

TRYON

Mr. Geo. H. Holmes and son returned home, Wednesday, from Georgetown, S. C.

Mr. F. P. Bacon attended a meeting of Fourth Liberty Loan chairmen at Raleigh, this week.

Mrs. J. N. Jackson and daughter left for Asheville, Thursday, where they will be guests of friends for a few days.

Mrs. Earle Grady and son leave today for Woodstock, Virginia, where the young man will be placed in military school.

Miss Ontank, of Beaufort, S. C., and her sister, Mrs. Greenwood, of Boston, are guests of Mrs. Waterhouse at the big Bell cottage.

Miss Lelia O'Reilly has returned to Tryon for an indefinite stay. Miss O'Reilly is from New York. She is located at Roraima.

Four Miss Ravenels, all relatives, are now at Miss Ravenel's house. Mrs. Ravenel, who has been here a month, left for Washington, Tuesday.

Married, Wednesday, September 18th, by "Squire" R. A. Leonard, Mr. James Elliott, of Shelby, N. C., to Miss Sudie Randall, of Lynn.

Mr. James Leonard has 25 or 30 full-blooded Rhode Island Red pullets which he is desirous of selling, and will dispose of them at a very reasonable price.

We are ordered to send the NEWS to Mrs. Bernice Sharp, at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Mrs. Sharp is the wife of Capt. Sharp, and both she and the Captain possess many warm admirers in little old Tryon.

Miss Madeline Oliveros is now holding a very important position in the Bureau of Steam Engineering in Washington, D. C., having enlisted in the Naval Reserve for a term of four years. Congratulations to Miss Oliveros.

Polk county exceeded the estimate as to the number who would register under the recent call. Our estimated number was 822, while the number registering was 882. Mr. W. S. S. is busily engaged in mailing out the questionnaires.

Mr. Billy Gray left Tryon, Monday, for Parlin, New Jersey, to take a position under Capt. Novak, representative of the U. S. Army at the Dupont powder works at that place. Physical disability alone prevented the young man from more active service in the field.

A letter received by Tryon friends announces that Miss Emily Smith has enlisted for four years as yeoman in the U. S. Navy. Miss Smith is the daughter of Mrs. W. A. Smith, well known in Tryon, and having many friends there. Miss Emily is but 19 years old, but evidently comes of good, genuine American stock.

Quite a fair sized crowd assembled at the school house auditorium, Wednesday night, to hear patriotic addresses in the interest of the War Savings Stamp drive. Judges Webb and Murphy and Hon. J. L. Spainhour made some able and well received addresses. At the close of the speaking pledges were asked for, and about \$2,000 were secured in that manner.

The editor and wife acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to represent Polk county at a "United War Work Campaign" meeting, but were unable to attend. We are up to our eyes in war work just now, and not able to take up any additional lines, but our heart goes out in sympathy to the brave, patriotic people who are engaged in all works of that nature, and wish them God-speed in their undertakings.

The poultry meeting at the school house last Monday was not as well attended as should have been. Farmers are very busy in their fields, and this coupled with the fact that it was opening day of superior court kept many country people away. Those who did attend, however, were the gainers, as many topics of vital importance to poultry keepers were discussed, and much valuable information was gained.

Mr. Edwin Lindsey who has been in attendance at the officers' training camp at Plattsburg, N. Y., has been ordered to report at Camp Zachary Taylor on September 26th, for duty in heavy artillery service. It is but natural to suspect that the young man has been awarded a commission, and will enter active training for duty "over there." His friends in Tryon, and that includes everybody, would be greatly surprised if he had not come out as well as they think he has.

Mrs. U. G. Speed arrived last week to look after her estate here and to dispose of its live stock. She was within a block or two of the Federal building when it was dynamited by the I. W. W.'s, in revenge for the conviction of Haywood. She got caught in the rush at the railroad station of people anxious to leave the city for fear of further violence. She reports traveling as very disagreeable on account of the crowds and the uncertainty of securing drawing room and sleeping accommodations, even after they are engaged and paid for.

Mr. Merrick left Washington on Saturday, intending to motor to Tryon. A little distance from the capitol he was found unconscious in the road, where in some way unknown he had been thrown from his car. He was taken to a hospital at Washington. His face was terribly bruised and cut, but as soon as his wounds were dressed he determined to come on by train. He wired his brother-in-law, John Landrum, of Greenville, S. C., to meet him there, which he did, and accompanied him to Tryon. As his wife is just out of a hospital at Asheville he refrained from starting her by a telegram, and her sister, Mrs. Landrum came up from Greenville to prepare her mind for her husband's arrival and disaster. Mr. Merrick, though painfully, is not believed to be seriously hurt.

Columbus seems to be having monopoly on excitement this week. It was reported in Tryon, Thursday, that Capt. Henry, the military official who prosecuted the two soldiers mixed up in the breaking in of Skyuka, had become involved in a controversy with Jailer Smith, and that Smith

went before the grand jury and had the Captain indicted for slander and placed under bond; that Henry in return threatens to have Smith arrested for interfering with a commissioned officer of the U. S. army in the discharge of his duty, which is a serious offense with Uncle Sam. We hope peace will soon be declared and a treaty entered into whereby Captain Henry will be returned to military duty and Mr. Smith allowed to enjoy the "life, liberty and pursuit of happiness" guaranteed him by the constitution of the United States, and for which the brave Captain is offering his life and sword in defense.

**W. S. S.—
STAMP SALES**

Tryon merchants have sold the following amounts of War Savings since last report:

E. E. Missildine	\$235.00
Ballenger Co.	100.00
L. R. Williams	16.50
John Orr	4.00

Total \$391.00

**W. S. S.—
JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF FAIR.**

The Juniors of Polk county regret to hear of the illness of Supt. Cobb, who had hoped to tell them of the Thrift Stamps to be earned as premiums for the Polk County Fair.

The teachers of Coopers Gap are planning to organize War Savings Societies and compete for the prizes offered by Mr. B. L. Ballenger, County Chairman. The rural schools will not compete with Tryon, Saluda or Columbus or Greens Creek, in this contest.

A. F. Corbin, Supt. of Junior Department advises all boys and girls to write to Secretary Copeland from time for entry blanks, and prepare to fatten chickens, sow in Red Cross and make lots of entries Oct 9th.

**W. S. S.—
JOHN R. EARLY HERE**

John R. Early, the escaped leper, arrived in Tryon last night. He stopped off here to visit relatives. The Mayor was at once told of his arrival, and Dr. Grady, quarantine officer went to see him. Early told Dr. Grady that he made his escape from Washington by crawling through the wire fence surrounding the quarantine grounds; from there he went to Alexandria, Va., where he took the Southern railroad train for Spartanburg, and from that place to Tryon. It transpires that Early has not been a patient of the U. S. government, but was held in quarantine by the District of Columbia, and has been under their care for ten years past.

When told of his arrival here Washington replied that as Early was a citizen of North Carolina this state would have to take care of him, and they did not want him returned to Washington. Mayor Missildine has placed the matter before the North Carolina State Board of Health for instructions.

Early is closely quarantined here, but for that matter it is hardly thought he would make any attempt to escape anyway.

**W. S. S.—
THE LIMIT CLUB.**

Such is the title of all persons who subscribe and pledge themselves to buy \$1,000 worth of War Savings Stamps. Tryon, so far has made a good start on the proposition, the following named parties agreeing to take \$1,000 worth of the Stamps:

Mr. J. N. Jackson, Mrs. J. N. Jackson, Mr. Nelson Jackson, Miss Genevieve Jackson, Mr. J. L. Jackson, Mr. E. E. Missildine, The Ballenger Co.,

The Bank of Tryon, Mr. F. P. Bacon, Mrs. F. P. Bacon, Mr. C. W. Ballenger, Mrs. C. W. Ballenger,

The Peoples Bank & Trust Co., Wilkins & Co., Miss Martha Jackson, J. H. Paris,

Dr. Earle Grady, Mrs. J. W. Kennedy, Mrs. Fanny Ricks,

Mr. W. T. Hammett, Dr. W. T. Head,

J. C. Powell, W. J. Scriven,

W. B. Stone, Mr. Head,

Mr. Blackwood.

**W. S. S.—
MRS. LOUISA M. SWAIL.**

A triumphant life was closed on Thursday when Mrs. Louisa M. Swail left this phase of existence after eighty-eight years experience of joys and its sorrows. Having found all the long way interesting and profitable, she had faith to believe that that which was to come would not be less interesting or less profitable.

Mrs. Swail was a part of the courage, the intelligence, the good cheer, of a great age.

Born in Hartford, Conn., in 1830, the daughter of a Methodist minister, life was to her a serious matter. At the age of sixteen she was teaching one hundred and fifty little children in one room, receiving the large sum of five dollars a week, of which when she had paid her board she had but two dollars left, of which however she saved a part.

All of her life she found the things of the mind of superior interest, but so far from being a book worm, or even distinctly a student she was first and foremost a wife, mother, teacher.

Her children were brought up to value supremely the best education to be had, their mother declaring while they were very young, that they should have college educations if the family lived on bread and water. She had the satisfaction of seeing each one of the four graduated from a college.

Her own interest in books continued to the last. Within a short time of her death she read Myer's General History with the interest shown by many in the most exciting novel, and the last birthday present she desired was a good dictionary.

With all this intelligence, or perhaps because of it, the first impression one had of the bright little lady was that of a pleasant woman who lived for others.

J. S. H.

FINDS LATEST VARIETY OF CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR**THREE WAR MEDALS
BESTOWED ON "Y" HERO**

Red Triangle Worker Wounded by Hun Machine Gun at Soissons, Toul and Chateau Thierry

New York, August 25.—Flat on his back in the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, W. A. Roberts, who has been awarded three French war medals for bravery in the fighting zones, is enjoying a well-earned rest, and is talking freely of almost anything but why the French government showered honors upon him.

Mr. Roberts, a Y. M. C. A. worker in France, had bestowed upon him the Croix de Guerre, the badge of the Legion of Honor, and the Medal Militaire. He won them all in three months.

Roberts was assistant auditor of the Michigan Central railroad before he was selected to be auditor of disbursements for the Y. M. C. A. in France, and to handle more than a quarter of a million dollars a day. He left for overseas service February 12, was wounded by a Hun machine gun at Soissons, rescued a "Y" secretary amid a half of bullets in the Toul sector and was touched up by German marksman again at Chateau Thierry.

BLUE GOWNS ARE BUSY**Restoring Maimed Soldiers to Trades, Their Job.****"Reconstruction Aids" Coax Wasted Muscles Back to Their Normal State.**

Washington.—Teachers, nurses and healers too, are the "Blue Gowns" of the army medical corps, at work now in the hospitals of the United States and "over there."

Reconstruction aids is their official name, but the cheery hue of their distinctive uniform already has won a handler name for the special corps of seventy women whose membership treats and teaches among the maimed soldiers brought back from the battle front.

Theirs is the work of coaxing back the wasted muscles and disused limbs of wounded men, and later by patient tutoring instilling deftness in new arts and vocations which the hospital schools are planning for the returning soldier.

Most of the "Blue Gowns" were recruited from the instruction staffs of manual training schools and civilian hospitals.

"Beside a table a young fellow in uniform was carving a conventional flower border on a wooden picture frame," says an official description of their work. "The design was his own and the work was his first piece. He was inclined to be clumsy because he was using his left hand. A Blue Gown was ready to guide and advise him. As he becomes adept in left-handed carving he is preparing for the time when he again will begin to draft, this time with his left hand. This mental concentration upon a new task is believed by doctors and psychologists to be a valuable antidote for discouragement.

"At the same open-air workshop one man was knitting a scarf. One group of men, temporarily crippled, were carving designs upon wooden blocks, and several were learning to weave upon hand looms."

In the treatment rooms inside the "Blue Gowns" were guiding electrical appliances and administering the complicated series of treatments that perfect the restoration work started by the surgeon at the front.

BAKING PIES UNDER FIRE

As heroic as the American soldiers in the trenches are the courageous Salvation Army girls who are braving enemy fire day and night to bake pies and doughnuts for our fighting men.

Many of the women are also aiding the wounded in huts established within rifle fire of "No Man's Land." This picture shows some of the undaunted workers making the kind "that mother used to make," so that our men can enter battle with more pep and vim.

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