

Cotton, per lb. 18 1/2c up
Cotton Seed, per bu 37 1/2c

Rain Likely

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Probably rain tonight and Saturday. Warm in east and central portions tonight. Colder in west Saturday.

On Police Force

R. O. Hamrick, for years post office chief of Shelby was yesterday added to the present police force as plain clothes man. Mr. Hamrick assumed his duties at noon Thursday, it is learned.

Court Session Closed Thursday

Heavy Criminal Docket Postpones All Actions On Civil Calendar.

The spring term of superior court, presided over by Judge Wilson Warlick, of Newton, adjourned here yesterday afternoon.

Due to the congested criminal docket the court did not reach any of the litigations posted on the civil calendar, the entire term being devoted to criminal trials.

Six Divorces.

In juries between criminal cases, however, six divorce suits were heard and six decrees granted.

Yesterday afternoon the court heard an argument in connection with the suit of Dr. R. C. Hicks, Shelby dentist, against the city of Gastonia. Dr. Hicks was injured there when his car struck a traffic signal. He filed suit against the city and when the answer to the complaint was not filed in legal time Hicks' attorney, D. Z. Newton, filed a default judgment. Gastonia attorneys asked Judge Warlick yesterday to set the default judgment aside and move the trial to Gaston county. He refused to move the trial there, but as not as yet rendered a decision as to the default judgment.

The next term of superior court here will come in July.

Coroner Probes Death Of Negro

Will Goode Dropped Dead Yesterday While Riding In Wagon In No. 4 Township.

Coroner Roscoe Lutz and Deputy Ed Dixon yesterday investigated the sudden death of Will Goode, colored, of No. 4 township.

Goode fell over while riding in a wagon with Wray Goode and died within a few seconds. The probe by the coroner did not reveal any unnatural cause of the death which was attributed to heart failure.

The negro was about 45 years of age and lived several miles south of highway 20.

Six Prisoners To Prison In Raleigh

All Are Colored For First Time In A Number Of Years.

Sheriff Irvin Allen, Deputy Bob Kendrick, Tom Wilson and a son of Deputy Jerry Runyan left Shelby yesterday with six prisoners for the state prison at Raleigh. All were convicted and sentenced in superior court here this week and last.

The half dozen prisoners were all colored, it being the first time in years that there were no white prisoners in the number sent to Raleigh.

Find Motometers.

Have you lost the motometer from your automobile, or has it been stolen? Police Chief Poston and his officers have recently recovered nine motometers. Seven are still unclaimed at the office of the chief.

What Will You Wear Easter?

Tomorrow will be the biggest trade day in Shelby since the busy shopping days of pre-Christmas time. Merchants have made plans to serve the trade efficiently by adding extra salespeople. Last minute shoppers tomorrow will be able to finish up their purchases in little time, and those who have waited until the last day will enjoy the services of well planned sales forces. Easter stocks are yet replete with new Spring styles, and values at new record low prices will be offered specially for tomorrow's buying.

This issue of The Star contains the better values to be found tomorrow in Shelby. Read all the advertisements carefully and arrange to make your purchases early in the morning to escape the late day rush.

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Brummitt To Be Commencement Speaker For Shelby Schools; Dr. Wall To Deliver Sermon

Finals Open Sunday May 24

Attorney General To Make Address At Senior Class Exercises.

Hon. Dennis G. Brummitt, attorney general of North Carolina, will make the address to the graduating class of the Shelby high school on Wednesday evening, May 29, it was announced today by Supt. B. L. Smith of the city schools.

The annual sermon will as usual be preached by local minister, alternating each year, and this year Dr. Zeno Wall will preach the sermon in the First Baptist church. The sermon, on Sunday, May 24, formally opens the commencement season.

Other details of the commencement program will be announced later.

Prominent Speaker.

The school feels fortunate in securing Mr. Brummitt for the annual address. For years prominent in the public life of the state he is discussed as one of the outstanding prospects for governor of the state in 1932.

Drought-Hit Areas Have Brighter Day

Red Cross Official Tours South. Sees Improved Morals, and Better Times Ahead.

Washington.—Out of a drought that afflicted about one-fourth of the counties of the entire United States, James L. Fieser, Red Cross vice chairman, saw a new community citizenship rising.

"By thousands, people have been forced by circumstances to be civic leaders," he said. "Out of this bleak work will come a study in understanding that will carry on for years to come."

In charge of domestic operations Fieser had just completed a 5,500-mile inspection of Texas, Oklahoma, the Mississippi delta country, Louisiana, Tennessee and Kentucky.

Everywhere, he said, he met with a morale remarkable and in vivid contrast to the spirit abroad in the land on his previous visit early in February.

Recent rains had given promise of crops to come. Red Cross seeds already had grown turnips, onions and radishes for Mississippi and Texas, and half the families whose entire subsistence was coming from the Red Cross on March first had re-established credit through farm loans, the intermediate credit corporation or normal channels.

Out Of Drought.

After combatting two hundred miles of Texas blizzard, Fieser arrived in Washington in the midst of a drenching downpour and jubilantly announced the drought would be "out of sight" by the end of April except on remote mountain farms where each family raised its own subsistence and no credit system was in operation.

Democrats May Nominate Young And Progressive Democrat From West

Proponents Say Balanced Ticket For 1932 Would Do Away With Power Bugaboo.

Washington, April 3.—The effort to nominate Owen D. Young as Democratic candidate for president next year has progressed to the stage where consideration is being given to balancing the ticket with a western Democratic progressive for vice president, if Young is chosen.

Proponents of the Young-for-president movement realize that one of their outstanding obstacles is the likelihood that the progressive element in the party will feel that he is too closely allied with the power industry. Hence, their problem is to equip him with a potential running mate whose position would neutralize that obstacle.

Sensors Mentioned.

In this connection, some of those mentioned are: Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Montana, one of the sponsors of the recent progressive conference; Senator Thomas J. Walsh, Mont.; Senator Clarence C. Dill, Wash., and Senator Edward P. Coughlin, Colo. Informal and exceedingly discreet approaches have been made to at least one of these senators it was learned today, to sound

Kings Mountain Man, O. Henry Pal; Dead

Wichita Falls, Tex., April 3.—J. M. Kaykendall, 78, a native of Kings Mountain, N. C., and a chum of William Sidney Porter before the latter became famous as O. Henry, the writer, died here yesterday.

He and Porter worked in the general land office at Austin, Texas, and had adjoining desks.

Rutherford Has 2nd Jail Break

Convicts Saw Two Iron Bars And Jump Through Window; All Serving Short Sentences.

Rutherford, April 3.—Five convicts escaped from the Rutherford county chain gang here Wednesday night in the second recent jail break by sawing two iron bars in two with a hacksaw, lowering a cross bar and jumping from a four foot window.

They were all young white men: James Toney, 36; R. L. Ammons, 27; Arle Lane, 22; James Herring, 23; and Bill Emery, alias Horace Brookshire, 33.

Toney, Lane and Herring were serving sentences for violating the prohibition laws, while Ammons and Emery were charged with larceny. Toney has served two months of his six months' sentence, Ammons three of his five months' sentence, Lane two of his four months' sentence, Herring two of his 14 months' sentence, and Emery four of his five months' sentence.

Their escape was soon discovered by the night watchman and officers have made every effort to apprehend them, but so far have failed. A week ago five men escaped from jail and one, George Brady, is still at large.

Corbett Residence Damaged By Blaze

Flames Do Considerable Damage To Roof Just Before Noon Today.

A fire this morning at 11:45 did considerable damage to the roof of the South Washington street residence occupied by Mr. J. O. Corbett and family.

The flames had spread practically all over the roof, being fanned by a high wind, when the two trucks answering the alarm arrived.

The residence belongs to Mr. Hugh Miller, of Raleigh.

Holiday Monday In Schools Of Shelby

School children of Shelby will get Monday as an Easter holiday, resuming school work Tuesday morning, it was announced today by Supt. B. L. Smith.

A number of last year's graduating class, home from college for the holidays, were visitors at the school today.

At "Killer's" Trial



Mildred Thar (above), 22-year-old sweetheart of Patrolman Charles Skelly, will tell how she waved goodbye to Skelly a few minutes before he was slain, when she appears to testify against Fred Burke, who is charged, at St. Joseph, Mich., with Skelly's death.

Steal Chicks From Gang Boss

Gets Off Chain Gang Monday Evening And Raids Roost Monday Night.

To Willie Shippey, colored, it is off the chain gang and back on again.

Last Monday evening Shippey completed a three months term on the No. 6 chain gang. Monday night somebody raided the chicken roost of "Doc" Jones, chain gang guard, and carried away a half dozen chickens.

Thursday night Police Chief Poston and other officers arrested Shippey and charged him with the chicken raid. Shippey, out of a regular eating place when he had served his time, had to eat somehow, he said.

The arrest was made after officers learned that the chickens had been sold at a local filling station and then to a hotel in the city. The sales, officers say, were traced back to Shippey.

Shouse Will Open Democratic Drive

Speaking Tour of West To Be Started By Party Chairman Soon.

Washington, April 3.—A speaking tour of the west is planned by Chairman J. J. Shouse, of the Democratic national executive committee to open formally his party's effort to return to power in 1932.

In his speeches, an announcement said, Shouse plans to "discuss the local situations as well as what has been accomplished by the party further east, to indicate the significance of last November's election, to report on what the executive committee and the national committee are doing and have done and to outline as far as possible the plans for the campaign of 1932."

"The western meetings will actually be the opening of that campaign," the announcement added.

This was followed by a radio speech tonight over the Columbia Broadcasting system, in which Shouse said the Democratic party could render no greater service than "to pledge itself to an attempted solution" of the unemployment problem.

The announcement of the speaking tour, which opens at Des Moines on April 7, did not mention the prohibition and economic program proposed by Chairman Raskob of the national committee. This has been bitterly opposed by Southern drys.

After the Des Moines meeting, which will be a dinner under auspices of the Democratic state and city organizations, Shouse will attend an all-day "Jeffersonian observance" at Los Angeles, April 13.

His next speech will be delivered at a dinner sponsored by the Democratic club of California and the San Francisco county central committee at San Francisco, April 16.

Two days later, he will address a Democratic meeting at Seattle, April 18, under the auspices of the Washington state committee.

Eastside Revival Creates Interest

The revival services at Eastside church are attracting fine interest and will continue next week, it is announced by Rev. H. E. Waldrop. There will be two services Sunday and each evening next week at 7:30. The preaching is being done by Rev. L. L. Jessup and the public is invited to hear him.

To Visit Grave Of Soldier Son; Others May Go

Mrs. Hoyle Going To France Soon

To See Grave of Son For Whom American Legion Post Here Was Named.

When a steamer filled with Gold Star mothers leaves New York on May 6 for France Mrs. Frank L. Hoyle, of Shelby, will be aboard, going for her first visit to the grave of her son, Warren Hoyle, for whom the Shelby American Legion post was named.

Young Hoyle was killed in action in the World war on June 3, 1918.

Others May Go. Mrs. Hoyle will be the first Cleveland county Gold Star mother to make the trip to France, a trip in which all expenses of mothers who gave their sons are paid by the government. It is hoped, however, that other Gold Star mothers of the county will decide to make the trip.

Officials here of the Warren Hoyle Legion post and of the Legion Auxiliary today stated that they would be glad to help arrange the trip for other Gold Star mothers. Information concerning the trip may be secured from Mrs. Tom Gold, head of the auxiliary, or from W. S. Beam, commander of the legion post. Full expenses are paid by the government and hundreds of mothers made the trip last year. Although the steamer does not leave New York until May 6 it will be necessary to leave Shelby several days before that time, and Gold Star mothers who desire to go should consult legion officials at an early date.

Many Visitors At Baptist Services

Numerous Out-of-Town People Attending. Much Interest Is Shown.

As the revival at the First Baptist church continues, the interest increases with each service. Hundreds of people are attending from over the community and a great number from out of the city. An appeal is made at the close of each service and scores of people are being saved and a large number coming by letter, restoration and statement.

"The Morning Call" was the subject of Rev. Dr. Wall, in the service on Wednesday evening. The pastor brought a strong appeal to the large congregation, calling on each one to wake up to the lethargy of people all around us. The text, "Awake Thou That Sleepest, and Arise From the Dead, and Christ Shall Give Thee Light" was used. On Thursday evening he spoke on "The Hands of Jesus," closing with an appeal for all to look at th bleedin, nail-scarred hands of Jesus.

"God's Grace Hath Appeared To All Men," was the subject on Wednesday morning. What God's grace can do for an individual was the theme for the morning. On Thursday morning the subject was, "God's Program for Prosperity." At the close of this service a great number came forward reconsecrating themselves and asking for special prayer for a great number in our community.

The music, under the direction of Mr. Horace Eason, is proving to be an inspiring feature. The two large chorus choirs sing each evening. Several special numbers are heard at the services.

This evening at 7:15 o'clock the four groups are asked to meet promptly. At 7:45 o'clock the service proper will begin. The public is invited to all services of the church.

Veterans Present Womanless Wedding

To Be Given At Court House Here Tuesday Evening. Good Cast.

The "Womanless Wedding," a humorous stage presentation, which has been given here twice this year, will be presented the third time Tuesday night at the court house. The hour is 8 o'clock.

Practically the same cast as has been appearing in the play will participate again Tuesday night, and the proceeds will go to the American Legion Post and the Legion Auxiliary.

In addition to the wedding there will be special musical features by the Baptist choir and Shelby's well known "Barbershop Minstrels."

POLKVILLE LADIES TO MEET NEXT TUESDAY

The Polkville ladies club will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Sam Lattimore.

Sportdom Mourns With Them



The passing of Knute Rockne, football's greatest figure, has cast a pall over the entire sports world. This picture shows the famous coach with Mrs. Rockne at Miami this winter. Inset is Knute, Jr., a student at Pembroke School, Kansas City.

Shelby Hospital Handled 982 Patients Last Year, Report Says

Daily Average of 26 Patients, With Less Than Half Full Pay. Deficit Of \$7,898.

The Shelby hospital which is serving both the city and Cleveland county reports the following number of patients for the year 1930.

Total number of full pay patients 438 for 3,623 days.

Total number of part pay patients 212 for 1,479 days.

Total number of free patients, 332 for 4,392 days.

Making a total of 982 patients for 9,494 days.

Daily average number patients, 26.

Total number out-patients treated, 1,998. (Patients receiving treatment at hospital but are not admitted.)

The daily cost for each patient was \$3.69. The total number of free days was 4,392 which makes the cost for charity work amount to \$16,206.48, of this amount \$8,308.14 was contributed to the hospital for free work by Cleveland county, No. 6 township and the Duke endowment, leaving a deficit for the hospital to carry of \$7,898.34.

The free work increased more than 1,100 days over the previous year.

The number of beds provided for ward and free patients, at the time the hospital was built, is at this time inadequate. This type of hospital patients increase in number each year. There is a real need for more ward space. Since the hospital serves the entire county as well as the immediate community, it is hoped that the combined interests of the two will be able to provide added space for this class of patient in the near future; otherwise the patients who really need help will necessarily have to be limited to a certain number.

Combination Of Sales And Luxury Tax May Be Worked By General Assembly

Views Differ As To What Luxuries Are. Differ As To Consumer's Taste.

(Star News Bureau.)

Raleigh, April 3.—While the senate finance committee is now struggling with the revenue bill and its most controversial provision, a sales tax, a new suggestion has been made—a combination of the general sales tax adopted by the house, with many reservations, and the luxury tax, or a consolidation of some of the features of the Day general sales tax with the Hinsdale luxury tax.

The Hinsdale luxury tax bill, it is generally admitted, will not give the funds needed to carry out the provisions of the MacLean school bill. The general sales tax, it is confidently stated, has no chance of getting by the senate, which body is also believed to be against the luxury tax. The suggestion of a combination carries with it the Hinsdale bill, probably with slight modifications, and the Day bill, cut probably to one-half of one percent on gross sales—a combination that has never been made in any state of the union, it is asserted.

Moreover, views on what are luxuries vary as widely as the thoughts of men. The Hinsdale would tax, among other things, automobiles, tobacco, snuff and cigarettes, fountain and bottled drinks, cosmetics, perfumes, soaps, motion picture admissions. The business man states that an automobile is not a luxury, but an absolute necessity. The tobacco, snuff or cigarette user does not look upon his or her requirement as a luxury. The young woman knows her cosmetics and perfumes are necessities. The poor often have few other pleasures than a dime picture show and an occasional bottle of pop, which they could do without.

Special Easter Services On At City Churches

Musical Programs At All Churches

Hundreds Expected To Attend Easter Services In City. Fine Programs.

Hundreds of people are expected to attend special Easter services in the churches of Shelby Sunday morning. Special musical programs have been arranged and ministers and church leaders hope to establish a new Easter attendance record.

Second Baptist.

At the Second Baptist church the day's program will start with the Sunday school, R. H. Wilson, superintendent, at 9:45. In the absence of the pastor Rev. George W. Davis will preach the Easter sermon at the morning service. The B. Y. P. U. will meet at 6:30 with Floyd Singleton in charge. There will be no evening service because of the opening of the revival at the neighboring LaFayette Street Methodist church.

Central Methodist.

At the morning service at Central Methodist church, holy communion will be observed, and new members, who joined the church during the revival, will be taken in. There will be a special musical program at the morning service and also at the evening service. It is also "Decision Day" in the Sunday school.

Presbyterian.

The regular 11 o'clock service will be held at the Presbyterian church with a musical program centering about the Resurrection, and there will also be a communion service. There will be no evening service because of other revival services in the city.

LaFayette Street.

The earliest service of the day will be the Epworth league sunrise service at the LaFayette Street Methodist church. The Easter sermon at 11 o'clock, by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Jenkins, will formally open the series of revival services. The sermon at the evening service will be preached by Rev. H. F. Duncan, of Hendersonville. Rev. Mr. Duncan will preach each evening during the revival at 7:30 o'clock.

First Baptist.

Sunday will be a full day at the First Baptist church. Opening at 9:30 o'clock, a thousand people are expected to the Sunday school. Dr. Wall will bring messages at 11 and 7:45 o'clock. Four hundred and fifteen were in the B. Y. P. U.'s last Sunday. Mr. Eason says he is looking for an increase Sunday evening at 6:45 o'clock.

A splendid musical program has been planned for all services. At 11 o'clock, the choir will sing, "Hosanna," by Granier, and a double mixed quartet will render, "Open the Gates of the Temple," by Knapp. Sunday evening the choir will sing again and special numbers will be heard. The large chorus of juniors will aid in the song service Sunday evening at 7:45 o'clock.

Episcopal Church.

There will be two celebrations of the holy communion Sunday at the Church of the Redeemer, South LaFayette street. The first service, lasting a half hour, will be at 7:30. The church school meets at 10 and the preaching service will be at 11. The pastor will be at the church from 2:30 until 4:30 Saturday afternoon.

In the County.

Throughout the county special Easter services will be observed in all churches. In every community all citizens are urged to attend.

Will Change Fees In County Court

Within a short time jurors serving in the Cleveland county recorder's court may receive a 50-cent fee instead of 25 cents.

In the State senate yesterday a bill was introduced by Senator McSwain relating to the recorder's court. Details of the bill are not definitely known here, but attorneys think that it will provide that jurors be drawn for the county court by the same method used for Superior court and be given a 50-cent fee instead of the 25-cent fee now given.

Traveling Men Meet On Saturday

F. O. Gee and B. H. Kendall, officials of the Travelers Protective association, post O. called another meeting of the members to be held Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the office of the Riviere Oil Co. to elect officers and transact other business. All members are urged to attend this meeting.