

Fair And Warmer.
Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Generally fair tonight and Saturday. Warmer in west portion tonight. Cooler Saturday afternoon in west and north portions.

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Merchants To Stage Big Trade Week For Fair

47 Horses Here For Big Races

Racers Go In Training Saturday For Fair Races Next Week.

This evening and tomorrow morning the majority of the racers and pacers that will compete in the Cleveland county fair horse races next week will have arrived and according to fair officials in charge of the races training around the half mile track will get underway tomorrow.

Cannons Come.

Up until yesterday 47 racers had been entered for the races here next week, which will officially open the Carolina trotting season. The biggest list of racers entered by any one person were 14 horses entered by Earl Walker, trainer for J. F. Cannon of Concord.

Other entrants include: Four horses by Henry Scott, of New Hanover, Pa.; three by W. H. Tabb, Augusta, Ga.; two by F. A. Burgess, of Ronceverte, W. Va.; two by L. P. Skinner, Eastman, Ga.; one by E. A. Whitehead, Augusta, Ga.; one by Penny brothers, Greensboro; four by F. H. Boyd, Ronceverte, W. Va.; four by M. D. Carmichael, of West Palm Beach, Florida; four by Cannon and Rogers, of Concord; two by W. M. Tate, Clarksburg, W. Va.; three by D. H. Pope, Raleigh; five by P. P. Pieper, Peebles, Ohio.

Incidentally, race fans here will be interested in knowing that of the four horses entered by Cannon and Rogers one is no other than "Macaroni Patch," the blue pacer who holds the speed record on the local track.

Activity There.

The fair grounds as a week-end nears becomes more and more a place of activity. Booths are being prepared and decorated, exhibits placed, racing quarters for horses and dogs established, stands going up, workmen moving at rush speed to have electric light and water lines in readiness for the big opening Tuesday and the first big night Tuesday night.

Many Children.

Thousands of school children are expected on the opening day and night as free tickets for school children have been scattered in six counties adjoining Cleveland and large delegations are expected from each of the neighboring counties.

"DIAMOND" MAID GOES TO COURT

Colored Girl Bound Over Ring Stealing Charge, White Man Carved.

Mabel Robinson, the young colored maid charged with stealing four diamonds rings, valued at \$3,000, from Mrs. J. G. Falls at Kings Mountain recently, was given a hearing before County Judge John P. Mull there yesterday and bound over to superior court under a bond of \$1,000.

Unable to give the bond the colored girl was returned to the county jail here to await court. So far the missing rings have not been found, but the girl did not take the stand Thursday to give any information about their whereabouts. She was represented in court by Attorneys Stonewall Durham and E. L. Campbell.

31 Stitches Taken.

In another case Judge Mull fined Harvey Ramsey, white man, \$50 and the costs for doing the carving act upon Louis Keener, another white man. Keener, who was said to have used a rocking chair over Ramsey's head prior to the cutting, was taxed with the costs. The fight, it is understood developed over some trouble about their wives. It was necessary to take 31 stitches to patch up Keener's ear, throat and arms.

Joe Boyce, colored worker on a construction job at Kings Mountain, was fined \$10 and the costs for striking another negro over the head with a shovel.

Willis Will Open New Barber Shop

Announcement is made that Messrs. W. C. and J. F. Willis have opened a new barber shop. The location is on South LaFayette street, at Ralph Turner's old stand. Business was formally inaugurated Tuesday.

Local Citizens May Aid Storm Stricken Folks

D. Z. Newton, Treasurer, Will Receive Red Cross Funds For Florida.

Shelby and Cleveland county people are urged in a message from the national Red Cross chairman to do all they can to aid the storm-stricken people of Florida and Porto Rico. Hundreds are dead and injured and many hundreds homeless and in need of food and cover.

All cash contributions may be turned over to Attorney D. Z. Newton, Red Cross treasurer, or left at The Star office, according to Suplt. I. C. Griffin, who is acting as local Red Cross chairman in the absence of Mrs. George Moore.

KIN OF SHELBY PEOPLE IN BLOW

Mother Of Star Advertising Manager Says Storm Was Terrible In Florida.

According to word received here in Shelby describing the Florida storm, this last one was the king daddy of them all in intensity and force on the coast.

Mr. A. D. James, of the Star staff, who lived in Florida for years, has received several letters from friends in the state, and from his parents who still live there, reciting tales of the catastrophe.

Mrs. James, M. James' mother, writes that the other storm caused very little fear, but this one was a terror to watch.

"Your father," she writes, "called me into the yard about five o'clock Sunday afternoon, as the hurricane was gathering force, to get a view of the sky. The sight was the most terrifying thing I ever saw. It was as though a city was burning, the smoke-like clouds in great masses were being driven across the sky, low and threatening, at express speed, and shot through and through with lightning.

"I ran back into the house. Truly, thought, this time we will not live through it."

A newspaper friend in Miami, who visited Palm Beach Monday, writes Mr. James that the storm was much more violent than the one of '26. "The only reason," he writes, "that there will not be the same destruction, is because Palm Beaches are such small places. If the same storm had hit Miami, the old burg would simply have kissed the world goodbye."

According to these letters, the Florida people are mystified as to what happened to the storm after it left the coast. Although the weather maps indicate it struck inland just above Palm Beach, practically no damage has been reported from the interior of the state. The opinion seems to prevail, that somehow or other, it lifted partially over the Florida area, and later descended, with constantly diminishing intensity.

KINGS MOUNTAIN EX-MAYOR DEAD

Marcus Carpenter Died Thursday Morning, Was Leading Business Man.

Kings Mountain, Sept. 21.—Marcus M. Carpenter, 80, ex-mayor and leading business man, died at his home here yesterday morning after a lingering illness.

The funeral will be conducted at St. Matthews Lutheran church here Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. A. M. Huffman. Interment will be made in Mountain Rest cemetery.

He was born in the St. Marks section of Lincoln county April 16, 1848. He came to what became the town of Kings Mountain during the latter part of 1873 soon after the arrival of the Dilings and Mauneys. December 9, 1879 he was married to Miss Frances Jane Rudisill of Crouse. He brought his bride here and set up housekeeping in a residence he had built and where the couple lived afterward.

He was one of the prime builders of the town and served once as mayor and was always a leading citizen. Associated with him in business was his brother, A. P. Carpenter, who died in 1912. He is survived by one brother, Sylvanus Carpenter of Crouse.

Workers Salvage Timbers Build Coffins



Salvaging timbers torn from buildings by the ruthless winds of Florida's worst hurricane, carpenters were put to work in West Palm Beach building crude coffins for burying the dead. This photo, taken by The Georgian photographer in the ruins, shows a detail of men at work. One of the finished coffins can be seen in the background.—Photo by International Newsreel.

Dozens Enter Gardner Contest During Closing Days; Scores Give Many Reasons For Support

Soldier Vet At County Home Joins With School Children Boosting Max.

Cleveland county is considerably "pepped up" over sending a native son to Raleigh as the next governor of North Carolina. This is plainly demonstrated by The Star's "Max Gardner Letter Writing" in which all classes of county citizens are giving their reasons why ever vote in the county this fall should be cast for Gardner.

Among the many letters coming in during the closing days of the contest was one from a Civil War vet who is now an inmate of the Cleveland county home for the aged and infirm. He has his reasons for wanting the county to back Gardner solid just as much as do the eager school children who expect to see a county man in the Raleigh executive mansion.

Contest To Close. The Star's contest, in which \$50 in prizes will be given, closes Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. At that time the letters will be turned over to I. C. Griffin, Shelby school superintendent; Horace Grigg, county superintendent; and R. L. Ryburn, dean of Shelby lawyers. Twenty-five dollars will go to the best letter written; \$5 for the second best letter, and four \$5 prizes to the best letters written by school children.

Among the recent letters coming in were the following entrants: Nannie Sue Shytle, No. 8 consolidated school; A. H. Galloway, 416 Morgan street, Shelby; Thelma Martin, Grover high school, Gallen Willis, 11th grade Lattimore school, Shelby route 4; Chivous Hoyle, Shelby route 6; W. E. Dycus, Cleveland county home; William Eaker, aged 15 years, Piedmont high school.

Make Able Governor. A typical letter among the recent entries is the following by Thelma Martin, of the Grover High school: "Every true American citizen, who feels his responsibility as a voter, will first decide, is the applicant for this office a moral, upright and capable man? For many years the name of O. Max Gardner has stood for all of this. The nomination of North Carolina's favorite son for governor has set afloat no sullied story nor ugly rumors about his private or public life. This reminds us that he must be a four square man or, surely, publicity would have brought to light any hidden weakness or long forgotten mistake. No slander can touch him and his character stands noble unabashed. The history of his past life substantiates this statement.

Kings Mountain Plays Charlotte

First High Game, Coble Boiling Springs Captain, Scrimmage In Shelby.

Kings Mountain highs are playing the strong Charlotte highs in Charlotte today in the first actual high school game of the season for this section. Charlotte with a heavier and more experienced outfit is considered the favorite, although the fleet Falls, who plays a backfield berth for the Mountaineers, may give the Fighting Gents considerable.

On an inside page today is a schedule of the Boiling Springs college eleven with the next game booked with Rutherford college. The dispatch also informs that a former Shelby star has been named captain of the county's first college eleven. Other sports news on the inside tells of the scrimmage and early line-ups of the Shelby highs.

Lattimore Fair Is Well Attended Today

A telephone message from Lattimore this morning says a large crowd is attending the Lattimore community fair today and that the exhibits are of a much wider variety than ever before, especially the livestock. All exhibits are on display in the gymnasium, except livestock, and this newly erected building has been gaily decorated for the occasion.

In this building are the field crop exhibits, canned goods, cookery, school booths, fancy work, farm booth, individual farm exhibits, etc., offering a beautiful array of a splendid farming community.

In order that those who were unable to attend today might view the exhibits, the exhibit hall will be kept open tonight, says a fair official in a telephone communication to The Star this morning.

Mr. Gardner is a Democrat to the core. He was born of Democracy. (Continued on page ten.)

FEDERAL COURT HERE ON MONDAY

Judge Yates Webb Will Preside At Term. Will Add To Fair Crowds.

Shelby will be a busy place next week with a federal court term on as well as the biggest county fair in the Carolinas.

The United States court session, which opens Monday in the court house, will be presided over by Federal Judge E. Yates Webb, of Shelby. The docket, as is customary, will be largely made up of hearing charges against prohibition law violators.

DR. CARROLL TO BE HERE SATURDAY

Many Expected To Hear Tom Dixon's Daughter At Local Court House.

County Chairman B. T. Falls stated today that he expected a large crowd of Cleveland county men and women to hear Dr. Delia Dixon Carroll speak in the court house here Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the interest of the Democratic party.

Although the address of Dr. Carroll, brilliant daughter of the late Rev. Tom Dixon, is especially for women, men are urged to attend

Shopping Event To Be Staged

Thousands Who Attend Fair May Do Fall Shopping On Same Trip By Plan.

The thousands who attend the big Cleveland County Fair for five days here next week will be permitted to kill two birds with one stone—attend the fair and also a big cooperative bargain event to be staged by Shelby merchants in conjunction with the fair.

A group composing some twenty leading merchants of Shelby next Thursday morning for the purpose of considering ways and means of adopting Dr. J. S. Dorton's proposal for the staging of a cooperative selling campaign during the fair.

Dr. Dorton, as most know, is secretary of the Fair Association, and it was his idea, first voiced at a Kiwanis meeting, and repeated at yesterday's gathering, that a general benefit would result if the merchants would offer bargain inducements during Fair Week to attract buyers to the city.

Trade Week. There grew out of the meeting yesterday morning a temporary organization, to be known as The Merchants Trade Week Association, and a committee was formed within that body to form active cooperation with the business men of the city, to put the trade week idea across.

That committee was composed as follows: Henry Mills, of the Kelly Clothing company, Joe E. Nash, of the Paragon Department Store, John M. Best, of the John M. Best Furniture company, and William McCord, of the Shelby Hardware company.

Free Tickets. The big idea that came out of the meeting was that the merchants will give free tickets to the Fair to their patrons, on the basis of allowing one each to the customer buying to the extent of five dollars or more.

That offer was made possible through the Fair Association, which will furnish the tickets to the merchants gratis, by way of furthering the cooperative campaign.

The plan met with unanimous approval. Members of the committee stated that inasmuch as it would be well nigh impossible for them, either individually or collectively, to call on all the business men of Shelby who will be expected to enter the campaign, it would be in their opinion wise to publish the announcement in The Star that all who wished to enter the selling campaign, if they would get in touch with them would be supplied tickets and data concerning the event.

It was generally agreed that unless there was cooperation with this committee on the part of the business men, that the offer of free Fair tickets would perform having to be withheld.

In other words, it will be expected that if the business men will participate in the free ticket distribution, they will be willing to cooperate and boot the Fair in return for this very special concession.

Will Cooperate. The merchants were very enthusiastic over the idea of a cooperative week, and mention was made that perhaps the stunt will be repeated in the near future. There was a very general discussion of the virtue of co-operative advertising, and selling, the fact being emphasized that such campaigns put on elsewhere have generally proved very successful.

Some of those present expressed the hope that the temporary Fair Week Association would eventually, and soon, form the nucleus of a permanent Merchants association for the city.

Such a plan was definitely mentioned, and when the Fair is over it is expected that definite steps looking to a permanent organization will be taken.

MAN THREATENS TO BLAST HOME OF JOHN RASKOB

Philadelphia, Sept. 20.—A 63-year-old man, giving a Philadelphia address, was held in \$10,000 bail today on a charge of threatening to blow up the home of John J. Raskob Democratic national chairman, unless he was paid \$100,000. He gave the name of Frank Mooney.

FAIR SHOW TRAIN ARRIVES SUNDAY

Everything Almost Ready For The Big Crowds Next Week. 500 Showmen.

Dr. J. S. Dorton, secretary of the Cleveland County Fair, and associates declare that every department has functioned even better this year than ever before, and that everything will be in readiness for an early opening on Tuesday morning, School Children's Day.

Likewise no extra has been left unturned to make it possible for the Nat Reiss Shows to have their mammoth midway set up for the public's entertainment; as early as Monday evening.

Traveling in their own train of 25 brilliant green and orange double-length cars, the shows are due to arrive in Shelby Sunday morning via Southern Railroad and are to begin unloading early Monday morning when their personnel of five hundred people will cooperate in transporting and setting up the paraphernalia ready for the opening day.

Ever striving to maintain their excellent leadership in the show-world, the management of this organization has succeeded in a greater degree this year than ever before.

H. G. Melville, owner of the Nat Reiss Shows, insists that it is not enough for every attraction to be highly entertaining and different from the others, but it must be presentable for ladies, gentlemen and children—in short, for the entire family. General Manager J. F. Murphy assures the public and press that this high moral standard maintained throughout, accounts for the glad welcome extended this organization wherever they go.

Some of the special attractions are "Wila Wanda" noted for artistry, dramaticness and pathos. In strong contrast comes the "Get Happy" show, a colored revue composed of 25 talented dusky performers who fairly shake the fairgrounds with their clean, wholesome mirth.

Need Reducing.

Karn's Fat Family are not only fun producers in their own weight of over a ton and a half, but each member is a finished artist in his line, none being more entertaining than the baby girl, 15 years of age, weighing 632 pounds, who has a beautiful trained voice, which she uses freely for the pleasure of her listeners.

The "funny silent show," known as "Barney's Fun House" rings with laughter day and night. The "Old Boat" with attendants in costume for sailing, has an unsolved human appeal. Children who wish to stand high in their classes usually acquaint themselves with the educational exhibit of sea life in its numerous forms. This attraction is called the "Deep Sea Wonders" and is a favorite with all ages.

Central Cafe Will Open On Saturday

Was Closed Following Disaster Building Crasa In Which Six Were Killed.

George Scordas, of the Central Cafe, on West Warren street, which was partially demolished by the recent crash of the Gardner-McKnight building, announces the establishment will be opened for "business as usual" Saturday morning.

This is the second of the business places that were effected by the disaster, to be re-established. Gilmers re-opened about ten days after the crash.

Scordas says something upwards of two thousand dollars has been spent on the Central cafe by way of repair. The west wall has been restored, and the ceiling renewed. The place looks spick and span, in its new coat of white paint.

Scordas, ever optimistic, says "we will now be better than ever."