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DEATH IN WIND'S WAKE

Cyclonic Storms Sweep Over Three States—Destruction is Widespread—Many Are Dead and Scores Injured While Others Are Homeless in Bitter Sleet.

Chicago, Nov. 11.—Reports received tonight by the Associated Press indicate that cyclonic storms coming between the abnormally warm period and the cold wave, have caused death and widespread destruction in southern Wisconsin, eastern Iowa and Illinois today.

Seven deaths, several dying and scores of injured are known to be lying in the wake of the storm and suffering because of the bitter cold and sleet and snow already is being reported. Southern Wisconsin was hardest hit, according to early reports. Near Orfordville, Rock county, five persons were killed and another is not expected to live.

At Virginia, Ill., several were found seriously, perhaps fatally, and fifty others slightly injured.

In Iowa, a fifty-degree drop in temperature, accompanied by a driving storm of sleet, tied up traffic for many hours.

An electrical disturbance which ushered in the storm here destroyed several feed wires in the city's electrical system and two men were injured.

Property loss mounted up rapidly in the path of the cyclonic blizzard. Nearly every public building in Virginia, Ill., was demolished; farmers' homes were wiped out in Wisconsin and the damage was increased by the heavy down-pour of rain, sleet and snow.

Later reports indicated that the dead in Rock county, Wisconsin, alone would reach a dozen. Two deaths at Milwaukee, Wis., were reported to the train dispatcher's office of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad but the wires were blown down before the report could be verified.

Severe weather conditions are reported all the way from the Rocky mountains. In Chicago the wind blew 44 miles an hour and in Yellowstone park and at Helena, Mont., the thermometers registered eight degrees below zero.

Rev. Mr. Minter Preaches in Charlotte Church.

Charlotte Observer: "Rev. W. E. Minter of Lincolnton, the talented young moderator of the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina, preached yesterday morning at the First Presbyterian church. He was heard with interest. Mr. Minter has an engaging personality and a simplicity and directness of speech which is extremely attractive.

"His discourse was devoted to an interpretation of the vision of John as recorded in the first chapter of the Book of the Revelation."

[In the absence of Rev. Mr. Minter, Judge Alfred Nixon conducted services in the Presbyterian church here Sunday morning. —Ed. News.]

A CORRECTION.

Mr. Editor:—Please correct the date of the reunion of Rev. John H. Ballard at Kildville. It should read the 28th instead of the 18th as it appeared in the issue of the 3rd of November. Yours truly, J. M. Ballard.

RATHER EXPECTED IT



The Doctor—Your wife has water on the brain.
Colonel Soak—Well, I'm not surprised. She's been trying to get me to swear off for the last three years.

LINCOLN COUNTY LAD IN LIMBO.

Bicycle Despoiler From Across the River Arrested Yesterday. Charlotte Observer (Saturday).

Mack Duffy, a white youth of some 17 years, was yesterday arrested by Officer McKnight some ten miles from the city in Long Creek township. The charge which the boy will face at this morning's session of court will be one of the larceny of three bicycles. The home of the lad is in Lincoln county, across the Catawba river from the Mecklenburg line, and it is in the immediate neighborhood of his nativity that he disposed of the stolen property.

Among the losers by the boy was the local ladies' furnishing firm of Purcell's which was deprived of a modern wheel by Duffy on one of his incursions into the city. This article was subsequently sold to Levi Huskins of Lincoln county and was recovered several months past. Until yesterday, however, the boy had managed to evade the vigilance of the law, but upon the receipt of information that he might be found at a certain house in Long Creek township he fell an easy victim to the wily McKnight.

It is understood that there is also a charge now pending against the youth in his native county. This one alleges that he made away with some \$6, the property of a corpulent gentleman who at the time of the theft was cooling himself in the limpid waters of the Catawba, having previously left his clothes upon a hickory limb.

Democracy.

By Joseph W. Folk.

Democracy is a religion; the religion of brotherhood among men and equal rights for all. It is a religion that would demand more of the Golden Rule and less of the rule of gold in government and in our daily lives. It would have all unite in enforcing the laws and in counteracting any attempt to defy them. It would not array class against class, but would protect the rights of all by having each respect the rights of the other. It would not attack wealth honestly acquired, but would wage unending war against the privileges that produce tainted riches on one side and undeserved poverty on the other side. It would protect property rights, but would recognize the fact that property rights are best protected by preserving inviolate the public rights. It would not combat men but the evil that men do. It would seek as a remedy for existing evils not less government by the people, but more government by the people. It would place conscience above cunning and the public good above private greed. It would not offer a man an advantage in the shape of a subsidy, or bounty, or protective tariff, enabling him to make money at the expense of his fellow men, but it would assure him that it would give no one else such a special privilege over him. It would guarantee to all an equal opportunity to live and labor and enjoy the gains of honest toil. This is Democracy as I understand it.

Southern Power Co.'s Policy.

New York World.

Nearly \$10,000,000 of the profits of the American Tobacco Company, now under Federal scrutiny, have been turned into the Southern Power Company by James B. Duke and his brother, Benjamin. The company now has net profits of more than \$1,000,000 a year; controls the power in three-fourths of the cotton mills of the South, controls the lighting and power for street railroads in 45 cities and towns, and owns the leading water-power sites throughout North and South Carolina.

Several far-seeing representatives of cotton mills say that while the company thus far has been of great benefit to North and South Carolina, the day is not far distant when it will have power of life or death over all the cotton mills and other industries of the two states.

BRING YOUR JOB WORK TO THIS OFFICE.

MEMORIAL TO LINCOLN

His Cabin Home Enshrined in Granite Temple—The President Takes Part—The Temple is Gift of Thousands From all Ranks in Life, Both Rich and Poor.

Hodgenville, Ky., Nov. 9.—In a drizzling rain 10,000 persons, from all sections of the nation, today assembled at the Lincoln farm near here to take part in the dedication of the granite temple which enshrines the cabin in which Abraham Lincoln was born 102 years ago. The skies cleared, however, shortly before President Taft was introduced as the principal speaker of the day.

The memorial is paid for and an endowment of \$50,000 set aside for maintenance. There is little else to say—it is a simple, direct tribute of a grateful people to the memory of a great American.

Items Clipped From Catawba County News.

Mr. Frank E. Bost of route 3 tells us that a fine horse belonging to Mr. Kent Turbyfield died at Mr. Sid A. Turbyfield's the other day, with something like colic. It was a No. 1 animal and was a sore loss. Mr. Bost's brother, Mr. E. O. Bost, has succeeded finely with his horse that was hurt last summer. Dr. Reinhardt at Lincolnton performed an unusual operation on it, removing a piece of its skull a couple of inches square, and patched the wound up so that it has healed and the animal is serviceable. Ever hear of such a surgical operation on a "horse"?

The Startown school will open Monday and a large attendance is expected by the faculty, especially in the high school department. Rev. H. G. Kopenhaver is principal and will have with him Miss Emma Lutz of the county and Miss Kerley of Burke county, who taught at the Killian schoolhouse last season. Startown is one of the state high schools and is a splendid institution. It was the first local tax school in Catawba county. This week some improvements are being made on the building, a new belfrey being one of them.

Dr. Fred T. Foard of Bandy's township visited the city Tuesday and remembering about a promising piece of corn he had, a News man asked him how it turned out. The doctor made 700 bushels on about 14 acres. He is putting this land in wheat this fall. From about 5½ acres he has made 7 bales of cotton—the big boll kind, many stalks having 100 bolls. He made this by broadcasting a vast amount of manure last fall, and using 400 pounds of 10-4 fertilizer to the acre, 200 pounds before planting and 200 under the seed. The rows were 5 feet apart and the stalks 12 inches apart. Dr. Foard is one of the county's crack farmers, and he makes things hump on his place.

A belated clipping from a newspaper at Ardmore, Okla., giving the details of the trial of the man, J. E. Sorrels, who killed Preston L. Yount of this county several months ago, which The News noted, reproduces Sorrels' confession to the court as to how he killed Yount. They had words about a card game in which Yount claimed, Sorrels cheated an old man he played with, and he says Yount cursed him with vigor and that he—Sorrels—flew into a passion, seized a double-bladed axe and proceeded to chop Yount up. The details are horrible. "He was saying something all the time," says Sorrels, "but I do not know what it was. I was so mad I do not know what he was saying." This was after he had horribly chopped Yount all over the body; "I caught him by the hair on his forehead with my left hand and tried to cut his head—head off with my knife, which I had in my right hand." He got life imprisonment. The other man, Dennison, has never been tried.

Mr. G. T. Chapman brought a peculiar looking radish to The News office Saturday. Several off shoots had sprung from the main body making in all eight almost perfectly formed radishes from one seed. The curiosity grew on Mr. P. C. Chapman's farm near the Lincoln Lithia Springs.

PARENTS AND TEACHERS.

Supt. Joyner Urges Co-operation Between Home and School, Parent and Teacher.

The following from Hon. J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of education, should be read and studied by every parent who has children in school or of school age:

I wish to make an earnest plea to your readers who are patrons of the public schools for the active co-operation of the home with the school, of the parent with the teacher, in securing increased and regular attendance upon the public schools and in enforcing discipline and faithful and conscientious performance by the children of assigned school duties.

Statistics show that only 45 per cent. of the total school population between the ages of 6 and 21 is in daily attendance upon the public schools; and that only 63.7 per cent. of the total number of children enrolled in the public schools attend daily during the sessions of the school. It is impossible for any teacher, however interesting he may make the work of the school, and however faithful he may be in the performance of his duties, to secure regularity and punctuality or attendance of the faithful performance of school duties, especially of work assigned to be done out of school hours, without the hearty co-operation of parents at home.

Many parents do not realize that after a child begins to attend school should be and is the main business in life. A childhood is the habit-forming and character-forming period of life, the manner in which he does his school work, and the business habits that he acquires in the performance of this main business of the formative period of his life, will determine the manner in which he will perform the main work of his life in the world as a man, will fix the business habits on his life and the most potent in the shaping of his character.

If he is allowed to be irregular in his attendance upon school, careless, slovenly and unsystematic in the performance of his other school duties, he will not only be unsuccessful in his school business, but he will almost certainly form and fix business habits that will doom him to failure in manhood in an exacting business world, where competition is growing sharper every day. The child that is allowed to stay away from school upon the pretext of bad feeling, bad weather, or the placing of a day's pleasure before a day's duty at school, will almost inevitably grow into a man or woman that will put pleasure before duty, that will be frequently found absent from his business and his post of duty upon the slightest pretext, that will lack grit and strength of character that will enable him to overcome obstacles and to perform unpleasant duties for duty's sake.

In the name of the child, for his future welfare, therefore, I most earnestly appeal to every parent to co-operate with the teacher of the child in securing regular and punctual attendance, prompt and faithful performance of every school duty, and prompt and cheerful obedience to reasonable requirement of properly constituted authority in childhood, in the formative period of life, for the formation of habits and the development of that strength that alone can give any reasonable assurance for success and service in manhood.

PRESENCE OF MIND



Doctor—Well, how are you today?
Patient—No better, doctor.
Doctor—If I, I think you would better leave off taking those pills I ordered you.
Patient—I haven't taken any of them yet.
Doctor—For goodness sake, then, take them.

CENTRAL SALES AGENT

Is Aim Of Farmers Union in Establishment of Local Warehouses. (Greensboro News).

Prominent farmers and officials of the State Farmers' union were here last night for an executive session of the advisory council of the union, the meeting being held in the McAduo hotel and lasting through several hours. It was announced that the object was solely to discuss matters of a business nature pertaining to the union and that no action sufficient to warrant public announcement was taken. The principal business was to consider certain contracts before the union and to discuss the situation as regarding the local farmers' warehouse.

Members of the council and here for the session last night were: H. Q. Alexander, president of the state union, of Mecklenburg; Dr. J. M. Alexander, vice president, of Wake; E. C. Farriss, Cleveland; J. Z. Green, state organizer, Union; J. R. Rives, state business agent, Lee county, and the following members of the advisory committee; I. P. Coggins, Chatham; Prof. C. C. Wright, Wilkes; W. H. Moore, Pitt; T. D. Brown; Dr. J. T. Smith, Surry.

Another matter of general interest which was discussed by the council was the approaching state convention which is to be held at Wilson Dec. 13th and 14th. It was stated last night that R. N. D. Wilson, of Mississippi will be present at this meeting and that he will explain fully the farmers' consolidated warehouse system which has been used so successfully in Mississippi. Chas. S. Barrett, national president of the Farmers' union will also be present, while many other prominent workers in behalf of the farmer have been invited to make addresses or take part in the general discussions.

The union is now establishing in a number of counties local farmers warehouses, which are being used as places of distribution of farm products. The aim in the establishment of these local storage houses is to work a general consolidation of all the local warehouses and establishing a central selling agent, whose duties shall be to find the best markets for the products of the farmer. The belief is strong among members of the union that such a consolidation would give the state organization a stronger commercial rating and would also greatly aid the movement to work about better cooperation throughout the state.

Keeping the Dollars at Home.

Exchange.

Ten years ago a farmer put his initials on a dollar bill. The next day he went to the nearest town and spent it with a merchant. Before the year was out he got the dollar bill back. Four times in six years the dollar came back to him for produce, and three times he heard of it in the pockets of his neighbors. The last time he got it back was four years ago. He sent it to retail Mail Order House. He has never seen that dollar since, nor never will. That dollar will never pay any more school or road tax for him, will not build or brighten any of the homes of the community. He sent it entirely out of the circle of usefulness to himself and his neighbors.

Former Lincoln Citizen Dies in Taylorsville.

Catawba County News.
Mr. David W. Moose, father of Mr. T. B. Moose of Newton, died Wednesday morning at his home in Taylorsville, aged 91 years and 9 months. Last Saturday he sustained a third stroke of paralysis, but so stout was his constitution that he bore up under the stroke in such a way as to give ground for hope. Mr. Moose was the father of six boys and two girls, all of whom are living. He is also survived by Mrs. Moose who is over 90 years old. The couple have been remarkable for their good health throughout their long life. Mr. Moose was born in 1820 in Lincoln county before Catawba was established.

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BALE TO THE ACRE

This is What State Prison Made This Year on 1500 acres—Enough Corn and Forage for Two Years—A Splendid Record. (Raleigh News and Observer).

The management of the State Prison since the Democrats returned to power in 1898 is one of which the party and the State have a right to be proud. Under the Republican administration it lost money and at one time became an object lesson of bad management, and some of its employees were guilty of crime worse than those of which many of the convicts had been convicted.

With the election of Gov. Aycock, all that changed. The management was capable and it made a good record; the record was improved under Gov. Glenn, and it continues to improve under Gov. Kitchin. When the Republicans ran the prison, the State had to issue bonds to pay the deficit. Now the penitentiary earns more than the cost of maintaining the convicts, and in addition money is turned into the State Treasury.

I was talking yesterday about the good management of the farms under Superintendent Laughinghouse shortly before meeting him on the street. He looked like a man who had been doing a good year's work for the state. He is a farmer and a good farmer and he knows it and has a right to be gratified at the success of the State farms under his practical direction. We have made the best crops on the State Prison farms ever made," he said in answer to a question. "We put 1,500 acres in cotton and we will make 1,500 bales. We will gather 5,000 bushels of corn. We have made enough long forage to support the State Prison for nearly two years. Besides we have built spacious barns and doubled the room for caring for stock and storing our provender. Best of all, we are building up the dykes on Roanoke river and if there is no big freshet next spring we will so protect our lowlands on the Roanoke that we will raise so much corn as to surprise the whole State. The breaking down of the dykes years ago has caused much of the State's land to grow up in bushes. As soon as we get the dykes finished the State can grow corn to beat Egypt."

That is good news and will please all North Carolina, whose people will congratulate Captain Laughinghouse and all the other officials, directors and employees who have worked together for the good results which they have brought about.

Miss Sarah Loftin, an aged maiden lady who lives near Lowesville was taken to Morganton yesterday to be placed in the asylum. Seven or eight years ago Miss Loftin contracted a severe case of typhoid fever and after her recovery it was found that her mind had become impaired. She has been living with relatives during these years of affliction, and she becoming aged and feeble it was thought best to place her in the asylum where she will receive the best of attention. Messrs. P. V. Cobb and John L. Abernethy escorted the old lady to Morganton.

SAD EXPERIENCE



"There are over 24,000 newspapers and periodicals in this country." "Been looking up statistics?" "No, I've been trying to sell a story."

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