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## HEAVIEST RAIN IN HISTORY FALLS IN THIS STATE

### OVER EIGHT INCHES OF RAINFALL IN HICKORY

Two Railroad Trestles Partly Washed Away, Catawba River Out of Banks, and C. & N. W. Trains Annulled--Power To Go Off at 4 O'clock.

Over eight inches of rainfall from Friday evening until this afternoon, and with the rain falling at 2:30 and giving the prospect of abating, there was a heavy shower late today that Catawba River was raised to a level such as has never been known to this section. The amount of rain had reached 8.30 o'clock without a doubt, and the local weather observer estimated the figures.

### CENTRAL OVER W. N. CAROLINA

(By Associated Press.) Washington, July 15.—The Atlantic coast storm was central this morning over extreme western North Carolina. The weather bureau reported that the wind had subsided on the coast, although it was high in the interior.

### GREAT DAMAGE REPORTED

(By Associated Press.) Charlotte, N. C., July 15.—The wind and rain storm that has been raging over this section for the past 12 hours settled to a steady downpour of rain early this morning. The wind which at times reached a velocity of 54 miles an hour did damage to telegraph and telephone lines. Trees, poles and fences in the city were blown down in all directions, and stocks of merchandise were damaged by leaking roofs.

### BRITISH ELATED OVER THEIR PROGRESS

British front in France, July 14. A. m. Via London.—Even the pugnacious British generals and staff officers are showing elation over the results this morning of the night attack against the German second line.

As a spectacle to an eye witness, this action of the second big stage of the battle of the Somme surpassed that of July 1. Taking needed ground for organizing new trenches and throwing out small parties, who dug themselves in the army has been gradually gaining a position from Ouliers, LaBoiselle and Montauban, a distance of four miles, from which to deliver a blow, and until the main points were within 200 yards of the German second line.

Communication with the rural districts was difficult but meagre reports stated that crops were badly damaged, drowned or under water. No deaths or personal damage was reported.

### ROCKEFELLER TO GIVE \$50,000 TO FIGHTERS

(By the Associated Press.) New York, July 15.—A marked drop in temperature failed today to materially reduce the fatalities in the epidemic of infantile paralysis.

### RAIN PROMISED AGAIN NEXT WEEK

(By Associated Press.) Washington, July 15.—Temperatures will average near or above the reasonable in the southeastern states beginning tomorrow, the weather bureau announced.

### SMALL BOAT MADE 100,000-MILE TRIP

(By the Associated Press.) London, July 15.—The little 23-ton yacht "Mama" has arrived safely in an English port after a voyage of 109,000 miles.

### HAY NOMINATED TO JUDGESHIP TODAY

(By Associated Press.) Washington, July 15.—President Wilson today nominated James Hay of Madison, Va., chairman of the house military affairs committee, for judge of the United States court of claims to succeed Judge George W. Atkinson, who retired for age.

### GERMANS ARE FORCED BACK TO THIRD LINE

(By Associated Press.) London, July 15.—The British offensive was resumed today. The war office announced at one point the Germans were forced back to the third line. Two thousand prisoners were taken.

### BRIDGES WASHED AWAY

(By Associated Press.) Conover, N. C., July 15.—Four bridges were washed away today on creeks near here. The downpour was terrific.

### SAYS CARNIVALS CAN BE KEPT OUT OF CITY

In the opinion of former Judge W. B. Council the city has the right to pass ordinances that will prevent carnivals from showing in Hickory. He is aware of the fact that the state imposes a license of \$50, which seemingly admits the right of these things to invade the state, but the whole trend of laws is to give the local communities the right to determine what kind of amusements they shall have.

The reasoning is not rare to follow. It is common knowledge that the class of people who conduct carnivals are the riff-raff of the show world. They bring nothing worth while and leave nothing that is wholesome.

Water poured through the streets all during the night and early morning, and reports from the county

### TORRENTIAL RAINS FALL OVER NORTH CAROLINA

For Over Eighteen Hours Water Literally Poured Down--Immense Damage to Crops--Streams All Booming--Telephone and Telegraph Service Interrupted.

Telephone and telegraph lines were grounded, trees were fallen, corn flattened and streams swollen by the wind and rain storm that struck this section Friday night and continued with slight intermission for 18 hours and seemed destined to be prolonged for several hours more. It was the worst rain storm, so many of the older citizens said, ever experienced in Hickory and the rainfall must have been immense.

At noon it seemed that the storm was breaking, but at 12:30 another curtain of rain descended. There seemed at that hour to be no indication of a let up.

### Egypt, Although Object Of War, Has Not Heard Sound of Gun in Valley

(By the Associated Press.) London, July 15.—A Ruter correspondent with the Egyptian expeditionary force writes: "Certain it is that the country remains marvellously untroubled in the midst of the universal upheaval, though its peace is constantly threatened, for there is no doubt that it was long ago marked down by our enemies as one of the prizes of successful war. But the British line in the desert keeps him and his watchful enemy on the defensive, and the peasant cultivators of the teeming fields and the mud-built villages, have not been troubled by war."

The European element in the country has felt the near neighborhood of war. The shortage of goods has affected business in many ways, although in others business has been in spite of high freights and high prices, are doing better than they ever did before.

There is a military local resources of Cairo, which, with the aid of civilian advisers familiar with the country, systematically collects, transports and utilizes all Egyptian produce, wherever obtainable, that can serve the turn of the army.

### NOT A SINGLE MAN OR GUN TAKEN FROM VERDUN FRONT

Berlin, July 15.—By wireless.—The allies offensive on the western front has not caused the withdrawal by the Germans of a single man or a single gun from the Verdun front, where the attack on the French fortress is being consistently and successfully pressed, says a statement issued by the Overseas News Agency summarizing newspaper comments on the west front campaign.

The German success reported yesterday to have won on right bank of the Meuse near Fort Souville and Lauffel plateau is commented upon by the German newspapers as an event of remarkable importance.

Washington, July 15.—Senate Democrats will caucus tonight to decide whether the legislative program drawn up recently will be extended at the cost of lengthening the session of congress beyond September 1.

### TO DISCUSS CARNIVAL AT MORNING SERVICE

At the Presbyterian church Sunday morning, Rev. J. G. Garth will preach on the subject "Young Men, our Hope and our Danger," and will discuss the recent situation brought about by the carnivals in this town, including the attitude of the town council and public sentiment generally regarding these things.

### BIG CONTRACT LET

Southern Power Company Will Build Great Dam at Bridgewater. Charlotte, July 15.—The contract for the big dam and power plant at Bridgewater, near Albemarle, has been awarded to the Western North Carolina Power company, was awarded to the Alldredge Construction company.

### CATAWBA OUT OF BANKS

Valdese, N. C., July 15.—The Catawba river here at noon today was out of its banks and still rising. This section experienced one of the worst rain storms in years.

### RULING IS MADE IN FAVOR OF U-BOAT

(By Associated Press.) Washington, July 15.—The state department formally ruled today that the German submarine Deutschland was a merchant vessel.

### DECIDE ON PROGRAM

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### Marines and Sailors are Rescued From the Collier Hector in Atlantic Ocean

(By Associated Press.) Charleston, July 15.—102 marines and sailors were landed here this morning from the Hector. They were brought in from the stranded ship, which is now lying off the Charleston lighthouse with the captain and 15 men aboard.

### British Push Germans Back to Third Line in Second Drive, Take Men

(By Associated Press.) British guns and infantry continue to deepen the big dent in the German line north of the Somme. After forcing the second line along a four mile front, the British forces continued the attack today.

### DEATH OF MR. BOGGS

Following an illness of three weeks, Mr. W. J. Boggs, an estimable citizen of Longview, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Goodnight, this morning at 4:45.

### THE TRIUMPH OF THE LAUGHING MASK

The Last of the "Iron Claw" The question that has been agitating the minds of more people than are concerned in the outcome of the present European struggle, or the result of the coming presidential election, viz: "Who is the Laughing Mask," will be answered at the Pastime theatre Monday, when the final chapter of the great Pathe serial, "The Iron Claw," will be shown.

COMPARATIVE WEATHER

July 14	1916	1915
Maximum	81	91
Minimum	68	65
Mean	79 1/2	78
Rainfall	.19	