

# ANGLO-FRANCO TENSION HIGH OVER NAVAL SUPPORT

## City WPA Machinery Thrown In High Gear; 2 New Projects Start

### Grice Starts Shelby Machinery on Sewer and Water Main Program Costing A Total of \$15,234

John Grice, district Works Progress Administrator, yesterday threw the Shelby machinery of his organization into high gear.

He announced two new projects, to begin immediately. These are a \$17,260 schedule for new sewers and a \$7,974 job for installation of water mains in nine city streets.

Start Community House. Relief workers, meantime, heaved the first shovelfuls on the start of construction of a \$11,124 community house between Jones Place and East Warren street, while yet another sewer project, valued at \$25,000 got under way, and work continued on the surfacing of 18 miles of city streets.

The total of all WPA work now in progress in the city comes close to \$100,000. With relief labor and federal grants, the city's share is negligible.

New Sewer Projects. The newest sewer project comprises the following: East Marion street—Crescent Avenue to branch, 3,000 cubic feet, \$3,000.

Poston Street, Marion to end of street, 1,000 cubic feet \$1,000. Dover Street, Marion to S. A. L. R. R., 15,000 cubic feet, \$12,360.

Water Main Project. The new water main project comprises: Whitman Street, Graham to Barton, 800 feet, \$600.

Belvedere Avenue, old Kings Mountain Road to Crescent Avenue, 400 feet, \$3,724. Crescent Avenue, Belvedere to Marion, 1,200 feet, \$840.

## Kings Mountain Highway Hazard To Be Eliminated

### \$69,000 Allocated By Works Progress

Overpass To Be Constructed At Kings Street; 18 Other Counties Get Sums. An appropriation of \$69,000 to eliminate the grade crossing on Mountain street, Kings Mountain, and to construct an overpass at Kings street for Highway 20 is included in the \$1,579,000 approved by the works progress administration yesterday for grade crossing elimination in North Carolina.

Kings Mountain civic leaders have for months urged approval of this project, and greeted its passage with high approval, pointing out that it would eliminate one of the most dangerous crossings in the county.

\$4,823,958 For State. The total appropriation to the state under the \$200,000,000 allocation for elimination of highway hazards is \$4,823,958, of which there remains a balance of \$3,244,958 to be covered by later programs.

Eighteen counties have similar projects. They are Mecklenburg, Alamanco, Anson, Buncombe, Cabarrus and Rowan, Cumberland, Davidson, Guilford, Iredell, Lee, McDowell, Person, Pitt, Richmond, Rockingham, Surry and Wake.

## O. Max Sees Boom In 1936 Building

Max Gardner slipped in and out of Shelby Wednesday, shot two rounds of golf, and made a prediction. The former governor, now a practicing attorney in Washington, had business in Charlotte, but he sped over to the home town to see old friends. Friends surrounded him when he appeared in an uptown drug store.

At the country club, he dubbed a quartet of tries from the first tee, but had a good time anyway. And he told friends that he expected to see in 1936 the biggest business boom in history.

He said it was bound to come, starting with the building trades. He pointed to the scarcity of houses, a scarcity notable in both Shelby and Charlotte, as the spring-board of the boom.

## Merchandise Spurt Continues Speed

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Improvement in production and distribution of merchandise during September has been extended thus far with few exceptions, the weekly Dunn and Bradstreet report said today. The weekly rate has been moderate, it said, adding "the momentum gained during the special Columbus Day promotional events led to a vigorous expansion of consumer buying throughout the week."

## Burke Club To Hear C. R. Hoey Tonight

Clyde Hoey will go to Morganton tonight to address an expected large gathering of members of the Burke county Roosevelt Re-election club. The meeting will be at the Burke courthouse.

## North Carolina Railway Not Exempt in Labor Act

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—(AP)—The Interstate Commerce commission ruled today that the Piedmont and Northern is a railway within the meaning of the railway labor act. The railway, which operates between Charlotte and Gastonia and in South Carolina between Greenville, Greenwood and Spartanburg, had attempted to have the commission hold it as a suburban or electric railway, which would exempt it from the labor act.

## Cleveland Sets State Pace In Yams, Oats, Farm Values

Cleveland county farmers will this year harvest more than 1,000 acres of sweet potatoes above the acreage harvested any other previous year. This information was made known this week through the agricultural census which was taken here in the early spring and summer and which has just been compiled in Washington.

## State Publishers Bulletin To Show Alcohol Effects

RALEIGH, Oct. 18.—(AP)—A two-page bulletin on "alcoholism and narcotism" is being sent out this week by the State Department of Public Instruction for distribution to every school principal in the state so that instruction on the effects of alcohol and narcotics can be given in the schools as required by a 1935 law. The legislature early this year passed an act requiring instruction on the subjects and empowering adoption of a new textbook "which would give more adequate treatment on the subject."

## Bar Is Warned Of Centralization

RALEIGH, Oct. 18.—(AP)—W. L. Ransom of New York, president of the American Bar association, told attorneys of North Carolina today that "in the discussion of great national issues immediately ahead, the lawyers of America should set an example for tolerance, breadth of outlook and recognition of the other fellow's point of view." The Bar Association president warned against following the modern trend toward centralized and arbitrary power in government.

## McNeely's Brother Stricken Suddenly

Word was received here late this morning of the sudden death of T. B. McNeely of Charlotte and brother of J. C. McNeely of this city. Mr. McNeely was stricken with a heart attack. Funeral services are at present only tentative, but will take place sometime Saturday or Sunday in Greensboro, his former home. The Shelby McNeelys went to Charlotte at noon today.

## Schiele Shows Scout Camp Pictures Here

Camp life at Lake Lanier, the Piedmont Boy Scout summer training ground, was depicted last night by R. M. Schiele, Piedmont scout executive, as he showed moving pictures in colors to members of the Kiwanis club. It was a revelation to see how the boys are taught to live together peacefully, work in harmony, learn good citizenship, etc. They are taught basketry, Indian lore, swimming, boating, life-saving, wild life, botany and many other interesting subjects. All of these activities were shown in pictures, showing many of the 400 or more Cleveland county scouts who attended the summer camp.

## Canipe Says York, His Son-in-Law, Was Barn Burner

### Convicted Man Makes Jail Statement

Under oath and in the presence of three witnesses, Charles Canipe, sentenced to serve 10 to 15 years for burning Asor Pruett's big barn, today named his son-in-law, Raymond York, as the incendiary in an effort to cut his own time or win a pardon. He has been in the Cleveland county jail since the March term, when he and York and Henry Swink were given long terms for the burning.

### Sworn Statement.

Canipe made his statement in the presence of Lon Hamrick, clerk of the superior court, his attorney, F. C. Gardner, and Cameron Shipp, news editor of The Star. He said: "Raymond York, my son-in-law, came to my house on the night the barn of Asor Pruett was burned, that Raymond York and I went to the home of Bryant Spake on the night said barn was burned for some medicine for my sick child, that we came back by the home of Asor Pruett, and as we approached his barn, Raymond York said:

"I am going to burn that damn barn." "I told him not to do it. He got out of the car while I was driving about 20 miles an hour and I went on home by myself.

"Raymond York came to my home that night in about an hour. He told me he had burned the barn of Asor Pruett, and said that he pulled off his shoes and slipped up to the barn, did not hear anybody, and then went in the barn hall and set fire to fodder in the loft." Raymond York is already in state prison, convicted of burning the barn, along with Canipe and Swink, who have remained in jail here pending appeals to the Supreme Court.

## School Building To Start Nov. 15

Architect V. W. Breeze, who designed the school buildings submitted in the county PWA building project, is this week racing through the final deft strokes on complete plans. These will be submitted again to Dr. H. G. Baily at Chapel Hill. Construction will begin at least by Nov. 15, Superintendent of County Schools J. Horace Grigg said today. The federal deadline is Dec. 15. The county submitted projects that totalled \$437,000, and included a \$150,000 Shelby high school, and a Kings Mountain project. Both were denied. The county did receive \$250,000 for the county schools.

## City Service Sold; Auto Parts To Open

W. Paul Bridges has sold the City Service Station to O. L. McSwain and Ben P. Turner who will continue to operate it at the corner of Sumner and LaFayette streets, handling petroleum products and doing a general repair business. Mr. Bridges will operate an auto parts place, carrying a complete line of new and used parts at the Pink old stand.

## Cleveland 4H Judging Teams Poised For Action At Raleigh

Cleveland county 4-H club judging teams were poised for final try-outs at the state fair today, where they will be in competition with hundreds of other young experts from all parts of the state. The club work is one of the features of the fair and assistant county agent, John Reitzel, accompanied the Cleveland group. Word today from him and from L. R. Harrell, state director, indicated that crops and livestock entries by boys and girls were the best ever made. The corn club display and the team demonstrations by the 4-H club girls were also on a high plane, indicating the strong posi-

## Want to Know at Once If France Would Help In War Against Italy

### Pierre Laval Says "No" On French Support; Fleet Street Tense On Reply From Paris

(By Associated Press) LONDON, Oct. 18.—Tension between the British and French mounted today as the British let it be known plainly, that recent events have shaken the public's confidence in France's loyalty to the League.

## Seeking Throne



Royalist success in Greece encourages Spanish monarchists who are said to be planning attempt to place Don Juan of Bourbon and his bride, the former Princess Maria Mercedes of Bourbon, shown in Rome, on throne vacated by Don Juan's father ex-King Alfonso of Spain.

The restoration of this monarchy, it was said, hinges on a French reply to the British query as to whether France will back England if the British Mediterranean fleet is attacked by Italy. Officials bluntly refused to say what would happen if the reply from Laval was not an unconditional affirmative, but they let it be known that no other reply would be satisfactory.

PARIS, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Authoritative quarters said today Premier Pierre Laval had virtually refused to "legalize" England's show of naval strength in the Mediterranean by a promise of aid until he learned how far London is going in sanctions against Italy.

British warships rode at anchor off Alexandria, Egypt, yesterday and nearby hundreds of British airplanes were stationed. The issue drawn by the British was that Premier Mussolini must abandon war in Ethiopia. France, seeking a key to peace and hoping desperately not to be forced to abandon friendship with either England or Italy, through Premier Laval is said to have asked Mussolini for the last time what his most favorable terms for peace would be.

The British press hinted that Britain might denounce the Locarno treaty in the event of an unfavorable answer from France. Uncertainly over the attitude of France made the smaller nations anxious over repercussions of a boycott to their own national economies if they should throw themselves into sanctions enforcement.

The shake up of the Austrian cabinet yesterday was interpreted as forecasting a possible closer relation between Italy and Austria since the fascist, Prince von Strahremberg, foe of Nasium, long has been a close friend of Mussolini.

Reports of an imminent clash between Italian and Ethiopian forces near Makale, coupled with other reports of incidental warfare in East Africa today came with authoritative advices from London, that Britain had never proposed military (Continued on page ten.)

## Program Released For Baptist Meet During Next Week

The complete program for the annual Baptist associational meet for 1935 was released this morning by Rev. J. W. Suttle, moderator. Meeting at Poplar Springs Thursday and Friday of next week, hundreds of representatives from the 42 Baptist churches in the organization are expected to be present.

Aside from the regular routine of annual business matters the body is expected to do some definite things which will assure financial security of Bolling Springs junior college. It is understood special committees have plans outlined to recommend: Following is the program: First Day, Forenoon Session 9:30 Devotional, enrollment, announcements; 9:50, Religious Literature by J. B. Davis; 10:15, Woman's Work by Mrs. John Wacaster; 10:45, Mills Home by W. G. Camp; 11:30 Introductory Sermon by A. G. Sargeant. Afternoon Session 1:50 Co-operative Program. (Continued on page ten.)

## Standard Won't Restrict Exports

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—(AP)—W. C. Tiagle, president of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey said today he saw no reason under existing conditions to interfere with the regular commercial oil business between Standard and its Italian subsidiary. He said the company had not been approached with any suggestion that it restrict regular shipments, to Italy, and that he saw no reason to interfere with the regular commercial business which has been carried on in Italy.

## J. H. Leroy Named To Head Kiwanis

CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 18.—(AP)—J. H. Leroy, of Elizabeth City, N. C., today was elected to succeed Judge P. M. McMillan, of Charleston, as district governor of the Kiwanis clubs of the two Carolinas, and Greensboro, N. C., was chosen the 1936 convention city. J. W. Hendricks of Statesville was named lieutenant governor.

## Contract Is Let For New S. C. Road

COLUMBIA, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Approximately 20 bids were received by the state highway department today for four projects in Charleston, Anderson and York counties, including 6.2 miles of improved earth type road on route 901 in York county. J. B. Britton of Sumter was low bidder, with \$49,491.

## Morning Cotton LETTER

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—In early trading yesterday the market was fairly steady but later developed a sagging tendency, under moderate pressure. December contracts sold off to 10.74 during the afternoon under heavy selling which was believed to be liquidation. Part of the losses were regained in the late trading and the close was about 4 to 6 net lower with the tone steady. Heavy spot sales continued in the southern markets with the basis holding firm. Mills activity is reported steadily increasing and no doubt will result in heavier consumption figures for the current month. We feel that the strong spot situation will soon be reflected in higher prices in futures.—E. P. Pierce & Co.

THE MARKETS

Cotton, spot	11 to 11 1/2
Cotton seed, wagon, ton	\$35.00
Seed, car lot, ton	\$38.00

## Counties Ought To Have Mayors, Commissioners Meeting Is Told

CHICAGO, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Creation of the office of "county mayor" was advocated before the first national convention of the American County Association yesterday. Joe E. Frazer, president of the Mississippi association of supervisors, made the proposal before the representatives of 200 counties in all sections of the nation. "I believe the county should have a managing head with authority similar to that of mayor or governor," he said. "By this means, responsibility may be specifically established and a great improvement will be achieved in the handling of county affairs."