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BACK FROM TRENCHES

LIEUT. W. A. CROSS VISITS RANDOLPH COUNTY—WAS SLIGHTLY WOUNDED MAY 28TH LAST—MADE INTERESTING TALK IN COURT HOUSE.

Lieutenant W. A. Cross arrived at Franklinville a few days ago to visit his family. Lieutenant Cross was commissioned to come to the United States as an instructor while in active warfare in France. Lieutenant Cross visited relatives in Asheboro Monday and Tuesday and he spoke in the court house Tuesday evening giving his observations and experiences. He has been in the army more than twenty years; he fought in the Spanish-American war.

Lieutenant Cross was a member of General Pershing's troops who went to France where they had a month and a half training before beginning to fight in the Chateau-Thierry sector.

He says our army is wonderfully equipped; we own our railroad, freight trains in France, and the finest hospitals in the world.

The American men are wonderfully fine specimens of soldiers. They are well fed and well clothed. There are 900,000 men in the combat troops in France, he says. The remainder of the million and a half men are engaged in construction work, and work in transportation lines. When our soldiers go into battle they carry two days' rations, then after forty-eight hours the soldiers carry food to the trenches on mule trucks called rolling kitchens.

Lieutenant Cross had charge of feeding the men in his company and said he made it a point to feed them well.

In speaking of some of his experiences he said:

We went into "scrap" on the 28th day of May at Cantigny, where his regiment was detailed to take that town. We began shelling the town at three o'clock a. m. and by daylight there was an awful sight of smoke, shell and splinters. Before this attack we rehearsed day after day the part each soldier was to take in the attack and with the result that we got sweet revenge for some of the mean things the Germans had been doing to us. Our regiment then began operations around Chateau-Thierry where we captured a colonel and 700 men and got all the machine guns and field artillery in the vicinity.

He says that the British, Canadians and Americans capture more prisoners than the French colonial troops who say it is too expensive to feed them. The French are foxy fighters. The Americans are restless to get into the thick of the fight to "see what is going on; are hard fighters, hard to stop when started the French say.

After being over there for some time and under fire, a soldier knows whether a shell is going over or is apt to fall in his vicinity, and soon learns whether to run for shelter or ignore the sound. By lying flat it is not so dangerous even though a shell fall near. By the way our men sent over five shells to the enemy's line.

The army has a wonderful way of finding things. We raid a trench, capture as many men as possible and question them. If we cannot get a live soldier we would take a dead one and ascertain from his uniform his identity thereby finding division fighting in front of us.

All work must be done at night in order to keep the enemy airplanes from photographing our movements. When a move is made we leave wooden guns to deceive the enemy and for days and as long as a week the Boche shell those wooden guns. One was shelled for a week and never touched.

Our boys get very little information as to what is being done in the war. They do know and appreciate the wonderful things the Red Cross, Salvation Army and Y. M. C. A. is doing for the boys over there.

Lieutenant Cross says when fighting, men only knew the division on their right and the one on their left. He had a nephew from Franklinville in the Regiment next to his and found it out by accident. Nearly all his regiment was recruited from the Southern States, regular army.

He was lavish in his praise of the French soldiers, and says every man in France is a soldier, every able-bodied man is in uniform.

The speaker was agreeably surprised to find the United States so alert and doing so much to win the war. He does not want the American people to think the war can be won by starving the Germans. The only way to convince a German is to kill him. They are a loyal people to the kaiser, and worship him in a way. He predicts the war will close next year. He says that the Americans have captured many thousands of German prisoners, while the Germans have captured but 300 of our men.

Lieutenant Cross was slightly wounded at Cantigny, knocked down by shell, but only slightly wounded under the chin, and was all right in a short while.

He was at St. Mihiel fighting when notified to come to the United States. Lieutenant Cross left yesterday for Camp Dix, N. J., where he will receive orders as to where he will go for an instructor.

Foes in Siberia Will Fight With Americans

A movement exceeding, perhaps, that of the Czecho-Slovaks, is being organized to form a Polish division to fight in Siberia westward to their oppressed fatherland as integral units in the American army.

LIEUTENANT W. A. CROSS



RALEIGH LETTER

(By Maxwell Gorman.)

Raleigh, Sept. 16.—The State convention of workers engaged in the united war work campaign, which will be held in Raleigh next Friday and Saturday, 20th and 21st, promises to be largely attended. Some 400 to 500 delegates are expected to attend. Plans will be mapped out for the combined drive of the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., Knights of Columbus (Catholic), Jewish War Relief, Salvation Army and American Library Association work among soldiers and sailors. The amount these united activities will ask for is \$1,035,617. Committees are today out securing places of accommodation for the delegates.

With the coming of the big tank camp to Raleigh there is developing a rash for "homes" of every sort and description—from the apartment house "suite" to the more modest cottages of 5 to even 3 rooms, and a disposition is already detected on the part of some real estate agents and landlords to "raise rents" all along the line. As yet, however, the scheme has not made great headway. The public is against it and the real estate firm agitating it is down in black and white in a promise not to raise rents. Only a small proportion of the soldiers are here yet. Later hundreds of workmen from a distance will arrive to aid in the construction work at the camp—not yet named.

Gen. Carr Makes Raleigh His Home

Gen. Julian S. Carr, who can be properly termed "North Carolina's first private citizen" (and who ought to have been governor, and then some, long ago) is to make Raleigh his place of Residence October 1st.

In an address here Sunday night at the Edenton street, M. E. church, Gen. Carr charmed his hearers with an address on "Hoover" and the duty of saving at every angle as long as the war continues. He declared that the food you waste and the amount of surplus you use beyond that needed is the line of demarcation. Don't waste anything—it is treason to do so, urged the "Confederate private" and later commander of the veterans of North Carolina.

Gen. Carr, in announcing that he will make this city his home said:

"Raleigh is the place to get North Carolina by the hand," and added that he had been out of the State so much of late that he was anxious to get back in close touch with his own people.

Every red-blooded American is cheering President Wilson for the prompt defiance which he hurled at the enemy yesterday immediately upon learning of the proposition of the enemy for a non-binding peace discussion. "Force to the utmost! That righteous force which shall make right the law of the world!" replied the President, and that is the only kind of "peace" that will satisfy our soldiers and sailors who are "in this war to win."

Wounded Soldiers Pass Through Greensboro

Two carloads of wounded soldiers passed through Greensboro Sunday en route to the government hospital at Waynesville.

Base Hospital Unit 65 Arrives In France

Dr. Long's base hospital unit No. 65 has arrived safely in France.

Kaiser Looking Grave

"The kaiser looked grave and his hair is looking gray," says an Essen dispatch describing the appearance of Emperor William. The occasion of his speech at Krupp munition works.

Galway Castle Torpedoed

Survivors of the torpedoed Galway Castle reached Plymouth, England, Thursday. The passengers were mostly women and children, and it is believed that whole families have been lost.

Among the survivors were little tots scarcely able to walk, crying in vain for their parents. There seems no reason to doubt that the vessel was torpedoed without the slightest warning.

David Faulkner, Former Randolph Citizen, 100 Years Old

David Faulkner, who formerly lived in Randolph county in Back Creek township, but a few years ago moved to High Point, Guilford county, celebrated his 100th birthday Sunday. Mr. Faulkner is well known throughout Randolph county.

Is Your Subscription Paid in Advance?

The War Department has classed the paper mills as a necessary industry and has issued the following directions as a precaution against shortage and to conserve the fuel supply issued to the mills:

"THAT ALL NEWSPAPERS SHALL ON THE FIRST DAY OF OCTOBER DROP FROM THEIR LISTS ALL DELINQUENT SUBSCRIBERS WHO HAVE NOT PAID IN ADVANCE."

This order of the government is LAW and of course the newspapers have no alternative but to obey. There are some Courier readers who are in arrears, and whose papers will have to be discontinued October 1 unless they renew before that time.

The Courier has no choice in this. The government has issued the order and it must be obeyed. It applies to EVERY newspaper. After October 1 no paper can be sent to a subscriber who is behind. Not only that, but the government forbids the sending of complimentary or sample copies.

We therefore urge those subscribers who are in arrears to renew without delay.

Look at the label opposite your name. If it reads Jan-1-18, you of course know that you owe from January 1, 1918, which, to Oct. 1, would be \$1.12½. Add to this whatever amount you wish to pay in advance and send us. \$1.50 will pay for a year, \$1 for 8 months, 75 cents for 6 months, and 50 cents for 3 months. Your prompt attention to this small matter will be appreciated.

Address THE COURIER, Asheboro, N. C.

HERE AND THERE

WHAT OUR FIELD CORRESPONDENT HEARS AND THINKS—ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP OVER THE COUNTY

How many gasoline slackers are there in and around Asheboro? If you are one you know it.

At the present rate of retirement some of the home-sick German boys bid fair to see their mother and sweethearts before long.

If the editor of the Bulletin should happen to swallow Mike Dooganshield he would have more brains in his stomach than he has in his head.

It is said that the Republicans who had the Hurley affidavit published in The Bulletin are on the sick list. Poor fellows! They have made a mess of it and some of the good honest Republican voters in this county are ashamed of them.

Five to one that there are not four Democratic deserters in Tabernacle township and the intelligent Republicans who have read "Sefas'" articles are getting their eyes open. They find that his articles are misleading and that he thinks more of a little office than he does of the soldiers in France.

Messrs. E. H. and E. G. Morris, of Asheboro, spent last Saturday evening in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Lednum, of Liberty Route 1, have received announcement of the safe arrival overseas of their son, Clyde Lednum.

Mr. Gurney Hoover, of Tabernacle township, was in Asheboro one day last week.

A straw, which shows which way the wind is blowing: Please set aside in South Carolina; Vardaman in Mississippi; Governor Phillips defeated in the Wisconsin primaries by the Republicans of that State, and Hon. Frank Woods was defeated recently for renomination by a good majority because in the eyes of the people of his district, he had not voted right on a number of measures affecting the war. His opponent was 100 per cent loyal and was successful on this issue alone. The setting aside of Democrats and Republicans who have not been loyal to the Government show that the people are awake and the public man who thought he could win favor from the people by being disloyal to his Government has misjudged the American people.

We are not concerned with the motive but with the fact. There are conditions in various sections of Randolph county which call for serious thought on the part of all good citizens—conditions that mean more to the future of the boys and girls and the good name of this county than many of our citizens realize. There are scores of illicit whiskey dealers in this county and the evil of making liquor has reached a stage of boldness and daring which ought to alarm and arouse all thinking people. In these sections are some good citizens as are to be found anywhere, but something must be done to aid those good citizens to stamp out this nefarious liquor business. Do we, as fathers and mothers and citizens realize where we are drifting? When men have no regard for prohibition laws it is an easy step for them to disregard other laws, and by and by the integrity of our citizenship is gone and we shall have a state of anarchy and lawlessness will exist that will be a curse to our children and our neighbors. Is it not time for good men of all political parties to rise in their might and with their voices and their votes call a halt in this county? Is there anything of more importance than that we shall save the future of our children and our neighbors children? It is time for all thinking people to wake up!

The war has raised wages and they will never go back to their former level. Nor will the man of exceptional ability make less than he made before. The war has made the world realize the value of the farmer. For feeding the whole world, he is no longer to be paid merely enough to feed himself. Of all the gifts, the best is sold last. Young men of 18 are conscripted, not merely for military service, but also for education. Honor to Woodrow Wilson, who taught the boys at Princeton before wise Providence called him to teach the boys in Berlin. It is to Wilson the teacher, that this nation owes the supremely wise determination to educate while training them physically the boys that the army will take in their youths. The boys will come from all parts of the United States, from the poor quarters of the cities, from farms with only little country schoolhouses near. The universities of the nation will educate these boys, while officers train them. What is the value to a country of a million boys well educated that but for the war would have lacked the education? Thank Woodrow Wilson for that value.

It hits some about here. It will not pay any man to deceive the people and we clip the following from The Catawba County News to prove our statement:

"We call the attention of our readers to the statement copied in this paper from a soldier boy now in the war somewhere in France.

"In speaking of the boys he says 'There is now no division of opinion among these drafted men and those most sullen at the start will always despise the men they had trusted as leaders for trying to play politics with the war. They would knock any man down who would even suggest that we should have staid out of the

LIMIT IS OCTOBER 1ST

The War Industries Board has ruled that subscriptions must be paid in advance from October 1. This rule must be adhered to strictly. Subscribers should see to it that remittance reaches the office promptly as the time is drawing near when those in arrears must be cut off.

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NORTH CAROLINANS WHO HAVE FALLEN IN BATTLE

Reported Sept. 11.

Wounded severely—Walter E. Burnett, Champion; Tom B. Chalmers, Raleigh; John W. Moody, Harvard.

Reported Sept. 12.

Killed in action—Commie D. Wheeler, Creedmoor.

Wounded severely—Jesse V. Elliott, Holton.

Wounded severely in action—Bacob O. Boone, Spray.

Reported Sept. 13.

Wounded severely—Sergeant Alvin L. Denton, Brookfield; Corporal George W. Chumbley, Durham.

Wounded severely—Thomas J. Ellington, Pittsboro R. F. D.

Reported Sept. 14.

Killed in action—Johnes W. Hunter, Charlotte.

Severely wounded—Sidney G. McMillan, Wilmington; Floyd C. Teeter, Albemarle.

Reported Sept. 16.

Wounded severely—Daniel W. Allred, Randleman; John H. Angel, Brownsville; Tollie M. Biggers, Georgeville.

Missing in action—William H. Matthews, Kipling.

Reported Sept. 17.

Wounded severely—Sergeant McGhee, Raleigh; Sergeant Leslie M. Robinson, Bryson City; Sergeant Thomas L. Settlemyer, Bridgewater; Corporal Bert F. Mash, Othello; Private Jesse A. Atwood, Concord; Private Donnie A. Benson, Selma.

Many Soldiers Killed In Wreck

Twenty-five soldiers are reported killed and 30 others injured in a head on collision between a troop train and a St. Louis and San Francisco freight train one mile east of Marshfield, Mo., Tuesday night.

Draft Calls for More Men

Draft calls announced Monday will send 181,838 men qualified for general service to army camps before October 16. All States have quotas to fill. North Carolina will be asked to furnish 1,374 white registrants to go to Camp Sevier, S. C., and 2,500 colored registrants to go to Camp Greene, N. C.

It will not pay at any time to deceive the people—and the man who will deceive young men about this war and its causes will have a reward that will come to him in the future that will curse him the balance of his days.

"Woe be to the man who has deceived these boys, when the boys come back home. It would be well for him to have a mill stone tied around his neck and be cast into the sea."

The date to which your subscription is paid will be found on your label. Count at the rate of one dollar a year, or 8 1-3 cents a month, up to April 1, 1917, and at the rate of \$1.50 a year, or 12½ cents a month, from that date. Do this and save The Courier the extra expense and work of sending statements, and remember that The Courier must be put upon a cash-in-advance basis October 1. Send along what you are due and some more to run your date ahead, if not a whole year, at least four months or six months. Please prepare to have your account square and your subscription ahead when the change shall have to be made to cash-in-advance basis. Among those who have favored The Courier with a renewal of subscription during the past week, we note the following: E. R. Yow, J. A. Holder, O. M. Henry, Kemp Alexander, Mrs. T. A. Lewallen, T. J. Hoover, J. S. Ridge, W. W. Jones, E. H. Crawford, Dougan James, W. J. Gregson, G. H. Cox, E. J. Steed, J. M. Brewer, J. W. Trogdon, J. W. Dixon, W. T. Cox, R. L. Patterson, J. M. Cavness, T. E. Burgess, E. B. Chriss, Mrs. Bennett Kidd, Mrs. J. M. Whitehead, D. Watson, H. B. Moore, J. R. Stead, M. H. Finison, T. E. West, C. G. Whitehead, G. M. Whitehead, J. C. Whitehead, Willard Kivett, G. L. Burgess, H. P. Baldwin, C. C. Brower, W. P. Moon, Mrs. Percy Norris, Mrs. A. C. McAlister, W. H. Burrow, Mrs. A. C. Pugh, E. L. Hancock, Mrs. J. C. Baldwin, E. G. Hill, J. C. Pearce, E. M. Siler, W. T. Bryant, O. E. Routh, H. J. Upton, Dock Hunt, W. W. Burrow, L. C. Floyd, Miss Vanna Burgess, R. E. Spencer, R. A. Luck, R. L. Medlin, Mrs. Josie Mendenhall, W. M. Hanner, J. W. B. Hammond, T. B. Wood, C. E. G. Sugg, J. L. Shaw, M. Burris, J. W. Lambert, J. B. Pugh, R. W. Kearns, W. R. Strider, A. H. Crowell, H. F. Kirkman, W. D. Burgess, S. A. Pickett, E. W. Cox, Mrs. Berchie Crotts, J. S. McAlister, W. S. Brewer, W. W. Lassiter, G. T. Waddell, S. E. Bostick, Edgar Hunt, Arthur way, O. M. Yow.

Meeting of United War Work Campaign in Raleigh Friday and Saturday of This Week

The convention of the United war workers will meet in Raleigh Friday and Saturday of this week beginning Friday morning. Some of the prominent speakers of this country will be present to speak on the different phases of war work. It is hoped a large number of persons will be present.

United States Rejects Austria-Hungary's Peace Proposal

The government of Austria-Hungary better known as the cat's paw of Germany this week offered a proposal for a non-binding conference to discuss peace to the allied nations. The United States definitely rejected the proposal in the following words from President Wilson.

The government of the United States feels that there is only one reply which it can make to the suggestion of the imperial Austro-Hungarian government. It has repeatedly and with entire candor stated the terms upon which the United States would consider peace and can and will entertain no proposal for a conference upon a matter concerning which it has made its position and purpose so plain.

Mrs. Emily L. Pugh Died at White Oak

Mrs. Emily Louisa Pugh, 73 years of age, died Monday at White Oak, following an illness of five weeks caused by Bright's disease. She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Ruth Moore, of Indiana; four children, Mesdames J. W. Allred, of Liberty Hill, George Hicks, of Rameur, C. D. Park, of Greensboro, and W. D. Freeman, of White Oak.

Funeral services were held from the residence after which interment followed in Green Hill cemetery.

Cain Pays Death Penalty for Crime

Baxter Cain, murderer of Abel Harris, both night watchmen at the Salisbury-Spencer electric railway barn, hopped on a leg and crutch to the electric chair at Raleigh last Friday morning, hurled himself into it and paid the penalty for his crime.

Many Changes Made at University

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is undergoing many changes along almost every line now as the result of the establishment of a unit of the student army training corps this year. What was two years ago a peaceful college campus will soon be transformed into virtually a military camp. Some of the courses have been discarded.

Women Needed in Hospital Hut Service

The division headquarters of the American Red Cross has been advised by wire from Washington of receipt of a Paris cable at national headquarters emphasizing the importance of recruiting women workers at once for the hospital hut service in France. At least 300 high grade, attractive women for that activity must arrive from all divisions before November 1. The age limits are 25 to 40 years.

Many More Men Added To Army

First returns Friday to Provost Marshal General Crowder from the second great mobilization Thursday of the nation's manpower for the war on Germany indicated that at least 14,000,000 men had been added to the army reservoir. The estimated number of men between 18 and 21 and 32 and 45 was 13,000,000.

An Austrian Airplane which flew over Valona, Albania, was brought down by two Italian chasers. The pilot of one of them had been bathing in the sea. He swam ashore, donned a pair of pajamas and mounted to fight the enemy aviator, who was brought down.

War Notes

Within the last few days a great deal has been accomplished by the allies.

Already Haig's men have a firm hold astride the line between Daaui and Cambrai. Germany is pressed very much for men. Daaui is under allied fire and the foe is withdrawing.

The St. Mihiel salient has been eliminated.

The Americans took 13,300 prisoners one day the last of last week.

The railroad from Verdun to Commercy, Toul and Nancy are open to Entente Allies.

A great many villages have been captured by the Americans and all in good condition.

Allied airmen have intensely bombed the railroads at Metz.

French troops recently hurled against Laon and the foe was thrown back.

The Americans are organizing their newly taken positions rapidly and are pushing forward exploitation parties. Much booty and ammunition have fallen to the Franco-American allies.

The success attained by the American attack has created much joy in Paris. Americans have far outclassed the foe.

London's papers highly praise Pershing's men and say that the United States should be very proud of her men.

In extending an invitation to all the belligerent governments to enter into non-binding discussions at some neutral meeting place, the Austro-Hungarian government states that the object of the conference would be to secure an exchange of views which would show "whether those prerequisites exist which would make the speedy inauguration of peace negotiations appear promising.

The allies are all of one mind about peace. None will seriously consider the proposition. President Wilson rejected the peace offer in two sentences, "No conference needed to discuss something that's already settled." He says "force to the utmost."

The Americans are now standing on the bank of Moselle river looking into Germany.

French troops have hurled against Laon and the foe was thrown back.

Another blow against German lines as our answer to the peace proposal of the central powers is expected momentarily by military officials.

A small but important bulge of the Ypres salient into German territory was forced by the British troops Tuesday when they attacked on a front of 2,000 yards along the Menia road and drove back the Germans for a distance of 500 yards. Many guns of every type were left behind by the retreating Huns.

The Americans have rushed over the enemy guarded by planes and tanks.

The kaiser begs the Germans to go on but insists that he wants peace. He blames England for the war, and says foes are deaf.

J. Rankin Allred Not a Deserter

Mr. Millard Allred was in Asheboro yesterday and called attention to the fact that a mistake had been made in the publication of his brother J. Rankin Allred as a deserter. The truth about the matter is he is in France with Co. K making a fine record. He enlisted immediately before registration day, in June 1917. It is to be regretted that The Courier has published any statement reflecting in any way upon Mr. Allred. Mr. Allred is a son of John Dirk Allred and his immediate family are among the most patriotic and best citizens in the community.

Trinity Boy on Torpedoed Transport

Addie Black, son of D. T. Black, of Trinity township, who is in the navy, was on the British ship that was torpedoed last week with 2,300 soldiers on board, 35 of whom were killed. Young Black was rescued and is safe.