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EXTREMELY DRY THE PAST WEEK

AGREEABLE, BUT SHOWERS NEEDED

Good Progress Made in Harvesting Fall Produce and Grain Crops.

Dry Weather Retards Plowing and Preparations for Winter Wheat and Oats—Cotton Has Ceased to Grow and is Opening Fast—Labor Scarce—Digging Sweet Potatoes and Peanuts Has Begun.

U. S. Department of Agriculture, Climate and Crop Bulletin of the Weather Bureau, North Carolina section, for the week ending Monday, Sept. 1.

Except in a few western counties where beneficial showers occurred on the 26th and 28th, the past week was extremely dry throughout the greater portion of the state; at most places, indeed, hardly more than "traces" of rain occurred. The mean temperature was about normal, with warm days and rather cool nights. The amount of sunshine was abundant, and the weather very agreeable, but showers are much needed for all late crops, especially corn, peas, late cabbages, potatoes, clover and turnips. Excellent progress in pulling fodder, curing tobacco, picking cotton and haying was made under the very favorable conditions that prevailed for farm work. The ground is now so dry and hard that fall plowing and preparations for winter wheat and oats are backward.

Dry weather has caused the growth of cotton to cease, and top bolls are not forming; some fields look as brown as they usually do in October. Cotton is opening very fast, and is said to be nearly half open, but the absence of very high maximum temperatures has prevented much premature opening; complaints of rust and shedding continue and some correspondents report short crops on account of the small size of the bolls. Picking is progressing, but is behind on account of rapid opening and scarcity of labor. Late corn continues to do well and in many sections will be the best crop gathered. Pulling fodder continues actively. Tobacco is ripening in northwestern counties; while the crop planted was short, the yield has been above the average in quality. Digging sweet potatoes and peanuts has commenced and also cutting rice with favorable prospects for these crops. Peavines promise a large yield of hay, but are not fruiting heavily. Crimson clover and late seeded turnips have not come up on account of drought.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Instructive Addresses by Rev. Blanchard and Mr. Ormond.

Rev. Mr. Blanchard's address Wednesday morning was considered by many to be one of the strongest ever delivered in Kinston. Some of the points are as follows:

"The problem of the twentieth century that demands our greatest consideration is the educational work in our rural districts. The country teachers have this great responsibility and privilege and by them the foundation for good citizenship is to be laid.

"From statistics we learn that forty per cent. of those that ought to be in the schools are not there, and are therefore without the pale of educational influence. The problem is magnified to the country teacher especially, because, as investigation and history proves, it is from the country that the business men and in fact the leaders in all phases of life are to come. In the place thus where an educational influence is most needed it is felt less—the masses in the rural sections of North Carolina are ignorant. The solving of this problem devolves upon this generation and upon the teachers especially, and at the basis of this lies the welfare of the state.

"We need consolidated school districts. Educators and teachers must unite to bring popular sentiment to the point where selfish desires and prejudices may be lost sight of in consideration of the common weal. Such a consolidation would make it possible to improve and better equip the school houses and surroundings, for in this respect our schools are sadly in need. There is nothing outside of the written laws that will have so much influence in arousing interest and enthusiasm in education as a personal canvass by the teachers before school begins.

"One of the greatest evils that is in our land today is the idea that there is a short road to culture and that a kind of outside finish is sufficient."

Mr. Blanchard urged the need of compulsory education. He said it might not be wise in one year or two years, but even if it came tomorrow he believed it

would be for the best interests of the people. All the problems of home, all the social and political problems of the state would, under compulsory education, be met and solved in a way more satisfactory to all the people.

There are many parents in our state who positively do not want their children to go to school. When such is the case, he said, he believed it the duty of the state to act toward that parent as that parent should act toward its child. The whole address was thoroughly enjoyed.

The devotional exercises were conducted this morning by Rev. N. E. Coltrane.

Dr. Lewis continued his talk on "Physiology." He explained the breathing system, showing how air laden with oxygen is taken into the lungs and there purifies the blood. The work of the vocal organs and the way sound or speech is made. Dr. Lewis simplified by using drawings on the board to illustrate. The effect of carbonic acid gas which we exhale is to produce drowsiness. This, the doctor said, accounts for people getting sleepy in church sometimes, though he would not touch this as the reason every time.

Prof. Jones in his mathematical work took up the principles in interest.

Mr. Y. T. Ormond addressed the institute on "Civil Government." He thoroughly explained the part of the school law which directly affects the teachers.

The afternoon session was taken up in discussing common grammatical errors. The institute will close with tomorrow evening's session.

Sanitary Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the public health officers will, during the week commencing September 8th, make a tour of the city for the purpose of sanitary regulation. All parties are required to have their premises in a cleanly and sanitary condition. All trash, weeds and other filth should be removed to the streets and there put in piles. A corps of city wagons will visit all parts of the city during this time and remove the same. The attention of the public is called to the sanitary regulations [Ord. V] and especially to section 9 of this ordinance as it will be strictly enforced. This matter should be attended to at once, as well as to the other sanitary regulations [pig pens, etc.] so that the officers may not be under the necessity of enforcing the laws and fines.

Dr. C. L. PRODEN,
County Supt. Hea. th.
J. H. ROUSE,
City Health Officer.

President Has a Narrow Escape.

Pittsfield, Mass., Sept. 3.—The drag containing President Roosevelt and his party, on the way from Pittsfield to Lenox, was struck by an electric car today and the president was slightly cut and bruised. Secret Service Agent Craig was killed. Secretary Cortelyou was slightly injured.

The driver of the coach was seriously injured. The motorman and conductor of the car were placed under arrest. The president was able to resume his journey to Lenox, but sent word ahead that there should be no cheering.

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KINSTON TOBACCO MARKET GLUTTED

FARMERS ASKED TO HOLD BACK

The Rush Lowers Prices and Occasions Heavy Losses.

Urged to Grade Their Tobacco and Hold it for a Little While—Warehousesmen and Buyers Swamped and Hard to Keep the Money Coming Fast Enough to Meet Heavy Demands.

The warehouses today were all comfortably filled with tobacco, about 400,000 being offered, and the prices were decidedly off. The cause of this is evident to every one who studies the conditions.

Farmers are rushing their tobacco to market in an ungraded state, which necessitates an extra amount of labor to handle it, and the consequence is that the buyers are crowded for storage room and are not enthusiastic about buying. These conditions, however, are only temporary and do not affect the market permanently. But the advice of all concerned is that the farmers hold their tobacco for the time being, and in the meantime they can get it in better shape for market, which will inure greatly to their benefit.

The slump in the prices were more noticeable on the higher grades, and lower grades were but slightly affected. There is no good reason that tobacco should be permanently lower, as the manufacturers have raised the price of manufactured tobacco all along the line, which will no doubt be continued, and of course this should act as a ballast to the market.

The Kinston market is not alone in these conditions and is still the highest market in the state.

It is the intention of The Free Press to state the true conditions of the market as they exist, for the benefit of its many readers among the farmers, and will always look to the interest of all concerned, hence this statement of today's market.

The heaviest buyers were in the market only when guaranteed by the warehousemen that their purchases would be stored by the warehouses, as they have not completed their buildings and consequently cannot handle their purchases to good advantage. A wire from other markets to the warehousemen at this place discloses the fact that Kinston was not the first to suffer from the slump, but that tobacco was off last week in other markets of eastern Carolina. These facts about cover the situation and need not be alarming to any one.

The rumor that the two big trusts had called a conference in London for the purpose of getting together on the price to be paid for tobacco is not the cause of the slump, as that conference was called for an entirely different purpose.

The vast quantities of ungraded tobacco is said to be the sole cause of the slump and it operates detrimentally in two ways: There is not anywhere near help enough, here consequently the grading is slow; this delays getting it to the jobbers and that delays the money getting back here.

The advice of all the tobacco men is that farmers take time and bring their tobacco to market reasonably, and not rush the big sales day.

Tobacco is still selling considerably higher now than it did last year.



J. PIERPONT MORGAN IN HIS FAMOUS "INNER OFFICE." The illustration shows J. Pierpont Morgan in his famous "inner office," in which have been arranged some of the most stupendous deals the world has ever known. The recent decision to oppose the coal strikers to the bitter end was reached in this room.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Budget of Municipal Business Transacted Wednesday Night.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of aldermen was held last night. Mayor Webb and aldermen Tull, Tunnell, Heath and Pittman were present.

F. M. Harrington was granted permission to use the streets of the city for the purpose of a street fair and carnival during the six days beginning with September 29.

Permission was granted to move the house of G. P. Cox on N. Independent street.

The board of aldermen levied advance taxes as follows: for general purposes, 70 cents on the \$100 valuation and \$2.10 on poll; for purposes, 3 cents on the \$100 valuation and 90 on the poll.

City attorney Mitchell was instructed to get deeds for new streets and extensions.

The committee appointed to investigate the putting in of a steam boiler by The Kinston Publishing Co., reported objection by adjacent property owners and further consideration was postponed till next meeting.

Sanitary officer Rouse reported the sanitary condition as bad. The matter of heating the city hall, the fire engine house and guard house by steam was referred to Mayor Webb and City engineer Harry.

The salary of firemen Lee was increased to \$35 a month, commencing August 9th.

Complaint having been made to the board that the telephone company is mutilating shade trees and that wires are being lowered. It was ordered that said company be ordered to stop lowering wires, and trimming trees without consent of owners of property adjacent.

Police Reports.

Police Rouse—arrests 8; fines imposed \$13; fines collected \$13.

Police Brinson—arrests 15; fines imposed \$27; fines collected \$15.

Police Dunn—arrests 7; fines imposed \$8.

Police Heath—arrests 5; fines imposed \$10; fines collected \$3.

Police Taylor—arrests 21; fines imposed \$28; fines collected \$11.

Clerk's Report.

Clerk Mewburne reported collections from the following sources:

School tax	\$ 8.03
General property and poll tax ..	18.72
Privilege license	262.83
Dog tax	56.00
Fines in mayor's court	42.00
Market house rental	25.50
Electric light rental	387.49
Electric light construction	131.22
Water rental	3.00
Cemetery lots	22.00
Stable manure	4.00
Costs95
Total.	\$901.74
Treasurer's Report.	
Balance on hand	1456.96
Cash from Clerk Mewburne	598.71
	\$2,410.67

DISBURSEMENTS.

Expense account	51.44
Electric light	683.79
Fire department	259.28
Street department	237.10
Garbage	92.67
Cemetery	28.50
Police	185.00
Salary	26.50
Balance on hand	830.29
	\$2,410.67

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A POINTER FOR COTTON GROWERS

Flurry in New York Over Government Report.

Special to The Free Press.

New York, Sept. 4.—The cotton men are in a state of ferment over the government report, made public last night, that the 1902 cotton crop is the lowest ever recorded. This of course means a sharp advance in prices, with prospects of going higher and higher.

In consequence brokers are keeping the wires hot telling their agents to buy everything in sight at ten cents.

FEMININE CHAT.

Mme. Lilli Lehmann, the opera singer, is a vegetarian.

The wife of Sir Henry Stanley, who was formerly Dorothy Tennant, is one of the London hostesses at whose homes Americans are always welcomed.

Mrs. Oliver Ames supports at her own expense a full brass band at the Oliver Ames High school of North Easton, Mass., an institution of her own planning and provision.

Mrs. S. T. Rorer, the famous Philadelphia teacher of cooking, has never had a headache and is the picture of health. Yet she is one of the busiest women in the United States. This is a standing argument for scientific cookery.

Long after the colonial days it was related with pride of Miss Anne Payne, Mrs. Madison's sister, that she was the belle of Washington for an entire season with two evening dresses, one of white muslin and one of white silk.

Mrs. Hayward Lynch of Savannah, Ga., has in her possession the missile that killed Count Pulaski at the siege of Savannah. Contrary to the general understanding, it is not a bullet, but an iron grapeshot more than an inch in diameter.

Mrs. E. L. Safford of Washington maintains and supports a mission out of her own private income in a curious group of ivy grown stone buildings erected during the Revolution along the Chesapeake and Ohio canal. It is known as the "Towpath mission."

Lillian Nordica is the most prominent of the native daughters of America who have won foremost places on the operatic stage. She was born in Maine. Her own name was Lillian Norton, and she early disclosed that remarkable quality of her voice which has elicited applause in every capital of cultured Europe.

FRILLS OF FASHION.

Low cut Louis XV. coats are to form one of the features of autumn wedding, reception and garden party gowns.

Among the artistic trimmings for the early autumn are the Falstaff neck ruffles with flat stole ends and large Cromwell cape collars of point de venise or vandyke lace.

"Venetian pink" is the name of a new peculiar and to some people very becoming shade of rose that will appear among velvets, chiffons and ribbons for collars, bows, choux and millinery uses.

The supple weaves of plain taffeta silk will be in great demand this fall for both gowns and accessories, to say nothing of the pretty dotted and striped patterns and those barred with narrow lines of satin in contrasting colors for fancy waists.

On short back sailor hats, with the broad rolling brim curving downward over the face, scarfs of either dotted, India mull or chiffon and fancy white brocades flecked with bits of black plumage are popular for morning wear and also for golf, yachting and similar uses.—New York Post.

MERE MEN.

President Roosevelt has still in his employ at Oyster Bay Alfred Davis, the old negro who drove Mr. Roosevelt to the polls when he cast his first vote.

Johann Gottfried Galle, who on Sept. 23, 1846, discovered the planet Neptune, is still living and recently celebrated his ninetieth birthday in Potsdam.

Dr. Henry M. Field, who is now in his eighty-first year, is the sole survivor of the famous Field brothers, which included David Dudley, Cyrus and Judge Stephen Field.

Owes His Life to a Neighbor's Kindness.

Mr. D. P. Daugherty, well known throughout Meck and Sumner counties, W. Va., most likely owes his life to the kindness of a neighbor. He was almost hopelessly afflicted with diarrhoea; was attended by two physicians who gave him little, if any, relief, when a neighbor hearing of his serious condition, brought him a bottle of Chamberlin's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which cured him in less than twenty-four hours. For sale by J. E. Hood.



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