

THE MARKETS
Cotton, spot 9 1/2 to 9 3/4
Cotton seed, ton \$16.00

Rain Thursday

Today's North Carolina Weather
Report: Rain tonight and Thursday.

Roosevelt To Consider Ford

By UNITED PRESS

Washington, Sept. 6.—President Roosevelt will take up Henry Ford's failure to come under the NRA at a conference tonight at the White House with General Hugh Johnson, it was learned today. The administration would not say what steps, if any, may be taken.

Marines Ready For Cuba

By UNITED PRESS

Washington, Sept. 6.—President Roosevelt said today he contemplated no intervention in Cuba, but he ordered two more warships to Cuba and also ordered the Seventh Regiment of Marines to concentrate at the Quantico, Va., base, ready for instant movement to Cuba.

Havana, Cuba, Sept. 6.—Cuba's new revolutionary government sat unsteadily in the seat of power today, its fate still to be determined. A United States destroyer rode at anchor in the harbor and two more were steaming in. American Ambassador Welles declined to commit himself regarding the executive committee of five, supported by the army, navy, police and rural guards, which yesterday overthrew the provisional government of De Cespedes.

Young Man Taken For "Ride"; Gets Beaten, He Says

Two Men Bound Over On Charge

Solon Roberts, Jr., Says He Was Taken For "Ride" In Rutherford And Assaulted.

A touch of Chicago and the big-time underworld invaded the Cleveland county court room here yesterday when two men were given preliminary hearing on the charge of taking another man for a "ride" and assaulting him.

The defendants were Ben Dover and Joe Patterson, of No. 3, and the prosecuting witness was Solon Patterson, Jr.

Patterson claimed that on last Saturday night he was persuaded to enter a car with the two men and carried to a point above Mooresboro, in Rutherford county, and there assaulted. Dover was charged with the direct assault.

The trouble, officers think, arose from the fact that Dover may have suspected that Roberts had "squealed" on him in connection with a recent whisky case.

Both defendants were placed under \$1,000 bonds each to Superior court on the formal charges of conspiracy to abduct, abduction and secret assault. Dover was also placed under a \$1,000 peace bond.

No session of county court was held on Monday, which was Labor Day, and as a result the court had a heavy grind yesterday.

Lincoln Men Held In Assault Case

Lincolnton, Sept. 6.—Carl and Czar Poole, twin brothers and Bryce Ballard, charged with criminal assault on two Mt. Holly girls a few weeks ago were ordered held without bond for superior court. One of the girls assaulted is said to be under 16 years of age.

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Cloth Mill Addition Is Nearly Completed

Automatic Shuttle-Change Looms

Setting Of Machinery Will Start Next Week. 224 New Looms Will Be Installed.

Within a week's time, the brick addition to the Cleveland Cloth mill will be finished by Flisk Carter Construction company and the setting of new machinery will be started, according to information secured this morning from O. M. Mull, official of the mill.

Floor Space Doubled

The brick and steel addition to the Cloth Mill plant is 12 feet wide by 300 feet long and more than doubles the floor space of the plant. One portion of the addition is two stories high and this section will be used as the preparation department where rayon and celanese are put through certain processes before going to the weave department.

Two hundred and twenty-four new Compton and Knowles looms will be installed. Several machines have already arrived and the setting up of these machines will begin next week when the building is finished. Mr. Mull says, however, that the placing and "tuning" up will require four or five months before all of the new machinery will be in production and all necessary additional labor will be employed.

Automatic Looms

The new looms are of the very latest design. The most important improvement on the looms is an automatic shuttle change. Old model machines stop when a bobbin gives out and the operator has to insert a new shuttle. This stops production. The new looms have four or five shuttles in a sort of cartridge and when one gives out, a new one is automatically inserted without stopping.

The Cleveland Cloth mill bought a few new looms early this year to test out. When they were found to be satisfactory the expansion of the plant was decided on and contract let for the 224 looms and a quantity of preparation machinery. Sixty days ago the contract was let for the brick and steel addition and the contractors have made unusual progress in being able to turn over the job the last of this week or early next week.

Mr. Mull says it is not the intention of the mill to erect any more houses in the villages, but that the employees to be added will live about over Shelby wherever houses are available. This has made a demand which has filled every vacant house in or near the city. It is expected that investors will begin erecting new houses for rent.

City Will Advertise 1932 Taxes In Oct.

Delinquent 1932 city taxes will be advertised for sale the first week in October and sold the first of November, it was decided at the regular monthly meeting of the board of aldermen held in the city hall last night.

Since the 1933 tax rate has been set at \$1.05, the city's tax receipts are now being printed and made out and a two percent discount will be given for payment during the first thirty days. The state law provides for this discount, according to the city attorney, D. Z. Newton.

First Check Has Arrived In Lincoln

Lincolnton, Sept. 6.—County Agent Graham Morrison received by registered mail Monday morning the first cotton check from the federal government. The check is made out to Earl O. Hartman and is for \$144.00, representing the reimbursement for plowing up twelve acres of cotton.

Mr. Morrison is expecting other checks to follow at anytime now.

Roosevelt Plan To Aid Every Class Is Praised In Europe

British Labor Leader Sees American Program As Model For The World.

Brighton, Eng., Sept. 6.—President Roosevelt's NRA program for recovery within the United States was held up to delegates to the Trade Unions Congress here this week as a model for the world to follow in its groping for a safe road back to prosperity.

A. G. Walkden, president of the Congress, in his welcoming address praised Mr. Roosevelt's "unorthodox tackling of the depression." He said he felt the President had shown the

County Holiday Here For Event At Fair Grounds

Contract For County Audit Awarded To Lenoir Firm. General Business Handled.

Official Cleveland county will observe a holiday on Thursday, September 14, the occasion being the big county-wide get-together day at the county fair grounds.

The holiday was declared at a meeting of the commissioners this week and means that all county offices will be closed during the day.

Mayors of Shelby and Kings Mountain have also been asked to declare a holiday in order to add impetus to the big gathering expected to assemble there for a picnic dinner, sport events and a general county reunion.

Another act of the commissioners was to award the annual county audit to the Leslie A. Kimble firm of Lenoir.

In addition to these two items and the fixing of Monday, November 6, as the date for selling property for unpaid 1932 taxes, the commissioners devoted their session to routine business.

Judge Webb Speaks In Hickory Sunday

Shelby Jurist Will Make Prohibition Speech To Gathering There.

Hickory, Sept. 6.—The Hickory Ministerial Association will fire the opening gun of a Catawba county fight to keep North Carolina in the dry column, when Federal Judge E. Y. Webb, of Shelby, comes to this city for a union meeting of all local churches next Sunday evening at eight o'clock, at the auditorium.

All churches represented will dispense with their regular Sunday evening services and unite in an effort to make the coming of Judge Webb a big event.

The Shelby jurist is regarded as one of the most able advocates of prohibition and well qualified to speak, because in his position he knows the evils of booze.

The men and women of the state who are organizing for a determined stand against repeal, are undertaking to hold meetings in all counties it is stated. Several such meetings were held Sunday, and it is reported that great crowds are turning out to hear the men of note who are representing the dry cause. For that reason, local drys believe that the Hickory auditorium will be well filled when Judge Webb makes his address next Sunday evening.

Dan Cupid Helped By NRA In County

Nine Couples Secured Marriage License In August And Five In September.

Dan Cupid is one fellow who will readily admit that the NRA has put new life in his business.

In August, the first month of the Roosevelt recovery program, a total of nine marriage licenses were sold at the Cleveland county court house. That's a record for the year.

September promises to do as well, if not better. So far this month licenses have been issued to five couples, as follows: Albert L. Griffin and Josie Mae Hollifield; W. D. Poston, Jr., and Mandie Hull; John Harris and Bessie Mitchell; Forrest Hamrick and Lois Blanton all white; and George Gordon and Vernece Byers, colored.

Hundreds Pledge Support For NRA Drive In Shelby

Over 1,200 Signed First Day

Volunteer Workers Carry Blue Eagle Into Homes Of City. Drive Continues.

By the end of this week it is estimated that the Blue Eagle will be flying in more than 5,000 Shelby homes where the occupants have pledged their cooperation to the NRA program.

In the first day's canvass yesterday in two sections of the city volunteer teams working in two sections of the city, under the general direction of Mal Spangler, chairman of the drive, secured the signatures of 1,200 people to cards pledging their whole-hearted cooperation with President Roosevelt's program.

Scene of Tombs Prison Break

Here is the spot at New York's historic Tombs Prison wall where three convicts made a smooth, bloodless escape via the improvised rope shown hanging from the roof. The rope, shown in hands of investigator (inset) was fashioned from sheets bound with wire from bedspreads. The fugitives, James McNally, Henry Simmons and Gerard Simonsen, were waiting trial on charges of burglary and gun-toting.



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Horseshoe Pitching Contest Will Be New Feature Cleveland Fair

No Cotton Checks Have Arrived For Cleveland Farmers

Some May Be In Mail Of County Agent Who Will Return To City Tonight.

Although Gaston and Lincoln farmers are already receiving government checks for the cotton they plowed up, no checks have been received as yet by Cleveland farmers insofar as could be learned today.

Checks began to arrive Monday and Tuesday in the neighboring counties and are expected to start coming in here within a few days. There is a possibility that some checks may be in the mail of R. W. Shoffner, farm agent, at the post office here, but Mr. Shoffner is in Atlanta attending a cotton meeting and will not return to the city until tonight.

Cleveland farmers are scheduled to get approximately \$177,000 in cash from the government for cotton they plowed up, Cleveland plowing up more acres than any other county in the state.

'Slot' Machines Silent In City As Drive Begins

Machines Which Have Clicked Merrily For Weeks Are Silent Today.

Scores of "slot" machines, which have clicked merrily in Shelby for weeks, were silent today as the deadline ended for the removal of machines which were listed as illegal by C. C. Horn, county court solicitor, and Recorder Joe E. Wright.

An announcement was made last week that all machines which did not meet the qualifications of the law would have to be removed by today, and in making the announcement legal and illegal machines were defined.

As a result 50 to 75 machines were missing in the city this morning, or they were turned facing the wall, which is the "no play" sign for the machines, which, if the player is lucky, throw checks for pennies, nickels and dimes.

So far as could be learned this morning only one machine was still in operation today. This one, it was said, will pay off in gum for each play and checks which come from the machine will not be cashed. Heretofore the machine operators have been paying off in cash for checks which fell on lucky numbers, pennies for the penny machines, nickels for the nickel machines, and dimes for the dime machines, with gold coins of either \$5 or \$10 going to those who hit the big strike, or the gold seal numbers.

The "slot" machines have been in operation here for several months and as their popularity increased more and more were installed.

City Sets Tax Rate At \$1.05 As Before

Negro Fair To Be Held Oct. 11-14 At The Fair Grounds

Will Run For Four Days. Midway In Charge Of Roberts And Roberts Shows.

Cleveland county's negro fair will be held this year on October 11, 12, 13 and 14th, according to an announcement made this morning by Rev. A. W. Foster, secretary.

This county is the only one of the few counties in North Carolina to hold a negro fair. It has been successful for several years with splendid attendance and exhibits from the negro school, farms and homes of the county.

Rev. Foster and N. J. Pass, the president, expect a wider range of exhibits this year than ever before and in order to make it educational, all negro school children of the county will be admitted free on Wednesday or the first day. Committees are at work throughout the county to get exhibit entries, depicting the progress of the negro race in agriculture, education, religion and home life.

The Roberts and Roberts shows will be on the midway with four rides, eight shows and about thirty-five concessions. The fair officials are very hopeful of the largest attendance and the widest range of exhibits that have ever been seen at the negro fair.

Many free acts will be provided for the afternoon and night and cash prizes will be given for exhibits.

Seek Cost Of Park At Kings Mountain

Commercer To Send Aide To Collect Data On Project To Develop S. C. Battlefield Area.

Washington, Sept. 6.—Arno B. Cammerer, director of national parks, this week will send an agent of his office to the Kings Mountain battlefield in South Carolina to make an immediate report for the public works administration as to the exact amount of money necessary to spend on the area as a national park.

This action was taken upon the request of Rep. James P. Richards of the Fifth district, in which the battlefield is located. Already the war department has approved plans for an expenditure of \$200,000 on the battlefield, as has the national park commission, which includes a purchase of 250 acres of land. It is in order to have exact data as to the needs for the project that the agent will visit the field.

Outside Jitneys To Pay A License Tax

A license tax of \$25 was set on jitney owners living outside of Cleveland county for operating "for hire" motor vehicles in the corporate limits, at the regular meeting of the mayor and board of aldermen held in the city hall last night. This was done in order to give protection to city jitney drivers who operate regularly on city license but are competed with by outside operators on special occasions.

Madmen Fail In Escape Attempt

Mattawan, N. Y., Sept. 6.—Four criminal madmen, who wanted to go home, attempted to shoot their way out of Mattawan insane hospital today with a blank pistol. One was killed and one wounded, while two were subdued in a four-hour tear gas bombardment.

Payless Furloughs Over For Postal Workers In U. S., Farley Informs

Told By Farley That "Payless Furlough" Will Be Suspended September 30.

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 6.—Suspension of the "payless furlough" in the Postoffice Department by September 30 was promised here by Postmaster General James A. Farley.

Addressing the Association of Letter Carriers, the chairman of the Democratic national committee declared "the 'New Deal' means a 'square deal' for all."

Farley was cheered and applauded in announcing the suspension of

No Levy Made For School

43c Levy For School Debt Service And 62c For Corporate Bonds And Interest.

A tax rate of \$1.05 on the \$100 property valuation was set last night by the mayor and aldermen as the city's 1933 tax rate—the same rate that prevailed past year.

However, there has been a twenty-five per cent reduction in property values so that the tax burden is lifted by a horizontal cut in values rather than a reduction in tax rate. Last year the property valuation in Shelby was approximately \$9,000,000. This year the valuation is about \$6,700,000. Last year the property valuation in the school district which embraces the city and some territory adjacent thereto was about \$9,750,000. This year the property valuation in the Shelby school district is about \$7,200,000.

No Levy For School Operation

The \$1.05 rate is split into two parts, 62c to meet corporate bonds and interest and 43c for school bonds and interest. No levy whatever is made for the maintenance and operation of schools, as the state is to provide eight months and the voters decreed on August 26th in a special election that there should not be a special levy to extend the school term longer or provide teachers that will be cut off under the state school system.

Mayor McMurry says the 62c levy for corporate bonds and interest will not provide sufficient funds to meet these obligations, but that profits from water and light plants will be used to make up any deficiency.

School Rate Raised

Last year the tax levy for school debt service was 27c but this was not sufficient to meet this obligation, hence the tax levy for school debt service has been raised sixteen cents to 43c to pay heavy maturing school bonds and interest due during the fiscal year. School bonds and interest due this fiscal year amount to \$22,865, according to Mayor McMurry.

Members of the school board met with the city officials in a special meeting Friday night and asked that the city meet any deficiency that might arise in the operating of the city schools under the state's eight months system. Schools are due to get from the city all fines, forfeitures, dog tax and poll tax for maintenance of the schools and the law requires the city to turn this money over for school operations. The city, therefore, agreed to take care of insurance and repairs on buildings which will amount to about \$2,000, but no levy is made for this purpose in the tax rate.

In setting the rate last night the

Cleveland Native Takes Own Life

Charles F. Eaker Shoots Self In Yard Of Home At Gaffney, S. C.

Gaffney, Sept. 6.—Using a Colt's 45 automatic, Charles Franklin Eaker, 58, killed himself Saturday shortly before noon by shooting a bullet through his head in the yard of his home near the Globe Mills.

This was the second suicide by shooting in Gaffney in three days, Frank Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vaud Smith, having killed himself early Thursday morning.

Mr. Eaker, who was said to have been in bad health for some time, was standing at a point about half way between his house and a nearby hog pen when he fired the fatal shot. The bullet went through his head and fell on the porch of the home of S. P. Leazer, about 100 yards distant.

Responding to a call, an ambulance rushed Mr. Eaker's body to the City Hospital but he was already dead.

Mr. Eaker, who was a native of Cleveland county, North Carolina, had lived here many years. He was a member of Cherry Camp No. 74, Woodmen of the World.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the Draytonville Baptist church by the Rev. C. A. Kirby, pastor of the Cherokee Avenue Baptist church, and the Rev. J. W. Carver.

Surviving Mr. Eaker are his widow and two daughters, Mrs. Pearl Poole and Miss Blanche Eaker; a sister, Mrs. Amanda Fortanberry of Shelby, N. C., and a brother, V. C. Eaker, of Fresno, Cal.; and the following half sisters and half brothers: Mrs. Mary Abbott and Miss Helen Eaker and John Eaker of San Francisco, Cal.