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## WINDS SWEEP OVER WITH HEAVY RAINFALL

Damage to Growing Crops Cannot be Estimated With Any Accuracy

## TRAINS TIED UP HIGH COAST TIDES

Hurricane Lasted Two Days With Steady Down-pour of Rain.

The hurricane reached this section of the State on last Thursday shortly before noon, the wind at that time coming in little suspicious whirls foretelling the nature of the demonstration. There was rain between that hour and Thursday night, but only at intervals, and this continued until a late hour Thursday night when the winds began to increase at an alarming rate. The blasts of wind were accompanied by sheets of rain. The winds reached their highest velocity between mid-night and day on Friday morning, uprooting trees, leveling fences, and saddling of all blowing down the corn and cotton all over Horry County, and tearing up and stripping the tobacco crops now just reaching the stage of maturity, about ready to be gathered and placed in the curing barns.

The winds continued to blow and the rains continued to fall throughout Friday and on Saturday morning the rains were still falling but the wind by that time had almost abated. The sky was still covered with black clouds which dropped showers as they passed over.

Some glass was broken and destroyed in Conway, shade trees were blown down in various places, signs were torn down, and nearly every business building in the town was caused to leak and become wet from the driving wind and rain.

Fears were expressed for the cottage dwellers at Myrtle Beach, though it was understood that the storm came on so gradually that they would have ample time to move away before lives were endangered. On Friday morning when the wind was about at its highest velocity, the waves rolled mountain high apparently and the water reached the fencing which runs near the cottages. There was a general exodus from the strand. Some damage was done to the buildings but this was not considerable under the circumstances.

By reason of the storm the tracks of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company were blocked between this point and Chadbourne so that there was no train into Conway on Friday night. On Friday when the evening train pulled out of Conway, the tracks beyond Homewood at several places were covered with floods. Washouts every where caused apprehensions of danger if the trains were run.

Perhaps the worst blow of the storm was the damage done to the growing crops. Cotton and corn was blown down on the ground. This will recover to a great extent and the less may be slight. The growing tobacco was stripped up and broken to such an extent that it is hard to estimate the damage done to it.

## MERCHANTS COME TO CAPITAL CITY

In 1914 a merchants' jubilee was held in Columbia at which time 600 merchants came to the capital city, enjoyed themselves and got acquainted with Columbia people and Columbia methods. Last year the boosters' trips were staged taking Columbians to the various towns and cities of the State. This year the scene shifts again and the merchants will be invited to Columbia for two days, August 9 and 10.

Owing to trouble among transportation companies, especially by water the lumber companies are having trouble marketing their products.

## TROPICAL STORM HITS CHARLESTON

High Wind Sweeps on Carolina Port Causing Grave Fear.

Charleston, July 14.—Throughout the night Charleston was facing a hurricane, having been warned by the weather bureau at 7 o'clock of the probable approach of a tropical storm. Regular communication with Sullivan's Island having failed, the buoy tender Cypress of the United States light house department was sent over and brought back about 450 persons who preferred to spend the night in town.

During the night great waves were dashing over the sea walls of East Battery, South Battery and the Battery boulevards, roadways in those sections being flooded.

The steamer Lenape, due to leave in the afternoon for Jacksonville, is still at her dock. The tug Vigilant and two barges, which were reported to have broken from her, are harbor bound.

Along the water front and in sections where a stormtide is apt to cause damage active efforts were made to protect land and floating property.

At 1 o'clock this morning there was a lull in the storm, but the weather bureau was not prepared to say that Charleston would escape the brunt of the hurricane. The highest wind so far was 62 miles an hour with gusts of much greater force. No serious damage in Charleston is reported up to this hour. Mayor Tristram T. Hyde and a party went up to the coast on a fishing trip today and have not returned. The party was in inland waters and no fears for its safety were entertained.

## NEW BUILDING INJURED BY WIND AND RAINS

The new hotel building was injured in the storm last week so that the final finishing of it will be delayed to some extent. The high winds tore up one section of the roof and this let the rain in on the plaster and other finishing to such an extent that some of the work will have to be done over.

## TUG W. H. ANDREWS VISIT CONWAY SUNDAY

The tug W. H. Andrews of Georgetown came to Conway last Sunday. The boat brought R. J. Clifford, a son of President Clifford of the Atlantic Coast Lumber Corporation and he remained here until in the late afternoon trying to get into communication with his father concerning the storm damages to the works of the company in Georgetown. Georgetown was cut off from the outside world by the storm and the presence of the president of the big lumber company was needed to help handle the situation. None of the messages had at a late hour succeeded in locating President Clifford and the tug left with the understanding that any answer received later would be sent to Georgetown.

## OUTING ON BEACH ENJOYED BY MANY

There was an excursion to Myrtle Beach last Thursday evening over the Atlantic Coast Line, in honor of the Summer School, the train leaving here at about the regular time in the afternoon and returning about 8 o'clock that night. The trip was enjoyed by about one hundred of the people of Conway and the teachers and people from near-by stations.

It now appears that the Planters Tobacco & Storage Warehouse, the largest warehouse in Conway will lie idle in the tobacco business this season by reason of the property having been involved in several mortgages. The matter will no doubt be straightened out by the first of the year.

"I DIDN'T RAISE MY BOY TO BE A SOLDIER."



—Rogers in New York Herald.

## COAST LINE BLOCKED BY STORM RAVAGES

Wilmington, N. C., July 15.—The main lines of the Atlantic Coast Line road was blocked tonight as the result of an unprecedented rainfall near Florence, S. C. Local trains were being turned back and all through trains were being detoured from Parkton, south of Fayetteville, over the branch line via Bennettsville and Sumter.

The line between Charleston and Florence also was blocked and trains from Sumter were taken over the Augusta branch to Denmark and thence over Southern railway to Charleston.

(The conditions above stated were remedied in time for trains carrying passengers and mail to make about their regular schedules by Monday afternoon of this week.—Ed.)

## PROGRAM PEE DEE UNION.

The Pee Dee Union will convene with the Berea Church, July 28-30, 1916.

11 a. m. Friday, Introductory Sermon by Rev. H. K. Marlow, at the close of which the Union will be called to order. Reports from the churches read, Delegates enrolled, and miscellaneous business.

1st Query: Our Union, its Purposes and How all May Increase its efficiency by H. B. Holmes and J. T. Shelly.

2nd Query: Should an Unmarried Man Serve as a Deacon? 1st Timothy, 3rd Chapter, by Julius T. Floyd.

Written Report on State Missions by S. Haskell Harrelson.

Written Report on Foreign Missions by Julius T. Floyd.

Saturday, 9:30 A. M. Saturday to be devoted to the Sunday School Work, discussing several questions such as Teacher Training, etc., with music by the School.

Duty of Scholars to Prepare the Lesson by A. D. Jackson.

Sunday. Missionary Sermon by Bro. Miller. J. J. Adams, J. H. Causee, P. B. Norton, COMMITTEE.

## CAROLINA RIVERS DANGEROUS STAGE

Charleston, S. C.—Widespread warnings have been sent to all territory covered by the Great Pee Dee, Little Pee Dee, Lynches, Black and Waccamaw rivers by the local weather bureau officials. It is declared that the most disastrous flood of years may be expected in the section drained by these rivers.

S. J. Lewis of Aynor was in Conway the middle of last week and spent several hours here and visited his brother-in-law, J. E. Dawsey.

## DON T. McNEILL JR., IS REPORTED DEAD

The family of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. McNeill as well as many friends, were shocked last Monday when a message was received to the effect briefly that the youngest son, Mr. Don T. McNeill, jr., had been accidentally killed while on a ship at sea, on the way across from Great Britain, and that his body had been buried at sea. It is stated that he was in the employment of one of the companies selling live stock to the allies. Full particulars had not reached here.

Later,—the following account of the death of Don T. McNeill, jr., is clipped from the Baltimore American, its issue of July 18th:

Donald T. McNeill, 21 years old, of Conway, S. C., was injured so badly when he fell down the hatchway of the British steamer Marina last Friday night that he died a few hours later. The Marina, which arrived in port Sunday from Glasgow, Scotland, is now docked at pier 8, Locust Point.

The crew the ship carried on this trip was much larger than usual, and some of the men were compelled to sleep in the cattle stalls on the second deck. McNeill was one of these men. About 9:30 o'clock he went to the well of the ship to get a drink of water. Upon his return to his quarters from the well he stepped down the hatchway and fell a distance of 50 feet to the lower deck. He died at 12:06 o'clock Saturday morning without regaining consciousness. He was buried at sea at 10 A. M. Saturday morning, following a funeral service that was held by Captain Brown, master of the vessel.

It is understood that young McNeill's father is a prominent business man of South Carolina, being engaged in the shipping business. The dead lad was formerly a newspaper correspondent for one of the Richmond papers. He was the thirteenth member of the crew to sign for this trip.

## MASS MEETING AT SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

On Thursday night at eight thirty o'clock a mass meeting of the citizens of Conway will be held at the Burroughs School Auditorium for the purpose of nominating three commissioners to be known as Commissioners of Public Works. Those nominated will be voted on at the election to be held July 25th. Everybody is urged to be present.

Last Thursday Clerk of Court W. L. Bryan as special referee, concluded the hearing in the case of Amanda Carroll vs. Susana Mishoe and others. After hearing brief arguments from the attorneys, the referee took the case under advisement.

## NAVAL VESSEL SINKS OFF CAROLINA COAST

Carried Crew of 70 Men, 12 Officers and 60 Marines.

Charleston, S. C.—The large naval collier Hector, carrying 60 marines in addition to her crew of 70 men and 12 officers, sank off Charleston late today, according to a report made here tonight by Captain Hunt, of the tug Vigilant, which tried to go to the Hector's assistance. The steamer Tlamo had been standing by the collier today, having responded to her calls when the collier was disabled some 60 miles off here in last night's hurricane.

Fate of Men Unknown. Capt. Hunt was unable to get within more than three miles of the Hector and static conditions were such that no wireless report could be obtained from the Alamo. The sea still was running high and it was not known here whether the Alamo had been able to take off the 142 persons aboard the Hector.

## GEORGETOWN SUFFERS EFFECTS OF STORM

Yesterday Georgetown still suffered the effects of the storm, still being cut off from the outside world. Postmaster R. T. King arrived at Conway on Monday with a tug boat and sent off messages to try to get the Georgetown mail sent to Conway. On Tuesday he had not succeeded and went after it.

On Tuesday thirty-five passengers passed through Conway from Georgetown, this route being their only way of leaving.

## CAMPAIGN MEETINGS FOR HORRY COUNTY

Loris, Friday, July 28th.  
Dog Bluff, Monday, August 14th.  
Galivants Ferry, Tuesday, August 15th.  
Floyds School House, Wednesday, August 16th.  
Green Sea, Thursday, August 17th.  
Bayboro, Friday, August 18th.  
Ebenezer, Monday, August 21st.  
Wampee, Tuesday, August 22nd.  
Tilly Swamp, Wednesday, August 23rd.  
Socastee, Thursday, August 24th.  
Pauley Swamp, Friday, August 25th.  
Conway, Saturday, August 26th.  
Congressional Campaign.  
Aynor, Thursday, July 27th.  
Loris, Friday, July 28th.  
Conway, Saturday, July 29th.  
E. J. SHERWOOD,  
County Chairman.

## RIVER WAS FALLING BUT MAY RISE AGAIN

The high waters in the Waccamaw River was falling a few inches each day beginning last Monday. Reports on Tuesday from points up the river stated that the waters were still rising there, and this indicates that the waters may rise again higher than before.

Reports from Galivants Ferry yesterday were to the effect that the water was still rising at that point in the Little Pee Dee. The long bridge across the river was said to be in danger, as the waters had reached its flooring.

## ATTENTION PECAN GROWERS.

Mr. Geo. P. Hoffman of Clemson College will be in Horry County July 24th and 25th, and will give demonstration in pecan budding in the orchard of Mr. C. H. Snider in Conway Monday afternoon, the 24th, at 3 o'clock.

If you want your pecan trees, even if they are worthless, to bear large nuts be sure and see Mr. Hoffman. Demonstration free.

M. W. WALL,  
County Agent.

## GEORGETOWN PEOPLE HIT A SEVERE BLOW

Lumber Industry Damaged to Great Extent in Several Ways

## WATER TOOK STREET DURING RECENT STORM

City Has Been Cut Off From Outside Communication Several Days.

The storm of last week struck Georgetown a harder blow than it did Conway. The storm completely cut off communication with the outside world by reason of washouts and floods on the railroad line, the destruction of telephone and telegraph lines, and the blowing down of trees and some houses across the lines.

Reports from that city the first of this week were to the effect that Georgetown had no newspapers and no mail of any kind, nor any means of communication with the outside world and it was not stated just when this condition would be relieved.

The high winds brought the waters of Winyah Bay into Front street. Water took some of the stores so that the goods stored therein were either totally lost or badly damaged. Among some of the more important losses was that of Georgetown Grocery Co., whose damage to groceries and other property was estimated at about ten thousand dollars. The roof over the auditorium at the school building was blown off and was lying in the street. Perhaps the greatest loser was the Atlantic Coast Lumber Corporation. The damage to this company in its lumber mills and sheds, buildings and equipment, and in its lumber camps and timber railroad lines, was estimated at fifty thousand dollars, and this amount was believed to be a rather low estimate of the loss. The Winyah Lumber Co., lost the roof and some framework of a new building being erected. Several houses in the town were blown off their foundations it was said. Col. S. M. Ward was among the losers. One of his lumber lighters was lost as well as a lot of lumber. Mr. M. G. Anderson who is interested in the lumber business with Col. Ward left here on last Sunday evening for Georgetown. Mr. Kaminski lost a pleasure yacht costing from ten to fifteen thousand dollars.

At this writing no word has been received here of what the damages might be at Pauley's Island.

## WACCAMAW RIVER CAME UP QUICKLY

The heavy rains of last week caused a quick rise in the waters of the Waccamaw River. The freshet rose higher and higher during last Friday night and was still rising on Sunday and Monday. By Monday morning the water lacked only a few inches of being over the wharves at the warehouses of the Waccamaw Line of Steamers. Owing to this high water in the river the road leading from Conway to Georgetown was covered in several places between Conway and Bear Swamp. The water was running across the road in several places between Conway and Glass Hill. It was reported here on Saturday that the bridge beyond Galivants Ferry on the way to Marion had been swept away. Persons who were on this side when the storm came with automobiles had to take another route.

A. C. Thompson, President of the Conway Bargain House, left Monday for Washington, D. C., where he will attend the Postmasters' Convention held in that city. He will go from there to the markets to purchase goods for the Conway Bargain House.