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North Carolina: Fair, colder on southern coast, not so cold in west, frost in interior, clear to night. Thursday, warmer.

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CAROLINA RIVERS FLOOD LOWLANDS AND CLOSE ROADS

2,500 Farmers Gather To Hear J. F. Criswell

N.C. Administrator Gives Explanation Of Farm Program

Believe Cleveland 90 P. C. For AAA

Hundreds Hear At The Loudspeakers As Big Court-house Is Jammed.

More than 2,500 eager, enthusiastic Cleveland farmers, rich and poor, landowner and tenant, from every community in the county, converged on the courthouse yesterday afternoon to hear Jack F. Criswell, state administrator of the new farm program explain the details of the government's efforts at soil conservation.

After three hours of explanations, asking and answering questions, the throng dispersed, and Farm Agent J. S. Wilkins said today he believed the county will be almost wholeheartedly, perhaps 90 percent for the farm program.

The meeting was addressed by the embryo of a farm policy for Cleveland county which will affect a \$6,000,000 annual farm income, more (Continued on page nine.)

Over 200 Coming To Discuss Road Matters Thursday

Over 200 business and professional men and farmers will gather around the banquet table at the Hotel Charles Thursday evening at seven o'clock to discuss road matters in Cleveland county with Chairman Capus Waynick, Ross Sigmon of Salisbury and E. F. Allen of Lenoir, members of the highway board.

The officials will arrive Thursday morning and make a swing around the county with local commissioners and other interested citizens, inspecting roads with a view of determining a road improvement program to be inaugurated soon.

At the close of the day, members of the Kiwanis, Lions and Rotary clubs of Shelby and the Business Men's club of Kings Mountain together with 40 representative farmers from every township in the county, will gather around the banquet table to discuss the road program in the county with the state officials.

Morning Cotton LETTER

NEW YORK, April 8.—Trade demand for old crops and covering in new crops lifted prices 5 to 9 points. The continued unfavorable weather in both the eastern and western belts are beginning to receive serious attention and no doubt inconspicuously some buying. The old crop months were steady and easily absorbed some liquidating sales and later advanced on price fixing by trade. Continued firmness in the near months seems most likely with new crop under influence of weather conditions as the normal planting season advances.—E. A. Pierce & Company.

THE MARKETS Cotton, spot ——— 11 3/4 to 12 3/4 Cotton seed, wagon, ton ——— \$29.00 Cotton seed, car lot, ton ——— \$32.00 Cotton on N. Y. exchange at 2:30 today was quoted: Jan. 10.44, Mar. 10.51, May 11.28, July 10.98, Oct and Dec 10.37.

Important Questions About AAA Answered By Criswell

Scores of questions bearing on what farmers must do to get "in line for payments" were asked Mr. Criswell at the farm meeting here yesterday, some of which will be given below with his answers. Q. If I have 150 acres of soil depleting crops, 100 acres in cotton and 50 acres in wheat. And if I follow the wheat by cowpeas and turn the peas under, will that count? Answer: Yes, but the peas must be left on the land or turned under. Q. I have three small farms close together. May I use the same worksheet for all the farms. Answer: Yes, provided all the farms are in the same county and the tools and teams and labor all come from the same source.

Picking Peas Q. Will oats followed by peas count, and may I pick the peas for seed? Answer: Yes, provided you do pick the peas by hand and don't harvest them with a cow or horse, or let the hogs run on the land. And all of the seed may be harvested, if done rightly. Lespedeza seed must be taken by a pan, and not have the hay cut off and thrashed. Q. Will I get credit for peas (Continued on page nine.)

Mrs. Carl Baxter Is Buried Today In Fallston Area

Funeral services were held today at 2 o'clock at the Methodist Protestant church in Fallston for Mrs. Carl Baxter, 48, wife of a well known farmer in that community. Mrs. Baxter had been in declining health for many months, but died quite suddenly of a heart attack on Saturday, April 5. Her death was unexpected. Rev. H. F. Fogleman and Rev. E. E. Scott were in charge of services.

Before marriage to Mr. Baxter, Mrs. Baxter was Miss Emma Grigg, daughter of Sidney Grigg. Her father and husband survive. There are six living children. They are Jessie, Ellen, Blaine, Madeline, Herman and Blanche. One child, Nixon, is dead. Mrs. Baxter was known as a quiet, devoted mother and was a faithful member of the Methodist Protestant church.

Methodists Plan Musicales Friday

Conclusion of pre-Easter services which are being conducted at the Central Methodist church will be made on Friday evening when three choirs under the direction of Miss Nettie Rayle will give "The Crucifixion" by J. Stainer. Mrs. Jack Hartigan will be at the organ and three choirs, junior, young peoples and adult, will give the numbers. Preaching during the past series has been done by Rev. R. M. Courtney, but Friday night's program will be entirely musical.

If Ehringhaus Were Republican GOP Would Make Him President

By W. J. SADLER RALEIGH, April 8.—If Governor John C. B. Ehringhaus, of North Carolina, were a Republican instead of a Democrat, he probably would be occupying the national spotlight as a potential candidate for the presidency of the United States. Dozens of newspaper stories and magazine articles have been written about Alf M. Landon, governor of Kansas, balancing the budget of that state. This publicity has enabled him to jump to the forefront in the race for the Republican presidential nomination. But Governor Ehringhaus has done more than balance the state

Pig Nurses Cow On Toluca Farm

S. A. Sain of Toluca has a pig that has adopted a cow for its mother and for its nourishment. After the pig was purchased, it was turned loose around the barn. Noticing that the pig failed to come for its regular meals and at the same time one of the cows suddenly falling in her milk, a watch was kept. Whereupon it was discovered that the pig was milking the cow and both seemed perfectly satisfied with the arrangement.

Red Cross Asks More Money For Stricken Areas

Another call for donations has come from the American Red Cross headquarters with which to administer relief to the stricken areas of Greensboro, N. C., Gainesville, Ga., Tupelo, Miss., and other communities in the South.

Richard F. Allen of the Red Cross wires Henry B. Edwards, chairman of the Cleveland chapter in Shelby that recent disasters in the South have created more needs and Red Cross relief units are now working in these places, using funds already contributed as a result of the call made following the floods in the East.

Already some contributions have been received. If others wish to contribute, send your donations to Troy McKinney, local treasurer in the Court House, The Star office or to J. D. Lineberger, chairman in the emergency drive.

In the call two weeks ago the Cleveland chapter raised over \$1,000 and Kings Mountain over \$400 which has been forwarded. Although those donations were made on the strength of the floods up East, the Red Cross is caring for the sufferers in the South and will continue to do so as long as the funds will permit.

More funds are needed since further need has arisen and whatever you feel like giving voluntarily will be cheerfully received and promptly forwarded.

Contract Awarded For County Audit

The county commissioners had a very light day at their regular business meeting Monday and the only important item was the awarding of a contract for the county audit to the E. W. Smith Co., public accountants of Lenoir. The audit will be completed in time for the fiscal year to close June 30.

Mrs. G. L. Moore, 75, Buried Today

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 2 o'clock at the Patterson Springs Baptist church for Mrs. Victoria Watterson Moore, 75, who died today at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. B. Camp. Rev. W. G. Camp and Rev. W. E. Lowe will be in charge. Mrs. Moore had been in declining health for some time, but the immediate cause of her death was not learned. She was a member of the Patterson Springs Baptist church, since early girlhood, and is a native of the county. Her husband, the late G. L. Moore, preceded her to the grave 12 years ago. She leaves three stepsons and three stepdaughters and four grandchildren. Also, a brother, T. H. Watterson of Grover and a sister, Mrs. E. J. Harrill, of Candler. Interment will be at Mt. Paran cemetery near Grover.

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Italians Seeking Total Annihilation Of Negus Forces

Eden Protests Use Of Poison Gas

Tells Conciliation Committee The Practice Is Irregular.

(By Associated Press) Anthony Eden, British foreign secretary, protested to the League's conciliation committee of 13 today the alleged use of poison gas by the Italian armies in Ethiopia while Premier Mussolini, in an extraordinary session of his cabinet, said Italy would fight for the "total annihilation of the Ethiopian military formation."

The French came forward with the publication of their plan to maintain peace in Europe with the establishment of permanent military forces to guard against violation of frontiers.

Mexicans File The Mexican delegation filed a protest with the League against the "paralyzation" of sanctions against Italy and did not wish to partake of the lessening of punitive measures against the aggressor nation while France made a demand that the League investigate the Italian atrocity charges against the Ethiopian army. Mussolini proclaimed to his ministers in Rome that security for Italy and her colonies could come only when the army of Emperor Haile Selassie had been completely overpowered.

The French memorandum for a European security system, based on mutual assistance pacts on a territory basis in Europe, was put forth in opposition to the German proposal for settlement of the Rhineland crisis. The plan expressed doubt as to the sincerity of Adolf Hitler's intentions and demanded assurance that he would refrain from violating European frontiers in the future. The British government disclosed in a white paper that Hitler feared Berlin might easily be reduced to a "heap of ashes" by a Russian air attack.

The British publication covered the Anglo-German-French negotiations from June 1934 to March 1936 and treated extensively of Hitler's alleged fear of aggression from Soviet Russia.

Italian airplanes were reported by the Ethiopian government to have bombed Dessye this morning. The same report said one of the planes started for Addis Ababa but returned to the north after reconnoitering over Scholamedia.

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Relief Allotments

WASHINGTON, April 8.—(AP)—Allotments of \$1,000,000 each for tornado relief in Georgia and Mississippi were approved today by Harry Hopkins from a \$2,500,000 fund allocated to FWA by President Roosevelt. Hopkins also allotted \$200,000 to South Carolina and \$100,000 each to Alabama, Arkansas and Tennessee.

Where Blast Destroyed Mexican Train



A terrific blast of a dynamite-laden freight car made a shambles of this railroad station at Tulancingo, Mexico, where 38 persons were killed and 60 injured.

School Men Elect Huggins; Plan For "Music Festival"

At their regular meeting Monday night Schoolmasters of Cleveland county elected J. D. Huggins, Polkville English teacher president for the coming year and at the same time decided to sponsor next year a series of practical demonstrations and observation tests throughout the entire county covering every subject which is taught. Emphasis was also placed, in the meeting, on the coming music festival which will be held at the Polkville high school next Tuesday night at 7:30 when representatives from eight schools will gather in a contest for honors in glee club, male quartets and girls trios.

Hundreds of parents and children and friends of all the rural schools are expected to attend. Shelby and Kings Mountain schools have been invited, but their entries will not be in competition. An out of county judge, one competent in music will be announced later. The schools have been practicing for weeks on the numbers to be given.

At the meeting Monday night students from Shelby and Kings Mountain spoke on types of commencement, character building, the students point of view of the teacher, and eighth grade literary emphasis.

H. B. Covington, Grover principal is retiring president of the Schoolmasters Club and also the originator of the demonstration idea.

A committee of J. H. Grigg, county superintendent, Prof. Lawton Blanton, of the No. 3 school; Prof. B. N. Barnes, Kings Mountain superintendent, will arrange a schedule of demonstrations. The main object is to improve classroom instruction.

Dillinghams Off To New Orleans Meeting

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Dillingham will leave Sunday for New Orleans where Mr. Dillingham, agriculture teacher of Polkville school will attend the Southern Regional conference of vocational teachers from the south. A number of Washington officials will also be present, including Roy Thomas from the State Department of Agriculture. Mr. Dillingham was recently adjudged the "Master Teacher" of agriculture in North Carolina and because of this honor he attends the conference.

Water Recedes And Two Mills Resume

Water is receding rapidly in all streams and both the Lily Mill of Shelby and the Cleveland Mill at Lawndale have resumed operations. Because of high waters as a result of the heavy rains on Sunday and Monday, these mills which generate their current from dams on Second Broad river, raised their flood gates and closed their plants for a day to a day and a half. Now that the water has receded, the mills are operating under their own power again.

Will N. Dorsey, Ex-Mayor, Dies Suddenly Here

Ex-Mayor W. N. Dorsey who served the city as chief executive, died suddenly this morning at home on N. LaFayette street, following a heart attack. He had been in failing health for a year or more.

Mr. Dorsey arose early this morning and after making a fire, entered the bath room where he was heard to slump on the floor. He breathed only one time after his step-daughter, Mrs. R. W. Shoffner reached him. His wife went to Washington ten days ago to be at the bedside of her second daughter, Mabel, who underwent an operation in a hospital there and Mrs. Shoffner remained here with Mr. Dorsey.

Mrs. Dorsey came from Washington to Raleigh yesterday expecting to visit members of her family for a few days. They were promptly notified of the death and will arrive here this afternoon. Funeral arrangements will then be made.

Mrs. Shoffner says the funeral will likely take place from the residence sometime Thursday. Dr. R. M. Courtney, pastor of Central Methodist church of which Mr. Dorsey was a member, will be in charge.

Mr. Dorsey was 66 years of age. He was born in Chattanooga, Tenn. and was railroad agent at North Carolina and Georgia points, later rural real estate dealer and an authority on minerals and precious stones. He was first married to Miss Ada Barnes who died in Shelby about 15 years ago. Later he married Mrs. Corrie McBrayer Hord who survives, with one brother, C. S. Dorsey, in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Says Rains Over

WASHINGTON, April 8.—(AP)—Relief within a few days from floods sweeping sections of the south was predicted today by the weather bureau. Many rivers in Alabama, Georgia and Carolinas are at flood stage but officials say "the rains seem to be over in the southeast section."

Dogdom Of Cleveland All Set To Be Immunized Against Rabies

Thousands of pain-denoting yelps from as many dogs in Cleveland county will be held in the next few days, as full quantities of anti-rabies vaccine have arrived and officers will begin today shooting quantities of the fluid into the veins of all dogdom. From the tiny lap dogs and woolly headed poodles who take the place of children in the affection of some fanciers, to the biggest St. Bernards and fox hounds, the vaccine against the dread hydrophobia is scheduled to be given. Representatives from all the townships were conferring with Dr. J. S. Dorton, county veterinarian, today and will begin the work immediately to immunize an estimated 4,200 dogs in the county. There are only about half that many on the tax books however. A fee of 50 cents will be charged for each dog vaccinated, but credit on dog tax will be given. Each person will be given a receipt and another receipt will be brought to the sheriff of the county. If dogs are not vaccinated before July 1, Sheriff Cline must by law kill them. Vaccine officers are: No. 1 township, Clyde Bridges; No. 2, Huff Hamrick and Chivous Bostic; No. 3, John Ab Borders; No. 4, Frank Shepherd and Doc Griffin; No. 5, Bemis Smith; No. 6, Ed Dixon; No. 7, T. B. Harris and G. T. Cabaniss; No. 8, Carl Ivester; No. 9, J. C. Lewis; No. 10, J. L. Propst; No. 11, O. B. Wall.

Tornado-Stricken Areas Bury Dead And Remove Debris

Predict 55 Feet Of The Cape Fear

Closed Routes On Highways Hamper Travel In North, South Carolina.

(By Associated Press) RALEIGH, April 8.—Eastern Carolina's four major streams were in flood today, doing damage to lowlands and closing two highways. Weather bureau officials here said midday data showed: The Neuse at Smithfield passed 19.7 feet this morning with 21 feet, 8 feet above the banks, expected tomorrow. At Rocky Mount the Tar was 10.2 feet, with 11 expected tomorrow night, two feet in flood; while at Tarboro it was 18.8, with 26 feet, 8 feet above flood expected Saturday night. The Roanoke at Weldon was 37.7 feet with 40 expected tomorrow or Friday to make the stage 9 feet in flood.

Water covered some lowlands near Fayetteville today as the Cape Fear river rose slowly to flood crest but little damage was done and rivermen said none of consequence was expected if the crest was no higher than the weather bureau predicted, 55 feet.

High waters closed route 78 between Ellensbethown and route 74, and route 130 between Whiteville and Charlotte. Route 24 was still closed near Brevard and between Franklin and Hayesville, due to slides. Route 276 was closed between Brevard and Casper's Head (Continued on page nine.)

Committee Would Whip Tax Program Into Final Form

WASHINGTON, April 8.—(AP)—The house ways and means committee Democrats assembled behind closed doors today to consider the final form of the \$799,000,000 tax program.

Chairman Doughton, Democrat, N. C., indicated some modifications would be made in the plan which some business men, including spokesman for the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, had pounded until an early hour today. Republican committee members were not present. While prominent Democrats have indicated most of the tailoring of the program will center on minor matters, they agreed that the opinion was fairly well solidified within the committee to grant some measure of special treatment to debt ridden corporations.

In connection with the absence of Republicans Doughton said "We had hoped to work out a non-partisan measure but Republican members apparently are in agreement to oppose the plan with every means at their disposal." He said they hoped to have the bill ready for the house early next week. The battle will be on in debate there and later before the senate committee and on the senate floor.

City Will Contribute Toward Public Nurse

The city officials in regular meeting Monday night agreed to make a contribution toward the maintenance of a Red Cross nurse in the county. Present at the meeting were Mayor Woodson, Councilman Doggett, Harris and Riviere. A delegation appeared asking for \$300 this year with a small monthly allowance put in the budget for next year. While the city did not specify the amount it will give, the officials expressed themselves in favor of public health and agreed to pay the city's proper part.