

Fair Tuesday

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Today's North Carolina Weather
Report: Fair tonight and Tuesday,
somewhat cooler in east portion to-
night.

Chinese Bandits Release One

By UNITED PRESS
Yingkow, Manchuria, April 3.—F. L. Pearce, third engineer of the British steamer, Nanchang, was returned safely today after being held with three British officers by Chinese pirates since Thursday. The captors demand ransom for the liberty of the others, C. Johnson, W. W. Hargrove and A. D. Blue.

To Probe Morgan Interests

By UNITED PRESS
Washington, April 3.—Chairman Fletcher of the senate banking committee, looks for swift senate approval today for the resolution giving the committee power to go into the private records of the J. P. Morgan Co. Ferdinand Pecora, committee counsel, rebuffed in his efforts to obtain certain data from the Morgan firm will by the resolution have his demand backed up by the full authority of the senate.

Beer Bill Takes Assembly's Time; On Appropriation

With Beer Bill Out Of Way Appropriation Plan To Cause Big Fight.
By M. R. Dunnagan, Star News Bureau.

Raleigh, April 3.—The senate dispatched briefly the important appropriations bill the past week to consider and pass the Senator Francis "beer" bill and send it over to the house by special messenger, then completed and sent over the appropriations measure it had worked out, only to have the house "throw it back" by refusal to concur, thus necessitating a conference committee to try to iron out an exceedingly tangled measure.

More enthusiasm than has been seen so far this season was shown over the "beer" bill, the first to come before the senate, and the first since the congress passed and President Roosevelt signed the measure to the same intent. The bill, as passed by the senate, provides for the sale of beer, wine and other light beverages with not more than 32 per cent alcohol, but prohibits operation of places solely or primarily for their sale; meaning, no beer gardens. A tax of \$2 a barrel, or two cents a bottle, would be imposed, and municipalities are allowed to place a \$25 tax on places selling such drinks, and for a distance of two miles beyond their corporate limits.

The senate voted down the Senator Wayne amendment to allow a referendum on the measure, but adopted amendments allowing radio and newspaper advertising of wine and beer, legalizing it May 1 and striking out the requirement that the revenue go to the school fund. The senate vote finally was 33 to 11. In the house the measure was placed on the calendar for action early this week. Predictions are that it is certain to pass in that body. It may be amended to provide who dealers and manufacturers, and otherwise, but it seems sure that beer and wine will be legal articles of trade after May 1, and the two months of revenue this fiscal year will help pay teachers and state workers.

The appropriations measure is due for a stormy finish. The house sent to the senate a measure which the latter tore to pieces, bringing out a greatly increased appropriation on almost every item. In addition to raising the appropriation, on almost every item. In addition to raising the appropriations to departments, institutions and agencies.

Shelby Youth Wins 2nd Contest Honors

Harold Bettis Takes Second Place In Lenoir-Rhyne Annual Speaking Contest.
Harold Bettis, representing the Shelby high school, won second place in the annual speaking contest for high school orators held at Lenoir-Rhyne college Friday night of last week.
Young Bettis was Shelby's entrant in the annual Hoey contest in this county and his victory at Lenoir-Rhyne was a tribute to his oratorical ability in that he competed against a large number of select entrants from high schools in other sections of the State.

Begin Movement Today To Strengthen And Reopen Union Trust

Economy Bloc Still Fighting In Raleigh

Gardner Opposes Any New Tax

Cleveland Representative Says People Cannot Pay Any More Tax.
"No matter what tax or how much is levied it will do no good in balancing the State's budget when the people can't pay it," declared Ernest Gardner, Cleveland county representative, home from the legislative session at Raleigh for the week-end.

Mr. Gardner is a member of the economy group or bloc which hopes to balance the budget by reducing expenses instead of shifting taxes or levying new ones. The fact that the eight months school has already passed the Senate and a sales tax is considered by many as inevitable, Mr. Gardner stated that the economy group was far from ready to give up the fight.

"We're going to stay right there and keep on fighting for a reduction in governmental expenses," he said. "You can't balance the budget of a 'busted' state just by levying a tax the people cannot pay."

The Senate has already approved the eight months school measure, the Cleveland representative said, but the measure will face tremendous opposition when it reaches the house. It will be a very close fight there, he added, and there will not likely be over a half dozen votes difference, but Representative Gardner believes the measure will be defeated by a slight margin.

The sales tax will also pass the senate, he said. The house is pretty evenly divided on the tax, the division being about the same as on the eight months schools. There is still a hope, he thinks, that a general sales tax may be defeated in the house. The anti-sales tax group fights at a disadvantage, he stated, because of the position of Governor Ehringhaus in supporting such a tax. At the beginning of the legislative term the sentiment against

Ministers Bemoan Coming Of Beer

Two Pastors Express Regret That Beer Will Be Sold In North Carolina Soon.

At least two ministers of the leading uptown churches expressed regret yesterday from their pulpits that beer will be sold in North Carolina if the bill now pending before the house of representatives passes this week.

Dr. E. K. McLarty of Central Methodist recalled the drinking, the suffering and crime that prevailed during the saloon days and expressed fear that the legalization of beer is the opening wedge for the sale of alcoholic liquors.

"Two things of the past week struck me as most ridiculous," said Dr. Wall in his Sunday morning sermon. "One of the big brewers announced that he was glad that beer has returned to the workingman, since when has a brewer developed a sympathy for the poor workingman?" Dr. Wall also questioned the motive of the N. Y. Stock exchange in sending Cameron Beck, its personnel director out to talk to school children and civic club members. There are plenty of wolves today parading in sheep's clothing and it is ridiculous that the New York Stock exchange should send a man out to uplift the youth.

Legal Beer In 19 States Friday; Legislation Pending In This State

Dates From That Point On Range To July. North Carolina In May.
Legal beer of 3.2 per cent alcoholic content may be sold in at least nineteen states next Friday.

Dorsey In Race For Mayor Here; Gives Platform

McKinney Will Not Enter Contest

Former Mayor Outlines Frank And Outspoken Platform. Seeking No Favors.

New interest developed today in Shelby's city election in May when a former mayor, W. N. Dorsey, announced that he would be a candidate again.

Mr. Dorsey's entrance makes three formal candidates in the field with some indication that there may be others. The two announced in addition to Mr. Dorsey are S. A. McMurry, present mayor; and Z. J. Thompson alderman.

Thanks Friends
While one new candidate was entering the race another prospective candidate, E. F. McKinney, prominent and popular business man and farmer, issued a statement saying that he would not run. He says: "I deeply appreciate the urgent request of many friends and voters that I become a candidate for mayor of Shelby. I first said, 'No.' I then considered, and now say, 'Positively no.' I desire to be loyal to the wishes of the people but find that my time is thoroughly taken with my own problems. I would like to add that my idea of economy is to get value received for every dollar of the city's funds."

Makes Statement
The Dorsey platform and stand as outlined in The Star today is exceptionally frank and outspoken. He declares that he did make mistakes during his former term of two years, but is of the opinion that the experience then will aid him if elected again. A mistake listed was that of the police chief appointed "and some of his men." In making this statement, Mr. Dorsey added: "If I am favored with office again, this will not happen. I will use home men. We have plenty of good men to select from, and if I don't get good men at first, I know how to change them."

About Taxes
The platform further states that the candidate would demand a clean town in every respect. As to light, water and tax rates, he declares that promises about such are made only to get votes. He reminds that a mayor cannot reduce rates and states that such reduction is entirely with the board of aldermen. He would, he said, vote for a reduction in case of a tie vote with the board. Due to conditions he says that he would favor strict economy, is opposed to selling the city light plant and reminds that he refused to recommend such a course during his previous term. He concludes by declaring "I have no land to sell the city, don't want any improvements of any property I may own or for any relatives. All I want from the city will be my salary, and that just what the law provides. If I think it not sufficient, I can resign."

He expresses appreciation for the ladies votes he hopes to receive as he believes their influence helped him greatly in his former victory.

Try Answering These

- Can you answer 14 of these test questions? Turn to page two for the answers.
- 1. What substance is described as falling from heaven to feed the Israelites during their forty years wandering in the desert?
- 2. What is taxidermy?
- 3. What was Napoleon's famous Berlin decree of 1806?
- 4. In what German state is the city of Mannheim?
- 5. What is a "tax title"?
- 6. What is the meaning of Natura non facit saltum?
- 7. Who was called the Man of Destiny?
- 8. Where is the Tay river?
- 9. Who wrote "The Chambered Nautilus"?
- 10. What is a manometer?
- 11. How did the mansard roof get its name?
- 12. Where is the Champ de Mars?
- 13. Who succeeded Brigham Young as president of the Mormons?
- 14. Who was Richard Mansfield?
- 15. Where is Lake Champlain?
- 16. In what year was Texas annexed to the U. S.?
- 17. Who was Tchaikovsky?
- 18. Why is the insect known as the "Praying Mantis" so called?
- 19. In what year was the Battle of Chancellorsville, Va., fought?
- 20. In Roman law, what was manumission?

Plan Dual Atlantic Flight



Having already accomplished almost every feat known to aviation, Captain James A. Mollison and his wife, Amy Johnson, Great Britain's most famous flying couple, are planning a dual crossing of the North Atlantic as a spectacular climax to their flying career. Sometime in the next couple of months, the Mollisons will fly from London to New York and return, after which they will settle down on a farm. Both have many long-distance flights to their credit. Mrs. Mollison holding the London-Cape Town record, and her husband being the only man who has ever flown the Atlantic East to West. He flew both the North and South Atlantic solo.

Roosevelt Moves To Aid Mortgaged Farms

Congress To Throw Legislative Machinery In High Gear To Push Plan Through.

Washington, April 3.—President Roosevelt today gave Congress the blueprints showing what he wants done to re-adjust and refinance agricultural mortgages and save thousands of farms from foreclosure.

Sheriff Allen Squares Off With \$1.97 More Money Than Needed

Relief Work In County Is Lower

Only 13.6 percent of the population of Cleveland county was dependent entirely or in part upon aid from relief bureaus during the month of February, according to figures given out in Raleigh. This is quite a decrease over previous months.

May Try Arrowood Affair Here Today

Superior court resumed its grind here today after having a recess since last Wednesday afternoon when Judge T. B. Finley was unable to complete the remainder of the week due to a severe cold. He has since improved at his North Wilkesboro home and was here to preside today.

States To Be Given Quotas Of Jobs In Roosevelt Employment Campaign

Jobs In Forest Work To Be Passed Out On Quota By States. Start Soon.
Washington, April 3.—Regulations covering the recruiting of 250,000 men for the nation's biggest forest conservation project will place states on a quota basis under which maximum limits will be set for the number of men each can supply.

Bank Depositors Meet, Adopt Plan

Depositors To Take Stock Collateral

Loans From Larger Depositors Would Enable Institution To Open With Restriction.

A movement toward reopening the Union Trust Co. without restrictions was launched Saturday afternoon at a meeting of stockholders and depositors. The plan was unanimously approved.

Officials and attorneys had been giving attention for several days to various plans suggested and finally a plan was decided upon which is thought to be the easiest and most satisfactory. As many stockholders and depositors as could be notified, met in the directors' room of the First National bank and there the proposition was presented and at noon today good headway was being made.

Seek Depositors Agreement
Attorneys Clyde R. Hoey and D. Z. Newton, attorneys for the bank, which has been closed since the banking holiday was declared on March 6th, pointed out three courses to pursue. The course which meets with more favor and the one adopted is that the depositors who have funds at the Union Trust Co. loan to the stockholders \$130,000, the stockholders agreeing to assign their stock as collateral for the loan for a period of one to three years. Small depositors, having less than \$100 would not be asked to make a loan, but the larger depositors are being asked to lend half of their deposit, the other half to be available for use immediately upon the opening of the bank, should the money be needed.

When depositors agreed to loan half of their money—subject to check or on time certificate to the stockholders, the directors in turn will borrow \$150,000 or \$200,000 from the Reconstruction Finance corporation or elsewhere and put this new money in bank so that it will immediately open without restrictions. By this process, the stockholders who assign their stock would still be liable to the assessment, dollar for dollar of the amount of stock they now hold in bank, should the bank fail to make a go of it. Depositors would not assume or be responsible in any way for a stock assessment.

Cotton Growers Here On April 13

Former Governor To Open Office In Washington As Chief Lawyer For Association.

Washington, April 3.—Former Governor O. Max Gardner of Shelby has made formal announcement that he will open law offices in Washington and New York at once as chief counsel of the Rayon Association of America, which is now operating nine large plants, also that a large association of textile manufacturers and cotton mill men will be among his clients.

Governor Gardner said that these plans had been under consideration for some time and, since it was now indicated that the structure of many of the important industries of the south will have to be revamped in Washington and New York, he had decided to become chief counsel for various corporations to assist, but will retain his position as president of the Cleveland Cloth mill. He will take a home here and will be joined Easter by Mrs. Gardner. A large staff of financial and textile experts will be mobilized in his Washington office, which will be in the Woodward building.

Costly April Fool Prank; Auto Stolen

New Auto Taken From Rogers Garage Friday Night. No Trace Found

It happened early on the morning of April 1, but to R. H. Rogers, proprietor of Rogers Motors, West Marion street, it was not just an April fool prank. Some time Friday night, thieves entered the garage and made away with a new Victoria Ford eight. So far no trace has been found of the stolen car.