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County To Participate In Armistice Program

Charity Celebration At Fairground

Much Interest In First Big Armistice Program Here In Years. Many Events Arranged.

Everything is in readiness for the greatest Armistice Day celebration held in Shelby in recent years when gates at the Cleveland County Fairgrounds open Wednesday morning at 11:30 o'clock.

Tremendous interest is being shown throughout the county in the program, the natural interest in the events and the celebration being augmented by the cause for which the money is being raised. Every cent taken in at the gate will go for relief of needy Cleveland county people.

Low Admission. Announcement was made today by the American Legion committee in charge of the celebration that an admission charge of only 25 cents will admit everyone to the Fairgrounds. There will be no parking charges, arrangements having been made to park cars inside the grounds free of charge. Grandstand seats will cost ten cents. Fifty cents will be charged for box seats.

Run Of Events. Fox hunters, rabbit chasers, bicycle riders, Ford drivers, mule and horse riders, all are ready to go when the first event is begun at 2 o'clock. Boxers, all of whom are donating their services, will perform after the races. The grand finale will be a street square dance in front of the Masonic temple beginning at 9 o'clock.

As an added attraction to fox hunters decision has been made to turn the fox loose after the fox chase around the track for a real chase. The fox will be turned loose near the ground and the dogs will be given an opportunity to show their stuff to those who follow the dogs across country.

John Doggett, Mike Borders and Otto Cline are to judge the horse, mule and pony races. Joe Blanton, Sheriff Allen and Joe Neisler will judge the dog racing. These and other men will also handle the job of deciding who wins the bicycle and auto races.

Band Music. In addition to the program, which appears in this issue, the Shelby High school band, under the direction of Prof. O. V. Lewis, will furnish music during the afternoon.

All in all, it is believed that the celebration will be one of the most successful ever staged in Shelby. Practically all money to be given as prizes has been donated by Shelby business men and as a result the entire gate receipts will be available for charity.

Football Game. Football will be an added attraction at the Armistice day celebration Wednesday, it was announced today. Junior teams representing Kings Mountain and Shelby will clash in front of the county fairgrounds about 3:30 o'clock. Both of these teams have played several games this year and a fast, snappy scrap is expected of these youngsters.

The first call was to the colored Masonic hall, in the eastern section of the city near the Seaboard tracks. About \$400 damage was done, it was estimated, by the stubborn blaze which gave firemen a tough fight. A dance had been on earlier in the night in the hall and the exact cause of the fire is not known.

One belief is that a lighted cigarette may have been tossed into a corner and forgotten and later developed into a dangerous blaze after the dance was over and the building deserted. The second alarm was to the B. F. Spangler residence on the old Kings Mountain road, the call coming in just before 6 o'clock. The fire started in the kitchen, and the damage, as estimated on the fire department chart, was \$300.

Barn And Stock At New House Burned. The barn of Guy Grigg of the New House section was destroyed by fire Saturday night, together with two or three mules, two cows, a number of calves, a quantity of feed stuffs and cotton seed. The origin of the fire is unknown, neither was the Star able to find out whether Mr. Grigg carried any insurance. The fire made a big blaze which was seen for miles around.

Legion Events

The official program, announced today for the Armistice day celebration at the fairgrounds Wednesday, is given below. Events will follow each other in rapid sequence and there will be no lost time until the program is completed. All members of the legion from the whole county are asked to be at the fairgrounds at 11 o'clock to assist the committee in handling the program.

Gates will open at 11:30 and a hot plate lunch will be served by members of the legion auxiliary from 12:30 to 2 o'clock.

Beginning promptly at 2 o'clock the program of sports events will be as follows: Bicycle race for boys under 16 years of age.

Fox hound race. Beagle race. Free for all dog race. Small pony race. Large pony race. Junior football game, Shelby vs. Kings Mountain. Slow mule race. Fast mule race. Free for all horse race. Ford model T race.

Boxing to be climaxed by battle royal. Beginning at 9 o'clock Wednesday night a street dance will be held in front of the Masonic temple on South Washington street.

Blind Man Heavy Loser In Big Fire

Fire Thought To Have Been Started By Small Children. 35 Bales Burned.

First last Friday afternoon destroyed 35 of the 52 bales of cotton owned by W. I. Spurline, a blind man of near Waco. Five outbuildings were consumed by the flames, together with 1,800 bushels of cotton seed, 85 bushels of wheat, 200 bushels of oats, two pigs and a great quantity of feedstuffs.

There was no insurance. It is thought that the fire was started by very small children playing with matches in the yard. They had seen grown people burn off dead grass and it is thought this caused them to start a fire innocent of the dangerous damage it caused. Seventeen bales of cotton were rolled to safety but 35 bales were a total loss. A city fire truck responded to a call for help and fought with chemical tanks as long as the chemical tanks held out.

Mr. Putnam Back On Job After Opefation

Rev. D. F. Putnam, who has been a patient in Charlotte for 25 days, returned Saturday after an operation performed over two weeks ago. He has been unable to fill his appointments for three weeks, but expects to enter upon his duties by next Sunday. Mr. Putnam is pastor of a number of Baptist churches in the county and his many friends are glad to see him recover.

Majority Of Business Houses Here To Close For Legion Armistice Day

Merchants To Close Doors In Observance Of Afternoon Charity Event.

Practically all of the Shelby business district will close shop Wednesday afternoon of this week, November 11, in observance of Armistice Day and in order to boost the attendance at the big armistice program to be held during the afternoon at the county fairgrounds, on Highway 26, just east of Shelby.

A closing agreement passed about today by members of the American Legion Auxiliary was signed by a major percentage of the uptown merchants and business men. The program is being put on by the Warren Hoyle Legion post and Auxiliary, the proceeds going to charity.

Those signing the closing petition, saying that their places would close at noon, were: Basil Goodie, Shelby Printing Co., T. W. Hamrick Co., Wright-Baker Co., Paul Webb and Son, Shelby Hardware Co., E. F. McKinney, C. H. Swofford, Pender's No. 325, Carolina Store No. 22, A. & P. No. 504, Oscar Palmer.

For Ohio Governor



David S. Ingalls (above), 32-year-old Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Aeronautics, has announced he will be a candidate for Governor of Ohio in next year's election. Ingalls was the only Navy Ace during the World war, and before his appointment to the assistant secretaryship he was a member of the Ohio state legislature.

Hatchell Appeals 5-Year Sentence

Criminal Court Finished Saturday. On Civil Calendar Today.

Carl Hatchell, race track driver and a well known figure about Shelby, filed notice of appeal Saturday when given a sentence in superior court of from five to 10 years in the state prison by Judge Walter E. Moore.

Hatchell was found guilty by a jury on three verdicts in connection with a store robbery staged here by three negroes and the disposal of cigarettes stolen from the store. After his attorneys, Clyde R. Hoey and B. T. Falls, filed notice of appeal, bond was fixed at \$5,000 and given. Hatchell's wife, a member of a prominent Chester, S. C. family, came here to be with him Saturday when he was convicted and sentenced. They had not been living together since Hatchell came to Shelby several years ago.

On Death Suit. Holding court Saturday afternoon, Judge Moore wound up the criminal docket for the term. Among the other sentences passed was a six-month road term given Maxie Yarbrough on a charge of assault with deadly weapon. The sentence was first 12 months but later changed. The charge arose from the cutting of J. T. Dyeus, another young man, while he and Yarbrough and another were en route to Cherryville to see some girls.

Schools Help. Another thing that has increased business recently was the reopening of the schools, which had closed six weeks to pick cotton. Now that the children are back in school, after getting the cotton out, they're needing shoes and clothing and other necessities, and they're buying. Shelby merchants anticipate a big shopping day Saturday of this week and the remaining Saturdays of the year.

Business has been better, that is admitted; but business is considerably better than it has been in recent months.

John Bostic Dies In Los Angeles

Native Of Shelby And Brother Of Mrs. Judie Bostic Eskridge. Bury Today.

A telegram received this morning by Mrs. Judie Bostic Eskridge announced the death yesterday in Los Angeles, California, of John Bostic, her oldest living brother who passed away at age 75. He was born and reared in Shelby and operated a tobacco factory and later a mercantile business here for a number of years. He had been away from Shelby about fifty years.

Mr. Bostic will be buried today in Kansas City, Missouri, beside his wife who died some years ago. Older people of this section will remember him as the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam E. Bostic. Beside his sister, Mrs. Judie Bostic Eskridge of Shelby he has one sister, Miss Attie Bostic and one brother, Rev. Wade Bostic, both missionaries in China. A number of children survive him.

Grady Lovelace who has been interested with Roscoe Lutz and Ab Jackson in operating Lutz and Jackson's funeral home, today becomes associated with Jack Palmer's funeral home. Mr. Lovelace is a popular young man and an efficient funeral director. His many friends will be interested to know of his new connection.

Veteran In Hospital. Thos. H. Abernethy, jr., postal clerk at the Shelby hospital and World war veteran, entered the naval hospital at Portsmouth, Va., last week for an operation. He will likely be there for 10 days or more.

To Judge Club Fair. Mrs. Irma P. Wallace, Cleveland county home demonstration agent, will go to Columbus, Polk county, Saturday, November 14, to judge the 4-H club fair entries there.

Business Picks Up In City As Season Changes

October Better Than Last Year

One Merchant Did Thousand Dollars More Business This October. More Gain.

A new spirit of optimism has been evident in Shelby business circles for several weeks and continues to hold forth.

The basis for the optimism seems to be well founded. It is better business and a steady pick-up in general trade.

Held Back. The continued warm weather of the summer retarded the usual fall business considerably. With a late fall season hundreds of people postponed their annual fall shopping excursions for clothing and shoes, etc., until cooler weather. But October brought about a change. The first cool snap, which gave away later to more warm weather, brought good shopping crowds to Shelby.

Feels Better. The first of this month one Shelby business man, a dealer in wearing apparel for women, checked up on his October business and compared it with the business in October business lacked only a few dollars of being \$1,000 ahead of October last year. He has the figures to show; it is no mere estimate. And the same merchant believes that the remainder of this month and December will bring on even better business. He isn't the only one who feels that way. Other merchants could notice business improvement last month and a continued gain this month. "We haven't had any real fall and winter weather to speak of yet," one said. "Just wait until cold weather hits us and settles down for a week without warming up. You'll see more shoppers in the Shelby business section than at any time since last winter. The indications are that the delayed winter weather will be upon us right away. The way in which Cleveland people are paying their taxes shows that they have money for necessities. They have wisely cut out some of the non-essentials and luxuries but they still have money for what they need. You'll see them spending it at the proper time; buying shoes, clothing and other things when they know that winter is here."

Since 18th. The report up to the first of this month will include the ginning between the 17th of October and November 1. Up to November 18 Cleveland had ginned a little over 37,000 bales. In the two weeks period just previous to that time 20,000 bales had been ginned. Ginners and cotton buyers say that around 12 or 13 thousand bales were ginned between the 18th and first, which will bring the total to 50,000 bales.

A quantity of cotton has been ginned since the first. Although the report this week will cover the ginning only to November 1, it is thought that near 55,000 bales have been ginned in the county.

Nearly All Out. Around 85 percent of the entire crop has been picked, it is said, but only about 75 percent has been ginned, due to the fact that many farmers are not hauling their cotton to the gin, preferring to keep it at home to await a better price. A big portion of the crop which has already been ginned is being held off the market with the hope of securing a better price.

Charles Carter Held For Second Degree Murder As Car Kills Negro Women. Newton, Nov. 9.—Charles B. Carter, 19-year-old scion of a prominent Catawba county family, was held in jail here last night under a charge of second degree murder as a result of the death of two negro women and serious injuries received by several other negroes when Carter's car swerved from the highway.

The accident occurred on No. 10 highway a short distance from Newton in the direction of Statesville at 6 o'clock Sunday evening.

Swerved Off Road. The Carter car is said to have swerved from the highway into a group of seven negroes walking along the road, Quilla Nae Smyer, a negro, was instantly killed and Rose Coulter, another negro woman, died soon after the accident. A five-year-old son of the Coulter woman, whose name could not be learned, had his eyes put out and is not expected to live at a Statesville hospital. Dempsey Carter, negro, is also at the point of death in a Statesville hospital and little hope is held for his recovery. Several of the other negroes sustained lesser injuries.

Odell Hooper, a negro, who was riding with young Carter, was being held in jail as a material witness. Bond for Carter was set at \$5,000.

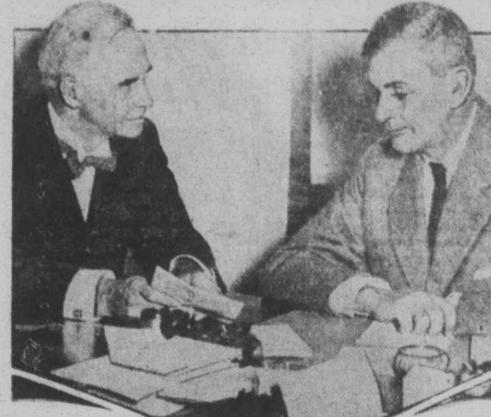
Had the car run off the highway on a 20-foot embankment near where the accident occurred, it would have crashed down upon the railway tracks below. Officers had not determined the cause of the accident, but were conducting a searching investigation into the tragic occurrence.

Young Carter is a son of Charles Carter, leading Catawba resident, a nephew of Rev. W. L. Sherrill of Charlotte, secretary of the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist church, and a grandson of the late Henry W. Carter of Lincolnton, representative in the United States congress from this district for 22 years. He was graduated from Sherrill's Ford high school last year and has been employed at a garage here.

Lovelace Goes With Palmer Funeral

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Refuse Apology to Hoover



William R. Gardiner (left), president and chairman of the board of the Navy League, with Walter B. Howe, secretary of the organization, conferring in Washington, D. C., regarding President Hoover's demand for an apology because Gardiner published a statement that the Chief Executive showed "abysmal ignorance" of Navy affairs. The Navy League board, by a vote of 7 to 1, refused to apologize and upheld its president.

About 50,000 Bales Of County Cotton Ginned

Estimated That 50,000 Bales Had Been Ginned To Nov. 1. Close To 55,000 Now.

Cleveland county, with a reduced acreage, has already ginned more cotton this year than the county made in the average year just a few years back. So say cotton men who estimated today that the county had ginned close to 50,000 bales to the first of November.

The next ginning report, issued for the entire crop of the country today, covers ginning to the first of the month. The county ginning figures will be available later this week, and it is believed they will be closer to 50,000 bales.

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Mull To Speak At Jefferson Meeting

A meeting of the Parent-Teachers association of the Jefferson school tonight at 7 o'clock.

U. D. C. Flag Drive Big Success Here

To Collect Fruits And Vegetables Tuesday For Homes Of Vets And Widows.

The flag drive conducted in Shelby Saturday by the local U. D. C. was very successful, officials of the organization announced today.

Speaking for the organization Mrs. Z. J. Thompson said that the U. D. C. chapter here was very grateful for the generous contributions made by Shelby people. It was cheering to see, it was said, how many people still remembered the boys in gray and desired to help those of the remaining Confederate veterans who need aid. More flags could have been disposed of but as it was a nice sum was realized, and the money will be used by the organization to provide additional comforts for some of the veterans and widows in this section and the remainder will go to the homes for the old soldiers and their widows. If funds are sufficient some will be contributed to the Fort Fisher memorial, where the U. D. C. hopes to erect and unveil a monument next year.

Canned Food. All members of the U. D. C. are urged to bring canned fruits and vegetables to their meeting here Tuesday, the canned supplies to be forwarded to the state homes for the veterans and widows in order to provide a food supply for the winter.

Two Killed In Highway Crash Near Newton; Young Catawba Man Held

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