

The Markets. Cotton, per pound 18c Cotton Seed, per bu. 48c

Fair And Warmer. Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Fair and not quite so cold tonight. Tuesday fair and slightly warmer.

Settle Tunney Suit. Late news dispatches this morning stated that the suit against Gene Tunney, former heavyweight champion, by Mrs. Katherine Fogarty for a shattered romance with the ex-champ had been settled. Mrs. Fogarty, a divorcee and mother of a child of 10, was preparing, earlier dispatches stated, to sue Tunney for \$500,000 because she said he married Polly Lauder after carrying on a romance with her.

South Shelby Finals To Open Tomorrow Eve

Annual Declamation And Recitation Contest On Friday, Eve. Spelling Medal.

The commencement exercises of the South Shelby school will begin Thursday evening May 23 at 8 o'clock and continue through Friday evening May 24.

On Thursday evening grades 1-5 will render a diversified program of drills, songs and playlets. Music will be furnished by the Toy Symphony orchestra and the South Shelby band under the direction of Mrs. Plaster and Mr. Sinclair. An operetta entitled "Mid-Summer's Eve" will be presented by pupils from all the grades and will feature this program. A small admission charge will be made for this entertainment in order to make the final payment on the school radio which was purchased in October.

On Friday evening at 8 o'clock the annual declamation and recitation contests will be held. The preliminaries for these contests were held last Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock at which time there were twenty-three contestants. Four boys and four girls were chosen for the final contest Friday evening. Contestants for the Paul Webb Reader's medal follow:

- 1. "The Little Rebel"—Hattie May Humphries. "Betty at the Ball Game"—Aileen Jones. 3. "Mandy's Funeral"—Elizabeth Hughes. 4. "Riding the Elephant"—Ruby Taylor.

Contestants for the O. M. Mull declamation medal follow:

- 1. "Citizenship"—Clarence Queen. 2. "Development of the Constitution"—Clyde Williams. 3. "German Plan of World Domination"—Onnie Baker. 4. "The National Flag"—Floyd Green.

Mr. John Schenck, jr., is giving a beautiful gold medal to the best speller in the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades. This contest was held this morning at 9 o'clock and the winner will be announced Friday evening. The girls' and boys' chorus composed of seventy of the best voices in the school will render several selections. These choruses will be directed by Mrs. H. S. Plaster, supervision of music in the South Shelby school.

Local Golfers To Play In Tourney

Mr. H. C. (Shorty) Long and "Snooks" Webb, kid brother of Pete Webb, the junior Carolinas golf champion, will go to Charlotte this week where on Thursday they will enter the qualifying rounds of the invitation tournament for the two Carolinas on the Charlotte Country club course. Young Webb since his brother has not been playing regularly is the outstanding golfer of the Cleveland Springs club while Long is one of the best on the local course and both should take high ranking in the qualifying rounds.

Few Dictionaries Left, Star Offer

Only a few more of the Webster collegiate dictionaries remain on The Star's bargain subscription offer. As long as the present shipment lasts The Star is giving this late dictionary with all the new words for 65 cents in addition to the price of a year's subscription. The regular price of the dictionary is \$3.50—but by The Star offer a year's subscription to The Star (by mail) and the dictionary cost only \$3.55; the paper for a year (by carrier in Shelby) and the dictionary, \$3.65. Get in your subscription right away while some of the dictionaries remain.

Special Train Arranged Now For Chapel Hill

Hope To Have Two Or Three Hundred Make Trip To Championship Game.

Definite arrangements have been completed, it is announced by Southern Railway officials, for a special train to be run from Shelby to Chapel Hill Saturday for the state championship game there between the Shelby highs and the Raeford team.

The Southern asked that 125 passengers be guaranteed before promising a special train with six passenger coaches and a baggage coach which will be used as refreshment car. Supt. Griffin along with Shelby citizens then began a drive to have business men of the town bear the expenses on the train of the high school band so that that much of the number would be assured. Latest indications today were that the entire band will be able to go, and it is now thought that there will be more than 200 people on the train since numerous people from Forest City and other points have indicated a desire to see the game.

The regular one-way fare to Chapel Hill is \$7.34 cents but on the special train the round-trip may be made for \$5, less than fare one way. The train will leave Shelby about 6:30 Saturday morning, will reach Chapel Hill in time for the game and start the return trip immediately after the game, arriving back in Shelby between 11 and 12 o'clock Saturday night. All parents and fans who plan to attend the game are asked to notify Supt. Griffin, or Messrs. Wyeth Rowster and Vernon Proctor so that the guaranteed crowd will be assured. However the train will be able to carry all who may decide to go at the last minute.

Team Off Friday.

Coach Morris and his western championship team will not go on the special, but will leave Shelby Friday so that they may practice on the Chapel Hill diamond Friday afternoon and Saturday.

The town and several sections of the county are highly enthused over the local outfit and there is little doubt but what there will be several hundred people on the sidelines in Chapel Hill Saturday afternoon. Reports reaching Shelby have it that six or seven members of the Raeford team hit from the left side of the plate and such being the case Coach Morris may start his pitcher "Lefty" Moore against the Raeford boys with Hamrick, who has turned in six wins, held in reserve. But what Morris will do no one knows but Morris and he may not decide definitely until the umpire starts the game Saturday afternoon. Local business houses are making plans for receiving a detailed report of the game and local people unable to attend may keep up with the progress of Shelby's third clash for state-wide honors.

Mr. And Mrs. Bridges Hurt In Auto Crash

Two cars driven by Mr. Coleman Bridges and by Mr. Yates Putnam collided Monday evening on South LaFayette street and both Mr. and Mrs. Bridges were somewhat injured. Mrs. Bridges was thrown from the car and shaken up while her husband, it is said, received a laceration on the head. Mr. Putnam was accompanied by two of his two brothers.

Corporate Wealth Of Cleveland County Is Over Ten Millions

Decrease Is Shown In Corporate Wealth Of Entire State.

Raleigh—Corporate wealth in North Carolina decreased almost ten millions of dollars in valuation from 1927 to 1928, decreases having been shown in 72 of the 100 counties, of which only 28 showed gains, according to figures compiled in the office of LeRoy Martin, executive secretary of the state board of equalization, from figures in the office of the department of revenue. The greatest decrease in any county was in Buncombe, which showed \$26,722,235 in 1927, as compared with \$24,638,014 in 1928, or a decrease of \$2,084,221. New Hanover and Nash were close seconds, the former showing a decrease of \$1,790,031, or from \$15,844,544 to \$14,054,513, while the latter dropped from \$7,282,049 to \$5,523,165, or \$1,758,884.

Increase In Gaston. Gaston county led in increase be-

Only Fourth Of Property Listed; Nine Days To Go

Tax listing in Cleveland county has been unusually slow so far this year, according to Mr. W. R. Newton, tax supervisor. So far, he says, only about 25 percent of the property in the county has been listed and only nine days remain in which to list taxes during the month. The average amount of property in Shelby and No. 6 township listed so far may not reach the 25 percent mark, he added, but some of the listers in other townships of the county have listed more.

Western Champions Licked By Belmont Abbey Here Tuesday

Patched-up Team Drops Comedy Of Errors, And Bonehead Plays Here.

After winning six or seven straight games the Shelby highs yesterday lost what was supposed to be a ball game to the strong Belmont Abbey team 8 to 7.

The Shelby outfit started the game minus the services of Capt. Lee Shortport, who was taking a rest, and the last three innings were played with only three Shelby regulars in their accustomed positions. As it was Shelby would have won had not a small boy picked up a wild throw near the grandstand, the blocked ball sending a Shelby runner who had scored back to third.

Just how many errors and bonehead plays the two teams pulled off during the afternoon evaded the calculation of the scorekeeper. Comic plays, wild throws, and unheeded errors made the affair a comedy for Shelby fans who for the first time in six games relaxed and took it easy with no worry about being eliminated from the race. Of the eight runs the visitors earned only about two and base stealing and fielding turned into rough-and-tumble football at times with the players roughing it up rather freely.

Takes One Out.

Several times Belmont players going into second ran full speed into the player covering the base, while on one occasion when Rippy took second the player on the bag for Belmont lay down upon him so that he could not advance on the wild throw. These clashes together with several decisions on bases had the players considerably worked up. About mid-game the Belmont third-sacker slid into Bridges on second a bit roughly, and after passing a few kicks on the ground Bridges took a swing for the visitor's head, but was immediately taken from the game and sent to the club house by Coach Morris.

A running one-hand catch by Foston in rightfield, the hitting and base-running of the Belmont first baseman, and the fielding of Rippy in third were the lone features of real baseball exhibited in the comedy. Esherhelt, rightfielder, secured four hits out of four trips up and Gold hit three times out of five.

Belmont secured one more hit off "Lefty" Moore than did the locals of the Belmont hurler.

With Lee out of the game Gold was switched to his old position at short, and Rippy was brought in from leftfield to play third with McSwain playing leftfield. After Bridges was removed the only three

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"Casey" Morris To Return Here; So Will Sinclair

Athletic Director And Musical Director Of High School Accept Contracts.

Casey Morris will be back at Shelby High next year to direct the high school and city schools athletics.

That announcement made by city school officials here today will be of considerable interest in that it comes just two days before the Shelby athletic director leaves for Chapel Hill with his Shelby team to seek the town's third baseball crown.

Along with the Morris announcement was another one of interest which stated that Prof. W. T. Sinclair would also return to Shelby as musical director and trainer of the school bands and glee clubs. Prof. Sinclair's Shelby High band only recently won the Class B band honors in the state-wide contests.

Both Winners.

Morris and Sinclair both accepted their reelection to the school faculty this week. The defeat of the special school tax election and the announcement of the new board that all faculty members here would go on the state salary schedule with no supplements made it doubtful if either Morris or Sinclair, both sought by larger schools would return. However Shelby citizens interested in athletics and music added to the school board offer in order to retain them and both were returned.

Prof. Sinclair since coming to Shelby has accomplished wonders with the young musicians of the town and has developed numerous individual performers of note in addition to his championship band.

Casey Morris in four years of coaching here has won the state baseball crown one time and will play Raeford Saturday for the title again, and his other achievements with the Shelby boys include two western baseball championships, and two football teams which moved twice to the western semi-finals. In addition to his work with the high school athletic teams he conducts daily exercises and athletic instruction at the various schools of the city with all students participating, the grammar grade track meet here today bringing together all the youngsters of the town in a centralized contest.

Shelby Man Brings 4 Fruit Flies From Florida To Shelby

Is Stopped, Searched And Sprayed Five Times By Government Men In Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Luico M. Hull, just back from their winter home in Florida brought with them from Orlando four fine specimens of the Mediterranean fruit fly which has caused so much consternation there with the fear that the fly may destroy the citrus and fruit crops.

Mr. Hull has the four flies, somewhat smaller than a house fly with brown striped wings, in a small vial of alcohol along with larvae and cocoons from which the flies develop. Shelby people who are beginning to wonder where their next oranges and grapefruit will come from are showing considerable interest in the pest which has already caused 2,900 government workers to go to Orlando in the attempt to eradicate the fly. The fly, it is said, stings the orange or other fruit and leaves an egg, the egg develops into a "skipper" or larvae, which plays havoc with the fruit, before turning into a cocoon and then to the fruit fly itself.

Before leaving Orlando Mr. Hull picked some oranges from one of their groves there, hoping to receive fruit back to Shelby. The fruit was placed in a small pantry there and in a day or so he noticed the flies all over the window. Coming back the Shelby party was stopped five times between Orlando and Augusta, Georgia, by government workers who opened their bags and searched the car closely to see that no oranges or other fruit was coming out of the state. After the search the car was sprayed since the state of Georgia is putting forth every effort to keep the dangerous fly from moving north out of Florida.

With such a particular search of cars five times each day Mr. Hull is of the opinion that very little centraband booze from Cuba is being brought up from Florida these days.

St. Peters Memorial.

Memorial services will be held at St. Peters church on Sunday, May 26, with dinner on the grounds.

Heads Pilgrimage



Following the precepts of her great grandfather, Daniel O'Connell, the emancipator, Miss A. O'Connell Hayes will soon lead a pilgrimage to Dublin, Ireland, to take part in the elaborate ceremonies to be held there in connection with the centenary celebration of Catholic emancipation, for which Daniel O'Connell was in a large measure responsible. (International Newsweek)

Bulwinkle Speaks At Closing Program Of Boiling Springs

Graduating Exercises This Morning Concludes Junior College Commencement Program.

The first commencement of Boiling Springs as the Baptist junior college for this section ended there about noon today with the annual literary address by Major A. L. Bulwinkle, former congressman from this district.

The Bulwinkle address was preceded by the graduating exercises in which Roy Hammett was valedictorian and Janie Wilson was salutatorian.

Last night the annual play "The Barber of Seville," was given by the literary societies of the college. Good Attendance.

The entire commencement program, beginning with the annual sermon last Sunday night, were well attended, those in attendance coming from all sections of Ruthersford and Cleveland counties and other parts of this state and South Carolina.

County Couples In Gaffney Weddings

The following couples from this county were married by Probate Judge Lake W. Stroup last week in Gaffney, South Carolina.

Cam McElroy and Cora Salliers, both of Shelby; Bailey Gold and Verna Mae Mode, both of Shelby; Grady McCurry and Geneva Ledford, both of Shelby; John Stroup and Florence Shelton both of Kings Mountain; Nolan Garner and Violet Allison, both of Kings Mountain.

Shelby Boy To Get Military Training

A dispatch from Davidson college states that L. C. Roberts, son of Capt. and Mrs. J. Frank Roberts, of Shelby, was one of the 25 Davidson students selected to take advanced military training at Camp McClellan, Alabama, this summer. Those selected are awarded a second lieutenant's commission at the end of the four years training.

Publisher Of Star Improves At Hospital

Mr. Lee B. Weathers, president and publisher of The Star, is improving nicely at the Shelby hospital following a severe operation there one week ago. Despite his steady improvement, however, he will be in the hospital for another week, it was stated today.

Memorial At New Bethel.

There will be memorial services at New Bethel church Sunday, Mr. John Mull will make the address at 10:30 o'clock, followed by a sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. W. Cutler. Dinner will be served on the ground.

Retiring City Fathers Hold Their Last Regular Confab Tuesday Night

Unless something bobs up in city affairs to demand urgent action on their part the retiring city fathers of Shelby and Mayor W. N. Dorsey have held their last meeting together.

The session was the regular mid-month aldermanic meeting last night in the city hall, but in adjourning Alderman John Schenck, jr., a member of the board-elect as well as of the retiring board, had the minutes so arranged that if necessary a call meeting of the board may be held prior to the swearing in of the McMurry administration a week from the coming Saturday.

Friendly Meeting.

"It was a very quiet meeting—in fact, mention was made of the lack of delegations and petitions in view of the fact that it was our last regular session," Mayor Dorsey declared today. "We transacted no business of any great importance other than the paying of several bills and such minor matters. In the halls we talked over with each other our relations together as mayor and board members, and it was remembered that, although we all have not agreed

at all times, which was not humanly possible, we have never split up in anger, and always have managed to maintain a friendly spirit of cooperation. In view of the fact that we might not again assemble as an official body mutual regards and best wishes were passed before we adjourned."

Incidentally it was noted at the meeting that Mayor Dorsey has never faced the necessity of casting a vote in board meetings to break a tie between the four aldermen. On the other hand, it was pointed out, nearly every vote during the two years turned out to be unanimous.

New Board Meeting.

Mayor-elect McMurry has been out of town for several days but well-founded reports have it that he may meet with his board-elect for an informal, get-acquainted session about next Monday or Tuesday night. Meantime a dozen or more applicants for city jobs are marking time—and a bit nervously at that as the incoming administration is asking that every application be submitted in writing with nothing being said until official action is taken.

Future Of Liquor Law May Depend Upon Study Of Group

Prohibition Commission Studying Enforcement May Influence The Statute.

Washington, May 21.—Eleven prominent Americans, ten lawyers and a woman educator, chosen by President Hoover to be members of his national law enforcement commission, will gather around a conference table here this week to lay plans for investigating and attempting to find the remedy for lawlessness in the United States.

George W. Wickersham, of New York city, attorney general in the Taft administration and president of the American Law Institute, will sit at the head of the table as chairman with another former cabinet officer, Newton D. Baker, of Cleveland, war secretary in the Wilson administration, sitting at his right as ranking member of the commission.

Three Jurists.

The others will be three federal judges, William S. Kenyon, of Iowa; William I. Grubb, of Alabama; and Paul J. McCormick, of California; four eminent attorneys, Roscoe Pound of the Harvard law school; Henry W. Anderson, of Richmond, Va.; Monte M. Lamm, of New Orleans, president of the Louisiana Bar association, and Frank J. Loesch, vice president of the Chicago crime commission; a former jurist, Kenneth R. Mackintosh, of Washington State, and one educator, Miss Ada L. Momstock, president of Radcliffe college, Cambridge, Mass.

The commission is expected to get at its work within a short time and concededly has before it the most stupendous undertaking of any country. Guesses as to the length of time it will require for the completion of the job vary, but even the most optimistic agree that a final report is not to be expected within a year and a half or two years.

Dry Law Topic.

While the official White House announcement of the personnel designated the body as the national law enforcement commission, its chief function appears to be associated in the popular mind with prohibition enforcement. This trend of thought is clearly reflected in the comments on the selections made by leading members of congress.

Generally speaking these comments were favorable, with some of the dries as well as the wets rather enthusiastic and decidedly hopeful of some concrete results so far as the whole prohibition question is concerned.

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Big Snake Strikes At A Toluca Woman Working In Kitchen

(Special To The Star.)

Toluca, May 22.—Mrs. Alvin Deal, of this section, had a very terrifying experience with a big snake while working in her kitchen recently.

Mrs. Deal had stopped to pick up a piece of paper near the cupboard when a big black snake ran up the wall and struck at her, the snake's fangs missing her face not more than an inch or so. The snake when killed measured four feet.

Polkville Community Club To Hold Meet

A called meeting of the Polkville community club will be held Saturday afternoon, May 25, at three o'clock at the home of Mrs. W. A. Covington. Important business will be transacted and all members are urged to be present.

Hopper Reunion.

The annual Hopper reunion and memorial will be held with the Buffalo people at Buffalo church in South Carolina on the fourth Saturday in May, Rev. Jenkins of Boiling Springs will deliver the memorial address at eleven o'clock. All relatives and friends are cordially invited to attend. Dinner will be served on the ground.

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Weather Holds County Farmers Back In Planting

Quite A Bit Of Land Not Broken Much Planting Is Yet To Do.

If Cleveland county holds the honor again this year of producing more cotton than any county in North Carolina there will have to be some unusually good weather in the next three weeks or a month.

The rainy, cool weather of recent weeks has proven a handicap to the cotton farmers of the county and two more weeks of similar weather will send the county down below the 50,000-bale production mark which was passed last year with several thousand bales to spare.

Farmers differ in their views as to what percentage of the Cleveland county cotton crop is already in the ground, but all agree that there is still quite a bit of land to be broken in the county even before planting begins. The wet weather with frequent cool snaps hasn't done any good for the seed already planted and some of the crop already in may not come up unless hot weather sets in soon.

In many instances it is said that the cotton already up is turning yellow due to the bad weather and the fact that the rains have given the grass the "ups" on the cotton with the ground too wet for cultivation.

Father Of Mr. Cline Dies In Statesville

Civil War Veteran Was Father Of Cleveland County Business Manager.

Mr. Reuben F. Cline, 84-year-old veteran of the Civil War and the father of Mr. A. E. Cline, Cleveland county business manager, passed away at his home there Sunday following a stroke of paralysis which he suffered ten days ago. Funeral services, conducted by Dr. J. D. Kinard, were held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock from St. John's Lutheran church. Interment took place at Sharon Lutheran church, eight miles west of Statesville.

Mr. Cline was born in Iredell county September 20, 1844. After serving through the Civil war, he returned to the farm and remained there until he changed his residence to Statesville 22 years ago. He was remarkably well preserved physically, having never been seriously sick until his last illness.

His wife, two sons and two daughters survive in addition to the son who is a Cleveland county official.

Cleveland To Get \$35,000 From Fund From Gasoline Tax

Will Be County's Share Of One Cent Increase On Gas For County Roads.

Cleveland county's share of the three million dollar fund brought about by the extra one-cent tax on gas, as provided by the last legislature, will be \$35,430, according to a dispatch from Raleigh today. The fund is divided among the 100 counties according to area and population and is to be used for the maintenance of county highways, thus removing a county road tax.

The estimated quota for neighboring counties follow: Burke, \$30,090; Catawba, \$32,400; Gaston, \$41,270; Lincoln, \$19,690; Rutherford, \$35,160.

Lincolnton Fire Does Big Damage

Lincolnton, May 20.—Fire of undetermined origin at 7 o'clock tonight broke out in the cotton brokerage office of B. C. Lineberger and Brother, destroying cotton samples and office equipment entailing a loss of several hundred dollars. The cotton company occupied the second story of the Reinhardt block.

Water used in controlling the fire drenched the stock of goods on the ground floor of the Lincolnton Variety store the Robinson Radio and Electric company and the Railway Express agency office. The damage to all firms is quite heavy, probably several thousand dollars. Prompt action of the firemen saved the two story structure from being destroyed, the building being burned only partially.

Important Masonic Meeting.

Cleveland lodge No. 202 A. F. & A. M. will meet in regular communication Friday night. A full attendance is urged, as election of officers for next year is to be held.

Capt. Ed Dixon Can Spot Stanley Veteran Five Years

Ninety-One-Year-Old Vet Of Stanley Will Meet Two Cleveland Vets Of More Years.

Daily newspapers of the state yesterday published a news article from Albemarle, Stanley county, stating that a 91-year-old veteran of that county would likely be the oldest follower of Lee and Jackson at the annual reunion in Charlotte early next month. Just what other counties in North Carolina and the South will have to say to that is not known, but Cleveland county can put that record on the back seat.

It was also stated that Stanley with 34 living Confederates might have more living veterans than any of the other counties. Pension checks were mailed out here this year to near 70 veterans in Cleveland county and at least 50 are known to be living.

spot the Stanley veteran five years and ask him to try it again. Capt. Dixon attended the recent memorial reunion in Shelby and plans to attend the Charlotte reunion. Another Cleveland county veteran older than the Stanley county warrior who will likely be at Charlotte is "Uncle Billy" Putnam who is 92.

Capt. Ed Dickson, of Fallston, can