

DEATH LIST GROWS IN DROUGHT-STRICKEN NATION

City Council Votes To Sell Bond Issue For Public Projects

City Fathers Favor Term Of Four Years For Municipal Officials, Employees; Deposits Are Changed

The City Council, in its regular meeting held in the city hall Wednesday night, voted to sell a \$52,000 Public Improvement bond issue. The original estimate for issuance of bonds to cover the expense of public projects was \$92,000, and this new issue will represent the balance of this estimate, a \$40,000 issue already having been sold.

The issue will probably be placed on sale sometime in August. The mayor and the Board of Aldermen expressed themselves as being very favorable toward a four-year term for city officials.

To Offer Resolution Resolutions concerning this term will be presented at the League of Municipalities meeting to be held in Wilmington July 16. The league will present the resolutions to the next session of the legislature.

The question of a municipal swimming pool was brought into the discussion but no definite action was taken on the matter.

The funds for this swimming pool have already been allotted, but the city officials have been handicapped by a ruling which limited the employes of PWA to those who had been on relief between the months of November, 1935, and May 1936.

The ruling has recently been rescinded by PWA officials, and the city is now in a position to make more definite plans. Mayor Woodson will probably go to Raleigh in the near future to discuss the plans for the swimming pool.

Alter Deposits A change for deposits on city water and light services was announced. The new schedule is as follows: water, \$2.50; lights, \$2.50; heat, \$5; combinations, \$2.50.

This represents a slight change from the recent regulations concerning deposits. When the present administration took office, a \$10.00 service charge for electric stove meters was removed, and a \$2.50 deposit put in its place. This was found to be insufficient, so the figure was raised to \$5.00.

To Trim Trees C. C. Coble offered a resolution that the city obtain bids from tree surgeons in order to have trees over the city trimmed. This resolution passed unanimously.

The contract for awarding the audit of the city books was awarded.

Alderman R. Z. Riviere was the only member of the board absent.

New Works Program WASHINGTON, July 10.—(P)—A \$50,000,000 Public Works program has been submitted to President Roosevelt by the administration but the chief executive said today it had been held up to determine how many workers could be taken off relief rolls.

Morning Cotton LETTER

NEW YORK, July 10.—Scattered realizing and hedge selling was well taken in early trading and after close of foreign markets, general buying extended the advance into new high ground. The liquidation of a long line of October by a prominent operator during last half hour resulted in most of the gains, with the market closing 2 lower to 9 higher, considerable cotton came out 12c loan on day before yesterday's advance of 58 points in average spot price at 10 markets. As there was only a 2 point advance in average price yesterday diminished hedge sales are likely in today's market.

Believe market is slowly broadening and that prices will gradually work higher.

E. A. PIERCE & CO. THE MARKETS Cotton, spot ..... 12c to 13c Cotton seed, wagon, ton ... \$30.00 Cotton seed, car lot, ton ... \$30.00

Close on New York cotton for today: Jan. 12.68, March 12.68, May 12.69, July 13.45, October 10.70, December 12.70.

F.D.R. Nominators Contribute \$87 To National Expenses

Check Is Mailed To Headquarters

Complete List Of Names Given; Asks Committee Members Report.

A check for \$87 was today forwarded to national Democratic headquarters by Troy V. McKinney, treasurer of the local committee, which was headed by Everett Houser. A list of the Roosevelt nominators, each of whom gave \$1, was also forwarded.

Not all the members of the committee have reported, Mr. McKinney states, and he asks that those who have not turned in their reports, do so immediately so that he may close the records of this enterprise.

List of Nominators.

The list of nominators, each of whom gave \$1, follows: A. M. Hamrick, Wm. Osborne, H. L. Newman, Geo. D. Dedmon, H. E. Richburg, Mrs. H. E. Richburg, C. M. Baber, J. O. Shepherd, J. P. Garrison, J. O. Corbett, J. A. White, J. M. Jones, Max Hamrick, D. Trammell, John N. Green, Arthur L. Weldon, Francis Boyles, Lewis Burgess, Doris Bolt, G. V. Hanna, Cecil Wilson, J. W. Gardner.

W. R. Gary, Stough Beam, Herman A. Beam, M. L. Smith, T. M. Sweezy, J. W. Edwards, Claude C. Falls, F. B. Toney, E. G. Spurling, Miss Charline Stamey, R. W. Wilson, Joe Stamey.

Clyde Nolan, C. C. Horn, A. F. Newton, Paul Webb, C. R. Webb, Robert C. Miller, L. H. Ledford, Troy V. McKinney, Joe E. Bianton, Wm. J. Arey, E. L. Campbell, J. F. Harris, Reeves Forney, Everett Houser.

R. G. Burrus, V. B. Lovelace, Z. W. Green, W. M. Harris, C. S. Green, D. M. Morehead, C. Y. Harris, R. V. Greene.

Henry B. Edwards, D. R. McBrayer, Geo. A. Hoyle, J. C. McNeely, W. A. Broadway, J. Alvin Probst, S. F. Parker, K. K. Keeter, Robert C. Barnett, Hubert Plaster, C. B. McBrayer, John P. Mull, G. T. Cornwell, J. Lowery Austell, Frank E. Hoey, A. V. Hamrick, Z. Kistler, C. H. Sheppard, M. A. Jolley, H. S. Woodson, John A. Beam, R. B. Kendrick, A. B. C. DePriest, J. L. Suttle, M. A. Spangler, Frank L. Hoyle sr., J. L. Herridon, Ralph R. Hoey, Wade W. Hoey, A. H. Webb, Vick Wray.

Young Democrats Will Meet Tonight

The Young Democrat's Club of Cleveland County is scheduled to hold its annual election session at the court house here at 8 o'clock tonight. All officers of the organization for the ensuing year will be chosen and delegates named to attend the state convention in Greensboro on July 17 through the 19th. President C. C. Horn, who has served since 1932, has announced the necessity for all members of the Young Democrats to be present tonight. The newly elected officers will probably begin tentative plans for the future work of the county group, especially during the approaching state and national political campaigns.

"Joy Ride" From Curb To Curb Urges Woodson In Unique Plea

Mayor Harry Woodson made a unique plea to the citizens of Shelby this morning. Said the mayor: "If you want to go joy riding, take your car over the new city streets and ride from curb to curb in order to help us complete our job more efficiently." He was referring to those streets now under repair in the suburbs of the city, part of the \$7,000 street repairing fund. The mayor explained that most of the streets are receiving a coat of tar and gravel, but are not traversed enough to receive

Carolina's Colorful Hoey



Clyde R. Hoey, a "silver-tongued" orator of the old school who reminds of Daniel Webster with his flowing grey hair, cutaway coat and high standing collar, is North Carolina's Democratic nominee for governor. The nomination is considered equivalent to election. He and Mrs. Hoey are seen in the garden of their home at Shelby.

Board Analyzes Drought; To Plan Emergency Action

To Make Report Public At 3 O'Clock Today; Relief Action By Government Waits On Report

(By ASSOCIATED PRESS)

WASHINGTON, July 10.—While burning rays bombarded dwarfed or ruined grain over a wide area today the government crop reporting board completed one of the most momentous analyses in its history.

The cold statistical report scheduled to be made public at 3 p. m. tells the first official comprehensive story of the drought's toll in the farm country.

Action to extend the area of emergency drought counties where relief efforts are concentrated awaited release of the report. Government relief officials said practically all emergency drought activities would be conducted by existing agencies. Thus far only the Resettlement Administration has allocated funds. It set aside \$393,000 for direct grants in six states in the worst drought area, allotted on a basis of population and need.

WPA drought relief measures are expected to consist largely of jobs provided for needy farmers. The W.P.A. farm relief workers will dig wells, build roads, and engage in water conservation activities such as the building of dams.

Drought Relief Program To Get Underway In S. C.

COLUMBIA, S. C., July 10.—(P)—Lawrence Pinckney, State WPA director, announced today a drought relief program should be under way in South Carolina sometime next week.

He said Malcolm Miller, WPA regional field representative telephoned him from Little Rock, Arkansas yesterday that he would be here next week to confer on launching a program. Meanwhile he said the state WPA office has applied to Washington to increase its allocation of funds so that tenant farmers and others suffering from the drought may be given jobs giving them some immediate income.

Negro Prisoner Attempts Suicide Near Fatal Hour

RALEIGH, July 10.—(P)—About two hours before he was scheduled to be electrocuted today for murder, Henry Grier, Winston-Salem negro attempted suicide by jumping from the second tier of death row cells to the concrete floor below. He asked for the usual privilege of shaking hands with the other inmates of death row before he went down.

He then requested a postal card and as the keeper turned to get it, he darted up the steps, jerked himself free from an assistant keeper, and jumped over the rail. He suffered fractures of both wrists, lacerations and other painful injuries. He was under a physician's care for examination as the hour for execution approached.

RALEIGH, July 10.—(P)—Henry Grier, 43, Winston-Salem negro, who attempted suicide this morning, was electrocuted this afternoon at State's prison here. He was carried into the death chamber at 12:30 by five men. His lips were strapped and both arms were in splints. His eyes

Announce Changes In Routing Buses Of County Schools

Mile Limit Is Set By State Board

New Schedule Will Eliminate Overlapping Of Routes; More Efficient.

A new schedule for county school buses, arranged by the State school commission which controls the routing of buses, was announced today by the office of the Cleveland County board of education.

This schedule will eliminate excessive mileage and overlapping between counties and between districts.

Beginning with last year, the state school commission took over charge of the routing of buses, and adopted uniform state-wide regulations to eliminate excesses of travel.

Surveys Routes Last year the commission sent a man to survey this section and to lay out the routes. This year, W. M. Jenkins from Cumberland county, was sent here by the commission and he changed the routing still more.

The biggest change is that the buses are prohibited from approaching the homes of the most distant families on their route closer than a mile. To illustrate, if a family lives on a side-road, the bus may drive down that side of the road to within the distance of a mile from the house.

This regulation also applies to the families who live on the main roads, but at the end of the regular route.

Buses Stay At School

Another new regulation is that the school buses are required to remain at the school building during the day. This will mean that except in very rare incidents, the drivers will be student drivers.

The buses can not be used for anything except transporting children to and from school. The only exception to this rule is that the buses may be employed during commencement services during the day time.

The new routings are generally considered somewhat more satisfactory than those made last year.

S. C. Building High

COLUMBIA, July 10.—(P)—Chief Commissioner Ben Sawyer announced today the largest state highway construction letting in four years. Sawyer said the department would ask for bids July 28 on construction of 43 projects in 32 counties at an estimated cost of approximately \$2,718,767. About three fourths of the projects were outlined in the general highway act of 1936 and the balance are federal works program jobs.

Murderer Dies

SALT LAKE CITY, July 10.—(P)—Delbert Green, 28, slayer of 3 persons, was shot to death at dawn today by a firing squad concealed behind a canvas screen at the Utah state penitentiary. Strapped into a chair with his back against the prison wall the murdered was executed at 7:10 Eastern Standard time. Five riflemen fired from some 20 paces away. One of the weapons was loaded with a blank cartridge.

Baby Boy Is Born To Dionnes; He's No. 11 In Famous Family

CALLANDER, Ont., July 10.—It's a boy at the Dionne's—just one, this time.

Amid the taciturnity for which papa Olive Dionne and his wife, Elsie, are well known in the north country and elsewhere, an eight-pound brother to the famous little sisters was born at 3:25 a. m. yesterday.

The new baby, 11th of the living Dionne children, sent up his first sharp wail in the modest farmhouse where the quintuplets were born two years ago last May 28.

After it was all over, Mrs. Dionne told her attendants she was satisfied to abide by "God's will" and

303 Deaths Reported; Heat Blanket Spreads Over South And East

Meteorologists Warn They See No Break; Losses Estimated At \$300,000,000; Wyoming Fire Rages

(By ASSOCIATED PRESS)

CHICAGO, July 10.—The bulk of the nation's population was condemned today to at least two more days of death-dealing heat as the roster of fatalities was lengthened to 303 and crop havoc spread.

In Jim's Post



William W. Howes (above) will be acting-Postmaster General while James A. Farley takes his leave without pay from his postal duties to conduct President Roosevelt's campaign for re-election.

State Patrolmen Will Open Drive On Illegal Tags

City Residents Warned About Using Auto Licenses From Other States

A campaign will be started immediately by the local State Highway Patrol to arrest all persons known to reside in Shelby and surrounding communities who are driving automobiles displaying license plates purchased in other states, principally South Carolina and Georgia. It was announced this morning that this project will be carried on in connection with a similar one begun in Charlotte this week.

"Two or three years ago it looked like Georgia had moved to North Carolina," Patrolman Hatcher reported this morning. He said, however, that the practice of obtaining state licenses from other places is not as bad now as in the past, and with co-operation from the local citizens, the patrolmen plan to promote all offenders of this violation.

Ask Citizens' Aid

All residents who know of such cases are asked to co-operate in this campaign by telephoning the highway patrol office and this practice.

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By mid-morning the death list reached 303 and the crop losses which no one has been able to estimate accurately continued to mount toward a possibly fabulous sum. "Some possibility" of light scattered showers by Sunday was seen for the Dakotas, and part of Minnesota and Nebraska but whether observers said if the possibility materialized it would serve only to lower temperatures in those states.

Reports from across more than half the nation indicated, temperatures would soar beyond yesterday's mark, which hung up all time maximum records in many places.

The reports sent corn prices 3 cents higher at the opening in Chicago. Wheat rose fractionally. From Springfield, Illinois, came fears that further delay of rain would prove disastrous to game fish.

A blanket of intense temperatures spread south from Canada to Northern Kansas and east to Virginia and New England line.

See No Break Meteorologists warned they could foresee no break in the hot wave or no general rain for at least two days to halt the drought that has already resulted in crop losses estimated at more than \$300,000,000, affecting between three million and five million farm families and making thousands dependent on the government for aid.

The worst fire in many years raged near Sundrace, Wyoming, de-

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Il Duce, Hitler Will Join Forces, It Is Reported

PARIS, July 10.—(P)—Premier Mussolini and Chancellor Hitler have formed a diplomatic partnership, informed sources said today, in the face of British and French efforts to return Italy to the Locarno Treaty union.

The dictators of Italy and Germany already have agreed on a fate of Austria and probably have reached an understanding on the Locarno problem, diplomats said. France attempted to gain Fascist friendship by denouncing her part of the Mediterranean Mutual Assistance Agreement, authoritative sources indicated while Great Britain extended an offer of diplomatic peace through her announced intention of reducing British naval strength in the vicinity of North Africa.

These France-British overtures were interpreted by officials as 11th hour attempts to win Italian support in prospective Locarno discussions where the principal subject is expected to be German's re-occupation of the Rhineland.

Hoey's Majority Cut By Re-Check

RALEIGH, July 10.—A re-check of the vote in Halifax county in last Saturday's run-off Democratic primary revealed last night that Paul D. Grady, of Kenly, was high man for lieutenant governor instead of W. F. Horton, of Pittsboro, making Horton's statewide lead only 6,106 votes. The county's official vote also showed Clyde R. Hoey with fewer votes and Dr. Ralph W. McDonald with more than were first credited to each, cutting Hoey's statewide lead to 59,977 votes.