

**WEATHER**

Partly cloudy Wednesday, preceded by rain in east portion Wednesday morning. Thursday rain, rising tem.

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# GOLDSBORO FEELS AFFECT OF TROPICAL STORM

## Number Residents Forced To Leave Homes Account Rising Waters Of Burdened Big Ditch

### MANY SECTIONS CITY FLOODED

Popular Branch Covers Highway 40 Under 2.5 Feet of Water

Goldsboro yesterday experienced the effect of the tropical hurricane which for more than a week now has laid death and destruction over a length of 2,000 miles.

In Goldsboro it was little more than rain, rain and more rain. At 1 o'clock this morning 8.5 inches had fallen in the last 23 hours and it seemed that there was little prospect that there would be a let-up until late today.

During most of yesterday the rain was merely rain, but from about 8 until 10 o'clock last night the down pour was accompanied by gusts which attained a velocity of 40 miles an hour.

A number of residents along the "Big Ditch" were forced from their homes last night as the water began to creep into their doors. The Big Ditch at about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon ceased to be a big ditch, to be a creek. It became a mountain torrent called upon to bar off more water than its banks could carry and rose steadily until 7 o'clock last night.

Then there was a respite and the water fell several inches only to be raised again beginning about 10 o'clock.

About Park Avenue there is the appearance of a large artificial lake this morning. Where the ditch crosses Ashe street there was as much as two feet of madly rushing water, and along E. Walnut crossing there was the same. At Elm street the ditch had not broken from its banks late last night.

It was along the E. Walnut street spot that most of the residents were driven from their homes when the waters from the flooded branch began backing into the homes. Mr. and Mrs. A. Gordon abandoned their home and took refuge at the Hotel Goldsboro and Mrs. Lillian Midgett and son did likewise. Others sought haven with friends.

**Edgewood Suffers**  
The Edgewood section was literally flooded by the torrential rain. Water 18 inches deep back up along East Walnut and the Edgewood Grocery moved stocks from off the floor and onto high shelves to escape the lapping torrent. Ashe street was practically impassable near the Orphan's home. On East Walnut street a new Chevrolet coupe was drowned out when the water rose over the motor. It was covered to the seats. The News was informed after its driver abandoned it.

**Several Feet in Little Washington**  
Little Washington, the negro residential section, was under several feet of water. It was possible to ride on a boat through any street of the section yesterday afternoon. Stores in this vicinity were flooded. South Carolina street from the passenger station presented the appearance of a street in Venice.

**Highway Forty Covered**  
Highway forty south of the city, near the new county club site, was under water 2.5 feet last night, this from backing of Popular branch. The Atlantic Coast Line had stopped trains from running over its tracks in the direction of Mt. Olive. Two watchmen had been placed to keep careful check upon the roadbed which was threatened by rising Popular branch backing against the railway embankment.

At Crescent Lake, E. W. Rutledge labored all day yesterday in an effort to save the dam and believed at 10 o'clock last night that this had been effected. The flood gates, a space 6 by 6 feet, had been entirely removed at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. Ordinarily this gate will drain the lake in 2.5 hours. But with the gate wide open the lake continued to rise, and at 8 o'clock last night the water was

### Fla. Storm Toll Mounts To 250

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Sept. 18.—(AP)—The appalling extent of the hurricane disaster dealt sections of the lower east coast and southern and central Florida assumed an even widening scope late tonight as reports from the stricken areas counted the known dead at more than 250 and estimated damage to property far into the millions.

With many reported missing, anticipations were that the total death list would be much greater.

Red Cross officials estimated that it would reach 40 in Pal county, one of the hardest hit regions, alone.

The same source placed the damage at approximately \$25,000,000 while other estimates increase this figure to between \$75,000,000 and \$100,000,000.

JACKSONVILLE, Sept. 18.—(AP)—With a death list of 149 already reported from the storm struck area of Southern Florida tears water expressed today that it may reach 250.

The list of injured said Howard Selby, chairman of the Palm Beach Red Cross may grow to 1000.

At the same time the estimates of damage at \$25,000,000 alone in Palm Beach county and Senator J. T. Robinson said it was being estimated that between \$75,000,000 and \$100,000,000 in the affected area.

The Democratic vice presidential nominee made this statement on arriving in Jacksonville after a trip through the storm ravaged territory.

From the southeast, southern and immediate territory bordering Lake Okechobee came reports of death, suffering and stress. Relief expeditions penetrated the territory from Miami and wired back for more aid for the homeless and helpless.

One hundred national guardsmen were ordered to the Palm Beach area for duty and two batteries of artillerymen were dispatched to Lake Okechobee.

Refugees in need of food, clothing and medical supplies, wreck of homes and other structures, faced Red Cross and other workers to bent every energy to succor the needy.

JACKSONVILLE.—(AP)—V. L. Estes, division passenger agent of the Southern Railway system, said today he had received a report that the system's northbound "Ponce De Leon" which left Jacksonville last night stalled at Crawford, 30 miles out of this city. Mr. Estes said he received no reports of the damage or number of person injured, if any because telegraph and telephone lines between here and Crawford were disrupted. He said his reports were that the entire train left the rains when the roadbed, soggy from torrential rains, gave way.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Nine companies of the Porto Rico national guard were called out this afternoon for police and other duties in 23 towns of the island by Gov. H. M. Towner. In addition 25 volunteer reserve officers received instructions to proceed throughout the island to deliver emergency supplies to the inhabitants, make plans for relief and also to survey the needs.

### Questions For Herbert Hoover

Mr. Hoover: If I selected:  
1. You are going to reappoint Andrew Mellon to enforce prohibition aren't you?  
2. You are going to keep white girls and negroes working together in the departments, aren't you?  
3. Mr. Hoover, tell my why. Here you're wet and there you're dry.

### CAROLINAS ARE IN GRIP STORM

Apparently Escape Without Any Present Damage Except Wetting

(By Associated Press)  
The Carolinas tonight were in the grip of the Hurricane that turned aside after penetrating Florida and causing many deaths but apparently had escaped anything worse than a wetting and some property damage.

Central over Charleston, S. C., this morning, the storm had passed on, up the coast, spreading inland and carrying down telegraph and telephone wires. Winds that reached a velocity of from 40 to 50 miles an hour and whipped up heavy seas along the coast were accompanied by torrential rains. Charleston up to late today had rainfall of 8 inches or more; Wilmington reported 4.54 inches of rain in 29 hours, and points inland reported correspondingly heavy down pours with winds ranging from 20 to 35 miles an hour.

From Charleston to Savannah, Ga., the coast line was cut off from communication with the outside world. The Western Union Telegraph company office at Charlotte was able to work intermittently with Charleston and a dispatch through the Associated Press correspondent at that place said that some damage had been done to small boats and piers and that trees had been uprooted. It said that reports from points south were meagre but indicated heavy damage between Beaufort and Savannah.

Savannah escaped with little more than a hard blow according to a radio message from an Associated Press correspondent there.

High tides with brisk winds were reported from Wilmington and New Bern on the North Carolina coast.

Columbia, S. C., was cut off from communication by a storm that was reported to have struck between Columbia and Newberry. Florence, S. C. and Charleston, S. C., still were cut off tonight.

A dispatch from the Columbia office of the Associated Press received late today said that three were blown down and power and telephone poles leveled in all sections of that city.

SOUTHPORT, N. C.—The high wind and rain which struck this city today continued unabated early tonight. With the barometer reading 29.50 at 6 o'clock the wind were continuing at a velocity of 40 to 45 miles.

Tidewaters had backed up into the streets. Limbs, blown from trees were littered over the city and a 5 inch rainfall in 8 hours preceded 6 o'clock had caused some undetermined damage. All county and state roads leading out to Wilmington were under water. The Wilmington-Southport passenger steamer was unable to operate.

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## BAILEY OPENS CAMPAIGN 8 P. M.

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J. W. BAILEY  
Great interest is being manifested in the appearance of J. W. Bailey of Raleigh in the courthouse at 8 o'clock tonight to open the Democratic campaign in Wayne County.

### AYCOCK'S MILL DAM GOES OUT

Fremont Reports Greatest Rain-fall Since 1911, 8 Inches Having Fallen To 5 P. M.

(Special To The News)  
PREMONT, Sept. 18.—The incessant rainfall since last night has wrought havoc to roads and bridges in the northern part of Wayne county. Water is running across the county highway with many small bridges washed away. The dam at Aycock's mill gave way north of the mill house this morning and it is reported that a break of 40 feet has ruptured and the mill house is in danger. The damage to open cotton in the fields is very great. Very few people from the county have been in town today.

Most of those seen here came from Wilson, where they went yesterday with tobacco. The storm sewers over covered ditches in the town of Fremont have not been able to carry off the water and many of the streets are flooded for blocks with practically all small bridges washed away. One school truck was drowned in water running across the road just north of town this morning, the highway leading out to Aycock's church. Rural mail carriers from Fremont were unable to complete their route this morning and will be unable to go out tomorrow. No communication has been had with Eureka, even by telephone since this morning.

At 5 p. m. today it is raining hard or than at any time today and the wind is higher.

Uncle Jerry Shackelford, Fremont's "official" weather man, who has a record of every rainfall since 1911 reports over 8 inches since last night, with no abatement in sight. The greatest rainfall previously recorded for 24 hours was 6.75 inches about 4 years ago.

## Federal and State Experts to Address Forestry Convention Beginning 10 A. M.

The 18th annual convention of the North Carolina Forestry Association will convene in the Memorial Community Building at 10 o'clock this morning for the first session of a three day meeting which brings to Goldsboro hundreds of those interested in the forest problem, and a number of forestry experts of the State and national government.

The first session will be held at the memorial Community building at 10 o'clock this morning and the invocation will be delivered by Rev. W. O. Cone. Words of welcome will be spoken by Mayor J. H. Hill for the city and by L. A. Roney, as chairman of the county board of county commissioners. Response is scheduled for P. M. Barger, president of the Barger Lumber Company of Mooresville. Reports are listed from the following officers: President, C. J. Harris of Hillsboro; secretary R. W. Graeber; chairman of executive committee, Joseph Hyde Pratt.

## CO-OPS GET FIRST BALE

Hon. L. D. Robinson of Wadesboro Repeats His Performance of Year Ago

"The first bale of cotton received by the cotton cooperatives this season was delivered by Hon. L. D. Robinson of Anson County. Mr. Robinson, who served for five years as a director of the Association, had the distinction of delivering the first bale last year on September 5th.

"The cotton crop in this State is exceedingly late," said General Manager Blacklock. "In the Southern counties the damage on account of cotton rotting in the bolls is extremely heavy. This is especially true with rank cotton. After viewing the destruction wrought by the recent rains, we are of the opinion that the last Government report of 870,000 bales can easily be lowered by 100,000 bales."

Association officials are optimistic concerning the outlook for the Association this year. They state that the Association demonstrated its ability last year to operate satisfactorily to the membership with a limited volume of cotton and the Association now has fifty per cent more cotton under contract that it had at this time last year, and indications are that the Association will receive a much larger volume of cotton this year.

New members appreciate the improved service which the Association is now prepared to render by which they can, through the optional pool, take advantage of the Association's sales service and still reserve the privilege of ordering their cotton sold when they need their money even on the day that the cotton is delivered.

### ASHEVILLE MAN VICE CHAIRMAN

Don S. Elias Will Aid Col. Langston in Cause of Gov. Smith

Don S. Elias, publisher of the Asheville Times, has been appointed vice chairman of the National Democratic Veterans Organization in North Carolina according to information received yesterday by Col. John D. Langston, of Goldsboro, state chairman. Appointment of the Asheville man means that publishers will direct the cause of Governor Smith among North Carolina veterans, as Col. Langston is publisher of The News. Both men are graduates of Duke University and both served with distinction for their country.

General Henry T. Allen, former Commissioner of the American Army of Occupation on the Rhine, is heading the nation wide movement among veterans on behalf of Governor Smith. In North Carolina the plan will be to enlist the aid of veterans in every city and town, explaining particularly what Governor Smith has done to aid disabled veterans in his four terms as chief executive in New York.

### STORM WARNING

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—(AP)—The weather bureau issued an advisory storm warning tonight reporting that the tropical storm was central on the South Carolina coast and forecast that it would pass out to sea tomorrow morning near Cape Hatteras, N. C.

### SMITH SPEAKS IN FARM BELT

Shows Wherein G. O. P. Have Deceived Farmer; Pledges Party to Farm Aid

OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 18.—(AP)—Leveling an attack on the Republican party and his opponent Herbert Hoover, for their stand on farm relief, Governor Al Smith in the heart of the grain belt to open his speech making campaign for the presidency declared tonight that he stood for the principal of the "McNairy-Haugen bill" twice vetoed by President Coolidge.

"What remains of the McNairy-Haugen bill is a mere matter of method," the Democratic nominee asserted in an address prepared for delivery in the auditorium here, "and I do myself to the exact mechanics and methods embodied in that bill."

Just before making this declaration, Governor Smith said:

"Various people have attempted to misrepresent and confuse my attitude with respect to the McNairy-Haugen bill. I do not propose to leave the slightest doubt in any body's mind on that subject."

As I read the McNairy-Haugen bill, its fundamental purpose is to establish an effective control of the exportable surplus with the check imposed upon the commodity benefited.

"For that principle the Democratic platform squarely stands and for that principle, I squarely stand. Mr. Hoover stands squarely opposed to this principle by which the farmer could get the benefit of the tariff. Expressing the view that 'Here is a clean-cut issue with the farmers and voters of the country must decide,' the New York Governor reiterated that the details by which this principle shall be put into effect alone remain to be worked out and he again promised, if elected, to name a non-partisan commission of farm leaders and students of the problem to determine the exact method of relief.

Governor Smith charged that the Republicans had violated their platform promises, had deceived the farmer and had done "nothing whatever to contribute in the slightest degree to relieve the distress or promote the welfare of the farmers."

### Robinson Not To Speak in Atlanta

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Sept. 18.—Senator Joe T. Robinson, late today definitely cancelled his speaking engagement in Atlanta tonight. Arriving here hours behind schedule, the Democratic vice presidential nominee was advised by aviation officials that it would be impracticable to attempt a trip to Atlanta by air, because of weather conditions. The Senator will leave tonight for Bowling Green, Ky., where he has an engagement for an address tomorrow night.

### Fear Neuse Floods Will Break Record

That the Neuse river within the next week will go to heights greater than the flood of 1923 was being generally predicted last night by those familiar with the antics of the stream. They pointed out that rains such as fell in Goldsboro yesterday and such as were continuing to fall—had been general along the watershed of the river. This burden of water will not begin to reach crest on the river here for a number of days. The river furthermore, had not receded to its normal depth following the flood of ten days ago.

## AT COURTHOUSE AT 8:00 O'CLOCK

Chairman of Woman's Work Issues Appeal To Women Voters of County

What many believe will be the most interesting campaign since the days of Fusionism will be launched by the Democratic party of Wayne county when J. W. Bailey of Raleigh speaks in the Wayne County Courthouse at 8 o'clock this evening. Mr. Bailey is but the first of a number of big guns who will train their fire upon the enemy in Wayne county before the general election in November. Others who will speak here include Senator Tyson of Tennessee, Joseph Daniels, editor of the Raleigh News and Observer; O. Max Gardner Democratic candidate for Governor; Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby; Charles U. Harris of Raleigh; Congressman C. L. Abernethy of New Bern; Solicitor Clawson Williams of Sanford and others.

County Chairman W. A. Dees considers that the county was fortunate in having Mr. Bailey to start the campaign. "He is one of the best posted men in the state relative to present issues of the campaign that are now being argued pro and con," said Mr. Dees yesterday "and he presents them in a clear, eloquent and forceful manner."

In appeal after appeal during the last ten days, Mr. Dees has called upon Democrats of the county to turn out en masse to greet Mr. Bailey tonight. "We want to give him such a crowd Wednesday night," said Mr. Dees, "that it will strike terror to the hearts of the enemy and show how misplaced are those reports that Wayne county is endangered in the Democratic column."

At the meeting of candidate and county precinct chairmen last Saturday, encouraging reports came from the rural sections of Wayne and that precinct chairmen pledged themselves to spreading the word of Bailey's speech tonight.

**Women Aiding Democrats**  
Miss Gertrude Well, President of the Association of Women Voters of the State, will present Mr. Bailey this evening.

That the Democratic women of the county will take more interest in this campaign than in any campaign since women was granted suffrage is now indicated.

Mrs. L. D. Giddens, chairman of Women's work in Wayne county, and Mrs. C. E. Kikins, chairman of woman's work in Goldsboro, yesterday issued the following appeal.

During the present campaign the people of Goldsboro and Wayne county are going to have the privilege of hearing some of North Carolina's finest Democratic leaders, both men and women discuss the political issues that our State and Nation are so vitally interested in.

The maidens of the town and county work among the Democratic women are urging them all whether their minds are made up on these big issues or not, to come on to each of these meetings and hear what the speakers have to say. Women should inform themselves on all issues and on the merits of the candidates in order that they may vote intelligently in November.

The first of these meetings will be held in the Court house on Wednesday evening, Sept. 19th at 8 o'clock, and the Hon. Josiah Bailey of Raleigh will be the speaker. Mr. Bailey is one of the best known men in North Carolina, a former editor of The Biblical Recorder.

### Birthday of N. C. State To Be Feted On Oct. 3

RALEIGH, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Ceremonies commemorating the 39th Anniversary of the founding of North Carolina State College of Agriculture and engineering will be held on the campus on October 3 under tentative plans announced by college authorities. Plans for broadcasting the speeches and music of the occasion have been taken up with station WPTF here. President E. C. Brooks, alumni secretary T. H. Safford and head football coach Gus Tobell are expected to be on the program.