

Mr. Floyd Caveness, An Asheboro Boy at Trinity College, Writes Interesting Letter Concerning War.

Mr. Floyd Caveness, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Caveness of Asheboro, is a student at Trinity College, Durham. Mr. Caveness in a recent letter to his parents says:

"The only subject of discussion for the last two weeks on the campus has been that of war and military training. Flags are plentiful over the campus, the stores of Durham are decorated with the Red, White and Blue, and almost every automobile that passes is displaying the United States flag. Just to show the sentiment of the boys, let me give a little example. One boy in my section said that he would put up the German flag if he wanted to and that he felt strongly disposed to do so. Immediately he was given to understand that if he did so, the flag would be torn down and he would be given a very, very severe thrashing. The result so far has been that no flag has gone up, and I am of the opinion that no flag will go up.

The climax of the sentiment that has been slowly but surely coming to the front on the campus for some time was hastened forward by an announcement from the college platform by the president this morning that Dr. Lagarde would lecture tonight. Dr. Lagarde is our professor in European history, and some time last year he lectured to us concerning the cause of the European War.

"Tonight his subject was The United States and the War. He was introduced by President Fox, who seemed to be awestruck up very much over the situation. The lecture was just a review of the President's dealings with Germany and the policies which Germany is following. It was not upon their impulsive giving three cheers for Old Glory and shouting up with Mr. Caveness. This, of course, all this worked up the feelings of the students to a certain degree for what was to follow, but the boys had already known for some time what was the next thing on the program after the lecture.

At the end of the night and through the efforts of the faculty including President Fox and Professor Flowers, who is a graduate of Annapolis Military Academy, and by the support shown on the part of the students, for such a thing of this nature was stricken up and presented to the Trinity students as a patriotic program. The program was to give us a thorough course in the fundamentals of military training, we being in no way obligated to the government of the United States, bound only by the moral tie.

How strong this moral tie depends upon the individual student, and it will not be going too far to say that there is a feeling of seriousness prevailing the campus.

It may perhaps seem strange that college students would be the first ones to take up arms because they naturally are the pick of the country, but on second thought it will not seem so strange because the student body of a college is already a unit and one which will pull together.

Dr. Few said tonight that Trinity College was the first college in the South to fly the United States flag after the Civil war and that we are going to stand by it as long as it stands for the right.

Mr. Olivet Items

There was a good crowd out Friday night for the entertainment, also Saturday night for the play and all seemed to enjoy it.

Mr. James Albright, of Greensboro, is to be with us next Sunday to organize our Epworth League.

Mr. and Mrs. Reithall, of Ramseur, spent Sunday in our community. They were accompanied home by their daughter, Miss Carme, who has been assistant teacher in our school.

Miss Berta Wrenn and brother, of Franklinville, attended our school closing Friday and Saturday, returning home Sunday.

Miss Fleta Reithall has been spending several days with her sister, Miss Carme.

Mrs. Fannie Thompson, of Abertown, visited her brother, Mr. J. C. Pierce, and other relatives in this vicinity last week.

Mr. G. S. Sugg returned to Badin last Monday after spending several days with home folks.

Mr. B. F. Brown and daughter, Grace, Mr. M. F. Wrenn and Eva and Mr. T. H. Tysor made a business trip to Asheboro Monday.

Miss Bulla, of Spero, who has been spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. John Pierce, returned home Monday accompanied by Mr. Pierce and family.

Rev. R. L. Melton made a good talk Friday night which was much enjoyed by all.

Staley Route 1 News

Rev. Sherrill preached an interesting sermon at Bethany Sunday evening.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Alfred Kimrey does not improve much from the automobile accident some time ago in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Elder, of Siler City, spent last Friday at Mr. R. A. Lineberry's.

Messrs. Kesler, McMasters, Ross and Numer Brower, Carmel Pickett, David McMasters, and Misses Lela Brower, Gladys McMasters, Maza Pickett, Thelma Kirkman, Eva Campbell and Lena Pickett were welcome visitors at Mr. R. A. Lineberry's last Sunday evening.

There will be an all day Easter service at Bethany next Sunday. Everybody is cordially invited.

The surprise birthday party at Mr. A. P. Brower's Saturday night was enjoyed by a large crowd.

Mr. Walter Lane motored to Ramseur Sunday.

Why Constipation Injures

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PRESIDENT URGES CONGRESS

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world what our motives and our objects are. My own thought has not been driven from its habitual and normal course by the unhappy events of the last two months, and I do not believe that the thought of the nation has been altered or clouded by them.

I have exactly the same things in mind now that I had in mind when I addressed the Senate on the 22nd of January last, the same that I had in mind when I addressed the Congress on the 3rd of February and on the 28th of February. Our object then, as now, is to vindicate the principles of peace and justice in the life of the world as against selfish and autocratic power and to set up amongst the really free and self-governed peoples of the world such a concert of purpose and of action as will henceforth insure the observance of those principles.

Neutrality is no longer feasible or desirable where the peace of the world is involved and the menace to that peace and freedom lies in the existence of autocratic governments backed by organized force which is controlled wholly by their will, not by the will of their people. We have seen the last of a utopia in such circumstances.

We are at the beginning of an age in which it will be insisted that the same standards of conduct and of responsibility for wrong done shall be observed among nations and their governments that are observed among the individual citizens of civilized states.

We have no quarrel with the German people. We have no feeling towards them but one of sympathy and friendship. It was not upon their impulse that their government acted in entering this war. It was without their private knowledge or approval.

It was a war determined upon by a few men, and it was a war which was not to be determined upon in the old, unhappy days when peoples were not consulted by their rulers and their rulers were not held responsible for their actions.

Self-government implies that the people shall have a voice in the making of the laws which govern them. It implies that the people shall have a voice in the making of the policies which govern them. It implies that the people shall have a voice in the making of the decisions which govern them.

Canvassing continued plans of deception and aggression, carried, it may be, from generation to generation, can be worked out and kept from the light only within the privacy of courts or behind a narrow and privileged class.

They are happily impossible where public opinion commands and insists upon full information concerning all the nation's affairs.

A steadfast concert for peace can never be maintained except by a partnership of democratic nations. No autocratic government could be trusted to keep faith within it or observe its covenants. It must be a league of honor, a partnership of opinion. Injustice would eat its vitals away; the plottings of inner circles who could plan what they would and render account to no one would be a corruption seated at its very heart.

Only free peoples can hold their purpose and their honor steady to a common end and prefer the interests of mankind to any narrow interest of their own.

Does not every American feel that assurance has been added to our hope for the future peace of the world by the wonderful and heartening things that have been happening within the last few weeks in Russia? Russia was known by those who knew it best to have been always in fact democratic at heart, in all the vital habits of her thought, in all the intimate relationships of her people that spoke their natural instinct, their habitual attitude towards life.

The autocracy that crowned the summit of her political structure, long as it had stood and terrible as was the reality of its power, was not in fact Russian in origin, character or purpose; and now it has been shaken off and the great, generous Russian people have been added in all their naive majesty and might to the forces that are fighting for freedom in the world, for justice and for peace. Here is a fit partner for a league of honor.

One of the things that has served to convince us that the Prussian autocracy was not and never could be our friend is that from the very outset of the present war it has filled our unsuspecting communities and even our offices of government with spies and set criminal intrigues everywhere afoot against our national unity of council, our peace within and without, our industries and our commerce.

Indeed it is now evident that its spies were here even before the war began; and it is unhappily not a matter of conjecture but a fact proved in our courts of justice that the intrigues which have more than once come perilously near to disturbing the peace and dislocating the industries of the country have been carried on at the instigation, with the support, and even under the personal direction of official agents of the government of the United States.

Even in checking these things and trying to extirpate them we have sought to put the most generous interpretation possible upon them because we knew that their source lay, not in any hostile feeling or purpose of the German people towards us (we were, no doubt, as ignorant of them as we ourselves), but only in the selfish designs of a government that did what it pleased and told its people nothing. But they have played their part in serving to convince us at last that the government entertains no real friendship for us and means to act against our peace and security at its convenience. That it means to stir up enemies against us at our very doors the intercepted note to the German minister at Mexico City is eloquent evidence.

We are accepting this challenge of hostile purpose because we know that in such a government, following such methods, we can never have a friend; and that in the presence of its organized power, always lying in wait to accomplish we know not what purpose, there can be no assured security for the democratic governments of the world.

We are now about to accept gauge of battle with this natural foe to liberty and shall, if necessary, spend the whole force of the nation to check and nullify its pretensions and its power. We are glad, now that we see the facts, with no veil of false pretense about them, to fight thus for the ultimate peace of the world and for the liberation of its peoples, the German peoples included. For the rights of nations great and small and the privilege of men everywhere to choose their way of life and of obedience. The world must be made safe for democracy. Its peace must be planted upon the trusted foundations of political liberty.

We have no selfish ends to serve. We desire no conquest, no dominion. We seek no indemnities for ourselves, no material compensation for the sacrifices we shall freely make. We are but one of the champions of the rights of mankind. We shall be satisfied when those rights have been secured as secure as the faith and freedom of nations can make them.

Just because we fight without rank and without selfish objects, seeking nothing for ourselves but what we shall wish to share with all free peoples, we shall, I feel confident, conduct our operations as belligerents without passion and ourselves observe with proud punctilio the principles of right and of fair play we profess to be fighting for.

I have said nothing of the governments allied with the imperial government of Germany because they have not made war upon us or challenged us to defend our rights and our honor.

Austro-Hungarian government has indeed avoided its unqualified imprisonment and acceptance of the reckless and lawless submarine warfare against us without disguise by the imperial German government, and it has therefore not been possible for this government to receive Count Terehowski, the ambassador recently appointed to this government by the imperial and royal government of Austria-Hungary, but that government has not actually engaged in warfare against citizens of the United States by the sea, and I take the liberty, for the present at least, of postponing a discussion of our relations with the authorities at Vienna. We enter this year only where we are clearly forced into it because there are no other means of defending our rights.

It will be all the easier for us to conduct ourselves as belligerents in a high spirit of right and fairness because we act without animus, not in enmity towards a people or with the desire to bring any injury or disadvantage upon them, but only in armed opposition to an irresponsible government which has thrown aside all consideration of humanity and of right and is running amuck.

We are, let me say again, the sincere friends of the German people, and shall desire nothing so much as the early reestablishment of intimate relations of mutual advantage between us—however hard it may be for them, for the time being, to believe that this is spoken from our hearts. We have borne with their present government through all these bitter months because of that friendship—exercising a patience and forbearance which would otherwise have been impossible. We shall, happily, still have an opportunity to prove that friendship in our daily attitude and actions towards the millions of men and women of German birth and native sympathy who live amongst us and share our life, and we shall be proud to prove it towards all who are in fact loyal to their neighbors and to the government in the hour of test.

They are, most of them, as true and loyal Americans as if they had never known any other fealty or allegiance. They will be prompt to stand with us in rebuking and restraining such a few who may be of a different mind and purpose. If there should be disloyalty, it will be dealt with by a firm hand of stern repression; but, if it lifts its head at all, it will lift it only here and there and without countenance except from a lawless and malignant few.

It is a distressing and oppressive duty, gentlemen of the Congress, which I have performed in thus addressing you. There are, it may be, many months of fiery trial and sacrifice ahead of us.

It is a fearful thing to lead this great peaceful people into war, into the most terrible and disastrous of all wars, civilization itself seeming to be in the balance. But the right is more precious than peace, and we shall fight for the things which we have always carried nearest our hearts—for democracy, for the right of those who submit to authority to have a voice in their own governments, for the rights and liberties of small nations, for a universal dominion of right but such a concert of free peoples shall bring peace and safety to all nations and make the world itself at last free.

To such a task we can dedicate our lives and our fortunes, everything that we are and everything that we have, with the pride of those who know that the day has come when America is privileged to spend her blood and her might for the principles that gave her birth and happiness and the peace which she has treasured.

God helping her, she can do no other.

Millboro Route 1 Items

Measles are still on the go.

Mr. S. M. Underwood and family, of Grays Chapel, spent Sunday at Mr. Frank Pugh's.

Mrs. E. P. Trogon is visiting relatives in Asheboro this week.

Several of our young people attended the closing exercises of the Millboro school Saturday afternoon and night.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Routh on March 27th, a daughter.

Mr. Fred Farlow moved his family to High Point Monday.

Master Raymond Ward spent Saturday night and Sunday with his brother Mr. Garney Ward, of the Sandy Creek community.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith, of Asheboro Route 1, visited at Mr. Frank Pugh's recently.

Commencement Exercises of Trinity High School

The commencement exercises of Trinity high school embrace April 15-17.

Monday, April 15, 11 a. m.—Annual sermon by Dr. Thomas Newlin, Guilford College.

Tuesday, April 16, 8 p. m.—Recitation and declamation contests, and music by the school.

Wednesday, April 17, 10 a. m.—Recitation and declamation contests by members of the graduating class.

2 p. m.—Literary address by Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, Greensboro.

Presentation of diplomas, certificates and prizes.

Graduating class—Jessie Myers, Virginia Glenn, Hallie Collett, Joseph Ellis, John White, Lester Dinepo, Marshalls—William Farlow, chief; Dewie Bulla, Lester Wall, Wray Farlow, Herbert Johnson, Roy Kearns, Robert Royals.

Managers—Clara Briles, chief; Clarice Welborn, Berta Coltrane, Ruth McCannass, Carrie Royals, Nellie White, Ritchie Johnson.

Eastern Randolph News

There will be Sunday school and preaching at Brokers Chapel Sunday morning, April 8.

Misses Ethel, Bertha and Fleta Brown spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Brown on Route 1.

A mad dog passed through this section last Tuesday.

Miss Myrtle Pugh spent Saturday night with Miss Annie Vestal.

Mrs. Elsie Brown spent Friday in Asheboro.

Miss Izzy Pugh was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Brown Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. O. M. Henry and little daughter spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Henry.

Cool Springs Items

There is an epidemic of measles in this community and very few families have escaped. Names of persons suffering from the treacherous disease are too numerous to mention.

Mrs. Frances Jones is confined to her home with rheumatism.

Mr. Ross Ward and children were week end guests of Mr. A. F. Nixon's family near Linberry.

Mr. D. T. Hurley, of Buie's Creek, made an article on the Geology of Southern Wernham, of Randolph county, has the congratulations of people in this community. It was a splendid article.

Mr. Lester Richardson attended the burial of Shelle Cobb at Sandy Grove.

Mr. W. F. Hunsacker, The Courier representative, was a visitor in our community last week.

Mount Pleasant Items

Mr. Wade Kirkman, of Greensboro, has moved to June Kirkman's place near Sandy Creek.

Misses Vetta and Lela McMasters were guests of Miss Nina Ledman Sunday.

Miss Fannie Marley, of Sandy Creek, was the guest of her cousin a few days last week.

Mr. O. F. Ledman who has been suffering with rheumatism for some time is improving.

Mr. Vel Pugh is very sick with measles.

Mr. A. A. Williams spent a few days in Asheboro last week.

Miss Hattie McMasters was the week end visitor of Miss Gladys McMasters.

Franklinville News

Mr. A. J. Curtis, of Vandalia, spent part of last week with his son Mr. C. C. Curtis.

Prof. D. M. Weatherly attended the Old Fellows meeting at Greensboro last week.

Mr. John Langley has a fine new boy at his home.

Mr. P. D. Luther left last Wednesday for Montgomery county for a few days visit.

Mr. Peter Garner, of Proximity, visited his daughter Mrs. A. T. Hobbs last Saturday. Mr. Garner formerly lived in this place.

Another housekeeper at Mr. Conn's Benner's—a fine girl.

Worthville and Randleman No. 2 News

Mr. Herbert Groce, of High Point, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives and friends in town.

Mr. W. A. Craven, of Spies, visited at Mr. Nathan Sheffield's recently.

Miss Kate Lowe spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents at Asheboro.

Mr. Gaston Hodson, of Greensboro, visited relatives and friends in town Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. G. L. Giles and daughter, M. M. Fay, visited at Mr. J. C. Allred's, at Central Falls Sunday.

Mr. Nathan Sheffield made a business trip to Carthage last week.

Quite a number of our people are attending court this week.

Misses Edna and Helen Bostick spent a short while in Asheboro Saturday.

Mr. Everett Nixon, of near Millboro, was a caller at Mr. J. W. Prevost's Sunday evening.

Several of our young people attended the entertainment at Millboro Saturday night.

Mr. C. B. Wise, who has been working for the Stafford Loom Company, returned home Saturday. He expects to spend the summer at home.

Providence School Closing

On Saturday night, April 7, Providence school will give a play entitled: "Tinsie, Dreadful Twins." Following are the characters:

Joshua Brown, Hersal Maceen, Deenan Whitlock, Paul Julian, Sheriff, Delight Teague, Lynx, the D. Detective, Carl Cox, Emicus, Boyd Barker, Brock Green, Citrus Teague, M. S. Brown, Edna Berry, Josephine Brown, Elsie Pugh, The twins, Fanny and John, Laura Neece and Robert Julian.

A mole quartette, Dawn in Quakerstown, Messrs. Pugh, Richardson, Victory and Fields.

Chantonnies, Abide with me, Lelah Cox, Tessa Julian and Laura Neece. Music furnished by the string band, everybody invited.

Misses Pickett and Mary Smith, teachers.

Liberty News

Trevy Smith, who has been spending several days in Salisbury and the latter on a pleasure trip, returned on Tuesday at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Eck Canfield and children were week end visitors in Salisbury.

Lula Miss Jennie Pickett, who has been ill with measles for the past week is very much improved. Quite a number of children here are sick with measles, majority in a mild form.

George Smith is out again after having been confined to his room for the past three weeks with measles.

Miss Verla Cobb is on the sick list this week, suffering with tonsillitis.

Miss Joy Amick is home from Coebridge where she taught school this year.

Mrs. O. T. Hatch is visiting relatives in Denton this week.

Miss Vera York and brother Wade York spent Monday of this week in Asheboro.

B. M. Brower and family spent the week end near Siler City with Mrs. Brower's mother.

Ramseur Items

Revs. Taylor and White filled their pulpits in the Baptist and Christian churches last Sunday, preaching powerful and interesting sermons.

A very interesting mass meeting was held in the academy Friday night. Interesting addresses were made by Revs. Byrum, Taylor, Walker and Messrs. Moore, Craven and others on sanitation, planting, etc. A number of valuable prizes were given to encourage clean up work and in beautifying the yards of the town.

Misses Loren Burgess and Beulah Brady and Mr. Newlin, of Greensboro, visited at Miss Elizabeth Smith's Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Watkins, Sr., Mrs. C. G. Whitehead and Misses Clara Whitehead and Mary Tate went to Greensboro last week.

Mrs. Williams, of Stokesdale, is visiting her daughter Mrs. John Fulton.

Geo. Lowe and Frank Henley, of High Point, were visitors in town Sunday.

E. Q. Seawell, of Elon College, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives.

The Bachelor Maids Book Club met at the charming country home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Watkins with their friends and were delightfully entertained.

Randleman Route 3 News

What is looking fine in this section. Mr. Isaiah Rich spent one day last week in High Point.

Watch Asheboro Grow

Several new manufacturing enterprises are now under way of construction, and some others, we are informed, will be built during the summer.

The new hosiery mill and another chair factory, which is now under way of construction, being built by Cundor brothers, and the cotton mill which is to be built in Asheboro will give employment for tens many of whom must move to Asheboro from other places. These enterprises will increase our population fast, and will give large payrolls.

In addition to these enterprises, Asheboro is in need of about fifty dwelling houses to supply the demands of the people who are wanting to move to Asheboro. Now is the time for you to build a house on that vacant lot of yours for rent.

Take shares in the Randolph County Building & Loan Association and build your house and the rents will pay for it. What better opportunity could you ask for?

We would be glad to see the construction of concrete sidewalks extended, at least on one side of all the leading streets. Years have elapsed since any work of this kind has been done in Asheboro. These walks can be built at a reasonable cost. If a survey of the streets were made and work done under a contract by the town, in a systematic way, letting the town pay one-half the expense and the adjacent property owners to the streets pay the other half, dividing these payments into ten or fifteen equal payments, to be paid annually, we could not miss the money and would have a fine system of sidewalks. We hope to have these sidewalks soon.

Pleasant Garden Route 1

What is looking fine in this section.

Rev. Pike, of Liberty, spent Saturday night with Mrs. Tney Marney.

Mrs. Roddie Fields died at her home near Bethlehem March 21st.

Mr. James Vernon and family spent Sunday with Mr. Allred.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hamill will move to their home place in Randolph this week.

Miss Blanche Hodgkin will close her school at Pine Grove Friday, April 6th with great success.

Miss Charlie Elliott's family are in the sick list with measles.

Statement of the Owner of Land, etc.

Of the Asheboro Courier published weekly at Asheboro for April 1, 1917, State of North Carolina.

County of Randolph, N. C.

Before me a notary public and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Wm. C. Hammer, who having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the editor of the Asheboro Courier, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation) etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are:

Publisher Wm. C. Hammer, Asheboro, N. C.

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Business Managers Mrs. Wm. C. Hammer and W. F. Hunsacker, Asheboro, N. C.

That the owners are: (Give names and addresses of individual owners, or, if a corporation, give its name and the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of the total amount of stock.)

Wm. C. Hammer, Asheboro, N. C.

3. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities are: (If there are none, so state.)

None.

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Wm. C. HAMMER.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29th day of March, 1917.

W. A. BUNCH,

(My commission expires April