

N. C. Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday, thunder showers Saturday afternoon in mountains. Yesterday's local temperature: High 84, low 69. Rainfall .006.

MID-WEST FARMERS LOOK VAINLY FOR DROUGHT RELIEF

Clyde Hoey Speaks At State Meet Of Young Democrats

County Will Be Well Represented

Other Important Men In State Affairs Listed On Two-Day Program

Shelby and Cleveland county will be well represented at the young Democratic meeting which convenes at Greensboro today with nearly a score of delegates in the body and with Clyde R. Hoey, Democratic nominee for governor speaking at the morning session on Saturday.

The Shelby contingent has reserved a suite of rooms at one of the hotels at Greensboro, and several of the officers of the young Democrats of this county went to the meeting early.

Shelby Delegates Among those who have gone or who will attend are A. A. Powell, president of the local organization; Mr. Hoey, accompanied by Miss Isabel Hoey; Clyde Nolan, Representative Ernest Gardner, Frank L. Hoyle, Jr., L. S. Suttle, Jr., Troy McKinney, Bill Blanton, J. W. Gardner, Raymond Cline, D. W. Royster, L. H. Ledford, Charles Hoey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoey, Yates McBrayer, and possibly others from the city and county.

Mrs. Bessie B. Phoenix, of Raleigh, state president, who established temporary state headquarters at the King Cotton hotel, said several of the speakers at this afternoon's session will be United States Senator Robert R. Reynolds, of Asheville; Mrs. Phoenix, D. Ed Hudgins, of Greensboro; J. T. Gresham, Jr., of Warsaw; Mrs. John Gallacher, of Leesburg, Va., vice president of the Young Democratic clubs, of America, and several others.

Speaking at various sessions Saturday.

Mrs. S. E. Hoey Is Notified of Sudden Death of Brother

Thomas L. Henkle of Statesville, brother of Mrs. S. E. Hoey, died at hospital there Wednesday afternoon following a heart attack. He was 72 years of age.

Mr. Henkle was born near Conover in Catawba county. He was one of a number of years associated with the Henkle-Craig Livestock company operating in Hickory, Lehigh, Statesville and Salisbury, and for the past ten years had been in the livestock business in Statesville. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at 3:30 from the home of the only surviving child, Mrs. Olen Henkle, in Hickory. Mrs. Olen, Mrs. Virginia Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoey and daughter, Eleanor, and Mr. and Mrs. Play Hoey attended the funeral.

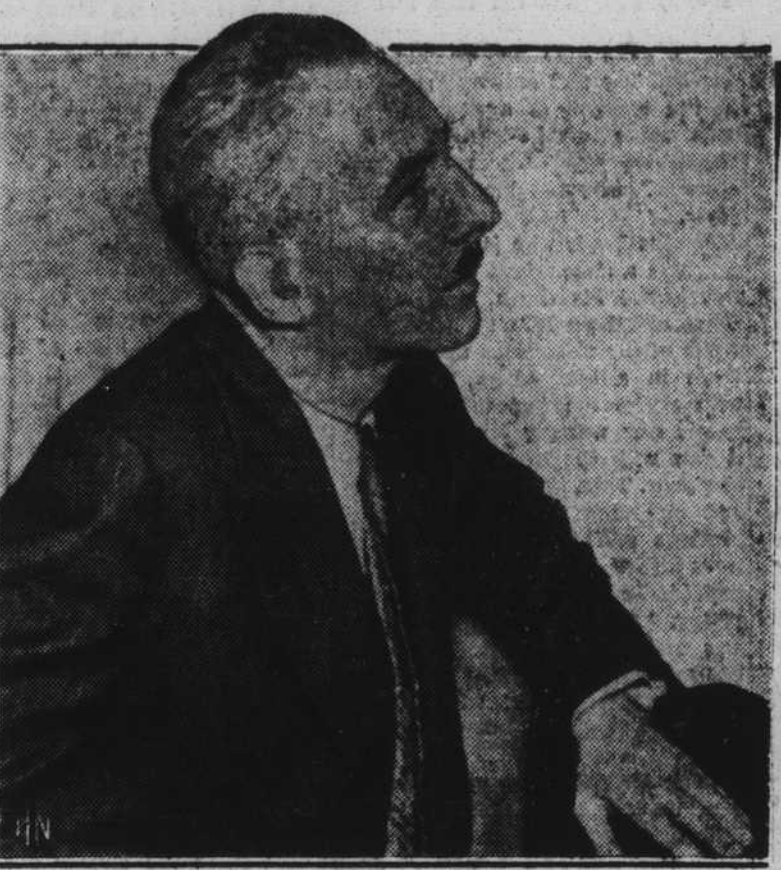
A sister of Mrs. Hoey, Miss Candace Henkle, died less than a month ago.

Morning Cotton LETTER

Market firm most of the day with trade largely taking the contracts during first half hour of trading. Selling believed to be against purchases of 12 cent loan cotton, resulted decline about 10 points for net losses of 3 to 8 points. Worth street gray goods moderate trade and another of trading with a few small sales of 64x60 at 1-8 c off. With July 20 the final date on which releases may be requested from 12 cent loan stock held by COT and spot cotton in southern market very strong likelihood of heavy material decline seems remote. Favorable purchases on all setbacks as we believe trade buying will expand on minor recessions. - E. A. Burns and Co.

THE MARKETS Cotton, spot, 32c to 36c Cotton seed, wagon, ton \$20.00 Cotton seed, car lot, ton \$20.00 New York cotton close: Jan. 22, March 12.20, May 12.20, July 13.00, Oct. 12.20, Dec. 12.26. Spots off, mid 13.25.

May Round Up Spies In Navy



The arrest of John Semer Farnsworth (above), former naval officer in Washington, revealed a widespread drive of G-men to round up spy suspects. Farnsworth pleaded not guilty to charge of selling U. S. Naval secrets to Japan.

Blue Ridge Safety Council To Draw Hundreds To Meet

Representatives From Five Counties To Hear Speakers On Industrial Safety; J. O. Williams Is Vice-President

Concerted effort to reduce accidents in homes, industry and all places where men work will be the central aim of the Blue Ridge Safety Council which meets here tonight with more than 300 representatives from Cleveland, Rutherford, Burke, Polk, and Mitchell counties expected.

The meeting will begin at eight o'clock at the high school building, the first gathering of the organization since it was constituted at Spindale eight weeks ago.

Speakers tonight will be T. A. Wilson, state industrial commissioner of Raleigh who will give a short talk, to be followed by C. M. Kimball of Charlotte and safety director of the Southern railway company.

Officers of the organization are Ivy Cowan of the Stonecutter Mills of Spindale; J. O. Williams of Shelby, vice president; W. L. McBrayer of Forest City, secretary.

Frank Crane, safety officer of Raleigh and promoter of safety under the industrial commission said today that there will likely be some other officers elected tonight. He explained the set-up over the state and said there are units centered at Durham, Greensboro and High Point, and at Asheville. The western district recently had its fifth anniversary meeting.

A series of contests are being arranged.

Negro Asphyxiated

RALEIGH, July 17.—(P)—W. A. Hodgins, 36, negro, of Elizabeth City, was asphyxiated at central prison today for the murder in Forsyth county of 71-year-old Herbert County.

Barns, Cribs, Chimneys, Crops Blown Down In Boiling Springs

(Special to The Star.) BOILING SPRINGS, July 17.—A heavy rainstorm accompanied by a terrific wind swept over Boiling Springs doing much damage Monday. The wind which first came from the south at a high rate of speed caused some general damage to corn crops, blowing shingles from roofs, etc. But suddenly there was a change after which for about five minutes the wind bore down at a tremendous velocity from the west. Chimneys were blown down at about a dozen homes. A barn belonging to Mrs. Bobbie Greene was completely torn down and parts of it blown a considerable distance. A home owned by Mrs. Duke Hamrick and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Avery Buchanan was lifted from the pillows and sent several feet away and was so damaged that it cannot be repaired. Mrs. Hamrick will probably rebuild soon, also the barn at this home was blown away. Barns, cribs, smoke houses and chicken houses at the homes of George Thomas McSwain and Henry Hodge were blown over. A section of the church roof was taken away. A back porch to the Cleveland sandwich shop was demolished and part of the roof of Zim Bridges store building was blown off. A number of beautiful shade trees at many homes were uprooted. The worst of the storm seemed to be in the central part of this place. But almost every family sustained minor damages.

Three Rockingham People Die As Automobile And Train Crash

ASHEBORO, July 17.—(P)—Three Rockingham citizens—a man and two women—were killed and another woman critically injured near here today in the crash of their automobile with a Southern railway train. The dead: William Covington, 24, his 21 year old sister, Elizabeth, and a cousin, Miss Maude Moore Steele, 20. Mrs. Stansill Covington, 50, mother of William and Elizabeth, was taken to an Asheboro hospital not expected to live. The bodies were mutilated almost beyond recognition. The car was demolished. The crash occurred about three miles north of Randleman on the High Point highway.

New Wage Scales For WPA Given; Meet Requirement

Payroll Under New Set-Up Due 300 Or More Workers On Saturday

Announcement was made from WPA headquarters that the first payroll under the new set-up is due Saturday and will likely be under the new scale of wages and working hours released from Washington.

The new plan calls for the Works Progress Administration to meet the minimum wage requirements which it is doing by shortening the working hours.

New Wage Scale The new scale will give unskilled labor 20 cents per hour and allow unskilled men or women to work only 120 hours per month and receive a total of \$24. Intermediate skilled labor will get 35 cents per hour, work 104 hours per month and receive \$36.40.

Among the top ranking professions will be brick masons with 70 cents per hour who will work 68 hours and get \$47.60 per month; pipe-layers, 55 cents per hour, 88 hours, \$48.40 per month; stone masons, 60 cents per hour, 80 hours, \$48.00 per month.

Minor Changes John Hudson said there has been no important changes in the personnel of the supervisors of the some 300 workers. In the district, however, there has been a change. Mr. Hudson has become area time-keeper for Cleveland, Gaston and Lincoln counties, and H. H. Hickman of Gastonia has become assignment supervisor of the same territory.

There has been no permission given to continue the WPA adult education program which was discontinued last month, but it is expected to begin about August 1. Certification of new labor for the entire program is due to begin soon.

Believe It Or Not, Two Christophers Very Muck Alike

A tip for Mr. Ripley was found this week in a news item of an Asheville paper, announcing the death in an automobile accident in Maple, Fla., of one Paul Christopher.

Shelby's Paul Christopher who is vice president of the North Carolina State Federation of Labor was shown the news items about the Asheville Paul Christopher's fatal accident. While the Shelby Christopher knew there was a family by this name living in Asheville, he says they are not related.

Not only do they bear the same name, but both are 26 years of age, married and have two children. The mother of the deceased Paul Christopher is Mrs. C. W. Christopher while the local man's parents are Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Christopher. The deceased Paul Christopher had three brothers, Lloyd, James and Jack. The Shelby Paul has three brothers, one of whom is named James.

Remains of the deceased Paul Christopher who was killed in an accident were brought to Asheville, his former home, for interment in Green Hill cemetery, following the funeral rites at Calvary Baptist church.

Jap Naval Program

TOKYO, July 17.—A five-year naval program costing two billion yen (\$590,000,000) was reported by two Japanese newspapers today. The program includes construction of at least two ships and expansion of the naval air force in 1937-38 the papers said.

Nearly Missed The Olympic Boat



Alice Arden of New York finished second in the Olympic try-outs for the high jump but finished last in making the boat at New York for Berlin. Here she is waving the \$500 check which made the trip possible for her.

Mutilation Death Of Helen Clevenger Still Unsolved

How Beautiful Girl In Asheville Met Her Death Is Cloaked In Mystery; Brother Quizzed In Inquest

(By The Associated Press) ASHEVILLE, July 17.—The mutilation death of Helen Clevenger in her hotel room remained cloaked in mystery today as authorities opened a routine inquest.

Tom Bridges, 80, Visits County; Away 46 Years

Tom Bridges, 80-year-old native of Cleveland county who has lived in Texas for the past 60 years is here for a brief visit with friends and relatives. His adopted Texas town is Breckenridge.

The visit is the first in 46 years, although Mr. Bridges did return one other time in his younger days. On this visit with him to the land where he spent his youth are his daughter, Mrs. Carl Cuthshall and her two children, Bobbie and Gene.

The closest surviving relative of Mr. Bridges is Mrs. S. J. McKinney of Ellenboro, although there are hundreds of nephews and nieces and other close relatives.

Mr. Bridges left Cleveland about the time he was 20 to 21 years of age. He will possibly spend 10 days to two weeks here. He will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. McKinney tonight and tomorrow.

S. C. Liquor Taxes

COLUMBIA, S. C., July 17.—(P)—The state tax commission announced today the allotment of \$296,297 in liquor taxes in the largest allocation of the revenue since state repeal including sums collected during May and June: To Greenwood \$712, Greenwood county \$1,206, Rock Hill \$848, York county \$2,111.

New Rule Keeps Planes In Zones And Regulates Speed, Altitude

WASHINGTON, July 17.—"You have got me going in circles, in loops and in straight lines. It is getting so a guy can't even practice freedom in the air." The above quotation is what most of the pilots of the commercial airlines of the United States might be expected to say following a ruling which requires all planes to be checked in and out, to stay in zones, keep certain speeds at certain altitudes, just as systematically as do trains in a big station. Three experimental traffic control stations—at Newark, N. J., Chicago and Cleveland—have been taken over permanently by the bureau of air commerce, and five more stations will soon be placed in operation—at Washington, Pittsburgh, Los Angeles and San Francisco. From these points planes on established airways will be as closely controlled as railroad trains. There will be invisible "blocks." Each plane will be kept within its two-dimensional "block"—position and altitude—until told that the next is clear. They will be brought into airport at regular intervals. This development, resulting from the steady increase in air transportation, serves to emphasize the end of the period of what might be called nonchalant "rugged individualism" on the airways. The days when a flier could, and often did,

Death Toll Passes 4,200 Mark Today; No Relief Is Near

Damages Amount To Many Millions

Corn And Hog Farmers In 'Bread Basket Suffer Intensely

(By The Associated Press) CHICAGO, Ill., July 17.—Already resigned to drought losses calculated in hundreds of millions of dollars, farmers of the nation's corn belt looked in vain for a break in the adverse conditions as forecasters reported no general relief sighted. Heat deaths although reduced, in rate by more moderate temperatures in the "hard hit" states of Minnesota, Michigan, Wisconsin and Illinois, neared the 4,300 mark in the nation. Scattered showers and slightly lower temperatures but no inclusive alleviation of heat were predicted for parts of Missouri, Illinois and Indiana.

At Des Moines, Iowa, weather man S. E. Becker said reports indicated drought and heat reduced that state's probable corn yield a bushel an acre each day. Crop damage in Missouri already was figured at one million dollars in a crop bulletin. Purdue University estimated the drought had damaged Indiana's corn crop to the extent of \$12,000,000 and that the oats yield would be only one-half of normal.

In Ohio Departure of Ohio's heat wave left crop damage figured at \$18,000,000 with rains still badly needed.

Blighted corn fields were spotted throughout Nebraska. Oklahoma expected a cattle feed crisis within the next week unless rains are forthcoming.

Cattle men said 5 to 60 per cent of eastern Montana's 750,000 cattle were being moved to the market, but that ranchers thought to save foundation herds.

Roots, vegetables and hay were damaged extensively in up-state New York.

Norman Thomas Defends F. D. R. And His Policy

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., July 17.—(P)—Norman Thomas, socialist candidate for the presidency, said here today that "President Roosevelt is unquestionably more progressive, more alert to the human problems of his time than Mr. Landon or the men and forces who made that highly synthetic candidate and can break him."

But the socialist speaker added, "What I have said of Mr. Roosevelt cannot be said of some of his associates, as Vice President Garner, Speaker Joseph T. Robinson, or National Democratic Chairman, James A. Farley.

Thomas spoke before a morning round-table session of the Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia. "One of the alarming and contemptible things about the campaign is the hate, many of our respectable persons, openly express of Mr. Roosevelt," he said. "I have never heard such hate or such incitement to possible violence in any radical meeting in New York's Union Square. The hate is as stupid as it is malignant. It comes from a class whose prestige and profit Mr. Roosevelt has saved during distressing times at little cost to themselves."

Textile Worker Fatally Injured

MOORESVILLE, July 17.—(P)—Albert Brown, 23, textile worker, was fatally injured here today when he was run over by a train as he sat on a siding. One leg was cut off and he died shortly after from loss of blood. Police said probably no inquest would be held.