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\$350,000 CITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT CONSIDERED

Seven Applications For Chief Of Police; Board Noncommittal

Board Remains Silent On Rumored Plan To Replace Wilkins, Who Marks His 64th Birthday Today

Seven formal applications have been made for the post of Chief of Police of Shelby, it was revealed at City Hall today, but not a hint was dropped as to whether the board of aldermen intends to retain Chief Delbert D. Wilkins on the force or to name a new man.

Besides the seven who have filed, street corner talk names at least another half dozen for the job, some of whom, it has been learned, were mildly astonished to be even considered.

7 Would-Be Chiefs

The seven whose names have been advanced for the post are Rush Thompson, auto dealer, D. L. Willis, restaurant proprietor; Mack Poston, deputy United States marshal and former member of the police force here; H. C. Long, county game warden; Ed Hamrick, insurance man; Lorin Hoyle, formerly chief of police at Cherryville, and J. R. (Lefty) Robinson, formerly chief of the fire department and now a resident of Gaffney.

One who was surprised to see his name brought forth was Harry Hudson, oil and gas man. He has not applied for the job, but several influential friends have pushed his name forward, hoping that if the post were offered he would take it.

Retention of Chief Wilkins, who today celebrates his 64th birthday, is a point of contention among members of the board, will Harris, only member re-elected from the old board, is known to favor Mr. Wilkins, while other members have not expressed any public opinion. The matter of a new chief of police has never come to a vote in a board meeting, although it has been discussed every time. Today, the matter hangs fire and any bets on who'll wear the chief's shield in Shelby would be placed on guesswork.

Ladies Ask Farmers For Fresh Vegetables

Ladies who have membership in the Hospital Auxiliary ask farmers with a surplus of vegetables to give them to the Shelby Public Hospital. The institution has a use for all kinds of fruits and vegetables to feed the many patients and would appreciate contributions of this kind.

Carpenter Killed In 15-Foot Fall At Lumber Plant

His back broken in a 15-foot fall from a scaffold at the Cleveland Lumber Plant, (formerly known as the Arrowood plant), J. C. Cox, 50-year-old carpenter of Chesnee, S. C., died in the hospital at 5:30 Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Cox came to Shelby just a week ago and was employed as a carpenter, helping to shingle the new building for the company's steam plant. He was working alone on the scaffold, which stood about a few feet from the building, when he fell. Claude Lancaster, the fireman, saw his body strike the ground, head down, but the reason for his fall could not be explained.

The accident occurred at 2:30. Besides a broken back, Mr. Cox suffered a broken left arm. He never regained consciousness, and was unable to speak to his wife, who arrived here shortly before he died. The body was taken to Chesnee yesterday for burial. Employees at the Cleveland Lumber plant felt this morning that a fix was pursuing them. Garfield Trammell was taken to the hospital shortly after 9:30 suffering with a severe cut on his right hand as a result of an accident with a planing machine. Surgeons were compelled to remove three fingers. Mr. Trammell, who has been employed at the plant for the past two months, is an expert machinist, and had been running planers for many years.

Senators O. K. AAA Measure, Crop Control

Both North Carolina senators voted in favor of the AAA amendments, passed yesterday after a month and a half of argument in the upper chamber. As a last minute gesture, the senate accepted a sweeping amendment requiring senate approval of higher salaried employees "under this or any other act of congress."

The bill has two main purposes — to arm the Secretary of Agriculture with weapons to push farm prices up to a parity with prices of other commodities, either by the processing tax method, or through marketing and crop control agreements; and secondly, to prepare for the time when the Supreme Court will pass on the validity of the AAA program.

Boiling Springs To Open Sept. 3; Hopes Are Bright

Pre-registrations Already Above 100; Add New Course; Announce Faculty

A. C. Lovelace, newly elected president of Boiling Springs Junior college has just completed a three weeks tour of Rutherford county and the Sandy Run association and said today that with more than 100 pre-registrations for attendance already in, prospects are unusually bright for the college.

Announcement was made that September 3 is the date set for opening the 7th year of the institution as a junior college, after nearly 25 years as an academy and high school.

Finances Better Outlook for financing the college this year were given by Mr. Lovelace as much better than last spring. A special committee is still working on a plan to relieve the debt situation and arrange a steady income, at least adequate for expenses. "One of the main things," said Mr. Lovelace, "is for every church in the Kings Mountain and Sandy Run associations to place the school in their church budget."

Expect Day Students More day students will be one of the aims of the college this year and the president is expecting many from nearby towns to drive in each day.

Map Is Posted For New Road Between Shelby And Grover

The road map has been posted in the court house as required by law, indicating the route surveyed for the new Shelby-Patterson Springs-Grover road and if no objection to the route is made within thirty days, the project will be put on contract.

Shelby and Cleveland county people are pleased that this long promised road is moving near a reality after being promised five years ago.

The route surveyed follows the present road practically all the way, except that sharp curves are eliminated, especially on both sides of Buffalo Creek between Patterson Springs and Grover.

The next step after the map has been posted for thirty days will be

Cleveland Farmers To Get Advice On Soil Erosion Work

State Leaders To Be On Program

Motorcade To Attend Charlotte Meeting To Get Instructions For 13 Counties

Instructions to farmers, county agents, and soil erosion administrators from 13 counties will be given Saturday at Charlotte in a meeting called by the state Soil Erosion Service with headquarters at Raleigh and High Point.

Cleveland county is expected to be represented by the county agent John S. Wilkins and representatives from each township. A motorcade will leave the office of the county agent at 8:30 Saturday morning.

Present at the meeting will be representatives from the Raleigh office, according to Dean I. O. Schaub, of State college, and from the High Point office which supervises work of the CCC camps.

Counties to be represented at the meeting will be Cleveland, Rutherford, Polk, Gaston, Catawba, Iredell, Davidson, Rowan, Cabarrus, Mecklenburg, Union, Anson, and Richmond.

Most of the above counties have CCC camps and Cleveland is slated to have the work begun here soon. Mr. Wilkins said this morning that the fact that farmers from this county are being asked to the meeting to get instructions is a good indication for immediate action.

Just when a contingent of CCC boys will arrive or when actual soil erosion work will begin is not known.

LOUIS KING VERY ILL AT SHELBY HOSPITAL

Louis King became gravely ill yesterday and was taken to the Shelby hospital for treatment. He had been suffering for a short time with sore throat, but his physician this morning did not reveal a diagnosis.

He was reported at noon today by hospital attaches to still be in a serious condition, but somewhat improved over yesterday.

MRS. J. T. BEVERLY DIES AT WADESBORO HOME

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at Salem church in Anson county for Mrs. J. T. Beverly of Wadesboro, who died at her home Tuesday after a lingering illness.

Two daughters, Misses Charlotte and Sadie Beverly are nurses and live in Shelby. They are in Wadesboro attending the funeral.

Morning Cotton LETTER

NEW YORK, July 24.—Most of the buying power was centered in the distant, including pools and foreign purchases. Growing condition continue in the main satisfactory. Some improvement in gray good in Worth street was reported. Today's weather is expected to be mostly favorable. The action of the market late yesterday indicated that some further setback may take place.

THE MARKETS Cotton, spot 11 1/4 to 12 1/4 Cotton Seed, wagon, ton 32.00 Cotton Sed, ton, car lot 35.00

to advertise for bids for the grading and top-soiling. It was stated by Chairman Capus Waynick in his office some months ago that when a road is put under grading contract, funds must be allocated for the hard-surfacing which must be done within a reasonable length of time. The estimated cost of this road is between \$85,000 and \$90,000, including bridges, etc. Earl citizens, disappointed that the spur road through that town has not been included in the Shelby-Grover road as a joint project, have written letters urging that this be done in accordance with a motion made by District Engineer Ross Sigmon when this road was put on the preferred list.

Press Government's Oil Case



John W. Preston (right), associate justice of California Supreme Court and special appointee of President Roosevelt, confers with U. S. Attorney Pierson M. Hall at Los Angeles where they will file suit for recovery of naval oil lands from Standard Oil Co. of California, allegedly misappropriated.

Report Second Polio Case; Thompson Issues Warning

With the second case of infantile paralysis reported here this morning, Dr. H. C. Thompson, county physician and health officer, issued an emphatic warning to parents against risking exposure of their children in any home where illness of any kind exists.

The second case is that of five-year-old Bobby Dover, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Dover, of Carlisle town, south DeKalb street extension. The child is the youngest of five

and is the patient of Dr. D. F. Moore, formerly county health officer. Investigation does not reveal that the patient was ever in contact with Dorothy Ann Hamrick four-year-old first victim of the malady in Shelby.

Dr. Thompson said he had observed extreme carelessness in many instances of parents who took their children to visit in homes where there were sick children. Infantile paralysis, like many (Continued on page ten)

Public Hearing Thursday On \$150,000 School Plan

The Cleveland Board of Education, through its secretary, Superintendent of Schools J. H. Grigg, this morning posted notice of a public hearing on the question of creating special school bond taxing districts for the \$150,000 program of school building and repairs for county schools.

The county commissioners will meet with the board of education at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, at the court house.

Plans Now Ready Architects were at the office of the board this morning with blue prints and specifications, which are virtually ready for submission to the Public Works Administration. Possibly, some of the smaller projects will be submitted to Works Progress, which employs relief instead of contract labor.

The proposed new high school for Shelby is included in the projects up for discussion tomorrow. This would affect the tax rate in Shelby City Administrative unit, district No. 33.

City Cuts Off 700 Patrons Who Won't Pay Light Bills

Ungrateful Cows Eat Doc's Shirt

MOORESBORO, July 24.—At least one man of this community, B. W. Bailey, a veterinarian, has come to the conclusion that cows don't have any sympathy. Anyway, the local cow doctor had to borrow a shirt to wear home the other day. While he was treating the ailing cow, her daughter and one of her nieces ate the doctor's shirt, every button and stitch of it.

Dr. Bailey was treating the ailing animal, having first hung his shirt on a post. When he went to get it, the niece and the daughter of the sick animal had filled their stomachs with it. He had to borrow a shirt to wear home.

Relief Work Here Temporarily Halts

All FERA work in Cleveland has been temporarily halted because of lack of funds. Projects this month exceeded the budget, but work will be resumed when the next month's check arrives from Raleigh.

Approximately 200 men are given a few days work each week on FERA projects. There are more than 400 families now on the relief rolls.

Foust Convicted, Implicates Two In Depot Theft

21 Indictments Made By Grand Jury

Two Shelby Men Arrested On Instigator By Judge In Cigarette Robbery

Two more arrests in the Southern railway robbery of Sept. 16, 1934, were dramatically made yesterday morning by Officers Knox Hardin and Paul Stamey on an instanter process issued in the court room by Judge Hoyle Sink, when Harold Lee Foust, already found guilty, decided to talk.

He implicated Jesse Leffler and Graham Padgett, Shelby young men, who will face an indictment by the grand jury.

Foust himself was found guilty and sentenced to serve from 15 months to seven years in state prison. This was on the breaking and entering charge. On the larceny charge he was given from five to seven years, to go into effect on motion by the solicitor.

Arrest of the two suspects and sentence of Foust partly solves a robbery on which police have worked for more than a year. Seven cases of cigarettes were stolen from the freight office of the depot. George Foust, brother of Harold, was arrested here, but escaped in a jail break last year.

True Bills. Twenty-one true bills were returned by the grand jury as the court went into its third day this morning. They included a bill against Walter Leaks, colored, charged with the murder on April 1 of Beatrice Johnson, also colored, and a bill against Arthur Graham, Bon Stevenson, Odell Huit and A. E. Ashe, charged with conspiracy to assault with a deadly weapon, on complaints growing out of strike-trouble at the Eton mill last spring.

Among sentences passed are those of O. D. Stockton, two years for assault, and George Morrison, three years in the Cleveland jail on conviction of breaking and entering Charles Rinehart's store. Everett Cline charged with breaking and entering and larceny, was dismissed for lack of evidence.

The true bill includes: Haywood Barrett, larceny; Carl Bridges, larceny; Lowell Devinney, breaking and entering; Odus Towery, b. and e. and larceny; Harry Allman, b. and e. and larceny; Beach Grayson, false pretense; Geneva Wray, disorderly conduct; Charles Freeman, b. and e.; Everett Cline b. and e. and larceny; James Hall, b. and e. and larceny; Alfonsi Hoskins, b. and e. and larceny; James Sisk, b. and e. and larceny and W. C. Douth, larceny.

Shelby will have a tax rate of \$1.20 on the \$100 property valuation this year or 15c above past year, it was decided this morning at a special meeting of the city council.

For the past several meetings the council has given consideration to this matter, finally deciding to raise the tax in order to avail itself of Federal grants under the WPA and other government agencies.

By the increase in the city tax rate, the city hopes to avail itself of over three hundred thousand dollars Federal funds in a public improvement program which will include new paved streets, water and sewer extension, new sidewalks and a new water tank of not less than a half million gallon capacity.

Aldermen Harris, Doggett and Riviere were present at the called meeting this morning and voted for the increase which was favored by the mayor. Alderman Goble was out of the city, but had expressed himself favorable to the rate increase.

It is hoped by reducing the city's debt service charges and refinancing methods, the rate can be reduced to \$1.05 within three years.

Masonic Meeting. Regular meeting of Cleveland Lodge No. 202, A. F. and A. M. Friday night.

Cleveland Ought To Raise Fish, Judge Sink Tells The Lions Club

Judge Hoyle Sink, who's traveled more than 700,000 miles in the past 23 years, offers Cleveland an idea in thrift culled from the Japanese. Judge Sink, who is presiding over the term of superior court now in session here, told the Lions club last night how he got his dinner one day when he ordered fish in a Japanese restaurant. The waitress took him out to a small pond, and he picked out his own fish.

All through Japan, he said, he noted the thousands of little fish ponds, and no chicken yards. The Japs raise their own fish, for food. The Piedmont part of North Carolina could profit by that idea, he

Board Acts On Plan To Submit Proposal For Grants From PWA

Board Passes On 30-Mile Paving Plan, New Sewers And Water Mains, Parks, Playground

A \$350,000 city improvement program, including playgrounds, a swimming pool, a new fire department, remodeling City Hall, 30 miles of paved streets and \$75,000 in new sewer and water mains was discussed and tentatively approved by the board of aldermen in a called meeting Monday night.

The program would be financed through PWA and WPA grants, through a fifteen-cent city tax rate boost, and through issuance of twenty-year bonds. Cost to Shelby would be about \$100,000.

Economy, Says Mayor "I was elected on a platform of advancement," said Mayor Harry S. Woodson, "The people put us in office because they want these things, and I consider it nothing but the most obvious economy to take advantage of these twelve and fifty-five cent dollars through Federal grants."

While the major part of the program has not been definitely decided upon, the board has voted approval of the water main, sewer and paving project, which will be submitted to the WPA.

Cost \$9,000 The WPA-Works Progress Administration—allows a grant of 20 per cent of the total cost of a project for materials, provided this does not exceed 50 per cent of the full cost. The \$75,000 sewer project would cost the city approximately \$9,000, Mayor Woodson said. The street-paving proposal embraces all thoroughfares within the city limits, approximately 30 miles. To finance this project, it is proposed to ask an assessment of 50 per cent 100 feet from property owners benefiting, the city to pay another 50.

Consider Bond Issue "I'm sure that money for these projects can be borrowed at not more than three and a half per cent," said the mayor, "and with the tax rate raised 15 cents, this would take care of paying interest and principal, about \$9,000 a year. Within two years it would be possible to reduce the tax rate to \$1.05, the present rate."

Refunding and refinancing of present bonded obligations would help make this reduction possible, Mr. Woodson said. City Engineer Dan Frazier is this week speeding preparations of street and sewer plans for submission to the W. P. A. Another project, passed on by the board is to eliminate the traffic

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Open City School On September 16; 4 Resignations

At a meeting Monday afternoon the board of trustees of Shelby public schools set the official opening date for the high school and elementary units as September 16.

Nearly 4,000 children will resume their studies at that time which is less than two months away.

Resignations Resignations were accepted at the same meeting from Miss Octavia Jeter, history; Mrs. Cecil Gillatt, French; Miss Kate Wilson, science teachers in the high school and from Miss Louise Gill, principal of the Graham street school.

Miss Maggie Murray McGowan, of this place and honor student at Greensboro college was elected to fill the history vacancy. Miss McGowan made a brilliant record in both high school and college. Action on the other vacancies was deferred by the board until a later meeting.

Miss Wilson will continue her work in social research in which she has been since early summer in mountain counties of the state. Mrs. Gillatt will devote her time to the floral business with her husband, and Miss Gill has accepted work in her home town of Laurinburg. Miss Jeter's plans were not learned.

Now living in Greensboro, the judge cited his own county, Guilford, which probably has more lakes and pools than any other county now, offering both sport and fresh food.

No need to send to the coast for fresh fish, he said, "if we in this section would take advantage of our opportunities."