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\$1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE.



THOUSANDS BID THE SOLDIER BOYS FAREWELL AS THE BOYS LEFT IN '98 WAR SEEMS CERTAIN PREPARATIONS FOR FAIR WINNING STREAK BROKEN

COMPANY B LEFT SATURDAY OVER P. & N. FOR CAMP GLENN AT MOREHEAD CITY

Vast Throng of People Braved Downpour of Rain to Say Goodbye to the Boys in Khaki as They Left for Mobilization Camp—Many Touching Scenes—Citizens Complimented Company Friday Night With Banquet at Arlington and Mass Meeting at Court House—Only Two Companies in State Larger Than Gastonia's.

Two thousand or more people stood in a drenching rain Saturday afternoon and bade the members of Company B, North Carolina National Guards, better known locally as the "Gaston Guards," farewell as they left for Camp Glenn at Morehead City preparatory to going to the Mexican border for service in defending our country against invasion by the Mexican bandits or soldiers.

An hour before the time for the departure of the special train over the P. & N., which was to take them to Charlotte, the mothers, sisters, wives, sweethearts and friends of the boys in khaki began to assemble at the P. & N. freight depot whence all trains are now departing because of the paving of Franklin avenue. Many of them were sad faced. They were to bid their loved ones goodbye, not knowing when they would again see them. Just what they are going to do the boys themselves did not and do not know. Patiently they waited under the sheds, inside the depot and outside under umbrellas. In the crowd were many members of the local Chapters of U. D. C., and D. A. R. They had planned to march in a body from the library to bid the boys goodbye but the rain made that impossible. But most of them were on hand.

Six-fifteen was the time set for the departure of the troops. At 6 o'clock, headed by Capt. Bulwinkle the company marched down Main avenue to the depot where they entrained. There were many touching incidents enacted there just before the train pulled out. As loved ones kissed them goodbye the soldiers' faces wore a serious aspect. Not a single one of them regretted that he had offered his services in defense of his country. The great uncertainty of the future, however, made the parting from loved ones a sad one. Several fathers of boys in the company accompanied them to Charlotte and saw them off on a special train over the Seaboard.

At Charlotte the Gastonia boys were given an ovation by a large gathering of Charlotteans who had come together to see the Charlotte company off.

Captain Bulwinkle took with him 128 men, including officers. Only two other companies in the State had larger enlistments, namely Charlotte and Concord, each having only three or four more men than he.

Banquet at Arlington.

That Gastonians appreciated them and felt the keenest interest in their welfare was very strikingly demonstrated to Capt. Bulwinkle and his men Friday through the means of a banquet and a largely attended public meeting at the court house.

Friday morning Mayor Armstrong appointed several committees to arrange for a banquet and a public meeting. Among the committees appointed was one on finance the duty of which was to raise funds to defray the expense of the banquet. This committee had the easiest time imaginable getting up the needed funds. Everybody whom they approached responded readily and in a short time the amount needed was considerably over-subscribed. The surplus funds were used to purchase a handsome leather-bound testament for each member of the company. These were placed at their plates at the banquet table.

Eight o'clock was the hour set for the banquet and at that hour the men, 120 strong, marched into the dining room at the Arlington Hotel where Manager Wilson served them an excellent repast. Mayor Armstrong acted as toastmaster. Seated at the table with him were Col. T. L. Craig, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and some of the committeemen who arranged for the affair. Mayor Armstrong, Col. Craig and several others made brief talks. As the hour for the public meeting at the court house had been set for 8:45, there was, however, very little time for talking. The boys enjoyed the "feed" immensely and were not backward about expressing their appreciation.

While they were at the banquet table the Loray Band dispensed patriotic airs in the hotel lobby.

At the Court House.

Immediately after the banquet the company marched to the court house. By the time they were seated inside the bar the court room was comfortably filled with men and women, patriotic citizens who had gathered to do them honor and bid them God-speed on their mission of patriotism and justice.

Mayor Armstrong presided. He called first on Mr. Stonewall Jackson Durham, who delivered a stirring and impressive address. Mr. Durham began by telling the boys that he was speaking to them as one on the inside. Besides having a son in the company which was starting to the front he had himself, on the Monday previous when President Wilson called for the State troops, wired the War Department that his services were at its command. So he had a deep personal interest in the occasion. Laying down the proposition that the very existence of a republic is predicated on the willingness of those composing the republic to defend it when called up, Mr. Durham asserted that it was the duty of every able-bodied man in the United States to volunteer his services when the President called for men to fight its battles. He recalled the fact that this country has never waged a war except in defense of its homes, its honor and integrity. It had never gone to war from any ulterior motives and was not doing so now. The present war with Mexico, if indeed actual war is declared, will be one of defense and not offense. Mr. Durham stressed the necessity of maintaining the highest order of peace by being prepared to uphold the honor of this great republic.

Calling to mind the magnificent display of patriotism and bravery exhibited by the American sailors when Capt. Hobson called for sixteen volunteers to go with him on his hazardous mission through the channel at Santiago to blow up the Merrimac and received a thousand prompt responses from a thousand men—every single one on the ship volunteering—the speaker asserted that it was the duty of every citizen to volunteer to fight in defense of his country.

Chairman Armstrong next called on Rev. J. H. Henderlite, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, who made an excellent talk to the men. He recalled that about a year ago he came very near being appointed chaplain of the First Regiment but was defeated by Rev. Mr. Swope, of Shelby, who has been given a leave of absence by his congregation to go with the regiment. He jocularly declared that he was not sure whether he was sorry or glad that he missed the appointment. Mr. Henderlite's talk was an inspiring one and did much to encourage the soldiers.

Following Mr. Henderlite, Rev. W. C. Barrett, pastor of the First Baptist church was called on. "I don't want you boys to let any of those Mexicans get through and come up here," he said. "If you can't handle them and need help, let us know and we will come and join you." Mr. Barrett's talk was heard with great interest and pleasure by the boys and the rest of the audience.

Volunteers speeches were then called for and several responded. Mr. J. M. Shuford said that he had visited Company B in camp at Morehead City and he paid its members a high tribute. Mr. W. T. Rankin expressed briefly his appreciation of the way in which the boys had enlisted and told them that Gastonia would keep them and theirs in mind. First Sergeant J. E. C. Ford spoke briefly from the standpoint of the man of family who is going to the front. If it were not for the belief, he said, that the government would take care of their families, their leaving would be doubly sad.

At this point the audience called loudly for Captain Bulwinkle. He was given a rousing ovation and it was some time before the cheering subsided so he could get a chance to talk. He told his hearers something that most of them had never heard, namely, that for five years not a single member of his company had been drunk or drinking or in the guardhouse for any infringement of the regulations at camp. This statement was loudly cheered. Captain Bulwinkle expressed his appreciation of the interest shown in him and his company by the people of Gastonia and was again loudly cheered as he took his seat.

Mr. Durham proposed three cheers for the boys of Company B and this

SCENE WAS SIMILAR TO SATURDAY'S

Departure of Company B, First Infantry, Recalls Departure of Gastonia Soldier Boys for Spanish-American War in '98—Story of the Event as Taken From Gazette Files.

A scene similar to that witnessed by Gastonians Saturday evening at the P. & N. depot when Company B, First North Carolina Infantry, entrained for Camp Glenn, brought cheers and tears at the Southern depot here 18 years ago when, in May, 1898, Capt. R. L. Durham and his company of Gastonia soldier boys left for the Spanish-American war. The story is thus told by The Gazette of that period:

OFF TO RALEIGH.

Capt. R. L. Durham and His Company Left for Raleigh Yesterday Morning—Hundreds of People See Them Off.

(From The Gazette May 12, 1898.)
Gastonia never saw before such a scene as that at the depot yesterday morning, and we hope she may never see the like again. Captain R. L. Durham and his soldier boys were departing for Raleigh to be mustered into service, and hundreds of people were there to see them off. Business generally was suspended and business houses even to the post-office and printing offices were deserted. In a long line the soldier boys stood in ranks, while their friends, old and young, big and little, told them goodbye and uttered a blessing. Some veterans of the last war were on hand and as they bade the boys goodbye and thought of long ago, something would get the matter with their eyes. There were also not a few tears shed by others. Presently the ladies and little girls in a body fell in line and gave their farewell to the soldier boys who stood with hats off.

When the train rolled up, orders were called, and with even step the line of soldiery filed itself into the car as the ladies with tremulous melody sang, "God be with you till we meet again." When the line was about half on board, three cheers were called for Durham's company of volunteers, they were given with such a vim that it set the soldiers cheering in enthusiastic style as the train rolled out. Goodbyes were waived, and the faces of our boys were gone from our sight. May God bring them every one back again in safety, in honor, and in victory.

Last Friday night a supper at the Falls House was tendered the volunteers by the citizens of the town. After this a number of addresses were delivered at the opera house by ministers and veterans. Sunday afternoon a special service was held at the Y. M. C. A., closing with "God be with you till we meet again."

Mr. T. M. Faysoux accompanied the boys as far as Raleigh and Mr. J. B. Beard as far as Charlotte.

The transportation was good for 48 men and two officers. A contingent of a dozen or more were added at Charlotte under Mr. Walter Brem, Jr.

The officers of the Gastonia company are: R. L. Durham, captain; Rev. Plato Durham, first lieutenant; E. N. Farris, second lieutenant.

It won't do to gey Captain Lander Gray's militia. While drilling his men Monday night, he was much annoyed by the yells and mimic orders of the smaller boys. Finally he concluded to stop it. Lining up his men he gave the order "charge; and every man get him a man!" in a jiffy the doors of a box car closed with the disturbers imprisoned behind them. Then the order "fall in ranks," was given and the drilling went merrily on again.

(From The Gazette of June 2, '98.)
Under the President's recent call for 75,000 volunteers, Mr. A. G. Mangum is organizing a company. If you are disposed to go to the front,

was given heartily. The band then played Dixie as the meeting adjourned.

On page nine of today's Gazette appears a cut of the Company made from a photograph by Shuford. Copies of this photo can be secured from Shuford's studio at fifty cents each.

The court room had been quite prettily and appropriately decorated for the occasion with flags and flowers by a committee representing the D. A. R. and the U. D. C. The committee consisted of Mrs. Rufus M. Johnston, Mrs. T. W. Wilson and Mrs. P. R. Falls.

Marguerite Snow Cozy today.

EFFORTS AT MEDIATION HAVE FAILED

Representatives of South and Central American Countries Offer Their Services For Arbitration—Washington Government Sees No Ground For Arbitration Unless Carranza Changes His Attitude.

Washington, June 22.—Efforts toward Latin-American mediation in the Mexican crisis favored by Carranza officials collapsed today without having reached the stage of a formal proposal to the United States.

It was made plain by Secretary Lansing to Ignacio Calderon, Minister of Bolivia, who called with the intention of asking whether the United States would entertain an offer of the services of its Southern neighbors to aid in averting war, that the Washington Government sees nothing in the situation that would warrant arbitration proceedings. Mr. Lansing talked with the Minister for half an hour and is understood to have told him that the blame for the grave outlook rested squarely upon General Carranza. The attitude of the United States was so fully outlined that Mr. Calderon did not mention directly the original purpose of his visit.

When the Minister left the State Department he said the time "seemed inopportune" and that for the present the diplomatic representatives of six South and Central American countries who had approached the Mexican Embassy on the subject of mediation and received assurances that the Carranza Government was favorable to the principle would not tender their good offices to the United States. He indicated that the attempt to arrange mediation might be renewed if General Carranza's reply to Secretary Lansing's last note furnished any basis on which the proposal could be founded.

The United States now is waiting for Carranza's final word in reply to the note sent yesterday demanding release of the prisoners taken at Carrizal and a formal diplomatic announcement of intentions. The note reached Mexico City late last night. Special Agent Rodgers reported its receipt, adding that he had failed in his first efforts to place it in the hands of the Carranza Minister of Foreign Relations. Undoubtedly it was delivered today. Officials looked for an answer within a day or two at most.

Meanwhile both Congress and the War Department put new urgency into their preparations for war. There were indications that should a formal break occur toward the end of the week, General Funston will be in a position to defend the border adequately and reinforce Gen. Pershing's expedition, although aggressive action may be delayed somewhat.

War Department activities during the day covered a wide field. Supplemental orders to departmental commanders called for greater haste in getting the National Guard to the border. Authorization went out to accept the men under the physical examinations on which they entered the State service, postponing final examinations until they are en route or have reached the border. Those found unfit will be sent back at once.

Estimates to cover the pay and maintenance expense of the State troops, totalling \$88,000,000 up to January 1, were laid before Congress. With them went figures of \$13,000,000 for the purchase of horses and mules for army use. The total estimates of the Quartermaster General alone pass the \$100,000,000 mark.

The house passed the annual army appropriation bill after adding \$26,000,000 for emergency purposes during the brief debate that preceded the vote. An urgent deficiency bill carrying \$25,000,000 for National Guard pay, equipment and transportation was framed in committee for presentation to the House tomorrow.

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communicate with him at his law office in Gastonia.

Home Guard.

We hear that Gastonia is to have a home guard of minute men armed with 16-shooter Winchester rifles. The way things have been going on for the past few weeks is what prompts this movement. The company is not yet organized, but 18 men have said they are willing and have ordered rifles on their private account. We understand that bloodhounds that are trained to run a trail will also be secured by the company.

SECRETARY HOLLAND A VERY BUSY MAN

Premium List Being Prepared; Will Soon be Ready for Distribution—Permanent Building for Poultry Department—Two New Departments Added—Township Vice-Presidents Appointed—Splendid Spirit of Co-operation Manifested.

One of the busiest men in town just now is Mr. J. M. Holland, secretary and treasurer of the Gaston County Fair Association. Between preparing the new premium list, looking after improvements at the fair grounds, looking for the best attractions obtainable and answering a flood of inquiries relative to the fair, he is kept constantly on the go.

That Gaston county is going to have this year a fair which will far surpass both in size and quality the first one, held last year, is, to use a common term, "a foregone conclusion." Secretary Holland is receiving from every section of the county numerous assurances daily of co-operation on the part of all classes of people. More especially is this true of the farmers, who constitute the largest body of contributors to the success of the county fair. With such backing as this the fair cannot be anything but a success. Mr. Holland, as well as the other officers of the association, are deeply impressed with the interest being manifested in the coming fair and they are grateful for it.

Township Vice-Presidents.

At a recent meeting of the directors it was decided to appoint a vice-president from each of the six townships. This has just been done. They are as follows:

Gastonia Township, Tom Sparrow.
Cherryville Township, M. L. Mauney.

South Point Township, J. M. Sloan.

River Bend Township, R. G. Rhyne.

Dallas Township, J. W. Summey.

Crowders Mountain Township, J. R. Carson.

Directors have been appointed as follows:

Livestock Department—W. T. Rankin, chairman, J. Frank McArver, A. E. Woltz, J. Pink Allen, W. Mack Henderson.

Agricultural Department—C. B. Armstrong, chairman, J. M. Gray, J. Frank Jackson, James Adams, Thos. S. Royster.

Directors for the Poultry Department will be appointed at an early date and the names published in The Gazette.

The scope of the fair will be considerably enlarged this year by the addition of two entirely new departments, namely the Merchants Department and the Manufacturers Department. These have been created because of a popular demand for them and it is expected that the exhibits in these sections will be exceedingly interesting. Directors will

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STATESVILLE WAS DEFEATED YESTERDAY

Ragged Game Won by Local Team Yesterday—Friday's Game Was Won by Manager Carver's Crew in Last Frame—Rain Broke Up Saturday's Game—Some Talk of Having Asheville's Franchise Transferred to Gastonia, But Nothing Has Been Done.

Gastonia broke Statesville's winning streak yesterday when they defeated the Red Caps in a ragged game by the score of 4 to 3. Statesville's poor fielding was the result of their defeat, 12 errors being made by them in the nine innings. Gastonia kept their opponents blanked for the first six innings but in the seventh they scored three runs and tied the score. The locals final run came in the eighth inning and was a home-run by Haun.

Score by Innings: R. H. E.
Gastonia . . . 001 002 010—4 3 2
Statesville . . . 000 000 300—3 7 12

Batteries: Duncan and Arnold; Heins and Leffer, Umpire, Dawson.

EVANS TWIRLS ONE-HIT GAME.

Morganton, June 26.—Bill Evans pitched his team to victory in a one-hit game this afternoon, when Morganton defeated Kannapolis 7 to 1 on the local field.

The game, a one-sided affair, was featured for Morganton, by Evans' pitching, two two-base hits by Billings, a home run by Burke in the second with a man on base, and, for Kannapolis, by a fine catch by Center fielder Irby, who secured their only hit.

Score: R. H. E.
Kannapolis . . . 010 000 000—1 1 5
Morganton . . . 020 220 01x—7 9 2

Batteries: Mason, Wilson and Turner; Evans and Lewis.

Saturday's game was called on account of rain and threatening clouds. One-half of the first inning had been played when a rain storm brought an end to what would have been an excellent game. Duncan had been selected for mound duty by Manager Carver and had retired the first three Buds in one, two, three order. Evans was selected as Morganton's twirler for the afternoon.

FRIDAY'S GAME.

"Mollie" Cox, a local boy—his home being near Lowell—participated in Friday's game and was a potent factor in ending the game in the last half of the ninth inning. With two out and Stanton anchored at second, Cox smashed one of Evans' fast ones to left field, Stanton racing home with the score that broke the tie and defeated Morganton 3 to 2.

Gastonia drew first blood in the second inning when Clemens singled, stole second and scored on P. Doyle's single. Doyle scored a minute later when Arnold singled to left field. The final run was made after both Clemens and P. Doyle had swung healthily at three each, in the ninth, Stanton having singled and taken second.

Doyle's pitching was superb, no two of the visitors six hits having been secured in the same inning. Hord, an ex-Georgia-Alabama

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Base Ball

STATESVILLE
VS
GASTONIA

THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
June 29th, 30th., July 1st. 4 P. M.

LORAY PARK