

Around Our TOWN

OR

Shelby SIDELIGHTS

By RENN DRUM.

BASEBALL PARKS AND ROOTS AFTER DARK

Bob Rogers, catcher on Shelby's speedy negro baseball club, caught one of the best games of his career in a night contest played recently in the electrically-lighted Forest City park. But Bob had very little to say when a fan expressed the view that Bob might be better at night because of years of practice catching something other than baseball after dark.

WHEN THE COURTING CLOCK STRUCK 13

Not long since an old timer in Shelby came forward with some reminiscences about bygone days when parents called bedtime on courting couples when the clock struck 9. The comment caused a reader to notice the following incident connected with an old-fashioned courtship.

The courting farmer squeaked to and fro in the widow's favorite dog-trot rocker. Prim and priss, the widow balanced on the end of her split-bottom straight-back. They'd been "a-keepin' company" for years.

There was a lull—sprinkled conversation about "het's about time 'Ise goin'—silence.

The old grandfather clock in the hall had been haywire since Seven Pines—suddenly it struck 13.

Mechanically counting each toll, the wooing farmer wheeled around, sailed to his feet: "Aye golly, I'd better be a-goin' shore 'nough—I ain't never knowed het to be that late before."

SHELBY SHORTS:

In the neighboring town of Lincoln, so we've been told, a father named his offspring as follows: "A. B.", "C. D.", "E. F.", to make it run out even, but the last child died. Now that the Cards have clinched the National league flag and Connie Mack A's have copped the American league pennant, it won't be long until Shelby baseball fans will be hanging around Pendleton's broadcast laying their wagers and chattering their chatter as they listen to the World Series games.

Banker C. C. Blanton (Uncle Charlie) never took time to read this department until he went away on his vacation this summer. At that, however, we believe everybody would get more out of life with his optimistic greeting back on Shelby streets even if it does cost this corner one reader. A well known Shelby girl went on an 18-day diet recently but could not resist tricking herself and slipped frequently into the kitchen to snatch sweets.

Isn't it amusing how we often play tricks on our better selves, if any? The contest editor of The Star is the most popular member of the staff these days. If the mail keeps increasing, it will soon take a truck to haul the letters from the p. o. Irene Brydges, who once helped lend home atmosphere to the Piedmont cafe, Marion street, Shelby, is now a uniformed young lady in Beth Israel hospital, Stuyvesant circle, New York City.

With the price of corn at a low level there should be plenty of grains on the B-I-N-G-O stand at the fair this year. Roll-your-own-cigarette machines are getting more numerous in Shelby. One is kept busy at the Palace barbershop.

How long will it be before the political candidates will start barnstorming in this section? The boys who went away to school last week are already letting their dads know that expense money is running low. Where are the colleges, in this wave of Hoover prosperity, getting enough money to "take care of" the football stars? Our gossip department reports that four Shelby couples have been divorced at Reno.

YES, MR. MAXWELL HAS A SENSE OF HUMOR

Around Shelby many people have the idea that A. J. Maxwell one of the candidates for governor, has a mind that devotes its work entirely to figures and taxation and more figures. But he does have a sense of humor, for instance the best Hoover prosperity story he relates. "Hoover promised us prosperity," an aged Eastern Carolina farmer told him, "but the only thing that's prosperous down this way is the corn liquor business, and I believe the only reason that's prosperous is because Hoover was agin' it."

Birthday Dinner For O. B. Elliott

Although 78 Years of Age he Looks After Large Farm List Of Guests.

(Special to The Star.)

A most enjoyable event of Sunday September 13th was a surprise birthday dinner given Mr. Oliver B. Elliott of Hollis, by his relatives and friends. Early in the morning the guests began to arrive. Each one received a hearty hand shake and cordial welcome to that hospitable home.

The oldest guest present was Mr. James C. Elliott, age 86 years, and the youngest was Master Richard Jolly, six weeks old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Jolly.

At noon time under the shade of the walnut trees was placed a long table, the center of which was graced with a three tier white birthday cake, decorated with 78 pink candles set in pink rosebud holders. On the table was spread a bounteous dinner, such as only the housewives of the Elliott clan know how to prepare. There were big platters of fried chicken, country ham, mutton, salmon croquettes, deviled eggs, sandwiches, custards, pies, cakes, pickles and in fact, everything that would tempt one's appetite. After thanks were returned by Mr. O. C. Dixon, the feast began. When everyone had eaten all they could, there was still food on the table.

After dinner the friends gathered in groups on the porches and under the shade of the trees for a social hour. During the afternoon ice cold cider was served.

Mr. Oliver B. Elliott is a prominent citizen of upper Cleveland county. He lives at his ancestral home on Hinton's creek, his farm being a part of a 1,300 acre plantation owned more than 100 years ago by his grandfather John Elliott. Mr. Elliott is hale and hearty, and able to care for his livestock and direct the work on his farm. This past summer he worked his garden and small corn fields near his house, besides keeping plenty

of stove wood cut and doing other chores about the house. He has many friends who love and admire him, and who rejoice with him that he has reached his 78th mile post in good health and strength.

Mrs. W. C. Lattimore presided over the register. The following were present to enjoy this happy occasion: Mr. and Mrs. O. Elliott, Mr. Robert W. Elliott, Miss Mary Gordon Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Paxton Elliott, Mrs. W. C. Lattimore of Nealsville, Mrs. J. A. Faysoux, William Faysoux, and John Faysoux of Gastonia, Mr. and Mrs. Latham Wilson, Bobby Gold Wilson, Mrs. Lydia Elliott, Miss Mary W. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Elliott, Miss Sarah Belle Elliott, Mr. L. R. Elliott, Miss Sophia Elliott, Mrs. Martha Stockton, Mrs. Della Stockton, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Stockton, Mr. W. C. Stockton.

Miss Susan Lattimore, Mr. Jas. C. Elliott, Mr. Andrew J. Elliott, Mrs. Mary A. Jones, Mr. Tom Jones, Mr. William Jones, Miss Louise Jones, Miss Annabeth Jones, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Greene, Miss Daisy Greene, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gold, Miss Rebecca Gold, Miss Julia Ann Gold, Mr. Hoyle Gold, Mr. J. C. Gold Jr., Mr. and Mrs. John P. Elliott, Mr. Thomas Elliott, Miss Mary Belle Elliott, Mr. Charlie Elliott, Miss Margaret Elliott, Mr. John P. Elliott Jr., Mr. Robert Elliott, Mrs. Carrie Elliott, Mr. Vol Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Bate Blanton.

Miss Jennie Blanton, Miss Mary Sue Blanton, Mr. Robert Blanton, Mr. John A. Beam, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gold, Miss Minnie Gold, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Jolly, Mr. Richard Jolly, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Doggett, Miss Sara Doggett, Miss Frances Doggett, Geven Doggett, Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Elliott, Mr. Hugh Elliott, Mr. Howard Elliott, Miss Allie Sue Elliott, Miss Dorcas Elliott, Mr. T. V. Palmer, Mr. Hewitt Palmer, Mrs. L. C. Palmer, Miss Mary D. Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Weathers, Mr. Rufus Weathers, Miss Pantha Weathers, Miss Ola Weathers, Miss Marceline Weathers, Mr. Thomas Weathers, Mr. A. H. Hoyle and Mrs. W. O. Garrett of Ensley, Ala. Mr. Nash Magness, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Dixon, Miss Pearl Dixon, W.

Parent-Teachers Of South Shelby Meet

Committees Appointed To Serve During Coming Year. Prize For Thrift Essay.

An interesting and profitable meeting of the South Shelby Parent-Teachers association was held Tuesday night at the South Shelby school. The meeting was presided over by the president, Rev. L. L. Jessup, who stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss a program of activity for the coming year. The teachers of the school were 100 percent in attendance at the meeting, and there were a good number of patrons present.

Mrs. Ben Suttle rendered a vocal selection which was greatly enjoyed by those present. Miss Selma Webb presented several recommendations, and called upon the patrons for support and co-operation during the coming school year. Several matters of business were disposed of among which was the appointment of committees. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday night, October 6, at which time a thrift program will be presented. This will be in connection with the work already under way by the thrift committee in the city. The pupils of the school will be invited to write an essay on some phase of practicing thrift and economy. The winning essay will be awarded a prize, and will be read at the October meeting.

Committees appointed to serve during the coming year are as follows: Program, Rev. W. R. Jenkins, Mrs. Ben Suttle, F. E. Whitener; membership, Miss Nancy Suttle, Herbert Blanton, Mrs. Marvin Blanton; social, Miss Nancy Bagwell, Mrs. Clarence Morrison, Mrs. C. H. Reinhardt; hospitality, C. A. Morrison, Mrs. L. L. Jessup, Miss Nora Cornwell; improvement, Mrs. C. A. Morrison, Mrs. Baxter Putnam, Marvin Blanton; finance, E. D. Whisnant, Lloyd Anthony, Mrs. William Osborne.

Maybe the world wouldn't have so much trouble in solving its problems if it could get the real facts established.

F. Dixon, Hal Dixon, O. C. Dixon Jr., Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Lattimore, Mrs. Margaret Lattimore, Mr. and Mrs. George Cornwell, Mr. Hal Cornwell, Mrs. Susan Cornwell, Miss Laura Cornwell, Miss Nora Cornwell, Mr. Frank Cornwell, Miss Belle Elliott, Miss Ellen Hoyle, Dr. C. F. Gold, Mr. Lee A. Gettys, Miss Earice Dellinger, Miss Charity Doggett.

Singers Convention At Union Sept. 27th

The Union singers convention will meet with the Union church on the Shelby-Polkville road on the fourth Sunday in September, beginning at 1:30 o'clock. J. C. Bridges, the director says, "We are looking for Prof. Wade Humphries of Gaffney and other singers from that city. We are expecting W. A. McSwain, Mr. Pack and his daughters and the Acree sisters and perhaps many others from Spartanburg. We are also looking for C. N. Upton's quartet from Hickory, the Lake City quartet from Marion, the Queen Quality quartet from Gastonia, Salem quartet from Boatie, Bethlehem quartet, Spindale quartet and Hicks quartet from Mt. Pleasant. Miss Frances Graham from Earl will be one of the soloists. I have not mentioned all of the singers that are expected. The public is invited, so let's make this the best convention of all."

Route Seven Shelby Personal Mention

(Special to The Star.) Shelby, R-7, Sept. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. Ben Thrift are the proud parents of a baby daughter, born to them Monday September 7. Mrs. Thrift was formerly Miss Doanle Jolly.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Bridges and seven also Mr. Otho Roberts spent Sunday at Union Mills, visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. R. Roberts and Miss Jessie Ella Roberts spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thrift.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Roberts moved last week to their gin near Earl to spend the fall to enable Mr. Roberts to be near his work.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thrift a fine 8-1-2 pound baby boy, September 14. Rollins Everett both mother and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Roberts and children spent awhile Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Roberts and children visited Mrs. Roberts parents near Earl Sunday.

Little Baby Starves

Columbia City, Ind.—When a physician gave starvation as the cause of the death of a 13-months old baby, investigation showed that the family of five had eaten only one loaf of bread as food in a week. Another child was discovered ill from malnutrition.

Presbyterian Church Shows Good Growth

Montreat, Sept. 27.—An unusual large growth of membership was experienced by the Presbyterian synod of Appalachia during the past church year.

Its committee on evangelism reporting shortly before the synod's seventeenth annual session adjourned here yesterday, lists 1,281 new members gained by the synod's churches during the 12 months. Contributions to the assembly and synod benevolences increased \$15,000 over the previous year and reached a total of \$225,824. A budget of \$138,000 was adopted for the assembly's benevolent causes for the coming year.

Lenoir-Rhyme Gets A \$10,000 Bequest

Hickory.—Thos. H. Sansler, well known business man of Lincolnton, who died several weeks ago, bequeathed \$10,000 to Lenoir-Rhyme college, according to an announcement from the office of President H. B. Schaeffer. There was no stipulation as to the manner in which the money shall be spent, it is said. This was left to the discretion of the college board of trustees. Mr. Sansler also willed \$10,000 to the Lutheran Orphan's home at Salem, Va.

Marine Corps Is Reduced To Save

Washington, D. C., Sept. 17.—Reduction of the marine corps from 17,500 to 16,000 men, ordered in June as a money saving measure is to be continued through the next fiscal year as well as the present one.

Naval officials said today the recently completed navy department budget for 1932-33 provides for 16,500 marines.

Second Baptist Church Services

A meeting of the Second Baptist church choir for the purpose of rehearsal will be held tonight at 7:30. The pastor, Rev. L. L. Jessup, will preach Sunday at both services. At 11 o'clock he will use as his topic "Empty Hands" and 7:30 p. m. "Wonders in Waste." The Sunday school will meet at 9:45 a. m., and the B. Y. P. U's will meet at 6:30 p. m. The mid-week prayer service will meet on Wednesday night at 7:30.

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Campbell's

Fair Cannot Accept Cotton For Gate Admission

Since our announcement in Monday's Star, stating that we would accept cotton for gate admissions at the Cleveland County Fair, we have been approached by numbers of our farmer friends, asking that we rescind this offer, that, in their opinion, would encourage theft of cotton by those not connected with the hard labor incidental to its raising. This of course we have no desire to do. This is the farmer's Fair — to injure him would injure us.

Too, upon thorough investigation we find that in buying seed cotton, the law requires that an accurate record of every pound be kept, giving the name of the person selling, on whose farm same is produced; further cotton in seed cannot be bought after night. These details would add so much to our already heavy gate duties that we would never get our visitors through the gate.

For these reasons we withdraw our offer to accept cotton for gate admissions. Believing that in so doing we are serving the best interests of all concerned

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