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What! No Rain?

Today's North Carolina Weather
Report: Fair tonight and Tuesday
Not much change in temperature.

Kidnapped Man Free Again

By UNITED PRESS
St. Paul, Minn., June 19.—William Hamm, kidnapped multimillionaire brewer, was released near Wyoming, Minn., shortly before 7 o'clock this morning after the payment Saturday night of a ransom "somewhat under \$100,000" which abductors originally asked. Hamm entered the rear door of a home here, unharmed after a business associate had driven to Wyoming after him.

Louisiana Solon Died Today

By UNITED PRESS
Hammond, La., June 19.—Congressman Bolivar E. Kemp, of the Sixth Louisiana district, died today. He had been ill in health for some time.

Four People Die At Morganton In Blaze On Sunday

Woman Gives Life For Others

Bodies Found On First Floor, Alice Smith Loses Life Re-entering Home To Rescue Others

Morganton, June 19.—Four persons were burned to death here early Sunday morning as fire of undetermined origin swept through a six-room structure in a textile village. Three others escaped.

The dead: Bill Smith, 72-year-old unemployed textile worker.

Alice Smith, 45-year-old step-daughter, a textile worker.

Bill Smith, 27-year-old painter.

Bill Smith, Jr., five-year-old son of the painter.

The fire was discovered at 3:30 o'clock by Mrs. Bill Smith, 67-year-old wife of the former textile worker, as flames enveloped the kitchen. She spread an alarm which sent her grandson, 14-year-old Paul Wilson, and her daughters, Alice Smith and Margie Smith, 28, scurrying with her to safety.

Makes Rescue Attempt

Alice Smith sensed the situation quickly and in a heroic effort to arouse her step-father, the painter and his son, gave up her life as she was overcome by flames and smoke in the second story.

The bodies were found on the first floor, having fallen from the second story as the structure collapsed. Alice Smith's body was lying on a bed which fell through the ceiling into a first floor bedroom. Nearby lay the body of her step-father. The bodies of Bill Smith, the painter, and his son were huddled closely together on the first floor, having fallen from a second-story bedroom.

The condition of the elderly Mrs. Bill Smith was described as being critical as she is suffering from heart attacks and shock. Funeral service for the quartet were held in a local cemetery late Sunday afternoon.

Has Estranged Wife

The painter and his son came here from Lenoir about eight weeks ago. He is said to have an estranged wife and small daughter now residing in Dallas, Ga.

Never in Morganton's history has there been such a tragedy, older residents declare. The fire completely destroyed the 50-year-old house, property of the Alpine Cotton mill and with it were burned the house furnishings. Several pieces of clothing were saved when firemen arrived at the scene.

Paul Wilson, one of the survivors, described Alice Smith's valiant attempt to arouse her step-father and that boarders as a sacrifice of her life to save them. She ran out of the house with her mother and Paul but without saying a word to any one darted into the blazing inferno and dashed up the stairway. Apparently she succumbed to smoke and flames and collapsed on a bed, burning to death a few minutes later.

Called For Ladder

Paul said Bill Smith, the painter, stood at a window on the second floor and called for a ladder, none was nearby, and a few moments later he disappeared. The charred bodies of the painter and his young son were discovered by firemen after the flames were extinguished. All the bodies were burned beyond recognition and it was only by the location of the bodies in the debris that identification was possible.

Several nearby houses were threatened by the blazes, but volunteer firemen aided the local fire department in checking the spread of flames.

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Government In Move To Boost Price Of Cotton

Drought Attains Serious Proportions Here

Prayer For Rain Urged At Sunset Here On Tuesday

Appeal By Pastors Baptist Group

Corn And Gardens Hard Hit By Dry Spell, Drought Lasts Almost Month.

Cooperative prayer for rain to end the drought which has assumed serious proportions in this section was urged in an appeal issued here today by the executive committee of the pastors conference of the Kings Mountain Baptist association, a church organization which embraces several counties.

Reports from farming sections of Cleveland and neighboring counties today indicated that the drought threatens to be one of the most damaging in several years in that it came so early in the season before crops had attained enough size to withstand the heat.

In the appeal issued today by the pastors of the Kings Mountain association it was asked that all Christian people in all denominations join in a prayer tomorrow, Tuesday, afternoon at sunset for rain to end the drought.

With the drought extending today into the fourth week, farmers state that they are already badly damaged and fear that the damage will be worse unless there is rain soon. Gardens have been hard hit by the heat and prolonged dry spell and in most instances garden production had already been cut down by a half or more.

Today it was said that corn is suffering also and that the corn crop will be considerably off unless the drought is broken. The heat and drought have already started to show damage to the cotton crop, it is said. Just a week or two ago prospects for an excellent cotton crop were seen, but during the last week cotton is also showing effects of the heat, and unless there is a change, several farmers said today, this county will lack a lot of making the 50,000 bales forecast by some.

Hits Dairymen

The drought is particularly tough on dairymen and owners of cattle. Many owners of cows say that they are having to feed their cattle just as in winter time because there is little of anything green for them to eat as the heat has parched and dried up all grasses and hay.

Yesterday mercury in local thermometers climbed back to 100 for the second highest heat of the year, equalling the 100 degrees of Friday a week ago and being only one degree under the 101 of Thursday week ago.

The weather man promises little relief today or tomorrow, predicting fair weather with no change in temperature.

Arcanum Meeting

The regular meeting of the Royal Arcanum council No. 2078 will be held Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the American Legion hall on Marion street, over Basil Goode's store. All members are invited to be present.

Court Docket Light

The county court docket was fairly light this morning for a week-end grind, there being only 13 cases to be heard during the session which ended before noon. A majority of the cases were of a minor nature.

Sentiment Swinging Back To Dry Cause Now, Scott Bride Thinks

Dry Leader Declares Legalization Of Beer Is Damaging Repeal Cause.

Washington, June 19.—The tide is swinging back in favor of prohibition, and repeal of the eighteenth amendment will not be achieved before 1934, if ever, F. Scott McBride, general superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league, said last night. Although each of the 11 states in which the issue has been submitted has voted wet, he believes there has been no accurate expression of public opinion because the south has not been heard from.

Refusal of 13 States To Ratify Can Block Repeal, and McBride Said He

was confident the dries could muster that much strength. "Up to date," he declared, "not one of the dry southern states has voted on the question of repeal. Three states, Georgia, Kansas and North Dakota, have definitely refused to provide for the elections. Four states, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi and Virginia, with no legislative sessions until 1934, have failed to take action providing for a vote, and in two states, Colorado and Oklahoma, convention bills have been vetoed by the governor. "This makes nine states in which the wets have made no definite

Semi-Pro Clubs In Big Title Clash Tuesday

Championship Game Played Here

Cloth Mill Plays Charlotte Team. Johnny Walker May Hurl Game.

(OTHER SPORTS ON PAGE 3)

The first local game in The 'Charlotte Observer's semi-pro baseball championship series for the two Carolinas will be played in the Shelby park tomorrow, Tuesday, afternoon.

The initial clash will see the strong Cleveland Cloth Mill club meeting the fast Home Service Stores team from Charlotte. The game will start at 4 o'clock.

Other Clubs In

Cleveland county has two other clubs in the championship tourney, the Lawdale club and the South Shelby All-Stars. The South Shelby outfit will bump into bitter opposition in the first round, being billed to play the powerful Hickory Rebels, managed by Pinkie James. At Lawdale team is booked to play the Bostic Braves in the first round clash.

All Set To Go.

"We've about found the combination we were looking for," Manager "Cricket" Weathers of the cloth mill club, said today. "We'll go into the first championship game tomorrow with practically the same line-up as we used in defeating the Charlotte Firemen and Newton."

But Manager Weathers did let out a semi-secret which will delight local fans. Johnny Walker, the brilliant southpaw hurler, who once led the pitching in the Sally league and later was a sensation in the Southern league, has been signed up by the Cee-Cees and will be eligible for the championship series. The addition of Walker gives the Shelby team a pitching staff that will match with the best—Walker and Lefty Collins, two crafty southpaws, and Clint Fisher, the fire-ball right-hander.

"Walker will pitch Tuesday if he gets here in time," Manager Weathers said today, "and if he does, Clint Fisher will be on the hill. Tell the folks to be there; they'll see a real ball game."

Good Players.

The Home Service Stores team will bring a fast young outfit to Shelby for the game tomorrow. Manager A. F. Parker, of the Charlotte team, was quoted in The Observer this morning as saying his bunch was coming to Shelby "to win." On his team he has such players as Ed Wilson, Davidson college star; Bub Mulligan and Charlie Gadd, former Charlotte High stars; Charlie (Cool) Bean, former Shelby boy; Spike Saterfield, Red Farrell and others.

Manager Weathers plans to start the same lineup as beat the Firemen Saturday: Finch, 1b; Lee, 3b; Little, cf; D. Fisher, ss; Weathers, 2b; Mayhew, rf; Hicks, c; Gold, lf; Johnny Walker or C. Fisher, pitcher.

Other Games.

In addition to the championship game Tuesday, the Cee-Cees have two more big games booked for the local park this week. Friday Pinkie James brings his strong Hickory rebels here for a game. It will be Ladies' Day at the Shelby park and Business Manager "Decker" Gardner announces all women will be admitted free. On Saturday the fast Albemarle club, one of the semi-pro championship threats, will play the Cee-Cees in Shelby.

Dr. McBrayer Here To Practice Dentistry

Dr. James H. McBrayer who practiced dentistry here for a short time several years ago, has returned and established offices in the bank building at the corner of LaFayette and Warren streets. Dr. McBrayer is a native of Cleveland and has practiced in this state for ten years, most of which time was spent in Raleigh.

No Junior Meeting.

There will be no meeting of the Junior Order in Shelby Tuesday night of this week due to the fact that the local degree team will go to Caroleen to put on work.

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Better Business In Shelby During Week-End Trading

Merchants Report Encouraging Gains Over Last Year. All Hopeful.

Business in Shelby is zipping along at a pace not evident in more than a year, local merchants and business men said today. Week-end shopping was generally good and one local business man reports that his store did exactly four times as much trade Saturday of last week as on the corresponding Saturday of last year. Another Shelby firm reports that for the last six weeks its business has been double that of the same six weeks last year. Still others report "much better" business, and all are encouraged by the outlook. "It is very cheering to us," one business man said, "because in normal times business is dull at this season of the year. In fact, I believe business now is better than at this period in any year I have been in business here. It is picking up and holding up."

Fine Sermons By Dr. Morgan Hold Attention Here

Native-Born Englishman Heard By Large Congregation At Presbyterian Church.

Dr. F. Crossley Morgan, of Augusta, Ga., and a native of England, is holding the attention of large congregations with his brilliant sermons and Bible lectures at the Shelby Presbyterian church where he began a series of services Sunday morning.

Dr. Morgan, ranked as one of the leading Bible expositors in America, is holding services, twice daily, at 10 o'clock in the morning and at 8 each evening. The evening services are being held in the open-air auditorium on the church lawn. At the morning services Dr. Morgan devotes himself to explanatory lectures concerning the Bible.

Program This Week

This evening at 8 o'clock his subject will be "Physical and Moral Dereliction." Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock the subject will be "The Historical Interlude," tomorrow evening "Penitential Faith and Love," and Wednesday morning "The Second Message."

In his opening service yesterday Dr. Morgan spoke upon "The Unreasonableness of Ungodliness." His subject matter was taken from Luke and was based upon the verse: "They all with one consent began to make excuse." In developing his subject by interpreting each subsequent thought, Dr. Morgan impressed his hearers with the gripping and masterly manner he drew word pictures revealing the intended expression of the Gospel. His general subject was based upon the attempt to test Christ by seeing if he would heal on the Sabbath the man stricken with dropsy, the strict rules of the Pharisees regulating that no work should be done upon Sunday, but by his action Christ let it be known that he placed man above a day. A continuance of the instance was a dinner whereat the invited guests all rushed for the seats of honor only to be told by Christ that they who exalt themselves shall be humbled. This was followed by the parable of the man who in extending hospitality to his home invited the poor and the humble only to have the more important personages make excuses, or beg off. One based his inability to attend upon the fact that he had purchased land and must go to see it, another said that he had purchased a pair of oxen and must go to test them, while the third had taken unto himself a wife and could not attend. Dr. Morgan pointed out that all excuses were unreasonable and flimsy because men do not purchase land without seeing it in advance or oxen without first testing them. The meaning of the parable was that all men are invited as guests to the Kingdom of Heaven, yet many offer excuses just as unreasonable and flimsy.

A master of elocution with a striking command of the English language and an unusual descriptive power, all coupled with his English accent, Dr. Morgan is a speaker of the type that holds the attention of his hearers to every word. Members of all congregations in the city and county are extended a cordial invitation. Today members of the pastors conference of the Kings Mountain Baptist association attended the services in a body.

Try Answering These

Can you answer 14 of these test questions? Turn to page two for the answers.

- 1. In which city was the United Daughters of the Confederacy organized?
2. What is mineralogy?
3. What proportion of U. S. senators are elected every two years?
4. Of what country is the Congo Free state a colony?
5. In what group of island is Minorea?
6. Was Henry Ford ever a candidate for the U. S. senate?
7. Who wrote "Uncle Tom's Cabin"?
8. What is a congressman-at-large?
9. What was the name of the Bull of Minos?
10. What is an unguent?
11. What state bounds Connecticut on the east?
12. Where is Rutgers university?
13. What does dolichocephalic mean?
14. Is a child born of Chinese parents in the U. S. an American citizen?
15. Who wrote "Conquest of Granada"?
16. Describe the flag of an admiral of the navy.
17. Of what institution is the U. S. National museum a branch?
18. In military law what is conscription?
19. Does water expand or contract when freezing?
20. Where is Tangier Island?

June 3 Brides.

June brides in Cleveland county this year are not numerous. Only three marriage licenses have been issued at the Cleveland county court house during this month by A. F. Newton, register of deeds. The last license was issued on the 13th to a colored couple, Frank Roberts, 21, and C. T. Thomas, 16.

Chairman Jefferson Says Federal Funds Will Be Available For State.

Raleigh, June 19.—E. B. Jefferson, chairman of the state highway commission announced that at least \$11,000,000 will be available in the near future for highway construction work in North Carolina through federal aid.

Jeffress said the renewal of new highway construction in the state would start almost at once, contractors on some \$500,000 worth which was suspended in March being notified that they could carry on the projects if they desired to fulfill their contracts. "As soon as the rules and regulations are received from Washington the highway department will be able to begin to advertise for projects and the work will be carried forward orderly and lettings" will

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County Not Liable In Shooting Of Deputy

Price Advance Of Gasoline Here

Effective this morning the retail price of gasoline in the Shelby area is being increased a half cent. Last Saturday there was an advance of a half cent, composed entirely of the additional federal tax levy. The federal tax levy now aggregates one and one-half cents and the state tax six cents, making a total of seven and a half cents tax for state and federal revenue.

Including today's advance regular gasoline in Shelby is selling for 22c less two cents for cash or 20.9, including all taxes.

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