

Weather
North Carolina: Partly cloudy, warmer in interior Monday; Tuesday fair; little change in temperature.

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Name Health King And Queen In 14 County 4H Clubs

County Contest To Be On Tuesday

More 200 Contestants Entered In Annual Health Try-Outs.

Kings and queens of health were crowned in 14 Cleveland county communities over the week-end and the county wide health contest for 4-H club members will be held in Shelby Tuesday when the boy and girl making the highest health score in the entire county will be named.

Ranging between the ages of 10 and 19 years of age, more than 350 youngsters were entered in the contests, under the supervision of H. B. James, assistant county agent and Miss Frances MacGregor, home demonstration agent.

Winners

Winners in Tuesday's contests will go to the district contest at Charlotte the last week in June and if successful on to Raleigh the last week in July. Cleveland has in the past two years had a state winner in health, Charles Palmer, of Polkville. Mary Sue Holland, of Bolling Springs at another time got second place.

Health is one of the four keywords in the club program. The others are head, heart and hands, all devoted to their club, community and country.

Formal crowning of the kings and queens or at least of county winners will be carried out with a public ceremony later in the summer, perhaps at the county fair this fall.

Winners in the contest are: Patterson Grove—Howard Ware, Orl Thornberg.

Belwood—Robert Peeler, Sara Falls.

Waco—Dwight Whitworth, Ruth Goode.

Beaver Dam—Dan McCurry, Beatrice Blanton.

Shanghai—Earl Wallace, Imogene Wallace.

Sharon—Hazel Anthony, Rebecca Dodd.

Cesar—Neck Deviney, Elaine Pnett.

Bolling Springs—Hugh Dover, Mary Lee Moore.

Bethware—J. B. Lail, Janette Whisnant.

Fallston—Tom Cornwell, jr., Alice Falls.

Grover—Andrew Bumgardner, Aldie Mae Biddix.

Bethlehem—Donald McGinnis, Pauline Bell.

No. 3—James Ponder, Kathryn Hardin.

Zoar—Louise Whitener, no boys in club.

Mount Pleasant—Organized too late to enter contest.

Betty Jean Lee Is Buried Sunday

Betty Jean Lee, 10 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philmore Lee, died in the Shelby hospital Saturday at 9:00 after a short illness. Funeral services were held from the home Sunday at 4:00. Interment was at Sunset cemetery.

In charge of services was Rev. H. C. Sisk, assisted by Rev. Reid Sisk. Besides the parents, several children survive.

Grover To Discuss Agricultural Course

Plans for financing an agricultural department will be discussed at a meeting in the Grover school Friday evening, June 14.

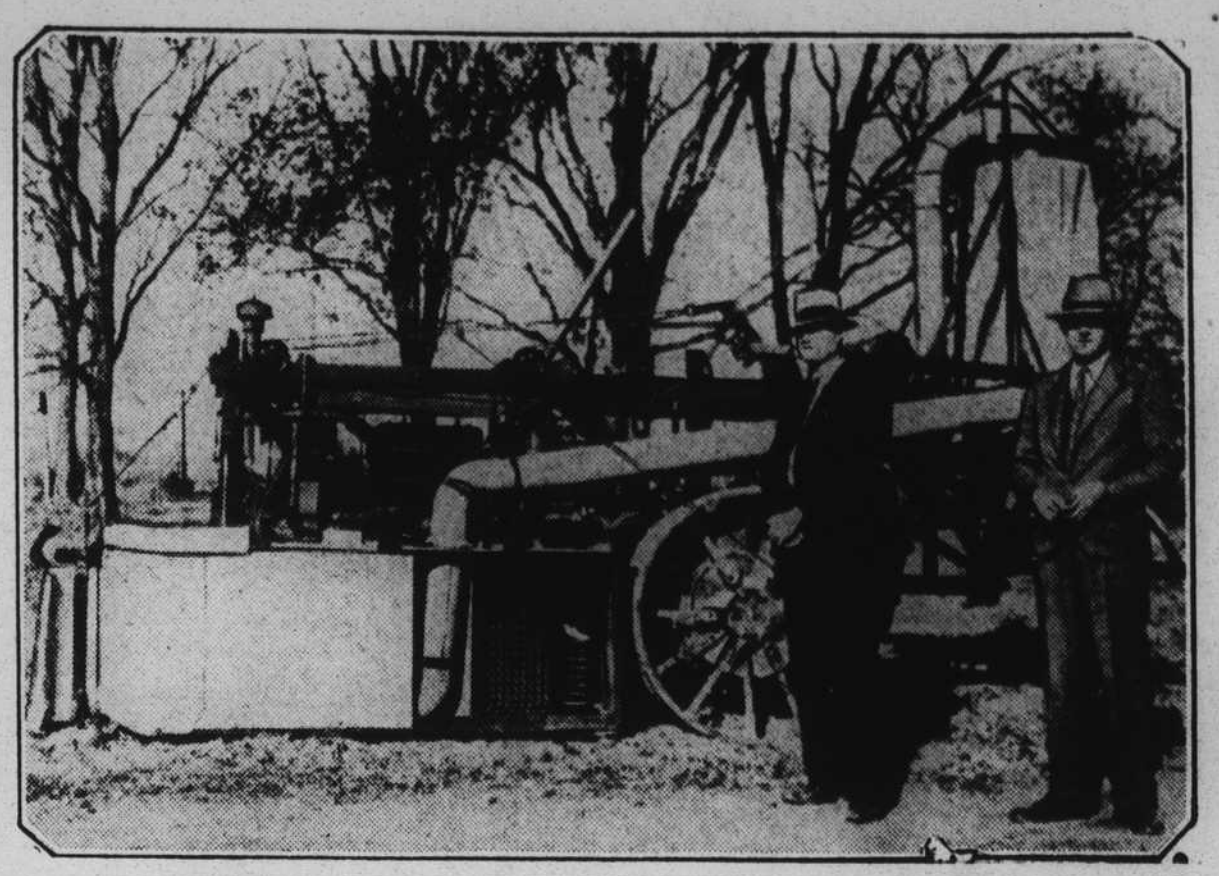
All residents interested in the project are invited to be present at 8 o'clock. Superintendent of County Schools J. Horace Grigg will lead the discussion.

Morning Cotton LETTER

NEW YORK, June 10.—The advance on Saturday was chiefly due to the buying of a large line of October believed to be a covering operation. The supply of contracts again proved limited although there was a fair amount of selling in May on a scale up said to be for eastern accounts. Sentiment is mixed with a rather general disposition to await developments both as to the crops progress and the general situation. We believe that favorable weather will result in increased offerings, especially on the advances.—E. A. Pierce & Co.

THE MARKETS
Cotton, spot — 11 1/2 to 12 1/2
Cotton Seed, wagon, ton — 32.00
Cotton Seed, ton, car lot — 35.00

First Picture Of New Cotton Picking Machine



After Thirty Centuries, The Machine Age Threatens a Revolution in the Cotton Fields

Mrs. Eliza Creene Dies At Age 75; Burial Is Today

Widow Of Late Ben Greene, Miller, Passes At Bolling Springs.

Funeral services were held today at 2:30 at the Double Springs Baptist church for Mrs. Eliza Bridges Greene, 57 year old widow of the late Benjamin Greene, who died yesterday at the home of her nephew, C. E. Bridges, of Bolling Springs.

In charge of the services were Rev. Clarence V. Martin, pastor of the Second Baptist church at Shelby and pastor of Mrs. Greene. Assisting was Rev. D. G. Washburn.

Husband Millwright

Benjamin Greene, late husband of Mrs. Greene, died on April 8 at his home in South Shelby where he has been a miller and millwright for many years. He formerly operated a corn mill at Lattimore and Bolling Springs. Mrs. Greene had been in ill health since her husband's death. The immediate cause of her death was heart trouble.

The daughter of the late Zachariah Bridges and Nancy Hamrick Mrs. Greene had numerous family connections in Nos. 2 and 7 townships and in Rutherford county.

The closest surviving relative is a brother, C. M. Bridges, of Lattimore. There were no children in the family.

15 Crates Berries Marketed 2nd Day

Cleveland county's newest crop, raspberries, began to move towards market in earnest last week and 15 crates were sent the second day. Even more are expected this week.

Pricing for the shipments were not disclosed, but the fact that there is a market for them is encouraging to growers.

Piscatorial Prizes Weigh 134 Pounds; Hero Is Stough Hopper

This is not just another "fishy fish story." It is the truth. Read it and see.

The many friends of Stough Hopper, D. M. Freeman and Tilden Queen, will be interested to know that they have recovered sufficiently from their week-end labors of hauling in 134 pounds of fish, to be back on their jobs today.

Mr. Hopper broke Shelby fishing records for this season by making the biggest catch, snaring a couple with reel and rod that tipped the scales at 24 and one-half and 20 and one-half. Queen's was big enough to make the three weigh 66 pounds.

Most of the catch were big channel bass, and were caught off the coast of South Island, and the others were taken at Merrill's Inlet. The big catch was made Thursday and others made Friday when

An invention which has been awaited more than a century, and which may affect the entire social and economic structure of the south, has been tested and proved successful.

It is a cotton picking machine which, in a 7 1/2 hour day, can pick some 8000 pounds of seed cotton; several weeks' work for an average man.

Whether this "robot" cotton hand proves an unmitigated blessing to the region, however, remains to be seen. Back of the enthusiasm displayed by many planters in the new machine is a shadow.

What will become of the 3,000,000 negro and white laborers in Dixie-land and other regions, who have thus belatedly become victims of the machine age?

Solution of this problem rests, while planters await general introduction of the invention which may help them attain the progress achieved in other regions.

In 3000 years of cotton production, only one important advance has been made heretofore—Eli Whitney's cotton gin, devised 140 years ago. But before and since, as in India 30 centuries ago, the picking of cotton required the back-breaking toil of men and women, who plucked the fluffy bolls by hand and thrust them into huge bags dragged on the ground behind.

It remained for John D. Rust and his brother, Mack, of Texas, to accomplish what 800 preceding inventors failed to do; devise a machine that would take in bolls without injuring green plants or gathering so much rubbish that ginning was impossible.

The feature responsible for success of the Rust machine is a smooth wire spindle, automatically moistened, to which the cotton clings. Spindles of previous "inventions" had been equipped with injurious "teeth."

On one side of the Rust harvester is a tunnel-like opening from front to back, allowing the machine to "straddle" the row of plants. Into this opening a line of small, smooth revolving rods projected sideways.

Carried on an endless belt, the rods first pass through a moist-

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Mrs. Hudson Calls Special Meeting Of Woman's Club

Will Study Matter Of Public Library And Proposed Community Building.

Mrs. W. H. Hudson, general president of the six divisions of the Shelby Woman's club is calling a special general meeting of all officers and members of the club for Thursday afternoon of this week to consider immediate plans for a public library building and the proposed plan of co-operation of all civic organizations in the city for a community building. The meeting will be at 4:00 in the Woman's club room.

In a meeting of civic club leaders and members of the Ed Post Bible class who are boosting a YMCA for the city, Mrs. Hudson spoke of the long interest the Woman's club has had in a library and advanced her personal ideas as to prospects for the library and community building. These will be discussed Thursday, along with other matters.

Attorney Pat McBrayer will take up the matter with civic clubs this week for a proposed general meeting Friday night of this week to crystallize sentiment and get immediate action on securing federal aid on the projects.

Mrs. Laughridge Dies Last Night; Funeral Tuesday

Eighty-One Year Old Resident Passes After Extended Illness; Native Of Burke.

Mrs. J. C. Laughridge, 81-year-old resident of Shelby died at her home Sunday night at 1:00 after an illness of several months with heart trouble. She had lived in this city two years, but was a native of Burke county.

Funeral services will be Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 at the Rehobeth Methodist church, with Rev. J. N. Wise in charge.

Surviving Mrs. Laughridge are her husband who lives on Blanton street and is also 81 years of age; eight children, John F. Laughridge, of Asheville; A. L. Laughridge of Gastonia; P. G. Laughridge of Salisbury; A. G. and H. P. Laughridge, of Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. S. L. Baber of Reidsville; Mrs. Ed Wesson of Greenville, S. C. and Mrs. Z. L. Canipe of Shelby.

Mrs. Laughridge was closely related to the Laughridge families of this county, although she had not lived in this immediate community very long. She was known to a wide circle of friends in adjoining counties as a devoted mother and faithful member of the Methodist church.

BOB LEE TAKES OVER BEAM'S SERVICE UNIT

Bob Lee is asking patrons to inspect his new place of business on the Cleveland Springs road, which was formerly operated as Beam's Service Station. He will handle products for the American Gas and Oil Co.

David McBrayer, 91 Year Old Vet, Buried On Sunday

Was In Confederate Cavalry

Was One Of The Largest Land Owners: Wife And Three Children Survive.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Lattimore Baptist church for David B. McBrayer, 91 year old Confederate cavalryman who died Friday evening at 8 o'clock following an illness of 15 weeks.

Confederate Cavalryman Mr. McBrayer developed pneumonia during the late winter and was confined to his bed until the end came. He was a man of unusual physical and mental vigor and had enjoyed excellent health up until his last sickness. During the war he served for four years in Co. I, 1st N. C. cavalry and distinguished himself for valiant service.

Business Man And Farmer He was the son of Robert McBrayer and Fannie Harrell and was born and reared near the home where he died. He was married to Martha Ann Blanton on January 25, 1871 and together they lived at the present home place for 64 years.

Mr. McBrayer was very frugal and industrious. He possessed unusual judgment of values and had unusual foresight and vision. For many years he was in business at Mooresboro, selling livestock and fertilizer and at the same time carrying on his farm work. When his present home-place was purchased, all was woodland. This was cleared and converted into one of the finest farms and country homes in the county. He and his son, John, who lived with him owned about 1,600 acres in this and adjoining counties.

First Death In Family

The passing of Mr. McBrayer was the first death in his family of four generations. Surviving are his widow, three children, Mrs. S. S. Royster and Chas. C. McBrayer of Shelby, John A. McBrayer of Lattimore, seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

After funeral services at Lattimore Baptist church where he served as a deacon since the church was founded, interment was in the family burying ground on his farm where his antecedents were buried. Rev. Rush Padgett, pastor, was in charge of services, assisted by Rev. D. G. Washburn and Rev. John W. Suttle and one of the largest crowds to gather at this church was there to pay respects to his noble life. A beautiful floral offering was but a gesture to the high esteem in which he was held. Pall bearers were as follows:

Active: Joe Jones, Frank Cornwell, Thomas Eskridge, L. A. Blanton, Bate Blanton, Yates McBrayer.

Honorary: Will Walker, Thore Ramsey, Foster Jones, John Bridges, Broadus Hamrick, Walter Lucas, Lester Callahan, Huff Hamrick, J. B. Lattimore, Jeff Hamrick, Carl Jolly, Chas. Callahan, Am Toms, Cicero Bridges, Hugh Harrell, Hugh Wray, Fred Blanton, Will McBrayer, Chas. Doggett, J. Lawrence Lackey, A. M. Hamrick, Joe E. Blanton, L. F. McBrayer, Lester Herndon, Roy McBrayer, Geo. P. Webb, John Smart, Ralph Jones and Norman Lee.

Final Rites Held For Mrs. Deaver

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon in Mooresboro for Mrs. Mary Vera Deaver, 48, who died at the Rutherford Hospital Saturday afternoon after an illness of several months.

The services were conducted by Dr. Zeno Wall of Shelby and Rev. S. E. Welch, pastor of the Sandry Run Baptist church. Burial was in the churchyard.

Mrs. Deaver leaves three daughters, Hazel, Sadie and Geraldine Deaver, all of Mooresboro; five brothers, Furman Harris, B. R. Harris, T. B. Harris and C. W. Harris; two sisters, Mrs. V. D. Lovelace and Mrs. M. C. Bostic, and her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John K. Harris, all of Mooresboro.

More Boys Can Get In CMTC Says Beam

Although Cleveland county's quota of 14 young men has been filled for the Citizens Military Training Camp at Fort Bragg, Dr. Pitt BeAm who is enrollment chairman for this county, says as a number of North Carolina counties did not fill their quotas, other young men can enroll from Cleveland county. Dr. Beam has application blanks and all desired information on this free training service offered by the government.

Negro Wife Kills Husband, Who Took Her From Church

Half-brood John Neal, part negro and part Indian, dragged his wife from a colored church, threw her clothes in the fire and threatened to cut her throat.

His wife, known as a hard-working woman and a good cook, has no Indian blood in her veins. But she took a .38 calibre pistol and drilled a hole through John's temple.

This happened Sunday morning. According to the report, who was bound over in recorder's court

this morning. John had been drunk all Saturday. He returned home Sunday morning, found she had gone to church, followed her, and took her home.

There he snatched off her dress, threw it in the fire, and threatened to cut her throat. A large pocket knife was found in his hand. He died at 2 o'clock in the hospital.

John, police said, had a bad record, and had been arrested several times for bootlegging.

NPS Actively Interested In County Park Proposal

Borrowing Plans For N. C. Counties To Be Set Today

Local Government Unit To Decide On Shares In Works Program.

By M. E. DUNNAGAN

RALEIGH, June 10.—To what extent North Carolina counties, cities and towns may borrow money for public works from the Public Works Administration under its new plan of granting 45 per cent of the loan and charging an interest rate of 3 per cent on the balance, will be decided today at a meeting of the Local Government Commission at the call of Charles M. Johnson, state treasurer and director of local government.

Under state laws no local unit may borrow money without the approval of the Local Government Commission, or by its executive committee, composed of four state officials, the treasurer, the auditor, the secretary of state and the commissioner of revenue, which acts between meetings of the commission, which is composed of five additional appointed members.

Director Johnson announced that he considered it a proper thing to get the full commission together and decide on a policy to follow in the future with reference to the FWA loans.

"Up to this time it has been the policy of the commission to define borrowing strictly to absolutely necessary things, and while the federal government makes a grant of 45 per cent and makes the loan at 3 percent and makes the opinion that this policy should still be followed," Mr. Johnson said.

Mr. Johnson states that local governmental units should not go into debt for something they can get along without, just because of the grant and the low rate of interest. "We are now having to pay back money that was borrowed when borrowing was easy; however, I am of the opinion that it is a fine opportunity to borrow money for something that must be done in the near future," he said.

Charles A. Owens, grandson of Amos Owens Dies At 52

Charles Alonzo Owens, 52, and a nephew of the late Amos Owens of Cherry Mountain fame, died of stomach trouble in the Shelby hospital Saturday morning and was buried Sunday afternoon at 4:00 at Walls Baptist church in Rutherford county.

Mr. Owens lived in the New House community of this county and leaves his wife Julia and several small children. He was a well known and respected farmer of that community. The pastor of the church was in charge of funeral services.

Delay Granted In Theft Trial

C. C. Christopher and Clyde Hill, held on charges of breaking and entering and larceny this morning gained a delay of two days for hearing in Recorder's Court. The defense asked more time to prepare.

They are charged with breaking and entering the home of J. G. Dudley, and were arrested here Thursday after both the sheriff's office and city police had worked up the case against them.

Several pistols, hidden near the golf course, were said by police to belong to them.

Drunken Drivers Get Heavy Fines

Five Cleveland defendants charged with drunken driving were fined \$80 and warned not to operate motor vehicles for four months.

Judge Bynum Weathers, as court adjourned, said that he intended to stop this menace in the county if he had to raise the fine to \$100.

The offenders were arrested by Patrolman Greenway.

Commissioners Go To University For Explanation Of The New Laws

County Commissioners Lester Herndon and Joe E. Blanton, County Auditor Troy V. McKinney, and Mayor-elect Harry Woodson are this afternoon speeding toward the University of North Carolina, hoping that there they will get an explanation of some of the new laws passed by the recent legislative session.

They will attend the Institute of Government gathering, which is holding a two-day session.

The commissioners and the auditor are anxious to acquire more information on tax foreclosure proceedings, which were radically and confusingly changed. Harry Woodson is getting ready to become mayor of Shelby, and, incidentally, is expected to call on Herman C. Bailey state PWA engineer to discuss the possibilities of public works money for the city when his administration takes hold.

If the new laws can't be explained by the speakers on the program, why they probably can't be explained at all. Senator Bailey, Representative Doughton, W. B. Umstead, Relief Administrator Mrs. Thomas O'Berry and Commissioner Graham will speak.

Assurance Given For T. B. Clinic In Red Cross Meet

County Medical Body Gives Sanction

Application For Funds Filed: Hope To Open Clinic by July 15th.

Possibilities of a well equipped tuberculosis clinic with information, instruction, and rules of care for the disease for Shelby by July 15, were assured in a meeting of the Red Cross chapter officials Friday afternoon.

Official sanction for the clinic has been given by the county Medical association and a formal application was filed today with the state ERA for funds. Other funds will come from the sale of Christmas seals, a hoped for allotment from the county commissioners, and other sources.

Location. Definite location of the clinic has not been decided, but Henry P. Edwards, chairman of Red Cross in the county, and Dr. Ben Kendall said some desirable places are in view and will be available at a minimum cost for renovating and fitting.

Miss Harte Oliver, nurse for the chapter, made her monthly report to the body in which she indicated that she has enrolled some 60 members in three classes in Shelby mill villages and will open two other schools next week at Lawndale and Belwood. She is teaching home hygiene and care of the sick.

Alarming Report

An alarming part of her report was that she contacted 63 tuberculosis patients and 194 persons who have been living with T. B. who have not had an examination. Nine teen persons in the county have died of the disease since Miss Oliver has been in the city.

Ten T.B. patients have made application to the state sanatorium, five of which are still on the waiting list. Miss Oliver visited 10 prenatal cases, 22 new born babies, and 50 ill adults this month. She discovered in contacting school children and pre-school children that there are at least 90 who need tracheotomies and estimates 300 in the county.

First Aid

Some first aid work is being done with Girls Scouts. The committee voted to allow Miss Oliver a week's leave of absence in July to teach first aid and health at the club encampment from Cleveland county to be held at Lenoir.

A stenographer, Miss Hazel Davis, has been added to the Red Cross office, and a telephone installed.

Blanton Affirms Belief In Bible, Prayer To Group

Speaking to representatives from 23 churches in the Kings Mountain Baptist Association at Pleasant Grove yesterday, Prof. Lawton Blanton, veteran education and school leader said, "If you remove prayer and the proper study of the Bible from the lives of people, there is little else to consider."

He was speaking at the regular monthly meeting of the Association Sunday school meeting, in charge of J. W. Costner, superintendent. The little country church was crowded with several hundred people.

Miss Ruth Wacaster led the devotional and others on the program were Mrs. Bessie Weaver of Kings Mountain, Mrs. R. P. Hamby of Eastside and special music from a group from Carpenter's Grove church.

Mrs. Nan Turner, 70, Succumbs In Hospital

Mrs. Nan Turner, an inmate of the county home for several years, died at the Shelby hospital Friday. She was 70 years old, and had been suffering for some years with diabetes.

Funeral services, conducted by Rev. H. C. Seefeldt, were held on Saturday, and burial was at Elizabethtown. A step-son, John Giles, lives in Kings Mountain.

City Curb Market Open 2 Days Soon

The Shelby curb market is nearing the crest of its opening season for all kinds of vegetables and will within the next few days announce a two day a week schedule. Up to now this season the market has been only open on Saturday. The day to be added is Tuesday. The hours are from 7:30 until 10 o'clock.