

THE MARKETS
Cotton, spot 12 1/2 to 13 1/2
Cotton seed, to, wagon 38.00

Fair, Warmer

Weather forecast for North Carolina: Fair and slightly warmer Friday and Saturday, except probably light rain Saturday afternoon in extreme west portion.

Davis Sentenced

Ralph Davis, found guilty of murder in the second degree, was sentenced to 30 years in prison yesterday for the killing of Sheriff Godfrey C. Kimball in Irredell. Pleading guilty to a number of burglary and banditry charges, he was sentenced to 16 years on each count but sentence suspended on good behavior during the murder sentence.

Wants \$25,000,000

Libby Holman's baby son, Christopher, yesterday laid claim to \$25,000,000, a slice of the Reynolds tobacco fortune held in trust for his father, Smith Reynolds. R. C. Vaughn acted as "next friend" for the baby, asking that Christopher be declared the sole beneficiary.

Nab Extortionists

George Gould, 18, and Willie Bennett, 17, are held in custody by Mt. Airy police on charges of attempting to extort \$2,500 from J. D. Sargent, wealthy president of the N. C. Granite Corp. Local police trapped them.

Asks Vote Reforms

Major L. P. McLeond, chairman of the state board of elections, declares that no kind of laws and no kind of administration will eliminate the similarity between an election and a horse race. He told the Institute of government that yesterday. He declared use of the absentee ballot was one of the prime irregularities.

F. D. R. Sees TVA

President Roosevelt, carrying roughly outlined plans that will influence the course of the nation, rolled toward the deep south last night to inspect a great social development—Tennessee Valley. He will speak at Harrodsburg, Ky., today (Friday), inspect the vast TVA project, and then go to his retreat at Warm Springs.

Blames Bankers

Samuel Insull's son said yesterday that the bankers were to blame for the crash of their two billion dollar utilities system, which beggared thousands and wiped out the Insull family fortune. He said the situation of any business could be fundamentally sound, and yet the business might go broke.

Threatens Strike

A demand that Southern textile manufacturers be compelled to increase wage rates to northern levels was made yesterday by Representative Edith Nourse Rogers, (R), Mass. Her statement came while labor leaders laid plans for strikes in many southern mills. Francis J. Gorman, U. S. T. W. organization director, said a council of war would be held in Washington Saturday to plan direct action against mills that have refused to re-employ union men after the strike.

FERA Gives Work In Public Buildings

One janitor to the city hall and two each to the court house and hospital have been assigned work yesterday. The relief offices announced that the relief offices yesterday.

County Second In Cotton Gin Report

Cleveland county, heretofore, the banner cotton producing county in North Carolina still ranks second in the number of bales ginned this year by other cotton producing counties in North Carolina, according to figures gathered by Thamer C. Beam, special agent and released this morning.

Up to Nov. 1st, Cleveland county had ginned 29,958 bales from the 1934 crop as compared with 39,649 bales up to the same date a year ago.

The five yielding cotton producing counties in North Carolina rank as follows: Robeson 34,425; Cleveland 29,958; Samson 18,908; Johnston 17,395; Halifax 15,065.

District B. Y. P. U. Meet

There will be a district meeting of the associational B. Y. P. U. at the Pleasant Ridge Baptist church November 23 at 7:30 o'clock. A special program has been arranged and all churches in this district are expected to send delegates.

Heads Canvass For Red Cross



Paul Webb, well known Shelby druggist, who is chairman of the annual Red Cross Roll Call, which begins its drive here Monday morning.

Bulwinkle Offers Homestead Project To Interior Dept.

Congressman Presents Plans Of Cleveland And Gaston Boards In Capital.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—Possibilities of establishment of a subsistence homestead project, a part of which would be in Gaston county and a part in Cleveland county, appeared today as Representative A. L. Bulwinkle conferred with J. E. Pinchon, manager of the homestead administration of the department of the interior.

The recovery bill passed a year and a half ago carried a provision that the sum of twenty million dollars might be spent on location of homestead projects near populated areas. The general idea is to afford an opportunity for families and the heads thereof to buy tracts of two to five acres, with homes of four to six rooms thereon, from the government on 20-year payments, and thus become independent. Occupants of homesteads would raise poultry, livestock and their own vegetables during the period they are reaching the goal of independence by working after regular mill and factory hours.

Already one has been established in Pender county for whites, another being located at Ware Shoals, in South Carolina, while a project for negroes is to be established at Bricks, Edgecombe county.

As outlined to Manager Pinchon today by Congressman Bulwinkle, the commissioners of Cleveland and Gaston counties have been working on the plan for some time and have located 900 acres which area is available at low cost and upon which a homestead could be established and thus afford employment in spare hours for textile workers in the two counties. Mr. Pinchon is to advise Major Bulwinkle tomorrow just when he will be able to visit the two counties personally and confer with backers of the project. The project would call for an expenditure of \$150,000 to \$200,000, but excessive prices will not be paid for land.

Laurelridge In New Job
Guy Laurelridge, recently married to Miss Annie Ruth Dellinger, has accepted a position with Dellinger's Grocery. He was formerly employed by the Owl Side shop.

Going, Going, Well, Almost Gone; The Penny Twins Are Here Again

George Jim and Bob Penny, whose cries of "Going, going, third and last time, who'll take this city?" have echoed over Carolina since for the past two decades began this morning the sale of the H. Fields Young property on West Warren, Martin and Clegg Streets. The property offered includes a 14-room house and some 50 lots in a desirable residential community. While one Penny exhorted from the back of a truck, addressing a crowd of almost 1,000, Bob Penny—the one with the diamond horseshoe stick-pin, went through the crowd and talked confidently with prospects. Between talks from the band, the Penny's sold the first two lots rap-

Red Cross Drive To Begin Monday; Budget Is \$2,100

Webb Heads Yearly Roll Call Here

Everett Houser Captains Preliminary Canvass Of Business District.

The Red Cross annual roll call starts Monday, with a plea from Paul Webb, chairman, for Cleveland and Shelby residents to open their hearts—and pocketbooks—as never before. The chapter has a budget of \$2,100 and needs more, with the additional expense of a Red Cross nurse, on full time duty, to pay this year.

Houser Is Chairman
The canvass on Monday is a preliminary effort, designed to reach the most generous contributors first and will be captained by Everett Houser, and O. M. Mull. With a team of some 18 men, who will surrender their whole time for the day, they will canvass the business and mill offices thoroughly.

On Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock, the main drive, which closes on Nov. 24, will be inaugurated with a breakfast at the Hotel Charles at which Henry Edwards and Mr. Webb will explain the purposes of the campaign and instruct the workers.

County Campaign

In charge of the county campaign, which begins at the same time, are Miss Frances MacGregor, J. H. Grigg and R. W. Shoffner. M. A. Spangler is vice chairman of the preliminary drive. Other workers will be Rush Hamrick, Charles Hoey, Frank Roberts, Thad Ford, Sam Gault, Lee B. Weathers, A. W. McMurry, Earl Hamrick, Horace Grigg, L. P. Holland and John McKnight.

Ward Chairmen

In the main drive, ward chairmen have been named as follows: Mrs. E. Yates Webb, ward 2; Miss LeGrand, ward 3; and Mrs. J. W. Harrison, ward 1.

The Roll Call expects to achieve a membership of 1,000, Chairman Webb said.

Boy Scout Drive Closes Tomorrow

Carl Thompson, vice-president of the Piedmont council, Boy Scouts of America, said today that the Cleveland county drive for funds would close on Saturday. The goal is \$1,000, and he believes it will be reached, with 12 groups of workers in the field. Gene Schenck is finance chairman for the county, which now has 269 scouts in 16 troops.

60 Children Will Be In Operetta

An operetta, "The Wedding of the Floyers" will be given at the Graham school tonight at 7:30 o'clock. It is being directed by Mrs. F. L. Hennessey and 60 costumed children will take part.

Bulldogs To Play Thanksgiving Game

A Thanksgiving game between Bowling Springs junior college and the Appalachian Reserves has been arranged by the Shelby Rotary club which will sponsor the contest in behalf of its annual Christmas fund. Jim Reynolds is chairman of arrangements, assisted by Cameron Shipp, Frank Reavis and Sam Gault.

300 Fat Herefords Sent Here For FERA Slaughter

Shelby To Serve Nine Counties, Supplying Fresh Meat Daily; City Abattoir, Ideal Plant To Be Used

An FERA project to make Shelby slaughterhouse headquarters for eight counties, with 300 head of fat Herefords already on way here, was announced this morning in Raleigh. The cattle are to be killed at the city abattoir and stored at the Ideal Ice and Storage Company Plant.

Few details of this plan to have Shelby serve western North Carolina just as Chicago serves the great mid-west were available today. Harry Woodson, relief administrator, said that he did not know when the cattle would arrive, but had been informed they were on the way.

If the scheme is carried through as projected, fresh meat will go out daily by refrigerated truck to relief agencies in Gaston, Burke, Mitchell, Yancey, McDowell, Lincoln, Catawba and Caldwell counties. It will be sent in 8 to 10 pound pieces, all of it fresh, none of it canned.

Shelby is equipped to slaughter and handle 30 head a day, Mr. Woodson said, and can store between 100 and 200 head. The Ideal Ice and Fuel Co. offers two refrigerated rooms, one 40 by 10 feet, the other 18 by 40. Either or both can be used. The slaughtering will be under (Continued on page ten.)

New \$1,650 Allotment Made To School Grounds By FERA

Projects Call For 24 Men; Will Last Eight Weeks

An unexpected allotment of \$1,650 of FERA funds for a new project on the Shelby high school playgrounds and athletic field was announced today by Capt. B. L. Smith, who said application for this much needed work has recently been approved.

This new project calls for 24 men a day for a period of eight weeks and it is expected that work will begin right away. Although not a part of the long delayed FWA funds, the new allotment will run the total amount of money to be spent soon on school projects well over \$50,000, to be exact, \$51,134. It is expected that this work will begin within the next 10 days.

It will be remembered that the other school work to be done in the Shelby area was a \$27,773 addition to the Dover school, the construction of a \$4,297 arcade at the high school building, an addition to the colored school costing \$13,629, and other fees and cost of land making a total of \$49,484. Bonds were subscribed by the county for the work, but the FWA work done inside the corporate limits will be paid for by the city later.

Clarence Morrison is contractor for the erection of the arcade and Barger Brothers, of Mooresville, will construct the colored school. Unemployed men who are now on relief will be used in the FERA project of improving playgrounds and the athletic field.

Mrs. J. A. Horn Dies Of Stroke; Funeral Sunday

78 Year Old Zion Woman Passes With Two Weeks Of Tuberculosis Death. Within almost two weeks of her husband's death Mrs. J. A. (Cobb) Horn of the Zion community died this morning at 10 o'clock following a stroke of paralysis at 1:30 last night. She was 78 years of age in August of this year. Mr. Horn died October 29.

The death of Mrs. Horn came as a complete surprise to her friends and family as she had undergone the nervous strain of her husband's death remarkably well, and was in perfectly normal health, and in the middle of the night when the stroke occurred, was able to say, "I think I'll be all right."

Funeral on Sunday
Funeral services for Mrs. Horn will be at Zion church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and will be in charge of the Rev. D. G. Washburn, pastor and perhaps assisted by the Rev. J. W. Suttle and others. Before her marriage to Mr. Horn 56 years ago Mrs. Horn was Miss Lou Lattimore. The first three years of the long union was spent in Rutherford county where three children were born, none of which lived. The couple then came back Cleveland county and since that time had lived on the old Horn plantation in the Zion community. Here seven children were reared, all of which now reside in the county. They are Mrs. M. G. Cabanis, Mrs. Thos. L. Dedmon, Mrs. M. D. Harrill, D. T. J. E. W. Y. and C. C. Horn. One half-sister, Mrs. W. C. Whitsart, lives in Shelby, and a half-brother, Charles Gold, lives in Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. John Green Is Buried Today

Prominent Bowling Springs Woman Succumbs After An Illness Of A Year. Mrs. Nancy Green, wife of John Green of Bowling Springs was buried this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Bowling Springs, the funeral being conducted by Rev. J. L. Jenkins, pastor. Mrs. Green died at noon Thursday following an illness of a year. She fell and sustained a broken hip last Christmas and since that time she has been in the hospital and sick at home.

Before marriage Mrs. Green was Nancy C. Byers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Byers. She was 57 years and ten months old and was married 23 years ago. Surviving are her husband and three children, Vera, Ina and J. R. Green, three sisters, Mrs. C. C. Pruett of Bowling Springs, Mrs. Max Jolly of No. 1 township, Mrs. Brevitt McCraw of Gaffney, two brothers, R. L. Byers of Gaffney and Wm. Byers of No. 1 township.

FERA Will Get Cemetery Project

Application Made For 15 Men To Work On Beautification Program. An application for a FERA project to beautify the city cemetery was mailed to Raleigh this week. Harry Woodson, relief administrator, announced today.

This project, which includes sowing grass, placing sod and topsoiling driveways was brought to the attention of the city by groups of women's clubs in Shelby, headed by Mrs. Harry Hudson. It calls for 15 men to work 10 weeks. The city will supply seed, fertilizer, sod, trucks and tools.

Charlotte Symphony To Be Heard Here

The Charlotte Symphony orchestra, directed by De Roxio, and composed of sixty pieces played by expert musicians, will give a concert at the high school on the evening of Dec. 6, sponsored by the Junior Civic League. Light symphonic music—the kind you can understand and enjoy—will be played.

At a meeting of the League Wednesday at the Hotel Charles, members of the ways and means committee were named on the welfare committee, and a new ways and means group named. The members are Mrs. Tom Moore, chairman; Mrs. Play Peay, Mrs. Clyde Short and Mrs. R. U. Woods.

Chief Says Cobb Doesn't Represent AAA Cotton Views Disclaims Stand On Bankhead Bill

Secretary of Agriculture Declares Administration Neutral; Up to Farmers to Decide.

Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, who opposed the Bankhead bill in the beginning, has disclaimed responsibility for the speech of Cully A. Cobb here Monday morning, in which Mr. Cobb urged retention of the Bankhead bill.

Secretary Wallace is seeking, he said, to maintain administration neutrality because a ballot on the disputed compulsory control measure will be held during the first two weeks in December, to determine whether the act shall be continued another year or scrapped. The legislation will be discarded unless two-thirds of the cotton growers favor it.

A.A.A. Is Neutral. Secretary Wallace announced several days ago that neither he nor the AAA would attempt to influence the election. Cobb in his speech here said he felt that unless the Bankhead bill continued there would be "ruination."

Opinion in the south is sharply divided on the crop control act. Today there were protests over Cobb's statement and queries as to whether he represented AAA's attitude.

In response to questions at his press conference as to whether Cobb spoke for him, Wallace smiled and parried the question with: "I suspect that he was speaking in the same capacity as Oscar Johnston sometimes does."

Johnston is a Scott, Mississippi planter and is head of the AAA's cotton pool. He has opposed the Bankhead bill in the past and Wallace plainly inferred that neither Johnston nor Cobb spoke for him. Up to Farmers.

Later, Wallace (emphasized that "it is up to the southern cotton farmers to vote as they please, and I don't think we should attempt to interfere."

He added that for this reason he felt he should not express his personal opinion on the Bankhead bill, although he opposed it last year.

"I may have changed my mind meanwhile," he added. Before his return to Washington on Friday Cobb is scheduled to make another speech on cotton. AAA officials said no attempt to tone down this address had been made and that Cobb would talk temporarily, it was certain, however, that Cobb would find a rebuke awaiting him once he gets back to the capital.

Act Not Mentioned. Although the secretary compared his Bankhead bill references to those by Oscar Johnston, other officials pointed out that Johnston had never referred to the Bankhead bill in a public address. The Mississippi planter also made it plain, opposing the measure that he spoke in his capacity as a cotton planter.

A combination of speeches by Cobb on the bill, officials said, would be certain to persuade many farmers that the administration seeks continuation of the act for 1935. Feeling that the AAA favored the control measure, officials say, would have a decided effect. This is all the more reason, in the opinion of AAA directors to be neutral.

Charlotte Slated For Air Mail Soon

CHARLOTTE, Nov. 15.—Major H. O. Comp, manager of the Charlotte airport, announced yesterday he had received a telegram from Eastern Air Transport saying air-mail and passenger service will be resumed here at once.

1 Year Ago, They Knew Hunger; Today They've Food In Surplus

Heaps of new sweet potatoes, with good Cleveland soil still fresh on their hides, barrels of healthy corn, mountainous piles of hay and fodder, barrels and sacks of peas and beans, heavy gallon cans of rich brown molasses, and thousands of quarts of tinned vegetables, apples and peaches—If dumped by a bountiful Horn of Plenty, these farm products fill two store rooms at the FERA offices, and overflow into quarters at the Fairground.

They were brought there by people who last year knew the aching of hunger, the sleeplessness of despair, and the chill hand of charity.

Through the staff to feed armies, it looks like wholesome, hardy food, and dainties too, gleaming in glass jars.

These things constitute the surplus produced by rehabilitation farm families in Cleveland county. Early last summer, the project was started, believed to be the first in the Southland, and 74 families—destitute, all of them—were outfitted with the tools of the farm, seeds and clothing. They were placed on land rented, according to various contracts, with generous landlords who saw value in the plan to take starving people off the streets and give them a clean and decent chance to make a living.

Now, in the bountiful evidence of their produce, you see practical evidence. (Continued on page ten.)

More Than 1 Million Dollar Boost This Year In Cleveland Property

Increase In Automobiles, Cattle, Personal Belongings, In Number And Values, Tops '33 All Along The Line

More automobiles, more cattle, more milk cows, more dogs, more merchandise, more hogs and a vast increase in personal property

But they do not entirely explain the fact that Cleveland county's 52,000 residents are worth exactly \$1,160,631 more than they were just one year ago. The figures are from the tax books, just posted this week.

Requests Boost In Pastors' Pay

For an explanation of this apparently astounding increase in real wealth, consider one three-syllable word: confidence. Farmers who listed mules at \$50 last year now admit that they are worth \$100. There were probably almost as many cattle in the county last year as this year—but in 1933, the listing showed 2,316 and this year, 3,063. Moreover, tax listers made a closer check. And there's no denying, too, that there actually is more taxable property in the county today—for instance, personal property was listed in 1933 at \$3,661,646. This year, at \$4,537,740.

One Million Increase
Total valuations were, in 1933, \$27,800,921. This year, they are \$28,961,562, an increase of more than one million dollars.

A closer inspection of the figures that combine to show this vast jump reveals interesting data on where all the money in this county actually is.

For instance, \$4,679,231 is invested in manufacturing plants. That is to say, this is the figure for tax purposes. It is really somewhat less, for the mill owners recently obtained an assessment cut. It compares to last year's figure of \$4,163,276.

There are 4,880 town lots listed at \$6,071,788, as against \$6,355,138 last year.

There are three more horses in the county and no jackasses—so the tax books say.

Huge Rise In Cattle
There were 6,197 mules in '33, now there are 6,206. An enormous rise is shown in numbers of cattle listed. Figures for '33 show 2,316, for this year 3,063. Values last year were \$16,587, this year, \$26,709. Last year there were 6,468 milk cattle, valued at \$128,897, this year 6,562, valued at \$145,630. There are 5,712 hogs worth \$20,986; now there are 6,119 and the value is \$25,998. The number of sheep has decreased, maybe accounted for by numerous barbecues. In 1933, there were 29 sheeps, valued at \$67, now there are 17, valued at \$34. There were 35 goats worth \$206, now there are but 11, worth \$18.

A glance at the dog situation explains a good deal about this tax listing business. Anybody knows that the number of dogs in the county hasn't doubled this year—but the number on the books compares like this: 1,807, worth \$9,511, to 2,543 worth \$13,725. This plainly shows that more people listed more property, at higher values, for taxes this year.

The number of automobiles listed this year is 4,549 and the value \$586,054, as against 4,016 and a value of \$343,224 last year. Stocks and merchandise have (Continued on page ten.)

Wall Is Re-elected By N. C. Baptists; Asheville Chosen

Baptist Convention Closes With Plea For Forward Steps By Pastor From Shelby. (Special to The Star.)

NEW BERN, Nov. 16.—Dr. Zeno Wall, pastor of the First Baptist church at Shelby, was unanimously re-elected president of the convention, which was closed here today with the decision to hold next year's meeting in Asheville. Immediate and major objectives for the 2,400 Baptist churches in North Carolina were set forth yesterday by Dr. Wall in an address to the convention.

"In view of our rich and fadeless heritage, our large and united denomination and the unmistakable evidence of an upturn in business, your presiding officer would make the following recommendations," said Dr. Wall.

His suggestions were immediately adopted, thus marking the highest point reached in the 104th annual session of the Baptist gathering.

Mrs. A. W. Propst Buried In Casar

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at Casar for Mrs. A. W. Propst, mother of J. O. Propst of Shelby, who died Thursday morning at 6:30 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. Lingerfelt at Newton. Mrs. Propst, age 82, had been in Shelby with her son J. O. Propst but was taken Sunday to Newton for a visit with her daughter when the end came.

Her husband died 16 years ago and since that time she lived at her Casar home during the summer months and lived with the children during the winter. Before marriage she was Miss Mary Hudson. She was a devoted mother and a fine Christian woman.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. D. Lingerfelt of Casar, W. S. Propst of Connelly Springs, J. P. Propst of Morganton, T. C. Propst of Lenoir, J. O. Propst of Shelby. Before her death five generations were living in the same family.

Funeral services this afternoon were conducted by Rev. W. O. Comp of Cherryville, assisted by Rev. H. C. Seefeldt of Shelby.