

## 6.66-Inch Rain Sets Record for June in Wewoka

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The hole in the skies through which so much rain has been pouring on soggy Wewoka let go another approximate half inch this morning, bringing the total up to 1:30 p. m. today to 2.38 inches since 7 p. m. Sunday, records at Phillips Petroleum company station showed.

This was a record for the season, and swelled the total for June to date to 6.66 inches, also a record.

The high registered Sunday was 87, against one of 65 at 1:30 p. m. today. The low last night was 60 degrees.

Afternoon reports by the State Highway Department indicated that while minor damage had been done on highways throughout the district, none had been closed by rain or rain damage.

Wewoka creek, reported rising fast, was posing threat to the Wetumka bridge, where a section of pavement was washed out last month. It continued passable, however.

The department reported absence of any late calls from agents indicative of serious damage to roads, or closing of any of them to traffic.

No reports were available here on conditions in the McAlester-Muskogee zone, where torrential rains reportedly had washed out the roadbed of the Katy railroad.

Agents of the Southwestern Telephone company here reported this morning that no material damage to rural lines had been reported.

## Highway No. 270 Flooded in Early Hours as 1.87-inch Rain Hits Area

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Highway No. 270, east of Seminole again was under water today after another 1.87 inches of rain emptied upon the area last night on heels of a fall of 1.35 inches Saturday night and Sunday, while some damage was reported to fruit trees, chiefly early peach crops, by the high winds which swept the area recurrently during the electric storms of early Sunday and last night.

There was not material damage done highways of the area, it was reported by the State Highway Department, despite a fall of well in excess of six inches of rain in the past week.

The fills at the approaches to Wewoka creek bridge, north of the city, were stripped in considerable measure, the department reported, but travel was not halted.

The overflow on No. 270, reported in the early hours today, likewise did not seriously impair travel. Blocking of the highways was not found necessary.

Reports of damage to fruit crops were spotty, and in the main appeared to have been confined to that wrought by winds which blew off ripening peaches which had not yet been harvested. There were no reports of serious damage done later peach and other fruit varieties.

Further delays in some crop plantings, and possible further soil erosion in some section of the county was feared today, however.

Within the city, in some instances, trees were ripped from the soggy ground by the winds, and overturned.

No material damage to other property was reported.

## Water Threatens Wetumka Bridge

Waters of Wewoka creek were rising apace by early afternoon today in the vicinity of the Wetumka-Holdenville bridge, where a considerable section of pavement was washed out in the April floods, it was reported this afternoon.

The rising waters threatened to wash out the temporary fill there and possibly isolate in Holdenville between 15 and 30 Wetumkans employed in the latter city.

Reports from Holdenville indicated there has been considerable hail there, but that no material damage was reported in result.

Unharvested early peaches were expected to have suffered considerably, however.

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