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WORST DAMAGE IN YEARS FROM RAINS

Many Bridges Washed Away and Crops Flooded in Wake County

NO RELIEF PROMISED

Steel Bridge Over Neuse May Go and Crabtree Bridge in Danger—Neuse River Power Plant Shut Down On Account of High Water—Worst Floods in This Section in 25 Years. Norfolk & Southern and Raleigh & Southport Trains Annulled—No Relief in Sight.

The precipitation in Raleigh now amounts to 11 1/2 inches since last Friday and the weather bureau officials can give no hope of relief. The forecast for the next 24 hours is continued showers.

Raleigh is not by itself in this rain business. Six inches have fallen at Moncure in the last 48 hours. The Cape Fear river at that place is up to the covered railroad bridge, which is expected to go any moment.

The present rainy spell is considered by old residents as the worst in 25 years. Branches are now large creeks, creeks would make any river, in ordinary times, ashamed of itself, and Neuse river is a raging volume of water over a half mile wide in some places.

Reports From Outside. The weather bureau is being notified every moment of an imminent flood at this place, a river out of its stage at that place and of general dangers along river sections.

At Reldaville and Danville three inches have fallen in the past 24 hours. The Roanoke river is higher than ever was known before.

At Moncure six inches of water has fallen during the past 48 hours. The Cape Fear is up to the railroad bridge. The bridge is expected to be washed away any moment. At Fayetteville the Cape Fear has reached 46 feet and will go over 50 feet. Never before has the Cape Fear been so dangerous-looking.

The Tar river at Louisburg is the highest known in years. At Greenville the Tar had risen only five feet last night, but had just begun. It will equal the others today.

The Roanoke river at Weldon is above flood stage and will most probably go to 43 feet or more before tomorrow. Crops in this section are all under water and people living along the river are moving to higher ground.

The storm is centered over southern portion of South Carolina, and has moved very little in the past 24 hours. Indications are now for the rain to continue for the next 24 hours and most probably longer.

STREAMS AROUND RALEIGH.

Neuse River.

The Neuse river is higher than ever before in a score of years, crops in the river bottom are covered with water and all bridges are in danger. At Milburnie it is up to the plank bridge and for 200 yards on each side it is one sheet of water. All of the bottom lands for miles around is submerged. The plant has shut down and where the dam is supposed to be there is no fall at all. It doesn't look as if there was ever a dam there. The flood-gates are open and there is practically no pressure on the dam, there being no danger of the dam washing away. The river is about 10 feet above high water mark.

At the bridge on the new road the river is running like a race-horse. The abutments on both sides are being undermined, and it would not be surprising if the bridge would go tonight.

It is impossible to get a message from the Falls of Neuse.

Crabtree Creek.

Crabtree is impassable on all the roads leading to and from Raleigh. The bridge on the Wake Forest road is six or seven feet under water and is a whirling mass of water several hundred yards wide. The bridge will surely be lost.

On the Milburnie road, Crabtree is up to the covered bridge and it is feared that this valuable structure will also be torn away.

At Edwards' Mill the mill is in great danger. The creek is up to the bridge and out on both sides. (Continued on Second Page.)

GREAT DAMAGE TO THE SOUTH

Many Bridges Washed Away and Trains at a Standstill

COTTON MILLS DAMAGED

Last Outlet for Trains to the North Closed, Seaboard and Southern Both Being Shut Off—Seaboard Loses Many Bridges and Trains at a Standstill—Eastern North Carolina Suffers Greatly, the Cape Fear, the Roanoke and Other Rivers Being Beyond Bounds.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 26.—Southern Railway passenger train No. 44, which was this morning diverted via the Georgia Railroad and Augusta, was forced to return to Atlanta, after proceeding only a few miles, because of washouts on the Georgia Railway. This closes the last outlet by train to the Carolinas and the north.

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 26.—The main line trains between Washington and Atlanta have been detoured via Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta line and the reported washouts on the Georgia Railroad between Augusta and Atlanta will close all out-lets.

Excessive Rainfall at Greenville.

(Special to The Times.) Greenville, N. C., Aug. 26.—Rainfall in this section very excessive for twenty-four hours ending 8 o'clock this morning. It was 1.10 inches and for three days 4.78 inches. Tar river rose three and a half feet last day and continues rising. Crops have suffered greatly and trains and mails delayed by washouts. Weather is showing clearing tendency today but still raining some.

CAPE FEAR OVERFLOWED.

Water in River At Fayetteville Stood Forty-eight Feet at Noon; Still Rising.

(Special to The Times.) Fayetteville, N. C., Aug. 26.—It is still raining here, the third day of almost continuous rain. Sunday night and Monday, 4.86 inches fell. Monday night, 1.02 inches; last night and up to noon today, 1 1/4 inches have fallen. At noon there was forty-eight feet, seven inches of water in Cape Fear, with the water rising out at rate of five inches an hour.

All the river valley is overflowed and thousands of acres of cotton and corn are under water. Crops generally are injured, some estimate the damage injury at 25 per cent, while a conservative estimate is 20 per cent, so far. Traffic on Coast Line moving on Raleigh & Southport suspended.

FOUR LARGE BRIDGES GONE.

High Point Water Supply Cut Off. Small Houses Washed Away.

(Special to The Times.) High Point, N. C., Aug. 26.—Four of the largest county bridges have been washed away by floods, namely: Shipman, Armfield, Willard and Oakdale bridges, and the large bridge at Freeman's mills is reported washed away. Deep river is out of its banks and presents a vast sheet of water.

High Point's water supply is cut off by water-flooding boilers at reservoir and putting out fire. Some of the factories had to close down on account of same. Expect to be remedied late this evening. Smaller bridges and houses along waterway are reported washed away. Flood works havoc with farmers, destroying corn, cotton and other products, especially in low lands. It is the greatest flood in the history of this locality.

Seaboard Train Derailed.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Columbia, S. C., Aug. 26.—Seaboard Air Line passenger train No. (Continued on Second Page.)

Hains Brothers Who Will Go On Trial Friday For Killing Editor Annis.



The upper picture shows Major John P. Hains, the elder brother of Capt. Hains. The lower picture is a profile view of Capt. Hains from a police photograph.

BROWN RENIGGED ON HIS CONTRACTS RALEIGH MAN IS DROWNED TODAY

Got Cold Feet and Quit When Market Went Against Him

A BLOW TO GAMBLING EFFORTS TO SAVE HIM

Firm Tried to Throw Stock Market Into Whirlwind of Confusion and its Waterloo Came—No Accurate Estimates of the Firm's Liabilities Has Yet Been Made—Will Give Out Statement Today in Regard to Resumption of Business But There is No Explanation of Saturday's Wild Business.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Aug. 26.—"When the market went against his play he got cold feet and quit and then the whole house of cards collapsed."

That's the way Wall street sized up the failure for more than a million dollars of the once staple brokerage firm of A. O. Brown & Company today referring to the actions of a man who is the president of a trust company and of exceptional standing in the financial world. He is blamed for the collapse of the firm inasmuch as it is now known that he joined the concern in a huge speculative venture and renigged on his obligations. (Continued on Page Three.)

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT OF STATE CONVENTION

REPUBLICANS IN CHARLOTTE

Convention Called to Order at Noon Today By Judge Adams

LEADER VERY ACTIVE

Ex-Senator Marion Butler on the Scene—Romulus "Zig-zag" Linney, a Gubernatorial Aspirant—Platform Committee Busy—Platform to Contain Planks Favoring Changes in Election Laws, Square Deal to Labor, Protection of Business Interests—Old Soldiers to be Placed on Ticket.

(Special to The Times)

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 26.—The city is full of republicans here for the convention. Among the more prominent ones are: State Chairman Spencer B. Adams and G. S. Bradshaw, of Greensboro; Editor R. Don Laws, of The Yellow Jacket, Moravian Falls; Judge E. W. Timberlake, of Wake Forest; District Attorney A. E. Holton, of Winston-Salem, and District Attorney Harry Skinner, of Greenville; Charles H. Cowles, of Wilkesboro; V. S. Luck and Thomas S. Rollins, of Asheville; R. Z. Linney, of Taylorsville; Editor J. Z. Green, of Marshville; H. L. Grant, of Raleigh; ex-Senator Marion Butler and brother, Major George E. Butler, of Elliott.

The convention meets at noon today in the auditorium, with Judge Spencer B. Adams presiding.

The republican leaders have been very active today and yesterday, preparing their platform and getting ready for the real work of the convention. The executive committee was in session last night and transacted routine business. The platform as it now stands, and will be presented to the convention, is said to be an artfully constructed affair. It is the manifest intention of its framers to fight shy of the liquor question, exploit the party's interest in the business world, fool the labor vote into the republican fold and pull the wool over the eyes of the old Confederate soldier. One or more old soldiers will be placed on the ticket. There will be an immigration plank, an election law plank, and a promise of good roads.

Marion Butler is on hand and is prophesying republican victory this fall. Hon. Romulus Z. Linney, the "Bull of the Bushies," is mentioned for governor, and is one of the most conspicuous figures on the ground.

Two new gubernatorial possibilities have appeared on the scene. There are Judge H. R. Starbuck, of Forsyth, and Mr. A. A. Whitener, of Catawba.

NEGRO LYNCHED.

Was Thought to be in Macon Jail, But Found Yesterday Hanging to Tree.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Louisville, Ga., Aug. 26.—Vance Williams, a negro alleged to be implicated in the murder of R. C. Brown, a wealthy planter, and who was supposed to have been sent to jail at Macon to avoid lynching, was found yesterday hanging from a tree, riddled with bullets. The negro was certainly sent to Macon jail and there is great mystery as to how he was gotten from that city and turned over to the mob.

MRS. GOULD BRINGS SUIT.

Wants \$50,000 Damages From a Fifth Avenue Tradesman.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Aug. 26.—Mrs. Howard Gould has brought suit for \$50,000 against Frank A. McLaughlin, a Fifth avenue tradesman, who, she alleges, through a process server, injured her to that extent.

Mrs. Howard Gould was formerly Catherine Clemmons, an actress. Her marital troubles have figured prominently in the newspapers of late. (Continued on Page Three.)

Small Band of Enthusiastic Women meet Today, an Interesting Meeting

DR. KNAPP'S SPEECH

Mrs. W. N. Hutt Re-elected Chairman—Makes a Fine Address—Old Committee Re-elected—Mrs. W. S. Primrose Delivers Address of Welcome—Mrs. E. E. Moffitt Talks Interestingly of "Fresh Air"—Mrs. W. R. Hollowell Makes a Delightful Speech.

Beginning at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon the Farmers' Convention again took up its work. Mr. T. J. W. Broome, of Union county, addressed the audience on "Observations and Conclusions Concerning Farm Practices." His address was interesting and evinced a thorough acquaintance with the problems of farm life. State Forester W. W. Ashe followed, with an instructive discussion of "Forestry."

"Commercial Fertilizers, When and How to Use Them," was the subject discussed by Director C. B. Williams, of the state experiment station. Mr. C. D. Harris, state feed chemist, concluded the evening program with an able paper on "The Results of Feed-stuff Inspection."

Probably the greatest address of the convention, and certainly one of the best ever delivered in this city, was that of Dr. S. A. Knapp, on "The Building of a Nation."

He described our nation as perfect in plan, no detail omitted in its constitutional framework. Following this up he declared that the growth of our nation depends entirely on our attention detail, the following up and development of every factor that would tend toward development, however insignificant that factor may be.

Dr. Knapp said in part:

"In the framework of the government of the United States we have one of the most perfect plans that was ever devised. The general theory and the outline is a grand conception for the government of men. We have been faulty in two particulars: We neglected a careful consideration of the specific details in government. As an example it was many years before a complete system of education to prepare our people to govern was fully established, and yet in many portions of the country the educational system is exceedingly faulty. We failed also to provide for contingencies. Every great power that comes into the world produces a revolution, and ultimately results in a modification of economic conditions and finally of government. The invention of gun-powder readjusted the map of the world. The discovery of steam and electricity have resulted in great economic revolutions, and we are today struggling with the problem which shall be paramount, the manufacture or the labor. We have gone from the smaller factory to the larger factories and have concentrated these great factories largely in cities or centers of population and they have organized or co-operated until it appears that ultimately we shall have a great central power in the manufacturing interests of the United States. Labor has been apparently compelled to organize to meet this centralization of manufactures. It would almost seem that there would have been some thoughtful provision in law by which the laborer in addition to a just wage should have been a participator in profits as a matter of equity and true economy. This would solve the un-economic revolutions called strikes."

"What method shall we take to promote agriculture? admitting my premises to be correct. Let us take it up in detail. First, the income of the farmer must be greatly increased by a knowledge of the soil and the conditions necessary to produce a better crop so that there may be fewer failures. Secondly, by the introduction of mechanical appliances to the end that the drudgery of farming may be removed, and that each laborer may be able to do five to ten times the amount of work in a day that he now performs. Thirdly, by making every portion of the farm contribute to his support. Not by hard labor, but by the production of more live stock of a better quality. (Continued on Page Three.)