

WERE FIRST TO BREAK TEUTON LINE

Soldiers from Ypres and St. Quentin arrive at Base Hospital

OVER SEA WOUNDED ARRIVE AT HOSPITAL



THE first contingent of wounded from overseas arrived at the U. S. Army Base Hospital, Camp Greene, on Tuesday afternoon in the form of twenty-three convalescents from the Ypres and St. Quentin battle sectors. These men require no further medical attention and will soon be discharged from service. Nearly all the men are from North Carolina.

The names, rank, organization and home town of the men follows:—

Thompson, James W.,—Wag. Sup. Co., 119th Inf.—Goldsboro, N. C.
 Denney, Davis W., Cpl., Co. L, 119th Inf.—Lebanon, N. C.
 Bryant, Otelia Q., Pvt., Co. N, 120th Inf.—Rich Square, N. C.
 Pennel, Samuel P., Pvt., Co. F, 119th Inf.—Moravian Falls, N. C.
 Sanders, Cietus C., Pvt., Co. D, 120th Inf.—Charlotte, N. C.
 Jackson, Carl, Pvt., Co. L, 120th Inf.—Asheboro, N. C.
 Jones, Willie, Pvt., Co. E, 120th Inf.—Youngsville, N. C.
 Antwine, Joe., Pvt., Co. D, 120th Inf.—Kingston, N. C.
 Campbell, Eugene C., Pvt., Co. D, 120th Inf.—Taylorsville, N. C.
 Parker, James T., Pvt., Co. M, 120th Inf.—Ahoskie, N. C.
 Maranville, Chas. A., Pvt., Co. E, 105th Eng.—Winston-Salem, N. C.
 Smith, Claude G., Bug., Co. B, 120th Inf.—Raleigh, N. C.
 Biddix, Guen R., Pvt., Co. L, 120th Inf.—Mt. Mitchell, N. C.
 Lowe, Jas. H., Pvt., Co. F, 105th Eng.—Spartenburg, S. C.
 Roundtree, William L., Pvt., Co. F, 119th Inf.—Bosley, N. C.
 Michael, John M., Cpl., Co. A, 105th F. S. B'n.—Woodrow, N. C.
 McKenzie, James H., Pvt., Co. D, 115th M. G. B'n.—Carthage, N. C.
 McDonald, Jester, Sgt., Co. M, 120th Inf.—Asheville, N. C.
 Goley, Williard C., Sgt., Co. M, 120th Inf.—Graham, N. C.

Holton, John, Pvt., Co. I, 118th Inf.—Winnich, N. C.

Koone, Abner, Pvt., Co. F, 120th Inf.—Union Mill, N. C.

Collier, Harry B., Pvt., Co. A, 120th Inf.—Henderson, N. C.

McPheters, Jennings, Pvt., Co. B, 115th M. G. B'n.—Ivy, N. C.

MANY TROUBLES

The convalescent men represent a wide range of injuries and maladies. Four of their number were gassed at Ypres, three suffer from shrapnel wounds, six from gun wounds and four from shell shock. Some of the men were taken sick after several weeks in the trenches and after going over the top four times without a scratch. Two of the men have had pneumonia, one appendicitis and the others have survived contagious diseases.

They were a part of the famous "Wild Cat" division in northern France and Belgium and were first to break the Hindenburg line. They were attached to the Fourth British division, which went through some of the hardest fighting of the war. A part of their number have been over the top eight times.

These men were returned to America on "The Baltic," which ship laden with wounded landed in New York harbor on December, 24. They were at Hoboken over Christmas. The special train carrying the coach of convalescents for Camp Greene and other coach loads for Camp Wadsworth and Asheville arrived at Charlotte, Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The men were taken to the Camp Greene supply depot and there transferred to ambulances. They arrived at the Base Hospital in time for supper. Eight of the men are in Ward B-1 and the remainder in Ward C-8.

REGULAR WEATHER

It was drizzling rain when the train bearing the convalescents drew in at the southern station.

"This is regular weather," one exclaimed. "This is the kind of weather they have every day where we come from."

One of the canteen workers approached the train to inquire about the seriousness of the wounds the men were nursing.

"When do we eat?" was the query which greeted her first question.

"I suppose you are questioned a good bit, was put to one of the lads.

"Have answered a million. Have told all about having a broken arm from trying to raise a quarantine and about Henry being hurt when the barrage he leaned against suddenly lifted.

Only one member of the party bears a souvenir from the front. He has a belt which is adorned with medals and insignias picked up on the fields which had been wrestled from the Hun. Other members of the band claim that they lost all their souvenirs when they were wounded and removed to the hospital.

MISS GRIER ACTIVE

The men had not been dismissed from the receiving ward before Miss Anna Grier, of Charlotte, who has mothered scores of the hospital patients during the past months, was among them. She shook the hands of every man. She asked about their home folks. She promised to see them on the morrow—and she did.

Miss Grier has brought candy and cigarettes to each of the over sea men each day during their stay at the hospital.

EAGER TO LEAVE

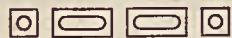
The new patients are anxious to leave the hospital. They want to get home. A part of them have been called upon by their folks since at the hospital but that does not answer for the feeling to get back home, they explain.

"This is not the first time I have thought that little ole' home was about the best place on earth either" explains one of the men.

About the fighting the men talk little.

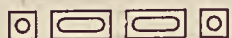
"It is just like you have read in the papers" they say.

Three of the number claim to have taken German prisoners which was



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