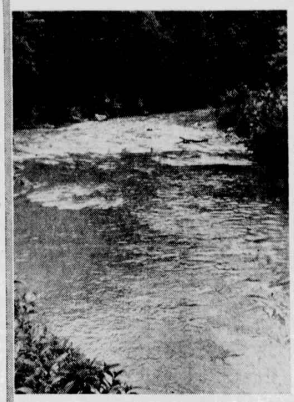
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Weather Report: And The Rains Came...



Streams Are Running Fast

By JULIAN SCHEER
News Staff Writer

All right, we've had enough.

Rain, that is.

It has rained and rained and rained—and this is news to exactly no one in these parts.

And the rain has reached a point where it is no longer being very beneficial and is anything but convenient.

A look at recreation, streams and rivers and crops reveals this information today:

County Farm Agent George Hobson wants it to stop raining—today.

"It was very helpful for a while," he says, "but it is detrimental now."

COTTON IS TARGET

Crops are getting grassy, erosion is seen in spots all over the county and the wet weather is making cotton the target of the weevil. The bold boll weevil isn't much in evidence now, but the cotton crop will have to be watched carefully.

Cotton is in a bad way in some spots, however. In the Steel Creek and Pineville areas, Hobson says, some cotton had been "drowned" by the rain.

We have short root crops in this area, so deep running water and saturation doesn't mean much to us. A few days of rain is enough. If it stops raining today, we can go a week or ten days very comfortably with no more as far as the farmer is concerned.

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Rivers and streams are okay in Mecklenburg County now. A survey shows most of them running fast and free, and District Engineer E. M. Finison of the State Highway Dept. says there are no streams reported over banks.

Usually the northern end of the county gets some stream flooding first; but the rain has not been steady, so streams are carrying off the water well.

NO RISE SEEN

The Catawba River is, of course, well controlled by Duke Power Co., and won't flood. The spotty rain has given the river a "fairly strong stream flow" but there's no rise in the river level, according to Duke Power officials.

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Recreation has taken a beating. Park attendance is down, swimming pool attendance has taken a big dip, and softball schedules are slightly behind. The Sally League All-Star game was postponed last night but will be played tonight—if no rain.

The News Hole-in-One tourney at Carolina Golf Course was postponed last night but got underway today.



Crops Are Getting Grassy



News Staff Photos—Don Hunter
Parks Are Mighty Quiet

Heavy Rains Drench Areas In South, East

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

An outbreak of thunderstorms which pounded the East and South tapered off today after giving many sections more soaking rains.

Although no general rains were forecast today, the weather bureau said isolated showers or thunderstorms could fall in most any portion of the country except for the Pacific Coast and the Ohio Valley.

A violent storm raked Athens, Ga., Monday evening and dumped more than 3½ inches of rain. Winds gusted at 50 miles an hour, and 1.30 inches of rain fell during the first 45 minutes of the storm.

Heavy downpours also swamped the New York City area. The community of Middletown, 50 miles north of New York, received almost 6 inches of rain. Hundreds of basements were flooded and as many car engines drowned out.

Boston measured nearly 3 inches of rain Monday, giving it a record 15 inches since June 1.

In New York City itself, a subway tunnel was flooded, forcing rerouting of some trains. The East River Drive, which runs through Manhattan's East Side, was closed in some sections when covered by several inches of water.

The stormy weather Monday evening soaked a belt of coastal states from Texas eastward and north into New England. Laredo, Tex., was given a 1.19-inch washing; Lake Charles, La., 1.93 inches; Richmond, Va., 2.25 inches and Baltimore 1.63.

Even though rainfall during the night dropped off, some southern New England communities collected nearly an inch.

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Heavy Rainfall Hits Carolinas

Thunderheads played tag over the Carolinas Monday, dumping heavy rains on scattered areas and lashing others with violent winds and lightning.

Rock Hill reported 4.27 inches of rain in the 24 hours ending at 6 p.m. Monday. Residents bailed out flooded basements and some streets were closed.

Albemarle had an inch and a half of rain.

Charlotte was doused by steady rains that measured 1.24 inches through 7 a.m. today.

A violent disturbance knocked out three Winston-Saelm radio

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Our Weather

Mostly cloudy and continued warm and humid today, tonight and tomorrow, with scattered showers and thundershowers.

High yesterday	90
High expected today	89
High expected tomorrow	90
Low this morning	70
Low expected tomorrow	72
Sunrise 5:24 a.m.; sunset 7:35 p.m.	

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AP Photofax

Star Performer

Winky, a screech owl from the Philadelphia zoo, gets a beakful of smoke from the cigar of Hank Bielecki, TV technician at a station where the owl makes regular appearances on educational programs.

Record Of 'Plot' Offered At Trial

HENDERSON (AP)—The state was expected to get to the core of its case today in the dynamite conspiracy trial of eight members of the Textile Workers Union of America.

The prosecution hoped to offer as evidence transcripts of tape recordings which the State Bureau of Investigation says were made during meetings at which the alleged dynamite plot was discussed.

The defendants, including Boyd Payton, Carolinas director of the TWUA, are accused of plotting to blow up a boiler from office building and power substation at the South Henderson plant of the struck Harriet - Henderson Cotton Mills.

Charles Austlander, a minor TWUA official, and Lawrence Gore, Payton's aide also are defendants. The others are Johnny Martin, Robert Edward Abbott, Warren Walker, Malcolm Jarrell and Calvin Ray Pegram.

CHECK MADE

The state had sought to introduce the transcripts Monday. A check was to be made to compare the transcripts with the actual recordings.

Meanwhile, an agent of the SBI testified Monday that one of the defendants, Abbott, admitted attending a meeting at Roanoke Rapids at which the alleged plot was discussed.

The agent, Claude Davis, quoted Abbott as saying this:

He accompanied Pegram, Walker and Jarrell to the meeting. He went to a second meeting but remained in a car with Pegram and heard no reference to the alleged conspiracy.

The SBI says it was at these meetings that the tape recordings were made.

Hodges Says Race Feeling Is Changing

LOS ANGELES, Calif. (AP)—North Carolina's Gov. Luther Hodges said today the attitude of the average person throughout the nation is changing on the volatile question of race relations.

"Attitudes are changing," Hodges added, "not only about the school segregation problem, but about other things on which the United States Supreme Court has recently ruled, especially those affecting so-called individual rights. I think there is a deepening concern on the part of the average man. . . There is a genuine concern about where we are going. He is concerned that in our seeming desire to protect individual liberties we are often throwing individual responsibility to the wind."

Hodges, just back from a three-week tour of Russia, made the statement in a speech prepared for delivery at a luncheon meeting of Town Hall, a Los Angeles civic organization.

Hodges told the civic group that so far North Carolina's approach of moderation in dealing with the school segregation problem has operated satisfactorily.

N. C. Policeman Dies In Blaze Of Gunfire

Reds Tougher

Ike Pessimistic On Summit Talks

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower believes the chances for a summit conference have become steadily dimmer in the last 10 days. He feels Russia's attitude regarding Berlin now is tougher than ever.

This Eisenhower pessimism — based on confidential reports from the Geneva foreign ministers meeting — is known on excellent authority. It embraces his view that Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev may not even want a summit meeting.

It also is known on high authority that Eisenhower still is dead set against any recognition of Red China. The Communists there still are holding Americans as prisoners.

It can be reported, too, on similar authority that:

1. Despite his pessimism, Eisenhower remains perfectly willing to attend a summit meeting, provided there is decent progress at Geneva. That means Soviet recognition of Western rights and responsibilities in West Berlin.

2. Regardless of talk by Kremlin officials, Eisenhower is not convinced the Russians really want a summit meeting. He thinks the Soviets' real objective may be to split the Western allies, particularly the United States and Britain.

3. The President is convinced the Soviet leaders do not want a major war. But he is fearful that Kremlin miscalculations or some series of developments could touch off a conflict.

4. If war should come, the Western allies would have to decide whether to use nuclear weapons. So far as the United States is concerned, it would depend on what is best for the security of the country.

Geneva Talk End Threatened

GENEVA (AP)—The Western allies have warned Russia they will break off the Big Four conference if the Soviets continue to insist that East and West Germany negotiate on reunificaion as equals as the price for a Berlin truce.

U. S. Secretary of State Christian A. Herter gave the Western warning to Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko during a private luncheon meeting yesterday.

Gromyko did not at that time say the Soviet demand for an all-German committee on reunification was unalterable. But subsequently he gave a preliminary rejection to a new Western proposal for reunification negotiations by the Big Four and said the Soviets would not agree to any plan which barred direct negotiations between the two Germanys.

WESTERN PLAN

The Western plan called for the East and West Germans to serve as advisers to the Big Four negotiators, with direct negotiations between the two German governments only when the Big Four considered them necessary.



MEDLIN

Head Of Union Joins Talks

(Strike May Hit Badin Plant, 4A)

NEW YORK (AP)—Steelworkers Union President David J. McDonald personally will take a hand in wage talks with aluminum companies, hoping a settlement there might shorten the steel strike.

McDonald's attempt to win a wage breakthrough in aluminum was considered an unusual step. Aluminum industry settlements usually follow the pattern set by steel.

Contracts with the "Big Three" aluminum companies — Alcoa, Reynolds and Kaiser—expire July 31. The firms employ about 58,000 production wokers. The steel union represents about 30,500 of them. A strike would shut down about 50 per cent of the country's aluminum production.

The week-old strike in the basic steel industry has idled a half-million workers and shut down about 90 per cent of the nation's steel output. It has brought unemployment to more than 40,000 workers in allied fields — coal, trucking and railroads.

Off-Duty Officer Goes On Wild Spree

PINEHURST (AP)—An off-duty policeman, holding a smoking service revolver and shouting threats, burst into a hospital here last night. Another officer shot him down and killed him as he dragged a girl friend from her hospital room.

The policeman, Ralph E. Medlin, 26, of nearby Southern Pines, died in the corridor, a bullet in his head from the gun of Pinehurst officer Rudolph Frye.

Starting at a roadside grill between here and Southern Pines, Medlin had fired upon five people, hitting no one, and terrorized several others. At the hospital, he hustled visitors out of the room of Mrs. Dorothy Clippard, pulled her in front of him and started down the hall using her as a shield.

WRENCHED AWAY

By that time several officers arrived. Mrs. Clippard wrenched away from Medlin. He fired at her, the bullet going through her gown. Then he fired at another off-duty policeman, Tommy Thompson of Southern Pines, who had been visiting a friend at the hospital. The shot missed.

Officers converged on Medlin and Frye shot him down.

Chief C. E. Newton of Southern Pines, who employed Medlin less than two months ago, said the officer "had to be killed to protect the lives of others. He was completely out of his mind."

Medlin, from Apex, had served two hitches in the Navy. Between hitches he worked about a year as a Raleigh policeman. "He came to me with an excellent reputation," said Chief Newton. "I saw him yesterday . . . He was perfectly all right then. He was a jolly, jovial sort of boy."

DATED FOR MONTH

Medlin, a single man, had dated Mrs. Clippard about a month, Newton said, but the chief had no other information on their friendship. She had been hospitalized with a back injury.

The young policeman's rampage began after he drove a borrowed automobile, with two flat tires, to Lavern's Grill on the highway between here and Southern Pines. At the grill he demanded another auto and shot three times at the grill proprietor, hitting the windshield of Lavern's truck. He also shot at another car carrying a couple from Clinton, S. C., the chief said.

At the hospital, Medlin went to Mrs. Clippard's room, where he found other visitors. "Get the hell out," he commanded them, "and I mean now." They ran out.

The noise attracted the attention of Thompson, the other off-duty policeman. He entered the room, but Medlin held his gun at Mrs. Clippard's stomach and told him to get out. "If you don't, I'll shoot you both." Thompson, who was unarmed, left and called police.

—MOONLIGHT . . . YACHT . . AND CHAPERONE—

Dating Beauty Has Its Problems

By PATRICK MCNULTY

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP) — I had a date with Miss Turkey in the Miss Universe contest Monday night.

We went on a moonlight cruise on a yacht, and then had a candlelight dinner overlooking the blinking lights of Alamitos Bay.

Sound romantic?

Well, gather around me, all you bachelors, for this sad story.

Miss Turkey has a chaperone. And I don't speak Turkish.

Aboard the private yacht were several candidates in the annual international beauty pageant, along with a few reporters and chaperones.

After touring the harbor for about an hour, we settled down for dinner at a waterfront cafe. The chaperone, Imasd Kurkjian, explained that Miss Turkey is learning English at a surprising rate. "Offer her something," the chaperone said. I picked up a plate of hors d'ouevres.

"Thank you very much," said Miss Turkey, delicately selecting an olive-wrapped anchovy.

"You see," said the chaperone, triumphantly. "Now tell her something in Turkish."

We finally worked out something that sounded like: "Chalk-you-sell." This. Mrs. Kurkjian said, means: "You are very pretty."

"Chalk-you-sell," I said, smiling like Cary Grant over my soft drink.

"Thank you very much," said Miss Turkey, looking my way with the biggest, brownest eyes this side of Istanbul.

My steak arrived. The waitress set down Miss Turkey's entree, believe it or not—turkey.

HAS TURKEY

Scout's honor gentlemen, Miss Turkey had turkey, Mrs. Kurkjian, whose husband, James, is a rug merchant in Long Beach, explained that Turkish people, who raise few cattle, rarely eat beef.

Miss Turkey, who is 19-year-old Ezel Olcay, looked my way again with those big brown eyes. She pointed to her plate.

"Miss Turkey miss Turkey," she said, apparently nostalgically referring to her native land. "You speak English better than I supposed," I said, again looking over my glass like Cary Grant.

"Thank you very much," said Miss Turkey, lowering her brown eyes.

Where do you go from there? Why, back to the Miss Universe contest headquarters, that's where—and with the chaperone.

PEAHEAD, HOWARD AT WAR AGAIN

THE NEEDLING of Frank Howard, Clemson football coach, by his old nemesis, Peahead Walker, begins anew today on Page 2-B as Walker, coach of the Montreal Alouettes, describes a recent visit to Canada by the South Carolina character.

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Evening Prayer

O Lord, we pray Thee this day to fill our lives with the Holy Spirit, for it is in Thee that the tempted find succor, the weak become strong, and the resolute renew their strength. Forgive us for the times we have failed Thee, we pray. In Jesus' name. Amen.