

Bethlehem Section News Of The Week

Farewell Party For College Students. Mr. And Mrs. Howell Have New Son.

(Special to The Star.) Bethlehem, Sept. 7.—The young people entertained Miss Estelle Barber and Mr. Hubert Dixon Saturday night with a farewell party as they are going to enter Boiling Springs college...

son. Mother and baby are getting along fine. Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Dixon visited Mr. and Mrs. Palmon Dixon of Bethney. Mrs. J. D. Montgomery and Mrs. J. D. Watterson spent Thursday with Mrs. J. P. Blalock.

Shelby Challenge To Other Sections

Charlotte Observer. Until some other North Carolina community of the same population or smaller comes forward to claim the honor, Shelby will be accounted the champion producer of distinguished public men, its record in entertaining manner by Mr. Hamrick in the feature section of The Sunday Observer.

New Gorky Plays

Moscow.—Maxim Gorky has written the first of a series of four plays in which he proposes to present Russian life from the days of the Kerensky Revolution to the present time.

LOCAL and PERSONAL News

Mr. Heuler Sweeney of Fallston has accepted a position with Mr. Ernest Elliott in his store in the Lawndale section.

Mrs. W. H. Thompson has gone to her home on West Warren street and is living with her daughter, Mrs. Snyder, nee Madge Thompson. Mrs. Thompson had her hip fractured in a fall in Hugo, Okla. this summer and since returning to Shelby has been with her son Z. J. Thompson on West Marion street.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burrus of Washington, D. C., have been spending several days with her brother, Attorney Chas. A. Burrus. The two Burrus families went to Rutherford college yesterday to visit their father, Rev. A. J. Burrus and from there Mr. and Mrs. John Burrus return to Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Cicero Hoey of Wilmington, Delaware, have been spending a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hoey. They left Sunday on their return home by way of Bristol, Tenn. and Cleveland, Ohio.

Miss Sara Thompson and Messrs. Henry Lee Weathers and "Snookie" Lineberger leave tomorrow for Durham where they will enter Duke university.

Mrs. John Wynne Doggett and little daughter, Mary Leslie, have returned home after a visit of several days to Mr. and Mrs. Wiseman Kendall in Greensboro.

Mrs. Irma Wallace and two children, Elizabeth and Malcolm, are at home after spending a few weeks visiting relatives in Lemenburg, Mecklenburg and Rockbridge counties in Virginia, and in Greensboro.

Mrs. H. T. Hudson has returned home after a trip to Washington, D. C., where she visited Mr. and Mrs. John Hudson who have just gone to Washington to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hoey, Jr., of Canton, are spending the week-end here with Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hoey and family.

Mrs. J. J. McMurry, of High Point, is spending this week here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Washburn.

Miss Kathleen Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Fields Young, left Saturday for Raleigh where she will enter the senior class at Meredith college. Miss Young has gone early because of the fact that she is in charge of all new students and of all social activities on the campus for the year.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Risley, of Statesville, spent the day here yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Yates.

Miss Nancy Brice, of Chester, will leave today after spending a week here as the guest of Miss Elizabeth Austell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Houser, Mrs. Georgia Hickson and Mrs. Irma Wallace went to Spartanburg yesterday to attend the funeral of Mr. H. V. Darnell, who died there on Friday.

Among the students leaving yesterday and today for Mars Hill are: Misses Elizabeth Blanton, Lillian Crow, Ray Gibbs, Pegram Holland, Albert Suttle, John Irvin and Byard Falls.

Mrs. W. E. Frost and two children Grace and William, leave tomorrow for their home in West Palm Beach, Fla., after spending ten days here as guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lackey.

Miss Ruth Hopper, Mrs. Thelma Hopper Smith of Shelby, and Mr. Earl Thompson, of Charlotte, spent the week-end at Lake Lure.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shull returned home from Charlotte on Saturday after spending several days visiting at the homes of their relatives, Dr. J. Rush Shull and Dr. C. M. Peeler. They were in Charlotte with their son, George, who underwent several operations in a hospital there.

Mrs. George Blanton, who is spending the summer in Blowing Rock, spent Friday night at her home here and returned to Blowing Rock on Saturday with Mr. Blanton, who spends his week-ends there with his family.

Mrs. J. T. Gardner and sister, Miss Allie Nooe, returned Saturday from Hendersonville where they spent a week or more.

Mrs. James Yarbrough and son, James III, of Orlando, Fla., who have been visiting Mrs. Mary E. Yarbrough here leave today to return to their home.

Miss Allie Nooe left yesterday for her home in Charlotte where she resumed her work as teacher in the city schools of that place. She spent the summer here with her sister, Mrs. J. T. Gardner.

Mr. Charles Switzer leaves today for Rooms, Ga., where he will re-enter Darlington academy.

Mr. L. O. Hunter, who has been undergoing treatment at the veterans' hospital in Memphis, Tenn., during the past several weeks, spent the week-end here with Mrs. Hunter at the home of her parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. F. Roberts. Mr. Hunter is much improved and returned to his home in Spartanburg yesterday. Mrs. Hunter was unable to accompany him on account of a slight illness.

Mrs. Charles Wall, of Lexington, is spending this week here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Holland, on N. LaFayette street.

Miss Mary Hannah, technician at the Shelby hospital, has as her guest Miss Mildred Covington, of Meridian, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dixon and family attended the Dixon reunion yesterday at Lake Lure.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. House, of Earl, announce the birth of a daughter at the Shelby hospital on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Schenck and little guests, Misses Martha and Corinne Abernethy, of Cherrylville, spent the day yesterday in Lincoln-ton with Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Crowell.

Judge and Mrs. E. Y. Webb, Jimmy and Lilly Taylor, and Mrs. John Pender will arrive in Shelby today after spending the summer in Asheville. Mrs. Pender will visit them here before returning to her home in Tarboro.

Mrs. Frank Reavis entered the Shelby hospital today where she will undergo treatment.

Mr. Cecil Gillatt, of Durham, spent the week-end here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Nix. Miss Rosalyn Nix returned to Durham with him yesterday where she will teach in the city schools this year.

Miss Evelyn McCall of Marion spent the week-end with Miss Roberta Royster near Fallston.

Misses Nancy Stoner, Margaret Darnell, Messrs. Cooper, Weisher and Smith of Asheville, visited Miss Roberta Royster Sunday at her home near Fallston.

Mr. Spurgeon Hewitt underwent an operation for the removal of his tonsils in the Shelby hospital today and is getting along nicely.

Miss Jessie Mackie spent the week end at Granite Falls with homefolks.

Mr. Fields Young, Jr., left last week for Chattanooga, Tenn., where he will enter McCallie school for boys. He will be a member of the senior class.

Miss Mary Meares Beery and Miss Mary Meares, of Wilmington, will return to their home today after spending the week-end here visiting Mrs. M. Webb Riley and Mrs. J. L. Webb at their home on S. Washington street.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Mitchell and son, Burton, Jr., spent the week-end her visiting Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Mitchell.

Miss Minna Caldwell, of Charlotte, was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. LeGrand.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Larkin, who have been visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. Walter Ramseur, left yesterday to return to their home in Chicago.

Miss Ella McNichols, Miss Eita Beverly, Miss Mary Hannah and her guest, Miss Mildred Covington, spent the day yesterday at Montreat.

Miss Nancy Grey visited friends in Shelby this morning.

Messrs. Ralph Webb Gardner, James Webb Gardner and George Wray will leave Wednesday morning for Raleigh, from where Mr. Ralph Gardner will go at an early date to enter the University at Chapel Hill.

Miss Ethel Thomas spent the week end visiting relatives at Lenoir.

Miss Marietta Hoyle, Miss Helen Roberts, Miss Ann Elmore and Miss Maggie Murray McGowan have left for Lenoir where they will re-enter Davenport college. Miss Hoyle went a few days early as she is president of the Y. W. C. A. for this year and must be on hand to welcome new students.

Maybe Realtors Have Reason For Land Tax Views

Says Land Speculators Desire To Benefit By "No Land Tax" Plan.

Monroe Journal. We now know what the great issue in North Carolina is. It is stated by the "Realtors," and the News and Observer, which says that the realtors are on the right line when they demand the repeal of the 15 cents ad valorem tax for the six months school, says: It is a clear cut issue. Let every candidate be called upon to ring clear. Those who are not willing to pledge a repeal of that tax will vote to continue it.

So we are going to fight for a special interest. That is the interest of the realtors. What is a realtor? He is a land speculator. He buys land, mostly town land, boosts up the price in every way he can, and sells it for a profit. If he holds it out of use long enough the need for its use becomes so great that the person who is at last compelled to buy it an inflated price for use, pays the realtor a great profit. But the realtor has not made the land. He has not added a penny to value, he has not created any wealth as large as a grain of sand.

Why does he want the tax taken off land? So that the tax will go, not into the public treasury for the schools, but into his own pocket. For he knows that the moment the tax is taken off, the increase in price will measure just the amount of the tax taken off. If the people who are constantly talking on this subject would study it some they would also soon learn this. The tax taken off of land goes into the pocket of the speculator. It is true that nobody is buying land now, but this is because they have no money and because there is no business going on in which they can use the lots, not because of the tax. The man who buys the land pays the tax. If the tax stays on the land it goes into the public treasury. If it is taken off it goes into the pocket of the speculator. And land speculation has more to do with

bringing on a depression than all the taxes ever laid. So the land speculators are working for their own private interest in lobbying for taxes that suit them. Just as much as the corporations are laboring for their own interest in fighting for taxes to suit them. The claim that "Realtors" are fighting to increase home ownership is only a camouflage, just like the claim of the corporations that they are fighting for the public good. The land speculator is the worst enemy the home owner has. If he wanted to benefit the home owner by taxation we could do so by taking the tax off his home so long as he uses it as his home, and putting a heavy tax on unused land. Then it would not be profitable for the "realtor" to do business by running up the price of land and thus making it harder for home owners and actual farmers to get it. All the increase in naked land value ought to go into the public treasury. The public creates it. If this were done there would be no "realtors," no slums, no miserable tenements with human beings crowded like sardines, no increasing rents on the poor and on doing business, no ten thousand acre farms taking all that tenants can make and stifling rural life. But the "realtors" must be maintained in the most parasitic business on the face of the earth. Long live the great issue. Whoopie, we shall all get rich yet by lifting ourselves by the bootstraps of the "realtors."

Gandhi Buys New Blanket For Trip

Aboard the S. S. Bajputana, En route to London—Mahatma Gandhi, on the way from Bombay to attend the Indian round table conference at London, has added a homespun blanket to the meager costume he usually wears. The loin cloth which ordinarily is his only garment, was inadequate against the chill winds of the sea, and it appeared likely that he would wear the blanket also at London. The Mahatma is not a very good sailor and Miss Madeleine Slade, his English disciple, is the worst sailor in the party even if she is an admiral's daughter. Davidas Gandhi, the Mahatma's son, has taken over most of her duties.

Bishop Complains A Bit Too Late

Asheville Citizen. As smart a man as Bishop Cannon is ought to know, and probably he does know, that his defence against the revelations of the Nye committee fails to register. The beans have been spilled, the cat is out of the bag, the game is up.

All that the bishop says in denunciation of the Nye committee's methods of procedure may be correct. His claim that the committee has given him a raw deal may be true. His contention that the committee has abused its powers may be justified. But the fact that he committee in the present instance may have been infringing, as he maintains, upon the bishop's rights as a citizen doesn't help the bishop now.

The case against him is before the public. It may have been very reprehensible on the part of the committee to bring out as it did the evidence that it has spread on the

record, but the evidence is there. The bishop cannot meet the situation by saying that they had no right to put it there. He cannot meet it by abusing the committee. It is too late, bishop, much too late for the tactics that hitherto were useful enough and effective enough. The story which the Nye committee has unfolded demands an answer in so far as it is possible that it can be answered. The revelation that the money used to wage the holy war against Al Smith came from Republican sources is, of course, something that cannot be disposed of, for the witnesses who told that story were the men who say they put up the money or helped to secure it.

Eye For Business

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