

Not The War - It's The Weather They're Talking About Now

Thermometer Readings As High as 103 In the Shade and 125 In the Sun

No one seems to be doing anything about it, but it's the weather again, and as usual there is a lot of talk about it.

Not quite two weeks ago we were talking about dry weather, some disagreeing as to its effect on crops and so on. Then a cool week-end was ushered in and some ventured to say that July was going to be a cold July. Possibly there would be frost and a few snowflakes.

But as the weather took a turn to the hot side and the mercury began to climb to dangerous heights last Friday, the Men in the Streets and the Men in the Stores and the Men in the Offices and the Men in as little clothing as they could decently get by with were agreed that the weather was hot.

Temperatures were clocked at 99 in the shade Saturday and on Sunday the mercury ascended to 103 in the shade, unofficial reports said, and nobody denied it.

And then on Monday or Tuesday, just to prove it really was hot—as if everybody didn't know it, a thermometer got placed in the sun back of Morgan's Modern Grocery and the mercury scampered up to a beautiful 125. And that made it even hotter.

A black thunder shower came along at dusk Tuesday and brought a momentary respite from the blistering swelter—but not for long; somebody said they ran into a man who said he knew somebody who had slept for a few minutes Tuesday night after the rain cooled things off, but the report could not be verified.

Wednesday it was hot, as blazes again, and the weather man is slow in promising genuine relief. There have been rumors of a slight change today (Friday) but it is better than an even break that humanity will swelter through the week-end. Those who have experienced the heat here during the past few days feel certain that it will require at least a week to cool off.

Starting just this side of the Rockies the heat wave has gripped a large portion of the eastern half of the nation. Scores have died from the heat (not here) and quite a few seeking refuge from the scorching temperature in streams and at the beaches have lost their lives by drowning (not here).

But while the people talk, cotton and other crops are growing, and every now and then there's a fellow who mops off his brow with a limp handkerchief the size of a table cloth, withholds all complaints and daringly says he is enjoying the weather.

Possibly that fellow and others like him remember last winter when everything including the kitchen range was shivering and fuel bills were playing havoc with the family budget.

But we can always say it looks like rain, and Thursday afternoon it looked like rain.

During a severe electrical storm and downpour Wednesday afternoon, which relieved the heat for a short while, the lightning struck three trees in Hertford; one behind the Agricultural Building on Dobb Street, a large elm at the Dr. T. P. Brinn residence on Front Street, and a third tree near the river further north on Front Street.

South Of Pago Pago

Edward Small knew that he had a truly great screen property when he decided to produce "South of Pago Pago," the epic of South Seas romance and intrigue, at the State Theatre on Monday and Tuesday, through United Artists release. That is why he spared neither energy nor expense and that is why he chose an impressive cast headed by Jon Hall, who won sensational fame as the hero of "The Hurricane." Other important names in the cast include Frances Farmer, Victor McLaglen, Gene Lockhart, Douglas Dumbrille, Olympe Bradna and Francis Ford.

Briefly, the story of "South of Pago Pago" concerns the strange adventures of Bucko Larson and Ruby Taylor, who undertake an expedition to a fabulous pearl bed

"South of Pago Pago." Overcome by greed and lust for wealth, Larson uses all kinds of foul methods to enslave the natives on the island of Mianoa so that they will dive for pearls. Kehane, the young and handsome son of the island chief, falls in love with Ruby, never dreaming that she is a Singapore cat-girl. Things go from bad to worse for the innocent natives until a swift and unexpected climax brings the showdown. How Ruby manages to save the day for the islanders and to free them from Larson's cunning and violence provides the picture with an ending packed with thrills and drama.

United Daughters Complete Plans For "Patriotic Rally"

Program at Manteo on Saturday In Connection With 353rd Anniversary of Colonies

Manteo, N. C.—The complete program for the Patriotic Rally of the North Carolina Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, sponsored in connection with the 353rd anniversary of the Roanoke Island colonies and the fourth summer of Paul Green's "The Lost Colony" held here Saturday, was announced today by Mrs. Lewis E. Fisher, president of the division.

Featuring various songs, by individuals as well as by the Lost Colony Chorus, greetings and addresses by leading U. D. C. and their supporters, this first patriotic rally at the Birthplace of the Nation is in the nature of a tribute to the first founders and their statement and devotion to the democratic ideal as expressed in "The Lost Colony."

Beginning at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, the Rally will get underway with the Lost Colony Chorus singing "Old North State." Mrs. Weaver Mann, president of the N. C. American Legion Auxiliary, will lead the entire group in the "Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag." Paul Green and President Frank P. Graham are expected to attend the Rally and be presented to the delegation.

The main address of the afternoon will be delivered by the Hon. R. O. Everett, of Durham, who will speak on the subject of "Courage in Crisis." Following the address, the group will visit Wright Memorial and Mother Vineyard. A reception will be tendered the guests at the First Colony Inn, and then they will see the 155th performance of "The Lost Colony."

Plans for the Rally were completed by Mrs. Fisher in cooperation with Mrs. James G. Fearing and Mrs. I. M. Meekins, both of Elizabeth City, and Mrs. Rennie Williamson, of Manteo, and D. Bradford Fearing, president of the Roanoke Island Historical Association which sponsors "The Lost Colony" as a non-commercial venture. This is expected to be the largest patriotic event on the calendar of U. D. C. this summer.

HOSTESS AT BRIDGE PARTY
Miss Alice Roberson delightfully entertained at a bridge party on Wednesday afternoon in honor of her house-guest, Miss Tommie Rose, of Henderson. Five tables were arranged in the living room with summer flowers making a pretty setting.

After several progressions, Miss Prue Newby was awarded high score prize and Miss Elizabeth Darden the floating prize.

Those playing were: Miss Tommie Rose, honoree; Miss Nan Lovelace, of Crisp; Miss Martha Ann Clendenning, of Greensboro; Miss Jeanette McDaniel, of Jackson; Miss Foy Stephenson, of Pendleton; Miss Dorothy Hollowell, of Hobbbsville; Misses Anne Felton, Maewood Pierce, Nita Newbold, Ruth Hollowell, Florence Darden, Marie Anderson, Margaret Broughton, Prue Newby, Elizabeth Darden, Mary Wood Koonce, Frances Newby and Marguerite Ward, Mrs. J. V. Matthews and the hostess.

Drinks, salted nuts and mints were served during the game, and a sweet course at the conclusion.

Entertained Friends With Sunday Supper

Miss Annie Mae Matthews was hostess to a number of friends at a supper on Sunday evening at her home near Hertford. The house was attractively decorated with summer flowers. Her guests were Miss Margaret Snipes, of St. Augustine, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bass, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Kelly White, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Perry, of Norfolk, Va., Russell Baker and George Miller White.

Frank W. Truitt of Ocean, City, Md., has worn the same straw hat for over 20 years.

MORE ABOUT WAR

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offered to carry the war into foreign territory. Her leaders have been digging in to meet the invading hordes on the home ground.

Possibly, informed observers say, no attempt will be made immediately to land troops on the Isles, but there is much activity in Spain where German soldiers are said to be moving in great numbers. An attack may be directed against Gibraltar and other points vital to English commerce in an attempt to tighten the economic blockade against Britain.

Anyway, the lines and everybody's nerves are being tightly drawn for action of one kind or another. Lord Halifax, British foreign secretary, said in an address Monday that Great Britain will fight on until Hitler's mad plans for Europe are completely shattered and the liberties of all nations are restored.

It's a large order even if Hitler loses the Great Battle of England, but Lord Halifax said:

"Hitler may plant his Swastika where he will, but unless he can sap the strength of Britain the foundations of his empire are built on sand."

It was a magnificent speech . . .

"In their hearts the people that he has beaten down curse him and pray that his attacks may be broken on the defense of our island fortress. They long for the day when we shall sally forth and return blow for blow."

"We shall assuredly not disappoint them."

"Then will come the day of final reckoning when Hitler's mad plans for Europe will be shattered by the unconquerable passion of man for freedom."

WHITESTON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. White and family, of Sunbury, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. White, of Belvidere, were guests of Mrs. Mary J. White Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Eunice Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Winslow, Alvah Winslow, Leslie Winslow, Archie Riddick, Ernest White, Misses Winnie Winslow, Lena Winslow, Pearl White, Lucille Lane, Edna Winslow, Doris Lane and Esther Mae White attended the Young Friends Conference at Cedar Grove Church, Woodland, Friday afternoon and evening.

William Winslow, U. S. N., Norfolk, Va., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arba Winslow, during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Howell, of Hertford, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John T. Lane.

Odds and Ends To Take Your Mind Off The European War

Short Accounts of Humorous Happenings In Different Sections Of The Nation

The following are efforts intended to get your mind off a steady diet of war-thoughts for a few seconds and direct them momentarily along lighter lines:

In Atlanta Tuesday a convict sat atop a 150-foot water tower on the eve of what was scheduled to be his return to freedom, and defied guards who tried to argue him into coming down.

By Tuesday night, observers using field glasses, said the convict was as "red as a beet" after spending the afternoon on his perch in the 100-degree weather. Still he gave no indication that he was ready to come down.

The convict was armed with a heavy machinist hammer and prison guards said it was too dangerous to approach him. So there he sat while floodlights played over him Tuesday night.

A genuine New England Old Maid

wishes to swap a home on her beautiful, eighth-generation farm for the companionship of two educated, moral, self-supporting people capable of enjoying the atmosphere of an old-fashioned home, well water, good fires, etc.—Ad in "Yankee."

Something to watch for in the future is seedless vegetables. Experiments in the University of Michigan laboratories reveal that progress is being made in that direction with peppers, squash, cucumbers and tomatoes (they didn't mention watermelons). And to make nose powdering easier at night, milady's pocketbook is going to carry a combination pocket mirror and miniature flashlight.

Over near Robertsonville last week a slick customer walked into a slaughter house, it is said, and slipped into one of the hog pens during a fall in the receiving department and drove a number of hogs to the weighing station.

The owner of the slaughter house, who bought the hogs in the first place had gone away on a business trip, so an assistant weighed them the second time and issued a statement slip. The man got his check and left. The check had been cashed before an employee saw the hogs were making a second trip from the weighing station.

Needless to say, an investigation is underway.

Weekly Market Report

POULTRY AND EGGS
Courtesy Division of Markets
N. C. Dept. of Agriculture

Eggs, per dozen—Hennessy whites, 18-23; hennessy browns, 18-22; current collections, 17-20.
Live Poultry, per lb.—Rocks, 15-17; reds, 15-17; mixed colors, 14-17; light breeds, 12-15; broilers, 17-20; fryers, colored, 16-20; fryers, light, 15-20.

Hot Weather Specials At BLANCHARD'S

These "Specials" are really appropriate . . . they are even hotter than the weather . . . so visit our Store this week-end and get your share of these Specials.

ALL MEN'S BATHING SUITS REDUCED 33 1/3%

Manhattan
\$2.00 Shirts
NOW—
\$1.65

\$12.50
Sport Coats
NOW—
\$8.95

\$1.00
Polo Shirts
NOW—
79c



YOU really can't afford not to buy that pair of Summer Shoes at these low prices.

One Lot Men's \$3.00 Churchill Shoes . . . \$2.19
One Lot Men's \$4.00 Fortune Shoes . . . \$2.75
All Men's \$2.00 Summer Shoes . . . \$1.75

Women's
\$3.00 Shoes
\$2.19
Women's
\$1.19 Sandals
NOW—
79c



MEN'S
\$15.95 SUITS

All Wool
Tropical Worsted
NOW—

\$12.50

MEN'S
Straw Hats
REDUCED 1/3



LADIES' SUMMER
STRAW HATS
Reduced 1/2

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S
WASH DRESSES
A Few Odd Sizes. 98c Value
Now 69c

CHILDREN'S
SUN SUITS
Sizes 1 to 6—39c Value
Now 25c

CHILDREN'S CREPE AND
TAFFETA
DRESSES
Sizes 1 to 6
\$1.98 value . . . \$1.49
98c value . . . 79c

ONE RACK LADIES'
DRESSES
1/2 Price

AMERICAN MADE
Batiste Dimity and
Dotted Voiles
25c value now . . . 19c
39c value now . . . 29c

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S
Jantzen
Bathing Suits
1/2 Price

OTHER MODEL
Bathing Suits

\$2.98 now . . . \$2.49
\$2.49 now . . . \$1.98
\$1.25 now . . . 89c
98c now . . . 79c
59c now . . . 39c

Ladies' Dresses
BATISTE AND DIMITIES
/ BEMBERG SHEERS
\$3.98 and \$2.98 Values
Now \$2.49

\$1.98 values . . . \$1.49
98c values . . . 82c

Ladies' Crepe Dresses
Light Shades. Sizes 12 to 20
\$7.95 and \$5.95 Values
Now \$3.98
\$3.98 values . . . \$2.98
\$2.98 values . . . \$1.98

LADIES' AND MISSES'
COTTON PRINTED
House Coats
98c now . . . 82c



MORE ABOUT Court

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lamp. Prayer for judgement was continued upon payment of the costs and doctor's bill, and on condition of his good behavior for two years.

Other cases included on Tuesday's docket were:

Walter Godfrey, who pleaded guilty to driving without an operator's license, was fined \$15.

William Britt, Negro, who was found guilty of driving an animal-drawn vehicle without lights and paid a \$5 fine.

George Johnson, Elizabeth City Negro, who was found guilty of being drunk and disorderly on the streets of Hertford.

Nurney Welch and Johnnie Elliott, who were charged with destruction of personal property—corn growing in a field belonging to J. R. Dail. Welch pleaded guilty and prayer for judgement was continued. Non-suit was granted as to Elliott.

Joseph Abner Smith pleaded guilty to driving with improper lights and was fined \$15.

William R. Webb was found guilty of driving a car with improper brakes, and John Riddick was found guilty of allowing Webb to drive his car knowing it to be without proper brakes. Costs of court were to be divided between them.