

THE MARKET. Cotton, per lb. 14 1/2 Cotton Seed, per bu. 40 1/2

Very Cold Tonight. Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Generally fair and much colder, probably light frost in west and north central portions tonight.

Criminal Court Ends. The federal court session here this week adjourned at noon today after Judge Webb had rapidly disposed of the scores of criminal cases filling the docket.

Piggly-Wiggly Changes Owners

Marion Interests Buy Local Piggly-Wiggly Store From Mr. Stillwell.

A deal of considerable magnitude and interest was announced today when it became known that the Piggly-Wiggly-Williams corporation of Marion had purchased the Piggly-Wiggly store of this place from its owner Mr. Ira J. Stillwell, who has been operating here for the past eight years under the franchise of this well-known organization.

Mr. Stillwell has made a wonderful success of the local store and it is understood will remain with the new owners. The Piggly-Wiggly-Williams corporation, is a subsidiary of the A. Blanton Grocery Co., Inc., which owns and operates wholesale houses at Marion, Shelby, Morganton, Spruce Pine and Asheville and owns considerable property in Shelby, Asheville and Marion.

The policy of the store will remain the same under the new ownership, handling standard brands of merchandise on the self-service and cash plan.

Legion To Plan Club Building

Ex-Service Men Meet Friday Night To Plan Their New Home.

At a meeting to be held Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock, in the court house here the Warren Hoyle American Legion post will discuss plans for their proposed new club building.

Heretofore the Legion has not owned a home of its own, but Friday night the local ex-service men, Commander Tom Abernethy announces, hope to start a movement that will result in a building of their own.

Helped Build Road In Rutherford

Ellenboro, Mar. 18.—Frank Byers of Ellenboro, celebrated his 73rd birthday Sunday, when his children and friends gathered at the Byers home here to do honor to the occasion. Mr. Byers has been unusually active for one of his age, though his health now is somewhat impaired. He is widely known in both Rutherford and Cleveland counties.

Mr. Byers was the first resident of Ellenboro, and he being a contractor, built most of the houses, including the Seaboard depot and the Piedmont house. He owned and operated the first cotton gin and saw mill here. He also helped in the construction of the Seaboard road from Shelby to Rutherford. He is a prominent member of Oak Grove Methodist church and has lived in this community all his life.

Stores At Ellenboro Robbed on Saturday

Ellenboro.—The store of W. A. Harrill was entered and robbed Saturday night of clothing, hats, caps, and other wearing apparel. The entrance was made through the plate glass of the front door. From all indications, the thief was hidden away and slept on a pile of rubbish and shavings, accessible to the inside of the store.

Also on the same night the store of Howard Greene was broken into and robbed of groceries and hardware. The entrance was made through a large window in the rear of the building. No clue to the guilty party has yet been found. Both stores had considerable loss.

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Listers Named For Tax Work Beginning Soon

Tax Listing Starts April 7

Tax Supervisor Completes His List Of List Takers. After Personal Property.

A complete list of the men who will this year handle the tax listing for Cleveland county was announced today by Mr. W. R. Newton, county tax supervisor.

The listers named will go to work on April 7, or practically a month earlier than heretofore. One point will be particularly stressed, it is understood, in the listing this year and that will be the listing of as much personal property as possible. In years gone by the personal property listing has been falling off and as a result the burden on real estate has increased.

Listers Appointed. The following men, by townships will handle the listing this year: No. 1—J. A. McCraw. No. 2—W. C. Hamrick. No. 3—Austell Bettis. No. 4—John Floyd. No. 5—M. P. Harrellson. No. 6—P. P. Jenks. No. 7—R. W. McBrayer. No. 8—B. P. Jenkins. No. 9—W. A. Gantt. No. 10—M. N. Gantt. No. 11—A. A. Horton.

Miss Goodwin, Nurse Graduates Thursday

Graduating Exercises To Be Held At Kiwanis Club With Hospital Forces Present. At the regular dinner Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the Hotel Charles, the Kiwanis club will entertain the Shelby Hospital force and the training school nurses, the occasion being the graduation of Miss Gladys Goodwin, the only nurse to graduate from the school this year. Miss Goodwin came to this school from her home near Wadesboro and makes her home with her sister, Mrs. Ernest Johnson.

Epidemic Of Meat Stealing Continues

Numerous Robberies Of Smoke Houses Over County In Recent Weeks.

A regular meat stealing epidemic has been sweeping over Cleveland county of recent weeks with many people out of work and wandering through the county picking up and stealing something to eat where they find an opportunity.

Personal And Religious Freedom Supported By Hoey In New York

Irish Stand For Personal Liberty, He Tells Sons of St. Patrick. New York.—Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, lawyer, and former congressman, in his speech before the 148th anniversary dinner of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick at the Hotel Astor Monday evening, said that America's greatness is based on four fundamentals, "Life, liberty, happiness and freedom of conscience in religion."

"Liberty and freedom of religion are so interwoven in the Irish nature," Mr. Hoey said, "that it is not surprising that we find this great race making rich contribution to the organization and establishment of our nation, and then to its growth and perpetuity."

Mr. Hoey pleaded that America abhor a policy of isolation in world affairs. "I covet for America," he said, "an understanding heart, an open mind, a willing hand, and a free spirit, dominant in power and triumphant in right. I would have

Gallows Gold Enriches Mother



When Robert Blake, under the influence of dope, committed murder in Texas, he spent his last hours writing the true chronicle of what men say in the death house just before they "burn." As he walked to his own doom he gave the manuscript to the prison chaplain as his sole estate, bequeathed to his mother. The chronicle was printed in a magazine and John Wexley was so moved by its stark emotion that he wrote a play "The Last Mile."

Shelby's State Champs Play Opening Game Here On Friday

Opening Baseball Game Of Season With Fast Cherryville Team Friday.

"Bat-tuh-ries for Shelby; ladies and gentlemen—Hamrick pitching, Farris catching."

That announcement will be heard on the city park here Friday afternoon at 3:45 for the first time since last year when the young pitcher and catcher named above led Casey Morris' Shelby High school team through one tough game after another until they won for Shelby the town's third State title.

The opposition for the State champs in the opening of the baseball season for 1930 will be furnished by Cherryville, for years one of Shelby's strongest rivals in scholastic baseball.

Strength Unknown. The strength of the Morris team this year is unknown and after Friday's opening clash local fans may have a pretty good idea as to whether or not the title winners of last year have any chance to repeat. The biggest assets to the rebuilt team is that Hamrick and Farris are back. Last year no high school team in the State could do enough with Hamrick's fast ones with Farris behind the plate to defeat the locals. But it takes hitting and fielding to win baseball games no matter how good the pitching may be and therein comes the "x" factor of this year's team. Charley Harrellson, veteran first sacker, will carry the burden of the experienced hitting and fielding until some new material lends aid, although in early season practice Farris' bat has been working good and his slugging may do much to make up for the punch supplied last year by Lee, Gold and Bridges.

It will be pretty much of a rookie outfit when it faces Cherryville here Friday. Other than Hamrick, Farris and Harrellson, and Rippy, shifted to short from the outfield, it has yet to demonstrate its ability to win.

Pleasant Hill Beats School Consolidation

Voters of the Pleasant Hill school district on Monday defeated the special 30 cents school tax election called for the purpose of consolidation with the Patterson Springs school provided the election carried. The vote on the measure was 46 to 36 against the special tax and consolidation.

Weeks Of Prayer Set By Churches Here

Three Denominations Ask That Social Affairs Be Arranged For No Conflict.

Two weeks of prayer, one for Nov. 3-7 this year and one for March 2-6 1931, have been set by the ladies who head the women's work at the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches who ask that social affairs of the city be so arranged that there will be no conflict during these weeks. The resolution signed by Mrs. T. W. Hamrick, president of the W. M. S. of the First Baptist, Mrs. Z. J. Thompson, president of the W. M. S. work at Central Methodist, and by Mrs. J. F. Jenkins, president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church, reads as follows:

"We, the presidents of the Women's Work in the First Baptist, Central Methodist and the Presbyterian churches, beg to announce that the dates of November 3-7th, 1930, and March 2-6th, 1931, have been agreed upon as the best dates for the Weeks of Prayer. It is our earnest hope that no conflicting engagements will prevent these Weeks of Prayer from bringing the greatest possible blessing to God's people everywhere, and to this end we seek the cooperation of all of the various clubs in making their programs."

Beam Out For Judgeship In County Court

Becomes Candidate For Recorder

Local Attorney Announces Today For Recorder Subject To Primary.

Attorney W. Speight Beam, well known Shelby lawyer and one of the organizers of the American Legion, announces today his candidacy for recorder of the Cleveland county court subject to the will of the Democratic party in the primary of June.

Mr. Beam is the second candidate to announce for the recordership, Attorney Maurice Weathers announcing some time back just after Judge Horace Kennedy stated definitely that he would not be a candidate to succeed himself.

After completing his law course, Mr. Beam, a son of Mr. Augustus Beam, of Shelby, entered upon the practice at Charlotte and for several years was one of the successful lawyers of that city. A few years ago he located here and has since practiced his profession in his home town. This is his first candidacy for office although he has several times been honored by the American Legion as he was the only representative of this section of the South who aided in the original organization meeting of the Legion in Paris just after the World War.

Without Fear, Favor. In announcing Attorney Beam says:

"On my own accord I announce myself as a candidate for the office of Recorder of Cleveland county. If elected to that dignified position I should strive at all times fairly and honestly to administer the law without fear or favor, equality and impartiality. I should strive to maintain and uphold the dignity and honor imposed by that office, and earnestly endeavor to merit the faith and justify the confidence of my friends, supporters and the public generally. I should regard the office as a place where justice, tempered with mercy, would find itself at home, and where good citizenship and clean government were promoted and upheld.

"Abraham Lincoln expressed my idea better than I could when he said, 'I am not bound to win but I am bound to be true; I am bound to succeed but I am bound to live up to what light I have; I must stand by anybody that stands right—stand with him while he is right and part with him when he goes wrong.'"

Mrs. Lena Clary Buys Beauty Shop

Will Operate At Same Place. Mrs. Hamrick And Mrs. Phillips Go To Rutherford.

Mrs. Lena A. Clary has purchased the Betty-Jean Beauty Shoppe in the Weathers-Blanton building next to the J. C. Penney Co., store from Mrs. Hamrick and Mrs. Phillips, and took charge yesterday.

Mrs. Clary has been operating beauty culture shops in Wilson and Raleigh for the past five years and has associated with her in the operation of the Shelby shop, her daughter, Mrs. Paul A. Burton and Miss Thelma Torbert. Miss Torbert has previously been connected with the Betty-Jean and the Knightengale shops of this place.

First Service Sunday In Mull's New Chapel

Mull's chapel is a new church erected on Highway No. 18 about six miles north of Shelby on land given by O. M. Mull and the first service in this new Baptist church building will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Dr. J. M. Arnette of Bolling Springs will preach. Rev. R. Cook is pastor of the church.

Dig Up Barrels Of Beer In A Thicket

A quantity of still house beer, said to be about 150 gallons, was dug up by officers in a thicket on Brushy Creek, in No. 7 township, Monday night by officers S. B. Cooper, T. B. Harris, W. C. Grayson, Artho Hamrick and J. L. Dixon, says Deputy Cooper who was in Shelby yesterday. Officers had a tip about the location of the buried beer and had been watching for several nights hoping to catch the owners, but they failed to appear. No whiskey or still was found near the place. The beer was destroyed.

Second Candidate For Recorder



ATTORNEY SPEIGHT BEAM Star photo

Mission Rally Planned Here

Dr. Maddy Conducting 45 For Baptist In State. One At Bolling Springs March 31.

Dr. Charles E. Maddy, Raleigh, general secretary of the Baptist state convention, has planned 45 mission rallies to be held at central points throughout the state during March and April. The meetings are open for everybody and it is expected that hundreds of Baptist leaders, men and women, will attend them.

For the past few years there has been a steady decline in receipts for the missionary enterprise throughout the whole country. This fact has given those who are in charge of denominational affairs great concern. The purpose of these rallies, Dr. Maddy explains, is to carry fresh information to the people, thereby inspiring and stimulating them to greater missionary activity. The cause of the so-called "mission slump" and the remedy will be discussed at these meetings.

Forty or more of the leading pastors in the state have volunteered their services to help in conducting these meetings, which will begin in each case at ten o'clock in the morning and continue till around four in the afternoon.

The following is the itinerary for the week of March 31, April 4, which will be of interest to many of the readers of this paper: Bolling Springs, Monday 10 a. m., March 31; Rutherford, Tuesday, April 1; Asheville, Wednesday, April 2; Mud Creek, Thursday, April 3; Brevard, Friday, April 4.

The following speakers will make these points: Rev. M. O. Alexander, Thomasville, Rev. Arthur Jackson, Hendersonville, Rev. W. L. Griggs, Charlotte, Rev. Bruce Benton, Rockingham, Dr. W. A. Ayers, Forest City, Rev. J. A. McMillan, Thomasville.

Three Deputies On Federal Jury Here

Three Cleveland county deputy sheriffs are doing jury duty in federal court here this week. They are Frank Stamey, who is serving on the grand jury; Gus Jolly and Brent Harris who are serving on the juries in the court room. In quite a number of cases defense attorneys have excused the two deputies from jury duty when liquor cases are being tried.

Grim Reaper Takes Heavy Toll In Lincoln County In Week-End

Lincolnton.—Lincoln county had its share of deaths over the week-end with 12 funerals being conducted in the county and around the edges of the county in Gaston and Catawba.

James Henry Cody, 78, died at the home of his son, Silas Cody, near here, Friday and was buried Sunday at Salem Baptist church. He is survived by six children, two sons and one brother.

Danl' Theron Childs, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Childs, of Wadesboro, died in the Charlotte sanatorium Thursday and was buried here Saturday.

James Bruston Ewing, 57, died at his home in Pumpkin Center last Thursday and was buried Friday at Macedonia cemetery. He was a prominent merchant and farmer of the Ore Bank community. He is survived by his wife and two brothers, C. E. and Robert Ewing, both of this county.

Sixteen Violators Of Dry Law Get 11 Years

Judge Webb Hands Out Stiff Sentences To Booze Makers And Sellers In Federal Court Here. 18 Months Heaviest Sentence.

Sixteen defendants in United States district court here yesterday were given jail and prison sentences totalling 11 and one-half years as Federal Judge E. Yates Webb supported the declaration he made Monday to the grand jury in declaring that enforcement of the prohibition law has not been a failure, as critics of the dry law contend.

In addition to the 16 prison sentences Judge Webb imposed several heavy fines upon defendants convicted of violating the Federal prohibition law.

Both Get Sentences On Charges Of Handling Narcotics. One Gets 18 Months.

Two white women will be among the prisoners who leave Shelby this week with sentences imposed upon them by the term of federal court now in session here. Both were sentenced for traffic in narcotics, the charges coming up from Charlotte.

Jewell Garrett, Charlotte girl, drew the longest term, eighteen months, and will serve her term in West Virginia. Nell Gaddy, the other girl, who is said to be from Buncombe county, was given a six month term, and will serve her sentence in the county jail at Charlotte.

Sentences Passed. The 16 sentences as passed, all for the violation of the prohibition law, were as follows:

Walker Clark, Gaston county, three months. Max Huffman, Burke, 18 months. Atlanta. Will Rector, Burke, five months. Gus Chapman, Burke, a year and a day at Atlanta.

M. J. Gamble, Rutherford, a year and a day at Atlanta. Tom Bridges, Gaston, a year and a day at Atlanta. Clarence Tate, Gaston, four months. Curlee Robeson, Gaston, three months.

Joe Hawkins, Burke, a year and a day at Atlanta. Frank Huffman, Burke, five months. George Brittain, Burke, 18 months in reformatory. Cleo Carswell, Burke, seven months.

Dorgan Yancey, Burke, seven months. Jesse Lane, Burke, five months. Earl Lineberger, Gaston, five months. D. Eaker, Gaston, five months.

Mountain Youth Gets Considerable Travel In Court Sentences

Has Been To Atlanta And Is Now Going To Ohio To Serve Term. Roy Cook, 23-year-old South Mountain youth, if he keeps up his favorite occupation of making "caw'n," may within a few years become the most widely travelled person in his section of the mountains.

He has been all the way to Atlanta, and this week he will visit Ohio. At Atlanta he served two years for manufacturing white lightning, but the imprisonment apparently did him very little good and he returned home to set up another still. Along came a prohibition officer, and Roy came back to court. He has been in court often for his years.

"Atlanta seemingly did not help you, Roy," Judge Webb told the mountain youth, "and this time I'll try out Chillicothe, Ohio. Make the sentence 18 months, Mr. Clerk."

Judge Webb, however, expressed considerable sympathy for the youth and informed him that if he made a good prisoner at the Ohio reformatory he would recommend a parole after several months. Roy appeared none too brilliant and the court was of the opinion that higher powers were financing his liquor activities, since Roy, just married a year or two, has very little money to finance such a large still as was found on the "little strip of land I just bought and haint paid for," as he told the court.

Scout Committee To Meet Here Monday

A meeting of the executive committee sponsoring the Boy Scout work in Shelby will be held at the Hotel Charles Monday afternoon from 5 until 8 o'clock. The announcement is made by Supt. E. L. Smith, who is head of the Scout council in this county.