

Fair Thursday.  
Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Generally fair tonight and Thursday. Cooler in east tonight, little change in west.

Flying Atlantic.

Harbor Grace, N. C., June 24.—The Winnie Mae was winging its way over the Atlantic last night bearing Wiley Post and Harold Gatty toward Europe on the second lap of their projected round-the-world flight. The sturdy craft took off from here for Germany at 4:57 daylight time yesterday afternoon, three hours and 40 minutes after concluding a fast flight from Roosevelt Field, N. Y., to Harbor Grace. The fliers had breakfast in New York and luncheon here. They took only sandwiches with them and hoped to have their next real meal in Berlin. They left Roosevelt field at 3:56 E. S. T., yesterday morning, and made the 1,200-mile hop here in six hours and 52 minutes. This was an average of considerably more than 150 miles an hour they hope to maintain in order to realize their ambition of smashing the 22-day globe-circling record of the German dirigible Graf Zeppelin.

## Grain Crops Of County Doubled Shoffner Says

Wheat And Oats Unusually Good Cotton Growing Rapidly. Corn Increase

The wheat and oats crops in Cleveland county this year are practically double what they were last year. That is the opinion of County Agent R. W. Shoffner.

He bases his estimate upon a sizeable increase in acreage and an unusually good yield.

Practically all of the wheat and oats in the county have been cut and threshing is now underway.

Some Yield.

An indication of the general oat yield is shown in one patch sown by R. G. Adams, of Lattimore. Mr. Adams put one and three-eighths acres in the new variety of Norton oats, introduced in this county last fall, and recently he threshed 89 bushels from the one tract. A quantity of the Norton oats was sown in the county this time and has proved very adaptable to the climate here.

No Drought.

No crops in the county are suffering from lack of rain so far, according to the county agent.

The cotton crop, county farmers have told him, has shown more growth in the last two weeks than in a similar period in years.

Corn is looking good and also growing rapidly. "I have just returned from a trip across the state," the farm agent stated, "and nowhere did I find crops looking as good as in this county."

"The best live-at-home feature we have in the county, I believe however," he continued, "is the manner in which we have gone about gardening here. If there is a county in the state with more and finer gardens I would certainly like to see it. It seems to me as if there will be enough Irish potatoes produced this year to feed the county for two years, and there are other vegetables in proportion."

## Corn, Wheat Crops Boosted By Register

One of Best Corn and Wheat Crops In History of County, Newton Says.

"Cotton may not bring much this fall but we farmers," says Register of Deeds Andy F. Newton, "are not going to suffer very much this winter because we are producing what we usually have to buy."

Mr. Newton, who has kept in close touch with farm conditions since holding a county office and whose office is a gathering place for farmers when in the city, says that the corn and wheat crops in Cleveland this year are as good as he has seen in many years. There is no exaggeration, he declares, in the report that more acreage has been given over to corn, wheat and other food and feed crops this year than in any year since the county won fame as a cotton-producer.

## Bolin To Open New 6 Chair Barber Shop

Forrest Bolin, one of Shelby's popular barbers will open a six chair barber shop and bath house in the Weathers-Blanton building next to the J. C. Penney Co. on Friday of this week. The entire basement has been fitted up with handsome barber chairs and mirror cases shine stand and four shower stalls with private dressing rooms. His shop has absorbed the Charles Barber shop from which most of his barbers will come. Fifteen dollars in trade will be given as first prize and \$10 in trade as second prize for the best shop names submitted.

## Road Officials Here; Plans Not Complete

### Engineers On Visit To County

Will Keep Cleveland Prisoners In No. 6 Camp For County Road Work.

J. C. Walker, division engineer for division E, which embraces all Western North Carolina under the new highway system, and District Engineer Poteat, whose territory embraces Cleveland, Rutherford, Burke and McDowell counties, were visitors in Shelby this week. The road officials spent some time conferring with A. E. Cline, chairman of the county commissioners, and members of the several road commissions in the county.

"The newly organized system of operating all highways in the state is not functioning well enough as yet," Mr. Cline said, "for the engineers to know just how the road program will be carried out. At present their plan seems to be that of working out a system of maintaining all the county roads they take over the first of next month. This is such a mammoth task that they will not be able, I would think, to do anything about new roads for some time yet."

District Group.

Division E, in which Cleveland county is located, has been divided into five districts. Cleveland and the three other counties in the district will have district headquarters at Marion with Mr. Poteat in charge as district engineer. Two engineers who will work under him have already been named but Mr. Cline stated today that he did not remember their names. However, no engineer or other employee yet taken on under the new system is from this county.

The idea at present, as Mr. Cline understood it, would be for the convicts in this county to be used in maintaining the roads in Cleveland.

Prisoners on the No. 6 gang here when it is taken over a week from today will remain at the No. 6 camp which has been taken over by the state. In all probability, although highway officials have not announced it, these convicts will be used in all sections of the county where road upkeep is necessary.

Heretofore the No. 6 chain gang was maintained by No. 6 township and the convicts worked only in No. 6. Beginning next week it is presumed that they will work in all townships as needed.

Five central prison camps will be operated in the state. The nearest central camp to Shelby will be located in Charlotte, it is understood, and all sick and disabled prisoners in this section will be kept there. Prisoners physically able for road work will for the most part be used on the maintenance of roads in the counties in which they are convicted and sentenced. When heavy work elsewhere comes up, however, prisoners will be shifted about over the state, it is understood, according to the distribution of the work. The handling of the prisoners will, it is said, be under the direction of the state prison authorities rather than

under the highway department.

Short Term Prisoners.

No prisoners who have sentences under 60 days will be taken over or worked by the state. Just how Cleveland county will handle convicts having sentences shorter than 60 days has not been definitely determined as yet, Mr. Cline says.

## Will County Receive Pay For Road Machinery Taken Over On July 1?

Machinery inventoried but nothing definite known about pay for it.

Will the 11 road commissions in Cleveland county receive pay for their road machinery when the state highway commission takes over all county roads, convicts and machinery next week?

That question is being debated all over the state. The machinery in this county has already been inventoried and will be taken over July 1. There is a possibility that the state will pay for it later, but this is not definitely known.

Protesting.

In Raleigh today a delegation representing the Mecklenburg highway commission and the Mecklenburg county commissioners will confer with state highway officials in regard to the county's decision not to turn over road machinery now owned by the county to the state. The machinery is appraised by the county at \$140,000.

State Highway Commissioner E. B. Jeffress said that the highway commission did not have the authority under the 1931 road act to compensate counties for their road machinery. Nor are there any funds for this purpose, he stated.

## Political Talk Has Ehringhaus Shunted Aside

### Powers To Support Some Other?

Raleigh Reports Says Influential Factors Shift Away From Favorite Here.

Political rumors emanating from Raleigh have it that influential factors which were thought to favor J. C. B. Ehringhaus, of Elizabeth City, for governor in 1932 are now deserting him and seeking another prospective governor behind whom to concentrate their strength.

This news, whether or not dependable, meets with very little enthusiasm in this section as the Shelby area has been "sold on" the Elizabeth City man for a year or so.

When the recent general assembly gathered in Raleigh it was generally believed by political observers that Ehringhaus had the inside track over the two other outstanding candidates at that date. Lieutenant Governor Dick Fountain and Attorney General Dennis Brummitt. But the legislative marathon muddled the waters. The MacLean school measure split political factions of the Democratic party. All three leading candidates for governor said no more about the controversial issue than possible. Mr. Ehringhaus, rated next to Clyde Hoey as one of North Carolina's most pleasing orators, considered it a matter for the legislators themselves to work out. Anyway, he did not shout and hurrax for the MacLean measure. Neither did he make a bitter fight upon it. But because he did not rally to their standards some of the bitter-enders of the MacLean faction turned their

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Another Roosevelt has taken to the field in the interest of reform. Mrs. Archibald Roosevelt (also daughter-in-law of the late Theodore Roosevelt), has been appointed secretary of the Women's Organization for Prohibition Reform. Mrs. Roosevelt is the former Grace Stackpole Lockwood. She will work for dry reform in New York.

## Gardner Spikes Political Talk

Governor Declares He Is Not Backing Ehringhaus As His Successor.

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Pedigreed Poultry To Be Sold Here

An auction sale of pedigreed cockerels will be held in Cleveland county some time in August, it was learned yesterday.

The sale will conducted by the county poultry association as a movement to improve the poultry stock of the county and increase the county's income from poultry. The date of the auction will be announced later.

### Light Docket In Recorder's Court

Today's Session Featured By Worthless Check Cases, Minor Trials.

The summer lull is showing up in the county recorder's court this week with unusually light dockets yesterday and today.

The majority of the cases booked for a hearing today were of a minor nature, most of them being worthless check charges.

### Leave On Motor Trip To Washington State

Mr. and Mrs. Rush Thompson and two daughters, Misses Elizabeth and Margaret Thompson, Mrs. W. H. Thompson and Miss Frances Carver will leave by auto Thursday morning for Bellingham, Wash., to spend about two months visiting relatives and friends.

The party will take the Southern route, stopping by Hugo, Okla., where they will visit Dr. C. A. Thompson, a brother of Rush Thompson. The distance from Shelby to their destination is 3,500 miles and they expect to make the trip in between eight and nine driving days, covering about 400 miles a day.

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