

WEATHER
Carolina: Partly cloudy, possibly showers in northwest tonight. Thursday fair, somewhat colder tonight and Thursday.

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FRANCE MAY QUIT LEAGUE IF HITLER TROOPS REMAIN

Federal Grant of \$101,250 Approved for Shelby Power Plant

Contingent Upon Appropriation Of Present Congress
Cost Of Proposed Plant Is \$225,000
Duke Power Company's Side Of Question Will Be Heard By City Council

An outright grant of \$101,250 for a power generating plant for the City of Shelby has been finally approved by Secretary Ickes, Public Works Administrator, the entire plant to cost \$225,000. Washington's approval of Shelby's application for a Federal grant under the PWA was learned a few days ago by Mayor Harry Woodson.

Some weeks ago the city put in application for a loan and grant of \$225,000 with which to build its own power generating plant. This is said to be the only city in North Carolina that has filed such an application.

No Money Available Now
Money is not available out of present appropriations to carry out this Shelby project but is contingent upon congress making another appropriation of a billion or a half dollars which President Roosevelt said yesterday in a press conference he would ask congress for before he goes on his vacation the last of this month.

Under the proposed plan, Shelby would get an outright gift of \$101,250 which is 45 per cent of the estimated \$225,000 cost of a generating plant sufficient to supply the present and future needs of the city. The city's part, 55 per cent would be \$123,750.

Mayor Woodson says manufacturers of Diesel engines have proposed that they would advance Shelby's part of \$123,750, to be secured by a mortgage on the plant only, the amount to be paid back by the city out of the savings in the cost of power now purchased at wholesale from the Duke Power Co.

City's Plant Profitable
The city pays the Duke Power Co. about \$50,000 annually for power which it resells at retail to local consumers for approximately \$102,000. Mayor Woodson estimates that after expenses for maintenance and repairs are paid, the city will realize about \$65,000 profit from its light plant under the present set-up.

Manufacturers of Diesel engines using crude oil, say they can manufacture power to meet Shelby's needs at a cost of \$27,000, including maintenance and repairs, thus effecting a saving under present power cost of \$23,000 which would be applied toward the payment of the

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Capus Waynick To Make Tour Of Cleveland Roads April 9th

Capus M. Waynick, chairman of the state highway commission will be in Shelby and Cleveland county April 9 to make a complete inspection of the road system of the county and to study the proposed inter-county roads now on the waiting list.

With him will be Ross M. Sigmon, of Salisbury, and district highway commissioner. Both have been asked to make a personal visit to the county for several months, but could not come until this time.

Agriculture Building Cut; General WPA Work Goes On

A cut of approximately \$2,000 in the amount to be allotted for the proposed agriculture building for Cleveland county was announced today on the return from Raleigh of J. L. Herndon and Troy McKinney, commissioner and auditor.

By state-wide order all the buildings will be given \$7,821, of which the county's 30 percent part will be \$2,346.30. The projects have been approved and should not be affected by the order to slash WPA workers and expenses.

Rolls Are Pared
No great amount of curtailment was expected in WPA work in Cleveland county as relief and WPA rolls were being ordered pared all over the state in compliance with reduction rulings from the national authorities.

One reason for the belief was that Cleveland has had a comparatively light relief load since the beginning of the work and too, the projects begun in this county are all so far advanced, it would materially hurt them at this point.

In the state there are about 44,000 persons at work on the projects, and state director George Coan says the figure must be cut to around 33,000 by May 31.

There are between 400 and 500 WPA workers in this county. The opening up of farm work in many areas was expected to automatically take care of the major part of the necessary trimming of the rolls.

The status of ten to 15 proposed armories for the state was not affected by the order.

Graham To Speak View on Problems

RALEIGH, March 11.—Over a state-wide radio network A. H. (Sandy) Graham, candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, will speak to the people of North Carolina on Thursday night, March 12, from 8:30 to 9:00 o'clock.

Included in the radio network will be radio stations in Raleigh, Charlotte, Greensboro and Asheville.

Campaign headquarters for Mr. Graham will be opened in Raleigh during the present week, according to A. D. Folger, recently selected as state manager.

Republicans Meet Here On Saturday

The Republican county convention will be held in the court house here Saturday afternoon, March 14, at 2:30, according to a call issued by W. R. Casstevens, chairman of the Republican county executive committee. Delegates will be chosen at precinct meetings to be held Friday of this week. At the convention on Saturday, it is expected that a full county ticket will be nominated by the Republicans.

Writings Of Late Dr. Hamrick Are Published By His Family

"Life Values In the New South" is name of a 191-page autobiography of the late Dr. W. C. Hamrick, of Gaffney, which has just been published by his family. Dr. Hamrick was a native of Cleveland county and at the time of his death was one of the best known textile manufacturers and civic and educational leaders in South Carolina.

Dr. Hamrick died last October at the age of 75 years. He left the autobiography which had been written at spare moments in his busy life.

In the preface, written in 1931, Dr. Hamrick said: "This book originated in the author's desire to present to friends and public the life story of an average man who has toiled the greater part of his allotted years."

After tracing the family line back

Vandals Plunder School Offices, Steal Typewriters

Fingerprints Secured By Detectives
Two Typewriters Valued At \$300 Are Taken; Few Clues.

Ruthless plundering of the private offices of Superintendent B. L. Smith and Principal W. E. Abernethy was followed by the stealing of two typewriters valued at \$300 on Monday night.

Officers were working on all possible clues, but at noon today had not found either of the typewriters or any suspects, but said, "the way is a little clearer," and a break may develop soon.

Fingerprints
A. C. Fulmer, fingerprint expert from the Asheville police department was here today taking prints which will be compared with all the available material in Shelby and will be sent to Washington.

Entrance to the building was made by smashing the lock on a back door and to the offices by prying the door from the hinges and away from the facing.

All papers and office records were reported this morning by school officials to be safe. The heavy safe in Mr. Smith's office had been assaulted, but had not been opened.

Are Underwoods
The two typewriters which are missing are both Underwoods and one has a 10-inch carriage and the other a 14-inch carriage. The serial number of the 14-inch machine is 4106114. The other number is being obtained.

Officers said the vandalism was most likely of a local marauder or group of them, but were not sure. The efforts to open the safe were amateurish and revealed the criminals had no knowledge of the safe, Detective Fulmer said.

About four years ago six typewriters were stolen in Shelby, but this case has been cleared up entirely, and officials are certain the two incidents have no connection.

Shelby Is Host To W. M. U. Meet In Coming Year

While the 46th annual session of the Woman's Missionary union opened in Raleigh with a representative attendance, Shelby Baptists sent to the body an invitation to bring the convention to Shelby in 1937.

Consideration of asking the largest women's convention to come to the county has been under way for several days by several churches but was centered mainly at the First Baptist church which will be the host church. Decision to give the invitation was made Sunday.

From 500 to 1,000 women from all parts of the state will come to Shelby during the week of the meeting in 1937.

The invitation to Shelby was made through Mrs. Rush Stroup, president of the local society and Dr. Zeno Wall, pastor of the church. Mrs. Stroup is attending the meeting.

Such a meeting usually draws some of the best known speakers and religious leaders in the south who will appear on the program.

Other women from Shelby who are attending the convention are Mrs. W. B. Nix, Mrs. B. T. Falls, of the First Baptist church; Mrs. R. P. Hamby, Mrs. A. C. Bland, and Mrs. D. E. McCraw of Eastside; Miss Estelle Hicks of South Shelby.

Chester Robberies

CHESTER, March 11.—(AP)—Burglars, believed by officers to have been a man and a woman, entered four residences here early today, taking approximately \$35 and the keys to an automobile which they stole for their getaway. The footprints of a man and a woman were found in the soft ground about the robbed homes.

The car stolen, which belonged to John M. Hemphill, was found wrecked near Carlyle this morning.

French Troops Mobilized On East Border



France, indignant that England has refused to join in forcefully making Hitler remove his troops from the formerly de-militarized Rhine valley, shows a few troops of her own and is moving 150,000 camions toward the eastern border.

Ethics Discussion Held By Teachers; Delegates Chosen

Election of delegates to the annual meeting of the N. C. Educational association, initiation of a local chapter of Classroom Teachers, and discussion of the teacher's code of ethics were the main features of the monthly meeting of Shelby teachers last night at Jefferson school.

The delegates to the meeting of the NCEA which will be in Raleigh March 19 to 21 will be Miss Mary Louise Bradley, Miss Josephine Shaw, Mrs. Rubie Hudson, Mrs. Mary Lyde Doggett, Mrs. Martha Arroyado, Miss Marietta Hoyle and Superintendent B. L. Smith.

Heads Teachers

Mrs. Mary Lyde Doggett, high school teacher was elected president of the Classroom Teachers unit, which is a part of a local, state and national organization.

On the program last night Mrs. Rubie Hudson, Principal W. E. Abernethy and Mrs. Zeno Wall jointly discussed the code of ethics of the National Education Association which has a four-fold purpose:

1. To bring teachers into closer relationships.
2. To establish and maintain conditions essential to the best teaching service.
3. To participate in civic affairs.
4. To create deeper community interest in public education.

McKinney Named On Important Committee

Troy McKinney, Cleveland county auditor was placed this week on a legislative committee following a meeting of tax supervisors at Raleigh. The committee will meet later in the spring and summer to make recommendations to the legislature concerning laws now on the books or needed on the books in regard to the tax supervisors and their work.

Vernon W. Plynt of Forsyth county is chairman of the committee. Another member is J. L. Cornwell, brother to Commissioner George Cornwell who has been auditor of Nash county for 21 years.

Decree Indicates Edward VIII May Be Married Soon

LONDON, March 11.—(AP)—The possibility that Edward VIII, bachelor king of England, may marry was officially announced to the House of Commons today in a message signed by the king.

Chancellor of the exchequer of the chamber read a royal decree to the assembled legislators in which Edward pointed out the necessity of revising the civil list, the amounts paid to the members of the royal family.

The decree stated: "His Majesty desires that the contingency of his marriage be taken into account so that in that event there should be a provision for Her Majesty the Queen, and the members of His Majesty's family corresponding to the provisions which the Commons has been willing to make in like circumstances in the past."

The labor party member, W. J. Thorne, asked "Does His Majesty give any assurance that he is going to get married?"

Quotes President

In his introduction to the program, Mr. Wallace quotes President Franklin D. Roosevelt, "The new law," the president said, "has three major objectives which are inseparable and of necessity linked with the national welfare. The first of these aims is conservation of the soil itself through wise and proper

Modified Textile Regulation Bill Introduced Today

WASHINGTON, March 11.—(AP)—A new and much-modified bill for federal regulation of the textile industry was completed today and will be introduced late in the day by Representative Ellenbogen, Democrat, Pennsylvania.

The new measure omitted many provisions to which employers objected during the hearing before the house sub-committee. In its revised form, which is expected to receive a favorable report from the house labor sub-committee either Friday or Monday the bill provides for creation of a textile commission, establishes a uniform minimum wage of \$15 a week, maximum hours of 35 a week and gives the commission power to fix graded minima wages and wages for skilled and semi-skilled workers. Machine operation would be limited to two shifts.

Features eliminated in the revision were the licensing provisions, compulsory dismissal wages and compulsory vacations and compulsory 15 day notice of change in work assignments. The commission's enforcement machinery would be in the form of cease and desist orders similar to those employed by the trade commission.

Three Objectives In The 'New AAA' Declares Wallace

Further information concerning the new farm program which was launched at regional meetings at Memphis and Chicago last week was learned today as this newspaper came in possession of a copy of the act itself, approved February 29 of this year.

Along with the legal document is a statement from Secretary Wallace, of the United States department of agriculture which sets forth the essential features and methods of the program.

The Act Itself
While the average layman might have difficulty in understanding all the language of the actual bill the preface says that "it is an act to promote the conservation and profitable use of agricultural land resources by temporary federal aid to farmers and by providing a permanent policy of federal aid to states for such purposes."

The new farm program is really an amendment to the old AAA, declared unconstitutional by the supreme court, according to the information.

Removal Asked

"This time France will be satisfied with no gesture," one official said. "Germany must remove at least 70 percent of her troops from the Rhineland."

An authoritative French spokesman said: "We know war is coming in two years anyway. We might as well have it now while we are prepared. The only way in which Hitler's troops will leave the Rhineland is for the Locarno signatories to drive them out."

"There comes a time when a nation refuses to be humiliated in front of the world. The Rhineland is at stake and we are ready to draw the sword if necessary to keep it unsullied."

Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin summoned Great Britain's cabinet in emergency session to hear a full report on the Paris Locarno discussion from Foreign Secretary Eden and Viscount Halifax, Lord Privy Seal.

A German foreign office spokesman announced the League of Nations council session in the Locarno crisis would open Saturday without a Reich representative, under present conditions, even though the scene of action were shifted from Geneva to London.

Hoey Urges Especial Attention To Repair Of State Highways

RALEIGH, March 11.—Every effort should be made by the state to repair and extend its present highway system, with especial attention to repairing and keeping in passable condition all of the county roads in the state. Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, one of the four candidates for the Democratic nomination for governor, said today in an exclusive statement to this bureau.

In order to do this, it will be necessary both to stop any further encroachments upon the highway fund or any diversion from it, since every dollar of highway revenue as well as all the existing surplus is needed to repair and maintain the existing highway system, he pointed out.

"The tremendous damage wrought to the public roads of the state by the snows and freezes of the severe winter through which we have passed, emphasizes the wisdom and far-sightedness of the policy of having a good sized surplus in the road fund at all times," Hoey said. "It is estimated that at least \$3,000,000 will be required to repair the damage done to the highways by the weather during this past winter and get them back into reasonably good condition. Heavy commitments have already been made for road improvements and extensions which will use up much of the surplus, with the exception of the amounts for interest and bond retirement purposes."

"I am definitely of the opinion that instead of permitting further encroachments upon and further diversion of highway funds to other purposes, that a determined effort

Signatories Meet In London To Act On German Status

No Mere Gesture To Satisfy France
Feel War Is Coming In Two Years—Will Demand Rights.

(By Associated Press)
With Great Britain holding the balance of power in her role as conciliator the European crisis precipitated by Adolph Hitler's denunciation of the Locarno pact was further identified today by the reported possibility of France's abandonment of the league of nations.

A high French official said his nation would quit the League unless Britain backs the demand of France that Hitler withdraw his troops from the Rhineland.

When Foreign Minister Flandrin goes to London to attend a conference of the powers signatory to the Locarno pact, he will carry this warning with him. Informed sources said Flandrin was prepared to tell Anthony Eden that France is not alone in adopting such a position.

Diplomatic quarters took the reference to other powers to mean Soviet Russia and the Little Entente, Jugoslavia, Rumania and Czechoslovakia.

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Morning Cotton LETTER

NEW YORK, March 11.—Selling of March by the pool and moderate hedging sales absorbed readily by domestic trade and foreign purchases. There appears to be more confidence in the new crop positions partly due to the deficiency of sub soil moisture in larger producing areas of Texas and a portion of Oklahoma and partly attributable to present reports that a good proportion of the producers in the south will go along with the government's program respecting agriculture. Most of the present actual represent hedging of recent sales purchases from the concentrated holdings. A settlement of the tax problems will undoubtedly bring about a broader goods business which should be reflected in higher prices.—E. A. Pierce & Co.

THE MARKETS

Cotton, spot	11% to 12%
Cotton seed, wagon, ton	\$31.00
Cotton seed, ear lot, ton	\$34.00

New York cotton at 2:30: Jan. 10.33, Mar. 11.31, May 10.94, July 10.62, Oct. 10.30, Dec. 10.30.