

WEATHER AFFECTS RADIO BROADCAST

REVERSE NOT TRUE, CLAIM

Head of Weather Bureau Explains Conditions; Declares Weather Unusual; Interesting Interview

The radio has no effect on the weather, but the weather does effect radio, according to Dr. Charles C. Clark, acting chief of the United States Weather Bureau.

From one end of the United States to the other it appears people who are not satisfied with the weather are writing in to the department about it, says the Christian Science Monitor.

From one end of the United States says, "where the people complain of too much rain, they write us that this effect is due to the passage of the radio waves through the ether; while from another part of the Nation that is experiencing drought, the opposite result is also attributed to the same cause."

"In fact, the radio, in its supposed control of the weather, seems to have taken the particular task of Jupiter Pluvius. The classic belief in the cause of rain is certainly as reasonable as the latest idea that the radio has anything to do with it."

Some Sections Want Rain The officials of the Weather Bureau go to considerable effort to explain their ideas, because they are getting a little impatient over the matter. It seems that a man out in California has been advertising to bring rain to the farmers that need it by means of his radio rain-making apparatus.

The "wireless rain" has, it seems, brought in quite a substantial profit to the prophet. He offers to produce the rain at, or before, such-an-such a date (set well in advance) and when the heavens come to his assistance, which in the normal course of things they frequently do, he claims responsibility for the result. The Weather Bureau mentions no names, but its officials do point an aggrieved finger to the following facts, to support their assertion that rain and storms go their own way without any thought of messages in the ether.

In the first place, says Dr. Humphreys, the sky does not rain unless there is water in the atmosphere. Humidity is necessary, as a preliminary to precipitation. And no authority has ever claimed, so far as is known, that radio can produce humidity.

"The American college, like the high school, keeps its doors open—and that is a very solid achievement," said Dr. Flexner. "In scope and facilities there have been phenomenal improvements. It tries to educate by controlling attendances and reading, by mathematical addition of more or less heterogeneous courses and units rather than by a thorough mastery of considerable tracts of knowledge and experience and sustained intellectual effort. It is a chaotic mixture of fine and solid scholarship and the most bootless practicality."

"American universities are simultaneously and continuously interested in every imaginable need from metaphysics to clog dancing. It is one thing for economists and sociologists to study the phenomena of modern business and it is quite another thing—and an irrelevant and unworthy thing—for a modern university to undertake to 'short circuit' experience and to furnish seductive advertisers and plausible bond salesmen."

Dr. Flexner said that American universities, as seats of learning, were doubtless well adjusted to American life. He said that true education had nothing to do with the superficial training by which it had in large measure been overriden. He concluded: "When the American people realize that among their hundred of so-called universities there is today no consistent university action will follow quickly and effectively."

NEW BUCKEYE TREE FOUND IN ILLINOIS

ENTIRE TYPE DIFFERENT

Discovery Made by Chief Forester of State in Horse-shoe Lake Fish-Game Preserve

Discovery of a new species of buckeye tree, hitherto unknown in Illinois, has been made by R. B. Miller, chief forester, Department of Conservation. It is of the purple-flowered variety, but not Aesculus octandrus, the sweet buckeye, which botanists have been looking for, and which had previously been reported from Golconda, Ill., by E. J. Palmer.

The discovery of the new species was made during a preliminary examination of Horse Shoe Lake Fish and Game Preserve, in Alexander county. This tract has recently been purchased by the state of Illinois.

Found in Great Profusion The new shrub, or small tree, occurs in great profusion around the rim of the island at Horse Shoe Lake, and is very highly decorative, being in May a blaze of purple or dark red color, with flowers in loose panicles, and having component leaves like the other buckeyes and horse chestnut.

Aesculus discolor has been reported as found in Pope county by the Morton Arboretum, but it is believed that the trees on Horse Shoe Lake Island are a variety of this species, probably variety Mollis (Sargent) whose range is given as from North Carolina to Florida and Texas, but not previously reported in Illinois. Specimens have been forwarded to the Arnold Arboretum for identification and verification, the buckeye being much in doubt in Illinois.

The situation in which these shrubs occur is a very rich one, a narrow slope or fringe, shading down to tupelo and cypress. Many bottomland species were found with it, such as wild black cherry Kentucky coffee tree, chinquapin and other oaks, basswood, sassafras, etc. This is another reason for the state purchasing such areas, to form a sort of natural arboretum which will attract botanists from this state and others, and in which rare specimens can be preserved for study, beauty and propagation.

It's a good thing they didn't have campaign investigating committees in the old days. Just think what a time the senators would have had in smelling all those terrible campaign cigars.

It is said there are now about a million college students in the United States—more or less—and yet several public questions remain unsolved.

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PERMIT DENIED FOR MORaine ADDITION

Appeal Board Reported to Have Refused O. K. for Six-Story Structure

Permit was denied by the Zoning Appeal Board for the erection of a six-story addition to the Moraine hotel, following a hearing on the matter held Wednesday evening at the city hall.

The proposition was presented by representatives of the Moraine and was discussed at length by the objectors, of whom there were quite a number present. The main points of objection seemed to be that the ordinance prohibited buildings of more than 45 feet or three stories in height, and also that as Schneider and Hundley had been denied permit for a five story hotel building on Sheridan road, similar treatment, in accordance with the terms of the ordinance should be meted out in this instance.

At the office of the building inspector it was stated Tuesday of this week that the board had turned down the application for a permit for the Moraine addition as submitted.

RAVINE AVENUE BRIDGE REPAIRED BY P. K. BOARD

Good Work Done on Structure and It Is Now in Excellent Shape

Ravine avenue bridge has undergone a complete repairing. The sidewalks and concrete rail were entirely removed and a new re-inforced concrete walk was constructed. A novel arrangement was used to construct the forms for the walk, the re-inforcing steel doing double duty of supporting the forms and finally re-enforcing the concrete walk.

The east end retaining walls were strengthened by constructing another wall inside of the old walls. Some additional supporting piers were constructed under the west bends of the bridge. All possible care was taken to prevent seepage through the joints of the concrete by a coating of asphalt and the whole surface of the

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The iron railing now being erected was designed and is being installed by Mr. Chester Harris of this city, who is the head of the United Ornamental Iron Works of Chicago. The design is most pleasing and will add much to the appearance of the bridge.

MUSICALE AT BORNLEIGH WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15

Anne Kanter, Soprano; Frances Allis, Danseuse and Helen Burnett Koch, Pianist

The North Shore Congregation Sisterhood Musicale which will take place at Bornleigh, 955 Sheridan Rd. Glencoe Wednesday afternoon, August 15, at 3 p. m. is being looked forward to with great enthusiasm by the public. Artists such as Anne Kanter, soprano, Frances Allis, Danseuse and Helen Burnett Koch, pianist will appear on the program.

Anne Kanter is a Lyric Soprano and is an artist pupil of George H. Shapiro, operatic coach and composer of songs. Miss Kanter is young and very attractive. She has a crystal clear soprano voice, beautifully trained and with a very large range. She has a great deal of praise and self

confidence, and a splendid stage presence. Her voice is particularly suited to German lieder and to the modern Russian songs. She will sing a group of original compositions by Mr. Shapiro. These songs are especially interesting for their Jewish and oriental coloring. They are modern in spirit and Miss Kanter sings them with fine understanding.

Frances Allis American danseuse has had most admirable training under the able guidance of Adolph Bohm, the great Russian master. She has also studied Russian ballet and character dancing under Madam Shadurskaya of the Imperial Russian ballet. Frances Allis has more than distinguished herself in her work before the American public. She has won the approbation of public and press in the middle western and northern states. She has appeared in solo work with Madam Shadurskaya's ballet and also with Adolph Bohm's ballet in connection with the Allied Arts.

Miss Helen Burnett Koch is also attractive and extremely gifted. Her talent at the piano is so brilliant, her technique so remarkable, that is almost breath taking to hear her. She has enormous power and strength for so young a pianist. She has played with the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra and has concertized in New York city. Her programs are very unusual. She plays a great deal of Chopin with

rare fluency, but her special gift is for the modern composers. She believes that they express the spirit of our times most accurately. She is well known for her glorious interpretation of Gershwin and will play her own piano version of the "Rhapsody in Blue." Mrs. Koch has also composed several songs. Cyrena Van Gordon will sing one of them next season in his concert. Her song "Forever More" is well known to the music students and is now a popular victrola record. Her compositions are all in modern spirit.

Tickets may be purchased at the gate or from Mrs. Lester Felsenthal, 250 Mortimer Rd. Glencoe.

Nowadays a fellow can have a best girl who "is old enough to be his mother" and still she may be in the flapper class.

Wilbur Glen Voliva says that the world is as flat as a saucer and it must be confessed that most of it is the greater part of the time.

Newspaper dispatches say that the result of the recent primary in Florida was very close. The real estaters vote must have been badly split.

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