

WEATHER
N. C. Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday, possibly showers near coast, slightly warmer. Official Shelby temperatures: High 85, low 64. Rainfall 1.92.

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REGULATIONS UNDER PWA HURT

May Cost County 4 Major Projects

Order To Use Relief Labor May Delay Or Rule Out Many Projects.

The present regulations requiring that labor for all Public Works projects, whether it be of the skilled, common, or semi-skilled type, must come from local relief rolls, is seriously hampering the PWA program in this county and in all North Carolina, a communication from state headquarters said today.

"It would seem that the present policy discriminates against many semi-skilled and skilled men who

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—President Roosevelt today clarified a misunderstanding in regard to employing relief labor on Public Works administration projects.

He explained that the 45 per cent of the total cost allotted by the government must be spent for labor from the relief rolls. Moreover, he explained that such relief labor need not come from the immediate locality in which the projects is located, but may be drafted from nearby areas where the labor is available.

are unemployed and are registered with the Unemployment Service, but who are not on relief," it was said.

Grave fears are being voiced here that unless there is some provision made for labor, the Shelby and Kings Mountain projects listed under the PWA, may never be completed. There is a \$225,000 power plant, a \$150,000 high school building, and a \$212,000 public improvement project here and a \$94,000 street improvement project approved in Kings Mountain.

Survey Shows.

A survey here indicated that there are less than 300 persons who were on relief now working under the PWA, and there are very few more, even if they were certified who could work under the PWA program.

There is actually a labor shortage for skilled and semi-skilled persons in the county.

Over The State.

A survey just made by Dr. H. G. Bally, state PWA director at Chapel Hill shows that there are now on file in Washington and Chapel Hill, PWA applications that have been approved by all the examining divisions for projects estimated to cost \$22,587,586. This amount includes \$1,320,188 for street improvements; \$7,124,328 for electric power plants; \$874,180 for State Institutions; \$1,000,000 for State prison camps; \$1,000,000 for school buses; \$4,358,165 for waterworks and sewerage systems; \$2,348,922 for county and municipal buildings; and \$4,261,602 for schools.

Morning Cotton LETTER

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—There was an absence of any important selling yesterday and prices rallied under moderate buying by trade and continental interests. Shanghai was also credited with buying here. Sentiment locally has been rather bearish but appears to be veering slightly to the constructive side, apparently impressed by the recent upward revision in the face of the larger estimate and a growing conviction that unless ideal conditions prevail in the belt, some downward revision in the prospective yield may have to be made. Trade support should be broadened. Any unfavorable weather should bring a sharp move upward.—E. A. Pierce and Co.

THE MARKETS
Cotton spot ——— 13 1/2 to 14 1/2
Cotton seed, wagon, ton ——— \$20.00
Cotton seed, car lot, ton ——— \$20.00
Close on New York cotton for today:
Jan. 32¢, Mar. 32¢, May 32¢, Oct. 31¢, Dec. 31¢.

Confessor Of Co-Ed Slaying



Left to right are Sheriff L. Brown, Martin Moore, hotel bell-hop, and Detective John J. Quinn of New York, after the arrest of Moore (inset) who, the police say, has "confessed" the shooting of Helen Clevenger, pretty Staten Island, N. Y., co-ed.

Hoey Will Go To Raleigh For Meeting Of Committee

Will Make Public Announcement Of Choice For Democratic State Chairman; Is Still Undecided

Clyde R. Hoey, Democratic nominee for Governor, will leave for Raleigh Friday in order to be in the capital city when the 132 members of the State Democratic Executive committee meet Friday night.

Mr. Hoey is not planning to attend the meeting, he said today. But he will be in Raleigh during its duration. O. M. Mull is the member from Cleveland county.

When asked about the next state Democratic chairman, Mr. Hoey said "I haven't definitely decided yet, and probably won't until tomorrow or Friday. I have been in touch with certain parties throughout the state, but as yet know nothing definite."

"I will probably make public my recommendation Friday."

The recommendation of the gubernatorial candidate for the chairman and vice-chairman is almost equivalent to its election by the committee.

Mr. Hoey said this morning that no definite plans had been made for the campaign which will open about the middle of September. "As soon as the chairman and vice-chairman are chosen, we will begin making plans. Headquarters will probably be opened about the first of September, and the campaign will get underway about the middle of the month."

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Sale Of \$52,000 In Bonds Set New Low Rate For City

Preparing Lots For Parking Space

Preparations of a number of up-town parking lots is being carried out by the city this week, as preliminary work to beginning the one-hour parking limit around the square.

The lots are located for the most part in the block back of Coheats and Wrays stores, the Charles hotel, and back of the Shelby hotel. They are being cleared of all rubbish and will be leveled and graded. Stone dust will be placed on the surface, providing an excellent place for parking.

The mayor and chief of police said when they are completed a deadline will be set to begin the one-hour regulation during business hours, for the busiest part of the city.

Mystery Of Chandelier Cleared; Deputies Find Unique Hide-Out

The mystery of the chandelier and the light that wouldn't burn was cleared by county deputies today.

And after clearing the mystery, the officers showed 2 1/2 half pints and a full pint of bottled in bond liquor, all taken from an ingenious safe, of which the chandelier and light were the door. A little screw allowed it to turn aside as a hinge.

For several days officers had noticed that the Tom Yarboro filling station near here was a dispensary of a sort of power that got the boys "all lit up," but they had been unable to find where it was cached.

The sharp eyes of, Gus Jolley noticed that one light in the upper room wouldn't burn, and that there seemed to be no switch for

RACIAL STRIFE IN ALABAMA SERIOUS

State Soldiers Called To Scene

Negro Is Lodged In Birmingham; Two National Guard Companies There.

By Associated Press
ANNISTON, Ala., Aug. 12.—Threatened racial strife brought one hundred state soldiers into Calvin county today while a negro accused of shooting three white possemen, was jailed in Birmingham for safe keeping.

Two companies of national guardsmen from Birmingham and Jacksonville were stationed at the latter place.

Admits Shooting
Art Bush, wanted in the shooting of Pat Hicks, Albert Hicks and Forney Martin, was quoted by chief deputy Ed L. Summers, as admitting he fired into a group which came to his house near here Monday night.

Last night was one of deep apprehension throughout the Anniston district which has seen state troops called out five times since July 13 when a negro attacked a farm wife.

Placed In Jail
Bush's wife and her five children were placed in the Anniston jail after the woman told authorities she had been threatened with hanging unless she told armed troops the names of other negroes thought by her questioners to have been in her house Monday night.

She said she was afraid her house would be burned "with me and my children in it." The Bush barn burned yesterday.

U. S. Will Refrain From Spain's War

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—(P)—The intention of the United States government to "scrupulously refrain from any interference whatsoever in the unfortunate Spanish situation" was announced today by the state department.

This attitude was promulgated in the publication of instructions sent to all American representatives in Spain on August 7 by William Phillips, acting secretary of state.

While asserting that the American neutrality law prohibiting assistance to warring nations does not apply to the Spanish civil war, Phillips said that the United States intended to conform with its "well established policy of non-interference with internal affairs in other countries, either in time of peace or civil strife."

In making public the instructions, the state department revealed that they had been the basis of its reply to certain unidentified American aviation companies who had been approached with tentative offers from Spain and had asked the department's advice before closing negotiations.

Build 4 Roads In This Section

A bulletin from the State Highway and Public Works Commission shows the following roads in this section under construction:

N. C. 29: Kings Mountain to South Carolina line, 8.0 miles of bituminous surface treatment to be completed August 18. Detour via York and Blacksburg; 45 miles hard-surfaced.

N. C. 73: Newton to Toluca, 12.5 miles of topsoil surfacing to be completed September 15. Detour via Lincolnton; 32 miles hard-surfaced.

N. C. 96: Hickory to Toluca, 5.98 miles bituminous surface treatment to be completed August 20. Detour over county road; 13 miles sand clay.

Lincolnton to Reepsville (county road) 5.6 miles topsoil surfacing to be completed October 1. Traffic maintained; drive carefully.

Sulphur Springs Revival To Open

(Special To The Star.)
The revival services at Sulphur Springs will begin Sunday night at 8 p. m. There will be no service Sunday morning. The evening service will be under the direction of the Rev. R. M. Courtney.

Likewise there will be no services Monday morning, but services will be held each evening at 8 p. m. and each morning at 10 a. m. after that.

Wins Again



JOSEPH T. ROBINSON

Above is Senator Joseph T. Robinson, of Arkansas, who is leading by two to one in his race for renomination in the Democratic primary.

Murder, Burglary Charged To Moore; To Plead Insanity

Trial To Begin Wednesday Under Don Phillips; Allow No Pictures

ASHEVILLE, Aug. 12.—(P)—Solicitor Zeb Nettles said today Martin Moore, negro, would be called to trial next Wednesday morning in Buncombe county superior court for the slaying of Helen Clevenger.

The solicitor said the former hall boy at the Battery Park hotel would be charged with murder and first degree burglary, both of which would demand the death penalty.

Nettles explained that Moore, who, Sheriff Lawrence Brown said, confessed Sunday to the slaying, will be arraigned Monday after the grand jury has drawn up the indictment.

The possibility that attorneys for Moore, may base his defense on an insanity plea arose here yesterday.

It was learned that Thomas A. Jones, Jr., and J. Scroop Styles, the latter added during the day to the defense staff, plan to obtain an order from Judge Don Phillips, presiding in superior court here, to allow two defense alienists to examine the negro as to his sanity.

Ready For Trial
"We will be ready for trial next week," Mr. Styles said, silencing reports that the defense attorneys might not have their side of the case in sufficient shape to defend Moore at that time.

Judge Phillips, who is presiding at a civil term of superior court here now and will sit at the criminal term beginning next Monday, will not allow photographers to make pictures in the courtroom while the trial is in progress.

Photographers will be permitted to make as many pictures as they wish before court convenes, during recesses and after adjournment.

Astor Compromise Appears Certain

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 12.—After a night of conferences Attorney Joseph Anderson, representing Dr. Franklin Thorpe, said today a settlement of the marital dispute between Thorpe and his wife appeared to be approaching a settlement.

Anderson said he was prepared to go into court for a continuation of the trial of the case which involves the custody of the couple's four-year-old daughter, Marylin.

An abrupt end to the series of disclosures produced by Actress Mary Astor's child custody case seemed imminent today through compromise, a development for which an excited film colony watched.

Assurances were given by attorneys for Miss Astor and her former husband, Dr. Franklin Thorpe, of definite headway toward a settlement which would change the custody of four-year old Marylin Thorpe so that Miss Astor shall have at least partial custody.

Keyed to a pitch it had not experienced since Director William Edward Taylor was mysteriously shot it awaited developments with intense interest.

LET CONTRACT FOR ROAD TO GAFFNEY

7 Mile Stretch Will Be Paved

Spartanburg Contractors Get Award; Contemplated For Years.

A hard-surfaced road between Shelby and Gaffney—a project contemplated since North Carolina extended a road to the South Carolina line years ago—is at last to be realized. The contract for the new stretch of road was let in Columbia yesterday.

Pennell and Harley, Inc. of Spartanburg were the low bidders on the project, their bid being \$92,419.56 for seven miles of bituminous surfacing on S. S. highway No. 111, which is the same as North Carolina No. 18.

Several years ago, North Carolina constructed a hard-surfaced road to the South Carolina line, it being understood at that time that the sister state would also build a similar road from Gaffney to the North Carolina line.

Yet one delay after another prevented the accomplishment of this plan, and the road remained gravel-surfaced.

Finally Arranged
Untrusting efforts on the part of certain local citizens, highway officials, and a few Gaffney business men finally arranged the project.

It is not known just when the construction will start. Grading will be necessary before the surface can be laid down.

Among the contracts let in Columbia yesterday was another Cherokee project, a \$10,378.47 bridge project over Cherokee Creek which was awarded to Wannamaker and Wells of Orangeburg.

Polkville Plans Community Fair

At a meeting this week of leaders of all community organizations in the Polkville community a decision was reached to have a Polkville Community Fair again this year. The date is set now as October 2 and 3.

There had been some discussion of discontinuing the fair this year on account of the extremely dry weather and the lateness of the crops.

A difference in the fair this year will be that all persons in the community will be allowed to enter exhibits. Last year it was limited entirely to students.

Tentative plans call for riding devices, an address by some well-known speaker in the state, and an amateur night for the expression of local talent.

Officers will probably be elected in a few days.

N. Y. A. Officials Distribute Funds

(By The Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—Distributing \$10,563,000 among the states for aid to students not otherwise able to attend school, officials of the National Youth Administration said today that additional funds probably would be given later to states where drought has impoverished farm families.

A list of conferences scheduled included South Carolina, August 14. Allotments to states included North Carolina \$185,000; South Carolina \$175,000.

Cleveland Murderer Branded "M" In Palm Of Hand,—In 1848

The acrid smell of burning human flesh pervaded the courtroom of Cleveland county.

Dozens of inquisitive and morbidly curious witnesses looked on with apparent ease and saw the sheriff actually brand with a red hot iron the letter "M" in the palm of John Prier's hand.

And John Prier, who had killed a man, he said in self-defense, closed his eyes and clenched his teeth and bore the pain which made the scar which he was to carry to his grave.

Borah And Robinson Lead; Presidential Fight Tops Politics

Arkansas And Idaho Veterans Apparently Renominated; Townsendite In Florida Becomes Nominee

By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, D. C., August 12.—A stream of primary ballots with the two nationally prominent senators commanding the leads for renomination and a burst of arguments in the presidential campaign featured today's politics.

Senator Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas, Democratic leader, and the veteran Republican leader, William E. Borah, of Idaho, built up big margins over their opponents with Townsendite backing, while in Florida, C. O. Andrews, bearing the Townsend club endorsement, won a Democratic senatorial nomination.

Gets 2 To 1
In the Arkansas returns Robinson obtained better than two to one margin over his two rivals.

Tabulations of votes from 1,340 out of 2,156 precincts gave Robinson 80,863; Cleveland Holland, Townsend plan advocate, 19,608 and Rosser Venable, Little Rock, 11,825.

Unofficial returns from 381 of the state's 850 precincts in yesterday's primary gave for the Republican nomination for U. S. senator: Borah 21,465, Byron Defenbach 6,519.

Unofficial returns from 302 precincts gave for the Democratic nomination for governor: C. Ben Ross 12,569, John Carver, 9,775.

Down in Florida former Governor Carlson conceded victory to Andrews, a former circuit judge. They contended in a special primary for the nomination to succeed the late Park Trammell.

Efforts To Crush Spanish Rebels On Northern Seaboard

Bitter Fighting Between Government And Rebel Forces; Without Water And Power.

By The Associated Press
Spain's northern Seaboard was the focal point today for the government's drive to crush the fascist revolution in the face of an attack by the rebels to break through to the sea.

Madrid looked upon prospective capture of the rebel stronghold Oledo in the northwest as the beginning of a "turn" in its efforts to crush the rebellious forces.

Immediate attacks on Cordoba and Granada in southern Spain were scheduled. The government said rebels in Cordoba, Granada, and Seville had been without electricity and water for 24 days.

Dispatches from Tangier indicated that most of the rebels, under Generalissimo Francisco Franco were under orders to begin a major drive from Madrid.

Most bitter fighting between government and rebel forces, debating with shell and rifle fire the procession of the Bay of Biscay, appeared to be taking place in the San Sebastian vicinity.

Men and women, sympathetic with Madrid, fought side by side to defend it against fascist advance.

At Burgos rebel forces announced government militia had abandoned San Sebastian in the face of rebel onslaughts.

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There was no attempt to move the machinery from the plant in view of the tense situation. Officers said, however, the machinery would be removed later.

While they were trapped in the mill, the officers said, they took two shotguns from two men who had slipped into the second floor.

The sheriff's office reported no arrests were made and that no one was injured.

After the officers and workmen were allowed to come through the gates, State Senator J. D. Parris of Gaffney began a speech to the assembled strikers.

The mill management wanted the machinery moved, and the four officers were sent with the workmen as a precautionary measure.

Alphonso Plans Flight To Spain

DELLACH, Australia, Aug. 12.—(P)—(Copyrighted)—Former King Alphonso of Spain may try to fly back to war torn Spain.

He called his two sons, Jaime and Juan, into family council today to decide their course.

What the three agreed to do the exiled monarch would not say.

"As long as the disturbances continue," he told the Associated Press "I cannot discuss my plans."

The one time monarch, stripped of his regal prerogatives in the revolution of 1931 semed perturbed when told that an airplane, flown to Czechoslovakia by an English pilot, was confiscated yesterday.

Gaffney Police Held Prisoners For Many Hours

GAFFNEY, S. C., Aug. 12.—(P)—President W. C. Hamrick of the Limestone Mill, where a strike has been in progress for some time, said he had been informed today there would be no further objections from the strikers to the removal of machinery and the work would proceed.

GAFFNEY, S. C., Aug. 12.—Armed with makeshift weapons, a crowd of Limestone cotton mill workers held four officers and six workmen in the mill for five hours here yesterday.

The strikers, carrying clubs, baseball bats and blackjacks began assembling around the mill fence after the officers and workmen went to the mill to remove a truckload of machinery.

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