

The Markets. Cotton, per pound 19c. Cotton Seed, per bu. 40 1/2. The Weather. N. C. partly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Probably local thunder-showers in west and north portion.

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CLOUD BURST

A near approach to a cloud-burst, accompanied by hail and wind of cyclonic proportions, struck at a point about one mile from Boiling Springs a few minutes before 6 o'clock last night and did considerable damage to growing crops. Young corn was almost ruined according to reports received here today and some small outbuildings were demolished by the high wind. The storm cut a path through a very narrow strip and the town of Boiling Springs did not feel the full force of the blow.

Local Barbers Consider Law Real Hardship

Reports Say Number Have Failed To Comply With The New Regulations.

Although Wednesday was the final date under North Carolina law for all barbers of the state to make application for physical examination licenses, it was stated here today that a good many of the city's barbers have been unable to comply with the new law. They explain this by saying they were not able to obtain the necessary blanks on which to make the applications in time to comply with the new law and what disposition will be made of their cases is a matter of speculation. Meanwhile, they are going ahead with their daily duties as heretofore.

There are approximately 50 barbers employed in the principal barber shops of Shelby and most of them have made their applications for the examinations and some of them have completed the entire undertaking, while others are not so fortunate.

Some of the local barbers point out that they are entailing an expense of from \$12 to \$15 to each individual barber and that the barber and the shop for which he works receive little in return. The license issued by the state costs the barber \$8 and in addition, he is required to pay whatever fee the physician who makes the physical examination may charge. This makes the total expense to the barber a considerable figure.

The state law provides that barbers failing to make the necessary application prior to July 10 shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$10 and not more than \$50 and some of the local barbers who have failed to comply with this law may be required to pay the fine, although no definite information on that score is available here at present.

Sheriff Back From Fruitless Search

Sheriff I. M. Allen returned to the city this morning about 2 o'clock after a long and fruitless automobile trip to Roan City, Tenn. The sheriff was on the trail of a youth accused of stealing an automobile in this county, but his search was fruitless and he returned to the city with a heavy heart. Information that the man he had been seen in the Tennessee town not many days ago. The sheriff says one of the interesting sights he saw on the trip was an overhanging rock under which the Tennessee volunteers made their first camp in the Revolutionary war when they were starting for Kings Mountain to aid the North and South Carolina troops in the disastrous rout of Colonel Ferguson and his British forces. The spot is marked with a suitable tablet, according to the Cleveland county sheriff.

Auto And Whisky Seized By Officer

That the guilty few when no man pursued was again demonstrated here yesterday when Deputy Sheriff Bob Kendrick made a haul of four and one-half gallons of corn liquor and an automobile being used for transporting same. Officer Kendrick was returning to Shelby from Kings Mountain proceeding at a very leisurely pace and not looking for whisky, particularly when he saw a car stop on the highway not far in front of him and the driver jumped from that machine and ran. The deputy investigated and found the huge glass flask of liquor. He brought his find to the Cleveland county court house and the automobile will be disposed of in accordance with law. The operator of the vehicle was not apprehended.

Masons Plan To Hold Rally Here Next Wednesday

County Wide Gathering With Cleveland Lodge Here To Attract Many.

Members of the Masonic fraternity from all over Cleveland county are expected to assemble here next Wednesday night, July 17, when a monster Masonic rally for this district is to take place in the hall of Cleveland lodge, beginning at 8 o'clock.

The occasion is the district conference for the thirty-seventh Masonic district, which embraces all of Cleveland county, and it is anticipated that there will be a large attendance here for the evening.

Local officials announce that the grand master and the grand secretary of the state organization have given definite assurance that they will be in attendance and a most interesting program has been arranged and will be carried out.

J. F. Roberts, district deputy grand master of the thirty-seventh district says that the officers of Cleveland lodge anticipate that this will be a profitable occasion, as well as a most interesting and thoroughly enjoyable one, and he urges that every Mason in the district who can possibly do so endeavor to attend and take part in the deliberations of the evening.

Two New Stores To Open Here Shortly

Jewelry Store To Occupy Cinderella Stand And Furniture, Nix And Lattimore Stand.

A jewelry store and a furniture store will be shortly added to Shelby's mercantile establishments. The Cinderella Bootery which has occupied the store room between A. W. Wray and Six Sons and the Cleveland drug store in the Hotel Charles block is selling out and will shortly abandon Shelby, the store to be occupied by an experienced jeweler, Mr. Abernethy who will move here from Mooresville.

Paul Webb stated yesterday that the store room which he owns just north of his drug store on N. Lafayette street and formerly occupied by Nix and Lattimore, men's wear, will be occupied by a furniture store. Two furniture men from Wilmington have just closed a lease on this building.

An exclusive shoe store is seeking a lease in Shelby and expects to close within the next week or ten days, it is learned.

Judge Kennedy Is Off On Vacation

Judge Horace Kennedy, who presides with such grace and dignity over county recorder's court here has gone on a vacation of a week or 10 days to New Bern, Morehead City and other North Carolina points and during the absence from the city of His Honor, the local judgeship is being very ably filled by M. R. Weathers, local attorney. During the past few days only matters of a routine nature have come before the recorder and no hearings out of the ordinary have been conducted.

Some Few Stores Observe Holiday

A few Shelby stores, principally grocery stores, closed yesterday afternoon to allow their clerks a half-holiday and this system will be followed throughout the remainder of the summer by certain local business houses. The Shelby Merchants association had refused to enter into the agreement because some local stores would not consent and it is not probable that the half-holiday plan will be widely observed in Shelby this season.

Freed Of Bigamy Stigma, Boy, Bride Of 14, Go Home

Freed of the stain of a bigamous marriage as the result of a verdict directed by Judge T. S. Sease, Oscar Matthis, young Cleveland County farmer, and his fourteen-year-old bride of last April, walked out of the Cherokee county courthouse at Gaffney, S. C., yesterday afternoon arm in arm. Claude Hamrick, father of the girl, followed slowly behind, apparently still unconvinced. The girl, who before marriage

Blazed Air Trail To Rome



Hardy vikings of the air, Roger Q. Williams, left, and Lewis A. Yancey, right, who piloted their plane, the Pathfinder, in masterly style from New York to Rome, Italy, reaching their destination at 9:30 o'clock Wednesday night. This was the longest plane flight ever attempted to date. Thousands gave them greetings and Premier Mussolini witnessed their arrival.

Captain Smith Is Speaker On Sunday

Capt. B. L. Smith, superintendent of the Shelby schools, will deliver the principal address at the Vesper service at the Spindale M. E. church Sunday at 5 p. m. Special music by the Spindale quartet and others. This promises to be a most enjoyable program and the public is invited to attend.

Shelby Visited By Road Patrol; Drivers Warned

A detachment of the newly created North Carolina highway patrol visited Shelby during yesterday afternoon, but the young officers contented themselves with issuing numerous warnings to careless drivers here regarding use of the wrong side of the road, failure to have brakes in working order, defective lights and the like and no arrests were made while the patrol was in the city. Headed by Lieut. R. H. Beck, the party included Patrolmen J. R. Smith and S. D. Moore. The commanding officer was driving a new model Ford while the two patrolmen rode Harley-Davidson motorcycles.

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The cycles are equipped with Red Cross first aid kits, patent fire extinguishers and have comfortably padded seats. The highway patrolmen were attired in very natty uniforms. These are cut army style and are made of dark gray whipcord, with slouch caps bearing the insignia of the highway department. The visit of the patrolmen to Shelby excited some comment and the visitors, while on foot, were followed from spot to spot by crowds of young boys.

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was Moree Hamrick, admitted she had misrepresented her age in securing a marriage license, but Judge Sease said this fact did not invalidate the union. The ceremony was performed by Probate Judge Lake W. Stroup at Gaffney. The bigamy charge was filed because the bridegroom had been married previously. It was brought out in the trial that his first marriage was illegal.

Shelby Is Seeking To Be Designated As Next Home Of Troop Of N. C. Cavalry

Mrs. Eskridge Buried Today

Mother Of Mrs. J. G. Dudley Dies At Son's Home In Charlotte At Age 75 Years.

The funeral of Mrs. Susan Eskridge is being conducted this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. G. Dudley in the Cleveland Springs Estates and interment will be in Sunset cemetery beside her husband Dixon Eskridge who preceded her to the grave a number of years ago. Dixon Eskridge was a twin brother of the late A. Webb Eskridge.

Mrs. Eskridge died yesterday afternoon at the home of her son, Ed Eskridge, commercial agent of the Seaboard with whom she was spending a short while before going on to Fredericksburg, Va., to visit a daughter, Mrs. James Byard. Mrs. Eskridge was 75 years of age and had been spending the winter here with Mrs. Dudley. She was sick only three weeks.

Before her marriage Mrs. Eskridge was Susan Beam. Her married life was spent in Shelby where she had a host of friends and was a member of the First Baptist church. Surviving are two sons, Ed of Charlotte, Poe of Rutherfordton and two daughters, Mrs. J. G. Dudley of Shelby and Mrs. James Byard of Fredericksburg, Va. Two brothers D. A. and Virgil Beam and two sisters, Mrs. B. J. Eskridge and Mrs. Mary Batts all of this county also survive.

The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Dr. Zeno Wall with the following serving as pall bearers, S. A. Washburn, Chas. L. Eskridge, C. R. Doggett, S. E. Hoey, George Blanton, J. J. Lattimore and Paul Webb.

Folks Like Their Sugar—22 Lbs. Each

According to Lamborn and company New York reliable sugar brokers the consumption of sugar during the first six months of 1929 amounted to 3,146,000 long tons raw volume. This reflects an increase of 276,000 long tons, (8.6 per cent) over the same period for 1928. This information shows that there is consumed per every person in America an average of 22 pounds for that period within six months time. Sugar has been cheap and the people like it.

Good Opposing Bill To Mark Battle Ground

War Department Secretary Says Kings Mountain Site Sufficiently Honored.

The Shelby chapter of the daughters of the American Revolution and others interested in the effort to establish a national park at historic Kings Mountain battleground, have been advised that Secretary Good is vigorously opposing the bill authorizing the expenditure of \$225,000 for that purpose on the ground that a suitable monument was completed at Kings Mountain battleground in 1910 and he appears to think that is all the historic spot, marking one of the most decisive battles of the Revolutionary war, deserves or should receive.

In a report to Acting Chairman James of the house military committee, the secretary of war said the battlefield "has been properly commemorated according to its classification, through the erection by the federal government of a monument thereon."

The secretary pointed out that under an act passed in 1906, congress had appropriated \$30,000 for the monument, and under the same act "the responsibility for its care and custody was transferred to the Kings Mountain Battle Ground association of South Carolina."

Governor Sorry For Rafe King

There is nothing that Governor Gardner can do for Rafe F. King, Shelby man under sentence of death in South Carolina for the murder of his wife in York county, but the sympathy of the governor goes out to King because of the loyal support the latter accorded the Shelby high school baseball team, according to reports coming from Raleigh. A newspaper dispatch from the North Carolina capital says in this connection:

"The governor feared that Rafe King would not make the grade and when the accused man failed to take the stand to deny that he killed his young wife, the Gardner psychology which works 24 hours every day, told him that King was doomed. The governor knows the prisoner well and Shelby appreciated the support which he gave the team."

"Rafe was down here a few months ago when Shelby and Raeford were in death struggle for the championship of North Carolina. The prisoner was then at liberty on a \$5,000 bond. He rooted long and loud for the home team and was willing to back his patriotism with money. A more unconcerned man so far as his future went did not come down this way. He was greatly disturbed over the prospects of Shelby's losing the championship, but none whatsoever about his losing his life."

League Program At Central Church 14th

The Central Methodist church Epworth League will render the following program Sunday night at 7 o'clock in the regular league room: Subject, "Where Christ Is—In The Use of Leisure." Psalm 8—By Amanda Harris. "Place of Leisure," by Helen Bass. "What Recreation is Available for Young People in Our Community," by Nancy Coble. "A Christian Program for Leisure," by Elsie Gidney. Song by all. Benediction. The public is invited to this service.

County Baseball League To Open Its Season Tomorrow

All indications today were that there will be a splendid attendance at all games when the Cleveland county baseball league gets underway tomorrow afternoon in the opening game of the season. Play will be continued on Saturdays through the remainder of July and August and very keen interest is being manifested on the parts of all concerned, especially in the mill villages of the city. Some strong teams are entered and the rivalry promises to be keen throughout.

One feature lending interest to the league play is the fact that one rule requires all players to be employed in Cleveland county and it is hoped in this manner to keep down the use of professionals and "ringers" thereby giving every team an equal chance. Another rule, in this same direction, requires that official notice be given the

King Must Remain In County Prison Avers S. Carolina Governor

NEW RESIDENT NOW IS IN RAFA KING HOME

Sharon, S. C., July 11.—Into the house where a Chester county jury said Rafe D. King murdered his pretty wife, Faye Wilson King, has come a dweller.

Miss Jessie Ferguson, a sister of S. T. Ferguson, who lives nearby and at whose home the Sharon school teacher was last seen alive January 25, has taken up her abode in the residence, which has been the object of much attention and the enthralling subject at the court room drama in Chester county.

Miss Ferguson moved into the King home last Saturday, coming into town from the country after the death of her father.

Blaze Damages Garage, 2 Cars

Public Of City Aroused By Double Alarm At Early Hour Yesterday.

Fire of undetermined origin broke out in a double garage owned by the Ella mill about 5:30 o'clock yesterday morning and badly damaged the structure, an automobile truck and an automobile coach, all the property of the mill.

The alarm was first sounded by the mill whistle blowing repeated short blasts, the entire public of the city being awakened thereby, and shortly thereafter the city fire sirens were sounded. The mill fire department, made a good fight against the flames before the arrival of the city fire department might have succeeded in extinguishing it without aid, but a call for help was decided upon because of the proximity of the garage to a number of the mill houses.

Shelby fire department officials said they could not explain how the fire started and they did not estimate how much damage was done, although the loss will not be very great.

FAMILY HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH

W. C. Powell and members of his family had a narrow escape from being burned to death when their home at Dover mill was completely destroyed by fire about 3:30 o'clock this morning. The roof of the house was falling in when the blaze was discovered and Mr. Powell had great difficulty in extricating his children. The house was completely destroyed with practically all furnishings. Mill officials said that the structure, which was mill property, was covered by insurance but it is not thought that Mr. Powell had any protection at all.

Auto Recovered

Garland McBrayer, Shelby traveling salesman who lost his automobile by theft while in Raleigh last Sunday, has been advised by officers that the car has been recovered at Fayetteville. Mr. McBrayer will go for the machine probably tomorrow.

Unless Life Is Threatened Will Not Be Admitted To State Penitentiary.

Columbia, July 11.—Unless Chester and York counties show that Rafe King would be in danger in one of the county jails, he will not become a prisoner in the state penitentiary, Governor Richards indicated today on his return from Washington, where he attended yesterday the unveiling of the Hampton memorial statue.

Rafe King, who was convicted of the murder of his wife was brought to Columbia yesterday and taken to the penitentiary. The penitentiary refused to receive him, because the law provides that prisoners under death sentence can only enter the state prison 20 days before the date of execution. Date has been set as September 20, but he has indicated that he will appeal.

King was brought to Columbia by Sheriff Howze of Chester. After the penitentiary refused to receive him, he was taken to the governor's office and then to the attorney general's office, the sheriff seeking some legal loophole that might allow him to be left at the state prison.

DEFENDANT CONFERS WITH ONE ATTORNEY

Chester, July 11.—Attributed to the fact that Sheriff James G. Howze is out of the city for a few days on a vacation Rafe King, who was found guilty of murdering his wife, Faye Wilson King, by a Chester county jury and sentenced by Judge J. K. Henry to die in the electric chair on September 20, will likely remain in the Chester county jail for a while at least, having been refused admission to the penitentiary yesterday due to the 20 days before execution admission clause in the law.

The Chester county prison is a modern steel and concrete structure, and it would be difficult for a prisoner to get out, however, the responsibility of looking after such an important prisoner, is a heavy one.

Confer With Attorney. King has an upper corner steel cage near the eastern corner of the building and when he comes to the wall of his cage he can easily be seen and talked to from the sidewalk. Today a large number of people including women and children conversed with him from the sidewalk. Some people which included women wanted to go up in the jail and see him today, however, this was flatly refused. The fact that people hang about the jail and talk to him is becoming very annoying.

King sent for Paul Hemphill, one of his Chester attorneys this evening and they had a lengthy conversation, but the purport of it could not be learned tonight. King seems contented in the Chester prison.

Mill Office Forces Visit In Mountains

The office force and overseers of the Dover and Ora mills motored to Asheville last Saturday. Several places of interest were visited during the day. Among them, the paper plant of Canton, and the state fish hatchery near Waynesville. Returning the party spent the night and came home the following day. Those making the trip, Messrs. J. R. Dover, Jr., E. A. Hambrick, A. B. Quinn, C. I. Dover, W. D. Stockton, G. D. Simpkins, J. H. Southard, Lee Hawkins, L. D. Corn, Jim Shiver, J. W. Webb, B. D. Starns, S. M. Proctor, S. E. Weaver, E. E. Gantt, W. F. Newton, J. B. Connor, C. G. White, Claude Johnson and Mr. Vess.

Eastside Store Is Victim Of Thieves

Shelby police officials are making an exhaustive search for the thief or thieves who entered and burglarized the Mauney store at Eastside here Wednesday night but thus far without success. Several houses have been searched on suspicion but thus far no arrests in the case have been made. The store was entered at a late hour Wednesday night and articles of merchandise stolen, including cigarettes, soap, clothing and a pair of shoes. There was no money taken, according to advices given the police.