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Fair And Colder.
Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Fair tonight and Saturday. Warmer tonight. Colder in extreme west Saturday afternoon. Generally colder Saturday night.

Sanders Speaks.
Attorney Wade Sanders, known throughout this section as Gaston's Will Rogers, was the principal speaker at the Shelby Rotary club today in a program arranged by Rotarian Charlie Coble. Mr. Sanders' talk was a humorous discourse on hard times, which he declared are not so hard after all.

Lawyers Here Perfect Appeal Lattimore Case

Attorneys Preparing Case For Supreme Court. Will Be Heard Last Of April.

Clyde R. Hoey and E. T. Falls, attorneys for Josh J. Lattimore, who appealed his case to the supreme court early this month when he was sentenced to five years in the state penitentiary, are preparing to perfect the appeal. The court stenographer is transcribing the evidence as given in the superior court from which the attorneys, Messrs. Hoey and Falls, will make up the case on appeal.

Mr. Lattimore, it will be recalled, was convicted on a charge of false entry while secretary-treasurer of the Cleveland Bank and Trust Co. True bills of indictment were returned against him last June by the grand jury for embezzlement, but he was tried at the January term of superior court on the charge of false entry and convicted. Immediately upon the pronouncement of the sentence by Judge Clement, attorneys for the defense gave notice of appeal and the judge gave thirty days for the defense attorneys to perfect the appeal. The thirty days will expire about February 10th after which the prosecution will have thirty days in which to file answer.

It is learned from attorneys that appeal cases from this judicial district will be heard by the supreme court the latter part of April at which time the Lattimore case on appeal will receive the attention of the higher court to determine whether or not the defendant will receive a new trial.

Gypsy Fleeces Negress Of \$310

Had Just Taken Money Out Of Bank. Theft Took Place Wednesday Eve.

This, by way of introduction, is just as good an advertisement for banks as it is a news item.

Not long since a thrifty colored woman, who lives in Freedom, Shelby's colored residential section, heard a rumor that the banks might fail. Without second thought, investigation into her bank, which, incidentally, hasn't failed yet and likely never will, she drew out her money—a sum considerably in excess of \$300.

Wednesday evening, just about dusk, a gypsy fortune teller called at the colored woman's house in Freedom. The gypsy rattled on and on about this and that, desiring to tell a fortune. While she was in the room a garage employe brought home the automobile of the colored woman which had been repaired. The colored woman reached in her bureau drawer where she took from her roll enough to pay the bill. She walked to the door, paid the mechanic and returned to the room. About that time the gypsy decided she would be moving along.

She hadn't told any fortunes, but she had stolen one. Shortly after the fortune-teller left, the colored woman looked in the drawer. The \$310 was gone. If she ever gets together that much money again she'll likely leave it in the bank.

Scout Honor Court Meets Monday Night

The regular monthly meeting of the Shelby district court of honor of the Boy Scouts of America will be held at the Cleveland county court house on Monday night, February 2, at 7:30 o'clock.

Troops at Shelby, Belwood, Mooresboro, Lattimore, Earl, Lawndale and Polkville are expecting to participate in this meeting and to appear for advancement and other awards.

Joe Whisman, judge of the scout court of honor, urges the attendance of all scoutmasters in company with their troops and asks that all court of honor members and members of local troop and district committees will be present.

McSwain Backs Bill, Edwards Opposes Plan

Differ On School Support Plan

One Sees Tax Reduction, Other Wants To Know Where Money Will Come From.

Raleigh, Jan. 30.—The state senate last night passed the McLean school bill committing the general assembly to state support of the six month's constitutional term, thus enacting the measure into law as it had been previously passed by the house. The vote was 33 to 17.

Cleveland county's two representatives in Raleigh differ slightly in their attitude to the bill which would provide that the state support the six months schools.

Senator Peyton McSwain is for the bill because he believes that it will reduce taxes, but he will be opposed to a special sales tax to provide the money with which to enable the state to operate the schools. Representative Henry Edwards voted against the measure, not because he opposes state supported schools but because he would rather know where the state will get the money with which to operate them if not from a sales tax coupled with land taxes. In other words both oppose a general sales tax idea, Senator McSwain supporting the school bill with the hope that another source of taxation might provide necessary funds, while Representative Edwards opposed it until he is shown that it will not necessitate a sales tax levy.

McSwain's Stand.

Senator McSwain's view follows: "I am glad to have the opportunity of supporting and voting for this measure for two reasons. First, I believe that it is the solemn duty of the state under the constitution to furnish every child in the state regardless of where it lives with a six months free school. Second, I know that for a long time real estate has been bearing more than its share of the burden of taxation. I know that if this bill is put into force and effect, it will reduce the

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School Youth Of Lattimore Passes

Horace Edward Harrill, 7 Year Old Child Dies Of Pneumonia.

Lattimore community was saddened this morning over the death of Horace Edward Harrill, seven and a half year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace E. Harrill. He passed away this morning at 6 o'clock after an illness of two weeks with pneumonia and appendicitis. The youth was in the second grade at school and a fine looking, bright faced student in the public school there.

The youth was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Harrill. His father holds a position on the section crew of the Southern railway.

Funeral services take place Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Lattimore Baptist church, services in charge of Rev. W. C. Lynch, the pastor, assisted by Rev. D. G. Washburn.

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Princes on Good-Will Tour



The two globe-trotting sons of the King and Queen of England pictured on board the Orpesa, with the captain of the ship, just before their embarkation from Santander on their transatlantic tour. The royal party will visit Bermuda on their way to South America. Left to right, Prince George (center), captain of the Orpesa (in uniform) and the popular heir to the British throne, the Prince of Wales.

King Case Likely To Be Held In March Instead Of February; Love Powder Man Not Asked In

February Court At Lancaster For One Week Only And Jail Cases Must Be Tried. Special Term May Be Held.

York, S. C., Jan. 30.—Whether the Rafe King murder case will be tried at the term of court in Lancaster beginning February 23 or at a special term that may be held about March 16, is a matter yet to be determined, Solicitor W. Gist Finley said here yesterday. This question will be considered at a conference of the state's attorneys soon to be held.

The difficulty in the way of trying the King case in Lancaster at the term beginning February 23 is that court there will last only a week, an insufficient length of time to dispose of the King case and Lancaster county cases awaiting trial.

Twenty-four prisoners are in the Lancaster jail and it will require at least several days to try their cases, while the King trial alone will require a week or longer.

Point To Conditions. The term of court at Lancaster cannot be prolonged because court is scheduled to be held at Chester the following week, nor can it be advanced a week because of court at Winnsboro.

"Professor" Brandierne, Charlotte man of love powder fame and amateur detective, has not been employed by either the prosecution or the defense to investigate the Rafe King murder case, contrary to a news story carried by Charlotte newspaper today quoting the "professor." A most emphatic "no," was the answer given by both Solicitor W. Gist Finley and Thomas F. McDow, chief counsel for King, when asked today if Brandierne had been employed.

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Flu In County Among Children But Not Serious

Cases Of Roseola Reported

Influenza Cases Nothing Like Big Epidemic During War. Need Quarantine.

Although there are a number of cases of influenza in Cleveland county there is no epidemic which even closely approaches the severe epidemic of World war days, county physicians say.

Due to reports of influenza epidemics in other sections of this and adjoining states there were rumors this week of an increasing number of cases in this county. Information given The Star has it that there are few, if any, more cases of influenza, or gripe, in the county than in the average winter.

"There are quite a number of cases," Dr. D. F. Moore, county physician said, "but the majority of them are among children instead of adults, and as a whole there are no severe cases except those developing into pneumonia. There is quite a bit of pneumonia in the county."

German Measles.

Cases of German measles, or roseola, are scattered over the county, there being several cases in Shelby, the county physician said. The same quarantine applies to roseola as applies to other measles, and the county physician urges that parents and school teachers be alert to see that such cases are properly quarantined to prevent the spread of the disease. "If there is any indication of roseola," he said, "the family physician should be called in, and if it is roseola, the children should be kept from school until well."

Veterans Here Turn On Mellon

Pass Resolution Asking Immediate Payment Service Certificates. Talks Made.

Andrew Mellon, secretary of the treasury, came in for some rather heated criticism at a mass meeting of Cleveland county World War veterans held last night at the court house here.

The meeting, attended by more than 150 ex-service men, centered about the fight of the American Legion to have cash payment of service certificates made to veterans now.

Mellon, depicted as the would-be boss behind the scenes of the United States, was criticized because of his opposition to the payment now of the service bonus. In talks made at the meeting Dr. J. S. Dorton and Attorney Pat McBrayer recalled that this same individual raised a similar "deficit" howl in 1924, leaving "a raid" on the treasury. Despite this fear it was recalled that the United States, refusing to pay her own soldiers, loaned money to foreign countries and these countries used the money to pay a bonus to their soldiers. Mellon's deficit howl in 1924 proved to be a false alarm, the speakers said, and could be wrong about the payment of the bonus hurting the treasury now.

"Some of you," it was said, "may have let up when that cry was raised in 1924, but all of us, we hope, know better now."

Send Resolution.

A resolution drawn up and read by Prof. Horace Grigg, urging immediate payment of the bonus, was adopted by the mass meeting. It was signed by 129 members of the Warren Hoyle post of the American Legion and by 158 county ex-service men not now affiliated with the legion, and the resolution will be sent to every North Carolina congressman and senator.

All Cleveland county ex-service men were urged to affiliate with the legion post this week in order to lend strength to the movement.

Dillingham Speaks At Kiwanis Meeting

E. L. Dillingham, teacher of culture in No. 8 Township consolidated school was the principal speaker at the Kiwanis club's weekly luncheon at the Hotel Charles last night. Mr. Dillingham had many sound reasons for the present depression and frequently brought applause for his county-side philosophy and humor. He has very little faith in the effect of acreage reduction but says some method of control should be worked out so that the laws of supply and demand, not artificial control will govern.

Celebrate Indian Liberty



The release of Mahatma Gandhi from prison in India coincided with the first anniversary of the fight for Indian independence. Indians in Philadelphia celebrated at Independence Hall, where they are shown, adorning the Liberty Bell with a garland. Dr. Harisda T. Muzumdar, Gandhi's representative in the United States, is shown at right.

Frank Page, Highway Experts, Support Gardner Highway Plan Which Would Cut County Taxes

Should Have State System Instead Of Nine Districts, Page Says, As Governor Hurls Challenge To Critics.

Raleigh, Jan. 30.—Throwing a bombshell at critics of his proposal to reorganize the North Carolina state highway commission into one unit on a state-wide basis, Governor Gardner yesterday made public letters from Frank Page, former chairman of the highway commission for 10 years, and Thomas H. MacDonald, chief of the United States bureau of public roads for 15 years, backing him.

In answer to the statements of John Sprunt Hill, Durham, fourth district highway commissioner, before the joint roads committees of house and senate Tuesday, that Mr. MacDonald and Mr. Page had never approved "pork-barrel" and "mysterious methods" of handling highway funds, Governor Gardner released letters received from these two authorities, both of which express the need and desirability of the Gardner proposal at this stage of the state's highway program.

"If approval of my program from those personally and professionally equipped to give sound advice based on accurate knowledge and personal experience is of value in checking the alarm of those critics who fear we may adopt a half-naked program or a pork-barrel basis of building highways, I today offer as competent evidence the testimony of Hon. Frank Page and Thomas H. MacDonald," said the governor.

After stating Mr. MacDonald's position and reviewing Mr. Page's achievement in North Carolina, Governor Gardner said of the latter. His ability, his judgment, his integrity and his personal modesty are accepted and admired by North Carolina. He did a magnificent job for this state during the years when

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Carolina Farmers Urged To Cut Acreage One-Fourth And Grow Food And Feed Crops This Year

Raleigh, Jan. 30.—Cotton farmers in North Carolina are urged to cut their acreage from 20 to 25 percent this year, in the January report on "North Carolina Farm Business," published by the department of Agricultural Economics at N. C. State college. Tobacco farmers are urged to do three things during 1931: first, reduce tobacco acreage heavily; second, grow more food and feed crops; and third, join the cooperative association at once.

The report does not hold out any material hope of any increase in the price of cotton during 1931, predicting that cotton prices will remain at the low levels which have been in effect for many months. The report does state that cotton prices have strengthened "only slightly" recently. The average price of cotton, as reported on the ten designated markets for American middling 7-8 inch, is 0.08 cents per pound. This low price is due to the economic conditions, which have caused a curtailment of consumption by mills.

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Wife Arrested In Rutherford Killing Affair

Theory Of Affair Between Two

Mrs. Lynch And 19-Year-Old Farm Hand Acquaintance Both Taken In Custody.

Mrs. John M. Lynch, Rutherford county woman, and Paul Searcy, young farmhand who once worked on the Lynch farm, will not be given a hearing in connection with the death of the woman's husband, who was shot to death last Sunday night, until early next week. This information was given The Star at noon today by The Rutherford County News. Both are in the Rutherford jail but refuse to make public statements.

Rutherford, Jan. 30.—Mrs. John M. Lynch Wednesday was arrested and placed in jail here in connection with the fatal shooting of her husband at their home Sunday night.

The arrest followed investigation of reports connecting Mrs. Lynch with John Paul Searcy, 19-year-old farm hand who was placed under arrest the day after the slaying. Searcy worked on the Lynch farm last summer, and has since made his home with Mrs. Lynch's mother in Forest City.

He has consistently denied any knowledge of the shooting.

Lynch was killed on the doorstep of his home late at night. Mrs. Lynch told officers he came home early Sunday night, asked for his pistol and placed it under his pillow when he went to bed. Claiming to have been frightened by these actions, the woman said she lay awake for hours.

Late at night, she said, someone came to the door, called to Lynch and said, "John Lynch, if you don't treat your family better I will kill you."

The farmer arose and went to the door, she said, and was met by a hail of bullets. Mrs. Lynch claimed she ran downstairs to find him dying from the effects of four wounds.

Working on the theory that either Mrs. Lynch or Searcy slew her 40-year-old husband to clear the path for their own love affair, officers said there were still some details to clear up before the inquest, which is set for this afternoon.

Mrs. Lynch, after her arrest, refused to discuss the case, except to ask if bond could be arranged and when she would be given a hearing. She is expected to secure counsel immediately, and it was considered possible that a large legal array employed for Searcy might handle the woman's defense.

Parole For Lover Who Served 7 Years

Governor Pardons Man Sent To Prison For Life For Going To See Sweetheart.

Raleigh, Jan. 29.—A man who spent seven years of his life in jail because he loved a girl was given his freedom yesterday by Gov. O. Max Gardner.

The man is Felix Wright and he was sentenced to life imprisonment for burglary in Wake county superior court back in 1923.

The parole papers read:

"The facts in this case are substantially as follows: "This prisoner was in love with the daughter of the man whose home was entered. The father of the girl forbade the prisoner seeing his daughter and upon his visit to the house he had him arrested for trespass.

"Later the daughter wrote the defendant to come to see her and he slipped to her room in the night and upon being apprehended by the father was arrested for burglary and sentenced to life imprisonment."

The governor gave the following as his reason for paroling Wright: "All of those familiar with the facts in this case feel that the prisoner should be granted a parole and taking into consideration the facts outlined and the recommendations for clemency which have come to this office in his behalf from those under whom he has come in contact, I feel that something should be done now and the prisoner therefore is this day paroled for the remainder of his term."

Pastor's Conference.

Baptist pastors will meet Monday Feb. 2nd at 2 o'clock. Rev. John W. Suttle will have charge of the program and all Baptist ministers of the county are cordially invited to attend.

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