

THE MARKETS
Cotton, spot 9 3/4 to 10 1/2
Cotton seed, ton, wagon 17.00
Cotton seed, ton, carlots 19.00

Cloudy, Colder

Weather forecast for North Carolina: Partly cloudy, slightly colder tonight. Tomorrow, partly cloudy followed by rain in extreme west portion.

Probes Lynching

By UNITED PRESS
Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 1.—Governor Guy Park today gave Attorney General McKittick full power to investigate the lynching of Lloyd Warner, who was burned to death by a mob of nine thousand on Wednesday. The negro had confessed attacking a white woman.

Gangster Suicide

St. Paul, Dec. 1.—Willie Sharkey, one of four Chicago gangsters held on charges of kidnaping William Hamm, Jr., committed suicide by hanging himself in his cell today.

Replies To Smith

Washington, Dec. 1.—Replying to the criticism of Alfred E. Smith who charged yesterday that the Civil Works Administration had been set up because of the failure of the Public Works Administration, Federal Relief Administrator Hopkins announced that on November 25 a total of 183,267 men had found work in 44 states under the civil works set up.

Mellon Brother Dies

Pittsburg, Dec. 1.—Richard B. Mellon, brother of Andrew Mellon, secretary of the treasury under the administration of Presidents Hoover and Harding, died here today, aged 75. He was a banker and industrialist.

Sales Tax Heads Explain How To Save A Few Cents

Purchases Up To \$1.16 Call For Levy Of Only 3 Cents, Officials Declare.

Although the sales tax schedule on purchases of less than one dollar is generally known by almost every one now, it does not seem to be known that a person does not have to pay more than three cents tax on purchases up to \$1.16, it is pointed out by Commission of Revenue A. J. Maxwell and Director Harry McMullan of the sales tax division. For the sales tax regulations specify that a customer does not have to pay an additional one cent tax on fractional parts of a dollar when the total amount is in excess of \$1.05 until the major fraction is passed.

This while a purchaser must pay a tax of three cents on purchases between 71 cents and \$1.05 it is not necessary to add another cent of sales tax until the amount of the purchase exceeds \$1.16, it was pointed out. Some merchants are reported as adding an extra cent of sales tax as soon as the total passes \$1.05, thus making the tax four cents on total purchases in excess of that amount. But this should not be the case, McMullan and Maxwell explain, since the customer has a minor fraction of 12 cents in his or her favor, with the result that a tax of four cents cannot be added until the total amount of the purchase amounts to \$1.15. Thus the sales tax schedule on purchases in excess of \$1 is as follows:
From 71 cents to \$1.16 the sales tax is three cents.
From \$1.17 to \$1.49 the tax is four cents.
From \$1.50 to \$1.83 the tax is five cents.
From \$1.84 to \$2.16 the tax is six cents.
From \$2.17 to \$2.49 the tax is seven cents.
From \$2.50 to \$2.81 the tax is eight cents.
From \$2.82 to \$3.16 the tax is nine cents, and so forth in the same progression. It was also pointed out again that the sales tax is cumulative on sales made in the same trading period, even though they may be made in different departments of the same store, as long as the customer does not leave the store between purchases.

Mrs. Eliza Webb Will Be 92 Next Monday
Mrs. Eliza Webb will be ninety-two years of age next Monday. She is the second oldest person in Shelby and for one of her age, is in excellent health. She is able to be up every day and go to her meals. Mrs. Webb has three living sons and four living daughters. Each year on her anniversary she is greeted by a host of friends and relatives.

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Grist Mill Taxes To Be Continued; 1 Bu. Exemption

Farm Relief Program Sets Parity Price

Red Tape Is Slashed Following Opposition From North And South Carolina.

Small grist mills which do not grind more than one bushel of corn a week per man, will be exempt from the processing tax fixed on the grain November 5 under an order by the secretary of agriculture, approved yesterday by President Roosevelt at War mSprings.

Under the original order of the agricultural adjustment administration, a processing tax of 20 cents per bushel would have become effective today. This action will not, however, affect the scheduled increases in the hog processing taxes.

No Affidavit. At the same time it was provided that cross roads grist mills would be relieved of the necessity of filing affidavits where grinding but a single bushel of corn per week for any producer, together with his family and employees. The original requirement was that an affidavit be filed, signed by two persons, setting forth that the grinding of corn was for individual use.

This "red tape" requirement was protested by members of Congress, the opposition coming largely from North Carolina and South Carolina where it was said it was virtually impossible to get two signers for each transaction. Most of the grinding occurred Saturdays when perhaps 50 or more farmers would bring their corn to the mill for grinding.

Other Taxes. The question which arose from the corn processing tax have not been fully considered, it was indicated here today. The processors have demanded compensatory taxes upon cane and beet sugar and other competing products. It was admitted in agricultural department circles that if the 20 cents per bushel tax became effective today it would be absolutely necessary to impose a compensatory tax upon other products. This the administration is not prepared to do at this time.

The processing tax falls on relatively a small quantity of corn because commercial stocks are not large and therefore is not a great revenue producer. There are many conflicting interests in the matter and until the various questions are decided, it is not possible to determine the appropriate rate on field corn.

November Record Month. A high rate might lead to a shift in the feeling in official circles being in sugar from corn to cane or beet, that the 5 cents per bushel assessment can be absorbed by the processors although it amounts to something like 12 cents per 100 pounds. While no comment would be made as to the possibilities of an excessive shift in consumption by reason of the processing tax, it was pointed out that in November the processors had the largest grind of corn products in years.

A compensatory tax of half cent per pound upon cane and beet sugar had been advocated for application in the event of the 20 cents per bushel tax becoming operative. Such a tax, it has been argued, would hardly be consistent in view of the efforts being made to produce a marketing agreement in sugar, a feature of interest to the consumer being that of keeping down the retail price despite the grant of better prices to the producers.

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Thanksgiving Quiet Day In Shelby, But Some Negroes Try To Celebrate

Shelby ate its Thanksgiving turkey yesterday in quiet gratitude, saw some football games, went to church, and escaped the usual catalogue of automobile accidents and police blotter notations incident to the great American holiday. Police and sheriff's offices reported this morning only a number of minor arrests, most of them negroes, and no serious accidents. Fifteen persons were arrested since night before last and a little moonshine of no quality was poured out. Russell Eilers, negro, provided last night's excitement for the police department. Russell got drunk and went staggering around West Shelby, looking in windows. When Officer Paul Stamey came to take him in, the negro fled, went through a vacant lot and was effectively stopped by barbed wire fence, on which he hung up like a tattered scarecrow flapping in the moonlight. He unraveled himself before Mr. Stamey could catch him, and scooted down the road, pursued by the officer in the department Ford. Officer Stamey stepped on the gas and clipped the fugitive with a fender, enough to upset him. Russell's bottle smashed, and Thanksgiving had done come and gone.

Happy Prisoner



Although he's in jail, Tony Serpa believes himself to be extremely fortunate. Serpa was an inmate of the San Jose county jail when the lynch mob broke in to take Thomas Thurmond and Jack Holmes. Because of resemblance to Holmes, Serpa was mistaken for the kidnapper and almost lynched. He is now in San Francisco jail.

Jury Indicts One In Stone Murder Of Grady Barrett

Mark Chandler, 18, Held On First Degree Charge; Two Others Under Bond.

Rutherfordton, Nov. 29.—The coroner's jury investigating the death of Grady Barrett, whose dead body was found Monday near Sunshine, found that he came to his death at the hands of Mack Chandler, and recommended that Chandler be held without bail on a charge of first degree murder.

The jury further found that Summey Ramsey and Lark Bruner were accessories to the crime and that they be held to await the action of the grand jury and that bond for Ramsey be fixed at \$3,000 and for Bruner at \$2,000. They had failed to make bond tonight.

Charges Drinking. The defendants did not go on the stand. Yates Toney, first on the stand, stated that all four men were drinking Sunday. Russell Caltion said that Chandler told him he had a fight with Barrett. Mrs. Caltion and Mrs. Padgett corroborated statements by Chandler while Sheriff Moore told about finding blood and hair on rocks.

Volney Earley, assistant undertaker, described the bruises on Barrett's body while Deputy Cal Williams told about finding the bloody clothes of Chandler and arresting him in the woods. After a 10-hour search.

Garrett Edwards corroborated statements by other officers. Ramsey, Chandler and Barrette all have a court record here.

Buys \$1,800 Safe For Only \$100.00

A burglar proof safe has been placed in the treasurer's office at the court house. It is a round-top, screw door, time-locked safe that originally cost \$1,800 and was used in a loan and trust company office at Kings Mountain. The bank failed and the property was offered for sale. The county bought the safe for \$100.

The contracts and regulations (Continued on page eight.)

Cotton Growers Offered Contract To Cut '34 Crop

Small Mills Escape Levy Of 20c

Administration Hopes To Reduce Crop By 15,000,000 Acres; Improvements Noted.

Washington, Nov. 30.—An advanced major phase of the farm relief program was inaugurated today when the agricultural adjustment administration announced the completion of its 1934-35 cotton adjustment contract, which is shortly to be submitted to the farmers. The program planned for observance during the next crop season is a liberalized one that is certain, in the view of officials, to appeal with favor to the farmer, and keep alive the co-operative spirit so clearly manifest by the planters of late months.

Farmers participating in the production control program, and therefore eligible for benefit payments, will be assured parity prices next year (parity was figured at 14.09 cents a pound today) and will receive benefit payments, based upon the productivity of their land that will range from a minimum of \$2.62 an acre to \$18, the high dollar to be allocated to those producers in Arizona and California, who must irrigate their land with water for which they must, of course, pay real money.

The avowed objective is to limit production near to 25,000,000 acres, instead of the normal 40,000,000 with the accompanying hope that production will not greatly exceed 8,000,000 bales and, with this hope realized, the world supply of the American grown staple should be materially reduced, say to 20,000,000 bales, and better prices should logically result, because supply should then correspond to what the old farm board was wont to call consumer demand.

Moreover, there were other factors in the situation that inspired officials today to sound a more hopeful note, one calculated to dispel the pessimism of those who have envisioned all nations moving toward a self-contained and a self-sustaining economy, which will inevitably result, in a few years, in closing altogether the avenues of international trade and commerce.

Visualizing 10,000,000 Bales Export. In announcing the completion of the cotton contracts, George N. Peek, administrator, and Oscar Johnson, who directs the financing of the relief activities, gave the information that since the present selling season opened 3,500,000 bales of cotton had been sold for export, and there is the confident belief that ere the end of the year more than 10,000,000 bales will have been shipped to foreign markets, this without reference to buying plans under consideration by Russia.

Possibly, Mr. Johnson remarked today, there would come a time when a shifting about of production in the various states would be wise. North Carolina and Texas were mentioned as examples of the states that, by reason of soil and climatic conditions, could shift production from one basic crop to another. The former state, he said, could, if that course were deemed wise, grow less cotton, and more wheat and corn.

A great number of individuals, among the cotton growers, will receive benefit payments from the government, but a larger sum of money will be appropriated for the farmers in the wheat belt. In announcing today that the terms of the cotton contract had been agreed to, the agricultural adjustment administration said plans are underway to offer contracts to cotton producers in 800 cotton counties of the south before January 1.

County Has Sent No One To Chair

Electrocution Has Been Penalty For Capital Offense For 24 Years In N. C.

During the 24 years that electrocution has been used to inflict the death penalty in capital crimes, no Cleveland county criminal has been introduced to the hot chair in Raleigh. There have been 129 deaths in the chair since 1910. 18 white and 111 negroes. Walter Morrison, negro, of Robeson county, was the first to have his life snuffed out with an electric current as the price of a capital crime. Neighboring counties have had the following number in the 'strap chair' for capital crimes: Gaston, 4 negroes; Mecklenburg 1 white man and 1 negro; Cleveland none; Catawba, 1 negro; Burke, 1 negro; Tredegg, 1 white man and 2 negroes.

Lynch Suspects Being Spirited To Baltimore



Heavily guarded by both state police and national guardsmen, the four men arrested as leaders in the lynching of George Arrwood (colored), are taken from the Salisbury, Md., Armory by a side door and spirited to a Baltimore jail. The action was taken when an irate mob of 1,500 attempted to effect their release by force. The crowd was dispersed through the use of tear gas bombs. The suspects are William H. Thompson, druggist; Irving Adkins, special officer; William F. Hearn, trucker, and William B. McQuay.

Flames Snuff Life Of Shelby Woman, Grandmother Of 16

Mrs. Mira Morrison Dies In Hospital. Had Fourteen Great Grandchildren.

Painfully burned when her clothing caught fire from an open grate in her home, Mrs. Mira Morrison, 72-year-old great grandmother, died this morning in the Shelby hospital.

The accident occurred at 6 in the morning last Wednesday, and she was taken to the hospital immediately.

14 Great Grandchildren. Mrs. Morrison, who had been a resident of West Shelby for more than 30 years, was the widow of Jacob Morrison. She is survived by four sons, Sam, Andrew, Lawson and Edgar, all of Shelby, by sixteen grandchildren, and fourteen great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 p. m. at the Mt. Zion church, near Cherryville. She had been a member of the Sandy Run Baptist church all her life.

Two Wet Voters Get Their Reward

Morganton, Nov. 29.—Clifton W. Pearson, the unsuccessful republican candidate in Burke county, finally has rewarded the faithful. Mr. Pearson offered pasture seed or egg mash for hens to the sole voter in Smoky Creek precinct and in Linville No. 2 precinct who cast ballots for repeal of the amendment. J. F. McGimsey, the dry candidate, polled 81 votes in Smoky Creek and 40 in Linville No. 2.

Little Change In Several Sick People

There is little change, if any, in several prominent sick people in Shelby. J. J. McMurry, age 84, had a better night last night but seems to be growing gradually worse.

L. E. Ligon, former city clerk and treasurer and for many years agent for the Southern railway at this place, is in serious condition at his home on N. Washington street. W. J. Roberts, former postmaster, shows some improvement at his home on West Marion street. His condition has been right serious, but this morning he was reported a little better.

Church Supper At Sharon Is Planned

On Saturday night Dec. 2 there will be a church supper at Sharon church. Hot dogs, coffee, sandwiches, ice cream, cake, peanuts, popcorn and candy will be served. Everybody invited to come.

To Build \$15,000 Legion House At Kings Mtn. Soon

Three projects for civic improvement for Kings Mountain have been submitted to Raleigh to come under the recently appropriated relief fund for North Carolina.

These are: The erection of an American Legion hall to cost \$15,000. This to be erected on the lot adjoining the Woman's club recently purchased by the post. The improvement of the grounds of the Kings Mountain schools. City improvement to require the service of 53 men.

Marcus Erwin Takes His Office Today

Successor To Frank Patton Receives Commission From President Roosevelt.

Marcus Erwin, native Burke citizen now living in Asheville, who is United States attorney-designate for the western district of North Carolina, took the oath of office at noon today in the Asheville federal court building, it was learned here. Mr. Erwin has received his commission of office from President Roosevelt, who appointed him to succeed, on December 1, Frank C. Patton, of Morganton, who recently resigned. Senator Robert R. Reynolds, lifelong friend of Mr. Erwin recommended his appointment. Mr. Erwin is a Democrat, and Mr. Patton a Republican.

Questioned about his two assistants to succeed Thomas A. McCoy, of Asheville and Charles Raper Jonas, of Lincolnton, present aides to Mr. Patton, Mr. Erwin said that he did not yet know who they will be. He said there are at least 50 capable applicants.

Forest Fires

Sylva, Nov. 29.—A forest fire crept toward the edge of the Great Smoky mountains national park tonight, as fire fighters strove to halt its progress and to control other blazes in this territory.

440 Men Notified To Start To Work On Civil Projects

Half Of Cleveland Quota Is Now Employed. Others To Get Jobs By Dec. 15.

Four hundred and forty men, half of Cleveland county's allotment under the civil works administration program, have been notified to report for work on county and city projects, Harry Woodson, administrator, said this morning. Another four-forti will have been assigned to jobs by December 15, according to the plan.

Two New Projects

Two new projects, in addition to the numerous ones already submitted or approved, were sent to Raleigh today. They ask for 25 men to work on general improvements on the Polkville schools, and 11 men for civic improvements at the town of Grover. Unemployed, white and colored crowded the office of D. R. S. Frazier on West Marion street this morning, swelling a registration already far in excess of the 800 jobs to be provided here. The rush for jobs began last week when the job less read in the papers about the civil works projects, and the good wages to be paid. The workers will receive on an average of \$15 a week, which is, in some instances, a higher wage than that earned by many men who have been steadily employed. The civil works jobs, however, will not last more than ninety days.

No Processing Tax On Small Corn Turns

Washington, Dec. 1.—Representative McMillan, Democrat of South Carolina, was advised by the farm administration today that the corn processing tax regulations have been modified to allow small, southern grist millers to grind as much as a bushel for individual farmers without obtaining an affidavit that the meal or grits is for his own use.

1934 License Tags On Sale Today; Buy Before Jan. 1, Governor Urges

North Carolina's 1934 automobile licenses go on sale to motorists today with a sales talk by Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus asking the state's 400,000 drivers to buy them before January 1.

The tags may be obtained at the Carolina Motor Inn on East Warren street, the only place in the county you can get them. The nearest place outside the county is Gastonia.

Can Help State

"Tar Heels can save their state a considerable sum of money in obviating the usual tax anticipation borrowings if they will comply with the laws and purchase automobile licenses in December," Ehringhaus observed. As a usual practice, the state has been securing \$1,500,000 or more each year from New York banks for 60 days or longer to be used to make ends meet at New Year's. It is figured that a minimum of \$12,000 in interest can be saved if this borrowing can be avoided. To try and avoid this interest cost, license plates will go on sale continuously Friday morning in

money with which to meet its bond maturities and other obligations due December 31 and New Year's day.

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Bulldogs Defeat Cadets To Clinch Jr. College Title

Boiling Springs Wins By 25-14 Score

Oak Ridge Starts With A Rush, Making First Tally, But Lack Winning Punch.

The Boiling Springs Bulldogs ended one of the most successful seasons in junior college history here yesterday by defeating the Cadets of Oak Ridge, 26-14. This leaves them undereated out of a ten game schedule. Incidentally it was the first time that a Boiling Springs team had ever humbled an eleven from Oak Ridge.

The game opened with the Bulldogs kicking to the Cadets, who failed to gain and punted to Raper. Raper fumbled on the 10-yard line and the Cadets recovered. Spengler scored two plays later on a lateral pass around their left end. Helms kicked the extra point.

Brown Scores First Tally. After this bad break the Bulldogs opened an attack that was not halted until the fourth quarter when Coach Hutchins sent his second string into the fray. The Bulldogs tallied their first marker late in the first quarter on a pass, Raper to Brown, who raced thirty yards for the touchdown. The try for extra point failed as the quarter ended.

The second quarter opened with the Cadets getting off a short punt to midfield. At this point Raper again passed to Brown who was downed on the five yard line. Connor bucked the line for touchdown. The try for extra point again failed.

The Cadets chose to receive and could gain nothing through a

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Sanitary Officer Put On In County; Work Free Labor

Surface Toilets Must Be Abandoned in Sewerage District of City. Rural Toilets.

Those who use surface toilets must have them put in sanitary condition to conform to the state laws and a sanitary inspector in the person of J. B. Frances has been put on in Cleveland county to supervise this work. Mr. Frances is working for the state board of health but is paid out of the CWA funds from the relief office of the county. The state board of health has put on sanitary inspectors in every county in North Carolina and their duties will be to see that surface toilets are done away with in towns and cities where sewerage connection is available.

In rural population centers where toilets are too close to homes, the surface toilets must be constructed according to state board of health specifications, but under the CWA, a minimum of expense will be required on the part of the owners of the property. Mr. Frances will make out a bill for the material necessary to make the toilets conform to the sanitary laws, owners may buy the material where they choose and CWA workmen will be furnished free to do the labor. A number of surface toilets will be made to conform to the law at the school houses in the rural sections.

Mr. Frances will make an inspection of the entire county to the end that the surface toilets will be made sanitary under the state board of health plan. He is now under training at Rutherfordton and goes early next month to Raleigh at a meeting of 150 sanitary officers from every county in North Carolina to get more definite instructions on the sanitary program.

Carolina Rotarians To Greet President At Dinner Tonight

A large delegation from Shelby is expected to attend the Rotary dinner in Charlotte tonight in honor of John Nelson, president of Rotary International. The dinner will be held at the Chamber of Commerce building at 7 p. m. More than 400 Rotarians from the 58th and 57th North Carolina districts will attend. Rotary District Governor Robert F. Phillips of Asheville will accompany President Nelson, and other distinguished Rotarians from the Carolinas and Virginias are expected. Mr. Nelson is a Canadian, a former newspaperman, and supervisor of public relations of a well-known life insurance company.