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Rainfall in Raleigh Section Very Much Below Normal to July 11

FAMINE IS THREATENED

Unless Relief Comes Soon Raleigh Consumers May be Without Water, as Streams Are Drying Up—June Rainfall Several Inches Short—Unusually Hot and Dry Weather—Temperatures in Northwest Were Low Today—Some Hot Weather Talk.

TEMPERATURES TODAY.

8 a. m.	79
9 a. m.	82
10 a. m.	85
11 a. m.	90
12 m.	92
1 p. m.	93
2 p. m.	95

With less than half of a normal rainfall during the first six months of the year, Raleigh and Wake county face a situation unknown in the annals of the local weather bureau. Streams are drying up, gardens are burning up and the city's water supply is likely to be cut off entirely unless Jupiter Pluvius comes to the rescue.

The rainfall since January 1 has been short 14.50 inches, the normal precipitation to July 1 being 25 inches. This section got only 11.50 up to July 1 and since that date not a fraction of an inch has fallen, thereby making the shortage 14.50 inches. If the average precipitation had occurred, this section would have had about 25 inches of rain.

In June, for instance, the average rainfall has been 4.72 inches; Raleigh got 1.26 inches, a shortage of 3.46 inches. There was not the slightest indication before noon today of a break in the drought, though it is possible that a local shower might hit this section. At this time of the year, when the sun is scorching everything, rain usually falls in abundance, but it has not fallen this summer.

Other Sections Favored.
In some sections of the state, however, there has been rain to spare. In Robeson and Columbus counties the precipitation has been sufficient; Franklin county has had all the water necessary, and in some sections of Wake county the crops have suffered very little. Not so with the Raleigh section. Here the lack of rain has caused gardens to burn up and housekeepers have had unusual difficulties in supplying their tables.

High Temperatures.
The temperatures have been uniformly high for the past month. June this year broke the record for the highest temperature, the thermometer registering 100 degrees a month ago. July has started off well or bad—in this respect. Yesterday the mercury reached 94 degrees. (Continued on Page Six.)

SIMMONS COMING HOME WHILE SENATE TALKS

Washington, July 11.—The Canadian reciprocity bill and the Arizona-New Mexico statehood question, divided the attention in the senate today. Senator Sutherland, of Utah, attacked the judiciary recall provision of the Arizona constitution. Chairman Penrose, of the finance committee, in charge of the reciprocity measure, brought the bill before the senate for discussion. The rejection of the Cummins and Simmons amendments to the bill cleared the way materially for early action on the tariff legislation before congress. Simmons is going home to remain until the final vote. Other senators will follow the same course. The passage of the bill is assured. The house is not in session.

Statistics show that fat men are rarely criminals.



Lady Granard, formerly Miss Beatrice Mills, who is coming from England to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Mills, at their cottage at Newport, R. I. in the latter part of August. Her arrival is being looked forward to with much interest by the exclusive social set of the fashionable resort.

THE IRONY OF FATE

Address On Paper Identifies Sanford Store-Breaker

Clarence Moore Broke Into Store at Sanford and Changed Clothing. Raleigh Address Found in Old Clothes Leads to Arrest Here Today.

One night last week a store at Sanford was broken into by some parties and clothing taken. One of the men decided to change his clothing while in the store and leave his old suit in place of the new one. The change was made and the next morning in searching the old clothes a piece of paper was found containing the address of "Miss Blanche Finch, 707 W. Lane, Raleigh, N. C." The police officers here were at once notified and Chief of Police Stell went out to the home of this party and found the address correct. She was asked about giving the address to the man, and remembered doing so. This morning Clarence Moore came to the city, but was not in the city limits very long before he was taken up and carried to the station-house and closely questioned. He admitted getting the address found in the clothes and finally admitted that he broke into the Sanford store and changed clothes. He is being held in the station house, while the Sanford officers have been notified of the arrest. It is probable that he will be carried back to Sanford this afternoon.

"COOLER TOMORROW" THEY SAY AGAIN

Washington, July 11.—With the government's forecast clinging to their oft repeated prediction of cooler tomorrow, the hot weather continues to prevail throughout New England, and the Middle Atlantic States. Local thunder showers over that section east of the Mississippi River, were to have brought the temperature down yesterday and today, according to the bureau.

The showers came it is said, but the mercury didn't mind them. Today the bureau insists there will be appreciable moderation tomorrow and wave will be effectually broken by Thursday. Boston and other New England points were the hottest places in the United States this morning at 8 o'clock the thermometers registering 88 degrees. Atlantic City and Philadelphia are well up on list with 84 degrees. Washington and New York began with 82 degrees and promised to rise high in the nineties.

FARMER SPANKS THREE GIRLS.

Trenton, July 11.—Three pretty girls of Trenton who were surprised by a farmer of Morrisville, Pa., while making a raid on his cherries and currants, fled from his orchard, leaving behind a pair of shoes and stockings and a fancy pocketbook containing 31 cents. Dr. William H. Kunsman, in his capacity of justice of the peace, has the purse. The farmer, who does not disclose his name because he has to depend on Trentonians for his customers, also administered a spanking to the girls. The fair raiders escaped without their identity being discovered, but they created much excitement while running through Morrisville.

TWELVE LIVES CRUSHED OUT

Sixty or Seventy Passengers Injured in Wreck of Federal Express Train

RAN INTO OPEN SWITCH

Fast Train From Washington to Boston Runs Into Open Switch and is Hurled Over Viaduct—Fire Breaks Out in the Wreckage, Adding to the Torture of the Wounded and Imprisoned Passengers—St. Louis National Baseball Team in Rear Pullman, Not Much Injured.

Bridgeport, Conn., July 11.—Many lives, probably twelve, were crushed out instantly and sixty or seventy persons were injured frightfully when the Federal Express, running from Washington to Boston over the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, was hurled over a viaduct here by an open switch. Fire broke out in the wreckage, adding to the torture of the suffering of the imprisoned passengers. The fire department extinguished the flames. The firemen assisted in rescuing the injured. Ambulances, carrying doctors, hurried to the scene and did their best to save those under the debris.

The express left Harlem River an hour late. Shortly after 4 o'clock this morning the train was going at a high rate of speed when an open switch, mile and a half west of Bridgeport, was struck.

The switch was near the tower. There was a tremendous crash, an instant of intense silence, then the groans and shrieks of the wounded. The wreck was almost complete, five cars having gone over the viaduct and only three cars of the long train being left on the track. The engine, twisted into junk, was two hundred feet away. Behind were mail and baggage cars, while the Pullmans and coaches were in a mass in the rear. The day coaches were entirely crushed. It was in these that most of the deaths occurred. Three Pullmans were almost completely crumpled up, but the passengers in them were protected somewhat because of the Pullmans' strength.

In the wreckage of the engine was found a body, thought to be the engineer, who died at his post. A babe about a year old was found in one car. It was alive and had become separated from its mother. In another coach a woman was taken out alive but her child was dead under her.

Members of the St. Louis baseball team, on their way to Boston, were in the last Pullman, but all of them escaped injury. They were thrown from their berths and badly jarred, however. Recovering their composure, they assisted in rescuing the dying and injured. The mistake of a switching crew in the New York yards probably saved the lives of the players. When the team boarded the train out of Philadelphia they were in the fourth car from the engine. When the cars were taken off the ferry after circling Manhattan Island, the switchman accidentally put their coach at the end of the train. All the

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YOUNG WOMEN HELD FOR THE GRAND JURY

New York, July 11.—Ethel Conrad and Lillian Graham, the young women who, June 6, shot W. E. D. Stokes, the millionaire hotel man, in their apartment, were held in a \$5,000 bail for the grand jury on a charge of felonious assault.

Revision of Anglo-Japanese Alliance.

Tokyo, July 11.—The revision of the Anglo-Japanese alliance is regarded as the inevitable outcome of the Anglo-American arbitration treaty. Negotiations for revision have been in progress for several weeks.

Vancouver Ship Yards Burned.

Vancouver, B. C., July 11.—Wallace slip yards, one of the largest industries in north Vancouver, was destroyed by fire today. The loss is heavy. It is reported that several boats on the ways were burned.

Better a drawback than a setback. A fool will forget.

GOVERNOR SMITH WILL BE GEORGIA SENATOR

Atlanta, July 11.—Governor Hoke Smith's election as United States Senator to succeed Joseph M. Stewart is assured by the separate ballots taken in the Georgia house and senate at noon today.

AVIATORS COMPLETE TRIP.

Arrive in Park Near Washington Early This Morning. Baltimore, Md., July 11.—Harry N. Atwood and Charles K. Hamilton, the aviators who alighted in an aeroplane here yesterday morning after a spectacular air journey from Atlantic City, resumed the last lap of their record-breaking overland journey from Boston to Washington shortly after dawn this morning, at 5:45. The aeroplane moved at a height of about two hundred feet and arrived at College Park, a few miles outside of Washington at 5:45.

CASE IS CONTINUED

Will Weaver Not to Be Tried Until September

Lennie Hall, Colored, Gets Ten Years in Penitentiary for Highway Robbery—Ernest Jones Takes Four Months on Roads for Manslaughter.

In Wake superior court today, the case of state against Will Weaver, colored, charged with the murder of Ed Pearce, a white man, was continued until the September term.

The witnesses and special venire were notified not to attend at this time.

John Guyer, a white man, pleaded guilty to an assault on Ed. Parker with a deadly weapon. He will pay Parker \$50 for the injuries and judgment was suspended on payment of the costs.

Lennie Hall, colored, was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary for highway robbery. John Harris was the victim.

Frank Williams pleaded guilty to forcible trespass. Judgment was suspended on payment of costs.

Ernest Jones, colored, was given four months for manslaughter. Ernest shot at Richard Hopkins, but the shot killed John Jeffreys, a bystander.

HEAT EXCESSIVE WITH MANY DEATHS

Philadelphia, July 11.—Philadelphia is sweltering again with excessive heat. Up to 10:00 o'clock nine deaths from prostration were reported. Since the hot wave set in 142 deaths from heat have occurred. The official thermometer registered 90 degrees today.

DRY WEATHER GENERAL.

High Temperatures Cause Death and Much Suffering.

Washington, D. C., July 11.—Continued high temperatures, causing hundreds of deaths and much suffering to human and animal life, together with further general deficiency in precipitation, marked the weather of the week over most districts east of the Rocky Mountains, says the National Weather Weekly, weather bulletin of the weather bureau. In the corn growing states east of the Mississippi high temperatures continued, there was general lack of sufficient rainfall and drought conditions are prevailing in many portions. Over the Atlantic coast states from Virginia northward the week was mostly dry. Vegetation is suffering in nearly all localities. In the cotton growing states weather conditions are more favorable. The temperatures are moderate. Good rains have occurred in many portions. It continues dry, however, over most of North Carolina. More rain is needed in Oklahoma and Tennessee.

NO APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER TODAY

Governor Kitchin has not yet appointed a corporation commissioner to succeed the late Henry Clay Brown. He has heard 27 applicants or their friends. It is believed that an appointment will be announced in a few days. Nothing official has been given out in regard to the matter, but street talk is to the effect that the position will go to Senator E. L. Travis, Mr. A. H. Eller, of Winston-Salem, or Mr. E. L. Harris, of Raleigh.

Five Hundred Thousand Dollar Cotton Fire.

St. Petersburg, July 11.—Five broke out among the cotton bales in the Port section. Five hundred thousand dollars' damage was done. Forty firms shared loss.

A yellow cur may be brave, but his color is against him.

LAST SPEECH MADE TODAY

Former Governor Aycock Concluding Argument in Famous Damage Case

THE CHARGE TOMORROW

Judge Connor Will Instruct Jury in Ware-Kramer Tobacco Suit Against American Tobacco Company—Small Audience Present to Hear Mr. Aycock—Will End Soon.

The jury will tomorrow be given an opportunity of deciding whether the Ware-Kramer Tobacco Company is entitled to damages against the American Tobacco Company in the sum of \$1,200,000 or any other amount or is not entitled to damages, as the case may be.

Ex-Governor C. B. Aycock is this afternoon concluding the last argument in the case, he having followed Mr. F. S. Spruill, who finished his speech for the plaintiff. The court room today presented the appearance of the usual court room, made so by a small crowd of gathered to hear the ex-governor. More people heard the former governor than heard all the other seven speakers.

When Mr. Aycock finishes this afternoon, court will take a recess until tomorrow morning at 9:30, when Judge Connor will address the jury. At this time, it is thought, he will submit the issues involved, and it is not improbable that the case may be closed, so far as this court is concerned, before the end of the day.

The case will have been in progress four weeks and a half tomorrow.

MILLIONAIRE ADRIFT AT SEA.

Four Days Without Food or Water in a Small Launch.

San Pedro, Cal., July 11.—Being buffeted about the ocean by the high rolling waves between here and Catalina in a small gasoline launch for four days and suffering untold agonies from thirst and hunger were the awful experiences suffered by O. L. Grimsley, a millionaire mining man of Los Angeles, and his wife, until picked up by Capt. Kittleson, of the steam lumber schooner Chelalis and carried in an almost unconscious condition to this city.

Mr. Grimsley and his wife were spending their vacation at Catalina. They chartered a small gasoline launch from two Mexicans, Monday, and with them aboard as crew started out for a day's pleasure. The Mexican navigators lost their bearings when a few miles out.

GIVES EMPLOYEES A DANCE.

Stamford, Conn., July 11.—Mrs. Frank Danforth, the daughter of the late J. Joseph Alexandre, has just received a million and a half dollars from her father's estate, having reached her twenty-first year.

Instead of a big affair for her society friends she gave a barn dance last night for the employees of her mother's estate. Mr. and Mrs. Danforth and a party of house guests, including Miss Cornelia Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Willard, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Curtis, of New York, attended.

DESPERATE TRAMP WOUNDS OFFICERS

(Special to The Times.)
Marion, July 11.—As a result of the dynamiting of the C. C. and O. station Sunday night all suspicious characters are being detained and investigated. Last night at 10:15 three men were seen west of town.

Officers started a passing freight and directed the engine to stop when the men were passed. This was done. The men were arrested and searched. Nothing was found upon them to incriminate them, and they gave satisfactory account of themselves. The officers at Old Fort had been instructed to search this same freight, and ex-sheriff Mashburn and Patrolman Mowery, with two assistants, had started to the station when they met the suspicious looking white man, who upon being halted began firing upon the officers at short range. The fire was returned. In a few seconds the man had fired eleven shots at the officers. Sheriff Mashburn was struck in the head and a Mr. Cannon in the shoulder. Neither are dangerously hurt. The man escaped to the mountains. Much excitement prevails. Searching parties are on the trail.

PARKER IN WASHINGTON.

Confers With Democratic Leaders on the Political Situation.
Washington, July 11.—Former Judge Alton B. Parker, of New York, who has been here in consultation with Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, about the contempt proceedings against the Federation officials, conferred at the capitol with many democratic leaders in both houses of congress. There were numerous exchanges of views of the political situation. A fairly general expression of hope was voiced from the democratic standpoint.



Mrs. Sidney C. Love, the prominent New York society matron, who, since her recent divorce from her husband, has set a merry pace for him in his quest to locate her and particularly their only daughter. It is now learned that Mrs. Love and her daughter were at Newport, R. I. for several days recently, and when she heard that Mr. Love's detectives were on her trail, she quickly disappeared.

JOHNSTON AGAIN FIRST

County Assessor Gower Reports to Raleigh

Informing Corporation Commission of Results of His Work—Three Million Increase—Halifax Shows Up Strong Today.

Johnston County, usually the first to settle with the State Treasurer for taxes, is again first. Mr. E. H. Gower, county assessor, reported late yesterday to the corporation commission the result of his work. He reports an increase of tax valuation of approximately \$3,500,000, and this increase was made with only two complaints before the board of equalization of over-assessments. He also succeeded in getting on the tax books 11,000 acres of land that had never before been taxed.

Halifax County is the second to report. Mr. J. W. Blevins, assessor for that county, made his report last night and it reached the commission today. He reports an increase in valuation of \$2,718,885, and a total valuation of \$10,727,931.

It is confidently believed by the commission that the economic and machinery act adopted by the last legislature will furnish all the money necessary for running the government. From all sections of the State comes the announcement of increased valuations. Wake County's increase will be about \$6,000,000.

SHRINERS GATHER FOR ROCHESTER MEETING

Rochester, N. Y., July 11.—With the shriners present from all parts of the country, California, the Hawaiian Islands, and the Philippines, the thirty-seventh annual session of the Imperial Council Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine assembled here today. Imperial Potentate, Fred A. Hines, of Los Angeles, called the convention to order.

GUARD AROUND JAIL.

To Protect From Lying Brute Who Assaulted Girl.

Elkins W. Va., July 11.—Heavy guard was placed around the Parsons, W. Va., jail to protect Floyd Helmick from lynching. Helmick, it is alleged, committed a vicious assault yesterday upon the eleven year old daughter of his employer, John Corbin, fatally injured her brother, then escaped following a sensational chase. He was captured twenty miles from here. A lynching was narrowly averted.

RALEIGH FACES WATER FAMINE

Supply On Hand Will Last 36 Hours and After That There May Be None

BE CAREFUL WITH WATER

Raleigh Consumers Urged to Use No More Than is Absolutely Necessary—Do Not Sprinkle Lawns or Use Water for Any Purposes Other Than Drinking and Cooking—Walnut Creek, Once Considered Equal to All Occasions, Has About Ceased to Flow—The Situation is Acute.

Consumers of city water are urged to use as little as is absolutely necessary. The supply is 500,000 gallons a day; the demand is 1,000,000 gallons at the least, and unless Raleigh people co-operate with the water company in three days none may be furnished consumers.

Never before in the city's history has the water supply been so low, and the people of Raleigh are urged to use no more water than is absolutely necessary. The water people have already cut off the railroads, the street sprinklers and all other consumers possible in order to keep the supply up to the demand, but at noon today the indications pointed to a real famine unless nature comes to the rescue with a refreshing rain.

The situation is simply this: The reservoir, with a capacity of 2,000,000 gallons of water, contains only 1,000,000 gallons; Walnut Creek, which heretofore has averaged a minimum flow after a drought of 2,500,000 gallons every twenty-four hours, is now flowing at the rate of only 500,000 gallons every twenty-four hours, and Raleigh has a supply that cannot last longer than thirty-six hours.

How to remedy the situation: Stop using city water for any purpose other than drinking and cooking. Stop all leaks, but conserve every drop of water in order that some may be left for another day.

Can Fight Fire.

Superintendent Bain, of the Water Company, said today that he was prepared to fight a fire as usual. The pressure has not diminished, and it would require a serious blaze to demand all the water stored up. But a serious fire would cause the supply to fall that much sooner.

Unprecedented.

Mr. Anderson Betts, who lived on the water shed of Walnut Creek 75 years ago, said today that he had never before known that stream to run so low. Other streams have failed, but Walnut Creek has continued to run with the refreshing liquid, and it was only two weeks ago that the creek began failing. From a daily capacity of 3,000,000 gallons, the stream has shrunk to 500,000 gallons.

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