RED CROSS FORCES BEGIN CANVASSING

Committees Visit Homes and Business Houses Today.

City and County Christmas Roll Call Organizations Have Mobilized Forces For Intensive Drive During the Week.

The Red Cross roll call committee has marshalled its forces for an intensive canvass of the city and county for renewing memberships in the Red Cross and for securing new members. The canvass begins this morning and will continue through the week, and with the organization that has been perfected the goal of 5,000 members will no doubt be reached long before the week has ended.

With W. A. McGirt acting general chairman in the absence of Rev. M. T. Plyler, chairman; James H. Cowan, city chairman, and J. P. Herring, county chairman, the chapter has a strong organization lined up, and one that will no doubt "go over the top" with all ease. Walter P. Sprunt, the chapter treasurer, will act as treasurer for the committee.

The house to house canvass will be made by scores of women under the leadership of Mrs. J. M. Solky, who has exerted great care in gathering about her a company of workers on whom she can rely; the industrial committee is captained by Charles C. Chadbourn, and he will see that each employer of every industrial enterprise of the city is given an opportunity of subscribing to the support of the "greatest of mothers." I. C. Wright will line up the professional men while Charles B. Newcomb will see that the machinery among fraternal organizations is in smooth working order when the word "go" is given this morning.

When there is anything in the way of raising money for patriotic purposes the general offices of the Atlantic Coast Line never come up lacking. It has been left with J. Utley King to secure members in the offices and he promises to roll up a majority above any other enterprise in the city. However, both the shipyards are going to be there when the final count comes.

Mr. Herring has been working hard in the rural sections, but he has been rewarded by seeing perfected in every rural school district in the county, a live organization which will be very instrumental in carrying old New Hanover over with flying colors. In fact the organization with which the committee is going into the field is one of the most perfect that has ever been gotten together for a similiar purpose.

Attractive membership buttons have been secured, one of which, together with ten Red Cross stickers, will be given every person becoming a member of the chapter, the button constituting a receipt for the membership fee. The canvassers will be out on the war path all week but should one fail to receive an invitation from the canvassers to become associated with the organization one should feel no hesitancy in calling at any of the booths, which will be placed at different point throughout the city, and subscribing a dollar or more to the support of the Red Cross.

Headquarters will be maintained at 109 Princess street and will be in charge of Mrs. Harry Woollcott. All chairman are asked to make reports of their work there every afternoon not later than 5 o'clock as a report is to be forwarded to divisional headquarters in Atlanta not later than 6 o'clock.

The following general orders have been issued for the canvassers:

"Start the canvass early this morning and cover the field thoroughly.

"Each of the various committees should meet together daily and report to the chairman the results of the day's work. The name and address of the members should be shown with all cash collected. Report no membership without the cash.

"In order to ascertain the total membership of white and colored it will be necessary that separate reports be made. All negro memberships should be marked and a separate report made so that proper credit may be given when the total is counted."

"ALL ARE SAFE" WRITES LIEUT. IRA A. HINES

Men of 117th Engineers Train Came Through the Fight Safely.

It will be indeed gratifying to Wilmingtonians to learn that all was well with the members of the 117th engineers train, Rainbow Division, on November 13, two days after the armistice was signed and hostilities ceased. This news was contained in a letter received yesterday by Mrs. Hines from her husband, Lieut. Ira A. Hines, of the Engineers' Company.

This company was organized here early in the year and its personnel consists principally of Wilmington boys. There has been much anxiety felt for the saftey of the men by relatives in Wilmington since they have been unable to get any message concerning their fate.

In his letter Lieutenant Hines stated that he and all other members of the engineers were safe, and he also told of the difference in appearance of things at the front the night before and the night after the signing of the armistice.

On the night of the 10th not even as much as a small tallow candle was allowed to burn anywhere on the front where the lieutenant was located, but on the night of the 11th the boys had big camp fires, Old Glory was waving in the air and a general celebration was being held, and all within the sound of the Germans. The lieutenant said he heard the last gun fired on their front before hostilities ceased.

DEATH OF MRS. GORMAN.

Esteemed Lady Passed Away at James Walker Hospital Yesterday.

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Gorman, wife of J. L. Gorman, 1900 Woolcot avenue, died at the James Walker Memorial hospital yesterday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock, age 58 years. The funeral service will be conducted from the residence at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, and interment will be in Bellevue cemetery.

Surviving, in addition to her bereaved husband, are two sons and three daughters: C. P. and G. C. Gorman, of Wilmington, and Mrs. Tella Riggins and Mrs. Wilmer Wright, of East Shore, Md., and Mrs. W. P. Nelson, of Baltimore, Md., all of whom have the sympathy of their friends here and elsewhere, in their bereavement

CITY COUNCIL ASKED SALE FIREWORKS

Final Action Expected to be Taken at Tonight's Meeting—Other Important Matters.

City council is expected to determine at tonight's meeting whether or not fire works may be sold in the city. While this is a matter which has previously interested the Wilmington public and expressions are expected tonight, such a meeting as was held last Monday night when council amended a city ordinance permitting the operation of amusement devices in public parks, is not anticipated.

Two years ago the city fathers passed an ordinance prohibiting the sale of fireworks in the city, and after two years had passed with everybody apparently satisfied it was thought that the issue was closed. However, at the meeting last Monday night, C. H. Bornemann, an Orange street merchant, requested permission of council to sell a quantity of fire craekers which he has had on hand for about two years. In view of the fact that all restrictions have been removed from fireworks by the department of the interior, Mr. Bornemann thought it possible that council would do likewise, or suspend existing laws long enough for him to dispose of the goods he has on hand.

But it was stated by a member of council that the city had gotten along very nicely for the past two years without fireworks, and regardless of how council might feel about the matter it was deemed proper to leave it open for a week to give the public an opportunity to enter protest if so desired.

There is another matter that will probably come up tonight also, this being that of making an appropriation the establishment and maintenance of a clinic for the treatment of venereal diseases. Agitation for a clinic in Wilmington was started before the influenza epidemic and has only recently been revived again. The amount asked for now, however, is considerably less than before the epidemic, at that time the request having been made for $3,750. Government aid has been promised, which brings the amount asked of council down to $750, with a like appropriation by the county commissioners, the latter having already been made. A total of $1,500 is asked of the city and county and with this made available the state and federal health departments will appropriate the same amount and furnish the medicine. Action of council in this matter is problematical.

COMPLETE PLANS FOR BOILER AND ENGINE ROOMS

Has Model Showing What Steel Ships Built Here Will Look Like.

A work of art is the pattern for the design for the boiler and engine rooms for the steel ships which are being built in Wilmington by the Carolina Shipbuilding corporation and which has been perfected by Louis G. Mahns, a Hollander nine months in this country, who has been engaged by the Carolina as foreman of the pattern shops.

The type of engines and boilers to be installed in the big steel freighters has already been decided on, in fact one of the engines has arrived and is ready to be installed when the hull is ready, and Mr. Mahns' work is to make the pattern for the rooms, utilizing all the available space surrounding the boiler and engine to the best advantage. With the dimensions of the portion of the ship to be used for this purpose and with the knowledge of the space that will be occupied by the machinery, Mr. Mahns was able to make patterns for the utilization of space, and in doing so he made a reproduction of card board of the engine, boilers, the decks and the quarters for the crew. It is made in sections and may be taken down and explained in minute detail.

The engine is located just to the rear of the boilers, three in number, and over these are the mess hall and quarters for the entire crew, including the officers of the ship. The coal bin is located between the boilers and engine and is elevated and so arranged that the coal "flows" from the bin to either side of the boilers ready to be shoveled into the furnaces. Other bins are provided in another part of the vessel as retainers for surplus fuel. The miniature boilers, engine and rooms are perfect in their get up and required considerable time in figuring out the dimensions, cutting the patterns, but it is just as this part of the ship will appear when it is completed, including the skylights, etc.

Mr. Mahns' part of the work is the most delicate in ship construction, that of supervising the woodwork finishings on the interior, which requires a great amount of skill. Mr. Mahns is a native of Amsterdam and has spent a number of years in ship construction work in Holland.

FUNERAL OF JOHN M. WIGGINS.

Conducted at the Graveside in Oakdale Cemetery Yesterday Morning

Funeral service for John Morton Wiggins, whose death occurred in Denver, Colo., December 6, was conducted at the graveside in Oakdale cemetery yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock. The remains arrived here on the Atlantic Coast Line train from the north and were taken immediately to the cemetary. Rev. Dr. John M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, conducted the service.

Accompanying the remains from Denver was Mrs. Wiggins, wife of the deceased. Lieut. James L. Duffy, of Camp McClellan, brother of Mrs. Wiggins, and Harvey D. Wiggins, of Savannah, Ga., brother of the deceased, were among the relatives attending the funeral.

The pall-bearers were E. C. Besselieu, Jack Bellamy, Warren Johnson, George H. Howell, J. E. Shannon, and W. D. McCaig.

CHEST COMPANY BUSY.

Acme Concern Accumulating Big Stock of Gum Timber—Export Business.

The Acme Tea Chest company, whose plant is located on Eagle Island, opposite the foot of Chestnut street, is accumulating an immense stock of gum logs at this time, preparatory to making heavy shipments of tea chest "knock downs" to India. The great pile of huge logs is perhaps the largest stock of timber the company has ever had on hand at one time.

William Grant, manager of the concern, sees improved conditions now that shipping is becoming more and more available and is getting ready for big exports of his product direct to India. He tells The Star that his plant is employing 82 men steadily, on night and day shifts.

The gum logs are coming down in the Cape Fear on lighters and are handled with celerity by the big cranes in the yard, the log pile growing larger all the time

SPECIAL SERMON TO LODGE OF TRAINMEN

Rev. J. A. Sullivan Delivers Annual Memorial Address.

Members of Cape Fear Lodge No. 780 Assembled at Calvary Baptist Church Last Night—Umbrella Presented to Mr. Sullivan.

Speaking on the topic, "Brotherly Love," Rev. J. A. Sullivan delivered the annual memorial sermon last night to members of Cape Fear lodge No. 780, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, who gathered at Calvary Baptist church to worship with members of its congregation. It is a custom of this brotherhood to attend in a body once a year the services at various churches in the city, and as Mr. Sullivan said, Calvary was fortunate in having them as visitors last night.

Because of the rain the number of trainmen attending the service was smaller than it otherwise might have been. In the course of his sermon Mr. Sullivan likened the ties binding the members of the brotherhood together to the rope used by the mountain guide when conducting a party of tourists up precipitous heights. As the rope is tied around the waist of the guide and of each of the members in the climbing party so that if one should slip and fall the others in the party would sustain him, in the same manner the members of the Brotherhood of Trainmen are closely linked together and are prepared and willing to aid a brother when he falls.

The three basic factors supporting the brotherhood's structure and enabling it to hold together and promote the welfare of its members are benevolence, sobriety and industry, Mr. Sullivan declared. To be truly benevolent one must be a well wisher to his fellow men. He must have the desire to help those less fortunate than himself.

Sobriety not only implies abstention from the use of intoxicating liquors, Mr. Sullivan continued, but also signifies soberness in habits, quietness in demeanor, regard for the laws of sanitation in order to keep the body healthy and the mind sound. "Be sober in your demands upon capital," he told his hearers. "Do not request those things which eventually may prove harmful to any class of society. Seek to co-operate with capital for the benefit of mankind rather than pull away from it to the injury of your fellow workmen. When capital and labor work hand in hand for the good of the world, the golden age will have come."

The sober, industrial man, Mr. Sullivan stated, is the man upon whom the public can depend. Industry is the secret of success; it makes possible a prosperous home and a happy, contented family, he added. "Work six days in the week and rest on the seventh, as the Lord himself did and intended you should do. Only the industrious may know the joys of rest, but when you are enjoying your rest on the Sabbath see that it is done in the proper manner."

At the close of the sermon Mr. Sullivan was presented a handsome umbrella as a token of esteem from the brotherhood of trainmen. On the massive silver handle of the umbrella are engraved the letters: "B. R. T. to J. A. S." The presentation was made with a few fitting remarks by W. C. Capps, secretary of Cape Fear lodge No. 780.

RAIN AND THEN RAIN.

More Than An Inch For 24 Hours Ended Yesterday—Clearing.

Yesterday was again a "rainy Sunday" for fair, as it may paradoxically be expressed, more than an inch having been recorded by the weather bureau for the 24 hours ended at 8 o'clock last evening. The exact figures are 1.23 inches and that is "some" rain for anything but the "cloud bursts" of summer and the warmer weather period.

Clearing and cooler is promised for today and everybody hopes that the forecaster at Washington may "make good" on his prediction for with the month only half gone the precipitation is already bearing towards the three-inch mark, or 2.62 to be more exact. At Raleigh and Charlotte it was still raining at 8 o'clock last night, but neither city had the rainfall that Wilmington did for the preceding 24 hours, Charlotte having recorded only .18 and Raleigh .94. With the exception of Washington, D. C., where a rainfall of 1.44 was recorded during the 24 hour period up to 8 o'clock last night, Wilmington had the heaviest rain of any city on the map, embracing everything east of the Mississippi.

NAVAL RESERVISTS RELEASED.

Five Were Discharged From the Service Friday Night.

In the government's program of releasing men from the service as fast as practicable, Lieut. George P. Elliott, commander of the local naval training station, Saturday night released from service five young men of this city. They are Bert M. Schwab, J. M. Cowell, Charles B. Lynch, C. L. Carter and B. B. Jackson. Application for the release of these men had been made and the request was granted in view of the fact that their services are needed in their former civil pursuits and could be absorbed without any disturbance whatsoever.

The government is letting men out of the service by degrees that there may be no clogging of the machinery in reverting the country from war to a peace footing. While no orders to that effect have been received here, it is expected that the men stationed here will be released from time to time as they can be absorbed into commercial and industrial activities.

DIES IN BOSTON, MASS.

Chadbourn Young Man Victim of Pneumonia—Dies in the Service.

Friends of the family in Wilmington sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Koonce, of Chadbourn, in the death of their son, DeWitt Hand Koonce, whose death occurred in Boston last week after a brief attack of pneumonia. The deceased was 18 years old. At the time of his death he was stationed at the naval training school in Boston. He was the youngest of three sons in the service of their country.

The remains were brought home for burial in the family cemetery at Chadbourn. Mr. and Mrs. Koonce are well known in this city, and news of the death of their son was learned here with sincere regret.

ISSUES APPEAL TO CAROLINA NEGROES

C. H. Moore Calls on People of His Race To Rally to the Support of the Red Cross.

Prof. C. H. Moore, of Greensboro, has been asked to assume the state chairmanship for North Carolina for the Christmas Red Cross roll call among colored people, and has accepted. The invitation to undertake this work reached Prof. Moore too late to get the colored people organized throughout the state, and for this reason he has addressed an appeal to "the colored people of North Carolina" urging them to support the Red Cross. The appeal follows:

"The object of the Christmas roll call during the week of December 16th to 23rd is to enlist every adult person in North Carolina as a member of the organization of the southern division of the Red Cross.

"It must be remembered that this is not a drive for funds, but that it is an opportunity for every person in our state to become affiliated with the Red Cross, and thus have a part in the gigantic task of reconstruction, which confronts the Red Cross overseas, and also to lend a helping hand in continuing the work of the Red Cross for the soldiers and sailors in this country and overseas.

"No less than 750,000 men took part in the last great offensive before the armistice was signed; this means a vast percentage of wounded and permanently disabled men. The Red Cross seeks to give the people of the country a chance to help in showing these men and every other man in the fighting forces abroad, as well as in the army camps at home, that their wonderful work has been fully appreciated. The Red Cross has not participated to the extent of a single penny of money in any recent drive or campaign for funds. The Christmas roll call means that the Red Cross wants the co-operation and endorsement of every person in the United States.

"Therefore, as a race having shown, in the present struggle to make the world safe for democracy, that it is possessed of 100 per cent. of pure patriotism, you cannot now be indifferent to the approaching roll call. Hence, this appeal to you to do your part, as you have already so nobly done, along with the other races in this country, in aiding to bring to a glorious, triumphant close, the present horrible conflict in favor of the cause of truth and righteousness."

ALFRED PRICE YOPP DEAD.

Well Known and Esteemed Wilmington Citizen is no More.

Alfred Price Yopp, brother of former Alderman W. H. Yopp, father of Alf. H. Yopp, well know local pianist, and one of Wilmington's oldest and most highly respected native born citizens, died yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock at the James Walker Memorial Hospital, this city, where he had been a patient for some days, following a recurrent attack of paralysis, the first attack having been suffered at Jacksonville, Fla., where he was then residing about four years ago.

While the death was not unexpected, it will nevertheless be a great shock to his hundreds of friends throughout the city, especially among the older residents who knew him well and respected him highly. Mr. Yopp was a son of the late Andrew J. Yopp, of Wilmington, was born and reared here and was in the 67th year of his age at the time of his death, having been born January 5th 1852. Early in life he served an apprentice in the old Wilmington & Weldon railroad shops in this city and after becoming a first-class machinist, for a number of years he was a locomotive engineer on the Atlantic Coast Line out of this city. Later when the old Wilmington, Onslow and East Carolina railroad, now the Wilmington & New Bern branch of the A. C. L., was built as an independent system, he took charge of the shops of the company here as master mechanic. He was an expert machinist and in machinery he met no problems that could not be solved. Later upon the closing of the shops in Wilmington, he became foreman of the Wilmington Iron Works and still later was superintendent for a time of the extensive Acme fertilizer works at Cronly, N. C. Some ten years ago he was superintendent in charge of the Wilmington plant of the Hydraulic White Press Brick Co., and left that position to take a place with one of the large fertilizer plants at Jacksonville, Fla. It was while residing there that he suffered a stroke of paralysis, others coming later and finally four years ago, he was forced to return to Wilmington where he made his home with his son, Alf H. Yopp.

Mr. Yopp is survived of the immediate family by his son; one daughter, Mrs. J. Austin Best, of Augusta, Ga., and one brother, W. H. Yopp, of this city. They have the sympathy of many friends in their loss. Although quiet and unassuming by nature, Mr. Yopp took part in all good works of his city and for a number of years while resident here taught Bible classes in the First Baptist church; in Southside church and Cavalry Baptist church. He was a member of Cape Fear Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F., Live Oak Camp No. 6, Woodmen of the World, and Cornelius Harnett council, Royal Arcanum. The funeral will be conducted at 4 o'clock this afternoon from the family residence, No. 415 Grace street, and the interment will be in Oakdale cemetery. Mrs. Best, of Augusta, who had been informed of her father's critical illness, was on her way to Wilmington and expected to reach here last midnight.

MRS. SMITH NATIVE OF SCOTLAND

English Novelist Who Speaks Here Thursday Internationally Known.

Mrs. Burnett Smith, the well known British novelist and author who speaks at the Academy of Music Thursday night under the auspices of the United States Food Administration, is a native of Scotland. Under her maiden name, Annie S. Swan, she has written numerous novels and short stories which are widely read throughout Great Britain and are also known in this country. Her latest book, "An English Woman's Home in War Time," written while she was in America last spring and published here, has had wide circulation on this side of the Atlantic as well as abroad.

Mrs. Smith began her career as a writer when she was but twelve years old. At 17 she had published a book, and since that time many novels have made their appearance under her name.

Her husband, who is also Scotch, is a prominent surgeon who gave up his large practice to go to the front more than two years ago. Her twenty-three-year old daughter has been for four years driving an ambulance at the French front. This daughter is a brilliant linguist and has often acted as interpreter at the front in addition to carrying wounded men to first aid stations.

TAR HEEL WRITES FROM ROME, ITALY

Captain Mears Receives Letter From C. C. McLean.

Prominent State Pythian Tells of the Esteem of the Italian People For President Wilson and the American People.

Capt. Thomas D. Meares, of this city, has received an interesting letter from C. C. McLean, a former citizen and business man of Greensboro, and past grand chancellor of the Grand Lodge of Pythians of North Carolina, in which he tells of the esteem which President Wilson and the American people are held by the people of Italy. Mr. McLean knows whereof he speaks since he has been in the army Y. M. C. A. service in that country for the past several months.

The letter was written uncer date of November 20 and postmarked Rome, where he has headquarters, and follows:

"Have been wanting to get a chance to write you for some time, but have not. We all are rejoicing in the fact that the war is over and that we will not have to go through another winter with our boys in the trenches. When I left home to enter the Y. M. C. A. work August 17, it was my intention to go to France, but after reaching New York was asked to come to Italy. After a two-weeks' trip on the ocean, going by way of Montreal and landing at Liverpool, I went by rail to London and then to Southampton, where we took a boat for Havre, thence by rail to Paris and on to Bologna, Italy, our headquarters for Italy. At Bologna I was assigned to work here in Rome and have been here since the 4th of October. I am connected with that branch of the "Y" that works with the Italian army. I wish to say here that Italy is a great country and the people have made much progress in spite of their handicaps, the people themselves are very fine and they do love America and Americans. The army officers co-operate in the finest spirit, and it is fine to see the way the soldiers take to our American games. The "Y" has done fine work in all the countries and is a potent factor in binding Italy and America together in the ties of friendship and good will.

The business men of America have the greatest opportunity for trade expansion if they will but grasp it. Delay will mean lost opportunity.

"I trust now that the war is over, we all may renew our interest and endeavors to advance the principles of our order. No greater obstacle to future wars, or rather I should say, no influence for the prevention of wars than the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God, can be found than in the principles upon which the order, Knights of Pythias, is founded. Let us begin now while the fires of thankfulness and brotherly love are burning to get new members and renew our work more enthusiastically than ever before. Our brave soldier members will be returning soon and let's give them the glad hand of welcome and enlist them right off in our work by giving them something to do. No doubt before you get this letter there will be a state-wide campaign on for new members designated as "Peace Classes," or such like names, and if so I wish you much success. While I am enjoying myself here in Rome I do so miss my lodge meetings every Monday night. If it is possible I hope to visit Sicily and go to Syracuse before I leave this country.

"I often think of our fatherless ones at Clayton and I know that this Thanksgiving and Christmas the Pythians of North Carolina will remember them more liberally than ever before for we have so much to be thankful for. When I left home I did not think that I would get home in time for the next meeting of the grand lodge, and while of course I do not know that I will, as my contract will not be up by then, yet I am in hopes that everything will move along so smoothly that it will not be necessary for me to stay so long, in which case I hope to be at the grand lodge meeting and renew the friendships of the brothers throughout the state. Before closing I want to say that we Americans do and should feel proud of the love and esteem that President Wilson is held in by all of our allies and especially by Italy, he is the greatest man in the world today, and I am glad he is coming to the peace conference, for he can have more influence than any other man. We Americans have a high standard to live up to if we meet the expectations of the peoples of the world.

"The daily exemplification of the principles of our great order will enable us to live so as to meet these expectations. Through the clumns of the Carolina Pythian I wish to greet the Pythians of the state and to wish each and every one a happy Christmas and a joyous new year."

NEW TRAINS WERE WELL PATRONIZED YESTERDAY

About Forty Passengers Came In On Each Yesterday Morning.

There was much optimism in railroad circles last night over the prospects for a large patronage of the two additional trains inaugurated yesterday on the Atlantic Coast Line between Wilmington and Florence and Wilmington and Fayetteville. It was not expected that additional coaches would have to be put on to handle the passengers on the initial trips, and the number was equally as large as had been anticipated.

There were around 40 passengers coming in on the train from Florence and about the same number from Fayetteville, but there were not quite as many going out in the afternoon. It is possible, however, that the traffic both ways would have been a great deal heavier had it not been for the inclement weather.

It was stated last night from an authoritative source that the business on the initial trips was very encouraging and indicated that the extra trains will receive a very gratifying and profitable patronage. It has been only a short time since the announcement was made that the additional trains would be operated over these branches and it is not yet generally known that this service has been provided the people residing along the two lines. But with the inauguration of the advertising campaign which the merchants' bureau of the Chamber of Commerce is arranging to wage, it will soon be known by everyone that these schedules exist, and large patronage is expected.

CHEERING NEWS ARRIVES FROM LOCAL MEN OVERSEAS

Lieut. King and Corporal Marshburn Are Enjoying Good Health.

The almost continuous streams of letters and cablegrams that have been received during the past few days by Wilmington people from relatives "overthere" have made glad the hearts of not only the families but of friends. There have been numerous delays in the arrival of letters since the armistice was signed, but they are beginning to arrive now, bring with them messages of joy.

Among the most recent letters is one received yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. B. F. King, Sunset Park, from their son, Lieut. H. K. King, of the 322nd infantry, 81st division. It was written on November 13, two days after hostilities ceased and stated that he was enjoying good health after participation in a very hard engagement. He went into battle Saturday morning, November 9 and was continuously "at it" until firing was ceased under the terms of the armistice the following Monday. He came out without a scratch, his friends will be glad to learn. However, in his letter he stated that men were killed on both sides, in front and behind him, and it was puzzling to him how he escaped their fate.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Marshburn, 609 Queen street, have also received a cablegram from their son, Corpl. Leon S. Marshburn, Company B., 323 infantry, 81st division, stating that all was well with him. This was the first news they had received from Corporal Marshburn since several days before the signing of the armistice and they had been very uneasy as to his safety. Corporal Marshburn has many friends in the city who will be delighted to learn that he came through the "big fight" safely.

Leaves For Norlina.

David L. Gallagher, for the past ten years connected with the Murchison National bank, left Saturday night for Norlina to become cashier of the Bank of Warren. During the last two years Mr. Gallagher has been note teller with the Murchison. Mr. Galligher's family will remain in Wilmington until he can make arrangements for them to join him in Norlina.

SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES

We have recently installed in our vault 50 additional Safe Deposit Boxes to rent at $1.50 per year.

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