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WEDNESDAY, OCT. 21, 1931

## TWINKLES

Now that post office officials have informed that we may expect the addition to the Shelby post office next spring or summer, what of the highway link between Shelby and Marion?

With the frost on the pumpkins these mornings, isn't it possible that some who were howling for cool weather just a few weeks ago are already complaining about the cold? That's human nature; when we have it, we wish for something else.

In the west, says Thomas J. Walsh, the Montana statesman, the masses when thinking of the next Democratic presidential candidate think of but one—Franklin D. Roosevelt. Despite the frequent ballyhoo for the others, it is that way over most of America.

The death of Judge Van Wart, the retired Canadian jurist, who for many years made Shelby his home for a portion of each year, came as a blow to many of the older men about the city who learned to know him and appreciate his keen intelligence and charming personality.

## THE GENIUS OF HIS TIME

TO BEST SUMMARIZE the career of Thomas A. Edison, the greatest inventive genius of his time and perhaps of all time, would be the placing side by side of a comprehensive picture of the world four score years ago and the world today. He contributed more than any man to what we know as modern civilization; he brought light to the world and many other useful conveniences that we now consider necessities. To be more specific than that would require a book for the telling, and history will do that—in fact, has already done much of it.

To the majority of those now living, the people still somewhat distant from the exit at the shady side of life, Edison had become a legend even before his death. To those not yet beyond middle age Edison is best recalled, from school day memories, as the youth in a black cap who as a newsboy published a newspaper on a train, added numerous inventions to the telegraph system of his day, and then turned his inventive powers to the phonograph and the incandescent light. With the super achievements of a great many years behind us, we are inclined to look backward for epochal steps in the progress of mankind. Which is to say that Edison's great inventions were handed the world so many years ago that the modern generation is moved to associate him with a bygone era, despite the fact that right on until a short time before his recent death he continued to add other inventions to those of his younger days. That, perhaps, is because what we consider his major achievements were accomplished years ago.

The Edison of his imaginative people, as said above, goes back to the 15-year-old news but who published his own paper on the train upon which he worked. Shortly thereafter he became an expert telegrapher and then, as the years passed, turned his genius to improving the telegraph equipment of the day. He is still remembered as a young man when at the age of 24 he helped work out the first successful typewriter. And he was a comparatively young man when at 29 he invented the carbon telephone transmitter and the microphone which made modern radio possible. At 30, when most men are just getting started in life, he came along with his greatest invention to that date—the phonograph. Two years later he brought light to the world with his most astounding invention, the incandescent light. It is difficult for those of us of this day, accustomed as we are to consider the electric light and phonograph as an accepted part of the times, to realize that only Sunday died the man who stunned the world in 1877 and 1879 with his almost unbelievable inventions. Such was the span of his life. Remembering Edison more because of the phonograph and the incandescent light, we tend to overlook the fact those two inventions were just two, although the outstanding, of 1,150 patents given him for new conveniences given mankind.

It can be said, without likelihood of dispute, that he was the remarkable man of his era, and when history has permitted many we consider big men today to slide into oblivion, Edison will be ranked among the great of all eras.

## JOHN R. DOVER, A BUILDER

IT IS REGRETTABLE, if not distressing, how often mere words fail to express the sentiment, particularly as one gropes about in the attempt to pay fitting tribute to the career of a man who embodied within him outstanding characteristics and traits. From a farm home in the foothills, John R. Dover rose to become a textile leader in the Carolinas. At the time of his death, Sunday, he had come to be recognized as one of the most observant and one of the shrewdest and most progressive textile leaders in the foremost Southern industry. That, in brief, covers his life and its success in a business and material way. But there was far more than that to John R. Dover. Those other qualities, those other deeds by which he so greatly aided in the advance of his section,

are more difficult to express.

From just one farm lad among hundreds, he fought his way upward in a determined manner until at the time of his death his genius had given employment to hundreds. But, in the last analysis, he contributed even more than that in life's never-ending game of give-and-take. From boyhood into manhood and on into the ripper years of life he carried with him the strict code of morals instilled by religious and law-abiding parents. Somehow, it is our opinion, the best epitaph that could be written for him is not that he built big textile plants and thus helped build a thriving industrial region upon the ashes and backwash that remained to harass a broken south after the war and Reconstruction. Instead, it should be his epitaph that wherever he built a mill, he, also, built a church or fostered the beginning of a Sunday school class. At every one of the mill villages that sprung up from his brain and energy, he not only encouraged the building of a church, at least one, of which is named in his honor, but he himself took an active hand in the religious work. He taught their Sunday schools and their Bible classes, he stood near their pulpits to speak in his interesting, graphic style when ministers were absent, and, what's more, he gave those who worked with and under him an ever nobler example by practicing what he preached. He was not just an industrial leader, a truly big business man who cast his lot in a small city, but he was a builder of communities in the highest sense of the phrase.

Brusque, at times gruff, a trait more often than not found in men whose minds are eternally thinking and doing, he was, nevertheless, tender-hearted, sympathetic and charitable. It is not the privilege of the general public to know just how many unfortunates he has given a boost in life and thus brightened the pathway ahead. He was one who acted and said very little about it; he sought not the limelight and praise, yet he did more for the humble and dejected than many who have bowed repeatedly before homage accorded them for the charity that sprung from big hearts. There was nothing of sham or of the spectacular about him. He was the same today as yesterday, and the same again tomorrow. Everyone of his numerous fine qualities, nearing perfection in later life, came from years of effort and study; he was still as much of a student in his last year of life as in his boyhood. A rarity among business men, he possessed a charming, yet frank and direct-to-the-point style of oratory that cannot be excelled among lay speakers and not often among barristers and others. He never spoke publicly unless he had something to say, a message to bring; but some of his gripping talks before Bible classes, luncheon clubs and other meetings have revealed a cultured, well-read mind, a quick-thinking brain with a remarkable sense of humor, an almost uncanny foresight, and a knack for drawing sane, dependable deductions from a maze of contradictions and camouflage in the most perplexing of problems.

Because of his comprehensive activities in the community he will be greatly missed. A section could not spare many men of his type at one time, for one reason because a generation is seldom fortunate enough to have produced more than a few of the type. As an advisor and friend, he will be missed by people in all walks of life. His death, needless to say, is a heavy blow to his business associates, but, being the man he was, he will be missed more in his home and among members of his family. His first and foremost thoughts were of his wife and children. He was, in every sense of the word, a home man, and at the conclusion of his daily tasks he found his greatest solace by his own fireside. Not many wives and children have had the good fortune to have such a man as father and husband. Knowing their fondness for him, engendered not only by inheritance from his own disposition but, also, because of his great love for them, the members of his family have the sincere sympathy of the entire section. It must be some alleviation to them, in their grief, to know that he was so admired that the people who knew him offer their sympathy in choked voices and with tears in their eyes.

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## Pleasant Grove Week-End News

Mr. Hamrick Gets Leg Broken a Second Time. Two Corn Shuckings Enjoyed.

(Special to The Star.)

Pleasant Grove, Oct. 20.—The farmers of this community are busy getting their corn in the crib. There were two corn shuckings last week. Mr. Nim Williams gave a corn shucking Tuesday night, and Mrs. Daisy Wright gave one Wednesday night. A big crowd attended both shuckings and got it all shucked out about 9 o'clock. A good supper was served after each shucking. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shuford and sons, Robert and Ray spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Holler of near Morganton. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hendrick spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Kim Williams. Mr. W. H. Norman visited her daughter Mrs. Guy Wright and Mr. Wright of Fallston. Mr. and Mrs. Onley Wright spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs.

Grady Hoyle.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hamrick and family visited Mr and Mrs. Grady Smith of the St. Paul section, Sunday.

Miss Velva Hamrick who is attending the college at Bowling Springs is spending a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hamrick.

Mrs. Vono Shuford has been on the sick list for the last week. Mrs. Everette Wright spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. W. H. Norman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bridges and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bridges and son Bobby attended the birthday dinner at Mrs. Ollie Bridges' given in honor of Mrs. Ollie Bridges of near Lattimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Wilson and daughter Annie Pearl and Jack of the Zion community visited Mr. and Mrs. Pressley Costner Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Plato Costner and son James and Miss Uray Hendrick spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Hendrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenway and family, Mr. Julius Costner and daughter L. Irene spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Greenway

of Mulla Chapel.

Miss Vernie Mae Wright spent Sunday with her cousin Miss Irene Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hamrick of Fallston spent Sunday with Mrs. Thompson Hamrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Appugusta Hoyle and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Hoyle.

Mr. and Mrs. Yates Costner and daughter, Corene spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Pressley Costner.

Mr. J. D. Hamrick who was a patient at the Shelby hospital with a broken leg a few months ago had it broken again at the corn shucking at Mr. Kim Williams' by falling in a gully. He is at home but has to stay in bed for about six weeks.

## Not So Tough Now

Boston.—Ernest Jentile, who works all week and thins football on Sunday is just a l.a.k. refuses to wear headgear or other protective clothes. He was taken to a hospital with a broken neck yesterday after a game against the Duncarees. Today he is out on the street with a neck collar. He says he isn't tough. He just doesn't like hospitals.

## Singing Convention At Missionary Church

(Special to The Star.)

Beginning at 1 o'clock of Sunday Oct. 25, there will be a singing convention at the Missionary Methodist church in West Shelby. We are expecting quartets from Forest City, Patterson Springs, Hickory, Gaffney and other churches. Mr. George Horn will perform at the piano. Mr. Ivey Shepherd will have active charge of the congregational singing. We extend the public a cordial invitation.

HORACE SISK, Director

## Rural Records.

Muriel—I've been engaged to one man seven times.

Mona—That's nothing! I've been engaged to seven men at one time.

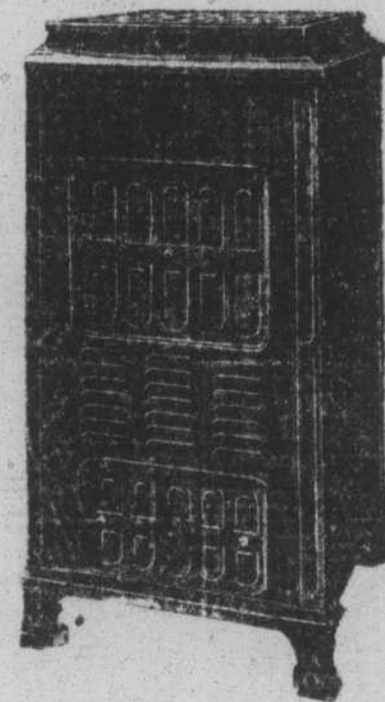
## Rural Progress

"Have you made any improvements at our farm?" Mr. Hawbuck was asked.

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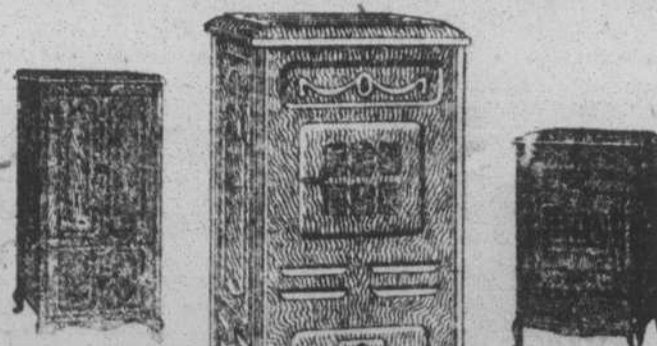
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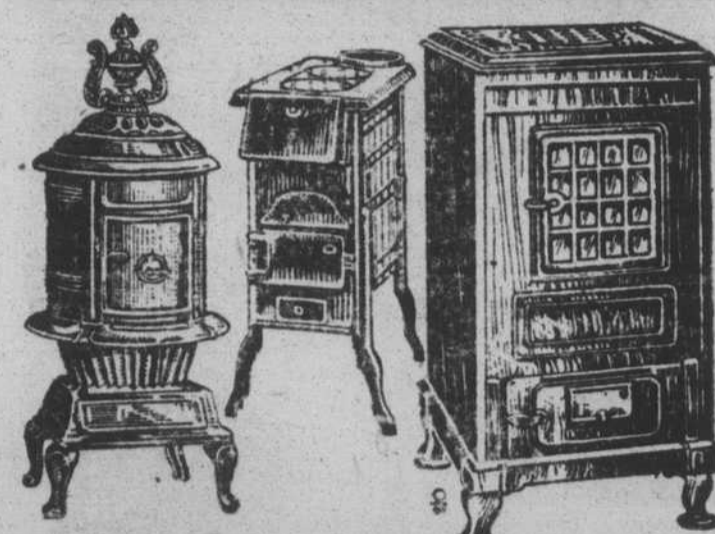
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