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THE MARKET

Cotton, spots 6c and up
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RAIN THURSDAY

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Increasing cloudiness followed by rain Thursday and in west portion tonight. Slowly rising temperature Thursday and in extreme west portion tonight.

DANIELS PREDICTS WIN

New York, Dec. 30.—A 1932 presidential candidate, who embodies liberal and progressive views and has "no vestige of standstillism or pink Republicanism," was urged upon the Democratic party yesterday by Joseph Daniels. "For," said the secretary of the navy in the Wilson administration, "the situation next year will be not unlike that of 1912. Now, as then, the people are going to elect a president who embodies liberal and progressive views. If, in 1912, the Democrats had nominated what is called a conservative—a misnomer for a reactionary—Roosevelt would have won. But the Democrats picked Wilson, a great progressive, and they won. No one who is known as a standstillist, or who acquiesces in 'standstillism' can win in 1932. Nor can we win with a 'pink Republican,' which is another name for a reactionary Democrat. The people are on the march; they see conditions are bad; they demand a change. The party in power, by allowing 6,000,000 men to go without jobs, has, in the words of the scriptures, been weighed and found wanting. The Republicans next year will have no more chance than did that great and good man, Taft, in 1912. It seems that the only question left for the Democrats to decide is the identity of their candidate."

Massey Leaves Hardware Firm In Shelby Soon

Sells His Interests In Farmers Hardware To Nuchols. Was Here Six Years Ago.

Henry Massey, who came here six years ago from Mt. Holly as part owner to manage the Farmers Hardware company, an old Shelby business, announced today that he had sold his interests in the firm to Charles Nuchols, prominent hardware man of Charlotte. Mr. Nuchols, who is connected with the American Hardware and Equipment company and well known in the hardware world, was already a stockholder in the local enterprise. It is presumed that he will put a new manager in the store, it is said, but that is not definitely known and Mr. Massey will remain until Mr. Nuchols completes his plans. Mr. Massey, who started in the hardware business with his father at Wachau years ago and later operated a store at Mt. Holly before purchasing controlling interest in the Farmers store here, until then operated by J. D. Lineberger, has not decided definitely upon his future plans.

Carr To Address Young People In Shelby This Eve

Religious Director, Well Known Here, To Speak At Presbyterian Mass Meeting.

Mr. Claude T. Carr, Director of Religious Education in the Synod of North Carolina, will speak to a mass meeting of young people at Shelby Presbyterian church this evening at 7 o'clock.

Mr. Carr is well and favorably known in Shelby, having once been a teacher in the city schools. A large and interested group of young folks will hear him tonight.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will be hostess to the young people of the junior age and above, including college students, and will serve supper to them at 7 o'clock. Following Mr. Carr's address each group will retire to a separate room for a social and recreational period. A happy and profitable evening is in store for all who attend.

Yuletide Dancers Lose Their Coats

Several young men who attended the Christmas Eve dance in Shelby are still minus the overcoats they wore to the annual social event for the younger set.

Quite a number of them shed their overcoats at convenient spots about the Hotel Charles and the dance floor, overlooking the fact that they might have been left at the office or checked. As a result several of them found themselves without overcoats when the dance ended Christmas morn. Whether the thieves were among the dancers or were chance—happy chance—onlookers is not known.

Food And Feed Crops Give High Value To 1931 Cleveland Output

Total Crops Valued Over 5 Million

Poultry, Gardens, Dairy Products, Corn And Hay Climb On Cotton Value.

An early estimate of the value of all farm crops in Cleveland county for 1931 shows that Cleveland is no longer just "a big cotton county".

An estimate sheet as prepared by R. W. Shoffner, county agent, after careful investigation, fixes the total value of 1931 farm crops in Cleveland at \$5,375,750.

Cotton Two Millions
Despite the low price cotton ranked in first place with a value of slightly over two million dollars, or \$2,222,500, to be exact. Cotton seed was valued at \$476,250, due to a higher value for a good variety of seed grown here, making the cotton and cotton seed total run slightly over two and one-half million.

Plenty of Food
But the food and feed crops made their greatest surge forward in 1931.

The poultry industry topped all other endeavors in the live-at-home program. The poultry and egg production of the county during the year was estimated at over a half million, or, to be exact, \$815,000, thus ranking in second place.

Garden crops, it being Cleveland's greatest gardening year, came third with an estimated value of \$575,000. Milk and dairy products came fourth with an estimated value of \$450,000; corn ranked fifth with a value of \$380,000, and the hay crops took sixth place with a \$160,000 value.

Almost Half
The chart of estimates show that the four major live-at-home items in Cleveland county—poultry, dairy products, garden crops, and corn—were valued over two million dollars, almost half the value of the entire farm output.

The estimated table by individual items follows:
Cotton, Cotton Seed \$2,222,500
Poultry, Eggs 815,000
Garden crops 575,000
Milk, Dairy products 450,000
Corn 380,000
Hay crops 160,000
Wheat 102,000
Fruits 100,000
Sweet Potatoes 98,000
Oats 52,000
Irish Potatoes 30,000
Rye 5,000
All other crops 110,000
Total \$5,375,750

Parole Explained By Court Officers

Was Conditioned On Emory Leaving State. Family Was On Charity.

Some criticism having been heard of county court officials for recommending a parole for Roland Emory, Cleveland man serving a six-months road sentence, an explanation was made today by them. Emory was sent up on the charge of operating a bawdy house and his sentence along with that of others cleared up the bawdy atmosphere in the community, it was said. The parole, however, was conditioned upon his moving along with his people to some other section or out of the State where they can start over again. Another incident that tended to make the parole a propitious move, it was said, was the fact that charity organizations were having to maintain his family while he was serving.

Deny Report That Cleveland County Native To Become Head State College

Col. Harrelson Knows Nothing Of Rumor. Other Officials Express Surprise.

Reports published Monday that Col. J. W. Harrelson, head of the State conservation department and a native of Cleveland county, would be elected to succeed Dr. E. C. Brooks as president of State college were denied in Raleigh. Colonel Harrelson said that he had not heard of such a move and added that "such reports are embarrassing to me." Dr. Brooks, who, according to the report, was slated to take over some other post in the State's education department, said he knew nothing of such a change.

Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer and chairman of the executive committee of State

Cleveland Farmers Receive More For 1931 Cotton Than For Crop Of 1926; Production Cost Less

Larger Crop Brings More At Seven Cents Than 1926 Crop At 10 Cents.

The year 1926 was one of the biggest boom years for Shelby and Cleveland county and the year 1931, just going out, was considered the reverse. Yet Cleveland county cotton farmers received, or will receive, almost \$30,000 more for their 1931 cotton crop than they did for their 1926 crop.

In 1926 the weather conditions were unfavorable for cotton and as a result Cleveland county made only 43,000 bales. Cotton that year sold for 10 1-2 cents on the average. At that figure Cleveland farmers received \$2,160,750 for their 1926 crop.

Better Season

This year the season was ideal for cotton. A crop that was battered by storms early in the year, and had nothing like as much fertilizer under it, developed into a record crop of 64,000 bales, or will have by the final ginning period. Due to a better grade of cotton being grown this year it is estimated that the crop as a whole sold for an average of seven cents. That means that the 1931 crop of 64,000 bales has brought, or will bring, Cleveland farmers a total of \$2,240,000, which is, to be exact, \$79,250 more than received from the 1926 crop.

Less Overhead

The \$79,000 gain over 1926 is not the only phase in which the year now closing ranked ahead. The production cost of the crop this year was far less than that of the 1926 crop. Some estimate that the cost of the crop of the years from 1926 through 1929. No farmer used as much fertilizer this year as he used in those years. Even the conservative figure that the 1931 crop cost 30 percent less than the 1930 and 1929 crops. Another gain over bygone years is that of the increase in food and feed crops this year. From 1926 to 1929 Cleveland county drifted away from the live-at-home idea. A big percentage of the cotton money went out of the county for imported hay and other food and feed. In 1930 the farmers turned again to the self-sustaining basis and grew a big percentage of their entire food and feed supply. This year more food and feed was produced than last year. All of which means that the cotton farmers of the county received almost \$80,000 more for their cotton this year than in 1926; the cotton was produced at a third less cost than in 1926; and very little of the cotton money was sent outside this year for food and feed.

FIELD WORKER SPEAKS

L. L. Morgan, Sunday school field worker will be in the county from Goldsboro on Sunday Jan. 3rd, when the Kings Mountain Sunday School Association meets with the East-side Baptist church. Mr. Morgan will be the principal speaker at 3 o'clock. The program begins at 2:30 o'clock and the most important business to be taken up is the election of officers for next year. Special music will be furnished by the Hopper quartet from Gaffney, S. C.

Denies Letter.

It was learned that the published report came as a result of a letter which Colonel Harrelson is alleged to have written to someone in Charlotte. Colonel Harrelson was emphatic in denying that he had written in any such letter, "I did not write such a letter; in fact I know nothing whatsoever about the matter. The whole thing is embarrassing to me. I am satisfied with the work I am now doing and I want to see my program in the conservation department."

BIRTH

Born at 12:40 today, at the Shelby hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Hamrick, a son, Joseph Eugene, weight 8 pounds and one ounce. Mrs. Hamrick, who was Miss Louise Allen before marriage, and son are getting along nicely.

Extra! Shelby Cops York Checker Battle

Local Checker Wizards Get First Victory Over South Carolina Experts.

To that portion of the community interested in the popular game of checkers, this is news.

Playing at York, South Carolina, yesterday, the Shelby checker team turned in its first tournament victory over the York team by a score of 38 to 26. The two teams have met three or four times heretofore, but the South Carolinians, with the Shillinglaw brothers setting the pace, have been too good for the locals. The individual scores of Tuesday's tourney follow: Shelby—Cashion 10, Bridges 10, Hord 10 and Rollins 8; York—Joe Shillinglaw 7, Walter Shillinglaw 7, and Sherrill 8.

Many Cleveland Couples Married At Gretna Green

Ten County Couples Marry At Gaffney During Christmas Season.

Almost half of the Yuletide business at the Gaffney, S. C., Gretna Green was furnished by Cleveland county couples.

Ten Cleveland couples journeyed to the Cherokee county seat, just across the line from Cleveland, to secure marriage license from Probate Judge Lake W. Stroup during the holiday season. They were: Ernest Self and Ruth Downs, of Shelby.

Carl McSwain and Githa Sellers, of Shelby R-8.

Martin S. Beam and Mary Ellen Hoyle, of Shelby R-1.

John Workman and Mae Elwood, of Shelby.

Boyce Goins and Rosaleen Hudson, of Kings Mountain.

John Jones and Beulah Wilson, of Kings Mountain.

Easley Bridges and Sadie Beason, of Boiling Springs.

George P. Ware, of Asheville, and Lena Wilkinson, of Shelby.

Paul Short and Jessie Lee McDaniel, of Kings Mountain.

Howard Wilson and Marie Hudson, of Shelby.

Quietest Holiday Season In Shelby For Number Years

Less Drinking And Rowdiness Than Police Chief Has Ever Seen.

It has been the quietest and most law-abiding holiday season in Shelby that Police Chief Mac Poston has known since he became a member of the city police force seven years ago.

The chief, however, is wary about making the statement because the holiday season isn't over until after the New Year's celebration—and something could break loose then.

Up until today, however, it has been an unusually peaceful holiday period. There has been less drinking and crime than in many years. All about the city one hears citizens remark, "I haven't seen a single drunk this Christmas." There has been some drinking, of course, but officers say it has been on a more moderate scale than usual with very few taking on enough to start trouble or cause any commotion.

Quite a number of arrests were made last week and this week, but few of them were for serious charges. The lack of excessive drinking and rowdiness is shown by the fact that thus far in the holidays there has not been a single serious wreck or mishap in Shelby and the surrounding section.

First Baby Of 1932 In County To Get Welcome

Star And Merchants Arrange Gifts

Cleveland's First 1932 Youngster Will Get Good Start In Life.

Cleveland county's young "Master 1932" or young "Miss 1932" has a warm welcome awaiting his or her arrival.

Some time after the clock tolls out the old year Thursday midnight and the New Year begins—maybe just a few minutes after—Cleveland county's first baby of 1932 will be born. Following a custom of several years The Cleveland Star and a group of cooperative Shelby merchants and business men plan to give the first 1932 baby a reception party.

Array Of Gifts.

To the first white baby, born of residential parents, in Cleveland county in 1932 will go the designation "New Year Baby" and along with that designation an array of gifts tendered by The Star and Shelby merchants. For some time The Star has given a year's subscription to the first baby of the year, but these days it is difficult for the clerk to find a Cleveland county home in which the paper is not going. In order, then, not to double up on the youngster, whose birth will be recorded in the newspaper his or her parents take, The Star has decided this year to give a \$2 savings account. Others cooperating with The Star list their welcome gifts below and in a page advertisement in today's issue. And there are some nifty gifts for "Master or Miss 1932." If you care to turn to the page and look.

Rules.

The Star must be officially notified of the birth by the attending physician, a qualified nurse, or the submission of a birth certificate. The notification must contain the exact time of the birth and the names and address of the parents. The baby MUST also be named to qualify as a contestant for the title and gifts.

All birth records must be submitted to The Star not later than 10 o'clock Monday morning, January 4, and when possible before that time. Official announcement of the winner and the names of the other early arrivals for 1932 will be made in the Monday afternoon edition of The Star.

Those giving prizes to the first baby of the year and their prizes follow:

J. C. McNeely & Company, \$2.50 savings bank account.

Sloop's Pharmacy, 2 1/2-pound can milk.

Sterchi Brothers, baby stroller.

Carolina theatre, five-year pass.

Cleveland Star, prize of a \$2 savings account to the second baby born in 1932.

Pendleton's Music Store, ukelele.

Sanitary Market, dozen cans Pet milk.

Ehrd's, baby blanket.

Quinn's Drug Store, baby comb and brush set.

Charles Stokes Company, \$2.50 worth of baby clothes.

A. V. Wray & Sons, one bolt bird's eye diaper cloth.

Tillman's Service Station, family car washed and greased free of charge.

About 1,700 Car Tags Bought Here

Head of Highway Patrol Says New Plates Must Be On All Cars By Friday.

Approximately 1,700 new N. Carolina automobile license plates have already been sold at the Shelby license bureau on North Washington street, it was announced today by Chas. R. Eskridge, manager.

Of that number about 1,600 were for automobiles and 100 for trucks. The bureau will open Friday, the first day of the New Year. Checks are not accepted as payment on plates.

Raleigh, Dec. 30.—Captain Chas. D. Farmer, head of the state highway patrol, this week said that his force was going to enforce "to the letter" the law requiring motor vehicles to carry new license tags on and after January 1.

"As far as I know there will be no extension of time granted to car owners," he declared, "and beginning with the first of January the highway patrol is going to see that cars display the proper plates or else be kept off the highways."

Carideo in Benedict Role



Here is the first and exclusive picture of Frank Carideo, former All-American quarterback at Notre Dame, with his bride, the former Vera Crawley. Carideo, who many experts say was one of the greatest quarterbacks in football history, was an assistant coach at his Alma Mater last season. Photo was made in the Carideo home at Mount Vernon, N. Y., where the couple is spending the holidays. Angelo, Frank's younger brother, is another rising star at Notre Dame.

Hoped That \$85,000 Allotment Will Suffice To Construct Needed Additions For Shelby Post Office

Builder Says Sum May Buy Additional Space As Well As Cover Building.

The prospect of securing the hoped-for and needed additions to the Shelby post office, including a third story to be used as a Federal court room, are not as gloomy as they were a week ago.

Last spring Congress allotted a quota of \$85,000 for the construction of needed additions to the local Federal building, the additions to include enlarged working space in the postal department on the main floor and for a third floor court room and Federal offices. The sum was considered sufficient to cover the construction expense as the temporary plan was outlined by department architects. But a visit here by one of the officials revealed that to erect the necessary addition to the main floor would require more ground space. No more space was available on the sides of the present building, and the only hope was to purchase some of the Hoey building property to the rear of the office.

It was then that it was realized that if the \$85,000 quota was needed to cover the actual construction work, there would be no other money available with which to purchase the additional ground space. Local civic organizations and others then got in touch with senators, congressmen and other officials in Washington and sought to have the appropriation increased so that it would cover the purchase of the additional property. Back from Washington, however, came the word that, due to a deficit in the treasury, the outlook seemed hopeless for getting the quota increased.

During the holidays Joe Lacy, Georgia contractor, who has erected quite a number of government buildings this year, was a visitor here, his wife being a Shelby girl, and the matter was mentioned to him.

If, he said, the \$85,000 quota was considered sufficient last year or early this year to make the addition, it might be possible to stretch it into enough to purchase the additional footage and make the outlined addition. He based his view upon the fact that building material and labor are considerably cheaper now than they were when the building appropriations committee made its investigations and recommendations a year ago. It is possible, as he viewed it, that enough can be saved upon the original estimated cost of material and labor to take care of the sum needed to purchase more space.

In several of the governmental building projects this year it was found that contractors turned in bids considerably under the government's estimates and quotas as assembled a year ago because they could secure material and labor at a lower price than when the estimate was first made. All the estimates and quotas made on the building projects were figured upon the basis of the price of material and labor at that time. With a decline in both since several post offices and additions already constructed or under construction are being completed for a sum less than allotted by Congress. As a result it is hoped here now that the bids for the addition to the Shelby office will be enough under the quota to leave a sum sufficient to purchase the needed property at the rear of the office.

Kiwanis Installs Officers Tomorrow

Officers for the new year of the Kiwanis club will be installed at the Thursday night meeting this week, according to an announcement from the secretary, C. A. Burrus. Mr. Forrest Eskridge will assume the presidency of the club and plans will be made for the coming year.

Governor On Formal Trip There With Josephus Daniels And Joyner.

New York, Dec. 30.—Governor O. Max Gardner of North Carolina, and two other distinguished citizens of that state visited a Greenwich Village studio Monday and gave approval to a statue that is destined for National Statuary hall. It was a sculptural likeness of Charles B. Aycock, North Carolina's famous "educational governor" who occupied the state house from 1900 to 1905. The plaster was still damp on the model as North Carolinians inspected it, yet—

"It is excellent," said Governor Gardner, "excellent. It is a very fine likeness indeed."

With him were Josephus Daniels,

secretary of the navy in Woodrow Wilson's administration, and Dr. J. V. Joyner, both of Raleigh. They also, constituting the official Aycock Statue committee, approved the model.

The sculptor is Charles Keck. Governor Gardner said he hopes the final bronze casting will be completed in time for presentation to congress on May 20, which is the date of the Mecklenburg celebration.

Dual Mission.

Governor Gardner, tall, bronzed and robust, had a dual mission on his current visit to New York. First, he came to inspect the Aycock statue and, secondly, he came to tell a banking syndicate about

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Postal Receipts Of 'Hard Times' Year Lead 1930

Christmas Receipts Also Better

Business Handled Through Shelby Post Office Shows Gain Over Last Year.

The year 1931, believe it or not, was better than 1930 in several respects. For instance:

1. More holiday greeting cards and Christmas gift packages were sent through the Shelby post office this year than were sent last year.

2. Postal receipts at the Shelby post office this year were larger every month of the year than for the corresponding months of last year.

Although the full postal report of December cannot be known until the end of the month, Postmaster J. H. Quinn stated today that Shelby is certain to retain a first-class post office because the postal receipts here passed the required \$40,000 annual quota several weeks ago.

Surprising Gain.

"We were surprised this week," Postmaster Quinn continued, "to check up and find that our Christmas mail was heavier than that of 1930."

The postal receipts at the local office, he said, from the 20th of December through Christmas this year totalled \$400 more than receipts for the same period last year.

The December receipts, for the entire month to date, are ahead of those for last December although the second-class mail and special permit receipts have not as yet been added thereto.

With this December running ahead of December of last year it is now assured that the receipts of every month this year were larger than corresponding months last year. The closest call was in November when the receipts barely ran ahead of those of November 1930.

Holidays At End For Children In Cleveland Schools

Resume Work Tomorrow Morning After Holiday Starting Week Ago, City Later.

The yuletide holidays end tomorrow, Thursday, for several thousand Cleveland county school children as they return to their class work after a holiday period that began a week ago today.

Although the schools will be back at work a day before the entrance of the New Year it is believed that attendance will be normal.

Open Monday.

The city schools of Shelby, which closed a week ago yesterday, will resume work Monday morning, January 4.

A majority of the Shelby boys and girls at home for college will not return until some time next week.

Boiling Springs Men Form Club At Wake

Wake Forest, Dec. 30.—The graduates of Boiling Springs College and High School recently organized into a club. The officers elected were: President, Grady Haynes; vice-president, Robert Farney; Secretary, Floyd Harrill, and reporter, Ryan Robinson. The sponsor is Miss Bessie Sue Wilson of Shelby.

Boiling Springs has the distinction this year of sending more students to Wake Forest than any other junior college. The members of the club follow: Oscar Balen, Forest Hunt, Grady Haynes, Frank Hamrick, John Hamrick, Floyd Harrill, Jackie Harrill, Carl Latham, M. J. Padgett, J. W. Davis, Ryan Robinson, A. V. Washburn, Zeno Wall, Howard Moore, Evans Bony, Vincent Falkenberg, Ralph Carpenter, Howard McDonald, Wymar Wood, Hubert Huggins, Robert Farney, and Herman Petty.

Tennant Improves.

B. B. Tennant, owner and operator of the Central Cafe, who broke his ankle in a fall Christmas Eve, is improving at his home on South Washington street; his friends will be glad to hear.

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