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MORE ABOUT COMPANY K

A letter from a line officer in one of the companies of the 120th infantry, 30th division, brings the first accurate information of the injury to Lieut. Walker. It states that he was in England in great trouble, namely the need of a hospital since he was hit above the eye and has not been able to see since until recently. He was gassed at the same time and the injury was considered extremely uncertain in its nature. The letter says it was most reluctantly that he left us, and he was so affected that it touched us all. Next morning we went over the top in which such an illustrious valor was displayed by our troops, especially Co. K. We all feel deeply for Lieut. Walker, for there is no commander to compare with him and Captain Dixon, and it hurts us worse because Lieut. Walker was so anxious to be with us in the hour of our supreme sacrifice. He has written me, stating that from what the nurse has read him he is extremely proud of the work we had done, and expressed deep regret that he could not be with us, and stated that he was proud that he was once a member of the company although he could not be with us when so much sacrifice was made. He stated that he was once a member of the best company in the best division in the A. E. F. He closed his letter by saying God bless you all.

From another officer it is learned that Lieut. Mason is in command of what is left of Co. K and Lieutenants Walker, and Landis are both wounded and unable to return to the company, and are expected to return to America at once to a convalescent hospital. In another letter from another officer, dated after the signing of the armistice, it tells of the great joy over the prospect of peace. He states that some of the 92 members of Co. K who were wounded are returning from hospitals. It states that Lieut. Walker, Lieut. Landis, Sgt. Bunting are all in hospitals in England and that Lieut. Walker was stricken late in the afternoon of September 28th. His sight was injured to what extent it will be known, but it is thought that he will recover it, but his sight is not good enough to return to the company, although they have kept this from him. Nothing has been heard from Lieut. Walker since his cablegram of November 10, which was received by his wife in which he said he was leaving the hospital for his company. He mentioned thought to be kept from what others write that he kept it from him that he can not be returned to the company.

Another member of the 120th infantry writing makes a handsome tribute to Lieut. Clarence Lovett, stating that he is one of the best officers in the regiment, and is so acknowledged and accepted to be by all of his superiors. The letter goes on to say further that General Pershing was not impressed with the members of the 30th division at first, and spoke of them as tin soldiers, boy scouts, and civilians in uniform. After that they were made a shock division, and to great an impression that he tried to have them transferred from the British army to the American army. They so distinguished themselves that the king of Belgium has conferred a ribbon on every member of the division for distinguished service. The members of the division are also due for their services service stripes, and have the right to wear the service stripes with a "W" with a star inside.

We have much more information about Co. K and will give our readers the benefit of it in another issue.

Grady Royal, Urged Randolph People To Co-Operate With Red Cross. Grady Royal, son of J. L. Royal, of Trinity Route 11 in 26 homes from camp Fort Thomas, Ky., with an honorable discharge, although he has not been in camp but two months, he has had some experiences that he will never forget. He went to camp the 14th day of October in the thick of the "flu" was put on sick list the second day after his arrival and taken to the hospital where he remained eleven days. While there the soldiers died all around him, one sad experience he will never forget. He had signed to go overseas when peace came. Then he got orders to accompany the top sergeant to L. Bald, in the southern part of Texas, to convey some prisoners of war, and had the pleasure of seeing the beautiful southernland. He wants to say here to the people of old Randolph, stand by the Red Cross. At every station the Red Cross was there, with something to eat and drink, and a lunch to go "forward." It is almost everywhere. For the sake of suffering humanity back up the Red Cross.

Miss Fannie Morgan Dies in Raleigh. Miss Fannie Morgan, daughter of the late John W. Morgan, died in Raleigh last Thursday, from influenza. She had been there for the past few months taking a business course at King's Business College. She would have completed the course within a short time. She was a most capable young woman, and had high ambitions. She has many friends in Asheboro and Randolph county who deplore the fact that her young life was taken. The body arrived in Asheboro Friday and was taken to her home at Caraway Road 1 and funeral services were conducted at Mt. Shepherd church Saturday by Rev. Yarnes, the pastor. The church has been held to rest the body until the interment of this body.

NEWS AND COMMENT

(By Pono Bill.) President Wilson took breakfast in Randolph county is the best farming county in the state, but it has one great trouble, namely the need of more farmers. We need at least double the number of farmers that we now have. It looks like a man who was so will- ing to take the affidavit of such a prominent citizen (?) as Reid Hurley, during the last political campaign in this county, could have accommodated a soldier who has been to camu and shown his willingness to go to the front if Uncle Sam said so and after the Hun was whipped received an honorable discharge. "Oh, consistency thou art a jewel."

Pono Bill wishes every reader of The Courier a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Nothing pays better and means more to a county than good roads. It's true they cost money, but the cost is small when compared to the resulting benefits. Good roads are the arteries that connect the country with the towns and bring us together in one big family. Let's start the New Year right by demanding of the Republican county officials that they build good roads and that they keep up the ones the Democratic party gave us. Other counties are planning to build more improved roads, and why should we not do as much?

The building of an electric plant on Pole Cat creek by Randleman capital is progressing nicely, and we hope will meet with much success. President Wilson was greeted in Paris by over two million warm hearts upon his arrival December 14. His pathway was strewn with violets and roses and the demonstration surpassed even those of the "armistice night." He was accorded the greatest warmth and welcome ever given an American president.

President Wilson declared himself in favor of punishing the blood-thirsty war-makers, he also believes that a league of nations is the only way to get an enduring peace. No other man is as big in the eyes and hearts of all nations today as is Woodrow Wilson. He is heralded throughout the world as savior of civilization and humanity. Let us be thankful for having such a man as the World's Peace Maker.

Every town in Randolph county should try the coming year to build up. Take on a brazer in the form of new industries, and grow. We need more manufacturing industries and more business enterprises of different kinds, so let's get busy and do something. Sandy creek near Franklinville affords an abundance of water power that should be harnessed and made to drive machinery. This stream affords sufficient power for a good size electric plant and should be utilized in some way.

At this Christmas season no doubt the Angels are singing, Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men. At last the light of victory sheds its rays of sunshine over the blood soaked fields of Europe, and the thought of might over right is dead.

The Gott of the Hohenzollerns deserted in the hour of need, and the over-run and devastated countries of Hun rule is at last free. The long dark night is over and the righteous ruler never could be more thankful. Let us give thanks to God for the most wonderful and complete victory for liberty in the history of the world.

We sympathize with those mothers and fathers who have given their sons and daughters for the world's greatest fight for christianity and human rights, and we trust that they may find comfort in the prayers that are being uttered by the over-run and down-trodden peoples of Hun brutality in the ruined countries of the Old World.

At this Christmas time every American should feel especially proud and thankful for having the most popular army and navy in all the world; for having the "boys" who marching under the glorious banner, the Stars and Stripes, brought to the world that was being run over by the brutal war lords of Germany, a day of universal peace, the like of such the world has never known. Let us be thankful for the leadership of President Wilson, the greatest of all American Presidents, the man who entered the war for right just at the right time to save the world. Probably no other man in our country was better fitted for such a task than he, and surely no choice that we could have made would have proven more satisfactory.

Let us give thanks to God who is the Father of us all, and to Christ who said: "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it."

Official Notice of Corporal Earle Poole's Death

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Poole, of Asheboro Route 3, were officially notified Tuesday of this week, that their son, Corporal William Earle Poole, was killed in action on September 29th. Mr. and Mrs. Poole had been unable to get any direct information from their son but had heard through different letters from some of the Company K boys that he had fallen with a number of the other men on the memorable 29th. Mr. and Mrs. Poole and their splendid family have the greatest sympathy of the citizenship of this county.

7,623 CASUALTIES IN THE 30TH DIVISION

Washington, Dec. 16.—General Pershing cabled the war department today that practically complete reports of deaths in action among the expeditionary forces should reach the department by December 20 and of severely wounded by December 27.

General Pershing said that the number of unreported casualties in process of verification at the central records office of the expeditionary forces on December 14 was 40,440. They were divided as follows: Killed in action, 390; died of wounds, 275; died of disease, 353; accidentally killed, 51; severely wounded in action, 39,371. These include all "suspense cases under investigation," the general said.

Total casualties to November 23 in the 30th (Wildcat) Division, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee national guard, were given as 7,623. The casualties were classified as follows: Killed in action, 1,168; died of disease, 283; died of disease, 15; died of other causes, 5; severely wounded, 1,181; wounded degree undetermined, 805; slightly wounded, 3,393; missing or captured, 193.

30TH DIVISION PAID HEAVILY

General Pershing Writes Complete List of Casualties

The 30th division, otherwise known as the "Old Hickory" and sometimes called "Wild Cats" because of their fierce fighting proclivities, paid a heavy penalty, killed and wounded for its brilliant exploits in France. The casualty list was made public last Monday, December 16 in receipt of a cablegram from General Pershing.

The figures were brought out by the following inquiry cabled to General Pershing by Secretary Baker: "Much apprehension here as to casualties in Thirtieth division. Have these been fully reported to you and forwarded to us? Can you cable classified estimate of total casualties in that division?"

General Pershing replied: "Thirtieth division checked their total casualties against the records of central records office November 23, and casualties of records in their office have been reported to war department. Casualties classified as follows: 'Killed in action, 1,168; died of wounds, 283; died of disease, 16; died of other causes, five; severely wounded, 1,181; wounded, degree undetermined, 805; slightly wounded, 3,973; missing or captured, 193.'"

This is the first authentic information of the total casualties of this division composed of North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee guardsmen. The Thirtieth covered itself with glory in the sanguinary fighting which resulted in the first break of the supposedly impregnable Hindenburg line. General Haig cited the entire division in a special order of the day for its brilliant conduct on that occasion.

The casualties of the organization would have been even heavier than those reported had not the worst of the fighting, at the time the Hindenburg line was broken, been launched by a heavy fog which military men say, made it impossible for the German artillery fire to be accurately directed.

All the casualties did not occur in the fighting referred to at this particular location, as the Old Hickory was in almost continuous action from August until the end of the campaign. They were used as shock troops and shifted from place to place where the roughest jobs had to be undertaken.

Items from Mechanic

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Ed Pierce, last week, a son. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Surratt, last week, a fifteen pound Democrat—a boy. Mrs. Mary Ridge was buried at Farmer last week. She was about 80 years old. Mrs. Ridge was the widow of the late Pennel Ridge, the mother of D. F. Ridge, of Asheboro and the sister of B. Frank Newby, of Asheboro.

Mrs. Louisa Yates was buried at Piney Grove last Friday. She was about 90 years of age. Mrs. Yates was the widow of the late Clark Yates and the sister of the late Jesse G. Miller, of Asheboro.

Miss Fannie Morgan died from influenza and was buried Saturday at Shepherd. Miss Morgan was a daughter of the late John Morgan.

Milton Lackey has just received a telegram calling him to the bedside of his son Oscar L. Lackey, of Salisbury, who is suffering with influenza and pneumonia.

Harris Yates, of Thomasville, visited relatives in this community last week. Rely Yates and family, of High Point, spent last Sunday with his father, Noah Yates.

Rev. Mr. Nance is moving from Jamestown to J. A. Morgan's house. Mr. Nance is the new pastor for Piney Grove.

While Pearce has arrived home from the sea, he made a business trip to J. J. Pearce, who is now in the

EASTERN M. E. CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

The annual conference of the M. E. church, south, adjourned at Goldsboro on Monday of this week. Some of the appointments in which our readers are interested are pastors and presiding elders for the following: Presiding elder Durham district, Rev. J. C. Wooten. Rev. M. Bradshaw goes from a Raleigh station to Memorial church at Durham.

Elizabeth City, presiding elder is R. H. Willis. Fayetteville, presiding elder, Rev. J. D. Bundy. Carthage station, Rev. N. E. Coltrane.

Fayetteville, Rev. W. F. Craven. How River, Rev. G. W. Perry. Sanford, Rev. W. R. Royal. New Bern, Rev. J. B. Hurley. Raleigh district, presiding elder, J. E. Underwood.

Four Oaks circuit, E. B. Craven. Lenoir circuit, Rev. G. F. Smith who was at Rockingham last year. Raleigh Central Church, Rev. D. N. Caviness.

The River, G. B. Perry. Rockingham, H. M. North. Lumberton, R. C. Beaman. Montgomery, N. L. Seabolt. Mt. Gilead, N. C. Yearby. Mt. Gilead circuit, presiding elder, W. T. Fraywick.

Warrenton district, presiding elder, E. N. Snipes. Weldon, F. M. Shamburger. Missionary to Japan, J. W. Frank. Washington district, presiding elder, N. H. D. Wilson.

Stantburg, J. B. Thompson, who was at Laurinburg last year. Wilmington district, presiding elder, J. H. Shore. Wallace and Rose Hill, Rev. M. D. Hix.

The foregoing are only a few of the appointments of ministers who are best known to the readers of The Courier.

The next annual conference will meet at Wilson.

Honor Roll, for First Month of Mountain View School. Second grade—Annie Farlow, Ruth Kaarna, Carl Hughes.

Third grade—Virgie Miller, Beatrice Miller, Charles Keans. Fourth grade—Lizzie Keans, Bertha Hughes, Caroline Jarrell, Fred Farlow.

Millboro News. It seems like winter has come at last, as we had quite a wind storm last Sunday night.

Our school is progressing nicely under the leadership of Miss Beulah Cranford, with Miss Allie Julian as assistant. We are glad to have these young ladies with us.

We have no "flu" in our town, we are proud to say, but it is thick around us.

Miss Dee Aldridge, who is in the hospital at Randleman, is getting along nicely, her friends will be glad to learn.

Mr. Percy Julian and family visited at Worthville Sunday. Miss Lucy Trogdon, of Greensboro, came home last Sunday.

We are glad to welcome the "bird men" back at the lodge again. Mr. John Julian, who has been sick for some time is improving.

We welcome our soldier boys back home and we think they ought to have the best we can give them.

Success to The Courier and its many good readers and may 1919 be a prosperous year for them.

Franklinville News. Mr. Paul Maness has purchased the barns and garage of the Franklinville Lumber Co., and W. D. Grose is in possession of the office.

Miss Ollie Fentris, who has been at High Point for the past week, returned home Sunday.

Mr. J. C. Shaw, of near Central Falls, has accepted a position with the Franklinville Manufacturing Company and has moved his family to the residence recently vacated by Alex. Nance. Private Lucy Trogdon is spending some time here with his brother Clifford.

Mr. A. M. Burrow, who has been training at Fort Thomas, Ky., is at home.

Mr. Alex Nance has moved his family to Cedar Falls. Mr. W. R. Maner, of Ramseur, was in town one day last week.

Private Robert Jordan has returned home from Camp Wadsworth, S. C. Walter Dickens and family, of Thomasville, were in the city Sunday.

The Judgeship Bill. The House of Representatives has modified the Senate bill providing for new Federal judges where judges have attained the age of 70 years and have served ten years. The new House bill provides not only for the appointment of new judges who shall be designated senior judges, if in the opinion of the President he thinks proper to make such appointment. The new bill provides that the salaries of the district judges shall be \$6,500 per annum and \$500 additional for each 500,000 inhabitants.



APPEALS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus: I will be 47 years old Christmas day and I am looking for a nice Christmas. I want you to bring me lots of nice presents. An automobile that I can crank and ride in; a Teddy bear, a monkey and lots of different kinds of fruit and candy. Santa, if you should fail to get any of these things that I have mentioned above, please don't fail to bring the automobile for that is the most important thing I am wishing for. Very truly, Little J. D. Shelton. Liberty, N. C. Dec. 16, 1918.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to please bring me a doll with long black curls, and a doll trunk. I would like to have a pair of kid gloves if you have them in my size, and some candy, fruits and nuts. EVA CRANFORD.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to please bring me a nice rocking chair, watch bracelet, ring, a book of (Aunt Minerva and Her Nephew) and a pair of kid gloves. Asheboro, Dec. 18, 1918. EDNA HOLDER.

Dear Santa Claus: I want some apples, oranges, candy, and nuts. I want a doll, one that will open and close its eyes, also a doll cradle. Bring me a writing desk. PAULINE BIRKHEAD.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me some oranges, apples, raisins, nuts and some good candy. I want a great big doll as big as I am and a doll carriage to roll it in. I want it to have a white dress and also a cradle for it to sleep in. I want a sand bucket and shovel so I can play in the dirt. MINNIE LEE HAMMER BIRKHEAD

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring us a sled, a doll with curls, some books to read, and a pair of gloves, some pencils, lots of candy, nuts, oranges apples. If we have asked for too much please bring us what you can. Your little friends, NANNIE and JOHNNIE ADKINS. Asheboro, December 18, 1918.

Dear Santa Claus: I will write you a letter to night to let you know what I want you to bring me. Please bring me a large doll and cart. Some nuts, candy, oranges, apples, raisins, grapes and bananas, and I will be a good girl. Asheboro, Dec. 18, 1918. THELMA HINSHAW.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, and a go-cart, a cradle, bed, some apples, oranges, some nuts and some candy. PAULINE SMITH.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me some good books, and the game "pollyanna" and some candy, nuts, and fruits. MARGARET MOFFITT.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring "Billy and the Major," and other good books, candy, nuts and fruits. Asheboro, Dec. 18, 1918. VIRGINIA BARKER.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me a doll and bed for it and a sled and some apples, oranges, nuts and I want you to bring me the book "Billy and the Major." RUTH COTHRAN. Asheboro, Dec. 18, 1918.

I want you to bring me a doll that will open and close her eyes, and I want you to be sure to bring me a bed to sleep on, and bring me some apples and oranges and cand. PEARLE SPENCER.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me a doll that can open and shut its eyes, and a doll carriage, and a doll bed, and some candy, and apples, and some oranges. RUTH COOPER.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a sleepy doll, a bed, and a story book, and a pair of gloves, and a sled. IOLA CLARK.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll that will open and shut her eyes, and a carriage, and a doll trunk, and a Teddy bear. NORA CLARKE.

The wheat crop is reported by the government authorities as the largest in the history of American agriculture. There is an average of 47,500,000 in cultivation and the season for sowing is the best ever recorded.

RAMSEUR NEWS

Messrs. R. I. Keans, C. B. Smith, J. B. York, W. C. Williams went to Greensboro and High Point Sunday.

The influenza wave is on the decrease now here to the great delight of all. We surely hope it will not get another start here.

Several of our boys have reached home from camps. We are very thankful for their safe return and greet them all with our heartiest welcome.

Misses Sadie Richardson and Elizabeth Graham, and Messrs. Fat Jones, Loyd Clark, Luther High and Arthur Brandon, all of Durham, visited Miss Clara Whitehead of this place Sunday and Monday.

They had the misfortune to wreck their car by a head-on collision with Mr. James D. York, of Ramseur, on the bridge three miles east of Ramseur. Both cars were right much demolished but no one hurt very much. On account of the rain, the brakes failed to stop the large car they were driving.

Mr. Eaton, of Winston-was here last week in the interest of War Savings Stamps and raised subscriptions for about four thousand dollars from six of the business concerns of our town with promise of something from others. North Carolina is behind on this one activity of the war only, having gone over on all the others. It is earnestly hoped that we will not fail on this one, which is one of the very best of the year.

Santa Claus is going to visit some folks this year judging from the toys on display in our stores and the way the people are buying. This is a great season of rejoicing and we should be especially happy this year.

Rev. W. M. Smith arrived here last week from Ruffin to take charge of the Ramseur-Franklinville charge of M. E. church.

We are glad to have brother Smith with us and hope the quarantine may soon be lifted that we may hear him preach and enjoy the services at all our churches.

Attention Victory Boys and Girls. I want to urge the Victory Boys and Girls who have not made their first and second payments on their pledges to the greater war work fund, to do so at once. You should make your payments to J. M. Scarborough, at Asheboro, N. C. upon the receipt of your payments he will mail you a coupon which you should hold as a receipt. When you have completed your payments return your coupons to Mr. Scarborough and he will secure for you a beautifully engraved certificate that is to be given to every boy and girl when they have completed their payments.

I. C. MOSER, Chairman of the Victory Boys and Girls Campaign for Randolph County.

Judge H. W. Weedbee, has resigned as Superior Court judge of the 5th judicial district, to resume his practice of law, giving as his reason for doing that the salary attached to the office is insufficient to provide adequate support.

Influenza remains prevalent in different parts of the state. Schools in Davidson, Cumberland and other counties have closed on account of the influenza condition.

It is claimed that the kaiser has \$5,000,000 stored away in banks. Airplane mail route has been chartered to Columbia, S. C. from Washington via Pinehurst, N. C., to Camden, S. C.

Judge Charles E. Hughes in a speech at Columbia University recently asserted that government enterprise tends constantly to inefficiency. He characterized as "senseless of liberty all those whose interests lie simply in extending activities of the government so as to embrace all industry." He said that the question of government ownership and operation is severely practical. He further says that it is regrettable but true, that governmental enterprise tends constantly towards inefficiency. He says that Congress should provide a suitable plan for railroad regulation permitting sound credit and growth, stabilizing securities, insuring adequate service at reasonable rates. He further declared that co-operation in industry to be just as essential in times of peace as during the exigencies of war.

The American transport George Washington has been selected by President Wilson to convey the party from this country to the European peace conference. It will be conveyed by the battleship Pennsylvania and a fleet of five fast destroyers. The George Washington is a vessel of 25,570 gross tons. It was formerly one of the crack liners of the North German Lloyd.

Six-hundred men from the battlefields of France have recently arrived in West Hampton hospital in Richmond, Va. This hospital was established by the government nearly a year ago. It will be remembered that the Richmond College turned over to the government its new buildings to be used for a hospital until six months after the close of the war.

Von Bernstorff and von Igel and von Pagen and Bey-ead and a few other persons have occasion now to recall the lines they used to laugh at: Truth crushed to earth shall rise again; The eternal years of God are hers.

And in this case it took only a very few years to establish the truth.

New that we are all guests of a common table, a single asterisk—the Inter-Allied Food Council—by common consent, adjudge the farm.