

The Markets. Cotton, spot 20c Cotton Seed, per bu. 55 1/2c

Showers Likely. Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Occasional showers probable tonight and Thursday. Not much change in temperature.

Baptists Plan \$50,000 Drive

This Amount Needed To Clear Up Building Debt. Spent \$143,674 On Plant.

At a meeting of the "committee of 100" from the First Baptist church congregation which was charged with the enlargement of the plant here, it was found that the total cost of the building, equipment and debt on the pastor's home was \$143,674.52 and a campaign will soon be launched to raise another \$50,000 to cover the deficit.

The committee "feeling that this is a proper time to finish the work which the Lord has so signally blessed, we make the following recommendation. "First, that we make another canvass in the near future for the \$50,000 needed to complete the payment for the work and that we add fifty per cent to our former subscriptions, if at all possible."

"Second, that we endeavor to get a pledge from every member of our church.

"Third, that we urge all who have made pledges to meet them as promptly as possible."

Financial Statement. Cost of educational bldg. \$84,167.74 Cost of equipping same 6,043.00 Cost of remodeling and enlarging auditorium 42,801.33 Cost of repairing and enlarging organ 3,450.00 Paid debt on pastor's home 7,212.50 Total cost of bldg equipment and parsonage debt \$413,674.57 Total amount of first subscriptions 103,000.00 Total amount paid to date 52,000.00 Total amount pledged and to be paid when due 51,000.00 Estimate of new subscriptions needed to finance 50,000.00

School Musicians To Give Concert On Friday Night

Youngsters To Perform For Expenses To State-Wide Contest.

The people of Shelby are in for a big musical treat Friday night when the Shelby high musicians, big winners in the recent district contest at Gastonia, give a concert at the Central school auditorium.

Prof. W. T. Sinclair, head of the orchestra and glee club, states that the concert will cover the complete program of the various musical organizations of the school and should be one of the best musical programs ever rendered here.

To Aid Students. Citizens of Shelby are urged to attend not only for the entertainment but also because the young musicians of the school are giving the concert so as to defray a portion of their own expenses to the big state contest in Greensboro on April 19.

The program Friday night will include numbers by the high school band, one of the best in the state; the orchestra; the glee clubs, boys and girls; and solo numbers on the violin, clarinet, flute, trumpet, and other instruments.

Last year the Shelby musicians brought home several high honors from Greensboro and they hope to repeat this year, if not do better. Among the new instruments of the musical organization is a new flute donated to the school by William Webb, a graduate of last year who is now in college. Young Webb, home for the Easter holidays, was very much interested in the band of which he had been a member, and he purchased the new instrument from his allowance at college.

Many To Attend Mass Meeting On School Movement

A large number of Shelby people are expected to attend the mass meeting to be held at the court house here Thursday night at 8 o'clock for the purpose of discussing and formulating a plan to keep the Shelby schools open for nine months this year.

The meeting is called by the lawyers of Shelby and every Shelby citizen is urged to attend.

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Shelby Merchants Plan Dollar Days April 25-26

Gov. Gardner Flayed By Strike Leaders; 'Slave-Driver' Term

Charlotte, April 10.—Two units of national guard troops now on duty at Gastonia, where more than 1,000 employes of the Loray textile plant are on strike, will be withdrawn at once, it is announced. The move followed the visit to Gastonia of Judge Nat Townsend, executive counsellor to Governor Gardner, who desired that all troops be removed, but Adjutant General Meets considered such as "suicidal."

Gastonia, April 8.—Infused with a new burst of extremist spirit with the arrival here of one of the nation's most famous radicals to command the Loray mill union organization, strikers today opened the floodgates of defamatory propaganda against Governor Gardner, the late James B. Duke, the Canons, the federal government and cotton manufacturers generally in redoubting their efforts to spread their disturbance throughout the south.

Spurred to bitter resentment against the Manville-Jenckes or Loray mill company and "the textile bosses" by organizers of the National Textile Workers' union since the walkout was ordered last Monday, the strikers entered the second week with a grim determination to remain out until their "more pay, less work" demands are granted.

Radical Leader. Albert Weisbord, of New York, national secretary of the union and leader of the famous Passaic, N. J., strike, in skyrocketing the spirit of the strikers to a new high pitch at the customary afternoon mass meeting at his first act, influenced the immediate distribution of scores of printed leaflets addressed, "fellow workers in the national guard," which evidenced the revolutionary trend of sentiment being developed among the strikers.

The leaflet follows in full: "Max Gardner, the mill-owning, slave-driving capitalist governor of North Carolina, has called out the national guard in order to get them to break the strike, keep the stretch-over system and prevent the workers from getting an increase in wages.

Charges Slavery. "The mill owners and the governor want you to smash the strike, shoot down innocent men and women so that the Manville-Jenckes company can continue to wring profits from the sweat of enslaved workers who labor from dawn to dark on machines that will smash a finger or an arm at a single slip; so that Manville-Jenckes, Max Gardner and other textile barons can drive children of 10 and 12 years for the miserable wage of 10 cents an hour, 60 hours a week.

"Inhuman conditions kill workers. The present conditions in the mills drive men, women and children.

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Loray Strike Puts A Halt To Boxing Program In Shelby

Baxter Roper Who Was To Fight Roberts Is With National Guard Company.

The strike at the Loray mill in Gastonia has resulted in the postponement of the boxing program sponsored by the American Legion here Saturday night.

Baxter Roper, young lightweight, who was to have faced Terry Roberts in the headline bout, is a member of one of the national guard units on patrol duty at the big mill and naturally cannot train for the bout.

The bout, however, will be staged on the following Saturday, April 20, it is announced by Arthur Sides, matchmaker for the Legion post.

Gardner Dresses On Sale In Shelby

Perhaps for the first time in the city's history, dresses are now on sale in Shelby, produced in Shelby. McNeely is today advertising garments made by the recently organized Gardner company, from materials woven at the Cleveland Cloth mill. This is the beginning of what is expected to be in time a giant Shelby enterprise.

Mill Workers Of Forest City In A Walk-Out

Two-Thirds Of Force Of 500 Workers Walk Out To Demand More Pay.

Forest City, April 8.—After being visited by a man and two women from Gastonia who are believed to be organizers of the National Textile Workers' union, two-thirds of the employes of the Florence cotton mill walked out today in a strike for 20 per cent increase in salary. This mill employs about 550 people.

Leave Jobs. The strike began at 11 o'clock this morning when the cloth group left their jobs. They were followed at 1 o'clock by workers from the card and spinning rooms. The weavers were at work tonight but will have to quit before morning as there will be nothing to keep them busy.

The visit of organizers was preceded by that of five men in a Gastonia car who came to Forest City at 4 o'clock Saturday morning and distributed hand bills for the textile workers' union.

While they workers walked out, they were not organized and it was only through talking with individuals that it was learned that the strike is for an increase in salary.

No Violence. It is not believed that any violence will take place as mill employes and townspeople held a mass meeting and heard Dr. A. C. Duncan, physician of Forest City who owns no interest in the mill, urge the strikers to be reasonable in their demands. He explained the strike at Loray mills and warned the Florence workmen against getting mixed up with organizations. When he asked for a show of hands, mill workers voted unanimously that it would be unreasonable to make such demands as a 20 minimum wage and a 40-hour working week.

Forest City, April 10.—Striking employes of the Florence cotton mill here presented a list of demands yesterday presented a list of demands to mill officials and offered to return to work if the demands were granted. The demands included a 20 percent increase in pay, dismissal of J. W. McGarrah, an efficiency expert; and restoration of working conditions to the basis existing before McGarrah was employed. Officials granted all demands except the increase in pay and the strike is considered at an end. The strikers here denied any connection with the Loray strike, and some of the mill employes said they "would ride such fellows as Beal and Pershing out of town on a rail if they come here."

Highway 206 Now In State Control

Lincolnton.—Highway No. 206 was turned over to the state highway department last Friday, work on the road was stopped some weeks ago when the original contractors failed. The great American Investment Co., bondsmen for the contractor stepped in and had the road completed, the contractors on the finishing job being the Virginia General Contracting Co., of Richmond.

Mr. Roy G. Foster, general superintendent of the contracting company, Friday turned over the road complete to the state. Mr. C. A. Hayworth of the Raleigh office of the state highway, was here Friday and accepted 206 in behalf of the state.

The new state road is now open from Lincolnton to Shelby, and will become no doubt one of the most generally used roads that enters Lincolnton. The oil and graveling of this road is already under way from the Shelby end.

Honorable Mention. Miss Alice Sanders, Shelby high student, was one of the North Carolina high school students to receive honorable mention in the recent state-wide French contest, conducted by the university. Miss Hazel Beard, of Lenoir was the winner.

Mill Here To Drop New Plan; Stop Petition

Ella Plant Abandons Efficiency System Monday. Petition Never Presented.

The only known indication of any trouble or dissatisfaction in local cotton mills came to an end early this week when Supt. Wm. Ervin, superintendent of the Ella mill here, a branch of the Consolidated Textile corporation, announced that the efficiency system, which has been in operation at the plant since Christmas, would be abandoned Monday morning.

Pass Petition. Sometime last week, it is learned that some of the employes began circulating a petition among themselves in which the officials of the mill were to be asked that the efficiency system in the weave room be abandoned and that the old system prevail again.

The petition, however, never reached Supt. Ervin or other officials and no demands were made. Supt. Ervin announcing Monday, upon his return from Lynchburg, that beginning next Monday the weave room would go back to the system used before the efficiency plan was put into operation.

The announcement presumably stopped the petition automatically as it was never presented to the mill office.

"No demands were made by our employes," Supt. Ervin told The Star today, "and I never did see the petition which was being signed. The decision of officials of the plant to abandon the efficiency system was made known to me before I heard of the petition. And I suppose since the mill voluntarily changed back to the old plan that the employes naturally decided that presentation of the petition would be useless in view of the fact that the change had already been decided upon."

Mrs. Francis With Booze Car Caught

George Bivens, Local Taxi Man, Nabbed By Chief Poston Today.

Mrs. Jessie May Francis, once the center of interest in several sensational Cleveland county court hearings, was back in the courtroom here today, but not as a defendant.

Early this morning Police Chief McBridge Poston and Policeman Putnam searched the taxi car of George Bivens, local taxi driver, while it was parked at a Shelby mill residence, and fine pints of whiskey, the officers testified, were found in the car. Bivens, according to the officers had just driven Mrs. Francis to the home and neither was in the car at the time. Bivens was arrested and brought before Recorder Horace Kennedy an hour or so later. Mrs. Francis being brought along to be used as a witness if necessary.

Bivens was fined \$50 and the costs.

Strike Circulars Are Left About Shelby Mills But No Unrest Noted Among Workers

Circulars Calculated To Agitate Textile Employees Scattered Here Last Week. No Wage Cuts In Any Shelby Mills.

Circulars apparently intended to foster a spirit of unrest among textile employes of Shelby plants have been scattered about one or more mills in Shelby, it is learned by The Star, but since it has been many months, or, in fact, several years, since there has been a change in the wage scale here, and since there is little, if any, unrest among local textile workers, no walk-out or trouble is anticipated locally.

Friday of last week a few of the circulars, supposedly coming from the strike headquarters at Gastonia, were seen about the Lily and Ella Mill section, but whether or not the circulars were generally broadcast here cannot be learned; neither is the text of the circulars known.

Heart Beats Double



This exclusive photo shows Dorothy Collins whom slain Harry Adams is said to have considered himself married according to the Buddhist faith. Dorothy wrote him that her heart beat double thinking of her "husband in Buddha." Her letters form part of the evidence which the defense says drove Mr. Olive Adams to chloroform her husband, the Hartford meteorologist.

What? Just One Shelby Person Wed In Gaffney In Week

It may be some day that an entire week will go by without any Shelby people being married in Shelby, South Carolina. Fact is, it almost happened last week with only one Shelby girl marrying there. She was Lillian Cabanis who was married to William Walter Humphrey of Lenoir.

Due, it is presumed to the textile strike, the Gaffney marrying judge united only eight couples in all during the month.

To Organize Here History Association

W. E. White who has been appointed county historian by the state historical association, announces that an historical association will be organized for Cleveland county in the court house here on April 20th when the teachers of the county will hold their last meeting for the school year. Those interested in preserving the history of the country are urged to attend.

Just Airing Along.

Nothing succeeds like success. W. A. Pendleton reports that Grigsby Grunow, maker of Majestic radios, had a sales record of \$6,111,910 for the month of March, with forty-three millions in sales for the ten months of operation. That's what is designated, in Bostonian English to be going some.

King Case Not Likely Before Next Thursday

Defendant Given Three Days After Arraignment. Court Opens Monday.

The Rafe King trial scheduled to come up during the court term at York, S. C., next week, will not likely open before Thursday, if that early, according to Attorneys B. T. Falls and Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, who will represent King in the hearing with Attorney Thos. F. McDow of York.

The York county court term convenes Monday, but Messrs. Falls and Hoey say that according to the South Carolina law a true bill must first be brought by the grand jury, as is done in North Carolina, then after a true bill the arraignment proceedings follow and a defendant is allowed three days time after the arraignment until trial, unless, of course, the defense attorneys waive that privilege and seek immediate trial.

This would mean, naturally, that even if the grand jury finds a true bill, the case could not open before Thursday, while supposition is that it may not be reached before Friday. However there is a possibility that the attorneys, if they fail to secure a change of venue, may ask for an immediate trial once, and if their client is arraigned.

The bill of indictment which will go before the grand jury is that of murder charged against the well known Shelby man in connection with the mysterious death of his wife at Sharon, S. C., in January, and it is possible, of course that the grand jury may not return a true bill.

Lawyers Confer. Numerous conferences have been held this week between the two Shelby attorneys representing King, but the attorneys have followed their previous plan of keeping their case and procedure to themselves.

Much Interest Here. In and about Shelby there is practically as much interest in the case as about Sharon and York for in addition to King being a native of Shelby his wife, Faye Wilson King, taught school here before and after her marriage. The likelihood is that many Shelby people will attend the hearing if it is held at York, especially after the exact date for the trial becomes public knowledge.

Shelby Women To Speak At Meeting

Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey To Deliver Response To Welcome And Mrs. Nix Chapter Report.

At the annual meeting of the third district of the United Daughters of the Confederacy to be held with the Southern Stars Chapter at Memorial Hall, Lincolnton, Friday April 12, Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby is to deliver the response to the address of welcome and Mrs. W. B. Nix is to make the report of the Cleveland Guards Chapter.

The program which begins at 10:30 o'clock is as follows: Meeting called to order; Mrs. S. A. Robinson, district director; Invocation, Dr. R. S. Truesdale; Hymn, "How Firm a Foundation"; address of welcome, Miss Kate Shipp; response, Mrs. Clyde Hoey; reading of minutes, Mrs. Eugene Brittain, secretary; The Conquered Banner, Rev. V. C. Ridenhour; address, Mrs. E. L. McKee, division president; roll call and chapter reports, by presidents; Cleveland Guards, Mrs. W. B. Nix; Davis-Dickerson Mills, Mrs. Mal Jones; Gastonia Chapter, Mrs. G. W. Ragan; General James H. Lane, Mrs. Chas. R. Collins; Kings Mountain, Mrs. Harry Falls; Southern Stars, Mrs. L. A. Crowell; Stonewall Jackson, Miss Julia Alexander; Children of Confederacy, by leaders; Augustus Burton, Miss Thelma Young; Bessie Simonton, Mrs. J. E. Aderholdt; Isabelle Morrison Hill, Mrs. W. G. Hall; J. D. Moore, Mrs. Thomas Lee Craig; Fort Fisher, Mrs. L. B. Newell; U. D. C. Perpetuation, Mrs. L. E. Fisher; general discussion; Confederate Reunion, Confederate Veteran, Prizes, Memorial Highways, etc. Luncheon at 1:30.

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Newton Is Named Tax Supervisor For County Again

Tax Listers For Various Townships Also Selected By County Board.

At a called meeting of the Cleveland county commissioners held this week Mr. W. R. Newton was reelected tax supervisor and tax auditor for Cleveland county, an office he has efficiently operated for a number of years.

At the same meeting the commissioners formed list of tax listers for the various townships of the county, and when complete, which will be in the next few days, the list is to be published in The Star.

Merchants Organize Association Tuesday; First Event Planned

HEADS MERCHANTS



HENRY A. MILLS

Shelby Highs Win 4th Game In Four Starts

Hitting Of Bridges And Last Minute Single In Ninth By Gold Brings Victory.

The Shelby high athletic teams have a habit of snatching games away from Forest City in the final minutes of play. Yesterday the baseball team scored two runs in the eighth to tie a game that was already lost and then came back in the ninth with a marker which won the game 4 to 3.

Last fall in football the strong Forest City eleven had the local gridders biting the dust, 6-0 behind, with just two minutes to go when "Milky" Gold heaved a 50-yard pass to Rooster Bridges for a touchdown, and then snatched a pass out of the air a second later for the extra point and a 7-6 win. It was much the same here yesterday on the diamond, and Bridges and Gold again played the outstanding roles along with the Shelby captain, Cline Owens Lee.

In the first inning Bridges slashed out a double and scored Shelby's only run until the eighth. Then for frame after frame Grose, the visiting hurler sent the Shelby hitters back to the bench as fast as they came up. In the fifth inning the Rutherford boys combined three consecutive doubles with two errors to score three runs and go into the lead. From that point on until the eighth Shelby seemed to have very little hope. Then Bridges, the Forest City hoodoo, came to the plate with Rippy and Queen on base and slapped out his second long hit, a triple, to tie the score. Forest City failed to score in their half of the ninth. Then Shelby came up in the final stanza with the count tied and Lee, the leading hitter of the team up, Lee singled. Harrelson sacrificed him to second. Bumgardner flew out, and then Milky Gold came along to add his hoodoo to that of Bridges by punching a short single over first which scored Lee and won the game.

Although defeated by Kings Mountain a week ago, the Forest City outfit seems to be the fastest

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Henry Mills Is President Of Association. Consider Paid Secretary Now.

At last the great thing has been achieved—the move on the part of Shelby business men that is boosted as being the greatest asset for the town—that is to say the organization of a Merchants association. Such an organization was perfected in Shelby Tuesday morning, when twenty-five of the leading merchants and citizens of the city met at the Star office and put the new association over.

Another meeting is planned to be held tomorrow (Thursday) morning at nine-thirty o'clock, when it is not only hoped but definitely planned to enlist every business man in Shelby in the new civic enterprise.

Dollar Days Coming. So enthusiastic were the merchants at Tuesday's meeting over the idea of co-operative enterprise, that at once the plan of a general big-time dollar day was set going, the details to be worked out at successive meetings of the association, which will be held between this time and the date set for the big bargain days.

Mills President. Permanent officers elected for the Merchants association included: Henry Mills, president; Paul Wootton, secretary; Joe E. Nash, treasurer. And the following directors were named: E. E. Scott, Dr. Stephenson and T. W. Hamrick. A committee appointed by the chair, composing Ogburn Lutz, George Alexander and Henry Massey, named the official slate.

When the meeting was called to order at ten o'clock, a motion was made that Mr. Scott, ex-Rotary president be made temporary chairman. The Penny Company head let it be known at once that he was an enthusiastic booster for a Merchants association, and proceeded to point out the many advantages to be derived from such an organization.

Inasmuch as both ideas, namely, the perfecting of an association plan, and the organization of a dollar day, the question was raised which should take precedence. The chairman suggested, and it was agreed, that the better plan would be to organize the association first, and then proceed to plan the details for dollar day.

April 25-26. Dates for dollar days were set for April 25 and 26. It was agreed that such would insure ample time to arrange for what will be planned as Shelby's biggest trading event. Every town within a radius of fifty miles, or thereabouts, will come within the scope of the advertising for the banner sale.

A committee will circulate the many towns in the territory, which will be accompanied by a Shelby band.

Many brief speeches were made by the visiting merchants lauding the idea of a Merchants association, showing the benefits of co-operation on the part of the business men.

It was planned to employ a paid secretary, amongst whose duties it will be to keep the members posted on credit data, and especially with relation to bad checks. The opinion was expressed that the very existence of such an organization will tend to put a check on the growing bad check evil.

Every one of the twenty-five or more present at Tuesday's meeting pledged themselves to bring a member on Thursday. This meeting tomorrow will be held in the Star office, at nine-thirty o'clock.

Mrs. Cora Jenkins Dies At Morganton

Mrs. Cora Jenkins who died last week at Morganton where she was a patient for two years in the state hospital was buried Saturday afternoon at Beaver Dam Baptist church, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. John W. Suttle. Mrs. Jenkins was the daughter of Matt Brooks and is survived by her husband and two children.

County Boy To Preach.

Frank Edwards, of Grover, will be one of the four young ministerial students to preach before the First Presbytery of the A. R. F. church meeting this week at Elk Shoals in Iredell county. He is a student at the Erskine theological seminary.