



This paper has enlisted with the government in the cause of America for the period of the war.....

Letter From Camp Jackson.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT: I am now an inmate of Camp Jackson so please forward the Democrat to my address. We finished our training at the A. & E. College July 13th, and came to Jackson that night. Out of a class of thirty nine men twenty one of us qualified as first class electricians and are permitted to wear the green hat cord of an engineer.

We are just here waiting for a definite assignment from the War Dept. at Washington. We are expecting to be attached to some trained machine gun battalion, or artillery division some time soon. In the meantime we are having some great experiences here in the Depot Brigade. Nearly all our men from Raleigh have been placed on the permanent personnel of this company and are rated as non-commissioned officers. 10,000 men came into the Depot Brigade from Ohio last week so you can imagine what is required of a man on the personnel, as all of these men are to receive, examine and equip. Besides all new men have to be instructed in military courtesy, marching, facings, military carriage and the like. At night we attend a non-com. school where we drill and study tactics.

Really we are enjoying every minute of the time here but all of our training has been to fit us to "greet" a German as he should be greeted so naturally we want to go.

The day after we came to this camp there was a call for volunteers for overseas service in the field artillery. I was really proud of N. C. for every man from the A. & E. stepped to the front as if "As Skirmishers" had been given. But we were not eligible as we are in detached service.

Some time ago we were talking about the Hun being 47 miles from Paris now we are trying to figure how long it will take us to travel the 425 miles to Berlin. Of course we can't tell but I know we are going. You can see spirit in every soldier's eyes and determination in his drill.

When I read an account of the Red Cross drive in Watauga I felt that I rather be a soldier than anything in the world. Since the people at home have been so patriotic in their contributions for war purposes I am determined not only to do my full duty as a soldier, but everything in my power to help win this war.

Best wishes, GEORGE SHERRILL.

Card of Thanks.

On last Friday evening while the pastor of the Methodist Church was out of town and his wife was out of the house, a party of people from Boone entered the parsonage and took possession. After boldly calling Mrs. Powell in and talking for a while they left. On examination it was found that meat, flour, canned goods and other articles had been left by them. For this the good people have the sincere gratitude of the preacher and his wife.

We feel like the young couple did when they were serenaded, and as the parties were leaving the bride called out, "Come back and I do it again."

H. I. P.

DOLEY KIDNEY PILLS

Missionary Blalock Visits His Former Home In The Mountains.

Rev. F. L. Blalock, missionary to China, is at his boyhood home at Ledger, Mitchell county, for a few weeks visit, and has directed the following to his churches and friends in Watauga and surrounding counties:

DEAR FRIENDS: My journey from China to my home in North Carolina was a long and tiresome one, and I am glad that it is at an end.

It is good to be at home again with my dear parents. I found them as well as could be expected for people of their age. Father is in his 89th year and mother is in her 83rd.

I plan to rest up at home till the end of September. After that I hope to visit a few associational gatherings and then go to Person county to see some of my dear wife's people.

I am at home for rest, but want to see as many of our friends as I can before I return to China. My strength permitting I want also to do some traveling and work amongst the churches. But I do not want to do more of this than will be consistent with my program for rest and recuperation. Whether I do much or little of this kind of work I trust that you will pray for me that my labors may be fruitful.

Continue to forward your contributions to me as heretofore and what comes in above my support I will put it aside for passage money.

I hope we shall have others to go with me when I return to China. They are greatly needed in our work at Tainfu, and let us not forget to pray daily that God will give them to us.

Yours fraternally, F. L. BLALOCK.

Watauga's Tax Rate 95 Cents.

At their meeting on Monday the county commissioners made the tax levy for 1918. Besides the regular expenses the levy provides for the interest on the \$50,000 road bonds, for a small sinking fund for the bonds, and for the minimum amount required by law to be raised for the maintenance of the roads built by the bonds. The rate is 95 cents on the hundred, 5 cents lower than the taxes last year.

The rate in Boone town ship is \$1.20 on the hundred. The extra 25 cents pays the interest on the railroad bonds.

Dr. Dula Makes Improvements.

Dr. Alfred W. Dula has moved into his new office. He has thoroughly remodelled and refurnished the corner store vacated by R. L. Gwyn and equipped it with the latest optical appliances, including two examination rooms, one of them a regular eye hospital style dark room with all the necessary instruments.

Dr. Dula has also put in a complete lense grinding plant and will put it in full operation as soon as his son Fredrick returns from taking a special course in lense grinding, he having taken a short course in lense grinding the past winter under Dr. Honess, of Asheville, who is president of the State Board of Examiners in Optometry. Dr. Dula has already made over 200 pairs of glasses right here in Lenoir and will be ready to reopen the plant on a larger scale when his son returns.

Dr. Dula bears the distinction of being the only eye specialist in North Carolina who owns his own lense grinding plant and claims to have the finest equipped optical establishment and lense grinding plant in North Carolina. Lenoir is fortunate in securing this plant, as Dr. Dula has had many other towns try to get him there—notably Gastonia.—Lenoir Topic, June 5th, 1918.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

The Confederate Reunion.

(By W. W. Presnell.)

The Veterans of Camp Nimrod Nimrod Triplett 1273 met in annual reunion at the Training School buildings at Boone, July 27, 1918. Called to order by Capt. E. J. Norris. Devotional exercises by Chaplain L. D. Cole. Address of welcome by Capt. E. F. Lovill. Music by fife and drum. Roll call—23 members present. On motion of C. J. Cottrell the present officers of the camp were reelected by acclamation for 1919. Adjourned for dinner.

The Veterans took dinner at the White Hall, and were cared for during the night by the school and citizens of Boone where all fared like kings.

Met at 1:30 p. m. Called to order by Capt. E. J. Norris. Music by fife and drum. Report on obituaries read and adopted:

We the committee on memorials submit the following:

In the dispensation of an all-wise God our Heavenly Father has taken from our ranks the following of our beloved comrades since our last reunion:

John W. Brown, Co. I, 58 N. C. Regiment.

Benton Fletcher, Co. S, 58 N. C. Regiment.

Hugh M. Isaacs, Co. I, 58 N. C. Regiment.

Noah Isaacs, Co. D, 58 N. C. Regiment.

Dr. Hogshead, Co. A, 1st Miss. Regiment.

M. A. Teague, Co. A, 33 N. C. Regiment.

John Robertson, S A Presnell, co D, 58 N. C.

Holland Hodges, home guard.

D. C. Dyer, co D, 58 N. C.

They have answered their last roll call here, and we hope that they are over the river of death under the shade of the tree of life where they are refreshing themselves from the waters of the river of life, where there will be no more roll calls, but eternal rest and joy. Resolved that we the members of said camp bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, remembering that we must all soon answer the roll call and we pray that we may all be prepared when the roll call comes to meet God.

H. A. DAVIS

On motion of C. J. Cottrell agreed to meet in Boone on Thursday and Friday before the 2nd Sunday in August 1919. On motion of J. W. Holsclaw that we do hereby tender to the Training School and citizens of Boone our heartfelt thanks for their kindness to us while here.

A Mr. Fleetwood of Winston-Salem delivered a good address, and a motion was made to adjourn to time and place of next reunion. Song and benediction by Rev. Cross.

COMING!

Dr. Alfred Dula, Eye Specialist.

Boone, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 2nd, 3rd, and 4th.

Vilas, Thursday Sept. 5th, Jack Smith's residence.

Blowing Rock, Friday Sept 6th, Watauga Inn.

Have your eyes tested and glasses fitted by the only eye specialist that practices in your county that has been passed on by three state boards of examiners and pronounced competent to test eyes and fit glasses.

NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watauga County, in the Superior Court, Lynchburg Shoe Company by Vaughn Hemp hill and Co. and J. L. Hemphill & Co., assignees vs. J. C. Cook.

By virtue of an execution to the undersigned from the Superior Court of Watauga county in the above entitled action, I will, on Monday, the 2nd day of September, 1918, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m., at the court house door of said county, sell to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said execution, the following described real estate, to wit: In the town of Boone, Watauga county, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of the Appalachian Training School and others and bounded as follows: Beginning on a stone on Hardin Street, once a corner of the L. B. McNeill property, now a corner of the Training School lands, and runs north 195 feet to a stake on the lower edge of the back street, and opposite Ervin Miller's corner; thence an east course with said street 195 feet to a stake on the bank of the public road leading from the turnpike to the Jefferson road; thence down and with said road 218 feet to a stake on the bank of Hardin Street at its intersection with said road; then with said road 195 feet to the beginning; containing 1 acre more or less. This 29th day of July, 1918.

W. P. MOODY, Sheriff.

IMPORTANT. Notice To Absentee Voters and Their Friends.

It is necessary that I have application from all voters now in France or in the army camps of the United States, or from some of their friends, for tickets to be mailed them, so that I can forward them at once to our soldier boys wherever they may be. This is very important, and it should be attended to immediately, as it takes some 60 days at best to get a reply from a letter to France.

J. M. MORETZ, Chm. Co. Bd. of Elections.

WHY SUFFER SO?

Why suffer from a bad back, from sharp, shooting twinges, headaches, dizziness and distressing urinary ills. People around here recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Could you ask for stronger proof of merit?

Mrs. R. A. Johnson, N. Wilkesboro, N. C., says: "Typhoid fever left my kidneys very weak. Inflammation and congestion of these organs set in and gave me much distress. My joints and muscles ached, I could hardly get around and my back felt as tho' it were broken. My limbs ached and were terribly swollen. My sight blurred and my nerves were all unstrung. I had but little ambition and felt so miserable that sometimes I didn't care whether I lived or died. I tried different medicines, but steadily grew worse until I used Doan's Kidney Pills. The first box helped me wonderfully and the second box put my kidneys in good order, making me feel better in every way. Now, when my kidneys get the least bit out of fix, Doan's Kidney Pills bring relief."

Price 60c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Johnson has publicly recommended. Foster-Millburn Co., Props., Buffalo, New York.

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina Watauga county. E. S. Coffey, trustee, to the use of D. J. Cottrell, attorney in fact of the heirs of A. S. Edmisten, deceased vs. J. A. Edmisten

By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the Superior Court of Watauga in the above entitled action, I will, on Monday the 5th day of August 1918, between the hours of 10 o'clock and 2 p. m. at the court house door of said county, sell to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said execution, all the right title and interest which the said J. A. Edmisten, the defendant has in the following described real estate, to wit:

Lying and being in the town of Blowing Rock, North Carolina. Beginning at a stake or stone the Abernethy and Ashley corner and runs N with Abernethy's line to Martin's old corner; then west with Martin's line to a stake on east side of Wallingford street, then south with said street to N. L. Edmisten's corner, then east to the beginning, and contains 1 acre, more or less. Reference is hereby made for a more complete description to a deed from W. J. Palmer and wife Mary Palmer to J. A. Edmisten, dated 1st day of October 1896, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Watauga county in Book Y at page 548. This June 4, 1918

W. P. MOODY, Sheriff.



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We also have some Disc Harrows, Peg Tooth Harrows, Cultivators, Mowers, Rakes, Binders, Corn Planters, etc., If you are going to need a Binder for Harvest, you will have to get your order in at once, for it will be impossible to get one when your harvest is ready.

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