

THE MARKET. Cotton, per pound 17 1/2c Cotton Seed, per bu. 49 1/2c

Rain Likely.

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Increasing cloudiness followed by rain in central and west portions tonight. Tuesday rain and not so cold in extreme west portion tonight and Tuesday.

Negro Shot To Death Saturday Near Lawndale

Arthur Dixon Killed By Ceph Thomas. Straight Of Shooting Not Known.

Arthur Dixon, negro tenant farmer of the Lawndale section, is dead and Ceph Thomas, colored, and his son, Alvin Thomas, are in the county jail as the result of a fatal shooting affair near the old Douglas negro academy at Lawndale Saturday night.

Dixon died instantly from a bullet which plowed into his neck and ranged downward, the bullet, according to information given officers, being fired by the elder Thomas.

Unexpected Shooting.

Several negroes were gathered about a negro home there, but the volley of shots came as a surprise to all the others, they told Deputy Sheriff Bob Kendrick and Deputy Harvey Guin who rushed to the scene. Dixon, it is said, had not spoken to the father and son before they began shooting. He was in the yard of the home and Thomas and his son were inside, one witness said, when Alvin Thomas came out shooting. Both then began shooting all about the yard, the witness said. Twelve shots were fired in all, only one bullet striking Dixon.

One version of the affair would indicate that the Thomases were merely doing some wild shooting and one of the stray shots struck Dixon, but as one witness related to officers the elder Thomas raised his gun, pointed it at Dixon, and fired, and it was recalled that there had been some trouble between the two about one year ago.

Dixon, said to be a quiet, hard-working negro, worked for Clyde Gold and had formerly been with Hague Metcalf. Thomas lived on company land at Lawndale, Deputy Guin said.

Thompson Heads Hoey Bible Class

Succeeds Anthony As Class President, Charlie Coble Elected Secretary.

Carl Thompson, prominent Shelby business man, was elected president of the Hoey Bible class of Central Methodist church at the meeting of the class yesterday. He succeeds Oliver Anthony as head of one of the state's largest Bible classes.

Carl Webb was named vice president; Charles C. Coble, secretary; Marks Hamrick, assistant secretary; Lawrence Lackey, treasurer, and Claude Mabry assistant treasurer.

The re-election of Clyde R. Hoey as teacher of the class was, of course, only a matter of form.

Big Junior Meeting Here Friday Night

A district-wide Junior order gathering, which will be open to the public, will be held in the Central school building here Friday night at 7:30 o'clock, according to Ed W. Dixon, district deputy.

Juniors from four counties will be in attendance but the public is urged to attend the meeting as C. E. Hamilton, of Monroe, state councillor of the order, will be the speaker.

You're The Doctor

If your credit is healthy, you made it so; if it is unhealthy the chances are you have no one to blame but yourself. When it comes to your own credit standing—

Every time you open a new account; every time you secure credit from any source you have an opportunity to build up or to undermine your Credit Health.

The rating after YOUR name is the result of one thing only, the manner in which you pay your bills. A prompt rating results from prompt pay; a slow rating from slow pay.

A Prompt Rating is worth the effort. Pay Your Bills Promptly And Keep Your Credit Rating Healthy.

Lawton Blanton Is Temporary Head New Club

New County-Wide Organization To Be Completed On November 29. Much Interest.

From 50 to 100 men, representing every section of Cleveland county met in the court here in Shelby Friday night to consider the advisability of a county club for Cleveland county. Mr. J. B. Smith presided over the meeting. R. E. Price, editor of The News, Rutherfordton, representing the National County Clubs association spoke and outlined the plans, purposes, etc. of a county club. He told of the many good things that the Rutherford county club has done, in helping to unite the county, wipe out sectional feeling, eliminated ill feeling between certain large interests and had done much for the agricultural, commercial, social and moral welfare of his county. He told of the value of a county club being affiliated with the national organization, which would furnish each member with a magazine, programs, and interesting articles on subjects like county government, county business affairs, etc. Mr. Price further stated that the county club broadens one's viewpoint and makes the member think in terms of his county. It helps to unite the town and country people to work as one unit.

Speakers.

Prof. Lawton Blanton, principal of Lattimore graded school was the next speaker. He was enthusiastic for the county club for Cleveland and suggested some problems that might be worked out, such as better health for our school children. Mr. Blanton was applauded by the big crowd.

Short and enthusiastic talks were made by Prof. W. R. Gary of the Fallston school, Elbridge Weathers, prominent young farmer of the Polkville section, J. L. Herndon of Grover, Gard Hamrick, Boling Springs, Prof. J. D. Huggins, principal of Mooresboro graded school, Dr. J. S. Dorton, secretary of the Cleveland county fair, J. H. Grigg, county superintendent of schools, John Beam and H. M. Loy, Shelby County Solicitor P. C. Gardner, Joe E. Blanton and others. All agreed that a county club would do much good in Cleveland county.

The encouraging thing about the situation in Cleveland is the large number of farmers who were present and showed an interest in a county-wide civic club in which they would be well represented.

Temporary Officers.

Enough signed the application blanks to secure a club. It was moved and carried that a Cleveland county club be formed and that temporary officers be elected. Prof. Lawton Blanton was elected president pro tem with Mr. J. L. Herndon, secretary. Due to the farmers being so busy it was decided to hold charter night on Tuesday night, November 26 at 7:30 p. m. at which time the organization will be completed, constitution and by-laws adopted, directors elected and the officers made permanent. All who join up to and including charter night will be considered charter members. The next meeting will be in the court house. After the club is formed and "gets to going well" it will probably be held during a meal and will meet at various places in the county.

Efforts will be made to have every (Continued on page nine.)

Cotton Crop Is Behind That Of '28, Report Says

The Cleveland county cotton crop this year is still around 1,500 bales behind that of last year, according to late ginning statistics. Up to October 18 this year 15,889 bales had been ginned in the county, while 17,134 bales had been ginned up to the same date last year. The ginning statistics were issued Saturday by Miles H. Ware, special ginning agent.

Art Exhibit At Shelby School Is To Be Held

More Than 100 Masterpieces In Exhibition Being Sponsored by School System.

On November 13-15 or Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, of American education week the people of Shelby will be afforded a rare opportunity of seeing an art exhibit consisting of about one hundred and twenty masterpieces of the leading American and European artists. The exhibit is being sponsored by the Shelby public schools. It will be held in the Central high school building.

The pictures exhibited are facsimile collotypes which are faithful and exact reproductions of the originals. Works of the following masters and others will be exhibited: Edwin A. Abbey, Paul Cezanne, Leonardo Da Vinci, Holbein, Murillo, Raphael, Rembrandt, Van Gogh, Millet, and Reynolds.

At a meeting called by Supr. B. L. Smith the following organization was formed for putting on the exhibit. Mr. W. E. Abernethy from the high school was made general chairman. A publicity committee consisting of the following was appointed: Miss Agnes McBryer, chairman; Miss Laura Cornwell, Mrs. G. F. Hamrick, Buena Bostic, Miss Selma Webb, and Mr. M. H. Randolph.

A committee on contributions will call on the civic clubs, merchants, or other citizens to solicit them for donations of a picture to be presented to the school. A brass plate bearing the donor's name will accompany the picture. This committee is composed of Miss Lucille Nix, chairman; Mrs. R. W. Morris, Miss Nancy Suttie, Miss Augusta Alexander, Miss Alpha Gettys, Miss Thelma Young, and Miss Madge DePriest.

Each school will have an assembly program emphasizing art and artists. This committee is composed of the following: Mrs. Al Bennett, Miss Alice Brunson, Miss Sara Cowan, Miss Minnie Roberts, Miss Elizabeth Suttie, Miss Clara Edwards, Miss Pearl Tweed, Mrs. Ben Hendricks, and Miss Evelyn Wilk ins.

The sale of pictures and tickets for the exhibit is in charge of the following committee: Mrs. Robert Doggett, chairman; Miss Winnie Blanton, Miss Hazel Holmes, Miss Ruby Marshall, Miss May Crowell, Mrs. Elizabeth Hennessy, and Mrs. Jessie Ramseur.

The exhibit will be arranged by the following committee: Mrs. Robert Hord, chairman; Mrs. Henry Mills, Mrs. Mial Tiddy, Mrs. Rutha Plaster, and Miss Mae Connor.

Gastonia Strikers Get Long Terms



Behind the bars of the jail at Charlotte, N. C., are the seven textile union men who were given long terms after being convicted in a second-degree verdict for the murder of Police Chief O. F. Aderholt of Gastonia. The sentences were meted out by Judge M. V. Barnhill. Left to right (front): Louis McLaughlin of Charlotte, who was given from twelve to fifteen years; Joe Harrison of Passaic, N. J., who was sentenced to from seven to ten years; and William McGinnis, another Charlotte youth, who was sentenced to from twelve to fifteen years. Left to right (standing): Clarence Miller, New York communist; K. Y. (Red) Hendricks of Gastonia; Fred Edwin Beal of Lawrence, Mass., organizer of the Gastonia branch of the National Textile Workers' Union, and George Carter of Mizpah, N. J. Hendricks was sentenced to serve from five to seven years and the others were given sentences from seven to twenty years.

Boyer and Johnson To Leave Shelby; Hayes To Be Central Pastor

Former Central Pastor Goes To Morganton. Jenkins New Pastor At LaFayette St.

Both the Shelby Methodist churches, Central and LaFayette street will have new pastors for the coming year according to the bishop's appointments read out at the Methodist conference at High Point at 11 o'clock today.

Dr. Hugh K. Boyer, Central pastor, who was sent to the Morganton Methodist church, is replaced here by Rev. L. B. Hayes, who has held a charge at Winston-Salem and is said to be one of the outstanding ministers in the conference. Rev. T. B. Johnson leaves the pastorate of the LaFayette street church and is replaced by Rev. W. R. Jenkins. Rev. Mr. Johnson goes to the Forsyth circuit in the Winston-Salem district.

Others Return. Rev. R. L. Forbis comes back to the Shelby circuit, Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald returns to Belwood, and Rev. J. M. Barber to the Polkville charge.

Both Dr. Boyer and Rev. Mr. Johnson together with their families made hundreds of friends in and about Shelby who will regret to hear that they have been changed to other charges but Dr. Boyer had served the customary time for a Methodist minister on the same charge and the change was anticipated. Conference appointments for this section was given The Star at noon today through the courtesy of the Gastonia Gazette.

In dropping a line of type from the death notice of Mr. Chas. Putnam the news article in Friday's issue made it appear that Mr. Putnam was survived by only one child Mr. Putnam died in the Pleasant Hill community last Tuesday and was buried Thursday. He was married to Miss Nicey Roberts and is survived by his widow and three children, Mr. Seth Putnam, Mrs. Quinn Borders and Miss Faunie Belle Putnam, beside three brothers and five sisters as noted.

Cotton Market

Cotton was quoted at noon today on New York exchange: Dec. 18.23. Saturday's close: Dec. 18.24.

Eight p. m. weather cloudy west and central clear east. Warmer moderately heavy rains west. Forecast all cloudy followed by rain. Manchester cables cloth sales small. Hunter Mfg. Co. report sales for week larger than preceding week. Generally expected that securities situation will have only temporary effect on general business. Suggest buying cotton here. CLEVELAND.

Man Dies Here From Injuries In Auto Crash

Bury Clyde Harris At Chimney Rock Today. Injured Near Mooresboro.

Clyde Harris, young white man injured in an auto wreck last Thursday afternoon near Mooresboro, died at the Shelby hospital Sunday morning about 6 o'clock.

Relatives from Rutherford county took charge of the body yesterday and the funeral services were held this morning at Cane Creek at Chimney Rock. Harris, known also as Dimsdale, since his mother was married several times, was the son of Mrs. Letha Harris of the Cleg-horn mill village at Rutherfordton.

How It Happened. Harris was riding with Boyce Cash, both of whom were living near Gaffney, in a borrowed car last Thursday, going, it is said, to Forest City to visit a sister of Harris. Just at the foot of the Sandy Sun creek grade the car turned over, throwing Harris from the car and pinning Cash, the driver, under it. They were taken from the wreckage, Harris in an unconscious condition, and rushed to the hospital here on a passing truck with Highway Patrolman Harris leading the dash.

Cash was injured about the leg and able to leave the hospital yesterday, but Harris never regained consciousness before dying. His skull surgeons say, was fractured and he was paralyzed after the blow. Officers believe whiskey might have had some connection with the wreck as a bottle was burst in the pocket of the fatally injured man. Cash, who was driving, declared, however, that he was not under the influence of an intoxicant, but that he had been coasting down grade and that just after he let out the clutch something seemed to lock swerving the car to one side, and then it turned over.

Shelby Florists To Compete Tuesday

Garden Club Stages Annual Floral Exhibit In Women's Club Room. Many Prizes.

Shelby, a town which prides itself on its beautiful flowers and well-kept flower gardens, will on Tuesday stage a contest between the city's leading amateur florists when the Garden club puts on its annual floral show in the club rooms of the Masonic temple.

The floral show will hold through the afternoon and evening and attractive prizes are offered in nine or ten of the leading classes. In addition to the floral exhibit there will be a Halloween program and refreshments.

Hamrick Represents Penn Mutual Co.

Mr. Otto V. Hamrick has been appointed special representative for the Penn Mutual Life Insurance company for Cleveland county, according to an announcement made by Robert L. Wagner, general agent of the company at Charlotte.

Hugh W. Causey, Penn Mutual supervisor of Charlotte, has been in Shelby for several days assisting Mr. Hamrick in calling upon old policy holders.

"Shadow" Thief Jailed Again



Ernest Doster (above), who was caught in the act as he robbed the Alexander Jewelry store here a year ago, is in jail again today as the result of a theft at the Montgomery Ward store Saturday afternoon. The 19-year-old boy, was caught during a robbery wave last fall which had terrorized residential sections of Shelby, and in returning to jail the youth lacked only five days of making it an anniversary since his other trip. (Star Photo)

Doster Nabbed In Store Theft

Detected By Clerk As He Attempts To Take Suit Of Clothes At Local Store.

Ernest Doster, 19-year-old white boy, who staged one of Shelby's most daring robberies a year ago next Thursday night and was caught in the act, was arrested again Saturday afternoon in the Shelby business section charged with stealing a suit of clothes at the Montgomery Ward store.

A clerk, he says, noticed Doster pick up the suit and make for the door. The clerk gave chase and after a run caught the youth and held him until police officers arrived.

Near His Anniversary. If Doster had postponed his attempted theft until Thursday night of this week it would have been a year to the day since he was caught by a local police officer just after robbing the Alexander jewelry store.

A year ago Shelby was going through its worst burglary scare, and there was considerable talk of a "shadow" thief who crept in and out of Shelby homes, robbing them but never being caught, vanishing after each robbery much like a (Continued on page nine.)

Harding Opens Record Docket Superior Court

Four Killing Cases And 160 Other Cases On Docket For Trial This Week.

A superior court term faced by the heaviest criminal docket in the history of Cleveland county convened here this morning with Judge W. F. Harding, of Charlotte, presiding and Solicitor Spurgeon Spruill, of Lenoir, prosecuting.

In addition to four killing cases, a record in itself for the county, the court is faced with disposing of 160 other criminal cases.

Court Officers.

Mr. Thad Ford, of Shelby, was named foreman of the grand jury and Deputy Sheriff J. J. Wilkins is the officer in charge, while Deputy M. A. Jolley is acting as court officer.

No First Degree.

It was the general presumption about the court room this morning that the court would hardly prefer the first degree murder charge in any one of the four killing cases. These cases are the Hornbuckle case in which A. J. (Kid) Hornbuckle, widely known boxer, is charged with killing George Scruggs with a stick of cordwood; the Grover case in which several young white men are charged with fatally assaulting a negro; the fatal shooting of a negro Saturday night at Lawndale, and the case against Cliff Fullen-wider, negro, charged with killing his brother-in-law at a negro church some months back.

The Hornbuckle case, due to the reputation of the defendant as a boxer, will likely attract more interest than any other case.

Mr. James Green Buried Sunday

Prominent Citizen Is Interred Sunday At Boling Springs Baptist Church.

Mr. James Green, age 77 years, nine months and fourteen days who died in West Shelby Saturday, was buried Sunday at Boling Springs Baptist church, a crowd that overflowed the large edifice attending to pay tribute to his memory. Mr. Green was born and reared in the Boling Springs community but had lived in Shelby a short while.

Deceased joined the Beaver Dam Baptist church at the age of 16 years. He was first married to Lucinda Hamrick who preceded him to the grave 45 years ago. His second marriage was to Sallie Drake who survives, together with the following children: D. D. Green, of Gastonia, Mrs. John Poteat, of Gastonia, Mrs. Mary Hamrick of Boling Springs, Mrs. Ruth Green of Dennis, Ga., Berry Green of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Gus Phillips of Gastonia, B. B. Green of Shelby also surviving are 44 grandchildren and 28 grand grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. Rusk Padgett, assisted by Revs. Sisk and Good.

Cotton Crop In County Good Now, Says County Ager

Says Talk With Farmers Indicate That Last Year Record May Be Passed.

R. W. Shoffner, Cleveland county farm agent, is a conservative talker, but after a ramble over the county last week and after talking with numerous farmers he is ready to go on record as saying that the county cotton crop is one of the best if not the best, he has ever seen. "As for production, the crop looks far better now than it did when I first came to the county, and the way it has been opening in recent weeks has caused the majority of the farmers I have talked with to believe that they will make more than they did last year, and that means that the county as a whole should," he said.

Rudasill Property Will Go At Auction

The J. B. Nolan company is announcing another whoop-her-up auction, this time the J. W. Rudasill estate goes under the hammer. This is a South Washington street property, adjoining the Victor hotel. It is what might be called a historical tract in Shelby. Another tract on South Washington street is also included in the sale, which is scheduled for Wednesday, October 30, next Wednesday at 10 a. m.

Gardner Sets Flying Record For Governors By Greensboro Flight

Chief Executive Hops From Raleigh To Greensboro Airport In Forty Minutes.

Raleigh. — Governor Gardner's flight to Greensboro Thursday was not the first that a chief executive has taken, but it broke all records for speed and reports from his excellency after he had landed at the Greensboro airport said he had made the trip of 90 miles in 40 minutes.

A few automobilists have reported that they have negotiated that distance from Raleigh to Greensboro in 80 minutes, but nobody has been taken along to verify the records for fast freight. Governor Gardner was due to speak in Summerfield Thursday afternoon and Thursday night in Winston-Salem.

The first North Carolina governor known to have taken a flight by airplane during his incumbency was Thomas Walter Bickett, who rode from Raleigh to Wake Forest with Belvin W. Maynard, the flying parson, the Lindbergh of his day. Governor Bickett hid his purpose from Mrs. Bickett and climbed into

the pit with the Baptist preacher and set out for the alma mater of both the aviator and the governor, Wake Forest. The preacher-flier took Governor Bickett to ride and gave him a thrilling flight. Over Gore field, hardly above the ground, the preacher-pilot lifted his machine in time to clear the trees adjoining the field.

As Governor Bickett hopped off with the preacher his excellency waved his hands at the crowd and said: "Tell Max Gardner to make a good governor." Governor Gardner was then lieutenant governor. After the flying pair returned to Raleigh, Bickett stuck up his short stubby fingers at Maynard and said "Fardon, I want you to quit this flyin' business. You will get killed if you don't."