

Cotton, spot 26c
Cotton Seed, per bu. 57c

Showers Likely.

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Fair and cooler tonight. Probably showers Saturday.

Governor At Home.

Governor and Mrs. O. Max Gardner and family arrived in Shelby late yesterday to make their first visit to the home town since Governor Gardner's inauguration in January.

Two-Year Term For Negro Who Killed Woman

Fullenwider, "Negro Bluebeard," Dodges Murder Count And Get One Year.

In superior court here yesterday Judge James L. Webb sentenced Wallace Irvin, 18-year-old negro boy, to a two year term in the State prison for fatally shooting Emma Jackson, colored woman, in a gun battle between Irvin and Booker T. Latimore, another negro at the Jackson woman's home late last Saturday night.

Irvin, through his attorneys, Bynum and Maurice Weathers, pled guilty to manslaughter and the evidence developed that the negro boy was shooting at Latimore when one of the bullets went wild and hit the negro woman, the defendant declaring that he did not know that she had been hit until arrested.

"I'm dead," those in the room knew. "Yes, I am shot, I'm dead," they said as she tumbled over upon the bed.

The defendant declared that the shot, which must have struck the woman, was fired just as Latimore shot him with a shotgun. The shot filled his legs, knocking him down, and after recovering he said he ran. Latimore left in an auto and has not been located as yet by officers.

Fullenwider. Wade Fullenwider, aged colored man who some time back gave a detailed account of his eight wives to The Star when arrested in connection with the death of the last wife early in the year, was charged with assault on a female in connection with her death.

He told the court that on the morning his wife, who was Corrie Fullenwider, was burned, the burns later resulting in her death, that he did slap her but it was some time before her clothes caught on fire from the open hearth. Other evidence failed to show, as had been reported, that he had driven her in the fire and caused her to receive the fatal burns.

The aged negro, who is a regular Bluebeard as far as matrimony is concerned although he declared that he did not make away with his wives but, instead, they left him, was sentenced to 12 months on the county roads by Judge Webb.

Baseball On Here With Highs Today

The first local baseball game of the year is on tap this afternoon at the city ball park with Casey Morris' Shelby highs playing Coach Christenbury's strong Kings Mountain team.

The locals have played only one full game this year, defeating the Belmont Abbey prep team. A scheduled game with Cherryville was rained out as was one with Charlotte on Tuesday of this week.

Tuesday of next week the highs are billed to play Cherryville in Cherryville.

Editor Page's Car Stolen On Sunday

The automobile of Editor G. G. Page, of Kings Mountain, was stolen last Sunday morning from in front of his home there. A Chevrolet with a flat tire and an empty gas tank was abandoned by the men stealing the car. On Monday the car and two men, giving their names as Wade Thompson and Henry Brown, were apprehended at Abingdon, Va. Police Chief Hedrick, of Kings Mountain, Mr. Page, Mr. A. T. Bridges, Rev. W. N. Cook and George Hedrick made the trip to Virginia to bring the car and men back.

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New First Baptist Church Will Open Doors For Easter Service

Danger Of Farmers Cutting Feed Crop For Cotton Acreage

County Agent Hardin Urges Farmers To Not Forget Feed In Enthusiasm.

County Farm Agent Alvin Hardin anticipates that the farmers of Cleveland county this year will put in one of their biggest cotton crops, provided the rain stops long enough for Spring planting, but he fears, also, that farmers of the county, enthused over their record production of 1928, may be inclined to cut down on their feed crops.

"I wouldn't be surprised if 70,000 acres, and perhaps more, are planted in cotton in Cleveland county this year," Mr. Hardin told The Star yesterday, "but I do hope our farmers will not neglect their hay and corn crops. Many of them purchased feed last year for their livestock, due in part, of course, to the summer food.

Not Against Cotton. "I'm not against the production of cotton," the county agent continued, "but we should grow all the feed needed for our livestock and then grow all the cotton we possibly can. I wouldn't be surprised to see one of the largest cotton crops this year on record and if so we do not need to expect as much for our seed, yet some of our farmers figure that they can sell their seed for enough to buy their corn. Such a move is what I fear. Our winter hay crop was nothing to brag about and we must have a good acreage in corn and hay this year or we will have to purchase a lot of feed, more than we did last year and we bought more than we should then.

"I hope we make a big cotton crop and get a good price for it, but I also hope that we raise enough to feed our livestock and do not have to spend the most of our cotton money for feed."

Deputies Capture Large Steam Still Close By Shelby

City Policemen Get New Car And Booze. Big Worm With The Still.

Late Wednesday afternoon Deputies Bob Kendrick, Harvey Harrelson, John Hord and Charlie Shepherd captured a 60-gallon steam distillery on a portion of the Coleman Blanton plantation about four miles northwest of Shelby. A negro man, Walker Stafford, was arrested a short time later by the officers.

The officers declare that it was muddy about the still and that they tracked the colored man to the house where he was found. No whiskey was found but something like 180 gallons of beer was destroyed, while the 20-foot copper worm was brought to the sheriff's office where it is now on display.

Get Parked Car. Wednesday night Policeman Rufus Sparks and Paul Stamey raided and captured a new Pontiac automobile parked on South Lafayette street and found therein about three and one-half gallons of whiskey. The owner or driver of the car, which was practically new, was not present at the time, but at police headquarters it was said that his identity was known.

Blue Ridge Company Gets Hickory Plant

The Blue Ridge Products company, owned by Messrs. J. L. and L. L. Taylor, of Rutherfordton, has purchased the dairy and ice cream plant of the Shuford at Hickory and will erect there an up-to-date ice cream plant. The new plant will serve Hickory, Lenoir, Lincoln and Newton. In addition to the three main plants the Blue Ridge has sub-stations at Marion, Morganton, Forest City, Spindale and Lake Lure.

Eighteen Pairs Of Quail For County

County Game Warden Mike H. Austell early this week received 18 pairs of quail from the state department of conservation and the birds have already been scattered in several sections of the county.

Sheriff Allen Names Deputies For The County

Dixon Is Chief Deputy. Majority Are Old Logan Officers.

Sheriff-elect Irvin M. Allen today named 28 deputy sheriffs who will serve under him in enforcing the law in Cleveland county when he takes office Monday.

Ed. W. Dixon, for years a deputy and court officer, was named chief deputy and will have charge of the office with the new sheriff. The present list is not complete as yet, Mr. Allen stated today, and may be subject to change later, but for the most part the list of deputies is the same as has served under the retiring sheriff, Hugh A. Logan, or under other sheriffs in the past.

The Deputies. By townships, the list follows: No. 1 township—Kester Hamrick and L. I. Scruggs.

No. 2—H. W. McKinney and M. A. Jolley.

No. 3—Jerry Runyan and Yates Kendrick.

No. 4—H. G. Ware and C. H. Shepherd.

No. 5—John Hord and Harvey Harrelson.

No. 6—E. W. Dixon, chief; M. M. Moore, R. B. Kendrick, M. H. Austell, Buren Dedmon, Gillard Hamrick and S. M. Poston.

No. 7—J. L. Dixon and F. B. Harris.

No. 8—Colen Powell and F. D. Wilson.

No. 9—T. M. Sweezy, Harvey Guin, Pink Williams and Cliff Robinson.

No. 10—J. P. Ledford and Marvin Hoyle.

No. 11—S. A. Pruett.

Incendiary Origin Of Two Fires Is Opinion Of Some

Two Colored Residences In Freedman Blaze Up Mysteriously. One Unoccupied.

The state insurance department may investigate the origin of the two fires, one Wednesday night and the other Thursday night, in the Freedman negro residential section.

Last night a two-story frame house, owned by Rev. John Roberts, was destroyed by flames despite valiant work on the part of firemen, who were hampered by hundreds of people who drove to the scene and somewhat blocked the activity of the fire fighters in spreading their hose and moving their trucks. On Wednesday night the home of Sam Oglesby, colored hotel cook, in the same section, was damaged by a blaze of mysterious origin.

For a week or more, it is reported, window panes have been broken out of the Oglesby home while Oglesby and his wife were away, and a day or two back water was thrown in upon the furniture. Then Wednesday night it appeared as if the fire had been started in a kindling box on the back porch. Just how the blaze in the house which burned last night could have started if it were not set fire officials cannot figure out.

Later today it was reported that two white men and two white women were said to have been seen leaving the Roberts house last night just before the fire. The colored minister estimates his damage at \$800 with no insurance, and Roberts Chapel nearby was damaged about \$50. The tenants moved out of the house last Tuesday.

Gillespie Star In Wake Forest Game

Ralph Gillespie, all-state catcher when he played at Shelby high, was one of the two hitting stars in the Wake Forest-Pennsylvania college game Wednesday at Wake Forest. Art Hord, of Kings Mountain, performed at shortstop, but failed to hit. Governor Max Gardner and Mr. O. M. Mull witnessed the game.

Will Cleveland Man Get Road Job In District

O. M. Mull, Who Has Refused Other Appointments Talked As Kistler Successor.

Will the next highway commissioner for this road district be a Cleveland county man?

This query is bobbing up frequently hereabouts of recent days as the discussion in political circles, and also among those not interested in politics, turns to appointments yet to be made by Governor Max Gardner.

Roads Are Needed. It is the general opinion over Cleveland county that the county has never secured its rightful proportion of paved highways and for several years local citizens have hoped that Governor Gardner might see fit to make a county man commissioner for the district. This view is held generally not with the hope that the county will get more highways than it has now—highways that have been asked for for many months, and highways, according to county residents, that should have been granted.

However it is recalled that the present commissioner of the district, Mr. A. M. Kistler, prominent Morganton business man and a Republican, has some time yet to serve as commissioner, but the speculation moves ahead to the end of his term.

Mull May Get It. In the speculative circles the name of Representative Odus M. Mull is heard more than any other. Mr. Mull let his friend, the Governor, know that he did not desire the chairmanship of the highway commission for the state, nor even the revenue commissioner's berth. Then after debating it for sometime he turned his back upon the chairmanship of the State prison board. The Raleigh observers gave any number of reasons for Mr. Mull's refusal to accept either of the three posts tendered by his close friend, but here at home it is generally understood that one reason formed the background for the refusals.

Mr. Mull is not hankering after any job that will take him away from home and his many business interests here. With that in view it is known that he could serve as district highway commissioner and retain his home and headquarters here without giving full time to the duties required of him. And it may be that Mr. Mull will wind up as road commissioner of the district.

Other names, however, are mentioned when talk arises of the road commission coming to Shelby, and among those names are those of Capt. Peyton McSwain, who was mentioned as a likely appointee to the workmen's compensation commission, and Judge John P. Mull, former county recorder and close political ally of Governor Gardner.

Regardless of what percentage of the speculation pans out, Cleveland county citizens are anxious to see a county man as commissioner, and if not that some man as commissioner who will lend an ear to the road appeals of the county.

Blanton Will Not Be Candidate For Mayor, He States

South Shelby Business Man Not Considering Race For City Berth.

Mr. Marvin Blanton, well known business man, in a statement to The Star today declared that he would not be a candidate for mayor of Shelby in the approaching municipal election.

"I am not considering the race, and will not consider it," he said. His statement came in reply to a recent news story that he was being talked as a likely candidate.

Little Activity.

With three announced candidates for the mayorly very little political activity is in evidence as yet although preliminary moves by the candidates indicate that the ground is being covered for a warm campaign if such proves necessary. But as yet none of the candidates has shown any particular controversial issue to the fore.

Meantime the rush for the aldermanic posts is still very much missing.

Small Fire Today.

The fire department responded to an alarm about 1 o'clock this afternoon from the home of Fred Blanton on Broad street in the southern section of town. A fire blazed up from an oil stove but was extinguished by the time the trucks arrived with the damage being confined to the smoked interior of the room.

View Of New Baptist Church Plant Here.

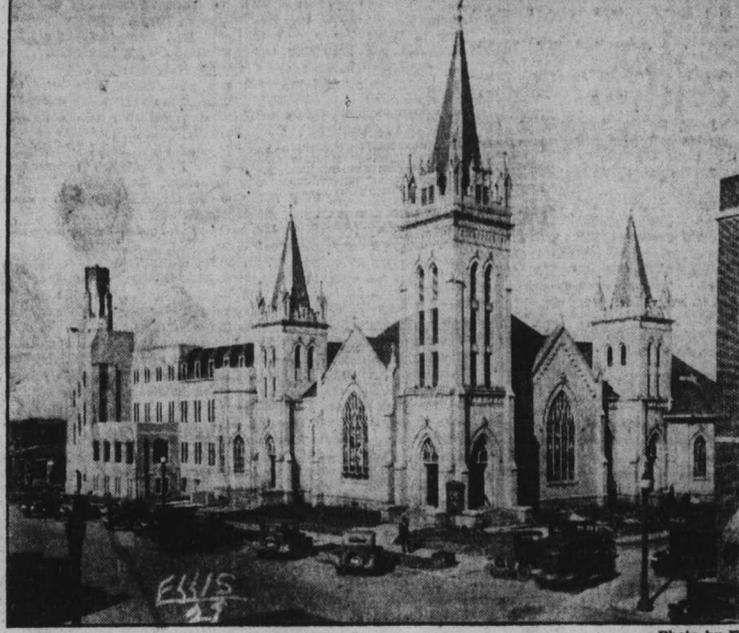


Photo by Ellis

First Service In Structure To Draw Many

First Baptist Plant Now One Of Outstanding Churches In State.

Easter Sunday will be a red letter day with the 1,300 members of the First Baptist church when they worship for the first time since the completion of the new educational building and the remodeling of the church. It is expected that the attendance will reach 1,500 as many visitors are coming from nearby cities—former Shelby people and friends who will see for the first time the handsome plant—one of the largest and finest of this denomination in North Carolina.

For several months the church congregation and the Sunday school have been meeting at Central High school building while the plant improvement was underway at a cost of \$140,000 and the day for moving in has been looked forward to with pride and rejoicing. So the services Sunday will not only be a home coming for the church and Sunday school, but friends, former and non-resident members are coming for the Easter entry.

Re-Organization. For weeks the Sunday school has been under re-organization and the personnel of teachers and officers now number 198 men and women, consecrated to the task of teaching the 1,000 or more expected to be in attendance. The Sunday educational school building and equipment provide for standard Sunday school in every particular.

Long Looked Forward. Never before in the history of the Baptist denomination in this county has a church been working so harmoniously and effectively. The pastor, Dr. Zeno Wall, and the educational and musical director Mr. Horace Eason have been busy planning and praying for weeks for the coming of this new day in the life of the church, the day when the new plant shall be in use with its adequacy, comfort, convenience and completeness. The church has therefore taken on new life and great and lasting good is assured.

Complete And Adequate. Under the leadership of Dr. Wall, the building program was launched last year and in the short space of four days, \$109,000 was pledged to the building fund. The educational plant was designed in Gothic architecture and erected on the north side of the church building. After this was nearly finished the church building was remodelled and the auditorium enlarged to a seating capacity of 1,300, which is said to be the largest church and auditorium on one floor of any Baptist church in North Carolina.

Easter Services. Dr. Wall will preach Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour on the subject "Christ's Resurrection Message." Special music has been prepared for the opening service and on Sunday evening the choir under the direction of Mr. Horace Eason will render an Easter cantata entitled "Our Living Lord." For several weeks the musicians have been rehearsing for the Easter services, marking the opening of the enlarged plant and a great crowd is expected to attend.

Other Features. More pictures of the new church, its choir and the officers in church and Sunday school, together with interesting articles on the history of the church, personnel of its organization, its construction, equipment, etc. will be found on pages 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 of today's issue.

Feed Company In Poultry Business

Ben Suttle and O. E. Morgan who operate the Shelby Feed company on Morgan street in the Carl Thompson building, have gone into the poultry business, offering a market every day in the year for live poultry in any quantity. In addition to buying poultry to ship to other markets, they are dressing poultry at their plant for sale to markets, cafes, hotels, etc. This county has become one of the largest poultry counties in the state and it is the desire of Messrs. Suttle and Morgan to have an all year round market for poultry in any quantities.

Much Coin Going In Pockets Of Farmers Here For Poultry

Cleveland county poultry farmers seem headed for a pretty good year.

On Wednesday of this week they sold more than 20,000 pounds to a car at the Seaboard station here for a little over \$6,000.

Altogether this year, counting the Cleveland poultry sold and loaded at Edenboro and Cherryville by farmers near the Rathernford and Gaston lines, it is estimated that county farmers have sold 300,000 pounds of poultry since January 1. At an average price of about 22 cents a pound, this means about \$44,000 side-crop cash for the leading cotton farmers of the state.

Jurors Called For King Trial

One Juror Is Man Who Charges To See House Where The Kings Lived.

York, March 29.—Thirty-six jurors, some of whom may be called on to decide the guilt or innocence of Rafe F. King at the term of general sessions court beginning here April 15, were drawn by the jury commissioners Wednesday.

One of the jurors drawn is C. E. McGurkin of Sharon, who has the King house rented for exhibition purposes and permits visitors to inspect the home and premises for a small charge.

Solicitor J. Lyles Glenn of Chester was here today and held a conference with Marion and Finley, who are associated with the prosecution. After the conference the attorneys said they had no announcement to make.

Warned on Throwing Refuse Into Sewer

No end of trouble has been caused the water and sewer department of the city lately because refuse has been thrown into manholes and toilets, thus stopping up the mains. Mayor Dorsey asks that the public keep a watch out and report any dumping of this kind as the cleaning of sewer mains is costly to the taxpayers and often causes damage to property owners when sewage backs into the homes.

Ward Space Needed.

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Appeal For Lower Rate On Lights To Be Made Tonight

Committee Would Cut Minimum Rate To \$1. Will Ask 10 To 20 Percent Cut.

The appeal of citizens of Shelby to the board of aldermen for lower light and power rates on the part of the city will be made before the mayor and board at a meeting at the city hall tonight at 7 o'clock. It is announced by the committee of business men headed by Mr. E. E. Scott.

This committee in addition to Mr. Scott is composed of Frank Hoey, Henry Massey, and T. W. Hamrick, and citizens interested in the matter are invited to attend the meeting.

Several meetings have been held by the committee, the final session being held yesterday for a last report and a discussion of comparative rates. This committee has made a study of light rates for several weeks, comparing the Shelby rate with other towns. Results of the investigation follow:

1.—Shelby is now figuring the rates as other towns are, but none of the towns have the same schedule of rates.

2.—Shelby has the highest minimum charge and the lowest heat

rate of any town in the state.

3.—Shelby's light and power rates are higher in some instances and lower in others, but the average rate compares very favorably with other towns.

4.—The present schedule of figuring the rate has increased the cost to the consumer from 10 to 20 percent.

Appeal To Be Made. In view of the above information the committee thinks the city could give the small user more current for his money with a minimum charge of \$1, and adopt a slightly lower and more uniform sliding scale, which would bring in practically the same revenue as before the new rules of calculation went into effect.

The committee also framed a suggestive rate to that effect based upon what other towns of similar size are using. These recommendations and rates are to be presented to the city officials for consideration tonight. Citizens attending the meeting may bring along their recent light bills and have them figured by the rate to be suggested by the committee to see how much change will be made in the cost to the consumer.

Near 4,000 Patients Treated By Hospital Here Since Start

The Shelby hospital has cared for a total of 3,728 patients from the time it opened in August 1923 to January 1st of this year, declared Miss Ella McNichols, superintendent, speaking before the Kiwanis club at Cleveland Springs hotel last night on a "hospital program" with Dr. J. W. Harbison in charge. She was laying before the Kiwanians the needs of the institution in the hope that the business men would help provide for its enlargement. There is a possibility of the Duke endowment giving a sum for building which will be contingent upon local people raising a like amount.

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"Costs are mounting," says Miss McNichols. "Up until two years ago we were receiving water and lights from the city free. For some reason we have been required to pay and this service is costing \$1,000 yearly with the bills running higher and higher each month without any apparent reason. Mayor Dorsey said that the money paid by the hospital for water and light would be refunded at the end of the year, but he has been in two years now and we have had no refund yet. I hope you gentlemen will help us get back on the old basis, as the hospital is a public institution," declared Miss McNichols.

A dozen of the nurses in training were present with their instructor, Miss Brake, and they rendered a program of music and recitations. Governor Gardner was a distinguished guest for the first time since his inauguration.

Masonic Meeting. Cleveland lodge No. 202 A. F. & A. M. will meet in called communication for work in the M. M. degree tonight at 7:30 p. m. Visiting brethren cordially invited.