

THE MARKET
Cotton 6c
Cotton Seed, ton \$9.50

More, More Rain

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Cloudy and probably rain in north and west portions tonight and Saturday.

Cut Cotton Crop

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 30.—A compulsory 50 per cent curtailment of next year's cotton crop was endorsed here last night by the South-wide conference of governors as a means of bolstering the price of the staple.

Annual Report Of Farm Agent Shows His Work

Visited 759 Farms And Held Many Meetings, Demonstrations And Conferences.

The annual report for 1932 of R. W. Shoffner, Cleveland county farm agent, shows activities carried on or helped in by the agent. During the year he visited many farms, held demonstration meetings, conferences, etc.

Some of the report in detail shows the following activities: The general work of the agent comes under the supervision of the county board of agriculture, which is composed of 40 men, three or more from each of the 11 townships.

He visited, the report shows, 759 farms, had 2,945 conferences or calls at his office, and also 1,478 telephone calls for information, etc.

The agent spent, according to the report, 170 days in his office and 150 days in the fields or on the road, and during the year prepared 121 news articles on agricultural work. He issued 1,517 individual letters and 27 sets of circulars of 4,744 copies. A total of 489 bulletins were also distributed.

Demonstrations. During the year he held 57 method demonstrations with an attendance of 733. These demonstrations cover general farm activities such as pruning of trees, fertilizer mixing, culling chickens, etc. The agent also attended 81 miscellaneous meetings which were attended by 4,729 people, and during the year he travelled 8,651 miles by auto and 480 by rail.

City Has Pulmotor For Saving Lives

Recently Acquired By Coroner Lutz Of Local Undertaking Firm.

A life-saving device that has been advocated for Shelby for several years has been secured in a pulmotor of breathing machine recently purchased by the Lutz and Austell undertaking firm, of which County Coroner Roscoe E. Lutz is a member.

Coroner Lutz states that the machine is not to be restricted to the private use of the firm but will be available for other undertakers, ambulance drivers, physicians and others in case of emergency. The machine, commonly called a pulmotor, is really a breathing machine. It is the latest device for the saving of human life in all cases of accident which cause asphyxia, such as by gas, drowning, electric shock, asphyxia of new born babies, and other cases of suspended breathing. Many lives have been saved by such machines after all signs of life had apparently vanished. Numerous instances have been recorded of restoring breath by the breathing machine to people who have been under water for some time and appear to be dead. It is equipment of such a type as to be an asset to the community, even though it may be called upon to save a life only at rare intervals.

Doctors Move In New Building Here

First Occupants Now In Professional Building On South Washington Street

Shelby's new professional building was occupied today. Drs. Ben and Tom Gold moved into their new offices in the building last night as did Dr. B. B. Matthews, Dr. D. P. Moore, another physician who will occupy an office suite in the building, is expected to move today. Dr. H. C. Thompson, who has had offices with Dr. Matthews in the Lineberger building, has moved to offices in the Royster building.

The new structure, owned by the Drs. Gold and Dr. Moore, is located on South Washington street south of the Hotel Cleveland and was erected by Gus Evans, local contractor.

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Clerk's Report Shows Public Funds On Hand

Funds For Minors Can't Be Paid

Financial Report Of Clerk Of Court Shows Money On Hand For Many.

Today's issue of The Star carries the annual report of the Clerk of the Superior Court A. M. Hamrick, showing funds on hand, most of which are unclaimed witness fees. Scores of these witnesses do not know that a fee is being held for them in the clerk's office so a rush is expected when this report is published.

This report also shows the amount of money held for minors, but this is not subject to be paid until the minors become of age. This fact should be kept in mind in order to save the clerk the trouble of explaining.

The law requires the publication annually of a report showing the funds on hand by the clerk of court and Troy McKinney, county accountant, has been busy several days checking and verifying the record in order to have the report ready for publication before the first of the year.

The number opposite the names shows the page number of the book where the record is carried in the clerk's office, while opposite this is the amount of money held in the clerk's office to be paid out when called for.

Sunday School Meet At Zion Sunday

Mr. Barrett, Native Of County, Is Director, Sunday School Reports.

The Kings Mountain Baptist Sunday school association will hold its monthly rally at Zion church on January 1st, beginning at 2:15 o'clock, using the theme "Onward." These meetings are held under the direction of the Sunday school board of Nashville, Tenn., with J. N. Barnett, a native of Cleveland county, as associate secretary. He promotes rural Sunday school work throughout the Southern states.

Each Sunday school is asked to give a report monthly and send a delegation to these meetings. The program is as follows:

2:15 devotional by Mrs. N. B. Lee, of Lattimore S. S.; 2:25 survey of the past year's work; 2:35 Onward in Enlargement and Training, by Joe E. Blanton, of Ross Grove S. S.; 2:50 special music by Dover; 3:00 Onward in Evangelism, Standard Sunday Schools and Dedication of Life by N. L. Whisman, Supt. of Sandy Plains; 3:15 election of group Supts.; 3:30 roll call and announcements; 3:45 adjourn.

Injured Improve At City Hospital

Hinson, Shot In Chest, Better Today, Upton Youth Also Improving.

All those injured in accidents or brawls in or near Shelby during the holiday period were reported as improving today in the Shelby hospital.

Ezra Hinson, who was shot in the chest a week ago tonight, was better today. Hinson was shot, it is alleged, by Marvin Hutchins, who is now in the county jail. Hutchins has knife wounds in the chest said to have been inflicted by Hinson during their argument. Ernest Upton, white youth, accidentally shot by a brother while hunting the first of last week, is also improving, as is Marvin Peeler, colored man of the Double Shoals section, who was injured about the head when his wagon was struck by an automobile one night last week.

Man Charged With Death Of Sister Of Shelby Woman Is From Cherokee

Aaron Humphries Originally Lived Just Across Line In S. C.

Gaffney, S. C., Dec. 30.—Aaron A. Humphries, former Cherokee county man, is under arrest in Georgia charged with the murder of his wife at Gainesville, Ga. The body of the woman, who disappeared December 6, was found early this week in the bottom of an abandoned well at the Humphries home five miles from Gainesville. Her head had been crushed. Humphries is a son of Bud Humphries, who lives about seven miles from Gaffney on his farm near the North Carolina line.

Flu Epidemic Still Prevails In Section

Scores Of New Cases Reported In City And County, Others Return To Work.

The flu epidemic, in a mild form, continued to gain headway in Shelby and over Cleveland county today as the rainy weather held on and added to the number of colds.

It was said today that there has been more influenza during the last week or at the present time than in any winter since the serious epidemic of 1918. The present epidemic lacks much, however, of being as severe. Several cases of pneumonia have developed and a death or so has been credited directly or indirectly to flu or pneumonia, but generally speaking those taken sick have been able to get out after from two days to a week's confinement. Many of those in bed or confined to their homes the early part of the week were able to get out today and quite a number had returned to their work in uptown Shelby or in the industrial villages. Scores of new cases, however, have developed and the number of cases now per-

haps totals as much as those earlier in the week.

One of the two city firemen, Joseph Carroll, who had been sick was back on the job today, but the other, Buck Coble, was reported to have suffered a relapse. There are not over one or two business houses in uptown Shelby in which some of the employees are not out with the flu, and from 10 to 40 are reported sick with flu in each of the textile mill villages. One mill was reported to have half the force out. Policeman Knox Hardin, ill for several days, was still in bed today together with all members of his family, it was said, and his wife's parents. Over the county the situation is practically the same with one or more cases in practically all homes. As a result of the epidemic numerous public meetings have been called off. With the sun out for a short period yesterday it was hoped that there would be an end to the wet, damp weather which would in turn halt the epidemic, but it was rainy again today and the weatherman forecasts more flu weather, or rain, for tonight and tomorrow.

Cheaper Money By Lowering Amount Grains In Gold Would Aid Recovery Says Mull In Letter To Senator

Decision Left To Heads About Opening School

The rural schools of Cleveland county may not open Monday as scheduled. At 2 o'clock today Supt. J. H. Grigg said that members of the county board of education had decided to leave the matter to the various principals and committees. When they think the roads in their section are safe for the trucks to travel and that the flu has subsided enough the schools will be opened, probably any day of next week, or Monday week. The rural schools closed a week early because of the snow and were to have opened Wednesday but the date was postponed until Monday because of travel conditions. Now the reopening date is up to the various school heads.

The Shelby schools, unless some other decision is made over the week-end, will open Tuesday on schedule, Supt. B. L. Smith said today when asked if the holiday period would be extended because of the influenza epidemic.

Alumni Banquet Halted By "Flu"

The Wake Forest alumni banquet for Shelby and Cleveland county, scheduled to be held in the First Baptist church basement this evening at 6 o'clock, has been called off.

The banquet, which it was believed would have been attended by a large number of alumni and students of the college, was postponed because of the influenza epidemic. It was hoped to hold the occasion during the holidays so that students now home might attend, but it may be held later, although a decision has not been made as yet. First of all Dr. A. C. Reid, member of the Wake Forest faculty, who was to be speaker at the banquet, became sick with flu. Then the chairman of the program committee became sick, and then one of the ladies who was in charge of the food feature and the husband of the other. Due to these several handicaps it was thought best to postpone the banquet.

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Debts Are Our Trouble And They Can't Be Paid Without Cheaper Money.

Hon. O. M. Mull, prominent political leader who has retired from politics and is now devoting his time to the textile industry, offers a new solution for the economic stress the country finds itself in.

In a letter to Senator J. W. Bailey in Washington he suggests that congress reduce the number of grains of gold from 25.6 to 16 in each gold dollar and this would increase money circulation by two billion dollars, raise commodity prices and wipe out the deficit in the federal treasury.

Mr. Mull's letter to Senator Bailey is a piercing picture of the economic situation and reads as follows:

Looking To New Administration "There is but little, if any, change in business for the better. Profitable business conditions are still in the distant future. However, there is renewed hope or expectancy on the part of the great masses that the new administration will do something constructive which will remove that "corner" around which prosperity has failed to come. No one seems to know what that something is but at present we are all encouraged by this hope and are thus able to endure the unprecedented financial difficulties which now prevail. If the new administration brings nothing constructive or the remedy it applies should fail to produce the results hoped for, we will then have disappointment added to our financial distress.

Debts Trouble Us "Much emphasis has recently been centered on international debts. The importance of war debts and government obligations has, in my opinion, been over-emphasized. The one cause, which is the big mountain blocking the return of prosperity, is, in my opinion, debts of all kinds; private, corporate and governmental. The entire resources of our country are constantly being marshaled and employed in an effort to pay interest on debts with

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Junior College To Open Work Monday

Boiling Springs Has Had Very Successful Year So Far. Patrons Are Gratified.

Boiling Springs, Dec. 30.—Boiling Springs junior college will reopen for the spring term on Monday, January 2. The reopening will conclude a two weeks vacation for the Christmas holidays.

The school in resuming work will continue one of its most successful years. With an enrollment twice as large as that of last year, the school has expanded in every department. The faculty, ably led by Dr. Jenkins, is composed of well known teachers who are interested in the development of the college. Every member of the faculty holds an M. A. degree, a fact of which any school should be proud. So far athletics have been very much a success. Coach Paul Hutchins football eleven held its own with the junior colleges throughout the State, and the basketball team promises to make a strong bid for State honors.

Mrs. Humphries was a sister of

Christmas Rush And "Flu" Give Court A Grind

43 Cases Christmas Aftermath

No Serious Crimes, However, On Yule Docket, Lawyers Out With Flu.

The customary after Christmas docket combined with several cases of "flu" gave the county recorder's court considerable work and trouble this week.

The first session after the holiday, held on Tuesday, found 43 cases for trial. The majority of these developed from charges of an overabundance of Christmas spirits, the counts ranging from drinking to operating automobiles while under the influence of whiskey.

Road Sentences. In the majority of the two score cases defendants were let off with fines and the costs or with the costs. In two cases, where defendants were found guilty of driving a car while drunk, they were given 61 days each on the road force.

Other dockets this week have been light and quite a number of cases have been continued until today or later because two or three members of the bar were confined to their homes with influenza attacks and unable to attend court.

Shelby Plant Gets Tax Money Rebate

Sum Of \$9,262 Sent To Eastside Mfg. Co. Big Rebate In State.

Washington, Dec. 30.—North Carolina mills and individuals by the score got money back from the federal treasury last year.

Because even the government admits it makes mistakes, thousands of individuals and business organizations throughout the country got \$80,563,564 from the federal treasury during the year. The North Carolina concerns were listed in a report to congress Wednesday by the treasury, enumerating all taxes erroneously collected but returned in amounts of \$500 or more in the last fiscal year.

Among the firms receiving rebates due to error was the Eastside Manufacturing company of Shelby which received \$9,262. The firm is now operated as the Eton mill company.

Mrs. Wallace Goes To Brother's Burial

Mrs. Irma P. Wallace, Cleveland county home demonstration agent, received a message just before noon today informing her that her brother died at his home in Baskerville, Va., early today. He has been sick but was better and his death was unexpected. Mrs. Wallace and her son and daughter, Malcolm and Elizabeth Wallace, and a sister who has been visiting her left during the day for Baskerville.

Try Answering These

Can you answer 14 of these test questions? Turn to page 3 for the answers.

- 1. Why cannot a president's salary be reduced?
2. Who is generally recognized as the world heavyweight wrestling champion?
3. Does water boil at a lower or higher temperature at high altitudes?
4. About how far is Paris, France from London, England?
5. What is an aria?
6. Who introduced logarithms into arithmetic?
7. What does the Latin word "Libra" mean?
8. What position in the federal government does Ogden Mills hold?
9. Where in New York state is Clinton prison?
10. Which sea lies between Alaska and Siberia?
11. Name the canal that connects the Mediterranean and the Red Sea?
12. Why are bull dogs so named?
13. What is papaya?
14. Why is a soap bubble round?
15. Where is Fitzsimmons army general hospital located?
16. What are 4-H clubs?
17. Which particular region of continental United States is furthest north?
18. Is there a real country named "Graustark"?
19. What European country has a national flag of red, yellow and purple?
20. What is the derivation of the name "Arizona"?

Principals in Yule Tragedy



Following the discovery of the mutilated body of 9-year-old Anealy Keras, in the cellar of her home at Norwood, Mass., Ahmed Onsan (left) and Alley Onsan (wearing overcoats), Turkish peddlers, are shown under arrest in connection with the crime. Little Anealy was missed on Christmas day and a hunt by hundreds of police, volunteers and bloodhounds ended with the finding of the body under a pile of kindling in her own home. The little girl had been criminally attacked. Ahmed Onsan, who occupied a room in the child's home, was formally charged with the murder, and Alley was booked as an accessory. Lower photo shows Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keras, grief-stricken parents of the slain child, with their other child, Helen.

Hundreds Of Shelby Youngsters Made Happy By Gifts Of Fruit

First Baby Of 1933 Is Lucky

Seven gifts, offered by Shelby merchants and business men, are awaiting the first 1933 baby in Cleveland county. Another gift, also offered by a local business firm, will go to the mother of the first baby of the New Year, and still another gift to the second baby of the year. All the New Year babies must be promptly reported to The Star by Tuesday, Jan. 3. A birth certificate, properly filled out by a physician, certifying the hour of the birth after midnight of the New Year must be filed also with The Star, together with the names of the baby's parents, their address, and the name of the baby if named.

Seven Hundred Packages Distributed Through Charity Of Shelby People

Santa Claus—spirited along by the big-heartedness of Shelby people—saw to it that the children in needy Shelby homes received 700 packages of fruit, oranges, apples, candy, etc., on Christmas Eve.

Two or three days before Christmas Mayor S. A. McMurry urged all who might have an extra amount of fruit about their homes to gather up some and leave it at charity headquarters where it would be bagged and distributed. The distribution, he said, would be handled by the police force and the little packages carrying cheer to children who otherwise would have none would go, he assured only into needy homes investigated at charity headquarters.

Only two appeals were made through The Star, but by noon the day before Christmas the Red Cross building and the city hall were swamped with fruits and candies of all kinds. The contributions came in all sizes from a half dozen oranges up to cases of oranges and barrels of apples. One man gave 100 pounds of candy on condition that his name be withheld. Another gave a box of oranges and a box of apples, two gave a barrel of apples each and still another gave three boxes in all. The gifts ranged on down from barrels and boxes. Some gave dozens of each, others dropped by with nickels, dimes, quarters, and half dollars, in proportion to what they could afford to give.

Spread Smiles

The collection was then placed in the 700 bags. At 1 o'clock the afternoon before Christmas, Police Chief McBride Poston and Ernest Spangler, street superintendent, with two helpers started on their rounds with two trucks, making deliveries. It was 7:30 Christmas evening before they completed the job, but what a time they had to hear them tell it. "We've never seen as many happy kids," they said. "Very few of them expected any Santa

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Rev. Frank Davis To Leave Shelby

Decrease In Income For Missions Makes It Necessary, Dr. Cooper Is Pastor.

Rev. J. Frank Davis who has been acting pastor of the Shelby Lutheran congregation since last April will bring his work to a close here this coming Sunday. It had been the plan of the mission board to make Mr. Davis the regular pastor as soon as the building was completed, but on account of the decreased income of the church for missions, this was found to be impossible. It was with deep regret that this cherished hope of the mission board could not be carried out.

Mr. Davis has proven himself peculiarly fitted for the type of work needed here. His splendid personality with his always genial manner, has endeared him to the whole community. His work has been especially effective in building up the Sunday school and young peoples' work.

Dr. E. C. Cooper's work as field missionary has been discontinued for one year and he has been asked to serve as pastor of the Shelby church. Dr. Cooper expects to continue to live in Kings Mountain

Free Or Rental Textbooks Appear Unlikely Now For Tar Heel Pupils

North Carolina School Children Not Likely To Obtain Texts That Way.

Raleigh, Dec. 30.—Free or rental school textbooks for North Carolina children under present conditions appear to be opposed by members of North Carolina's 1933 general assembly, though the textbook commission's report will recommend rental texts.

Based on 34 answers made to an Associated Press question asked the 170 members of the incoming legislature, the sentiment for free or rental texts is strong but the will to provide them under present conditions was not so noticeable. The number of answers, however, was not large enough to establish a definite trend. As a part of one question the legislators were asked "Do you favor free textbooks and if so how would you finance?" W. O. Burgin, of Davidson, says he has "always been in favor of free textbooks" but "I do not see how we can furnish free textbooks now." J. S. Massenburg, of Polk, said he was "heartily in favor" of free textbooks "provided it can be so arranged without destroying various texts now used, which, I understand, are of high quality."

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Gardner Tired Of Public Job; Many Worries

Would Not Desire Office Again

Would Refuse Second Term As Governor, Does Not Say About Appointive Office.

Governor Gardner, who returns to Shelby next week after serving through four trying years as North Carolina's chief executive, is quoted as saying that under no consideration would he consider another four years in the office.

Although he is quoted in an article by J. C. Baskerville, Raleigh news correspondent, his statement does not include an intimation that he would refuse an appointment in the Roosevelt cabinet. He has been prominently mentioned for such a place and his statement about not caring for the responsibilities of the governorship for another term falls to say that he intends to refuse a cabinet place or other national honor. A portion of the Baskerville comment follows:

"Governor O. Max Gardner, with only one week remaining of his administration, is experiencing a feeling of distinct relief at the prospect of relinquishing office as governor, although in many ways there is also a feeling of regret in leaving public life, he said here today.

"If some one had the power to offer me another four years as governor and would tell me that I might remain here in this office for another term, nothing in the world could induce me to accept it," Governor Gardner said. "For while I appreciate the great honor that came to me when I was elected governor and while I have enjoyed the four years I have spent as governor of this great state, it is with a distinct feeling of relief that I approach the end of my administration. I can understand now why most of the governors who preceded me felt the same way about it when they ended their administrations. For the responsibilities of the office are tremendous and at times form a load which taxes every ounce of

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Plan Reception For Governor And Wife Here On January 13

Woman's Club Plans To Give Welcome To Retiring State Chief Executive and Wife

A welcome will be extended Governor and Mrs. Max Gardner by Cleveland county people when they return early in January. Mrs. H. T. Hudson, president of the Woman's club is making plans for a reception to be held at the Hotel Charles on the evening of January 13th and it may be that other civic clubs will join in the ceremony.

Governor and Mrs. Gardner leave Raleigh on January 5th when Mr. Ehringhaus is inaugurated. They will come immediately to Shelby but Governor Gardner has a speaking engagement in Iowa and will have to leave Shelby immediately upon his arrival here. The reception date was first set for January 6th but because of the governor's speaking engagement in Iowa it has been postponed until the evening of January 13th.

Details of the program have not been worked out, but it is understood there will be no speaking but a receiving line with the retiring governor and his wife, together with officials of the sponsoring organizations. Refreshments will be served and a general invitation extended to the adults of the community to welcome the return of the county's most distinguished citizen and his companion.

Kiwanis Officers Installed In City

The new officers of the Shelby Kiwanis club were officially installed at the weekly meeting of the club held last night. They are Henry B. Edwards, president; Thad Ford, vice president; Rush Hamrick, treasurer; and the following directors—S. A. McMurry, R. T. LeGrand, Max Washburn, C. R. Webb, Charles A. Hoey, J. S. Dorton and J. H. Grigg.

Scout Council To Meet Here Monday

Piedmont Boy Scout council will hold its court of honor in the court house on Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

With Quality Cleaners M. S. Gantt, former proprietor of the Modern Cleaners, is now associated with S. S. Summey in the operation of the Quality Cleaners.