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Shoffner's Office Now Established At Hotel Charles

FERA Likely to Move In Next Door

County Agent's Staff Has Ample
Space and Large Lobby For
Daily Throngs.

The county agent and Bankhead administrator's new office in the street-level basement of the Hotel Charles was open for business yesterday morning.

It presents a startling contrast to the previous cramped quarters in the court house, which was a transaction for the major agricultural financing of the year, when almost \$500,000 in cotton reduction money was handled. The new location gives private offices to County Agent Shoffner, Bankhead Administrator Propst and Assistant County Agent James, a large outside office, with a long counter, for the stenographers and assistants, and another large room for the county committee.

Large Lobby
There is also a large lobby space. Cotton growers, who used to jam the halls of the court house, in their efforts to reach the one small door to the county agent's office now have ample space, and can be served from the long counter.

For the next two months, Freeman's shoe repair shop will occupy the space opposite the office, but will depart when the new Stroup building is completed. It is then planned to establish the FERA offices there. The Cleveland unit is now in small and inadequate quarters in the Lineberger building.

Farm Census In Cleveland On Thursday

Eighteen farm census enumerators tomorrow morning will begin their canvass of Cleveland county under the national program under which Uncle Sam is taking stock of his agriculture resources and prospects just like a storekeeper takes annual stock and balances his books.

David M. Buck, supervisor of the first North Carolina district, was here yesterday to instruct his workers. Several changes in appointments have been made since the tentative announcement, he revealed.

The census will show what was produced here and in what quantity, and will list all the farmers in the county. The eighteen enumerators will work eight hours a day for a month on the job. Cleveland is the largest agricultural county in the state.

The enumerators are compensated not by salary, but at so much per farm reported, and each has been assigned his own district. Reports will be made to Charlotte, where Mr. Buck at room 221, Post Office building, said he would be glad to answer all inquiries from farmers or to send test questions.

The revised list of enumerators (Continued on page nine.)

Legislators Hear Appeal By 1,000 For School Fund

5 Cleveland Teachers Attend Meeting

Through Appeals In Raleigh Asking
Increase To \$22,000,000; Erwin Tells Program.

RALEIGH, Feb. 5.—School teachers and friends of school teachers bore down upon the capitol yesterday, storming the legislature with an army of 1,000 to demand that \$22,000,000 be appropriated for schools instead of the \$18,500,000 recommended by the advisory budget commission.

Cleveland county was represented by Superintendent of City Schools B. L. Smith, and the following from the county schools: Lawton Blanton of No. 3, H. M. Young, of Belwood, R. D. Arrowood of Lattimore, O. P. Hamrick of Boiling Springs, C. M. King of Waco and J. A. Kiser of Polkville.

Support for the appeal of Superintendent Erwin was also voiced by educational leaders from all sections of North Carolina at a two-hour public hearing before the joint committee on appropriations yesterday afternoon.

Erwin, in a "blackboard" lecture, told the committee that salaries should be increased 25 per cent rather than the 15 per cent recommended by the budget commission. He asked for \$17,689,125.50 the first year of the biennium for instructional service and \$18,019,557.10 the second.

For the other main divisions, he asked \$2,979,000 for auxiliary agencies; \$1,250,000 for plant operation; and \$659,250 for general control.

Urging the committee to grant the requested increase, Dr. Julian Miller of Charlotte, representing the state council of emergency in education, declared "200,000 men and women of North Carolina are squarely behind the program of our superintendent."

"Culture Before Commerce" "The legislature must come to the rescue and stop the crumbling of our educational structure. Culture should come before commerce and we ask the state to make an investment in education that is worthy of her tradition," declared Dr. Miller.

Other leaders who pleaded the cause of public education were E. T. Best, superintendent of Franklin county schools, representing the North Carolina Education association; Mrs. W. B. Aycock, president of the North Carolina congress of the Parent-Teacher association; Dr. J. Y. Joyner, former state superintendent of public instruction, and Miss Margaret Karmegay, Goldsboro teacher.

President's Birthday Picture



An excellent portrait of President Roosevelt made by J. O. Jordan on the eve of the President's fifty-third birthday.

PWA May Bring Cleveland New Schools, Playgrounds

McMurry, Grigg And McKinney To Attend Charlotte Meeting, Looking For Information On Possibility

If, as Senator J. W. Bailey estimates, North Carolina does get that one hundred million dollars in Public Works money, Cleveland county might—its possible, but don't grab—get something like a million and a half to smooth her jagged roads, to build more schools, or to lay out a playground here and there.

Even if the county's share isn't reckoned in such generous measure, the bountiful Mr. Ickes, congress willing, will spin some glittering coin in the direction of Old North Carolina. Cleveland's share will depend, largely, on how happy an answer she makes to the question, "Just what would you do with all that money?"

Charlotte Meeting
With that question before them, Mayor S. A. McMurry, Superintendent of County Schools Horace Grigg and County Auditor Troy V. McKinney (probably with an adding machine under one arm) will go to Charlotte Friday to attend a meeting of county and city executives called by the PWA. They carry no requests in their hands, but go with the idea of learning how, when and where money can be obtained.

But both county and city officials have large ideas, it was revealed. If they can get some of that money without issuing bonds for their ungrateful great grandchildren to pay, here are some of the things they'd like to have:

Need More Schools
Mr. Grigg reports that request have come to the board of education for auditoriums and new classrooms at the Lattimore and Beth-Ware schools. Townships No. 1 and 2 respectively demand new elementary schools. Casar wants new classrooms. Other schools request improvements and more room. In fact, it would be a pretty handsome program, it was intimated, if all the patrons' requests could be met.

Mayor McMurry said the city would like to know what could be done about having a better city hall, improving the fire department, and building a recreation center.

Mr. McKinney said that the county commissioners were interested in all kinds of projects, from enlarging the court house to building swimming pools and parks.

After they attend the Charlotte meeting, they will file their suggestions (not requests for projects) to Herman B. Baitly, state PWA engineer at Chapel Hill. The State Planning board, recently appointed by Governor Ehringhaus, is trying to outline a program for the state and will use these suggestions.

This may, however, be reduced to three percent if the move to exempt growers who produce less than two bales. They produce annually about 300,000 bales.

**MISS MAMIE CABANISS
MOVES FLOWER SHOP**

The Cabaniss flower shop, owned and operated by Miss Mamie Cabaniss, has moved temporarily from the Royster building location in South Washington street, to the Cleveland hotel.

Mauney Re-Named County Chairman By Lint Growers

Township Committees Also Selected

Announcement Made On Eve Of
New AAA Program For
Reduction.

On the eve of the 1935 cotton program, in which the county's more than 3,000 farmers are expected to co-operate almost 100 per cent, as they did last year, election of county and township committees to carry out the program was announced.

S. S. Mauney of Shelby is again chairman of the county committee. Other members are Tom Cornwell, B. B. Suttle and C. E. Hamrick, of Boiling Springs, alternate. Election of these committees was completed yesterday.

The township committees follow:

No. 1 Township
Gilbert Jones, route 2, Gaffney, S. C., chairman; J. A. McCraw, route 1, Gaffney, S. C., T. P. Wood, route 3, Gaffney, S. C.

No. 2 Township
C. E. Hamrick, Boiling Springs, chairman; B. B. Harris, route 3, Shelby, E. B. Hamrick, Boiling Springs, J. A. Lattimore, Shelby, Alternate: Dan W. Moore, route 3, Shelby.

No. 3 Township
C. F. McSwain, Patterson Springs, chairman; B. O. Randall, route 2, Shelby, J. R. DeLoatch, route 2, Shelby, W. G. Graham, Earl, Alternate: A. L. Neal, route 2, Shelby.

No. 4 Township
W. A. Williams, Kings Mountain, chairman; E. B. Herndon, Grover, B. P. Dixon, route 2, Kings Mountain, Wayne L. Ware, route 2, Kings Mountain, Alternate: Chas. P. Weir, route 1, Kings Mountain.

No. 5 Township
J. E. Smith, route 1, Shelby, chairman; C. F. Lackey, route 4, Kings Mountain, C. N. Porter, route 4, Kings Mountain, D. W. Carpenter, route 2, Cherryville, Alternate: Yates Spurling, route 2, Cherryville.

No. 6 Township
Geo. P. Magness, route 5, Shelby, chairman; Mike L. Borders, route 1, Shelby, D. E. Grigg, route 2, Shelby, H. L. Roberts, route 2, Shelby, Alternate: E. L. Beam, route 2, Shelby.

No. 7 Township
R. L. Hunt, Lattimore, chairman; G. P. Irvin, route 5, Shelby, J. P. McSwain, Mooresboro, F. Bate Blanton, route 4, Shelby, Alternate: Toy E. Webb, route 4, Shelby.

No. 8 Township
E. M. Eaker, route 1, Lawndale, chairman; H. H. Gold, route 4, Shelby, Ivey Whisman, route 1, Lawndale, R. A. White, route 1, Lawndale, Alternate: V. W. Mauney, route 5, Shelby.

No. 9 Township
W. E. Cornwell, route 1, Lawndale, chairman; Carl M. Spangler, route 1, Shelby, R. W. Wilson, route 2, Lawndale, C. R. Spangler, route 1, Lawndale, Alternate: V. A. Gardner, route 5, Shelby.

No. 10 Township
F. A. Boyles, route 4, Lawndale, chairman; J. G. Carpenter, route 1, Belwood, C. C. Falls, route 4, Lawndale, Alternate: Edney Willis, route 2, Vale.

No. 11 Township
P. M. Whisman, route 1, Casar, chairman; Ruffin S. Short, route 1, Casar, W. J. Turner, route 1, Lawndale, Alternate: Arthur L. Turner, route 1, Casar.

Outlaw Caught

One of the most desperate outlaws of the south and southwest was arrested in Shreveport last night as he sat quietly in a bus. He is Floyd Hamilton and comes from a family of outlaws and is charged with aiding and abetting the notorious Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker in some of their crimes. His brother was taken in a gunfight some weeks ago.

Polkville Vocational Students Helping Dads Farm Practically

Proof that vocational agriculture in high schools of Cleveland county benefits the farmer as well as the boy is evident in a short summary of what has been done at Polkville and the plans the class has for the spring in the form of practical agricultural projects such as pruning fruit trees, doing carpenter and repair work, building a new type of brooder, and ordering co-operatively purchased chicks.

At present the vocational agriculture department of the school is starting on the last half of the sixth year, under the direction of Prof. E. L. Dillingham and has

Ample Agencies To Finance Better Homes Campaign In County

Survey Will Begin In County On Friday; Mr. Oulahan Speaks To Meeting Of Builders Supply Men

At an enthusiastic meeting of building materials people held in the Chamber of Commerce office this morning the nucleus was laid for a Cleveland County Better Housing campaign to be conducted immediately in conjunction with the Federal Housing Administration.

End In Sight



Richard Bruno Hauptmann, tensesly watching developments at Flemington, where his attorney, Edward J. Reilly, announced he would "break the state's case" today and be ready to close his defense Thursday.

Special Session Here Is Delayed; May Be In March

Neither Judge Nor Solicitor Is Immediately Available For
Cleveland Term.

County Attorney Peyton McSwain yesterday reported to the county commissioners that the proposal to hold a special term of Superior Court here beginning Feb. 25 had come to naught because neither judge nor solicitor was available at that date.

And as a matter of fact, it was discovered that court could not have been held then anyway, because the law requires that 20 days shall have elapsed between the drawing of a jury and the court session.

Suggests March 18.
Solicitor Spurling, in a telephone conversation from Lenoir, suggested that a special term be set for March 18, a week before the regular term beginning March 25, and there is the further possibility that a special term of one week for civil cases can be added to the session, to run in April.

This would mean, startlingly enough, a solid month of superior court in Cleveland county.

Valiant crusaders for birth control had all hopes for any national legislation on the question this year blasted when the house voted yesterday against the Pierce bill 15-8. The passage of the bill would have been followed by a sumptuous dinner in Washington for leaders in that field.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 11 o'clock for Mrs. Dovie Ellen Sparks, 57 year old resident of the Ross Grove community and wife of W. T. Sparks. Mrs. Sparks succumbed to a heart attack at 10:30 last night after being slightly ill with a cold for several days.

In charge of the services will be the Rev. H. E. Wadrop and the Rev. Mr. Cook. Mrs. Sparks was a member of the Mull's Chapel Baptist church for a number of years.

Survivors Given.
She is survived by her husband and the following children: Rufus E. Sparks, member of the police force here, Mrs. Nepolla McGuff, of Concord; Mrs. John Stamey, and Lamar Sparks of Shelby; Ray Sparks, of Concord; J. F. Sparks, of Charlotte; and Everette, Mary Lou, and Thomas E. Sparks, of the Ross Grove community.

Brothers and sisters who survive are C. W. Lash, of Pleasant Grove; Alonzo Lash, of Mulls Chapel; Mrs. Jenkins Cardwell, of Lincolnton; Mrs. Orah Pruitt, of Charlotte, and Mrs. Sarah Hunt, of Texas.

The daughter of the late Peter Hall of Burke county, Mrs. Sparks has lived in this county many years and has many friends in the upper and central part of Cleveland.

Late News

THE MARKETS
Cotton, spot 12½ to 13½c
Cotton seed, ton 44.00

Cloudy, Rain

Weather forecast for North Carolina: Cloudy, preceded by light rain in northeast portion, slightly colder Wednesday; Thursday fair.

Hot Senate Fight

Only partly indorsed by the administration and already the subject of much controversy, the Treasury Bill, which proposes an expansion of the powers of the Federal Reserve board appeared today in the middle of one of the warmest congressional fights of the year. The administration has been trying to maneuver its policies so as to have a tighter grasp of the insurance of currency interpreted Chairman Fletcher today.

Split With Labor

The split between the Roosevelt forces and the American Federation of Labor was apparently widened today when President Roosevelt pointedly told the board that some decisions concerning labor were for him alone to make. He is thought not to favor the recent attack of organized labor upon the automobile employees.

Mrs. Carpenter Off To Brother's Funeral

Joe S. Smith, age 63, a brother of Mrs. R. E. Carpenter of Shelby, died Monday morning at Trenton, S. C. and Mrs. Carpenter and daughter, Mary Frances, left Tuesday for Trenton to attend the funeral there this morning at 11 o'clock. Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters.

Man's Leg Broken Under Wagon Wheel

John Logan, resident of Kings Mountain, was resting comfortably this morning at his home on Gold street after having sustained a broken leg Monday when he fell from a load of wood and a wheel of the wagon ran over him.

Sears, Roebuck Co. To Finance Loans

Sears, Roebuck Company, Charlotte branch, announces that they will have a representative at the Hotel Charles who will outline, according to F. H. A., modernization credit plan, loans for home and farm improvement. This company will finance any improvement to be made on either city or rural buildings at a minimum charge.

Production Credit Board Is Elected; Stock Gain Shown

Stockholders of Cherryville Unit
Paid \$5 For Holdings Now
Listed At \$6.92.

Cherryville Production Credit association stockholders yesterday elected a new board of directors and heard reports which place their organization in the foremost ranks of national production associations.

This association, which serves the counties of Cleveland, Gaston and Lincoln, is one of three in the United States which has had 100 per cent collections. There are 144 stockholders, who one year ago paid \$5 a share for stock now listed at \$6.92.

Board Members
The following board members were named:

Wayne L. Ware, of Kings Mountain, one year; T. C. Beam of Waco, three years; L. A. Barbee of Gaston, one year; R. E. Eaker of Gaston, two years, and G. T. Wise of Lincoln, two years.

The board will meet soon to elect a secretary.

A branch office of the association is now established in the grand jury room of the Cleveland county court house. Loans in any amount are made to farmers who offer security.

500 Pound Snake Is Shown By Firemen

"The firemen are sponsoring the showing of a 100 pound snake, 33 feet long in the old Shelby Hardware store building opposite the First Baptist church," said Bobby Robinson, fire chief when he dropped in The Star this morning. "It's a boa constrictor, captured in South America. 'No, we firemen don't own the snake. It belongs to a traveling exhibitor and we get part of the gate,'" he added.

The snake will be shown all this week. Yes, it's alive and eats rabbits, chickens, etc., and has a mouth capable of swallowing anything up to fifty pounds.

Bearing On Candidacy Is Seen In Doughton's Visit To Capital

Obviously to confer with legislative leaders about old age pension possibilities, but with a strong background of politics and the silhouette of the Governor's Mansion in the foreground, Congressman Robert L. Doughton will visit Raleigh during the present session, it was announced in Washington this morning.

His visit is regarded as twin to the polite call made by Clyde R. Hoy last month. These two, Hoy and Doughton are steering sagacious circles around the Mansion, like rival aviators, neither having made up his mind when and where to make a three-point landing—and each adroitly maneuvering to prevent even to much as a wing brush with the other's machine.

Not, of course, even to mention the rude possibility of exciting a burst of machine gun fire. Both have plenty of ammunition.

It is possible that Mr. Doughton will address the legislature. At any rate, he will confer, talk, see and be seen. How he is received and how he feels about things after this visit is bound to have an important bearing on whether he does or does not choose to run.

Doughton supporters are eagerly awaiting his visit. Hoy supporters are wondering what's up. But neither Hoy nor Doughton has cheapened, although it is commonly stated without contradiction, that Mr. Hoy is not only running for Governor but fairly flying.

Friendship M. P. Church To Have A New Building

The people of Friendship M. P. church near Fallston are receiving pledges on a new church building. The project was first launched some three weeks ago with the purpose of building Sunday school rooms. On last Sunday the idea of a new church was advanced. Pledges amounting to around \$1,800 or \$2,000 are now available for the work.

The following members of the church are acting as a committee promoting the work: R. A. Lackey, A. A. Lackey, Ernest Wright, Gettys Bingham, Cletus Wright, Clem Martin and Mrs. F. B. Tony. Contributions may be directed to Gettys Bingham, treasurer; route 2, Lawndale. The Rev. H. F. Fogleman is the pastor.

Cotton Pool Ends Saturday, Feb. 9, Propst Announces

No Sales or Transfers After That
Date, He Says; Reduction
Program Set to Go

Saturday, February 9, will be the final days on which cotton tax exemption certificates will be sold, nor will transfers be permitted after that date, Alvin H. Propst, Bankhead administrator, announced this morning.

More than \$80,000 worth of these certificates at four cents a pound have been sold in the county, he said, representing some 1700 tickets. Purchase of these tickets has enabled farmers who grew more than their allotment to save part of the Bankhead tax.

Has Plenty on Hand.
Mr. Propst has on hand now a large supply of certificates, enough to meet all demands, he believes. He urges cotton growers to call before Saturday. The closing date is final.

Word to begin the cotton reduction program is expected daily, he said, but no details have been announced. The national quota has been set at 10,500,000 bales, five per cent higher than last year, which may mean a possible five per cent increase in the allotment for this county.

Ask PWA Expert To Speak Here

Directors of the Shelby chamber
of commerce last night de-
cided to invite Herman B. Baitly
state PWA engineer, of Chapel
Hill, to tell Cleveland county on
a personal visit what PWA pro-
jects will be offered in the state
program.

It was proposed to hold a joint meeting of the county commissioners, the Shelby and Kings Mountain city boards, the civic clubs, and representatives from each township.

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Salvation Army's Revival Growing

The revival meeting at the Salvation Army hall is progressing with preaching each night this week. The attendance is good and Rev. Mr. Armstrong is doing the preaching. Residents of the city are invited to attend both song and preaching services.