HEAT WAVE TO CONTINUE

Little Hope For Relief In State Expected Soon, Officials Claim

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An extended weather forecast today held little hope for relief from a record-breaking heat wave over North Carolina through Sunday.

High pressure over the Gulf of Mexico continued to pour in very hot and humid air that sent the mercury to all-time records at many places in the state yesterday. Deaths from the heat mounted and hospitals reported scores of heat prostration cases.

Officers workers fainted as the mercury reached an all-time high of 105 degrees in Raleigh, just one day after the previous all-time high of 104 had been equalled for the third time in a month.

Agriculture officials said North Carolina tobacco crop losses from prolonged drought and scorching heat may reach $10,000,000.

A United Press survey counted at least six other deaths, including four drownings, blamed indirectly on the heat.

An all-time high of 107 degrees was reached at Wilson yesterday. Smithfield had a record-breaking 106. New Bern and Lumberton had 106 degrees. Raleigh and Rocky Mount hit 105. Most other places in the state had more than 100 degrees and even Asheville had a 97.

The extended forecast predicted above-normal temperature—in the middle or upper 90s—at least through Sunday.