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WEDNESDAY, APR 29, 1931

TWINKLES

A kitten with two heads was born in Catawba county last week but since it died soon after birth it apparently did not have eighteen lives—or twice nine.

Throughout North Carolina general opinion must be that the Shelby High school is in a position by itself as a developer of champions. Three times the Shelby band has won first State honors and four times has a local high school baseball team won the State championship.

Capt. Frank Hawks, as Arthur Brisbane says, appears to be the world's outstanding aviator at the present time. Hawks, an old army flier, has already copied nearly every speed record and last week he flew from Paris to London, a distance of 218 miles, in 59 minutes. And that, if you stop to think about it, is travelling.

Monday is generally a dull news day and very few Mondays get by without Bishop Cannon getting in the headlines. Monday of this week Senator Carter Glass, of Virginia, and Editor Josephus Daniels, of Raleigh, brought the various Cannon episodes back into the limelight by demanding that the bishop tell how he spent his political campaign money in 1928, or else.

THE ELECTION MONDAY

ONLY TWO OR THREE campaigning days remain before the Shelby voters go to the polls Monday to elect their city officials for the next two years.

Here and there about the city one hears that the campaign is showing heated signs as it hits the home stretch. A hot minute is not to be expected, but, undoubtedly it is to be the quietest municipal campaign Shelby has known in a score of years.

Voters of the city should, however, be on the alert during the closing days of the campaign. It is at that period of a campaign when rumors, many of them without foundation of truth, are scattered about because at such a late hour it is difficult to head off the reports. Watch for such rumors and salt them down with sound reasoning before being influenced by them. If the usual last-minute political rumor is true, why is it not broadcast until the last day?

THE AUTOMOBILE TOLL

THIS SECTION, fortunately, has not had any great number of automobile and highway fatalities this year. Perhaps one cause was the decrease in motor traffic, but it was generally hoped that automobile drivers were becoming more particular. Occasionally, however, a serious wreck takes place that should serve as additional warning to drivers.

Sunday just east of Shelby an automobile filled with colored people drove out of a sideroad into Highway 20 and was struck by a car coming along the main highway. Several of the occupants were badly mangled and it is a wonder that there were not four or five fatalities.

The automobile death toll is entirely unnecessary. Proper precaution and safe driving could eliminate the hundreds of deaths—and remember that on an average two North Carolinians are killed every day in the year on the highway. Remember those figures the next time you are driving, watch the sideroads, keep to your side of the highway, and stop speeding.

GETTING SPRINGS MONEY

THE TWO CAROLINAS, neighboring sister State, have fought over Andrew Jackson's birthplace. They've had words and come very near blows about the Kings Mountain battle ground celebration, and now they have something new to fight over.

Both Carolinas are battling for the big inheritance tax that one of the States will collect from the estate of Col. Leroy Springs, the millionaire textile manufacturer, who died recently in Charlotte. Col. Springs had maintained homes in both States. Which will get the inheritance tax? Both States are saying that Col. Springs was a citizen.

An amusing angle is that someone in South Carolina has recalled that a year or two ago when mention was made of putting Col. Springs on the board of trustees of some South Carolina institution one of those present bobbed up with the remark, "We can't do that; Col. Springs doesn't even live in South Carolina; he's a North Carolinian."

Utopia will have arrived when the two Carolinas cannot find a motor truck tag or something to argue about.

THE AMBITIONS OF DANIELS

TOM BOST, the always interesting political writer for The Greensboro News, reports that about Raleigh many people credit Josephus Daniels, the Raleigh newspaperman, with being largely responsible for the legislative deadlock which has kept the 1931 general assembly in session longer than any other in his story. That observation has appended to it the interesting prediction that Mr. Daniels may be grooming himself for the governorship in 1932 and control of the Democratic party.

Some of the senators and representatives will not judge



from their stands because they refuse to be told what to do by the Raleigh publisher, writes Bost. As it is, he sees Mr. Daniels building up considerable strength to support his possible candidacy for governor next year. The Daniels advocacy of the MacLean law and his reiterated denunciations of Privilege and the Moneyed Interests are meeting with popular approval. Politicians and others, Bost observes, have sympathized with the "one-gallus" fellows and the tax-burdened landowners often in the past, but none of them has been as successful as Mr. Daniels is being, because the "one-gallus" man has never suffered before as he is in the present depression. In other words, the Bost summary has it that the depression seems to have been made to order to the Raleigh publisher to get himself in the good graces of voters. If hard times continue it will be hard to defeat Daniels, but it is intimated that a return of prosperity would leave him with no more political power than he has had in the past. Mr. Daniels, The Daily News writer says, desired to be senator in 1931 and could have been had he made the race against Senator Simmons. Senator Bailey, it is believed, would have withdrawn, as he said he would, from the race if Mr. Daniels or any other had decided to oppose Simmons. If that was, Bailey alone had the courage and Daniels missed his opportunity. Now another break seems headed the Daniels way and political North Carolina is wondering, and with much interest, how the prospects work out.

Needless to say, the business depression and its effect on political futures has muddled the 1932 political outlook. Just a few months ago it seemed that J. C. B. Ehringhaus the handsome Elizabeth City orator, had the lead on the prospective governors with Attorney General Brummitt and Lieutenant Governor Fountain close behind him. But now that conditions and circumstances have boosted the Daniels Star, a situation has arisen that has the politicians a'fidget.

Nobody's Business

GEE McGEE—



Cotton-aids From Flat Rock.

... a big "wear cotton" meeting was held at the school house last Tuesday and it was thoroughly enjoyed by all present, as ice-cream and cake was served free. Mrs. Perry Simkins, the active seker terry of the club, was in the chair with a cotton dress and cotton hoses ansoforth on, so she sed.

... several out-of-town guesses was present also and made good talks on cotton and said that it was their hope to keep on a-wearing cotton till it went to c12 a pound, but never said what they would wear after that, but I suppose they will do like everybody else, return to silk and rayon, and let cotton drop back to c9.

... the rich folks seem to be holding all of the wear cotton meetings, the poor have been wearing cotton all the time anyhow, as they have been too busted to wear anything but cotton and mighty little of that—it will help out a powerful heap if the well-to-do will switch over to cotton, as they will possibly buy dresses and mebbe uncloties much oftener than the poor folks do

... the program consisted of a bevy of girls with cotton dresses on who marched betwix the lamp on the rostrum and the audience so's they could tell how thin the dresses were, and it showed that what few under things they had on was also cotton. One old man fainted on durin' the performance and a few of them got up and went out.

... Mrs. Simkins the seker terry made the following speech to wit: "Friends and loved ones: we have met here to do our duty to cotton, the time has come when if we don't commence to wear cotton clothing ansoforth that our land will be took over for taxes and our otter-mobels seized by the highway commission for being run without a license plate, which we will be too

poor to buy onner count of cotton being only c5 a pound."

... at this point, Mr. Mike Clark, rfd walked in amongst cheers from all over the audy torium and he bowed and made this seepch: "teller citizens: a woman who won't wear cotton clothes under the circumstances ought to be ketches and undressed ever time she goes out on the streets without same on, and I am one to hepp do so." (much applause.) well, Mr. editor, I was asked to rite or foam this meeting in to you, so I hope you will enjoy same. Yours truly, Mike Clark, rfd.

... How to Live Happily, Though Married.

... An old friend of mine bobbed up to day. He drifted into my office unexpectedly. I had not seen him since he got married about 14 years ago. After telling me howdy-do, he told me that he wanted me to write him up, and I asked him what for, and he said 13 younguns.

... Well, he seemed a fit-subject for my column—been married 14 years, owned exactly 13 children and one wife. He was 38 himself and his wife, so he said, was 34. His youngest was 13 days old and his oldest would be 13 years old on May 13. He was married on February 13, and his wife was born on the 13 of July.

... He possibly shouldnt have said it, but he expects to be the proud father of 13 more children. He said he owned an old Ford until his 10th baby was born, and as it was too crowded with 10 little ones and 2 big ones, he sold it and bought himself a truck with a ton capacity or 13 children and the pa and ma.

... He told me that his children all had wonderful appetites. Two years ago, he had to stop asking the

blessing at meals. It had got so when he got to "Amen" with his blessing there wassent 2 good pieces of anything left on the table. They were satisfied with corn bread and buttermilk, or buttermilk and corn bread at all 3 meals a day, but he said he frequently had gravy for them.

... I asked this man to give me a list of the names of his flock and he could think of only 9 of them, and it turned out that he had named his baby "John," and he had forgot that his second boy was named "John" too, so he decided to call the last one "John Too." He and his wife try to count them, or check them up every night, but Billie slipped off to his grandpas one day last year and he wassent missed for a week.

... This man was as happy as anybody ought to be. He said that he had nothing, didnt expect to ever have anything except more children, but he was thankful to say that no one at his house had ever gone hungry, begged, or lacked sufficient clothes to be comfortable. He smokes homeade cigarettes constantly, and can outspit any man I ever saw. He ruined over \$15 worth of furniture and rugs while he was telling me his story. There isnt any race suicide being practiced at his house. He said if he had been a rich man that he knewed that he woudnt have had more'n 2 children if that. And the boy told the truth. Society folk and money-ed cumples dont multiply and repent to the earth—they subtract and carry

Lattimore News Of Current Week

Hundreds Visit Price Flower Garden. Banquet For Prof. Blanton And Faculty.

(Special to The Star.) Lattimore, April 28.—The Woman's club delightfully entertained Prof. and Mrs. Lawton Blanton and family and the teachers of the Lattimore school with a lovely banquet Thursday evening.

Miss Donnis Gold of Hickory spent Saturday with her sister, Mrs. L. C. Toms.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Beam of Shelby spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Rayburn.

Misses Minnie Gold of the Zion community and Willie Walker spent the week-end with Miss Ora Jones. Misses Nellie Weathers and Lyda Poston spent the week-end at home. Mr. Archie Parker spent the week-end at home.

Miss Maude Morehead spent the week-end in Bessemer City, a guest of Miss Mary Ormand.

Hundreds See Flowers. Hundreds of people visited Mr. Price's flower garden Sunday which is at the height of its beauty.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Jordan and Mrs. J. L. Jolley attended the funeral of Mr. Max Ramsey at the Cliffside Methodist church Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Onnie Smith spent Friday night with her sister Miss Mada Wilson at Claremont. Miss Wilson returned home with her Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nash Pite of Valdese spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pite.

Mrs. Pay Mostello was able to resume her school work Monday after an attack of influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Justice and little daughter, Marie, attended the birthday dinner of Mr. James Sherrill Sunday.

Miss Lala Martin who taught in the Belwood school the past term returned home Friday.

Mr. Wilbur Wilson who taught at Piedmont has returned home for the summer.

Miss Margaret Stockton of Boiling Springs college spent the week-end at home. She had as her guest Miss Katie Chapman of Boiling Springs college.

Mrs. Martha Wright of Mooresboro spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harrill.

Mr. and Mrs. Buran Blanton and children of the Beaver Dam section visited Mr. and Mrs. John Blanton Sunday.

Little Helen Taylor who makes her home with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Doty is spending two weeks in Kings Mountain with her father.

Miss Wiloree Calton and Mr. Karl Jordan entertained those taking part in the high school opera Monday night by serving cake and ice cream after practice.

Miss Mada Wilson spent the day Sunday with Miss Bessie McEntire in the Union community.

Mr. Durham Rayburn spent the day Sunday with Mr. Lyman Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Putnam of Boiling Springs and Mrs. Effie Moore of Bat Cave visited Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Blanton Sunday.

Mr. Horace Harrill who holds a position in S. C. with the extra force on the Southern railway, spent the week-end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Jolley of Gattney visited Misses Omah and Myra Jolley Sunday. Miss Omah Jolley accompanied them home for a few days' visit.

A popular novelist says that while lying awake at night, he has several times hit upon an idea that has resulted in a full-length novel. "Insomnia can be a terrible thing," The Humorist.

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