magazine of large rural circulation. Its readers voted 215,000 for strict enforcement, 58,000 for prohibition as is and 169,000 for various wet proposals.

The Union League club of New York, conservative and Republican, voted 832 for repeal, 264 for modification and 109 for enforcement. The Yale Daily News queried the university's students and found that among the 2643 who voted, 83 per cent wanted repeal and only 17 percent enforcement. The Harvard Crimson then supervised a poll of more than 20,000 students in 14 leading universities, which returned 5889 for repeal, 11,006 for modification, 4517 for strict enforcement and 838 for enforcement "as is."

By the time the Literary Digest had counted three million voters it had approximately 915,000 for enforcement, 450,000 for modification and 1,310,000 for repeal, or only 28

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Shelby Band In First Place At State Contests

Wins First Honors Second Time

Shelby High Musicians Win Honors In Four Other Contests Held At Greensboro.

The Shelby high school band, directed by Prof. W. T. Sinclair, is again the champion high school band in North Carolina in class B. In the state-wide music contests held at Greensboro Thursday and Friday the local band for the second consecutive year carried off first honors.

Other Honors.

Additional honors won by the youthful Shelby musicians were: Trombone contest—Ed Smith, Shelby, first. Mixed chorus—Shelby third. Flute contest—Pegram, Holland, Shelby, third. Trumpet contest—John Best, Shelby, third.

Over 2,500 North Carolina boys and girls participated in the annual contests and the victories coming to the local youngsters are considered unusual due to the large number of entrants.

Approximately 80 Shelby school children participated in the various contests, the majority of them going down by special train Thursday morning and back Friday night.

Cabaniss Pasture Attracts Interest

Two-Acre Pasture Has Been Worth Thousand Dollars, County Farmer Says.

A two-acre pasture, owned by Mr. M. G. Cabaniss, northwest of Shelby on highway 182 has in recent months attracted more interest perhaps than any pasture tract in the county.

The pasture was seeded with a pasture mixture three years ago, following corn, and Mr. Cabaniss says the worth of the two acres to him has been more than \$1,000. The mixture used included blue grass, lespedeza, orchard grass, herd grass and white clover.

Nephew Of Shelby Woman Gets Killed

Reidsville Boy Falls To Make Curve On Motorcycle and Crashes Into Car.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Griffin were in Reidsville last week where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Griffin's nephew who was killed in a motorcycle accident.

A dispatch from Reidsville tells about the accident as follows: "Earl Chaney, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack W. Chaney, was killed when he failed to negotiate the sharp curve at Soyars filling station on his motorcycle. He drove the machine into a parked car and the impact threw him cutting a deep gash on his head and face and breaking a collar bone. Death was almost instantaneous.

"The wreck victim was an employee of the Klotz Silk Manufacturing company, and had plans made to go to high school next year and finish. He is survived by his father, Reidsville police officer; his mother, three brothers and three sisters."

Shelby And Belwood Battle In Title Clash Here On Tuesday

Belwood Boys Slug Out Win Over Blackburn, Coming To Shelby To Win.

Some Cleveland county baseball team other than Shelby may make a rush for the state baseball championship this year.

Playing Friday at Blackburn the Belwood high school nine, trained by Coaches Autry and Devine, eliminated the hefty Blackburn team from the title race, and as a result Shelby and Belwood will meet in Shelby Tuesday afternoon for the second game in the championship series.

Some Hitters.

Blackburn was one of the strongest teams Shelby's state champions played last year and dopesters were of the opinion that Blackburn might eliminate Belwood. The Belwood boys, however, staged a regular slugfest Friday, drove out 21 hits and scored 18 runs while Blackburn was scoring only eight runs. And the hitting was at the

Serious Fire Sweeps County Home Houses

No Soda Pop Here During Church Hour

City Officials Ask Drug Stores And Fountains To End Curb Service.

No matter how thirsty you may get, soda pop is out of the question now in Shelby during the hours of church services.

What's more chaw-clate sodas, ice cream and other fountain drinks will not be served to automobiles parked at street curbs hereafter on Sunday.

Last week city officials passed out the request to local drug stores and soda shops that they close during the hours of church service, and also that no curb service be rendered during any hour of the day Sunday.

Loyal cooperation has been shown so far by drug stores and soda shop operators, officials say.

Six Buildings Burn There Saturday

Considerable Damage Done By The Flames Which Threatened Main Structure There.

The residence occupied by colored inmates and five other outbuildings at the Cleveland County Home for the Aged and Infirm were destroyed Saturday morning by a fire that for an hour or more threatened the main structure and other more valuable outbuildings.

The blaze started around 11 o'clock in the morning in the wooden building occupied by aged colored people and within 30 minutes had spread to two other adjoining buildings, assuming such proportions that, due to a low water pressure several miles from the city, it appeared for some time as if the entire county institution would be burned despite valiant work on the part of Shelby firemen who battled the roaring flames.

Damage Of \$2,000.

Mr. John T. Borders, keeper of the home, stated today that he estimated the damage at \$2,000 or more.

The buildings destroyed were the building for the colored, the automobile shed, the milk house, the smoke house, the wash house, and the tool house. Twenty cords wood, 200 cans of beans, tomatoes and fruits, and a quantity of peas, beans flour and paint were also burned.

There was a small fire in the colored building but opinion is that the blaze, which started on the roof of the structure, resulted from a spark which fell upon the wooden shingles. The flames spread over the roof rapidly and enveloped the building. By the time the largest city fire truck, loaded with firemen, could make a speedy dash to the institution the automobile shed, adjoining the colored home, was aflame. The water pressure was very weak and almost useless in attempting to curb the roaring flames as they spread from one wooden building to another, creeping hungrily nearer the main structure, occupied by aged and helpless people.

Exciting Scenes.

City firemen connected their truck pump to the hydrant and despite the low pressure managed to cast a good stream of water at intervals. Meantime civilians and firemen assisted in carrying fruit, meats, and other supplies from the smoke house as the flames spread to that structure. Others busied themselves with helping to get aged and crippled inmates from the main structure. The old people were carried or led out into the grove on the opposite side of the main building, but many of them, highly excited and fearing that their last and only home would go up in flames, could hardly restrain themselves and had to be watched to prevent their getting too near the flaming structures on the other side.

As the smoke house, tool house and large woodpile, containing 20 cords of wood, caught after the heat between them and the main building became almost unbearable, but firemen and volunteers kept a stream of water and chemicals playing upon the main building and pre-

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