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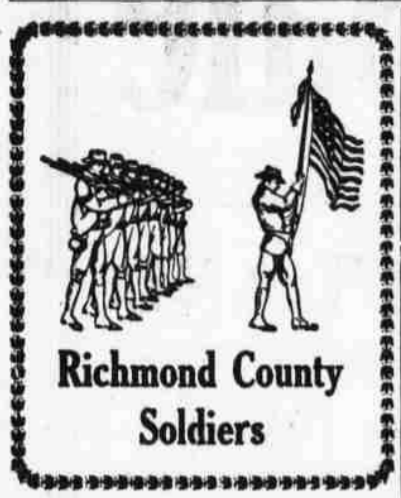
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ROCKINGHAM, N. C., THURSDAY Afternoon, AUGUST 22, 1918.

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Richmond County Soldiers

The big Y. M. C. A. Drive to raise \$112,000,000 will begin Nov. 11th.

Fred Taylor's address is Co. 8, Sec. 4, 5th regt. N. T. S. Charleston, S. C.

An American division consists of 27,000 fighting men, with addition of 18,000 supply troops.

Marshall Parsons, of Norwood, was wounded in the right arm and hand in action July 21st.

Rev. Bruce Benton sailed from a port of embarkation ten days ago for France, to begin his M. C. A. duties, and he should land this week.

In Paris sugar is limited to one pound per person per month, and only half a pound to persons over 60.

W. S. S. Drive to raise Richmond county's remaining 47 per cent will be held from Sept. 9-14. See statement from Col. Fries and Mr. Gore on page 2.

It seems very likely that a tank school of instruction will be established at Raleigh, to accommodate 8000 men. The State Fair grounds will probably be used as a part of the camp site of 15,000 acres.

Lt. Nash LeGrand was Tuesday transferred from Camp Jackson to the School of Small Arms, Camp Perry, Ohio. His brother, Lt. Nathan LeGrand, is also at that school. Nash reached Camp Perry Tuesday.

Monroe Warburton received a wire Wednesday ordering him to report in New York City next Tuesday, 27th. He volunteered for War Y. M. C. A. work overseas some weeks ago and has been awaiting orders.

Among the severely wounded as published in our last issue was given the name of James Arthur Bruce as being from Randleman. His home address was Spies, Moore county, he having registered in that county and entrained in Sept. 1917. He is 22 years old.

The total amount to date loaned by America to our Allies is \$6,692,040,000; divided as follows: to France \$2,065,000,000; to England \$3,345,000,000; to Italy \$760,000,000; to Russia \$325,000,000; to Belgium \$154,250,000; to Serbia, Greece and Cuba \$16,000,000 each.

A new slogan for those who buy Thrift and War-Savings Stamps is, "We'll lick and stick here, while you stick and lick there."

Remember, the new W. S. S. Drive for Richmond county begins Sept. 9-14.

The town of Keyser, in Moore county, has received authorization to change its name to "Addor," in honor of young Felix Addor who was killed in the Navy last spring. Addor was a native of Switzerland, but had lived at Keyser for a number of years. No wonder the Keyser folks object to the name—"Kaiser."

Willie M. Fowkes entered the Navy the first of July as a first-class pharmacist. At present, however, he is in training at Hampton Roads, Va., Co. H, Unit K, Naval Base Training Station, Hospital Training School.

Prior to joining the Navy, he was manager of the Stonewall Pharmacy, at Charlotte.

All boys who have reached their 21st birthday since June 5, 1918, must register Saturday, 24th, at the exemption board office.

The registration for the men from 18 to 21, and from 31 to 45, will likely be held Sept. 5th. This will be at the various voting precincts.

Wade G. Terry, son of Mr. Stephen Terry, of Mineral Springs township, is in 118 Ambulance Company, 105 Sanitary Train, American Exp. Forces, France. He writes that he will be glad for his friends to write him.

Wade was one of the 14 men sent to Camp Jackson Easter Sunday—March 31st. He has been in France since the first part of June.

Four million American soldiers can defeat the German army, is the belief of our authorities. The present plans of the war department calls for 3,200,000, or 80 divisions, in France by June 30th of next year.

At the present time we have 31 divisions, or 1,300,000 active soldiers, in France. The plan now is to call registrants for the next year as follows: August 250,000; Sept. 200,000; Oct. 155,000; Nov. 150,000; Dec. 150,000; Jan. 100,000; Feb. 200,000; and 300,000 monthly thereafter until the end of next year.

Walter E. Warburton gets his paper in "Co. 9, Section 2, 4th regiment, N. T. S. Charleston, S. C."

Logan L. Kelly is overseas and in good health. He is in Co. F, 105th Engineers, American Exp. Forces, France.

Several Richmond county men who are beyond the draft age have learned that Y. M. C. A. also means "You May Come Across"—and four now have applications on file.

A memorial service was held at Aberdeen Sunday morning in memory of Allison M. Page, of the U. S. Marines, who was killed during the second battle of the Marne.

Dr. John Wesley Long, of Greensboro, who has been active in lining up the medical fraternity of the State in war work, has been promoted from Major to Lieutenant Colonel.

The local exemption board received a card from the Syracuse, N. Y., Recruit Camp, stating that Wm. K. McNeill, who was sent there July 30th, had been honorably discharged on physical grounds.

Dan M. Nuttall, who was commissioned a second lieutenant at a field artillery school at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, last Saturday, is expected home today for a short visit, before going to his assignment at Camp Jackson.

The fellow who never licked a War Savings Stamp has little to boast about. The drive to raise Richmond county's remaining 43 per cent begins Sept. 9th. Every 25-cent piece you SAVE and invest in a Thrift Stamp is just that much help to our Richmond boys.

The men who register Sept. 5th will likely be called in the following order: those between 19 and 37, those between 37 and 45, and lastly those between 18 and 19, thus leaving the 18 and 19-year-old boys to the very last.

RICHMOND COUNTY:
W. S. S. quota.....\$432,806.
Already pledged.....\$239,907.
Amt. to be raised.....\$192,899.
Date for next drive.....Sept. 9th to 14th.

The Army Recruiting Station at Charlotte, has received instructions to accept qualified applicants for Quartermasters Corps and Medical Department between the ages of 46 and 56 who present a letter from the Surgeon General of the Army.

Dr. P. M. Abernethy left Rockingham the 13th for military service. He applied for admission into the Veterinary Corps last fall, and only last week received his call. He is now in "Co. 1, Veterinary Corps, Camp Greenleaf, Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga." There are 500 veterinarians in his company, about 150 of whom were college-mates of his.

The mere fact that a man is married will not exempt him from military service. Secretary of War Baker has ruled that there are four classes of married men who are included in Class one: 1st, married men who do not support their wives or families; 2nd, married men whose wives support them; 3rd, married men whose wives have adequate independent means of support; 4th, married men engaged in useless occupations, and who are not the main or principal support of their families.

Mrs. Nannie Key, of Rockingham, has two sons and seven nephews in the service. Sons are Samuel F. Key, 156 Aero Squadron, American Air Service, 35 Eaton Place, London, England; and William Carl Key, 316th H. F. A. Supply Co., American Exp. Forces, France.

The nephews are: Samuel Franklin Key, Edwin L. Key, Sam Jenkins, Ben Jenkins, Daniel Pankey—all overseas; Frank Pankey at Camp Sevier, and Claude Pankey at Camp Wadsworth.

Millard C. Davis, of the U. S. S. Keersage, spent from the 10th to 17th at home here. His wife was operated upon for appendicitis at Hamlet the 7th. Davis though only 25, has been in the Navy five years. He has been on the Keersage since September, 1915, and his duties aboard ship are with the engineer's force. Millard is a son of R. S. Davis, of this city, and has a brother, Walter Hunter Davis, who was one of the 124 drafted men sent to camp May 25th. Walter is in the 81st division that landed in England last week.

Millard's address is "U. S. S. Keersage, Fortress Monroe, Va., care of Postmaster."

The address of Neal Dockery Hicks, who was sent to Camp Wadsworth in the squad of 31 Aug. 8th, is "Headquarters Company, 56 Pioneer Infantry." Of course his folks are having the Post-Dispatch sent to him; and by the way, in the Library Notes, elsewhere in this issue, can be seen Mrs. Russell's account of the free presentation of an armful of books to the library by young Hicks just before leaving for camp.

Also, Pleasant Long visited the Post-Dispatch office Saturday and ordered the paper sent to his son, Pleasant Long, Jr., who was also one of the 31 to go Aug. 8th, and who is in the same company and regiment as Hicks.

And still another friend of the paper wishes his son to see the home news—R. L. McDonald is having it sent to Willie C., who was one of the 31 and who is in same company and regiment as above.

Cecil Smith, son of John R. Smith who clerks for Lowry, was married July 23rd to Miss Lola McLean, of Greenville. Cecil is at Camp Sevier, and is about the fourth Richmond county draftee to become a Benedict since donning Uncle Sam's uniform.

Again is the paper forced to omit the pictures of the last four groups to leave Rockingham. However, next week we will run ten pages, and the pictures will appear then, together with pictures of the group of 14 colored men who were sent to camp this morning.

On page 207 of Leslie's for Aug. 17th is a picture of a squad of American infantrymen resting in a field on the march to the Marne front. In the lower right corner can be plainly seen the picture of Mandy Kirsch, of Baltimore, who is a brother of Mesdames Sam and Sidney Hopkins, of Rockingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rogers, of Wolf Pit, are anxious for their son, Thomas E. Rogers, to read the home news, and they are accordingly having the Post-Dispatch sent him across the seas. He is a corporal now, and is in Co. A, 323rd regiment 81st division. Young Rogers was 22 last April 28th.

Deserters who are found to be physically qualified for military service will hereafter be reported to the District Attorney by local boards for prosecution in Federal courts. Previously, it has been the custom of local boards to induct these men and let their punishment be determined by court martial at camp.

Joseph H. Haywood is in the 5th regt, 3rd Co. and 1st Section at the Naval Training Station at Charleston, S. C. He went there July 10th. He returned last week from the rifle range near Charleston, where he spent 14 days. He made a very good score. Says he likes his training; his arms, face, neck and shoulders have peeled three times, and the sun looks like a yellow man, but at that there is no yellow streak in him.

Last winter when measles, mumps, pneumonia and meningitis were raging in the camps, folks became uneasy and helped spread German propaganda by criticising the War Department. And yet the health rate established by our armies is the finest EVER made in any war. The annual death rate from disease among the soldiers is 1.9 per 1,000—less than 2 men for every 1,000 per year. Contrasted with this is the death rate by disease of men of military age in CIVIL LIFE of 6.7 per 1,000! A truly wonderful record for our soldiers.

During the Mexican war the annual death rate from disease was 100 per 1,000. During the Civil War the rate in 1862 was 40 per 1,000, while during 1863 the rate jumped to 60 per 1,000. The disease death rate in the Spanish-American War was 25 per 1,000. The lowest heretofore recorded was 20 per 1,000 during the Russia-Japanese War.

Letter From Russell Gates.
The following extracts are taken from a personal letter written by Russell Gates, of Hoffman, to W. N. Everett, and received by Mr. Everett August 19th, seventeen days after it was written in France. His address is "3rd Aviation Instruction Center, A. P. O. 724, American Exp. Forces, France."

August 2nd, 1918.
Dear Mr. Everett—
Your letter written July 7th came this morning (Aug. 2); very good time indeed considering the fact that I move around so much. It had been re-addressed several times. We will have to give Uncle Sam credit for doing his best by us.

I can't tell you about the draftees at the front. Anyway, you get fresher and more detailed news than we do. Some of the fellows that came over with me volunteered for bombing, giving up their chance to pilot battle planes for the present. I gave them chance for immediate action at the front. About 10 of these friends have kicked off, including one of my ground-school room-mates.

My kid brother Percival leaves here tomorrow. He is inclined to fight too close. He shoots from under fifty yards; when both planes are traveling at 130 to 150 miles per hour one has to work like lightning. The kid is a good fighter and is selected for chasse work. He had many hours in the States, which were a big help. Day before yesterday he had a crash in the air at 6,000 feet. He was practicing combat. Six ribs were smashed in his lower right wing and much of the fabric torn off. He came down in a long spiral and was not hurt. One of the few cases I know of that was not fatal. That was a closer shave than I have had. I told him last night to be careful, because when he goes I swear I will be a wild devil until I go with him. My great desire is to beat these barbarians until they never want to see the sight of a gun again. They have done too much to get off easy. I have been over here long enough now to begin to feel what France has suffered.

This great flying camp is divided into a number of fields. The machines at each successive field are smaller and faster than at the previous one. We graduate from one to the next as we master the different types. We fly both morning and afternoon, and most of the time between is taken up with machine gun and pistol practice. Pardon me for mentioning this, but I was lucky enough yesterday to get a 94 out of a possible 100 with an automatic 45. It was a 4-inch ball at 30 yards. I got 7 bulls and 3 eights in 10 shots.

Remember me to my Richmond county friends. My best wishes.
As Ever,
RUSSELL.

The registration Saturday, 24th, of boys who have become 21 since June 5, 1918, is expected to yield 158,000 throughout the Nation, and 3,600 in this State. Richmond county will probably produce 35.

14 colored men were sent to Camp Greene this morning and 21 white men will be sent to Camp Jackson next Tuesday (names of both lots are on this page). 13 colored men will be sent to Camp Lee, Virginia, Sept. 1st.

Ozmer L. Henry, engaged in War Y. M. C. A. work at New Yorkheadquarters, arrived in the city this morning. He will leave Friday night for Charlotte, Columbia, Atlanta, New Orleans and other points and will return to New York by Sept. 2nd. He is doing reorganization work on this trip.

T. B. Baxley today ordered the paper sent to Elisha Baxley, who is now at the Base Hospital, Fortress Monroe, Va. Elisha was one of 5 sent to Camp Greenleaf, Ga., July 6th. Mr. Baxley has another son, James L. Baxley, who volunteered a year ago and who is in France in C. L. 119th infantry (the old 2nd N. C. National Guard regiment.)

Robert Blacker, a first cousin of F. Blacker, of Rockingham, was killed in action two or more months ago. He was the first draftee from Petersburg, his home, to be killed in France, and Mr. Blacker informs the Post-Dispatch that the Jews and Gentiles of Petersburg are planning to erect a suitable monument to his memory, as being the first from that city to be killed.

Robert Waddell, of the marines, Tuesday received an advancement from private to sergeant. Also, on Tuesday a dozen volunteers from each company of his regiment were called for, for immediate duty overseas, and he was so fortunate as to be selected as one of the number to form a heavy machine gun company. It is probable that he and his new comrades will be sent to France, certainly by the end of this week.

Mrs. Robt. L. Steele, Jr., received a note from Red Cross nurse in France Saturday stating that her husband was rapidly recovering from recent injuries, though he still suffered quite a bit from a drain tube in his jaw; but that he would be out of the hospital within three weeks. This was the first his wife or friends knew that Robert had been hurt; it is not known in what manner the injuries were sustained, though presumably while flying, as he has been operating a machine since last Spring.

In addition to the names of those reported in the Post-Dispatch last issue as having just landed safely across, in the 81st division, in England, we have heard of the following:
Thomas C. Rogers, Co. A, 323rd.
W. C. Steen, Co. L, 323rd.
David C. McNeill, Co. D, 318th Machine Gun Battalion.
John C. Gibson, Co. C, 324th.
John C. McDonald, Bat. F, 316th F. A.
Julian Burroughs, Sanitary Detachment, 316th F. A.
James B. Stutz, Bat. E, 316th F. A.
James H. Covington, Machine Gun Co. 324 regt.
John C. Gibson, Co. 8, 324th.
Starling S. Gibson, Bat. D, 316th F. A.
Wm. David Hudson, Co. L, 323rd.

Melvin Francis Brady came from Camp Jackson last Saturday to see his sister, Miss Hassie Brady, who is quite sick, will return tonight. Brady was one of the 12 sent to Jackson April 26th; of the 16 sent then, four are still there, namely, Ben Cole, Frank Mills, Brady and James Eli Cole. Cole is in regimental headquarters, Brady is in Company A, 156 depot brigade.

Also at Camp Jackson still are the two Dawkins brothers. Wayne Dawkins was sent to camp March 6th in the squad of 16, and is at the remount station. Robert B. Dawkins was one of the "124" sent to camp May 25th.

Also, Sergeant Manly F. Haywood, who was one of the 16 to go to Camp Jackson March 6th, is still there, in Co. G, 3rd Prov. Regt, 156th depot brigade. Haywood expects to go across with the 20th division which will likely leave Camp Sevier some time next month.

DRAFT NEWS

New Registration Aug. 24th. 14 Negroes to Camp Greene Today. 13 Negroes to go to Camp Lee Sept. 1st. Other Draft News.

Register August 24th.
As stated in last week's Post-Dispatch, there will be a special registration at the office of the exemption board on Saturday, August 24th, of all young men who have reached the age of 21 June 5, 1918, or shall have reached that age on or before August 24th. This registration shall not be confused with the larger registration of 18 to 45 that will likely be held Sept. 5th. (In the Sept. 5th registration, the registrants will register at precinct voting places).

14 Negroes Leave Today.
19 negroes were ordered to report here for Wednesday, Aug. 21st, at five o'clock. 14 were selected from this number, and sent this morning on the 10:07 train to Camp Greene, Charlotte. The 14 to go this morning were:

- 2256 John Reddick
- 94 Lacy Everett
- 2199 John Allen
- 2105 Wm. Henderson
- 2149 John Poe
- 78 Paul Williams
- 61 Snow Medley
- 84 Price Steele
- 66 Charlie Townsend
- 55 Andrew Wall
- 33 Herbert Chambers
- 48 Charlie Capel
- 69 James Baucom
- 113 Charlie Ledbetter

13 Negroes Sept 1st.
The board has been ordered to send 13 negroes to Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va., Sept. 1st. The exact schedule for departure will be announced next issue, together with the names of the men.

97 to Be Re-Examined.
97 registrants who had been placed in Class 5 on physical grounds have been called to report to the board tomorrow (Friday) for re-examination. Doubtless a number of these will be found able to go in Class one.

Limited Service Men.
The board has been called upon to furnish two white limited service men to go to Camp Jackson Sept. 1st, and two to go to Camp Greene.

21 Whites to Camp Aug. 27.
The board will send 21 white men to Camp Jackson next Tuesday, August 27th, the men to leave Rockingham on the 7:35 train. The following are ordered to report here at 4 o'clock next Tuesday, and of the number 16 are of the June 5th, 1918, 21-year-old boys:

- 1808 Hal W. Snead
- 1170 Tom Allen
- 1690 James W. Stephenson
- 1919 Aubrey C. McLean
- 1988 Orville D. Wilson
- 12 Jessie Robert Hamer
- 13 Platt Roller
- 23 Holland Jacobs
- 45 Douglass Eaves
- 50 Claud W. Ingold
- 55 Vander Robson
- 62 Will Lunce
- 94 Thomas J. Capel
- 101 William E. Wallace
- 103 Ernest N. Seawell
- 109 Solomon D. Ballard
- 127 William J. Langley
- 128 Willie Burrows
- 141 Julian Maner
- 148 James V. Webb
- 150 Charles C. Carpenter

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60 PER CENT OVER

Rockingham Subscribed 175 Per Cent "Over the Top" This Week for Jewish War Sufferers' Relief.

That Rockingham has gone well beyond the task set for city in the Jewish war fund brings no surprise. It was expected that Jew and Gentile would respond liberally. Many felt constrained to give small amounts, but as a rule everybody who was approached gave, and gave as one privileged to assist in good work.

The quota assigned for Rockingham was \$500, and \$801 has been raised—\$301 "over the top."

The chairman for the local drive was A. G. Corpening. The chairman for the canvassing committee was Mrs. W. N. Everett, and the canvassers were Mrs. Boyd Gasque, Mrs. A. Aronson, Mrs. W. C. Leak, Mrs. W. E. Thomas, Misses Mossie Long and Bessie Terry.

A rally was held in the opera house Sunday afternoon at five o'clock. The speaker of the afternoon was Hon. Jake Newell, of Charlotte, and he was introduced by Hon. W. N. Everett. Mr. Newell is a pleasing speaker, and his hearers were well repaid by coming to hear him. \$375 was raised at the rally.

The canvassers went to work Tuesday, and increased this to \$801—or, as stated at the outset, \$301 more than the quota assigned the city.

\$513 was raised in Hamlet Wednesday.

The expense program for the next twelve months for our Government (including loans to our Allies) calls for six billion dollars in bonds, and eight billion dollars to be raised by the new revenue bill—a total outlay of \$24,000,000,000. To raise the sixteen billions, three Liberty Loan campaigns will be necessary: one begins Sept. 28-Oct. 19 for \$5,000,000,000, another in January, and another in May.

"Tomorrow" "The only thing in the world that never arrives."

"Yesterday is utterly over with—Time is the only thing in this life which can be completely destroyed. To-day is yours but tomorrow belongs to the man behind. Never in all the million years of its history has this secretive old universe displayed such riches, so many generous opportunities as NOW—Wake your self, shake your self, and DO. The most terrific Century of all is here. Share It!"

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