

Long Drought Is Broken By Showers Sunday Night

Many Sections Get Rain and Temperature Drops Sharply Around Midnight; More Rains Follow During Day.

The drought of ten days' duration, which was marked by some of the hottest weather ever experienced here, was definitely ended, at least for the time being, by a high wind and rain just before and after midnight Sunday. The night's rain was not heavy, being less than an inch, but was gradual, so that full benefit was obtained from all of it, which soaked into parched ground.

At the Carolina Power & Light sub-station a mile west of the city, where H. L. Allen, official Weather Bureau observer, has his instruments, the rainfall was measured as .14 of an inch, but much more than that fell in the city, and to the north and west of town, and to some extent to the east, there were generous showers.

The rain and the drop in temperature followed another hot day Sunday, when the maximum temperature was 92 at 3 p. m. The minimum for the night was 64, which was 14 degrees below the minimum for the four previous nights, each of which had a reading of 68. At noon today the mercury stood at 90.

Generous showers in those sections which received them checked deterioration of tobacco, cotton, corn and other crops as well as gardens, all of which were suffering greatly from the dry, hot weather.

More rain came today, with a slow decrease in temperature for more than two hours from around 11:30 a. m. until after 4 o'clock this afternoon. Temperatures remained moderate, with no excessive heat such as has prevailed for about ten days.

While the weather forecast was for a resumption of fair and warmer weather, the drought was broken here for the time being. Crops have been saved temporarily by the rain and falling temperature.

LIGHTNING CAUSES BURNING OF STABLE

Lightning set fire to a stable on the O. S. Falkner farm at Greystone last night about 10 o'clock, burning the structure to the ground. A quantity of hay, feeds, harness and farming implements, and a nice yearling were burned. Mules usually kept in the stable were not there at the time of the fire.

LADIES TO ATTEND MEETING OF ROTARY

Tuesday evening, Rotary-Annes be guests of the Rotary club at its meeting at South Lake Lodge at 8:30 o'clock for a barbecue and Brunswick stew supper. There will be no program.

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Lumber Men To Hear Of Wages-Hours

Alex S. Watkins, president of the Carolina Lumber and Building Supply Association, embracing North and South Carolina, today announced the mid-summer meeting of directors of the association will be held at Wrightsville Beach next Saturday, August 3, and that at the time Major A. L. Fletcher, regional director of the Federal wage and hour division, will speak to the group on the application of that law.

Mr. Watkins, one of the largest dealers in this section, said that the meeting Saturday will be held at the Ocean Terrace hotel and will begin at 10 a. m. While it is not the annual convention of the association, the officials are anxious that as many lumber and supply men as possible in the two states meet with the directors. Major Fletcher will lead the discussion and will answer questions on application of the wages and hours law to the lumber industry.

E. M. Garner, of Charlotte, secretary of the association, will make his semi-annual report on the activities of the association, and preliminary plans will be formulated on the 18th annual convention of the group, which will be held in Charlotte next January.

The Wrightsville meeting is expected to attract a large number of lumber and building supply men from over the two states, and Major Fletcher, in his discussions, will answer questions pertaining to the operation of the fair labor standards act as applied to them.

Africa is 3 1/3 million square miles larger than North America.

Shearer Is Manager At Penney Co.

W. B. Shearer, a native of Gaylesville, Ala., and who has been with J. C. Penney Co. Stores for the last five or more years, is the manager of the local branch of the big chain of stores.

Mr. Shearer comes to Henderson highly recommended as a store manager. He attended Gaylesville schools, Bethel College, McKenzie, Tenn., and Jacksonville State Teachers College, Jacksonville, Ala.

His first connection with Penney Stores came in Sanford, Fla., remaining there 13 months before being sent to High Point. He came to Henderson from the High Point store.

Mr. Shearer is unmarried, and is residing at 160 Young avenue.

Fire Alarm 55 Means Fire Is Outside Limits

When No. 55 in the city's fire alarm system was sounded last night and the city firemen went to the city dump off the Townsville highway, many phone calls came into the fire station to ascertain the cause.

Since Henderson's fire alarm system has been in operation, "55" has been the general alarm. Under the new set-up, "55" is the number run for fires out of the city. Mayor Henry T. Powell said today.

The Mayor pointed out there was no need for a general alarm in the city, since additional engines respond to a second call from the same box the initial engine has answered.

As far as can be recalled, the last time "55" was sounded, it announced the death of President Warren G. Harding. Radios were not so prevalent in those days, with flash news coming from newspapers and blared on bulletin boards at such offices for the non-late to read. Henceforth, when "55" is sounded, don't be alarmed for it is a fire call beyond the city limits.

Cotton Mattress Project In Vance Making Progress

A total of 166 cotton mattresses have been completed by low income families of Vance county, material is on hand for approximately 55 additional applications are on file for 90 more mattresses, and applications for about 20 mattresses may yet be received. It was stated this morning by J. W. Sanders, Vance county farm agent, who is in charge of the project in this county.

Materials for the cotton mattresses are provided through cooperation of the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation and other federal and local agencies, and the families eligible to receive the materials furnish the labor to make the mattresses under the direction of the county home demonstration agents, who are assisted by workers provided by the National Youth Administration.

Mr. Sanders said that the project will be closed with applications for materials which are received prior to August 31, and that he is anxious to receive the remaining 20 applications earlier than that date if possible.

Mattresses are being made at the rate of six daily, it was said. During this week Farm Security Administration clients are working at the project headquarters, under the direction of Farm Security Administration supervisors.

Swanson Attending Sheriff's Meeting

Sheriff L. L. Swanson was in Hickory today attending the annual convention of the North Carolina Sheriff's Association, which concludes tonight with a banquet. J. M. Broughton, of Raleigh, Democratic nominee for governor, will address the banquet session.

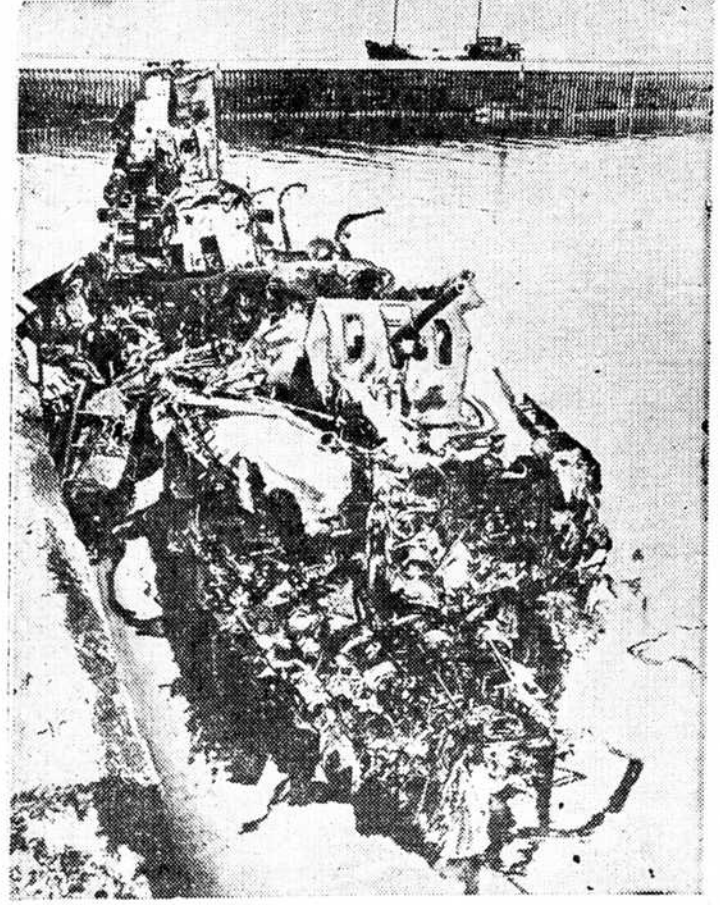
After a motor trip to the mountains Tuesday morning with luncheon at Blowing Rock, the delegates will go on to Asheville to join in the convention of the law enforcement officers of North and South Carolina Wednesday.

Calcutta, India, is situated on the left bank of the Hoogly River.

CAN YOU ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS? See Page Four

- 1. What authority determines the frequency of American broadcast stations? 2. Is matter indestructible? 3. Was Theodore Roosevelt, Grover Cleveland or U. S. Grant the youngest President of the United States? 4. In what body of water is the island of Malta? 5. Where is Bucknell University? 6. What kind of worker uses an orange stick? 7. What is coke made from? 8. Can a person born in the United States be deported if he has never sworn allegiance to another country? 9. Where is the Civil War battlefield of Antietam? 10. Rain on what day is supposed to mean rain for 40 days thereafter?

This Was a British Destroyer



This photo, just received in the United States, shows what apparently is a completely wrecked destroyer. According to the Berlin censor-approved caption, it is a British warship which was surprised at its dock in a Belgian harbor by a flight of Stuka dive bombers.

Present Strife Will Not Last, Minister Declares

Present-day world strife, with humanity terrorized by one or two dictators, will not last, Rev. B. C. Reavis, pastor of the First Methodist church, told the congregation in the union services of five cooperating Henderson churches in his sermon at the First Presbyterian church Sunday evening.

"The Man With the Hope" was the subject of the sermon, which was the fourth in the series of summer Sunday evening union services during July and August. The pastor of the host church, Rev. W. D. McInnis, presided at the service, and the benediction was by Rev. T. J. Whitehead, pastor of Christ Methodist church.

Special music was given by the choir, including an anthem, "Prayer," by Weber.

It was announced that the union services next Sunday evening would be at the First Methodist church, with the sermon by Rev. Mr. Whitehead.

Mr. Reavis' text was from 1 Peter 1:3. "Blessed be the God and father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

The word today is in changing, treacherous times, when no accounting can be taken of what a day may bring forth. But there is a purpose in present events, and there is the privilege of hope for better days to come, with God working out his plans by what is happening, said the preacher.

He cited the hopefulness that permeated the teachings and the life of

Jesus. His whole outlook upon life was one of hopefulness, even in the world filled with sin in which he lived. Even through the cross he kept ever before him the hope and the faith born of that hope that there would be an ultimate fruition of God's plans for a better world.

The Christian by reason of his faith in Jesus Christ, should be able calmly to view present changes in the world. The Pharaohs, the Caesars and Napoleon rode high for a time, but they came to their doom, and the present dictators face early downfall by reason of the tactics of their conquering methods, Rev. Mr. Reavis said. The Christian could find abundant hope in his faith, and should not despair for the man who is without hope is miserable beyond all others, said the minister. He offered consolation in that faith.

MAYOR POWELL HAS JUST THREE CASES

Mayor Henry T. Powell heard three charges at today's session of city court, all of them of a minor nature.

Joe Robertson pleaded guilty to being drunk, and was given 30 days, suspended upon payment of the costs.

Harold Martin, Negro, was guilty of being drunk and disorderly, and was given the choice of 30 days or paying the costs.

Lewis Watkins, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to being drunk, and drew 30 days suspended upon payment of the costs.

Intangible Returns For City-County Are Double

Returns to the county of Vance and to the City of Henderson from intangible taxes more than doubled for 1940 as compared with 1939, according to data furnished the Daily Dispatch today by the State Department of Revenue.

The county's intangible check will be \$5,010.22 this year, as against \$2,406.08 in 1939, and the city will get \$3,938.42 this year, as against \$1,868.44 last year, the statement said. It was also stated that Middleburg's revenue from this source would be \$4.48 this year, as against \$2.60 last year.

For the past several years, the county has been making extensive use of bank deposits, stock and other property, which no longer are exempt units receive no tax. The proportion turned back to the county for the fiscal year just closed, intangible taxes, and other property, which no longer are exempt units receive no tax. The proportion turned back to the county for the fiscal year just closed, intangible taxes, and other property, which no longer are exempt units receive no tax.

ABC MEN CAPTURE STILL AT BOBBITTS

Plant Spotted Early Saturday Morning, Then Raided About 8 A. M. Sunday

A vigil of nearly 24-hours ended Sunday morning at 2 o'clock when Vance County ABC Officers J. C. Champion and L. A. Jackson, assisted by W. S. Strange closed in on a large still site in the Bobbitt section of Kittling township, wrecking the plant.

The officers spotted the 200 gallon submarine type plant, with about 300 gallons of beer Saturday morning about 5 o'clock. The outfit was not in operation, the officers waiting, if possible, to snare the operators. No one appeared, and the officers closed in smashing the plant and its equipment.

GIVE RECREATION PROGRAM TONIGHT

A program in the interest of recreation will be presented this evening at 8:15 o'clock, in the United Presbyterian church. The public is invited to attend.

Singing of the Negro national anthem by the audience will open the program, after which the invocation will be by Rev. C. H. Williamson. The audience will sing "Swing Low Sweet Chariot". Prof. E. D. Johnson, will give the introductory remarks. Mrs. Esther Bruin, district supervisor for recreation, and T. I. Hines, district recreation supervisor, will speak. A piano solo will be given by Wilton Bullock.

The question, "What can we do to expand the recreation program?" will be introduced in a general discussion, led by Charles E. Frazier, after which Dr. E. E. Toney, of Oxford, will speak.

Election of officers of the recreation council will conclude the program.

False Wedding Postponed

Because of the storm last night, the false wedding at Davis Chapel church, planned for last night, was postponed until a later date, it has been announced.

Granted License—Almond K. Hulcy and Geneva Horton Anderson, both of Henderson, secured license to wed at the Vance Registry office Saturday, records there showed today.

DEATH SUNDAY OF MRS. RINGGOLD HART

Friends and relatives were sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Ringgold Hart, of Washington, D. C. yesterday in Washington.

Mrs. Hart was the daughter of the late H. H. Burwell, of Washington and Henderson, and a niece of Mr. J. Y. Landis.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow in Washington.

Mrs. Hart had been ill for several months and Miss Carrie Landis, of this city, had been with her since early spring.

SALVATION ARMY'S HEAD IS PROMOTED

Lieutenant Graham Mills, in charge of the local corps of the Salvation Army, was notified today from territorial headquarters of the army at Atlanta that he had been promoted to the rank of captain. The promotion was from Captain Richard F. Stanton, chief secretary in territorial offices.

Captain Mills has been in charge of the local corps only six weeks, and has met a number of leaders of the Army's work here and has made a very favorable impression. He is a young man, and unmarried, his mother living with him here, and he is assisted by a younger man in the service, who is training with him. The Army's residence has been transferred from Railroad street, a block south of the city, to 217 Breckenridge street, two doors from Chestnut.

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