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WILSON COUNTY HIT BY SEVERE CYCLONE

One Killed and Score Injured in Storm Which Swept Over Section Near City of Wilson

—Whole Houses Blown Away and Injured Carried to Hospital

By the Associated Press.
Wilson, N. C., March 7.—One person killed, 15 more or less injured, and property damage estimated at between \$40,000 and \$50,000 is the toll of a tornado which swept through the Evansville section six miles west of Wilson, at 9 o'clock this morning. The storm passed through a strip of country half a mile wide and three miles long.

It tore houses, barns and other buildings into shreds and in the path of the storm everything was swept clean.

Whole families are said to have been blown out into the fields from their homes.

Doctors and ambulances from Wilson brought the injured to local hospitals.

In one neighbor's house six persons were injured and in another one. The person killed was Lula W. Negress, a school teacher.

COMMITTEES TO START FIRES BURNING

(BY MAX ABERNETHY)
Raleigh, March 7.—Republican and Democratic state committees in session here today and tomorrow will start the political fireworks anew for the 1922 campaign.

Little for publication is expected to come to the surface following the meetings but the undercurrent will be surcharged with all manner of political formations. Some will materialize and some will never reach fruition. Probably the greatest number of line ups proposed will be dashed to pieces against the political breakers; equally as many will die aborning.

Both executive committees meet in biennial session to decide upon the time and place for their respective state conventions. After this business is attended to the political leaders will be ready to quit the capital for their homes.

Vacancies in the personnel of the committees are to be filled. The Democrats will propose Luke Lamb of the State department of revenue as successor to the late Col. Wilson C. Lamb of Williamson. Mr. Lamb is the son of the veteran Democrat who died two weeks ago at Rocky Mount after serving continuously on the committee for over forty years. Whether any other changes will be made is not known today. The personnel of the Republican committee is expected to remain the same.

Both parties will do considerable lobby talk as to the most effective way of cutting the other's throat, politically speaking, while the committees are assembling for business.

MOREHEAD WILL RESIGN JOB TOMORROW

John M. Morehead, national committee man from North Carolina, will resign his position when the Republican executive committee meets in Raleigh tomorrow, the Record learned today from good authority, and John J. Parker of Monroe, Republican candidate for governor in 1920, will be elected in his place.

It was reported several days ago that Mr. Morehead would quit the game of politics, and in an interview in Charlotte a few days ago he refused either to confirm or deny the report. It is believed that wrangles over the distribution of offices in the state prompted him to resign his office. He has been bothered with a hundred cases of which the public has heard nothing and has been blamed in many cases for the acts of district and county executive committees. His has been a thankless job.

Mr. Parker, who is understood to be his successor, is a practicing attorney of Monroe and is rated as one of the foremost young lawyers in the state. He was graduated from the University of North Carolina with high honors in 1907, and has many friends in all parts of the state.

RETAIN HIS POST AS PREMIER FOR TIME

By the Associated Press.
London, March 7.—Prime Minister Lloyd George has deferred his resignation without giving his colleagues any pledge as to future action regarding the premiership, according to the most reliable sources of information reaching the Associated Press today.

It is commonly accepted that he will retain leadership of the government until Irish settlement is completed and until after the Genoa conference.

He is credited with an earnest desire to go to Genoa and devote all of his time for the trip during convalescence at his country home in Wales. Nowhere has it been reliably suggested that his illness was assumed for diplomatic purposes and everywhere it is realized that he is a sick man.

TREASURER LACY IS COMING HOME

Raleigh, March 7.—State Treasurer B. R. Lacy is expected home from New York city some time tomorrow where he has been critically ill for several weeks, going there to finish signing four and a half million state bonds.

Reports reaching the capital today are that Mr. Lacy is somewhat improved but that his condition is still serious. It is probable that his physician will not permit him to make the long journey to Raleigh as had been planned. Mr. Lacy signed all of the bonds last week, however, while propped up in bed and he continues to show improvement.

Commissioner of Labor and Printing, M. L. Shipman announces that out of a total registration of 485 at the six free employment offices in the state, 246 were last week found work for.

ASKS APPROPRIATION FOR JUNKET VISIT

By the Associated Press.
Washington, March 7.—A resolution authorizing an appropriation of \$2,000 to defray expenses of members of the military committee who will visit the government's war projects at Muscle Shoals, Ala., was introduced today in the house by Chairman Kahn. The resolution provided for the trip of only the military committee.

In announcing the introduction of the resolution, Mr. Kahn declared that he had received a telegram from General Pershing asking them to include Camp Benning, Ga., on this trip.

Going to Havana by Flying Boat Is Pleasant



Havana harbor, showing Morro castle on the left. An aero-marine flying boat is entering the harbor with C. E. Mitchell, P. G. Rockefeller and party.

TO FINISH DRAFT OF BONUS BILL BY NIGHT

By the Associated Press.
Washington, March 7.—The compromise soldier's bonus bill was before Republicans of the house ways and means committee again today and they were hopeful of perfecting the final draft before night. It then would be submitted to the full committee.

It was indicated that its presentation in the house would be delayed several days.

One of the important proposals in which the committee is to act is that of covering payments to relatives of former service men who have died or may die. Representative Longworth of Ohio and some others are opposed to this provision and it appeared doubtful whether the provision would be accepted.

Under the provisions of the bill as now drawn a veteran would mean any individual who was a member of the military or naval forces of the United States at any time after April 1, 1917 (the date of the declaration of war) and to November 12, 1918 (the day after the armistice was signed).

Representative Fordney announced that the Democrats on the committee would be called in Saturday to pass formally on the bill. He said it was his plan to present a formal report to the house after it has been adopted by the committee.

The measure carries four options with an immediate cash payment of \$30 to those service men whose compensation would be not more than that sum.

TO MEET HERE TOMORROW

Opening session of the Catawba County Sunday School Convention will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the Corinth Reformed church of Hickory. Afternoon and night sessions will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 8-9-10. Sunday school workers of all denominations are urged to attend.

Prof. M. A. Honline, associate educational superintendent of the International Sunday School Association will be one of the speakers. Prof. Honline is known as a leader along the line of religious education. For a number of years he was professor of religious education at Bonbrake Union Theological Seminary of Dayton, Ohio. For the past few years he has been connected with the International Sunday School Association. His work in this capacity has carried him into every section of America, to help in many conventions and institutes in many of the largest cities of the country. He is one of the regular instructors at the International Lake Geneva Training School at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin which is known as one of the largest and best summer training camps for Sunday school workers. He will give a series of six lectures on religious education in the Hickory convention. However each lecture is complete within itself.

Sunday School workers of Hickory will have opportunity of hearing Dr. D. W. Sims, general superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, at various sessions of the convention. When Mr. Sims took charge of the co-operative work in North Carolina in November 1920 there were only 9

EXPECT OPINION ON INCOME OF JUDGES

Raleigh, March 7.—Interest in the supreme court's opinion on the appealing case of Judge B. F. Long, who is testing Revenue Commissioner A. D. Watt's ruling that all superior and supreme court judges and state officials is manifested at the capital today.

It is probable that tomorrow's batch of opinions will settle the question. The high five has not had the case very long, however, and a decision can go over another week without injury or prejudice to anyone concerned. To hand down a decision too early would be used against the jurists for there would be many who would say that the members had not fully voted, that is in the event Commissioner Watt's ruling is overruled.

There has been no well founded report that the court will decide the case either way, rumors to the contrary notwithstanding. The supreme court's decisions cannot be anticipated. The five jurists are not in the habit of telling what they will or will not do in advance; their actions are judged by the opinions which speak for themselves.

Consequently it cannot be forecast whether Judge Long will pay his state income tax or will be relieved of this most pleasant duty.

PROF. A. M. HONLINE



Well Known Sunday School Authority Who Will Address Convention Here

URGE LARGE SUM TO RECLAIM LANDS

By the Associated Press.
Washington, March 7.—The McNairy bill appropriating \$350,000,000 for development of irrigation and reclamation, including swamp land draining, was reported favorably today by the senate irrigation committee.

EGGS NOW 18 CENTS ON HICKORY MARKET

For the first time in several years eggs, which have been on the toboggan for the past several weeks, were quoted wholesale on the Hickory market at 18 cents a dozen today. They are retailing for 20 cents.

It was three weeks ago when the fruit of the hen began to decline in price on the Chicago market and there has been a drop in prices every day. Local buyers predict that the wholesale price may go as low as 16 cents before the price again advances.

COTTON

By the Associated Press.
New York, March 7.—Finner Liverpool cables accompanied by good Manchester advices and reports that heavy eastern rains were delaying new crop preparations caused an advance in the cotton market at the opening today.

Hickory cotton, 17 1/4c.

Open	Close
May	18.15
July	17.91
October	17.40
December	16.78
	16.63
	16.50

SIX PERSONS KILLED WIND-RAIN STORM

Three Villages in South Carolina Suffer Heavy Toll From Tornado—Aiken Sends Relief to Stricken Families—Stream Overflows Banks—Reports of Damage

TWO WOMEN ARE CHARGED WITH PERJURY

By the Associated Press.
San Francisco, March 7.—Mrs. Minnie Neighbors of Los Angeles and Mrs. Frances S. Bates of Chicago, who testified for the defense in the trials of Roscoe C. (Patty) Arbuckle, were indicted on perjury charges early today by the county grand jury.

Mrs. Neighbors testified at Arbuckle's trial that she saw Miss Virginia Rappe, for whose death Arbuckle is held responsible, at the springs in August, 1921, and that Miss Rappe had suffered two sick spells while at the springs.

District Attorney Brady said he had represented the jury with evidence to show that Miss Rappe was not at the springs at that time.

Mrs. Bates testified at the second trial of Arbuckle. She said she worked with Miss Rappe in a Chicago department store in 1913 where Miss Rappe acted as a model.

Brady said he furnished the grand jury with records from the Chicago store to show that Mrs. Bates worked at the establishment in 1909, was discharged in 1910 and had not been employed again by the store.

By the Associated Press.
Augusta, Ga., March 7.—Six persons are known to have been killed and scores injured in the rain and wind storm this morning which flooded streams and caused heavy property damage in this section of Georgia and South Carolina.

Three villages in South Carolina were struck just before daybreak today and telephone and electric wires were blown down, cutting off communication with the outside world.

The victims were caught under their fallen homes. In some sections the storm swept away everything in its path.

The brunt of the storm appeared to have hit Warrenton and Stifleton, where six persons are known to be dead. Every house but one in Warrenton on one street was blown down.

WHITFIELD GOES TO ONSLOW FOR TRIAL

Raleigh, N. C., March 7.—Will Whitfield, a one-armed negro who was reported to have stated to officers who three weeks ago brought him back to this state from Brooklyn, N. Y., that he had rather jump off the Brooklyn bridge than be brought back to North Carolina to stand trial for an attempt to murder, was taken from the state prison at noon today by Sheriff Hurgans of Onslow. With the sheriff was a military escort, a squad commanded by Lieut. Connor Ayeock of the local service company, this precaution having been taken by Governor Morrison to whom had come reports of threatened violence to the prisoner.

SEVERAL PERSONS KILLED

By the Associated Press.
Augusta, Ga., March 7.—Six persons were killed and scores injured in a tornado which just before daybreak today struck the mill town of Warrenton, S. C., and the village of Stifleton, S. C.

Many of the injured are expected to die. Estimates of the number injured in both Warrenton and Stifleton are conservatively placed at 40. Aid has been rushed from Aiken, S. C., and the Red Cross chapter there under the direction of Miss Agnes Campbell, R. G. Terrence and Miss Anna Phelps of Washington, D. C., is rushing relief measures.

Searchers are looking through the debris of the houses for bodies, many of whom are believed to have been buried.

Twenty-two houses were razed at Warrenton and six were razed and blown away at Stifleton.

NO LOSS OF LIFE

Warrenton, Ga., March 7.—Warrenton today is drying out to after the heaviest rainfall in many years. No loss of life has been reported.

EARLIER REPORT

By the Associated Press.
Augusta, Ga., March 7.—Langley and Warrenton, two towns 10 and 12 miles respectively from Augusta in South Carolina are reported to have been wiped out by a storm that struck this section early today. Several persons are said to have been killed at Langley. War, Ga., also is reported to be a storm sufferer.

Wire communication with the three places is cut off.

RUSSELL WILL GO BEFORE LEGISLATURE

By the Associated Press.
Jackson, Miss., March 7.—Due to the inability of Governor Morrison to appear today and the necessity of Chairman Alf Stone being away Wednesday the investigation by a special committee of Mississippi legislators of Governor Russell's charges that a "pernicious insurance lobby" was being maintained here, the initial hearing was postponed this morning until Thursday.

FAMOUS MIDGET DIES TODAY AT SALISBURY

By the Associated Press.
Salisbury, N. C., March 7.—Mrs. Miriam Meitz, 69 years old, once famous midget, died at her home here today after a brief illness. She was a native of Mocksville, Davie county, was 36 inches tall and weighed 46 pounds. She was the wife of Major John Meitz, also a midget, and claiming to be the smallest Pythian and Dokie in the country. For years and her husband were big attractions with several circuses. She had traveled all over the world with her husband.

It was during the travels that the tiny couple met and were married. For many years they had lived in Salisbury. She was a daughter of the late Alex Nail and was the only midget of a large family of children.

HELD IN CHARLOTTE ON LIQUOR CHARGE

Lawrence Seagle and Ivey Drum, two well known Hickory men, were arrested in Charlotte last night, according to messages received here, on a charge of having four gallons of liquor in their possession. Mr. Seagle's automobile was seized and the men are being held under bond of \$1,000 each. Z. B. Buchanan, W. S. Stroup and W. L. Icard, the latter of Burke county arranged this afternoon for the release of the pair.

News of the arrest of Messrs. Seagle and Drum will create considerable surprise and it is believed that they will have an explanation that will convince their friends that they were not hauling booze for profit.

Mr. Drum, his friends feel, merely went along for the trip and got caught in the net. Neither young man has been in trouble before, certainly not of this kind.

WOMAN IS CHARGED WITH HIS MURDER

By the Associated Press.
Deland, Fla., March 7.—Acting on information which the authorities say was furnished by the Ku Klux Klan, Mrs. Alice E. Shields was arrested today at St. Cloud on a warrant charging her with the murder of her husband, William E. Shields, formerly of Moline, Ill. She claimed that he was stot from ambush.

By the Associated Press.
Jackson, Miss., March 7.—Just prior to the time set for the convening of the special committee of the house of representatives of the Mississippi legislature to investigate charges of Gov. Lee M. Russell that "pernicious lobbying was being done by certain fire insurance agents," Governor Russell advised the committee that he would be glad to testify but could not appear before tomorrow.

An Atlantic City Baptist pastor declares music is the war department of the church, and urges more "pep" in his church choir, threatening to install a phonograph unless better results are obtained. Gee, but he's getting rough!—Florida Times-Union.