

SOCIETY NEWS....

Mrs. Renn Drum, Editor

Mrs. Drum may be reached each morning at The Star Office over Telephone No. 4-J. At other times at the Cleveland Hotel, Telephone No. 128.

PRESBYTERIANS TO HOLD BUSINESS MEET.

Members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will hold their regular, monthly business meeting at the church Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Members are urged to be present.

MISS BERNICE SHYTLÉ TO WED MR. STALLINGS

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Shytle announce the engagement of their daughter Bernice to Robert Glenn Stallings the marriage to take place in the late summer or early fall.

Mr. Stallings, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stallings of Winston-Salem, has been in Shelby for the past year and a half. He is better known as "Lefty" Stallings pitcher with the C. C. baseball club.

WEDNESDAY CONTRACT CLUB IS ENTERTAINED

Mrs. C. J. Mabry entertained members of the Wednesday contract club Wednesday afternoon at a three table party. In addition to club members her guest included Mrs. B. W. Dickson Mrs. B. B. Matthews and Mrs. Jim Wilson.

After several enjoyable progressions scores were counted and prizes went to Mrs. R. M. Laughridge for high score and to Mrs. Charles Lever for second high among members and to Mrs. Dickson for scoring high among visitors. Simple refreshments were served.

METHODIST CIRCLES TO MEET MONDAY

Circles of the Woman's Missionary Society of Central Methodist church will meet Monday afternoon as follows:

The Fanny Thompson circle will meet with Mrs. Sam Ellis at 4 o'clock; the Betty Lineberger circle with Mrs. Lewis Forney at 4 o'clock; and the Mary Lee Hudson circle at the home of Mrs. R. Lee Weathers, Camp Hill, Polkville road, at 3:30. All members are invited to attend the meetings.

GOLDEN LINKS CLASS WITH MRS. GREENE

Mrs. Graham Greene will entertain members of the Golden Links Sunday school class of Central Methodist church Monday evening at 8 o'clock at her home at Boiling Springs.

All members and honorary members are invited to attend. Those who plan to go are asked to meet at the church at 7:30 and the entire group will make the trip together. Members of the class are urged to attend the regular class assembly on Sunday morning.

WEEK-END HOUSE PARTY AT CHIMNEY ROCK

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. McLeod, Jr. of Winterhaven, Florida, and Mrs. Wayne Williams and two children of Laurinburg came to Shelby today to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. U. Woods. Mr. and Mrs. Woods and their two daughters, Marjorie and Anne, with their house guests and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Short and daughter, Patsy, left this afternoon for Chimney Rock to spend the week-end, having taken a cottage to accommodate their party. Mrs. Woods is a sister of Mrs. Williams and Rev. Mr. McLeod.

MRS. NOLAN HOSTESS TO CLUB MEMBERS

Mrs. Clyde Nolan entertained members of the Contract bridge club and a number of other friends Wednesday morning at her home on Cleveland Springs road. Players were present to make up six tables and after the game was played for four progressions scores were counted and prizes went to Miss Minnie Eddins Roberts who won a pair of hose as members' prize and to Mrs. Charles Dover, whose prize, for visitors scoring high was a set of linen tea napkins. Mrs. Nolan gave Mrs. Whitelaw Kendall, bride of the spring, an attractive gift.

A pretty plate luncheon was served at 12:30, the hostess being assisted in passing the plates by her sister Mrs. Harry Caldwell of Gaffney and by Mrs. Ed McCurry, Mrs. Lowery Suttle and Mrs. Frank Kendall.

Out-of-town guests present were Miss Anne Armstrong, of Baltimore, who is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Frank Kendall, and Mrs. Cline Lackey of Gaffney, guest of Mrs. Suttle. Other visitors present, outside the club membership, were Mrs. Dover, Mrs. Whitelaw Kendall, Mrs. Suttle, Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Vick Wray, Mrs. Joe E. Nash, Mrs. B. O. Stephenson, Mrs. Furman McLarty, Mrs. Gerald Morgan, Mrs. D. Z. Newton, Miss Hattie Gidney, Mrs. Tom Moore, Mrs. D. R. Yates, Mrs. J. C. Eskridge, Mrs. C. E. Webb, and Mrs. R. H. Rogers.

MISS WHISONANT AND HARRIS ARE HOSTESSES

Miss Lucille Whisonant and Amanda Harris entertained at a bridge party Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Harris in compliment to Miss Nell Freeland of Ellendale, who is visiting Miss Whisonant this week. Sharing honors were Miss Essie Bass, home from Washington, D. C., on vacation, and Mrs. Floyd Willis, bride of June. The girls wore pretty party frocks of varied designs and colors; Miss Whisonant was dressed in blue net. Miss Harris wore white organdy. Miss Freeland wore blue satin. Miss Bass' dress was of pink chiffon, and Mrs. Willis wore white crepe with jacket of navy blue organdy.

Each of the three honorees received a gift and the prize for scoring her cousin, Miss Frances MacGregor of Forest City, who is visiting her cousin, Miss Frances MacGregor.

A color note of pink and green was effectively carried out in details of the party. Lime ice, pink iced cakes, pink and green striped ribbon sandwiches, nuts and punch were served.

Two Implicated In McSwain Death

(Continued from page one.)

and hair the next morning, July 14 when he picked them up. He was unable to recognize any of the men, he said, but heard a blow struck.

Sheriff's Statement
A statement by Sheriff Raymond Cline, who was unable to be present, further implicated the defendants. This statement, read by Solicitor Horn with permission of the defense, declared that Upton told the Sheriff that he and Blanton had a fight with McSwain on the night of July 13, on their way to Pine View Lake, McSwain, according to Upton's statement to the sheriff, continued to take the wrong road, was drunk, and belligerent. Upton said he snatched the keys out of the car, that they fought, and that Blanton struck McSwain on the head with a rock.

They left him at Pine View Lake and did not see him again, according to Upton's statement to the sheriff.

Dixon on Stand
Dr. Sam Schenk, called as an expert witness, said that McSwain died of a hemorrhage on the right side of the brain. Questioned, he said that it might have been caused by a blow on the left side. McSwain, he said, had suffered a blow on this side, which made a two-inch gash above his ear.

J. M. Poston, who saw the car in which McSwain was found, said that there was no blood in the driver's seat, but that the rear floor and the right of the front seat were liberally smeared. The car was 200 yards from his home, headed toward Shelby, he said.

Dan Pritchard, called to the stand, said that he had talked with Upton after his arrest, and that he, Upton, said Blanton struck McSwain with a rock. He said that McSwain threatened to kill them with a knife.

More than 500 spectators jammed the sweltering courtroom all morning. Court was to have resumed at 2:30 today.

GRIGG EXPLAINS SCHOOL ELECTIONS

It was explained last night before the Kiwanis club by J. H. Grigg, superintendent of county schools, that Shelby will not only get a grant of 45 per cent of the cost of the proposed new high school building, but also a grant of equal amount on the site and equipment.

Mr. Grigg explained in detail the ten elections to be held in the county Sept. 14th on special taxes for enlarging the school buildings under the government's liberal offer and pointed out that no opposition has been voiced from the rural communities.

He called attention to the fact that new registrations are called for in each district and that to carry out the program, a majority of registered voters must be cast their ballots favorable to the plan. A majority of votes cast is not sufficient.

Mrs. Clyde Thackston and two children, David and Marilyn Jane, spent Thursday in Gaffney, S. C., with the former's aunt, Mrs. C. D. Taylor.

Navy Will Aid N. C. to Set Up Radio System

RALEIGH, Aug. 2.—Naval experts will be requested to come to North Carolina to make a survey in connection with the establishment of the state radio authorized by the 1935 general assembly as an aid to prevention of crime and capture of criminals. Revenue Commissioner A. J. Maxwell states.

Governor Ehringhaus will be asked to write direct to Secretary of the Navy Claude A. Swanson for a technical engineer of the naval communications staff for the survey. Mr. Maxwell said. Michigan asked and secured such aid eight years ago and its system is working satisfactorily.

Probably four sending stations will be established in the state and the 40 new Ford roadsters recently purchased for highway patrolmen will be equipped with receiving sets. The additional force of patrolmen, 121 in all, will take to the roads August 1. They have been in training a month.

Carolina Revenue Gains 10 Per Cent During One Month

More Than Four Million Dollars Received During July Department Reports.

RALEIGH, Aug. 2.—Revenue collections in North Carolina from all sources increased \$382,427.21 or 10.18 per cent during the past month the first of the current fiscal year, in comparison with figures for July, 1934, the state revenue department reported today.

The statement showed the collections amounted to \$4,140,442.05 for the month ended today, as against 3,758,014.84 for July a year ago getting the state away to a fast start from a financial standpoint.

Revenue division collections gained for \$2,195,908.27 for July last year to \$2,330,956.29 for the month ended today, while the motor vehicle division returns showed an increase from \$1,562,106.57 to \$1,809,485.76. The general fund percentage gain was 6.15 per cent, while that of the motor vehicle section was 15.84 per cent.

Sales Tax Gain
The sales tax of three per cent despite the fact that no returns have come in since exemptions were listed July 1 on all articles but milk, reflected a gain of 27 per cent—from \$556,580.07 for the first month of the past fiscal year to \$709,979.46 for the month ended. The gain was partially due to the tax on meals which went into effect June 1.

66 NORTH CAROLINA COUNTIES TO HAVE LOWEST WPA WAGE

Scale Of \$19 to \$39 A Month To Prevail In Most Of State;

RALEIGH, August 1.—The lowest wage scale provided under the WPA program will apply in 66 of North Carolina's 100 counties.

A tabulation by the state WPA office showed that this minimum scale, ranging from \$19 a month for unskilled labor to \$39 for professional and technical services, would rule in the greater part of the state, the allocations being made according to the population of the largest town in each county.

Group A, in which the 66 counties fall, includes counties with towns of less than 5,000 population found 26 counties. The wage scale in group B, with towns of from 5,000 to 25,000 population, are for these runs from \$22 to \$46. Group C, 25,000 to 80,000 population, provides a scale of \$25 to \$55, and consists of two counties, Wake and New Hanover.

Five counties—Buncombe, Durham, Forsyth, Guilford and Mecklenburg, fall in the group D classification, 50,000 to 100,000 population, with a scale of \$27 to \$64 a month.

Yearly pay in this state under the WPA will range from \$228 for unskilled labor in the lowest group to \$768 for professional and technical services in the highest group.

ROBERTS TABERNACLE SERVICES FOR SUNDAY

Services for Sunday, August 4th at Roberts Tabernacle CME church are as follows: Sunday school at 9:45. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. "Text 'Come and See.'" Holy communion at the morning service. Evening service under auspices of senior stewardess board. Epworth League at 5, evening services at 7:45.

Action Of Young Bickett Recalls How His Father Stopped Mob As Governor

RALEIGH, Aug. 2.—North Carolina again has been reminded that the Bicketts neither dodge trouble nor fear mobs. A sense of duty, a capacity to meet a crisis, seems to be a family trait. All that remains to be learned is whether, in dealing with mobs, the son can be as successful as the father.

It was late one night some 15 years ago, that The News and Observer called Governor Bickett and informed him that a mob was storming the Wake County Courthouse and jail in an effort to lynch Earle Neville, Negro, charged with rape. Bickett might have called for troops and taken a chance they would arrive in time. Instead, he slipped on an overcoat over his nightclothes, stuck a pistol in his pocket and hurried to the Courthouse, where the mob was beating down the doors with hammers and chisels, firing as they battered.

"Stop!" a member of the mob yelled as the Governor approached. "This is the Governor of North Carolina," said Bickett, and kept coming.

"The hell you say!" yelled somebody. There were more shots. Bickett kept coming. "I want to talk to you," he said.

That display of courage—"guts," in the language of the mob—stopped them long enough to listen. The Governor climbed to the Courthouse steps and made a speech. When he finished the mob dispersed. Later Neville was electrocuted.

The other day when news of the lynching reached Solicitor William Y. Bickett, the Governor's son, he went straight to the scene—was there ahead of the troops, while the body was still hanging to the tree. True that the Negro already had been lynched before he reached

there but also true that he left Raleigh for Franklin County the moment he heard of the trouble and drove wide open all the way. Too late to stop the lynching, the Solicitor immediately began his investigation. He was getting the names of witnesses before the Sheriff had come to earth.

What information Bill Bickett got, is as yet not known. The fact that he is a native of Franklin will make his job more unpleasant when the investigation begins at Louisburg today. But, also, it may help him to secure a conviction. There's no way around it, Bill Bickett has a nasty job to do and the whole State will be watching him do it. If he gets a conviction out of a lynching—something people are betting he cannot do—the phrase "like father like son" will echo from coast to mountains.

The Solicitor is 36 years old but his legal experience covers wide Superior Court prosecution he served as prosecutor in the Raleigh City court for years.

Last year Bickett was swept into office by a majority of 2,000 votes over the incumbent after a campaign in which he was seen more than he was heard. He did very little speechmaking but he got a lot of votes.

The Solicitor went to the University at Chapel Hill and to Wake Forest. He is an amateur airplane pilot—when Mrs. Bickett and the two children are not looking—and before he became an officer of the law he broke it daily with some of the fastest automobile driving seen around these parts—a training which stood him in good stead as he went to Franklin County the other day.

"Under the Dome," Raleigh News & Observer.

Shelby Infant Death Rate Lowest In North Carolina

(Continued from page one.)

had a higher birth rate, but Utah led North Carolina's figure.

Wilson High.
Wilson had the highest infant death rate of any North Carolina city in 1934, was 60 deaths and a rate of 159.6, while Chowan had the highest of the counties, with 40 deaths and a rate of 145.4 per 1,000 live births.

In 1933, Fayetteville, with 162, had the highest death rate in the municipal list, while Wilson's rate was 134.9.

Gastonia Rate.
Gastonia had the highest municipal birth rate in 1934, with 539 babies being born for a rate of 30.3. Asheville, with 992 births, had the lowest rate, 18.5. In 1933 Greensboro had the lowest birth rate.

14 Gaston Mills Battle Processing Tax in Court

GREENSBORO, Aug. 2.—One Charlotte law firm in Federal district court here Wednesday filed 15 actions on behalf of cotton mills fighting the collection of cotton processing taxes and asking the court to declare the tax unconstitutional. All of the mills save one are in Gaston county.

Judge Johnson J. Hayes set August 5 at Wilkesboro at the time for Collector Charles H. Robertson to appear and show cause why collection of the tax should not be temporarily restrained.

The mills entering suit are the China Grove Cotton Mills, of Rowan county, and the following mills from Gaston county: Crescent Spinning, Chronicle, Climax Spinning, Acme Spinning, Eagle Yarn, Imperial Yarn, Linford, Majestic Manufacturing, National Yarn, Perfection Spinning, South Fork Manufacturing, Stowe Thread, Stowe Spinning and Sterling Spinning.

The total of such suits now in the district court is near 100, and apparently the deluge is just beginning and the files of the court are to be overrun with litigation of the kind. The court in granting restraining orders is requiring bonds for protection of the taxes and is bending its efforts to get an early opinion of a test action of the Cannon Mill.

BRASS BAND TO PLAY AT MOORESBORO GAME

MOORESBORO, August 2.—The Spindale brass band will play at the game between Mooresboro and Forest City here tomorrow afternoon. The two teams have always been close rivals, and fans are looking forward to an unusually interesting contest.

YORK COUNTY GROWERS EXPECT BIG PEACH CROP

YORK, S. C., Aug. 1.—York county peach growers are now marketing one of the biggest fruit crops they have ever produced. The yield is exceptionally large and the quality of the fruit is said to be excellent.

At The Theatres Penny Column

"The Keeper of the Bees" is on last runs at the Carolina today. Neil Hamilton and Betty Furness are starred. John Wayne in "The Dawn Rider" will feature Saturday's program at the Carolina. Comedy and serial are extras on the same bill. The new process technical color photoplay, "Becky Sharp" with Miriam Hopkins begins at the Carolina on Monday.

THE FULLER BRUSH COMPANY announces new drastic price reductions: Fiber Broom \$1.19, Wet Mop 99 cents, Push Broom \$1.79, Dry Mop \$1.95, Wall Brush \$1.65, Flesh Brush \$1.19, Friction Shower \$3.45. All waxes and polishes drastically reduced. L. E. Couch, phone 350-R. Shelby, N. C. 1t pd

NINE GOOD FARMS FOR SALE, about four million feet timber, near Mooresboro and Ellenboro. See Joe S. Martin, two miles West of Mooresboro on Highway 20. 3t 2p

FOR SALE: ONE CANE MILL furnace, and evaporator complete. John Crawley, Shelby, N. C., Rt. 2, 2t 2pd.

O. M. Suttle of Columbia, S. C. is expected to come to Shelby Monday to spend his vacation, next week, with relatives and friends. Mrs. Suttle is spending some months with relatives in Texas.

CARTERET COUNTY OPENS HER FIRST LIQUOR STORE

BEAUFORT, Aug. 2.—The first Carteret county liquor store opened here shortly after 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon and sold \$126.95 worth of liquor before closing less than three hours later. Walter Willis is manager of the store and Leslie Mason is his assistant.

See It Monday



Carolina Theatre

try Gulf 3 weeks IN THE "TRAFFIC COURT"

Wanted: A fair trial

If it's been some time since you've used Gulf, try it 3 weeks—then give us your verdict. Try it in traffic. Starts. Crawls. Get-aways. Climbs. There's no fairer test—and we think you'll confirm a recent judgment...

750 Turned Judges

We went to 750 owners of average cars—asked them to judge Gulf against their regular brands on mileage, starting, pick-up, power, all-around performance.

Gulf Won the Verdict!

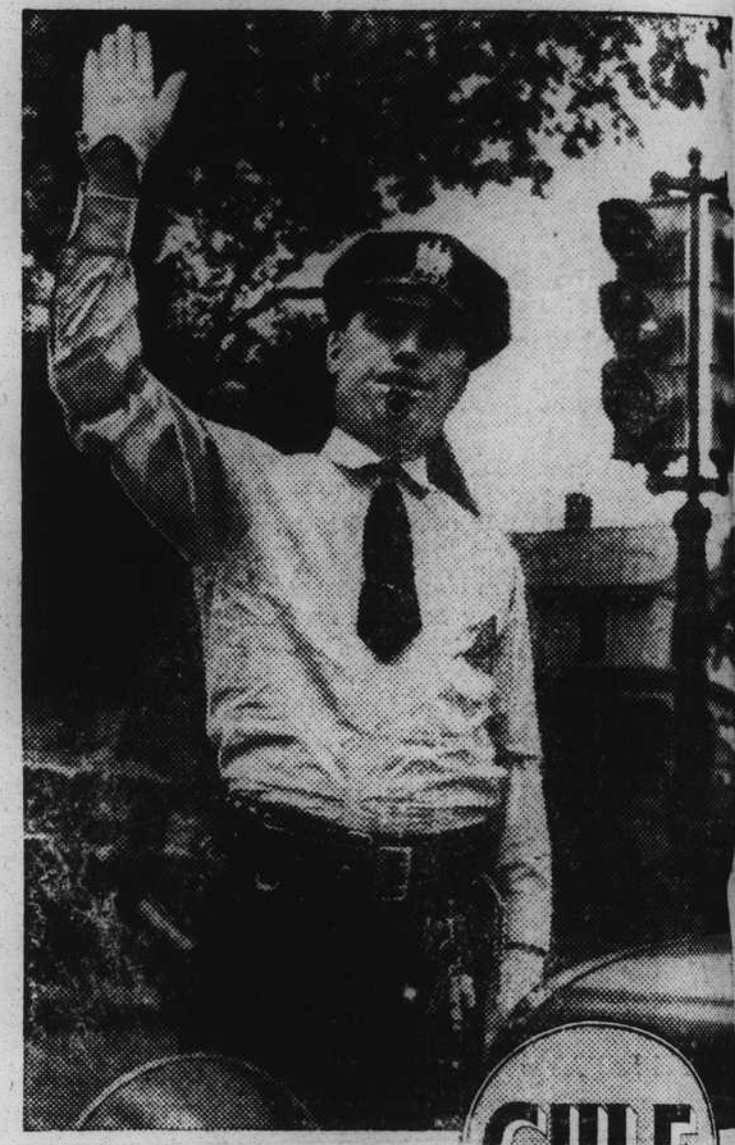
At the end of the trial, 7 out of 10 voted Gulf superior on one or more of the 5 counts—many on all five.

Reason? Controlled refining makes Gulf 5 good gasolines in one. Gives it not only 2 or 3—but all five qualities of a perfect gasoline.

Try That Good Gulf 3 weeks—and you'll be an addict!

GULF REFINING COMPANY

What tip on "pickup" can cut down gasoline bills? You'll find the answer in this Gulf Booklet, plus 14 other valuable economy hints. Free—at the Sign of the Orange Disc.



THAT GOOD GULF GASOLINE

1/2 PRICE SALE

Starts Tomorrow August 3rd

In Order to Make Room For The New Sentinel

Line of Radios, We are Offering Our Entire Stock of Radios at

1/2 PRICE

This Includes Philco, Zenith, Stewart-Warner, Majestic and Many Others.

This is the first and only opportunity you have ever had to buy a Radio at such prices.

Pendleton's Music Store

