

Hay And Fruit Crops Will Offset Low Cotton Price

That's The Opinion of C. C. Blanton, Shelby Banker, Who Sees No Reason Why "Blues" Should Hover About

Charles Blanton, banker, asserts in the following interview with The Star, that there is no need for calamity howling in Cleveland county; that the people are well provided for; that although the price of cotton is and probably will be low, other crops are abundant; that the farmers have grown enough forage to tide them over the winter without ruinous outside buying; and that worlds of fruits and vegetables have been canned and preserved, and that the savings thus affected will in large measure make up for cotton losses. He says he believes cotton will secure a ready market, and advises farmers to sell at current prices, discouraging the idea that the commodity will go up.

The Star asked Mr. Charles C. Blanton, president of the First National bank, Saturday what he thinks of the financial outlook in Cleveland county, now that the price of cotton has taken a circus flop, slipped off the economic tight rope and hit the mat.

The interview was interesting, instructive, illuminating, and put the bunch in a bunker who have drawn their handkerchiefs and are shedding Pola Negri tears.

According to the banker the Cleveland county cloud has a silver lining—even a golden tint. He says there is more to be thankful for than we probably will get around to. In effect this: that although the price of cotton is low, the county will make a big crop—and furthermore every other crop was a record breaker. Which means there will be very little buying away from home.

The outlook for fall business, Mr. Blanton distinctly said, is from fair to good; there will be money and it will be spent; and many debts will be paid off. And the good folks hereabouts will go on enjoying life as of yore.

We quote Mr. Blanton off hand, and informally, as follows:
"The price of cotton will be low, but we will have a big crop. One of those conditions therefore serves as a sort of balance to the other. Another counter-balancing situation is the abundance of other crops. Cleveland county people this year will have very little need to buy supplies outside. The forage crops are immense, and the money we spent last year for hay and feed—enough to make the heart bleed—will be saved.

"And a vast supply of fruits and vegetables have been saved for family use. Which will do away with the necessity for buying much canned goods. Last year we spent fabulous sums for canned goods. This year we save that money."
"The saving of those two items will be immense. And will very largely go to offset a short income from the cotton crop."

"Another helpful factor is this—that we produced cotton cheaper here this year than heretofore. That is a very essential lesson to be learned, and we are learning it—the lessening of the cost of production."

"In fact the salvation of our farm situation reposes largely in the three conditions mentioned: To produce for home consumption, both forage foods and table foods, and to reduce the cost of production."

"Those lessons learned we have taken a big step ahead toward economic independence."

Mr. Blanton held out no encouragement that the price of cotton may be expected to rise. In fact, his advice expressed through this interviewer is, for the farmer to sell his cotton, pay his debts, and start afresh, that little apparently will be gained by holding on and hoping for a better price, which now seems vain.

Asked expressly if he believes there will be a continued market for cotton at current prices, he said yes, he believes the demand will be active at the reduced figure.

**Spartanburg Fair
Officials on Visit**

Officials of the Spartanburg Fair association were among the visitors to the Cleveland county fair last week.

The South Carolina fair promoters came here securing ideas from North Carolina's premier fair to be used in bettering the well known Spartanburg event.

LOCAL MARRIAGES DECLINE. RECORD BOOK DISCLOSES

Only One Couple Married During Fair Week, Fifteen In Month

Wedding bells are chiming in none too great a quantity over Cleveland county. Fact is, the marriage record for the past few months show that the "two-in-one" unions are decreasing in number. Encouraging, however, it is to note that October is at hand and the big marrying season of a farm section is in the offing.

According to Register of Deeds, Weathers, October, November and December are the big months on the matrimonial mart hereabouts. This may be due to several things. With the cotton picked and sold perhaps there are more five-spots to tender for the now high-priced license. Then it may be that with "spare-ribs" in abundance prospects are brighter. Anyway, the fall months are the money months of Cleveland county and also the marrying months.

Therefore, Register Weathers is expecting business to pick up over September. For during the past month only 15 couples purchased marriage papers here. In August only 14 couples were married. The usual figures for these months run around 20.

Low Figure. Register Weathers says fewer couples secured license from him during July than in any month since he has held the office. The total for the month was five. However, a slight fall-off usually follows any rush and the "bride month" of June witnessed 18 county marriages.

An idea as to the decrease in local marriages may be gained from the fact that only 52 couples have secured license in the past four months, and only one couple was married during "fair week."

Court house officials stick to their usual explanation of the decrease in saying that the South Carolina line is too close for would-be husbands to start married life with such an expensive thing as a \$5 license.

**Big Firms Buying
Twine Of Schencks**

The fact has been brought forcefully to light that such giant concerns as the J. C. Penney company, the Woolworth company, and the Kresge Five and Ten cent stores, are extensive buyers of wrapping twine from the Schenck Lawdale mill.

J. G. Mauney, of the Seaboard Airline railway, told The Star Saturday, that the past week the shipment of wrapping thread from the Lawdale mill to these big corporations has been more excessive than ever, that he made out as many as 125 way bills in one day for these shipments. Mr. Mauney said these firms are buying of the Lawdale mill as much as 60,000 and 80,000 pounds of twine in one consignment.

The shipments are billed all over the country, according to Mr. Mauney, from California to Maine.

Mr. E. E. Scott, local manager of the Penney company, stated that to his knowledge the Penney company had been buying wrapping twine at Lawdale for years.

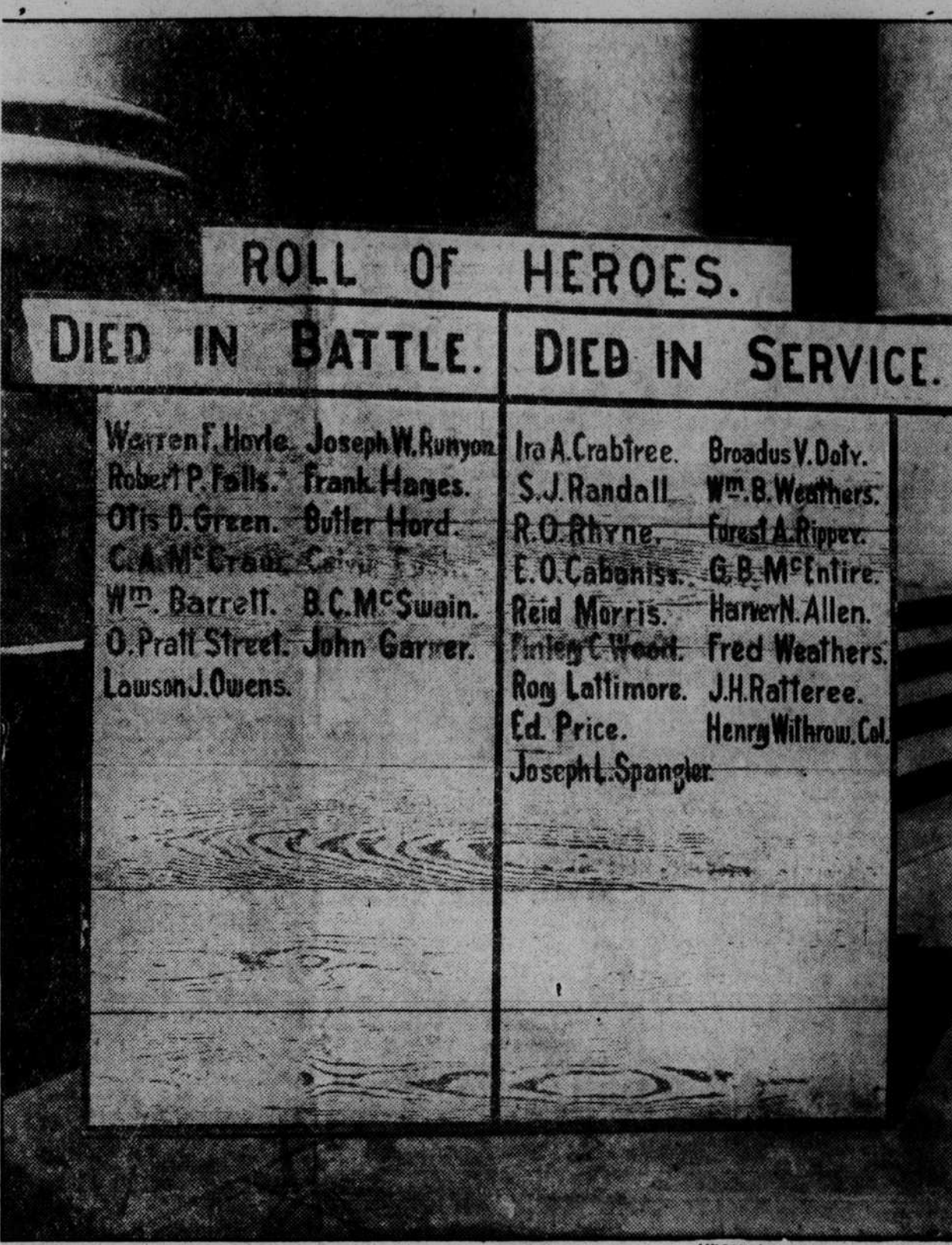
**Nelson Callahan
Honored At College**

A message was received here today by Supt. I. C. Griffin, of the city schools, stating that Nelson Callahan, one of Shelby High's most popular and brilliant students, was one of the seven members of the freshman class at the University of North Carolina to be nominated today for the class presidency. The balloting is being carried on today along the Australian plan.

Young Callahan was an outstanding student and orator while in school here and is one of the many youngsters hereabouts "making their way." Whether or not he is elected Shelby friends are elated over the honor coming to him in the nomination.

Miss Mary Osborne Wilkins of Brevard spent fair week with Miss Alice Sanders.

Is This The Best Cleveland Gives Her World War Dead?



Will This County Permit A Plank Board To Be Their Only Memorial?

**HIGHS DEFEATED
BY BIG GAFFNEY
GRIDIRON SQUAD**

Young Shelby Outfit Given Severe Licking by Powerful Gaffney Machine. Clary Stars.

Several years have passed by since Shelby has received severe defeat on the local football field but Friday the Gaffney Highs, upstate champs of South Carolina, made up for the missing defeats by administering a crushing 33 to 0 trimming to the local eleven.

Frankly, it was near heart-breaking to the Shelby sidelines, hopeful for a strong team this year, but it must be admitted that Gaffney presented for their entertainment one of the strongest high school football machines ever seen in action here.

Outwighed, outplayed and outmaneuvered the little local eleven displayed gobs of fight in hanging on doggedly until the last whistle. Crushed by a powerful offense the youngsters regained their composure in the final moments of play and made their only first downs of the game.

The Gaffney backfield, headed by Clary, one of the most versatile backs ever seen here, demonstrated that they have a drive equal to an ordinary college backfield in this state. Whether it was through the line or around and the big backs seldom failed to gain first-down yardage in one try and their heft line split up the Shelby defense on practically every call. Clary always led the attack, but he was supported by three others versatile in every department of the game.

Only in the first and last quarters did the lightweight Shelby line present a solid defense. Through the first quarter they held remarkably well but soon superior weight and drive broke down their stam-

ping.

Read the list on the above board, if it is possible, and think for a minute. Every boy on that board should have a memorial. Surely, all of them should.

It's high time Cleveland county was contributing. The flowers

A Mother Whose Boy Came Back Contributes To Memory Of The Boys Who Didn't

Will you stand for it? Above is pictured the only memorial Cleveland county has erected so far to her sons who died during the World War. A plain plank board, with the paint peeling off and dilapidation showing around the corners.

Back in '17 who would have said the patriotic folks of this county would be satisfied with such a poor memorial to the "boys who never came back?"

When the above board was erected there were those who said that it was only temporary; that in the days to come Cleveland county would build a fine memorial to those smiling-faced youngsters who marched away to an eternal sleep. Nine years have passed by. Years filled with eventful happenings, and somehow or the other a better memorial to the heroic dead seems to have slipped the memory. Frankly, isn't it almost a disgrace that a prosperous county, a county that prides itself on its patriotism and worthy young men, has forgotten to better honor the memory of the brave young men who died during the world's greatest conflict?

It's for you to answer. The old wooden "Roll of Honor" at the court house offers its mute testimony of the regard those boys are now held in. Surely you can't be satisfied to have the coming generations peer about a peeling wooden board trying to see the names of the boys who gave their all.

Still such seems to be the case. Several weeks back The Star decided that a suitable memorial should be erected and initiated a campaign to create such a fund. Some money has been contributed. There were fathers and mothers, friends and sweethearts that couldn't forget. But otherwise the fund fails to show any speed in growing.

Read the list on the above board, if it is possible, and think for a minute. Every boy on that board should have a memorial. Surely, all of them should.

It's high time Cleveland county was contributing. The flowers

have bloomed again in Flanders fields, bloomed many times. The white crosses, row on row, still tell their tragic story of the dread conflict. Out over Cleveland county many hearts have never mended, and there are many homes where a bustling, youthful voice is heard no more. On the streets of Shelby familiar boy figures of '16 are not seen any more. Never will be. Still an old white board is all we have to remember them by!

"Lest We Forget"—isn't there a bit of mockery in that?

A Mother Remembers

However, there are those who week by week send in their contribution. This time it is a mother. Her son came back, but there were long months when she wondered if he would, and now she's willing to help build the fund to honor the mother's boy who didn't come back. She can understand how it feels to give a son and see nothing to honor his memory except a wooden board.

Perhaps her letter would be interesting. The writer is none other than Mrs. Cleo Gardner Robertson, of Riverside Drive, New York, once one of the town's most popular girls.

In a letter to the editor she says: "I am greatly interested in the idea of a war memorial to be erected on the court square. As a mother whose son came back from the war, I feel that it is a little help towards the memorial in honor of those who did not come back to their mothers and families." "I am also enclosing a picture

Over 35,000 Attend Fair Here Early Estimate Shows

**BAPTISTS TO MEET
TUESDAY AT KINGS
MOUNTAIN HOMES**

Prominent Baptist Leaders of the State to Be Present. Assignment of Homes.

The Kings Mountain Baptist association representing about ten thousand Baptists in Cleveland county meets Tuesday morning, afternoon and night and Wednesday morning and afternoon with the Kings Mountain First Baptist church of which Rev. C. J. Black is pastor. Mr. Black has written a history of his church which will be distributed at the association. Rev. John W. Suttle, moderator, says there is no subject of outstanding importance to be considered by the association, but a number of prominent visitors are expected.

Dr. C. E. Madry, corresponding secretary of the Baptist State convention will present the co-operative program which embraces all objects of missions. Dr. M. L. Kestler, general manager of the Thomasville Baptist orphanage is expected to be a visitor. M. A. Huggins, secretary of the educational board and a representative from Wake Forest college, whose name is not known.

Homes of Delegates.
The committee on entertainment has assigned the following homes to the delegates from the various churches that compose the association:

- W. F. Stuyres—Buffalo.
- D. W. Adams—Flint Hill.
- B. G. Barber—Pleasant Ridge.
- J. C. Bumgardner—Beaver Dam.
- Mrs. J. B. Thomason—One-half of Boiling Springs.
- G. A. Bridges—Mt. Sinai.
- J. R. Cline—One-half Elizabeth.
- E. W. Griffin—One-half Elizabeth.
- J. L. Cole—Dover.
- J. H. Davis—New Bethel.
- R. F. Elam—Ross Grove.
- W. C. Falls—Walaces Grove.
- R. C. Gold—Union.
- C. J. Gault—Lawndale.
- E. W. Hord—Double Shoals.
- Joe S. Hord—Pleasant Grove.
- G. D. Hambright—Double Springs.
- M. E. Herndon—First Shelby.
- G. M. Hull—Macedonia.
- J. Y. Irvin—Zion.
- L. C. England—Caprenters Grove.
- W. H. Harmon—Patterson Grove.
- Whit McDaniel—Waco.
- J. E. Lipford—One-half of Lattimore.
- L. M. Logan—One-half Boiling Springs.
- D. G. Littlejohn—One-half Lattimore.
- I. A. McGill—Grover.
- W. A. Morris—2nd Kings Mountain.
- Mrs. F. Floyd—One-half New Hope.
- W. T. Parker—Casar.
- W. Hill Putnam—Oak Grove.
- G. G. Page—Sandy Plains.
- W. G. Hughes—One-half Shelby second.
- J. M. Rhea—One-half Shelby second.
- J. R. Roberts—Zoar.
- J. R. Reynolds—Fallston.
- G. H. McDaniel—Eastside.
- C. E. Carpenter—One-half New Hope.
- Mrs. A. P. Carpenter—Patterson Springs.
- Mrs. C. F. Stowe—Poplar Springs.
- W. A. Williams—New Prospect.
- W. D. Weaver—North Brook.
- H. M. Houser—Norman Grove.
- Mrs. W. F. Logan—Bethlehem.
- J. C. Keller—Pleasant Hill.

**Robinson's Circus
Is Here Tuesday**

Trains Loaded With Animals, Biltent and Equipment Arrives Tuesday Morning.

Robinson's circus, follows closely on the heels of the big Cleveland county fair. The special trains carrying the trained animals, giraffe, actors and circus equipment will reach Shelby early Tuesday morning from Charlotte where it is showing Monday.

This is the 103rd tour of the John Robinson Circus and it's making Shelby for the first time in a score of years. Mr. John Harriks' land between West Warren and West Marion streets has been secured for the performance, and immediately after the arrival of the train, the pitching of the big tent will begin.

John Robinson's circus comes this year with its rings, arenas and hippodrome track filled with the best in the world of the big top. More trained wild animal numbers are offered by John Robinson's circus than any other circus on four-hundred people, horses and animals participate in the gory and unique spectacles, which opens the performances at 2 p. m. and also at 8 p. m.

There are over 1,000 people with the big show. The equine department numbers over five hundred, while scores of wild and domestic animals are featured in the show proper and also in the menagerie. John Robinson's tent will seat nearly 10,000 people, and city of canvas will actually cover nine acres.

**Black Boston Bull
Firemen's Mascot**

Pug-Nosed Canine To Be Pet of City Fire Department. Looks Mean, and Is Mean.

There's a new hanger-on at the Shelby fire department. His name is "Bobby", and he is a black Boston bull that looks mean and is mean.

"Bobby" came to Shelby from Asheville several days back and has been officially accepted as the new mascot of the local firemen. He has already made himself at home about the red fire trucks and the fierce teeth sticking out from the demijawed face under the pug nose are none too encouraging to loiters.

"Bobby's" official lineage has it that he is a "Boston screw-tail bull." Whether or not he takes the arrival of the new \$12,500 fire truck as an event in his honor Bobby has not said.

MORRIS HELD FOR COURT OVER AUTO CRASH LAST WEEK

Details of Fatal Crash Reviewed Before Judge Mull Today. Big Crowd Attends.

Clyde Morris, young white man of Kings Mountain, was bound over to Superior court today following a preliminary hearing before Judge John P. Mull on the charge of manslaughter in connection with the fatal auto crash last week that resulted in the death of Andrew York. The amount of the bond was fixed at \$1,000.

Two cars, it will be remembered, crashed at a road intersection east of Shelby on the opening day of the fair, one car turning over and fatally injuring Mr. York and inflicting injuries upon his daughters. Morris was driving one car, while the car occupied by the Yorks was driven by Deputy Sheriff Tom Sweezy, of Fallston. Morris was arrested on the following day and later freed under bond.

This morning both the state and defense put quite a number of witnesses on the stand and the collision was reviewed from practically every angle. Hon. Clyde R. Hoey assisted the county in prosecution and former representative J. Roan Davis represented the defendant.

Following the introduction of the evidence Mr. Davis in a brief talk asked that the defendant be freed declaring that the evidence did not show that Morris was to blame for the crash. Mr. Hoey speaking next, took the view that enough had been shown to warrant the holding of the defendant for a Superior court investigation.

A large crowd of spectators attended the hearing and seemed very interested in the statements of the witnesses. The state did not attempt to show that Morris intentionally hit the other car, but worked on the idea that enough precaution was not used by him. The defense on the other hand attempted to show that the Sweezy car was not properly handled and that the crash was either unavoidable or the fault of the other driver.

There were a number of other after-fair cases on the Monday morning docket and court was still holding forth during the afternoon.