

FORWARD AND FULL DUTY

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FROM RALEIGH

That Mark of North Carolina People Around the State

Raleigh

has received the communication

the pending registration

from 21 and 45 years

the amend-

selective draft act

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Approved by Baker. Secretary Baker formally approved the order locating the tank camp at Raleigh.

The work is already proceeding. It can be set on reliable authority that troops are already moving toward Raleigh and will be on the ground cannot be stated.

Corn Club Worker Resigns. Mr. A. K. Robertson, the friend of the North Carolina farm boy and the organizer of corn and other agricultural clubs over the State, has resigned his position as assistant in club work for the Agricultural Extension Service and has accepted the offer made him by District Agent R. W. Freeman to go to Wayne county.

Mr. Robinson spent the last six years in agricultural club work, devoting most of his time to organizing corn clubs. Not only has he been very successful in this but he has also made many friends of farm boys out over the State encouraging them to go to school and later to college.

Overseer College War Work. With the University of North Carolina trustees taking steps in co-operation with President Graham and the faculty for the utilization in the fullest way possible of the resources and the equipment of the university for war service there has developed a vigorous discussion between President Graham and Chief Justice Walter Clark as to this college military training in war times while the draft law is being made to include the young men from 18 to 21 that make up so great a part of the whole body of students in the colleges.

In accordance with the agreement of the executive committee of the university, the institution is to enter in the fullest way into the war work that the war department has planned for the colleges of the country and President Graham is to have the oversight of this work not only at the North Carolina University, but at the colleges in North and South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia and Florida.

Recent N. C. Casualties. Casualties among North Carolina troops and marines overseas, as shown by late reports, are as follows:

Killed in action Privates H. D. Harris, Thomasville; T. L. Perry, Eure; A. D. Martin, East Bend; P. E. Shore, Winston-Salem; Eason Tiney, Maccleseld; John Williams, Denniston; Karl M. Hooker, Salisbury; Alpha Thigpen, Hallsville; Roland Harrell, Aulander; R. C. Williamson, Winston-Salem; T. L. Stillman, Canton; Paul Stallings, Belvidere.

Died of wounds: Privates Wm. C. Littleman, Salem; Melvin McDeese, Monroe.

Died of disease Privates W. E. Warren, Topnot; Jesse C. Durham, Rosco.

Died of accident and other causes: Private John Alley, Sparta.

Severely wounded: Lieut. A. B. Rhodes, Wilmington; Corp. Welborn, Wilkesboro; Mechanic J. D. Adams, Wilson; Privates B. C. Hicks, Francisco; M. N. Matthews, Kipling; E. F. Jones, Rocky Mount; Dayton Sears, Apex; W. A. Rice, Mars Hill; C. H. Hampton, Winston-Salem; H. W. Huffman, Gastonia; Ernest Snow, Reidsville; C. W. Starr, Greensboro; R. B. Kephart, Murphy; S. B. Carrington, Fairfield; K. W. Hunt, Bostic; Sergt. L. C. Tucker, Monroe; Mechanic Jas. C. Dean, Goldville; Privates R. L. Clark, Swannanoa; H. N. McLaughlin, Ellease; V. F. Miller, Siloam; E. M. Yates, Merry Oaks; Clarence Digh, Bostic; E. W. Strayhorn, University; W. T. Hazlip, Spray; M. L. McIver, Jonesboro; Lieut. W. T. Williamson, Murphy; Corp. R. B. Crichter, Durham.

Prisoners and missing: Privates D. S. Pearson, Moravian Falls; Carlton Johnson, Milwaukeee; Lieut. W. H. Oates, Charlotte; Private F. C. Cabe, Canton.

True Bill Against Travis. A grand jury of the District of Columbia returned a true bill of indictment against Edward L. Travis, former chairman of the North Carolina corporation commission, and a prominent lawyer of Halifax, N. C. The indictment specifies an alleged overt act against Mr. Travis inasmuch as he signed a telegram in which he "falsely advised" Leon Myer Green that the president of the Perth Amboy Dry Dock Company could "properly and lawfully make affidavit that Green was purchasing agent of the company."

Camp Bragg Contract. It is understood here that Porter & Boyd, contractors, of Charlotte, have secured a contract for putting in sewers and roads at Camp Bragg, Fayetteville, and receive approximately \$4,000,000 for their work. When asked about this reported contract the war department said that James Stewart of New York has the major contract and any sub-contract would go through him. The department has no information as to the Porter & Boyd contract.

GREAT STOCK SHOW ON DECEMBER 10-12

WILL ECONOMIZE BREEDING OF IMPROVED AND BETTER STOCK OF ALL KINDS.

A VERY FASCINATING PROGRAM

Among the Attractions Will Be Sales of Cattle, Swine, Sheep and Pure-Bred Poultry.

Charlotte.—At a recent meeting of the North Carolina Live Stock Association it was decided to hold the next meeting in Charlotte, December 10-13. In coming to Charlotte the livestock association feels that the conferences will be held in a section where the question of better and more improved blooded stock is receiving proper recognition, and that there will be considerable interest among the people in the surrounding sections. Different from their usual plan, the association will put on educational displays around over the city in such places as the lobbies of the principal banks, the show spaces in some of the prominent stores, in warehouses, etc.

The regular program, comprising lectures by some of the most prominent livestock men of the state and nation will be put on at one of the local auditoriums. In addition to this, sales of pure bred beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep and poultry will also be held. The associations comprising the organization which will hold this meeting are the North Carolina Beef Breeders' and Feeders' Association, the State Dairymen's Association, North Carolina Swine Growers' Association, the North Carolina Sheep and Wool Growers' Association, and the North Carolina Poultry Association. The general secretary of these associations is R. S. Curtis, animal husbandman of the North Carolina experiment station at West Raleigh. Mr. Curtis will be glad to answer any question relative to the show.

Camp Site Condemned. Raleigh.—The United States district attorney filed petition in the district court at Raleigh for the condemnation of a large portion of the artillery camp to be located near Fayetteville, and other proceedings will follow until title to the property, containing 120,000 acres of land, is obtained.

It was learned that the filing of such petition for condemnation does not indicate that the land owners are not co-operating with the government, but in order to get into immediate possession of the property, the condemnation proceeding is necessary and negotiations will continue between the land owners and the government for the purchase of the property and as fast as purchases are made the parties will be released from the proceedings. If prices are not agreed upon commissioners will appraise the property. It seems to be certain that the camp to be established in Cumberland and Hoke counties is to be of great magnitude and that the work will be pushed vigorously.

No Contract Will Hold. Durham.—An offer of the Durham Traction Company "to pay the bond interest on an amount of the city's street improvement bonds equal to the entire cost of paving the space between the rails and six inches on either side along the tracks of the company throughout the city on basis of one single track; said interest to be at the rates paid by the city on said bonds," was rejected by the board of aldermen after advice from Attorney Jones Fuller, who had been engaged as city counsel in this matter. Mr. Fuller advised the aldermen to remain fast to their demands that the traction company pave within the tracks and 18 inches on each side. He argued that no previous board had the right or authority to contract with the traction company whereby the company would not be required to pave its tracks.

Are Now 2nd Lieutenants. Raleigh.—Among the recent appointees as second lieutenants at Camp Taylor, La., are the following North Carolinians: Gordon McG. Cameron, Southern Pines; Burnice R. Cochran, Columbia, N. C.; Chas. M. Dobbins, Yadkinville; Wiley B. Edwards, Wilson; William A. Erwin, Jr., West Durham; Francis M. Fletcher, Harmony; William P. Glass, Cabarrus, N. C.; William W. Hopper, Spray; William B. Lewis, Durham; Ray H. Mann, Canton; Roger A. McDuffie, Greensboro; Daniel M. Nutall, Rockingham;

Hospital Association Formed. Charlotte.—Dr. John Q. Myers returned to Charlotte from Greensboro where North Carolina Hospital Association was formed at a conference of about 75 doctors and nurses representing the majority of the hospitals of this State. The association was formed for work in an effort to standardize the hospitals of North Carolina and increase their efficiency to meet the demands during the absence of many physicians and nurses who have entered government service for the duration of the war.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP PAYS

Remarkable Record in Favor of Municipal Ownership of Public Utilities.

Kinston.—Municipal ownership is worth while, according to officials here. They cite the annual report of John E. Weyher, superintendent of the water and light department, recently rendered to Commissioner Remus R. Rouse. The net profit from the operation of Kinston's public-owned utilities during the past fiscal year was \$34,128.42. The waterworks made a clear profit of \$8,162.20. The electric plant cleared \$25,966.22. Without deducting for depreciation the department made \$45,036.45. Few towns of the size in the United States have been able to operate utilities so profitably, it is said. Expenses during the year totaled \$22,694.02. The commissioner's salary was set down as the magnificent sum of \$50. The department paid parts of city office rentals, salaries of the city clerk and his assistant, etc. Fuel cost \$9,463.39. Labor was a smaller item. Service rendered the city was worth \$10,436.69. Service rendered the public cost the public \$56,651.02 after deducting discounts and allowances. The gross revenue of the department was \$67,730.47. Rates are lower than the average, the unusual graduating scale being employed. The population is estimated at 14,000.

Violates Espionage Act. Greensboro.—E. F. Westmoreland, recorder of the city court of Thomasville, was arrested on a federal warrant drawn under the terms of the espionage act. He will be given a hearing before Dr. Fred Peacock, of High Point, United States commissioner, on September 6. Arrest followed an investigation by Frederick C. Handy, special agent of the department of justice. It is alleged that Westmoreland has made among other statements the following: "No German submarine has been in American waters since the visit of the Deutschland."

"Ships sunk along the coast were destroyed by American vessels."

"There is no actual sugar shortage and no sugar-laden vessels have been sunk."

"The so-called food law is not a law in fact, and cannot be enforced."

Farm Demonstrator Resigns. Winston-Salem.—At the meeting of the county commissioners, Bruce Anderson, for five years county farm demonstrator, filed his resignation with the board, effective September 7. No action was taken. Mr. Anderson stated that unless a farm demonstrator could secure the co-operation of both the farmers and the county officials, his work would be handicapped, and noting that there is some discord in the county he deemed it advisable to retire unless something can be done to relieve the situation.

Limited Service Men to Aid Boards. Raleigh.—Orders for the induction of 130 limited service white men with experience as stenographers and with some experience in law offices were issued to local boards of North Carolina by Adjutant General Young, copies of which were received by the local boards for Charlotte and Mecklenburg county and made public. Each board is instructed to send to the office of the adjutant general the names of not more than three men qualified for such work. The date for entrainment was not stated, but they will be sent to Camp Greene for induction into the army and to receive their equipment. Soon thereafter, the order stated, the men would be assigned to duty with local boards, and the adjutant general's office.

This was declared the government's way of utilizing limited service men, especially at a time when the work of the various boards was a result of the registration, September 12. Men assigned to such duty will be paid \$30 per month base pay, \$5 for lights and fuel, \$15 for quarters and \$27 50 per month for subsistence. They will be clothed and equipped by the war department.

Political Lights Dimmed. Salisbury.—Mr. McAdoo's order removing railroad men from the domain of politics will be noticeable in its results in this county where a number of railroad men have always been active in local politics. On election day, be it a township primary or presidential election, shop and railroad men are always in evidence about the polls. They make good workers and the candidate who fails to have at least a few of them on his list of workers is courted defeat.

Labor Day Celebration. Spencer.—Under the auspices of the Red Cross, Labor day was fittingly celebrated in Spencer, the leading feature being a stirring patriotic address by Governor Bickett with several thousand people in attendance. Preceding the address by the governor a community service flag, representing 107 Spencer men who have entered some branch of the army, was presented to the Red Cross by Rev. C. M. Pickett and was received by Rev. John S. Wood, secretary of the local chapter.

BRITISH RE-ENTER OLD DEFENSE LINE

ADVANCED TROOPS PRESSING FORWARD AND GAINING MUCH TERRITORY.

MORE THAN 19,000 PRISONERS

Hostile Attacks Were Largely Local and Were Easily Repulsed by the British.

London.—Advanced British troops have entered their old defense system on the southern battle line, held prior to the German offensive of last March, according to the war office announcement.

The British have gained ground along the Vermand-Epehy line.

More than 19,000 prisoners were taken by the British in France in the first week of September.

The statement says: "On the southern portion of the battle front our troops have now entered the area of the defense systems constructed by us prior to the German March offensive. The enemy is offering increased resistance among these prepared defenses and sharp fighting has taken place today at a number of points."

"Our advanced troops are pressing forward and have gained ground in the direction of Vermand, Hesbecourt and Epehy."

"Local hostile attacks were repulsed south of Ploegsteert and east of Wulverghem. On the remainder of the British front there is nothing of special interest to report."

FRENCH REACH FRINGE OF THE ST. GOBAIN FOREST

Paris.—The French troops have captured the village of Mennessis, about four miles north of Terenier, and on the t. Quentin canal. Farther south they have penetrated to the northern fringes of the St. Gobain forest up to the outskirts of the village of Servais, according to the French communication.

AMERICAN TROOPS CAPTURE THE VILLAGE OF MUSCOURT

Washington.—Capture by American troops of the village of Muscourt with 50 prisoners is announced in General Pershing's communique, received at the war department. The statement follows:

Headquarters of the American Expeditionary Forces. "Section A. South of the Aisne our troops entered the village of Muscourt and captured 50 prisoners. Hostile counter-attacks in this sector were repulsed and our line was slightly advanced. Two strong hostile raids in the Woevre were beaten off, leaving prisoners in our hands. In Alsace, a successful raiding party inflicted losses on the enemy."

"Section B. The commander-in-chief has awarded the distinguished cross to the following men of the American expeditionary forces, for the acts of gallantry set forth after their names: "Sergeant Albert N. Elsea, machine gun battalion. While acting as machine gun leader near Hilsensirist, France, July 6, 1918, he was wounded in the face by a bursting shell but continued to direct his men until the attack ended and then insisted on walking to a dressing station."

"Corporal Clayton N. Moore, band infantry. During the attack on Hilsensirist, France, July 6, 1918, while carrying a wounded soldier through machine gun fire to shelter, he was wounded, but by unusual pluck nevertheless brought his comrade to safety and realizing the scarcity of stretchers, insisted on others being taken to the rear and walking himself."

PLANS BEING PERFECTED TO PENN AND INSURE R. R. MEN

"Plans for the uniform and equitable compensation of injured employees or the dependents of employees who may be killed in the service of the railroads, are being considered," said an official announcement, "and it is hoped that it may also be possible to arrange for the retirement of employees upon pension at a given age as well as to provide for their purchase of life health and old age insurance at reasonable rates."

FRENCH AND BRITISH MEET WITH STUBBORN RESISTANCE

Paris.—The allied advance continues along the entire front in the direction of Cambra, St. Quentin, LaFerre AnizyAnizy-le-Chateau and the Chemin-Des-Dames. According to the latest advices the French and British troops neverless are meeting with stubborn resistance, in which intense artillery activity is being carried out. This resistance is taken as a indication that the enemy intends to make a stand along this line.

BOY SCOUTS (Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.)

HOW THE SCOUT ADVANCES

Boy scouts are organized in patrols and troops. Eight boys constitute a patrol, one being chosen as the patrol leader. Three or four patrols make up a troop. The scoutmaster is the adult leader of the troop.

Any boy of any class or creed, over twelve years of age, is eligible to become a scout. The initial requirements are that he take the scout oath and honor the scout law and know the significance of the badge and pass tests in the history of the flag and in knot tying. He is then a tenderfoot scout.

By meeting certain requirements he is in line to become a second class scout and a first class scout. Scoutcraft includes instruction in first aid, life saving, trucking, signaling, cycling, nature study, seamanship, campercraft, woodcraft, chivalry and all the handicrafts.

GIVING FULL DIRECTIONS.



Scouts Are Good Pathfinders and They Can Readily Impart Their Information.

BOY SCOUT UNIFORMS SAFE.

Some worryment may have been occasioned by articles recently appearing in the papers reporting a resolution adopted by the American Association of Woolens and Worsted Manufacturers to the effect that future production of all khaki cloth should be restricted to the government's order and definitely naming the Boy Scouts of America as among those who would suffer accordingly.

The alarm was largely groundless, however, so far as scouts are concerned since the resolution referred entirely to the woolen olive-drab cloth used for the winter army uniforms.

The regulation uniform of the Boy Scouts of America which is worn by the great bulk of our members—scouts and leaders as well—is not wool, but made of special olive-drab cotton cloth of lighter weight than the summer uniform which is furnished to the army.

For this reason and the further fact that the Boy Scouts of America uniform is specifically sanctioned in the army reorganization law, it is unlikely that there will be any curtailment of the production of the scouts' standard uniform.

SCOUTS SAVE THREE IN LAKE.

Thrown into the water at Lake Merritt, near Oakland, Cal., by the upsetting of their canoe, two young women and a youth were saved from drowning by four boy scouts while hundreds of persons looked on. The scouts were in another canoe some distance away, and by the time they reached the overturned canoe the three in the water were exhausted and about to let go their hold.

One of the young women was almost unconscious, and a scout jumped into the water and brought her to land, while the other two retained their hold on their canoe until the scouts towed it into shallow water.

SCOUT SAVES TROOP TRAIN.

Jack Elliott, a St. Louis boy scout, flagged a train near Edwardsville, Ill., and secured the assistance of the crew in removing a boulder from the track. The obstruction was too large for him to lift, and is believed to have been placed there on account of troop-train movements.

BOY SCOUT DOINGS.

Scouts of Hackensack (N. J.) troop were on duty every Saturday afternoon during the winter gathering in stray soldiers from Camp Merritt and leading them to the Sunday room, where games, music and refreshments were provided by the church organizations. Boy Scouts in Greensboro, N. C., turned over all vessels of stagnant water where mosquitoes were breeding. They are trying to eliminate these pests.