

REPORTS MAY BE WRONG—COTTON MAY GO HIGHER

New York Article Tends to Show That Reaction May Come. Cotton Crop Here Quoted.

Editor's Note: The following article is reprinted from the New York Commercial, one of the best informed and most authoritative commercial journals in the United States.

The article tends to show that there may be a reaction from the government cotton report, and reveals reason for the belief that the report is high, throwing the figures into contrast with private reports, which are much more favorable to the grower.

There is a well defined feeling taking hold here in Shelby that the price of cotton may rebound from the present low level, and such articles as this give a substantial basis for such predictions.

It so happens that there appears on the same page of the Commercial as the article quoted a country wide cotton report, in which Shelby is included. Under a Shelby date line appears the following paragraph:

"Shelby, Cleveland county: County will make 37,000 bales; insect damage has been 20 per cent; early crop getting well under way; condition is 60 per cent."

Notwithstanding the sharp decline which followed the announcement of the department of agriculture's mid-September forecast of 15,810,000 bales for this year's cotton crop—it cannot be said that the official figure has left the trader, as a whole, with a sense of assurance as to the approximate size of the crop.

Many persons, of course, have accepted the forecast as definitely pointing to a yield little, if at all below last year's super-abundant crop. Quite as many others, however, find it extremely difficult to reconcile the magnitude of the forecast on the one hand with the relatively small gainings to

description of a paper published in Shelby prior to the Civil War is given in this issue. The old paper is in the possession of J. F. Gaffney.

The Cleveland County Negro Fair will be held next week, states a news item today.

An idea as to the lateness of the cotton crop may be gained from the ginning report published by The Star in this issue.

High school children of the county will write letters urging a big vote for November 2. The winners will receive cash prizes and their letters will be published in this paper.

It's about the fall shopping period and readers of The Star will benefit thereby if they watch the "ads" in this paper telling of fall bargains by local merchants.

Mr. Farmer, you should read the cotton survey given in today's Star. Much worthwhile information may be gained thereby.

At Least One Man Looks On Bright Side of Farming

Rube Spangler, one of the most enterprising young farmers of Double Shoals section is not a pessimist with cotton selling at 11 cents. He contends that he is having a better year than last year. Young Spangler made 20 bales of cotton last year; this year he is making 30. The increased production offsets the lower price. Hay, corn and fruit and meat crops have been abundant and he is able to live from the products of his farm. With a few cows he has had an income of \$65 a month and this has afforded spending money. He does not run a dairy, just keeps a few cows and sells milk and butter, or it may be he patronizes the creamery. He stays clear of debt and admits that the farmer with heavy bills to pay might not fare so well with cotton selling low, but the increase in the yield somewhat offsets the low price and when he was in town Saturday he acknowledged that this year will be better with him than the previous year.

CHAMPION IS OUT OF JAIL ON BOND; HOEY IS COUNSEL

Moorsboro Man Given Bail in Charlotte. Will be Tried for Speedway Shooting.

Charlotte, Oct. 9.—C. O. Champion, 25, of Moorsboro, alleged to have shot and wounded A. E. Gibson, of Gibson, at the Charlotte speedway race August 23, started on his way Friday toward making reparations for the crime with which he is charged.

He paid \$5 and the costs in Magistrate Mangum's court for being drunk and disorderly and gave \$500 bond for his appearance at the November term of court here to answer a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

He also gave \$100 bond for his appearance at the same court on the charge of carrying a concealed weapon.

Champion was submitted in the magistrate's court by his attorney, former Congressman Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, who came to Charlotte to handle the case.

Gibson was taken to the Presbyterial hospital here for treatment after the shooting. He left several weeks ago and was married at his home a few days later.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mitchell left several days here with their daughter, Christianburg, Va., after spending this morning for their home in Mrs. Dewey Hawkins.

Gin Report Shows Cotton Late Here

There were 6,434 bales of cotton ginned up to Oct. 1st as compared with 15,990 bales up to the same date a year ago, according to the official survey made by Mr. Geir, special agent. This bears out the statement that cotton is about three weeks late in Cleveland. Less than half the number of bales ginned this year as compared with last, but the fields are white and picking is going on as rapidly as the pickers can harvest it. The gins are running full time and the next report will no doubt show half the crop harvested.

Wall Home Burns With Belongings; Bad Luck Streak

Series of Misfortunes Follow Rev. W. H. Wall. Just Moving In Before Fire

Last Saturday Rev. W. H. Wall, who has lived in Shelby for a good while, on Suttle street, moved to a farm a mile and a half this side of Lincoln. He wanted to get into the country, to enjoy the peace of the countryside, to raise chickens, read, and rest from the turmoil he has found himself in the past year or more.

He managed to move some two-thirds of his household goods over Saturday, including the best stuff he had—clothing, bedding, his valuable library (which he estimates to be worth about fourteen hundred dollars) and his better pieces of furniture. He spent the day cleaning the new house, which he had bought. It was practically a new house, six rooms, set in a seven acre tract of land.

Late Saturday afternoon he had got to the point where he was furnishing the rooms, using a mixture containing one third gasoline. He had gone pretty thoroughly over the house, the atmosphere of which was saturated with the gasoline solution. There was a small lamp in one of the rooms, which Mr. Wall had used, and which he thought he had extinguished. But evidently a small particle of flame was left on the wick. At any rate there was a sudden explosion, as the gasoline fumes ignited, and in an instant flames spread all over the interior of the house.

Wall himself was overcome with gas fumes and smoke, and had to be taken out.

The house burned to the ground in half an hour. Meantime the family was in Shelby awaiting word to come to the new establishment. The word they got was, the house was consumed, and Mr. Wall in an exhausted physical condition.

So now the family is back in Suttle street, making shift to get by with what is left.

Wall has been playing in hard luck the past two years. He was ill for fourteen months, and cut off from work, and underwent several operations. As an incident of his misfortune just a month ago, a Ford car he owned caught fire and was destroyed.

The family Monday found themselves virtually without clothing. Wall, in The Star office, reciting the facts concerning the fire broke down when he described the plight of his children—their children burned and unable to go to school Monday.

"They are too young," he said, "to understand, and somehow it can not be made clear to them."

School Children Give \$20 To World War Memorial

Children Of South Shelby School Contribute To Fund To Honor County's Dead.

The Star's memorial fund to erect a tablet to Cleveland county's War dead increased considerably over the week-end.

Leading the list of contributors to the fund were the school children and teachers of the South Shelby, the Morgan school there giving \$20 to the fund. This is the first contribution from any school in the county and the size of the contribution sets a mark for schools to shoot at.

It's in history now—the valor of the doughboy in France—and after reading there of the little white crosses, row on row, the youngsters of South Shelby gave readily to perpetuate the memory of the Cleveland county youths who gave them all. It was announced last week that the school would receive contributions to the fund but the amount received passed the expectations of school officials and teachers. Needless to say patrons of the school, teachers and others are proud of the

contribution and in essays to come the youngsters of that school may point with pride to the monument and say "our gift helped make it possible."

Another Gives Among the individual gifts were two that came from the heart. One was from the mother of a boy whose name is recorded on the plank board at the court house. The boy who never came back is enshrined forever in her heart of course, but she, too, wished that he with his fallen pals might be remembered by the county. The other contribution came in a larger sum from a man that couldn't go, but remembered with his money those who did go.

Little by little the fund is growing and ere many weeks enough will have been contributed to purchase and erect the slab.

In the years to come when you point with pride to the memorial can you add that you gave anything?

LIKELY TO HAVE PRO CONTEST IN LOCAL TOURNEY

Shelby Golfers Preparing for Opening Tourney on New Cleveland Course

Golfers of Shelby and section are this week making ready for what is expected to be their biggest tournament Friday to inaugurate the opening of a new nine holes in Cleveland Springs Estates.

It is now thought that a professional match will be arranged as a part of the opening for the benefit of golfers who wish to follow the pros around prior to the amateur tourney. Efforts were made to bring Bill Goebel and Fred Hyatt, of Charlotte, here for purse play with W. H. Lyle, Cleveland pro, and the Gastonia Country Club pro, but Goebel and Hyatt will be playing in the state open tourney at the time. However, arrangements are now under way for an 18-hole match between Lyle and the Gastonia player.

The tournament proper will open Friday afternoon between amateur golfers of Shelby, Gastonia, Rutherford, Forest City and other nearby towns. C. L. Eskridge, Pitt Beam and other officials of the Cleveland Springs club are anxious to have every Shelby golfer enter the qualifying round of the tournament. Alfred Marshall, developer of Cleveland Springs Estates, and a golf enthusiast, spent considerable time and money in constructing the new course and naturally takes a pride in favorable comments already heard on the course. Therefore he is anxious that as many golfers as possible participate in the event.

All the fairways of the new course are grassed and in splendid condition, while it will be the first time local golfers will have the opportunity of playing on grass greens here.

Information concerning the event may be secured from Mr. Marshall, Pitt Beam, or W. H. Lyle.

Prize For School Letter Offered

The Democratic executive committee of the county is offering prizes to high school pupils of the county writing the best letter to voters on the subject "Reasons Why Every Citizen Should Register and Vote in the Election November 2."

According to the requirements the contest is limited to high school pupils; letters must not exceed 500 words; each school may submit only five letters; no letter shall carry the name of the writer where it may be seen by the judges; the letters should be in the hands of the county superintendent by 6 o'clock Monday afternoon, October 18; the contest is not confined to children whose parents are in either party, being open to all.

A \$10 prize will be given for the best letter; \$5 for the second; \$2 for the third, and \$1 each for the next eight.

The contest is to teach the pupils the necessity of active participation in government. Winning letters will be published in the county papers.

Red's New Suit



—NEA, Cleveland Bureau Red Grange, polestar of professional football, has a new sweater, with pockets, to keep his hands warm. Red is with the New York Yankees, a fast professional grid player, this season.

SHELBY OFFENSE DEFEATS LENOIR BY WIDE MARGIN

Light Backs Uncover Powerful Attack on Big Caldwell Line. Subs. Get Experience.

Shelby feels home-like once more. The high school football eleven is back in an accustomed Shelby stride.

Showing complete reversal in form from their Gaffney game the Highs easily defeated Lenoir here Friday 32 to 7. Driving tackle plays, sweeping end runs, and fine passing brought back memories of the old-time Shelby offense in the days when Shelby was always a state title contender. At the same time it was a different line, in play from the one swept by Gaffney, and the interference Friday was all that it should be to win games.

Of course Lenoir presented no such team as did the South Carolinians, but the Caldwell boys were far from being football slouches and will rank with the general run of North Carolina high school teams with the possible exception of Gastonia, Charlotte and Winston Salem. When "Casey" Morris' young eleven did show was that a licking did then good, that they have a drive despite their weight, and that with experience they have promise ahead.

With the regulars in Lenoir could only push over a few first downs, but in the third quarter Morris let practically every one of his substitutes loose and during that quarter Lenoir drove over a touchdown, the drives going through a line weakened by the absence of Moore and Beam, and for the marker Mauney's inexperience in breaking up an aerial attack was responsible. Then came the final quarter and the story continued at the end of the first half was climaxed with some of the niftiest broken fields runs exhibited here in late years.

Light Backs Good. It was a gala day for the light Shelby backs, who used speed and clever side-stepping to make up for their missing poundage. This time, were stars to be picked, Guy Bridges and Ben Rippy would get the call. Rippy carried the ball over twice while Bridges flashing sweeps around end helped make practically every touch down possible. They were ably supported in their gains by Ed Harris and Capt. Tommy Kerr made the yardage when necessary with line plunges. But that's Tommy every day. "Milky" Gold still in the limbering up process made it evident that he is the coming power of the Shelby offense. Mauney was speedy as ever during his calls, but still la-

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MAD CAT BITES TWO PEOPLE AT KINGS MOUNTAIN

Kings Mtn., Oct. 11.—Mr. E. J. Abbott and his little grandson Wendell had the misfortune to get bit by a mad cat the other day. The head of the cat was rushed to Raleigh as quickly as possible and upon examination there, it was found that the cat had hydrophobia.

Dr. Hord began at once to give both of them the Pasteur treatment. Both are doing well now, and it is hoped very much that the treatment may prove effectual.

The old tabby that bit them had been in the home for about ten years. Pets are never a paying thing. They are always dangerous. If they do not contract hydrophobia, they often have other diseases we do not want to come in contact with. The best thing to do is to get rid of them, and yet we all love them and like to have them in our homes.

The pastor of the Baptist church here is going to preach a sermon on the "Millennium" next Sunday morning. Several of his friends in the county have requested him to let them know when he is going to preach this sermon, so he is taking this occasion to let them all know about it. The service will begin strictly at eleven o'clock and will close a few minutes after twelve o'clock. Everybody has a broad invitation to be here. If you are interested in the Millennium be sure to be with us next Sunday morning.

Mr. Clarence Baumgardner, of Erwin, Tenn., is visiting his father and sisters this week. He is the only son of our townsman, Mr. J. C. Baumgardner.

The parent-teachers association is going to have a meeting Tuesday afternoon. Rev. E. C. Russell is going to address them. The meeting is going to be at 3:30 p.m. Let every one in this town come and if others are interested, let them come also. We are trying to have the best school we have ever had, and we have succeeded thus far.

Our football team won a wonderful victory over Blacksburg last Friday afternoon. It was such an easy task for our team that the boys used their second team a part of the time. The score was 50 to 0. We have a very fine coach this year. He is trying to erect a standard of honesty and uprightness among the boys that is telling in a great way. We are very proud of our coach.

Miss Helen Black who teaches in the Matthews graded school spent the week-end with homefolks. Miss Odessa Black, one of the high school teachers in the Bessemer City high school spent the week-end with home folks too.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller McGill are back from their honeymoon and have gone to their respective places of business. Mr. McGill is one of the bookkeepers in the Cora mill office and Mrs. McGill is one of the music teachers in our school. These young people are among the very best of our land, and know that there must be something to life besides play. We admire their attitude toward business very much.

Reverend Draper's History Several have spoken to us about having the Draper history of the Kings Mountain battle reprinted. This would be a stupendous task, but it is one that ought to be done. If the county will stand by the proposition, I am willing to undertake it. The book has more than six hundred pages in it, and of course, will have to have some additional pages of matter that book does not contain. This can be arranged very easily if the folks want a republication of the book. It is going to take a little time to get it out, but I am willing to do all that it requires if the folks want to have the book republished. There has never been anything published on the battle quite up to this wonderful book, but it is so scarce that you cannot get it without paying such a terrible price for it. Some book dealers are asking \$25 for it, while others are asking \$17 for mangled copies of it. People of Cleveland, Rutherford and York counties, what do you say about it? Are you willing to stand by the proposition if the book can be gotten out for five dollars per copy? If you will stand by it, just drop me a card saying that you will.

The city B. Y. P. U. is going to meet Tuesday evening with Macedonia Baptist church in this city. Mr. M. O. Thornburg and possibly others from Gastonia will make the outstanding addresses for the occasion. The B. Y. P. U. work in Kings Mountain is looking up very much. We hope to have all of our unions standard by the first of 1927.

Doctors Of 7th District Meet In Shelby Tuesday

Colored Fair To Be Large Event

Four-Day Program With Many Exhibits, Good Shows and Fine Races

The Cleveland County Negro fair will open at the county fair grounds on Wednesday, October 20, and continue through Saturday, October 23.

The Miller Brother Shows, consisting of 10 shows, four rides and many concessions, will play the event. Good races are assured each afternoon at 2 o'clock, with a fireworks program each night at 8 o'clock, and free acts in front of the grandstand during the races and before the fireworks.

The exhibits will cover the general scope of farm products and according to advance reports the colored farmers of the county will have many fine exhibits in the big halls. Prof. L. E. Hall, one of the state's leading colored workers, will make the opening address and will also head the judging. Prof. Hall is district demonstration agent for North Carolina. The second day will be Gaston, Lincoln, Rutherford and Cherokee day, while Friday will be school day, and prizes will go to various schools for their displays.

Interesting Old Paper Is Shown By J. F. Gaffney

Mountain Eagle Published in Shelby Before Civil War Is Preserved

J. Frank Gaffney, one of Shelby's best known older citizens, has in his possession a copy of "The Mountain Eagle" a newspaper published in Shelby prior to the North Carolina's secession from the Union.

The old paper was published by D. B. Ross & company with Thomas J. Eccles and Sam S. Ross as editors. This copy was dated February 26, 1861, and was practically filled with the rift between the states and articles for secession. On one page was published the immortal southern song, "Dixie," while on another was a tribute to the Southern flag. And still another page carried Jefferson Davis' inaugural address. On an inside page a roster of the Paelet Guards, one of the first companies from South Carolina, was published. The company was formed in Spartanburg and Union counties.

Otherwise the paper is of considerable interest. The front staff head was a drawing of a manufacturing village located before a background of mountains, from which an old-time train was puffing out the end of a tunnel.

The few advertisements carried tell of another day. One was by Dr. J. F. Miller, another by A. H. Gaither, attorney, and brandies and wines were carried in the drug store stock instead of rouge and face powders—the present "drug store blush."

Included also in the paper was a report from the office of the Kings Mountain railroad at Yorkville, S. C. Mr. L. Putnam was watchmaker, A. W. Quinn was merchant tailor. Dr. Alfred Craven was a dentist and A. M. Shields operated a carriage factory. Several other advertisements were placed by newspapers of that day including: The Yorkville Enquirer, The Charleston Mercury, The Southern Guardian, The Daily Bulletin and The State Journal.

Serial stories were also read in that day. The particular story of this old issue was "How I Married My Grandmother." Stirring Pleas The paper was published just two days prior to the election when each county would name delegates to a State convention where the course of North Carolina was to be decided upon in the conflict. The editors of the Mountain Eagle in their leading editorial said in part: "Citizens of Cleveland, Rutherford and Polk! By all the memories that cluster around the bleaching bones of your fathers on Kings Mountain—we exhort you to Do Your Duty to your country, and leave the consequences to God. "By your love for your mothers, your wives, your children, we conjure you to do your best to rid them of the incubus settled upon them in the shape of a rotten and corrupt Northern alliance." It was a great, old paper, plain-spoken, brilliantly edited and well-printed. Outside the war talk, however, there were not more than three items that could be called news under today's definition.

Doctors Of 7th District Meet In Shelby Tuesday

Seventh District Medical Society to Meet at Cleveland Springs. Interesting Program.

The annual meeting of the Seventh District Medical Society will be held at Cleveland Springs hotel here Tuesday afternoon and night. This district includes Mecklenburg, Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln, Anson, Stanly, Union, Cabarrus and Rutherford counties.

Local members of the society are expected to have from 150 to 200 physicians in attendance for the meeting. The opening meeting will be at 2 in the afternoon at which time professional matters of importance will be taken up. Papers of the profession, touching upon various diseases and cases encountered by the physicians will be read and discussed by the body.

At 8 o'clock in the evening a banquet will be tendered those in attendance in the big dining room of the resort hotel and at this occasion it is said that O. Max Gardner will be the principal speaker. Following the banquet officers will be elected and the next meeting place of the society will be selected.

Dr. Chas. H. Pugh, of Gastonia, is president, Dr. E. B. Lattimore, of Shelby is vice president, Dr. Raymond Thompson of Charlotte, secretary, Dr. T. G. Bost of Charlotte councilor. Committee on arrangements is Dr. E. A. Houser, chairman, Dr. E. W. Gibbs and Dr. Sam Schenck. One feature of the meeting will be a banquet Tuesday evening in the dining room of the Cleveland Springs hotel with an address by O. Max Gardner and response by Dr. Brodie C. Nalle, of Charlotte.

The following is the program: Tuesday Afternoon, October 12 Two O'clock Cleveland Springs Hotel Meeting called to order by Dr. W. F. Mitchell, president of Cleveland County Medical society. Invocation—Dr. H. K. Boyer, of Shelby.

1. Address by the president of the North Carolina State Medical society—Dr. John Q. Myers, Charlotte.

2. "Clinical and Technical Aspects of Trigeminal Neuralgia."—Dr. Thos. B. Mitchell, Lincoln.

3. "Data on the Heredity of Migraine."—Dr. Wm. Allan, Charlotte.

4. "Some Clinical Consideration of Brain Lesions, report of cases."—Dr. A. A. Barron, Charlotte.

5. "Calcium, Its Pharmacology and Therapeutic Indication."—Dr. R. McBrayer, Shelby.

6. "A Study of the Tongue."—Dr. John R. Irvin, Charlotte.

7. "Acute Laryngitis in children. Report of cases."—Dr. C. N. Peeler, Charlotte.

8. "Burns and Their Treatment."—Dr. John P. Kennedy, Charlotte.

9. "The Practical use of Physiotherapy. Report of Cases."—Dr. Jas. R. Alexander, Charlotte.

10. "Anything and Everything."—Dr. H. D. Stewart, Monroe.

Banquet 6:00 p. m. Cleveland Springs Hotel Address of welcome in behalf of the city of Shelby.—Hon. O. Max Gardner. Response—Dr. Brodie C. Nalle, Charlotte.

Tuesday Evening Eight O'clock 11. "Abortion."—Dr. E. B. Lattimore, Shelby.

12. "The Radium treatment of Benign Uterine Hemorrhage."—Dr. Douglas T. Ferguson, Charlotte.

13. "Prevention of Conception. Some Indications for Surgical Sterilization."—Dr. Chas. I. Allen, Wadesboro.

Charlotte reports that the following Mecklenburg physicians will be on the program, which should be unusually interesting this year to the profession: Drs. John P. Kennedy, James R. Alexander, A. A. Barron, William Allen, Robert T. Ferguson, C. N. Peeler and John R. Irvin.

Makes 12 Loads of Hay on Single Acre

Now that Mr. J. R. Gantt, of No. 2 township has furnished his statement of a yield of 17 loads of hay on an acre and three quarters (two crops a year) on the same acreage, Mr. S. Lester Roberts, who lives West of Shelby has a record that exceeds that of Mr. Gantt. On a single acre, one sowing of cane seed, Mr. Roberts hauled to his barn 12 loads of hay on a wagon bed that carries a cord of wood. In fact Mr. Roberts hauled 17 loads of cane hay from this acre, but he would permit The Star to give it at only 12 because he was speaking of real loads, piled high and pressed down.