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ONE MINUTE INTERVIEWS

BY MRS. J. P. CALDWELL
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Charlotte Boy, Member of Rainbow Division, Comes Home Wounded. May Lose Both Eyes—Was in Last German Drive—History of the Battalion Division in Big Battles in France.



Charlotte has a boy who was in the Rainbow Division and who comes back bearing sad evidence, in the way of probable loss of his eyes, to this fact. This boy is Maurice G. Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Sullivan, of West Seventh street. Two years ago Mr. Sullivan went to the Texas-Mexican border with an Alabama regiment, he being in Alabama at the time of the border trouble. When he came back he enlisted for the world war with the same regiment, National guard, and went to France with that regiment which was changed to the One Hundred Sixty-seventh Infantry, and which became a part of the famous Rainbow Division. Young Sullivan's regiment was in the last German drive. He was struck in the face with a piece of shell weighing two ounces, or more, the metal going through his face just under the left eye and coming out under the right eye, tearing a hole through his face, and making it more than probable that he will lose the sight of both eyes. As this Charlotte boy fought with the Rainbow Division, receiving injury therein, a history of the famous division as given in The Houston Post will be of interest, and surely history well worth preserving.

The accomplishments of the 42nd (Rainbow) division since entering the trenches at Lorraine are told in interesting detail in a letter from Major General Charles T. Menoher, commanding officer.

A copy of this letter was received by friends of Major Albert E. Devine, Sr., of Houston, Texas, who commands the 17th supply train, in which are two units raised in Houston. Major Devine was placed in command of the supply train when the division was formed a year ago.

In the following communication all activities of the division in which every state national guard is represented are described:

"To the Officers and Men of the 42nd Division.

"A year has elapsed since the formation of your organization. It is therefore time to consider what you have accomplished as a combat division and what you should prepare to accomplish in the future.


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Lutheran churches of the South, the General Synod, and the General Council merged into the United Lutheran church of America. This merger was effected Friday. The union of the three bodies represents the union of 100,000 Lutherans. The property of these congregations is valued at more than \$13,000,000. The Lutheran educational institutions of the country are valued at \$3,500,000, and have an enrollment of 5,000 students.

"All the Synods voted to go into the general merger expecting Agassiz, as a result of the merger, a large number of Swedish-speaking Lutherans in America, but it will continue to co-operate in the work of the foreign missions and the support of the Lutheran students at state universities. Prof. Jacobus of Mount Airy Seminary, Philadelphia, reported that nearly 300,000 Lutherans are in uniform and 100 chaplains are with them.

The Rev. Dr. G. C. Berkemeir, superintendent of Wartburg Orphan Home, Mount Vernon, in a report of the Board of German Home Missions declared that "as an American Lutheran Church we can no more depend upon the pastors and missionaries from Germany to serve our German speaking congregations. We have learned our lessons. This was a makeshift in the past. Our church is performing work with the ultimate aim thoroughly to initiate and Americanize the foreign elements."

"Rev. Dr. Julius B. Remensnyder, in an address before the convention, spoke of the Lutheran church from the historic point of view. Said he: "The church began with the reformation October 31, 1517, was established April 18, 1521 by Luther at Worms, gave religious liberty under Soldier King Gustavus Adolphus in battle, Nov. 10, 1632.

Historic Fact in Lutheran Church History as Old as the Revolution.

"The United Synod of The Lutheran Church in session in Roanoke, Va. Just prior to going to New York to the 'Merger Convention,' learned of the Peace news. The Synod dropped business and left the meeting to march in the streets. This recalled the fact to one of the Synodical members that in 1774 Peter Muhlenberg, also a Lutheran minister, declared 'There's a time to preach and a time to fight,' bade farewell to his pulpit and became a General in Washington's army."

Educational Work of Y. W. C. A. Under Full Sail—Daily Calendar of Classes.

The educational work of the Young Women's Christian association is, as of a habit, making a daily record. The class in Automobile Mechanics, with an enrollment of twenty, had its first lesson Thursday. The Current Events Class, led by Miss Terry, and the History Class, led by Miss Preston, met during the past week. The Beginners' French Class with Madame Cabell instructor, met for the first time on Thursday. A second French Class, taught by Miss Kellogg, will begin its first meeting Monday afternoon at 4:30. The adding Machine Class, taught by Mrs. Essie Blankenship, begins work Monday evening, and a class in business English, with Mrs. Harry Asbury instructor, will begin its first meeting Monday evening. Enrollment is still open in all of these courses except the automobile.

Miss Gladys Passmore, physical and recreation director of the Y. W. C. A., has gone to Richmond, Va., to attend a field conference of recreation leaders. She will return Tuesday morning, and beginning with Tuesday evening the regular program of gymnasium work will be started for the winter.

Daily Calendar.

Monday, 4:30—Conversational French class at Y. W. C. A., Miss Claire Kellogg, instructor.

5:00—Automobile mechanics, Regent garage, Mr. Farr, instructor.

5:00—Beginners French, Y. W. C. A., Madame Cabell, instructor.

Tuesday, 8:30—Business Women's Bible class, taught by Mrs. Elizabeth Presto Allaire at Y. W. C. A.

Wednesday, 10:30—Meeting of board of directors of Young Women's Christian association.

Mrs. Boyer Ill.

The many friends throughout the state of Mrs. Hugh K. Boyer, wife of Dr. H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder of the Charlotte District, will regret to learn that she is suffering from an acute attack of appendicitis at her home on North Tryon street. Her physicians have not as yet been able to decide whether to operate at present or not.

Mrs. Boyer's sister, Mrs. Edwin Hill Courtney of Richmond, Va., is with her.

Dr. Bridges on Seminary Board.

"The Presbyterians throughout the state will hear with interest of the one of their faithful members, that Rev. James R. Bridges, editor of the Presbyterian Standard, has been elected to succeed the late Rev. Dr. D. H. Rolston on the board of trustees of Union Theological seminary, at Richmond. Dr. Bridges is not only one of the leaders of thought in Presbyterian church circles, but is editor of one of the ablest publications in the southern Presbyterian church. Charlotte especially will hear with pleasure of the selection of Dr. Bridges to succeed Dr. Rolston."

Cheery Dining Room.

"Have you a bright, cheery dining room?" asked a dainty little woman, mistress of one of the prettiest new bungalows in a suburban district.

"When I commenced housekeeping I made up my mind to have a cheerful dining room if every room in the house had to be sacrificed to it. A dreary dining room in the winter is my horror. I love linens as snow, dainty china, flowers, and sunny wall paper. I fancy that a cheery dining room aids digestion. Certainly it aids happiness."

New Patriotic Societies.

"Treasure the stories of the war," is the advice of a local historian. "Children of the future will not want to hear about the 'Arabian Nights,' etc., half as much as they will about the great war—the big fight that their fathers were in (if they were). The main facts of the war will be chronicled in volumes of histories, but that which relates to the personal bravery and the personal experiences of the mass of the army, the brave men commissioned and non-commissioned, will not be told therein. It can only be told by those who experienced it, who made the history. Heroes in my brave and courageous hearts have come across the water in letters. It is this history that I would have all treasure, the children of today may with pride subscribe themselves 'Daughters of the War,' or 'Sons of the World War'—D. W. W. or S. W. W."

1919-1918—Span of a Century.

One interested in the study of numbers asked yesterday if there is any strange coincidence in the years repeating themselves, 1919, for instance.

As this is the first time in one hundred years that this has happened the interviewer can not tell, but refers the inquirer to a paper head—see public.

"R. S. Y. P."

PERSONALS

Miss Wilma Estridge is ill at St. Peter's hospital.

Lieutenant Colonel Muncaster left last night for New York city after spending a brief turlough with his sisters, Mrs. Harry Reeves and Miss May Muncaster in Charlotte. Colonel Muncaster recently returned from active duty in France.

The many friends of Mrs. Kemp Battle will be glad to know that she is better. She is still with her mother, Mrs. C. M. Scott.

A cable from First Lieut. (Dr.) Miller Gallant to his mother states that he is well, safe and sound.

Capt. A. V. Hooks, of Marion, S. C., well-known here, is now in France with the First battalion, 117th engineers. He was formerly in the civil engineering department of the Southern railway, this city.

Lieut. Hugh Query, 28th F. A., is now in France. He went from Camp Funston, Kansas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Query, of Steel Creek. Before entering service Lieutenant Query was superintendent of the school at Belmont.

Mr. Dolph Young, who was confined to the house for several weeks with the influenza is just out again. He is well, but hasn't entirely regained his strength.

Statesville visitors during last week were, Mrs. R. M. Gray, P. C. Gray, MacDonald Gray, Miss Belle Cochran, Mrs. D. S. Thomas.

Mrs. Rena McDowell Roach has returned to the city after an absence of three months or more, spent in Asheville. Mrs. Roach will, as usual, be with Col. and Mrs. A. L. Smith and Miss Sallie Young at their home on North Tryon street.

The Modern Jordan.

"Having been under water," said a Baptist, "naturally I am interested in the statement made in The Iowa Baptist Record, which says, 'While a German airplane buzzed overhead, and the big guns near were throwing shells 300 American soldiers on the way to the front were baptized in the Marne River in a single batch by a Baptist chaplain.'"

No Drops in Wool.

"The people in New York were still crazy when I left a day or two ago," said Mr. T. C. Moore. "The general impression as to business now is that prices will gradually come down to normal, not in any big slump or jar, but just gradually. The general impression is that business will adjust itself. I heard it said that wool was going to drop, but that isn't so, because the wool is not on the market, and the scarcity keeps the price up. But when ships are available to transport to other countries the accumulated stores of Australia, the needs of the civilian population should be decreased and a drop in price follow."

Applies Tenyson.

"We needs must love the highest when we see it," wrote Tenyson of the blameless Arthur, and it is true today of Woodrow Wilson seen in the hearts of the anxious and ailing.—Nashville Tennessean.

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