

THE MARKETS  
Cotton, spot ----- 13 3/4 to 14 1/2  
Cotton seed, ton, wagon ----- 25.00

Mostly Cloudy

Weather forecast for North Carolina: Mostly cloudy, occasional rain Thursday and in east and central portions tonight. Somewhat cooler in east portion tonight.

Stark Resigns

By UNITED PRESS  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—W. R. Stark, financial adviser of the treasury, resigned today as chief of the treasury's economic research division.

Get \$75,000

LAKE CITY, S. C., Sept. 5.—After taking the bank president from his home and threatening wholesale murder of his family, three bandits today robbed the Lake City bank and escaped with between \$75,000 and \$100,000. The bandits released President J. H. Carter and Cashier Fred Stalvey at Lamar, S. C., thirty-five miles from here.

To Aid Farmers

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Acting to aid cotton farmers in the drought area, Secretary Wallace today announced the creation of a national pool to facilitate the sale and purchase of tax exemption certificates which were issued under the Bankhead bill.

The March Of Events

Disclosures that two American and British armament makers had combined to dominate world submarine building with Sir Basil Zaharoff as their supereleman were written today into the open records of the munitions investigating committee. A bizarre story, studded with intrigue, was unfolded during a day of questioning of three officials of the Electric Boat company of New London and New York.

Upton Sees F. D. R.

Radiating enthusiasm, California's new former Socialist Democratic candidate for gubernatorial honors, Upton Sinclair, left the summer White House at Hyde Park last night after "the most interesting two-hour talk I ever had in my life." But not a word would he say about what he and the President talked about. He explained "I don't want to use the President's home as a stage to exploit my ideas."

J. C. B. On Fence

Paradoxically enough, Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus is being charged with taking both sides in the fight to elect Miss Beatrice Cobb, Morganton publisher, to the post of national committee woman. Some are accusing the governor of hurting Miss Cobb's cause during the recent campaign, and others are censoring him for entering the contest in her favor. Nobody in Raleigh saw the governor step either way, but he was cruising on the Atlantic and he might naturally have been engaged in something fishy without disclosing himself to his Raleigh associates.

Sounds G. O. P. Note

Washington searched Herbert Hoover's forthright criticism of the new deal for signs pointing toward 1936 yesterday while administration champions leaped to the defense of the Roosevelt policies. The searchers quickly came to the conclusion that Mr. Hoover had so timed his utterance as to furnish the keynote for Republican efforts to make gains this fall.

Jeffress Improves

The condition of Edwin B. Jeffress, chairman of the state highway and public works commission, was reported last night to be showing continued improvement at Memorial hospital, Richmond, Va., where he underwent a serious operation for removal of a head tumor last week.

Wholesale Killer

Five persons were slain by Fred Blink, Fulton, Illinois truck operator, yesterday before a police bullet brought him down, his gun still smoking near the approach of the Mississippi river. At a hospital in nearby Clinton, Blink told authorities he had killed more victims.

Lacy Is Moderator

Dr. Ben R. Lacy, president of Union Theological seminary, Richmond, Va., was elected moderator of the Presbyterian synod of North Carolina by acclamation at Davidson last night, to succeed Dr. J. Moore McConnell of Davidson. Dr. Lacy is a member of Greenville (Raleigh) Presbytery.

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## ROOSEVELT ACTS TO MEDIATE MILL STRIKE

### Strikers And Shelby Mill Men Talk Peace

#### Pickers Force Shut-Down In Counties Adjoining This

#### Exemption Asked By 3,340 Growers Under Control Act

#### Cotton Grower Is Allowed 62 Per Cent Of Five Year Average, But Pays Heavily For Excess.

Three thousand three hundred and forty Cleveland county farmers have applied for tax exemption certificates allowed under the Bankhead crop control act. This act provides that a grower may exempt 62 per cent of a five-year average production, but taxes him 50 per cent of the market value of the cotton for any excess of that amount he sells.

The list of Cleveland county applicants was sent to Raleigh yesterday. No tickets will be distributed by the county agent's office here until the applications have been thoroughly checked at the capital. J. Alvin Propst, special federal Bankhead act supervisor, said here Tuesday.

No. 6 Township Leads.  
The applications by townships are as follows: No. 1, 125; No. 2, 327; No. 3, 300; No. 4, 426; No. 5, 317; No. 6, 438; No. 7, 345; No. 8, 331; No. 9, 319; No. 10, 205; and No. 11, 207.

A number of farmers have inquired about ginning cotton prior to receiving exemption certificates. Mr. Propst cited the following ruling from Washington: "A farmer instead of obtaining bale tags and certificates of tagging at time of ginning may have affixed to each bale of cotton a lien card. This cotton may then be transported to the producer's own home or to an approved warehouse either within or without the county or state, and have same stored before obtaining bale tag or certificate of tagging."

In the event such cotton has had lien tag fixed, it will be necessary for the producer to apply to the Collector of Internal Revenue in Greensboro, for such tags as are needed. It will also be necessary to surrender to the collector the proper amount of exemption certificates to cover the net weight of the bale, or else accompany his request with cash or check to cover the tax due."

Another query currently made at the office of the county agent is about the next cotton reduction rental payment. This is due in September, but will not be made until the committee completes its survey and the report is checked.

#### Junior Organization To Meet On Friday

Leaders of the Junior Children of the Confederacy announce a meeting of this organization for Friday afternoon of this week. It will be held at 3:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Charles Coble. Eligible members for this organization are children under 12 years of age whose mothers are members of the U. D. C. All members and prospective members are urged to be present.

#### He Napped While On Chicken Fry But Awoke To Find Money Gone

Dude Cash and Ethel Allen, redhead Clara Bowick, were bound over to Superior court this morning under a bond of \$500 on a charge of taking a sum of money in the neighborhood of \$100 from R. P. Blanton of Mooresboro. The case was aired in recorder's court today, and from the conflicting testimony, the following account of how the theft happened was unraveled. It seems that Cash asked Blanton to go on a chicken fry with him about September 1. Blanton said he wanted to go to Mooresboro, but Cash offered to take him home after the fry, and said he would not charge him as much.

#### Confer On Plans To Settle Strike In Local District

#### Lawrence And Christopher Speed Here For Conference; Dover and Clevecloth In Deal.

Negotiations for a settlement of the strike here were discussed Tuesday through a proposed agreement between the Textile Workers Union and mill owners when R. R. Lawrence, president of the State Federation of Labor and P. R. Christopher, president of the State Textile Workers, sped here for a hasty conference.

The Cleveland Mill and Power Co. at Lawndale, which has been running two shifts employing more than 500 textile workers, will be "closed indefinitely," Hal Schenck announced at noon today.

Pickets had not been placed around the mill because of an agreement reached between John Schenck, sr., and the strike leaders. The employees of this mill had never been unionized.

Closing of the Lawndale plant apparently dispels the last threat of trouble in Cleveland county. Yesterday, Mr. Schenck was determined to keep open, and was considering an appeal to Governor Ehringhaus for state troopers.

Later at 2:15 when it was learned that the flying squadrons had been asked to suspend their trips, the Cleveland Mill and Power Co. officials planned to hold a conference and settle on whether they would resume operations Thursday or remain "closed indefinitely," as announced earlier in the day.

Negotiations are now at a standstill, for reasons that could not be learned, but there is still hope that such an agreement may be made.

#### Cleveland Cloth Confers

It is known that shop committees of the Cleveland Cloth mill and the Dover Mills conferred yesterday with the owners. No details of the proposed settlement have been made public. C. E. Lowrance, publicity chairman of the union here said this morning that he knew of the conferences, but that no details had been made public.

#### Want To Fulfill Contract

Employees of the Cleveland Cloth mill who are under contract with the mill as a result of the strike at this plant last March, sent messages a few days ago to Gorman, Fox and Googe asking permission to live up to their contract and be exempted from the general strike because of the March contract, says Manager O. M. Mull. Under that agreement, the employees agreed not to strike and the mill management agreed not to lock-out its employees. No answer had been received today.

#### Telephone From Washington

The labor leaders conferred over long distance telephone from Washington with friendly mill owners Monday night. It is reported by United Press that the mill owners were ready to make an agreement along lines demanded by the union.

Such a settlement would mean the unmolested operation of the nine mills in Shelby.

While these peace moves were in progress, Shelby strikers joined the flying cavalcade of trucks and passenger cars which charged on Kings Mountain, Avondale, Spindale, and Rutherfordton, closing mills in all these towns.

#### Flying Squadron Rests

This morning (Wednesday) the Shelby squad is resting, but is eager to go again, and had its heart set on a swoop toward Lawndale.

Members of the Shelby squadron on Tuesday morning joined cohorts from Gastonia and Charlotte in a crowd of almost 3,000 which milled around the main gates of the Margrace Mill in Kings Mountain. This mill, normally employing 500, had opened with about 250 workers after closing Monday and opening late Tuesday.

#### Leaders Order Flying Group To Break Ranks

#### By UNITED PRESS CHARLOTTE, Sept. 5.—Emphatic orders to put on the brakes went out this morning from general strike headquarters here to all strike leaders in North Carolina.

The word passed out by Roy Lawrence, president of the State Federation of Labor, C. M. Fox of Shelby, state strike chairman, and W. G. Kendall counseled the cessation of flying squadron activities. This order will affect greatly the progress of the strike in North Carolina and this immediate section.

A flying squadron, one of the first in the state, was organized first in Shelby early Tuesday morning, and several mills in Kings Mountain were closed.

Then the movement grew in intensity and groups from Shelby, Kings Mountain, Gastonia and many other textile centers throughout the state began their campaign of closing mills which employ non-union workers.

Labor leaders fear trouble arising from squadrons of out-of-town strikers invading the property of mills, and it is thought that the order was issued to stop any possible violence.

#### U. S. Relief Won't Back Up Strikes

#### Federal Relief Administrator Says Aid Will Be Given To Needy, Irrespective Of Strikers.

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Sept. 4.—The government has no intention of underwriting the nation-wide strike in the textile industry, Harry Hopkins, federal relief administrator, who is visiting President Roosevelt at the summer White House, said today.

"If the strikers think so, they will be sadly mistaken," Hopkins observed.

Local relief administrators everywhere have been forbidden by Mr. Hopkins to make statements about the strike. Reiterating the relief administrator's policy, Hopkins added that aid would be given to all in dire need of it, irrespective of strikes. This, however, was interpreted as merely a continuation of the neutral position of the government in all labor disputes.

#### Last Rites Held For Mrs. Ervin

KINGS MOUNTAIN, Sept. 5.—Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Gilstrap Ervin, 68, who died at the home of her son, Roy Ervin on City street Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock will be held from the residence at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Surviving are her husband, J. C. Ervin, six sons, W. E. Ervin, Roy Ervin, Clyde Ervin, all of Kings Mountain, E. C. Ervin of Greer, S. C., George Ervin, of Bessemer City, Frank Ervin of Paw Creek; three daughters, Mrs. G. E. Melton, Schoolfield, Va.; Mrs. J. J. Woodruff; Mrs. W. M. Richardson, Lithonia, Ga.; one sister, Mrs. M. A. Roper, Central, S. C.; 26 grandchildren and one great grand child.

#### One Horse Dodged, The Other Was Hit

As Mr. and Mrs. John Caveny were returning from Kings Mountain last night, two loose horses wandered on the road directly in the path of Caveny's automobile.

John swerved and missed the first one, but the other jumped into the car's approach, and was instantly killed.

The car was damaged somewhat, but Mr. and Mrs. Caveny were not seriously hurt, although Mrs. Caveny suffered minor cuts.

#### ICE CREAM SUPPER AT BEULAH CHURCH SATURDAY

There will be an ice cream supper with other attractions at Beulah church on Saturday night September 8. The public is cordially invited.

#### 1,800 Thrown Out By Textile Strike In Kings Mountain

#### Margrace Mill Closes As Crowd Of 2,000 In Flying Squadron Surrounds Mill.

With the closing Tuesday afternoon of the big Margrace mill under pressure of the flying squadron, comprising strikers from Shelby, Gastonia and Kings Mountain, a total of 1,800 employees of 11 textile mills in Kings Mountain are involved in the strike.

With large American flags streaming above screeching sirens, the strikers deployed upon the Margrace mill shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday, surrounding it, cutting off all supplies, turning back a Boet Bakery bread truck, and even stopping a freight train headed for the mill siding.

3,000 Outside Gates.  
Inside, some 250 workers attempted to keep the mill in operation. Outside, almost 3,000 strikers called and jeered. No violence was shown at any time, and no firearms were displayed.

Sheriff Raymond Cline shortly before noon announced the decision of the mill management to close indefinitely at four o'clock.

A check-up shows that the 11 mills have approximately the following number of employees: Neisler mills, 600; Dilling, 300; Phenix, 250; Cora, 250; Park Yarn, 80; Kings Mtn. Mfg. Co., 70; Sudio, 100; Mauney Mill, 100; Bonnie, 50.

#### Ask Pupils Report For Classification Friday, Saturday

#### New High School Students To Enroll Over Week End Before Classes Start.

All high school pupils, except those who were enrolled in the seventh grade in Shelby at the close of school last year, who plan to enter high school this session are urged to report to the high school building on either Friday, September 7, between the hours of 9:30 and 5:30, or on Saturday, September 8, between the hours of 1:30 and 5:30. W. E. Abernethy, principal, assisted by other high school teachers, will be on duty to enroll and classify these pupils. Pupils who report at this time will be assured of a prompt start with former pupils who have been classified already.

Pupils who have used books that they would like to have properly identified before sale should bring these books to the high school at the time indicated above.

#### Farewell Dance At Hotel Friday Night

There will be a farewell dance at the Hotel Charles on Friday night, September 7. Music will be furnished by Red Moroney and his band. This orchestra has been playing at Lake Tahoma this summer, and is well known throughout this section. S. C. Hewitt is sponsoring the dance.

#### Teaches Wild Geese To Eat; Hopes They'll Consent To Lay

Wild Canadian geese are quite a rarity in this vicinity except when they are flying high overhead in their customary V-formation.

However, Bolling Springs has two of the birds which at present have consented to stay indefinitely. They are owned by Prof. Stanley Greens who has been teaching for the past four years at Hatteras Island, off the east coast of the state and about 50 miles from Roanoke Island.

### President To Appoint Special 3-Man Board To Start Conferences

#### Fire First Shot In Mill Strike At Macon, Ga.

By UNITED PRESS  
A last minute resume today of the strike situation in the Southern textile area is furnished by the United Press: The Carl Stohn mill in Charlotte, and the Cannon and Cabarrus Mills in Concord were closed by picketers today.

In Macon, Ga., the first shot in the textile strike was fired today, followed by a fierce battle between a dozen policemen and thirty strikers after the strikers had overturned automobiles bearing officials to the gates of the No. 2 mill of the Bibb Manufacturing company. A company official fired a single shot over the heads of the strikers. It was reportedly fired by Harry Allen. Confusion followed, with the mill officials in the thick of the fighting. Tear gas bombs were threatened.

At High Point, a police guard frustrated efforts of unionists to close the High Point Silk Mill, a unit of the Carolina Cotton Woolen company.

#### Four Hundred To Engage In Song

Choirs Taught by Prof. C. P. Gardner to Hold Song Fest at Zoar Sept. 9.

Four hundred voices will engage in a song fest at Zoar Baptist church, two miles south of Shelby on Highway No. 18 Sunday afternoon September 9, beginning at 2 o'clock.

A convention of all choirs taught by Prof. C. P. Gardner will come together, including one hundred from New Prospect, more than a hundred from Patterson Grove, an equal number from Big Springs, together with a number of singers from West Shelby. Zoar church itself will furnish one hundred voices, says Mr. Gardner.

This is not a singing of quartets but a mass singing by all of these choirs, using gospel songs and led by Mr. Gardner. Mr. Gardner thinks it will be the largest choir ever assembled in the county and invites the public to attend. The singers will use the same kind of song books as were used in the classes.

#### Grocers Have Good Sale Day On Eve Of Saturday Strike

Grocers who operate in mill villages and cater largely to the mill trade, report an unusual heavy sales on Saturday, on the eve of the strike. Customers who had just received their pay checks put in a supply of food and the shelves of the stores were depleted. In turn, these retail merchants bought more goods and paid liberally to the wholesalers in order to keep their credit good.

#### F. D. R.'s Intentions Stir Strikers To Action

By UNITED PRESS  
HYDE PARK, N. Y., Sept. 5.—President Roosevelt dramatically intervened here today to speed a settlement in the rapidly spreading nationwide textile strike. Upon recommendation of the National Labor Relations Board he announced that he had decided to name a special board of three members to start immediate conferences with mill owners and striking union leaders to settle the strike.

In Washington, the President's intention to intervene sent strike leaders into a secret conference today to determine what their stand would be in the mediation proceedings. More than three hundred thousand workers were reported to be striking today.

In New York, the textile code authority heads, representing cotton, silk and woolen divisions, are meeting today to discuss plans for combating strike intimidation in affected areas, it was learned.

#### School Enrollment In County Schools Shows Big Increase

#### Only Three Schools Lacking From Reports; High Grades And Lower Grades Gain.

The first month's reports from Cleveland county schools, both elementary and high school, show a decided increase over last year's enrollment figures.

Only three schools are lacking from this month's report. They are Bolling Springs, Dover Mill and Park Grace school in Kings Mountain. Bolling Springs has failed to send in their totals, but the other two have not been in session a full month, and therefore would naturally not have a report.

Enrollment jumps. High school enrollment throughout the county jumped from 1,273 in 1933 to 1,315 this year, and the elementary schools showed practically the same percentage as they increased from 4,538 to 4,620.

It is interesting to note that in No. 8 township, the Polkville district, the high school enrollment for last year was 135 and the elementary 409, and this year's figure shows 134 students in the high school and 409 again in the lower grades.

A complete tabulation of the various schools and their corresponding enrollments is as follows:

School	H. S.	E. S.
Polkville	134	409
No. 3 Township	221	559
No. 1 Township	0	200
Lattimore	163	441
Mooresboro	116	333
Grover	86	384
Beth-Ware	66	334
Waco	88	286
Falston	121	465
Belwood	119	372
Piedmont	92	363
Casar	107	328
Morial	0	152

#### Giant Cotton Grows At Kings Mountain

A giant cotton stalk, rivaling the famed bean stalk that was scolded by Jack the Giant Killer, is on display in the county farm agent's office. It's eight feet tall, and has bolls larger than golf balls. It grew on the farm of L. W. Sellers, of route 3, Kings Mountain.