

AMERICANS FIGHT FOR LIVES WITH RIOTING ETHIOPS

Building Surpasses
3-Year Record With
\$71,000 In Permits

Progressive Spirit In Entire County As Skilled Labor Becomes Scarce; Materials Show No Price Gain.

Surpassing any month in the past three years, \$71,828 in building permits were issued by the city of Shelby during April, and the city and county in enjoying one of the most progressive periods of building seen here since 1929.

Skilled labor is being sought at a premium and brickmasons are the hardest to find of any of the technicians. There has been a decided increase in employment, with 212 placed on jobs by the local employment office, 200 of which went into private employment or PWA jobs.

Theatre Building.

The largest single item in the record breaking month is the \$50,000 theatre on which construction was begun during the week-end, initiated by R. H. Rogers, local business man.

Addition of a power unit in the Shelby cotton mills some three years ago was the last project which exceeds the present figure.

Nearly a score of residence in the city are being erected, as well as a number of places of business. Among the largest items appearing in the report made by W. Y. Crowder, inspector are the county agricultural building, costing \$7,820; four houses on East Pinkney street by Henry B. Edwards, \$2,200; a dwelling by H. L. Nolan, on Thompson street, \$2,500; a dwelling by Roy Newman, \$1,000; a filling station by Charles I. Eskridge, \$2,500; addition by Bosts Bakery, \$1,500.

In the County.

Out in the county the main building boom which has been going on

\$5 Bill Blown Up
From Gainesville, Ga.
Is Found In A Field

A \$5 bill soiled with red mud and bearing every evidence that it was blown here during the Gainesville, Ga. tornado, was found in a field on the Ed Blanton farm in the Beaver Dam community a few days ago by J. B. Ashley. The out of the way place where it was found and its soiled condition leads all to believe that it was wafted a distance of 190 miles during the storm. It will be recalled that checks and papers bearing Gainesville printing and signatures have also been found in the county.

Ashley spent the bill at Hamrick Brothers Service Station and Mr. Hamrick who was in Shelby this morning was debating whether to keep the bill as a souvenir or spend it.

Morning Cotton
LETTER

NEW YORK, May 4.—The market showed losses of about 7 points on May 14 on July and 18 on Oct. at the end of the week, compared with previous week. The decline was due largely to hedge selling against purchases of 12c loan cotton and some liquidation on improvement in weather conditions in the south. The support was largely from foreign and trade sources. The CCC announced at end of week that requests for release of cotton in 12c loans amounted to 389,123 bales thru May 1. Under present plans only one million bales will be released up to Sept. 1. At the same time producers pool reported holdings of futures amounting to 618,000 bales with total holdings of spot cotton in pool 216,000. We believe increasing resistance will be met on any further declines from present level.—E. A. Pierce & Co.

THE MARKETS

Cotton, spot	11 1/2 to 12 1/2
Cotton seed, wagon, ton	\$33.00
Cotton seed, car lot, ton	\$36.00

Close on New York cotton for today: Jan. 10.20, Mar. 10.23, May 11.51, July 11.06, Oct. 10.16, Dec. 10.17.

Telephone Rates
Cut In County
And Over State

Retroactive To Oct. 1
Last Year

New Rates Which Go In Effect In Shelby, Kings Mountain, Grover and Waco.

Telephone subscribers of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company which has systems in Shelby, Kings Mountain, Grover and Waco are to benefit in a statewide rate reduction.

An agreement was signed in Raleigh Saturday between officials of the telephone company and the members of the Utilities Commission. Litigation had been under way over telephone rates for the last 18 months and this agreement on lower rates is a compromise of the case which has been pending in the courts.

The rates are retroactive to October 1, 1935 and subscribers of the telephone company will receive refunds representing the amount they have been overcharged, on the basis of the reduced rates, for the period between October 1, 1935 and May 31, 1936.

About 80,000 subscribers to the Southern Bell service in North Carolina will be benefited close to \$300,000 annually by the rate reductions.

Subscribers will be refunded the difference between the new rates and the old rates since October 1, of last year. Just how this refund will come, has not been announced, whether by check or credit on future telephone bills.

New Rates

New rates to be placed in effect on June 1st for Shelby are as follows:

Shelby, business phones: one party, \$3.75; two party \$3.25; three party \$2.75; rural subscribers \$2.25.

Shelby, residential rates: One party \$2.25; two party \$2.00; three party \$1.50; rural \$1.75.

Kings Mountain, business phones: One party \$3.50; two party \$3.00; three party \$2.50; rural \$2.25. Residential rates: One party \$1.75; two party \$1.50; three party \$1.50; rural \$1.50.

Grover rates: Business phones: One party \$3.00; two party \$2.50; three party \$2.00; rural \$1.75.

Residential rates: One party \$1.75; two party \$1.50; three party \$1.50; rural \$1.50.

Waco rates: Business phones: One party \$3.00; two party \$2.50; rural \$1.75.

Residential rates: One party \$1.75; two party \$1.50; rural \$1.50.

Former Shelby Lady

Passes In Daville

Shelby friends of the W. D. Wiggins family regret to learn of the death in Danville, Va., of Mrs. W. D. Wiggins who formerly lived here where her husband was in charge of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company office. She had been sick for some time.

Funeral services were held in Danville Sunday afternoon at four o'clock at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ida L. Lentz. Surviving are her husband, three children, Evelyn, Mary Lee and William Wiggins, Jr., her mother and four brothers.

Mrs. Wiggins was a member of the First Baptist church of Shelby.

Is 77 Years Of Age And Has 77
Living Children, Grandchildren

James Monroe Hawkins is 77 years of age and has a child or grandchild for each of the years of his life. That is he has nine living children and 68 grandchildren.

This record was brought to life on last Sunday when the children and grandchildren all came to the Hawkins homeplace at Trinity in No. 2 township to honor the birthday of Mr. Hawkins who reached a milestone on April 27.

Mr. Hawkins is one of the most remarkable men in the western part of Cleveland county in that he has reared such a large family, has always worked hard, and still goes to the field, has his entire cotton crop planted and is ready to begin the other field work.

"If I didn't have it planted, I

Straw Newspaper Balloting
Indicates Second Primary

Straw balloting being conducted by 24 newspapers in North Carolina to ascertain the sentiment of the voters on the governor's race, indicates that a second primary will be necessary to settle the nomination between Clyde R. Hoey and Dr. Ralph McDonald.

Percentages in the first 80 counties to report give McDonald 46 per cent of the total vote cast, Hoey second with about 34 per cent of the vote and Graham is third with 17 per cent. McRae has been given only 2 per cent of the total.

Hoey Strong In West.

At the same time that voters in the populous piedmont counties were showing a preference for the McDonald candidacy, 17 counties in the Asheville district expressed a distinct preference for Hoey. The Shelby lawyer had a clear lead of

Agent Advises To Plan Crop
For Co-operation In "AAA"

Although the actual time first allotted to filling out work-sheets for compliance with the new farm program is over, County Agent Wilkins pointed out today that there will possibly be an extension of time for the worksheets and strongly advised all farmers to plant accordingly.

"Plan to plant your cotton, corn, legumes and other crops in a proportion that will allow you to fill out the worksheet a little later and be in line for payment next fall."

Just when the work will be done is not now known, but it will likely be in the next two weeks.

Hagood Serves Zero Mull, Aged 76
One Day, Retires Ends Own Life By
To Write A Book Jumping Into Well

WASHINGTON, May 4.—(P)—Major General Johnson Hagood, after serving only one full day as commanding officer of the sixth army corps area at Chicago, requested immediate retirement today. In a communication received here at the same time from Chicago the veteran officer, who spent seven weeks in military exile after he criticized NRA spending policies, announced he expected to go to his home in Charleston, S. C., to write a book. "In It" he said, "I shall show how the United States can get much better national defense at much less cost to the taxpayer."

During part of the time he has been on inactive duty, after losing command of the 8th corps area, General Hagood has worked with Sears Roebuck & Co. He is understood to have been tendered a permanent position with that firm but to have decided against accepting an active business connection. He would automatically retire for age next year on his sixty-fourth birthday.

McDonald Voted
For Sale Tax On
Meals And Rooms

Although Dr. Ralph McDonald, candidate for governor in the Democratic primary to be held June 6 is making his fight against the sales tax the paramount issue in this campaign, it is charged that he voted for a sales tax on the gross receipts of hotels and restaurants from meals and rooms.

He denied that he had voted when the statement was made by Clyde R. Hoey, but a copy of House Journal of the 1935 session of the general assembly shows that Mr. McDonald did vote for such a sales tax.

The house of representatives of which he was a member at the time, had under consideration a bill to levy a sales tax on the gross receipts from meals and rooms. On page 800 of the House Journal it reveals that a vote was taken and Dr. McDonald voted for the sales tax.

His statement now being made in the campaign in which he is so bitterly opposing the sales tax in any form, do not square with his recorded vote.

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21 Candidates Out
For County Office
In Coming Primary

Seven Offices Still
Vacant

List Of All Filed Given By Chairman Mull; Ends This Week.

At two o'clock today 21 candidates for major and minor political offices in Cleveland county for the Democratic primary of June 6 had filed with Board of Elections Chairman John P. Mull, the latest three to file being the board incumbent of commissioners whose members filed this morning.

The commissioners are Chairman J. L. Herndon, Joe E. Blanton and George Cornwell, the latter making his first race as he is filling out the term of Rev. J. D. Morris, resigned.

Expect More

A number of other candidates are expected to file this week, before the closing date of May 9. Registration books will open after that date and will remain open for three Saturdays at the 26 polling places.

Judges for the election will be named by Chairman Mull after filing dates are closed. Following are the candidates who are eligible for the race now:

Sheriff—Raymond Cline and Irvin Allen; legislator—Raymond Sanders, Ernest Gardner and J. B. Smith; coroner, Dr. D. M. Morrison and Roscoe Lutz; recorder—A. A. Powell; solicitor—Reuben Elam and Frank L. Hoyle, Jr.

Surveyor, D. R. S. Frazier; commissioners, J. L. Herndon, Joe E. Blanton, George Cornwell; constable No. 9 township, Clyde Peeler, Tom Sweezy; constable No. 6, R. B. Kendrick; constable No. 2, W. B. Dodd; justice of peace, No. 5, S. L. Delfinger; constable in No. 4, C. H. Shepherd; justice of peace, No. 3, W. G. Graham.

There are no filed candidates for county treasurer, registrar of deeds and none for the county board of education, although the board is in session this afternoon and members are expected to file some time today.

Kings Mountain
To Get CCC Camp

YORK, S. C., May 4.—Another CCC camp will be established in the Kings Mountain park section to take the place of the one removed 10 days ago, it is stated in a telegram received by Solicitor W. Gist Finley here from Senator James P. Byrnes. The personnel of a CCC camp in Georgia will be transferred to the Kings Mountain area, if the present plans of the government are carried out, it is said.

Reach New High
In P. O. Receipts

Gauged by postal receipts, business continues in the city of Shelby.

During the month of April the postoffice showed a gross business of \$7,185 in receipts, compared to \$6,215 for the same month last year, an increase of \$970 in a single month.

Postmaster Frank L. Hoyle said today that this is the biggest April the office has ever had, and added that although May is usually a slack month that it will go far above normal.

Hoey Warns That Enemy In Rank
Is Much Worse Than An Outsider

Carrying his campaign for the Democratic nomination for Governor into Western North Carolina, where for more than 30 years he has waged his party's battles against the Republicans, Clyde R. Hoey warned Democrats against "the enemy within our ranks."

"We have a strange situation today," said Mr. Hoey. "We have a man who is seeking the Democratic nomination for the high office of Governor on a platform of attacking the record of the party.

"Ralph McDonald charges that the Democratic party is machine controlled and is dominated by corporations and wealth. He says that Democratic administrations have crippled the schools and be-

New Historian



P. CLEVELAND GARDNER

Gardner Elected
County Historian
As Boards Gather

Commissioners Request Governor To Cancel May Term Of Civil Court.

Meetings of the county board of commissioners and board of education were in progress today, the education leaders coming together this afternoon.

Petition to the governor to cancel the May term of civil court scheduled for the county was made by the board of commissioners this morning, a move which will save the county about \$700. The reason was given that there are such a few cases on the docket, it is unnecessary to have a judge sent here.

Appointment was made just before noon of Attorney P. C. Gardner as county historian, to take the place of W. E. White, former teacher and historian of the county who was killed last month in an auto accident near Clinton.

Mr. Gardner was named by the board as being one of the best informed men on the history of the county, both as to family history and political and social history of Cleveland.

He said immediately after learning of the appointment, "If there is anything I can do to be of service to the people of Cleveland county, I shall be glad to do so. There are a number of things I think should be done to preserve the historical facts of the county. A little later I should like to make some recommendations."

The board of education was not expected to have a history making conference, but will work out some of the details of the school building program of which the first half is being climaxed this week and of which work on the second half will begin immediately.

Urge Short Route

WOODRUFF, S. C., May 4.—(P)—The Anderson-Woodruff-York highway league urged eighteen state senators and representatives by letter today to foster a proposed "short way" route from Norfolk, Virginia, to Houston, Texas, through Anderson, Spartanburg, Laurens and York counties.

Haile Selassie
Flees Invasion
Of Duce's Armies

Bandits Go Wild
In Addis Ababa

American Minister Van H. Engert Protects Life, Howe With Gun.

(By Associated Press)

Beleaguered Americans in fire ravaged Addis Ababa fought for their lives today as native marauders made a savage attack.

Haile Selassie, who fled before the invasion of Premier Mussolini's Blackshirt armies, will seek refuge in Palestine Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden told the British House of Commons today.

Armed with only nine rifles and two shotguns American Minister Cornelius Van H. Engert advised the state department in Washington by wireless the American delegation fought off a charge by bandits behind their flimsy defenses. After a brisk exchange of shots the band was driven off, leaving none either killed or wounded.

Surprise Attack

Engert said natives made the surprise attack on the legation's two gates, pouring heavy rifle fire into the compound from behind trees and fences. A bullet struck dangerously close to Mrs. Engert, who had elected to stay with her husband.

Marshal Pietro Badoglio, commander in chief of the Italian armies in East Africa, advised his government that Italy's Ethiopian

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5 N. C. Prisoners
Escape In Duplin

RALEIGH, May 4.—(P)—Five prisoners overpowered a guard and escaped at the Kenansville prison camp in Duplin county today, the state penal division announced.

The men, all white, disarmed but did not attack the guard, Sam Coley, of Wilmington, and escaped with his pistol and shotgun. All wore stripes. Three of the escapees were identified as Kenneth Hughes of Yancey county, said to be a former Magnolia bank robber; Horace Nichols of Alamance; and Leo C. Polard of Durham county.

About thirty officers with three sets of bloodhounds began the search for the men.

The prisoners were members of a party of ten working on a county highway leading out of Magnolia. As their truck stopped the guard stepped out and was seized by two of the men.

Mother Of Four
Is Found Dazed

LAURENS, S. C., May 4.—(P)—Mrs. R. D. Arnold, 30, mother of four children and wife of a Laurens postal worker, was found in a dazed condition half a mile from her home today after disappearing last night. She was discovered asleep under a large rock by one group of hundreds of citizens who had searched for her throughout the night. A physician said she apparently needed only a rest to restore her to normal.

Mrs. Arnold was missed shortly after she put one of her children to bed. Her husband said she apparently had merely walked off.

Recorder Suspends
Driver's License

George E. Sperling, No. 6 farmer was fined \$50 and the costs, and had his drivers license suspended for 12 months in recorder's court today after he pled guilty to driving drunk.

Judge Weathers said in open court that he had been accused of giving secret hearings and declared that he and Solicitor Hoyle have tried all cases as soon as they come into court.

Former Judge Joe Wright was called to the bench as recorder problem in the case of a fist fight to which two Waco men, Alin Yarbore and William Stroupe pled guilty.