

THE MARKET
Cotton, spots 6 1/2 and up
Cotton seed, per ton \$12.00
Cooler Thursday.

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Mostly cloudy tonight and Thursday. Somewhat cooler tonight in west and central portions. Cooler Thursday.

Bank Robbed. Magnolia, Jan. 13.—Three unmasked white men robbed the Bank of Magnolia of \$14,000 yesterday and escaped after slugging the assistant cashier into unconsciousness and locking him in a vault. Alton Gaylor, the assistant cashier was alone when two of the men entered the bank. While the third waited in a small coupe, the two hit Gaylor over the head, scooped up the currency in sight and fled.

Smith On Council For Scouts Again In This District

Two Hundred And Fifty Men Hear Dr. Sikes Address Piedmont Scout Leaders.

Gastonia, Jan. 13.—Judge Bismarck Capps of Gastonia last night was elected president of the Piedmont Council of the Boy Scouts of America at the annual meeting here, succeeding J. W. Atkins, who has filled that position for the last four years.

Judge Capps is a member of the Gaston county bar, a United States commissioner and a prominent layman of the Lutheran church in North Carolina.

Mr. Atkins was elected vice president, Warren Y. Gardner was re-elected treasurer and Rev. G. R. Gillespie was re-elected commissioner. County vice presidents were elected as follows: Gaston, C. C. Dawson of Cramerton; Polk, F. P. Bacon of Tryon; Lincoln, Harry Page of Lincolnton; Cleveland, B. L. Smith of Shelby; Iredell, Rev. J. L. Thornburg of Statesville; Catawba Brooks M. Todd of Hickory; Burke, G. Max Long of Morganton; Caldwell, Dr. R. W. Petrie of Lenoir.

Dr. E. W. Sikes, president of Clemson college, delivered the annual address, which was heard by two hundred and fifty men from every section of the 11 counties composing the piedmont area.

Shelby Delegation. Among those attending the Gastonia meeting from Shelby and Cleveland counties were: A. W. Benoy, Rev. L. L. Jessup, H. B. Miller, B. L. Smith, R. W. Shoffner, Dr. T. B. Mitchell, J. Harvey White, R. E. Ledbetter, Sam Smith, R. T. LeGrand, Capt. Frank Jenkins, J. S. McKnight, T. J. Babington, Gaither Queen, A. Canipe, E. L. Dillingham, J. L. Dennis, E. C. Aderholt, and J. A. Propst. Shelby Eagle scouts present were Dick LeGrand and Mal Spangler, Jr.

Little Hope To Find Death Car

Officers Have No Clue To Work On In Locating Hit-Run Driver.

The identity of the automobile driver whose car hit and fatally injured Robert Lee Walker, Union, S. C., man, between Kings Mountain and Grover last Saturday night may be added to the other unsolved mysteries of county criminal history.

Walker's body was found lying in a side-ditch on the Kings Mountain-Grover highway about five miles below Kings Mountain. He died in the hospital here an hour or so later from a fractured skull and other injuries. His identity could not be learned until Sunday morning.

Officers have made a thorough check of the fatality since, but have not unearthed a single clue that sheds any light upon who might have been the driver of the car which struck the hitch-hiker. The driver, who in all probability did not stop, has had ample time, it is pointed out, to remove any trace of an accident that might have shown on his car; and any attempt to locate him would be like hunting a needle in a haystack.

Boiling Springs To Start Second Team

Registration Tomorrow. Class Work At College On Friday.

Boiling Springs, Jan. 12.—Boiling Springs college will begin the second semester's work the last of this week. Registration day is Thursday and regular class work will begin Friday. Practically all the students registered during the first semester are expected to return and several new applications already have been received.

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County Farmers Swing To Third Of Their Cotton

Hoping For Higher Price In Spring

Buyers Say Price May Be Slightly Higher Than. Do Not Want Big Crop.

Cleveland county farmers still have around 20,000 bales of their 1931 cotton crop stored about their farms or in warehouses as they await a better price.

Something better than six or seven cents per pound may not come along by spring but those who have weathered it so far without selling all their cotton are, for the most part, able to hold on another month or two. Meantime they are optimistic enough to hope that by early spring they may get from eight to 10 cents per pound. Usually, they reason, cotton creeps upward about that time. But, at that, the wise ones believe, there is a trick in it. The powers that be, whoever they may be, usually push the price up somewhat in the spring and the psychology of it causes many farmers to go ahead and shoot the works on cotton for the new year with the illusion that the price will keep climbing.

The Danger. Shelby cotton buyers admit, some of them reluctantly, that the price may be better along about March or April. But they're hoping—not with an ill will for the farmer—that it will not be too high. If it is high, they reason, another big crop will be planted, and as one buyer puts it, "that will just be too bad." Recent mention in The Star of the fact that quite a number of old-style bills are in circulation, including some of the old-fashioned \$20 gold certificates, brought out the information that these hoarded bills were brought out because cotton had not been sold.

One farmer who paid his taxes with the old-style \$20 gold certificates, said: "I haven't sold a pound of cotton, and do not mean to unless I have to. That's why I brought out these old bills. I have held my cotton this long and since I gave I intend to hold it until planting time."

Sell In Spring. Buyers here estimate that the portion of the crop still unsold ranges anywhere from 20 to 40 percent. The average estimate, however, is one-third. This third of the crop, they point out, will in all probability go on the market in the spring. This view is based upon the contention that the average farmer has done pretty well, due to existing conditions, to hang on to his cotton this long, and that those who have done so, or the majority of them, will be forced to sell in the spring in order to finance the new crop.

The George Magness prediction of 10-cent cotton has caused some interest over the county, because of George's reputation as a price prophet, yet the average Cleveland cotton grower would be pretty well pleased to get eight or nine cents along in March, or before planting time. But even ten cents per pound in the spring will not trick the average farmer, many of them say, into putting too much acreage in cotton in 1932.

CORRECTION IN NASH'S ADVERTISEMENT MONDAY

The Star regrets a typographical error made in the first item of Nash's advertisement in last Monday's issue. The item read "New Dresses 1-2 Price." It should have read "Winter Dresses 1-2 Price."

North Carolina Can Take Time About Making State's Presidential Choice

Roosevelt, Baker And Others Have Their Backers In North Carolina.

Raleigh, Jan. 13.—Some North Carolina Democrats favor Franklin D. Roosevelt, others Newton D. Baker, and other presidential possibilities less widely mentioned are not without their Tar Heel admirers, but there will be no early test of strength in this state such as the law makers of North Dakota provided in requiring candidates to file in a preferential primary by January 22.

North Carolina used to have a statute calling for a presidential primary but it lapsed into disuse through the failure of more than one candidate to file and in 1927, with the Al Smith problem ahead, the legislature passed an act which in two sentences repealed the presidential primary act as set forth in section 2019 of the consolidated statutes.

The state conventions of the two parties will bring forth national tickets but these will not come off until straws have been cast in the winds by primaries in other states.

Officials Fear Race Riots in Killing

Honolulu Seethes With Excitement as Society Matron and Naval Officer Are Charged with Murder of Native.



Here are the principals and other important figures in the slaying case that has Honolulu in a state of intense excitement. Lieut. Thomas H. Massey, U. S. N., his mother-in-law, Mrs. Granville Fortescue, of Washington and New York, and Albert O. Jones, an enlisted man, are under arrest charged with the killing of Joseph Kahahawai. The latter, a native, was out on bail awaiting a second trial for assaulting Mrs. Thalia Massey, wife of the young officer and daughter of Mrs. Fortescue. The jury disagreed at the first trial despite Mrs. Massey's positive identification of Kahahawai and four others accused of participating in the crime. Major Fortescue, husband of the accused society matron, is ill in New York, but is preparing to go to her assistance as soon as possible. Rear Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., naval commandant at Honolulu, took steps to prevent further rioting between sailors and natives as a result of the assault; it has been officially announced that all shore leave during the visit of the Pacific fleet next month has been cancelled.

Road Sentences For Several Defendants

Lawyers Banquet Here In Informal Style Last Night

Cleveland Attorneys Enjoy Annual Get-Together. Over Score Attend.

The annual banquet of the Cleveland County Bar association was held last night at the Hotel Charles. Passing up the forte of the legal fraternity, the barristers had not a single formal speech or invited speaker and the after-dinner period, with Solicitor W. S. Beam as toastmaster, was filled with a series of short talks by members of the bar.

Twenty-two practicing attorneys of Shelby, Kings Mountain and other sections of the county attended. In addition to these, others present were John F. Schenck, sr., of Lawndale; Superior Court Solicitor Spurgeon Spurling, of Lenoir; Clerk of Court A. M. Hamrick and Deputy Clerk Chas. Woodson. Judge P. A. McElroy, who was not feeling well, did not attend. Officers of the association were not elected at this meeting, but will be named at a later date. Clyde R. Hoey is at present head of the association.

Robbers Sentenced

Three men tried on charges connected with the robbery of the Tillman service station at Fallston some time ago were given road sentences. Judge McElroy is letting it be known that he has no more use for thieves than, Judge Walter Moore, Frank Abee and Harvey Setzer, who plead guilty to receiving stolen goods, were given six months each. Winfred Lawrence was given nine months.

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For Bootlegging. Will Watson, colored bellboy, was given 12 months on a charge of selling whiskey. It was the same sentence that he appealed from to the county recorder's court.

Emory Maddox, colored, was given 12 months on the roads on a charge of simple assault on a female. The affair happened some weeks ago when Maddox was charged with making improper remarks to a young white girl at a spring in the Beaver Dam section.

Ed Richards who was charged with an assault on his brother, Plato, was ordered to pay the costs and maintain the peace for a period of two years.

Steady Grind Of Superior Court Will Not Clear Up Docket This Week.

The winter term of Superior court entered its third day's grind here today with Judge P. A. McElroy presiding, but it is not likely that the criminal docket can be cleared during the week, according to Solicitor Spurgeon Spurling.

After preliminaries Monday the court settled to a steady grind and a number of defendants were convicted and sentenced during the two days of actual hearing of cases so far.

Wright Case Coming. The charges against Paul Wilkinson, young white man of South Carolina, which have been continued for more than a year are formally booked for trial Thursday. The charges against Wilkinson center about the fatal injury by an automobile around two years ago of Tom Wright, aged Mooresboro citizen.

It is not definite now that the killing charges against Willis Osborne, Double Shoals colored boy, will be taken up. "If we try both the killing cases, we will have to continue a number of cases to the next term," Solicitor Spurling said, "and it is our aim to dispose of as many cases as possible. Just what we try and how much depends, of course, upon how many submissions there are."

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Leap Year Just A Flop Here For Dan Cupid Work

Leap Year Insofar as Dan Cupid's successful activities in Cleveland county are concerned has been almost a total flop so far.

With almost half of the first month of the girls proposing years gone only one Cleveland county couple has secured marriage license in Shelby. This license was secured by Arthur Canipe, of Cleveland, and Eunie Haynes, of Rutherford county.

"Even Leap Year isn't going to boost the sale of marriage license in this State so long as they can purchase them cheaper and easier just a few miles over in South Carolina," says Register of Deeds Andy F. Newton, who doesn't like to see so many blank pages in marriage record.

Postal Service Hears Johnson

Service And Courtesy Are Stressed In Quarterly Meeting of Postal Council.

Service and courtesy in the postal department were stressed before the Cleveland County Postal Service council members at their quarterly meeting held last night in the Woman's club room where they were served a sumptuous dinner by division one of the Woman's club.

The principal speaker was W. C. Johnson, a rural letter carrier of Vale who had for his subject service to patrons, service to superiors and service to the Supreme Master of the universe. The toastmaster was Postmaster J. H. Quinn and about eighty guests were present. Music was furnished by the Hollifield stringed orchestra and fun and merriments were injected into the meeting by Walter Hartgrove, Talmadge Gardner and Walter Lee. Courtesy from the standpoint of the window man at the postoffice was stressed by Fred Baber, from the standpoint of the city carrier by P. E. McSwain and from the standpoint of the rural carrier by Charles Carson.

Special guests of the club were Dr. and Mrs. E. K. McLarty, W. A. Broadway, road maintenance superintendent and Lee B. Weathers. The next meeting will be held in April in Kings Mountain.

Camp Call Lodge. A regular communication of Camp Call lodge, 534 A. F. and A. M., will be held Friday evening, January 15, beginning at 7:30, it is announced by Grady Mauney, master. There will be work in the Master Mason's degree and all members are requested to be present. Visiting Masons will be welcomed.

Lattimore Man Cotton Growing Champ Of '31

Aston Adams Winner In Piedmont

Cleveland Farmer Produced 5,400 Pounds Lint On Five Acres. Rutherford Man Third.

Charlotte, Jan. 13.—Winners in the annual cotton and corn growing contests in the south piedmont district of the state were announced here yesterday by J. M. Osteen of Troy, district supervisor of vocational agriculture in the schools of about 20 counties, who was in the city arranging for the annual cotton growers' luncheon January 20.

In the cotton growing contest for adult attendants of the vocational night classes, Aston Adams of Lattimore, Cleveland county, was declared the winner of first prize by having grown 5,400 pounds of lint on five acres of ground, or 1,098 pounds or about two bales per acre. The cost for producing this cotton averaged three and a half cents per pound. Mr. Adams will be entered in the state-wide contest to compete for the state championship.

J. W. Allen, Second. Winner of second place was J. W. Allen of Stanfield, Stanly county, produced 4,937 pounds of lint on five acres, or 988 pounds per acre. W. L. Hunt of Forest City, Rutherford county, came third with a record of 4,001 pounds on five acres, averaging 800 pounds per acre. The winning cotton growers and all other bale-per-acre cotton growers of the Charlotte district will attend the annual luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce January 20, Mr. Osteen said yesterday.

Dr. A. T. Allen, state superintendent of public instruction; Dr. J. A. Dickey, economist with the department of agriculture in Washington; T. E. Brown, state director of vocational education; P. B. Blalock of Raleigh, president of the North Carolina Co-operative Cotton Growers association; J. M. Gray of Rutherford, states manager of the Children's Nitrate educational bureau; J. M. Osteen of Troy, district superintendent.

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Bind Three Over In Waco Death Matter

Two Bridges And Boyd Barrett Under \$2,000 Bond Each For High Court.

Carl and Everett Bridges and Boyd Barrett, three alleged members of the drinking party said to have been participated in by Max Barrett, Waco boy, prior to his death were given a preliminary hearing in county court here Monday night. All three were bound to Superior court under bonds of \$2,000 each.

No formal charge had been entered on the warrant yesterday, the original charges involving the drinking and possession of whiskey. Post mortem examinations of young Barrett's body failed to reveal any injuries that might have been received in a fight. Witnesses testified, however, that they heard noises indicating that there was a brawl.

The affair took place a week ago yesterday afternoon and young Barrett died in the hospital here a week ago this morning of lung congestion.

No Testimony. The three defendants did not offer any testimony in the preliminary as the court indicated they would likely be bound over anyway.

Same Convention City Chosen By Both Political Parties Only Twice Before

Senate Librarian Finds Stories Of Convention In Baltimore, in 1852, And In Chicago 1884.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Only twice before have the dominant political parties chosen the same convention city and each time it has been a Democratic year.

The capital's ready reference for political conventions over a span of 48 years chucked today as he recalled that the last of these was held in Chicago, where both Democrats and Republicans will go in June, and that it was quite a problem then as now.

Jim Preston is senate librarian now, but since before the beginning of the century he has been making press arrangements for the political powwows.

Turning to his desk at the capitol, he dug out the Inter-Ocean's report on July 5, 1884, preceding the Democratic convention.

The press seats will be reached by a low tunnel under the platform," it said. "Through here the distinguished journalists of the land will have to crawl at the imminent danger of destroying their

Postal Receipts Here In 1931 Largest Yet

Sale Of Car Tags Still Lags Here; Arrests On Friday

Total Sale Of 1932 License Plates In Shelby Far Behind That Of 1931.

The sale of new State automobile license plates at the Shelby license bureau continues to run behind that of last year. Apparently a number of motor car owners have decided to leave their cars stored for the time being at least, while others are delaying purchase of new tags as long as possible.

Up until today, it was reported by the Hopper brothers, who are operating the tag bureau at the Carolina Motor Inn, a total of 3,840 tags had been sold. Of that number 3,470 were for automobiles and 370 for trucks. The total sale of 1931 tags ran over 8,000 at the local bureau.

Beginning Friday, Raleigh dispatches say, State patrolmen will begin arresting drivers of cars that are operated with old tags. In some sections the patrolmen are already stopping motorists with old tags and making them store their cars until they secure new tags.

Mrs. Weathers Is Buried Here Today

Mrs. Maggie Weathers, Succumbs At Age 81 At Home Of Her Daughter, Mrs. Bollinger.

Mrs. Maggie J. Weathers, widow of H. A. Weathers, died at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. O. Bollinger, on West Warren street and her funeral was conducted from the Bollinger residence this afternoon at 3 o'clock by her pastor, Dr. Zeno Welch, pastor of the First Baptist church, assisted by Revs. John W. Suttle and D. F. Putnam.

Mrs. Weathers before marriage was Miss Maggie Webb. She was born July 12th, 1850 and at the time of her death was 81 years and six months old. Two years ago she received a slight stroke of paralysis from which she never fully recovered.

Her husband, H. A. Weathers, to whom she was married Nov. 25th, 1872, preceded her to the grave forty one years ago. Mrs. Weathers was a kindly soul, a gentle and sweet spirited woman, loved by her host of friends.

Surviving are four children, Frank Sam and Julius Weathers and one daughter, Mrs. Bollinger. Interment will follow in Sunset cemetery.

Shelby Lutheran Minister Gets Call

Lenoir, Jan. 13.—Rev. N. D. Yount of Shelby and Bessemer City, has been extended a call by the congregations of churches in the Philadelphia Pastorate of the Lutheran church, which has its headquarters at Granite Falls, according to E. Carr Cline, president of the council.

Methodist Circles. The Betty Lineberger and the Fannie Thompson circles of Central Methodist church will serve an oyster supper Friday evening at the church from 6 to 8:30 o'clock for the purpose of raising money for the parsonage.

The Betty Lineberger and Lee B. Weathers were on Tuesday elected directors of the First National bank to take places made vacant by the deaths of Chas. L. Eskridge and L. A. Gettys. Mr. Lineberger's father was a director of the First National for many years during his lifetime.

It was the annual meeting of the stockholders and a large crowd was present. Short talks were made by officers analyzing the splendid statement which has just been issued and published, while several stockholders commended the bank officials for the good showing made in the face of prevailing conditions. Comment was made on the function of the First National has performed in its half century of operation in the up-building of the community and the business sagacity of the officials, their courtesy and conservative manner of operating the institution.

The following officers were re-elected: C. C. Blanton, president; John F. Schenck, vice president; George Blanton, vice president; Forrest Eskridge, cashier; R. P. Sisk and C. S. Mull, assistant cashiers.

In addition to the two new directors J. D. Lineberger and Lee B. Weathers, the following directors were re-elected: John F. Schenck, Clyde R. Hoey, O. Max Gardner, J. Frank Roberts, Paul Webb, C. C. Blanton, R. T. LeGrand, George Blanton and Forrest Eskridge.

Franklin Pierce, Democrat, was elected over Winfield Scott, the Whig aspirant, in 1852; and Grover Cleveland, Democrat, won over James G. Blaine, Republican, in 1884.

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