WHERE IN HELL IS PATRIOTISM?

Former Soldiers Haven't Lately Seen Much of the Stuff So Evident In 1918

"I'll write you a story, and it'll make some more folks hot," says Kennedy Davis, of Elizabeth City, a former soldier of the 81st Division. "The soldiers should be writing up their recollections to remind the public how it has backslidden from its great dose of patriotism. The people ought to think it over a little. I'll give you my story in a few days.

"But don't ask me what I think the war accomplished," says Ken Davis. "It can be answered in a word. — 'Nothing'. Patriotism, where have I heard the word? What good do you think it does that fellow out there," and he waved his hand toward the spot on the courthouse lawn where a simple cross marks the resting place of Seth Perry. "What good did patriotism do him?

"Nobody remembers him. Think of it, what in God's name ails a community that hasn't done one blessed thing about marking his grave, not even to lay a flower on it. If it hadn't been for Jerome Flora, nobody would know a grave was there. Jerome Flora bought the lumber, the boys at the fire engine house made the fence and the cross and painted them, and the crowd went over one night at midnight and put it up.

"And who else in this whole town thinks about it? The only person who has had enough patriotism to take a flower to his grave is Mrs. Cam Melick, and one little girl, who slipped shyly up to the grave one day and left a flower, and ran away before we could get her name.

"Where is the glory in war? Seth Perry, took the dangerous part of a courier with the 119th Infantry of the 30th Division. Nobody gives a dam about it now.. The rich folks bought in the Liberty Bonds cheap that the poor folks put up the money for. Oh, if we all said what we thought the jingoes would have us in Atlanta.

"Like a lot of other soldiers I was taken from a good job and sent overseas. I'm not complaining about my hardships, I struck good officers. I got back home with as much as $60 left in my pockets. I had to buy civilian clothes. The folks in my own home town wanted to charge me $60 for a $20 suit.

"From the men in the army, the Government got $6.50 a month for insurance. When the armistice was signed they tried to get us to sign a pledge to keep our insurance premiums going so long as we remained in France. There were two and a half million dollars overseas, and that would mean more than $15,000,000 a month the Government would have been getting from its men. The politicians, and big business men would have kept us in France for life.

"The whole business was rotten from the beginning to the end. The public didn't give a dam; it was just worked up with what it called patriotism, but it didn't last. You can make a study of the list of the men who were drafted from this county even, and compare it with some of those who were left home. That'll show you a lot about patriotism. Yes, I'll write you a piece if you want to print it."

And readers of this newspaper will watch with interest for this and other stories which will appear in the near future.

GIVE BIRDS A CHANCE TO EAT

Veteran Sportsman Condemns Early Morning and Late Night Shooting

There is a growing sentiment among sportsmen for giving waterfowl more consideration and protection durin gthe open shooting season, both for the purpose of saving the birds and for improveing th sport of waterfowl shooting.

A member of the American Game Protective Association writes as follows:

"Reduce the number of shootingg days to two or three days a week. The number of days on which ducks can be shot should not exceed three days a week and preferably two days. Also there should be a law against anyone going on the hunting grounds until one-half hour after sunrise and everyone should be off the hunting grounds one hour before sunset.

"At the present time, as you probably well know, gunners seem to have no regard for the ducks at all. The only thing they see nto think of is to get to what they hope is going to be the lucky point that day and to this end they will go to their gunning point that they are going to shoot the next day at two or three o'clock in the morning, thereby driving the birds off their feeding ground in the night. This is the worst possible thing for the ducks and second to this is staying on the shooting grounds up to sunset thereby preventing the birds getting back to their feeding grounds until after dark.

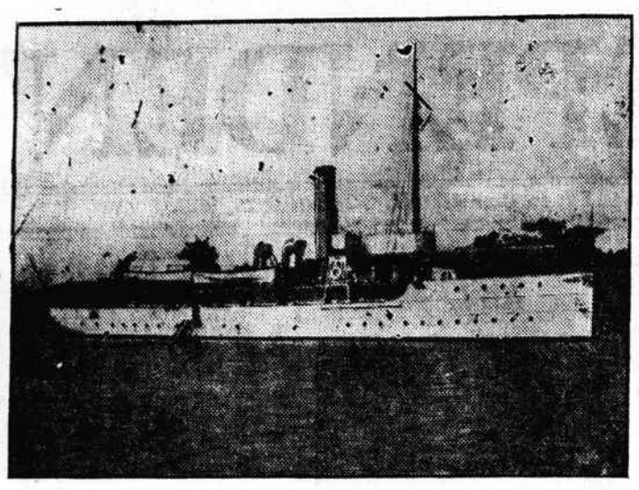
"Another very reprehensible practice that drives the ducks out of their feeding grounds is the unnecessary chasing of them in speed boats. In some cases they shoot from the boats but more often it is done to break up the flocks. I don't know of any better method to drive birds out of a bay than chasing them in speed boats."

NEW JERSEY MEN LET OFF ON FISHING CASE

Capt. Russell Horne, and Geo. Neve, in a small sloop which has been hanging around the vicinity of East Lake and other interesting sections of the North Carolina sound country ostensibly for the purpose of fishing were let off in county court here this week on payment of costs, when arrested by Capt. L. A. Quidley, Fisheries Commissioner of Manteo, for trawling without a license. The men were from Wildwood, New Jersey.

Under the State Fisheries laws, a non-resident of the state may not trawl in North Carolina waters. The men were fishing under a license issued in Currituck County to Ephriam Jones of Elizabeth City, but even this is contrary to law, Capt. Quidley stated, and not even a non-resident crew, or a boat hailing from a port out of the state, may fish in these waters, even tho they may be hired or chartered by a resident.

The Duties of the Pamlico



WHAT is the Pamlico supposed to do? Many people asked the question Thursday, Navy Day, when they viewed the beautiful U .S. Coast Guard Cutter moored at the wharf at the foot of Main Street. The Pamlico with 30 officers and men has duties enough. Stationed at New Bern under the command of Commander Charles Jensen, the Pamlico is the flagship of the fleet of vessels assigned to chasing rum runners in North Carolina waters. In general the duties of the Pamlico are: to render assistance to vessels in distress and to save life and property; the destruction and and removal of wrecks, derelicts and other floating dangers to navigation; protection of the customs revenue; enforcement of navigation and other laws affecting merchant vessels and motor boats; enforcement of laws providing for the safety of human life, laws governing the anchorage of vessels etc. Commander Jensen is an officer with many years service in the Coast Guard and during the world war he spent 18 months on patrol duty near Gibralter. He is popular throughout eastern North Carolina, he always likes to show folks a good time, and his men are very courteous to visitors to his ship.

DEATH MEETS AUTOMOBILE ROPER PEOPLE WERE IN

Death laid its hand on an automobile in which a number of Roper people were riding near Greensboro this week. William Smith, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Smith was killed when the car crashed into a bridge at Rock Creek, after being struck by a delivery truck. Smith wa sthrown from the car, and the truc kran over him. Leonard Barco, 37, and Joe Barco, 19, all of Roper were in the car with Smith, escaping with slight injuries. The three were on a trip to Asheville.

CANAL LOCKS MATTER TO COME UP IN JANUARY

War Department Will Give a Further Hearing on Problem That Interests Hunters

A further hearing on the question of restoring the locks at Great Bridge in the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal, is to be held at Washington in January before the War Department renders a final decision. Protest has been made against the report of Col. F. A. Pope, former U. S. Engineer, who has recommended against restoring the locks, by navigation interests and game conservationists.

Major Dan I Sultan, resident engineer at Washington of the engineer corps, has advised that a further hearing will probably be held as Senator Simmons and Congressman Warren, of North Carolina, representing the territory affected, have requested that it be set for January.

The Hampton Roads Maritime Exchange, protested the adverse report against the installation of the locks on the grounds that they were needed by navigation, since it is claimed that their removal has resulted in currents in the canal water that are very dangerous to navigations.

At the same time, fishing and sporting interests are working for the reinstallation of the locks to prevent the flow of salt water into Currituck Sound, where it is ruining the fishing industry and destroying the feeding grounds for ducks and other wild game in the Currituck and Back Bay section.

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NOTICE OF ENTRY

Entry No. 427. Book No. 5 Page 64.
North Carolina—Dare County.
Guy H. Lennon, Claimant, having produced to the undersigned Entry Taker, a writing signed by himself that he lays claim and enters a certain tract or parcel of land, vacant, unappropriated and subject to The land is situated in Nags Head Township, Dare County, N. C., the Atlantic Ocean is the nearest water course. The natural boundaries are:

Beginning on the Atlantic Ocean, Southeast corner of the R. C. Evans tract running the various courses of the Beach to the M. L. Daniels tract, east corner, following the north line of M. L. Daniels grant to Roanoke Sound, thence a Northerly course the courses of the Roanoke Sound to the R. C. Evans southwest corner on the Sound, thence a eastern course along R. C. Evans south line to the Shore of the Atlantic Ocean, thence running on the Atlantic Ocean to the beginning, from this entry the following land is excepted and reserved, viz: I. R. Bowers grant and A. L. Lennon and R. R. Lennon grant, containing estimation 150 acres more or less.

Entered this the 21st day of October, 1921.

MELVIN R. DAVIS,
Entry Taker for Dare County.

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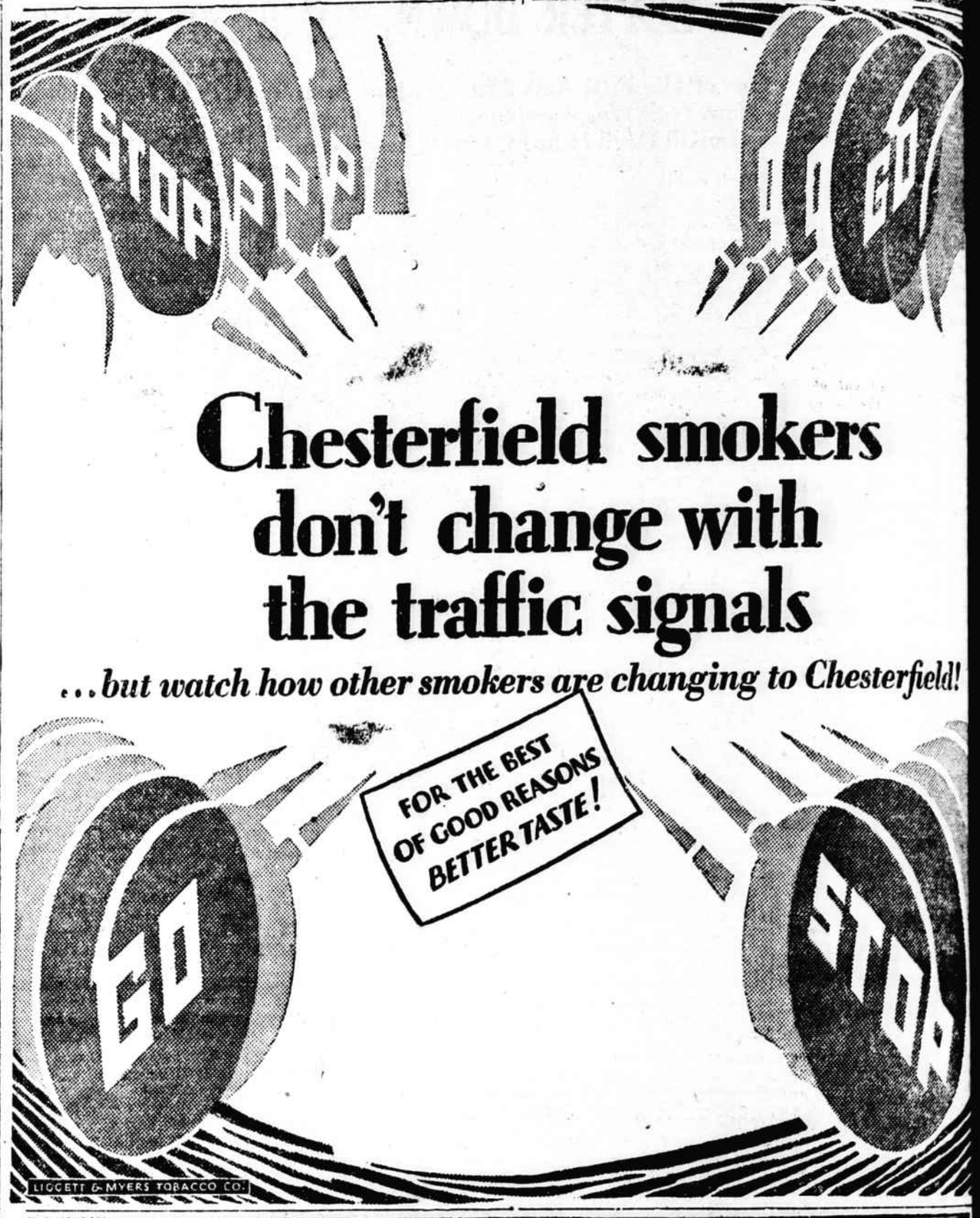

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