

THE MARKETS
Cotton, spot 10 1/2 to 12 1/2
Cotton seed, ton, wagon 23.00
Cotton seed, ton, carlots 25.00

Fair And Cooler

Weather forecast for North Carolina: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday. Cooler Tuesday and in extreme north portion of state late tonight.

Insull Arrives

A BOARD PENNSYLVANIA TRAIN, CHICAGO ROUND, May 7.—Samuel Insull, heavily guarded and his route still a secret, is on the last stage of his long journey from Turkey to Chicago today. He is under the custody of Federal officers who took him without ceremony off the steamer "Exilona," lying off Sandy Hook, N. J., and hustled him aboard the train. Insull is ready "to make the fight of my life" he said, for vindication.

Cotton Strike

MANCHESTER, England, May 7.—A general strike was called today in the cotton division of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, largest textile plant in the country.

Trade War Begins

LONDON, May 7.—Great Britain today declared a trade war against Japan and threatened heavy duties on silk. Japanese trade increases and trade practices have threatened every large exporting nation in the world, and have closely pushed United States exports in South America.

The March Of Events

World Is Arming

From Geneva today comes the news that the powers of the world are now full tilt in an armament race. Under a placid surface in England, there is concern for the future. France has announced new precautions, Russia, Japan and Italy are sharpening their claws. France, for instance, has increased her fighting force 65,000 in the past three years.

Cannon Crusades

Militant and unrelenting, Bishop James Cannon, Jr., freed of legal charges and upheld by his fellow churchmen, yesterday told the Methodist conference that they should stand for a re-enactment of the prohibition laws, blaming their breakdown on lack of federal enforcement. He blamed Alfred E. Smith for state nullification.

Manufacturers Wary

Further modification of the securities act, as proposed in amendments to the stock exchange control bill have received the approval of big business, it was revealed in Washington Sunday. The National Association of Manufacturers has written a letter to the bank committee asking "justice for industry," and citing alleged dangers in the stock exchange bill. It has been reported that many Wall Street operators will take their business to the Canadian Exchange when the bill goes into effect.

Blue Eagle Required

Building companies must be under the Blue Eagle to obtain any of the \$200,000,000 worth of business which the government is going to create in reconditioning the nation's distressed homes. A similar ruling may be laid down to stimulate the spending of \$1,500,000 for other building.

Insull Secreted

As Samuel Insull neared America last night, the U. S. government cloaked with complete secrecy its plans for landing its captive. He was scheduled to set foot on land immediately, but no one outside of the inner circle knew where.

West Scorched

A day of sizzling sun over the middle-west yesterday heightened concern for crops. In Chicago, the heat set a record of 92-1 Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas had scorched. Forecasters see no signs of rain.

Mrs. Webb Stricken With Paralysis Here

Mrs. James L. Webb suffered a light stroke of paralysis at her home on S. Washington street early Sunday morning. Mrs. Webb and her daughter, Mrs. Madge Webb Riley returned last week from Washington where they spent the winter with Ex-Governor and Mrs. O. Max Gardner. The stroke was light and reports from her bedside this morning were very encouraging.



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County Has Surplus Of \$25,000 In Cash And Lowest Tax Rate

Balance Was \$485 Just 2 Years Ago, Attorney Reveals

Realty Valuation Cut 25 Per Cent And Taxes Slashed

Probably Only County In State That Has Met All Obligations Says McSwain.

The County of Cleveland now has a cash surplus or balance of \$25,360 in the general fund compared with a balance of only \$485 on December 5, 1932, according to a statement issued today by Peyton McSwain, County Attorney.

"I believe it will be of interest to the taxpayers of Cleveland county to know something of the excellent financial condition of the county," Mr. McSwain said.

Had \$485 In 1932.

"According to the audit of George Scott & Company on December 5, 1932, the county had only \$485 in cash belonging to the general fund, with which to pay salaries and operating expenses. On December 5, 1933, twelve months later, the county had a cash balance in the general fund of \$22,094. Today, the county has a cash surplus or balance of \$25,360 in its general fund. This money is on deposit at the First National Bank of Shelby and the First National Bank of Kings Mountain. I doubt if there is another county in the state that has this amount of cash surplus or balance in its general fund.

Tax Rate Cut.

"In 1932 the county tax rate levied for the general fund or operating expenses was 12 1/2 cents. In 1933 the valuation of real estate for taxation was cut 25 per cent, and the tax levied for the general fund in 1933 was also reduced to 10 cents. In other words, the amount of tax levied for the general fund or operating expenses of the county in 1933 was reduced 40 per cent.

"A few years ago we justly boasted of the fact that we had the second lowest tax rate in the state, being exceeded only by Forsyth, one of the wealthiest counties in the state. Today our tax rate is several cents below Forsyth or any other county of the state.

All Obligations Met.

"We are also probably the only county in the state that has during the past two years been able to meet all its obligations without borrowing any money. This is due to the fact that the county is being operated strictly on a cash basis. Even during the time the banks were closed, the county paid the salaries of its officers and met promptly all of its obligations, including the payment of \$10,148 in bonds and interest that came due during the bank holiday.

"The reduction of 40 per cent in the amount of taxes levied for operating expenses in 1933, the accumulation of a \$25,000 cash surplus in the general fund, and the accomplishment of having the lowest tax rate in the state has been brought about and made possible by the efficient and economical manner in which the affairs of our county have been and are now being handled. This is something, in my opinion, for which the entire citizenship of the county should be proud."

School Children Vie Thursday In Weathers Spelling Contest

The Lee B. Weathers' spelling contest will be held in the young peoples' department of the Baptist church Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Representatives from each of the grades 2 to 7 from all of the elementary schools of the city will participate. The team making the highest percent score will be declared the winner and be awarded the loving cup given annually by Mr. Weathers of The Star Publishing company.

The contest was started in 1928. The schools winning each year are:

Sightless Ph.D.



Sightless since she was eleven, Eleanor G. Brown, of Dayton, O., triumphed over her terrible handicap and at the age of 46 will become the first blind woman to receive a Ph. D. degree from Columbia university. Miss Brown presented a new interpretation of Milton, "The Blind Poet."

Playground Plans Receive Support From Civic Groups

Several Property Owners Offer Land For Project; Liability Of City Investigated.

The Lions club, the high school parent-teacher association and the directors of the Kiwanis club have endorsed the playground idea advanced by directors of the Shelby Chamber of Commerce and Merchants association.

Action of these organizations has caused renewed interest on the part of the public. Several persons have indicated they will be glad to turn over to the city for playground purposes vacant property, the lease costing the city only the amount of taxes. It is also believed that the county commissioners will consider favorably the releasing from taxes for playground purposes.

Problem Of Liability.

The problem of liability on the part of the city for injuries to children playing on city-owned and operated playgrounds was brought up last week. One of the largest liability companies in the country proposes to indemnify the city against all liability for \$10 per playground per year provided there is neither a swimming nor a wading pool on the playground. E. A. Houser, Jr., secretary of the Shelby business organization, was informed. For a playground with a wading pool not more than 18 inches deep cost will be \$20 per year.

Thad C. Ford pointed out at the High School Parent-Teacher association, however, that there is a moral liability to the city for accidents which might occur from children playing in the street and that street accidents are much more liable to be serious than those occurring on playgrounds.

Mrs. Ella Roberts Injured In Crash; Improving Today

Automobile Overturns On Highway 150

Gradually Gaining Consciousness From Injuries Sustained Saturday Afternoon.

Mrs. Ella Roberts who does repair work at the Beck and Keeter Dry Cleaning plant, is gradually gaining consciousness today from serious injuries she sustained Saturday afternoon about 6 o'clock when the car in which she was riding was overturned near the Wilson Gin, three miles out on Highway No. 150.

Mrs. Roberts has a cut on the head, a broken nose and a chest injury. Reports from her bedside this morning are more encouraging. She is able to retain nourishment and is reviving somewhat.

Dee McCraw, who also works at the Beck and Keeter plant was taking Mrs. Roberts home in the Austin car belonging to the pressing club. After delivering some suits, McCraw attempted to turn into a side road to Mrs. Roberts' home when the Austin was struck by a car driven by C. E. Rankin, principal of the LaFayette street school. Both cars were going in the same direction. Rankin was unhurt but McCraw was shocked and bruised. The Austin car was turned over once or twice.

Aaron Roberts, only son of Mrs. Roberts arrived yesterday from his home in Charlotte to be at his mother's bedside.

Mrs. Carl Denton Drinks Poison Acid

Domestic Troubles Thought To Have Caused Woman To Attempt To Take Her Life.

Domestic trouble is thought to be the cause of an attempt by Mrs. Carl Denton to take her life Saturday afternoon, when she drank a quantity of poisonous acid.

Spectators say that she entered the ladies rest room of the Ideal Service Station on East Marion street, carrying a bottle containing a liquid. After about four minutes, she walked out of the room and fell on the grass, with her lips black from the acid burns.

An ambulance was called and Mrs. Denton was taken to the Shelby hospital where first aid treatment was administered. Her burns were not serious and she was dismissed.

Mrs. Denton lives on the Fallston road, just north of Shelby.

Shelby Men Leave For Fireman School

Firechief J. R. Robinson, Henry Lucas and Marion Champion will leave this afternoon for Durham where they will take instruction at the Durham Fireman's College. They will be gone three days.

Will Confer Degree At Fallston Lodge

The Union Masonic degree team will meet with the Fallston lodge on Wednesday night, May 9th to confer the third degree. All Masons are urged to be present. Refreshments will be served.

Those Scholarly Juniors Still Lead In High School

Shelby high's juniors continued to set a scholarship pace for the rest of the school last month, topping their nearest rivals, the dignified seniors, by a smart 12 percent. The juniors had a 32 per cent representation on the April roster of honor, the seniors 20 per cent, the sophomores 17 per cent and the freshmen were way down there with only 12 per cent.

Honor rolls for the high schools and the grammar schools follow:

High School
Seniors, 20 per cent: Louise Austell, Rebecca Hopper, Margaret Lee Liles, Esther Anne Quinn, Mary Wells, Mary Sue Whitaker, Sarah White, Paul Bullington, Walter Fanning, Karl Gladden, Paul McGinty, J. M. Vaughn, Sara Sue Wilson.

Seniors, 32 percent: Marion Bass, Jeanette Behler, Maurine Davis, Margaret Hamrick, Frances Hughes, Helen Sue Kendrick, Marie King, Louise Lybrand, Nancy McGowan, Mary E. Parks, Marilyn Smith, Margaret Tedder, Catherine Wilson, Will Arey, Jr., Jeff Connor, O. V. Hamrick, Hill Hudson, Keith Shull, Frances Blanton, Gaynell Duncan.

County Advertises Delinquent Taxes

Notice of tax foreclosure suits filed in the Superior court on May 1, to foreclose tax certificates issued against Cleveland county property on which 1930 and '31 taxes have not been paid, is published in today's issue of The Star.

Persons interested in the property described may stop this court action, and subsequent sale, by immediately paying the taxes due, together with court costs. All parties claiming an interest in the property are required by law to appear before the clerk of the superior court within six months to answer or demur to the complaint. Failure to appear means that all rights in the property will be lost.

Boiling Springs Students Produce Old English Fete

May Festival Is Colorful Pageant Of Heraldry And Dancing Of The Year 1600.

The May festival at Boiling Springs college, on Saturday afternoon transported the audience to the greensward of old England in the year 1600. Good Queen Bess impersonated by Margaret Greene was present and she must have felt entirely at home in the historic atmosphere created by the typical English dances and the authentic copious of costumes.

On the upper terrace was a purple and yellow throne for Queen Elizabeth and her attendants. The queen was dressed in lavender and her maids in bright colored gowns with the high ruffs and lace head-dress of the period. The gentlemen were very impressive in rich court dress.

Queen White Throned

On the second terrace stood the lovely white throne for the queen of the May. The back of the throne was in the shape of a great white fan, outlined with white roses and ivy, and set between two English columns twisted with ivy. On either side were urns filled with woodland blossoms.

The lovely queen, Lalage Spierling, was beautifully gowned in white satin with long net train. She carried an exquisite shower bouquet of white roses and snapdragons. Her crown was of white roses.

The crown bearer and train bearers were in white. The maids were attractive in pastel shades of net and carrying hat bouquets of garden flowers. The flower girls wore dresses and carried bouquets which were miniature copies of those worn by the maids.

The dances were beautifully executed and made a most attractive and varied program. The costumes, in every dance, were carefully carried out and added much to the effect.

Ponder Child Found Dead In Bed Sunday

Frank D. Ponder, one month old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Ponder was found dead in bed Sunday morning and was buried this morning at 11 o'clock at Ross Grove church, the funeral being conducted by Rev. H. E. Waldrop. The child was named for President Roosevelt. The Ponders have the sympathy of their host of friends.

Horace Devenny Dies In Wreck; Friend Loses Eye

Car Overturns Near County Line

Son Of Miller Devenny. Two Other Boys Are Hurt, One Loses Eye In Golden Valley.

Horace Devenny, young married man living in the Moriah section near the county line between No. 1 township and Rutherford county, was killed Sunday afternoon when the car he was driving overturned. Two young men, named Bumgardner and Hudson were injured, one seriously. One boy lost an eye which was knocked out when the car overturned. He was taken to the Rutherford hospital for treatment. Just how serious the other boys were injured could not be learned.

Young Devenny, said to be in his early twenties, was married a short time ago to Mabelle McNeely, daughter of Ambrose McNeely of upper Cleveland. It is said the Devenny car left the road for some unaccountable reason and overturned, causing the fatal injury to Devenny and the loss of an eye to one of the other boys.

Devenny will be buried at Moriah church Tuesday. He was a very prominent young man and a son of J. Miller Devenny, a lumberman of upper Cleveland.

Native Of County Buried In Oklahoma

Robert M. Hord, Veteran Of Spanish-American War Buried In National Cemetery.

The body of Robert M. Hord will not be brought to his native county for interment, as stated in Friday's Star, but has been buried in the National Cemetery in Muskogee, Oklahoma, where he died on Friday. Mr. Hord was 67 years of age and the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Hord. He served in the Spanish-American war and was a patient in the Veterans' hospital in Muskogee where he died.

A request was made by the brothers living in this county that his body be sent here for burial, but a telegram received Saturday by Deputy John Hord stated that the wishes of the son of the deceased would be observed and that the body would be buried there in the National Cemetery as requested.

Mr. Hord was born and reared in the Waco section of Cleveland county.

Rev. Wise To Preach At Sharon Memorial

Rev. J. N. Wise, pastor, will preach the memorial sermon at Sharon Methodist church on next Sunday, May 13th. Sunday school at 9:30 o'clock. Mother's day program at 10:15 and preaching by Mr. Wise at 11 o'clock. Picnic dinner will be served at noon and there will be the afternoon, but a social gathering.

Bank And B. And L. Holiday On May 10

Thursday, May 10th being Southern Memorial Day and a legal holiday in North Carolina, local banks and building and loan associations will not be open for business on that day.

TEMPERATURE RISES FAST IN GLARING SUMMER SUN

At one thirty o'clock today, the temperature as registered by the thermometer in front of The Star office, was a fraction better than 100 degrees. The thermometer was partially in the sun at the time of the reading.

Corn And Hog Growers To Discuss Reduction Plans Thursday Night

Cleveland county farmers, although they grow more cotton than anything else, aren't going to be left out of the corn and hog reduction program. They can get paid well for growing less corn and fewer pigs to eat it.

Corn and hog reduction in this county will be discussed at a general meeting in the court house Thursday night, May 10, County Agent E. W. Shoffner announced today. And farmers will have to work fast if they want to get in on this program. Reduction contracts must be signed by the 15th of the

County G.O.P.'s Enter Primary With Contest For Commissionership

Railroaded?



Designating the threatened action by Attorney General Cummings as an "utter disregard of statutory regulations," former Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon (above) charges he is being "railroaded" to federal grand jury on income tax charge without being given a hearing. Government is seeking nearly \$2,000,000 from the former treasury head.

J. E. Allen Named Head Of Education At Boiling Springs

University Of Virginia Graduate Resigns As North Cove Principal To Teach Here.

J. E. Allen, principal of the North Cove high school at Marion, has been elected dean and head of the education of Boiling Springs College, and will take up his duties as soon as the high school closes, it was announced yesterday.

Mr. Allen tendered his resignation in Marion last week. He is a graduate of the University of Virginia, and was a member of Phi Delta Kappa, honorary scholarship fraternity.

In announcing his resignation, Superintendent Nolan said:

"Under the direction of Mr. Allen, North Cove high school has made signal progress during the current school year. The professional development and increase of teacher rating and standards has been marked. He has not only taken interest in classroom methods of management of school but has spent much extra time working with the churches and Sunday school.

"His influence in this division of social service, as well as the school, will be felt for a long time to come in the North Cove high school and district."

Bobby Crowder Wins Art Contest Award

Bobby Crowder, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Crowder, is the winner of a five dollar award in a drawing contest put on by the North Carolina Association of Real Estate Boards. The competition was open to all school students. More than 200 entries were sent in. The drawings expressed how the sales tax has helped the schools of the state. Bobby is a student at Marion school.

Political Gesture Is Almost Without A Precedent Here

But Party Files For Only Seven Other Offices Here

John Mull, Board Of Elections Head, To Issue List Of Judges.

For the first time within the memory of the oldest Democrat—well, anyway, for the first time in years and years—Cleveland county Republicans have spontaneously entered the primary with a contest of their own.

Why the Grand Old Party chose this year, of all years, to make an unprecedented political gesture is not fully explained, save by the obvious fact that they'd like to elect some officials. Anyway, they're in.

Six For Commissionership

Six Republicans have filed for the Board of County Commissioners, John P. Mull, chairman of the county board of elections, revealed this morning in announcing the whole county slate. In other offices, the Republicans had no opposition among themselves, and these candidates can be certified without a decision from the polls. But the county commissioner bid means that separate ballots must be printed, and that Republican judges must be named for every precinct.

The candidates for Commissioners are P. M. Mauney of Shelby, B. G. Logan of Kings Mountain, R. J. Jolly of Boiling Springs, J. R. Price of Casar, J. D. Ellis, Route 1, and P. P. Richards of Lawndale.

Three of these will be chosen to oppose the Democratic slate, composed of the present officials, Chairman Joe E. Blanton, J. D. Morris and J. L. Herndon.

Democratic Candidates.

The full list of Democratic candidates follows:

For State Senate: W. E. White and Carl S. Thompson.

For State House of Representatives: Ernest A. Gardner, G. W. Allen, J. B. Smith, Cullen Mull and Charles B. Falls, Jr.

For Clerk of the Superior Court: A. M. Hamrick, W. A. Beam, M. R. Biggers, B. F. Bird and Leander P. McBrayer.

For Register of Deeds: A. F. Newton and W. A. Rittenhour.

For Judge of the Recorders Court: Joe M. Wright and Bynum E. Wenthers.

For Sheriff: J. R. Cline.

For County Treasurer: Lillian E. Newton.

For County Surveyor: D. R. S. Frazier.

For County School Board: C. D. Forney, O. F. Austell, H. L. Calico, J. L. Hord and Coy McSwain. (The board is composed of five members.)

For Solicitor of the Board of Education: C. C. Horne.

Race For Constable
In the race for constable of the various townships, the following Democrats are entered, with Republican opposition only in No. 4 and No. 10:

1—L. I. Scruggs, 2—M. A. Jolly.

Daughters Serve Veterans May 10

Annual Dinner To Be Served Confederate Veterans, Wives And Widows On Thursday.

Confederate veterans, their wives and widows, will be served their annual dinner by the United Daughters of the Confederacy on Thursday, May 10th at the First Baptist church. Mrs. Zeb C. Mauney, president of the U. D. C., says the number of veterans has dwindled to 17 in Cleveland county and that only seven attended the dinner last year. "Uncle" Mack Gillespie was one who attended last year and has since died.

Mrs. Mauney says the dinner will be served at noon and there will be no speeches, but a few patriotic songs.

Confederate graves at Sunset cemetery will be decorated with flowers as has been the custom in the past.