

THE MARKET
Cotton, per lb. 8 1/2 to 9 1/2
Cotton Seed, per bu. 34 1/2
Rain, Sleet, Snow!

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Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Rain probably mixed with sleet or snow and colder in west and north portions tonight Tuesday probably snow and colder.

Boat Disaster. Miami Beach, Fla., Dec. 14.—Heroic rescues accounted tonight for 103 of 105 persons who went to view the sea bottoms today in the Eureka II, which burned and sank following an explosion off Bug Light, 15 miles south of here.

Officers Find Cache Of Loot. A note from an alleged store-broker, who is a prisoner in the county jail here, to his handsome and stylishly dressed wife was intercepted by officers here Friday and resulted in the recovery Saturday of some of the loot taken from the J. C. Penney store in the big robbery some weeks ago.

Note From Prisoner To Wife Gives Clue To Penney's Stolen Goods. The goods were found in the home of Marion Absher, between Kings Mountain and Bessemer City, and Absher was brought to jail here. In county court today he was bound over to superior court under a bond of \$500 on the charge of receiving stolen goods.

Absher is the father of the young girl to whom the note was written. The recovered loot included hats, shoes, sweaters, trousers, underclothing, and gloves. Friday the girl, said to be the wife of Ernest Stewart, of Asheville, one of the four men held in jail charged with the robbery, visited the jail. Deputy Ed Dixon noticed that Stewart slipped a note to her. As she started to leave the officer took her to the room of Mrs. Allen, wife of the sheriff, where she was searched and the note found. The note, it was said, urged her to have the goods taken from the Absher home as the officers might find them. The girl did not get a chance to read the note before officers secured it and not knowing what the message was she did not warn her relatives. On the following day, Saturday, Deputy Dixon and Police Chief McBride Poston visited the Absher home and found a quantity of the Penney goods hid in a trunk there.

They brought Absher and the goods back to Shelby. Christmas Lights To Be On Tonight. Stores With Holiday Goods To Remain Open At Night Until Christmas. The Christmas cedar tree planted on the West side of the court square near the monument has been draped with electric lights of varying colors for the holidays and a string of lights surround the entire square as last year. The lights add a touch of the holiday spirit to the season and will be turned on for the first time tonight if the electrical department of the city has time to finish the work.

Stores with holiday goods will remain open at night until Christmas for the benefit of Christmas shoppers. Holiday trading grows in volume day by day. Saturday was a peak day of the year with all merchants when one of the largest crowds of the season was here from far and near to do holiday shopping.

Grigg Heads Duke Grads Of Section. Prof. J. Horace Grigg, county superintendent of schools, is the new president of the Duke university alumni association of Cleveland county. He was elected at the annual banquet at Hotel Charles Friday night to succeed Attorney Chas. A. Burrus.

Other officers named were Attorney J. B. Davis, of Kings Mountain, vice president, and Miss Isobel Hoey, of Shelby, secretary and treasurer. Miss Hoey was also named as the local representative on the general alumni council. Twenty graduates and former students of Duke and old Trinity, all from Cleveland county, attended the banquet. The chief speaker was Dr. Clement Vollmer, of the German department of the University. Dr. Vollmer made an unusually interesting talk on "Outlining the ambition and possibilities of the great university."

County Autos In Two Fatal Gaston Wrecks

Shelby Negro Held Over Death. Earl Car In Crash There Sunday. Examination Made of School Pupils.

Will Watson, negro bellhop at the Victor hotel here, and a white man giving his name as R. L. Langley, of Burlington, are to be given a hearing in Gastonia today as occupants of the car which struck and fatally injured Mack Payne, McAdenville negro, between Gastonia and McAdenville Friday afternoon. The white man and negro, with the latter driving, were arrested at Kings Mountain by Chief Greel Ware a short time after the fatality in Gaston. The car, a roadster, it is said, struck the negro on the Wilkinson boulevard and kept going after hitting him.

Gaston officers broadcast an appeal to nearby towns and cities to be on the lookout for the roadster, and several roadsters resembling the one described were halted in Shelby before the negro and white man were brought to Kings Mountain. Both men were drinking, according to Shelby officers, who went to Gastonia to investigate. Papers found on the white man indicated that his name might be Ward instead of Langley. Police Chief Poston said, but he was registered at the hotel here as Langley. He and the negro were returned to Shelby from Charlotte when their car is said to have killed the McAdenville negro.

Officers at Gastonia said at first that Langley was driving the car at the time Payne was struck and killed, but it was later found that the negro was driving, they said, and a signed confession was secured from him. The negro was said to have told officers that Langley told him to "keep going" after the car had hit Payne. Payne, an employee of the Green Dragon Inn, formerly Spillman's, was on his way to work when killed, it was said. A preliminary hearing in the matter is scheduled to be held some time Monday, attorneys for Langley said. No bond has been set for the pair.

Sidney E. Bridges Buried On Sunday

Well Known Farmer of Patterson Grove Section Died On Saturday. Funeral services for Mr. Sidney Ervin Bridges, well known and highly respected farmer of the Patterson Grove section, were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Patterson Grove church. Rev. G. P. Abernethy had charge of the services. Mr. Bridges died Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, death resulting from pneumonia. His widow and eight children, who range in age from one to 18 years, survive. The deceased, 44 years of age at the time of his death, had been a member of the Patterson Grove church since he was 12 years old, and was an industrious citizen admired and well thought of in his community. His father-in-law, Mr. Tom Falls, died about two months ago.

Tax Assessors. The 33 or more tax assessors who will aid Tax Supervisor R. L. Weathers in making the property revaluation in Cleveland county have been named, and the list will be published in Wednesday's Star. R. W. Wilson of Fallston is new President. Several Speak At Monthly Meeting. A twenty-five per cent reduction in the acreage of cotton and a corresponding increase in food and feed crops was recommended by the Cleveland county club Friday night as the best means of bringing back prosperity. The county club was meeting at the Green Lantern Tea Room when the subject of economic conditions was discussed by J. B. Smith, Lester Herndon, O. C. Dixon and W. E. White. Mr. Dixon thinks the reduction in cotton acreage will take care of itself for the reason that many farmers cannot buy fertilizer with which to plant a normal crop next year. A. E. Cline, county auditor, reviewed briefly the charity situation, expressing his belief that the good people of Cleveland county will not permit any suffering by the unemployed during the winter. Lee B. Weathers, editor of The Star, supplying as principal speaker in the absence of Rev. L. B. Hayes who was called to Charlotte for a conference with the bishops, confirmed his remarks to the welfare work as now organized and told his audience about the world-wide system of news gathering and the printing and publication of newspapers. R. W. Wilson of Fallston was elected president to succeed Lawton Blanton, O. C. Dixon was elected vice president and W. E. White, secretary-treasurer.

Fox Hounds, Bird Dogs Of This Section Gain Nation-Wide Fame By Recent Articles In Magazines

Kennels at Forest City, owned by the Moore family and others, were not only pictured and praised in the magazine story but were also given much praise in the editorial columns of The Chase. In his article in the New York paper, Tom Dixon declared that the bird dogs he had secured in this section from Henry and Will Carroll and Ernest Spangler were so smart that they could understand nearly every spoken order in the human voice. Moores Present. The main story of the national field trials carried a picture of Daurer's Fancy, the Forest City foxhound, which won first place in the Tenth Chase Futurity the highest honor that a foxhound can win.

The dogs of the Golden Valley. (Continued on page eight.)

Three Of Four Children Here Are Defective

Examination Made of School Pupils. Officials Of School Urges Treatment For Defects Shown By Nurse.

Three out of every four children in the elementary grades of the city schools of Shelby have some physical handicap. That is the report filed by Miss Cora Beam, state board of health nurse, after completing a physical examination of all children. Of the 1,429 examined 1,429 were found defective. Some of the defects are minor; others are quite serious, and the health department urges that steps be taken at once to correct the defects. A complete itemized classification of the defects found follows: Nutrition 221, posture 13, hearing 2, vision 248, teeth 744, throats 1,105, orthopedic 9, skin 10, other 43; total 2,395.

In connection with the report, school officials have issued the following statement: "It is hoped that everyone will cooperate in remedying the situation. A correction of these impairments will result in improved school work, assure future economic efficiency, and obviate a great deal of suffering and anxiety. It will be noted that 1,429 children have 2,395 defects. Obviously most of those who are physically handicapped have more than one thing wrong with them. The local Red Cross, civic clubs, and social service committees of every sort should find in this a challenge and an opportunity. The race moves forward on the feet of healthy, instructed children. While a great many of these cases are in homes where the parents are willing and able to have the corrections made, many others are in homes that will need convincing of the importance of treatment and still others will need aid in doing what is necessary to safeguard health."

County Club Wants Cotton Yield Cut

R. W. Wilson of Fallston Is New President. Several Speak At Monthly Meeting. Deputy Jerry Runyan, of Earl, said today that Mr. Hubbard, who is a merchant at the lower Cleveland town, was slightly bruised in the collision, but Mr. Moss was not injured.

A. C. Miller Under Serious Operation; Condition Is Bad

Retired Manufacturer, Prominent Churchman and Financier In Serious Condition. Relatives of Mr. Andrew C. Miller, who is seriously ill in the Shelby hospital, stated at 1:30 this afternoon that his condition appeared to be considerably better. A. C. Miller, sr., retired manufacturer, prominent churchman and financier, is in serious condition at the Shelby hospital where he underwent an operation at 3 o'clock Saturday morning. He had been sick for two weeks at his home when it developed he had an intestinal trouble which required an immediate operation. Despite his age of 82 years, he has withstood the operation better than expected and has rallied at times, recognized and talked to members of his family, but it is thought that he cannot recover. He is a man of wonderful vitality, however, and in spite of an abdominal operation at his advanced age, he is getting along as well as could be expected. His son Hugh Miller who is in charge of the division for the deaf under the department of labor and printing at Raleigh, arrived Saturday with Mrs. Miller and his two children Emily and Gene to be at his bedside. Another son Robert C. Miller who has been in Tampa, Fla. arrived Sunday. The third son, Andrew C. Miller is an evangelist for the deaf and lives in Shelby, making all children and grandchildren at his bedside.

Home Of Lovelace Destroyed By Fire

Ellenboro, Dec. 15.—Two destructive fires occurred at Caroleen Thursday. The brick home of Prof. A. C. Lovelace, former Shelby High school principal, was discovered to be on fire early Thursday morning, about 8:30. At the time the fire was discovered both Prof. Lovelace and his wife were away from home. The crowd gathered quickly, but the flames had spread rapidly and the home was soon burned. There was no fire protection. The fire is believed to have caught from defective light wiring from the overhead ceiling. A part of the furniture was saved. Also the house of T. R. Holland, employee of the Henrietta mills company, was burned at an early hour Thursday morning, about 1:30. The fire is thought to have been caused from a defective chimney.

Overman's Successor



Former Governor Cameron Morrison (above) was on Saturday appointed United States Senator to succeed the late Lee S. Overman. The appointment was made by Gov. Gardner shortly after the Overman funeral rites. Mr. Morrison is known as "the good roads governor" and has been one of the State's leading figures for years.

Pension Checks Pastors Urged Are Now Ready To Aid Charity

Number Of Pensioners Gradually Decreases, But Over \$13,000 Is Distributed. Suggested That Pastors Have Congregations Assemble Clothing And Food. Ministers of this section particularly those who are pastors of rural churches, can do much to aid in taking care of the needy during the winter by appeals to their congregations, it was suggested here over the week-end. The idea advanced was that the ministers ask their congregations to give such food as potatoes, fruits and canned goods as well as clothing, and that at Christmas time the church officials, or some committee, take charge of the distribution among needy homes in the immediate section of the church. A Christmas gift list at every church to aid the section about the church would do much, it was explained, to alleviate the big task the general charity committee has in attempting to care for all the charity appeals in the county.

McNinch Voted For Chas. Jonas

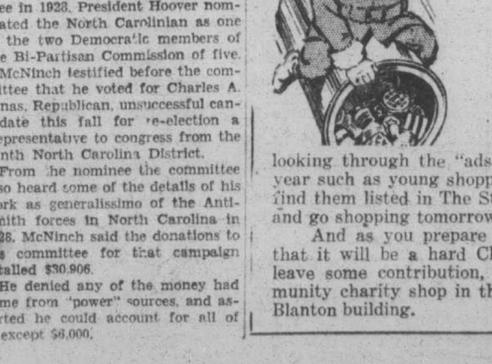
Washington, Dec. 15.—Frank McNinch's Anti-Smith activities in 1928 loomed today as possibly an effectual barrier to his confirmation as a member of the Federal Power commission. Outspoken opposition to the Charlotte, N. C., man, who led the Anti-Smith campaign in that State came from one member of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee after it had inquired into his qualifications for the post to which President Hoover appointed him. The member definitely taking a stand against his confirmation was Senator Hawes, Democrat, Missouri. Hawes based his opposition to McNinch on the fact that he did not vote for the Democratic congressional nominee this year and opposed the Democratic Presidential nominee in 1928. President Hoover nominated the North Carolinian as one of the two Democratic members of the Bi-Partisan Commission of five. McNinch testified before the committee that he voted for Charles A. Jonas, Republican, unsuccessful candidate this fall for re-election a Representative to congress from the Ninth North Carolina District. From the nominee the committee also heard some of the details of his work as generalissimo of the Anti-Smith forces in North Carolina in 1928. McNinch said the donations to his committee for that campaign totalled \$30,000. He denied any of the money had come from "power" sources, and asserted he could account for all of it except \$4,000.

Dorton To Attend State Fair Meet

Raleigh, Dec. 15.—The third annual meeting of the North Carolina fair association will be held here January 15 and 16, the second day being set aside as a day for the transaction of business between fair secretaries and representatives of carnivals, fete acts and others having business with fairs. The following committee of fair secretary has been named to make arrangements for a banquet: J. W. Robinson, of Hickory; L. D. Hargrove, of Tarboro; J. W. Jump, of Wilson; W. C. Denmark, of Goldsboro; Florence Smith, of Clinton; Dr. J. S. Dorton, of Shelby; Miss Effie McGinnis of Raleigh; C. M. Hight, of Henderson, and Ellis Goldstein, of Dunn.

Just Eight Days Now

In which to prepare for the season of seasons—the joyous Yuletide. Do not let the event slip up on you. Have you been window-shopping by the inviting and colorful displays in Shelby stores? If you have, you have seen one of the most complete Christmas presentations Shelby merchants have yet offered. If you haven't been window shopping, do it today by looking through the "ads" in The Star. Bargains this year such as young shoppers have never known. You'll find them listed in The Star. Read the advertisements and go shopping tomorrow. And as you prepare for your Yuletide, remember that it will be a hard Christmas in some homes, and leave some contribution, clothes or food, at the community charity shop in the basement of the Weathers-Blanton building.



Morrison To Senate; Hoey Declined Place

Urged By Friends To Make Bid. Scores Beseech Hoey To Accept Senatorship, Unable To Do So. Clyde R. Hoey on Saturday refused the big chance of a lifetime when he wired Governor Gardner that he would not consider an appointment as United States Senator to succeed the late Lee S. Overman, but in doing so he learned that hundreds of citizens, coming from his home county and all sections of the State, consider him one of the outstanding figures in the public life of North Carolina. No public statement was made by the Shelby man to explain why he wired Gov. Gardner not to appoint him, but conversation with close friends have it that his immense law practice was one factor. Another was likely the fact that his sportsmanship, a quality that has made him an idol of the State, would not permit him to be considered in that the appointment would have to come from his brother-in-law. Many See Him. When the news of the Overman death reached Shelby, many citizens started visiting the Hoey law office urging him to make a bid for the appointment. They were informed that he did not consider it proper to discuss the successor so soon after Senator Overman's death. Messages from all sections of the State and visitors continued to arrive at the Hoey office. All Shelby, as well as the surrounding section, seemed to have its heart set on seeing Hoey go to Washington. Friday Mr. Hoey told close friends that he had already decided to wire Gov. Gardner that he would not consider the appointment. Pressed by scores of people to hold back his refusal for a day or so, Mr. Hoey agreed that he would not send the telegram until Saturday. Early Saturday morning the telegram was forwarded and Mr. Hoey left to attend the funeral, no one knowing until late in the afternoon, when Gov. Gardner announced the Morrison appointment, that the Shelby man had quietly and unostentatiously eliminated himself from the picture. Saturday afternoon he was motoring back to his home here when the news of the appointment was made at Salisbury. One newspaperman present wrote in his story of the excitement centering about the news: "But while the dramatic appointment was claiming all interest here (in Salisbury) the most heroic figure of the eventful day was in his automobile returning home, seemingly unmindful of the colorful happenings behind him." Paid High Tributes. Many times in the past vast audiences have turned out in Shelby to honor Hoey, one of the most beloved men in the history of the section, and often has he been paid high tributes by his home-people, but never before Saturday has there been such an evident expression of sentiment. The people of his home town, high and low, kept a steady file up the steps to his office begging him to make a try for it. All appears to be met with a smiling expression of appreciation. His attitude was almost nonchalant, but it was evident to those close to him that he had never before been so touched by any expression toward him. "It may be a somewhat embarrassing situation, Clyde, but we want you to have the appointment," one of the tributers said. (Continued on page eight.)

Shelby Man Wires Gov. Gardner

Gardner Appoints Man Who Defeated Him In 1920 As Overman's Successor. Charlotte, Dec. 15.—North Carolina's new senator, former Gov. Cameron Morrison, will leave for Washington tomorrow to be sworn in as the successor of the late Senator Lee S. Overman. Mr. Morrison was appointed to succeed Overman by Gov. O. Max Gardner shortly after the Overman funeral rites in Salisbury Saturday afternoon. A peculiar angle of the appointment is that the Charlotte man was named to the high office by the man whom he defeated for Governor of North Carolina in 1920. Hoey Refused. In making the announcement Gov. Gardner let it be known that he would have named Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, to succeed the Salisbury statesman had Mr. Hoey desired the appointment. The Shelby man, however, had wired Gov. Gardner early Saturday that he would not consider the appointment. The widely-known and popular orator of Shelby is being widely commended over the state for the heroic display of sportsmanship in stepping aside rather than be named to office by his brother-in-law. His big law practice, it is generally believed, was one factor, which influenced him to wire his refusal. The Hoey Angle. In his dispatch to The Greensboro News about the appointment, Tom Boat had the following to say about the Hoey angle: Mr. Gardner would take none of the glory from Mr. Morrison, but candidly declared that had Clyde R. Hoey been willing to accept the appointment it would have gone to the Shelby lawyer. "If Clyde had wished to go to the senate I would have appointed him though I had to resign to do it," Governor Gardner said. "We are more than brothers-in-law, we are brothers." Governor Gardner said. But Mr. Hoey would not hear to it. "I am not a candidate for appointment to the senate and do not wish you to consider me in connection with the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Overman," Mr. Hoey wrote in a telegram. Before he left Raleigh Governor Gardner received a perfect pile of letters and telegrams urging the Hoey appointment. "Appoint Clyde Hoey, brother-in-law or no brother-in-law," one of them demanded. These came from all parts of the State. But Mr. Gardner had made up his mind for Mr. Morrison before leaving Raleigh. Governor Gardner declared his belief in the great state and party loyalty of Mr. Morrison, his splendid equipment for the service by reason of his wide knowledge of North Carolina. Governor Morrison will go to Raleigh Monday, get his commission and from there go perhaps late Monday or early Tuesday to the national capital to be sworn in. News Is Broken. Writing in The Charlotte Observer, Jake Wade told as follows of how Mr. Morrison was informed of his appointment: The official notification was made at the home of State Senator Walter Woodson, where the governor, here for Senator Overman's funeral, is spending the week-end. Mrs. Max Gardner was first to inform the appointee. She did it exuberantly. Mr. Morrison was quite overcome. But when Mrs. Gardner added: "Cam, that was a magnificent thing for Max to do." He responded: "You people are the best sports I ever knew." As newsmen gathered around, he became expansive in his praise of Governor Gardner for the gesture. "It took a big man to do that," he said. "There never was in the history of politics a better sport than Max Gardner." Hoey Is Best Sport. But as the Morrissions and Gardner gathered around, he said: (Continued on page eight.)

Finds Odd Button Where Col. Graham Once Made Home

A button, or buckle, apparently a souvenir or medal issued to Revolutionary soldiers, was recently found on the farm where Col. William Graham, one of the heroes of the Battle of Kings Mountain once lived, by M. Miles Green, who now owns the farm in the southwestern section of the county. The buckle has the stamped photograph of a Revolutionary soldier and the dates of 1776 and 1780. It was apparently coined in the latter year. Mr. Green also has in his possession a one cent piece of 1817.