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ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

Weekly Report on Weather and Condition of Crops.

Drought Still Continues Over Greater Part of the State—Upland and Forward Corn Suffers Most—Some Tobacco "Fired" by the Hot Dry Weather—General Good Results in Caring—Short State Stories.

The weather bureau of the North Carolina section of the climate and crop service of the United States issues the following report of conditions for the week ending Monday, July 28:

Despite scattered showers about the 23rd of the week, which were heaviest in the west, droughts now prevail over most of the state, especially throughout the Piedmont plateau and the coastal region, and crops in many sections are suffering severely for lack of sufficient moisture. The week on that account was unfavorable for the best progress of crops, though otherwise weather conditions were nearly normal. The mean temperature for the week was 76 to 78; the days were quite warm, but without excessively high temperatures, and the nights were agreeably cool; the amount of sunshine was abundant. The local rains on the 23rd were very beneficial where they occurred, but the only station receiving an amount sufficient to thoroughly soak the soil was Charlotte; even where local showers fell crops are again needing rain badly. There can be no question that crops have deteriorated rapidly in many counties in the central-east portion of the state, while in the central-mountain section the staple crops are still in excellent condition.

Upland and forward corn have suffered most from drought; in many fields plants have dried up to the stems, and it appears impossible that the grain could fall out even with an abundant rainfall the coming week; in many sections corn is still in very good condition, but land crops and late planted being very promising. Cotton also is now being damaged to some extent by drought; plants have not grown rapidly, and are shedding lower leaves and forms, but generally this crop is not in bad condition; many correspondents report cotton clean and well cultivated, and forming fruit nicely; in the south portion plants are heavily-budded. Tobacco in some fields has been yellowed or fired by drought before maturity; the bulk of the crop is ripening very fast, and curing is underway generally with good results. Peanuts, potatoes, field peas and gardens are being more or less injured by the absence of rain; the important crop of sweet potatoes has been cut short. Turnips are being sown. Some land has been broken for wheat. Melons are coming into market in abundance and are of good quality. Late apples are dropping badly before maturity. Grapes are fine and the vines are heavily loaded. The important work of setting out strawberry plants in the east has begun.

Rains reported (in inches): Wilmington, 0.30; Weldon, 0.82; Ayden, 0.35; Greensboro, 0.38; Hatteras, 0.19; Raleigh, 0.25; Goldsboro, 0.70; Lumberton, 0.82; New Bern, 0.22; Charlotte, 1.60; Hatteras, 0.60.

Harding Changes His Mind.

Greensboro, July 28.—President Cose of the cotton mills of which Harding, the employer, was the book-keeper, arrived from New York today and said Harding had agreed to separate from the Stamford woman, making provision for her and would come with his father's attorney tonight. Attorney Kimball, who has just arrived, however, says that Harding gave him the slip at the last moment, having finally said that he preferred the woman from coming back to her husband in Norfolk and ought not to desert her now.

Left His Companion to Drown.

Winston-Salem, July 27.—At noon today John Landingham, aged 16 years, was drowned in Mickey's pond, two miles east of Winston-Salem. He and a young man named Joe Hilton were in the pond bathing. Landingham, who could not swim, ventured into water beyond his depth. The latter attempted to rescue him, but could not do it without risking his own life. With a long hook Hilton found the body when Landingham was down, and pulled it ashore. There was an hour after the drowning of John Landingham, who was on the opposite side of the pond, reported to the officers that Hilton took Landingham into the deep water and then left him to take care of himself. Upon John's death,

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THE MYSTERIOUS LATIMER CASE.

The Latimer case is proving a puzzle to the Brooklyn police, and at present the murder of Albert C. Latimer, whose wife declares that he was shot by a burglar surprised in their bedroom, appears to be far from a solution. Mrs. Latimer has admitted a slight flirtation with a neighbor, and William H. Tutill has acknowledged that the dead man was once greatly displeased by his attentions to Mrs. Latimer.

A FITTING FINALE.

Re-Union of the Pupils of the Lewis School.

The arrangements for the reunion of Lewis' school Friday night are now perfected. It is thought better by those who have charge of the meeting to have it in the court house, as it will be cooler and more convenient at the first named place. The court house is being cleaned up and a stage is being built just as it used to be in the commencement of Lewis' school years ago. In fact this is one of the great purposes of the reunion to have a meeting as nearly like as possible to the old commencement. Old songs which were formerly sung will probably bring a tear to many an eye.

The meeting will begin at 8:30 o'clock promptly. All of the former pupils are asked to come early and take the front seats. The public of Kinston is cordially invited to the seats in the rear. Special seats are to be reserved for the ministers of Kinston.

The program is as follows: Music—piano, Mr. Adolph Einstein. Prayer—Rev. C. W. Howard. Song—"Auld Lang Sine." By the entire school.

Greeting—By Governor Aycock. "Influence of Lewis' School on Kinston and Lenoir County."—Mr. Plato Collins. "Influence Upon the Press."—Mr. Ralph Harper.

Solo—Mr. Wayne Mitchell. "Influence of Lewis' School in Business."—Mr. W. J. B. Dale. "Influence Upon the Bar."—Mr. T. C. Wooten.

Song—"The Patter of the Shingle." Young people. Recitation—"If You Will Chaw Tobacco."—Miss Myrtle Taylor. "Influence of Lewis' School Upon the Medical Profession."—Dr. C. L. Pridgen. Recitation—Miss Payne Kilpatrick.

Song—"Ben Bolt."—Mr. J. A. McDaniel. "In Memoriam."—Mr. E. B. Lewis. Song—"Far Away."—Messrs. W. C. Fields, jr., lead; Arthur Einstein, baritone; Mr. Rosemond, tenor; Dr. H. D. Harper, jr., bass.

"Influence of Lewis' School Upon the Teachers."—Mr. Jasper Howard. "Influence of Religion."—Rev. Cowan. Quartet—"Gathering Home."—Messrs. Fields, Einstein, Rosemond and Harper. Reminiscences—By several pupils, some young some old.

Address—Col. W. D. Pollock. Song—"I Never Will Forget the Old Time."—By the entire school. Music by Mr. Adolph Einstein while the crowd is leaving.

The following old pupils have been selected as ushers, who will keep perfect order during all of the exercises: Messrs. F. C. Dunn, W. O. Wooten, Herman Canady, O. K. LaBoque, Graham Faulkner and Jake Oettinger.

If any of the former students have not yet handed in their names to Mrs. H. Archibald they are urged to do so at once for a list of all the students who have ever attended Lewis' school is now being made out.

He Was "It."

Cholly—She called me "a hawt baked dude." Now, isn't that ridiculous? Miss Peppery—Yes; it usually is.—New York World.

Friendly Ready.

"My cousin says doesn't talk!" The routine said, with an inward sigh, "Well, my cousin says 'don't talk'!" And with a surprised, "Mustn't say!"—Chicago Tribune.

THE EARTHQUAKE IN THE WEST.

Omaha, Neb., July 29.—Reports received today from points in northern and western Nebraska indicate that yesterday's earthquake was more general than was at first reported. At Oakdale buildings were considerably shaken up and at Battle Creek the disturbance lasted half a minute. Tilden, Norfolk, Creighton, Plain View, Pierce and Neligh report shocks lasting 20 seconds, and at Elgin three distinct quakes were felt. At none of these towns, however, was there any serious damage, breaking of windows and dishes and cracking of plaster being the extent of the destruction.

FATAL FIRE IN PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 30.—Six firemen injured, two eight-story buildings almost completely destroyed, a number of others slightly damaged and a property loss estimated at \$300,000 is the result of the fire on Liberty street, which raged fiercely for seven hours.

DOVER, July 28.

Miss Lizzie Edwards left Sunday night to spend a week in Kinston.

Messrs. W. H. O'Berry of Kinston and Chas. H. O'Berry of Wilmington spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Geo. B. Wilson.

Only a small audience heard Dr. Hall's lecture last Thursday night, owing to it not being much known, but those who did hear him, without exception, were completely carried away with his lecture and are far more anxious to hear him again than they were before.

Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards of New Bern were visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Edwards Sunday. Mr. Edwards returned to New Bern in the afternoon and Mrs. Edwards took the cars for Kinston Sunday night.

Mr. Herman Russell of Richmond was here today visiting his sister, Mrs. L. H. Outlaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Burkhalter and children of New Bern are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Geo. K. West.

When our daughter visits us again, there is a certain sweet ball in town who we hope will come to our home to kiss her good-bye when she leaves, because we are told that when she kisses a young lady friend good-bye, she kisses the lady's naps. See the point don't you? A kiss from a pretty girl is like a dog in a refrigerator—so "log-on-lee."

Miss Lillian Carpenter left last week on a visit to Rocky Mount.

Dr. Raymond Pollock informs us that there is much sickness in the adjacent country now. The doctor seems to be very busy.

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