

THE MARKET
Cotton 6.55 to 7c
Cotton wagon seed, in \$10.00

Cloudy And Colder.
Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Rain this afternoon and in east portion tonight. Colder in west tonight. Thursday cloudy and colder.

Death Crash Hearing.
A preliminary hearing of the highway crash Saturday near Brushy Creek, west of Shelby in which Reuben Terry, aged colored farmer, was instantly killed, will be held in the county court here next Wednesday instead of today. R. Y. Griffin, of Monroe, driver of the truck and trailer which struck Terry's wagon, is under a \$1,000 bond. The bond was put up by the transfer company who owned the truck and the trailer with which he was hauling cotton.

Fees In County Offices Bring In \$7,097 Annually
In Discussing Salary Reduction, Matter of Fees Taken In Receives Attention.

Since the publication, as required by law, of the salaries received by all county office holders, some people have wondered how far fees go toward paying the salaries of officers who collect fees. All county officers are on salaries, but two offices collect fees for recording papers, administering oaths, etc., said fees being turned into the general county fund.

An investigation at the treasurer's office shows that two offices in the court house collect fees, that of the register of deeds and that of the clerk of the court. The fees collected last year in the office of the register of deeds Mr. A. F. Newton amounted to \$4,062.80. Mr. Newton's salary for the year was \$2,600. He voluntarily refunded ten per cent or \$260 of his salary to the county.

In the office of the clerk of the court Mr. A. M. Hamrick, the treasurer's office reveals that \$3,034.65 was collected in fees and turned to the treasurer where it was placed to the credit of the general fund of the county. Mr. Hamrick's salary last year was \$2,400 as clerk of the court and \$240 as judge of the juvenile court, a total of \$2,640. In addition to the \$3,034.66 collected in fees incident to his office, \$645 was collected from the Superior court fines. This sum was credited to the county school account. This makes a total of \$7,097.46 collected in office fees in the two fee offices at the court house, such fees being credited to the general county fund.

Farm Board To Meet In Shelby Saturday At 2
Farmers From Each Township To Discuss Suggestions Five-Year Plan

A meeting of the Cleveland County board of agriculture will be held at the court house in Shelby Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The major item of business to be taken up by the board will be a discussion of the suggestion made at a farm meeting here recently by extension agents from Raleigh. This first meeting inaugurated a movement to put on a five-year farm program in Cleveland for the purpose of improving general agricultural conditions. At the first meeting, attended by the general public, a majority of the suggestions met with approval, but it was decided best to permit the farm board to study the proposition and outline a definite program before asking cooperation by farmers.

The Cleveland farm board is made up of three representative farmers from each of the 11 townships in the county.

Legion To Erect Tablet On Square

At a meeting of the Warren Hoyle American Legion post held last night it was decided that a silver tablet, seven feet square, will be placed on the Shelby court square inscribed on the tablet, as a permanent memorial, will be the names of all Legion members in the county of Cleveland. It is hoped that every ex-service man in the county will enroll in the Legion by February 26 so that the names of all veterans will go on the memorial. Ex-service men not members of the post are urged to get in touch with W. E. Beam, R. E. Agnew, or Tom Abernethy before the 26th. The German artillery gun now on South Washington street will also be placed on the square with the silver memorial.

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SHELBY, N. C. WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17, 1932

By Mail, per year, (in advance) - \$2.00
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S. P. U. Withdraws \$1,100,000 Offer For Shelby Light Plant

Open New Camp Here For State Road Prisoners

More Prisoners In Stockade
Over 100 Prisoners Now Kept In New And Modern Camp Here.

The new district prison camp for State prisoners was occupied for the first time yesterday by State convicts who have been quarantined at the old No. 6 township convict camp since all convicts and road feres were taken over by the State. The new camp is located just east of Shelby, north of the fair grounds and Highway 20.

The 56 prisoners, white and black, confined at the No. 6 camp were moved into the new camp yesterday and today, and yesterday 45 prisoners from other camps were brought to the camp here. Twenty of the prisoners came from the Caldwell camp at Lenoir and 25 from the McDowell camp at Marion. The prisoners from the other camps brings the total to 101. The capacity of the new camp is 116 men.

Modern Quarters.
The new prison camp is fireproof and modern in every detail. There are three brick buildings, all equipped with modern conveniences, safety devices and general comforts. Around the three main buildings is the regular prison stockade fence. The three buildings are the main convict quarters, the rooms of the guards and the prison laundry.

New Guards On.
Clyde Poston continues as camp superintendent, being in charge of the State prisoners while in camp and going to and from work on the State highways. Five new guards were added yesterday to take care of the new-sized prison and its greater number of occupants. The guards put on were Smith Gallimore, of Kings Mountain; James Roberts, Jim Dycus, Ben Cooper and Tom Osborne, all of Shelby.

Robber Enters Home Of Hoey, Gets \$65

While Family Was Away, Robber Steals \$65 In Gold From Hoey Home.
Shortly after dark last night, a robber entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoey in the Cleveland Springs Estates and stole \$65 in gold from a dresser drawer, leaving other valuables untouched. The glass in the front door was broken and the door unlocked from the inside. Evidence tends to show that the guilty party knew exactly where the money was for he went directly to the room, opened the dresser drawer and located the gold in a pill box. Several handbags were in the same drawer, but they were not even opened.

The money represented gifts Mr. Hoey had made to his wife in the past. She had hidden the gold pieces in a pill box in the dresser drawer so it could not have been located except by some one who knew the situation. Mrs. Hoey had gone to Charlotte for the day, taking her daughter for dental treatment, so the home was unoccupied at the time. Officers are working on a clue.

Over \$120,000 Spent In This Road District Under 6 Months New Plan

Expenditures Larger In Only One District. Covers All Expense

Raleigh, Feb. 17.—Highway expenditures for the last six months of 1931 in district two of division E of the N. C. highway system were the second largest in the state. This district embraces the counties of Burke, McDowell, Rutherford and Cleveland. The expenditures for the six months, according to the report of Highway Chairman E. P. Jeffers, were \$121,567.38. District one of division D—Alleghany, Wilkes, Surry and Yadkin—had the highest expenditure, \$139,389.40.

Here Thursday



Robert R. Reynolds (above), candidate for the United States Senate, will formally open his campaign with an address in the Cleveland county court house in Shelby tomorrow, Thursday, night at 8 o'clock. Mr. Reynolds, Asheville attorney, is well known in this section and polled a fine vote in the county in his last campaign.

Expect Crowd For Reynolds Opening
Candidate For U. S. Senate Speaks In Shelby Thursday Night. First Speech.

Reynolds supporters are expecting a large crowd of people at the Cleveland county court house Thursday night at 8 o'clock for the opening campaign address of Robert R. Reynolds, of Asheville, candidate for the United States Senate.

A motecade of supporters will accompany Mr. Reynolds here from Asheville and the candidate will spend a short time about the city tomorrow afternoon. Several delegations from nearby towns and counties plan to attend and seats will be reserved for them as well as for members of the Kiwanis club who will attend their weekly meeting prior to the address. In seeking the Democratic nomination the well-known Asheville attorney is opposing Senator Cameron Morrison, Frank Grist and Judge Tam Bowie.

Regal Club Holds Monthly Meeting

Attorney Bynum Weathers Is Speaker. Several New Members Taken In.

Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock the Regal Club, Shelby youngest civic organization, held a monthly meeting in the club rooms over Efric's store on South LaFayette street. More than 20 young members of the club attended.

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Better Roads.
While the nearly \$2,592,000 in six months is considerably less than the approximately \$8,000,000 a year spent by the counties, belief is expressed that county roads are now in better shape generally than they have ever been.

Blanton To Offer For Commissioner; No New Candidates

To Make Formal Announcement Within Few Days. 10 Candidates Out.

Joe E. Blanton, well known Shelby man and former No. 6 township road official, will be a candidate for county commissioner subject to the Democratic primary. He has made no formal announcement to that effect but is expected to do so within a few days, according to friends. No new political candidates have enlisted the approaching campaign in the county. To date 10 candidates have announced or have prepared the way to announcing for county office. Four of the 10 are candidates for sheriff—Irvin M. Allen, present sheriff; Raymond Cline, Roger Laughridge and E. L. Webb. There are two announced candidates for legislature—Henry B. Edwards, present representative; and Attorney Ernest Gardner. Three candidates—Pink Lackey, "Nickey Bill" Stewart and Bob Kendrick, present constable—are out for No. 6 township constable. J. Cullen Mull, for years a Democratic worker in the county, has made it known that he is considering running for sheriff on an independent ticket, but has made no definite announcement to date.

Mrs. J. C. Newton, widow of the late county court solicitor, has announced for county treasurer, Mrs. Mary E. Yarbrough, present treasurer, having stated that she will not be a candidate again.

Preacher Says People With Him In Texas Trouble

Newspaper Report Says Rev. R. C. Campbell Charged Atheism Was Taught.

Newspaper reports of a few days ago stated that Rev. R. C. Campbell, formerly of Cleveland county, now preaching at Lubbock, Texas, caused a considerable rucus in Texas educational circles when he charged that four professors of the Texas Technological college have been spreading atheism among the students. He charged specifically, it is reported, that one of the professors engaged in spreading atheism and infidelity among the students is the head of a department in the college.

As a result of the alleged charge, it is reported that 2,000 students surrounded the preacher's home and vented feelings by hooting and jeering the minister. Intimations were made that authorities of the State college would insist that Rev. Mr. Campbell resign.

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Formal Opening Of New Store Thursday

A formal opening of the Clark Hardware company, formerly the Farmers and Planters Hardware, on South LaFayette street will be held Thursday, beginning at 3 in the afternoon and continuing until 9 at night.

The store was purchased some time ago by Mr. J. H. G. Clark, experienced hardware man of Mt. Holly, but a formal opening was delayed until tomorrow. There will be souvenirs for all visitors, prizes, and a special display for all feminine visitors. Manager Clark invites the general public to attend.

County To Have 43 Delegates To Democratic Meet

To Hold Convention In May

State Convention May Be Held In Charlotte. County Convention First.

M. B. DUNNAGAN, Star News Bureau.

Raleigh, Feb. 17.—Cleveland county will have 43 delegates and the same number of alternates, based on one of both for every 150 votes or major fraction thereof cast in the last gubernatorial election, to the state Democratic convention, which will probably be held in May, either in Raleigh or Charlotte, as determined at the meeting of the state Democratic executive committee of 120 members, called to meet in Raleigh March 1 by State Chairman Odus M. Mull, Shelby, who was in Raleigh for the week-end.

The executive committee will set a common day for precinct meetings, to be followed by a common day for county convention, at which delegates will be elected to the state convention, preceding which, on the same day, will be held the congressional district meetings of the delegates to name members of the executive committee, platform and other convention committees.

Belief now is that the state convention will be held in Charlotte, since it is expected that there will be uncertainty when the executive committee meets as to whether or not the Raleigh auditorium, now being built, will be completed and furnished in time for the convention. The convention date is expected to be in advance of the June primary date, in accordance with usual custom, which, however, was changed two years ago.

The convention will adopt a platform and elect delegates to the national Democratic convention to be held in Chicago. It remains to be seen, whether or not there will be efforts to instruct delegates to the state convention, or to the national convention. Indications are now that efforts will be made to have the delegates instructed for Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Buncombe, the banner Democratic county, will have 103 delegates to the state convention. Mecklenburg will have 101. Guilford 90, Wake 79 and Forsyth 75. Buncombe also leads in number of delegates to the Republican state convention to be held in Charlotte April 14, based on one for each 200 Republican votes.

Cleveland county will have 16 delegates to the Republican meeting.

To Plant A Tree For G. Washington On School Ground

C. R. Hoey To Speak At Planting And W. R. Gary At Kiwanis Meeting.

A tree will be planted on the high school ground here Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock by members of the Kiwanis club in observance of the bi-centennial of the birth of George Washington, first president of the United States. Each Kiwanis member is asked to attend this ceremony at which Hon. Clyde P. Hoey will make a short dedicatory address. Members of the Kiwanis club will each put a shovel-full of dirt in the hole when the tree is planted.

This is in line with a form of observance of Washington's 200 birthday anniversary throughout the United States. Immediately following the planting of the tree, the Kiwanis club will repair to the Hotel Charles where the week luncheon will be served and Prof. W. R. Gary of the Fallston high school will speak on some phase of the life of the beloved father of our country.

Dr. McLarty Goes To Beside Mother

Dr. and Mrs. E. K. McLarty are in Monroe where they were called yesterday on account of the illness of Dr. McLarty's mother, who is in a critical condition at her home there.

Has Large Egg
A White Leghorn egg, six by 8 1/2 inches, was exhibited in Shelby yesterday by Avery McNeely of Cass.

Preparing for Trench Warfare



This actual photo from the scene of the Sino-Japanese hostilities shows Japanese soldiers engaged at the task of digging trenches at Shan Hai Kwan, gateway from China proper to Manchuria. The activities of the invaders did not cease with the capture of virtually the entire province of Manchuria. The scene of operations has now shifted to Shanghai and Woesung, where the Japanese and Chinese armies face each other on a 16-mile front preparing for a decisive battle.

Shelby's Brother Golfing Act Will Enter Florida Tournaments

Shelby's golfing brothers, the Webb boys, holder of more title for their age than any golfers in the Carolinas, will leave late this week to enter the series of tournaments in the Florida section.

Pete, the older of the brothers, first attracted attention several years ago when he won the Carolina junior title at Greensboro. Then the younger brother, Fred (Snook), came along to bag the same title two times. In later tournaments both have won high honors. Fred, considered the best southpaw golfer in the South, going to the semi-finals of the Southern Amateur. The young southpaw has also won the Tryon invitation tournament twice and the Charlotte Country club once. In the pro-amateur play at Reidsville last year they carried away top honors with Pete winning the first cash prize. At the Pinehurst Mid-South Pete later tied with Johnny Farrell, internationally known golfer, for fifth place.

They will make their trip to the Florida tournaments by automobile, accompanied by their mother, Mrs. J. E. Webb. They plan to enter the Miami Open and swing about for the series of tournaments there as the cream of American golfers work their way back to the spring tourney at Pinehurst. Pete will play as a pro, being eligible for cash prizes, and Fred as an amateur.

Prizes Offered Cleveland Girl Who Can Make Best Biscuits

What 4-H club girl in Cleveland county can make the best biscuits?

The young lady over 14 years of age who thinks she is an expert in the culinary art, which has a side asset the alleged most direct route to a man's heart, now has an opportunity to demonstrate that skill. And the winner is to get a free scholarship to the 4-H club short course at state college this spring.

Rules and regulations covering the "Better Biscuit Contest" were announced as follows today by Jane S. McKimmon, state agent, and Irma P. Wallace, Cleveland county agent:

"In order to improve the quality of biscuits served in the homes of 4-H club members, the home demonstration division, extension service, State College, Raleigh will conduct a Better Biscuit contest for 4-H club girls. All club girls are encouraged to take part in the community or club contest. The home demonstration agent or local leaders will in February and March give to each club a standard recipe for baking powder biscuits and instruction in measuring, mixing,

that standard. Mecklenburg county retains its lead as having the best trained white teachers in the state, the average being 3.9 years in college. Durham and Guilford are second and third. Raleigh, Feb. 17.—Training of white school teachers in North Carolina has been increased in the past 10 years to the equivalent of nearly two years of college preparation, or from slightly more than one year to about three years, while the training of colored teachers has increased about a year and a half college work. State School Facts, published by Dr. A. T. Allen, state superintendent of public instruction shows: "Standard" teachers (those having certificates based on a minimum training of graduation from a standard, or equivalent, high school, numbered 22,927, or 17,771 white and 5,156 colored teachers in 1930-31, while only 973 teachers 86 white and 887 colored had not reached

Opposition To Sale By People Reason Given

Consider Proposition As Closed Now

Letter From S. P. U. President Read To City Council At Meet Last Night.

The offer of the Southern Public Utilities to buy Shelby's light plant for the sum of \$1,100,000 was withdrawn yesterday by the power firm. This withdrawal was read last night to the members of the city council by Mayor S. A. McMurry and there was little discussion of the matter at the mid-month meeting, the council considering the proposition closed.

This letter was handed to the mayor yesterday by Manager Brown of the local office of the S. P. U. Withdrawal Letter.

"Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 16, 1932, "Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 16, 1932.

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Shelby, N. C. Gentlemen: Under date of November 17th, 1931, this company, in a letter dated on that date, made you an offer to purchase your electric distribution and lighting system in the Town of Shelby, agreeing to pay for the same, \$1,100,000.

"This offer has not been accepted by you, and it is our understanding that there is considerable opposition to the sale of this property by a number of citizens. Under the circumstances this company does not wish to purchase this property, and we are, therefore, writing this letter to withdraw our offer of Nov. 17, 1931, and to ask that no further consideration be given to the same. Respectfully yours, E. C. Marshall, President."

It is understood unofficially that members of the council had in mind the idea of appointing several influential and interested citizens to go with the board before the S. P. U. officials and negotiate for a better offer for the plant, but when the withdrawal letter came, the matter of further consideration was dropped.

Petitions Not Presented. The "considerable opposition" referred to in the letter was no doubt obtained from the signatures to the petitions asking that the board not call an election on the sale of the plant. About 45 petitions were put in circulation on Saturday, Feb. 6th, and in a week's time over 1,600 names had been signed. It was expected that these petitions would be presented to the board in their mid-month meeting last night but the four members of the council, Aldermen Z. J. Thompson, Maynard Washburn, John Schenck, Jr., and D. W. Royster had expressed themselves, in an interview with The Star, as unwilling to call an election on the sale of the plant at the price offered, so this settled the matter. Mr. Newton Tax Lister.

The board's meeting last night was short. Most of the time was devoted to a discussion of the delinquency of the customers on water and light bills which amount to a considerable sum.

W. R. Newton was appointed to list taxes for the city of Shelby this year and to be paid therefor the sum of \$300. Tax listing will begin in the early spring.

Cleveland Teachers Average 2.25 Years College Work, Shelby 3.41

Mecklenburg Teachers Lead In Training. Rural Teachers Rank 3rd In N. C.

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Washington School To Put On Fashion Show

Fashion And Doll Show With Bazaar To Be Sponsored By P. T. A.

The Parent Teacher association of the Washington school will put on a fashion show and doll show in the auditorium of that school next Tuesday evening for the benefit of the school library. The fashion show will be put on by Nash Inc., and the doll show is to be put on by the children of the town and county. Every child in and near Shelby is invited to enter a doll in the contest, in which there will be five prizes given, a prize for the oldest doll, one for the prettiest, one for the best dressed, one for the quaintest, and one for the largest. In connection with the show there will also be a bazaar at which all kinds of home made goodies will be sold. The colonial idea is to be carried out in the costumes of ushers and in other details. A small admission will be charged.