

Mount Airy News.

Mount Airy, N. C., Dec. 5th, 1918.

Headlines W. B. Hale and Claude Shelton; and Miss Mamie Burke spent Tuesday in Greensboro.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Bledsoe at Martin hospital Saturday.

Mrs. H. A. Birdall has returned from a visit to relatives in Mocksville.

Mrs. J. L. Harrison visited relatives in Pilot Mountain last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. G. A. Holder, of Galax Va., was a business visitor in the city the first of the week.

Mrs. C. S. Lawrence of Winston-Salem spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. J. L. Harrison in this city.

Mrs. J. W. Spainhour left Wednesday for her home in Winston-Salem after spending a few days with her daughter Mrs. W. R. Kiger.

Mrs. I. W. Barber will return the last of the week from McCall, S. C., where she was called a month ago by the illness of relatives.

Collier Sparger, who is a student at Chapel Hill University, has been called home by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. J. B. Sparger.

Mrs. Mearner Patterson and little son left a few days ago to join Mr. Patterson in Stockton, Va., they will reside there for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Wright of Winston-Salem spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. John Sobotta in this city.

Mr. John Jones who was recently struck by an automobile in Norfolk, Va., has sufficiently recovered from his injuries to return to this city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Ingram and son of High Point are visitors in this city, called here by the serious illness of Mrs. J. B. Sparger.

Attorney E. W. Worrell of West Virginia spent the past week and here the guest of his brother, Dr. T. H. Worrell on Franklin street.

Mrs. Frank Folger of Dobson spent a few hours here shopping Tuesday afternoon, having accompanied her husband here to take the afternoon train.

Mrs. James Sawyers and daughters Misses Vera, Mary and Georgie and son of Friends Mission, Va., spent Saturday afternoon here enroute to Dobson to spend Sunday with relatives.

Mr. J. E. Monday of this city left Wednesday for Keystone W. Va., where he goes to accept a position with the Norfolk and Western Railway Company.

Mrs. Hiram Foard of Leaksville and Miss Mary Lewis of New York who have been the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Lewis on Cherry street for the past two months left yesterday for their homes.

The Surry Red Cross chapter has received a large shipment of yarn to make sweaters and socks for soldiers. Workers are needed to knit these garments.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hutchison returned to their home in this city Friday after spending some time in Roxboro where Mr. Hutchison buys tobacco. Mr. Hutchison returned to Roxboro Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bowman of Birmingham, Ala., Mrs. Grady Marler of Asheville and Miss Evelyn Marler of Winston-Salem are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. George on Cherry street.

At a public sale last week of the Gallaway property, Mr. E. M. Linville bought the Gallaway residence on North Main street, being the highest bidder at a price of \$6,000.00. This is one of the nicest homes in the city and Mr. Linville expects to make it his residence in the future.

A telegram received here this week brought the information that Thos. M. Haynes, son-in-law of Mr. C. M. Gentry, was severely wounded in France on October 26th. The telegram gave no further information but said that relatives here would be kept informed as to the condition of Mr. Haynes.

Mrs. T. H. Worrell received a telegram Wednesday November 27 stating that her only brother, James Snead of Floyd, Virginia was seriously ill. A few hours later another message came announcing his death, caused by influenza and pneumonia. Just eleven months ago, to the day, Mrs. Worrell lost a sister, her death being due to tuberculosis.

In winning the war food proved an effective weapon; in keeping it won food will be our most valuable tool.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Ashby, of Hopewell, Va., are visiting relatives on Route 6. Mrs. Ashby was formerly Miss Sallie Jones of this city before her marriage some weeks ago.

Mrs. J. B. Sparger Passes.

In the death of Mrs. J. B. Sparger which occurred at three thirty o'clock Wednesday afternoon at Martin hospital, where she had been carried during her illness in the hope of prolonging her life, our town loses one of her best beloved citizens. Before her marriage she was Miss Elizabeth Case of Oak Ridge, and was a woman of education culture and refinement, she has been closely identified with the cause of education and taught in private and public schools almost continuously until her health began to fail a few years ago. In religious life she was equally appreciated as a capable and conscientious leader and was for several years president of the Woman's Missionary society of the Methodist church. Her passing brings sorrow to many hearts but all unite in praising her for her patient unselfish devotion to her duty and her modest forgetfulness of self.

She is survived by her husband, two sons, Lieut. Randall Sparger who is in France and Collier who is a student at the State university, and two daughters: Miss Margaret who teaches and Eloise who is a student in the city High School. She has also been a mother to her nephew Eugene Sparger and niece Lillian Sparger who made their home with her after their mother's death.

Her aged father, Mr. Chas. Case of Oak Ridge, four sisters, Mrs. F. L. Smith of this city, Mrs. Frank who is a missionary to Korea, and Messdames Prince of Dunn and Spence of Harnett county, and one half sister, Mrs. Ingram of High Point survive her.

Her funeral will be conducted from the Methodist church this afternoon at two thirty o'clock and the remains laid to rest at Oakdale cemetery.

Good Citizen Passes.

Mr. C. L. Marshall died at his home on Rockford street Wednesday of this week. Mr. Marshall was advanced in years and leaves a large connection of well known citizens. He had been a merchant at this town for many years and was known as a quiet and good man.

Old German Governmental Machine Still Operating.

Amsterdam, Dec. 2.—The old governmental machine in Berlin is still operating, according to Kurt Eisner, the Bavarian premier as quoted in the Telegraaf of this city. Eisner, in speaking at today's meeting of the soldiers' and workmen's council for Bavaria at Munich, the Telegraaf states, announced: "Last week I went to Berlin, where the entire machinery of the old government is still working."

The premier added that Bavaria will ask at the peace conference the doing away with the armies of Germany and of the whole world and put the duty of the maintenance of law and order upon a military police force.

Only One Turkey Entire American Army Occupation

American Army of Occupation Nov. 29.—Only one turkey was served on Thanksgiving Day in the entire American army of occupation. This was at mess of fifteen farsighted officers of the bureau of operations at the headquarters of the third division at Remich. The turkey was purchased November 11, and was fattened for the feast.

Other Thanksgiving dinners in the army varied according to the resourcefulness of the mess officers and the ingenuity of the cooks.

Condition of the Enemy.

While the Americans had plenty of wholesome and substantial food, from the enemy lines came further reports of hunger among the released allied prisoners, food riot among the defeated troops and civilian privations.

At the mess of the staff officers of the thirty-second division a quarter of venison was served. It was a gift from a resident of Luxemburg, whose hunting reserve is near the division headquarters at Consdorf. The officers at second division headquarters at La Rochette had duck costing \$8.00 to \$10.00 each. Chicken took the place of turkey at the tables of the officers of the first division at Canach. The chicken was nearly as expensive as ducks. In some other divisions Luxemburg ham costing \$4.00 a pound was served.

Among the men there was an abundant supply of beef, nuts and mince meat. The cooks vied with each other in supplying doughnuts, cakes and other forms of sweets, and the quartermaster managed to get through extra rations of chocolates.

There also were many pools among the men to buy poultry from the farmers. Some of the troops along the Moselle bought pike or river trout. The men enjoyed the holiday rest in anticipating their next forward step, which will take them into Germany.

If every sword were immediately turned into plowshares there is a winter before us when plowshares don't count.

Hardware Firm Changes Name

Mr. F. D. Holcomb, of the F. L. Smith Hardware Company, has recently bought up all the stock and closes up the business as a corporation and will continue it under his own name rather than as a company. This business has grown to be one of the large enterprises in the country and serves the people in a way to do a large business from year to year. For several years Mr. Holcomb has owned practically all the stock and this being true he preferred to do business in his own name rather than in the name of a company.

Death in Dobson Jail.

A sad dead in the county this week was that of Mr. Childress who died in jail at Dobson Wednesday night of this week from the effects of influenza. He was a cousin to the woman who was assaulted in Winston some days ago and the assault was followed by the riot in which several people were killed. Childress was charged with participating in the riot and was confined in jail at Dobson to await his trial along with several other Forsyth citizens at a special term of court this month.

Many Americans Set Free by The Germans.

Berne, Switzerland, Friday, Nov. 29.—One hundred and fifty-six American officers and non-commissioned officers, the first prisoners of war in Germany to be released through Switzerland were repatriated today. The majority of the men were aviators.

The men rode on a special train with French and British former prisoners.

The repatriated men left Bavaria this morning and crossed Lake Constance. They were met at Zurich by enthusiastic crowds of Swiss and Americans, some of whom sat up all night to see the former prisoners. The welcome at Berne surpassed almost anything of this kind seen in Switzerland since the war.

American Minister Stovall, the entire American legation, members of the Red Cross, the diplomatic corps, and high Swiss military authorities lined up at the railway station as the train pulled in. The crowd broke into tremendous cheering, which was replied to by the American officers on the train with "Vi Va La Suisse."

The train was halted for hours, during which the Americans were showered with delicacies such as they had been unable to obtain during their imprisonment.

SCARCITY OF BRIDGES DELAY ARMY ADVANCE

Three or Four Days Will be Required for First Line Divisions to get Over.

American Army of Occupation Sunday, Dec. 1.—Three or four days will be required, it was estimated for the four first line divisions to complete their crossing into German territory, although the start was made soon after daylight Sunday.

Clouds threatened rain, but later the sun broke through the haze, but hardly long enough to relieve the dismal atmosphere of the German villages through which the Americans passed.

The advance of the army of occupation was held up by the limited number of bridges across the Sauer and Moselle rivers.

The American divisions marched with full war equipment. The heavy artillery also rumbled along the German roads. The main roads encountered during the first day's march into Germany were in good condition. At several places the Americans passed small bridges and culverts which apparently had been repaired recently.

In the village of Cordell, three weary German soldiers arrived home by train from the north just as the American advance guard reached the village. A handful of villagers met them. The appearance of the marching Americans appeared to awe two of the Germans and their families. This was not the case, however, with the third soldier, whose wife took him by the hand and led him past the Americans.

There were no flags or other decorations in any of the towns through which the Americans marched and no music except that furnished by the Americans. Wherever the Americans asked questions regarding roads, they received courteous replies. In the restaurants and stores the Germans sold to the American soldiers any goods on hand at war time prices.

Perhaps the first American tunes heard in Germany as played by the bands of the army of occupation was in the village of Irrel, just across the Sauer river. The village was entered by the 125th infantry while the villagers were on their way to church. The villagers forgot church for the time being and stood bewilderedly watching the khaki-clad procession.

The natives, neatly clad in their Sunday clothes, generally just stood or walked as the Americans passed.

Advertisement for Quality Shoes. Features a logo with 'Quality Shoes' and 'A Good Place To Do Your Christmas Shopping'. Includes illustrations of a high-top boot and a low-cut dress shoe. Text describes the shoes as 'Dainty Neckwear suitable for your own wear or for gifts' and 'Rich, lustrous furs, one of the best showings in years'. Promotes 'Burked' as a 'DEPENDABLE STORE MOUNT AIRY, N. C.' and offers 'Very complete stocks of Gloves and Hosiery. A range of shades that will meet every wish.'

Statement.

We, the members of the Second Baptist Church in conference convened, hereby express our regret because of the resignation of our pastor, Rev. C. C. Haymore, which he has tendered because of his age and feeble health.

We feel it our duty, much as we regret it, to comply with his request and accept his resignation, and thus release him from the responsibility of the Pastorate.

We have therefore arranged the following program for the third Sunday in December at which time his pastorate will cease.

1st. At 11 o'clock Bro. Haymore will preach his last sermon as pastor of the church. The choir will render special music.

2nd. Following the sermon Dr. H. A. Brown, of Winston-Salem, will deliver an address on the loyalty and faithfulness of Rev. C. C. Haymore during his 45 years in the pastorate.

3rd. Rev. C. F. Felds will deliver an address on the organization of the Second Baptist Church.

4th. Mutual relations with Rev. C. C. Haymore by Rev. Fred N. Day of Winston-Salem, N. C.

5th. Dr. J. T. Smith on the Evangelistic gifts of Rev. C. C. Haymore.

Rev. T. H. King, Pastor of the First Baptist Church and other Pastors of the town have been invited to say whatever they may desire on this occasion.

S. A. McKNIGHT, Chm. J. L. SPRINKLE, C. C.

Mine Sweepers off the Capes.

Onancock, Va., Dec. 1.—Several United States mine sweepers arrived off the Virginia coast today to search for mines laid by German submarines. Three have already been located at the points designated by the German officials in meeting the terms of the armistice. It is said by the Germans that they laid 11 of them in the vicinity of Winterquarters light.

U-Boats of the Enemy in the Black Sea are Surrendered

London, Nov. 30.—The allied naval squadron, which recently passed through the Dardanelles into the Black Sea, anchored off Sebastopol, the Russian naval base in the Crimea on November 26. The Russian ships which were in the hands of the Germans and also some German submarines, were surrendered to the allied naval representatives.

"We have saved the soul of civilization. Let us now proceed to care for its sick body."—General Jan Smuts. People who cease to fight do not cease to eat.

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