

THE MARKET. Cotton, per pound 160 Cotton Seed, per bu. 40 1/2

Snow Is Likely. Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Cloudy, probably snow in interior and rain on the coast to night and Saturday. Not quite so cold tonight. Colder Saturday in extreme west portion.

Fire At Noon. The fire department was called out at noon today to the G. C. Keever residence on Suttle street where a blaze had started in the kitchen. Firemen extinguished the fire with only a slight damage.

First Regular Meeting County Club Tuesday

Leading Rutherford Club Members To Make Talks To Group. All Urged To Attend.

The first regular meeting of the Cleveland county club will be held in Shelby, Tuesday night, January 21 at 7 o'clock at the Wayside restaurant, formerly known as the Blue Parrott tea room just east of the post office. Plates will be 75 cents each.

More than 100 leading citizens of the county have been invited to attend. Anyone who is interested in the new organization and in boosting Cleveland county is eligible to attend, even if they did not get an invitation from the committee. If you wish to attend and did not get a return card, you are asked to telephone 703 as to the number of plates desired, so the proper arrangements can be made. This is important.

Mr. O. J. Holler, master farmer of Rutherford county and president of the Rutherford county club, and Clyde A. Erwin, superintendent of schools of Rutherford county, have been engaged to make short talks on the work of a county club. They are expected to tell of the accomplishments of the Rutherford county club, which is more than seven years old and has done untold good in that county. Dr. Zeno Wall, pastor of the First Baptist church and a native of Rutherford county, has been asked to be present and say a few words.

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The county club is expected to meet monthly at different places in the county. It is merely a county-wide civic club and has for its major objectives, uniting the town and country into a better understanding, helping the farmer, boosting everything that is for the upbuilding of the county and condemning all forms of evil. It does much to unite the county and boost better roads, schools, better churches, better homes, better farming, better markets and will seek to do everything possible for the advancement of this county. The county club idea is growing over the state and nation; it appeals to the love and pride of every citizen; it is non-political and non-sectarian and has as one of its objectives the reduction of taxes.

Charlotte Minister Talks To Rotarians

Dr. Derden, pastor of St. John's Baptist church at Charlotte, was the guest speaker at the local Rotary luncheon meeting today at the Hotel Charles, the program being in charge of Rotarian Chas. Hubbard. The subject of the speaker was "Rotary" and he outlined the four basic points of the organization.

Leading Women Shelby Listed?

Whom do you consider the best woman in Shelby? What woman among the women of Shelby is the most considerate? Which one is the most reserved? Which the jolliest? Monday a list of superlative Shelby men was published in the "Around Our Town" column of The Star—Today a contributor ventures to list superlative Shelby women. The roll of outstanding men caused considerable talk—what will be said about this one? Turn to this list on an inside page.

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Beam Leads In Cotton Production; Sellers In Production Cost

Makes 11 Bales On Five Acres. Sellers Shows Best Profit. Nine Good Records.

Figures issued today by Farm Agent R. W. Shoffner and the county agricultural board show in connection with the five-acre plot cotton production record for Cleveland farmers show that nine farmers made unusually good records and that John Beam, of Shelby, had the best production record on his five acres while T. F. Sellers, of Kings Mountain Route 1, had the best profit or the lowest production cost.

First prize winner among the nine leaders, to be selected upon three basic points, has not been decided, but it seems assured now that the \$630 prize money and loving cup will be pretty well distributed among the nine best record makers.

Production List. The winners are figured upon total production, cost of production, or profit on plot, and method in which records were kept. The production records show that Mr. Beam made 5,398 pounds of lint cotton on his five acres, or 11 bales.

The production of the eight others follows: T. F. Sellers, Kings Mountain, R-1—5,084 pounds, or 10 bales. H. V. Hamrick, Bolling Springs—4,532 pounds, or 9 bales. Aston Adams, Lattimore—4,518 pounds, or 9 bales. C. O. Lee, Lattimore—4,254 pounds, or 9 bales. Cliff Rayfield, Waco—4,147 pounds, or nine bales. R. W. Wilson, Fallston—4,000 pounds, or 8 bales. J. C. Campbell, Polkville—3,957 pounds, or 8 bales. N. H. Mauney, No. 6 township—3,724 pounds, or 7 bales.

Production Cost. Mr. Sellers, who led in low production cost and in profit, made a profit of \$499.91 on his five acres. His production cost per pound was 95 cents; his profit per acre \$99.98; his cost per acre \$95.50; his fertilizer cost per acre \$14.85.

C. O. Lee was second in profits.

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Governor Finds His Namesake In Prison; Coming In Too Rapidly

124 Freed At State Prison But 132 Come To Prison. Many Namesakes There.

Raleigh—Governor Gardner's first namesake, a handsome fellow and athlete who starred in his excellency's home town, has landed at the state's prison.

His name is Max Gardner Connor. The boy, captain of both baseball and football teams in Shelby, came here under a sentence of 18 months imposed by Judge A. M. Stack for forgery. The youngster had borne a good name and was a hero in a town that never has had poor athletes. The good-looking boy was represented today as highly

Cleveland Springs Auction On At Noon Saturday In Shelby

The Cleveland Springs hotel property, a tract which there is much local interest in, will go on the auction block in front of the county court house here tomorrow, Saturday, at noon.

Several plans have been considered, reports are, for the handling of the valuable property, but any action likely to take place tomorrow has not been made public.

School Deficit Around \$25,000

Deficit Carried Over Approximately That Much. School Board Publishes Statement.

For the information of the public the school is publishing today a statement of the school finances, showing the status of the current operation account which carries an unexpended balance of \$63,020.67, the itemized accounting for the funds received through the \$58,000 bond issue, and a statement of the remaining floating indebtedness carried over from 1928-29. This latter, it will be seen, amounts to \$28,473 with uncollected taxes to be applied upon the notes in the amount of \$5,169.75. However, those who have charge of collections indicate that it will not be possible to collect in full all taxes; therefore the actual deficit carried over from 1928-29 after applying the bond funds will be approximately \$25,000.

Small Girl Hit On Head With Hammer

Little Self Girl Has Skull Depression. Cherryville Youth Improves, Was Shot.

Little Miss Louise Self, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Self, was taken to the Shelby hospital yesterday afternoon suffering with a skull depression on the fore part of her head.

Full details were not available today, but it is understood that while playing she was struck in the forehead by a hammer swung by a playmate. Her condition is regarded as serious.

His Gun Exploded.

Another accident patient at the local hospital is Hugh Snead, 25-year-old Cherryville man, who was brought here Tuesday night suffering from a head wound received when a muzzle-loader he was shooting exploded. The exploding barrel tore a hole in his jaw and a part of the barrel was found in his neck. Today his condition was reported to be improved and he is expected to recover. It is understood that he loaded the muzzle-loader to use in a New Year's celebration, but did not use it and only got it out to fire it Tuesday night when the explosion took place.

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sick of his plight. There is nothing romantic about a state's prison and there was no glamour to wear off. The state's prison has many time servers who wear noble names. There is a namesake of William Howard Taft, William McKinley, Woodrow Wilson, Theodore Roosevelt, Grover Cleveland, Congressman Ed Pou, ex-Congressman Bob Page and Thad Page. Superintendent George Ross Pou has one prisoner whose parents took the name of the superintendent's father, Edward W. Pou, of the fourth congressional district. Being well named does not seem to guarantee against prison life. Indeed, it appeared, simply because of the fact

Converse Seeks Reno Divorce

Converse M. Converse, grandson of Edwin Converse, who was one of the founders of the United States Steel Corporation, filed a suit for divorce in the district court at Reno against Marian Converse (above). The complaint charges extreme cruelty. There are no children. (International Newsreel)



Gaffney Man Held For Superior Court In Fatal Mooresboro Crash

Recorder Kennedy Holds Wilkerson Over On \$1,000 Bond. Wright Death.

Paul Wilkerson, young and attractively-dressed white man of Gaffney, was bound over to superior court today by County Judge Horace Kennedy under a \$1,000 bond after a preliminary hearing centering about the fatal injury suffered by Mr. Tom Wright, aged Mooresboro citizen, last Friday afternoon when he was struck by an auto driven by Wilkerson, dying in the hospital here Saturday.

Witnesses offered by the county were Mrs. J. W. Lucas and Marion Packard, eye-witnesses; J. A. Bridges, and D. C. Wright, the latter a son of the man killed. The defense did not offer any testimony.

How It Happened.

According to the county witnesses two cars, one driven by Wilkerson, were headed east on Highway 20. Mr. Wright was on the left side of the highway in reference to the two cars. The witnesses testified that the Wilkerson car apparently had started to pass their car and just as it did so the other car pulled over somewhat in front of the Wilkerson car as if to enter the garage on the left and Wilkerson then swerved more to the left, apparently to avoid a collision, and struck Mr. Wright, after which the Wilkerson car turned back to the right and hit the other car. The second car stopped at the garage

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but moved on and the identity of the driver is not known. Wilkerson brought Mr. Wright, whose skull was fractured in addition to fractures of the leg and arm, to the hospital here where he died on the following day.

Witnesses said they did not see the car in front of Wilkerson signal the turn ahead of the Wilkerson car. Neither, they said, did Wilkerson sound his horn when he started to pass the other car which turned ahead of him and sent his car against Mr. Wright. Other testimony was that the Wilkerson was travelling around 40 miles per hour and that the tragic affair took place in the heart of Mooresboro.

Judge B. T. Falls, of Shelby, and Col. T. B. Butler, of Gaffney, representing the defendant pointed out that the driver of the other car was somewhat responsible and that Wilkerson's act was caused by his attempting to avoid a collision. Their plea was for the bond to remain at \$500 but Judge Kennedy doubled it after hearing talks from both defense attorneys and from Attorney Clyde R. Hoey, who was private counsel assisting Solicitor P. C. Gardner in the prosecution.

A number of people from Gaffney, including several women, some of whom presumably were those with Wilkerson when the crash occurred, while numerous citizens of the Mooresboro section were also in the court room.

Forest City Veteran Is Suicide Victim

Dudley Struve, Of Forest City, Depressed Over Lack Of Work, Shoots Himself.

New York, Jan. 17.—Dudley Struve, who shot himself between the eyes Wednesday after an unsuccessful effort to find work to support his wife and daughter in Forest City, N. C., died early yesterday in Flower hospital.

Children surviving are: Mrs. Lula Kendrick, of Salisbury; Mr. J. M. Hester, of Shelby, former city policeman; Mrs. Paul Quinn, of Shelby; W. M. Hester, of Salisbury; Mrs. John Blanton, of Lincolnton; Mrs. John Smith, of Sharon; Miss Dora Hester, and Mrs. W. P. McArthur, of Lattimore.

He shot himself between the eyes with the service revolver he carried as a sergeant in the army, but the bullet glanced, plowed through the flesh of his forehead and cheek and lodged in his jawbone. Surgeons at Flower hospital said he would recover.

The wife and child live in Forest City, N. C., registered Tuesday at the Hotel Woodstock.

Wednesday Struve called the desk clerk at the hotel and asked that a bell-boy be sent to his room. The boy found the door ajar, and saw a trail of blood leading to the bedroom of Struve's suite. On the bed, unconscious lay Struve, a bullet wound in his head. Nearby lay his pistol. Police believed he shot himself, walked to the telephone, made the call, opened the door and then walked to the bed and collapsed.

Native Of Kentucky. Forest City.—Dudley Struve, who attempted to kill himself in a New York hotel, is well known here. He

Poorest Cotton Ever Made Here In Biggest Crop

Seventy-Five Percent Of County's Largest Crop Off-Grade Due To Weather.

Cleveland county farmers are just now completing the harvesting of their largest cotton crop, yet, at the same time, it is their poorest cotton crop, according to Mr. J. J. McMurry, Shelby's veteran cotton buyer.

"There has never, in my memory, been a harder year all on the farmers, yet they have made their largest crop," he said.

"I actually believe that 75 percent of the county cotton crop was off-grade due to the continued wet weather of the fall. It was terrible on the farmers. We will make our 80,000 bales, maybe a little less and selling for a little more, but what is it selling for. Cotton that should bring 13 cents or more is bringing only 13 cents because of the damage done by the weather. That is \$10 to \$15 per bale, and let me tell you that counts up. We made as much cotton, and perhaps more, to the acre this year as ever before. It's not quantity that is hurting the farmer but the quality. Of all the cotton I've seen this year, I hardly believe that much more than 10 percent of it could be called first-class."

Report Next Week.

The next ginning report will be out next week and the county's ginning to January 16 may be ready for publication by Friday of next week. Locally it is estimated that the report will show between 56,000 and 60,000 bales ginned in the county to January 16.

Funeral Of Grover Man This Afternoon

W. L. Roark Died Yesterday Morning Of Pneumonia. Wife, 9 Children Survive.

Funeral services for Mr. William Lee Roark were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Grover First Baptist church with Rev. Mr. Furc on officiating and the Choctaw Charge No. 95 in charge of the interment.

Mr. Roark, well known throughout Cleveland county and known by hundreds of people, is survived by his wife who is in feeble health, and two children—Philetter Lattimore and Mrs. Schenck Carpenter.

Mr. Louis Lattimore, of Shelby, and Capt. B. E. Lattimore, of the United States army, are nephews of the deceased.

William A. Hester Funeral Thursday

Died Wednesday. Funeral Held Yesterday Afternoon At Sharon Church.

Funeral services for Mr. William A. Hester were held yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Sharon church, conducted by Rev. R. L. Forbis assisted by Rev. L. B. Hayes and Dr. Zeno Wall.

Mr. Hester, who was 80 years of age and made his home on West Marion street, died Wednesday, his death resulting from kidney trouble after an illness of four days. He came to this county 40 years ago from Polk county and was well known in Shelby and the surrounding section. His wife died about eight years ago.

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No Shelby Lawyer Is Supporting Workman's Compensation, Said

Local Attorneys Believe Law Will Be Changed. Benefits Only Insurance Firms.

"I notice a news item in The Star says that all the lawyers of Shelby are not against the workman's compensation act," one local attorney declared today, and then added "I do not believe a single lawyer can be found here who will support the law when a fight is made upon it at the next legislature."

"There may be one or two who will not express themselves against it, but they do not think it is entirely just and believe that it should at least, be modified," he continued.

Local attorneys, who plan to join

Edwards In Race For Legislature; Allen Silent On Opponent

Announces Today



HENRY B. EDWARDS

Lawndale Man Died This Morn

Frank Lattimore, Aged 81, Dead. Funeral Services On Sunday Afternoon.

Mr. Frank Lattimore, well known 81-year-old citizen of the Cleveland Mills section near Lawndale, died at his home this morning about 7 o'clock, according to information given The Star this morning.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at New Bethel church.

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Basketball Tilts In County During Present Week-End

Two Games Here Tonight. Big Contest At Boiling Springs Saturday.

Cleveland county basketball fans are in for plenty of week-end action.

Tonight at the tin can here the Shelby highs will play the fast Belmont Abbey prep quint, which has already defeated the Morris-Bell combination once. This year, Shelby girls sextet will play the Shelby girls sextet will play the Grover high girls.

College Contest. Tomorrow, Saturday, night at Boiling Springs Blainey Rackley's junior Baptist cagers will mix it up on the court with the Campbell college quintet, whose basketball knowledge is imparted by Coach Hays who was at Wake Forest when Rackley starred there.

Other Candidates? In the general pow-wowing about the sheriff's race, which followed the Lackey announcement, there was some talk that Marshall Moore, a candidate in 1928 and now on the city police force, might be a candidate. So far as is known, however, Mr. Moore has talked none whatsoever in public along that line.

Political talk concerning other county offices is not being heard so far—not even a whisper. Yet it is more than four months until the primary and in that time much can take place.

Central Methodist Services On Sunday

The size of the congregation has been steadily increasing, this speaks well for the different working functions of the church. The morning service at 11:00 a. m. has as main thought, "The Lord's Election." The music will be supported by the adult choir also an offertory solo. The evening service at 7:30 p. m. is about, "Anchors That Hold." The special music will be by the men's chorus of this church. Rev. Hays is preaching both services.

Four Candidates Talked For County Judge. Allen "Likes Races," He Says.

(By RENN DRUM)

Attorney Henry B. Edwards, well known member of the Shelby bar, today informed The Star that he would be a candidate in the Democratic primary in June for the legislature.

Mr. Edwards has not made a formal announcement, nor has he outlined a campaign platform, but he is definitely in the race he says. Until the announcement today the only candidates suggested for the legislature and the state senate were Lee B. Weathers, president of The Star, for the legislative berth, and Attorney Peyton McSwain for the state senate. Neither of the two has made definite announcement, but have been considering the race. Mr. Weathers has been out of town for two days and what course he may pursue in view of the Edwards' announcement is not known. Today there was some talk, also, that Attorney Al R. Bennett, former law partner of Edwards, might also be a candidate for legislature.

Indications on the political horizon today were that the next candidate to announce would likely seek the nomination for county recorder in that Judge Horace Kennedy has definitely declared himself out of the race.

The Four Talked. Four county lawyers are being talked as prospective candidates, and at least two of the quartet, it is known, are seriously considering the race. They are Attorneys Maurice Weathers and Speight Maurer, former Judge John P. Mull, all of Shelby, and Attorney Jim Cline, of Fallston. The first mentioned has just returned to his office from a spell of sickness and isn't saying much, but for some time, those claiming to me on the inside of the dope currents recorded to Judge Kennedy, Mr. Mull was frequently mentioned as a candidate even prior to the Kennedy statement that he would not run, while Messrs. Beam and Cline have been sympathetic enough to conversation about them to show that they are willing at least to be talked to. Put it down for a fact that one of the quartet mentioned will be in the race, and it's an even wager that two of them will be.

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