

South Starts Work of Helping Regions Which Were Struck By Damaging Tornadoes Yesterday

NINETY-FIVE DEAD BODIES ARE FOUND

And It Is Definitely Known That 400 Others Were Injured and Many of Them May Not Recover.

SOUTH CAROLINA SUFFERED MOST

In That State 66 Persons Were Killed—Georgia Lost 13, Alabama 11 and North Carolina Three.

Atlanta, Ga., May 1.—(By the Associated Press).—With ninety-five persons known to be dead, more than a score missing, approximately 500 injured, some possibly fatally, and hundreds homeless, the southeast set about today to relieve the regions stricken yesterday and Tuesday by the worst wind storms in its history.

Tornadoes descending upon widely separated sections, caused damage estimated at \$10,000,000 in the seven states of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, North Carolina, Virginia, Louisiana and Arkansas. The latter two were the first to suffer, being in the area in which the disturbance originated, on Tuesday.

Early today incomplete reports delayed by crippled wire facilities distributed the total list of dead as follows:

South Carolina—Sixty-six.
Georgia—Thirteen.
Alabama—Eleven.
North Carolina—Three.
Louisiana—One.
Arkansas—Three.

With many points in the path of the storms yet completely isolated, reports of additional casualties were anticipated hourly.

Relief work is proceeding rapidly under the supervision of the American Red Cross, assisted by numerous local organizations, municipal and county governments, and individuals. Hundreds of the more fortunate survivors of the storm have thrown open their homes to the sufferers, while in virtually every locality in the affected districts temporary kitchens have been set up to dispense food to the hungry.

A picture of desolation and wreckage was left in the wake of the storm which traversed a path roughly estimated at more than 1,000 miles long. Its destructive force, however, seemed to have been partly spent as it sped eastward through Virginia last evening, no deaths having occurred there so far as known, and slight property damage compared to other sections.

The dead and injured and many of those unhurt were picked up by the wind and hurled through the air hundreds of feet. Miles of telephone and telegraph lines were torn down, hundreds of dwellings and other buildings were ripped from their foundations and demolished, trees were uprooted and live-stock killed, bridges were washed away, and roads flooded in many sections by torrential rains which accompanied the storm.

Women and children made up a large part of the known dead.

Entire communities were destroyed in some sections and there was not a place in the storm's path which escaped wholly unscathed.

Total Dead Now 108.

Atlanta, May 1.—(By the Associated Press).—Reports of additional deaths from tornadoes in Richland and Sumter counties in South Carolina, today swelled the life toll to 108 in the series of storms that struck southeastern states yesterday.

Poppies to Be Sold for Benefit of Ex-Servicemen.

(By the Associated Press.)

Durham, N. C., May 1.—Plans for the sale of poppies for the benefit of the ex-servicemen who are in the government hospitals, are being perfected, the Women's Auxiliary of the local post of the American Legion, according to information received at the post headquarters. For the past several years, it was stated, the Durham women have been taking part in the annual poppy sale for the benefit of the disabled world war veterans who are in the various government hospitals over the country. Heretofore the sales have been large, it was said, and the belief was expressed that the sales this year would be a success.

WHAT SMITTY'S WEATHER CAT SAYS

Pair tonight and Friday, slightly cooler in the east and central portions to night.

GEN. CARR DID MUCH FOR TRINITY COLLEGE

He Brought the College to Durham and Donated the Land on Which It Was Built.

Trinity College, Durham, N. C., May 1.—Trinity College, endeavoring to brace up under the shock of the passing of its late son Joseph H. Carr, yesterday received with profound sorrow the news of the death in Chicago Tuesday night of General Julian S. Carr, one of the oldest of the friends of the College. In announcing the sad news to the College Community this morning at the regular chapel exercises, Dr. W. P. Few, President of the College, paid a high tribute to the memory of the distinguished citizen of North Carolina and interested friend of the college.

General Carr, Dr. Few said, was deeply interested in the movement which brought Trinity from the place of its birth in Randolph county to its present beautiful site in Durham. Together with Washington Duke and his illustrious sons, Messrs. J. B. and B. N. Duke, he was instrumental in bringing Trinity to Durham. It was he who gave to the college a large tract of land, something in excess of sixty acres, upon which most of the college buildings now stand.

Preceding this throughout the stormy years following the death of Dr. Braxton Craven, founder of Trinity College, General Carr, with Col. J. W. Abbe and Mr. James A. Gray, stood by the Institution when its very existence seemed threatened. It was the untiring and unselfish efforts of these men which kept the college alive in those dark days.

In 1887 General Carr gave \$10,000 to the permanent endowment fund of the college. This amount was applied to founding the Chair of Philosophy which bears his name. Another gift which General Carr made to the college was in the form of a medal, known as the Ruxton Craven Medal, which is awarded annually for the best essay submitted by an undergraduate student of the College.

General Carr, throughout the years since the removal of the college to Durham, has kept in active touch with the Institution. For a number of years he served as member of the Trinity Board of Trustees and he never spared any effort in helping provide for the rapid growth which the college has undergone within the past few years.

The Trinity flag is flying at half-mast, and the entire college community is mourning the loss of this long-time friend and benefactor of the college.

PLEADS FOR FORD PLAN

W. J. Cummins Says People of South Carolina Want Ford to Get Plan, Which They Feel Is Theirs.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, May 1.—The Muscle Shoals hearing took spectacular turn today when W. J. Cummins, a former inmate of Sing Sing prison, arose in defense of Henry Ford's bid for Muscle Shoals, and told the committee a romantic story of his life's history.

He identified himself as president of the Bon Air Coal and Iron Company and declared he had regained his fortune and standing in society, after being sent to Sing Sing, charged with wrecking the Carnegie Trust Company of New York, which he had purchased. He declared he had lost \$3,000,000 in the bank's crash which he said was caused before he bought control. Charles S. Whitman, then district attorney, prosecuted him, and later pardoned him unconditionally when Whitman became governor of New York, he said.

"We want Henry Ford down here," he said, and argued "don't do anything to keep him away." Muscle Shoals, he said, belongs to the South.

WORLD COURT PROPONENTS APPEAR BEFORE COMMITTEE

Persons Favoring American Participation in World Court to Speak to the Committee.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, May 1.—Proponents of American participation in the world court massed here today to lay their arguments before the Senate foreign relations sub-committee authorized to take evidence on the question continued to present their views at today's session of the hearing.

The advocates who have joined forces to advance their cause, made way for the women's organizations favoring the court at the morning session, having selected Miss Jane Addams, of Chicago, and Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, of New York, as the general spokesmen for this part of the hearing.

Representatives of the American Federation of Labor were allotted time to present their views at an afternoon session, together with other advocates.

Statewide Search for Charlie Pritchard

Chapel Hill, N. C., May 1.—A statewide search for Charlie Pritchard is said to now be in operation by the friends and relatives of the young man who students say has been missing from the University where he was a student, for two weeks. It has been reported that students heard from him in Durham less than a week ago but at the University it was stated that he had not attended classes since the Easter holidays.

Sixty-Four Dead Bodies Located.

Wheeler, W. Va., May 1.—Sixty-four bodies of victims of Monday's explosion in the Benwood Mine had been found by rescue workers up to noon today.

MARTIN COUNTY WAS HARD HIT BY STORM

Citizens of County Set Out Today to Make Check of Injured and Ascertain the Extent of Damage.

NUMBER INJURED BY THE TORNADO

Ten Persons Were Missing Last Night After the Storm—Three Persons Killed at Pace's Mill.

(By the Associated Press.)

Raleigh, N. C., May 1.—Led by Mayor Cox, of Robersonville, Martin County, a civilian committee set out from Robersonville this morning to check up on the damage and personal injuries caused by the tornado which struck that county yesterday afternoon, causing injury to more than two score persons, one probably fatally, and property damage estimated at more than a million dollars. The committee also was to locate if possible, the ten or more persons who could not be located last night, and who it was believed may have suffered injuries in the tornado.

At Pace's Mill, 9 miles from Chapel Hill, where the tornado also struck, everything possible was being done for the 8 injured persons, and the bodies of the three who were killed had been removed to an undertaking establishment. Dave Blalock, his wife and son, were killed when the mill was swept from its foundations and carried up a hill more than a hundred feet, destroying half a dozen houses of small farmers and mill workers. The body of Mrs. Blalock was found more than 300 yards from the ruins of her home.

Raising Funds for Victims.

Anderson, S. C., May 1.—A total of \$15,000 will be made available by the city of Anderson and Anderson County for the immediate relief of 500 persons made homeless by yesterday's tornado, which took eight lives and did property damage of \$1,500,000, it was stated today by officials. Contributions through the Red Cross have added \$1,000 to the amount provided officially.

Seventy-Nine Killed in South Carolina.

Columbia, S. C., May 1.—The list of dead and injured in the series of tornadoes that swept over South Carolina yesterday continued to grow today as reports of additional deaths slowly trickled into Columbia from the stricken regions. Seventy-nine known dead had been reported up to 1 o'clock.

The heaviest loss of life appeared to be in Richland and Sumter counties. Twenty-one death certificates had been issued in the former, twenty for victims of the Horrell Hill-Lykesland tornado, and one for a woman lightning victim in Columbia. Sumter county reported 20 to 22 deaths, all negroes except one. Florence county's death roll stood at 17 by the latest report.

GEN. CARR'S BODY IS EN ROUTE TO DURHAM

Funeral Arrangements Will Be Made by Deceased's Oldest Son, Claiborne Carr.

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, May 1.—The body of General Julian S. Carr, who died Tuesday night, was to leave Chicago at 1 p. m. for Durham, N. C. His daughter, Mrs. Henry C. Flowers, of Kansas City, and her husband, will accompany the body. Although it previously had been understood that the funeral would be held Monday, final arrangements will be decided upon by Claiborne Carr, the General's eldest son, at Durham. The funeral party is expected to reach Durham Friday night. The journey will be made by way of Washington.

The Simmons Proposal Accepted by Senate Democracy.

Washington, April 30.—Senate Democrats at a conference tonight formally approved the income tax schedule proposed by Senator Simmons, North Carolina, as a substitute for the Mellon plan.

The Simmons schedule calls for reduction of the maximum surtax rate to forty per cent, instead of 25 per cent, as suggested by Secretary Mellon, and for a 50 per cent. cut in the normal taxes on incomes below \$8,000.

Asheville Plumbers Get \$11 Per Day.

Asheville, April 30.—The majority of the plumbing shops in the city reached an agreement today with union plumbers and steam fitters regarding the new scale proposed by the union and which becomes effective tomorrow. The new scale calls for daily scale of \$11 with \$8 for junior plumbers. All overtime is double time.

A young English engineer, strolling one evening along a country road, noticed that the seeds falling from the acornucorns acquired a rotary motion before reaching the ground. Taking one up, he found that the two wings were turned in opposite directions, at an angle to each other, and that this mutual inclination caused them to revolve. This gave him the idea of the screw-propeller, which now drives gigantic liners across the Atlantic.

METHODISTS MAY UNITE

Present Session of General Conference of Methodists Expected to Be an Important One.

Springfield, Mass., May 1.—With hymns of praise and prayers for divine guidance the quadrennial session of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was begun at the municipal auditorium in this city today. At the first sitting, which began at 10 o'clock and lasted several hours, the formal ceremonies of the opening were gone through and organization was effected, leaving everything in readiness for the vast amount of business that is expected to come before the body for disposition.

When the assemblage was called to order nearly all the delegates were in their seats and the remainder of the spacious auditorium was filled with spectators of both sexes, who followed the proceedings with closest attention. There were accredited to the conference 850 delegates, who, with the fraternal visitors, come from forty-four countries and represent 4,775,000 communicants of the Methodist Episcopal denomination. Among the delegates are men of national and international reputation, conspicuous in the church and in business and professional life.

The present conference is expected to be one of the most important in the history of the church. The plan for unification with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, drawn up by commissions from the two denominations, will be considered and acted upon by the conference. It is understood that the outlook is favorable. The plan calls for a general conference in which both churches will participate while keeping their own permanent organization intact. The merger of the two churches would end a distinction which has existed since the general convention of 1845, when the denomination split on the question of slavery.

Other matters to come before the general conference are numerous and so important that many of them may create a temporary sensation of their own. Among these are world peace, whether or not the church should have a daily newspaper all its own, the social problems of today in America, the election of officers for the coming four years and the selection of a place for the next convention, and a number of minor questions affecting the administration and policies of the church as a whole and through its local organizations.

The question of amusements will again come up for discussion. There is a strong sentiment in favor of allowing Methodist young people to dance, play cards and attend the theatre with a perfectly good conscience, and a number of the local conferences have adopted resolutions to this end.

Questions of theology are not expected to arise, as the church government and policy are sure to create a large degree of attention. The question of limiting the tenure of bishops to eight years, that of electing district superintendents at the conferences instead of appointments by the bishops, also that of frequent changes of field for church leaders, from bishops down, are coming up. The five-year limit on the pastor's office in a given field may be reimposed.

Admission of women to ordination for the itinerant ministry and not merely as local preachers is to be recommended to the conference, and a strong demand is expected to be voiced in favor of full recognition for the sex in this regard. The entire organization of the benevolent boards of the denomination is to be considered and the plans debated for reorganization. Several plans have been proposed for a new organization, and a commission was appointed to study the question. The general conference will decide whether the present ten highly specialized boards will be combined into a single general board with many departments, combined with a smaller group of four or five, or left as they are.

It has been proved, as the result of experiments, that the circulation of the blood is affected by music.



Webster and his cow walked 50 miles to college.

Boys like Webster are few. Most of them don't want an education as badly as he did. He traveled on foot through the wilderness, a fifty-mile stretch, in order to enter college.

Such ambitious examples are inspiring. And we all have it in us. If we give "that something" a chance, it carries us on to success.

There are hundreds who have placed modest savings in our institution who may have struggled as hard as Webster, in the beginning. But they won out.

They acquired homes. They succeeded in business. They sent children to college. They provided for that "rainy day" which can not now touch them.

All the funds placed with this institution are protected by first mortgages, principally on homes, the safest security in the world.

NEW SERIES NOW OPEN

CITIZENS BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION

Office in Citizens Bank Building

Drawing of Proposed Hotel Is On Exhibit In City

Tentative Plans for the New Hostelry Call For Building That Will Be a Credit to the City.

SELLING STOCK IN COMPANY

Old Stockholders to Be Given First Chance to Get the Stock Which Will Be a Good Investment.

A drawing of the proposed new hotel for Concord is being shown now at the Gibson Drug Store and is arousing interest among those persons who realize that Concord's greatest need at present is modern hotel facilities. The drawing was made by George Sayre, architect, of Anderson, S. C., who has been engaged by the local company which is raising funds with which to erect the hostelry.

The tentative plans for the hotel building assure for Concord a hotel that will take rank with the best in the State. The building will not be as large as many of the newest hostels in the larger cities but it will be just as modern and convenient, and is being planned on a scale fitting with the needs of the city. It will be seven stories in height, with an outside exposure for each room.

Last year when the present St. Cloud Hotel property was purchased by the local company, which was organized for the purpose of giving Concord a modern hotel, enough stock was sold to purchase the property. Since then no effort was made to sell more stock until this week when members of the company began a canvass of the city to increase the stock. All of the old stockholders will be given a chance to increase their holdings in the company and should they fail to take enough stock to pay for the building other persons in the city will be given an opportunity to subscribe.

"The contract which the company will secure for the building will assure the stockholders a return of about 6 per cent, on their money each year for 15 or 20 years," one of the canvassers stated today, "and for this reason we are not expecting to have much trouble in selling enough stock to carry on the work."

"While we are going to give the old stockholders first chance to increase their holdings we are going to let other people have an opportunity to get in on the deal also," the canvasser explained. "We hope to raise most of the money during the next two weeks, and we can easily arrange to borrow any difference that will be needed to complete the structure."

"In addition to being a good financial investment buying stock in the hotel company is a fine civic investment. Concord is getting unfavorable publicity through her lack of hotel facilities and it is the duty of her citizens to make a sacrifice if need be, to wipe out the black spots recorded against her because she offers no modern hotel accommodations."

"But we are certain no sacrifice will be made. Several well known hotel men of the State are bidding for the management of the hotel. They have made very attractive propositions, one of which will assure for the stockholders a handsome return on their money. The lease can be made for 12, 15 or 20 years and the return investment will bring in about 6 per cent. each year."

In addition to the new hotel the Concord National Bank plans to erect a modern home in keeping with the hotel structure. The bank will erect its home on the corner of Union and Depot streets, at the site of its present home, and its part of the structure will be the same height as the hotel building.

Final plans for the hotel structure have not been made it is stated by members of the company financing the proposition, but tentative plans have been agreed upon and only a few minor details remain to be straightened out. These details probably will be completed in the very near future.

It is also reported by the company that the lease of the building has not yet been granted. Several prominent hotel men of this and other states want to secure the lease which probably will be granted after another conference with the various hotel men in the immediate future.

Under present plans contract for the building probably will be let within the next 45 or 60 days. By that time all plans for the building will have been completed, the lease granted and the money secured.

J. S. Efrd Gives \$10,000 to Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute

The appeal for a \$75,000 dormitory for the Collegiate Institute at Mt. Pleasant has begun in a fine manner. Fifteen thousand dollars of the above amount is already raised.

Mr. J. S. Efrd, of Albemarle, gives \$5,000 and says that he may do more. Mr. Efrd expresses himself as being deeply interested in the cause of education in general and of the growth and development of Lutheran schools in North Carolina, particularly the two schools at Mt. Pleasant.

In addition to Mr. Efrd's gift, alumni and friends of the school have pledged \$10,000. Alumni and ex-students of the school are determined that a dormitory shall be built. They are pledging

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Decline of 12 Points to Advance of 7 Points—Steadied After Opening.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, May 1.—The cotton market opened steady today at a decline of 12 points to an advance of seven points, near months being lower under overnight selling orders while later deliveries were influenced by the storm news from the eastern belt sections. Liverpool was relatively firm, however, and after the initial offerings here had been absorbed, the market ruled steady on covering and trade buying. May advanced from 29.35 to 29.53, and October sold up from 24.25 to 24.47, making net advances of about six to seven points.
Cotton futures opened steady. May, 29.40; July 27.80; Oct. 24.45; Dec. 23.74; Jan. 23.42.

CONDITION OF COL. BURCH IMPROVED TODAY

General Manager of Charlotte Observer Has Been Critically Ill for the Past Several Days.

(By the Associated Press.)
Charlotte, May 1.—Colonel A. W. Burch, general manager of the Charlotte Observer, who is critically ill at his home here, today was reported to be in a slightly improved condition. Colonel Burch is suffering from heart trouble, and two days ago was ordered by his physician to remain in bed until further orders. There is no immediate danger of his death, it was stated, but he is required to remain quiet, and no one is permitted to see him.

SEC. EVERETT RECOVERING FROM 3 MAJOR OPERATIONS

Secretary of State For North Carolina Had Operations in Hospital in Charlotte.

(By the Associated Press.)
Charlotte, May 1.—Secretary of State W. N. Everett, who underwent three major operations at a local hospital yesterday, was reported today to be making satisfactory progress toward recovery. Hospital attendants said he "had a good night" and was "feeling fine." The secretary was operated on for appendicitis, gall stones and intestinal trouble.

DR. CHARLES MANLY DEAD AT GAFFNEY

Was President of Furman University For Many Years and Pastor of Many Churches.

(By the Associated Press.)
Gaffney, S. C., May 1.—Dr. Charles Manly, president of Furman University at Greenville from 1881 to 1897, died here at midnight at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edward Watson. He was born in Charleston in 1855 and served as pastor of Baptist churches in a number of states. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

With Our Advertisers.

Eye strain often causes headaches. Let the Starnes-Miller-Parker Co. do you up.

Friday specials at Robinson's tomorrow. This weekly feature at this store is growing in popularity. See new ad. for some of the good things that await you.

A. B. Pounds has reduced the price of the best Jellico coal to \$8.75 in ton lots.

Commencing Friday the Specialty Hat Shop will have a ten days sale of hats. Some wonderful bargains await you. The Sanitary Grocery Co. will have a fine assortment of fish for Friday and Saturday.

Cline & Moore sell the highest grades of feed, and the price is always right, too. Sugar 9 cents a pound at the Piggy Wiggly.

Use Mel-Bro Lotion for a beautiful complexion. At all drug stores. See the exhibition of Hoeser cabinets this week at H. B. Wilkinson's.

Take some shares now in the new series of the Citizens Building and Loan Association.

While you are able to earn money better put all you can in the bank. See new ad. of Citizens Bank and Trust Co. Now is a mighty good time to take out some tornado insurance. See new ad. of John K. Patterson & Co.

The Parks-Bell Co. is offering some wonderful bargains for Friday and Saturday in ladies' felt bed room slippers, and also in the shoe, millinery and ready-to-wear departments.

"Here today, gone tomorrow"—that's the way Patt Covington sells goods.

There will be preaching at Howell's next Sunday by the pastor, Rev. M. D. L. Preslar, of Wingate, at 3 o'clock. Sunday school at 2 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

Abernethy Regales Solons With Plaise of North Carolina

Washington, April 30.—Praises of the "Grand Old State of North Carolina" were sung in the House by one of its Representatives—Abernethy, a Democrat from the third district.

"If all the cigarettes made in North Carolina were rolled into one," he said, "young man could lean against the South Pole. Light his cigarette from the fire of the Halley's comet, and blow smoke around the seven seas."

"If all the talies made in the State were stretched into one festive board, they would seat all the banquet guests from the days of King Arthur to the recent fiasco of the Arms Conference."

"And if all the stockings were made into one huge sock it would hold all the toys of Santa Claus."

The most isolated town in the world is said to be Manassas, on the Rio Negro, not far from that mighty tributary the junction with the Amazon. It is the only town of Amazonia, and situated a thousand miles from any other civilization.

SECRETARY FINNEY THINKS CALIFORNIA OIL LEASE INVALID

Tells Senate Oil Committee Lease Given For Reserve No. 2 in California Was Not Legally Made.

SEC. WORK HAS ISSUED LEASES

That Part of Reserve No. 2 Not Leased by Fall, Has Been Leased by His Successor Recently.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, May 1.—Turning its attention for the first time to naval reserve No. 2 in California, the Senate oil committee was advised today by Assistant Secretary Finney of the Interior Department, that a search of the records failed to show the necessary Presidential approval of the lease over 3,000 acres in that reserve to the Honolulu Oil Company.

The lease was not valid, the witness said, unless approved by the President, because Secretary Fall had no authority of his own to make such a contract.

All of the naval reserve No. 2 had been leased by Fall with the exception of 1280 acres, he said, and since Secretary Work came into office the remainder has been leased at the request of the Navy Department. The leases made since Fall resigned carry royalties of from 61 to 50 per cent, he said, which was much higher than those under Fall.

At the conclusion of Mr. Finney's testimony the committee took a recess until May 8th.

WHEELER COMMITTEE HEARS MORE EVIDENCE

One Witness Says Senator Was to Get Money But There Is No Record That He Got It.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, May 1.—The special Senate committee investigating the indictment of Senator Wheeler, in Montana, was told today that the Senator had promised when he came to Washington to take care of the land permits in which his client, Gordon Campbell, was interested.

W. M. Rhea, a Colorado oil man, testified that he heard such an assurance given to Campbell in January, 1923, and that Campbell had told him Wheeler was to be paid for it. The Montana indictment charged that the Senator took a fee for appearing before the Interior Department in the matter.

Under a severe cross examination the witness stuck to his story but said he first had made these statements within ten minutes after he had met Blair Conn, sent to Montana by Secretary Lockwood of the republican national committee, although he did not know for what purpose Conn wanted the information.

Prior to Rhea's testimony the committee had received from Commissioner Spry of the general land office, a letter saying the files of his office failed to show that Senator Wheeler ever had appeared as an attorney for him in land matters.

Strawberry Season Has Begun.

(By the Associated Press.)