

AVERAGE MAN DUE SECURITY, SAYS SECRETARY ICKES

Comprehensive Report Given By Farm Agent; AAA Work Is Foremost

1935 Blue Ribbon Year For County, Says Tabulation

Much Cash Made, Saved In Program

A comprehensive annual summary of the work of the farm agents of Cleveland county for the past year was completed today which reveals vividly the tremendous agricultural program being carried on here.

The summary was prepared under the direction of J. S. Wilkins, agent since April 15, succeeding R. W. Sheffner. Working with him was John L. Reitzel, assistant agent replacing H. B. James on Sept. 15.

Fifty-eight pages of charts and figures and names of hundreds of farmers and county leaders with actual records of work done make up the report. It will be sent to Raleigh and filed with the permanent records of the state extension department.

Outstanding Work Outstanding work listed during last year includes a dozen or more fertilizer demonstrations with corn, cotton, grains and potatoes; demonstrations with Lespedeza sods and fruit trees; the innovation of raspberries as a money crop; forestry, poultry and farm animal projects in every part of the county.

In addition to these things, more than 450 rural boys and girls have

Unemployment Is On The Wane Say Officials

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—(AP)—Semi-official estimates on unemployment, which have been in use for some time by the government, but were kept secret until today, said 10,915,000 persons were jobless last September. They also said 5,000,000, formerly jobless, have found work since 1933.

The figures were originally compiled for President Roosevelt's committee on economic security by R. R. Nathan, the committee's consultant on unemployment statistics. Nathan estimated the peak of unemployment at 15,071,000 in March 1933. His final figure for October has not been determined but preliminary calculations indicate it will show a substantial reduction from the September figure of 10,915,000.

Morning Cotton LETTER

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The adjustment program published yesterday was bullishly construed and induced a broader and somewhat more general demand for cotton than has recently been the case. The next crop estimates is rather generally expected to show a downward revision compared to the last report. Rather persistent selling of January during yesterday's session was believed to represent liquidation of pool holdings. Prospects for expansion of exports continue good and the domestic situation would indicate gradually increased consumption at home. We believe that with reaction from time to time, prices will move higher and would take advantage of the dips to make purchases. E. A. Pierce & Co.

THE MARKETS Cotton, spot 12c to 13c Cotton seed, wagon, ton \$35.00 Cotton seed, car lot, ton \$38.00

New York cotton at 2:30: Dec. 11.84, Jan. 11.80, Mar. 11.65, May 11.54, July 11.44, Oct. 11.28.

His Son Ill



Arriving in Santa Barbara, Calif. by plane to be at bedside of wounded son, Jesse, Jr., Jesse Livermore, spectacular Wall St. plunger, stated he would spend fortune if necessary to see that his ex-wife, the boy's mother, is punished for shooting.

Duke Alumni Meet To Be On Dec. 11; McDermott Talks

President Joe Whisnant Of Two County Body Releases Program.

Dr. Malcolm McDermott, prominent member of the faculty of the Duke University law school, will be the speaker of the evening for the annual Duke Alumni banquet of the Cleveland-Rutherford county district to be held here next Wednesday.

This information was gained today through Joe Whisnant, president of this two county group. President Whisnant said the meeting will begin at 7:30 and will be held in the Central Methodist church with the banquet being served by the Women's Mission society.

Expect 70 More The meeting is one of 70 to be observed in the country, commemorating the signing of the indenture of (Continued on page ten.)

Desperate Convicts Are In Local Camp

Two exceptionally dangerous negro convicts have been returned to the working crew at the state prison camp near here.

They are Edgar Wiggins and Elvin White, both in for murder, Edgar serving a 30 year term and Elvin in for life on one county and 10 years on another.

The pair escaped several months ago and were captured in a desperate battle, near Raleigh, and were transferred to this county. Prison camp officials say they are here for keeps, or at least until other orders move them. They are two of the most dangerous criminals at the local camp.

4H Club Members Join Pleasure With Profit, 1935 Report Shows

Combining pleasure with profit, dozens of Cleveland 4-H club boys last year made well above \$3,100 dollars in actual profit in spare time under the supervision of the county farm agents who have just closed the books for the year and have released the results of last year's work.

A number of winners for work done for the entire year were named this morning by John L. Reitzel, in charge of the club work, boys' division. A report of the girls' work will be made soon by Miss Frances MacGregor.

National Relief Becomes History On Thursday Eve

Local Office Expects To Be Closed

Executive Force Will Remain Few Days To Set Records In Order.

National relief became history today and the letters FERA were officially stricken from the registers in Washington and North Carolina offices were notified that all relief offices will definitely close Thursday night of this week.

A few days grace will be given administrators to justify their records and make necessary reports and the ERA in North Carolina and Cleveland county will be a thing of the past.

No Notice Here

At the local relief office Mrs. Ben Goforth said she has not been officially notified of the move, but a dispatch from Raleigh from the office of Mrs. O'Berry verified the Thursday night closing date.

The administration has already been trimmed about 60 percent since September in preparation for closing. At present there are 42,423 families on relief in the state.

300 Families In Cleveland county the last available figures listed 387 families, but Mrs. Goforth said this number has been cut to approximately 300 families.

In Washington Harry L. Hopkins and other officials announced the liquidation of the old direct relief administration late last week, asserting that the administration's goal of 3,500,000 jobs for unemployed persons would be reached by last Saturday night. They asserted today that the hiring of 375,000 since last Wednesday, necessary to reach the goal, had been carried out.

Official figures showed today that the cost of FERA to the federal government during 1935, including the "final" allotments to carry state relief administrations over the transition period, was \$1,692,234,807. This compared with \$1,367,876,319 for 1934 and \$324,358,488 for the eight months of 1933 during which FERA was operating.

CWA Marker Placed At Fairground Gate

A huge piece of granite weighing 1500 or more pounds with a bronze plate on it has been embedded at the gate of the Cleveland county fairground.

The stone is a CWA marker, placed by the federal government at each project completed through cooperation with that government agency. The stone grandstand and other fixtures at the Cleveland fair were constructed two years ago, under the general direction of Dr. J. S. Dorton and CWA officials.

C. B. Falls Named As WPA Advisor

C. B. Falls, Kings Mountain attorney has been appointed legal counsel for the state WPA, according to an announcement by John Grice, supervisor.

Mr. Falls has formerly been a law partner with Attorney E. L. Campbell of Kings Mountain who will continue the firm's practice during the emergency WPA program.

The new appointee is a native of Cleveland county and one of the county's best known young lawyers.

U. S. Leaders At Naval Meet



The American delegation to the London naval conference leaves the White House after conferring with the President. Left to right are Under-secretary of State William Phillips, Norman Davis and Admiral William M. Standley, chief of naval operations.

Shelby Hi May Lose Rating Unless Term Is Lengthened

Possibility that Shelby high school may lose its rating with the accredited body of southern high schools and colleges loomed today, according to Superintendent B. L. Smith.

Along with the Shelby unit will also be about 65 other high schools units in North Carolina which have, during the depression, shortened their terms, cut libraries, laboratories, and greatly weakened their ability to do the quality of work required.

It was only by much persuasion last year that J. H. Highsmith of the state department, was able to maintain the rating, and a warning a short time ago said many schools would be stricken from the accredited list, if requirements were not met.

Shelby's main drawback is the eight months term, when the re-

Postmaster Urges Public To "Shop And Mail Early"

Postmaster Frank L. Hoyle is today issuing a warning to the Christmas-package-mailing public that Christmas is only three weeks ahead and that all Christmas mail should be dispatched at least a week or ten days before Christmas to guarantee delivery on Santa Claus schedule.

This leaves a margin of less than two weeks time in which to pack all the bundles of buying gifts, dressing them in their bright wrappings and getting them off to an early start.

Oranges, Grapes And Hollywood Attract N. C. Folk In California

Endless groves of orange trees and miles of trellises of grapes and a land where the sun shines every day—all were topmost today in the mind of John Honeycutt, recently returned from a visit to California.

Mr. Honeycutt just made a hurried business trip to the west coast, but even in such a hurry was able to note a number of interesting details along the way, both during the trip and while in the sunshine state.

He made the trip in a Ford V-8, 2,700 miles, in five days, spent 10 days there and drove back at about the same speed. He was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Honeycutt of Concord. While there they made contacts with Cleveland county natives, Carlos Grigg and W. H. Blanton, Jr., who are manager and assistant manager at a Coca Cola

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SCHOOL BUILDING CONTRACTS LET

Farmers Hardware Co. of Forest City was recently awarded contracts for heating addition to Fallston school, plumbing at Belwood school, heating and plumbing for Piedmont, while Thompkins-Johnson Co., of Charlotte was awarded contracts for heating at Belwood.

Six more school jobs will be let here on Tuesday, Dec. 10th, a six room addition to No. 2 township school, a four room addition to Waco, four room addition to Mooresboro, auditorium and 12 rooms at Lattimore, auditorium and four rooms at Betware, auditorium and six class rooms at No. 1 township school. The Lattimore job is the largest in the entire list of projects.

On December 13th bids will be received for a county garage, approximately 60x110 feet to be erected on a lot near the jail, the same to be used for repair and storage of county school buses.

Draw Battle Line For Major Fight In African War

Exchange of Fire Has Already Begun

U. S. Oil Company Continues Selling To Italian Subsidiary.

By Associated Press Italian and Ethiopian troops prepared today for a long-heralded decisive battle.

From Asmara came a report that skirmishes between the opposing armies on the northern front were becoming hotter and the major engagement seemed nearer at hand.

Italian officers said periodic exchange of fire showed the Ethiopian forces were pressing in considerable force against the fascist front lines beyond Makale.

Home Defense

Italian troops, which had been expected to depart for the southern front, are still at home, usually well-informed sources said. Home defenses were being tightened. It was reported all naval leaves have been withdrawn. Speculation centered on the possibility that troops were being kept at home and sea and air forces strengthened for any eventualities arising from European tension.

Italy enforced a program for increased Italian production of crude oil and decreased consumption in anticipation of a League embargo on the product.

Oil Situation

In New York the Standard Oil company of New Jersey was said to be continuing to supply oil to its Italian subsidiary, but its president denied vigorously a published report that Standard Oil had guaranteed Mussolini a supply of petroleum for the duration of the war.

In Paris French and British experts were studying a possible plan for peace in Ethiopian and were reported to have split over terms, leaving the problem up to the foreign office heads.

Spokesmen for diplomatic circles said Premier Laval would seek an agreement with Benito Mussolini, British foreign minister, on how much Ethiopian territory to offer Mussolini as a basis for peace.

The scope of resistance to sanctions broadened swiftly in Italy. New economic measures are promulgated daily.

County Finances Use Big Figures Paying In, Out

Cleveland county is paying out fast and taking in fast as the month of December rolls in.

A check for \$25,161.75 was sent yesterday to Charles M. Johnson, state treasurer for the biggest part of the annual payment on school bonds and interest, according to J. H. Grigg, superintendent.

In the sheriff's office tax collections were reported to be piling in at the rate of \$2,000 per day, or about \$15,000 during the past week, and \$29,000 during November. Taxpayers still have two other months to pay 1935 taxes before penalties begin.

In the office of the county treasurer a report shows a balance of approximately \$150,000 on the black side of the ledger.

The auditor's office indicates that more than half of the \$191,004.89 tax levy is already in and will go above the \$100,000 mark this week-end.

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Fascism Will Replace Individualism Unless Poor Class Justified

Now On Throne



King George of Greece This latest portrait of King George of Greece, restored to throne after 12-year exile, was made just before departure from London for Athens.

Red Cross Program Is Very Uncertain As Finances Fail

President Edwards Hopes To Save Work And Calls Leaders Together.

Possibility that the entire program of the Red Cross will be dropped or at least suspended for a year was admitted by Henry B. Edwards, president of the Cleveland county chapter, unless some last minute measures can be introduced.

As a final measure to present the need of the public health program, Mr. Edwards is calling a meeting the latter part of this week of leaders of civic clubs, officers in the movement and outstanding men in the city and county to consider the matter.

A minimum goal of \$2,400 and 2,000 members was set for the drive which was to have ended Thanksgiving day. Thus far a little more than \$600 is in sight, according to a report of the treasurer.

The county has \$300 for public health in its budget and the city has promised if the work is continued, it will add a substantial amount. The other part of the work is to be financed by public subscription, which at present is less than half enough.

President Edwards hopes the leaders will find some way to continue the work, which has been so well received this year, under the direction of Miss Harle Oliver. "If it comes to the worst, the county may have to plan for a part time worker, and use to a good advantage the money already subscribed," he added.

Search For Robbers; No Clues BAMBURG, S. C., Dec. 4.—(AP)—Sheriff J. T. Hardin returned here today after an unsuccessful search for two men wanted for questioning in the \$7,000 Edisto Cash depository robbery here Monday, saying there were no new developments in the case.

Sheriff Garland Marrs said one unfired cartridge was found in Parks' pistol and one shell was missing from McCullough's. McCullough said the first he knew of the affair was when the club manager told him the club was being held up. He said he found Stewart holding a gun on Parks, that he hit Stewart on the head and then hit Pappan and put both outside. "Pretty soon the shooting began," he said, "I don't know who fired the fatal shot."

Two Meet Death In Tulsa, Okla. Mystery Fight

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 4.—(AP)—Two men, one a federal revenue agent, were shot to death at a night club near here early today after they had been thrown from the place by bouncers who said the two attempted a hold-up.

Authorities said no witnesses to the shooting could be found. Guests at the club said they knew nothing of the affray until officers arrived and arrested the bouncers, T. R. Parks and G. R. McCullough. Verne Hamilton, driver of a taxicab in which the federal agent, Louis Pappan, 42, rode to the club with George Stewart, former detective captain, said they had been making routine license checks at beer taverns.

18 SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

Dr. Ellis Fuller Carries Mayflower, President's Blood In Veins, And Has Million Dollar Church

By A STAR REPORTER

Dr. Ellis A. Fuller is pastor of a million dollar church in Atlanta, Georgia, but finds time to make farming his hobby, ministers to a membership of 2,500 persons, serves on numerous important committees and boards, and still finds time to come to Shelby to hold a ten day revival meeting.

As a background for that much information he was born a direct descendant of Mayflower peers, was reared on a South Carolina farm, has an A.B. and honorary degree from a Presbyterian college, and

holds one of the most remarkable records of any Baptist minister in the south for his age. "Come in sir, I hope I haven't kept you waiting," the genial gentleman from Georgia, via Laurens county in South Carolina said, as your writer kept an appointment for an interview.

"Do you feel hungry enough to eat an apple? Wait a moment and I will fix you one," he said with a kindly twinkle of clear, blue-gray eyes, "and make yourself comfortable and at home." This done and in a moment a remarkable man

had been asked and had answered clearly and concisely dozens of questions which showed at once why he is the pastor of so great a church and why people over the southland in and out of the Baptist denomination want to make contacts with Ellis Adams Fuller.

Ellis Adams, that is it. The Fullers were Mayflower passengers; came to Virginia and later to Carolina. Elizabeth Adams, his mother was a descendant of the Virginia Adams, of which family long ago,

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