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The Weather. North Carolina, local thunder showers tonight and Saturday. Hawks Shatters Records. New York, July 23.—Capt. Frank M. Hawks, America's aerial speed king, landed at Floyd Bennett airport tonight, completing a round-trip flight to Havana in a single day.

London Parley Ends. London, July 23.—International co-operation to save Germany from financial ruin was pledged by the Seven-Power conference which ended its work here today. The most important gathering of statesmen since the signing of the peace treaties recommended measures designed to insure Germany's financial stability and to form the basis of later and more permanent action.

County Roads All Worked

Barracade Torn Down—Trucks Are Needed to Complete Equipment. Two Convict Gangs.

Practically all of the county roads, over 800 miles in all, have been gone over at least one time since the state took over the county system the first of July, stated W. A. Broadway, county engineer this morning. Attention was first given to Class A and B roads. There may be some Class C roads that have not had attention, but the ten district forces are daily at work, says Mr. Broadway, giving first attention to the roads that will be traveled by school buses hauling pupils to the 13 high schools which open their summer session on Monday.

Two gangs of convicts are at work on the road between Boiling Springs and Cliffs and one in the Rehobeth section. Mr. Broadway says all equipment is in good order and sufficient, except for a few trucks which the state will supply shortly.

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State Patrolman Stationed Here; Singleton Lands

The name of H. G. Singleton, of Shelby, to be a member of the newly organized state highway patrol, was favorably passed upon yesterday by the State Highway Commission meeting at Raleigh. Young Singleton, athlete and football star, known to the town as "Joe," recently took the highway patrolman's training course at Morehead City. Since taking the strenuous weeding out course at Morehead, where there were some five hundred candidates for the thirty odd new jobs in the department, he has been at his home here waiting word as to his final confirmation.

The Commission yesterday named a number of North Carolina cities where members of the patrol will be stationed. Shelby was amongst the number where one patrolman will make headquarters. Gastonia Hickory, Rutherfordton, Lenoir, were also designated in this list. Some of the largest centers, such as Raleigh, Durham, Charlotte, and Asheville will have two. The fact was announced, following the commission meeting, that Lieutenant W. E. Vernon, of Charlotte, who was said to be slated for demotion, was transferred at his own request to the new Highway Patrol Department. Captain Charles Farmer, head of the state patrol, had recommended that Vernon be reduced to the rank of sergeant, with sergeant's pay.

City Buys 12 Acre Addition To Cemetery At \$500 An Acre

Colored Cemetery Is Provided For

J. Z. Thompson Elected Mayor Pro Tem—City Finds It Has Land for Colored Cemetery.

At the mid-month meeting of the city officials this week, a deal was completed whereby the city buys 12 acres of land on the north side of Sunset Cemetery for \$500 per acre from Avery W. McMurry. This property, adjoining the present cemetery on the north side, will be developed and the burial plots offered for sale at a scale price, depending on location. Some lots will be free for the use of families unable to pay.

Mayor McMurry stated yesterday that a force of hands will be put to work preparing a part of the newly acquired ground for burial lots, while in time the addition will be fully developed, with roads, trees, etc. A committee from the board membership was appointed several months ago to seek a location for an enlargement. Sites in different parts of town were looked over and considered, but the committee finally concluded that it would be better to buy ground adjoining the present cemetery so one keeper can look after the property. A price of \$500 was agreed upon and Surveyor D. R. Frazier established the boundary for the 12-1-4 acre annex on the north side.

Colored Cemetery Found. Ground is needed for a colored cemetery and a committee was appointed from the board to seek out a location, but Mayor McMurry stated yesterday that he had discovered the city already has an ideal location. Some years ago the city purchased five acres near Flat Rock for septic tank. This was used for a septic basin for several years, but was later abandoned. The Mayor knew of the city's holdings but did not know it was suited for use as a cemetery. Upon investigation however, he finds it lies well and will probably be used for this purpose.

A road will be graded to the new colored cemetery at an early date in order that it might be opened up as the colored cemetery at Freedom is already filled to capacity. Z. J. Thompson, member of the city council, was unanimously elected mayor pro tem this week. Mr. Thompson was elected to the board in May.

Negro Killed In Raid For Liquor

Had Been A Trouble Maker For Officers Around Kings Mountain.

John Kirk, a negro, was shot to death Wednesday during a raid by Gaston county officers on a whiskey still. Rural Officer Oscar Sams, his son, Wesley, and C. E. Threlkeld, a deputy sheriff, located the still in the western section of Gaston county. When they came in sight of it, they said, no one was at the still. Just then, Sams said, two shots were fired from that direction and they began to run toward the still. Threlkeld, he said, stumbled and his gun discharged, shooting the negro who, the officers said, raised up at that instant from behind a clump of bushes. Kirk is said to have been a notorious character and had given officers in Cleveland county and around Kings Mountain considerable trouble in the past.

Court Halts Collection Of Tax On Produce Trucks From Outside

Temporary Injunction Granted by Judge J. L. Webb at U. S. Court Hearing.

Asheville, July 23.—Judge E. Yates Webb today signed a Federal injunction order temporarily restraining the State of North Carolina from collecting a \$50 tax levied against persons who sell produce in this State and who do not maintain a permanent place of business in North Carolina. The order will be effective ten days. It was granted on petition of a group of South Carolina farmers and fruit growers who protested the tax was unconstitutional and declared it meant ruin to many farmers in border counties who are accustomed to marketing their produce in this State. Three Judge Hearing. Judge Webb said he would make arrangements within 10 days for a three-judge Federal court to hear arguments on a petition to make the injunction permanent. The three-judge court, he said, will be composed of Circuit Judge John J. Parker, of Charlotte, District Judge H. H. Watkins, of Anderson, S. C., and himself. Date for the hearing, he said, could not be fixed until after he had conferred with the other judges. The temporary injunction was granted at a hearing at which Attorney-General Dennis G. Brummitt of North Carolina, had waived the

Mayor Pro Tem



ALDERMAN Z. J. THOMPSON Elected this week as Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Shelby.

Damage Suit Follows Wreck At Kings Mtn.

Suits aggregating \$160,000 have been brought to Gaston county superior court against Logan Bros., Inc., of Asheville, growing out of an automobile wreck recently in which Forest Kinney, of Winston-Salem, was killed and Collis Kinney and Raleigh Kinney injured. Collis Kinney, who is still in a Gastonia hospital with a broken leg, is a son-in-law of Cleo Leonard, of this city. Raleigh Kinney, as administrator asks \$100,000 for the death of his brother and \$10,000 damages for his own injuries. Collis Kinney in a separate suit seeks \$50,000 for his injuries. A car occupied by the three Kinney brothers and another Winston-Salem man collided with heavy trucks owned by the Asheville firm on a highway near Kings Mountain. The drivers of the trucks are under \$1,000 bond each awaiting a hearing on a technical charge of manslaughter.

Belwood School Of Open On Monday

Belwood Consolidated school will open Monday 27th to operate until cotton harvest is on, at which time, as well as a dozen other long term schools of the county will suspend for six weeks while the children help in the fields. C. A. Ledford, principal, announces the following faculty: A. K. Moore of Lenoir, will fill the vacancy made by J. D. Autry. Miss Madge Cline of Lenoir will fill the place made vacant by Miss McLeod. Miss Lena William will be shifted to the fifth grade vacated by Alvin Propst who goes to the Dover Mill school as principal. Mrs. C. A. Ledford will teach second and third grades. Some changes will be made in the periods and schedules. Professor Ledford asks that the students do not buy any books until they have instructions from the school.

Short Shots About Shelby

Osteopath Here. The town greets its first osteopathic physician—Dr. L. D. Moody, who has opened an office in the Webb building. Dr. Moody comes to Shelby directly from the Kirksville, Missouri, osteopathic school, where he did clinic work following his graduation.

Bookstore Sage 83 and Admits It. Eighty-three and still carrying-on, apparently as spry and (at times) acrid as ever. We refer to Mr. T. W. Ebeltoft, who had a birthday Wednesday, and admitted it. It is said the sage old man, the town's big friend, greets Father Time cheerly each time he drops into the bookstore for a visit. Looks the genni in the face and never bats an eye.

Some say he has got his right foot planted on the century mark, and is sure of his stride. Seriously, it may be said that the soundness of his mind and judgment at this period of his remarkable history, attests the soundness of his faith and his disciplined habits. Moral: If you want to live long, watch carefully what you put into your mind and your tummy.

Shelby Boy Riding in Reno. Chas. Lattimore, Shelby youth, is now in Reno, Nevada, the divorce center of America, teaching people how to ride horses. Horse back riding is a hobby with Charles. A horse and a mule were his playthings when a baby, so when Mr. and Mrs. Dick Babington left by motor about two weeks ago for Reno to join Mr. Babington's father who works in the mechanical department of a newspaper there, Charles saw a chance to go to Flagstaff, Arizona. He hoped to get a job as a cowboy on a ranch in Flagstaff, but no job was to be found. He went on to Reno and there he is.

Writing a brief letter home, Chas. says he has a good job at a riding school. The pay isn't so hefty, so he gets a good place to sleep, plenty of eats and smokes, while he teaches those who go there to ride as they wait for the divorce mill to grind.

King Sends a Chair Gram Home. A message from Rafe King—a sort of furtive, half pathetic sort of message.

Last week, at a local furniture store, a shipment of new stock was being unpacked. The shipment was consigned from the Fibercraft Chair Company, of Columbia, South Carolina, which is the state prison company.

King, it is said, is the billing clerk in the prison furniture factory. On the consignment card was written his name, in fact it was written on the card twice.

The manager of the store took the card to the First National Bank where the signature was verified.

It is supposed that King, consigning a shipment to his old home town, could not refrain from a sort of gesture of recognition—a sort of hello, to the homefolks, so to speak.

The manager of the store, who knows conditions at the penitentiary, where King is confined, says he has a fat job. Nothing to do but bill out the goods.

Thomas Negro Gets Governor's Pardon

Lawndale Negro Convicted of Manslaughter—Says Killing Accidental.

Raleigh, July 22.—Paroles were granted to nine prisoners today by Governor Gardner while 13 others were refused executive clemency. With one exception the paroles granted were to men convicted of minor offenses. The exception was the extension of clemency to Ceph Thomas, negro, of Cleveland county, who was convicted of manslaughter at the January 1930 term of Cleveland Superior court and sentenced to serve 3 to 5 years in state prison. The governor stated information had reached him from Solicitor L. S. Spurling, of the district, that there was evidence to the effect the killing of another negro when the prisoner fired a pistol at night was accidental.

MR. CARROLL BUILDING EIGHT ROOM DWELLING

Mr. J. Henry Carroll is building a handsome eight room dwelling on N. Washington street on a part of the property owned at one time by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Carroll. The Carroll family will occupy the new home when completed.

Trudy Teaches Twin Nieces



Gertrude Ederle, "Aunt Trudy" as far as this picture is concerned, is shown initiating Helen and Trudy Deuschle, the cute three-year-old twins of her sister, into the fundamentals of swimming at the Bronx-dale Pool, New York. The girl who sacrificed her hearing to thrill the world by swimming the English Channel five years ago this August 6, is now living a life of semi-obscurety.

Judge Moore To Preside Over Superior Court Here Next Week

Legionnaires Go To The Sea; Big Program Planned

Many Will Attend From Cleveland, Gardner, Bailey, Bowley, and Others to Speak.

For the North Carolina Department of the American Legion, this week-end, all roads will lead to Moorehead City where on Sunday morning the thirteenth annual convention will assemble. It will be a three day session, and the resort town of the coast is all set to royally entertain the hosts. Arrangements are being perfected locally for the attendance of a big delegation from Cleveland County. Oratorical high lights of the convention will be two addresses one from Senator Bailey, on Monday morning, the second from Major General Albert J. Bowley, of the U. S. Army. A spectacular feature of the convention will be the parade slated to be held at five o'clock on Monday.

Governor Gardner will officially greet the legionnaires at the opening session Monday morning. Immediately following the Governor's speech, Senator Morrison will introduce his colleague from Raleigh. The program will be made lively by band concerts and music numbers and a dance and fireworks display is slated for the beach Monday night.

Gas Franchise For City Threshed Out

City Will Consider Letting a Franchise With City's Interests Safeguarded.

Speaking for the city officials last night before the Kiwanis club, Mayor Pro Tem, Z. J. Thompson let it be known that the aldermen will consider the letting of a gas franchise when an acceptable company applies, but that the city will endeavor to safeguard the city's interests in the matter. The Kiwanis club over a year ago asked the city to consider the letting of a franchise for a gas plant and several gas representatives have appeared before the board in the past, but no serious thought was given to their propositions. Mr. Thompson stated that the board had inquired somewhat into the gas business and stated that in his opinion he did not think the city needed gas, neither is there any demand for a plant here. A number of speakers threshed out the matter rather thoroughly and the committee from the club to consult with the board was dismissed. Mayor McMurry and Alderman P. M. Washburn were present but did not speak.

Mr. Thompson Takes Over Service Station

Mr. Luther G. Thompson has taken over the service station formerly operated by Ray and Lloyd Lutz at the corner of Sumter and Lafayette streets. Cleveland Service Station is the name selected.

Inquest On In Matter Phillips Death Today; Threatens To Sue Widow

Store Breakers Caught In Act In South Shelby

Two Are Arrested and A Third Escapes—Car Thought to be Stolen is Taken.

Caught in the act of trying to enter C. H. Reinhart store in South Shelby for the purpose of robbery, Gus Helms and Buster Bridgeman were arrested about 2:30 o'clock this morning by Officer Marshall Moore who was stationed near the store at the time of the attempted robbery. Helms and Bridgeman both have criminal records behind them and were equipped with a full set of burglar tools when arrested. They had hack saws, sledge hammers, etc. and had just opened the screen and were feeling out the door when Officer Moore appeared upon the scene. A third party was with them but made his escape. The arrested men said the third party was Geo. Gray.

Nearby was found a Chevrolet coupe 1930 model bearing N. C. License No. 177,166 which is thought to have been stolen. The car is in the custody of officers who are trying to locate the owner. Bridgeman is said to be the man who stole Judge J. L. Webb's sedan here several years ago. Before that he had stolen four other cars. Bridge man had done time on the Gaston county roads and in the state pen, while Helms had served on the Gaston chalingang and it was there the two formed a friendship.

One of the murder cases is that of Ruth Bracket, negro, of the Kings Mountain district, charged with fatally stabbing her husband with an ice pick. Woodward Glenn, another negro, of No. 3 township, is charged with shooting his sweetheart's escort. The third is the Paul Wilkinson case, which was continued. Cecil Williams faces eight courts on forgery charges; Harley Panther is charged with the larceny of an automobile; Melvin Hutchinson is charged with breaking and entering; Morris Williamson with assault with a deadly weapon; Tizzie Williamson will be tried for aiding and abetting a shooting; Raymond Smith faces the charge of auto theft; Ralph Foust and Harley Painter will be tried for store breaking; Ben Poole for stealing; Joe Ledford for larceny Marvin Ford for secret assault; Ben Stubbs for forgery, and John Gamble for breaking and entering.

This State Has 645,245 Families

Washington, July 22.—The director of the census today announced the results of the preliminary count of the number of families in the state of North Carolina, according to the 1930 census, together with the number of families reporting radio sets. The whole number of families in the state on April 1, 1930, was 645,245, as compared with 513,377 in 1920. The number of persons per family in 1930 was 4.9, as compared with 5.0 in 1920. The number of families reporting radio sets in 1930 was 72,329, or 11.2 per cent of the total.

The term "family" as used in making the count referred to above, signifies a group of persons, whether related by blood or not, who live together as one household, usually sharing the same table. Points to Suicide. According to investigations made by Chief of Police Geo. Allen of Kings Mtn. and Sheriff I. M. Allen, Phillips, 41 year old auto dealer of

Blanton Heads No. 3 Schools To Open Monday

Guy Stines of Burk County Succeeds Lawton Blanton at Lattimore School.

Prof. Lawton Blanton who for a number of years has been principal of the Lattimore school will take up his duties Monday as principal of the No. 3 Consolidated School. A new high school building is being erected for No. 3 township, but the building will not be completed for three weeks and until that time the classes will meet as formerly in the elementary building at Patterson Springs and Earl. Prof. Guy Stines, former of the Hilderbran school in Burke county, has been elected principal of the Lattimore school succeeding Prof. Blanton. A dozen of the eight months schools of the county will open their summer session on Monday to run until cotton harvest when the schools will suspend for several weeks in order to allow the children to help pick cotton. No. 3 Consolidated will open Monday morning at 9:45. The eighth and eleventh grades will go to the Earl building and the ninth and tenth grades to Patterson Springs. The following teachers compose the faculty: Lawson Blanton, English and history; Miss Belle Elliott language and science; Dr. J. B. Davis mathematics and science; C. C. Goode, English and history. At the Patterson Springs school will be M. R. Biggers elementary principal Miss Grace King, Mrs. Joe Patterson, Mrs. Clyde Mauney and Miss Ruby Irvin. At the Earl School will be J. A. Hallman elementary principal; Miss Gladys Horne, Miss Mary Sue Hunt, Miss Mary Lewis Patterson, and Mrs. Knox Hardin. At the McBreyer school will be Mrs. Ray Green; at Broad River Misses Essie and Osie Harrill. Truck drivers for Patterson will be Merton Ponder, Eli McSwain and Clyde Kendrick; for Earl Lloyd Wiley, J. B. Earl, and Hythe Putnam.

Beam Reunion To Be Held August 13th

The regular annual reunion of the descendants of John T. Beam will hold their next meeting at New Prospect Church, on Shelby, R. F. D. No. 1, on Thursday, August 13th, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M. A picnic dinner will be served on the grounds in which all are expected to take a part. All relatives and friends of this extensive and prominent family are cordially invited to attend and take part in this reunion. Prominent speakers have been invited, including Gov. Gardner, who is one of the descendants of the common ancestor, John T. Beam.

1,231 Radio Sets In Cleveland, Revealed In U. S. Census Report

Set in the County for Every 12 Families—601 Sets in City of Shelby. The current radio census report has been made public in Washington, revealing some interesting data on the relative number of radios in the various sections of the state, with Shelby and Cleveland county ranking with the average for the commonwealth. 1,231 Sets in Cleveland. For the state as a whole, the report shows, eleven and two-tenths per cent of the 645,245 families enjoy the blessings of the radio. Cleveland county ranks slightly above this average, with 12.1 of the families as radio owners. Twelve hundred and thirty-one sets are listed for the county. On the other hand Shelby itself has 601 sets, with an average of twenty-five percent, or slightly more than double the percentage of the county as a whole. There are 72,329 radio sets in the state, the figures reveal, with Mecklenburg county leading as a unit with 7,932 sets. Charlotte, as a city, supports 6,422. Buncombe county is the second ranking unit with 5,081 sets, of which 3,543 are housed in Asheville. Other counties where the aerial entertainment is popular are Guilford county (Greensboro) with 5,901 receivers, Wake (Raleigh) with 3,341, Durham with 2,105, Forsyth with 3,543 and Gaston with 2,882.