

Continued Torrid Wave Destined For Carolinas

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A brassy, glaring sun—which has turned the Carolinas into a shimmering oven—was to continue its record-breaking performance today according to the weatherman.

The sweltering heat pushed thermometers to records and near-records in both states and yesterday gave Bamberg, S. C., the torrid distinction of being the hottest place in the nation with an official reading of 108 degrees.

Morehead Cty, N. C., which brags about its cooling seabreezes, found itself pushing Bamberg as its official high reading for the day went 13 degrees over any previous day's reading to a sizzling 107. The best the harrassed weather man could promise residents of either state today was a "chance of scattered showers."

Yesterday's high at Lumberton, N. C. was 105—while Raleigh equaled its alltime high of 104, and Columbia, S. C. and Winston-Salem, N. C. reported the same scorching scores in the baking contest.

Rocky Mount, Charlotte, Wilmington and New Bern reached or topped 100, as did Anderson, S. C. Asheville, more than 2,000 feet above sea-level, reported 94, four degrees under the preceding day's mark of 98.

The weatherman said the coolest spot in either state was atop 6,684-foot Mount Mitchell in the North Carolina Blue Ridge. At the usually chilly summit the day's high was reported at 74.

More than a dozen heat prostration victims had been reported in North Carolina, but no fatalities. South Carolina had reported two—both at Fort Jackson.

Employees of the State Highway Department in Raleigh got free ice cream from a dairyman highway commissioner, and the Agriculture Department there warned poultrymen not to ship chickens during the daytime.

If the heat continues, Bamberg's 3,000 residents may face a water shortage. City officials said the town consumed half a million
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gallons of water Wednesday in an effort to cool off.

At Kingstree, S. C., Mayor Gordon Rogers urged citizens to conserve water. Town officials expressed a fear that the walls of the well serving Kingstree may cave in. The town used 591,000 gallons Monday.

The beach resort of Sullivan's Island in Charleston County recorded a high of 105 yesterday. Walterboro had the same figure and Marion logged .94 in South Carolina.

Officials at the Charleston Naval Shipyard ruled that workers who can't stand the heat may go home, but the time taken off will be charged to annual leave.