

The Markets. Shelby, spot cotton 20c Cotton Seed, bu. 70 1/2c

Fair And Warmer. Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Warmer tonight and Tuesday.

13 Die In Crash. Thirteen people taking a joy ride in an airplane were killed yesterday at Newark, New Jersey, when the big plane in which they were riding failed to rise more than 100 feet and then plunged to the ground.

Lawmakers Not With Gardner Over Friendly

Executive Not As Popular With Legislators As Had Been Expected.

When Governor Max Gardner was inaugurated the general impression over the state was that, due to his popularity, the legislature would follow his recommendations and approved measures more readily than they have for several governors of the past.

Governor Gardner backed his pet measure, the Australian ballot, and after many amendments, and a hard fight, he put it over. But in the closing days of the session newspaper observers noted that many of the approved measures of the Governor were being permitted to go by the board.

The Raleigh correspondent for several afternoon dailies, J. C. (Continued on page ten.)

Union Man Dies Of Blood Poison

Had Dressed, A Beef And Got Hand Infected—Live Only A Few Days.

A second Cleveland county farmer this year has died from blood poisoning, caused by infected hand as a result of dressing livestock. Early this year a young farmer of the Lattimore community cut his hand while dressing a hog and the wound became infected with the result that he died from blood poisoning a short time thereafter in the hospital at Rutherfordton.

Last week Mr. Herie Champion of the Union community died in the Shelby hospital from blood poisoning resulting from an abrasion on the hand while dressing a beef at his home three or four days previous. Mr. Champion's passing caused great sorrow in the Union community where he was regarded as one of the best citizens.

The funeral was largely attended at Union where he was an active member and had the enviable record of not having missed Sunday school for four years.

Watch Your Trash Uptown; Ordinance Forbids Scattering

The garbage cans in the uptown business district of Shelby are for trash and are to be used as such. Moreover those not using the garbage cans are subject to a fine of \$5 for each offense according to a new city ordinance.

The new ordinance, recently adopted by the city board and now in force, states that it is unlawful to throw or leave waste paper upon the streets or court squares, to throw or drop glass bottles or broken glass upon the streets or sidewalks, to throw or drop portions of fruits or vegetables upon the sidewalks and streets, or to scatter circulars or advertising matter larger than three by five inches. Even small circulars are not to be distributed upon the streets or in business lobbies unless handed to some person who indicates a desire to accept same.

The move by the city fathers was made in an effort to check the guttering of the business district with circulars and refuse matter dropped upon the streets by shoppers and others.

Shelby Legion Post Accorded Citation

The Warren Hoyle Post of the American Legion has been tendered a Most Distinguished Service citation from national headquarters for enrolling all 1928 members for 1929 and placing them in good standing. Notification of the award came to Thos. H. Abernethy, Jr., adjutant of the local post, from Jim Caldwell, adjutant of the North Carolina department.

Kings Lawyers May Get Trial At Later Date

Change In Venue Would Automatically Postpone Hearing, Section Prejudiced.

When the case against Rafe King, Shelby man charged with having something to do with the death of his wife last January at Sharon, S. C., comes up for trial at York on April 15 it is likely that King's attorneys will ask for a change of venue, or the moving of the case to another South Carolina county.

No definite statement is made to that effect by the local attorneys of King, Clyde R. Hoey and B. T. Falls, nor by his York attorney, Thos. F. McDow, but it is generally understood that they will make such a plea to the circuit judge and will use as their argument that the section therabouts is too prejudiced against the Shelby man to give him a fair trial.

Would Be Automatic. Asked here Saturday if it was the intention to ask a change of venue and also that the trial date be postponed, Mr. Hoey did not commit himself definitely about asking a change of venue but did say, "You understand that if a change of venue is granted that will mean a postponement of the hearing as it would not likely be held, with the venue changed, until the next term of court in the county to which the case would be moved, provided the judge grants such. The judge, you see, will have absolute authority in deciding that."

A reason advanced by King's friends for a postponement of the hearing is that sentiment in the matter even in York county and about Sharon is changing due to the apparent intention on the part of some to injure him by the starting and passing along of innumerable unfounded rumors about the case.

"If they keep starting such reports as that," declared one Shelby man Saturday talking of the report that King had been placed in the asylum, "I don't see how any fair-minded person can eventually help but side with Rafe until shown better because of the many concocted stories being related about his wife's death and about him. Those stories, in my judgment, will react in his favor. People are going to wonder what is the truth about the matter if the facts continue to show up these wild rumors as they have been."

Saying Little. However, King's attorneys are having little to say about the rumors, other than that they did put a crimp into the wild report that their client had been placed in an asylum to evade trial. They perhaps have something up their sleeve for the hearing, and it may be that they will use the many unfounded rumors in the case with telling effect when the hearing comes up. Anyway, it is the opinion of local people that the rumors will surely serve the purpose of convincing the trial judge that King cannot get a fair trial at York, as prejudice must be behind the origin of many of the rumors proved to be without foundation.

Friends of King also argue that the continued spreading of rumors in the case is a pretty good indication that very few injurious facts are known against him, as they contend that the rumors and surmise would not be necessary if officers had real incriminating evidence.

Commandery Names Officers On Tuesday

A meeting of the Commandery will be held at the Masonic Temple Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, at which time new officers will be elected.

A meeting of the Blue Lodge is scheduled to be held Friday night of this week.

Something Is "Keeping 'Em Down On The Farm" Recently

Washington.—There are fewer persons on farms now than at any time in the last 20 years, figures issued by the agriculture department's bureau of agriculture economics showed. The "farm population" was estimated at 27,511,000 as of January 1, 1929, as compared with a peak of 32,000,000 in 1909.

A decrease in farm population during the past year was shown by the estimate despite an improvement in agricultural conditions and a slight slackening in

First Photo of Georgia Flood



AIR VIEW SHOWS BUSINESS DISTRICT INUNDATED BY CHATTAHOOCHEE. This remarkable picture, taken from an airplane by an International Newsreel Staff Photographer, shows West Point, Ga., under many feet of water. The street in the center of the picture, the main thoroughfare of the city, is a canal, the water rising above the floors of stores and dwellings. On the left is seen the Chattahoochee, swollen almost to the floor of the bridge, and overflowing into the surrounding country. The plane from which this picture was taken was piloted by Doug Davis, of Atlanta.—Photo by International Newsreel.

Beloved Woman Of Upper County Dies

Mrs. Edney Willis, One Of Most Prominent Women Of Upper Cleveland Dies.

Upper Cleveland was shocked last week to learn of the rather sudden and unexpected passing of one of its most prominent and influential women, Mrs. Edney Willis, age 49 years. Mrs. Willis suffered a stroke of paralysis on March 9 and died the following Thursday morning at 8 o'clock. Her passing removed one of the best women of the county for she was a leader in the religious life of the community, a saintly mother and a devoted, affectionate neighbor, whose whole life was lived for others. In the Willis home, the family altar was worshipped at, morning and night. In the St. Peter's Sunday school Mrs. Willis was a teacher and worker, and her passing leaves a vacancy which will be hard to fill.

Daughter Of Noah Wright. Her father, Mr. Noah J. Wright of Fallston has been superintendent of Friendship Methodist church, Fallston for 62 years, being the oldest superintendent in point of service and age in North Carolina, perhaps. So she had an inherent interest in religious work and was one of the most influential women in upper Cleveland.

Mrs. Willis is survived by her esteemed husband and seven children, five boys and two girls, the youngest child being six years old. Also surviving are four sisters, Mrs. R. A. Lackey, Mrs. D. L. Martin, Mrs. Robert Wilson and Mrs. J. R. Morris. The funeral was conducted Saturday morning by Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald and interment was at St. Peter's church near which she lived and in which she was such a faithful member. Hundreds of sorrowing friends attended the funeral service and a beautiful display of flowers added testimony to the esteem and regard in which she was held by everybody.

High School Students To Be Given A Political Education In Schools Of America Now

Educators In A Score Of States Hope To Aid Students With Courses.

(Special To The Star.) Washington.—The rather stupendous task of giving Americans a political education has at least been begun.

In a score or more states educators are struggling with a vision of the day when high school graduates may enter life with some conception of public affairs and free from the many dumb superstitions commonly supposed to afflict the average American voter.

"Problems of democracy" courses are being taught in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and North Carolina, among other states, and have met with special success in adjacent Maryland, where the state department of education has issued an extensive bulletin outlining the curricula made by teachers in Queen Anne's county. In most instances such courses have been established for the last high school year.

The outstanding leader in the movement is Professor J. Montgomery Gambrell, head of the history department of Teachers college, Columbia university, who has expressed his views on the subject.

Legislative Page Says Mrs. Gardner Prettiest Of All

Youngsters At Their Banquet Name Governor's Lady As Most Beautiful.

Raleigh.—One of the prize speeches made by legislative attaches while the general assembly has been in session was made by Wendell McDevitt, youthful page of Marshall, Madison county, when Governor and Mrs. Gardner entertained the pages last week at the executive mansion.

One of the entertainment features of the party was the election of superlatives, the smartest, laziest, and so on. Finally the youngsters got around to the election of the handsomest.

"Mr. president," Wendell said, "I rise to a point of personal privilege. Everybody knows Mrs. Gardner is the handsomest and most beautiful person here, and any motion that doesn't name her and her alone, is out of order." Vociferous applause greeted his speech, and by common consent Mrs. Gardner was honored by the post.

Mrs. Arthur Levy Dies In Georgia

Formerly Miss Marjorie Sisk Of Shelby Passes Suddenly Following Flu Attack.

Long distance telephone message early this morning brought the news of the sudden death at Columbus, Ga., of Mrs. Arthur Levy, nee Marjorie Sisk, a former Shelby girl and sister of Roy Sisk of the First National bank force here. Mrs. Lewis Forney and Miss Susie Sisk of Shelby and Hoke Sisk of Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. Levy had been sick with influenza but was considered improving and out of danger when she passed away suddenly at her home this morning at 4 o'clock. She is survived by her husband and five daughters, Mrs. A. A. Dodak, Mrs. Miles Stewart, Misses Frances, Eleanor and Ina Levy, all of Columbus, Ga., to attend the funeral, date for which had not been set when they left.

Mrs. Levy was born in Shelby 44 years ago but moved to Columbus 23 yrs. ago when she married in Mr. Levy family which owns the famous "Esquiline" estate, an ancestral show place near Columbus. Mrs. Levy was a Methodist and it is supposed she will be buried in the family burying ground at Esquiline.

Lectures Here On Sunday School Work

Mrs. W. L. Blakenship of Atlanta, Ga., is giving a series of lectures and conferences to the cradle roll beginners, primary and junior departments of the First Baptist Sunday school at the new educational building at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and 7:30 o'clock in the evening throughout the week. Everybody who wishes are cordially invited to hear Mrs. Blakenship.

Vanderburg Trial Date Is Fixed For Court In Gaston

Gastonia.—Jacob Vanderburg, Gaston county youth charged with the murder of his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Vanderburg, and two sisters and a younger brother, on last December 27, will face trial during the approaching regular term of Gaston county superior court beginning here April 15. It was announced by Solicitor John G. Carpenter. The first two days of the regular term will be given over to the trial of jail cases, and the Vanderburg trial will begin on Wednesday, the 17th. It was announced some weeks ago

Patrons In Move To Keep Schools Open For Regular Term

Davidson College Glee Club Tonight

The Davidson college glee club, one of the best known college musical organizations in this section of the south, will give a concert this evening at the Central school auditorium here. The program will include classical and semi-classical numbers, popular numbers and jazz. I. C. Griffin, Jr., a son of Supt. I. C. Griffin of Shelby, is a member of the orchestra.

Hold Man For Wife's Death In Rutherford

Julius Smith, Who Lived Near Cleveland Line, Held, Killed Himself, He Says.

Rutherfordton, March 18.—Julius Smith, who lives near the corner of Rutherford, Burke and Cleveland counties, 22 miles east of here and whose wife met a mysterious death last Wednesday afternoon, was brought to jail Friday morning about 9 o'clock. Officers found Smith at his home in bed just before daylight. He did not resist arrest and did not try to get away. He attended the funeral of his wife Thursday afternoon at Mt. Pleasant church, near his home and returned to his home with his children.

Talks Freely. When interviewed this afternoon in jail, Smith talked freely of the affair and declared that his wife shot herself with the pistol but that he could not give any reason for her doing so. He said he was sitting in front of the fire at about 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon when he heard a pistol snap and he looked up and saw his wife pull the trigger a second time and shot herself in the breast. He caught her as she fell, he said, there was a blank cartridge in the gun. Smith declares his innocence in regard to the killing. He was a bit nervous as he talked. Smith will not make any effort to get out on bond, he said, until after the coroner's jury returns a verdict. He hopes later to get out under bond. He does not seem to be worried over the matter. He claims he and his wife got along well, but admitted that they had been separated three or four times. He said he used to drink much but had drunk very little of late years.

Smith is only 33 years of age and has been twice married. His first wife died about 10 years ago. His second wife was only 27 years of age and was the mother of six children, five living, the oldest being girls, ages eight and seven years. A large crowd attended Mrs. Smith's funeral Thursday afternoon. She was a member of Enloa Baptist church in Burke county, where she was reared and was a Smith before her marriage.

Mr. John C. Young Passes Suddenly

Half Brother Of Mr. C. S. Young Prominent Wholesale Grocer. Dies, Lived Near Toluca.

Mr. John C. Young, well known farmer of the Toluca section died suddenly Friday about noon while sitting in his home talking to his wife and making plans for his afternoon's work. Mr. Young was a victim of apoplexy. He was 67 years of age and was a man of unusual physical strength in his younger days and of fine traits of character all of his life. He was highly esteemed in his community and generally regarded as a man of upstanding character. He was a member of Corinth Baptist church and was married in young manhood to Miss Alice Noggle who survives, together with four grand children. Their only daughter died during the first flu epidemic about ten years ago.

Mr. Young is survived also by the following half brothers, Mr. C. S. Young of Shelby, W. H. Young Toluca merchant, C. P. Young of Texas, Geo. E. Young of Lowell, Dr. J. A. Young of Newton.

Two Blazes Sunday Cause Damage Here

Two fires in Shelby Sunday, one at the Ora Mill store and the other a residence in the negro section, did quite a bit of damage.

The Ora Mill store fire occurred about 7:30 in the morning, the blaze originating, it is said from a refrigeration motor underneath the store. The other fire responded to by the city fire department was the home of Mida Wallace, colored woman, near the colored school. The blaze started on the roof, apparently from a spark, and badly damaged the home.

Federal Court Now In Session Here

Docket May Be Completed In Few Days. Prohibition Violations Form Docket.

The spring term of United States district court convened here this morning with Federal Judge E. Yates Webb presiding and Assistant District Attorney C. E. Greene, of Bakersville, prosecuting in the absence of District Attorney Tom Harkins, of Asheville. Frank Patton, of Mcganton, is assisting in the prosecution, while Marshal Brownlow Jackson, Deputy Marshal Swain and other deputies and clerks are in attendance, including Mrs. Fan Barnett, deputy clerk of Charlotte.

Attempt Subscription Plan To Run City Schools For Full Nine Months.

Parents of school children and other Shelby citizens working in conjunction with the Parent-Teachers association today inaugurated a movement to keep the city schools open for the full nine months by the subscription plan.

The move was decided at a meeting of the Central Parent-Teachers association held last Friday night, and at that time a committee of school patrons was appointed to formulate a plan, or plans for keeping the schools open for the regular school year.

Subscription Appeal.

This committee, headed by E. E. Scott and composed of R. M. Gidney, E. O. McGowan, J. Q. Earl, and J. F. Jenkins, met this morning and decided to appeal to parents for enough subscriptions to continue the school for the extra month.

During the week Parent-Teacher groups of the elementary schools will hold meetings to plan a similar movement to keep the other schools of the city open by subscription for the extra month. A meeting is to be held tonight at the Washington school to formulate plans.

The central committee this morning decided to get out circular letters to parents of all high school children containing a subscription blank card with the hope of having parents subscribe enough so that all the high school children, including the senior class, may receive credit for the full year's work, which will not be possible if the term ends in May according to the decision of the school board which informs that the treasury will be depleted at that time.

It is estimated by school authorities that in the high school it will cost approximately \$10 per pupil to operate the extra month, provided that as many as 400 high school students remain for the

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