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BITTER FIGHTING

EAST OF PIAVE

(By United Press.)
London, Oct. 28.—Bitter fighting is continuing east of the Piave river, where the Allied troops forced crossing of the Austrians, the war office announces. The Italian armies have wrested the slopes of four mountains from the Austrians and held them in the face of most determined counter attacks. The ground was strewn with dead bodies, mostly those of the enemy.

Ludendorff Forced to Resign.

Washington, Oct. 28.—The resignation of Gen. Ludendorff, Germany's military chief, was forced after he disagreed with Prince Max over acceptance of President Wilson's peace terms. A Zurich dispatch states that German newspapers predict that Gen. Vonzi, chief of staff of Gen. von Mackensen during the latter's Rumanian drive, will succeed Ludendorff at the head of the German armies.

Congressmen Under Fire.

With American Armies in France, Oct. 28.—Congressmen Glass of Virginia and Whaley and Burns of South Carolina were under shell fire in the Verdun region recently. One shell landed within 200 yards of the party. The Congressmen visited Mont Fauton and other points held by the first army.

LUENDORFF RESIGNS.

"Brains" of German Army Resigns Position—Germany is Awaiting Proposals for an Armistice—Report That Reichstag Makes Civil Government Supreme.

The Associated Press gives this morning the following summary of the war news:
The German government has prepared a rejoinder to President Wilson's last note in which after again referring to the far reaching changes which have been carried out and are being carried out in the German constitutional structure to which the military powers have been made subject it declares that Germany is now awaiting the proposals for an armistice.

A London dispatch, however, reporting the fact that Premier Lloyd-George and Foreign Secretary Balfour had gone to France with naval and military advisers, says it is understood authoritatively that the allied governments will not reveal their armistice terms until Germany has replied to President Wilson's last note which it probably was expected would contain more than the mere fact that Germany was waiting for the terms of the armistice.

A crash has come in the personnel of the German high command. General Ludendorff, reputed to be the brains of the German army—the man who promised the German people he would crush Great Britain and France before the United States could get under way in a military sense—has resigned his position as first quartermaster-general and Emperor William has accepted the resignation. Simultaneously, while the German line continues to crumble under the allied attacks and the German border is slowly but gradually being approached by Germany's foes, comes a report that the Reichstag, by a large majority, has passed a bill placing the military command under control of the civil government.

On the western battle front the British, French and Americans have continued to make further slight gains against the Germans; in the Italian theatre both the British and Italians have scored successes, while in Asiatic Turkey the British have captured Aleppo in Syria and are driving ahead on both banks of the Tigris in Mesopotamia, with the Turks unable to check them. The fall of Aleppo and the continued advance up the Tigris are moves of such strategic value that it is not unlikely Turkish opposition shortly will be overcome, both in the Holy Land and in Mesopotamia.

The French armies, fighting on the forty-mile front between the Oise and Aisne rivers, are keeping up their offensive against the Germans and have made additional gains, taking several villages and compelling the enemy to fall back at various points. In the region southeast of Valenciennes, around Le Quesnoy, the Germans have delivered violent counter attacks against the British. Their efforts to throw back Field Marshal Haig's men from the positions they held were unsuccessful and heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy by machine gun and rifle fire.

The Americans have begun the second month of their operations in the region of Verdun by keeping up their attacks against the Germans from the Meuse to the wooded country north of Grand Pre. Some further progress has been made notwithstanding continued strong opposition by German machine gunners from behind the natural fortifications which abound through this district, American airplanes also are continuing their bombing operations behind the German lines, their latest effort in this respect having been made against the territory around Briquieny north of Grand Pre, in which 140 airplanes took part, sixty of them being bombing machines. Since the Americans began their operations northwest of Verdun, more than 45 villages have been liberated,

NEWS ITEMS AND COMMENT.

Two Deaths—Return of Old Time

Welcomed—Everything Done to Check the "Flu."

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Lumberton, R. 5, Oct. 28.—The return of our old time is welcomed. We made a flying trip to our good church at Galeed near Bladenboro, Saturday where we held a brief service, and were glad to find the people rapidly recovering from their recent attack of gripe, there being no new cases.

It is to be hoped the county quarantine may soon be lifted so we can go to Sunday school and preaching again. It is our opinion that everything the doctors and those in authority could do both to prevent the spread of the disease and to relieve the suffering of the unfortunate ones has been done.

The remains of Mr. Stephen Davis of the Raft Swamp community were interred in the family cemetery yesterday about 11. Mr. Davis died Saturday about 6 a. m. of pneumonia following influenza. He was in the 52nd year of his age. He was a member of the church at Raft Swamp and faithful in every detail incident to her interest. The funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. L. E. Daily, and the writer, who has been the pastor in the days gone by. The W. O. W. ceremonies entered largely into the burial rites, deceased being an honored member of that order. All the services were at the grave and in the presence of a large crowd of friends and sorrowing ones who sympathized greatly with the bereaved widow and children. The floral offerings were beautiful.

Now the funeral and interment today of Mr. Woodie Wade, who died yesterday morning. The funeral will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Combs of the Gospel Tabernacle assisted by the writer, and interment made in the family cemetery near Allenton. To his widowed wife and the children also to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Wade, his two surviving brothers and two sisters, we offer our profound sympathy.

J. M. FLEMING.

NO COURT NEXT WEEK.

Judge Lyon Will Be Here Monday

Sign Judgments and Take Submissions—Jurors and Witnesses—Need Not Report.

There will be no court in Robeson next week. This was decided by the Robeson bar with the approval of the judge. All jurors and witnesses who have been summoned need not report at all. The term set for next week was for the trial of criminal cases. Judge C. C. Lyons will be here for one day—Monday—for the purpose of signing judgments and taking submissions.

New Home Demonstration Agent Arrives.

Miss Flax Andrews of Mt. Gilead arrived today to take up her duties as home demonstration agent in Robeson. Miss Andrews was elected to this position by the board of county commissioners at their meeting the first Monday in this month. She will succeed Miss Lulu M. Cassidy, who resigned on account of her health and who has accepted a like position in the city of Asheville. Miss Andrews comes highly recommended and no doubt will fill the position in a most satisfactory manner. As has been stated in The Robesonian, she has held several years training for this sort of work.

"Flu" Situation 75 Per Cent Better—Good Work by Red Cross.

Local physicians think the "flu" situation is 75 per cent better. Very few new cases have been reported from any section of the county and many who have had the disease have gotten out in the past few days or are rapidly improving. The local Red Cross workers have done splendid work during the past few days, and their work is telling for good. Some individuals working on their own initiative also have done splendidly in caring for the sick.

Mr. Abner Stone Has Had Some Close Calls.

Mr. A. W. Stone of R. 3 from Fairmont was a Lumberton visitor Saturday. Mr. Stone recently received a letter from his brother, Mr. Abner Stone, who belongs to the 30th Division, American soldiers in France. He told of a number of close calls he had experienced since he has been at the front. At one time he said a shell struck within a few feet of where he was standing and on another occasion a shell struck a building an hour after he had left it, tearing it to pieces. Mr. Stone is in the signal corps and has been in France six months.

an advance to an average depth of ten miles has been made and more than 20,000 Germans have been made prisoner.

—Mr. J. W. H. Fuchs of Wilmington spent yesterday here visiting friends. Mr. Fuchs reported conditions fast becoming normal in Wilmington after the influenza epidemic.

CHRISTMAS PACKAGES FOR SOLDIERS

Plans Perfected by Red Cross Whereby American Soldiers And Sailors May Receive Packages From Home.

The American Red Cross has perfected plans whereby every American soldier and sailor may receive one Christmas package from home. Only one package can be sent to any soldier or sailor. The men in service have been supplied with a Christmas parcel label. Each will mail that label to the one from whom he wishes a present. Cartons for mailing presents are furnished by the Red Cross.

The Robeson Red Cross chapter has ordered 1,200 of these cartons. The receipt of a label from a man in military service entitles the holder to a carton. The cartons will be distributed by November 1. Any relatives of a Robeson soldier or sailor who desires a carton can get same, providing they hold a label, by applying to Miss Minnie Lennon of Lumberton, secretary of the Robeson Red Cross chapter.

The carton must be packed by those sending the package and turned over to the Red Cross. The package must be unwrapped and unlabeled. The Red Cross will wrap, label, weigh and mail same. However, the sender must pay the postage. No parcel can be mailed after November 15, 1918. No package must weigh over 3 pounds. No written message can be enclosed. Inspected parcels must remain in the hands of the Red Cross until delivered by its representative to the postoffice. In the event a label is lost a substitute cannot be secured, hence no package can be sent.

The following articles are not mailable in Christmas packages:

1. All spirituous, vinous, malted, fermented or other intoxicating liquors.
2. All kinds of poison and all articles and compositions containing poison.
3. Explosives of all kinds.
4. Inflammable materials, including friction matches.
5. Infernal machines and mechanical, chemical or other devices of compositions which may ignite or explode.
- Note:—Under this classification would come cigarette lighters, etc.
6. Liquids or liquefiable articles, fragile articles and other admissible matter when not packed in accordance with the requirements of the postal laws and regulations.
7. All other articles which may kill, or in any wise hurt, harm or injure another, or damage or deface or otherwise injure the mails or other property.

Kitchen For Relief of Needy Cases Only.

To the Public:

To those who do not understand the purpose of the kitchen prepared for relief of the sick, I take the liberty of saying that nourishment prepared is only for those who are really in need on account of lack of help at home and in cases of poverty.

Calls have been made to the kitchen for nourishment where the families have help in the homes and are able to provide. These cases will hereafter be turned down. The ladies who are running the kitchen will be overworked by keeping up with the really needy cases, so unless your family is really in need, try to do the best you can in order that the more needy cases may be reached. Hereafter beef extract will only be furnished to pneumonia cases. Those who can be called upon to provide as far as possible for conveying nourishment to your homes or the homes of your neighbors in order that the kitchen force may be relieved as much as possible.

WOODBERRY LENNON,
Chairman Relief Committee.

Delegates to Farmers' Meeting.

To attend the 38th annual session of the Farmers' National Congress to be held at Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 3 to 6, Director B. W. Kilgore has appointed to represent the Agricultural Extension Service of the State College and Department of Agriculture 25 representative farmers who are patriotically interested in the cause of better agriculture and who will put forward the views of North Carolina farmers at this important congress. The appointment to this congress is a distinct honor, as only representative men from the country over are selected. Mr. A. T. McCallum of Red Springs and Mr. O. L. Clark of Clarkton are among the delegates named.

President Graham of State University Victim of Influenza.

Edward Kidder Graham, president of the university of North Carolina, died at his home at Chapel Hill Saturday night of influenza-pneumonia. The funeral was held this afternoon at 2. President Graham was a prominent leader in State, Southern and National educational affairs. He was inaugurated president of the university in 1915.

Clocks Turned Back One Hour.

The "daylight saving" period ended Saturday night and clocks were turned back one hour at 2 a. m. Sunday. All railroad trains stopped for one hour and then resumed their schedules.

WITH ROBESON SOLDIERS.

CORPORAL BEN CARTER.



Son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Carter of Red Springs. He died in a hospital in France Sept. 1, 1918, of wounds received in action.

To the Editor of The Robesonian:

Another of North Carolina's brave boys has fallen on the western front in the battle for the world's freedom. This time it is Corporal Ben F. Carter of Co. L, 119 infantry regiment, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Carter of Red Springs.

Corporal Carter was born July 18th 1898, and died in a hospital in France Sept. 1st, 1918, of wounds received in action. He volunteered January 15th, 1917, at Lumber Bridge, joining company L of the 2nd N. C. regiment of the national guards. He had been in France 4 months when the country's cause and died a hero doing his duty till he fell on the field mortally wounded.

Ben was converted in the camp before leaving the United States, led to Christ under the influence of the Y. M. C. A. by a camp pastor, and joined the Methodist church. On leaving for France he directed that his church letter be forwarded to Rev. A. J. Parker, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, Red Springs. The following poem which he sent his mother on leaving camp in his home land gives an insight to his spiritual life:

"Dear Mother, you're a lilly placed by God beside life's weary way,
To give new home, new life, new joy,
Which smiles and seems to say—
"Cheer up" for at the end of this dark, dreary, cheerless road,
A haven of rest awaits your soul, a bright and heavenly abode.

"God grant that I will return to you, when'er the battle's won,
But should I fall, God give you strength to say, "Thy will be done";
For I die proudly in this fight, the souls of men to save,
Knowing that "Back Home" a "Service flag" for evermore shall wave.

So as you journey down life's road, making others' burdens light,
Remember that your "Khaki boy" prays for you and yours each night.

"YOUR SOLDIER BOY."
By REV. A. J. PARKER,
Red Springs, N. C.

LIKES ARMY LIFE.

Uncle Sam Takes Good Care of His Boys.

To the Editor of The Robesonian:

Will you please allow a soldier boy from dear old Robeson a small space in your valuable paper to cheer up the folks back home.

We boys are here for a good cause. All the boys are in good spirits. We are eager to do our all, not our bit, for we were doing our bits before we came to camp. United we stand for Democracy and the freedom of mankind. Justice to all and peace to all is the motto of every true American soldier. We are sure to win because we stand for justice.

The time has now come the slackers can't hide, he must also come across and do his bit. It is better to be a true soldier than a sly slacker. I am down here in camp Wadsworth preparing myself to do my country's will and answer my call to the dear old Red, White and Blue. Long may it wave! I sure do enjoy army life, simply because I am in love with my country.

Private LUTHER CHAVIS,
4th Pioneer Inf., Co. A,
Camp Wadsworth, S. C.

Final Figures Not Yet Available.

To the Public:

I had hoped before this to give to the public the final figures for the county and for each district and each bank in the county of amounts subscribed to the 4th Liberty Loan. But so far I have been unable to secure reports from two banks in the county and therefore cannot as yet give the final and complete figures. I have written these two banks urging them to let me have their report and just as soon as the information is in hand it will be given to the public.

R. C. LAWRENCE,
County Chairman.

THE RECORD OF DEATHS.

Mr. Hubert Rogers.

The remains of Mr. Hubert Rogers, who died Saturday night at 8:30 at the Thompson hospital, were sent to Raleigh yesterday and interment was made in the family burying ground there late yesterday afternoon. Deceased had been sick several days with influenza-pneumonia. He is survived by his wife and two children, all of whom are sick.

Deceased was a plumber by trade and had made his home here for several years. He was robust and the very picture of health when he was stricken with influenza. He was assistant fire chief here and had many friends.

Mr. W. F. Edwards, who accompanied the remains to Raleigh, returned home this morning.

Mr. Woodie P. Wade.

Mr. Woodie P. Wade, aged 29 years, died at his home in the eastern part of town yesterday at 8:30 a. m. of influenza-pneumonia. He is survived by his wife and two children. Mrs. Wade and one child are sick with influenza. The funeral was conducted from the home at 10 o'clock this morning by Rev. W. D. Combs, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle, assisted by Rev. J. M. Fleming. Interment was made in the family burying ground, near Allenton.

Calvin Lowrey, Indian, Died at Camp Stuart.

The remains of Calvin B. Lowrey, Indian, formerly of the Buie section, arrived home last week from Camp Stuart, Newport News, Va., where he died of influenza. Deceased was a son of Calvin F. Lowrey, a highly respected Indian of the Buie section, and had been in the army seven months. Interment was made in the family burying ground.

Mr. Isaiah Wilcox of Britt Township.

Mr. Isaiah Wilcox, aged 70 years, died Thursday at his home in Britt township of stomach trouble. He is survived by his wife and several children.

Mr. Fulton Phillips of Boardman.

Mr. Fulton Phillips died yesterday at 11 a. m. at his home at Boardman of influenza-pneumonia. Deceased formerly lived here.

Giles Prevatt.

Mr. Giles Prevatt, formerly of Robeson county, died Thursday at his home at Rockingham of influenza-pneumonia. Deceased was about 62 years old and is survived by his wife and several children.

Randolph Branch.

Rudolph, one-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Branch of Britt township, died Saturday of influenza.

John Dial, Indian.

John Dial, Indian, aged 53 years, died at his home in Back Swamp township Friday night of pneumonia following influenza.

Mrs. A. H. Flowers.

Mr. A. H. Flowers of Palmetto, Fla., spent Saturday and yesterday here visiting relatives. Mr. Flowers was on his way back to Florida from Eureka, this State, where he went to bury his wife, who died October 15 of influenza-pneumonia. Deceased is survived by her husband and one child 22-months old.

Miss Sallie Townsend, of Hope Mills.

Miss Sallie Townsend, aged 80 years, died at her home at Hope Mills Friday morning of infirmities of old age. She was an aunt of Mr. S. H. Hamilton of Lumberton. Deceased was born near Lumberton, near the J. H. McNeill place, but had lived in Hope Mills for the past 60 years.

Mrs. S. R. Jacobs of Fairmont.

Mrs. J. R. Jacobs died at her home in Fairmont Thursday night of influenza. She was a daughter of Mr. Condy Arnett of Wishart township.

Lucy Lewis, Colored.

The remains of Lucy Lewis, colored, arrived here Thursday from Goldsboro, where she died of influenza.

Mr. Stephen Davis of Raft Swamp.

Mr. Stephen Davis, aged about 50 years, died Saturday morning at his home near Raft Swamp church. Deceased had been sick for several days with influenza-pneumonia. He is survived by his wife and six children.

Engagement Announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Britt of Lumberton announce the engagement of their daughter Miss Annie Ruth to Vinton E. Fountain. The wedding will take place early in December. Miss Britt is an attractive and popular young lady. Mr. Fountain is a young business man of Leggett.

—Mr. J. F. McGill of Elizabethtown has accepted a position as bookkeeper in the McAllister Hardware store.

DR. WILLIAM W. PARKER,
Optometrist
Expert Knowledge of Eye Diseases
and Fitting Glasses.
LUMBERTON, N. C.

COTTON MARKET.

Middling cotton is selling on the local market today for 28 3-4 cents the pound; strict middling 29 cents.

BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—A quarterly meeting of the directors of the Lumberton, Dresden and Jennings Cotton Mill companies was held Friday.

—Mr. W. S. Floyd of Barnesville was a Lumberton visitor Saturday. He reported the influenza situation in his section somewhat improved.

—Mr. D. Barrington of R. 5, from Maxton, was among the visitors in town Friday. Mr. Barrington reported the farmers in his section about through picking cotton.

—Mrs. J. A. Barker is very ill with pneumonia at the home of her son Mr. E. J. Barker at Rowland. Mr. E. J. Barker and family, who have been sick with influenza, are somewhat improved.

—Rev. H. A. Grantham, priest in charge of Trinity Episcopal church, returned home Friday night after a month's absence, visiting a number of towns in the State in the interest of his church paper, The Living Church.

—Mrs. Irvin Jenkins received a wire this morning advising that the condition of her nephew Mr. Jas. L. Williamson, who, as stated in Thursday's Robesonian, has influenza-pneumonia at Camp Johnson, Jacksonville, Fla., was somewhat improved.

—Mr. W. F. Stone of R. 1, Raynham, was a Lumberton visitor this morning. He and his entire family have had the "flu" but all are practically well now. Mr. Stone having been up for more than a week. His father, Mr. Scott Stone, and family also have had the "flu" but all are up now.

—The war, influenza, or something has killed matrimony in Robeson. Register of Deeds M. W. Floyd has not sold a marriage license for white people this month, did not sell one for anybody last week, and has only sold one during the last two weeks. Last week was the first during the four years Mr. Floyd has been register of deeds that he failed to sell at least one "pair."

OVERSEAS CASUALTIES

Reported for North and South Carolina:

Wounded degree undetermined—Corporal Coy M. Bell, Troy, N. C.; Privates Asa J. Bradley, Spartanburg, S. C.; Jas. H. McKenzie, Carthage, N. C.

Slightly wounded—Capt. Arthur Lee, Greenwood, S. C.; Privates Robert D. Cox, Pisgah, N. C.; Joel S. Deese, Monroe, N. C.

Killed in action: Lieuts. Robt. A. Beavere, Anderson, S. C.; Jas. Sykes, Pee Dee, N. C.; Corporal Oscar Waset, Anderson, S. C.; Privates Troy Fletcher, Johnson, Ivanhoe, N. C.; West Jacobs, Marion, N. C.; Angus Love, Elko, S. C.; Anderson A. Williams, Metryville, S. C.; Wilford H. Davis, Orangeburg, S. C. R. 4; Bruce Horace Kincaid, Morganton, N. C.

Died from wounds received in action: Privates Roger M. Hockaday, Hoke Forest, N. C. R. 4; Ira H. McKee, Rougemont, N. C.; Mack Matthews, Coward, S. C. R. 1; Novitz Smith, Creek, N. C. R. 1; William H. Beaver, Kannapolis, N. C.; Rufus H. Genobler, Pacolet, S. C.; Cleon R. Jones, Mount Olive, N. C. R. 1.

Died of Disease: Captain George R. Hardesty, Baylaw Height, N. C.; Sergeant Horace B. Connelly, Winston-Salem, N. C.; Corporal Pinkney H. Burton, Greensboro, N. C.; Privates John F. Stansell, Pickens, S. C. R. 1; Robert F. Ward, Asheville, N. C. R. 1; Louis F. Townsend, Connelly Springs, N. C.; Benjamin Delris Clapp, Whitsett, N. C.; Henry Boyd, Youngsville, N. C. R. 2; Samuel W. Smith, Spencer, N. C.

Wounded severely: Private Bernie F. Jester, Boonville, N. C. R. 2.

Wounded slightly in action: Corporals Charlie W. Gunter, Newhill, N. C. R. 1; Spurgeon A. Wilson, Gastonia, N. C. R. 4; John McD. Michal Woodrow, N. C.; Charles H. McPherson, Franklin, N. C. R. 2; Privates James N. Evans, Spray, N. C.; Welzy Jodd, Just, N. C.; Roley Tysinger, Randleman, N. C.; Dockie O. West, Columbia, N. C.; H. P. William Scott, Waltham, S. C.; Richard N. Sentelle, Waynesville, N. C.; Walter T. Warren, Belmont, N. C.

Missing in action: Corporal Francis C. McAuley, Dunlap, N. C.

Killed in action—Privates Burley Waycaster, Black Mountains, N. C.; Dillard S. Pearson, Moravian Falls, N. C.

Died of wounds—Privates James Biennon, Blackville, S. C.; Cumbe Pace, Saluda, N. C.

Died of disease—Privates William Lewis, R. 1, Epworth, S. C.; Anderson L. Aber, Tyrell, N. C.

Wounded severely—Corporals Dallas Corder, Dobson, N. C.; Sanford Cain, Westminister, S. C.; Privates James W. Morrow, Saxapahaw, N. C.; June C. Johnson, Rameur, N. C.; Charlie C. McAuley, Troy, N. C.

Wounded slightly—Corporals John L. Brown, Wilkesboro, N. C.; Walter O. Brown, Bennett, N. C.; Privates Pleasant R. Fain, Spray, N. C.; Fred E. Turnipseed, Baakman, S. C.

Died of disease—J. F. Wingate, Lincolnton, N. C.; W. C. Malpass, Wallace, N. C.

Wounded severely—J. T. Murphy, Spray, N. C.

Wounded, degree undetermined—J. H. Ball, Winston-Salem, N. C.; Walter Smith, Charlotte, N. C.; C. C. Watson, Oval, N. C.

Missing in action—Johnnie Johnson, Windsor, N. C.; Willie Daniel, Northampton, N. C.