

Shelby in Center Of Power Project Under U. S. Plan

Advantage Seen For This Section

Private Enterprise To Be Forced To Meet Government Rates, It Is Predicted.

That Shelby is almost in the center of power development in the south and that every enterprise tending to create more power by governmental aid in North and South Carolina and Tennessee adds to the power advantages of this section is pointed out by the Shelby chamber of commerce and merchants association.

Regardless of whether lines from the Tennessee Valley Authority hydro-electric plants or from the proposed Santee-Cooper river project reach Shelby this section of North Carolina will be directly affected by these developments.

Plenty Of Power

With this tremendous additional current to be made available by governmental aid and the power already produced within usable distance by private enterprise there will be no question of either sufficient power or of rates which will be competitive with any section of the country.

It makes no difference, it is pointed out, about rates as to whether direct lines are run into this immediate section. The fact that power generated by the government will be readily available will result in equal rates and service being provided by private enterprises.

Transportation Facilities

Transportation facilities speeded up as they have been within the past few years between Shelby and the northern markets and with the prospects of even faster service now that railroads are thinking very much in terms of moving freight cars with more speed, there will be no question of this section being considered by many industries.

There is little likelihood, it is believed, that any great immediate action may be taken. Industries are now marking time where they are but there is a growing disposition to investigate possible changes which might be of economic advantage.

In such instances high pressure action is of no advantage. As a matter of fact it is almost always a distinct disadvantage. Industries proposing to move nowadays are interested in figures rather than figures of speech and investigations are carried on quietly and with no fanfare of trumpets and drums.

HIGH SCHOOL COST IS SET AT \$82,500

Reduced by \$35,000 the estimated cost of the new Shelby High school, for which a PWA project will be submitted, now stands at the original sum of \$150,000—but that isn't the cost to school district No. 33 taxpayers.

Taking advantage of the federal 65 per cent grant, the county commissioners, through whose hands a proposed bond issue would pass, will file a request for a \$67,500 grant. This leaves a cost of \$82,500 to the school district patrons.

Bonds in this amount, according to the plan now before voters, would be issued at four per cent with the government as the purchaser, and the special school tax rate would be increased approximately eight cents.

12-Year-Old Girl Dies In Hospital

Minnie Mull, 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Mull, of Waco, died in the hospital this morning. Funeral services had not been arranged this afternoon.

Morning Cotton LETTER

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—The average guess of 86 members of the New York Cotton Exchange was 11,431,000 bales which is slightly higher than the average of the private estimators. Worth, street reported some slight improvement in sales of goods. We are of the opinion a broadening in demand for goods will develop following the announcement of the loan policy. Bureau estimate will be issued Thursday.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Price. Includes Spot cotton, Wagon seed ton, Car lot ton.

War Fever Sweeps Abyssinia as Italys Legions Arrive at Borders



These new and exclusive pictures from Addis Ababa show some of the warlike activities there as Italy rushes more troops to East Africa for the expected invasion of Ethiopia. Above are Ethiopian soldiers, trained by Belgian officers, passing in review before Emperor Haile Selassie. The Empress Menen is shown in inset arriving for the review and at right is De Jatch Nassibu, commander of the Ethiopian army.

Daniels Is Named N. C. Legion Head; Bonus Demanded

Son Of War Time Navy Head Is Unopposed; Belgrano Flies From California.

FAYETTEVILLE, Aug. 7.—North Carolina legionnaires selected Joseph Daniels, Jr., of Raleigh, as their commander for the coming year and picked Asheville for the 1936 gathering as they brought their 17th annual state convention to a close here yesterday.

Daniels, business manager of the Raleigh News and Observer and son of the war time secretary of the navy, was without opposition and was named as successor to Hubert Olive, of Lexington, by acclamation. Asheville won the next convention over Winston-Salem by a 217 to 74 vote.

Vote For Bonus

The "bonus" issue came in for the major share of attention at the wind up business session, National Commander Frank L. Belgrano, Jr., principal speaker of the day, devoting a considerable part of his time to it and the state convention adopting unanimously a resolution asking its immediate payment.

Belgrano flew from California to Atlanta and came on here by train in order to address the convention. On crutches because of a sprained ankle suffered several days ago, he was carried into the hall by way of a fire escape for his address and received a tremendous ovation.

Despite his injury, he stood to address the convention and promised that the legion would continue to press for favorable action at this session of congress on proposals to pay the face value of the adjusted service certificates in cash.

Cleveland was represented by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Abernethy, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Benoy, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Goode, A. W. Archer and Craig Hartgrove.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wilkins have as their guests this week the father and mother of Mr. Wilkins who live in Burlington, also two nephews of Mr. Wilkins from Greensboro.

Rural Electrical Survey Stymied Because Federal Executive Balks

RALEIGH, Aug. 7.—Recently the State Rural Electrification authority announced that it would continue its survey of possible rural lines so as to cover any county in the state. The chances are, however, that it will not be done. Why? Because Morris Cooke, federal administrator of all the rural line projects, is against the idea. That being true, the PERA, which proposed to finance the added survey, quite likely will withdraw the grant which was to have made it possible. Cooke is against continued surveys because he knows that everywhere a survey is made the people

School Building Program Is Approved at \$437,000

Thirty-three thousand dollars was lopped from architects' estimates for the proposed new Shelby High school by the board of education Monday afternoon and the Cleveland county PWA school building program, reduced to \$437,000, was approved as submitted by the county commissioners. A public hearing on the bond issue, which must be submitted to vote by the taxpayers, will be held on September 2. The bond issue and tax program will be given final approval or disapproval at that time. Cost to the county for the entire program, which takes advantage of the fifty-five cent dollar offered by the Public Works Administration would be \$240,000. Bonds for this amount would be issued, at four per cent, and would be held by the government. Tax rates in the various school districts would be raised from seven to fifteen cents per \$100 valuation. Re-registration of qualified voters will be necessary in these bond elections, and only those voters who do re-register will be permitted to vote. A majority of the registered voters is necessary to carry such an election.

First WPA Project Filed Is For Clubhouse In No. 5

An application to the Public Works Administration for a \$4,000 community center clubhouse in No. 5 township was filed yesterday, B. W. Breeze, Shelby architect, announced today. This is the first WPA project requested in Cleveland. Residents of the community are contributing both money and materials. Estimated cost to the community, allowing for the expected grant from the WPA, is \$1400.

The building is to be of stone veneer, 40 by 45 feet, with an auditorium to seat about 100 persons. It will have a stage, a large kitchen, rest room, and a basement for installation of a heating plant later on.

The building is to be situated about one-half mile from Beulah church.

Boggs Clan Plans Family Reunion

The annual Boggs family reunion will be held Saturday, August 17 at the home of John P. Boggs above Belwood. All relatives and friends are invited to be present for the occasion. A picnic dinner on the grounds is being planned for the noon hour.

4-H GIRLS OFFERED PRIZES, FREE TRIP

Forty-eight 4-H club girls, one from each state, are offered free educational trips to Chicago this fall and all expenses paid for a week's stay at the 14th National club congress as championship prizes if the National Girls' Record contest. Every bona-fide 4-H club girl in Cleveland county and the state who is regular enrolled in home economic projects may compete. In addition to the free trip given state champions a handsome gold medal is awarded to county winners, and as a grand climax to the contest the highest ranking state champion is presented a \$400 cash college scholarship by Montgomery Ward, sponsoring the contest for the thirtieth year. Contestants for county honors are required to submit a certified record of their projects showing the number, value, prizes and honors won, and a statement on the value of the training received. Girls competing for the \$400 scholarship are required to submit in addition their original records, a photo and a statement of their club experience and its value to themselves, their homes and communities. County, state and national club leaders and rural educational organizations are cooperating with the national committee on boys and girls club work, which originated the contest. In conducting it as an incentive to the 4-H program.

To Give Concert At Zoar Church

On Friday night, August 8th, a concert of sacred music will be given at Zoar Baptist church beginning at 8 o'clock. This is the closing of a school taught by C. P. Gardner, being the 1,037th school he has taught. The concert will consist of solos, duets and choruses arrangements. Lee B. Weathers will deliver an address.

1800 Attend Rites Of D. M. Norman, At Normans Grove

Founder Of Norman's Grove Baptist Church Dies After 15 Year Illness.

After 15 years illness and three years of intense suffering, D. M. Norman, 67-year-old farmer and founder of Norman's Grove Baptist church was buried Sunday at 10 o'clock, as approximately 1,800 friends and relatives from the northern part of the county gathered for services.

Mr. Norman died Friday night of rheumatism and cancer at his home near Rockdale, where he had lived the greater part of his life with the exception of several years spent in Kentucky and Indiana during early manhood.

Rites At Home

Rev. B. P. Parks was in charge of services which were an unusual tribute to the character of Mr. Norman. Rites were held from the home with interment in the cemetery of the church he organized.

Pallbearers were Masons, to which order he had been a faithful member for years. Flower bearers were Lorene, Corine, and Ruth Norman, Estellene Boyles, Ora V. Norman, Lunette and Annie Mae Newton, Pearl Mae, Essie and Dovie Davis, Lizzie Mae Willis, Inez King, Iva London, Kathleen Boggs, Margaret Houser and Virginia Mull.

Survivors

Surviving Mr. Norman are his wife, Ida Bell Walls Norman, and seven children, Roy Norman of Lincoln; Robert, Gant, Archie and Cash, and Misses Greak and Coleen Norman, all of near Rockdale. Also, there are seven grand-children, four brothers and two sisters.

Mr. Norman was born and reared in the northern part of the county and was known as one of the outstanding farmers and churchmen in his community. While for the past 15 years he was unable to work actively in the fields, he planned and studied in his home and launched progressive movements among his neighbors.

Several years ago he organized a Baptist church which was named for him and which is now a growing unit of the Kings Mountain association.

City Car Owners Must Buy License

They cost only 25c, but all owners of motor vehicles within the city of Shelby must buy them. They are license plates with black background and green letters, good until June 20, 1936.

Chief Wilkins and his men have been instructed to notify all car owners that these license plates must be purchased and displayed on motor cars not later than August 15th. Failure to buy and display a city license tag on city owned cars, subjects the owner to a fine.

Miss Hazel West of Marshall is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Harris for a few days.

New Rules Issued To Stop Bootleg In Bankhead Taxes

Changes are Released By J. A. Propst

1935 Cotton Exemption Certificates To About Sept. 1: Other Information.

Elimination of bootlegging of exemption certificates in the 1935 cotton marketing season just approaching is the aim of a brand new set of rules and regulations today issued from Washington to Alvin Propst, Bankhead administrator for Cleveland county.

Several other important changes regarding the Bankhead control measures were released this morning by Mr. Propst. Some of the more important of these are:

The Rules

- 1. The actual size of the exemption certificate book has not been changed, but each book will hold certificates for 3,000 pounds of lint, instead of 5,000 as of last year. 2. Color of the certificates will be different in every Southern state. This state's color will be green with red serial numbers. 3. The tax on cotton not exempt this year will be six cents per pound. Last year it was 5.67 cents. 4. Transfer of certificates from one grower to another must be made in person in the office of the administrator. 5. Ginners will not be allowed to sell or transfer certificates as of last year. 6. The first allotment of certificates this year to growers will be final. There will be no "ten percent" additional amount. 7. Growers may buy from the pool this year at five cents per pound. Last year's price was four cents. 8. Special certificates will be issued to growers of 956 pounds or less of lint, to be known as "two bale" certificates. Such growers will get 100 per cent exemption, but not necessarily for two whole bales—only the actual amount shown by their five year base average. Two-bale certificates will not be transferable.

Very Important

One of the most important regulations, according to Mr. Propst is that growers will get exemption of approximately 66 per cent of their five year average, but that all will get exemption according to percentage. Last year it was according to yield. Whether or not the grower signed to reduce 25 per cent or 35 percent, his exemption will be the same, although he may make more cotton.

Mr. Propst pointed out that a number of the new regulations would help greatly in the elimination of certain practices of fudging and bootlegging of parts of certificates. Last year a grower had at least 195 pounds margin between serial numbers. This year he has only 20.

Less than 20 bales of the "two-bale" cotton are expected to be grown, says Mr. Propst. Last year all pooled tickets were sold for 4 cents per pound from which producers got 3.96 cents per pound, showing that the government expenses for handling the tickets cost only .04 of a cent per pound.

North Carolina bought only a comparatively small amount of exemption certificates last year, totaling \$1,978,701.61, while Texas bought nearly 200 times as much. Cleveland county bought tickets worth \$88,399.20. The counties of Halifax, Sampson, Scotland and Robeson were ahead of Cleveland in amount.

Hoey And Sheriff To Go To Convention

Sheriff J. Raymond Cline will attend the annual convention of the North Carolina Sheriffs' association, in Hickory, August 14-15-16.

Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby attorney and candidate for governor, will make the principal address at the banquet, on the evening of Aug. 14.

Unable To Get Road Or Water, CCC Camp May Be Called Off

Property Owners Refuse Right-of-Way To Site On Wilson Farm; Army Headquarters Asked To Take Action

Unable to obtain a right-of-way for water, electricity or a road, the first contingent of CCC campers, tenting under the tall pines on the R. L. Wilson farm, near Belvedere, today awaits orders from Brigadier General Manus McClosky, commander of the 81st Division and director of district CCC camps.

In the meantime, freight cars are bringing materials for the erection of 20 large buildings, to cover almost 15 acres, and Cleveland farmers are meeting at the court house at 2:30 today to form a county organization which would employ the more than 200 colored campers scheduled to arrive here within 30 days.

Protest Against Camp While property owners near the camp site were refusing permission to cut roads through their land, or to run electric or water lines, a score of residents of the Belvedere community signed a petition protesting the nearness of the negro camp to the residential section.

Lieutenant J. S. Adams, commanding officer of the camp, asked that the petition be withheld until he could make a report to General McClosky at Fort Bragg. He asked that regimental headquarters take action in the present difficulty.

May Remove Camp

Lieutenant Adams was reluctant yesterday to say so, but he did not deny that headquarters, when faced with such dilemmas as the current one, is more than likely to cut the Gordian knot by removing the camp altogether. It is possible but not probable that a new site might be selected near Shelby or anywhere else in Cleveland, if the water-light problem cannot be settled. More than likely, the camp would be moved to Lincoln.

In State Of Siege

Besides the lieutenant and three forestry and soil erosion experts, there are about 25 negroes in the camp in the pines now. Like an army with its supplies cut off, they are in a virtual state of siege. Until the camp is better established, Lieut. Adams said today, it would be better if no visitors called. This would keep traffic down on the private road now used and reduce the annoyance to Belvedere residents.

There's nothing of interest there now, anyway," he said.

"Just a few tents in the woods. Everybody will be welcome after we get started. No Employment Now There will be no openings for local employment until after Sept. 1, he said. Local experienced colored men will be employed as leaders, he said, but he requests that none of them apply at the camp now. "See me up town, if you have to," he said.

Lieutenant Adams emphasized the permanent nature of the camp—if it gets established at all.

Modern buildings will be erected for occupancy of about two years, 14 buildings for the army, including huge barracks and mess halls, and six structures for the forestry and soil erosion detail. "I'd like to emphasize that these

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MRS. R. F. COBLE, SR. IS BURIED TODAY

Funeral services were held today at 2 o'clock at the Bessemer City Methodist church, for Mrs. R. F. Coble, sr., who died at her home on the Cherryville-Bessemer City road last night at 7:15 after a lingering illness of four weeks.

Interment will be at Oakland cemetery in Concord. Surviving Mrs. Coble are Alderman Charles C. Coble and Gene C. (Buck) Coble, member of the fire department, both of Shelby; E. F. Coble, jr., of Gastonia; Mrs. D. O. Carpenter, Newberry, S. C.; Mrs. Roy Bullard, Bessemer City; Mrs. Ab Wolfe, Gastonia; Mrs. Haskell Nivens, Charlotte. Mrs. Coble's husband died 12 years ago.

O. Max Gardner's Here For Vacation

Former Governor and Mrs. O. Max Gardner arrived here early this week from Washington for their vacation. They will spend the greater part of the month at the Shelby home and on trips to the mountains.

Juvenile Delinquency Worse Now Than Ever Before, Says Hamrick

Scores of Cleveland youths need a couple of good resounding spankings at the hands of the law, but the hands of the law are tied. Clerk of the Superior court and Juvenile Judge A. M. Hamrick was this morning deploring the alarming rise in the juvenile crime rate. "It's worse than ever before in the history of the county," he said, confirming the opinion of Chief of Police D. D. Wilkins. "The boys—and girls, too—under 16 are breaking into stores and houses, stealing, and getting into all kinds of meanness, but what can we do?"

"The Jackson Training school is the place for juvenile delinquents, but it's full up. Can't get anybody in there. "So when they come into my court, what can I do? Nothing. I have to let them all go." Mr. Hamrick suggests either enlargement of the training school or, better still, he said, establishment of institutions to serve one or several counties. "We're just sitting by and watching the growth of a new criminal class," he concluded.