

.87 INCHES OF RAIN POURS ON CITY LAST EVE

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One of the heaviest storms to visit Boulder City since it was first founded, deluged the city with .87 inch of rain, flooded the streets and plunged business houses and homes into darkness for nearly four hours last evening, in addition to providing an electrical display of an intensity seldom seen even in this section where such storms are quite common this time of year.

Lightning struck the power line shortly after six o'clock, the tremendous flow of electricity burning out the motor at number 2 pumping station, and disrupting service over the 33,000 volt line which brings electricity from the Nevada-California power company's substation to Boulder City.

ELECTRICIANS worked on the motor until 9:45, during which the entire city was in darkness and candles were at a premium. Thru-out most of this time, rain of deluge proportions flooded the streets, with the gutters running level for several hours.

Business was largely at a standstill due to lack of lights. The Boulder theatre was dark for the evening, and cafes and homes reported considerable damage to foodstuffs due to the failure of refrigeration facilities.

BALL GAMES scheduled for last night in the twin-cities league, were cancelled and the crowds usually downtown for the evening milled around in the darkness.

The power lines carrying electrical energy to the dam project itself, was not damaged and work was carried on in the canyon as usual.