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Cotton Seed, per bu. 34 1/2

Cloudy Saturday.

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Cloudy tonight. Saturday partly cloudy. Not much change in temperature.

Road Bill Up Monday.

Raleigh, Feb. 20.—Indefinite delay of action on the state-wide road bills reported to the house yesterday loomed last night as a result of a well defined movement to hold up passage of road legislation until after the general assembly has disposed of school bills complying with the MacLean law.

The house set Monday night as the time to consider the administration road bill, ignoring a minority report on the Crudup measure which is contradictory to it. The workmen's compensation act was denounced by some and praised by others before a joint session of the senate and house committee on insurance tonight.

Services Begin At Presbyterian Church Sunday

Dr. McLees, Blind Minister, Preaches First Sermon Monday Evening.

The congregation of the Shelby Presbyterian church has made thorough preparation for the special evangelistic meeting which is to begin with the Sunday services at that church. Three cottage prayer services have been held in different sections of the congregation each night this week.

Visiting ministers of the Presbytery of Kings Mountain will assist the local pastor, Rev. H. N. McDiarmid, in the regular hours of worship Sunday. At 11 a. m. Rev. J. H. Hendler, D. D., pastor of First Presbyterian church, Gastonia, will be the preacher; and at 7:30 p. m. Rev. W. S. Wilson, D. D., of Lincolnton, will preach.

Rev. R. G. McLees, D. D., of Chatham, Va., who is to be the preacher during the next ten days, will deliver his first sermon Monday, 7:30 p. m. Dr. McLees, though blind, is one of the most winsome and powerful spiritual leaders to be found in the south. He preaches the gospel with unusual fervor, earnestness and effectiveness.

The meeting will run from February 22 through March 5, with two services each day after Sunday at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to all the services.

B. & L. And Banks Be Closed Monday

The three local building and loan associations and the two banks will be closed Monday in observance of Washington's birthday. George Washington was born on February 22 which comes this year on Sunday, but Monday has been declared as a legal holiday and will be observed by these local institutions.

TALK TO 5,000

The firm which radically curtails its advertising at the present time, thinking it a practice in economy, can hardly have excuse to complain if sales drop off.

Dr. Julius Klein, assistant secretary of commerce, told a prominent New York advertising expert that "advertising is to business at the present moment just what initiative, courage and resourcefulness are to an individual."

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Robbers Stage Daring Raid Of Store In Shelby

Armour Store Robbed Thursday Night

Big Haul Made In Local Clothing Store. Entrance Through Rear Window.

Thieves last night made a bold raid in Shelby when they entered and robbed the R. L. Armour & Company clothing store on Warren street, just opposite the court square, the robbery taking place just before midnight.

A complete check of the store's stock was not available this morning but the value of the stolen goods ran into several hundred dollars. The haul included suits, overcoats, shoes and other wearing apparel.

Use A Ladder.

Entrance was made from the alley at the rear of the store, a ladder being used to reach the second floor window. The thieves apparently crawled through the window into the office then moved downstairs to gather up their loot. The fact that the store they were robbing was in the heart of the business section did not seem to frighten the thieves. Their nerve carried them to the front of the store, just a few feet from the street, where they offered show cases and front displays.

The robbery was discovered about 30 minutes after midnight when the open window and ladder at the rear attracted attention.

Officers today were working quietly on the robbery, but admitted that the boldness of the theft was surprising. At the hour of night the robbery was staged there are usually pedestrians and motorists still passing in the business section.

Convict Negro Of Bigamy; Gets Four Months, Pays Costs

Riley Wood's First Woman Didn't Want Him, Thought It Right To Get Another.

Riley Wood, colored man of the Boiling Springs section, had one too many wives for his own good. In county court here today Riley said that his first wife tossed his clothes out in a guano sack and told him to move along. Later he got lonesome, needed another woman and married Marie Walker. But he did not marry her, he said, until he asked his first wife to go to it and as Riley looked at it that was all that could be necessary. Divorces he testified were something he knew very little about, and the first wife's permission to take a second one seemed to him ample ground on which to take another dive into the matrimonial seas.

He married the first wife, Lavinia, at Gaffney almost a score of years ago. Two years ago they separated. Recently Riley had been living in the Boiling Springs section with Marie. Talk got out that they were not married and a warrant charging fornication and adultery was issued. Riley and Marie then went to court, and were married Tuesday. Today Deputy Gus Jolly brought them into court, Riley for bigamy and the woman for adultery. Judge Matrice Weathers had Riley pay the costs in both charges and give him a sentence of four months to be hired out. The woman was taxed the costs on the adultery charge.

Mull Raps G. O. P. Failures; Should First Decide What We Will Eat Then Talk Of Drink

Democratic Chairman Says His Party Must Attack and Solve Vital Questions.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Senator Morrison's position as spokesman for the "folks back home" on the liquor question was given a boost this week when O. M. Mull, of Shelby, chairman of the state Democratic committee dropped off here for a brief visit and declared that "what we shall eat" is more important than "what shall we drink."

Mr. Mull, after a round of visits to members of the state delegation in the house and a call on Senator Morrison, bitterly attacked the failure of the Republican party in "this hour of need."

"This is no time for the Democratic party," said Mr. Mull "to waste its energies and divide its forces on controverted questions which are not primarily political and which if solved could not bring fundamental relief to agriculture, to labor or to industry in this 'zero hour' of Republicanism. We should not give primary consideration to the question 'what shall we drink' until we have solved the question of how are we to eat and 'where' it is we to be clothed."

"The stress which now confronts the American people is comparable only with the trying days immediately preceding and during the World war when the Democratic party furnished the statesmanship that saved our 'nation,'" he added. "The Democratic party can now furnish the statesmanship essential in this hour of Republican failure. We must meet these vital questions and solve them."

Star Couple Secretly Wed



One of Hollywood's most romantic love affairs reached full flower in Yonkers, N. Y., at high noon, when Virginia Valli and Charles Farrell (both above) were secretly married in the presence of a few friends. The young star couple did their utmost to keep the big event quiet and sailed on the Italian liner S. S. "Augustus" for a European honeymoon.

Veteran's Loan Bill Passes Senate, 72-12

Butter And Eggs Reach Low Market

Washington, Feb. 20.—The Senate passed the veterans' loan bill last night, 72 to 12, completing one of the most devastating routs of the administration on Capitol Hill in the term of President Hoover.

The measure, to which the president only Wednesday voiced his vigorous objections, was rushed through the senate with not only the votes of 34 Republicans for it, but with the support of many of these administration members in debate also.

Applause rang from the galleries and the floor as the overwhelming majority was announced by Vice-President Curtis at the completion of the roll call shortly after 6 p. m.

The bill would allow World War veterans to borrow up to half the amount of the face value of their compensation certificates an average of \$500 to each of the 3,400,000 exservice men.

Look For Veto. It was passed by the senate in the identical form in which the house approved it 363 to 39 on Monday. Bolstered with these tremendous majorities, the legislation will be sent to the white house today and a certain veto was forecast.

Senator Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi, asserted in the senate it would be passed over the veto and the Republican leaders conceded this was probable.

Alarm that the measure might be killed by a pocket veto without returning it to congress before adjournment was stilled late in the day by semi-official word from the white house that Mr. Hoover would veto it within 48 hours.

Democrats Solid. Democrats voted solidly for the loan measure, which was advanced as a compromise for the full cash payment of the certificates advocated by many.

Senators Watson, of Indiana, and McNary, of Oregon, the Republican leaders, joined in the party bolt to support the bill.

Mull Speaker For Legion Meet Here

Former County Judge Addresses Vets. Musical Program Is Enjoyed.

A large number of Cleveland county World War veterans and their friends attended the mass meeting at the court house here Wednesday night at which the cash bonus payment was discussed by Judge John P. Mull. The meeting was presided over by Attorney W. S. Beam, commander of the Warren Hoyle post of the American Legion.

In addition to the discussion of the bonus and other matters of interest to ex-service men there was an enjoyable musical program furnished by a string quartet composed of Forrest Bolin, Herbert Whisenant, Flay Gardner and Marion Charpion with a colored boy as accompanist, and a vocal quartet composed of Mrs. Grady Lovelace, Dr. and Mrs. B. M. Jarrett and Mr. Horace Eason. Mr. Jack Hardman was also on the entertainment program with humorous sketches.

Disease Hurts Attendance In Shelby Schools

Should Keep Sick Children Out

Enrollment And Attendance At New Level Despite Contagious Diseases. Reaches 3,157.

Despite the fact that contagious diseases are hurting attendance records the enrollment in the Shelby school system and the average attendance for the fifth month reached a new high mark.

During the fifth month the total enrollment reached 3,157. Of that number 2,569 are white pupils and 588 are colored. The attendance for the month was 200 more than for the same month last year.

A statement issued with the attendance report from the office of Supt. B. L. Smith says:

"Contagious diseases are hitting the attendance rather hard at the present time. It is hoped that parents will take all possible precautionary methods to obviate a spread of sickness.

"Schools are eager to keep up the attendance, but it will not be helped by sending sick children to school. Their health will be endangered and the other children will be subjected to the contagion. It will help if children are furnished clean handkerchiefs daily, if they are kept out when they are running an abnormal temperature, and if quarantines are strictly observed."

The best attendance for the month was shown in the high school with the South Shelby school ranking second. The attendance percentage by schools follows:

Table with 2 columns: School Name and Attendance Percentage. High school - 95.8, South Shelby - 92.3, Jefferson - 92.0, LaFayette - 91.0, Washington - 90.6, Marion - 90.6, Graham - 88.2.

No Chance Given Mrs. Dick Gurley

Former Shelby Teacher Near Death After Operation At Columbia.

Friends in Shelby this morning were notified that surgeons at Columbia, S. C., hospital held no hope for recovery for Mrs. Dick Gurley, former Shelby teacher, who was operated on there Monday.

Mrs. Gurley, wife of the Lenoir-Rhyme athletic director and former Shelby High coach, underwent an appendicitis operation and complications developed. Before marriage Mrs. Gurley was Miss Alma Peoples, of Varnville, S. C., and she was a teacher in the high school here for several years until her marriage some years ago.

Cleveland Farmers Add To Honor Roll

Cleveland county farmers continue to add their names to The Star's "grow-your-own-food" honor roll. Additional farmers pledging themselves to produce their own food and feed this year are: F. J. Walker, Landville, R-1; W. A. Randall, Blacksburg, R-1; and J. H. Rippey, Blacksburg, R-1. All plan enough food and feed crops for their consumption and for their livestock.

Mr. Randall in sending in his name says that one of the best methods to have our farmers live at home is to urge that they raise their own meat. Mr. Randall and his reuter have a good wheat crop and are counting on feeding themselves. Last year because of the wet weather he purchased his first bag of flour in eight years.

Kings Mountain To Give Lot To Women

The Woman's club of Kings Mountain may erect a club building on the lot adjoining the City Hall there.

In legislature Wednesday Representative Henry B. Edwards introduced a bill authorizing the mayor and commissioners of the town of Kings Mountain to "sell or donate" a vacant lot off the south side of the lot where the City Hall is located. The lot fronts 40 feet on Piedmont street and is 169 feet deep.

Ladies Night For Rotary Postponed

The semi-annual "Ladies Night" of the Shelby Rotary club will not be held tonight, it is announced by club officials. The date of the event will be announced later.

Talk Coble For Fourth Alderman

Jackson, Present Alderman For Ward Two, Not To See Office Again.

With interest increasing in the approaching city election political discussion about Shelby now centers on likely aldermanic candidates in Ward Two.

Mr. Ab Jackson, well known groceryman who now represents Ward Two on the city council, will not, he has told friends, seek reelection. The three other members of the present board have announced that they will be candidates again. Mr. Jackson in stating that he will not be a candidate says that he cannot spare the time from his business, but has learned much about the problems of the city during his present term and feels as if he has benefited by a closer acquaintance with municipal matters and by his contact with citizens and officials.

One Is Talked.

Several prospective candidates for the Ward Two berth will likely be discussed in the next few days, but today a number of citizens were urging Mr. Charlie C. Coble to make the race. Mr. Coble informed The Star this morning, when queried, that he was undecided and would not say definitely until he could give the matter further consideration.

The present aldermen who have already announced are P. M. Washburn, Ward One; John Schenck, Jr., Ward Three, and Z. J. Thompson, Ward Four.

York Players Beat Shelby At Checkers

Shillinglaw Makes High Score of 26 Rollins Leads Locals With 20.

Eight York, South Carolina, checker players journeyed to Shelby yesterday for a return match with a team of Cleveland county players and scored a decisive victory in the tournament held in the checker club in the Lenoirberg building.

The York team scored 159 points to the locals' 97. John Shillinglaw, one-armed York man, was high scorer with 26 points. Grover Rollins with 20 points led the local scoring.

Cleveland B. & L. Hold Annual Meet

At the annual meeting of the Cleveland Building and Loan association held yesterday afternoon in the director's room of the Union Trust Co. Wm. Lineberger was re-elected president and J. I. Suttle was re-elected secretary-treasurer. The report for the past year was very gratifying, with nearly 10,000 shares in force. Last year the building and loan paid to shareholders about \$40,000 in profits. All former directors were re-elected.

McEntire Child Dies; Pneumonia Victim

Frances Ruth McEntire, two years and ten months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Otto McEntire of the Dover mill village, died early Thursday morning at the Shelby hospital of pneumonia. The child had been sick about four weeks. Surviving are his parents, two brothers and one sister. Funeral services were conducted this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. W. A. Elam and interment was at Union Baptist church, ten miles north of Shelby.

Auto Accidents Claimed 54 Lives In North Carolina In Last Month, 303 Injured; Toll Shows Decrease

Two Deaths And 10 Injured Per Day. Need Driver's License.

January report of accidents indicates that the people are perhaps waking up a little and becoming a little more careful in their driving," said Major Silver. "But two deaths a day and ten injured a day is still too high. I am firmly convinced that the present accident toll will never be materially reduced without a state-wide drivers license law and a larger highway patrol to enforce it."

A larger number of pedestrians than usual was among those killed and injured in January, since 21 of the 54 killed were pedestrians, while 85 pedestrians were injured, leaving only 33 occupants of automobiles, the report shows. Of the 21 pedestrians killed, 10 were killed while walking along the highway and four were killed while attempting to cross the highway.

Six were killed and 22 injured in accidents in which the drivers of

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Dover Mill Pays Out \$38,000 Dividends; Nine New Structures

Semi-Finals Of Tourney Tonight

The semi-final round of the Cleveland county high school basketball tournament will be played tonight in the Shelby gymnasium, the double header beginning at 7 o'clock.

The four surviving teams are Belwood, Polkville, Fallston and Shelby. Belwood meets Polkville in the first game and Shelby plays Fallston in the second. W. Clay, of Fallston, and Capt. Sherty McSwain, of Shelby, are high scorers of the tournament with 19 points each.

Rafe King Gets Noted Lawyers

Williams And Stewart, Of Lancaster To Assist In Next Trial At Lancaster.

York, S. C., Feb. 20.—Announcement that D. Reese Williams and Roach S. Stewart, composing the firm of Williams and Stewart of Lancaster and regarded as being among the foremost criminal lawyers of South Carolina, have been added to the defense counsel in the Rafe King case, has created some additional interest and has revived talk here as to when King will probably get another trial.

Thomas F. McDow, chief defense counsel, who recently obtained an order for a change of venue for King's second trial from Chester county to Lancaster county, has announced that he will go to Lancaster next Monday and will appear before the presiding jurist there with an urgent request that his client be given another trial as soon as may be practicable.

However, it is not generally believed that it will be possible to hear the King case before a special term of court to be held in Lancaster beginning about March 16. Solicitor W. Gist Finley says that will be as early as he can reach the trial.

Mrs. F. B. Bright Buried On Monday

Husband And Three Children Survive. She Was Only 32 Years of Age.

Mrs. Tine Bright, wife of F. B. Bright, died at her home on Shelby route 5 Sunday at the age of 32 years and one month and was buried Monday at Big Springs Baptist church where the funeral service was held. She was twice married, the first time to Lewis H. Ritch and to this union three children were born, one of whom died. Her second marriage was to F. B. Bright on November 17, 1927 and to this union one child was born.

Mrs. Bright professed faith in Christ in early girlhood and joined the Baptist church, remaining a member until her death. Surviving are her husband, three children, four brothers, one sister and a host of friends.

Kiwanis Official Talks To Club Here

Rev. Mr. Peeler of Lenoir, district governor of Zone One, was the principal speaker at the weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis club held last night at the Hotel Charles. Mr. Peeler reviewed the work of the clubs in this territory and put special emphasis on the work of committees in carrying out the duties assigned them. While many Kiwanis members have been forced to drop from the clubs in this zone, because of the depression, they are still imbued with the spirit of Kiwanis and in many localities, are rallying strongly to the civic enterprises.

Service Stores To Have Window Man

F. W. Driscoll, of Roanoke, Va., will come to Shelby the first of next week to begin his duties as window trimmer and interior display man for the Quality Service stores, made up of independent grocery stores in Cleveland and Rutherford counties. The Quality Service stores have an inside buying power with leading manufacturers and the coming of Mr. Driscoll means that the stores with membership in the Q. S. S. unit will be repainted and more attention given to the display of merchandise and the very low prices.

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Raleigh, Feb. 20.—Speed, carelessness and liquor killed 54 people and seriously injured 301 others in automobile accidents in North Carolina in January, according to figures made public by Major Sprague Silver, chief of the automotive division of the state department of revenue. This is an average of almost two persons killed and ten injured for every day in January. This record shows considerable improvement over the December record, however, when 87 were killed and 408 injured in 311 separate accidents.

"The decrease in the number of killed and injured as shown in the