

Society NEWS...

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MULBERRY STREET.

Italian Madonna
Fat, luscious, and thirty
With little boy sleek,
And little girl dirty,
And crumpled bambino
That, sinking to rest,
Receivers, to tighten its hold
On your breast.

As, guileless, you storm
All our inner defences
Assail the emotions
As well as the senses—
Your warm eyes invite us
To joy in your treasure,
To share, unabashed,
In your unbridled pleasure.

Adoring Madonna
Fat, luscious, and thirty,
With little boy sleek,
And little girl dirty,
Abandoned and lost
In a blissful Nirvana,
You lol with your young
And much a banana.
—Mildred Weston.

Music And Arts Meeting Wednesday.

A meeting of the Music and Arts Division of the Shelby Woman's club will be held at the club rooms Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mrs. A. D. Brablie is chairman of the hostess committee.

Garden Club Will Meet

A regular meeting of the Garden club will be held on Tuesday afternoon at the club room beginning at 3:30. The feature of entertainment for the occasion will be lantern slide pictures of trees, made on a trip around the world of trees in all countries. They will be shown by Mr. Hackett Wilson, of Shelby.

Pleasant Meeting Of 20th Century Club.

Mrs. William Lineberger graciously entertained members of the Twentieth Century club on Thursday afternoon at a regular meeting. The afternoon's program was on the George Washington Bicentennial, and a very interesting paper on the subject was given by Mrs. J. D. Lineberger. Mrs. S. S. Royster discussed Current Topics. At the close of the program a delightful ice and sweet course was served in the dining room where a color note of red, white and blue was carried out. Red cherries were used also as a symbol of the occasion being celebrated. Individual cakes, decorated with a spray of cherries, were served.

Misses Benton And Boyles Entertain

Miss Nita Benton and Miss Mildred Boyles entertained jointly at a pretty small bridge party on Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Lefler in Belvedere Heights. The Valentine idea was carried out in detail in decorations, tallies, and refreshments. Bridge was played at three tables and when scores were added the fortunate winners of high score prizes were: Miss Lucille Morehead, Miss Joyce Wilson, Miss Benton and Miss Boyles, and Messrs. Bill Doggett, Jim Grice, Rob Hause, Tom Harris, Euber Irvin and Mr. B. A. Lefler.

Mrs. Erwin Gives Tea

Mrs. W. J. Erwin was a charming hostess at her attractive home in Great Falls last Monday afternoon at a small tea given in compliment to her mother, Mrs. J. W. Suttle, and sisters, Mrs. D. R. Sibley and Mrs. Joe Cabanis, of Hartford, Conn., who were her house guests last week. Mrs. Erwin received her guests in a lovely afternoon frock of brown and coral. Mrs. Suttle wore a dress of Spanish tile crepe. Mrs. Sibley wore an afternoon gown of purple and beige and Mrs. Cabanis a becoming frock of blue georgette and lace.

Mrs. Frazier Has Pretty Parties

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. D. R. S. Frazier was hostess to members of the Contract bridge club at three tables of bridge. When scores were added the member's top score went to Mrs. Clyde Nolan and the visitors prize to Mrs. Gerald Morgan. A pretty salad course, carrying out the Valentine idea, was served. Guests outside club members enjoying the occasion were: Mrs. Paul Webb, Jr., and guest, Mrs. Lucille Holloman. Mrs. B. O.

Stephenson, Mrs. Gerald Morgan and Mrs. Frank Hoey.

Again on Saturday evening Mrs. Frazier entertained a few friends at bridge. Three tables were arranged for play and a delightful salad course was served. Mrs. Brady Dickson received the high score prize. Those playing were: Mrs. Charles Williams, Miss Elizabeth McBrayer, Mrs. J. S. Dorton, Mrs. Brady Dickson, Mrs. Lee Nolan, Mrs. L. G. Thompson, Miss Mary Helen Lattimore, Mrs. L. L. Sloop, Mrs. E. E. Post, Mrs. Joe E. Nash, Mrs. C. A. Burrus, and Mrs. Frazier.

Buffet Supper For Workshop Students.

Misses Betty Suttle and Mary Lineberger were joint hostesses at a lovely buffet supper at the home of the former on Sunday evening, when they entertained students and directors of the Southern Workshop, of Asheville, who were in Shelby following the vesper service given by the group at Kings Mountain yesterday afternoon. Small tables were arranged about the living room and sun room. The guests were served from the dining table, which was spread with a handsome maderia cloth and centered with a bowl of spring flowers. Mrs. Will Lineberger, Mrs. J. A. Suttle, Miss Nancy Suttle and Mrs. Louis Foreney assisted in serving.

Those present were: Mr. Ruth Wray, Mr. Glenn Smith, Miss Ruth Ritch, Miss Ida Miller, Miss Madeleine Taylor, Miss Lucy Gaston, Miss Ozell Kiser, Miss Reta Byar, Miss Mary Suttle, Miss Christine Roof, Miss Laura Plonk, Miss Lillian Plonk, Miss Elizabeth Campbell, Mr. Wilbur Morgan, and Miss Suttle and Miss Lineberger.

American Legion Auxiliary Meets

An interesting meeting of the American Legion auxiliary was held on Friday afternoon at the club room with Mrs. Roger Laughridge acting as chairman of the hostess committee. The meeting was opened with the singing of America, followed by devotional given by the chaplain, Mrs. W. A. Abernethy. During the business meeting reports were heard from various chairmen of committees. The program was devoted to talks by Mrs. O. P. Andrews, of Charlotte, committee woman of the sixteenth district, and Mrs. Charles D. Shelby, also of Charlotte, who accompanied Mrs. Andrews spoke on National Defense, having just returned home from a National Defense conference held in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Shelby made a short talk on Ways of Making Money as practiced by the Charlotte auxiliary. The program was closed with the singing of The Star Spangled Banner.

Special guests were two of the four gold star mothers of the group. They were: Mrs. Amanda Allen and Mrs. Mary June Rippey. Visitors outside auxiliary members were Mrs. C. C. Falk and Mrs. Robert Cline, of Fallston. Four new members were taken into the group: Mrs. Robert Agnew, Mrs. E. Holcombe, Mrs. Avel Snyder and Mrs. J. H. Grigg.

During the social half hour a sandwich course with sweets was served.

Cobb-North Wedding Solemnized

A wedding characterized by beauty and simplicity was solemnized on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of the bride when Miss Egberta North became the bride of Mr. Thomas D. Cobb. The impressive ring ceremony was used with Dr. Zeno Wall, the pastor of the bride, officiating. The rooms of the lower floor were attractively decorated with pink and white snap dragons, stocks and freesias. Only immediate members of the two families were present. The bride and groom entered the ceremony room together to the strains of the Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin, played by Mrs. S. F. Parker.

The bride, who is a pretty brunette, was lovely in an afternoon dress of pink celene taffeta with which she wore a shoulder bouquet of supreme roses, sweet peas, swansonia and fern.

Mrs. Cobb is the youngest daughter of Mrs. Kate L. North, of this place, and the late John E. North, who was at the time of his death a resident of Grover. She received her education at the Shelby high school and the Teacher Training department here and taught for two years in Pine Bluff.

The groom is a son of the late Lieut. Commander A. H. Cobb and Mrs. Cobb, of Asheville. He is connected with the Davey Tree Expert company, of Kent, Ohio.

Immediately following the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Cobb left by automobile for a two weeks wedding trip through Florida. Upon their return they will be located for the present at the home of the bride's

mother here.

Out-of-town guests present for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. W. Showalter, of Charlotte; Mrs. A. H. Cobb, Mrs. Luther B. E. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cobb, Jr., Mrs. Betty Cobb Albert, Miss Hamilton McDowell, and Miss Susan C. Dukes, all of Asheville. All the out of town guests were entertained at dinner by Mrs. North on Sunday.

At The Theatres

"Huckleberry Finn," the second Mark Twain story to come to the screen, is the main show at the Carolina theatre tonight and Tuesday, bringing back the famous kid cast of "Tom Sawyer." Jackie Coogan is Tom Sawyer. Junior Durkin continues his role as Huck. Miltzi Green goes as Becky Thatcher. And impudent Jackie Seal makes the mischief. The adult cast which won so much favor in "Tom Sawyer" is this time augmented by two popular character actors, Eugene Palette and Oscar Apfel. The picture employs two hundred children—the largest kid cast ever used in a single picture. Families who plan to see this delightful kid romance are in for a good time.

"Passionate Plumber," the Webb's new picture for today and tomorrow, has three star comedians: Buster Keaton, Polly Moran and Jimmy Durante. Alone, they make good comedies, but when the three go together in one picture there should be some positive reasons for laughing. The farce has the distinction of showing the world's smallest dog, Phil, a scant five inches long, weighs exactly 22 ounces and has a fluffy white fur that gives it the appearance of a poodle. Phil is of a variety known as Maltese terrier and has a bark about equal to the squeak of a medium size mouse.

Sees Japanese In War Of Conquest

Moscow Paper Carries Dispatches Throwing Light On Far East Conflict.

New York.—A Moscow dispatch to the New York Times says: That Japan has now embarked on a regular war of conquest against China is the view gradually forming itself upon Moscow's conviction. Opinions vary about the reasons that have prompted Japan to engage in a gigantic adventure which entails grave risks of friction with other great powers, but that she intends to take all the risks is no longer doubted here.

Pravda today features a report from Tokyo that a spokesman of the Japanese foreign office declared that Japan could not accept the proposal of the powers to desist from mobilization.

It also features a report from London headed "The Franco-Japanese Military Alliance" and other dispatches stating that Japan has bought French support with lavish orders to steel and munition concerns, that France has lent Japan 800,000,000 yen (about \$280,000,000 at the present rate of exchange) and that the Skoda works in Czechoslovakia, France's ally, are working triple shifts on Japanese orders.

The reasons given here for the Japanese action are twofold. First, it is said, Japan originally intended a rapid and comparatively peaceful seizure of Manchuria for economic reasons, but as a result of unexpected opposition and popular excitement the military clique in Japan got the upper hand and business circles in Japan were simultaneously alarmed by the spread of the anti-Japanese boycott in the rest of China.

In a sense, therefore, according to this reasoning, Japan found that she had got "the Chinese bull by the tail" and the military leaders could think of nothing better than to use force, leading to the present developments.

The second reason given here, which is more appropriate to Communist thought, is that Japan's economic situation has been getting steadily worse until the ruling class saw that the progressive "demoralization" of the peasant and working masses due to the depression would submerge them in a flood of revolution unless decisive measures were taken.

Accordingly, this line of reasoning holds, they decided to stake the fate of the whole nation on a desperate throw for "imperialistic victory" in China. They counted on the preoccupation and weak leadership of the Western powers, it is thought here, no less than on the support of France, whether tacit or assured by a secret agreement.

On previous occasions Japan has been forced by the Western powers to disgorge spoils won by force. This time, the Russians hold Japan is determined to grab everything in sight—or make sure of grabbing it—with the idea that whatever the Western powers do or however much she disgorge in agreement with them or under their pressure she will nevertheless retain the lion's share.

STAR ADVS. PAYS

Loy Thinks Shelby May Yet Sell Out City Light Plant

Does Not Believe in Public Operations of Enterprise. Gives Same Views.

To The Editor:

Just another word about selling the city light plant. The writer of this article has already expressed his views on the matter, of selling the light plant, but has just a few parting words which he wishes to say. He has read the many opinions which have been expressed, both pro and con and still thinks the city should sell. In selling, we would be doing exactly what nearly all of our North Carolina towns and cities have already done. The writer formerly lived in a town almost exactly the same size of Shelby and he saw the town struggle along for a number of years trying to operate its own plant and finally gave it up. He believed that this will eventually occur in Shelby. But the people do not seem to be ready for it just now.

The writer contends that the U. S. government, the state government and city governments have never proved to be good business concerns. It is an old adage that "what is everybody's business is nobody's business." One example will suffice: The state of North Carolina still owns many miles of railroad. Does she operate them? Why does she not? Well, just go back and study a little North Carolina history, and you will know.

Some one asks, why does the S. P. U. want to buy the Shelby plant? Everybody knows why. They know they can make a profit on their investment. Their lines are all around Shelby and they own the power. Would the Carolina Light and Power company, or any other power company care to buy? That is a different matter.

The writer still contends that if the city would sell its plant, pay off its bonded indebtedness and boast of being out of debt, this would be a drawing card for outside industries. Any business man or corporation seeking a new location will certainly want to know about the bonded indebtedness of the town before locating. In other words, the town must show a low tax rate.

The writer is reliably informed that a number of prospectors have visited Shelby, looked the situation over, and without exception have moved on to another town.

The writer contends that, in holding on to our light plant, we are as badly behind the other towns in this section as we are in the matter of a high school (No, he is not advocating the building of a high school just now).

The writer further contends that when an individual or a town has something that somebody wants to buy it is usually a good time to sell. Is it not reasonable to believe that there will be considerable depreciation of the light plant along with real estate and almost everything else? Also, is it not reasonable to believe that any company or individual who would consider buying will consider the condition of the equipment; and, if there is not a good deal more spent on the upkeep of the plant within the next few years than has been recently, there will be years when the plant will show a loss instead of a gain?

We are wondering how many people have taken into consideration the fact that the proposed sale of the plant does not carry with it an exclusive franchise? In other words, if the city of Shelby should become dissatisfied with the sort of deal it gets from the purchasing company there is nothing connected with the sale that would prevent the city's building a steam plant, or going out on Broad river and building a hydro-electric plant.

We are wondering, also, if the average resident of Shelby realizes that this profit that has accrued from operating the plant is due to the fact that he is paying a higher rate for his current than is being paid in towns served by the S. P. U.? Well, investigate fully, and see if this is not true.

In conclusion, the writer wishes to say that he has simply expressed his own views and not those of any other. He does not say sell to the S. P. U. But he still contends that we should sell to the individual or corporation that will pay the highest price for the plant.

H. M. Loy.

Poultry Shipments Large In Rutherford

Rutherfordton, Feb. 15.—Over 12,000 pounds of poultry was loaded here and at Ellenboro Monday and Tuesday of this week on the "Rutherford Run" over the Seaboard. This netted the farmers of this county over \$1,500 cash. Another car will be shipped February 22-23, according to county agent F. E. Patton.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to those who helped us when our barn and contents were destroyed by fire some time ago. May the Giver of all gifts abide with and bless you.
Guy Grigg and Family

Tar Heel Farm Boys Of Polkville Busy

Attend Charlotte Meeting And Hear Gov. Bill Murray. Have Chicken Stew

(By Robert Philbeck)

The past month has been a busy one with the Young Tar Heel Farmers of the Polkville chapter.

On the 20th of the month a large group of boys went to a banquet at Charlotte, given for the boys that averaged 500 lbs. lint cotton per acre for the last year's crop. They heard the governor of Oklahoma, "Alfalfa Bill," make a talk on "Vocational Agriculture in Schools." They were entertained by C. O. Kuester, and several other interesting speakers. The boys that attended the banquet this year said the treat was well worth working for.

Another thing that has stimulated the interest in our club was a chicken stew, given by the club, near the school building. It was a get-together meeting of the boys; it was the outstanding social event of the season. The purpose of the stew was two fold: it was to stimulate interest in the club and to furnish us a good, clean social. Among the other things that made it a success was the music and singing furnished by a couple of club boys Glenn Jenkins and James Turner.

The generosity of Mr. N. L. Whisnant, is not to be forgotten, for it was he, that furnished an ideal place for the stew, and helped with the cooking and other things to be done.

We have held two meetings in the last month, and added two new committees to the club, one is to see how the grades of the T. H. F. members compare with the grade of the other Vocational Agriculture boys. A report from the secretary showed that we have 35 paid members.

Old Tanyard Opens In Rutherford County

Ellenboro, Feb. 15.—A new enterprise for Sunshine is a tanyard owned and operated by C. N. Lane. It is located just one mile west of Sunshine. The farmers in that section of the county are having their cowhides tanned instead of selling them at such low prices.

The Type Sheriff We Need

To the Editor:

I was glad to read in Friday's Star that Sheriff Allen is to be a candidate again. He has made us a good officer, one of the best we have ever had and I think a lot of people over Cleveland county will be happy to vote for him once more as he says this will be his last term.

Sheriff Allen came in office to succeed an unusually good sheriff, Hugh Logan, but he has carried on where Sheriff Logan left off in a way that has made him new friends. His best asset, as his record shows, is his detective ability. The thieves and criminals are a sick lot these days and hard to catch up with, and I believe almost everyone will agree with me that he has few betters in getting to the bottom of robberies, etc. He doesn't say much, but he is on the job and he usually gets his man.

There's one other thing about him that is particularly admirable now as we finish reading about a tragic affair in which a sheriff was killed during a drinking party in this State. He sticks to his oath in enforcing the prohibition law. No captured liquor ever goes out of his office for a party, or for "medicine" or anything else. Even the people who do not believe in prohibition admire a man who sticks to his oath like that.

When we have a man like that, a man big and little can depend on, in office it is best to keep him for the one more term he asks to serve. And if you'll listen to the folks talk out over the county, you'll soon learn that they mean to put him back for another time—and this year the people are going to vote their minds. The politicians know that and are listening on the munn how the people feel about it.

(Signed:) T. C. Eskridge.

(Political Advertisement.)

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