

THE MARKETS
Cotton spots 9 1/4 to 10c
Seed (wagon) ton 17.00
Seed (cart) ton 19.00

Showers Likely

Today's North Carolina Weather Report: Partly cloudy and possibly showers Thursday and in extreme west and extreme south portions tonight. Slightly cooler on north coast tonight.

3 More States Vote Repeal

By UNITED PRESS
Three more states, including the traditionally dry Iowa where the prohibitionists staged a last ditch fight, were in the prohibition repeal column today, making a total of 14 states to ratify the 21st amendment.

Spanish Prince Marries Today

By UNITED PRESS
Lausanne, Switzerland, June 21.—Prince of the Asturias, renouncing all right to succession of the vacant Spanish throne, was married in a civil ceremony today to Senorita Encarnacion Andrianna Sampedro Ochoa, a Cuban commoner.

Says Farmer To Avoid Risks By Plan On Cotton

Blalock, Co-Op Head, Urges Farmers To Join In Cotton Program.

(Special To The Star.)
Raleigh, June 21.—Urging farmers to cooperate in the government's acreage reduction plan, U. Benton Blalock, president of the American Cotton Cooperative association, today said that with a 13,000,000 bale carryover and good prospects for a crop on 40,000,000 acres this year only an optimistic can look forward to anything like a fair price for cotton this fall unless our acreage reduction campaign goes over as a big success.

Mr. Blalock termed the plan as probably about the best that could be submitted under the authority vested in the secretary of agriculture through the agricultural adjustment act, and summarized the following as seven inducements offered cotton farmers to cooperate in the plan:
1. It offers a very fair rental for cotton lands according to productivity.
2. With options on cotton at six cents per pound the cotton farmer can immediately close out his options for three to three and one-half cents per pound profit.
3. If he so desires he may hold his

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Varmint Worries Colored People Near City Again

"Crying Hyena" Heard And Seen In River Woods North Of Shelby.

Another of those strange "varmints" which bobs up every year or so in this section to trouble the nocturnal peace of the colored people is said to be abroad again near Shelby.

This time the varmint is labelled as a hyena—a hyena that "cries like a baby."
Colored youths who live on the McKinney farm north of Dixon bridge in the vicinity of the Boy Scout cabin say that the strange animal has been prowling the woods thereabouts for two or three weeks and has been chasing everything, man or dog, which comes near it.

"Nearly all night long yo' kin hear it cryin' just like a baby," cept louder," according to Henry Foster, colored man who lives in that section. "It liken to got my dawg t'other night and Ector Butler, a white boy who lives near there, said it ran him."

Anyway, the animal, be it a hyena or what not, has the colored people and some of the white youths of that section worried. They shy away from travelling through the woods at night, contending that the animal reported to be larger than a big shepherd dog, beds in daytime in a thicket near the scout cabin and spends the night prowling the woods and bypaths, giving chase to anything it may encounter. The weird cries of the animal are said to be even more terrifying than the deed of meeting it in personal encounter.

May Start Work On Enlarged Shelby Post Office Within 90 Days

Will Pay Farmers To Retire 20,985 Acres Of Cotton

Plan Reduction Of Acreage Here
Fifteen Meetings Scheduled In The County To Explain And Get Farmers To Sign Up.

Cleveland county farmers will be asked to retire 20,985 acres of cotton land from production this year and accept pay therefor under the cash-rental plan or the option-rental plan, it was announced this morning by R. W. Shoffner, county agent.

Mr. Shoffner has been directed by the state extension department to cancel all other engagements for the next three weeks and devote his entire time to the acreage reduction plan proposed by Secretary Wallace who seeks to retire ten million acres of cotton land in the belt from production in order to boost the price.

Cleveland county has approximately 69,956 acres of cotton this year. Twenty five per cent is the minimum amount Secretary Wallace says will be acceptable and forty per cent is the maximum, so Mr. Shoffner figures that Cleveland's quota would be thirty per cent of the acreage or 20,985 bales.

Fifteen meetings are scheduled throughout the county early next week at which time the plan will be explained to farmers and they will be asked to sign up a retirement contract. Assisting Mr. Shoffner in holding these meetings are the agriculture teachers in the county high schools. The meetings are scheduled for the following places:

Monday, June 26th, 2 o'clock, Court House in Shelby.

Tuesday Morning, June 27th, 10 o'clock, Dillingham at No. 8 school; Coley at Lattimore school; Winchester at No. 3 school; Shoffner at Kings Mountain school.

Tuesday, June 27th, 2 o'clock, Dillingham at Casar School; Coley at Mooresboro school; Winchester at Beth-Ware school; Shoffner at Holly Springs school.

Wednesday, June 28th, 10 o'clock, Dillingham at Belwood school; Coley at Boiling Springs Junior college; Winchester at Waco school.

Wednesday, June 28th at 2 o'clock, Dillingham at Piedmont school.

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GROUNDHOG SAYS SURE IT IS SUMMER TIME HERE NOW

At least one groundhog thinks it is the business of the groundhog to foretell the coming of summer as well as to inform of the breaking of winter. Yesterday—the last day of spring—S. B. Shoup caught a 10-pound groundhog on the Dedmon place north of Shelby. The big mammot, exhibited in Shelby today, fought Mr. Shoup and his dogs a tough battle before being captured.

Some Oddities

Charles Beam, enterprising young farmer of the Polkville section, was in Shelby today exhibiting a soft-shell egg with an unusual formation in the form of a handle on one end of the egg.

While here he told of an extraordinary Jersey heifer, owned by W. W. Mauney, of route 5, which has been giving two gallons of milk daily prior to her first calf.

A calf at the home of Bruce Whisnant, at Polkville, was born without a tail, he added.

Cotton Ruling Makes Farmer Of Dixie Master Of His Own Fate

Government's Acreage Control Plan Meets With Approval Of Officials Of Several States.

New Orleans, June 21.—Dixie's cotton farmer, long used to a humble role, was made the master of his fate and the captain of a commodity's price trend, as Secretary Wallace announced the administration program for acreage control, based primarily on voluntarily co-operation by growers.

Coinciding with the announcement, spot and future cotton here advanced \$1.30 to \$1.40 a bale in active trading, some states made plans to immediately carry out their part in the program, and southern agricultural officials voted enthusiastic support. One and all however were

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Mercury Jumps To 102 In City, Highest In '33

Heat records were smashed again in Shelby yesterday when the Ebeltoft thermometer registered 102 in the afternoon. On four previous days during the hot spell this year, the mercury had climbed to 101, one of the days being Monday, but yesterday's heat provided a new high. The mercury was back in the high nineties today with the prospect of showers tonight or tomorrow.

Gardens and crops in this section are continuing to suffer from the lack of rain and the continued heat.

Baby Girl Left At Belwood Home On Tuesday Morn

Note Tells Name Of Child

No Clue To People Who Left Girl And Clothes On Porch Of Lutz Home.

"I'm here. My name is Betty Jean, and I was born on February 2, 1933."

That was the message on the card pinned to the dress of a four-month-old baby girl found on the porch of the Joe G. Lutz home at Belwood early yesterday morning. Around daylight the Lutz family was awakened by the cries of a baby. Going to the front porch they found the abandoned baby girl and the note.

By the baby's side was a traveling bag with clothes, also a thermos bottle filled with milk and two additional bottles of milk. About the bag or bottles—there was nothing whereby the people leaving the baby there could be traced. A Nashville, Tenn., address was on the travelling bag but that was considered very little clue.

Wilbur, son of Mr. Lutz who lives with his father, stated yesterday that they heard no noise during the night and not until the baby was heard crying about sunup Tuesday morning. About the yard and front porch, he said, there were no tracks or clues to indicate how the people who left the baby there might have been travelling.

The baby was described as a healthy, good-looking little girl, who is seemingly getting along fine after being given attention by members of the Lutz family.

Just what may be done with "Betty Jean" had not been decided yesterday, but many people have visited the home to see the infant and discuss its mysterious coming into the Belwood community.

Belk-Stevens Store Is Greatly Enlarged

Adjoining Store Rented For Dress Department, Three Main St. Entrances.

Belk-Stevens Co. has leased an additional store room from Dr. S. S. Royster on S. LaFayette street, the new store room to be used as an up-to-date dress shop. In addition to women's wear, this department will handle infants and children's apparel and thousand of dollars worth of summer merchandise has been received to stock this new department, so announced Mr. A. V. Beck, manager, this morning.

Mr. W. S. Creighton, merchandise manager of the Belk-Stevens store at Winston, has been here assisting Manager Beck in supervising the remodeling of the store and the restocking and rearranging of displays. An arch-way has been cut in the wall, thus connecting the three store rooms. The piece goods department has been greatly enlarged and larger stocks and displays of merchandise put in every department.

There will be an opening Thursday morning of the new dress shop for women, infants and children and Manager Beck says the broadening of the store means that the company is here to stay.

Eli Roberts III
Eli Roberts, 30, one of the county's most highly respected colored citizens, is reported to be desperately ill at his home just east of Shelby.

Masonic Meeting
A regular meeting of Cleveland lodge 202 A. F. and A. M. will be held Friday night at 8 o'clock.

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County Board To Fix 1933 Budget At Special Meet

Want Bills In By Next Monday

County Accountant Asks That All June Accounts Be Settled By First Of Week.

The Cleveland county commissioners will hold a special session here on Monday at which time they will take up the tentative county budget for 1933, as outlined by Troy McKinney, county accountant, and will likely adopt a budget in order to fix a tax levy when further figures are concerned.

The tentative budget figures which will be considered call, it is understood, for a sizeable reduction in county expense and may result in a reduction of the county tax levy.

Need Bills In
In order to close the books for the year ending this month and to lay the basis for the 1933 budget, the commissioners hope to get all the June bills and accounts against the county in for the special session Monday. Individuals and firms who have accounts should have them in with the accountant by that time, or they will be carried over into the July bills in order to close the business for the present fiscal year.

Although the new budget may be adopted at Monday's meeting there is little likelihood that the 1933 tax levy will be fixed at the meeting. This matter will be delayed in all probability because information must be secured from Raleigh as to valuations, etc., corporations.

M. And J. Finance Pays It's Dividend

At a meeting of the directors of the Merchants and Jobbers Finance corporation held Friday evening at the Carl Thompson lumber company office, the regular two per cent quarterly dividend was ordered paid. Checks will be mailed out to shareholders to the amount of \$2,000.

Fred W. Blanton, treasurer, says there has been a \$50,000 increase in the total assets of the finance company within the last year. This quarterly dividend is the twelfth consecutive quarterly dividend the company has paid.

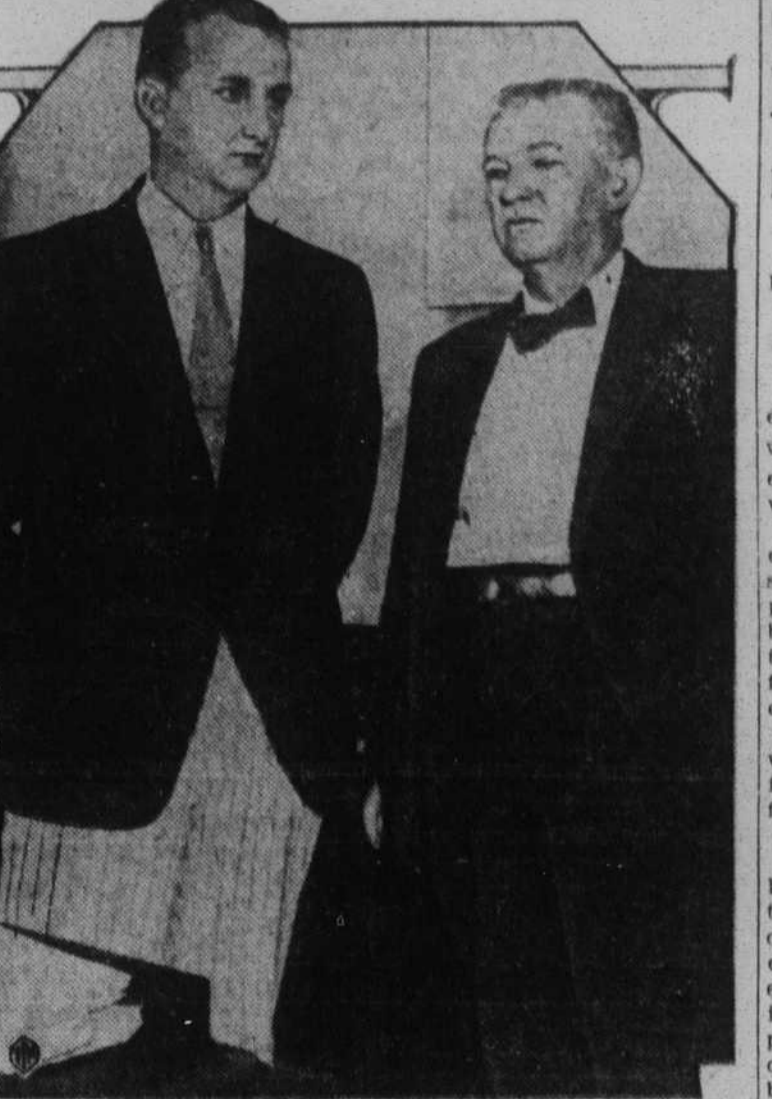
Mr. Wright Makes 104 Bu. On 3 Acres

C. R. Wright has threshed his wheat and he has a yield which will be hard to beat in Cleveland county. Off of three acres he made 106 bushels. When asked what variety of the wheat is, he quickly replied: "Roosevelt Variety." It is better known however, as red chaff.

Try Answering These

- Can you answer 14 of these test questions? Turn to page two for the answers.
1. Where did the minut originate?
2. What is Unter den Linden?
3. What nickname was given the U. S. S. Constitution?
4. Where do the remnants of the Mission Indians live?
5. In which book of the Bible is the story of the seven fat years and the seven lean years?
6. In what part of Manhattan is Wall street?
7. In what part of the world is the Upas tree native?
8. In which state is the city of Brockton?
9. Where is Juba river?
10. Name the first state admitted to the union after the ratification of the constitution.
11. Name the largest of the Great Lakes.
12. Who was Charlotte Bronte?
13. Where is the University of Upsala?
14. Hold often did the year of Jubilee occur among the Jews?
15. What is the name of an alloy of copper and tin?
16. How many states must ratify a constitutional amendment to make it effective?
17. When does an eclipse of the sun occur?
18. For whom is the state of Maryland named?
19. Who was the hero of the Jewish war of independence against the Syrian Kings in the second century B. C.?
20. What was Brook Farm?

Survived Kansas City Shooting



R. E. Vetterli (left), Kansas City Federal agent, and Frank Smith, Oklahoma City detective, who survived the withering machine gun blast with which gangsters killed four detectives and ex-convict they were taking to Leavenworth Penitentiary. They are shown after the shooting at the Union Depot in Kansas City.

Possibility Now Of Getting Court Room Here Also

Look For Temporary Office Quarters

Inspectors And Engineers Here Looking Over Temporary Office Sites.

Actual construction work on the enlarging of the Shelby post office with the possible addition of a federal court room may be started within the next 90 days.

This was learned here today after three government officials had spent two days in Shelby going over plans for the enlarged federal building and inspecting sites for a temporary location of the post office while the new building is under construction.

One of the three officials here was a representative of the post office department and the others were from the treasury department.

Find Sites
The three officials, it is said, looked over a number of prospective sites for the temporary post office and found several which they considered to be suitable. The government, they were quoted as saying, will have to advertise for competitive bids for the temporary location and then select one from the bids. The postal force will then be moved and work started on the building. This will require around 90 days, they told Postmaster J. H. Quinn.

10 Months Work
The construction work will require around 10 months time, it is estimated, and the office will have to be in temporary quarters that long.

Court Room
The original plans for the enlarging of the federal building here was thought to have included plans for adding another floor to the building to be used as a federal courtroom. Some time ago it was learned that the court room was not included in the tentative plans and had not been provided for in the appropriation. This was disappointing locally. But yesterday one of the three officials, an engineer, was asked if it would be possible to include a court room in the plans this late and he is reported to have stated that it was not too late. As a result of this information it is understood that Federal Judge E. Y. Webb, Postmaster Quinn and others will attempt to have the court room included in the plans for the enlarged building. The en-

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New Tax Schedule Now In Effect; Includes Signs, Sports, Tourist Houses; Sales Tax Comes July 1st

Athletic Contests, Tourist Homes, Coal, Chain Stores, Pool Rooms, Etc.

Many new state license taxes became effective in North Carolina on June 1st and the general sales tax which must be passed on to the public will become effective July 1.

The general assembly gave mature consideration to this subject and determined to extend the scope of taxation of the itinerant sale of merchandise. The amount of the annual license tax on peddling was greatly reduced. The former tax on peddling with motor vehicle was \$100 for each county. This was reduced to \$25 for each county, plus 3 per cent upon all sales made.

Counties, cities and towns may levy the same annual license tax. These changes affect many established distributors of merchandise, as well as the ordinary peddler from house to house.

Athletic contests: Baseball, football, boxing, wrestling, etc. A tax of \$5.00 for each location plus 3 per cent on gross receipts.

Boarding houses: Advertising for transient patronage, and all having more than 15 boarders whether advertising or not, \$2.00 per room with minimum of \$10.00.

Loan companies or agencies: \$500.00.

Morticians or embalmers: A personal privilege tax of 10.00 if gross receipt exceeded \$1,000 in preceding year and \$5.00 if less than \$1,000.

Toll bridges: \$5.00 plus 3 percent of gross receipts.

Tourist camps or homes: \$2.00 per room with minimum of \$10.00.

Automatic machines: Typewriters.

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Three Children Die; Two Today

Sheriff Cline, G. C. Keever And G. B. Williams Lose Their Children.

Three children have died in and near Shelby within the past few days. Elizabeth Ann Cline, 13 months old daughter of Sheriff and Mrs. Raymond Cline died at the home of its parents Tuesday, Jack, the four months old child of Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Keever died at the home of its parents on Suttle street at midnight last night and Oliver, 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Williams died near Elizabeth church Saturday morning.

Elizabeth Ann Cline had been sick with whooping cough and measles, two diseases which have been rather general over the county this spring. On Monday the child became worse and the end came this morning at 3 o'clock. She was a bright and promising child and a great joy in the home. Surviving are her parents, two brothers and two sisters. Funeral services will be conducted by Dr. Zeno Wall at Elizabeth Baptist church Thursday morning at 11 o'clock.

Jack Keever died at the home of its parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Keever on Suttle street shortly before midnight last night. The little one had been sick for two days with colitis and pneumonia. Funeral services were held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the residence by Dr. E. K. McLarty. Interment takes place in Sunset cemetery. Besides the parents, one brother Bobby and two sisters, Betty Jean and Muriel, survive.

Oliver C. Williams, 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Williams was buried at Beaver Dam church Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. E. Waldrop. Oliver was sick only a few days. Besides the parents, six sisters and six brothers survive.

One Day's Notice
Since Attorney P. C. Whitlock has approved all papers, he is communicating today with Washington, notifying them that all papers are

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First National Bank Plans Near Final Stage For Early Opening

Reconstruction Attorney Whitlock Gives His Approval Of Legal Papers.

Plans for the reopening of the First National bank on an unrestricted basis are in their final stages and a definite announcement as to the opening date is expected within a few days.

Paul C. Whitlock, Charlotte attorney for the Charlotte branch of the Reconstruction Finance corporation was here yesterday and approved all legal papers drawn and executed in connection with the bank and its officers. Many of these papers have to be recorded in Cleveland, Gaston and Rutherford counties and this will be completed today.

It is learned that the documen-