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Parched Sections of Pennsylvania Incomplete Reports Show Heavy Get Wetting in time to do much Good.

is reported today from many sec. Saturday but full details of the casutions of the state gives promise of alties and the destruction of property Robert B. Wright, aged 51 years, of high as 110 degrees caused at least 854,000, as shown by a bulletin issu- zens Banking and Trust Company, of ending one of the most serious are lacking, as the telegraph and rail- No. 137 Larimer avenue, Turtle Creek three deaths, numerous prostrations ed by the Department of Commerce Southern Pines, pleaded guilty todroughts in the history of Pennsylva- way lines were destroyed in many di- Wright is exactly 30 years younger and much damage to crops today in and Labor today. nia. Not since the building of the rections. locks in the Schuylkill river, in 1821, The city of Nagoya, on the Island operations of many mills on its banks greatly. were curtailed. In nearly every section of the state forest fires were nu. Lake Biwa, Kyoto, and Osaka. Inmerous and crops were practically complete reports received up to the ruined.

Williamsport, Johnstown, Barre and other points also report rain. While threatening clouds gave extinct volcano, Isuki, fell inward promise of the approaching showers with a tremendous roar, completely nightfall. There has been no rain thereabouts. throughout the state for more than a

HAVING IT EXTREMELY HOT. Southwest Suffers From a Terrific

Hot Wave.

from coast to coast Monday is still corded by the waether bureau. The rampant, and today new records were official precipitation was 4.55 inches, established. From all over the South almost two inches more than for all and Southwest come reports of in- the days of August thus far. And tense heat. The cotton growers are it was colder than any day this sumrejoicing over the heat wave, as mer. The temperature sank to 56. they claim that it is rapidly destroying the boll weevil.

Not since July 1, 1901, has the heat been so intense throughout midtwo prostrations were reported.

lief before morning.

cury registered 100 here today.

all records.

for eleven years.

warm weather throughout the South- Exchange. west gave way to a limited extent tonight before cooling breezes. The day was the most trying Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma had experienced ed at Kansas City today.

ma City, Guthrie and Tulsa 106.

From Kansas points comes the reput it in such good shape that the crop is "made."

Miss Oliver Entertains,

Selma, N. C., Aug. 17 .- One of the most enjoyable occasions of the season was that of a party given by Miss Bettie Oliver last Friday evendie Barnes, of Georgia.

Many interesting games were played. ending with a "Flower Romance." Miss Mabel Griffin and Mr. John Waddell being the prize winners.

Vocal and instrumental music was rendreed by Misses Barnes and Gladi Oliver, after which the guests were invited into the dining room, where elegant refreshments were served, such as cream and cake.

The hour of twelve came all too soon when each declared Miss Bettie to be the most charming of hostess.

Moonshiner Shok and Killed.

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 18 .- John Brinson, a moonshiner who resisted arrest and started at officers with a gun when trapped at an illicit distillery and killed by Sheriff Tucker and were landed in jail.

GOOD RAIN ENDS THE DROUTH. THIRTY DEAD IN EARTHQUAKE.

Loss in Central Japan.

Tokyo, Aug. 15 .- A severe earth-Philadelphia, Aug. 15.—Rain which quake was felt over Central Japan

Many buildings collapsed there and in the neighborhood of present give the number of killed The rain today came from the at thirty and the injured as eightywest. Altoona reporting a downfall two. In the affected district, so far as heard from, 362 buildings fell and Harrisburg, York, Scranton, Wilkes- 10,206 other structures were more or less damaged. It is stated that the here, rain did not fall until after altering the formation of the country

IN NEW YORK IT WAS 56.

Heaviest Rain Ever Recorded There On an August Day.

New York, Aug. 16 .- More rain by millions of tons fell on Manhattan Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 17 .- The Island during the past twenty-four heat wave which swept the country hours than in any August day yet re-

Statistics of News.

A collecter of statistics in Chicago dle Arkansas. At Little Rock a has been analyzing the contents of temperature of 105 was recorded, and newspapers. In 35,000 items of news he found 1,343 narratives of crime, Vegetation throughout the Shreve- 2,280 of foreign news, 1,140 of railport territory of Louisiana wilted un- way news, and 659 of labor news. der the scorching heat today. All Ten- The President was mentioned in 550 nessee is in the grasp of the hot items, and other prominent men in wave and the weather bureau ther- 527. Education and science were the mometer has today recorded a maxi- subjects of 397, medicine and surgery mum temperature of 95 degrees at of 268, religious topics of 390, pan-4 o'clock. A cooling breeze starting ics and business of 442. If to these late in the day gave promise of re- be added news of theaters, of sports, of society, and of the markets, it Jackson, Miss., Aug. 17.-The mer- will be seen that in the normal newspaper there is not much space for no prostrations were reported. Vicksburg, Miss., Aug. 17.-The the "yellow." The newspaper must temperature here at 2 o'clock was 99. often print unpleasant news, because Denison, Tex., Aug. 17.-The ther- disagreeable and horrible events ocmometer reached 106 today, breaking cur. Gloating over crime is deplorable, but its concealment would not of new cotton was brought in today

Postal Card Fad.

for years. Two deaths were report- postal cards annually. Uncle Sam is his wife and child a year ago a dog, foreign qualities, and a higher rate a mass of glowing embers. on the more expensive and artistic rican houses. It is safe to say that penniless, he will not part with the phia Record. Americans buy 2,500,000,000 postal four-footed savior of his family; cards a year-20 to 25 for each man, neither has the dog at any time had woman and child in the country. thoughts of leaving them for luxuri-More than half of these are of the ous kennels.-Philadelphia Ledger. picture variety. But suppose Uncle Sam should invade the picture postal field? What a howl would go up from the picture postal card makers.

Red Spiders in Cotton.

Mr. G. G. Beaty has a piece of in Pitt county last night, was shot cotton in which the red spiders have city. A number of small villages sit- of the corroner's jury ran:

AT 81 SHE WEDS MAN OF 51.

Gaily Tripping Over Floors, Bride Thermometer 110 Degrees at Muske-Proves She is Young.

Pittsburg, Aug. 16 .- Although past four-score years in age, Mrs. Evalina al intense heat officially recorded by Into the United States in July, 1909, Hall, who lives on a farm near Turtle the government weather bureau as exceeded those of July, 1908, by \$25,- ball, defaulting cashier of the Citithan his bride.

Mrs. Hall as as spry as any of the has the water been so low and the of Hondo, seems to have suffered younger couples who sought licenses today, and gaily tripped over the floor in the marriage license office to tating drouth of 1901. As the withshow that mere years did not cause ering winds swept across the plains one to grow old.

FIND FIFTEEN SKELETONS.

Century Old Grave Uncovered on The Potomac.

Washington, Aug. 16.-Fifteen skeletons lying together in such a position as to indicate hasty burial, and three English copper coins bearing the date 1729, found with the skeletons during the excavating of the United States Medical School Hospital, near the banks of the Potomac bring to "ght, it is believed, some Indian or piratical tragedy of early American days.

As authentic history sheds no illuminating ray on the case, the finger of suspicion wavers in its pointing, looking first toward the red man who stole silently along the wooded Potomac banks a century and a half ago, then to mythical pirate crew, which is believed to have made its rendezvous in the Upper Potomac and lastly, to the mutiny-infested slave trading vessel.

Texas Heat Up to 120.

Fort Worth, Texas, Aug. 17.-With the Weather Bureau thermometer reg istering 111 degrees from 2.15 to 3.15 this afternoon and street thermometers in the business districts recording 120 degrees, today was the hottest in the history of Fort Worth, so far as there is any record. Suffering of man and beast was intense and business to a large extent was interfered with, Scorching hot waves sweeping across the prairies added much to the general discomfort, but

First Bale New Cotton.

Wadesboro, Aug. 17.—The first bale owned her.

What a Dollar Dog Can Do.

We common people do use a few A man in a nearby city bought for

Flood Kills Sixty.

Monterey, Mexico, Aug. 14.-Re- had died of love. ports received today show that the provided for.

THREE DEATHS FROM HEAT.

gee-Damage in Three States.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 16 .- Unusu-Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma.

Throughout the Southwest the day was the most trying since the devasmuch vegetation fell. The day was the hottest Topeka has had for eight years, 102 degrees being officially recorded.

In Oklahoma City the Government thermometer registered 103, while thermometers in the street reached 112. It was the hottest day recorded there in 15 years. At Muskogee the Government thermometer registered 110, the highest recorded in the three States

WON WIFE IN 30 MINUTES.

Ready to Propose as Soon as He Saw Her Eyes.

Chicago, Aug. 16.-General Thomas S. Hutchinson, who has been prom inently mentioned for the Governor. been bad blood between the two for ship of Tennessee, and Miss Louise some time, owing to Hardin's testi-Cheatham, of Clarksville, Texas, were mony in a tragedy in which Mrs. Benquietly married recently, and are spending their honeymoon in Chica- passed the woman's house yesterday go. The General says it ought not in a drunken condition and hurled to take a man more than 30 minutes to win a wife.

At their appartments General Hutchinson today told of his courtship and marriage while his bride nodded her approval.

wife was maid of honor from Texas. something entirely worth while, "The Governor introduced me to

after her arrival in Memphis. I look- marked addition to the Senate of ber of skilled swimmers drowned is ed into her eyes and saw that I the United States, and we shall be loved her. I pushed her out of the distinctly disappointed if we do not crowd, told her that I loved her hear great things of him in the fu- ing of a swimmer is the terror of and asked her to be my wife. did not wait for her answer. I took bate, and he has compelled abundant ing to save, and who pulls him down. it for granted it was 'yes.' The attention and respect from the Senwhole transaction did not take over atorial Old Guard, whether it would ing in shallow water or being thrown 30 minutes. When we rejoined Miss or no. It is unusual that a new Sena- against piers or posts but with sea Cheatham's friends I acted as if I tor should do that-and the Senator room a good swimmer is safe even

Shreveport, La., Aug. 17.-The mer- advance morality. The newspaper re- and sold by P. E. Ratliff, of Cairo, he followed my example. The man years. cury reached 104 at 4 o'clock, hottest flects civilization with every possible to T. V. Hardison, Morven. Mr. Rat- who hesitates in warfare or business adjustment of light for its best ap- liff has brought in the first bale for is lost. Why should he take months picturesque. His physical infirmity be universal in girls' schools. The Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 17.—Severe pearance and for its improvement.— years. The bale weighed four hun- in winning a wife. Thirty minutes throws something of a pathetic glam- commonest of fatal midsummer acdred pounds and sold for 15 cents. is long enough."-Philadelphia Re- our around him, of course. But as cidents, the swamping or capsizing

Foreigner Gets Advantage.

just now considering a contract for for which he paid a dollar. It was persons in the United States to be Oklahoma government thermome- 3,600,000,000 postal cards to be sold obviously nothing wonderful in the expended in foreign countries for and a patriot. ters at McAlister registered 113; at during the next four years—a matter canine way—merely a mongrel, with missionary purposes runs yearly into Vinita 110; Ardmore 111; at Oklaho- of 90,000,000 a year. These will cost the buldog strain predominant. The millions of dollars, but it is mere a big asset—in this blind Oklahoma in danger. Being thrown into the the government \$800,000, and the peo- owner was a man in humble circum- pittance in comparison with the dis- Senator. He is very convincing in water should not mean for him a ple will pay \$36,000,000 for them, stances, and the dog, in his modest count made to foreigners who buy debate, and woe betide the adversary senseless panic which menaces his port that the heat is not damaging which also includes the cost of de- dwelling, was the principal asset, a- our "protected" wares. We sell them who attacks him ever so slightly un- life and the lives of his friends.corn seriously. Recent heavy rains livering. But this does not comprise side from a few sticks of furniture. tools from 20 to 100 per cent, less prepared. He has held his own with New York World. the postal card output. We are now The other night "Tom" was tied than the prices exacted from home the best of them-and the worst of annually buying from Germany alone to a leg of the kitchen sink as usual, purchasers. Saws are sold for export them-and made it extremely uncom-700,000,000 postal cards, and also sev- and the family went to bed. They at 40 per cent, reduction from do- fortable for many of them. He backs eral millions from France and other were awakened by the dog at mid- mestic rates. We "put the screw" up his assertions with figures that ing in honor of her cousin, Miss Ad- it more profitable to place orders the head of the stairway. The house consumer should in fairness pay no he speaks. direct with German houses. Howev- was on fire, and shortly after woman more for what he buys than is dealong as best he can under the The owner of the dog has been weight of tariff exactions imposed by ones, in the expectation that the busi- urged to part with him for a large act of Congress for the sole benefit ness will hereafter be done by Ame- cash consideration, but though he is of favored interests.-The Philadel-

Why One Drunken Man Died.

Times.

JULY IMPORTS SHOW BIG GAIN.

Month Last Year.

Washington, D. C. Aug. 14.-Imports

more than \$6,000,000 occurred in the embezzlement, and the other falsifyexports as compared with the preced- ing the books and records of the ing July. This makes the excess of bank. exports over imports in the seven months ending with July, 1909, \$67,-000,000, a decrease of \$304,000,000 His appearance plainly indicated that when compared with the excess in he is far gone in tuberculosis, and the corresponding months of last he is suffering from other physical

BEAT TO DEATH WITH A HOE.

Man Meets With Fearful Death at Hands of Mountain Amazon.

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 17 .- News reached here tonight from Banner Elk, a remote section of Watauga county, of the killing of Alonzo Hardin by Mary Bennett, a mountain amazon. The woman felled Hardin with a hoe and then beat out his brains, the victim living until 9 o'clock this morning. There had nett's son was the victim. Hardin some epithets at her and the woman attacked him.

Senator Gore.

If the extraordinary session of Con-"It was this way," said the Gen- gress, just closed, had done nothing eral. "I attended the Confederate re- more than introduced Senator Gore, of the names of the drowned. Some union in Memphis in June. I was on of Oklahoma, to the country, we of these deaths are due to faulty su-Governor Patterson's staff and my think it would have accomplished pervision or management of excursion

We speak an honest conviction cause. Miss Louise Cheatham a few minutes when we say we believe he is a I ture. He has loomed large in deis, comparatively speaking, a new in rough surf or waves. "Every man could win a wife if Senator, not yet having served three

It is not alone that Mr. Gore is is taught to swim. The rule should one becomes more intimately ac- of a boat, has no terror for a good quainted with the man and contem- swimmer on his own account. He plates his general trend of thought can get ashore if there is no nonand analyzes his utterances, one for swimmer to drag him under. A fair The money collected by benevolent gets that he is blind, and remembers swimmer can keep his head above only that he is a statesman, a scholar water until help comes. Even a

Weather Has Been Dry. We never knew a year when there

was so much difference in the rainfall in different neighborhoods and did not intend to pay anything for parts of the same county. In places the tobacco raised in Eastern North in Johnston there has been rain Carolina this season, and were load-Head Keeper Snyder, of the Cen- enough to make twenty crops while ed up on the kind of weed raised in tral Park Zoo, was smiling over a in other places the crops have suf- this section the company should have newspaper account of a monkey that fered but little. Mr. A. M. Herring, announced it in the papers earlier in who is a merchant at Warsaw, owns the season, so the farmers could have "It's a good story," said the Head a farm, twenty-seven miles from there put their tobacco land in bread flood in the Santa Catarina River Keeper. "This reporter has an origi- and eighteen miles south of Clinton. crops. caused great damage in a wide nal turn of mind. He's like the Wes- He says in his section it has been Present prices for tobacco on the scope of territory. The loss of life tern jury. A Westerner, you know, entirely too dry for the crops. Some basis of 500 pounds to the acre will will reach more than sixty, fitfeen once hanged himself to the bedpost corn is almost ruined by drought. hardly bring sufficient to pay for the persons having been drowned in this by his suspenders, and the verdict They have had but little rain since fertilizer. June 15th and the ground has not Our advice to the farmer is to hold made a start. They have been over uated in the path of the flood below "Deceased came to his death by been wet since then. In the smaller the tobacco awhile longer, for it deputies. Brinson was an old offend- so far about a sixteenth of an acre. Monterey were swept away. The 3. coming home full and mistaking him- streams the cows could not get water seems the soulless trust will see just er. Two others captured at the still As usual they started from polk 000 people in this city are being well self for his pants.' "-New York and in some cases had to go a dis- how low they can buy it.-Wilson tance to the larger streams.

HE ENTERED PLEA OF GUILTY.

Exceed by \$25,854,000 Those of Same Defaulting Cashier Kimball Sent to the Penitentiary to Serve Three Years Sentence.

Carthage, Aug. 17 .- George A. Kimday to two bills of indictment in the In the same month an increase of Superior Court, one of which charges

> Kimball appeared in court attended by his wife and two physicians. ailments, besides the mental strain under which he has suffered. Drs. Blair, of Southern Pines, and Mc-Leod, of Carthage, testified as to his condition.

> He was under the constant care of the attending physicians and his wife, whose devotion was specially noted. It was a hard case; on the one

> side the demands of justice, and on the other the human appeal of the cashier's mental and physical condi-After considering the matter for

> some time, Judge Adams sentenced him to imprisonment in the penitentlary for a term of three years. Kimball went to the penitentiary

this afternoon attended by Dr. Blair and other officers.-News and Ob

DEATH IN THE WAVES.

One great Cause of Daily Tales of Wasted Life.

Every Saturday afternoon and Sunday in every city and considerable rural region a long roll is written boats, but neglect is the one great

Every child should swim. The numproportionately small; and perhaps the most frequent cause of the drownsome nonswimmer whom he is try-Men are sometimes drowned by div-

Every army and navy cadet, every student in the large colleges, poor swimmer gets from his little The Democracy has a fine asset- knowledge the benefit of keeping cool

Snow in South Africa.

Johannesburg, South Africa, Aug. European nations. But Germany has night scratching at his master's door, to home buyers of screws by asking are not juggled and that do not lie. 17.—The heaviest snowfall in many thus far had a cinch on the colored When his master came out to see them 100 per cent. more than the And, happily enough too, he has an years occurred here today. Six inpostal card trade, for even American what was the matter the dog, with a export price. And so it goes through attractive way of framing up what ches had fallen at noon and the publishers instead of doing their own remnant of chewed rope hanging the whole range of protected manu- he has to say, and he makes the storm was still in progress. The telprinting and lithographing have found from his collar, whined and ran to ctures. Of course, the American country sit up and take notice when egraph and telephone services are badly disorganized and business has As we said before, we confidently been almost suspended. The memer the new tariff bill puts a tax of and child and man and dog made manded of outside consumers; but expect to hear much of Gore in the bers of the Stock Exchange ceased a quarter of a cent on the cheaper their escape their poor dwelling was he cannot help himself. He staggers days to come.—Washington Herald. business today long enough to engage in a snowball battle.

Should Have Said So.

If the American Tobacco Company

Times.