

MANY FAMILIES LEAVE HOMES ON ACCOUNT FLOODS

Western Kansas Is Visited By Worst Floods In History During Last Few Days

HEAVY RAINS UNUSUAL

Hays, Kas. July 30.—Western Kansas today experienced one of the worst floods in its history following heavy rains, which are unusual in this semi-arid region.

Property damage here was estimated at several hundred thousand dollars while more than 300 families were forced to flee their homes early today when the rapidly rising waters of Box Creek inundated the most fashionable residence section. No loss of life was reported.

Traffic was interrupted over a wide area when the torrents washed out bridges and flooded roads and railroad tracks. Additional overflows farther down the river valleys were forecast by the government weather bureau at Topeka.

With the weather clearing throughout most of the state, the weather observer said the downpours which drenched Kansas apparently were ended.

When the water reached its crest here, only the second stories of many houses were above the flood which covered approximately one-third of the town. Water was six feet deep in the buildings of the Kansas State Teachers college and entered the Union Pacific railroad depot.

Women and children were carried from their homes on men's backs in the absence of boats. Improvised rafts were hastily constructed to aid in the rescue work.

Flood waters of Blood creek, following a seven inch rain, forced residents of K. Kingston to move to higher ground. A mile of railroad track was washed out and water was standing in the lower parts of the town.

The creek also forced out 100 families from their homes at Edils. Water from three to ten feet deep stood in the streets and thousands of bushels of wheat in elevators was soaked.

At Wakeeney, hundreds of birds were found drowned in the court house square following a seven inch rain which sent all streams out of their banks.

MAX GARDNER TO HAVE NO PART IN FILLING VACANCY

Says Naming Of National Committeeman Is Entirely Up To Committee

GOV. MORRISON PROSPECT

Shelby, July 31.—O. Max Gardner will not have any recommendations to make to the State Executive Committee, as to the Democratic leader, the committee will name to succeed Senator F. M. Simmons as national committeeman. The gubernatorial candidate made that plain in a statement issued here today.

"The selection of a successor to Senator Simmons," the statement read, "is a question entirely for the executive committee. The committee graciously accepted my recommendation for State chairman, but I do not

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NUN DENIES SHE INFLUENCED MAN TO KILL OBREGON

Slayer Of Mexican Leader Admits Indirect Influence When Arraigned

ASKS FOR SPEEDY TRIAL

Mexico City, July 31.—Flat denial that she had in any way influenced Jose de Leon Toral to kill General Alvaro Obregon was made here today by the Catholic nun, Concepcion Acebedo de la Lata, who has been accused by the police of fostering in the mind of Toral a belief that he could solve the religious problems of Mexico by his crime.

She gave this denial in an interview with a group of newspapermen whose next question was:

"Who influenced Toral to kill General Obregon?"

"I do not know," she replied.

Toral himself has stated that nobody knew of his intention and that nobody influenced him. His father, mother, wife and brothers say they knew nothing of his plan and if anybody has admitted knowledge of his intention that admission has not been made public.

"The policy however, is still to think that he was influenced by someone who knew of his intentions."

The nun said if she had done any wrong, she wished to be punished for she could find happiness in God's will.

Change Managers Of Harvey-Boatwright Co.

There has been a change in the management of the Harvey-Boatwright company. Mr. J. Shields Harvey who has been president, has sold his interest in the corporation, and has resigned as president. Mr. E. V. Boatwright has been elected in his position, and will have active charge of the business.

We are glad to learn that this will not effect the market, in fact it will give it one more buyer, as Mr. Harvey will buy independently on this market.

Washington City Visitors

Col. Geo. M. Newell and family of Washington, D. C., spent several days here last week, visiting relatives in Roxboro and at the Pines, the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Brooks.

Col. Newell is a brother of the late Mr. W. H. B. Newell, and during his lifetime was frequently a visitor here. Col. Newell was for a number of years connected with the auditing department in Washington, D. C., and saw duty in Panama. He is now on the retired list.

Which Road Will Lead To The White House?



The two leading candidates for the presidency and the houses wherein they were born are pictured above. As can be easily seen, Herbert Hoover is the product of a small town and Alfred E. Smith the product of a big city. Men from the country and city both have attained the highest office in the land.

This year, which will be the victor—a city or a country product? This supreme test—the contest between a Small City and a Big City product—is engaging the attention of the entire country.

Everyone is wondering and asking: "Smith or Hoover? Which?"

District Court In California Dismisses M. Hopkins Case

San Francisco, July 31.—United States district court here today dismissed the suit of 547 descendants, North Carolina relatives of Mark Hopkins, California pioneer, for a share in his vast estate.

The suit charged that securities valued at more than \$1,000,000 had been concealed by Moses Hopkins, brother of Mark, and administrator of the property, when the estate was distributed in 1883. The further charge was made that Timothy Nolan Hopkins, adopted son of Moses, had continued the concealment. Suits were instituted by the North Carolina relatives after the death of Moses.

Mark Hopkins died intestate and his widow and two brothers, Moses and Samuel, inherited the property. The will of Mrs. Emily Hopkins, widow of Moses, was filed in New York, July 7, last, distributing an estate of \$3,474,881 to 45 heirs. Court attaches intimated that distribution of her estate would be held up pending settlement of suits over the Mark Hopkins property.

In dismissing the Mark Hopkins suit, the court ruled that the estate had been fully administered and that the complaints had failed to show that they had been barred from advancing their claims at the time of administration.

Frank Page Sees No Need For Any More Road Bonds

Highway Commissioner Believes Self-Perpetuating System Now Acquired

Raleigh, July 31.—In the opinion of Commissioner Frank Page, North Carolina will have attained by the end of the present fiscal year a self-perpetuating, self-increasing State highway system for which there will never have to be issued another dollar's worth of bonds—if the gasoline tax is kept inviolate for State highway purposes.

With the present gasoline tax and with considerably less than the present increase of automotive traffic, the State can increase its highway system at the rate of about 350 miles a year, maintain all its roads, pay interest on all its road indebtedness and completely clear its highway debt by the year 1932, the Commissioner believes.

In short, with its present capital outlay of \$115,000,000, North Carolina has acquired a permanent, growing highway system—has made an investment which will continue to pay dividends—if the gasoline tax is kept inviolate for State roads, in accordance with the State's contract with the buyers of its bonds.

Talks To Rotarians

This announcement, which said Mr. Page, has never been made publicly before, came during an informal talk which he made before the Raleigh Rotary Club yesterday. Given in answer to a question asked by one of the Rotarians, it attracted little notice. Several months ago the Highway Commission announced that it would not ask the next General Assembly for a bond issue but neither Mr. Page nor any of his Commission-ers were ready or willing to advance the opinion that another bond issue would never be asked.

Under present traffic regulations and under the present system of maintenance and resurfacing, the hard surfaced roads will last for from 30 to 40 years, said Mr. Page and

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TUNNEY RETIRES FROM RING; GIVES NO FUTURE

Gene Plans Rest And Gradual Retirement Before Deciding New Plans

JOB SITUATION SOME BRIGHTER, SAYS MR. GRIST

The employment situation in North Carolina is getting better, or at least the records show that it was better last week than in several preceding seven-day periods, Frank D. Grist, State Commissioner of Labor and Printing and Director of the State-Federal Employment Service, said Tuesday.

The seven State-Federal employment offices in North Carolina last week found jobs for 490 of the 841 people who applied for them, Mr. Grist reported. Of the 490 provided with jobs, 158 were women.

Placements by bureaus follows: Asheville, 86; Racin, 24; Charlotte, 70; Greensboro, 84; Raleigh, 46; Wilmington, 38; Winston-Salem, 82.

MONTHLY INCREASES OF \$4,498 GRANTED 25 STATE EMPLOYEES

Only 25 Of 199 Applications For Increase In Salaries Is Granted By Commission

INCREASES TO FORESTERS

Raleigh, July 31.—Monthly increases totalling \$4,498 were granted 25 of the 199 State employes, who last week asked the State Salary and Wage Commission to raise their salaries, Edwin B. Bridges, executive secretary to the commission, announced Tuesday.

The 199 employes applying for salary increases asked a total of \$36,000. Mr. Bridges said, but the commission saw fit to increase the salaries of only 25. The increases granted were in cases where the employes had threatened to quit on the ground that he or she had better paying positions elsewhere, he said.

Bridge Talks

"During the past 24 hours, I have had as many as ten State employes come to me and tell me that they are worth more money than they are getting," said Mr. Bridges. "They evidently don't understand that it is the commission that grants the applications and not me."

The State Department of Conservation and Development, which now has 67 employes, fared best in the number of increases granted, six of the 23 applying getting monthly increases totalling \$1,100. These increases, Mr. Bridges said, went largely to foresters, who had threatened to quit on the ground that they could get more money elsewhere. To keep them, it was necessary to raise their salaries.

Miss Crowder Is Elected Principal

Miss Willie E. Crowder, who is so well known and popular in Roxboro and Person County, has achieved a signal honor by being elected principal of Wakefield High School. Miss Crowder is teacher of French and Latin in the high school department. In commenting on this honor, the Zebulon Record says:

Miss Willie E. Crowder, who was most popular with the students and parents last year, has been appointed high school principal to succeed Mr. Aubrey Tiller. Miss Crowder's ability as a teacher and executive and the facility with which she handles disciplinary affairs were the factors which caused the school trustees to decide upon her for this position.

Service At St. Marks

Archdeacon Bethes will hold Communion service at St. Mark's Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. You are cordially invited to come and worship at this Church.

Home From Vacation

Rev. T. A. Sikes, who spent his vacation in New York City, has returned home and will fill his regular appointment next Sunday. Mrs. Sikes, who has also been visiting in Fayetteville, has returned.

Improvements To Bank Building

Owing to the large increase in their business the Peoples Bank found it necessary to have more room, and work has commenced on changes in their banking rooms. A mezzanine is being added which will carry for the bookkeepers and a private entrance to the vice-presidents room is being made so that his office can be approached without going through the regular banking department.

Edgar Long Memorial

Regular services will be resumed at Edgar Long Memorial Church next Sunday, August 5th.

First Baptist Church

Bible School 10:00 a. m. R. L. Whitburn Superintendent.

Preaching 11:00 a. m. Subject: Practical Conservation.

R. Y. P. U.'s 6:45 p. m. Prof. E. B. Knight, Gen. Director.

Mr. W. E. Snipes Champ Cycle Rider

Mr. W. E. Snipes, who owns a cycle he has been running for nine years, says he has covered 15,000 miles with it, and it is still going good. His best record, so he states, is 10 miles in 17 minutes.

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Tearing Down Old Jail

Contractor Geo. W. Kana placed a squad of hands at work tearing down the old jail Monday morning. This is one of the landmarks of the town, and has been much in the minds of the people of this County for some time. It has been the victim of many criticisms from various and sundry grandfuries, and some time since at the hands of the Judge of the Superior Court. The Commissioners stand indicted at this time for not making the necessary improvements as ordered by the Judge, and at the last term of Court assured the Judge and Solicitor that something would be doing by the next term.

Norma Shearer in Sam Wood's Production "The Latest From Paris" with George Sidney and Ralph Forbes at Palace Theatre Monday & Tuesday, August 6-7th. Matinee Monday 3:00 P. M.