

Bank Outcome Is Nearing A Head; Appraisal Finished

Work Done By Chief Examiner Wood

First National Appraisal Will Be Finished Today Or Tomorrow. To Know Its Status.

For four days Chief Bank Examiner Wood and his assistant, together with Mr. Cecil Mariner of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation have been checking the affairs at the First National bank appraising the assets of the institution.

This bank as well as the Union Trust Co. has been closed since the bank holiday was declared on March 6th. The coming of the bank examiners was delayed because of duties in other cities, but three men arrived on Thursday and have been working constantly ever since. In a room with officers and directors, the examiners worked Sunday to complete the appraisal job as soon as possible and this afternoon the check-up was being completed.

Woods Take Two Weeks

It is understood that whatever course is recommended by Chief Bank Examiner Wood, the plan must be approved in Washington and Richmond and this would entail some delay. When a bank that has been operating under a conservator as the First National has been doing for the past five weeks, the law says an advertisement must be carried for two weeks notifying the public that the bank will be relieved of a conservator and turned back to the officers for normal operation. Therefore, before there

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Superior Court Ends Term Here

Session Ended Saturday Morning. Another Divorce Is Granted.

The two weeks term of Superior court for Shelby, over which Judge T. B. Finley presided, adjourned here Saturday morning after disposing of a number of civil litigations Friday and Saturday.

Only eight or nine days of court were held during the session due to the fact that Judge Finley was sick with a cold a part of the first week.

Four divorces were granted during the civil session of the court, the last divorce being granted to Ethel Hill London from Mark London on the charge of adultery.

Sister Of Shelby Woman Dies At Duke

Mrs. Laura Kerns, Sister Of Mrs. J. Frank Harris, Dies At Durham.

News was received here Saturday of the death in the Duke university hospital at Durham of Mrs. Laura E. Kerns, a sister of Mrs. J. Frank Harris, Shelby. Mrs. Kerns lived at Winston-Salem was taken to the Duke hospital for treatment.

The remains were buried Sunday at Winston and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harris and daughter and Ollie Harris left Saturday for Winston to attend the funeral. Mrs. Kerns is survived by her husband Walter Kerns, two other sisters besides Mrs. Harris, Mrs. J. F. Griffin and Mrs. E. A. Pearce, both of Winston, and two brothers, John Miller and William Miller who live in the Yadkin river valley.

Forest Workers To Live In Army Camps In Woods, Follow Routine

Roosevelt Employment Army Recruits To Work Five Days. Schedule Given.

Since any number of unemployed young men in this section are hoping to secure employment in the Roosevelt reforestation program they will be interested in the general plan and routine to be followed.

It won't be easy, but the life of the forestry conservation corps being organized will be in striking contrast with the punishing routine of the rugged lumberjacks who went into the woods before them.

The old logger worked in the winter, often in severe cold. There were long hours, usually seven days a week. The food was heavy, pretty much the same.

Now comes the conservation corps recruit to build up the forest thin-

"Oakleys" for "First Family"



No matter what the state of the exchequer during the next year, President and Mrs. Roosevelt are at least sure of being able to see the ball games. Here are Clark C. Griffith (left), president of the Washington Senators, and John Heydler, head of the National League, as they arrived at the White House to present American and National League passes to the "First Family."

Hope To Get 250,000 Men In Forests And At Work By Middle Of May

Head Of Forest Work Army Speeds Mobilization Of Unemployed To Forest Camps.

(By UNITED PRESS)

Washington, April 10.—Robert Fechner, general of the Roosevelt reforestation army, today outlined his objective of getting the entire unemployed force of 250,000 men into the forest camps and at work by May 15.

Despite an illness which confines him to bed, Fechner issued orders to speed the mobilization of the un-

Threatens Investigation Of False Rumor About Bonded Warehouse

Indictment May Follow As Rumor That Planters And Merchants Is Short On Cotton

An investigation and indictment may follow as a result of a false and damaging rumor which has spread over the county relative to the Planters and Merchants Bonded Warehouse of Shelby where cotton is stored and warehouse receipts issued on which loans may be secured, if desired.

The rumor has been that the warehouse is short anywhere from 100 to 3,000 bales of cotton on the number of receipts issued and when this rumor reached A. B. Fairley, state warehouse superintendent at Raleigh, he sent a telegram this morning to The Star which reads as follows:

Telegram Sent

"I have been advised that there was a rumor in your community that the Planters and Merchants Warehouse was short. Wish you to advise that the stock of this warehouse was checked on April 4th and I have a report of this check-up which indicates everything to be in order, therefore this rumor is false and absolutely without foundation.

"This warehouse has operated under the state system for about ten

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Collects \$7,000 In Taxes During First Week Term

Last Week Prior To Larger Penalty

Sheriff Cline Appreciates Manner Citizens Have Been Paying. Urges Payment This Week.

Cleveland county taxpayers paid an average of \$1,000 daily last week in order to avoid the three percent delinquent penalty which goes on today week.

Sheriff Raymond Cline and Chief Deputy Roger Laughbridge said today that during their first week in office, from Saturday week through last Saturday, that he had collected approximately \$1,000 per day.

The tax-paying spurt resulted in part from the announcement by the commissioners that they would withhold the three percent penalty, due to go on April 1, until April 17 because many taxpayers had their money tied up in one way or another.

The additional penalty will not be charged on all taxes paid through Saturday of this week, but will be added to payments Monday and from that date on. Sheriff Cline urges all able to do so to pay during the week and avoid the penalty.

To Set Last Date For Filing Notice Of City Candidacy

No Special Date Set Forth In City Charter. Others Consider Race.

Candidates and prospective candidates in the approaching Shelby election and their friends have been asking what is the final date for candidates to file announcements of their candidacy. It was stated today by D. Z. Newton, city attorney, that the charter does not specify any particular date but that originally the city board fixes an appropriate date each two years in keeping with the date of the election.

A meeting of the aldermen is scheduled for Tuesday night and the final date for filing may be decided upon then.

It is understood that one or two more candidates plan to get in the field but for one reason or another are delaying their announcements for the time being.

Gardner Takes New Office In New York

New York, April 10.—New York headquarters of the Cleveland Cloth mills, of which O. Max Gardner is president, announced that the former North Carolina governor moved into his legal offices in the Woodward building in Washington Thursday. One of his chief duties will be concerned with the interests of the rayon yarn industry.

N. E. Burgess, Governor Gardner's son-in-law and sales manager at the New York offices of Cleveland Cloth mills, told The Observer correspondent here that the rayon market had been "very active for the last 10 days."

Try Answering These

- Can you answer 14 of these test questions? Turn to page two for the answers.
1. In what department of France is Chateaux Thierry?
 2. Where is Tell El Amarna?
 3. What country first issued adhesive postage stamps?
 4. What explorer called China "Chathay"?
 5. Where did Solomon erect the Temple?
 6. In which ocean are the Chatham Islands?
 7. Of what state is Santa Fe the capital?
 8. Which president issued the first Thanksgiving day proclamation?
 9. What is John N. Garner's middle name?
 10. Which people worshipped the god Marduk?
 11. In music, what is tempo?
 12. Near what city is Lookout Mountain?
 13. Should the bridegroom provide flowers in a church wedding?
 14. Who is Lionel Atwill?
 15. What is Ed Wynn's nickname?
 16. How often is a federal population census taken?
 17. What annual salary does the chief justice, United States, receive?
 18. What does the Latin phrase "Mare Clausum" mean?
 19. Name the largest of the Canary Islands.
 20. What is a chafin?

Scottsboro Furor



Ruby Bates, one of the accusers of the seven negroes in the famous Scottsboro case, who created a sensation at the trial in Decatur, Ala., when she took the stand and testified that the story she told at the previous trial was untrue. Miss Bates, who had been missing until her dramatic appearance in court, told the court that neither she nor Victoria Price had been attacked by any of the accused men.

Polkville Youths Best In Judging Stock In Contest

Charles Beam, Dillingham Student, Wins District Honor At Charlotte Saturday.

Charlotte, April 10.—Representatives of 32 rural high schools having vocational agriculture departments in 11 counties Saturday attended the district livestock judging contest at the Morrison farm and the Ashcraft dairy near Charlotte under the direction of J. M. Osteen of Troy, district supervisor of vocational agriculture.

Each of the 32 schools in the district was entitled to two representatives in the contest. All of the 1,500 boys taking the vocational agriculture course in this district were originally in the annual contest, but elimination contests reduced the number of representatives to two for each school.

Home Is Destroyed By Fire At Union

House And Contents Swept Away In Early Morning Fire In Union Section.

The residence of John M. Mode of the Union community was destroyed by fire last week. The fire was discovered about 4 o'clock in the morning, but the flames were already covering the roof and the family just did escape with their lives.

The furniture and other contents were completely destroyed. The flames roaring so high in the sky, at that hour of the morning, attracted a large throng of people throughout the section, but it burned so hurriedly no one arrived early enough to help.

The family is living with Mrs. Williamson who lived nearby until they get the house rebuilt.

Dun And Bradstreet's Report Thinks Retail Trade Gaining Ground Daily

Retail Sales Stimulated By Easter Trade. Plans For Expansion Underway.

New York, April 10.—Volume of business in some lines was expanded to new high levels for the year, the weekly report of Dun and Bradstreet, incorporated, says.

Retail sales last week have been stimulated by Easter demand and merchants in leading centers "report encouraging consumer response to their increased newspaper advertising," lineage of which in some instances is running nearly double that of a year ago, the survey stated.

"As retail trade has shown a steady increase since the passing of the banking holiday, the force of the Easter buying period is expected to mark a definite upturn which will gain momentum with the advancing spring season. As a whole retail sales during the week made the

County Property Tax Down, Sales Tax On

Legislature Now Nearing End Of Present Session

Many Not Satisfied With Sales Tax, Eight Months Schools. Assembly Summary.

(By M. R. Dunnagan, Star News Bureau)

Raleigh, April 10.—Acceptance of the \$16,000,000 for the eight months school term item in the conference report by the house of representatives indicates that the 1933 general assembly is well on the way toward adjournment. Some even think it possible that the session will end by the middle of April, but the majority belief is that it will continue into the next week.

Break Deadlock

Possibility of a deadlock between the house and senate practically vanished with that action, which, in reality, commits the general assembly to a sales tax of some kind. For, it is pointed out, there is no other way in sight for raising the revenue needed for the eight months school except a sales tax. But even yet there are those members who voted for the eight months school term who say they will still oppose the sales tax. This number, however, apparently will not have sufficient strength to cause a holdup for any appreciable time.

A general sales tax of three percent has been agreed upon by the house finance committee and comes up for consideration Tuesday in the revenue bill which was received on its first reading in the house Saturday. The house will go into a committee of the whole to consider it and hopes to be able to finish it in time to get it passed on its three readings by the latter part of the week. It will then have to be taken up by the senate, which will spend from three to five days on it. That is why it seems impossible for the session to end before April 20, or possibly the 22nd.

The appropriations bill may be considered out of the way. The house adopted the conference report. It is considered a matter of formality for the senate to do likewise. This measure, as stated, provides \$16,000,000 for eight months of school. It makes a cut of 38 percent, a compromise between the house 44 and the senate 32 percent cut in the salaries of state employees, on the 1931 basis. On the whole, the report is almost the figures submitted by the senate, which was not inclined

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Around \$60,000 Off Land Owners

County-Wide Tax On Real Estate Will Be \$60,000 Less If Value Lowered A Fourth.

With the removal of the state's 15-cent ad valorem or land tax and if the Cleveland county commissioners are able to lower real estate valuations by one-fourth the county-wide real estate tax in Cleveland county in 1933 will be around \$60,000 less than in 1932, or off approximately one-half.

At the same time, however, the state sales tax will pop almost twice that much upon the county, it is estimated.

The slashing of the property tax in the county by a half due to removal of the 15-cent tax on land for schools does not, however, include a property tax which will remain in special school districts, road districts, etc. This will amount to a considerable sum, because in the county's total tax levy of \$262,000 only \$124,000 is a direct tax upon land for county-wide purposes, the remainder being a tax upon special road and school districts.

Not All Removed

The legislation enacting the state-wide eight months school will not remove all the special district taxation. It will, of course, remove all tax for school maintenance in the special districts of the county, but the majority of them will be forced to continue a tax levy for some years to take care of the interest and payments upon the debts of the special districts. The same applies to indebtedness of road districts.

Last year the county of Cleveland levied a 43-cent tax for general county and state purposes. This levy did not include levies upon special districts, etc. Of that 43 cents 25 was for school purposes, 15 cents levied for the state support of six months schools and 10 for debt service and capital outlay for the county. The removal of the state's 15-cent, the amount to be taken up by the sales tax for the six months plus enough for an additional two months. That would leave the coun-

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Larger Loans For Tenants Under New Seed Loan Ruling

Increased From \$1,200 To \$2,000. Cleveland Applications Receive Favorable Approval.

Of interest to farmers in this section will be the announcement made today by F. T. Wagoner, field representative of the crop loan office, that an amendment to the regulations has increased the total amount of loans to the tenants of any one landlord in a single county from \$1,200 to \$2,000. The amendment is effective at once.

"Up to this date," Mr. Wagoner said, "we have taken around 800 applications for crop loans in Cleveland county. However, we got started a week or 10 days later than in adjoining counties. All eligible loans are being approved at the Washington office and the borrowers checks are coming in daily. With the good reputation that Cleveland farmers have in repaying their past loans we see no reason why each farmer should not receive the necessary funds required for crop production in 1933."

Quite a number of checks came in over the week-end, the field representative here added. He also stated that some of the applications in the office here are not properly filled out and complete because in some instances landlords and tenants failed to sign the necessary waivers. Those who have not signed, both landlords and tenants, are urged to come in and do so in order that the applications may be forwarded on to Washington.

Wray To Continue In Business Here

Of interest to the general public of this section will be the announcement that the A. V. Wray and Six Sons firm, well known Shelby firm, plans to continue in business. The announcement says that due to the confidence shown in the recent bankrupt sale by the people of the section, the store will continue to operate.

Play At Ross Grove School Thursday

The Ross Grove school will give a play, "Oh! Teacher" at the Ross Grove church Thursday night, April 13, beginning at 8 o'clock. Every one is invited to be present.