

The Cleveland Star

8 Pages Today

Late News

THE MARKETS
Cotton, spot 12 1/4 to 13 1/4
Cotton seed, ton, wagon 23.00
Cotton seed, ton, carlots 30.00

Rain Tonight

Weather forecast for North Carolina: Cloudy, followed by rain to night and colder. Probably rain in northwest tomorrow and colder.

Denounce A. F. L.

By UNITED PRESS
DETROIT, March 19.—A formal statement denouncing the organization and activities of the American Federation of Labor as "un-American and unpatriotic" was issued today by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce. It was announced that the statement would be printed in the Detroit papers as a paid advertisement.

Hint Wage Slash

By UNITED PRESS
WASHINGTON, March 19.—Railroad managers threatened today to press demands for a fifteen per cent reduction on base wages if unions continue to refuse to accept present wages for another six months.

Gangsters Armed

By UNITED PRESS
WASHINGTON, March 19.—More persons are under arms in the underworld today than the combined forces of the United States army and navy, United States Attorney General Cummings said today. He testified before the judiciary committee on a series of anti-gangster and anti-racketeering bills proposed by the department of justice.

The March Of Events

Army Flies Again

Crack Army pilots were poised this morning to fly the mail again after a week's suspension. They were to hop off with the mail over eight selected routes, and new safety measures have been taken. Resumption of service on seven more lines will follow soon.

Wait Strike News

More than 10,000 automobile workers held mass meetings Sunday to discuss their grievances. They are waiting the decision of manufacturers which will decide whether they go on strike Wednesday unless unions are recognized. It's a three-cornered fight—General Motors, American Federation of Labor, and NRA.

Hits Disarmament

World attempts at disarmament have resulted in abject failure, Premier Benito Mussolini declared yesterday. He said the idea of keeping Germany disarmed was a "mere illusion." He delivered his ukase dramatically, wearing the new Fascist uniform, all black. He further declared that the League of Nations would have to prove itself now or submit to reorganization.

Huns Ask Arms

Germany must act to insure her most primitive needs of self-defense if France rejects her most recent arms proposal, the German newspaper Boersen Zeitung said yesterday. "We expect France to accept Germany's minimum proposals."

Insult At Sea

Samuel Insull expects to remain at sea for a month, secure from American extradition, it was reported in Greece yesterday. A lawyer said the refugee was going to Abyssinia, a little Ethiopian kingdom in northern Africa.

Hail New Treaty

Austria hailed yesterday a three-way treaty proposed between Italy, Hungary and Austria, and already signed by Chancellor Dollfus. The pact guarantees independence of all signers.

Traders Balked

Strikes and threatened strikes in many industrial centres are giving Wall Street traders a headache, according to reports from N. Y. The speculators don't know which way to jump, bullish or bearish. The motor traders are particularly worried.

Dr. And Mrs. Houser Leave For St. Pete

Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Houser of Shelby left on Saturday for St. Petersburg, Florida, to spend several weeks. Dr. Houser has been forced to take a vacation on account of a broken rib, sustained two weeks ago when he fell in his bathtub.

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Carrier, per year, (in advance) — \$2.00

Bond Is Requested For Mae Blalock, Touhy Gangstress

Costner's Lawyer Is Here In Behalf

Girl Held In Charlotte Jail On Mail Truck Robbery Charges; Ask New Indictment.

Marcus Erwin, district attorney, asked the Federal grand jury here today, shortly after court opened, to add the charge of conspiracy to the original indictment against members of the Touhy gang charged with robbing a Charlotte mail truck of more than \$100,000.

The original charge, on which an indictment has already been rendered, was for assault with intent to rob, and robbery.

Another angle of the Touhy case was brought into court when R. M. Atkins, of Knoxville, Tenn., attorney, who says he has represented Isaac Costner, appeared on behalf of Mae Blalock, a woman implicated with the Touhys in the robbery asked Judge Webb to release the woman from the Charlotte jail on bond. In view of the prisoner's delicate condition, Judge Webb indicated that a bond of \$2,000 would be acceptable.

Native Of Shelby Killed In Wreck Early Friday Eve

Stokes Smith, Son Of W. S. Smith, In Wreck Near Fallston; Died At Hospital.

Stokes Smith, age 42, son of W. S. Smith of this city, was almost instantly killed early Friday night when the car in which he was driving to Hickory collided with that of Hall Tillman, Fallston service station operator, at Fallston.

Smith was a barber at Hickory, and was on his way back to work after visiting his parents here. Spectators who viewed the wreck say that the car was traveling at an unusually fast rate of speed, and none are able to say exactly how the accident occurred.

Smith was immediately brought to the Shelby hospital, where he died in a few minutes. A companion, Garfield Jones, also of Hickory, was given first aid treatment and released from the hospital after a short time. Tillman was said to have escaped uninjured.

Funeral services were conducted at the Hickory residence yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The rites were presided over by the Rev. J. H. Armbrust and Dr. R. K. Redwine.

Surviving Mr. Smith are his widow and two children, Richard and Frances. A son, W. B. Smith, died last June following an illness from septic sore throat. Mr. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Williams Smith of this city, and eleven brothers and sisters also survive. They are D. E. Smith, Charlotte, Rev. C. I. Smith, Mebane, Sam Smith, this city, Mrs. S. G. Jones, Hickory, Mrs. Ray Glover, Mrs. Fred Bamberg, Charlotte, Mrs. Wade Arledge, Rock Hill, S. C., Mrs. Charles Reinhardt, Mrs. Ed Kiser, Mrs. Seth Weaver, this city, and Mrs. R. O. Bungardner, Chester, S. C.

COTTON DROPS \$1.00 ON EXCHANGE TODAY

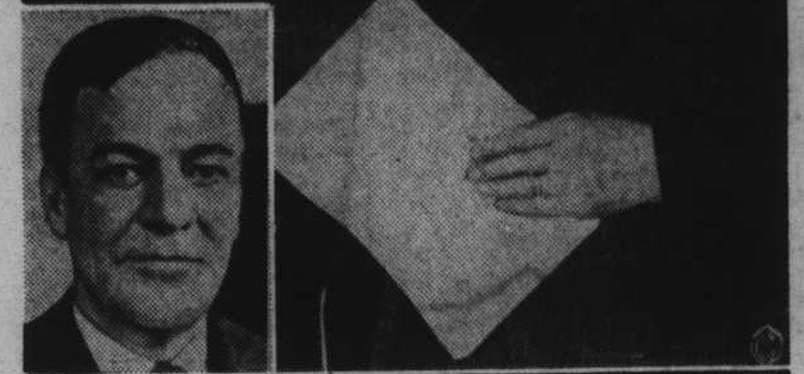
Because of the uncertain trend of legislation pending in Washington, cotton on the New York exchange dropped twenty points or \$1 a bale today. At 2 o'clock May cotton was quoted at 11.97, July 12.07. The House of Representatives passed the Bankhead cotton control bill shortly after noon today.

Reynolds Critizes Tardiness Of Home Owner's Body Action

Washington, March 18.—The Federal Home Owners' corporation in North Carolina, with its Salisbury headquarters and branches, was taken to task yesterday by Senator Robert R. Reynolds of Asheville, who said, "I am distressed to learn that of the 11,370 applications filed only 944 have actually been passed upon and closed."

In criticizing the tardiness of the organization in making loans, Senator Reynolds pointed to the fact that less than one of every 10 has been passed upon.

Warns Of Strike



Despite pacific efforts of General Hugh Johnson (lower left), NRA Administrator, tension increases in automobile industry as W. S. Knudsen (upper), executive vice-president of General Motors flatly tells National Labor Board his corporation will never recognize an American Federation of Labor union or sign a contract with it. At right, President William Green, A. F. L., as he predicted greatest strike in history of auto industry.

Congress Passes Bankhead Bill Over G. O. P. Warnings

Driverless Car Brings Liquor To The Sheriff

An abandoned automobile loaded with 36 gallons of moonshine careened down the roadway, lurched over the shoulder and brought up against a sand bank. Not a drop was spilled.

Sheriff Cline and Roger Laughridge and Bob Kendrick, with their car parked across a bridge over Brushy Creek in No. 7 township, watched the car roll and stop. They saw no one in or near it. This occurred at 7 o'clock Friday night, and the officers are still puzzled.

The car was a 1933 Plymouth, which investigation revealed had once belonged to a Dr. Morgan of Lincoln. The license plate was hst. The sheriff and his men had been tipped off that liquor would be hauled that night, and they got it—without firing a shot or seeing the white's of anybody's eyes.

Miss Thomas Hurt As Car Turns Over

Mooresboro, Mar. 18.—Miss Boomer Thomas of Avondale, was taken to the Rutherford hospital Thursday night suffering from fright and injuries sustained when the car in which she was riding with Miss Ruby Wells, also of Avondale, and James McKinney and Wake Bridges. The other passengers suffered only minor injuries.

Miss Wells was driving the car, which belonged to Mr. McKinney, and failed to see a line of telegraph poles. When Bridges attempted to prevent a mishap, the driver missed the brakes, opened the throttle, and the car leaped across the road, and turned turtle.

Control Bill Would Limit Production To 10 Million.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(P. M.)—By United Press.—The House today passed the Bankhead Cotton Control bill in the face of Republican warnings that the measure marked the first step of an effort to regiment all American agriculture. The bill limits the next marketable crop of cotton to ten million bales and taxes all cotton in excess which moves in interstate commerce.

After weathering committee hearings, the Bankhead cotton bill, in which Cleveland county growers have evinced so much interest, will be considered by the house today. The bill limits production to ten million bales and places a heavy tax on overproduction. It also authorizes the secretary of agriculture to fix the limit of production for a second year.

In the meantime, the New York cotton market is weak, due to the uncertainties of control legislation. Neither mills nor speculative buyers showed a desire to abandon their conservative trading course of the last fortnight. Commitments were held down because no one could say definitely up to the market's close on Saturday what would be the decision of the lower house on the Bankhead bill; and the tendency toward neutral positions was made more marked by claims that mill interests were beginning to feel that a new situation might be looming with respect to operating hours and wages.

At Saturday's close it was generally expected in the trade that the house vote on the Bankhead measure would be a subject for market interpretation at Monday's opening, but news came from Washington after the finish at trading that the vote had been deferred until Monday.

In cloth and goods markets business was in limited volume, as it was in immediately preceding weeks. Sales, according to most estimates, again fell below the current rate of production. Some important selling houses reported a moderate amount of buying, chiefly of spot lots of sheetings, print cloths and fine goods.

Textile quarters commented that cloth business has been in a declining trend for about a month, that buyers are fairly well supplied and hesitant about adding to their previous purchases in view of the still unsettled crop control situation.

Except for a little easing in second hands, trade quarters reported, cloth prices were generally steady during the week. Shipments continued to run in good volume and it was asserted that stocks are not accumulating. Mill operations were said to be at a slightly higher rate than in February.

Palmer McSwain, Shelby Athlete, Dies In Hospital

Mill To Be Closed In Respect To Him

Former High School Star Athlete Succumbs To Septic Throat After Week's Illness.

Palmer McSwain, son of Mrs. J. W. McSwain and a former athletic star at Shelby high school and the University of North Carolina, died in the Shelby hospital Sunday morning after a week's illness with septic sore throat. He was 23 years old.

Funeral services will be held today at 2:30 o'clock at the Second Baptist church with the pastor, the Rev. C. V. Martin, officiating assisted by the Rev. Rush Padgett, the Rev. W. A. Eham and Dr. Zeno Wall.

Palmer, known to his host of friends and admirers as "Shorty," was graduated from Shelby high school in 1931, and was a star performer in basketball, football and baseball, and was one of the most popular students in school. He attended the University of North Carolina for one year, and has since been employed at the Shelby Cotton Mill.

Palmer was very popular with his fellow-workers, and the mill will be closed for two or three hours this afternoon in respect to him. His death cast a gloom over the entire city. He had a host of friends and hundreds of them called at the home yesterday to pay a tribute of respect. Many beautiful floral offerings were in evidence, the largest and most beautiful being offered by his fellow-workers.

He is survived by his mother, two sisters, Mrs. Annabelle Moore and Mrs. Mildred McSwain, and two brothers, Harlan and Marvin. Also, two grandmothers, Mrs. Non McSwain and Mrs. E. D. Sellers of Cherryville, survive.

Geo. Allen Makes Announcement For Seat In The House

Kings Mountain Service Station Operator Is First To Announce For Representative.

Geo. A. Allen, service station operator of Kings Mountain today announced his candidacy for the house of representative from Cleveland county.

Mr. Allen was born and reared in Cleveland county, is former Chief of Police of Kings Mountain, and a former mayor of Easley, S. C. He is a brother of the former Sheriff Irvin Allen of this county and his father served as keeper of the county home for many years.

Says Mr. Allen in his announcement "I am not engineering this race as a candidate of any faction or any political clique other than the Democratic party and if elected I will go to Raleigh unhampered and unbosomed, free to work for the interests of all the people of my county and state.

"I shall face every issue squarely as it arises and promise that if I introduce any legislation, it shall run its due course. I shall appreciate an expression of sentiment of voters on all pending legislation and public questions. I shall pitch my campaign on a high plane and shall at all times keep it on a par with the high office and the good name of Cleveland county. I shall not deal in personalities with my opponents in the campaign. I am not trying to go to Raleigh to spite anyone, not even my bitterest political enemies. I know that all folks want a square deal, honest, straight forward service and this I promise to give. Problems will arise that require seasoned judgment and foresight and I promise not to take snap judgment, but give serious thought and consideration to all matters."

Horace Eason To Be With Gipsy Smith

Mr. Horace Eason, director of education and music at the First Baptist church, left on last Friday for Durham, where he will direct the music in a city-wide revival campaign, sponsored by all denominations of that city. Gipsy Smith, sr., is to be the evangelist. He is a world-renowned preacher and is known and has been heard in all parts of the world. The campaign will run for three weeks.

As Lindy Testifies



Col. Charles A. Lindbergh is shown as he appeared before the Senate committee and the microphones to tell air mail investigators and the nation why he was opposed to features of the pending administration air mail bill which would restore mail flying to private operators under rigid safeguards.

Repeal Boon To Bootleggers, Webb Tells Grand Jury Here

Perfectly Printed "The" Discovered On Fresh Laid Egg

And now the typographical Dominicker. This one belongs to E. Rastus Whitworth, who lives about two miles from Blacksburg. On Friday, Mr. Whitworth went to gather his eggs, and found in one nest a perfectly formed egg with the word "the" perfectly printed on the oval surface. It had just been laid when he found it.

He looked carefully through the nest to see if any scraps of newspaper had been thrown into it, but there were none. The only explanation he could offer was that his hen had been eating her words.

Fallston Student Wins Hoey Award

Weller Kays Gary, Fallston entrant in the annual Clyde R. Hoey county-wide declamation contest was awarded first place in the finals of the contest Friday night. The subject of his declamation was "My Hands Are Innocent of This Blood."

No. 20 Now Open; Has New Surface

Highway No. 20 opened on Saturday, according to schedule. The portion of the road between the old city limits and the bridge has been widened and resurfaced, and now the awkward detour, which for more than a month was the inconvenience of residents of Cleveland Springs, is no longer necessary.

Farm Leaders To Meet In Capital To Probe Roosevelt Tariff Plans

Washington, Mar. 18.—The farm leaders of America propose to meet in Washington within the next two weeks to analyze the Roosevelt tariff program and see where agriculture in its broad aspects will fit in the plans for the economic reconstruction of the country, it was made known in farm circles here today.

The call for the conference is expected to be issued by L. J. Taber master of the National Grange, and grows out of the apprehension in farm ranks that while theoretically of benefit to all branches of their industry, a few may get the lion's share, while others will be eliminated completely.

Declares Liquor Tax Increases Profits For 'Shiners

"Bootlegging will go on. Some thought the liquor tax would stop it, but my experience is, the higher the tax, the more bootleggers," Judge E. Yates Webb told a Federal Grand Jury this morning as court opened here. "Three gallons of liquor can be made from a bushel of meal," Judge Webb continued "and this only costs \$1.50. Naturally, the bootlegger can undersell the taxpaying manufacturer, who pays \$2.10 a gallon levy. Bootleggers flourished here before, when the rest of the nation was wet, and they will flourish again until we have a lot of officers to track them down and bring them to trial."

Judge Webb's comment on prohibition was the last point he made in a brief and informal charge to the 19 men whose names had just been drawn from the hat by pretty little Betty Hill Newton.

He charged the jury with strict attention to cases involving theft of cars, counterfeiting, impersonation of a United States officer, embezzlement of postal funds, excess charges by attorneys on veterans' compensation papers, and white slave traffic.

The judge, in a charming and informal verbal essay, traced the origin of government from the days when the man in the cave was afraid of everything, including his fellows. Gradually, he learned the strength of unity, and when a few had banded together for safety, government had been created.

The best government until democracy, Judge Webb said, was that of the ancient Greeks, known as aristocracy—or government by the few.

Making Plans For Bargain Carnival Last Of This Week

Merchants Advertise Good Bargains

Merchants to Advertise Spring Opening and Bargains for Three Days. Special Edition.

Merchants are making plans for their "Spring Opening and Bargain Carnival" to be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, March 22nd, 23rd and 24th.

It is the first big cooperative sale event the merchants have had since the Chamber of Commerce was reorganized. If this is successful, as everything points that it will be, the merchants plan to hold from two to four special sale events each year.

Prices on merchandise are going up, but the merchants have goods purchased on a low market and will throw them out at very attractive prices. It is expected that thousands of shoppers will come from far and near to take advantage of these bargains.

All new spring and summer styles in wearing apparel, furniture, etc., will be on display and marked at special low prices. Grocers, department stores, drug and hardware stores, garages, etc., are planning to make attractive prices for these three days.

Wednesday's Edition. Wednesday's issue of The Star will carry advertisements of merchants offering special bargains. Already over 1,500 inches of advertisement has been engaged for this issue and it is expected that the issue will be 16 pages in size.

Smith Announces For Representative In This District

Former Welfare Officer And Representative, Gives Part Of His Platform.

J. B. Smith, who served ten years as county welfare officer and one term as Representative from Cleveland county in the General Assembly, today announced his candidacy for the House. Mr. Smith lives in No. 5 township, taught school for thirty years and is active in religious and civic affairs.

In making his announcement he gives his views on several public questions, saying: "I endorse the general principles of the National Recovery Act, the purpose of which is to put the various industries of the country back on their feet and give the laboring man a living wage. I also endorse the agricultural policy of the National Government in its attempt to put agriculture on a paying basis.

Favors Prohibition. "As to State issues, it is my purpose, if I am your representative, to support those measures that are of greatest good to the greatest number. In regard to prohibition, I regard that issue settled, but if it comes up in the general assembly I shall carry out the mandate of the majority of the people as expressed at the polls last November. "I have been asked what my views are on the reduction in the price of automobile license. I am in favor of reducing the price on automobile licenses, but not below the point where it will seriously endanger the amount of revenue necessary for maintaining the public highways of the State.

Education And Local Laws. "Perhaps one of the most vital questions that will confront the next general assembly will be that of the public schools of the State. It is my purpose to support the enactment of legislation that will give every child in the State the opportunity of adequate provision and efficient instruction at the least possible cost to the tax payers. "In regard to local legislation, I shall study carefully each department of County Government with the officials of each department with the citizens of the county. And whatever local legislation we find is necessary I shall be glad to enact it into law. But I will not introduce any local legislation in direct conflict with the mandatory provisions of state laws. Whatever we do we will make it stand or we will not attempt it at all."