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Tarboro Struck By Cloudburst

Homes And Stores Flooded By Heavy Storm, Crops Badly Damaged

Tarboro, July 21.—A cloudburst accompanied by lashing winds did much damage to property, flooding homes and stores and uprooting many trees here this afternoon. Telephone and power lines went down in many sections of the city but no immediate estimate of the damage could be obtained. City authorities blocked off sections where wires were down to prevent accidents. The storm, which struck at 4 o'clock and lasted about 15 minutes, was accompanied by hailstones, some of which were three quarters of an inch in diameter. A hurried checkup showed extensive crop damage in surrounding sections. Water rose to a depth of four feet in the streets in several parts of town, stalling a number of automobiles. Several downtown stores had water several inches deep on their floors during the downpour as storm drains failed to carry off the water. The storm was ushered in by lightning and thunder. One farmer, James Ruffin, reported that four mules and a horse were killed by lightning.

Throgs Attend Bureau Meeting

Nashville—July 14.—Approximately one thousand Nash county farmers and their wives thronged the local high school grounds yesterday for the first annual meeting of the Nash Co. Bureau. Following an interesting program, the entire audience was served a barbecue dinner.

The conference opened shortly after eleven o'clock yesterday in the auditorium of the Nashville high school building with W. F. Woodruff, President of the County organization, calling the meeting to order. Addresses were delivered by the following named gentlemen: Mayor D. W. Perry delivered the address of welcome. Congressman Harold D. Cooley, C. F. Holsinger, President of the Virginia Farm Bureau, E. F. Arnold, Secretary of the North Carolina Bureau, County Agent H. G. Wharton, J. E. Creswell from State College, E. B. Sellers, Jr., and C. J. Matthews of Spring Hope. There were representatives from Franklin, Wilson, Pitt and Halifax counties. The meeting was enthusiastic and clearly showed that the farmers of this section are determined in their efforts through cooperation to try to put agriculture on a more substantial basis. Congressman Cooley, who is a member of the Congressional Agricultural Committee, and has rendered distinctive services to the farmers of the Nation pointed out that within the past decade the tendency in every line of activity is toward group organization. He said that the nation has been breaking into the old age group, the youth group, the industrial group and numerous other groups among which the farm group is high in importance. It is through their respective organizations, he stated, that these groups are able to exert pressure to gain their ends. Without organization, he said, the nation has witnessed agriculture wrecked upon the shoals of bankruptcy, mortgages foreclosed and the farmer hopeless and helpless. Now, he said, the farmers of North Carolina and the nation are turning to an organization in order that their cries may be coordinated and their pleas heard. In Washington, he said the farmer now has organization representatives acquainted with the machinery of legislation while at home that same organization holds a hand upon the very pulse of the people. Such an organization, he asserted, is qualified to carry on for the farm welfare.

Reviewing parts of recent federal farm legislation, Cooley said, "I am not willing to accept a program of scarcity as a permanent policy. We must find a market for the surplus farm produce."

Orthopedic Clinic In Tarboro Monday

Tarboro, July 22.—The Tarboro Rotary Club will conduct its regular Orthopedic Clinic, Monday, July 27, 1936, beginning at 1 P. M. in the Presbyterian Sunday School building in Tarboro. The club is anxious to reach the unfortunate cripples who are unable to pay for treatment.

SINK GEORGE'S YACHT

Cowes, England.—Carrying out the terms of the will of the late King George, of England, which specified that his yacht, Britannica, was to be destroyed if neither the new King Edward nor his three brothers desired to use her, the famous yacht, wreathed in white daisies and red roses, was sunk in the English channel.

More Jobs Given In Industry

Placements in private industry during the 1935-36 fiscal year gained 3,209 over the preceding year and total placements were up by 61,603, Mrs. May Thompson Evans, director of the North Carolina State Employment Service stated. There were 142,547 placements of all kinds in 1935-36, she reported, compared with 75,928 in 1934-35. Total registrations were 79,451 during 1934-35, and 174,682 during last fiscal year, with the active balance of registrants being 97,813 during 1934-35 and 103,322 during 1935-36.

Mayor Attends League Meeting

Oxford Man Head of Committee on Resolutions At Wilmington Session

Mayor George Iseley of Raleigh, was named president of the North Carolina League of Municipalities at the closing session of the 90th annual convention in Wilmington last Friday, Mayor James A. Taylor said upon his return to the city from the convention. Mr. Taylor is a former president of the league. Other officers are Mayor Ben E. Douglas of Charlotte, vice president; J. E. L. Wade of Wilmington, second vice-president, and Mayor Marvin Blount of Greenville, third vice president. Capus M. Waynick of the North Carolina Highway Commission, asked that the municipal authorities use their influence in having the General Assembly appropriate a half million dollars of highway funds for advertising the resorts and tourists advantages of North Carolina. Following is the legislation program adopted by the league: Planks in the legislative platform are:

1. Social security in accordance with the Federal program.
 2. State funds for direct relief and, failing this, authority for a countywide relief tax.
 3. Continued diversion of State highway funds for maintenance of highways within municipal limits.
 4. Home rule for cities, with all charter changes to be subjected to a vote of the electorate rather than to the will of the Legislature.
 5. Retention of liquor profits by cities and counties, the division to be made on a per capita basis.
 6. Delinquent water rents to be made liens against property.
 7. A simplified tax collection act.
 8. The assurance of city school district debts by the counties.
- The report of the resolutions committee, of which Mayor Taylor was chairman, was adopted without change. It placed the league on record as desiring or advocating continuance of highway fund allotments for street maintenance; simplified tax collection laws and defeat of the proposed \$1,000 homestead exemption.

William Howell Is Buried Here

Gates County Native Died At Home Here—Was 64

William J. Howell, 64, longtime local resident and employe of the Rocky Mount Mills, was buried in the Falls cemetery here. Rev. Rufus Bradley, pastor of Marvin Methodist church, conducted the funeral from the home, No. 2 Elm street. Mr. Howell was the victim of heart trouble early Sunday. Mr. Howell, employed at the Mills for about 23 years until a few months ago when his health made it desirable for him to stop, was a native of Gates county. He had lived here nearly 23 years, and moved here from Hertford county. He was a Methodist, and was the son of the late John W. Howell, of Gates county, and Mrs. Molly Wilder Howell, now of this city. He had been ill several months and died at home about 1 o'clock. Besides his wife, formerly Nannie Taylor, he leaves his children, Jesse W., Otho G., and Elmer W. Howell, all of Rocky Mount; three brothers, N. E., W. M., and L. N. Howell, also of this city; and a sister, Mrs. Mary Ellis, also a local resident. Pallbearers included J. E. Williams, J. E. Wilder, A. B. Casey, G. F. Ramsey, Milton West, and M. S. Strickland.

TOBACCO BAIT CATCHES FOX

Hagerstown, Md.—While walking through a field with several companions, Dewey Cutshaw saw a fox take to its den. Placing a chew of tobacco on the end of a stick, he thrust it into the hole and drew it out with an angry fox dangling on the other end. He repeated this process four times, each time drawing out a fox which had grabbed the end of the tobacco-coated stick in a rage at having it pushed in his face. "Watter, is your corn tender?" "Very sir, and the sooner you take your foot off the better I'll like it."

Comm. Approves Fare Increase

Two Cent Rate To Be Effective After 15 Days Notice Given To Public

The State Utilities Commission approved the increase in passenger fares, from one and a half cents per mile, sought by the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad in a hearing here last July 13. The increase will be effective some time after 15 days' notice to the public as required by law, C. H. Noah, assistant director of railroad transportation, said. The commission's order declared the increase was granted because the A. C. L. had demonstrated that the one-and-a-half-cent fare did not allow "a fair return on its investment." Expenditures by the railroad amounting to more than a half million dollars for air-conditioning, also were taken into consideration. The increase brings the railroad's fares up to the level prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The A. C. L. put the lower rate into effect to meet motor competition, officials of the Utilities Commission said.

Moore Predicts Wilson Sales

Wilson, July 22.—M. Z. Moore, independent tobacco buyer, whose predictions on the local market have proved correct for a number of years now, predicted Tuesday that the local market would sell around 53,000,000 pounds of tobacco this year or around 20,000,000 less than last year. Moore also said Tuesday that good tobacco would bring better than the average price this year while the majority of the tobacco would bring very poor prices.

Liberty League Issues Statement

Washington, July 19.—Contending that the New Deal had been "thwarted in its attempt to extend the authority of the Federal government through laws held unconstitutional by the Supreme Court," the American Liberty League asserted today the Administration had turned to the use of taxing power to attain those ends. The league, in a statement, said that "the New Deal has prostituted the taxing power under the Constitution to accomplish social and economic ends remote from the raising of revenue." The League contended that "thru the power of taxation the New Deal has sought to experiment with economic theories, regiment industry, penalize Big Business, redistribute wealth and otherwise interrupt and obstruct the free flow of individual initiative and business activity." "Use of the taxing power to tighten the hold of the government on industry is one method of accomplishing regulation which the Supreme Court in the NRA case refused to sustain under the Commerce clause of the Constitution."

Brothers Arrested On Assault Charges

Robert And Atlas Boykin Give Up Without Resistance; One Hunted For Year

Wilson, July 22.—Two young Wilson County brothers, one of whom has been hunted by the local authorities for the last year for assault, were arrested in the woods near the Johnston County line this morning by a posse of Wilson deputies. The two, Robert Boykin, 25, and Atlas Boykin, 19, gave up to the officers without resistance after the deputies had waited for an hour or so in the woods. Robert is charged with assaulting Purvis Hawley, Wilson County man twice in the last year, while he is also charged with driving drunk last September. Atlas is charged with assaulting Daniel Hawley, brother of Purvis, on July 4, and assaulting a third Hawley brother, Vernice, last night, at which time, according to charges, he made another assault on Daniel Hawley. A hearing for the brothers on five warrants will be held before Squire L. C. Barnes here tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Atlas, who is under a suspended sentence for forgery in Superior Court, is being held under \$200 bond, while Robert is being held under \$300 bond. The deputies, Frank Carter, R. M. Page, J. A. Gregory and A. C. Hinton, said that the assault on the Hawley brothers during the year could be attributed to "pure meanness." They discredited the theory of a feud between the two families who live near together in Wilson County near Kenly.

Statesmen Visit Atlantic Beach

Washington, July 31.—North Carolina has 129 registered aircraft and 124 pilots, according to figures released today by the Bureau of Air Commerce. Of the aircraft 79 are licensed by the bureau and 50 are unlicensed. All are powered planes, none gliders, and the state has no glider pilots, the tabulation shows. Of the pilots 71 hold transport licenses, the highest rating given, 41 have private licenses and seven have amateur licenses. The figures also show that the Tar Heel State has 30 registered airports, in all eight of which are partly or fully lighted. Thirteen of these 30 are municipal ports, five commercial, three intermediate, and auxiliary and one army port. South Carolina has 50 aircraft, 53 pilots and 29 landing fields, eight of which are lighted.

50,000 CROSS NEW BRIDGE

New York.—In the first twenty-four hours of its operation, more than 50,000 vehicles, unhampered by intersections or red lights, paid toll to cross the gigantic structure, justifying the prediction made for it as a method of relieving traffic congestion between Manhattan, Bronx and Queens.

Taxi Driver's One Man Exhibition



Edward Van Baerle, a taxi driver in New York city, is also an artist and does his art work while waiting for fares. He is shown here with his one-man exhibition on the hood of his cab.

Rocky Mount Needs Place To Sit Down

Rocky Mount has developed into one of the largest trade centers in the eastern part of the State. People come here from adjoining and distant counties to trade and it has been called to our attention by many of these citizens that the progressive city of Rocky Mount has not provided any kind of benches or seats where the visitors as well as our own local citizens may sit down and rest after shopping.

A very honorable local citizen mentioned a few days ago that he always walked up town and liked to take a little rest before starting back, but there was not a place where one could sit down and not feel that he was probably in the way of someone.

New York City, the most populous place in the world to the square inch, has made provisions to meet this need by providing every few blocks a seat or grass nook where the weary may sit down. Rocky Mount has plenty of land, yet we have not provided for this necessity and comfort. There is a serious need for rest rooms in Rocky Mount for both white and colored. We have not provided for that. Why not take some of the relief money and spend it for these necessities and comforts. Let Rocky Mount take the lead in this respect, in fact we must try to catch up before we can lead, for there are many other cities in North Carolina, that have already provided these necessities.

NEED OF MORAL TRAINING

The Asheville crime is so shocking and horrible that it makes one shudder to read about it. In this day of supposed enlightenment and progress and civilization, it would seem that such a crime as this would be impossible. Is it not probable that our schools have laid too much stress upon books and book knowledge rather than moral and religious training? Should not the character of the teacher be the first qualification and the degree which she or he holds secondary rather than the degree first and moral training secondary? If this crime had taken place in the slums of New York and Chicago, we might charge it to ignorance, but this crime took place in one of the leading Hotels of the country and in the beautiful mountain city of Asheville, N. C.

OLD AGE PENSION DISPLACES COUNTY HOME

With the putting into effect the Old Age Pension law, it is expected that the inmates of the county home will be greatly reduced, in fact, we do not believe that many of the counties will operate a home at all.

We stand in favor of each county providing a comfortable place for its infirm and aged people, but we believe it would be a mistake for Edgecombe County to build a large county home at this time with the almost certain assurance that the Old Age Pension law will be put into effect next year.

If the county does build a new county home, it should be a small plant which could be enlarged as the needs require it.

Tobacco Crop To Be Short In N. C.

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DRIVERLESS CAR KILLS MAN

Greenville, July 20.—Pitt County's list of aspirants for the position of Congressman from the first district to succeed Lindsay C. Warren, should he be offered and accept the position of Comptroller General was increased to six this morning when Jack Edwards, local attorney, who represented Pitt County in the General Assembly of 1933 and served as secretary to Congressman Hallet S. Ward when he represented this district, indicated that he would probably become a candidate should a vacancy occur. He stated that he was interested foremost, however, in the selection of a Pitt County candidate for the post and would willingly forego any personal ambition to support a Pitt candidate.

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PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

Northampton Is Struck By Storm

Seaboard, July 22.—A check-up of Monday's electric, hail, and wind storm, one of the worst ever to visit this section, shows that farmers in the Gumberry and Bethel communities suffered considerable loss from crop and property damage. A path approximately four miles wide cut through northeast Northampton, with Seaboard just escaping by about two miles. Lightning struck the house of Z. L. Davenport in Gumberry and several trees in the storm area. In the lowlands, roads and many acres of cotton were covered by the heavy rain, and houses were flooded when the wind blew out windows. Orchards and farm buildings were destroyed, corn and cotton torn to ribbons by the hail. Roland Massey of the Bethel community reported that when he went out to check up his 17 pigs, he found them swimming over his pasture fence, only one being drowned. In spite of the severity of the storm, nobody has been reported injured.

First Wife Seeks Dr. Howe Estate

Richmond, Va., July 20.—Mrs. Ethel C. Howe, second wife of the late Dr. George Howe, nephew of President Wilson and for many years head of the classical language department of the University of North Carolina, today gave surety bond as executrix of Howe's estate, valued at \$15,000. She was required to furnish the bond after Mrs. Margaret Fliun Howe, the first wife, had obtained a temporary injunction to prevent her from disposing of any portion of the estate. The first wife contends that Howe's divorce, obtained in Arkansas in 1934, was not binding. Howe died here recently leaving his entire estate to his second wife and naming her as executrix. R. E. Payton, attorney for the first wife said today that the issues in the case would not be heard until next October after Judge William A. Moncreuf of Chancery Court returns from his vacation. Meanwhile the temporary injunction will remain in effect. Dr. Howe established his residence here a year or two ago and had since been making his home in this city. He was a resident of North Carolina when he obtained the divorce.

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While political leaders on both sides of the great presidential debate continue to claim everything in sight and look for new areas to possess vocally, all signs point to epochal struggles in several States, notably Pennsylvania, New York and Ohio, which, together, have 111 votes in the electoral college. Pennsylvania, long a Republican stronghold, is witnessing a strenuous effort to land it in the New Deal column this fall. The Repub-

GUESSING THE VOTE THE ELECTION RECORDS ESTIMATES ARE CONJECTURES "NOBODY KNOWS" FIGHT FOR THREE STATES LABOR BOARD CHARGES COOPERATIVES ABROAD TRADE WITH RUSSIA RECIPROCAL FACTS IS RELIEF LEGAL?

By Hugo Sims, Special Washington Correspondent

Guessing the popular vote of the Presidential election this year continues to be an interesting pastime that will be tried by all political writers before November. Sound reasoning, apparently, will follow every deduction until the reader is assured of the result, which nine times out of nine, will be about in line with what the reader is hunting. We have no idea of indulging in this ancient sport but our readers may be interested in the figures of recent contests. The figures here given are taken from the World Almanac for 1936.

1932	Roosevelt	22,821,857
	Hoover	15,761,841
1928	Hoover	21,392,190
	Smith	15,016,443
1924	Coolidge	15,725,016
	Davis	8,385,686
1920	Harding	16,152,200
	Cox	9,147,353
1916	Wilson	9,129,606
	Hughes	8,538,221

Applying these figures to 1936 it is apparently possible for a great shifting of votes, such as that which occurred between 1928 and 1932, to sweep President Roosevelt out of office. Mind you, we do not predict any such thing. We merely point out that it is possible, provided there has been a ground swell against Mr. Roosevelt and in favor of a change such as was apparent when the ballots were counted in 1932 and Mr. Hoover ousted from the White House.

Republican prospects are based upon the belief that many Republicans who voted Democratic in 1932 will return to the party this fall and that they will be augmented by many conservative Democrats, who do not like the New Deal or any of its works. Any good calculator can prove anything that he wants to establish and that the reader or listener wants to believe. It is all a matter of opinion. Whether the Republican farmers of the West, who left their party when relief was not given them, will rejoin the ranks, remains a matter to be determined. How many conservative Democrats will cast their ballot against their party nominee is also conjecture, pure and simple.

Another question that bobs up is whether President Roosevelt continues to be stronger than his party. In 1932, when he polled 22,821,857 votes, his party's candidates for congress managed to get only 20,494,152, or more than ten per cent less than the President. In the same year Republican candidates for Congress polled 15,896,893 votes. Since that time many things have happened but the only one that is positive in evidence is the Congressional elections of 1934. In the mid-term elections Democratic candidates for Congress polled only 17,520,432 ballots and Republicans 13,434,477—a decline of nearly 3,000,000 for the Democrats and nearly two and a half million for the Republicans. What changes of sentiment have taken place since 1934? The answer, "nobody knows!"

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