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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

GALES OF WIND AND COLD SWEEP COUNTRY

Trains Are Stopped, Towns Are Isolated and Big Fires Fanned Into Fury.

CHICAGO, Jan. 30.—The storm of sleet, snow and rain, which sped along by a high wind during the last twenty-four hours, has prostrated telegraph and telephone wires, stalled trains, wrecked buildings and isolated whole communities, struck Chicago to-night and was reported central in the vicinity of Detroit.

The first bite of the storm was felt in Chicago at noon and it continued to increase in fury as the hours passed. The wind blew forty miles an hour and the thermometer registered a drop of over twenty degrees to ten above zero. The day was one long fight by the telegraph and railroad companies to restore wires and rescue stalled trains.

No freight trains are running tonight in the storm belt in Iowa and few in Wisconsin and Minnesota. The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad reported practically all its wires down. On the Minnesota division, two trains are probably stuck in the storm in South Dakota.

On Degree Below Zero.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 30.—An old time blizzard raged in the Northwest to-day. Telegraph communication with the East was almost wholly destroyed.

Owing to the high wind and increasing cold which at 2 o'clock was one degree below zero, the public schools closed.

Blows a Policeman Over.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Jan. 30.—Robert MacCormick, the oldest member of the police force, was blown from the fifteen-foot high porch of his house, and probably hurt to-day. Points through Missouri reported severe storms of wind and snow.

Nearly Mile a Minute.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., Jan. 30.—Exceptionally high winds passed over Arkansas to-day, reaching a velocity at times of fifty-six miles an hour. Many buildings in the city were unroofed. A delivery wagon was blown off the bridge over the Arkansas river.

Chickens to Roost.

AUGUSTA, Jan. 30.—Augusta did not have much of a wind storm this morning, but it had a bad fright. Shortly after 8 o'clock heavy clouds came out of the Southwest and in a

few minutes it was almost as dark as night. Lights were lit in the houses, chickens went to roost, the birds sought their nests in the trees and houses were hastily shuttered. Excitable persons were greatly alarmed.

The skies took on a greenish hue and the clouds began to whirl angrily far overhead. The observer at the Weather Bureau says Augusta had a narrow escape as the windstorm, which was intense, passed over the city. At one time people in the eastern part of the city heard a roaring noise that greatly added to their alarm.

The maximum velocity recorded officially was 13 miles per hour. Later in the day the sun came out and fitful gusts blew until nightfall. No damage has been reported.

58-Mile Gale.

ATLANTA, Jan. 30.—Only twice in the weather history of Atlanta has the wind raged at a higher velocity than yesterday.

Late last night it was blowing a hurricane through the streets and making music around the tops of skyscrapers. So violent did it become early last night that several windows were broken at the Piedmont Hotel.

The temperature is dropping and wintry conditions returning. The weather forecaster has promised almost, if not quite, freezing weather before morning. No casualties have yet been reported. The Western Union has been greatly handicapped by wire troubles.

Gale Fans Fire That Burns a Home.

AMERICUS, Ga., Jan. 30.—The handsome Lee street residence of Mrs. Henry R. Johnson was practically destroyed this afternoon by fire which for an hour baffled efforts of the fire department.

The blaze originated in the roof, and fanned by a gale threatened the destruction of other buildings in the residence section of Americus. Two others were in imminent danger, but were saved by hard effort.

Furniture and some effects were removed from the Johnson residence. There was insurance of \$4,500, which only partially covers the loss.

Four-Mile Wall of Fire Advances.

MOBILE, Ala., Jan. 30.—The saw-mill plant of the Alabama Lumber

BODY HORRIBLY MANGLED BY TRAIN

BLACKSHEAR, Ga., Jan. 30.—Wilbur P. Goodwin, telegraph operator at Offerman, met a tragic death at the 89-mile post near here early yesterday morning. It is supposed Goodwin attempted to board a passenger train in order to escape the clutches of the law and in some way fell under the wheels.

His body was horribly mangled and the appearance of the neck at first led to the suspicion that his throat had been cut and the body thrown on the track, but after careful investigation the coroner's jury decided that his death was due to his efforts to board a rapidly moving train.

A few days ago Goodwin went hunting, it is said, while in an intoxicated condition and for some fancied affront drew his pistol and threatened to shoot a woman of the neighborhood. A warrant was sworn out for his arrest on this account and Thursday night Sheriff Tuten went to Offerman and arrested him. The sheriff returned with his prisoner and carried him to jail. Goodwin asked the sheriff not to lock him in a cell, saying that he would give bond next morning and would give no trouble. The sheriff consented and put his prisoner to bed in his office.

During the night the sheriff's wife was aroused by a noise and called to her husband, who quickly arose and hurried to his office to find his prisoner gone. After leaving jail Goodwin evidently walked to the 89-mile post, two miles west of here, where there is a siding and water tank, and there attempted to board the train which killed him.

His watch was found in his pocket, and it had stopped at 4:43, which indicated that the train scheduled to pass that point at 4:45, killed him. His body has been embalmed by a local undertaker and will be shipped to his old home near Covington, Va.

Company, three miles north of the city, was totally destroyed by fire this afternoon, entailing a loss of \$75,000 on the plant and \$15,000 on lumber, with no insurance.

Fanned by a westerly gale blowing thirty-five miles an hour, there is a solid wall of fire advancing eastward across the marshes, four miles wide, endangering the homes of many truck gardeners.

MICANOPY NOTES.

(By J. D. Watkins.)

MICANOPY, Fla., Jan. 30.—The John H. Sparks Show Company gave two performances here Monday afternoon and at night. There was a good crowd present at each performance. They left here for Lake Butler.

Miss Nellie Reeves spent a few days recently visiting Mrs. J. W. Chamberlin of Tacoma.

Dr. Wallace and wife of Youngstown, Ohio, are stopping at the Tusculwilla Hotel for a few days.

Mrs. Sue D. Feaster invited a few of her friends to a fish fry on Tusculwilla Lake. As usual, when Mrs. Feaster is hostess, all had a good time.

Three charming young ladies are visiting Mrs. J. B. Simonton for a few days—Miss Maggie Simmons and Miss Helen Poor of Maitland, and Miss Eunice Ives of Orlando. They make a jolly party wherever they go.

Andrew Smith of Archer spent a few days here visiting home folks.

Miss Martel Smith of Wacahoota visited Miss Dora May Chitty for a few days.

Miss Abernathy of Jacksonville is visiting Miss Mabel McCreddie.

Dr. L. Montgomery has returned from a professional visit to Jacksonville.

BIBLE CONFERENCE AWAKENING INTEREST

Bishop Morrison Giving Valuable Service to the Meeting---Large Crowds Despite Weather.

From Sunday's Daily Sun:

Notwithstanding the fall of the temperature and the high, gusty winds, which made the conditions rather unfavorable Saturday, the exercises at the Florida Winter Bible Conference, morning, afternoon and night, were well attended, and those who were present felt well repaid for being there. It was a glorious day for the cause, and it seemed that those who had the determination to face the weather conditions felt greatly rewarded for their efforts in behalf of a more moral and refined condition from a Christian standpoint.

Mr. Guille, who is conducting the Bible study in the morning, was at his best upon this occasion, and what he had to say was received with the deepest interest. Mr. Guille is possessor of the proper spiritualistic power, and his work here has proven wonderful in the development of the Christian mind from all sources. He is a Bible scholar of the old class, and has every paragraph properly translated to the modern mind.

For the first time in the six years that the Bible Conference has been in existence the services of Rev. Samuel M. Smith, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Columbia, S. C., have been secured. Dr. Smith is one of the most gifted divines of the South, and he opened a series of three sermons in the evening. Dr. Smith proved highly interesting to the good audience who listened to him, and it is safe to say that he will be welcomed here during his series, which will end with a vote of thanks by the Christian workers of the Conference and the community.

The afternoon service was full of interest, and was largely attended, con-

sidering the adverse weather conditions. Many of the ladies left their domestic duties behind to take advantage of the opportunity to hear Bishop Morrison, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who delivered a most eloquent discourse on "The Ministry of Suffering." Bishop Morrison has always been regarded as one of the most eloquent divines in the South, and his work has been greatly appreciated and highly effective wherever he has consented to preach. He is a man possessed of the highest intellect, full of spiritual power, and never fails to make an impression. His sermon at the opening of the Conference was a masterpiece, and the patrons of the Conference feel grateful that he has consented, at a great inconvenience to himself and his official duties, to return for the next two or three days. While Bishop Morrison is deep, he is at the same time interesting, and what he has to say goes down in the hearts of deep-thinking people.

The program for today will be as follows:

Preaching at 3 p. m. by Rev. Dr. S. M. Smith; preaching at 7:30 by Bishop H. C. Morrison.

A special feature of each meeting will be the song service, conducted by Messrs. Hall and Mack.

The feature of Monday evening's program will be the song service, which will be conducted under direction of Profs. Hall and Mack of Philadelphia. They are among the leaders in their profession, which is an assurance that the Bible Conference is receiving the best service in that line in the country. These gentlemen are assisted by a choir of more than half a hundred voices, composed of the best vocal talent in this section of the country.

place. They have with them the Armstrong family, who have been here before. The Armstrongs always please their audience.

Mr. Ford, wife and daughter, Miss Lucy, are visiting Mrs. Sue Feaster for a few weeks.

Mrs. W. C. Johnson has returned home from a visit to relatives at St. Petersburg.

Mrs. J. C. Mathers and daughter, Mrs. H. H. Simpson, went to High Springs Tuesday. Mrs. M. P. Summers, daughter of Mrs. Mathers, is quite ill. We hope they found her better.

Micanopy can now supply the cabbage growers with crates. W. D. Bobbitt and the Melton Lumber Company are both sawing crates. If nothing

happens there will be a big demand for crates soon, as there is a large cabbage crop this year.

The Southern Bell Telephone Company has a farmers' line running to Wacahoota connected with the exchange here.

Happily Married.

Judge J. A. Carlisle was called upon Saturday night and performed the ceremony which made Mr. Chas. Prevatt and Miss Rhoda Gatlin man and wife.

The event occurred at the bride's home and was witnessed by a large number of friends. Both have resided here for some time and have a large number of friends who wish them happiness along their married life.

Freezing Weather Looked For in This Section Today

From Sunday's Daily Sun:

All of Saturday the truckers of Gainesville and vicinity were busy preparing for the expected cold wave which is scheduled to arrive this morning, and many predicted that the thermometer would reach as low as 20 degrees at this place.

The cabbage that were headed were cut Saturday, also all outdoor lettuce, and many of the farmers covered all their cabbage in the event the cold would prove as severe as predicted.

A terrific storm is raging in the Western States, and in some places the trains are blocked, but the fact that the cold wind is right from there assures us of some very bad weather here.

News received from Washington by the Coast Line office was to the

effect that the cold would reach as far South as the 26th parallel, which is two degrees below Tampa, and the message further stated that it would probably frost along the Gulf Coast as far South as Jupiter. All agents along their lines were instructed to notify the growers.

In talking with many of the leading growers here Saturday they all contended that the peach crop would be destroyed, besides the cabbage crop would be completely wiped out, but this is only a matter of supposition and the exact damage cannot be ascertained until after the cold has passed and the sun has time to thaw out the vegetables, which will be Monday at the earliest, as some seem to think the weather will be more severe on Sunday night.

Sea Island Cotton Firm With Hardening Tendency

SAVANNAH, Ga., Jan. 30.—The market has been firm with a hardening tendency in the high grades, the demand increasing as the week progressed. Large business has resulted, and at the close factors' tables were pretty well swept, except of the three lower grades, which were not in request. The demand was slack for everything under full extra choice, prices being easier for extra choice and below. Full choice was quoted at 15c.

The report of the Census Bureau on the ginning up to January 16 showed a total of 90,456 bales; distributed by States as follows:

Florida	34,000
South Carolina	13,200
Sales for the week were 2,343 bales.	
The following prices are based on factor's quotations and are revised weekly on Fridays:	
Fancy Floridas	19 @ 20 1/2
Fancy Georgias	19 @ 20 1/2
Ex. choice Fla's	17 @ 18
Ex. choice Ga's	17 @ 18
Choice Ga's and Fla's	14
Ex. fine Ga's and Fla's	13
Fine Ga's and Fla's	12
Common Ga's and Fla's	10 @ 11

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 30.—Sea Island market: Market steady; fine