#### WEATHER

North Carolina: Cloudy, showers in east and central portions, partly cloudy Friday, colder in west. Official Shelby temperatures: High 47, Low 42, Rainfall 0.32.

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# NATIONS ARE SECRETLY SENDING SPAI

# Mattsons Are More Hopeful

## THINK CONTACT IS MADE TO PAY RANSOM MONEY

No Definite Report, Cheerful Attitude Is Noted

AD IS PRINTED

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 31 .- (AP)-Apparent restoration of confidence within the family of Chas. Mattson gave rise to speculation today that contact had been made with his bearded abductor and assurances received that the 10-year-old lad

A household visitor, who would not permit use of his name, reported a new spirit of confidence throughout the household of Dr. W. W. Mattson, well-to-do phyisician and father of the missing boy.

Mrs. Mattson Sleeps Mrs. Mattson reported Tuesday to be near a breakdown, slept soundly brough the night, the visitor said, after mingling with friends most of Wednesday. Muriel, 14 year old siser of Charles, likewise seemed to old Johnny Shepherd who was on have recovered from the shock of trial for the slaying of her son, he kidnapping she witnessed, the isitor said.

Dr. Mattson and William, 16, stray bullets. (Associated Press Charles' brother, made several trips fuesday to undisclosed destinations and appeared in good spirits.

and appeared in good spirits.

Early today, Dr. Mattson denied GENERAL MOTORS making any statements about ransom negotiations. Informed he had been quoted as saying no contact with the kidnapper had been estabshed, Dr. Mattson said:

'Any such reports are untrue. I have made no statements. I have nothing to say now.'

The new confidence that Charles (Continued on Page Eight)

Morrison To Get Sentence Today

MARION, Dec. 31.-Lee Morrion, Cleveland county man, will ikely be sentenced this afternoon after conviction of manslaughter in onnection with the death in Octoer of his mother, Verdict was reurned yesterday afternoon.

Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., presidcreasing number of strikes against ag deferred sentence until today. units of the General Motors cor-Mrs. Minnie Morrison, the mother, poration, an observer said today, was drowned when the car in might lead to a tie-up of the entire shich she and her son were riding automotive industry except the Ford ran into Lake Tahoma near here. Motor company. Morison, the state charged, told conflicting stories.

### ope Improves Is Statement Today with the same proposition, with the

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 31 .- (AP)pe Pius XI was reported semi- time longer because of existing supfficially today to have rallied and plies. ept better last night than at any me since his illness took a turn The aged Holy Father, after

saring mass, was said to have felt New Year's greetings to sover- but John L. Lewis (head of the C.

### ardners To Attend White House Dinner

Former Governor and Mrs. O. strikes in effect at five of its Fishax Gardner will leave Shelby Fri- er Body plants. Three of these disy night to be the guests of putes caused the closing of nearby dent and Mrs. Franklin D. Chevrolet plants dependent upon sevelt at a private dinner at them for bodies, White House, and the diploatic reception which follows. All plomatic representatives from for-m countries located in Washingand a number of American dipats at home for the holidays as mats at home for the holidays as is in Washington, will attend reception.

former Governor and Mrs. Gardwill return to Shelby in time to elect Olyde R. Hoey in Ralon Jan. 7th.

#### FOOTBALL

Radio broadcasts tomorrow of w Year's football games fol-

Sugar Bowl, WJZ, 2:15 p.m. Orange Bowl, WABC, 2:15 p.m. East-West, WOR, 4:30 p.m. Rose Bowl, WJZ, 4:50 p.m.

Avenger

Before 150 horrified spectators in

the court room at Jackson, Ky., Mrs.

Viola Wickline (above) suddenly drew a pistol and killed 18-year-

Harvey Jaffard, 17, Christmas Eve.

Two by-standers were wounded by

MAY BE TIED UP

dustry Except Ford

To Be Affected

CINCINNATI, Dec. 31.-(A)-

About 2,500 employes of the

Chevrolet Motor Co. and Fisher

Body Co. plants in suburban

Norwood joined today the in-

creasing number of strikes

against units of the General

DETROIT, Dec. 31 .- (A)-The in-

"It looks as if it will be a show-

I. O.) is forcing it." The Ford Mo-

The fifth Fisher plant to close

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own automotive parts.

Photo)

## Clyde R. Hoey's Election Biggest News Event Of 1936 In Cleveland County

Roosevelt, General Politics, Violent Deaths, Weather, Follow In Order Named

By WYAN WASHBURN

The process of making Clyde R. Hoey, a native of Shelby and Cleve- state and county. land county, the next governor of North Carolina easily ranks as the No. 1 story of the year for the Shelby Daily Star as your news editor today takes a look at the files and picks nine others.

By "story" I do not necessarily mean one article, but a succession of articles which follow one central theme or character. What Mr. Hoey has done, his political campaigns, his speaking engagements and his approaching governorship have made news for The Star almost

Local Consideration

In picking the others I have contime it happened. However we will

high interest. Here they are:

No. 2. President Roosevelt himself, and all the political personality influences he had. And with it (which would rate a position for its own performance) was his famous and "never to be forgotten"

passing through Shelby without be-

ing seen. No. 3. General politics, in the

No. 4. Violent deaths, of which 22 were by auto. No. 5. The weather, hot, cold, dry

and wet, plus storms. No. 6. The new farm program of soil conservation and its implications for farmers.

No. 7. The "alphabets" or the continuation of the WPA, the PWA NYA, RA, ERA, etc. N. 8. Building activity.

No. 9. Rural and city schools, enlargement and building. No. 10. Cleveland county fair.

Second Ten A second ten stories which have been important may be listed as sidered the play of the news as it follows: No. 1. Surfacing of roads in developed in the columns of the its end and rebirth in the county; the county; No. 2. the Red Cross. paper and the display it got at the No. 3. county commissioners, their stick to local stories, although such 4. Max Gardner, always in the news fair, the violent storms, and wars Cleveland Cloth mill; No. 5. The and buying full control of the in Europe and Africa have carried tulip gardens of Gideon Price and

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# Belief Entire Auto In- MANY PRESENT

### Marks Banquet For Hoev

members present.

Alfred H. Ward, president of Ward's class meetings recently. the whole industry will be faced exception of Ford. The smaller companies may work for a short

cian's tricks. down between the committee for Shelby and a quartet composed of it be expanded later to the full \$13,- 14-inch guns. industrial organization and the automative industry. The manufac-

large class next Sunday.

# AT HOEY DINNER

A banquet which climaxed a con-

Oliver Anthony and his group, the "blues" provided the banquet. "If the General Motors tie-up becomes effective by Monday," said

automotive reports, "it will mean most original and best planned of

rionettes; J. B. Ivey, Charlotte merchant, a close friend to Mr. Hoey was present and gave some magi-E. O. McGowan told what Mr.

special music. Mr. Hoey graciously accepted all cian and two nurses.

General Motors remained the chief target of the United Auto-WANTS \$25,000 FOR motive Workers of America, with

> WINSTON-SALEM, Dec. 31 .- (AP) age suit here for injuries he said county. he suffered when a train engine backed into his automobile on De- Large Estate Is

## Dry Rainy Year Brings All Sorts Of Weather To County

It has been a dry rainy year! sounds, it is entirely the truth. More figures. rain has fallen the past year than in any five previous years, yet crops in this county suffered the worst drought in the memory of residents under 50 years of age.

A total of 62.10 inches of rain had fallen up until six o'clock last night, ember 1.37; December, 6.53. according to the official figures of

Rain By Months Rain was still falling today in

As paradoxical as that statement inch, possibly two inches to those

To show what made it a wet, dry uary, 10.32 inches; February, 4.79; March, 6.13; April, 7.89; May, 0.47; June, 2.08; July 6.52; August, 5.64; September 3.94; October 6.44; Nov-

May, the planting month John Phifer, government record June the starting month were almost as dry as tinder, and Cleve-

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# deemid certain

### County Boards Approve

Complete accord of the county test of eight weeks in the Clyde medical society, the board of com-Hoey Bible Class and which was a missioners, board of health and repsort of farewell event for Mr. Hoey resentatives of the state board of and this morning.

points to Carl Thompson and his county board of commissioners on been weakened. sicians of the county and today tions.

with the local board of health. The physicians voted to support lity Japan might agree to an exten-R. H. Cooke, B. B. Dellinger jr., 000 per year program of which the freshed enough to begin drafting turers do not want a show-down, Clyde Brown, and Neal Moser gave state would furnish approximately WILL BROADCAST THE \$6,500. This would include a physi-

tor company produces most of its the compliments. J. H. Grigg will However, what they recommendtake his place as teacher of the ed and what Chairman Joe E. Blanton says the county will likely do is to begin with an \$1,800 a year program of which the county and city Ferocious Dogs ENGINE HITTING CAR will pay \$900 and the state \$900. A social security nurse would be secured to direct in an educational way -E. F. Edwards filed a \$25,000 dam- the public health program of the

# Left By Lambeth

GRHENSBORO, Dec. 31 .-- (AP)-An inventory filed with the clerk of court showed Robert Lee Lambeth, furniture manufacturer, left an estate valued at \$1,022,260.76. only \$50,000 in real estate and the rest in stocks, bonds, insurance, and bank deposits.

### year here is how the rain fell: Jan- Banks, B. and L. and Postoffice Close

Banks, building and loan associations and the postoffice will observe a holiday tomorrow. City and county offices will remain open. There will be no rural or city delivery of mail nor will any of the

# Today To Start

LONDON, Dec. 31. - (AP) - The world toed the line today for an unchecked naval rearmament race as the Washington limitations treaty of 1922 and the London pact

From the dawn of the New Year, technically, all barriers to naval Interesting Program Medical Society And London treaty of 1936, signed by building would be lifted as the the United States, France and Great Britain, had been ratified only by the United States.

Europe's shipyards hummed with preparations for unbridled competition in strengthening the nation's naval arms, permitted after the treaties die at midnight.

was held at the Central Methodist health was announced here today among the expected builders of sea church last night with about 175 following two meetings last night power embittered because it believes the dying pacts gave other great As the situation now stands only powers an advantage so great the "reds" who lost the contest by two official action is needed by the empire's first line of defense has

Monday to give this county a social The only hopes for slowing down J. D. Linberger was in charge of security nurse as the first step in rearmament rested in the possibithe program which was one of the a full-fledged health department. lity other powers would sign bila-Dr. G. M. Cooper, chairman of terally with Great Britain, under the state board of health of Raleigh the unratified 1936 treaty, binding Mrs. Carl Webb and son Billy and Dr. Roy Norton, in charge of themselves to the provision for an-Webb entertained briefly with ma- county health service with the board, nual exchanges of information reconferred last night with the phy- garding new construction inten-

There was also a waning possibiand cooperate with the health de- sion of articles 19 of the Washing-Hoey has meant to the class and to partment and recommended that ton treaty restricting battleships to

INAUGURATION OF HOEY

RALEIGH, Dec. 31.-(A)-Plans are being made here to broadcast the inauguration of Governor-elect Clyde R. Hoey January 7.

# **Used In Attack**

AVILA, Spain, Dec. 31 .- (A)-Ferocious dogs loosed by Socialist militiamen during hand-totroops by surprise today, in a hand fighting with insurgents, took Fascist Gen. Jose Varela's government counter-attack near Villa Verde.

The maneuver almost resulted in a socialist victory, insurgent field headquarters acknowledged, but the animals and men were finally beaten off after penetrating the Fascist

The animals were described as savage "halfwolves" which, led by militiamen, leaped at the throats of the insurgent defenders. Many of the Fascists were bitten by the dogs, headquarters declared.

The dogs apparently had been trained to obey their masters and attacked blindly on a given signal. They did not bark warnings to unsuspecting Fascists.

# World Toes Line S. C. Man Abducted, Taken To Texas, Shot, Robbed

### BULLETINS

BEAM, KENDALL RALEIGH, Dec. 31. - (A) Robert D. Beam, formerly of Shelby, engineer with the State School Commission in charge of operation of plants, resigned this afternoon to join the staff

of the Wachovia Bank and Trust company and Henry Kendall of Shelby was appointed to succeed him. JERSEY EXPLOSION

CLIFTON, N. J., Dec. 31.—(A) -At least five men were critically burned today when an explosion destroyed one building at the plant of the Standard Textile Products company, one of the country's largest manu-facturers of oilcloth.

STEEL AFFECTED YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 31 .-(A)-Strikes in the automobile industry began today to affect the steel industry, with workmen already laid off in fabricating plant and with "hold" orders on steel shipments received by larger producers.

BIG EVENING NEW YORK, Dec. 31 .- (A)-A note of prosperity was in the air today as the nation ushered another old year toward its exit and went gaily about preparations to sound a rousing welcome for the New Year tonight. From coast to coast there were reports indicating the arrival of 1937 would witness a New Year's eve celebration perhaps unpar-alleled in the country's history.

SIXTEEN HURT CHESTER, Pa., Dec. 31.—(A) -A gas tank on a ship way at the Sun Shipbuilding company yard exploded today, injuring sixteen workmen.

# Bound During Long

Of Recovery FORT WORTH, Tex. Dec. 31-(P) Police searched today for two men cials. South Carolina man, near his home on Christmas day, drove him to Texas, discharged a shotgun load in

Trip; Little Chance

he lay criticaly inljured in an Arlington hospital, Shaw told of picking up the men on a road near his Colhoun Falls, S. C., home. He said they kept him bound during the long trip and at night tied him to

When they released him in the vicinity of the race track, they left but returned to shoot him with his

Shaw said they robbed him of 600 with which he planned to buy a farm. Bound as he was, Shaw managed to pencil a note to his wife which was on his person when two men found him lying by the road and rushed him to the hospital.

Doctors, who performed an emergency operation in an attempt to save Shaw's life, said he had little chance for recovery.

# Plans Being Made

Dr. Zeno Wall today announced that preliminary plans have been made for the annual revival meeting of the church.

Walnut Street Baptist church, larg- cache of Lindbergh ransom money est in Louisville, Ky., will be the had been found and that he was visiting minister. He is a well known ready to "tell all" about reputed figure in the south. The date of the new developments in the case meeting will be June 6 to 20.

the names of seven new deacons day. Other official sources made recently added to the board of the denials church. They are: John P. Mull, J. Through his press aide, William L. Suttle, S. A. McMury, Dr. A. Pitt Conklin, the governor said he would Beam, W. H. Hudson, O. V. Ham-rick and Paul Webb. neither affirm nor deny the report published by the Philadelphia Recrick and Paul Webb.

## 40 People Meet Violent Death In County In 1936

Death struck violently 40 times in | selves, two fell, and one was drown-Cleveland county last year or to ed and one sawed. persons who live in or were passing through Cleveland county, and 22 umns of the Cleveland Star, now

Tragedy and heartaches were unreported. brought to the homes of scores of other persons who were injured or Lawndale; Charles Hopper, Earl; who had members of their family L. D. Munday, Shelby; W. E. White;

Five persons were killed by light- liam Carl Herndon, Grover; Peter ning; four were murdered, three met death in fire, two killed them-

of the deaths were directly caused the Shelby Daily Star, contains 40 persons. There may be some others

> Auto fatalities: Mann Tolbert, Hazel Costner, Toluca; John Elam Davis, county line-Lincoln; Wil-

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## HITLER REPORTED **RUSHING TROOPS** TO HELP FRANCO

German Soldiers In Civilian Garb Leave Ports

### OTHERS ALSO GO

By The Associated Press Powers of eastern and western hemispheres faced a deepening puzzle over Spain and a new naval arms race today while the "little world war" on the Iberian peninsula raged un-checked through the dying hours

BERLIN, Dec. 31 .- (A)-Chancellor Adolf Hitler was reported in omatic quarters today to be taking advantage of the delay in nonintervention negotiations to speed up movement of Nazi volunteers to

Germany, these sources said, was unlikely to call a one-sided truce in the face of reports volunteers were still continuing to join the socialist troops from other coun-

The Nazi press reported departure of Madrid sympathizers from Scot-land despite the Franco-Britain de-mand for Hitler to agree to halt the low of aid to Gen. Francisco Fran-

co's insurgents.

Diplomatic quarters pictured a rush by all countries concerned to get as many troops as possible on the battlefields of what has been described as "the little world war" in Spain before strict regulations

How many Nazis were leaving Germany to answer Franco's re-ported demand for more aid to storm Madrid was a secret held in utmost confidence by high offi-

Apparently not even the port au-

In Civilian Garb Most of the volunteers were ashis stomach and then left him near and Hamburg is civilian clothing.

Arlington Downs race track.

From scattered sections of the country came vague reports from

> military service. They knew only their soldier sons suddenly left home in civilian garb, asserting they had been or-

> dered on "special missions."
> Estimates three weeks ago put the number of Germans fighting under the Spanish Fascist flag at 10,000. If that figure was correct, there are probably many more tow. After a day of hurried conferences in which high diplomatic and military officials were recalled to Berlin, Hitler left last night to resume his holiday in the Bavarian

Hills at Berchtesgaden. Der Fuehrer did not lift the veil from Spanish policy, suddenly brought to the fore by French-British demands for strict non-intervention and Franco's reported plea

## For Annual Meeting Lindbergh Money Is Again In News

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TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 31 .- (A)-Dr. Finley Johnson, pastor of the A report that a \$21,650 "goldback" brought a terse "no comment" fr Announcement was also made of Governor Harold G. Hoffman to-

ord, and would hold no press conferences on the case during the day.

#### County Lightning Deaths Are High

Your chance of being killed by lightning anywhere in the United States is one in a million-Your chance of being killed by lightning in Cleveland county is one in 11,400, if this year's num-

her is kept up.

Five people were killed by lightning in this county during 1936, a county containing 57,000 inhabitant Roughly, 'he percentage of deaths in this county was almost 100 times as much as the average for the nation