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RALEIGH LETTER

(By Maxwell Gorman.)

Raleigh, April 1.—Now we're "look-in' round" for some lawyer willing to accept a "recess appointment" and become U. S. District Attorney for the eastern district, in place of Mr. Thos. D. Warren, whose nomination by the President failed to be confirmed by the Senate. It is reported that Mr. Warren will not bother with a recess appointment and isn't particular about the job, any way. So the Republicans who delayed his confirmation haven't hurt him near as much as they hoped. Harry Stubbs, of Martin, and a half dozen lesser lights are to be x-rayed for the job, and rath'ing how—readily, because the U. S. court needs a prosecuting officer and former officer J. O. Carr don't want any more of it. So the Department of Justice will probably appoint a District Attorney ad interim.

Four Jobs for Col. Cox
When Col. Albert Lyman Cox, of the 113th Artillery, in welcoming whom and which Raleigh broke all precedents last week, returns to his former home in West Raleigh this week or next, he will be "sounded" (so we are told by political expert newspaper writers) as to which of these four jobs he'd rather have: Mayor of Raleigh, Governor of North Carolina, Congressman for the second or fourth districts.

Well, it beats the Dutch how awry some "experts can go." If there's anything he does want on this list it is to succeed Ed. Pou, when Pou quits, Norris or not, and he is likely to be given that job by a big majority. The suggestion to have Col. Cox go down to Edgescombe and stand for Congress against Claude Kitchener, some think, is made in the interest of others who may wish to represent the Raleigh district in Congress. But be that as it may, no one here believes Col. Cox would entertain any rush proposal.

Col. Cox has just returned to Raleigh and it is a sure tip that the politicians will quickly discover that he is not scheming any political drive for anything. He didn't enter the war for any selfish or political purpose. But it is altogether likely that a suitable office hunt the man, for he is an exceedingly popular man with the people who wish to thus honor him and themselves.

Sleeping Sickness
Ten cases have been recently reported to the State Board of Health of "sleeping sickness" and of course there are more cases in the State not reported to the board. There is no law regarding it. Health experts admit that the strange melody is still a mystery.

New Highway Commission to Meet
Chairman Page of the new State Highway Commission has called the first meeting of that body for April 3. The members of the commission will be formally sworn in at that time, and they are expected to do a great work for North Carolina. They are: Frank Page, chairman, of Aberdeen; J. H. Norfleet, of Winston-Salem; E. Cameron, of Kinston, and J. G. Strickland, of Asheboro.

Randall Hurley Shot by Nerius Jordan
Both of Montgomery County. Randall Hurley, son of Andrew Hurley, of Little River township, Montgomery county, was shot on Monday through the abdomen by Nerius Jordan, of the same township.

Difference of opinion arose over a roadway last week. The two met Monday morning and the consequence is that Hurley is severely wounded and in the hospital in Randeman, and Jordan has a broken arm and is in the hospital county jail, a bench warrant having been served on him.

Home Demonstration Agent's Approbation

The week of April 1 to 18 D. S. Coltrane, county agent will be with Mr. A. G. Kinney of the dairy club office. Mr. Kinney was in the county three weeks ago at which time he and Mr. Coltrane secured the in-charge of four communities in a Home demonstration association. Since that time the county agent has been working on these communities so that he may secure the four communities forming the association. Mr. Kinney is coming back to help perfect the organization. Their appointments will be as follows:

Monday night, Farm
Tuesday night, Red Cross
Wednesday night, Holly Springs
Thursday night, Way Not

Miss Laura Wenzel Coggins, home demonstration agent will be with Mr. Kinney and Mr. Coltrane at the meeting at Farmer and Holly Springs. The women of the community should arrange to come out and meet with her and let her tell them about what her plans are for working with them. Mrs. Coggins is well trained in home economics and the women can't afford to miss getting her help.

Farm Demonstration Agent's Appearances

Bombay, Wednesday afternoon, terrace demonstration at Charles Thompson's. Meeting of farmers at night.

Thursday night, Bethel. Mr. Coggins will also be with Mr. Coltrane. All the women are invited to meet with her.

Friday night, Dewey, Farmers Union local.

Je Davidson, the American artist who preserves history in sculpture, has completed a bust of Gen. Pershing at his Paris studio.

PRIVATE LACY LEWIS



Private Lacy Lewis, a member of the 81st division, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lewis, of Asheboro.

RANDOLPH SUPERIOR COURT

The two weeks civil term of Randolph Superior court adjourned on last Saturday morning.

The cases tried and disposed of were as follows:

The case of J. W. Kirkman vs. J. R. Parks in which judgment was obtained in absence of defendant was set aside Monday of this week.

J. M. Cox vs. Enoch Vuncannon, judgment for plaintiff.

Wiley Rush, Jr., et. al. vs. T. B. McPherson, judgment for plaintiff according to Supreme Court.

J. W. Lawrence vs. Enoch Vuncannon, judgment for plaintiff for \$100 and costs.

H. M. Garner vs. C. J. Cox and J. H. McDowell, administrators of Asenith Cox, suit for \$3,000 services, judgment against the plaintiff for costs.

Tom Butler vs. Western Union Telegraph Co., judgment for \$500 for failure to deliver telegram.

J. Herbert Coltrane vs. administrator Wm. Coltrane vs. J. M. Coltrane, judgment of compromise.

The case of Chrissie G. Walker vs. E. B. Steed, her father to declare his land to hers resulted in a mistrial, two of the jurors holding out for plaintiff while the other ten were for the defendant.

R. L. White, Jr. vs. Southern Railway, judgment for \$55 for failure to furnish car for shipper.

Randolph Superior Court Criminal Term

The spring criminal term of Randolph Superior Court began Monday of this week with Judge W. F. Harding of Charlotte, presiding. Judge Harding had just closed a two weeks civil term of court and had made a most favorable impression upon our people, owing to his industry, dispatch of public business and his superior ability and fairness on the bench.

Hon. Hayden Clement is prosecuting the criminal docket this week with his accustomed zeal and at all times a fair, able and impartial solicitor.

The grand jury is composed of the following persons:

Jas. H. Caviness, W. C. Hall, James Kennedy, D. R. Fogleman, Thos. H. Brown, M. F. Wynn, W. G. Kinney, Jesse C. Lamb, A. K. Pugh, Eli Garrett, Levi Henley, J. L. Smith, M. C. Jones, L. B. Parrish, G. H. Davis, P. L. White, David A. Hanner, W. B. Lamberty.

The following cases have been disposed of:

Up to going to press the following criminal cases have been disposed of: Owsen Overman and Jim Fox; Overman to pay fine of \$100 and costs. Fox pleaded guilty, not sentenced.

Arthur Fox found not guilty of a charge of carrying concealed weapon.

Mary Smith guilty of distilling, fined \$500 and costs.

WAR PICTURE AT JOYLAND SATURDAY

"UNDER FOUR FLAGS"

The last of the series of the war pictures will be shown at the Joyland theatre Saturday, April 5.

The picture is a splendid picture and evening. It is a good and very educational. Every foot of this picture was made in France and Asheboro has been very fortunate in being able to see these pictures.

We were continuously under artillery fire up to the last minute. Could hear the shells and bullets coming, but could not tell where they would fall.

We had to take our medicine, though mighty bitter. The 321st Infantry relieved us during Sunday night the 10. Fighting lasted up to the last minute. Just at 11 o'clock the Germans sent over three big shells, of course we returned the compliment. What a calm, sweet silence reigned when all was over. But it was too late for many a brave young fellow whose life had been snuffed out on the thresh-hold of a glorious victory. After it was all over Lieut. Taylor, our platoon leader, called us all together and with a smile that swept all over his face said, "Boys we were born under a lucky star." Believe me we were some happy bunch.

But there was a sadness connected with our gladness. Our platoon lost more than any other platoon. Our captain, Horace B. Cowell, of Washington, N. C., Alex. Morrison, the Co. clerk, of Wadesboro, and our signal-

120TH INFANTRY FIELD STAFF, TO ARRIVE APRIL 7

Remainder of 36th Division Will Sail Soon

Mr. C. H. Martin, private secretary to Senator Lee S. Overman, telegraphed The Courier Tuesday that the 120th Infantry of the 36th division, field staff, sanitary detachment, headquarters, advance supply depot and Companies A, B, C, and D were on their way to Charleston and would arrive the 7th.

The people of this county are most anxious to hear that Co. K has sailed. The supposition is that the remainder of the 36th will follow at an early date.

Col. Albert Cox is on a weeks leave in Raleigh. He expects to return to Camp Jackson Saturday to finish the demobilization work. Col. Cox says he is not now in a position to discuss his candidacy for Governor.

81ST DIVISION PLAYS PROMINENT PART IN LAST DAYS OF WAR

Many Randolph Men in Division—Interesting Incidents Interestingly Given By Private Lacy Lewis of Asheboro

Neufchateau, France. February 19, 1919.

To my friends:
If the editor will give me space in the paper, I will try and give you a few facts about my part in the war, and a few different points in France. Hoping this will interest you, and at the same time hoping to meet you all on the streets of Asheboro again with a smiling face and a hearty greeting. I know I will be able to give you all one.

I left Asheboro on the 27th of May 1918 with quite a crowd of Randolph boys. We landed in camp Jackson. After about three weeks' stay there and being made immune from every disease imaginable, we were transferred to camp Sevier or a part of the Randolph crowd was transferred. I was placed in Co. A, 32nd Inf. of the 81st division.

This division had been in training about one year. Other divisions had been drawing on the 81st, to make complete units to go overseas. When the 81st received orders to get ready for embarkation new recruits were placed in this division to make it full strength. Several Randolph boys and myself were among the recruits. We stayed in camp Sevier about two weeks and the division was transferred to camp Upton. Here we camped about two weeks getting ready to sail. We sailed from Hoboken the 31st of July. Landed in Liverpool, England, August 11th. Were on the water 12 days. We were carried across England and crossed the English channel landing in France. After a few days rest in a rest camp we began work for Uncle Sam. We did some very intensive training in France.

After about five or six weeks training we moved up to the front on a quiet sector. Here we learned how to live in the trenches and dugouts for a few weeks. We moved back for a rest and then our next move was up on the Verdun front. It was on this front where we saw real war and desperate fighting. We were facing one of the strongest positions on the Hindenburg line and if the signing of the armistice had been a few days later the 81st division would have lost heavily. Guess you have all read letters from the boys telling of their war experiences and of going over the top, but my real war experience was on the Verdun front, lasting only three days. Though our division was not in the heart of the battles as long and did not see the desperate fighting that the 36th division and others did I saw enough to last me as long as I live. The first few seconds were enough for me.

We were called out of our beds early the morning of November 8th and told to draw extra ammunition for we would need it. We knew then we were to go "over the top." We began to hit it for the Germans. At seven o'clock "B" Company had captured seven Germans and "C" Co. had brought in ten on their string. Things were beginning to look like real war sure enough. We kept searching and in a few minutes saw like machine gun nests. The bullets were beginning to whiz "bang" all about us. It didn't take a fraction of a second for us to take cover. We had been trained to keep cool under fire. Our heads were in good working order. I'm sure mine was. We lay flat, waiting for further orders. In the meantime reading out orders that our platoon, the second, was held up by machine gun nests. About that time the Germans were sending up red, white and green signals. Wanting a barrage I supposed for in about five minutes the barrage had begun—one of our worst enemies, gas. So severe that it looked like every thing would be destroyed in its path. The barrage started about eight o'clock and lasted until the gas was over.

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MAYOR McCABRY ISSUES A PROCLAMATION

It is our custom, heretofore inaugurated, to have a "Clean-up Week" at least one or more times during the year, and it is necessary in order to maintain our high standard of sanitation.

The Woman's Club of our city has kindly consented to assist in directing this work. And it is to be hoped that each and every citizen will co-operate in making a cleaner city, and that all trash and refuse will be removed from front and back yards, vacant lots, and all other places as much as possible. Everything should be cleaned up thoroughly, and where necessary, use lime freely.

All of this is so important that it is not necessary to more than call the attention of our good people to this matter. Therefore, I, D. B. McCrary, Mayor of the town of Asheboro, do designate and set apart the period from Monday, April 7th, to Saturday, April 13th, 1919, inclusive, as "Clean-up Week" for Asheboro.

The removing of the refuse will be done by the city. This will begin in South Asheboro and will continue during the week until the various sections are reached. Please have all trash on sidewalk in front of premises.

April 1st, 1919.
D. B. McCRARY, Mayor.

OLD HICKORY BOYS WILL NOT PARADE IN GREENSBORO

In a letter from Mr. Frank A. Hampton, Senator Simmons private secretary, he says the war department finds it impossible for a parade of the 119th Infantry in Greensboro or Durham since the course of the transport has been changed and instead of landing at Newport News they will land at Charleston.

Aeroplane activities will be resumed within a few weeks. The celebrated ace of the United States, France and England will get into action and engage in "combat," "raids" and photographic work over American cities. The military aeronautic branch of the War Department has planned the greatest flying program the United States has ever witnessed and it will be offered as one of the great spectacular events of the Victory Liberty Loan Campaigns. A squadron made up of American, French and British flyers will tour each of the three sections of the country, eastern, middle-western and western, and give demonstrations of the flying art as developed over the battlefields of Europe.

man, a Mr. Carr, were all killed by the little shell. They were all buried in the same town near Verdun. We all liked our captain. He lived with us, trained with us and don't think he had any desire for promotion that would separate him from his company. I worked in the office with Morrison at camp Sevier and at camp Upton. We lost three corporals, one sergeant and several privates. Our company was called out first and was in the thickest of the battle. The 322nd Infantry lost more men killed and wounded than any other Infantry in the 81st division.

Believe me if I ever sent up a prayer it was on the battle field.

The 81st or wild cat division, we wear the wild cat insignia on our left arm, is composed of men from North and South Carolina, Tenn. and Porto Rico, under the command of Major General Bailey. The claim was made that the 81st was made up of the crack divisions of the national army brought over to wage war on the wily Hun and to help make "the world safe for the coming generations."

When the hour fixed by Foch for the cessation of hostilities, the 81st was in battle array, living forward through shot and shell with her face toward the enemy.

After three days of rest we started on a hike that lasted 14 days. Distance 229 kilometers (eighty kilometers equal five miles, you can do a little figuring. Our company stopped at Laignes, France with division headquarters at Messy Ken Messes. Right and sunny does not very well describe France since we have been over here, it rains more than it shines. Have had but very little sun shine, though they say Southern France is a beautiful country. I've been over a good portion of France, but in my estimation there isn't any thing here that would make one minutes argument in favor of France against the U. S. A. The old historic buildings, cathedrals, Chateaus and so forth are beautiful of course, but taking everything as a whole, I think it is about one of the dirtiest places I ever saw. England is a very interesting country to one passing through as we did. It looked very much like a big orphanage. I think the American soldiers had an attraction for the English kids. They almost crowded us out where ever we went.

Our sleeping places while we were training were in billets mostly up stairs and under us would be most any kind of a four legged animal. I am not with the 81st division now I was transferred to Advance Section of Hdq. company the first of week in February to do office work. Two other boys from the 81st were transferred with me. We are now located at Neufchateau, 175 kilometers from Laignes. I hope to be transferred back to my division before I go home.

We made the transfer in a Frog train, traveling about five miles an hour. Two days trip—snow on the ground and no heat in the train. Cold? It was awful. The French trust you in

riding live, collect no tickets. Not so in the U. S. A., if you lose your ticket pay again.

The slow trains in France I imagine would be nice for honeymoon trips. Some day I may be foolish enough to try a trip like that. What kind of suggestions would you give a fellow on that line???

The train here would make a lonely soldier home sick. Three French cars will make about one Southern. The High Point Special would look mighty good to me, would almost look like a fortune.

I was made to feel sad when I learned about company K getting torn up so badly September 29. It makes a fellows feelings come up in his throat when he hears of friends from his own town and county losing their lives in the great struggle for humanity. But I'm hoping that some day we will all meet again in a bright and sunny land where there will be no more wars, heartaches and partings. If I am lucky enough to get home I shall miss the familiar faces of our dear Asheboro boys who will not return home. I sympathize with you all who lost loved ones over here especially the fathers and mothers. The first few minutes under artillery fire I didn't count my life worth much. Though you have a chance. Lucky I was to come out with out a scratch. By the way I have an order in for my first war Service Chevron. Hope I'll never be here long enough to get another one. Don't know when I will get to come home. I want to thank the editor for the space allowed for this letter.

Here's wishing you all good luck. Hope to have a chance of seeing you bright and smiling faces soon. I will have been to Paris on a few days furlough before you read this letter. I get my leave of absence March 5. Write a fellow. Here is my address.

Good luck to all.
Pvt. Lacy S. Lewis,
Hdq. Co. Advance Sec.
S. O. S. A. S. C.
A. P. O. 731,
American Expeditionary Forces.

Franklinville News

The Sunday school at Moore's Chapel gave a missionary entertainment Sunday morning consisting of songs, recitations, and an address by the pastor, Rev. W. B. Rivenbark. The collection amounted to \$100.80. There were 172 students present.

Miss Edna Patterson, of Greensboro, was a visitor in town Sunday.

Prof. J. C. Serrell left last Monday for his home near Lenoir. He has been in poor health for several weeks and was compelled to give up teaching for the present.

Messrs. James Buie, Clarence Grimes, C. C. Julian, Wiley Williams, Walter Denson, Haywood Parks, and Misses Thelma Steeles and Lottie Julian attended a spelling match at Brokers school house last Friday night.

The collection at the M. E. church Sunday for the orphanage at Winston-Salem was \$32.15.

Mr. W. L. Burrow is all smiles, it's a fine boy.

Mrs. Bertha Fields went to Greensboro Saturday where she expects to make her future home.

Private L. C. Frazier, of Tacoma, Wash, is at home on a visit for a few days. He is a son of Mrs. Amanda Frazier of this place and has been in the service for about four years.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church gave a missionary social at the academy Saturday night. The program was interesting and full of amusement, consisting of music, spelling match, spelling words backwards, potato race, egg race and many other interesting games.

Mr. P. D. Luther spent the week end at his old home near the Montgomery line.

Miss Bertha Tippett went to Greensboro one day last week.

Miss Gertrude Michael, of Kernersville, has been employed as principal of the graded school here to fill out the present term which expires April 18th.

Mr. R. D. Garrison has finished the tower on the Franklinville M. E. church which adds very much to the appearance.

Mr. C. E. Henson who was very sick last week is improving.

Those interested in cleaning and shaping the lawn at the M. E. church are requested to meet at the church Saturday at one o'clock and bring rakes, mattocks, shovels, and wheelbarrows and spend a real delightful evening swinging the above tools.

Mr. R. D. Garrison is building an addition 20x40 feet on north wing of the academy. There will be one class room and stairway on first floor, and on second will be music and dressing rooms.

Mrs. Emma Phillips and son J. Hugh, of Liberty, and Master Herman Slack visited the family of R. S. Craven last Friday evening.

Mr. Evelin Martindill recently returned from France, came home last Thursday.

Miss Bessie Hendricks, of Silver Hill, is visiting Miss Kate Marley.

C. F. Moon made a business trip to Greensboro Saturday.

Miss Emily Brittain, of Greensboro, is visiting at Mrs. Martindill's.

Town primary was held at the academy March 28. House was called to order by R. D. Garrison present mayor. On motion W. D. Maner was chosen chairman and M. G. Maner, secretary. The following were nominated: W. D. Maner, for mayor; A. C. Pugh, J. H. Ellison, H. S. Edwards, W. A. Grimes, and R. D. Garrison, commissioners.

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LOCALS AND PERSONALS

Chief W. H. Foushee, Officers Boyles and Skeens of Greensboro are attending Court here.

Mr. E. H. Sluder, of Flint Hill, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sluder, of Asheboro Star Route.

Mrs. L. L. Parks of Millboro, was in Asheboro Saturday. Her husband L. L. Parks who has been overseas has recently returned home.

Mrs. J. C. Hammer spent the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sluder, of Asheboro Star Route.

Mr. Carson Vestal, was a welcome visitor at the home of J. M. Burrow's, one day last week.

Mr. G. H. Elder has returned to his home at Trinity after teaching at Coleridge during the past season. The school was closed on account of a threatened epidemic of influenza.

Mr. W. A. Craven, of Seagrave, called at The Courier office while in the city Saturday.

Mr. J. C. Skeen was a business visitor in Asheboro Saturday.

Every citizen in the town should observe "Clean-up Week." A spring cleaning is good for every house and every town. Garbage which will not burn will be hauled away by the town without cost to property owners.

Several of the young people of the town attended the minstrel at Guilford College Saturday night.

Mrs. Hal M. Worth is visiting Mrs. Charles M. Hauser in High Point.

Mrs. Jean Rush returned to her home in Greensboro Sunday after spending several days in Asheboro on business last week.

Mrs. J. O. Redding was hostess on last Friday to the members of the Randolph club. Mesdames J. V. Hunter and D. B. McCrary read from the life of Dr. Trudeau, founder of Saranac tubercular sanatorium. A delicious salad course was served.

Mr. Clarence Rush has returned from Washington, D. C., where he has been on business.