

Searing Heat Wave to Continue; At Least 28 Dead from Weather

By ASSOCIATED PRESS — At least 28 persons have died as a result of the Midwest's prolonged heat wave, and the hot weather continued Thursday with no prospect of relief. In Chicago, 24 persons were reported to have died of causes induced by heat since midnight Monday, while two such deaths were reported in Indiana and two others in Minnesota. The Canadian cold air mass was stalled at the U. S. boundary.

moving eastward but not southward.

More Heat

Another day of continued searing heat was forecast for virtually all the states between the Appalachians and Rockies. The Chicago weather bureau said the mercury would climb to between 96 and 102 degrees in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Nebraska. In South Dakota the maximum was expected to be 105, and in North Dakota, Iowa and Illinois as much as 100.

The New England and Middle Atlantic states were reported back to near normal readings along with the Pacific Coast area.

Except for scattered local thundershowers of little consequence generally, the forecaster said no moisture was in sight for the withering crops now reported in some localities to have been written off as failures. However, central Wisconsin reported a "fairly general" rain Wednesday night and early Thursday which was described as a "soaker."

Little Chance
There is still a mass of cool air in western Canada but it has been derailed from its usually south-eastward course and has begun moving eastward. A shift of currents there is the only hope for immediate relief, the forecaster said.

While some farmers reported corn crops deteriorated to a point beyond recovery, Dr. Willis McCann, a veterinarian of Sugar Grove, Ill., said 44 feeder steers dropped dead of the heat in a pasture near there Wednesday.

EXPENSIVE PARKING

COLUMBUS, O. (AP) — Marcus W. Drillot drove downtown, parked his automobile, appeared in traffic court and returned to find his car missing. It had been stolen in the few minutes he was in court to pay a traffic fine.

Amvets Demand Lee's Removal

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The American Veterans of World War II threatened Thursday to withdraw their support of universal military training legislation unless a "complete and impartial" investigation is made of charges against Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, U. S. Mediterranean commander.

Ray Sawyer, Amvets national commander, declared his organization believes in preparedness and UMT but said "we cannot... support any law which would tend to make thousands of young men into flunkies and errand boys for generals and other rank-happy individuals."

Scripps-Howard Columnist Robert C. Ruark charged in dispatches from Italy that enlisted men under Lee's command suffer indignities and mistreatment while officers live royally.

Sawyer demanded that Lee be "immediately recalled to the United States pending an impartial investigation... lest this become a case of Army generals whitewashing Army generals."

He said the Amvets have "implicit faith" in Maj. Gen. Ira T. Wyche, Army inspector general now in Italy to investigate the charges against Lee. But, he added, "by the time he arrives on the scene the situation can easily have been changed."

World-Wide Coal Shortage Predicted

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. — (AP) — The anthracite institute Thursday predicted a world-wide shortage of all fuels this winter because of unprecedented demand.

The institute reported in its publication, the Anthracite Institute Bulletin, that no reclaimed coke will be available this year and that domestic coke will be short. Less wood will be available and supplies of bituminous coal will not be enough to meet the demand, the institute said.

Oil company and government officials were quoted as predicting a shortage of oil.

Berliners Forbidden To Keep Livestock

BERLIN — (AP) — Heat-hungry Berliners may no longer keep pigs, goats or other livestock on the balconies or in basements of their homes, the city government ordered Thursday.

The ordinance provides that all purchase, sale or barter of livestock must be reported to district offices within three days, or unreported animals will be confiscated without compensation. The purpose of the order is to appportion scarce fodder only to commercial livestock raisers.

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