

THE MARKET
Cotton, per lb. 10 1/4 up
Cotton Seed, per bu 37 1/2

Fair and Warmer.
Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Fair and somewhat warmer tonight. Thursday increasing cloudiness and warmer.

For Roosevelt.
Washington, March 18.—Republican Progressives began formulating definite plans to combat the renomination of President Hoover yesterday, and Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, came out with the prediction that Governor Franklin Roosevelt, of New York, would be the Democratic presidential candidate next year.

Gaffney Check Kiting Related

Charged That Gaffney Banker Used \$140,000 To Aid Self And Friends.

Rock Hill, S. C., March 18.—Details of an alleged check-kiting scheme whereby the late Maynard Smith, president of the close First National Bank of Gaffney, used \$140,000 of the bank's funds in three years to aid himself, C. N. Alexander Stanhope Sifford and their cotton mills, were being spread before United States district court here yesterday.

C. W. Hames, cashier of the defunct bank, told the story in the trial of Alexander and Sifford for aiding and abetting Smith in fraudulent use of the Globe Manufacturing plant converting the funds to the company, the Blacksburg Spinning mill and the Bowling Green Spinning mill of Clover.

The men are facing 36 counts of alleged violations of the National Banking laws. The alleged illegal acts were spread over a period from January 1, 1927, to February 13, 1930.

Following the bank's failure and the institution of an investigation, Smith killed himself.

Cabaret Party By Lions Club Held Tuesday Evening

Ladies Night And Dance Sponsored By Club Proves An Enjoyable Event.

A ladies night program in the form of a cabaret party was held last night at the Green Lantern room by the Shelby Lions club with their wives and lady friends as special guests.

The principal address was by District Governor Whitaker with a humorous talk by Wade Saunders. Gastonia wit. The cabaret feature consisting of songs and dances by Mrs. Ruth McDonald and chorus, was unusually interesting. The meeting was presided over by President C. C. Horn.

The formal program was followed by a dance to which a large number of special guests were invited.

Seniors To Give Play Friday Night

"Clarence" Is Name Of Four Act Comedy To Be Present At High School.

On Friday night the senior class of the high school will present a four act comedy, "Clarence," in the high school auditorium. The cast has worked faithfully and hard and the play promises to be very enjoyable. It concerns the affairs of a typical American family and should appeal to everyone.

The proceeds will be used to defray commencement expenses. The members of the class will appreciate the attendance of their friends that the play may be a success.

The curtain will rise promptly at 8 o'clock.

MISS CANIPE SAYS SHE IS NOT MARRIED

About two weeks ago there appeared an item in The Star announcing that Miss Inez Canipe had married a Mr. Morrison. This is found to be a mistake, according to a letter from Miss Canipe and The Star wishes to correct this error and express its regret that such appeared in the paper sent in by mail from a correspondent.

Seventeen Defendants Get Total Of 14 Years In U. S. Court In Grind Of Two Days

Heaviest Sentence Is Two Years

Gaston Man, Old Offender, Gets Longest Term. Court To End Today.

With all the cases practically disposed of in two and one-half days of speedy activity the federal court session here was ready to adjourn this afternoon. The docket today consisted for the most part of prohibition cases worked up by federal undercover agents in this section.

In two days grind of Federal court, Monday and Tuesday, 17 defendants were convicted of prohibition law violation and given sentences totalling 14 years by Judge E. Y. Webb.

The sentences imposed, the majority of them for some form of violation of the prohibition laws, ranged from 45 days to two years. The heaviest sentence, two years, was meted out to Christy Anthony, of Gaston county, said by the court to be an old liquor offender.

One Negro.

The sentence of 45 days was given yesterday afternoon to Wash Pearson, Burke county negro, who had been in jail four months awaiting trial. Judge Webb in passing sentence reprimanded the negro for being the only one of his race to be sentenced at the present session of court. If within the next day or so Wash decides to tell the court the names of the white men who escaped from the still when he was arrested he was told that his sentence might be cut down.

Among the sentences were four of the familiar "year and a day" sentences, and there were three sentences of 18 months each.

Boys Given Chance.

Two young white boys, eighteen years of age, were given another chance by Judge Webb in the form of suspended sentences yesterday. One had been caught at a still in Burke county and the other sold a Federal undercover man a pint in Lincoln county. A prohibition agent testified that the Burke boy, only 16 years old at the time, was the sole support of his paralyzed father, his mother and seven brothers and sisters. Questioning by Judge Webb and District Attorney Jonas brought out that the Lincoln boy is an orphan and had not had much chance at life.

A big percentage of the men sentenced Monday and Tuesday were arrested at stills in Burke county.

Sentences imposed during the two days follow:

- M. W. Lall, Burke county, four months.
Tom Chapman, Burke, three months.
A. J. Van Horn, Burke, \$200 fine.
W. L. Brown a year and a day at Chillicothe.
Virgil Hildebran, Burke, six months.
Frank Carswell, Lincoln, four months.
J. Will Sain, a year and a day at Atlanta.
Malachi Carswell, Burke, seven months.
Mason Avery, Burke, two months.
Wash Pearson, Burke, 45 days.
Coach Hubbard, a year and a day at Atlanta.
R. H. Chapman, Burke six months.
R. T. Downs, Burke, four months.
Christy Anthony, Gaston two years.
Alfred Leger, a year and a day at Chillicothe.

Attack Made Upon Leaders Of Both Parties; Hoover And Raskob

Kansas Democrat Deplores Raskob Move. Johnson Talks Of Hoover.

Washington, March 18.—Speculation on the 1932 presidential election blossomed again today as an aftermath of the recent Progressive conference and attacks by a Republican and a Democrat on party leadership.

In a statement interpreted as a suggestion that some one other than President Hoover be nominated by his party, Senator Johnson, Republican, California, expressed his opinion in these words: "There is something radically wrong somewhere. Somebody should ascertain what it is."

He said Republican critics of the

Gets Sentence For Birthday

Joe Williams, young Burke county man, received an unusual birthday present from Judge E. Y. Webb in federal court here yesterday.

Williams was 28 years of age and was sentenced to 18 months in the federal prison at Chillicothe, Ohio.

The young man along with two others, Sid Mitchell and Jake Mull, were charged with manufacturing whiskey on several counts. All were given 18 months each on one charge, judgment being continued on the others.

Williams, a nice-looking, intelligent, red-haired fellow, was asked his age just before sentence was passed. "I'm 28 today," he told the judge.

Prohibition officers said that he had been caught at two different stills in succession.

One of the other defendants, Mull, his attorney said, had seen his father buy a few times as the father had been in prison a majority of the boy's 24 years.

Little Congress At Federal Court

Former Congressmen And Candidates For Office At Session Tuesday.

At one period of the day here yesterday there were two former congressmen and two men who sought to be congressmen in the federal court room.

On the bench was Judge E. Y. Webb, who for years represented this district in congress. Prosecuting was District Attorney Chas. A. Jonas, whose term as congressman for this district only ended early this month. In attendance too was Marshal Brownlow Jackson, of Hendersonville, who was the Republican candidate for congress last fall against Congressman Zeb Weaver. And in the afternoon Solicitor John G. Carpenter, of Gastonia, once a candidate for the Democratic nomination to congress in this district, was a visitor.

Attorney D. F. Giles, of Marion, leading Democratic politician, was another visitor, and on one of the petit juries during the day were H. Clay Cox, Cleveland county Republican chairman, and D. P. Byers, Republican candidate for sheriff of Cleveland county in the last election.

Legion Sponsoring Junior Club Again

Shelby and section will have a baseball team in the American Legion Junior League this season. Dr. B. M. Jarrett, athletic officer of the local Legion post held the first practice session for the young stars this afternoon at the Shelby mill park, and practice will be held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon until further notice. All boys under 17 years of age are urged to try for the team which will compete with other Legion teams in this section during the summer.

Brother Is Mayor.

Mr. Louis Gault, brother of Mr. Sam Gault, manager of the Shelby telephone exchange, was yesterday elected mayor of Union, S. C.

Apple Blossom Queen



Miss Patricia D. Morton (above) of Winchester, England, will reign as Queen Shenandoah VII at the eighth annual apple blossom festival to be held in Winchester, Va.

Asheville Bankers Indicted By Grand Jury Action Here

Federal Jury Charges Davis And Harris With Using Mails To Defraud.

Wallace B. Davis, president of the Central Securities company and the Central Bank and Trust company, of Asheville, and William D. Harris, vice president and treasurer of the Central Securities company were indicted here yesterday by a federal grand jury on charges of using the United States mails to defraud by making false representations about the Central Securities company. They were also indicted on a charge of conspiring to use the mails to defraud.

Twelve Counts. The bill of indictment contained 12 counts and charged 11 overt acts. According to officials in the district attorney's office, the two defendants, if convicted and given the maximum sentence for each count and act, would receive between 60 and 70 years each.

The grand jury examined four witnesses in the Central Securities case late yesterday evening. When court was opened Judge E. Yates Webb instructed them in his charge on the laws concerning the use of the mails to defraud.

Gist Of Charges. The gist of the charges was that the defendants have represented through the mails that the \$3,575,600 bonds of the company, outstanding at the close of business last November 19, were guaranteed by nationally known bonding houses, whereas, it is contended by the government, the collateral underlying the issue consisted of \$3,265,583.71 in certificates of deposit in the Central Bank and Trust company which failed to open on November 20.

The second charge is one of conspiracy to defraud by use of the postoffice establishment of the United States. Davis and Harris will not be required to make bond until the cases are officially transferred to Asheville. A bond of \$15,000 will be asked of Davis and \$10,000 of Harris.

McSwain Hospital Bill Is Ratified

The bill relating to the Shelby public hospital introduced in the general assembly recently by Senator Peyton McSwain was ratified yesterday, according to a message from The Star's Raleigh bureau. The bill will make it possible for the hospital to accept the hoped for contribution from the Duke hospital fund.

Bill Is Killed.

Among the bills listed as killed in the State senate yesterday was one introduced by Senator Peyton McSwain, of Shelby, relating to benefits from fraternal insurance.

A Birth. Born, March 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Thackston, a seven-pound son, Clyde David. Mrs. Thackston was formerly Miss Muriel Waldrop.

Springtime. Garden time and baseball time! Star readers interested in gardening will find valuable information on gardening on page two of today's paper. On page three is published the baseball schedule of Shelby's state champions, the first game coming Friday of this week.

Seniors Lead Honor Roll At Shelby School

81 High School Students On Ninth Grade Ranks Next To Senior Class In Number On Sixth Month Roll.

With 23 students making high marks the senior class led all other classes in the Shelby high school on the honor roll for the sixth month.

A total of 81 high school students attained honor roll distinction, the ninth grade ranking next to the seniors.

In High School.

The high school roll follows: Seniors: Palmer McSwain, Helen Bess, Elizabeth Blanton, Hessentine Borders, Mildred Camp, Frances Carver, Lena Hamrick, Matilda Jenks, Alice Goode King, Mae Lattimore, Milla Putnam, Sara Thompson, Mildred Weaver, Ormi Lee White, John Corbett, John Irvin, Jr., James McSwain, James Shepard, Lizzie Alley, Jessie Humphries, Beverly Jones, Felix Gee, Sherrill Lneberger.

Juniors: Herbert Hamrick, Torrey Tyner, Paul Wray, Carlos Young, Isabel Armour, Alena Blanton, Ida Mae Bridges, Amanda Harris, Bernice Houser, Evelyn Smawley, Nancy Sperling, Mary Sue Thompson, Ruby Silver, Ethel White, Emma Ervin.

Ninth grade: Rachel Connor, Margaret Ford, Alene Jones, Annie Ray Jones, Helen Miller, Edna Roberts, Ruth Roberts, Edith Saunders, Jean Thompson, Esta Tyner, Elizabeth Wallace, Billy Broadway, Loris Lovler, Griffin Holland, Richard LeGrand, Colbert McKnight, Caleb McSwain, Ed Post, Jr., Beartie Devine, Bobby Hoyle, Stacy Duncan, Janet Morrison.

Eighth grade: Paul Bullington, Walter Fanning, Kiffin Hayes, Stuart James, James Jones, J. M. Vaughn, Louise Austell, Katie Lou Ensley, Edna Earle Grigg, Margaret Lee Liles, Margaret Louis McNeely, Esther Ann Quinn, Mary Lillian Speck, Mary Wells, Sara White, Gaynell McGill, Lily Taylor, Josephine George, Louise Jones, Elizabeth Lipscombe, J. W. Smith.

Public School Roll. Graham School—Lehman Hamrick, Nancy Ellen Dover, Carolyn Bowman, Jeannette Dellinger, Norma Moore, Basil Randall, Carolyn Jarrett, Elaine Wells, Melba Runyans, Clint Newton, Jr., Elizabeth Poul, Marie Hamrick, Don Cox, Celeste.

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Citizens Of Kings Mountain Ready To See Park Work Go

Wondering How Soon Something Tangible Will Be Seen At Battleground.

(By G. R. Gillespie.)

The merchants, manufacturers and citizens generally of Kings Mountain are very much elated at the prospect of the battleground soon becoming a national park. Unlike other folks of both North and South Carolina they are not worrying as to who shall have the lion's share of credit and glory for the success of the bill in congress. That which is of greatest concern to them just now is "how soon will the appropriated money be available for the beginning of operation to furnish work and wages for the unemployed." Now that congress will not meet until next winter, the question uppermost in their minds is, will the matter drag along for months, possibly years, before North Carolina will begin to reap the benefits to be derived from the work that will be necessary and the influx of tourists and visitors into this section of the state when it shall have been completed.

"A hint to the wise may be sufficient" to keep the ball rolling toward an early consummation of the plans. Ex-members of the congress just dissolved were responsible for the appropriation so it would seem fitting and expedient for the new members to have some credit for doing even a greater thing by bringing about an early settlement of the appropriation funds and completion of the tract into a national park, thus being responsible for tangible benefits that will be remembered longest.

To the business interests of the merchants, the opportunity for work to the citizens and voters and possible permanent employment, the actual beginning of the change will mean much to all of that section and the town of Kings Mountain.

Kills Big Hawk.

A hawk which measured 12 inches from tip to tip was killed Tuesday by Lester Petty, colored tenant on the R. M. Grigg farm on Shelby Route 1.

Figures in Vermont Mystery



Am sub of life and am going where? will be happy

Nineteen months ago a body of a young woman was found in a Chester, Vermont, pasture, with a suicide note and an empty poison bottle. The body was believed to be that of Mrs. Catherine Packard, of Belows Falls (right). Later she reappeared, to find her husband, George J. Packard, remarried (shown with his second wife at left). She admits having penned the suicide note (lower), which handwriting experts claim was written by a man. The dead girl is now declared to be Catherine Lavelle, of Laconia, according to identification of Hazel Alexander, 18-year-old high school student.

Measles And "Flu" In Shelby Schools Pull Attendance Down

Town Talk

Any number of ex-service men about Shelby: "Look here. We certainly do not want it published in the paper when our bonus checks get in. Goodness knows the bill collectors will find it out soon enough."

Miss Fun Barnett, deputy clerk of federal court: "I haven't been away from Shelby so many years, but when I come back now it seems that more and more people do not remember me. But enough do come by to speak and to see me to let me know that I am still pretty well tied up to the town."

J. B. Smith, county welfare officer: "The charity situation is not as bad as it has been because more of the unemployed seem to be finding work. Yet the average person would be surprised at the charity work still being carried on. We are taking care of one family now, a mother and three children, who did not even have a bed to sleep in until one was given. I do not believe we had a more needy case at any time during the winter."

Fred Wright, former Shelby man now living at Kings Mountain: "My boy has a route over there where he delivers about 50 Cleveland Stars now, and I believe that if I could get out and help him work it up that a hundred more could be added."

Judge E. Y. Webb pulled a fast pun on the court room yesterday. One woman who was to have reported to show good behavior failed to appear. Questioning revealed that she could not attend because she had mumps. "Well," said the judge, "I'm glad she didn't come. If she had been placed in jail with all the other prisoners, she might have caused them all to break out."

W. S. Beam, commander Warren Hoyle American Legion post: "We now have more legion members than ever before, 195 in all, and prospects are bright for adding to that record membership."

Bill Providing New Supervision Of N. C. Banking Passes In House

Measure Passes 62 to 40 After Gardner Lands Bill In Radio Talk.

Raleigh, March 18.—Governor Gardner's second trip to the country brought another spectacular victory when yesterday afternoon the house passed his bank commissioners bill on third reading by 62 to 40.

His excellency, who went on the radio several weeks ago, carried his appeal for the highway bill to the remotest point in North Carolina and the result was an overwhelming backsliding by the back country. But the banking fight was a very different form of warfare. The opposition to the road bill had to fight a radical tax reduction proposal and most of the lobbying was manifestly against the interest of the majority of the counties whose roads were to be taken care of.

Final Action In Senate On Highway Bill

Becomes Law On April 1

Provides For Increase Of Five Or Six Cents On Gasoline Tax.

Raleigh, March 18.—Final action on the Connor road bill was taken by the senate last night when the house and senate conferees report was adopted. The house adopted its report yesterday and upon ratification the bill becomes law April 1.

The act creates a new Highway commission of seven members, abolishes all district lines, provides for state maintenance of all county roads, and increases the gasoline tax from five to six cents a gallon. It originally gave the minority party a representation of two members and provided that county prisoners serving longer than 60 days be used by the state in road work.

Senate amendment abolished minority party representation and cut down the length of terms of prisoners who may be used on roads from 60 to 30 days and made a provision that free labor must be used if it can be obtained cheaper than convict labor.

Compromise Terms. The conferees reached an agreement that the minority party should be represented by one member, that free labor be used if cheaper than convict labor.

Rebates on tax paid on gasoline used for airplanes also was provided. The conferees also approved the Dunlap amendment that the state acknowledge an indebtedness to counties for highway equipment taken over by the state when it takes over all county roads.

Adopt Clauses Singly. Adoption of the report by the senate came after Senators McLean and Burrus had attacked the provision for any minority representation, and the unusual parliamentary procedure of adopting a conference report by single paragraphs was used. This resulted in the senate's five times voting "the house do concur in the senate amendment," though the house had already adopted the report.

Mrs. Clubb Buried At Fountain Inn

Young Matron Leaves Five Children Ranging In Ages 13 Months To 10 Years.

Leaving her husband and five children, ranging in ages from ten months to ten years, Mrs. Lily Gertrude Clubb died at the Shelby hospital Monday from an attack of pneumonia. She was only 28 years of age and the wife of J. W. Clubb, one of the trusted employees at the Cleveland Cloth Mill. The club family lives on Oakland Drive, but Mrs. Clubb's condition grew so serious she was taken to the hospital for treatment and here everything possible was done in an effort to save her life.

Mrs. Clubb's funeral was conducted Tuesday by Rev. H. E. Waldrop, pastor of the Eastside Baptist church and her body was taken to Fountain Inn, S. C., for interment. Surviving are her husband and five children, Alfred, Walter, Hall, Albert and a ten months old daughter, Altha Jane. Two brothers, Walter and George Story, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Marks and Mrs. Lucy Calvert also survive.

Little Girls Fight A Fire And Win

Four children put up a brave and heroic fight to subdue a forest fire on the E. O. McGowan farm just on the eastern outskirts of Shelby a few days ago. They got their legs blistered from the heat but that did not stop them from fighting an hour or until the fire was out. Annie and Bette Coble, Nancy McGowan and Edward Ford, ranging in ages from 10 to 13 years, were playing tennis on the McGowan court when they cited a blaze in the woods. They called for help and Fred Hopper, colored, came to their assistance, but the little folks did not stand by and watch him; to the job—they helped in the fight until the fire was out.

ETHEL BARRYMORE IN RUTHERFORD COUNTY

Rutherford, March 18.—Ethel Barrymore, famous actress who scored in "The Love Duel" in Asheville Saturday had tea at Lake Lure coffee shoppe yesterday. In the party with the actress were her son, John Drew Colt and daughter, Ethel Barrymore.