

THE MARKET
Cotton, spots 6 1/2 to 70
Cotton seed, per ton \$12.00
(Ten ton lots \$13.50)

Fair and Cooler.
Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Fair tonight and Thursday. Somewhat cooler Thursday and in west and central portions tonight. Probably light frost in interior tonight.

Democrats Win
Washington, Nov. 4.—Democratic organization of the next house is foreshadowed by their surprisingly decisive seizure of the republican stronghold in the eighth Michigan district in yesterday's elections. Democrats held the seventh New York and 20th Ohio, while the second Pennsylvania stayed republican. Republicans claimed a generous majority in the first Ohio, which so many times sent the late Nicholas Longworth to Washington. These results would give the democrats 217 seats to 215, and bring an overturn of the speakership and committee chairmanships. The democratic gubernatorial nominee won an early lead in New Jersey, now with a republican state administration. Votes in the only other gubernatorial election—Kentucky—will not be counted until today. After the elections just a year ago the republicans held 218 seats in the house as against 216 for the democrats.

Welfare Plans Considered Here

Steering Committee Elects J. D. Lineberger As Chairman. Organization Plan Coming.
Wheels were set in motion Monday evening for the organization of a systematic handling of the unemployment and relief program in the city and county this week at a meeting of the steering committee appointed some weeks ago by representatives from the civic clubs, churches, board of aldermen and commissioners.

Lineberger Elected.
J. D. Lineberger was elected welfare chairman and a plan of organization will be recommended at an early date to include representatives of the churches, civic clubs, fraternal orders, industrial centers, American Legion, Boy Scouts, home demonstration clubs, etc., so that every phase of the community life might be enlisted in the work. Mr. Lineberger's election as chairman will no doubt be confirmed by the larger committee when the organization is perfected.

Meeting Monday night were the members of the steering committee a temporary organization appointed some weeks ago. This committee composed of B. L. Smith, chairman, R. W. Shoffner, J. D. Lineberger, D. Z. Newton, Lee B. Weathers and J. R. Davis, discussed the situation and the proposed organization thoroughly in the hope of working out a community-wide plan that will co-ordinate the forces in the matter of unemployment and relief.

May Register Needy.
It is hoped to register the names of all families needing relief, keep records of the situation in individual homes, assign cases to certain organizations, etc. An employment program will be given consideration whereby those out of work will be enabled to earn a livelihood rather than be helped without giving something in return. All cases to be helped will be carefully investigated and must be found worthy before aid is rendered. Street begging will be discouraged and professional beggars from the outside will be asked to go back to the community from which they came. Several general principles like these were given consideration and in a short time, it is hoped to submit a plan of organization that will include all the forces of the community, centralized under one body to prevent overlapping of work and imposition by the needy.

Rotary Leader Here On Friday

Will Speak At Shelby Club Luncheon Meeting Of Club Directors.
Dr. Brent Schaeffer, president of Lenoir-Rhyne college at Hickory, will make his annual official visit to the Shelby Rotary club as governor of the 58th district Friday and will have charge of the weekly meeting of the local organization. It was announced yesterday by Rev. L. B. Hayes, club president.

An address by "Governor Brent" will be the principal feature of the meeting.
The directors of the club will meet at Hotel Charles at 12 o'clock for a business meeting, and the regular luncheon with this visiting official as speaker and honor guest will follow at 12:30.

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Postal Receipts Here In Big 10-Month Gain

Show 16% Gain Over Last Year

Receipts For 10 Months Only \$1,500 Shy Of Required 1931 Quota

Business is on the up and up at one point in Shelby and a business increase at that point is somewhat indicative of general business gain in the city and county. The postal receipts at the Shelby post office so far this year—through September—are ahead of any year in the past.

At the end of the 10 months period total receipts for 1931 were \$38,446.40. Postmaster J. H. Quinn announced today.

Sizeable Gain.
That is \$5,383.91 ahead of the \$33,062.49 receipts for the first 10 months of 1930. This represents a gain for 10 months of 16.1-4 percent, an unusual gain considering business conditions, or, rather, the despondent attitude of some.

Assured Now.
The Quinn report assures that the depression year, as it is termed, will not knock Shelby out of the first-class post office rating. An annual business of \$40,000 is required to retain that rank and with two full months to go the Shelby office is not only \$1,553.60 shy of the quota. The average for the year has been between \$4,500 and \$5,000 per month. With the holiday mailing season as a basis the months of November and December rank among the big months of the year and the receipts for the full 12 months will be much nearer \$50,000 than \$40,000, although it is believed the total will fall a little shy of \$50,000.

Pay Taxes Better Than Is Customary

Many Citizens Paying 1931 Taxes To Get Discount Given By County.

"It is surprising," A. E. Cline, county auditor, said today, "how citizens are paying their 1931 taxes now. The way the sheriff has been reporting tax collections it appears as if more people are paying early this year than in a number of years, if ever before."

During October the county gave a one percent discount to boost early paying and scores of taxpayers took advantage of the offer. During November the percentage of discount is one-half of one percent and many are still paying to save this much. There will be no discount or penalty during the months of December and January, but a penalty will start the first of February.

Big Cut.
Another reason for the unusual taxpaying rush is that county taxes are lower than they have been in years, due to a record cut in the rate made possible by the last legislature.
The city of Shelby is also collecting more taxes at this period of the year than is customary, due to a discount offered similar to that of the county.

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Highs Play Lowell Eleven In City Friday; Other Week-End Contests

Shelby Gridders Train Hard For Light But Speedy Lowell Team. Good Games On.

The next backyard football game for Shelby comes Friday afternoon when the local gridders meet Lowell here.

The Lowell eleven, always a hard one for Shelby, has a better record this year than usual and the visiting outfit would like to make it two Gaston county wins over Shelby as the Morrisons have already dropped a contest to Gastonia.

Training Hard.
Coach Casey Morris is taking no chances and is this week sending his squad through strenuous grinds getting the boys in shape for the game. He is reminding them how the offense failed to click several times against Rutherford and also how the line let one Rutherfordton

Central Reports 100 Additions

Conference Report Shows Year Of Progress. Conference Delegates Named.

At the conclusion of a splendid year, Central Methodist of which Rev. L. B. Hayes is pastor, reports a most gratifying year of progress. In making up its conference report, it finds many evidences of growth. Without any campaigns for membership, about 100 additions have been made to the church, of whom almost all have been assimilated into the active program of the church. The Sunday school enrollment has increased seventy. Fourteen cents per student has been the average amount contributed each Sunday from the cradle roll to the adult department. In one service the men's Bible class subscribed over \$1700. During the past year, a few less than 300 members have been on the "honor roll" of those having kept their pledges up to date. More than 600 members have contributed to the support of the church. More money has been raised for missions than in succeeding years. For hospitals and orphanage work more money than last year, has been contributed. The women of the missionary circles have equipped the kitchen with an electric stove and other necessities.

This week the board of stewards under the leadership of J. D. Lineberger, chairman, and Thad C. Ford, chairman of finance, is busy securing the necessary funds to meet the local and missionary claims of the church. Central Methodist church has met all of its assessments in full, for almost a quarter of a century.

Those attending the annual conference, along with the pastor, are Captain J. F. Roberts, of Shelby Building and Loan association; J. H. Grigg, county superintendent of public instruction, and C. H. Swoford of Swoford Grocery Co. In addition to these official delegates, many members of the church plan to attend the conference which convenes in Asheville, November 11-16.

Forest City Man Is Killed In Accident

Gun Goes Off While L. D. Beddingfield Starts Out To Kill Cat.

Forest City, Nov. 4.—L. D. Beddingfield, 47, was instantly killed at his home here yesterday morning about 6:45 o'clock when a shot gun, which he had carried from the house to shoot a dog or cat that had been killing his chickens, accidentally went off.

The animal had slipped away from Mr. Beddingfield and he had started back in the house, when his foot slipped through a crack in the steps at the back door, causing him to stumble and hit the trigger of the gun against the steps.
The entire load of the gun, a single barreled shot gun, entered Mr. Beddingfield's head through his chin, almost blowing his face off.

Surviving Mr. Beddingfield is his wife, five children, two brothers and two sisters.
Sheriff J. Ed McFarland viewed the body and stated that an inquest would not be necessary.

Brummitt Will Not Offer For 1932 Governor

Will Daniels Get In Race Now

Refusal Of Attorney General To Enter Race May Mean Editor Will Offer.

Oxford, Nov. 4.—Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt announced Monday night he would not be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor of North Carolina in the 1932 primary.

"For reasons of an entirely personal nature," a formal statement said, "I will not be a candidate for governor in the Democratic primary of 1932."

"Within recent days it has become evident that a statement from me was expected by my friends, and the state at large," it continued, "and during this period it has been equally apparent that the announcement I now make would be disappointing to many whose partiality or considered judgment would have enlisted their support of my candidacy, had I entered the race."

"With my appreciation to those who have encouraged me to become a candidate there goes also the assurance that my interest in the course to which we are jointly committed will continue active and unabated. I invite them to share my confidence that my service in that respect will not be the less effectual by disassociating it from a personal ambition to become governor."

Brummitt In Washington.
Mr. Brummitt was in Washington, D. C., and the statement was issued through his office here. He is expected to return to the attorney general's office in Raleigh about the middle of this week.

Friends of the attorney general here were unable to explain the personal reasons for Mr. Brummitt's failure to enter the race.

It was not known whether or not he would be a candidate next year for re-election as attorney general. Mr. Brummitt has for months been considered a "potential candidate" for the office now held by Governor O. Max Gardner. His withdrawal from this realm leaves three actual candidates for the Democratic primary—Lieutenant Governor R. T. Fountain, of Rocky Mount; J. C. B. Ehringhaus, of Elizabeth City; and A. J. Maxwell, of Raleigh, state commissioner of revenue.

The withdrawal of the attorney general also gave weight to reports that Josephus Daniels, Raleigh editor, would be a candidate for the nomination in 1932.

Effect On Daniels.
Raleigh, Nov. 4.—Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt's an-

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Shelby Man Surgeon Atlanta Motorcade

A motorcade of 100 cars, including the state highway patrol and the governor of Georgia is on a trip this week from Atlanta, Ga. to Greenville, S. C., celebrating the opening of the new highway from Atlanta to Greenville. Dr. Joe Osborne, Shelby boy and son of Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Osborne, of this place, who is on the interne staff of the Grady hospital in Atlanta, Ga. is ambulance surgeon on the motorcade. Dr. Osborne is riding the ambulance and is ready to care for any emergency that might arise.

The new highway completes the hard surface between Greenville and Atlanta and incidentally from Shelby to the Georgia capital.

Legion Auxiliary To Renew Membership

Mrs. T. B. Gold, president of the American Legion auxiliary is planning the annual membership drive to be held from November 4 to November 11. Beginning today, it is hoped to renew 95 auxiliary memberships in the local organization and secure many additional memberships before Armistice day, next Wednesday. Calls will be made on the present members and on other ladies entitled to membership in the auxiliary.

Home Is Burned In Pleasant Ridge Area

The home of Bill Bridges in the Pleasant Ridge community was destroyed by fire Saturday night. It is understood that the family was away from home at the time and that none of the household goods were saved.

Choose Not



Considered for many months a prospective candidate for Governor of North Carolina in 1932, Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt (above) announced this week he would not seek the office.

McSwain Is Not Moved By Action Brummitt Made

Shelby Senator Remains In Attorney General Race. Much Support.

Peyton McSwain, state senator of Shelby, is still a candidate for attorney general of North Carolina although Attorney General Dennis G. Brummitt has announced that he will not be a candidate for governor, and, as a result, may be a candidate for reelection to his present office.

The Brummitt announcement has not changed the plans of Senator McSwain one iota, he said here today.

Encouraged.
"Certainly I am not going to withdraw," the Shelby attorney declared when he was told that it was intimated about Raleigh that he and Senator J. R. Baggett, another candidate, might fade from the picture with Brummitt deciding to seek his old office.

"Why should I withdraw? I have entered the race, was encouraged to do so before I did and have received and am still receiving plenty of additional encouragement. I do not know for a fact, for that matter, whether Mr. Brummitt will be a candidate himself. Whether he is or not will have nothing to do with my part of it. I'm in to stay," he added.

Raleigh Paper.
The following paragraph from The Raleigh News and Observer report of the Brummitt announcement hints that some may expect McSwain and Baggett to leave the field:

"Mr. Brummitt's decision affects not only the gubernatorial race, since he will stand for renomination as attorney general. Whether he will have opposition is uncertain, but while the idea was generally prevalent that he would be a candidate for governor, two state senators came out for the attorney generalship—J. R. Baggett of Harnett and Peyton McSwain of Cleveland.

An ex-service man himself and a captain in the North Carolina militia, McSwain is naturally receiving strong support from World war veterans all over the state. Furthermore he has been tendered the backing of numerous organizations and individuals in every section. There is no reason for him to withdraw the local attorney said and go back on those who have expressed their willingness to help him, particularly when among that group of former Brummitt supporters who have already pledged their support to McSwain, he says, believing that Brummitt would be a candidate for governor.

Presbyterian Men To Hold Meeting

The men of Shelby Presbyterian church will hold their monthly meeting at the church this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. J. A. White has charge of the program and will be assisted by other men of the congregation. The program comes under the department of home missions as projected by the general assembly. Every man in the church is invited to the meeting tonight, this being known as men's night. After the men's meeting the regular mid-week choir rehearsal will be held.

Storebreaker To Prison 8 Years; Superior Court

Negro And Paramour Get Sentence

White Youths Go Up For Store-breaking. Return Charge Of Attempted Rape.

The fall term of superior court entered its third day this morning and is rapidly disposing of the remaining cases on the docket.

Several important cases have already been tried and at least five defendants have been sent to the state prison.

Washburn Trial.
Yesterday Mark Washburn, colored, Grace Payne, his paramour, and Wallace Walker, also colored, were tried on the charges of robbing the Wright-Baker store here last summer and stealing an automobile from the D. H. Cline garage. Washburn and the woman, a quadroon, were found guilty and sentenced. Walker, who was represented by Robert R. Reynolds, of Asheville, was acquitted by the jury. Washburn received a sentence of five to eight years on the automobile larceny charge and a term of 3 to 5 years on the store robbery count. The woman, as an alleged accomplice, received two to three years.

The stolen car, with some of the clothing taken from the store, was found next day, abandoned in a cemetery, at Marion. Later Washburn and the woman were apprehended in Cincinnati and brought back here. Other of the stolen clothing was found at Asheville. Washburn implicated Walker in an alleged confession, when he later repudiated, saying that Walker was along in the double robbery. Walker claiming that Washburn implicated him because of rivalry, and subsequent jealousy, over the quadroon. Washburn, it will be remembered was picked up by an officer when he listened to a radio broadcast of himself in Ohio and started to run.

Other Terms.
Oscar Lee Elmore and Romie Newton, both white youths, were given three to five years each and Harland Pruett, also white, one to two years, on the charge of breaking in the J. B. Ramsey store at Casar. The latter submitted.

True Bills In.
The grand jury has returned a true bill of attempted rape against Javan and James Thompson, young negro men of the Bolling Springs section. The prosecuting witness is a young white girl who stated in preliminary trial that the attempt was made when she went to the mail box.

A true bill has also been returned against Pressly Parker, colored, in connection with a "Little Harlem" fight some months ago which ended in a fatality. Parker and another negro, Willie Strickland, were said to have been engaged in an altercation over a woman. Strickland used a knife, officers stated, and then Parker used his gun. Willie Love, young negro shine boy, stuck his head out of a doorway in the negro business section, to see what was going on, and was struck and killed by one of the bullets. Parker was pretty badly cut and Strickland was shot in the abdomen. The bill was returned as one of murder, but it is all bills in case of a death, but in that Parker was not shooting at the negro killed it is presumed that the count will be minimized.

Fire Sweeping Plant, Stable; Mules Burned

Four mules and one horse were known to be dead and considerable damage had been done in a fire in Shelby about 2:30 this afternoon.

The blaze was in the connecting building, West Graham street, occupied by Fortenberry's Cleveland Auto and Wagon Works and the stock stables of Doggett and Cline. Some of the stock was removed from the building, the fire starting in the stable at the rear. It was thought, but at 3 o'clock four mules and one horse were already found dead. The flames continued to sweep the brick-vener front portion of the building occupied by the wagon works.

Bob Reynolds On Visit Here

Candidate For Senate Optimistic Over His Chances. Encouraged Here.

Robert R. (Our Bob) Reynolds, Asheville attorney and a candidate for the Democratic nomination to the United States Senate, opposing Cameron Morrison, Tam Bowie and Frank D. Grist, was a visitor in Shelby and Cleveland county yesterday. Mr. Reynolds was here primarily in the interest of a client in Superior court, but he managed to travel around quite a bit and get in touch with many voters.

The Asheville man, who received 93,000 votes when he opposed the late Senator Overman, is basing his campaign to a considerable degree upon the modification of prohibition. A big percentage of the people in North Carolina he stated, are becoming aware of the hypocrisy of the law and, as he termed it, the miserable method of enforcement that is breeding more and more criminals because it makes crime pay.

Cam And Bob.
"As I look at it, basing my statement on the reports of friends in all sections of the state, and not boasting," he said, "the race is between Mr. Morrison and myself. I believe I can make it plenty interesting for him." He bases his optimism, conversation with friends declared, upon the original strength of 93,000 votes he had years ago, new votes he will receive in favoring modification, and votes he expects to get from Democrats who resent activities of Senator Morrison he was appointed.

"I was surprised at the number of people here," he added, "who came up voluntarily and told me they were going to vote for me. Many of the townspeople did that, and in travelling in the rural sections the farmers gave me similar assurance."

County Court Has Long Night Session

Lawyers and other court attendants are having a heavy week of it with Superior court in session during the day and recorder's court at night.

Last night the county court held forth until near midnight. A majority of the night grind was devoted to a case which, for the second time, ended in a mistrial as the jury disagreed.

There will be court again tonight, and perhaps nearly every night of the week.

New Auto Plates On Sale Dec. 15; Black Numerals On Yellow Plate

Start Sale Of 1932 Tags Soon. Must Be On By January First.

North Carolina's 1932 auto tag will be the "New York" type—black numerals against a yellow background. The words "North Carolina" will appear at the top instead of at the bottom, followed by a small "32." There will be no classification numbers, but tags will be sold numerically, regardless of the type of vehicle—except that the truck series will be different from that of passenger cars.

Tags for both passenger cars and trucks will go on sale December 15 and every motor vehicle is required by law to be equipped with new tags by January 1.
A new system of charges goes into effect this time, the charge being 55 cents per 100 pounds for

all passenger cars, the weight figured to include the "nearest 50 pounds" with \$12.50 as a minimum. Thus, there are 16 different license fees for Florida alone.
The minimum for trucks is \$15. Pneumatic-tired truck fees are 55 cents per 100 pounds for not more than one and one-half ton capacity 70 cents per 100 between one and one-half and three-ton capacity, and \$1 for all over three-ton capacity.

Solid-tired trucks bear the heaviest rates, since the state motor vehicle commission wishes to eliminate such trucks as rapidly as possible. For these vehicles, the rate is \$1.20 per 100 pounds for those of not more than one and one-half ton capacity; \$1.40 for those of two to three-ton capacity, and 2 for those of three to 10-ton capacity.
There is also a new system for

Veterans Plan Armistice Day Highlights Here

Event At Fairgrounds Will Be Good

Big November 11 Program Starts At 2 In Afternoon And Ends At 9 In Evening.

Final details of the big charity celebration to be held at the fairgrounds November 11 by the Warren F. Hoyle post of the American Legion were gone over thoroughly at a meeting of the committee in charge Tuesday night.

Everything will be in readiness to go promptly at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and one event will follow the other in rapid fire order. Every effort is being made to have something happening every minute of the afternoon.

Entrants in the various events are asked to give their names to members of the committee this week so that a program may be prepared for judge and other officials. All entrants must report to the officials of the afternoon in front of the grandstand by 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, November 11, one hour before the program begins.

May Be Two Bands.
Gates will be opened at noon and there will be band music from that time until the races start. There is a possibility there will be two bands, the Shelby high school band and an American Legion band from Morganton.

Many Events.
The list of events, in each of which three cash prizes will be given, together with the name of the man in charge of the event, follows. All would-be entrants are asked to give their names to the men in charge of the events. If they are unable to see these men they can give their names to Peyton McSwain, commander of the post. If any would-be contestant, however, is unable to see any official of the post, he can enter any contest by appearing at the judges stand at the fairgrounds at 1 o'clock. However, in order that everything may be arranged in advance entrants are asked to list their names this week. There will be no entrance fees of any sort. The program follows:

The Program.
Bicycle race for boys under 16 years of age, Everett Houser.
Foxhound race, R. L. Lowman.
Beagle race, R. L. Lowman.
Free-for-all dog race, R. L. Lowman.
Large pony race, R. L. Lowman.
Small pony race, R. L. Lowman.
Slow mule race, Mills Cline.
Fast mule race, Mills Cline.
Free for all horse race (saddle event), Mills Cline.
Boxing card, to consist of several twosomes and a battle royal, Arthur Sides. The boxing program appears elsewhere.

Finals.
At 9 p. m. the day will be brought to a close by a big street dance held in the block in front of the Masonic temple. String bands will furnish the music and Charlie Alexander has been asked to take care of this part of the program.

Response Cheering To Vets Planning November 11 Event

Members of the Warren F. Hoyle post of the American Legion state they have been delightfully surprised at the response to their plan for a charity benefit celebration at the fairgrounds Armistice day.

Members of the legion had hoped to raise a modest sum for those who may need aid this year in this county but when news of the program planned had spread individuals all over the county expressed so much interest and approval that belief now is there will be a crowd in attendance rivaling any crowd that ever attended a county fair. Interest is being shown in nearby counties; a radio broadcast from the Gastonia station having been donated Tuesday at noon.

Organization for handling the crowd has been well taken care of by Chief Mack Poston who is in charge of parking and all cars will be well taken care of. State patrolmen will probably be present to assist in handling traffic on the highway leading to the fairgrounds.

The Legion auxiliary will handle refreshments at the grounds. This will include cold drinks, barbecue, etc. Proceeds from this as well as from game receipts will go for charity. Merchants are, being asked to close up at 1 o'clock so that the entire city and county can join hands in this movement to assist the people of Cleveland county who may, through no fault of their own, need a lift over the coming winter months.