

THE MARKET
Cotton, per lb. 10c up
Cotton Seed, per bu. 34 1/2c

Cloudy, Rain.

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Cloudy with occasional showers Saturday and tonight. Slightly warmer tonight. Colder in west portion Saturday.

Bonus Compromise.

Washington, Feb. 12.—A compromise proposal to increase loans on veterans certificates from 22 1/2 to 50 per cent with interest charges reduced to 4 1-2 per cent was unanimously agreed upon today by the house ways and means committee. The proposal is expected to involve an outlay of \$700,000,000 if 60 per cent of the veterans apply for funds it would make available. Should the 3,500,000 veterans seek loans, the measure would call for \$1,700,000,000. Speaker Longworth and other house Republican leaders indicated that the measure would be brought up for consideration Monday under rules that would insure its passage without amendment.

Parent-Teacher Meet Tuesday

Founder's Day Will Be Observed With Program On Tuesday Evening.

The Shelby Parent-Teacher associations will observe Founders day through appropriate exercises at the high school on Tuesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, February 17. Mrs. John Schenck Jr., president of the city council, will preside at the meeting. The program will be as follows:

Band concert by Shelby high school band. Devotional by Dr. Zeno Wall. Entertainment feature for each elementary school. Report of activities of local associations by presidents. Should the local Parent-Teacher association affiliate with the state and national organizations by Mrs. Hugh Mauney.

An adequate program of education for Shelby: Primary grades—Miss Laura Cornwell. Home economics and science—Mrs. Robert Ford. Libraries—Miss Victoria Young. Radio—Miss Selma Webb. Visual education—Mr. T. B. Falls. The curriculum—Mr. W. E. Abernethy. Teacher training—Miss Louise Gill. Financing—Mr. Thad C. Ford. School legislation—Supt. B. L. Smith.

A count will be taken to see what school has the largest per cent of its patrons present. School loyalty and the importance of the program is expected to bring out a large assemblage. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Al Smith Believes In Gardner's Ideas

Says State Has Too Many Offices. Is Not Centralizing But Simplifying.

Pinehurst, Feb. 12.—Governor O. Max Gardner has the right idea in his proposed re-organization of the North Carolina state government, Alfred E. Smith, former governor of New York, and Democratic presidential nominee in 1928, said here today.

In an interview with the Sand Hill Daily News Mr. Smith said he had studied the proposed re-organization scheme carefully and it seemed to him that the plan is erroneously referred to as "centralization of powers."

"It is no centralization," said Mr. Smith, "it is simplification. Governor Gardner does not propose to take powers from town and county governments. He simply wants to 'simplify' the existing state government. He wants to combine some of the many commissions, boards and offices, that are connected with the running of the state government and in doing this he is just following the lead of some of the larger eastern states who a few years ago pruned their governments."

"You know you people down here have too many offices anyway," the former governor said, with a smile.

Scouts To Attend Church In A Body

The Boy Scouts of Shelby will attend in a body a special service at the Central Methodist church. The program is in observance of the twenty-first anniversary of Scouting America. All the troops in the city, accompanied by their scoutmasters, will be present in uniform. The music and the evening talk by the pastor, who is chairman of the church relations committee of the Piedmont council, will be prepared with the Scouts in mind. It is expected that all parents of Scouts will be in attendance upon this service to lend their encouragement to what is being done and to learn more of this character building program.

GETTING RESULTS—One Want Ad in The Star recently brought 23 replies in a day and one-half. Use—and Read—The Want Ads, Page 7.

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Gardner Road Plan To Save County \$97,411

Table Of Tax Relief By State Taking Over County Roads Show That Plan Would Cut Expenses In Cleveland County Almost \$100,000 Per Year In Road Upkeep.

See Editorial, Page — "The Precept" Behind Governor

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—Governor Gardner today released a table showing in itemized detail the tax relief that each county will receive by reason of the state's assuming the complete burden of the maintenance of county roads. The figures are based on the expenditures of each county for the year ending June 30, 1930.

Cleveland county, the table shows, would save a total of \$97,411 a year on roads, divided as follows: overhead, \$2,213; convicts, \$6,330; maintenance, \$60,218; equipment, \$14,630; gas and oil \$74,018.

The data for this survey were gathered from the official records of the county accountants, county road superintendents and township road commissioners, etc. The survey was made under the direction of the United States bureau of roads and represents actual transactions for one year, as nearly as information on file in the county offices permitted.

The table shows, under the appropriate heads, the tax relief for expenditures for salaries, convicts, maintenance, equipment, and gas and oil, and in the last column the total tax burden which will remove from the counties when the entire cost of maintenance is assumed by the state.

The figures do not include the sum of one and one-half million dollars for construction, interest, and miscellaneous expenditures, which burden will also be removed from the property taxpayers in the 100 counties. These figures represent only the relief which property will receive from the maintenance of county roads by the state.

The amounts of taxes taken off range from \$355,489 of expenditures in Mecklenburg county, all the way to \$6,580 spent in Clay County.

The table shows that the 47 counties which maintain their roads through working convicts spend the bulk of the \$6,600,000 spent annually for maintenance. These 47 counties having convicts spend almost \$5,000,000 while the 53 smaller counties not having convict camps spend a little less than \$1,600,000.

The counties with convict camps spend more than three times as much as the larger number of counties without convict camps. The report of the tax commission shows that convict counties spend an average of \$182 per mile for maintenance for each mile of road maintained, whereas the smaller counties average only \$90 per mile.

The governor's position is that state maintenance means cheaper maintenance and also means the transference of the tax burden from where it does not belong—that is, on property, to the place and person on whom it does belong—that is to the gasoline tax.

Rotary Club Gives To Red Cross Aid

At today's meeting of the Shelby Rotary club the members of the club gave \$30 to the Red Cross fund for aiding sufferers in drought stricken areas. The fund here, as contributed through The Star, totals \$86 to date.

Alleged Crack Of Fountain At Young Men Stirs Their Anger; His Program Called Reactionary

His Fight On Tax Reduction Program Of Gardner Hurts Chances In 1932.

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—Usually so adept at straddling any issue in such a way as to be able to worm out on the correct side of the question later, Lieutenant Governor R. T. Fountain is having an unusually difficult time in explaining what he meant the other night when he reported to have said that "the young men, from 30 to 35 years old, are responsible for the condition of the state today." At the time he said it, Fountain realized he had made a slip and tried to patch it up. But it was too late.

Indications are that this declaration has stirred up a resentment against the reactionary lieutenant governor that has been smoldering in the breasts of the younger and forward looking Democrats in the

Tenant Leases Expire Dec. 1 By McSwain Bill

Advance Notice Of Ten Days

State Senators Would Fix Expiration of Farm Renting Lease At First of December.

M. N. DUNNAGAN, Star News Bureau.

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—Senator Peyton McSwain introduced a bill in the state senate Wednesday fixing the date at December 1 for the expiration of oral and verbal leases on farm lands in Cleveland county.

The bill provides that when a tenant rents a farm for crop purposes for a year, orally or verbally, the lease expires December 1 each year. If notice is given 10 days in advance by the owner for the tenant to vacate, and he does not vacate by December 15, the act makes him guilty of a misdemeanor, to occupy or return to the premises, except that it does not apply to tenants who return to gather any remaining part of an ungathered crop.

Opposing Change In N. C. Game Law

Isaak Walton League Asked To Oppose Local Bills Exempting Counties.

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—Local bills, exempting counties from the operation of the state-wide game and fish laws, will weaken these statutes and if permitted, will bring back a confusion of local regulations existing before the present acts were adopted, S. B. Coley, president of the Waltonian State Council, of North Carolina, declared in a letter to members of the league throughout the state.

"Such legislation, if passed," asserted Mr. Coley, "will materially affect the state-wide game and fish laws as they now stand; and if this continues without opposition, it will result in our not having any state game and fish laws, but only a mass of different and local statutes discriminating in favor of some of the various counties and highly detrimental to the ideal for which our league stands."

"I feel that every Waltonian and other loyal sportsmen, throughout the state, does not want our state-wide game and fish laws weakened by exemptions for certain counties, but on the other hand would rather have the laws strengthened, if possible."

Mr. Coley called upon every Waltonian in North Carolina to oppose the passage of these local bills. The Isaak Walton league is the largest organization of hunters, fishermen and conservationists in the state, having approximately 60 chapters scattered throughout North Carolina. The organization has several thousand members, whose slogan is "Protectors of woods, waters and wild life."

Among the bills referred to in the Raleigh dispatch was one introduced by Senator McSwain which would make it lawful to use seines and trot lines in Cleveland county. So far the Isaak Walton league of this county has issued no statement regarding the McSwain bill.

Kiwanis Endorses New Road Program

Gardner's Road Program Is Endorsed. Business Standards Are Outlined.

Governor Gardner's state road program was enthusiastically endorsed last night by the Kiwanis club after it was explained by O. M. Mull, former executive counsel who is now manager of the Cleveland Cloth Mills of Shelby. Mr. Mull said the only difference between the two schools of thought in the legislature is that one group wants the one cent additional tax sent back to the counties for expenditure under county supervision, while the other wants the entire county road systems taken over by the state and the gasoline tax spent under state supervision, with the employment of convicts and the purchase of high-way machinery at wholesale instead of retail. Citizens would lodge their request for roads with the county commissioners of each county under the Gardner system and not have to go to Raleigh.

Chas. L. Eskridge, Alger and Earl Hamrick had charge of the program devoted to business standards. B. L. Smith read a paper giving the high business standards for Kiwanis member to practise. Prizes were drawn and Mr. Eskridge gave each member an opportunity for a free demonstration of a Ford car.

Wet-Dry Bogey in Background



but political south-sayers hint that it may lead to a test on the prohibition question. Senator Cameron Morrison, of N. C., the moving spirit in the dry wing of the party, and Representative John C. Box, of Texas, who represents the dries in the House, will play prominent parts at the meeting.

County Farmers Urged To Join Grow-Own Food Drive In County

Star To Publish Names Of Farmers Who Will Back Live-At-Home Idea.

Will Cleveland county farmers grow their own food and feed this Spring and summer, or will there be another line of applicants here next winter seeking aid from the public charity fund?

The salvation of the farmer in 1931 is up to him, leading farm observers say. The farmer who produces enough food and feed for his own use for next winter as well as for the summer will not suffer regardless of how cotton sells next fall. But the farmer who depends upon his cash crop for money with which to purchase the food and feed he should produce himself will find hard sledding ahead.

In order to encourage all farmers in the county to grow their own food and feed, The Star will publish as they come in an honor roll of all farmers, landlords and tenants, who pledge themselves to devote sufficient acreage this spring to food and feed crops.

It is particularly urged that landowners see that their tenants give enough acreage to such crops as the

major suffering and want in the county this winter was among the tenant class.

A list of honor roll farmers will be published next week. All farmers who will support the movement may give their names to the county agent, or fill in the following blank and mail or deliver it to The Star:

I WILL LIVE AT HOME IN 1931
I hereby pledge myself to devote enough acreage this Spring to food and feed crops to supply the wants of everything on my farm. If I have tenants on my farm, I will insist that they also grow their own and feed.

Hamrick To Have No Help As U. S. Marshal In Work

Charlotte, Feb. 13.—Creation of a position of United States deputy marshal for Mecklenburg county, which W. A. McFarland, Charlotte grocer, was slated to fill, has been refused by the department of justice, according to Brownlow Jackson, United States marshal for the western district.

Mr. Jackson said he had requested permission to appoint an additional deputy marshal but the department of justice has no appropriation for such an office at the present time.

The request for an additional deputy marshal came as the result of the tremendous increase in business of the government during the past few years. At the present time B. F. (Guard) Hamrick of Bolling Springs, is the only deputy marshal in this territory, and it was pointed out that the work in Mecklenburg county alone is enough to keep one officer busy.

Change Managers In Shelby Stores

Mr. S. O. Baker, who has been with the Wright-Baker store at Lenoir, has assumed management of the Wright-Baker store here, succeeding Mr. W. E. Koon. Mr. Baker was about a year and one-half ago.

Mr. J. E. Buckelew, who was for some time manager of the Charles store here, is leaving Shelby to open a novelty store of his own in Lancaster, S. C. He came to Shelby from Charlotte, going to that city from New York. Mr. Buckelew left Thursday for Baltimore to purchase goods for his Lancaster store. He was accompanied by Mrs. Buckelew.

Local friends of Governor Gardner who received letters expressed themselves as keenly interested in promoting his chances of receiving the honor. He has already been widely mentioned in the press of the nation as a vice-presidential possibility.

Because of many strong personal and political friendships here, it was believed that any organized campaign in his behalf would receive enthusiastic local support; and several of those who received the Raleigh letters expressed themselves as ready to make a financial contribution when, and if, an organized movement gets underway.

The governor's friends say the achievements of his administration form a record that should have a nationwide appeal, and they also regarded him as ideally located geographically for the national contest. His vigor as a campaigner and who would head the campaign.

Convict 5 Rutherford Men In Bank Failure

Limestone Choir To Sing Here

Program To Be Given At Central Methodist Church—Sunday Morn. 10:30. White Coming

Sunday morning, at 11 o'clock the Limestone college choir, of Jaffrey, S. C., will give a program in Central Methodist church. This choir is under the direction of Miss Frances White, a former member of the internationally known Westminster choir formerly of Dayton, Ohio, now of Ithaca, New York. The Limestone choir has won quite a reputation for itself within the one year that it has been organized and have been giving programs of this type since October.

The program will be as follows: Prelude, selected, Martha Boyd; professional, "Love Divine," Zundel, choir; anthem, "Open the Gates of the Temple," Knapp, choir; solo, "I Know in Whom I Have Believed," Scott, Louise Pifer; hymn, "Holy, Holy, Holy," congregation and choir; anthem, "Sleep Little Baby of Mine," Dennee-Smith, choir; scripture reading, pastor; anthem, "Recessional," De Koven, choir; solo, "The Living God," O'Hara, Eva Gary; anthem, "Bless the Lord O My Soul," choir; prayer, pastor; anthem, "Lift Thine Eyes," Mendelssohn, choir; offering and announcements; offertory, selected, Martha Boyd; solo, "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains," Harker, Miss Frances White; anthem, "Peace I Leave with Thee," Roberts; anthem, "Unfold Ye Portals," Guonod, choir; doxology, choir and congregation; benediction, pastor.

Epworth leagues will meet in the evening at 6:30. At 7:30 there will be a union service for all the Boy Scouts of the city at this church. All who have any connection with the scout movement in this city are asked to be present at this worship service. Unusual music features are being prepared for this service.

Early Morn Blaze In Store Basement

Fountain Syrup Damaged By Fire Thursday At Cleveland Drug Store.

Fountain Syrup was damaged by heat in an early morning fire yesterday in the basement of the Cleveland drug store on LaFayette street.

The blaze, when firemen entered the building about 5:45, was in some trash at the foot of the stairs leading from the basement to the main floor. Policeman Putnam, passing by noticed the smoke about the time it was smelled by Spurgeon Hewitt, of the Hotel Charles staff.

The store building was so filled with smoke when firemen arrived with extinguishers that they had to enter by the coal shuttle entrance instead of the front door on the main floor.

Two Eggs In One.

A Wyandott hen belonging to Mrs. F. A. Boyles, of Toluca, laid a "luck" egg last week. A "luck" egg is two complete eggs in one, the smaller egg, with a shell not quite as hard as the shell of the outer egg, being within the large egg.

Ruling on a legal question raised during the trial, Judge Slink, in his charge to the jury, stated that in his opinion a bank director is a bank official. The defense in reference to Oates, one of the defendants, had contended a director was not an officer of a bank, while the state held he was.

Five lawyers spoke for the defense, F. D. Hamrick, E. P. Dunagan, Curtis Arledge, Charles W. Tillett and Hoey, while W. C. McRorie, D. Z. Newton and J. Will Pless, Jr. spoke for the state. The case has been hard fought and much interest shown on the part of the public.

Kings M. News; Hullender Dead

Union Services For Boy Scouts. Colored Scout Troop Organized. Peterson Child Dead.

(Special to The Star.) Kings Mountain, Feb. 12.—Funeral services for Elias I. Hullender, age 51, who died at his home four miles from Kings Mountain on the Grover road Tuesday morning at 10:40 o'clock, were conducted at the home Wednesday at noon. Rev. C. K. Derrick, pastor of the St. Matthews Lutheran church here was the officiating minister. Burial was in the churchyard at Olney Presbyterian church south of Gastonia.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Addie Hullender and one daughter, Mrs. Viola Sanders of this place, four brothers, J. D. Hullender and John Hullender of Kings Mountain, Winfield Hullender of Grover, and Borders Hullender of Thrift, two sisters, Mrs. Annie Whetstone of Kings

Notice Given Gardner Boom For Vice President; Friends Working For Organization In His Behalf

Has Already Been Widely Mentioned In Press As Vice Presidential Possibility.

Charlotte, Feb. 13.—Plans for an organized effort to land the democratic vice presidential nomination for Governor O. Max Gardner have been communicated to individuals here in letters from a source at Raleigh, regarded as close to the governor, soliciting funds to finance the campaign.

Several Charlotte business and professional men have reported receiving letters within the last several days, notifying them of the projected move on behalf of the governor and advising of the need for financial assistance.

It was indicated the movement had been launched without the knowledge of the governor but the letters did not otherwise reveal any details as to organization plans or who would head the campaign.

Abernethy Stock To Be Sold Here

The bankrupt stock of the R. M. Abernethy jewelry store in the Hotel Charles building will be sold at public auction in Shelby, Thursday, February 19th, according to a notice sent out by R. M. Ross of Charlotte, trustee in bankruptcy. The jewelry stock and accounts will be sold to the highest bidder, subject to confirmation by the court.

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