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Cloudy Saturday

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Fair and warmer tonight. Partly cloudy Saturday.

To Aid Farmers

Warm Springs, Ga., Dec. 2.—From the round of conferences being held on the slopes of Pine Mountain, there emerged yesterday the definite impression that Franklin D. Roosevelt would call a special session of congress if the next three months do not bring the enactment of farm relief legislation.

School Expense In County Less Than For 1929

Current Expense Item Cleveland Schools Alone Is \$4,824 Less.

Raleigh, Nov. 30.—Cleveland county has reduced the current expense item of its school expenditures \$4,824 in the past three years, or from \$386,541 for the school year 1928-29 to \$381,717 budgeted for the year 1931-32.

Total cost of operation of schools in this county has been reduced from \$553,843 in 1928-29 to \$474,752 in 1931-32, a reduction of \$79,091. This total cost is divided into current expense, the reduction in which is shown above; capital outlay, which is the erection of new buildings and permanent improvements, reduced for 1928-29 to \$27,324 for 1931-32, and debt service, payment of interest and retiring bonds, which was \$44,550 in 1928-29, as compared with \$65,710 for 1931-32.

For the state as a whole the total expenses reached the peak of \$50,155,928 in 1928-29, which has been cut to a budgeted \$32,463,074 for 1931-32, a reduction of \$17,692,854, or 35 per cent in the period of three years. The current expense item, which includes teachers' salaries and salaries of school officials, has been reduced from \$31,959,830 to \$24,887,196 in the same period, a decrease of \$7,072,634, or 22 1/2 per cent.

Since the state has reached the peak of school building construction and has a fairly well rounded program the capital outlay item has been reduced from \$9,236,299 four years ago to \$1,380,720 last year, a reduction of \$7,855,579 or 85 per cent. Debt service is also gradually lessening, the cost of \$8,965,353 four years ago having been reduced to \$6,195,157 last year, a drop of \$2,764,695, or 31 per cent.

While these reductions of more than one-third of the annual cost of the schools were being made in three years, the teachers of the state have been reduced in number by 215, taught 14 1/2 days longer in the average term and taught 47,420 more children in daily average attendance. In 1930-31, as compared with two years before, while in 1931-32 figures are not complete, it is certain that the enrollment and average attendance have again increased, thus heavily increasing the work of the teachers and at lower teaching cost.

Try Answering These

Can you answer 14 of these test questions? Turn to page two for the answers.

- 1. Which is heavier, cream or milk?
2. Where does Leon Trotsky live?
3. What is Al Capone's first name?
4. Who is Ernest Lee Jancke?
5. What famous comedian's real name is Izzy Iskovich?
6. What is a toggle joint?
7. What was the "Toledo War"?
8. What term is applied to the use of both gold and silver as a currency basis?
9. What is in a vacuum?
10. What is a parasite?
11. Where is the city of Quito?
12. What is the hardest known mineral substance?
13. What is cremation?
14. What is William N. Oyak's middle name?
15. What is a formal decree or edict issued by the pope called?
16. Where is Duke University?
17. What island is at the entrance to Manila Bay, P. I.?
18. What large dam is located on the Salt River in Arizona?
19. Who were the Huguenots?
20. Where are United States stamps printed?

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New County Officers Take Office Monday

Several Places Will Be Filled

New Board Will Name County Accountant, Attorney And Other Employees.

Cleveland county officials who were elected at the November 8 election will be inducted into office here Monday. It is likely, following a custom of years, that Superior Court Clerk A. M. Hamrick will administer the oath to the new officials.

The new officers going in Monday include the new board of commissioners, Joe E. Blanton, Lester Herndon and J. D. Morris; Mrs. J. C. Newton, treasurer; A. F. Newton, register of deeds; Roscoe Lutz, coroner; Dan Frazier, surveyor; J. M. Wright, recorder-elect, and C. C. Horn, solicitor-elect, take office the first of the year, while the sheriff-elect, Raymond Cline, does not go into office until April.

Holds Interest

The change in officials holds more than usual interest for citizens of the county in that the commission board will be entirely new and this will likely mean several changes in the appointive offices. The major offices to be filled are those of county accountant and county attorney. The present accountant is A. E. Cline, also chairman of the retiring commission board, but he resigned effective next week and is not a candidate to succeed himself. A number of men have applied for the office, but the new commissioners have not as yet made a public statement as to their choice.

The present county attorney is R. L. Ryburn, dean of the Shelby bar, who has held that office for years. A number of other offices are subject to appointment of the board and there is considerable speculation as to probable changes. Among these offices are the two county agents, the welfare officer, county home manager, and others. There are also a number of assistants and other employees at the court house who are also subject to approval or appointment by the new board.

While the speculators and those whose jobs are at stake are more or less in a swivel over prospective changes, the new board members are saying very little. In a public announcement through The Star some days ago they stated their major aim would be economy but reserved announcement of appointments and changes, if any, until being inducted.

Recently the dining room has been enlarged to twice its size and two sun parlors have been added. A kitchen will be built 9 x 15 feet and dining room service will be instituted.

City Meets Payment On Municipal Bonds

Bonds and interest amounting to \$2,800 were paid by the City of Shelby yesterday, according to information secured from Mayor McMurry. Another payment on bonds and interest amounting to \$14,900 will be due January 1st and Mayor McMurry is accumulating a reserve with which to meet this obligation.

Lackey Will Show New Buick Saturday

The first showing of the 1933 model Buick will take place here Saturday at the show rooms of J. Lawrence Lackey, dealer on West Warren street. Mr. Lackey was able to secure one of the first models from the Charlotte branch. Much interest has been manifested in the new Buick which carries the most modern improvements for riding comfort, beauty and durability.

Ehringhaus Will Be Inaugurated On January 5; Simple Ceremony

Date Announced After Meeting of Gardner With New State Officials, Economy Advocated.

Raleigh, Dec. 2.—In exercises as simple and as quiet as is compatible with the proprieties, John C. B. Ehringhaus will be inaugurated governor of North Carolina January 5, one day after the 1933 general assembly convenes here. The governor-elect announced the date yesterday after conferring with Gov. O. Max Gardner, whom he will succeed, Lieut. Gov.-elect A. H. "Sandy" Graham, and other state officials to be inducted into office at the same time.

29th Elected Governor. Ehringhaus, a native of Elizabeth City, will be the state's first governor elected from the Albemarle sound section in more than 100

Else-Morehead Buy Funeral Home Of Lutz-Jackson

Change In Ownership Takes Place. Two Licensed Embalmers, Morehead County Native.

Else-Morehead Funeral home is the name of the new firm which has purchased the Lutz-Jackson Funeral home on West Marion St. John T. Else comes from Winston-Salem and Charlotte and has been a licensed embalmer for thirty years. Wiley H. Morehead is a son of Mrs. H. Morehead who operates the Morehead Inn on East Marion street. He is also a licensed embalmer and a native of the Sharon section of Cleveland county. Mr. Morehead has been connected with some of the largest undertaking establishments in North Carolina while Mr. Else has owned and operated some of the largest funeral homes in the south.

Both will give their full time to the local establishment and Mr. Morehead and his family will live in the funeral home dwelling owned by W. H. Hudson, opposite the A. Blanton Grocery Co. Mr. Else will bring his family to Shelby the first of the year.

Day and night service will be maintained and an ambulance will be added to the equipment immediately.

Hotel Cleveland Under New Lease

Clayton C. Carpenter Lease Hotel—Will Open Dining Room—Improvements

Clayton C. Carpenter, a son-in-law of Charles H. Shull has leased from Wray and Sons the Hotel Cleveland at the corner of Graham and Washington streets and took charge yesterday. Victor Wray who has been manager, resumes his position as salesman at the store of A. V. Wray and Sons.

Mr. Carpenter married Miss Christine Shull of Shelby. He has had considerable experience in the hotel and apartment business and for the past several years has been installing hotel operating plans and systems. The Hotel Cleveland has 30 heated rooms, some of which are apartments with private entrance.

Recently the dining room has been enlarged to twice its size and two sun parlors have been added. A kitchen will be built 9 x 15 feet and dining room service will be instituted.

The lease to Mr. Carpenter does not include the Cleveland Club quarters which will continue in the building.

Baptist Pastors To Meet Here Monday

The Baptist pastor's conference will meet at the First Baptist church in Shelby next Monday at 10 a. m. Visiting laymen and pastors are always welcome.

Sunday School In New Shelby Church

The new Lutheran church which is nearing completion will be used for the first time on Sunday morning when the regular Sunday school exercises will be held in the church basement. The hour is 10 o'clock.

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years and the 29th governor to have been elected by the people since the office was placed on the general ballot in 1836.

The inauguration will be one of the earliest in years. A new governor is qualified to take office any time after the first of January following his election, but previously the general assembly has been organized first.

Ehringhaus said candidates for speakership of the house would be asked to agree on the three house members on the inaugural committee, while Graham will name the two senate members. E. L. Harris, of Roxboro, and J. C. Martin, of Asheville, are the leading candidates for speaker.

"I will ask the presiding officers of the house and senate to have the

Heads Kiwanis



Henry B. Edwards, local attorney, was last night elected president of the Shelby Kiwanis club, the city's oldest civic organization for men. He will succeed Forrest Eskridge as club leader.

Edwards Heads Kiwanis Club

Henry Edwards Will Be 1933 President. Other Officers Elected Last Night.

Henry B. Edwards was elected last night as president of the Kiwanis club for 1933, succeeding Forrest Eskridge whose term of office expires with the year. With no nominations made, each member of the club was asked to vote for his choice for officers, after which a motion was made that the one receiving the highest vote be declared elected, regardless of how many different members received votes. On the first ballot Mr. Edwards and Lee B. Weathers were tied. Mr. Weathers withdrew because of other pressing duties which require all of his time, so Mr. Edwards' election was made unanimous. Mr. Edwards is active in civic affairs and has been vice president of the club.

Thad C. Ford will be vice president, Rush Hamrick treasurer and the following seven men will be directors: S. A. McMurry, R. T. LeGrand, Max Washburn, C. R. Webb, Chas. A. Hoey, J. S. Dorton, J. H. Grigg.

Last night's meeting was held at the Shelby hotel and a delicious turkey dinner was served. A number of members were called upon for a few words on "Why Kiwanis Is Worth While." It was declared to be one of the most enthusiastic meetings the club has had in many weeks.

Mrs. Lever's Mother Dies In Gastonia

Mrs. F. W. Bradley Dies In Gastonia, Funeral There This Afternoon.

Word was received here this morning of the death last night in Gastonia of Mrs. F. W. Bradley, one of Gastonia's most prominent women who had been ill since the early part of the summer. Mrs. Bradley is the mother of Mrs. Chas. Lever of Shelby and four other children. Mrs. Lever has been at the bedside of her mother for several weeks. Mr. Bradley died several years ago.

Attending the funeral at 3:30 this afternoon in Gastonia will be the following from Shelby: Chas. Lever, Mr. and Mrs. Rush Hamrick, Mrs. J. L. Grice, Miss Flosie Grice, Mrs. Pansy Felzer and Miss Carrie Bell Lever. Dr. J. H. Hinderlite of the Presbyterian church will conduct the funeral.

Kings Mountain Case Given Compensation

A ruling by the N. C. Industrial commission awards J. H. Jones, of Michigan street, Indianapolis, further medical treatment in an action against the Kings Mountain Oil company and its insurance company. The ruling follows:

"Upon the finding that the plaintiff is entitled to additional medical treatment at the hands of a competent surgeon in the state of Indiana to be selected by defendants, the defendants will tender surgical, medical and hospital treatment as must be required in the judgment of the surgeon, such treatment to be rendered at the hands of a surgeon in the state of Indiana to be selected by defendants. Costs of additional medical, surgical and hospital treatment to be paid by defendants. Defendants to pay costs of hearing."

Present Site Of Post Office Now Considered Here

Department Asks For Plot Survey

Indication is That Government Thinks of Enlarging Present Structure.

Shelby's new postoffice may after all be an enlargement of the present building.

The first allocation for a more spacious office called for enlarging the present building, on the corner of Washington and Warren streets. Later, however, it developed that the slum allotted for the purpose might not be enough to purchase additional ground space and enlarge the office to needed proportions. This early survey indicated that the present government plot, where the office is located, would not be large enough for the enlarged building. The first move was to secure a sale price on the Hoey property to the rear of the post office on Warren street.

At a later date—several weeks ago a treasury department official came here in connection with the office and secured prices on three other probable corner sites. One was the Green corner, Washington and Marion streets, where the Ideal Service station is located; another was the Courtview corner, LaFayette and Marion streets; and the third the Miller block corner, LaFayette and Warren streets.

This week, however, came the latest development when Postmaster J. H. Quinn received a letter from the Treasury department instructing him to have made a topographical survey of the present site, this survey to include footage, etc. Dan Frazier, local engineer, was selected for the job. That there is some hope of early construction work, if the present site is decided upon, is indicated by the fact that the treasury department urged that the survey be sent to them as early as possible. There was nothing in the letter, however, to indicate that the three other sites were not still under consideration.

Discuss Winborne As Candidate For Governor In 1936

Raleigh.—J. Wallace Winborne, chairman of the state Democratic executive committee, credited with piling up the biggest Democratic majority ever polled in the state, will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor of North Carolina in 1936, it is being talked here. Although he is in line for almost any fat federal job either in North Carolina or Washington he might want, he is not after any of these reports say.

C. L. Shuping, of Greensboro, who was manager of the successful campaign of Senator Josiah W. Bailey against Senator F. M. Simmons in 1930, will probably be appointed collector of internal revenue for North Carolina, although he is now being pushed for the post of commissioner of internal revenue in Washington.

These are the two newest developments to come out of the political grist mill that is now running fast and furiously here. They are also two of the most credible out of the hundreds of reports and rumors heard on every hand involving the politically great and near great Democratic administration with its attendant distribution of Democratic pie in the form of federal appointments.

Could Get Federal Job

It is generally conceded that Winborne could have any of the more choice federal appointments either here in the state or in Washington if he wanted one; but it is understood that he much prefers to return to his large law practice in Marion rather than accept a federal job. The primary reason for this is that he would rather seek the Democratic nomination for governor of North Carolina in 1935 than become a federal pie recipient now. It is agreed that the acceptance of a federal appointment would undoubtedly hamper anyone with aspirations to become governor.

Another reason Winborne is not interested in any federal job, entirely aside from his desire or intention to seek Democratic nomination for governor in 1936, according to those who know him best, is that his present law practice is much more lucrative than any federal appointment he might be able to get. It is said by those in a position to know that Winborne is still one of those comparatively few lawyers in North Carolina still having an income from his legal practice of not less than \$25,000 a year.

Ringside Seats on Deck



Former Mayor James J. Walker of New York is shown reclining in his deck chair aboard the S. S. Conte Grande as it sped across the Atlantic to Europe recently. Beside Walker is Betty Compton, former Broadway show girl, enroute to France with her mother. The deck loungers were busy watching shipboard sports when the picture was made.

Reprisal Threat Made By Britain If War Debt Payment Is Forced

Declare Making Payment To United States Now Would Imperil Conditions There

Washington, Dec. 12.—Asserting a belief that the world's business troubles would be aggravated by a resumption of war debt payments, Great Britain appealed to the United States again yesterday for postponement of its installment due December 15, pending a reconsideration of debt agreements.

President Hoover's suggestion that payments might be arranged through the deposit of foreign currency to avoid the export of gold was rejected by the London government, which also said its gold reserves were not large enough to permit payment by that medium.

Must Cut American Trade

In addition, the British said that if payments are to be resumed steps must be taken to swing the balance of Anglo-American trade to Great Britain's favor.

"In present circumstances that could only be done by adopting measures which would further restrict British purchases of American goods," the note said, adding that "a definite and unfavorable reaction must follow to the United States producer."

The London government's note, a voluminous document of some 6,000 words, was delivered to Secretary Stimson by Ambassador Lindsay early in the day and was the subject of a protracted conference in which President Hoover, Secretary Mills and Mr. Stimson participated.

In Congress, whose decision on the debt question will be final, there was little disposition to change views previously expressed in opposition to postponed payments, revision or cancellation of the foreign debts.

The note was an amplification of the similar appeal Great Britain made a fortnight ago, to which the United States replied with the advice that payment December 15 would make it easier to obtain the desired reexamination and with an indication the Washington government felt no sufficient reason had been advanced for postponing the installment now coming due.

In addition to Great Britain, France and Belgium together with several smaller countries had asked for an extension of the moratorium.

No "Gaston-Alphonse" Act Between Senate Democrats And Progressives

Two Groups Of Roosevelt Backers Will Take Care Of Selves At Session.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The Republican progressives in the senate are not going to give up their committee chairmanships to Democrats during the short session.

The Democrats are not going to permit Republican progressives to retain those chairmanships after they gain Senate control.

President-elect Roosevelt is not going to appoint any Republican progressives to his cabinet. All that is rather thoroughly agreed now, although there have been various rumors and speculations to the effect that Democrats and the liberal Republicans who supported Roosevelt in the campaign were going to be rewarded

City News

AT HIGH SCHOOL

The Parent-Teacher program tonight at which 'Wayside' Brown, of Charlotte, will be the chief entertainer, will be held in the Central high school auditorium instead of at LaFayette school, as erroneously announced in Wednesday's Star. The program is sponsored by the LaFayette P. T. A. but is being held at the high school, beginning at 8 o'clock, and a good crowd is anticipated.

TO SELL INSURANCE

Among recent applicants who were granted license to sell insurance were J. L. Suttle, jr., and D. B. Hulick, of Shelby. Insurance salesman must now pass a test given by the state insurance commissioner before receiving license.

TO ELECT OFFICERS

A business meeting of the Key club will be held Monday night at which time new officers, including a board of governors and chairman will be elected. All members are urged to be present at the meeting which will be held in the club room building adjoining the Masonic temple.

BACK WITH STORE

George Wray, who was manager of the Hotel Cleveland until it was leased by a hotel firm this week, is again associated with his father and brothers in the department store of A. V. Wray and Six Sons.

20th ANNIVERSARY

Major Hopper, veteran Shelby grocerman, yesterday celebrated his 20th year in the grocery business in Shelby. He first opened on December 1, 1908.

NO ELECTION HELD

Through error a meeting of Cleveland lodge 202 A. F. & A. M. was called last week for the annual election of officers. The election, however, is not to be held until the last of December.

A meeting of the Warren Hoyle American legion post will be held at the court house in Shelby Tuesday night. All members are urged to be present.

Colored Farmer Shoots Wife And Then Kills Self

Woman Still Alive In Hospital

Will Phillips, Industrious Farmer, Dead, Believed He Was Deranged.

Will Phillips, 60-year-old negro farmer of the Patterson Springs section, shot and seriously wounded his wife, Belle, yesterday afternoon and then committed suicide.

It is believed that Phillips, who has suffered with high blood pressure for two years, suddenly became mentally deranged and did the shooting while in the throes of an insane fit. The Phillips home is on the Grover road about two miles from Patterson Springs and he was one of Cleveland county's most respected and industrious colored citizens. He was an energetic farmer, owned his own property, was considered well-to-do and was held in high regard by the white people of that section as well as by those of his own race. Citizens of the Patterson section described him "as absolutely honest, trustworthy and a good citizen."

Used Pistol

The tragedy was enacted in the Phillips home. There were no actual eye-witnesses but a daughter rushed into the room, it is said, just as her father shot himself in the head. The daughter, who had been sick, told Coroner Roscoe Lutz that she was asleep in an adjoining room shortly after noon Thursday. She was awakened she said by a shot and her mother's scream. She rushed into the other room to find her mother lying on the floor and her father with a gun against his head. She struggled with her father, she said, in an attempt to get the gun away from him but was unable to do so before he shot himself. A .32 calibre pistol was used.

The woman was shot from behind, the bullet puncturing the left chest, Phillips shot himself right above the right ear, and apparently killed himself instantly. His wife was rushed to the Shelby hospital. There today it was said that she was seriously wounded but that her condition was "favorable." Examination revealed that she also suffered a scalp wound from another shot.

The daughter said she heard only two shots but the coroner found that the gun had been fired three times. There was some mystery about the third shot until the scalp wound was found on the woman's head. It is presumed that this was the first shot fired and that she turned to get away when she was shot the second time in the back.

The daughter said that there had been no trouble between her father and mother and that they apparently got along well together. When the coroner and Dr. D. F. Moore, county physician, reached the home, the wounded woman's condition was considered critical and as she was conscious the coroner asked her if there had been an argument. She was unable to speak but shook her head to indicate that there had been no trouble. She held up two fingers when asked how many shots were fired. Due to the fact that there had been no trouble, it was surmised that Phillips' mind became unbalanced because of ill health for several years. Recently residents of the community said that he had not appeared to be "just right."

Funeral services are to be held at the Ellis Chapel at Patterson Springs Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Gastonia Theatre Destroyed By Fire Early This Morning

The Ideal theatre at Gastonia was completely destroyed by fire around 6 o'clock this morning.

The origin of the destructive blaze is not known. The building was a mass of flames, it is said, when the fire was first noticed and firemen were unable to combat the blaze with any success. The entire theatre and equipment were a complete loss, according to J. E. Webb, Shelby and Gastonia theatre man, who was in Shelby this morning. The theatre was operated by a Mr. Simpson while the Webb theatre in Gastonia is operated by Mr. Webb.

Cotton Is Off Eight Points In N. Y. Today

Cotton on the New York exchange was off at 2 o'clock today eight points from yesterday's Dec. close. Quotations at 2 o'clock today were Dec. 8.75, Jan. 5.72 and Mar. 6.97.