

Around Our TOWN

OR

Shelby SIDELIGHTS

By RENN DRUM.

SHELBY SHORTS

The hottest weather of the year and coal dealers booking orders for the winter ahead. . . Numerous queries about a marriage that did NOT take place last Sunday night. . . Time gets by. The Spanish-American gathering in Charlotte this week reminds that vets of '98 are not much more numerous than were the Confederate vets just a few years ago. . . A well known Shelby physician had not had a suit dry cleaned in two years until this week. Still he is one of the nattiest dressers in town. . . Pete Grigg, back from a selling trip in rural Virginia, found, he says, that nearly every one there knows or knows of Clyde Hoey. They remember the Democratic speeches he made there in 1928. . . That gold rush story, nearby Shelby, mentioned in this corner some weeks ago, may yet develop. . . All modern girls do not play all the time. This note from an observant man: "Mary Lillian Speck, just 14, planned the meals, did the shopping and ran the house while her mother was in the hospital, in addition to giving recitation lessons to a class of girls a few years younger." . . . A letter from Governor-to-be Ehringhaus in which he spelled our name correctly. . . Don Harris, a Millside boy, had the prize joke in last Sunday's Charlotte Observer. . . Nearly everybody about Shelby can tell you what happened in the Smith Reynolds death, and they're all guessing. . . Shelby has ever so many barbershops and some of them have been in business for near two score years, but not a one has ever employed a manicurist. Most Shelby men still use their pocket knives. A few patronize manicurists when in the city. . . The boys along Shelby streets call the new three-cent stamp "Panic Postage". . . A Shelby auto dealer is reported to have cleaned up on the run-off primary. . . Talk of an uptown divorce. . . That "relict" on old gravestones in Sunset cemetery means that the person buried there was the widow of the person named after the "relict," which is "relict," meaning left behind. . . One of the oldest tombstones in the cemetery still discernible is that of a Homely buried in 1846. That was 86 years ago. . . Among the other markers is one for a 17-year-old soldier in the Confederacy who died at Portsmouth. Another is that of a lieutenant colonel in the Confederate army. . . Down in the briars, just west of the main cemetery, are a score or more of graves, many of them unmarked except for stones, and others marked with slabs on which the lettering was worn away years ago by the weather.

DID YOU KNOW, THAT?

Gastonia has a Hollywood. And it's a cemetery. New tires were purchased recently for the big pump truck in the Shelby fire department. The first set in five years and the old ones still look almost new, just rotted out and dangerous.

Babe Ruth once hit 125 home runs in an hour. It took place at Wrigley Field, Los Angeles, in 1927. The Babe stood at the plate and several pitchers took turns at tossing 'em to him until he bumped 125 over the palings.

DOESN'T LIKE \$50-BILL IDEA

Shelby people who have done some figuring on the proposed \$50-bill plan to relieve the depression may be interested in the following letter to The Star from James H. Douglas, assistant secretary of the United States Treasury:

July 5, 1932

Dear Sir:

"For the Secretary of the Treasury, receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 14, 1932, relative to a plan for the issuance of fiat currency by the Federal Government.

"Under the proposed plan the Government would apparently issue a form of fiat currency in the amount of \$50 to each man, woman and child in the country. If such currency were to circulate at anything approaching its normal face value it would do so because of the status given it by the Government's fiat. The provision for affixing a 3-cent stamp to each dollar of such currency at the time of each transfer in which it were used would, I believe, be inoperative since it is not at all clear why individuals in using this currency should voluntarily assume any responsibility for its ultimate retirement through the purchase of postage stamps to be affixed to the currency.

"It is my view that improvement in existing conditions is not to be sought through the issuance of fiat currency by the Government. The supposed benefits to be derived by an attempt on the part of a government to create funds through the issuance of fiat currency are illusory. The dangers of such a course are well illustrated by the experience of a number of European countries during the late war and early postwar period."

Very truly yours,
James H. Douglas,
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

PROHIBITION TALK AT COUNTY FUNERAL

This from a reader:
"Have you not heard of an unusual incident which took place at a recent funeral in Cleveland county? One of the ministers officiating talked five or six minutes about the life of the man whose funeral was being preached and then talked considerably longer than that about the prohibition controversy. He expressed his shame at the action of the Democratic party and stated he felt very little better about the action of the Republican party. Some men may leave the church, he declared, because the prohibition question is talked from the pulpit, but if they do, the church will not be losing any Christians. I wonder how relatives of the deceased felt about the funeral oration?"
Our answer: ask them.

A WOMAN'S LOOKS AND A MAN LOOKS

A scissor snitch from Eugene Ashcraft's column in the Monroe Enquirer:
"My old friend, W. B. Bell, in the Union Republican states: 'It is an old saying that a woman is as old as she looks, and a man as old as he feels.'
"That's wrong. A woman is as old as she looks and a man is not old so long as he looks."

TODAY'S JOKE??

A couple of men were discussing the most nonchalant people they had ever encountered. One told of several people he knew who seemed to care about nothing and worried not a bit over bad breaks. The other then told his story.
"Once," he said, "I was passing a farm home when the housewife ran out in the yard and yelled to her husband in the barnyard.
"Henry, oh, Henry!", she shouted. "The baby's et up all that Paris Green. What on earth'll we do?"
"And Henry vry calmly answered: 'Wal, I reckon as how we'll just have to knock them damb pertater bugs offen with a stick.'"

Their Voices Strike Popular Chord



The Boswell Sisters—Vet.; Martha and Connie

In a popularity contest conducted by a New York newspaper the Boswell Sisters walked away with the first prize in the harmonizers' class, rolling up a total vote of 21,249. The contest, which began May 16th, closed July 4th and the nearest rivals for the honor won by the Chesterfield stars polled 7,598 votes.

A ballot was published in the newspaper daily for 50 days, which gave the girls from New Orleans an average of practically 425 votes a day in the Greater New York area, covered by the newspaper's circulation.

Interest.

(Wall Street Journal)
In a discussion of the cause of depressions, a brilliant mathematician, associated with a mid-western university, said that the amount of money owed as interest, all over the world becomes in time so great that it cannot be paid.
Illustrating his point, he said that one cent, loaned at 6 per cent compound interest from the birth of Christ to the present time, would amount to a solid ball of gold whose diameter would be 75 times the distance from the earth to the sun.

Many Fish Placed In State Streams

Over 20 Million Little Fishes, Six For Each Person In State, Distributed.

(Special to The Star.)

Raleigh, July 13.—Little fishes numbering 20,178,429, equal to six for every man, woman and child in the State, were distributed in North Carolina during the last fiscal year, ended June 30, 1932, from the State fish hatcheries, J. S. Hargett, assistant director of the department, reports to the board of Conservation and Development in annual meeting at Morehead City. Of these, 8,178,429 are classed as game fish, the remainder being same and commercial fish.

The past biennium has been the most successful in history in production of game fish, exceeding by 3,500,000 the second highest output of 17,538,121 of the preceding biennium. Officials point out that the production has been accomplished at a steadily declining cost, which reached the low of approximately two-thirds of a cent each for the past year, as compared with one cent of the year before. This cost includes the entire cost of operation of the Division of Inland Fisheries, and is considered as economical as any similar operation on the same scale in the country.

Game fish output of 3,669,330 was achieved in the fiscal year 1930-31, the cost of operation of the division having been \$36,655, which included cost of producing 10,000,000 stripes bass (stock at the Weldon State and Federal cooperative station. The strictly game fish produced in the fiscal year 1931-32 was 4,510,099, during which year the expenditures of the division were \$26,389, including also production of 2,000,000 striped bass.

Cold water fish, the trouts, constitute a larger part of the game fish hatched at the State stations, but an increase in output of warm water fish, such as bass, bream and

perch, was noted during the biennium. The trouts can be artificially manipulated for hatching by stripping and fertilization of eggs, while the entire output of warmer water fishes is dependent upon natural production in brood ponds. Mr. Hargett points out.

More than 500,000 of the game fish distributed the past year were from the Edenton Federal hatchery, with which the Department of Conservation and Development cooperates. These fish are furnished on application of the State Department.

West Smiling As Hog Prices Rise

New Boom Hits Livestock Industry. Western Farmer Sees Hope On Horizon.

Chicago, July 13.—A boom has come to the live stock industry, with the rapid rise in hog and cattle prices for the last few weeks causing the Western farmer to smile again and the nation in general to feel that beef and pork may be leading the way upward from the depression.

About three months ago the hog-growing industry was in the doldrums. The droves of the shippers were marketed at \$3 a hundred and under, and predictions were made that there would be further declines.

Today hogs are selling up to \$5 a hundred for selected animals, the highest prices since Oct. 23, 1931, and \$2.20 above the low on May 28.

Hence the live stock markets are holding the attention of the business world, and leaders in all industries are watching the phenomenal recovery with growing hope. In the face of many adverse factors and depressing news, live stock prices keep forging ahead.

When prices were lowest early in the Spring no one apparently wanted cattle, hogs or sheep. Farmers were broke, or so nearly so that

they were almost panicky in trying to sell their live stock to pay rent, mortgages and other expenses. It was said to be one of the best clean-outs that the industry has known in years.

Packers had their cellars full of chilled and frozen meats and complained about their inability to find buyers. For weeks they refused to buy, except an occasional load of steers, hogs or lambs. The business depression, it was said, had left the majority of the consumers unable to buy meats.

Packers' Coolers Are Empty. Suddenly it was discovered that the liquidation from the farms had run its course. Now the packers' coolers are virtually empty, and they are forced to pay the highest prices in years.

Fancy heavy steers are costing them \$9 a hundred and yearlings \$8.50. Heifers likewise cost \$8 and calves \$7. The past week's average of all steers was around \$7.80, the top level since November, 1931. This is a net advance over a year ago. On the other hand, it is nearly \$3 below the average of five years ago.

Sheep and lambs also advanced. The week's average was the highest since the middle of April.

Very Bad Bug Year This Man Declares

Springfield, Ill.—This is the most prolific bug year in a decade, says A. J. Surratt, Federal agricultural statistician. He warns the residents of Illinois cities that cat lice have spread from country road to city streets to infest the eyes, ears, head and clothing of the townspeople.

One Matton resident said he drove through a cloud of oat lice so thick they covered his windshield and he had to stop and brush them off.

Oat lice do no particular damage to crops, Mr. Surratt said today but they are only one pest enjoying a boom year. Chinch bugs and Hessian fly, nemesis of small grains and corn are flourishing.

Blazing Hen Sets Off Big Barn Fire

Johnson City, Tenn., July 12.—Gentry Hal's two sons, four and six years old, set fire to an old hen's feathers to keep her from setting and then excitement started.

Ablaze and squawking, she made for the barn. The barn a horse and a bin of wheat burned at a loss of \$5,000. Seeking to aid firemen, a volunteer grabbed a hose and accidentally turned it on Fire Chief Paul Spinnenweber. The stream struck the chief in the left eye, critically injuring it.

Old Hickory Stick For F. D. Roosevelt

Hickory.—Governor Roosevelt is going to have a "hickory stick" for his campaign that was carried in the campaign of Andrew Jackson the seventh president.

Frank L. Clinard, pioneer Hickory resident, owns a black cane studded with ivory. It has been in his possession more than forty years having been handed down by his father.

"I am going to send the cane to Governor Roosevelt," Mr. Clinard said today. "I want this fine old relic of the days of 'Andy' Jackson to serve the man who may shortly grace the executive mansion and demonstrate a leadership and initiative of the 'Old Hickory' type."

They Are Going Back To Horse And Buggy

Marshallville, Ga., July 12.—Bountiful crops of feed for live stock and low prices for farm products—all of which discourages the buying of gasoline—are restoring the horse and buggy to highways in this vicinity.

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