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Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Cloudy and possibly showers in east portion tonight and Saturday. Not much change in temperature.

Miller-Jones Open Shoe Store Here Saturday

Full Line Will Be Carried In Store Building Leased On South LaFayette Street.

Miller-Jones company factory distributors for eleven shoe factories in and around Columbus, Ohio will open on Saturday, an exclusive shoe store, handling a popular priced line of shoes for men, women and children on South LaFayette street in the Webb-Weathers-Hord building.

The Miller-Jones company operates 156 stores in the mid-west and the two Carolinas where the company is now engaged in opening in many cities. For the past two weeks W. B. Carter, general manager of the Carolinas and Carl Wagner, manager of the Pennsylvania district have been here supervising the remodeling of the store front and interior and placing the stock which arrived this week from the factory.

Messrs. Carter and Wagner are engaged in opening a number of other stores in the two Carolinas, but will be in Shelby for the formal opening on Saturday.

Missionary Union Meets At Fallston

Each Church In The Kings Mountain Association Asked To Send Delegates.

The Woman's Mission union of the Kings Mountain association will hold their annual meeting at Fallston on Thursday and Friday, August 29-30, 1929. Each church in the association is asked to send delegates even if they do not have W. M. U. organizations.

The state president, Mrs. W. N. Jones, of Raleigh, will be one of the outstanding speakers. Following is the program: 10:30-Devotional, Mrs. J. M. Poston; organization; address of welcome, Mrs. W. F. Hamrick; response, Mrs. Robert Cline; roll call of churches; recognition of new societies, visitors and pastors; report of officers; presentations of banners; song, The Kingdom is Coming; superintendent's address, A Goodly Heritage; Why I Belong to a Missionary Society, Casar W. M. S.; address, Mrs. W. N. Jones, Raleigh; announcements, Lunch.

1:45-Devotional, Mrs. W. C. Caveny; minutes; mission study superintendent's report; mission study demonstration by Bolling Springs W. M. S.; address, Miss Attie Bostick; duet, Mesdames Stamey and Spurling; Our W. M. U. Specials, Mrs. J. A. Liles; announcements, Night Session.

8:00-Devotional, Rev. G. P. Abernethy; Seeing the Unseen with W. M. U., Pleasant Grove; address, Dr. Wade Bostick. Friday. Young peoples session: Mrs. W. F. Hamrick, junior superintendent presiding. 10:15-Devotional, Double Shoals; prayer, Hubert Smith; welcome, Roberta Royster; response, Miss Walker; roll call of organizations; demonstration by Sunbeams, Pleasant Grove; duet, Bolling Springs Y. W. A.; demonstration by Sunbeams, Bolling Springs; pantomime, The Holy City, Lawndale G. A.; the Pearl of Great Price, Fallston; prayer for our young people, Mr. Abernethy, Lunch.

Devotional-Mrs. Vertus Williams minutes; address, Keeping Faith With Our Pledges to the Centennial Fund, Dr. J. B. Davis; Echoes from South Mountain; report of committees; closing service, "A Missionary Message," by Mrs. Wade Bostick.

Presbyterians On Picnic At Lake Today

Members of the Sunday school of the Presbyterian church Sunday school are leaving from the church this afternoon at 4 o'clock for a picnic at Pineview lake. Mr. Wm. McCord, the superintendent was expecting a large crowd and plans are being made for a most enjoyable outing with lunch served in the late afternoon before returning home.

Record Cotton Crop Predicted For County

Leaders Urge Governmental Changes Here

City Manager Form Praised; Stop Spending

O. M. Mull Advocates Decrease In County Organizations, Abolish City School Board.

"Cleveland county is infested with too many tax spending organizations," declared Representative O. M. Mull speaking last night before the Kiwanis club on a program staged by Kiwanian D. Z. Newton, who had two speakers to tell what to their minds are the most important things to do for the welfare of Shelby and Cleveland county.

Kiwanian J. D. Lineberger who was the other speaker on "Our Greatest Needs" suggested the city manager form of government for the city of Shelby and the abolition of the city board of education with schools affairs handled in Shelby by the city council, which body should have a dozen of Shelby's best business men to sit with them as a board of advisers in order that the best business methods could be employed.

Systems Criticized. Both speakers had no criticism to offer for the various officials of city and county. On the other hand they praised them for their honesty and for the improvement that has been made, but "we are working under antiquated systems which should be changed, in order that economies can be affected which will result in the lowering of the tax rate."

Convict System Costly. "It is an economic crime," said Mr. Mull that No. 6 township levying 24c on the \$100 property valuation which raises \$32,000 annually. After paying interest on bonds and creating a sinking fund, nearly \$25,000 is spent annually through the convict system of road building and maintenance. This is too much. When No. 6 issued \$100,000 in bonds for sand clay roads, about 106 miles of improved highways were built. Thirty miles of this system over which 80 per cent of the traffic moving in the township passes, have been taken over by the state, yet the same levy of 24c is being made and the same amount of money is being expended for roads. The best I can figure, it is costing between \$200 and \$300 a year per mile to maintain the sand clay roads of the township under the convict system.

Biggest Tax Waste. "The biggest tax waste in Cleveland county, is not what we spend for schools or county government but for roads. We are collecting \$115,000 in Cleveland county and spending this sum through 33 road offices in the 11 townships of the county. When state highway officials, they leave in disgust because it is impossible to get 33 township and district road officials together to confer about anything for the welfare of our roads. What we need is one central road body."

Road To Marion Urged. Mr. Mull particularly stressed the importance of building a road from Polkville to the Rutherford county line, the terminal to be Marion. Five miles of this proposed new road are in Cleveland county, Rutherford.

Mr. and Mrs. Springs Borders, of Nashville, Tenn., leave tomorrow for their home after a visit to Mrs. F. R. Morgan.

Shelby Grows Smaller As 18-Day Diet Strikes Town

If you pull a boner some of these afternoons by failing to recognize a feminine acquaintance on the streets of Shelby, don't blame your eyesight—it may all be because of the 18-day diet craze. It has hit Shelby. Unofficial information from circles where "mum's the word" has it that any number of Shelby women, who have tried everything from reducing tablets to radio's daily dozen in their desire to be willowy young flappers instead of pleasingly plump young ladies, are now in the midst of taking off pounds by teasing their appetites along with little more than dry toast and orange juice—the three-weeks starvation craze as Jiggs has depicted it in "Bringing Up Father."

Labor Agitators In Kings Mountain Area

Agitator Has Been Speaking Just Out Of City Limits There.

(Special to The Star.) Kings Mountain, Aug. 16.—Textile workers in and about this town are now being harangued by labor agitators, presumably representatives of the National Textile Workers Union, the organization which has been active about Gastonia and Bessemer City.

For the last three Saturday nights one or more speakers have appeared here, and general reports are that there will be another meeting and speaking tomorrow night.

Just Beyond Limits. The speakings so far have been held just beyond the city limits on the Grover road, the speakers using the railroad embankment as their platform.

For some time, it is understood, these representatives have been attempting to rent a building in the city, stating that they wished a lease for one year, and late rumors are that a building has been rented but the location, if so, has not as yet become public knowledge.

Reports made by those who have attended the meetings state that the speakers follow the usual harangue about poor labor conditions, long hours, and the "virtual slavery" of Southern textile workers.

Just what strength the organization has in the east Cleveland county town, or what the prevailing sentiment among mill workers is as regards the agitation is not known.

Injured Youth Not Conscious As Yet; Hurt Last Friday

Hudson Blanton Lingers In Serious Condition At Hospital For Week.

Semi-conscious for several hours over one week, since he was mysteriously injured a week ago this morning in the Dover mill, Hudson Blanton, 15-year-old sweeper in the mill, lingers near death's door at the Shelby hospital.

At the hospital today it was learned that there was very little change in young Blanton's condition and that he was still in a semi-conscious stupor, although a few days back improvement could be noted in his condition.

Never having regained full consciousness since he was found by other workers lying on the floor in the card room last Friday morning, he has not been able to tell just how he received the mysterious fracture of his skull just above one eye. No one witnessed the accident, which may claim the youth's life, and since his clothes were not torn and he was not bruised except for the fracture it is a problem to figure out just how he was hurt.

Wray Improves. James N. Wray, 51-year-old man, whose left hand was mangled in a card last Tuesday morning at the Lawndale mill, was reported to be doing nicely at the hospital today.

Mr. and Mrs. Springs Borders, of Nashville, Tenn., leave tomorrow for their home after a visit to Mrs. F. R. Morgan.

Southern Officials Inspect Freight Depot

Officials of the Southern railway were here Thursday inspecting the Southern freight depot in response to a request on the part of the Kiwanis club. Kiwanian John McKnight suggested a week ago that the club ask the Southern to modernize the freight station which is entirely inadequate to the present needs and after this request was made the officials of the railroad responded quickly, making an inspection. Whether or not the station will be modernized, has not been learned. It is understood their recommendation will be made shortly.

Col. J. W. Harsell, of Raleigh, is visiting his mother here this week.

Litton Takes Over Chrysler Agency Here

Moves To Former Thompson Location And Will Sell Three Makes.

The Litton Motor company, headed by F. B. Litton, is engaged these several days removing to their new location on West Warren street. Formerly, for two years or more, the motor company has been occupying the Washburn building on Morgan street. Henceforth they will occupy the building on the north side of west Warren street, near the railroad, formerly leased by the George Thompson Motor company, Chrysler agents.

Not only has the Litton Motor company taken over the former Chrysler building, but has also taken over the agency for this popular car.

Hereafter and including the present, they will sell three makes of automobiles. The Dodge, which was their first love, the Plymouth, which they took on this year, and lastly the Chrysler.

Meantime Mr. Thompson has leased the garage building on Sumner street, formerly occupied by the Chevrolet before the Crawford company moved to their new home on East Warren street. It is understood Mr. Thompson will do general repair work, and it is also said he will shortly announce his acquisition of an agency for one of the popular cars.

Cline, Cleveland's Manager, Elected To Office In N. C. Body

A. E. Cline, head of the Cleveland county government, was this week elevated to an important state office in the organization of county commissioners and county accountants.

The organization, which meets annually, and this week assembled in Asheville, is known as the State Association of County Commissioners and County Accountants.

Mr. Cline was elected vice president of the body, an important office in itself, but which leads directly to the presidency in 1930. Claude McGhee, of Franklin county, vice-president last year was this year elevated to the head of the association.

It is understood that some sixty counties were represented at the convocation of county bosses, the confab embracing about two hundred. The program, extending over three days, was comprehensive as regards county work, several heads of state government departments delivering addresses, setting forth various points of view with relation to rural administration.

COTTON SHOW WOMEN TO MEET TUESDAY

All the chairmen of the different committees of the cotton fashion show to be held during the county fair, together with the clothing chairmen of the home demonstrative clubs are asked to meet the general committee Tuesday afternoon, August 20, in the Woman's club room at 2:30 o'clock. Everyone is urged to be present, as the rules and regulations will be given out and the whole affair explained.

Miss Minnie Eddins Roberts returned last night from a visit to Miss Marion Siler in LaFayette, Ala.

Mill People Bring Flowers To Funeral Of 'Mystery Man; Burial Here Today

Flowers will cover the grave of Fred W. Andrews, Shelby's mystery man, when the last rays of the setting sun this evening strike the new mound in potter's field, thanks to the friends he made about the Shelby textile mills during his few short days here prior to his death. Funeral services over the unknown, whose relatives and home cannot be located, were held last night at the Lutz and Jackson funeral chapel, with Rev. Henry C. Sisk officiating, and with something like 50 of the mill people, who knew the strange, well educated elderly man, in attendance. The flowers they brought to the service,

To Direct New Marketing Plan



It appears certain that full cooperation of the Federal Farm Board will be given the new \$50,000,000 loan and vegetable co-operative venture of the United Fruit Growers' Association of America. Mr. Julius H. Barnes, chairman of the Board of the United States Chamber of Commerce (left), will head the new association and will be ably assisted by William M. Jardine (right), former U. S. Secretary of Agriculture.

Section Flooded Year Ago

Crops Inundated By Heavy Rains In County Year Ago Today

Out of the First and Second Broad rivers and in every section of Cleveland county things are not so wet as they were a year ago today.

It was a year ago yesterday and last night, August 15, that Cleveland county and the Carolinas were visited with the second heavy rain within two weeks and the lowlands of the entire section inundated, causing thousands of dollars damage to crops and bridges. The first heavy rains, it will be remembered, fell on August 11 and 12. This downpour, including a cloudburst,

was said to be heavier than any since the flood of 1916, the cloudburst drowning hundreds of sparrows in the court square trees. With the ground still soaked from the rains of August 11 the heavy, continued rains of August 15 sent rivulets and other streams from their banks, covered many acres of bottom land, washed away bridges, and in many sections of the two Carolinas travel was stopped for several days.

In the two weeks period 14 inches of rain fell in Shelby.

Bronc Busting, Trick Riding To Feature Shelby Horse Show

A Great Grandmother Makes Visit To Texas

A thousand mile trip to visit relatives isn't any big thing with a great grandmother in these days of modern and comfortable travels.

Mrs. Elvie Borders, 90-year-old Shelby woman, left here Tuesday morning of this week with her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Wesson for Mrs. Wesson's home at Waxahatchee, Texas, where she will visit for some time. Word reaching Shelby today stated that the 40-year-old lady had reached New Orleans by train Wednesday morning and was standing the trip time. Mrs. Wesson, her son, Berkley Wesson, his wife and daughter, Charline, had been visiting here for a month, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Hopper, a sister of Mrs. Wesson. Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Wesson and daughter left for the return trip by auto Monday.

More Than 50 High Class Horses To Be Exhibited In Show Thursday. A touch of the old West, where a rider is believed to have a yellow streak down his spine when he "pulls leather," will feature the horse show to be staged at the Cleveland County fair grounds next Thursday afternoon, August 22, at 2 o'clock.

The show is being staged by the Shelby Riding club, one of the state's select groups fond of horsemanship, which maintains the community riding club and barn in east Shelby. The program for the afternoon calls for trick riding bronc busting and other features in addition to the show program. Between 50 and 60 high-class saddle horses, many of them never seen in action here before, will be exhibited in the show. The several classes in the contests will include the jumping class and the trotting race. Numerous out-of-town visitors are expected for the event.

Diogenes—Listen! Takes New Tire But Leaves An Old One

Charlie Reinhardt, of South Shelby (you know him, of course) telephoned The Star yesterday to say he knew a man who knew an honest thief. The person of the first part is a Mr. C. M. Long, of Charlotte, a traveling man, who called on Reinhardt and in the course of the visit told him of an experience of the night before. A man had taken a perfectly good new tire off his car, and replaced it with an old one. Long wasn't so much impressed by the loss of the new tire; that's a common enough experience; but a man who would go to the trouble of putting an old one back on the rim—Long says he would like to meet such a man socially.

Church Notice. Mr. Raymond Long will conduct services at the Presbyterian church, next Sabbath at 11 o'clock. No preaching at night.

70,000 Bales Likely, Thinks Suttle, Others

Cotton Buyer Says 65,000, Anyway One-Tenth Of Entire State Yield.

Is it possible for Cleveland county this year to break her record cotton crop of 53,000 bales this year and thus produce one-tenth of North Carolina's entire cotton crop?

Some of those closely connected with the cotton game think so. Bass Suttle, well known farmer, predicts 70,000 bales.

John Campbell, cotton buyer, says "65,000 bales anyway."

Dr. S. S. Royster wouldn't be surprised at 75,000 bales.

To appreciate the full kick of this narrative, you should know Bass Suttle. Mr. Suttle, cotton planter, cotton authority, and a member of that choice group composing the Doggett filling station San Hedrin, is one of those rare persons who only speaks when he has something to say.

You wouldn't call him enthusiastic; he has not an ear mark of the bird who goes off, as the saying goes, half cocked; who makes statements one day and modifies them the next. Mr. Suttle ponders what he says before he says it, and as a consequence his word carries, what we call weight.

It is those facts concerning him which make his statement concerning the forthcoming cotton yield in Cleveland county so significant.

Suttle Predicts. The Star asked him this week what he considered the yield will be. His answer was so full of pep and pure unadulterated optimism, that at first it seemed strange; sort of out of keeping with the man.

Speaking in his slow and measured manner, he said: "Cleveland county this year is going to make the greatest cotton crop in its history. We are going to produce one-tenth of the cotton yield of the state."

"We are going to make seventy thousand bales."

Readers of this article, familiar with local cotton history, will recall that last year the county produced something like 53,000 bales, leading the state, and everything thought and most everybody said that this was the limit.

And now, according to Mr. Suttle, we are on the verge of adding seventeen thousand bales to that record. Think it over.

Experts Fair Price. The gentleman was asked what price, in his opinion, will prevail. He said: "Considering the carry-over, and the government estimate, I think the price will be from eighteen to twenty-two cents."

He went on to say that he thought the crop would be greater than facilities for handling it. In other words, the farmers are not going to be able to harvest all of it. There is, in his opinion, need labor enough available for the job.

Corn Also Good. Speaking of the local agricultural situation generally he said that there is also an abundance of corn in the county, enough he believes for the county's use through the year.

"And I have never seen better corn," he added. "All in all it has been a wonderful season."