

THE MARKET. Cotton, per lb. 10 1/4 to 11 1/4 Cotton Seed, per bu. 36c

Rain Thursday. Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Cloudy tonight and warmer in west portion. Thursday increasing cloudiness followed by rain in west.

Mayor To Resign? Asheville, Dec. 9.—After advising a large delegation of friends and representative citizens today that he would resign, Mayor Gallatin Roberts, the last remaining member of the board of city commissioners, was wavering tonight in his decision. At 6 o'clock tonight Mayor Roberts told newspapermen he would resign only if he considered that the choice of a successor would be for the better interests of Asheville. Two hours later, he announced he had not changed his mind and had no statement to make. The resignation of L. B. Rogers, commissioner of public works, and of C. Henry Bartlett, commissioner of public safety, followed demands of a large number of Asheville business and professional men, subsequent to the discovery that the city finances were left in a precarious situation by the failure of the Central Bank and Trust company, where more than \$4,000,000 of city funds were on deposit.

Make Plans For Old Clothes To Be Given Away

Plans are rapidly shaping for the opening up of an old clothes depot, where clothing will be collected, reconditioned and classified for distribution among the needy, white and black, of the city and county. Geo. Blanton and Lee B. Weathers have offered free the rental of their basement under the Betty-Jean Beauty shop which has steam heat, electric lights, tables, chairs, etc. The Southern Bell Telephone Co. is being asked to furnish a phone for the winter months while the clothing division of the welfare department will function.

Ladies Volunteer Help. Mr. Weathers who has been appointed to organize for the drive for old clothes held a meeting yesterday attended by Mrs. J. T. Beason, Mrs. Draper Wood, Miss Frances Hendrick, A. E. Cline, Mayor McMurry and J. B. Smith. These ladies have volunteered their services to help launch the drive. Many other ladies and clubs have volunteered to help in the operation of this division. When the telephone is installed the ladies will solicit contributions of clothes over the phone and these bundles will be collected by the Boy Scouts.

The welfare department will furnish fuel, food and clothes to cases that have been investigated and approved. The old clothes division will therefore handle nothing but clothing, so there will be no demands on the welfare department for this kind of help and fuel, thus enabling these funds to extend their usefulness to more people. Some churches, are lending wonderful aid to families under their care and the names of these families will be turned over to the welfare department so there will be no overlapping or duplication of work. Even though all agencies do everything in their power, there is plenty of help for all kind hearted people to render.

When the old clothes division begins to function, housewives will be asked to contribute their bundles to this division, rather than to people who call at the door and solicit alms. The advantage in this is that each case will be investigated and helped if worthy and there will be no duplication. Due notice will be made when this depot is opened tomorrow or Friday.

County Club Meets Here Friday Night. The Cleveland county club will hold its monthly meeting on Friday evening of this week. The meeting will be held at 7 o'clock at the Green Lantern Tea room on East Warren street and those members who can attend will please notify W. T. Couch by noon Friday so plates can be reserved.

BROTHER-IN-LAW OF MISS ELLA McNICHOLS IS DEAD. Mr. C. C. Craig, brother-in-law of Miss Ella McNichols, superintendent of the Shelby hospital, died Saturday at his home in Merchantville, New Jersey. Miss McNichols left Shelby last Tuesday for Merchantville when notified of his serious illness.

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County Cotton Crop To Equal 1929 Record

59,123 Bales Ginned To Dec. 1

Over 11,000 Bales Ahead Of Last Year's Crop Now. Much To Gin.

With the announcement today of the cotton ginning in Cleveland county up to December, showing only a little less than 60,000 bales to that date, it was generally predicted that the total crop would equal or be close to the record crop of 63,700 bales in 1929.

Up to December 1, this year, 59,123 bales had been ginned in the county, according to the report issued today by Miles H. Ware, ginning agent.

Crop Is Early. This is more than 11,000 bales ahead of the 47,496 bales ginned to the same date last year, but the present crop is from two to three weeks earlier than the 1929 crop.

A total of 55,604 bales had been ginned in the county up to November 14, which is to say that 3,519 bales have been ginned since mid-November.

There is a quantity of cotton in the county yet to be ginned, cotton men said here today, and only around 4,500 bales must be ginned for the crop to equal that of last year. Predictions now are that the present crop will not be more than 500 bales below or above last year's record.

Lions Club Aids In Charity Drive

Price of One Banquet Given To Aid Unfortunate Families In City.

At a meeting of the Shelby Lions club, held last night at the Hotel Charles, the club members voted to contribute the cost of one club dinner to the general charity fund in the city.

The club program, in charge of Mr. Loy Thompson, was unusually entertaining. It was a dancing program featuring Mrs. Ruth Thompson McDonald, little Miss Emma Jo Beam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Beam, and little Miss Nancy Lineberger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lineberger, with Miss Mary Virginia Lester at the piano.

No Paroles At Christmas For N. C. Prisoners

Raleigh, Dec. 10.—There will be no issuances of paroles or clemency to prisoners for Christmas, Odus M. Mull, executive counsel to Governor O. Max Gardner, said today.

The last day for hearing applicants for paroles this year will be December 16, he said. No further applications will be considered until January 1, 1931.

Ever since Governor Gardner has been in office, he has declined to issue special Christmas paroles or clemencies to prisoners.

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Found On Boat



Virginia Anne Clark, of Washington, D. C., was found wounded from gun bullets on the houseboat owned by her mother, James K. Turvey, 78, a Government watchman, is being questioned by police.

T.J. Holland, Vet Civil War Dies

Was Lieutenant In Company of Which His Father Was Captain. Funeral Tuesday.

Lieutenant Tom J. Holland, 87-year-old veteran of the Civil war died Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at his home in the Poplar Springs community and was buried Tuesday in the Poplar Springs church cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. D. F. Putnam. Mr. Holland was a deacon for many years of that church and was one of the most substantial and beloved men in the community.

When the war between the states broke out, Mr. Holland went with the first call for troops, serving as lieutenant under his father, Capt. Griffin Holland, Company H, 28th Infantry. He served heroically in this same company during the four years of war.

Mr. Holland was first married to a Miss Eunice Eskridge, a sister of Squire T. Cline Eskridge. His second marriage was to a Miss Jennie White of Chester, S. C., who also preceded him to the grave. Three children were born, two of whom survive Mrs. S. B. Jones and Elijah Holland of this county. One daughter, Mrs. Margaret McSwain, mother of Senator Peyton McSwain died 11 years ago.

Three sisters survive: Mrs. H. M. Hamrick of Shelby, Mrs. John Moore of Bolling Springs and Mrs. S. R. Haynes of Cliffside.

Mr. Holland was active in church work and one of the most beloved and influential men in the community where he lived. A large crowd attended his funeral Tuesday.

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Injuries Prove Fatal To Mode; Funeral Today

Body Punctured By Fall On Stalk

Young Union Farmer Succumbed Tuesday Afternoon To Unusual Type Injury.

A punctured bladder, punctured intestines and a punctured stomach made his condition such that medical science could not save him and Mr. Everett Mode, 26-year-old farmer of the Union community, died at 5:30 yesterday afternoon in the Shelby hospital.

Two weeks ago to the day, November 25, young Mode fell backwards from a wagon. He landed, in a sitting posture, on the sharp stub of a corn stalk and the force of the fall sent the stalk up into his body about nine and one-half inches.

Terrible Wound. The injury was one of the worst ever seen at the hospital here. So far was the stalk driven up into his body that the intestines were punctured four times, the bladder twice and the wall of the stomach once.

For two weeks the young man lingered, conscious of his serious condition, and death came exactly fortnight and 30 minutes after the fall.

Funeral Services. Funeral services were held at 2:30 this afternoon at the Union church with Rev. D. G. Washburn in charge.

The deceased is survived by his wife and three young children, and by parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mode. He lived on the Mrs. M. M. Mauney plantation and was a highly respected young man and an energetic farmer who was popular with all who knew him.

More Students In School Now

Enrollment And Attendance In City Schools Better Than Last Year.

Business conditions and the general depression are having no ill effect on school work in Shelby, according to the third month enrollment and attendance report issued today.

Near 200 more pupils are in the city schools now than were last year and the attendance, described as "excellent," is better. The enrollment and attendance percentage by school units follow:

Table with 3 columns: School, P. C. of Enroll., Attend. Rows include Graham, Washington, Marion, Jefferson, LaFayette, South Shelby, High School, Colored high school, Colored elementary, Zoar, and Total.

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GARDNER MAKES TEAM

Raleigh—Ralph Gardner, son of Gov. and Mrs. O. Max Gardner, won second team honors in All-Virginia prep school football selections made by College Topics, student newspaper at the University of Virginia. Young Gardner played center this season for the Woodberry Forest eleven, and was a star for the Orange school. The first team center berth went to Sanchez, of Danville

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Bandit Queen



Peggy Mahon, watering the flowers in the women's prison at Northville, Mich., seems an entirely different person from the girl they used to call the "Bandit Queen" just five months ago. Not only does she care for the flowers, but she aids in the hospital. (International News)

A. J. Prichard, Lawndale, Dies

Employee of Cleveland Mills and Power Company for Over Half a Century.

Andrew Jackson Prichard, an employe for over half a century of the Cleveland Mill and Power Co., at Lawndale, died Friday at the age of 76 years, 4 months and 13 days. He began his work with this company under the late Major H. F. Schenck and was always a loyal, faithful man, true to his employer and to his friends.

When a young man he was married to Sophronia Sweeney and to this union the following children were born: Mrs. Ritter Eaker, Mrs. Jennie Worman, Mrs. Dovie Richard, Chas. F. Prichard, Mrs. Sallie Brimer, Mrs. Florence Laughridge and Maggie Lee, the latter dying in infancy. His wife preceded him to the grave 3 years ago.

Mr. Prichard married the second time to Louise Katherine Weaver, who survives with two daughters, Mrs. Mamie Southard and Mrs. Minnie Hendrick. Also surviving are one sister "Aunt Jane" Prichard and a number of nephews and nieces together with 30 grand children and two great grandchildren. Mr. Prichard joined the New Bethel Baptist church in August 1876 and remained a faithful and consistent member until the church was organized at Lawndale when he placed his membership with that church. He was buried Sunday, the funeral being conducted by Rev. John W. Suttle at Lawndale and interment being in New Bethel church cemetery.

Basketball Begins Here Friday Night

Shelby High Boys And Girls In Double Bill With Kings Mountain.

The local basketball season will open Friday night at 7:30 when a doubleheader will play in the Central high tin can.

Both Shelby teams, boys and girls, will play the two Kings Mountain cage quints, and a fine opening contest is anticipated. The high quint will play its next game at Belmont Abbey Monday night when the new gymnasium is opened at the junior college. The only other game the boys will play prior to the Christmas holidays will be at Gastonia on Thursday night, the 18th. The Shelby girls team will play there on the same date. The full schedule for both teams will be given in Friday's Star.

T. P. A. Talks Of Not Holding Big Fete, Aid Charity

There is quite a sentiment among Shelby's "Knights of the Grip" to postpone their annual Yuletide banquet and turn the customary banquet money over to Shelby. This is the report coming to Mr. Felix O. Gee, secretary of the local T. P. A. and he desires that members of the organization confer with him and each other to determine just what shall be done.

Six Mules For Each Horse In The County Now

Stock Worth Near Half Million

Cleveland County Mules Average \$73.56 Each. Horses \$50. Over 7 Thousand Head Cattle.

(M. E. DUNNAGAN, Star News Bureau.)

Raleigh, Dec. 10.—The more than 6,000 horses and mules in Cleveland county are worth almost a half million dollars with the mules outnumbering the horses more than six to one.

This is shown in the annual report of the state board of assessments for the fiscal year ending in 1929.

The 7,210 head of cattle average \$32.23 each, and the 6,114 hogs average \$11.95 each.

The total value of all county stock is near the three quarters of a million mark, according to the report.

The report for the county shows the following:

Table with 3 columns: Stock, Value, Aver. Rows include 240 Horses, 314 Mules, 210 Cattle, 114 Hogs, 5 Sheep.

In The State. North Carolina had a total of 11,832 horses, total value \$5,114,085, average value \$45.73; total of 281,459 mules, total value \$18,822,934, average value \$66.87; total of 461,842 cattle, total value \$13,156,746, average value \$28.48; total of 944,555 hogs, total value \$5,341,294, average value \$5.66, and 101,621 sheep, total value \$453,958, average value \$4.46, or a grand total of 1,901,309 animals in these five divisions, all valued at \$42,889,617, an average of \$22.56 per animal, for the year ending June 30, 1929, according to the report of the state board of assessment, just issued.

Notable in the report is the predominance of horses in the west, mules in the east, cattle in the west and pigmeat, sheep in the mountains and hogs in the east. Highest average prices for horses are found in Halifax, \$63.14, lowest in Dare \$19.85; for cattle, highest in Avery, \$50.28, lowest in Moore, \$15.53; for mules, highest in Greene, \$87.65, lowest in Buncombe \$41.61; for hogs, highest in Cleveland, \$11.95, lowest in Dare, \$2.23; for sheep, highest in Ashe, \$6.90, lowest in Tyrrell \$1.13.

Logan Again Heads Spanish War Vets

Officers Of Junius Gardner Camp Named At Meeting Held Last Night.

Capt. H. A. Logan, former sheriff, is again the commander of the Junius T. Gardner camp No. 10 of the Spanish-American War veterans. He was elected at a meeting of the veterans held Tuesday night at the court house here.

Other officers named were: B. G. Logan, senior vice-commander; C. C. Owens, junior vice-commander; Herbert Toms, adjutant; Sid Short, quartermaster; J. F. Roberts, trustee.

Mrs. Earl Honeycutt, Earl Honeycutt, Jr., and Mrs. Rush Stroup are spending today in Charlotte.

"Give Something Made In Carolina For Christmas"—Urged In N. C.

Raleigh, Dec. 10.—"Give something Made in North Carolina for Christmas" is a slogan offered to shoppers for the holidays as a means of stimulating the commercial and industrial activities of the State, by Paul Kelly, of the State Department of Conservation and Industry.

Letters have been sent out by the department urging manufacturers and merchants to cooperate in making North Carolina-made goods available to the public during the Christmas shopping season.

The suggestion is made that retail stores, whenever facilities allow, set up a North Carolina-made goods counter in a prominent place in order that Christmas shoppers will have opportunity to inspect the merchandise made in the state. The department plans to reach the public through the press, over the radio and through various organizations with its slogan, Mr. Kelly said.

A statement of reasons for giving gifts made in North Carolina for Christmas is offered by Mr. Kelly as follows:

"First, the gifts would be useful and serviceable and would do a maximum amount of good to those who receive them. "Second, gifts to people both within and without the state would serve to acquaint the home folks and those elsewhere with goods made in the state. "Third, Christmas money spent for North Carolina-made goods would be kept at home and could be used over and over again in paying debts and making other purchases. "Fourth, the spending of several million dollars for North Carolina-made goods at this time would stimulate the production of goods somewhat, or to the degree in which the buying public cooperates, gives employment to more people and help increase all commercial activity within the state. "Such a program as this would help everybody. "North Carolinians ought to take pride in giving and wearing something made in North Carolina this Christmas."

Given Beating



Alfreda Kaley, divorced wife of Charles Kaley, Broadway band leader, told the strange story behind the injuries which almost caused her death on December 2. Her revelations caused the arrest of Joseph Mlyott, a \$100,000-a-year executive, on a felonious assault charge.

Banks To Cut \$31,000 Melon

First National To Distribute \$15,000 And Union Trust Co. \$6,000 On Jan. 1st.

The two Shelby banks, the First National and the Union Trust Co., will distribute \$31,000 in dividends to shareholders the first of January. There was a meeting of the directors of the Union Trust Co., on yesterday at which time it was voted to pay the regular four per cent semi-annual dividend of the \$150,000 capital stock of this bank.

A meeting of the directors of the First National will be held Friday of this week at which time the regular semi-annual six per cent dividend will be paid to shareholders. The capital stock of the First National is \$250,000 so this semi-annual six per cent dividend means the shareholders will receive \$15,000 the first of the year.

The Union Trust Co. has a surplus equal to its capital, while the First National has a surplus double that of its capital. They are in strong financial condition and expect to report satisfactory showings to the stockholders in the annual meetings to be held early in January.

Each July these two banks pay similar dividends, so the disbursements to stockholders amount to \$62,000 annually.

Youthful Check Flasher Works

They start early these days. This week a white boy about eight years of age visited the Ebeltoft bookstore, purchased a low-priced book and tendered a check on "W. N. Smith," in return. One line was filled out "\$1.85" and the other "One and no 88-100." Mr. B. C. Houser became suspicious and carried the check to the bank, telling the boy to wait. Mr. Houser had not reached the corner when the boy vanished. There was no such account at the bank. The check and the book remain at the bookstore, but the innocent-looking youngster has not returned.

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Auto Tag Sale Begins Monday

Sale To Start Monday Morning At Eskridge Garage. No Checks.

Automobile license plates will go on sale at the Carolina Motor club office at the Eskridge garage here Monday morning with Charles R. Eskridge in charge.

The office will be open each day from 9 in the morning until 4:30 in the afternoon until the time limit is up for securing new license. Mr. Eskridge announces that the state bureau has the same regulations as last year in that checks will not be taken in payment.

The tags this year are gold figures on a black background and two plates will be required for each car. Some Prices. The license for standard cars in this section include the following: Ford, Oldsmobile, Hudson 8, Essex all \$12.50; Chevrolet \$20, Hudson Six \$20, Buick \$20 and \$30, Cadillac and Lincoln \$40.

Get Three Men In Stamey Store Robbery Sunday

\$350 Worth Goods Recovered

Two Stameys And Rector Held For Robbery of Stamey Store Saturday Night.

At a preliminary hearing in county court this morning in connection with the robbery of the Stamey store at Polkville early last Sunday morning, Henry and Nelson Stamey and Sidney Rector, all of the Valdese section, were bound over to superior court. Henry Stamey plead guilty of the robbery and his bond was fixed at \$1,500. The others plead not guilty but were placed under bonds of \$1,000 each. The bond money had not been raised at noon.

The quick apprehension resulted from a bit of sleuthing and some clever deductions on the part of Sheriff Irvin M. Allen and Deputy Ed Dixon.

The three men being held are Nelson and Henry Stamey, who once lived in the Polkville section, and Sidney Rector. The goods recovered were found in Rector's home several miles above Valdese, in Burke county, and he is charged with concealing stolen goods. One of the Stameys is his son-in-law and was at the house. This one along with the other is being held for the robbery. One of their alleged companions escaped and a fourth was not located.

Start Sleuthing. When Sheriff Allen and Deputy Dixon visited the robbery scene Sunday they reached the conclusion that the store was robbed by some group who knew the "lay of the land," because a stranger would not have known to park the car on a nearby and convenient side-road where it would be easy to carry the goods from the store. The officers then examined the tracks from the store to the car and decided that they were made by white men. At first it was believed that negroes had staged the robbery, but Sheriff Allen was certain the tracks were not those of colored men. His opinion is based on the fact that colored men run over their shoes. The tracks made were not by turned-in shoes.

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The new arrests brought the total number of store-breakers in jail above the half-dozen mark. The bandit gangs are finding it difficult to "get by" every time in this area.

12 MORE SHOPPING DAYS 'TILL XMAS