

THE MARKETS
Cotton, spot 10 to 10 1-2c
Cotton seed, ton \$25.00

Showers Likely

Today's North Carolina Weather Report, Occasional showers tonight and Thursday.

Prisoner and Officer Slain By Gun Mob

By UNITED PRESS
Charleston, W. Va., July 26.—A police car en route to the State penitentiary with a prisoner was ambushed today by four gunmen who killed a deputy, and wounded another in order to capture and slay the prisoner.

Fight Repeal On Legality

By UNITED PRESS
Washington, July 26.—Prohibitionists revealed today that they hoped to block repeal of the 18th Amendment by contesting the legality of State conventions in which the repeal amendment had been ratified by delegates elected at large.

School Election Is Called Here On Special Tax

Election Will Be Held On Tuesday Aug. 29th On 20c Special Tax For 9-Month School.

A special election was called last night by the board of Aldermen for the voters in the Shelby School District to vote for or against a twenty cent tax on the \$100 property valuation to extend the school term one month.

The election was called by the board of aldermen at the request of the City School Trustees who decided last week that the matter should be submitted to the voters on Tuesday, August 29th.

It will be recalled that the last General Assembly took over the entire public school system which will be operated largely from the sales tax. The State, however, will operate all schools for eight months and no longer. School districts, however, may vote a special tax for extension of the eight months term if such political sub-division has not defaulted in any of its obligations.

At the called meeting of the board of aldermen last night, the time for the election was set, the boundaries of the special school district were outlined and the election officials were appointed.

A special registration is called for and the registrars will be at their polling place No. 1; Zemri Kistler to sunset on each day from July 31st to August 19th where qualified voters may register.

Marvin Blanton is registrar for polling place No. 7; Zemri Kistler for polling place No. 2; H. T. Bess is registrar for polling place No. 3; L. Z. Hoffman for No. 4; and Mrs. Annie Smith Long registrar for polling place No. 5.

Election judges who will have charge of the special election on Tuesday, Sept. 5th are: A. W. Duncan and B. O. Dodd for No. 1; Tildon Falls and D. M. Freeman No. 2; Randolph Logan and H. L. Tombs for No. 3; Frank McKee and M. Q. Hamrick for No. 4; Fred Babington and Baxter Kirkpatrick for No. 5.

Piedmont Holds Standard Rating For High School

Principal Corrects Erroneous Rumor Regarding School At Lawndale.

(Special to The Star)
Lawndale, July 26.—The Piedmont high school at Lawndale is still an accredited standard high school although rumors have been circulated to the contrary, it was announced today by Prof. F. M. Biggerstaff. In a statement issued today Prof. Biggerstaff said: "Reports have been circulated to the effect that Piedmont High School is not standard, and as the result, some of the pupils are making arrangements to attend other schools. These reports are absolutely false. Piedmont is a fully accredited high school, whose graduates may enter college without examination. Please help us to correct this misunderstanding."

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Farmers Plowing Up Cotton Over County

Around 6,000 Acres Plowed Up

Around 1,500 Plowing Permits Already Issued, Planting Other Crops.

It was estimated today that farmers of Cleveland county have already plowed up between six and seven thousand acres of cotton in carrying out the government's cotton acreage reduction program and more would have been plowed up had the ground not been too hard. Around 1,500 plowing permits have already been issued through the office of the farm agent here and through township committees. By the end of the week, if there is some rain, it is estimated that practically all of the 14,600 acres pledged for destruction will have been plowed up. This week, however, farmers have found it a difficult task to plow up the cotton pledged for destruction due to the fact that the ground is too hard for plowing. The rain last night helped this situation in some sections of the county but not generally, and in some communities it has been impossible to do any plowing at all. R. W. Shoffner, farm agent, said today that in several instances farmers were finding it a good idea where the ground is hard to use a turning plow with a new shear. Others are using a stalk cutter before plowing. Quite a number of the near 2,000 farmers cooperating in the reduction program are conserving the stalks for hay while others are permitting them to remain in the fields. Approximately two-thirds of the

Local Aid Asked In Government's Recovery Drive

Wants All Civic Organizations To Aid Roosevelt Program To Boost Wages, Prices.

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General Johnson, in his telegram asked that heads of the several organizations in Shelby—Kiwanis, Rotary, Lions, Woman's Club ect.—hold a meeting and organize. He was wired in return that these organizations would be glad to cooperate in any manner desired and within a day or so it is expected that he will forward instructions as to how these organizations may function in the movement. In his telegram he said: "We want this committee, composed of these organizations representative of an important element in the economic life in your community, to direct a campaign of education and organization which is to be a part of a national movement to speed the return of prosperity through the expansion of consumer purchasing power. I appeal to you to marshal all the forces of your community in one united effort to get rid of unemployment."

Joseph Johnson Of Buffalo Mill Dead

Had Been An Invalid For Five Years—Funeral Today At Zion Church.

William Joseph Johnson, age 70 years, died in the Buffalo Mill village Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. He suffered a stroke of paralysis four weeks ago.

Mr. Robinson was born in Rutherford county but had been living in Cleveland for forty years. He was married to Miss Martha Arrowswood who survives with the following children: Melvin of Lattimore, Zero of Fallston, Forest of Lockhart, S. C., Coen of Kings Mountain, Essie and Dulcinea of Buffalo Mill village.

The funeral was conducted this afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. H. E. Waldrop and interment was at Zion Baptist church six miles north of Shelby.

Discount Allowed On '30, '31 Taxes

May Be Taken Off Later If Commissioners Decide, Also Save Penalty.

Cleveland county residents who have not paid their 1930 and 1931 county taxes may do so now without having to pay a penalty and also may receive a 10 percent discount, but there is a probability that the discount may later be removed.

The last legislature regulated it so that commissioners at their discretion might refuse to allow the discount, and for that reason it is pointed out that those who can pay these delinquent taxes should do so now to be certain that they can get the discount and also avoid a penalty and interest.

Flood Roosevelt With Pledges Of Support In His Recovery Program

President Hardly Gets Through Speaking Until Pledges Start Coming.

Washington, July 26.—A flood of telegraphed pledges, hundreds upon hundreds of them, answered yesterday President Roosevelt's appeal to the nation for immediate enrollment of all employers under the blanket agreement to raise wages and create new jobs. Hardly had he finished Monday night the plain-worded, direct call for patriotic and unquestioning acceptance of the voluntary and individual employer-pledges to raise pay and shorten hours before the answers began to come in. Within an hour 300 promises had come, a few more minutes and the number doubled and still there appeared no end to the flow. The President and Hugh S. Johnson, the man who is running the industrial recovery unit, were reported profoundly gratified. A White House secretary said it was the greatest spontaneous outburst that had greeted any of the President's utterances. His appeal was terse: "We are not going through another winter like the last. It is time for courageous action, and the recovery bill gives us the means to conquer unemployment. The proposition is simply this: 'If all employers will act together to shorten hours and raise wages we can put people back to work. No employer will suffer, because the relative level of competitive cost will advance by the same amount for all. But if any considerable group should lag or shirk, this great opportunity will pass us by and we

Lions Will Aid In Recovery Program

Appoint Committee To Help Get Public Work Projects For This Section.

At a meeting held last night the Shelby Lions club appointed a committee to cooperate in the government's general business recovery program and the public works drive for unemployment. This committee will cooperate with General Johnson's recovery program in every way possible and will attempt in doing so to do what can be done to secure a portion of the public works building project fund for needed construction in the Shelby section. The committee named is composed of Frank L. Hoyle, Jr., chairman; Ernest Gardner and Arthur Benoy.

J. Horace Grigg, superintendent of the county schools, was a guest speaker at the club meeting and outlined to the Lions the set-up of the new State-wide school system. In connection with Supt. Grigg's talk the club decided to put on a drive to increase the number of books in the circulating library which the club started several years ago for school children in the rural districts. The library has been of great value to children of elementary school age not able to secure good books elsewhere. Mr. Grigg said, and the club is making appeal that more books be donated for the library. Any one having suitable books for children of that age which they will donate to the library are asked to communicate with Dr. Robert Wilson.

Try Answering These

- Can you answer 14 of these test questions? Turn to page two for the answers.
1. Who ran for President on the Republican ticket against Grover Cleveland in 1884?
2. Where is the volcanic crater Kilauea?
3. Which is the most used letter of the English Alphabet?
4. In what country do the various kinds of cactus grow most abundantly?
5. Where are the Sandwich Islands?
6. How is vinegar made?
7. Is a whale a fish?
8. Where is the city of Kilkenny?
9. When was St. Augustine, Fla. settled by the Spaniards?
10. Who was Jack Cade?
11. Name the gulf at the mouth of the St. Lawrence River.
12. What is the stringed instrument midway in size and compass between the violin and the violoncello?
13. In what city did Christopher Columbus die?
14. What is a structure used for burning brick, earthenware, or pottery called?
15. In which state is the Moffat tunnel?
16. Who founded the city of Detroit, Mich?
17. Who was Thurlow Weed?
18. In which state is the city of Joplin?
19. How many Presidents of the U. S. have been assassinated?
20. How many watts are there in one Kilowatt?

One In, Other Out



Marc Connelly (above), American playwright, and four other Americans were refused visas to enter Russia by the Soviet consul at Copenhagen, Denmark. Edna Ferber (top) was given an official okay. Connelly, Pulitzer prize winner, said he did not understand the reason for the ban.

Dorton Declines State Fair Post

Shelby Man, Tentatively Given Managership, Will Devote Time To Cleveland Fair.

J. S. Dorton of Shelby, tentatively retained recently as secretary-manager of this year's Raleigh State Fair, announced here yesterday that he has decided against taking the position. "In view of the fact that I have the job of getting up the Cleveland County Fair, which comes two weeks after the date for the State Fair, and taking into consideration the short time left in which to prepare for the State Fair, I have decided against taking the post as secretary," said Mr. Dorton. "I want to give a square deal to the people of the State and to officials connected with the fair, and I don't feel that I would have sufficient time to devote to the State Fair."

Mr. Dorton was in Raleigh to confer with Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham, H. B. Branch, of the Chamber of Commerce, and Mayor George Isley. Miss Effie McGinnis, who was in charge of the Fair office last year, has set up offices in the Department of Agriculture building. The contract for this year's fair, which is to be operated by George Hamid, New York, and State Senator W. H. Joyner, of Northampton county, has been approved by Attorney General Dennis Brummitt but has not been returned as yet. Under the contract, the State is to get 25 percent of the profits, if any, and the lessee 75 per cent.

Whitworth Trial Has 2 Defendants Testify On Stand

Hold To Story Of Accident

Evidence Shows Dead Woman "Framed" For Evidence Indicating Immorality.

Gastonia, July 26.—Phillip Falls former deputy sheriff, and his 23-year-old son, Fort, accused with her widower of slaying Mrs. Maude E. Whitworth, 40-year-old dressmaker after framing her on a charge of disorderly conduct, stuck through a grueling cross-examination yesterday to their story she was killed by jumping from their car. The deceased woman and her husband were natives of Cleveland county and formerly lived in Shelby. As they testified, their co-defendant, A. F. Whitworth, one-armed father of three children, sat calmly in the courtroom, displaying no emotion. He is expected to take the stand today when testimony in the case may be wound up. The elder Fort was on the stand when court adjourned for the day. Solicitor John G. Carpenter hammered at the testimony of the Forts through a hot afternoon in a stifling courtroom but failed to shake their story of how Mrs. Whitworth was killed. Holding up the white and red striped dress Mrs. Whitworth wore the night of May 27 when she was fatally injured, Carpenter shouted at the younger Fort: "Tell me why there are no holes or torn places in this dress if Mrs. Whitworth, this little woman, fell or jumped from a moving car?" Later with the former deputy sheriff on the stand he lashed at the witness about the alleged frame-up of the dressmaker. "And you don't feel bad about being a party to this frame-up charge?" he shouted. "Do you think she did anything wrong because a man had his arm around her. Have not you done the same thing. Don't you know that a magistrate had

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Mechanical Man To Appear Here

M. T. Oakes, owner of the "Cleveland Dummy" or "Mechanical Man" has made arrangements to give a series of performances in the center window of Cohen's Department store Friday morning, beginning at 10 o'clock for one hour, again Friday afternoon at 2:30, and three performances of an hour each on Saturday.

Mr. Oakes guarantees that you can't tell whether this is a man, a doll, or hypnotized or electrically operated. He offers a prize of \$10 to the first person who can make him change his mask-like countenance. Some lady in the audience will be given a free permanent wave at the Nixie Beauty shop. Several business firms are sponsoring the performance.

B. Y. P. U. Meeting In Shelby Sunday

Associational Program Will Be Held At Second Baptist Church.

An associational young people's program of the Kings Mountain Association will be held at the second Baptist church in Shelby on Sunday, July 30 at 2:30 o'clock. The program will be featured by a stewardship declamation contest, organization reports, playlets, songs, etc.

Pro Tem Mayor Is Better, Gains Weight

Mayor Pro Tem J. P. Austell who was taken ill the day following his installation as alderman and has been advised by his physicians to stay quietly at home for several months, is improving. He has gained eight pounds in weight and is able to walk out on the porch of his home on West Warren street, his many friends will be glad to learn.

Cotton Ginners To Gather On Saturday

Cotton gin operators of Cleveland and Gaston counties will meet at the court house in Shelby Saturday afternoon, July 29, at 3:30 o'clock. This meeting will be for the purpose of drafting a code of ethics in line with type government's industrial recovery program and also to discuss other matters of interest in connection with the opening of the ginning season in September.

UNIFORM SALES TAX SCHEDULE Applies to Every Retail Merchant

Table showing tax rates: Less than 10 cents: No Tax; 10 cents to 35 cents: 1 cent; 36 cents to 70 cents: 2 cents; 71 cents to \$1.05: 3 cents.

This schedule to be applied to total sales at one trading period

Illustration: The tax of one cent on a ten cent purchase entitles the customer to buy other merchandise up to 35 cents at the same trading period without additional tax.

NO TAX ON FLOUR, MEAL, MEAT, LARD, MOLASSES, SALT, SUGAR, COFFEE, GASOLINE, FERTILIZER, PUBLIC SCHOOL BOOKS

This schedule is promulgated under authority of law, effective from and after August 1, 1933, and it is mandatory upon every merchant to collect this tax, and no more, in addition to the sales price of merchandise. This placard is furnished by the State Department of Revenue, to prevent unfair trade practices. Regulations require that this placard shall be kept posted by every merchant where it may be conveniently seen by the customer, and is intended to protect both merchant and customer.

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Peeler Gets 2 Years In Court Here Today

Man Charged With Illicit Relations With Young Niece Is Tried.

Carl Peeler, 35-year-old Shelby textile worker, was sentenced today to two years hard labor on the State road forces on charges developing from relations he had with his 13-year-old niece, Viola Thackeron. Sentence, the most severe possible under the charge, was passed by Judge Wilson Warlick after evidence had been heard and Peeler had pled guilty to fornication and adultery. Peeler was originally charged with kidnapping, statutory rape and seduction. The affair grew out of a trip made by Peeler and the young girl to Catawba county where it is alleged they lived together. They disappeared in an automobile belonging to the young girl's father, a brother-in-law of Peeler, and were not located for several days, during which time a search was made for her by newspaper and radio. Due to a hitch in the evidence it was thought that a conviction on the other charges might not be secured, and Judge Warlick in passing sentence said that he would not hesitate a moment in imposing the sentence.

White Boy Shot By Negro Youth Here

12-Year-Old Boy Still Eluding Officers. Developed In Boyish Row.

Homer Dees, white youth who lives in north Shelby beyond the hospital, was shot in the left shoulder Monday afternoon by L. C. Palmer, 12-year-old negro boy, as the climax of a boyish row between the two. They were erecting a tent and playing together, it is said, when they got into an argument. The little negro, officers were told, ran into the house, secured his father's .32 pistol, returned to the spot where they had been playing and shot one time. The bullet entered the Dees boy's shoulder just above the heart but the wound is not regarded as overly serious, it is said. After firing the shot the negro youth ran and has not as yet been apprehended. He has been hiding out in the woods northwest of the city, it is rumored, but yesterday police and county officers scoured between four and six miles of woodlands without locating him.

Recover Stolen Car Left At Mooresboro

An automobile stolen in Gastonia on July 13 and abandoned the same day on the road between Shelby and Mooresboro has been identified and returned to its owner, Police Chief D. D. Wilkins stated here today. The car, a Chevrolet coupe, belonged to Mrs. T. H. Tyson, Gastonia, and was apparently abandoned in this county when it ran out of gas.

Cotton Closes Up Fifteen Points

Cotton closed up fifteen points on the New York Exchange today, October ending the day's trading at 10.76 and December at 10.95. Stocks were fairly strong, many of them showing slight gains.

School Congestion Here Pictured If Special Election Is Failure

Supplementary Tax Will Add Needed Teachers, Not Raise Salaries Is Explained.

(This is the first of a series of articles in which Shelby school authorities explain the conditions faced by local schools which necessitate a special tax election.) The superintendent of the Shelby schools has just received a notification from the State School Commission that the Shelby unit will be allotted this year 52 white elementary teachers; 14 white high school teachers; 10 colored elementary teachers; 4 colored high school teachers. The colored schools are deprived of five teachers on account of lack of room. If no supplementary tax is provided the white high school will have to operate with two fewer

Mr. Grigg Is 101 Years Old In Illinois

"Uncle" D. R. Grigg, a native of Cleveland county who left this section 75 years ago to make his home in Illinois, is 101 years old. While Mr. R. T. Peeler of Belwood was on a trip to the Chicago fair with 30 scout boys from Cleveland county, he drove out to see Mr. Grigg and found him in fair condition, despite his years. Two years ago he had a spell of sickness and is unable to walk, but wished to be remembered to his old friends in Cleveland. He was a successful merchant in Illinois and frequently returned to Cleveland to renew acquaintances.

County Court Has Night Grind Now

The county recorder's court has been holding its sessions at night here this week due to the fact that Superior court is holding forth during the day in the main court room. Monday night's session lasted until midnight and last night's grind until 11 o'clock. Quite a number of cases were disposed of during the two sessions but there were no cases of general public importance.

Tax Of \$1 For All Retail Merchants

A notice sent from A. J. Maxwell, N. C. commissioner of revenue, to R. A. Hoyle, tax collector for the Cleveland county district, informs that all retail dealers in anything are required to pay a \$1 per year registration or privilege tax license in addition to the sales tax. This may be sent direct to Mr. Maxwell or paid to the collector.

Man Injured By Bull Reported Better Now

Mr. Burgin R. Dellinger, severely injured last Friday afternoon when attacked by an angry bull, was reported to be improved today at the Shelby hospital where he has been a patient since being injured. Mr. Dellinger had one leg broken at the thigh and was otherwise bruised and lacerated.