

THE MARKET
Cotton, spots 6 1/2 to 7c
Cotton Seed, per ton \$13.00

Fair Saturday.
Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Fair tonight and Saturday. Slightly warmer in southwest tonight.

Carolina Beats Clemson
The University of South Carolina football eleven defeated Clemson 21 to 0 in the annual grid classic of South Carolina played yesterday at Columbia. Earl Clary, Gaffney boy, was the outstanding star for the victors.

Charles Penn Dead.
New York, Oct. 23.—Charles A. Penn, vice president of the American Tobacco company and of the American Cigar company, died yesterday in St. Luke's hospital after a short illness. He was in his 63rd year. He was one of the outstanding figures in the tobacco industry and a pioneer in the introduction of modern machine methods into cigarette and cigar manufacture. A native of Patrick county, Virginia, he was associated with the tobacco industry from his early youth in Reidsville. The body was taken last night in a special car attached to the Crescent Limited to Reidsville for burial Saturday. The train left at 8:40 p. m. and arrived in Reidsville at 7:30 a. m. today.

Turn Down All Bids For State Prison Quarters

To Build Eight Or Nine Camps And Accept Bids For Only One.

Raleigh, Oct. 23.—Because all bids were said to be out of proportion to the cost of a model prison camp built by the commission itself near here, the State Highway Commission rejected all bids for construction of ten new prison camps in North Carolina needed to care for convicts since the State has taken over the old county road system.

The lowest bid received for any of the camps was \$15,459 for the construction of a 100-man camp in Shelby. Bids for 75-man camps else were even higher than that.

The commission announced that it would build eight or nine of the camps itself, advertising for new bids only on the Richmond county camp and possibly one other.

At the meeting Chairman Jeffress was asked to confer with other State officials in an effort to arrange a conference looking toward settlement of the load limit regulations now being questioned by the North Carolina Truck Owners Association.

A delegation from the Western part of the State asked the commission to have routes 691 and 91 from Crossnore via Spruce Pine, Burnsville, and Weaverville to Asheville made an alternate route of the park to park highway.

Saves His Pennies And Purchases Wife

Raleigh, Oct. 22.—After saving odd pennies for a year, Hubert Shearon, 22, of Wake Forest, finally accumulated \$90, enough to purchase a marriage license. Yesterday he brought the half-thousand pennies to Hunter Ellington, Wake county register of deeds and obtained a license to wed Miss Vivian Johnson of Raleigh.

Shearon told the register he started his savings from two pennies received in change for purchase of gasoline a year ago. When he had saved 200 pennies he said, he proposed, and since has added rapidly to his savings.

Yes, You'd Be Surprised!

At the bargains and unusual offers you'll find on The Star's Want Ad Page.

Suppose you own some farm land and would like to have a real first-class tenant. In these days tenants who will furnish their own stock are not so numerous BUT what of a tenant who will also furnish his own supplies? That's an oddity! A tenant that will bear the burden of the biggest risk the landowner faces this year. A TENANT JUST LIKE THAT is in the Want Ads today looking for a place.

There are just lots of used bargains—real bargains—listed for sale. And good residences for rent at a time when good rent house are scarce.

IT'LL PAY YOU TO READ THE WANT ADS AND TO USE THEM—PHONE 11.

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Surveying Proposed Marion-Shelby Road

State Engineers Now At Work

Hopes Boosted For Highway Link Joining Two County Seat Towns.

Surveyors of the state highway organization are now at work on the proposed highway link between Shelby and Marion.

The surveying work on the very important link promised this section soon after the reorganization of the state highway system began last week and should be completed within a short time.

Encouraging. The fact that actual preliminary work has started on the proposed route has boosted the hopes of citizens in three counties who desire the building of the link. For a time nothing was heard of the proposal and some had given up hope about the matter.

The proposed new route, linking the county seats of McDowell and Cleveland, will be about 40 miles in length. If built it will open up fertile farming sections in Cleveland, Burke and McDowell.

Just when the survey will be completed is not known, but when it is citizens of the several sections touched will urge the importance of immediate construction of a paved highway.

To Build Camp. Construction work on the 100-man state prison camp, near the Cleveland county fair grounds, may start next week. This week at Raleigh the state highway commission turned down bids made for all camps in the state. Later in the week, however, Mr. Oscar Pitts, highway official who lives in Catawba, was here on a visit, and while here he is said to have stated that work on the Shelby camp would start right away.

It is understood that the construction of the camp will not be let by contract but that materials will be purchased, labor hired and Mr. Pitts and other highway officials will supervise the construction. He will return to Shelby next week and at that time it is believed he will start preliminary work on the camp.

Avon Players Will Present Noted Play In Shelby Tonight

New York Actors To Be Seen Here In Shakespeare's "Romeo And Juliet."

"Romeo and Juliet," famous Shakespearean play, will be presented at the Central school auditorium in Shelby tonight by the well-known Avon players. The cast will be made up of prominent actors from the New York stage and the presentation is under the auspices of the newly-organized Shelby Community players.

Due to the fame of the Avon players and the connection of the Shakespearean production with school work, representatives from student bodies of several county high schools will attend the performance. Among those coming will be representative group from Bowling Springs junior college and high school.

Edison, Once In Cleveland, Asked A Judge In Gaston About A Drink

Famous Inventor Once In This Section Investigating Monazite, Other Mines.

Thomas A. Edison, the inventive genius who died recently, visited this section of North Carolina about 25 years ago. His visit is recalled by many of the older people, Edison coming to Gaston, Lincoln, Cleveland and Catawba counties to investigate cobalt, monazite and other minerals mined in this section.

Numerous Cleveland people remember making trips to upper and eastern Cleveland and to Gaston county to see him. Several interesting episodes are told of his visit. The following, about Edison asking a judge where he could get a drink to take the chill out of him, is related by the Gastonia Gazette:

"An interesting story is told by a Gaston county lawyer. It seems that

Wreck Injured Improving Some At City Hospital

The three people injured Tuesday when the wagon on which they were riding was struck by a Southern passenger train, at the Dover mill crossing on the Polkville road, were said to be showing improvement today at the Shelby hospital.

Miss Ethel Brown, of Concord, teacher at the Hick's school, this county, the worst injured of the trio, is said to be getting along as well as could be expected. She suffered a fracture at the base of the skull and a broken left collarbone. Her little niece, Dorothy Teeter, 6, suffered a less serious fracture of the skull. W. Tommy Tesser, farmer of the Hollis section of Rutherford, on whose wagon all were riding, has a broken collarbone and lacerations but is gradually improving. Miss Brown, although unconscious and seemingly improving, is still considered in a serious condition.

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43 Given Terms In Federal Court

Third Of Defendants Tried Get Sentences. Many Others Fined.

Only one-third of the mountain men—distillers, rum-runners and bootleggers—who came down early in the week for the term of federal court here, marched back to their homes when court ended yesterday. Forty-three of them were sent to the federal prison, to adjoining county jails, or to reformatories and training schools.

A total of 131 cases were disposed of by Judge E. Yates Webb during the grind of three and one-half days, and approximately one-third of those tried received prison or jail sentences. A big percentage of the others were fined or placed on probation.

The longest sentence meted out was for three years in the Atlanta prison, a charge of rum-running on a big scale, and the other sentences ranged down to two months in jail. Prisoners given short terms were for the most part sent back to the jails in their home counties of Lincoln, Burke, Rutherford and Catawba to serve.

Only two Cleveland county defendants were tried by the federal court, both of them being caught and arrested in Burke.

Jonathan Green, Of Mooresboro Dead

Mooresboro, Oct. 16.—Funeral service for Jonathan Green, 85, who died as a result of a stroke of paralysis, was held at the Mooresboro Baptist church Tuesday. Surviving are the following children: Willard and Melvin Greene, of Mooresboro; Mrs. T. E. Brooks, of Shelby; Mrs. L. C. Rollins, of Mooresboro; Mrs. J. J. Pruitt, of Bolling Springs, and Miss Effie Greene of Mooresboro.

He was a well known and highly respected citizen.

Edison, Once In Cleveland, Asked A Judge In Gaston About A Drink

the late Judge George H. Brown, of the North Carolina superior court, in his early youth was a telegraph operator at Cincinnati. Tom Edison was also an operator at that time and place. The story as told by Judge Brown on one of his many visits to Gastonia in recent years, ran as follows:

"I gave up telegraphy and came on to North Carolina and studied law. Edison went on perfecting his inventions.

"It was in the late '80s of early '90s that I came to Gaston county to hold court. It was a bitter cold day in the winter time, and I hired a rig in Gastonia to drive me over to Dallas to open court one Monday morning. The court house was heated by a big stove in those days, and there were several people standing around it getting warm.

"One of the men, roughly dressed,

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Stockholders To Be Given Chance At Springs Land

Preferred Holders Make Offer

Cleveland Realty Company Formed To Handle Cleveland Springs Property.

Common stockholders in the Cleveland Springs Company before the property was disposed of at a mortgage sale to clear up indebtedness will be given a chance, it was announced this week, to share equally in recouping loss sustained in the original company.

Almost two years ago the property, including 250 acres and the old hotel site, was bought in by eight preferred stockholders at a public auction. They paid \$65,000 for it, the amount of the indebtedness. Recently the Cleveland Realty Company was organized with the intent of permitting former stockholders to retain an interest in future disposal of the site.

Plan Outlined.

A letter to stockholders says: "On December 16, 1929, the directors of Cleveland Springs Company furnished you a statement of the financial condition of the corporation and advised you of the fact that all of the property of the corporation remaining after its hotel building was destroyed by fire was then being advertised for sale under a mortgage executed to the First National Bank of Philadelphia to secure a loan of \$125,000 on which a balance of approximately \$65,000 remained unpaid. At said mortgage sale the property was bid in for the amount of the indebtedness and the Cleveland Realty Company has now been organized and is taking over this property and is

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Hoey Hopeful Of The Future

We Have Come Out Of Worse Depressions. Self Denial And Courage Must Be Used.

"There can be no more profitable farming, no further developments in manufacturing, no return to progressive merchandising, no more prosperity for this country."

These startling words constituted the surprise beginning of what might be well considered the most inspiring address enjoyed by a Shelby group this year. It was Clyde R. Hoey, speaking before the Shelby Kiwanis club, at their regular meeting Thursday evening. He gave that opening quotation from a newspaper printed in 1875, during which time this country was undoubtedly as upset over the prospect of prosperity as it is today. It was a time when there seemed little hope for recovery.

But the national survived that depression—Hoey continued, in substance—took faith in hand and climbed to greater heights of prosperity than the nation's most able-minded pessimists had ever dreamed possible, the same as it can and surely do again! In relief of today's economic strife, we need discipline to steady the nerves of America's millions who fear for her condition. Self-denial must figure in our efforts to restore world prosperity. We must learn to do without the things we cannot get, and, more especially, the things we do not need. Our fathers never learned to crave the things that we today think we must have. Ghandi, disciples of India, today controls his personal wants on a parallel with those of his millions of humble followers.

As soldiers of battle, though we dwell in peace, we must command a morale that knows no weakening, no surrender in the face of today's problems. Courage shall help us to conquer all hardships on our march to recovery. Every victory we may reap along the way will only be a means and an inspiration to greater achievements than we have ever known.

In our conquest, we must remember that spiritual attainment is far superior to material gain. To bring back good times, we must march our army of peace into the rehabilitation of industry and fellowship. Such a valiant spirit as will then develop will fire us with an enthusiasm and a desire to carry on in the face of what we are prone to believe is our darkest hour.

The program was in-charge of R. H. Person, J. H. Quinn and Aaron Quinn.

Forrest Eckridge presided, in the absence of President Paul Webb, who is attending the Kiwanis state convention at Pinehurst.

Here's Cleveland County's Prize-Winner



The Booth above this year won, for the fourth time, the first prize at the North Carolina State Fair at Raleigh. It was assembled from the booths at the Cleveland County Fair and taken to Raleigh by R. W. Shoffner, farm agent, and Mrs. Irma P. Wallace, home agent. The booth paramours Governor Gardner's live-at-home program.

Grist Figures He Is A Winner In Senate Race

(Special to The Star.)

Raleigh, Oct. 23.—"Bob is all wet. Cam will dry up. Tam will be an also ran, and I will be the senator," is the way Frank D. Grist, commissioner of labor, sizes up the race for United States senate, for which Robert R. Reynolds, Asheville; Cameron Morrison, Charlotte, incumbent, and Thomas C. "Tom" Bowie, West Jefferson, are announced candidates. Mr. Grist expressed the belief that Audrey L. Brooks, Greensboro, will enter the race, but has doubts that Mills Kitchin will be a candidate.

"I have never seen so much political lethargy, such a lack of interest in any of the races," said Mr. Grist, back in his office from a trip.

Shelby Families After Farm Work

Would Like Job Of Gathering Abandoned Crops On A Share Basis.

Some of the unemployed in Shelby may have turned down cotton picking jobs offered by Cleveland farmers, but there are a number of families in the city which would welcome the chance to gather abandoned crops.

One Shelby man, who has a large family, or, as it is called on the farm, a big working force, would like the opportunity, he stated yesterday, of gathering a crop on a share basis.

It is a little late in the season, he admitted, to contract for gathering a crop, but if there are crops in the county abandoned by tenants and not yet gathered, he would like to get in touch with the owner.

"And I know," he added, "a number of other families who would welcome a similar opportunity. It is getting winter time," he continued, "and time to buy wood, coal, clothing and shoes. There isn't much work going on in town, not more than enough to live on, and I would be glad to get back to the farm with the chance to make enough to carry me through the winter."

The speaker said he moved from the farm to the town three years ago, and, judging by his demeanor, he hasn't been satisfied since.

Farmers who have crops left un-gathered by tenants could easily get them gathered, he declared, by getting in touch with numerous Shelby families who are looking for work, particularly farm work.

Wall, Eason Back

Dr. Zeno Wall and Mr. Horace Eason of the First Baptist church have completed their revival meeting at Forest City and both will be here for services Sunday. Dr. Wall's subject at the Sunday morning hour will be "Heavenly Home." His Sunday night topic will be "Seeing Beyond Death."

Tax Payments Ahead Of Those Last Year

Many Paying To Get Discount Offer

Early Payments On 1931 Taxes Show That There Is Considerable Cash In County.

The manner in which Shelby Cleveland county citizens are paying their 1931 taxes in order to benefit by the October discount indicates that there is considerable surplus money in the county for necessities.

Tax payments at the City Hall are approximately 15 times ahead of those last year. To October 15, 1930, only about \$1,000 had been paid on the city tax levy. To October 15, this year, it is announced by city officials, more than \$15,000 had been paid on 1931 taxes. Those paying this month are given a one percent discount. In November the discount will be one-half of one percent.

Same In County

The county offers the same one percent discount on taxes paid in October. To date around \$28,000 of 1931 county taxes have been paid, it is learned at the sheriff's office. Between 23 and 24 thousand dollars had been paid at the tax supervisor's office before the tax books were turned over to Sheriff Irvin Allen's office. In two days time the sheriff and his assistants collected \$3,691.15.

By the end of this month it is likely that near \$50,000 of the 1931 county taxes will be collected, and it is hoped that about \$25,000 of the 1931 city taxes will be paid.

Note Reduction.

The reduction of more than one-third in the county tax levy for this year has been noted with considerable pleasure by those who have already paid their taxes.

Shelby Specialist Gets Service Cross

Dr. Tom Gold Was Cited Several Occasions For Taking Care Of Wounded.

The daily list of Carolinas heroes in the World war, as published in a feature in The Charlotte News, carried the following this week of Dr. Tom Gold, Shelby specialist:

Thomas B. Gold, first lieutenant, medical corps, attached to the 119th infantry, 30th division, American expeditionary force Distinguished Service Cross. For extraordinary heroism in action with the enemy near Busigny, France, October 18th and 19th, 1918. During the attack of October 9th, Lieutenant Gold established his first aid post in a roadside shrine up with the front line, where he rendered valuable assistance to the wounded. On another occasion, he established alone a post close to the front line, where he again gave treatment until the heavy fire of the enemy forced him to withdraw. During the advance of October 18th and 19th, he established another front line post under the enemy fire and thus saved the lives of many of the troops. Residence at appointment, Lawndale, N. C.

Officers Capture Escaped Prisoner

Melvin Hutchins, an escaped convict from the State prison camp in McDowell, was captured in Shelby Wednesday by Police Chief McBride Poston and his brother, Clyde Poston, official at the local prison camp. He has already been returned to the McDowell camp.

Juniors Gathers In City Saturday

Outstanding State leaders of the Junior Order will be in Shelby Saturday to attend the Fifth district meeting of the J. O. U. A. M. It is announced by local officials.

Among those expected are Rev. S. F. Nicks, State Councilor, of Roxboro; Lewis P. Hamlin, State Vice Councilor, of Brevard; Chas. F. Snyder, field secretary, of Winston-Salem.

The district business meeting will be held at the council rooms of the local order, No. 436, at 2:30 in the afternoon. That evening at 8 o'clock a public meeting, at which free moving pictures will be shown, is to be held at the Central school auditorium. All parents and children of the section are invited to see this picture, which in a very striking manner presents the work of the order. The idea of presenting the work of the Juniors on the screen was conceived by C. W. Snyder, and it is a picture both interesting and amusing.

Dollar Worth 18 Percent More Last Month Than In Same Month Of 1930

Got Considerably More Food At Corner Grocery Than In 1930.

Washington, Oct. 21.—You could buy 18 per cent more food for your money at the corner grocery last month than you could a year ago.

The reduction in retail food prices was reported by the labor department. It got its information from 51 cities.

The figures showed, too, that in September food prices dropped more than 1 1/2 per cent as compared with August. Some of the declines were:

Over Half Of County Cotton Crop Is Ginned

30 Percent Of Crop Not Picked

Estimated That Near 30,000 Bales Had Been Ginned Up To October 15.

Cotton farmers and Shelby cotton buyers estimate that close to 30,000 bales of cotton had been ginned in Cleveland county up to the 15th of October, the end of the period reported in today's government ginning report.

Up to the first of the month 16,322 bales had been ginned in the county, and cotton men say that more cotton has been ginned and picked in the two weeks following than any other time during the year. As a result they estimate that approximately 12,000 bales were ginned in the two weeks, running the total to 30,000 bales.

Much Not Ginned. At least 40 percent of the county cotton crop remains to be ginned, it is said, and around 30 percent of the crop has not been picked.

Taking these estimates on the supposition that they are near accurate the indication is that the total county crop will be at least 50,000 bales, and perhaps when the final report is issued may be nearer 60 than 50 thousand.

Little Rainfall For Two Months

Less Than One Inch In Two Months. Quarter Of An Inch In October.

The long-drawn out dry spell continues to parch the fields and dry up the streams of this section.

A check-up of the weather record at the Shelby post office today by Postmaster J. H. Quinn revealed that there has been less than two inches of rain in Cleveland county in two months. As a result the section is in dire need of rain, and fall farm work has been greatly retarded.

September with less than a half inch of rain—thirty-five one hundredths to be exact—was one of the driest months here, in years. With practically three-fourths of October gone there has been only 26 of an inch rainfall this month. Which is to say that in September and October there has been only a little more than a half inch of rain.

The August rainfall was 2.10 inches, but the majority of this came in the first half of the month, and as a result there has been less than two inches of rain in the last two months.

Among the weather prophets it is said that rains generally follow the first killing frost. "There have been several light frosts so far and with a heavy frost anticipated soon, there is hope for early rains.

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Hutchins was serving a term for breaking in a Shelby school building.

Rutherford Wants Slash

Rutherford, Oct. 23.—A meeting was held here this week in the court house, at which time D. F. Morrow introduced a resolution asking Governor Gardner to call a special session of the legislature to cut expense 50 per cent, thereby reducing the state and county expenses half, and also asked for a moratorium of two years on all public debts. The resolution was adopted after much debate and with some opposition.