

The Chief Executive of our State has honored us with a very interesting message and we deeply appreciate his interest in our little magazine.

Following Governor Broughton's letter, is another fine and encouraging letter from Judge A. A. Powell, a graduate of Piedmont High School and now, Judge of Recorder's Court in Cleveland County.

TO THE MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE WHO ARE READERS OF "HOT OFF THE HOOVER RAIL."

I have been privileged to read a recent copy of the most interesting publication called "Hot Off the Hoover Rail", dedicated to the men and women from the Cleveland Mill and Power Company who are now in the armed services of the nation. This is one of the most interesting publications that I have seen since the war began and I wish to congratulate all who have had a part in making this issue such a great success.

I am quite certain that the men and women who may be in service will eagerly await the succeeding issues of this paper, which give them so much interesting news about the folks at home. After all, the soldiers and sailors in far away places are more interested in news about their friends and associates and their home towns than in anything else.

The Cleveland Mill and Power Company is one of the great industries of North Carolina. Its record during this war has been outstanding. This record has been made possible by the finest sort of cooperation between the men and women in the plant and the management. I know of no finer spirit anywhere than that existing between the employees and the management of this great mill. I had the privilege a few months ago of going through the plant and I was highly pleased with this experience.

I wish to say to the men and women in the armed services who read this publication that the State of North Carolina is proud of the record which they are making. We now have more than two hundred and thirty thousand North Carolina boys in the armed services of our nation. This is nearly three times the number we had in the first world war. They are to be found on every fighting field and are making a record in keeping with the highest traditions of the State.

I express to those employees who are carrying on the work at home my heartiest congratulations and best wishes.

Cordially,

J. M. Broughton  
Governor of North Carolina

Dear Jim:

For several months I have been reading your "Hot Off The Hoover Rail" and I have just finished the September issue handed to me by my friend, J. T. Pearson.

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