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## TIDE OF DEFEAT STILL SURGES AGAINST GERMANS

Entire German Front From Ypres to Soissons More Seriously Menaced Than Before—French Have Captured Important Town of Lassigny and Have Liberated Numerous Villages.

The Associated Press gave this morning the following summary of the war news:

The tide of defeat still surges heavily against the German armies in France and Flanders. On four important sectors French and British arms again have been served, and the entire German front from Ypres, in Belgium, to Soissons, on the Aisne, now is more seriously menaced than before.

French troops of General Mangin, operating from the region two miles northwest of Soissons to the Oise river, and those of General Humbert, fighting between the Oise and Metz have materially pushed forward their fronts, bringing them to positions which threaten to compel the immediate evacuation of the entire Somme-Oise salient from Bray to Noyon.

Farther to the north between Albert and Arras, Field Marshal Haig has followed up his successes of previous days by a new offensive over a front of about ten miles and driven forward his troops for splendid gains over the entire line, capturing a number of villages, taking prisoners and guns and inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy.

Still farther north, in the famous Lys sector, a general eastward advance on a front of more than four miles has been made by the British who have brought their positions appreciably nearer the old 1916 battle line running east of Armentieres.

Numerous additional villages have been liberated by the French northeast of Soissons and positions have been captured on both sides of the Oise river which seemingly make untenable for occupation by the enemy the important town of Noyon, which is now outflanked on the southeast and dominated by the French guns from the south and west. On the south the French are standing in Sem-pigny, a mile and a half distant, while on the west they have captured the important pivotal town of Lassigny, the key position to Noyon and the plains to the north.

With the latest advances by the French east of the Oise there has come under the range of General Mangin's guns the broad gauge railway line leading from Noyon eastward to La Fere—the sole remaining line, except for two narrow gauge roads, over which the enemy may transport his men and supplies beyond the range of the French artillery.

At last accounts, Haig was still pressing forward on the heels of the Germans between Albert and Arras, with tanks innumerable clearing the way for the infantry and machine guns and the field artillery which was keeping close up to the advance. The Arras-Albert railway already has been crossed by the British east of Boileux-St. Marne and Mercatel and south of these towns the new line has been pressed eastward in conformity.

On the Lys salient the Germans have delivered a violent counter attack in an endeavor to recoup in part the losses they have sustained. Their efforts, however, were fruitless for the British everywhere withstood their assaults and pushed back the enemy beyond the points of his departure.

What is to be the effect of the allied drives along the 120-mile battle line from Ypres to Soissons cannot be foretold at present, but it seems highly probable that this entire front soon must be re-aligned. This particular menace to the Germans, aside from that in the territory between the Somme and the Oise, appears to be on the sector along the Vesle river from Soissons to Rheims which from the war maps looks to be untenable. Even the Aisne and the Chemin-des-Dames do not appear to be any too safe for a defense line of General Mangin presses much further north-east of Soissons.

## ANOTHER ROBESON BOY KILLED IN FRANCE

Carson Chason of Lumber Bridge is Third Robeson County Boy to Make Supreme Sacrifice in the Great War

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Parkton, Aug. 20.—Another Robeson county boy has been killed in France. Mr. A. F. Chason of Lumber Bridge received a message this afternoon that his son Carson was killed. I think he was in the coast artillery.

## Alleged Blockaders Give Bond For Appearance at Court.

Heck Gilchrist and Simp Johnson, both colored, were bound over to the Superior court on the charge of manufacturing and selling spirituous liquor by Assistant Recorder E. M. Johnson yesterday. Johnson was placed under a \$300 bond and Gilchrist was placed under \$200 bond. Both made bond. Johnson and Gilchrist were arrested Friday of last week after officers captured a still near Johnson's home about two miles east of Lumberton. Alex Shroud, also colored, who was arrested at the same time, was found not guilty.

## PATRIOTIC RALLY HONOR OF COLORED REGISTRANTS

40 Colored Registrants Leave For Camp Greene This Evening—Patriotic Addresses.

Several hundred colored people and a good sprinkling of whites attended a patriotic meeting in the court house today at 11:30. The meeting was arranged in honor of the 40 colored registrants whose names were published in Monday's Robesonian and who will entrain for Camp Greene, Charlotte, this evening.

Rev. W. H. Knuckles, colored, presided and made a short patriotic address in which he urged the registrants to do all possible for their country. He declared that the young men are to be envied the opportunity they have of entering the fight for Democracy.

Mr. H. E. Stacy of the local bar made a stirring address, which was well received by the registrants.

Rev. Spurgeon D. Davis, D. D., colored, was the last speaker on the program and his address thrilled his hearers, both white and colored. After he had finished his address Mr. T. L. Johnson, chairman of the local exemption board stated that no more sensible or patriotic address had ever been delivered here. The address was a gem. It is expected that Dr. Davis will come to Lumberton to address a mass meeting for the colored folks of the county at an early date.

After picturing the war aims of Germany, the speaker told of the great part America is to play in bringing about world Democracy and an ever-lasting peace. He said that before Prussianism should reach 5,000,000 American negroes and 20,000,000 whites would give their lives on the battlefields of Europe.

Prayer was offered by Charlie Mosley, colored, and C. H. Morrissy, colored, sang two splendid solos.

## "OVER THE TOP" FOR JEWISH RELIEF

Drive Will Continue Till Saturday Night—Rooster Sold This Afternoon

—Penny Fund Amounted to \$43.95.

The drive for Jewish relief funds has met with splendid success in Lumberton. The amount so far reported, with some committees still to be heard from, is \$1,437.40, which is well over Lumberton's allotment of \$1,000. The drive will be continued until Saturday night and it is expected that the allotment will be doubled.

Pennies from the Red Cross jars placed about over town were collected yesterday and given to this fund, the amount being \$43.95. This was the amount that had accumulated in the jars in just a little more than a week, the last previous collection having been made on the 12th inst. The jar at the postoffice led with \$15.59, jar at the Olympia cafe, which led on the 12th, was a close second with \$12.64.

One church has turned over to Mr. A. Weinstein, local treasurer, \$32.50. The response of the people has been liberal. Yesterday a man gave Mr. Weinstein \$4 but would not give his name.

The Berry Godwin French rooster was not sold Tuesday evening, as planned, but will be sold this afternoon at 2 o'clock in front of the French stables in connection with another auction sale.

## FREE DENTAL CLINICS.

162 School Children Treated at Fairmont—Sales of Tooth Brushes

Have Increased.

The dental clinics of the board of health were conducted at Fairmont for six days with splendid success, 162 school children receiving treatment.

Dr. J. V. Turner states that the kind consideration and cooperation of Dr. F. H. Pitman, Fairmont dentist, materially contributed to the success of the work there.

Dr. Turner will be in Lumberton Friday and Saturday of this week. He was at Pembroke yesterday and is there today. He will be away next week on a visit to his home at Oxford and will be at Maxton and Rowland week after next.

Some druggists in the county say that their sales of toothbrushes have increased enormously since these free dental clinics began.

## Aubra C. Bracey Arrives Safely Overseas.

Special to The Robesonian.

Rowland, R. 3, Aug. 21.—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bracy of Rowland, R. 3, have received a card from their son Aubra C. Bracey, saying that the ship upon which he sailed arrived safely overseas. He was a member of the 81st division.

Mr. Bracey worked for Dr. G. M. Pate, near Raynham, since Sept. 1st, 1915, until he went to camp the 28th of May. He was generally known throughout the county, and has left many friends behind awaiting his return.

—Miss Vivian McNeill left Tuesday evening for Spruce Pine, where she will teach in a mission school.

## THE "DOCTORS" "DOCTORED" CALLED FOR MILITARY DUTY

Men to Be Entrained at Red Springs August 27 for Camp Jackson.

List of men called for military duty and ordered to report to local board for Robeson county No. 2 at Red Springs Tuesday, the 27th day of August, at 2 p. m. and to entrain for Camp Jackson, S. C.:

John C. Crawford, Rowland; Clarence Pate, Parkton; Wyatt Neal, Orrum; J. Leon Graham, Lumber Bridge; John P. Smith, Rowland, R. 3; Kinley Hall, Lumber Bridge; James E. Bracy, Rowland; Thomas Locke Walters, St. Pauls; Charlie V. McMillan, Parkton; John Gilbert Coville, Hopewell, Va.; William Jackson, Lumber Bridge; Jesse Norton, St. Pauls; Hector Wright, Rowland, R. 2; R. Franklin Brown, Parkton; Ernest P. Smith, Maxton, R. 3; Hal Thompson, Rowland, R. 3; Joseph B. Ivey, Parkton; K. K. McEachern, Petersburg, Va.; Henry Crenshaw, St. Pauls, R. 4; Howard B. Pate, Lumber Bridge; Wm. Alton Thompson, Maxton, R. 3; Clarence Fields, Lumber Bridge; Wm. Jordan Owen, Lumber Bridge; Fred McLean, Rowland; John Alex Gillis, Parkton; John A. Ferguson, St. Pauls; Cramer Miller, Rowland; Arthur Jas. McKinnon, Maxton; James M. Johnson, Rowland; John Lloyd Jones, Maxton; David Leslie Maynard, Maxton; Sam Rasberry, St. Pauls; John Wesley McMillan, St. Pauls; Wm. Lester Kelly, St. Pauls; Diffie Granger, St. Pauls; Lester M. Ferguson, Parkton; Murdock G. McRae, Maxton; Ward Clark, Rowland, R. F. D.; Donnie A. Oxendine, Pembroke; Henry Fields, Rowland; John Wesley Lowery, Pembroke; Anderson Bullard, Buie; Golden M. Chavis, Philadelphia, Pa.; James Locklear, Red Springs; McLaurin Jacobs, Buie; French Locklear, Pembroke; Noah Dial, Maxton, R. F. D. 5; Winslow Carter, St. Pauls, R. 2; Davis Jones, Buie; Willis Chavis, Buie; Percell Scott, Red Springs; Dock Scott, Rowland; Dock Wilkins, Buie; Moses Oxendine, Pembroke; Nicholas Smith, Pembroke; Wm. Berry Lowery, Pembroke; Albert Locklear, Rowland; Willie Oxendine, Pembroke; Frank Hunt, Rowland; Dewey Carter, Pembroke.

The "doctors" arrived here from Maxton Tuesday evening and registered at the Lorraine as follows: Mrs. W. P. McAllister, Birmingham, Ala.; Dr. H. H. Washburn, Raleigh, N. C.; H. T. Giles, New York. Wednesday morning early Dr. W. A. McPhaul, county health officer, who had a communication in Monday's Robesonian warning the public against these "doctors," called upon the above-named trio. He elicited from Mr. Giles the statement that neither he nor Mrs. McAllister was a physician, but that Dr. Washburn was. Dr. McPhaul told them if they attempted to do business here he would have them indicted and would convict them upon statements made in their own advertisements.

They did and he did. Mr. A. M. Currie of Lumber Bridge consulted the "doctors" and paid them \$20 down and gave his note for \$30 for medicine which was to be shipped from Birmingham. Mr. P. H. Lewis of Marietta paid \$5 down and was to pay \$10 more. Which about wound up the business of the "doctors" here. They were confronted by Sheriff Lewis with a warrant charging them as aforesaid, practicing without license. They showed fight at first and employed Mr. H. E. Stacy to defend them, but later they accepted an offer to be allowed to go on their way on condition that they refund every cent that had been paid them by those who had consulted them here. This was done and the "doctors" left in a hurry in their auto for Whiteville.

But their troubles seem only to have begun. At Maxton Tuesday these "doctors" seem to have had a high old time. From reports it seems they gathered in much of the "long green." Mr. S. A. Snead paid them \$25.40 and when he learned what had been done at Lumberton his heart went out with longing for those same iron men, and he phoned Lawyer T. L. Johnson to get busy right away quick. Which the same he did, with the result that the "doctors" were arrested at this writing, the morning of this 22nd August, that they are to be brought back to Lumberton.

It is understood that Dr. Royster of the State Board of Health wants these "doctors" held after the local cases are settled for prosecution for deeds done in the flesh, for capers cut under high heaven as they have journeyed to and fro in the land within the confines of the Old North State.

It is understood that for one hundred and fifty pills one man at Maxton paid, or promised to pay, the sum of \$87. Which is going some, when you come to think about it. Dr. Burroughs of Conway, S. C., saw Dr. McPhaul's piece in Monday's Robesonian and called up the doctor yesterday over long-distance phone to congratulate him upon warning the public and to tell him how he handled the "A. D.'s." Dr. Burroughs said the "A. D.'s" gathered in some \$1,000 before they were stopped in his town and that he made them refund \$400.

Which ends the first chapter of this story.

## THE RECORD OF DEATHS.

Mr. Sam Page of Marietta Died at Thompson Hospital Yesterday—Funeral This Morning.

Mr. Sam Page, 18 years old, died at the Thompson hospital yesterday at 12:10. Death resulted from an abscess, from which deceased had been suffering for several months. Deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Clawson Page of the Marietta section. The remains were taken to the Page home yesterday afternoon and interment was made in the Page cemetery, near Marietta, today at a 10 a. m.

Deceased was a model young man and had many friends.

## Mr. N. A. McLean of Bladen.

Mr. N. A. McLean, a farmer about 60 years old, died suddenly at his home near Bladenboro Saturday night, August 10th. He had been sick but was able to be up and was walking about the room when he was suddenly stricken. He is survived by his wife, who is a sister of Mrs. Sue Lennon of Lumberton. He was a brother of former Solicitor Colon McLean, also a brother of Bladen's present Representative in the Legislature, Mr. Danton McLean.

## PARKTON PARAGRAPHS.

Protracted Meeting Closes—Death of An Infant—Late-Plowed Crops Looking Better—Fine Corn and Velvet Beans—Sunday School Picnics—Personal and Other Items.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Parkton, Aug. 20.—The protracted meeting closed at the M. E. church Friday night. Only two accessions to the M. E. church, one to the Baptist church, and one to the Presbyterian. The preaching by Rev. J. D. Bundy was highly appreciated from beginning to the close, and if the meeting could have continued longer we believe much more good would have been accomplished; but the weather was mighty hot and it was thought best to bring the meeting to a close.

Paul Franklin, only 17 days old, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Fisher, died Friday evening and was buried Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Funeral services were conducted from the residence by Rev. W. L. Maness and the interment was in the Parkton cemetery. The little grave was barked with beautiful flowers. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the entire town and community in this sad hour.

Mr. Ralph Fisher and blind sister of Roseboro are spending the night in town, and both being great musicians they favored a number of the young folks tonight at the elegant home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cobb, also several numbers of solos by Mrs. Jas. Blue. It was somewhat of a treat to be there.

Rev. J. K. Hall and three sons, Bartley, Joseph and John F., left Wednesday morning for a vacation and pleasure trip to Mr. Hall's old home at Belmont. They will return home this week.

Mr. H. C. McMillan is installing an elegant light plant for his handsome residence.

Mr. J. G. Hughes has moved his old residence back on another street and will have two houses, or residences out of the large one. This shows up nicely, and gives a better view of his new residence, which he is now occupying.

The M. E. church is also being slipped back and will give the needed front yard.

The much-needed rain came Sunday night and now the crops are looking much refreshed, and we believe we will make an average crop up our way.

I was shown today one of the prettiest sights I ever saw in the way of corn and velvet beans on the farm of Mr. J. B. McCormick, near town. It is worth any farmer's time to visit this farm. The velvet beans are of the latest improved variety and they mature quite early, as the vines are full of pods already. Mr. McCormick is one of those up-to-date farmers and believes in raising something besides cotton.

We have observed a number of farms of cotton that have not been plowed since the first of July. As the weather got very hot the farmers quit plowing and excused themselves. Now they see their mistake. Cotton that was plowed regular up to the 12th of August is much better than where the plows ceased the first of July. Farmers that expect the best results must plow late, hot or cool, and when picking time comes it is much better.

Mr. Collier Cobb was on the Lumberton tobacco market yesterday and today and smiles when you mention prices.

Sergt. Wilson Jones of Camp Sevier is in town tonight. He is enjoying a few days off and he is just as fat and jolly as ever. He says he enjoys camp life and is raring to go over, but don't know when, yet. He is in the ordnance department.

Mrs. Z. T. McMillan of R. 1 is on a visit to relatives in town.

Numbers of our young folks are making trips up to the Falcon meeting this week.

We are sorry to report Mr. W. M. Davis on the sick list this week. Miss Pauline Sikes entertained a number of her friends last night from 9 to 11. Miss Sadie McKinzie was at the piano. A good time was reported.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. S. McArthur, on Sunday morning, a fine girl.

We trust we will be able in our next item to report the names of our school faculty. Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Hughes, who had been on a visit for several days to home folks in Georgia, returned home today and report a grand time, also say crops are fine; but the weather was much hot last week.

Miss Eunice Jones of Rockfish is in town tonight.

The M. E. Sunday school will picnic at Victory lake Thursday evening, leaving the church at four o'clock in automobiles. Every one that can get away and bring lunch is invited, and a good time awaits them—bathing and supper at eight and homeward bound at nine. Chaperones, Rev. W. L. Maness and Mrs. Nan Carter, Mrs. O. L. Johnson.

Mrs. J. D. Gillis will take her Sunday school class to Jackson Springs Thursday for a day of pleasure and picnic. Will start at eight a. m. and return at nightfall.

Mr. T. W. Thompson is spending the week in Baltimore.

Esquire A. A. Wright returned Saturday from Baltimore, a business trip, and reports business brief.

Mr. Graham Powers, who has been with the Parkton Mercantile Co. all the year, left last night for Wilmington, where he claims to have joined

## BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—All applicants for the carrier-clerk examination to be held here Saturday must furnish a photo of themselves of recent date.

—"My Four Years in Germany," which will be shown at the Pastime theatre tomorrow at 8 o'clock, no doubt will be seen by large crowds. It is the sort of picture that everybody wants to see.

—Mrs. K. M. Biggs underwent a serious operation at Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, Monday. Her condition is reported as favorable. Mr. K. M. Biggs returned yesterday from Baltimore, having gone there Saturday to be with Mrs. Biggs.

—The fire company was called out Tuesday about 1:30 m. on account of a blaze on the roof at the residence of Mr. J. M. McCallum, Third and Water streets. The fire was extinguished with chemicals before it had made much headway. It is supposed the fire started from a stove flue.

—Mr. D. E. Myers of Wilmington, district manager, and Mr. P. D. Davis of Raleigh, traffic man, have been in Lumberton this week looking into local Bell telephone service, about which there has been much complaint recently. They are trying to improve the service here and are confident that marked improvement will be noted in a few days.

—Rev. J. I. Stone of Shallotte was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday. Mr. Stone says that about 100 acres were planted in tobacco in Brunswick county this year, the first time tobacco has been grown in that county, and that it averages about 400 pounds to the acre heavier tobacco grown on his Robeson county farm about 8 miles from Lumberton on the Creek road.

## RALEIGH GETS TANK CAMP.

It is Reported it Will Be the Biggest in the World.

Raleigh is rejoicing over news from Washington that it is to have a big tank training camp, report having it that it is to be the biggest in the world. The chamber of commerce and other interests at Raleigh had been working quietly for two weeks to land this camp and the news that it had been landed was sent out from Washington Monday night.

More than 15,000 acres of land has been lined up, including land adjacent to the State fair ground, and the State college will co-operate with the use of any of the college buildings temporarily until the regular camp equipment is in place.

Final details of the agreement between the Government and local interests is expected to be closed within a few days.

## SATURDAY'S REGISTRATION

It is Estimated That 158,000 Young Men Should Register August 24.

Revised estimates announced by the provost marshal general show that 158,000 young men who have become 21 since last June 5 should register for military service next Saturday. Of this number, it is estimated subject to immediate call to the colors.

The estimate for North Carolina's registration Saturday is 3,600, and for South Carolina, 2,258.

## CASUALTY LISTS.

Army casualty list reported by the commanding general of the American expeditionary forces yesterday include the following:

Wounded severely—Sgt. Geo. W. Goodman, Salisbury, N. C.; Privates Jas. B. Jones Leslie, S. C.; Jessie W. Stallings, Gilky, N. C.; Jesse Avery, Duke, N. C.

Missing in action—Robt. C. Ray, Cowpens, S. C.

Reported Tuesday:

Died of disease—Edwin A. Cribb, Rhems, S. C.

Missing in action—Private Garrie Ward, Saluda, S. C., R. 1.

## American Airmen Bombing Submarine Bases.

The American navy's air campaign against German submarine bases in Flanders began August 15 with the bombing of Ostend, states a London dispatch of the 20th. While details are lacking, it is said the operations generally were successful and that the Americans are particularly good at night bombing.

He left without advising the company much about his new occupation.

Messrs. J. F. Lewis, T. C. Lewis and L. M. Powell made a trip to Petersburg, Va., last week through the country in Mr. Lewis' car and returned Friday. They report somewhat of a time but enjoyed the trip fine. They visited many points.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cashwell and small daughter, Margaret, returned home Monday from High Point, where they spent a week with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bollins. They report a fine time.

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