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AMERICA AND ALLIES HONOR THE MEN OF THE NATIONAL ARMY

CAPITAL HEARS THE TRAMP OF THE MARCHING MEN.

For Two Hours Great Procession Passes in View of Multitudes; The People Cheer Themselves Hoarse at Splendid Spectacle; President Wilson Marches at Head; Carry Striking Banners.

Washington, Sept. 4.—The President and Congress of the United States and the allied nations through their diplomatic representatives, joined today in paying honor to the men selected from the District of Columbia for service in America's national army for the battle for democracy.

Washington, long used to glittering processions, to the bare and noise of inaugurations, opened its eyes and cheered itself hoarse at the spectacle. For two hours, while in other cities throughout the nation other thousands moved over the first part of the long road that may lead to French battlefields, Pennsylvania avenue heard the tramp of marching men, the single of spurs and the rumble of artillery.

One Stream of Flags.

About 26,000 men, women and children passed a reviewing stand before the White House, where the President and his guests watched the parade. More than half of the long line was in uniform. There were regiments from infantry, cavalry and artillery regiments stationed nearby, marines, men from the officers' training camp at Fort Meyers, and hundreds of army and navy officers attached to the departments here.

From the corner of Fifteenth street, where Pennsylvania avenue turns around the treasury, the long mile to the foot of the capitol hill was one stream of flags in the breeze. The President and those in the stand with him were kept at salute continuously.

No one of the dozens of officers of foreign armies and navies overlooked the tribute due the emblem of the great republic that has lined up on their side to make the world safe for the principles on which it was founded.

President Marches at Head

President Wilson himself, eyes to the front, stepping out like a freshly trained recruit, marched at the head of the long line surrounded by a committee of citizens which arranged the parade.

When he reached the White House the President left the ranks and took his place in the stand by Mrs. Wilson. Most of the members of the cabinet, the Japanese mission, Ambassadors Spring-Rice of Great Britain, Jusserand of France, Minister Calderon, of Bolivia, and dozens of officers in the uniforms of the armies of the nations that are fighting Germany, were in the stand with them.

At the head of the stand came Senators Nelson and Warren, of the Union army, and Martin and Bankhead, who fought on the side of the gray in the civil war. There were 70 senators in line. The house turned out hundreds of its membership, headed by Speaker Clark and "Uncle Joe" Cannon.

Commissioners in Session Monday

The County Commissioners met in regular monthly session Monday morning in the offices of Register of Deeds, with all members present.

A joint meeting of the Central Highway Commissioners and the County Commissioners was called to discuss the Highway that is to be built through Person county. The matter of which was to pay the remainder of the money, should the amount appropriated by the county and the Federal government, not be enough, was discussed. No decision was reached at this meeting. The Central Highway commissioners will meet again next week to discuss this matter.

No other special business came before the Board of county commissioners, and after ordering a few bills paid they adjourned.

Supt. Beam Attends Meeting of Superintendents.

Rev. J. A. Beam, our worthy Superintendent of County Schools, left Monday night for Sanford where he will attend a meeting of the Superintendents for the State. There are few men in the state better qualified for this work than Mr. Beam and if there is any place where he thinks he can better advise for the welfare of the schools there will be found.

PATRIOTIC SERVICE

At the Methodist Church Sunday Night—Inspiring Talks and Much Enthusiasm.

Last Sunday evening Pastor Dowd, of the Edgar Long Memorial Church held patriotic services in honor of the soldier boys who are to go to war. The program as arranged by the Pastor was carried out and the large congregation present greatly enjoyed every minute of the meeting. Rev. J. J. Boone led in prayer, which was followed by the choir and congregation singing patriotic songs.

Mr. F. O. Carver, was the first speaker on the program, his subject being "Our Flag." This was a subject which is easily inspiring and Mr. Carver, recognized as a strong speaker, did his subject justice in the full sense.

"Our Aims in the War," was the subject for Mr. W. D. Merritt, and he clearly demonstrated what were the aims and desires of the war. Mr. Merritt did not occupy the stand very long, but few men could have said more or shown greater interest in the matter.

Mr. S. G. Winstead's subject was "The Duty of the Citizen During the War." He outlined the duty of the citizen, and if we live up to his ideal the country will be safe and the boys who go to war will find things as they should be when they return. His address was able and in every way worthy the reputation he has made for himself as an orator and debater.

Rev. O. W. Dowd closed the speaking with a few timely and well received words, briefly reviewing the addresses which has preceded.

These services were greatly enjoyed by a large concourse who had gathered and all were not only entertained but were greatly helped.

Names of Those Who Will Teach

In Graded School, This Year
Mr. Jno. A. Noell, Jr.,
City.

My Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of recent date, I hand you herewith a complete list of teachers in the Roxboro Graded Schools for the year 1917-1918.

Yours very truly,

A. B. STALVEY,
Superintendent.

Teachers in White Schools.
J. O. Overcash, Jr., Statesville, N. C., Principal and Teacher in High School.

Miss Bess Finley, North Wilkesboro, N. C., Teacher in High School.

Miss Grace Osborne, West Durham, N. C., Teacher in High School.

Miss Mildred Satterfield, Timberlake, N. C., Seventh Grade.

Miss Eugenia Ponder, Cherokee S. C., Sixth Grade.

Miss Margaret Johnson, Roxboro, N. C., Fifth Grade.

Miss Bertha Newton, Roxboro, N. C., Fourth Grade.

Miss Myrtle Barnette, Roxboro, N. C., Third Grade.

Miss May Willson, Roxboro, N. C., Second Grade.

Miss Mary Trotter, Reidsville, N. C., First Grade.

Miss Annie Harris, Roxboro, N. C., Teacher East Roxboro School.

Miss Lucille Umstead, Bahama, N. C., Music Teacher.

Teachers in Colored School.
Ellis W. Brooks, Woodsdale, N. C., Principal and Teacher.

Mencie B. Peace, Teacher.

Pearl E. Burton, Teacher.

Miss Sue Merritt of Roxboro has been elected to take charge of the first grade until such time during the year as Miss Trotter can safely resume her work. (Miss Trotter is at present in a hospital in Richmond, where she underwent an operation a few weeks ago.)

Announcement for Edgar Long Memorial M. E. Church South, Sept. 9th, 1917.

Preaching services 11 a. m. Subject "The Right Arm of the Church."

The subject for 7:30 p. m. service: "Hard Cases; Examples."

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Teachers in Sunday School will make it a rally day in attendance.

The public is cordially invited to attend all the services, and all our church members are expected if not sick or providentially kept away.

Choir practice Friday 7:30 p. m.

O. W. DOWD.

The leaders in the opening sale—Winstead, Wagstaff & Hester at the Planters Warehouse. The biggest sale

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125,000 Pounds of Tobacco Sold Here Today

BIGGEST BREAK KNOWN ON OPENING DAY

Carver & Carver Sold First Pile, 146 Pounds Bringing \$32.00—Sales Last Practically All Day—All Buyers Here at Opening of Market.

The Roxboro Tobacco market opened with 125,000 pounds of the weed selling higher than ever known in the history of this market, and especially common grades.

Early in the morning the wagons began to pour into Roxboro and before the sun was very high it could be seen that practically every warehouse floor in town would be filled to capacity.

Every company and every independent buyer was on hand for the very first sale, and things moved along nicely with the common grades selling extremely high. Tobacco that would have brought 2 to 3 cents last year were selling today for 14 and 15 cents.

Messrs Carver & Carver sold the first pile of 146 pounds for \$32.00. From the evidence of the noise after this pile was sold it was quite plain that the price was entirely satisfactory.

The entire sale will average in the twenty's. We are not able at this time to give the exact average, but will in our next issue.

There has never been a time in the history of the market when Roxboro was in better condition to handle the tobacco of farmers than this year. Every warehouseman is on the alert and the farmers are becoming to realize this fact. In fact most of the warehousemen are farmers themselves, are naturally interested in their patrons and customers. Everybody is working for the Roxboro Market and when you bring your tobacco to Roxboro remember, you are going to get the highest market price for every pile.

FROM RIGA TO EAST OF UKULL RUSS IN FULL RETREAT

ITALIANS DROP NINE TON OF

Riga Partly in Flames and Ruined Villages in Wake of Sloss; Bavarians Sent to Aid of Austrians.

From Riga to the east of Uxkull the Russians continued in full retreat before the Germans, those from the evacuated port and arsenal making their way northeastward along the coast of the Gulf of Riga, and those from Uxkull and vicinity endeavoring to reach the Riga-Pskoff-Petrograd Railway line.

Behind them the Russians left Riga partly aflame as the result of the German shells hurled into the smouldering ruins of small villages mark the path over which the other contingents have passed, having been set on fire during the retreat.

Along the eastern coast of the Gulf of Riga for a distance of about eighty miles north of the evacuated town, German warships are shelling various towns, possibly with the intention whose object would be to cut off the retreat of the Riga army or turn its flank, thereby entirely clearing the gulf short region and giving Prince Lopold of Bavaria a base, possibly at Pernau, whence to operate overland in conjunction with the naval forces toward Reval, Russia's principal port on the Gulf of Finland, in an endeavor to seal up the Russian fleet inside the gulf.

While the Germans were knocking at the gates of Riga from the west and southwest, hurling shells of all calibres and losing gas waves against the town loyal Russian troops held them back long enough to blow up the fortifications at the mouth of the Dvina and raze the bridges over the waterway. To the south, where the defection in the ranks of the Russians was apparently greatest, the Germans, according to the Berlin official communication, took some thousands of prisoners, and also captured more than 150 guns and large quantities of war material.

In the Austro-Italian theater the intensive infantry fighting of previous days seemingly has given way for the moment to reciprocal artillery duels of great violence. The cessation in the fighting probably is due to a realignment by the Italians of their battle line after their rapid advance all along the front from Tolmino to the sea.

Meanwhile, however, it is reported that a cry of distress has been sent to the Germans by the Austrians. As a result of this appeal it is said that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg has sent two Bavarian divisions to the Isonzo front and that the Germans also are hastening guns for the protection of the Hermada heights, the key to Trieste.

Although the infantry activity has come to a pause, the Italians have paid their respects to Pola, Austria's big naval base on the Adriatic, by air. Nine tons of explosives have been dropped on warships in the roadstead an don military works, causing great damage.

Field Marshal Haig continues to pound the German positions in Flanders with a rain of shells, and another big push against the German lines seems imminent. Unofficial advices say that behind the German lines in West Flanders from Courtrai to Thourout the civilian population has begun an evacuation, realizing the nearness of another British onslaught.

The Germans at several points along the Aisne front and in the Verdun sector have again made ineffectual attempts to pierce the French line. The artillery duels near Verdun continue unabated.

Intensive air raiding has been carried out by British, French and German aviators. For the third day in succession the Germans have bombed the southeastern English coast, in their last raid having penetrated the London district, where explosives were loosed. The Germans also have dropped bombs in the region of Calais and Dunkirk in France, while British and French airmen have effectively bombed German positions in Belgium and France and German border towns.

THE PEOPLES BANK BACK HOME

The Bank Building is Much Improved and is in Better Shape for Business.

For the past several months the Peoples' Bank has been doing business in rented quarters on North Main street but on Monday it moved back into the old quarters, though they look like new at this time. The building has been completely worked over and from the outside you would not recognize it as the same building, while on the inside even greater changes have taken place.

Owing to delay by the contractors for the fixtures have not arrived, and the bank use the old fixtures for the present. The great amount of business done by this bank made it almost imperative that they get in their quarters again before the market opened up so that they would be convenient to the thousands of farmers who do business with the Peoples' Bank. When the fixtures arrive and are installed there will not be a more handsome bank anywhere in this section and the officers cordially invite their patrons and the public generally to call and make the Peoples' Bank headquarters.

We are in receipt of one of the finest and nicest watermelons we have seen this year from one of the best, if not the best watermelon producer in Person county, Mr. Jule Daniel. We assure Mr. Daniel the entire force of the Courier office appreciate his goodness.

RIGA, BIG SEAPORT OF THE RUSSIANS, IS NOW IN GERMAN HANDS

Russians Gave Invaders No Trouble In Marching Up Eastern Bank of Dvina

MAY NOT BE A GERMAN GAIN

Russians Retreating from Riga Are Burning Villages and Farms—White Feather Shown

Riga, Russia's big port on the Gulf of Riga, is in the hands of the Germans and its garrison and the civilian population are in retreat eastward.

Following up rapidly the advantage they gained in driving the Russians across the Dvina river on both sides of Uxhull last Saturday the Germans threw bridges across this stream and soon were on the heels of the former defenders, some of whom offered resistance, but others giving the invaders no trouble in marching up the eastern bank of the Dvina toward Riga, 15 miles distant. Seeing the disaffection and the inability to stem the tide of the advance, the Russian commander ordered an evacuation.

With the falling back of the Russians from the city proper and the advance of the Germans northward along both sides of the stream, the Russians still defending the western bank around Daniel seemingly are in danger of being caught between the two fast moving bodies of the enemy and made prisoners.

Behind them the Russians in their retreat from Riga are laying the country in waste, burning villages and farms. Whether the city itself remains intact has not yet been made known but doubtless the guns in the fortress and the ammunition stores either were moved or destroyed to prevent them falling into the hands of the Germans.

Aside from the strategic value of controlling the Gulf of Riga and of a base nearer the mouth of the Gulf of Finland, at the head of which Petrograd is situated for the moment it is impossible to see the importance of the German gain, especially with the near approach of winter, when military operations in this southern region are almost impossible. Where the Russians will draw their new line in the north to connect with that below the point of penetration by the Germans also remains to be seen.

On more of the other fronts have there been operations of great moment, except in the Austro-Italian theater, where the Italians have made further progress on the Bainsizza plateau and in the Brestovizza plateau and in the Brestovizza valley and at various points along the line have repulsed fresh counter attacks launched by the Austrians. Throughout this entire theater violent artillery duels are in progress from Tolmino to the sea.

Advices to the Italian embassy in Washington are to the effect that along the front of the present offensive the Austrians have lost more than 128,000 men. Reports from Udine, Italy, give the Austrian losses as one-third of the first line army.

The batteries of Field Marshal Haig are still pouring an incessant fire against the German trenches in Flanders, but as yet the anticipated new dash by his men to capture them has not started.

On the remainder of the front in the west held by the British there have been the usual trench raiding operations, in one of which south of Monchy-Le-Preux German dugouts and machine guns were destroyed and some prisoners taken.

Artillery duels which are somewhat violent in the Verdun region are taking place along the front where the French are facing the Germans. No infantry actions of importance have occurred.

German air raiders Monday night again paid a visit to England, the second time in as many days, dropping bombs.

Join the Red Cross.

It will be impossible for the soliciting committee to see all the people in the county, but we will be glad to have every woman, man and child, in the county to join the Red Cross chapter. The fees are \$1.00 a year, and this money goes to buy supplies for the wounded soldiers. Come and join in this work of mercy.

Respectfully,

MRS. J. J. WINSTEAD,

MRS. AUSTIN,

MRS. MAMIE MERRITT.

Soliciting Membership Committee.

OFF TO WAR.

Boys Left this Morning for Cantonment at Columbia, S. C. They Bet a Big Send Off.

We have had Governors to visit Roxboro, and occasionally a Senator or Congressman but no one has ever come to town who received the ovation the boys who were leaving for Columbia, S. C., for the army received at the hands of the people here this morning. The following young men form the honor roll for Person county:

Samuel P. Jones,
Merrimon T. Winstead,
Nicholas W. Allen,
Bennie Paylor,
Elijah Coleman O'Briant,
Otis Hall.

They were escorted to the depot by relatives and friends and before the arrival of the train more than 500 had gathered to tell them good bye and wish them well. These six noble young men lined themselves in a row and all present passed by shaking hands with them and wishing them God speed. While there was hardly a dry eye in the crowd the boys, every one of them, retained their nerve and went away with a smile on their faces. Before leaving each one of them had been presented with a Bible, with their names printed on the back, the gift of the Sunday School of the First Baptist church of Roxboro.

This leave taking was a sad sight, still, we could but be proud of such noble young men, who are willing and anxious to serve their country and to battle for the freedom of mankind. It was an ovation worth while, and the boys deserved every bit of it.

AFFECTIONATE MESSAGE IS SENT NATIONAL ARMY

President Asks Men to Keep Straight and Fit in Everything and Pure and Clean; Prays God's Guidance.

Washington, Sept. 3.—Soldiers of the national army were welcomed into the nation's service today by President Wilson with a message of affectionate confidence and a prayer to God to keep and guide them. Everything these young men do, the President told them, will be watched with the deepest solicitude by the whole country, and the eyes of the world will be upon them, because they are "in some special sense the soldiers of freedom."

The first soldiers for the army raised under the draft law start from their homes for the training cantonments Wednesday. The President asks them, as brothers and comrades in the great war to keep straight and fit by a standard so high that living up to it will add a new laurel to the crown of America.

The message follows: "The White House, Washington, "To the soldiers of the national army:

"You are undertaking a great duty. The heart of the whole country is with you. Everything that you do will be watched with the deepest interest and with the deepest solicitude not only by those who are near and dear to you, but by the whole nation besides. For this great war draws us all together, makes all comrades and brothers, as all true Americans felt themselves to be when we first made good our national independence. The eyes of all the world will be upon you, because you are in some special sense the soldiers of freedom. Let it be your pride, therefore, to show all men everywhere not only what good soldiers you are but also what good men you are, keeping yourselves fit and straight in everything and pure and clean through and through. Let us set for ourselves a standard so high that it will be a glory to live up to it and then let us live up to it and add a new laurel to the crown of America. My affectionate confidence goes with you in every battle and every test. God keep and guide you."

Announcement

The pastor of Person Circuit will preach at Lea's Chapel Sunday at 11 o'clock and at Warren's Grove at 3 in the afternoon. At Warren's Grove the revival services begin with the Sunday afternoon appointment and will continue through the following week days, service every afternoon at 4 o'clock and in the evenings at 7:45. Public cordially invited.

Have you seen the Fair Premium List? Ask the Secretary for a copy.