

WEATHER

North Carolina: Cloudy tonight and Tuesday. Showers Tuesday, warmer in extreme southwest.

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SEVEN DIE AS ENTIRE TOWN IS WIPED OUT BY FIRE

Fall Term Federal Court Opens

CONSTITUTION DEFENDED BY WEBB

Lowery Is Named Grand Jury Leader

Federal Jurist Also Raps "Seventeen Counties" For Booze Policy.

A vigorous defense of the Constitution of the United States, sprinkled with characteristic advice about lawmaking and lawbreaking, composed the greater part of Judge E. Y. Webb's charge to the grand jury as the fall term of Federal District court got under way here this morning.

Jessie Lowery of Patterson Springs was named foreman of the grand jury which had begun this afternoon to sift through 50 new bills, 13 of which are for the Shelby territory. Sixteen cases were carried over.

Human Rights

"The constitution of the United States is the greatest charter of human rights ever written," declared the federal jurist in the charge to the grand jury. He said it was framed mainly by southerners whose aim and desire was the protection of the inalienable rights of man. "It is a shield and defender, an arsenal which guards our liberties and we should guard it with our treasures and our lives."

Judge Webb lashed out at the efforts which the well known "seventeen counties" are making to collect revenue from liquor. He declared that they are being blindly led by the big liquor interests of the north and west and that they are "for the sake of a little revenue, selling their lives and morals." He added that if the counties sell the liquor, they also ought to make it... and make that profit too.

Litvinnoff Attacks Nazism and Fascism

Without mentioning Germany by name Litvinnoff opposed the entry into the league of any nation founded on the idea of "racial and national inequality which describes all people except its own as sub human."

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Sheriff Given New Tax Books; \$213,000 Due

County tax books were today turned over to Sheriff J. R. Cline by County Auditor Troy V. McKinney, and tax notices, already prepared, are now being stamped for the latter part of the week.

About \$213,000 in taxes is to be collected by the county this year. Before the tax books were turned over to the sheriff's office a gross sum of \$28,294.54 was paid by Cleveland residents who took advantage of discounts. In paying this gross total residents saved \$697.24 in discounts, making net collections for the county \$27,597.30.

For the rest of September tax discount is one and one half percent. During the month of October there will be a one per cent discount.

Sheriff Cline and his aides have in their office some 14,000 to 15,000 little blue notices which will go out in the next few days notifying taxpayers that the "taxes are now due." They will be mailed to arrive about October 1.

Initial Exercises For Graduation Of Nurses Are Held

Dr. Zeno Wall Preaches Baccalaureate Sermon; Large Crowd Present

The baccalaureate sermon for the graduating class of the Shelby hospital, delivered Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the First Baptist church by Dr. Zeno Wall, was heard by a tremendous crowd which included, in addition to the regular congregation, all student nurses able to be away from their duties, the entire hospital staff and faculty members of the board of trustees and physicians of the county.

Members of the graduating class are Misses Vela Vastine Covington of Shelby, Doris Fredda Bennett, Tallahassee, Fla., Lillian Ruth Vickers, Albemarle, Ruth Lynn Westmoreland, Hickory Grove, S. C., and Mary Lee Harrill, Shelby.

Finals Friday

Commencement exercises will be held at 8 o'clock Friday night at the American Legion auditorium. Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, chairman of the board of trustees, presiding, and the address will be delivered by J. H. Grigg, county superintendent of schools.

Following the graduating exercises members of the graduating class will be honor guests at a dance to be held by the Nurse Alumni association.

Members of the board of trustees, in addition to Mr. Hoey, are O. M. Mull, Dr. S. S. Royster, J. F. Schenk, Jr., A. W. McMurry, Tom Cornwall and Mrs. W. B. Nix.

Blum Wins Test

PARIS, Sept. 28.—Premier Leon Blum, winning the first parliamentary test of his devaluation program with a comfortable majority, decided tonight to ask the chamber of deputies for full power to prevent price increases by decree.

Tom Dixon, New Deal Critic, Will Speak Here October 26

Tom Dixon, scathing critic of the New Deal and rated as one of the nation's most gifted orators, will speak in the Cleveland county courthouse on Monday evening, October 26 at 8 o'clock.

This announcement was made today from local Republican headquarters which has just received a telegram from W. C. Meekins, state GOP executive chairman who made the Shelby appointment for Mr. Dixon.

Expect Ripples

Dixon's coming is expected to stir quite a ripple of excitement in the ranks of the Democratic camp.

He claims to be a lifelong Democrat, the last time he spoke in Shelby was while campaigning for Franklin D. Roosevelt and the New Deal. Cleveland voters will be keenly interested in his explanation of his "about face."

The eastern part of the state will be the battleground for more of the Shelby native's castigation of the New Deal. His itinerary calls for several speeches in that section while in North Carolina. He will

4 ACCIDENTS MAR CALM HERE

2 Dead, 5 Hurt In Auto Mishaps

Gastonia Child Fatally Hurt When Struck By Shoffner Automobile

A series of tragic auto accidents marred the week-end calm of a number of Cleveland county families, bringing deaths in two instances with at least five others barely escaping serious injuries.

Little Jennie Mae Russell, 13 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Russell of the Mutual Mill Community in West Gastonia was fatally injured yesterday afternoon when she ran in front of a car driven by R. W. Shoffner, former county farm agent here and now a district supervisor with the Tennessee Valley Authority, working under the direction of the Extension Department of State College.

On Way Here

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Shoffner were on their way to Shelby. The child, witnesses said, was frightened by a dog and ran in front of the car which was being driven at a moderate speed. Coroner L. E. Kincaid conducted the investigation and said an inquest would not be necessary. He termed the accident "unavoidable."

Mr. Shoffner rushed the child to the hospital but she died before he arrived. He then reported the affair to Sheriff Clyde Robinson. No charges were filed by the parents. Mr. Russell is superintendent of the Mutual Mill.

Four Are Hurt

LATTIMORE, Sept. 28.—Miss Edna Hoffman, 16 and Miss Clara Bess, 19, both of Lowell are in the Shelby hospital and T. J. Stanley of Shelby and Freddie Monroe of Lattimore are recovering from minor injuries as a result of an accident near Washburn's Station yesterday afternoon.

A Terraplane coach in which they were riding failed to make a curve and turned turtle. Miss Hoffman sustained a fractured nose and Miss Bess is suffering from severe bruises.

Young Stanley was said to have been driving the Bess car. Neither he nor Monroe were hurt. Witnesses said the car was traveling at a rapid rate of speed. The curve is not unusually sharp. The car was

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Notables To Attend Big Cleveland Fair

Among notables in the agricultural field who plan to attend the Cleveland county fair next week are Col. J. W. Harrelson, Cleveland county native and dean of administration of N. C. State college, F. H. Jeter, editor of the extension service, Dean I. O. Schaub, dean of the extension department of State college, all of Raleigh, several officials of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration of Raleigh, and numerous regional and county farm officials.

Final Rites Held For C. D. Parker

Funeral services for C. D. Parker, 67-year-old farmer of the Belwood community were held Sunday at 11 o'clock at the David's Chapel Methodist church. Mr. Parker died suddenly Friday morning with heart trouble. He had been ill for some time, but had remained active.

The well known farmer to survived by his second wife, two daughters by his first wife, Mrs. Randolph Peeler of Belwood and Mrs. Hillard B. Houser of Cherryville; three children by his second wife, Hettie Sue, Morgan and Clayton Parker, and three brothers.

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ADJUSTMENT APPEARS CERTAIN

Russia Denies Forcing Prices

Series Of Astonishing Developments Occur In Financial Markets

By Associated Press

Five nations were joined today in the break up of Europe's gold bloc and the march toward currency adjustment, led off by France under the protection of a "monetary equilibrium" agreement with the United States and Great Britain.

While the Socialist government of Premier Blum won a majority in its first parliamentary test of the French devaluation program Switzerland, the Netherlands, Latvia and Greece were listed as embarking on new currency stabilization programs.

Moscow Denies

Meanwhile from Moscow came denial by the Russian state bank that sales of British pounds were intended as an effort to force down the British currency rate. The sales were "ordinary" banking transactions, the bank declared.

The series of financial developments sent the price of bar gold up 75c an ounce on the London exchange where operations were limited.

Defeat Rightists

The French chamber of deputies in extraordinary session defeated a rightist motion to send the legislation back to the finance committee by a vote of 365 to 248.

The Italian government, informed sources said, is studying issuance of tourist lire on a lower basis but authoritative observers expressed confidence there would be no devaluation of the lira.

The Belgian stock market opened for business with transactions barred in the foreign currency scheduled for readjustment.

From Germany and Turkey came announcements those countries will make no adjustment in their money.

American Seaman Is Convicted, Sentenced By Court In Berlin

Jackson Rites At 3 O'Clock Today

Funeral services for Charles Jackson, 54, who died at his home at the Ella mill at 1:15 o'clock Sunday afternoon, are being held at 3 o'clock this afternoon at LaFayette Street Methodist church, of which he was a member. Rev. F. H. Price the pastor, conducting the services. Interment will be made at Zoar cemetery.

Mr. Jackson had been ill for about a year with a heart ailment. Surviving, in addition to his wife, who was Miss Mae Blanton, are five children, Howard, Aileen, Homer, Marie and Elizabeth, three brothers, Lester, Felix and Church Jackson, and two sisters, Mrs. Madge Taylor and Mrs. Alice Wall.

180 Bales Cotton Ginned First Month

Up to September 16 180 bales of cotton had been ginned in Cleveland county as compared to 116 bales ginned to the same date last year, an increase to that time this year of 64 bales, according to Thamer G. Beam, special agent, department of commerce.

Queen Of Roses



Priscilla Sousa, granddaughter of the celebrated bandmaster John Philip Sousa, is pictured above holding an armful of very precious roses. The flowers, the newly developed "Sweet Memories" roses, are insured for \$10,000. The new variety of roses will have premier showing at the Second Annual National Rose Show at Balboa Park, San Diego, Calif. Oct. 10-12.

ARRANGEMENT MADE FOR FAIR

Final arrangements for taking care of the greatest crowd in the history of the Cleveland County Fair are being rushed this week by Dr. J. S. Dorton, secretary, and his corps of assistants, as the time for the opening, next Tuesday, approaches.

Cleveland's fair this year, as has been the case in the past several years, will be more of a sectional than a county fair, people from all of western North Carolina and a great section of South Carolina making it a yearly habit to see Cleveland's fair.

Over 100,000 free tickets have

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Floods And Fires Leave Many Homeless In West

2,000 Homeless As Raging Waters Flood Texas Valleys

WACO, Texas, Sept. 28.—Lowlanders fled today before flood waters which moved southward from Waco where 2,000 of the city's 60,000 persons were rendered homeless by the overflowing Brazos river. The river reached a crest of 41 feet.

Authorities warned that a junction of flood waters of the Brazos and Little rivers might prove of serious consequence to the lower Brazos valley where a flood took 224 lives in 1921.

As residents of east Waco counted more than \$250,000 property damage and 2,000 persons were homeless in the state took four lives.

Three were killed in a collision in blinding rain north of San Marcos drowned when three automobiles were washed from a road.

Remembering the flood history of their region residents below Waco abandoned homes. The Little, Leon and Lampasas rivers and numerous creeks broke over their banks inundating fertile areas and flooding houses.

Agents Open Drive Against Narcotics

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—(AP)—The treasury today threw 2,500 narcotics agents and law enforcement officers into a nation wide drive against narcotics and illicit liquor.

In scattered cities throughout the country treasury agents were ordered to make a series of sudden raids in an effort to round up a large number of suspected law breakers.

Use Tear Gas Bombs In Student Strike

CAMPBELL, Ohio, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Police threw two tear gas bombs today to disperse hundreds of striking memorial high school students, protesting against the transfer of a favorite teacher. Three youths were held on charges of suspicion.

Police discharged the bombs near the throng as the students refused to halt a demonstration outside the school and enter the building.

Per Hour, Per Minute It Makes Difference

To some people it would make little difference, but to the facts, it makes much difference.

A story in Friday's Star about the city water plant stated that three pumps had a capacity of 2,750 gallons per hour. The story should have said 2,750 per minute, which to water officials means just 60 times as much water.

Hudson Becomes Safety Supervisor

John Hudson, former head of Cleveland WPA work and also district time keeper has been notified of his promotion as Safety Supervisor for the entire seventh district of WPA.

Mr. Hudson said this morning that the safety offices will likely be located in Shelby.

B. T. Falls Named Bar President At Dinner And Annual Meeting

Judge B. T. Falls was named president of the Cleveland County Bar association at a meeting held Friday evening at the home of D. Z. Newton, retiring president.

Henry B. Edwards was named vice-president, A. A. Powell was re-elected secretary and Gerald Go-bay, youngest member of the bar, was named treasurer, succeeding Frank L. Hoyle, Jr. Mr. Edwards succeeded Judge Falls, who was vice president last year.

Explosion Kills One, Injures 15

FLINT, Mich., Sept. 28.—(AP)—One person was killed and fifteen injured today when a gasoline tank exploded in the General Tire company's service station here, hospital attendants said some of the injured might die.

The dead was identified only as a tire retreader.

The explosion occurred in downtown Flint and demolished the offices of the tire company and damaged nearby buildings.

Fire followed the blast and firemen were attempting to prevent the spread of the flames to surrounding property.

Fascist Armies Command Toledo; Approach Madrid

Government Forces Begin Defensive Shelling Of Approaching Front

By The Associated Press

A Fascist army, 8,000 strong, commanded the ancient city of Toledo today after routing government defenders and freeing comrades from the ruins of the long-besieged Fortress Alcazar.

The government forces fled to the south and east their path north to Madrid blocked by insurgents. In ragged flight the loyalist militia stopped at intervals to shell Toledo and then sped on their way.

Shell Fire

Late today government forces took up position about ten miles north of Toledo and began artillery shelling of Fascist concentrations at Bargas, about five miles north. Aerial bombers aided the offensive.

A vicious counter attack also was being pressed against the Toledo Fascists, the government reported, taking cognizance of rumors its leaders were abandoning Madrid. The minister of the interior asserted, "Several ministers left Madrid to visit the various fronts but their return is a matter of hours." The Madrid regime, admitting officially the fall of Toledo, issued an urgent call for all militiamen and volunteers to hasten to their barracks.

Entered Yesterday

The Fascist troops smashed their way into Toledo yesterday afternoon.

Next objectives of the Fascist army, consolidating its lines here, was expected to be a crushing drive toward Madrid, 40 miles to the north.

Meanwhile at Bilbao Spanish government warships gave the city a respite from Fascist attack, a naval bombardment halted the insurgents' advance.

Tom Batchelor has moved from the F. D. Quinn residence to the Roberts Inn.

Wilbur Wilson, principal of Dover mill school is confined to his home suffering with a slight illness.

BIG BLAZES THREATEN OTHERS

Southern Oregon Is Blazing Torch

1,500 Left Homeless With Armories And Hospitals Crowded.

MARSHFIELD, Oregon, Sept. 28.—A town of 1,500 and a nearby settlement were in ruins, seven persons were dead and other small towns were threatened today as forest fires converted virtually the whole of timber clad southwestern Oregon into a giant torch.

Another settlement was wiped out in Northern California.

Fear Wind Change

United States Forest service information that a third of Myrtle Point, Oregon, was in flames was dispensed later but M. M. Craven, Myrtle Point fireman said a shift in wind would endanger the town of 2,000, thirty miles from Bandon, destroyed Saturday night.

Fires crackled at the outskirts of Coquille, North Bend and Marshfield. The settlement of Prosper was wiped out. Damages were in the millions.

1,500 Homeless

Fifteen hundred were homeless, armories and hospitals were crowded.

Only a shift or diminution in daily winds or a rain could save at least three towns and thousands of acres of timberland, authorities said. More than 3,000 men were on the fire lines.

In northern California thousands of acres lay blackened by fire.

School Officials From 50 Counties To Convene Here

School men of fifty western North Carolina counties together with men of the 50 counties responsible for bus transportation of school children will gather in Shelby Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock for a program that will take most of the day, the opening session to be held at the American Legion building at 11 o'clock.

Lieut. Gov. A. H. (Sandy) Graham, chairman of the state school commission, will preside at this session. Talks will probably be made at this meeting by Mr. Graham, Lloyd Griffin, secretary of the state school commission, and by several members of the commission, which comprises a man from each of the 11 congressional districts of the state.

The Delegates

School superintendents from the fifty counties, chairmen of the boards of education and of the county commissioners, and the mechanic in charge of school buses from each county will meet in this joint session.

About 1 o'clock the 250 people expected to attend the meeting will be served lunch by the American Legion auxiliary. The luncheon will be served in the newly completed county garage building.

In New Garage

Following the luncheon all of the school mechanics will have a meeting in the county garage building and at this meeting matters of interest in providing transportation for school children will be discussed informally.

Safety and economical operation of the buses will be the chief topic of discussion at this meeting. In addition to school officials representatives of bus and body manufacturers will be present and will take part in this informal discussion, bringing experience gained by manufacturers to the school men.

The Markets

Cotton spot 18 1/2 to 19c
Cotton seed, wagon, ton \$33.00
Cotton seed, car lots, ton \$36.00

Close on New York cotton for Monday: Jan. 11.24, Mar. 11.93, May 11.28, July 11.21, Oct. 12.05, Dec. 11.94