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Richmond County Soldiers

Don't forget to turn your clock back an hour next Sunday.

Fred Patterson, of Concord, a former star U. N. C. baseball player, lost a leg in action in France several weeks ago.

Miss Blanche Ingram Saturday subscribed for Z. O. Ingram, who is over yonder in Co. H, 321st inf., A. P. O. 791.

Zack Chavis is another Richmond county soldier getting the home paper. He is at "Camp Sevier, Q. M. C., Reclamation Farm."

Carl R. Roller is the latest Post-Dispatch subscriber in France. He is over there in Co. G, 166th infantry, J. S. Roller subscribed for him.

Fifteen thousand retreating German soldiers cut off by Belgian troops were Saturday interned by Holland. That is just as good as capturing them and certainly cheaper.

The Post-Dispatch still has on hand a number of those copies that contained the full list of 2679 Sept. 12th registrants. Five cents a copy. Better get one and file away for reference years hence.

James Blake Neill is in the Students Army Training Corps, Co. B, University of Georgia, Athens, Ga. He is taking a medical course. James is a son of Mrs. Lillian Fowlkes Neill, of 608 West 37th St. Savannah.

The Fuel Administration estimates that a million barrels of gasoline were saved in this country by observance of gasless Sunday, the request for which was last week withdrawn. Those citizens who failed to heed the request during the past two months have had their measure taken, and the record will stand.

An all-American bombing expedition occurred behind the German lines near Verdun last Friday. 140 machines took part, and every one returned unharmed. Not only did the bombs do much damage, but the scout planes that accompanied the bombers shot down 12 enemy machines.

The conscientious objector sees a "hard" time, to their way of thinking. A court-martial at Camp Meade, Md., last week sentenced a "conscientious objector" to hard labor for a term of 15 years; he had refused to do farm work, or put on a uniform or work in the utilities detachment of the quartermaster's corps. Looks like such an undesirable citizen got off light with 15 years.

A new infantry officers' training camp will be opened at Camp Fremont, California, between Nov. 25 and Dec. 1. It will accommodate 20,000 men, of which this State can send 410. Applicants must come from civilians between ages of 18 and 46. If you wish to try for this two months' officers' training camp, write Major Hulvey, Commandant at the State A. & E. College at Raleigh for application blank.

L. C. Cole, in writing the paper his change of address to "11th Service Co., Fort Sherman, Canal Zone," says:

"I have just been transferred from the Pacific side of the Canal Zone to the Atlantic side. My work consists of telephone work and construction work of the Signal Corps; also have duties in the Pigeon Section. We train hundreds of homing pigeons—that valuable bird that is doing such splendid messenger service over yonder. Their speed is 70 miles an hour.

"Receive the home paper regularly; rarely does a copy miss coming. It is worth its weight in gold to me.

"It is my highest ambition to go across, but as an enlisted man has to serve three years in the Canal Zone unless ordered away on special orders, it looks now that I will be unlucky as to miss getting over in France and doing my bit there. We fellows here feel it keenly that we are not allowed to go across."

A letter from Jennings Gerald, Co. L, 119th infantry, to his sister, Mrs. J. M. Stankowitch, written Sept. 23rd, in part says:

"Nights are surely cool here, and especially the early mornings. It is a great experience going over the top. You either have to kill or get killed. Fortunately so far I have done the former. My pal H. H. Hall was killed in 30 yards of me recently. I have accounted for several Hunns myself, and hope I'll get many more. We have been in a part of Belgium, but are now again in France. Tell the boys that they had better get in the army, the life is a lot better than staying at home. But if they do stay at home, then everyone of them ought to save and buy War-Savings Stamps to the utmost!"

And still another P.-D. reader in France is J. Robert Waddell, U. S. Marine Corps, A. P. O. 727.

C. B. Deane, a member of th S. A. T. C. at Trinity, is recovering at Watts hospital from a relapse of influenza.

William Head is recovering from the flu at the Naval Training Station at Charleston. He is now a first-class hospital apprentice.

J. A. Morse Thursday received word that his sons, John F. and Frank S., had landed safely at a port in Siberia, as part of the expeditionary forces.

Henry H. Graham has been quite ill with influenza at hospital at Camp Colt, Gettysburg, Pa., but is now recovering. He is a son of D. G. Graham, Ellerbe.

All the American dead in France will be taken home after the war, according to orders received by army chaplains. All graves are being marked with this plan in view.

Mrs. Annie McKay, Marston, Rt. 2, besides having the home paper to Hillery H., in France, is now sending it also to Oscar J., who is over yonder in Co. E, Mechanic Repair Shop Unit, 308 M. G. C.

Ozmer L. Henry sailed the first of the week for England. From there he will go to Mesopotamia to be engaged in War Y. M. C. A. work. He has been in New York for several months in charge of the Southern Division, War Y. M. C. A.

Willie F. Baldwin is in a very serious condition at the base hospital at New Cumberland, Pa. Suffering from pneumonia-influenza. Baldwin was sent to Syracuse July 30th for limited service, and was later transferred to New Cumberland. He is a son of Mr. W. W. Baldwin.

Henry Dockery, who was sent to camp in May and to France in August, is now in an artillery officers' training school over there; at the Saumer Artillery school, France. William Dockery and Wm. Harry Entwistle are understood to be placed in training schools for officers, and probably by now are taking the prescribed courses.

Extracts from a letter from Corporal J. Crowell Shankle, Co. L, 16th infantry, to Mrs. Ghas. P. Tyson, written Sept. 25th, has this to say of Willie Shankle's death: "Willie was hit by fragments of a high explosive shell, a peice piercing his heart; death was instant and he suffered no pain.

"Would like to be back home, but will of course stay to the finish. Have been through so much, that to miss the rest would be hard."

TEACHERS PAID

State Supt. Joyner Rules That All Teachers of Schools Closed by Epidemic Should Be paid Salaries in Full.

The following received by Supt. L. J. Bell on last Saturday from State Supt. of Education J. Y. Joyner with regard to the salaries of teachers of town and county while the schools remain closed on account of the influenza epidemic explains itself.

"Raleigh, Oct. 18th.

To County Supts: Teachers in schools that have been closed on account of the epidemic of Spanish influenza are legally and morally entitled to draw their salaries under their contract for the time intervening between the closing of the schools and the reopening of the same. I am advised by the Attorney General that this is the law and I am sure that it is in accordance with the Gospel.

Very truly,
J. Y. Joyner.

This will mean a cut in actual teaching term of all schools closed by the order of the County Board of Health. These schools are Hamlet, Rockingham, Derby, Norman, Ellerbe, Pee Dee, Cordova, Rohanen, Roberdel, Zion, Williams, Cameron and Hoffman.

Without delay the school committees of the above schools, as well as the teachers of the Rockingham city schools, who had gone to their homes, were notified that full salaries would be paid for all time the schools should remain closed.

Liberty Loan.

The total subscriptions for Richmond county for the Fourth Liberty Loan will possibly amount to \$650,000. The exact figures are not available this week. Already, however, \$610,000 has been accounted for. The quota was \$500,000 over 1500 people subscribed.

Turn Time Backward.

From 6 p. m. Saturday, Oct. 26th, to 6 a. m. Sunday, 27th, will be exactly 13 hours, regardless of the fact that the dial of the clock contains but 12 numerals. Incidentally, our people will have an opportunity to make up that hour of sleep lost last April when the hands of the clock were moved up an hour.

The order of Congress advancing the time one hour, effective Easter Sunday, expires on next Sunday morning at 2 o'clock and from thenceforth the standard time, as prevailed before the enactment of the order, will be in force. At 2 o'clock next Sunday morning all clocks, watches etc will be turned back one hour.

The change in time will necessitate all trains that leave their starting point before 2 a. m. Sunday standing for one full hour at the station where they happen to be when 2 a. m. arrives. Last April when the time was advanced, the trains simply ran an hour late; but trains cannot run ahead of their schedule and so the wheels of traffic will have to stop Sunday morning for an hour to return the schedules to normal.

Don't forget to turn your watch back one hour Sunday.

If your name is not on the registration books, you cannot vote Nov. 5th. Books close Saturday.

Gasless Sunday.

The Fuel Administration announced on Thursday of last week the lifting of the ban on gasolineless Sundays. The embargo has been splendidly observed in Rockingham and surrounding community. The cars for the past few Sundays were shut up and the people walked. But now the object of the Fuel Administration has been accomplished, over a million barrels of gasoline have been conserved, and the order is lifted. And the difference between the man who observed the request and the man who didn't is the difference between a patriot and something else.

Cotton Nearby Counties.

The government figures for cotton ginned to Sept. 25th this year as compared with the bales ginned to Sept. 25th of last year, for our neighboring counties are of interest:

County	To Sept. 25 1918	1917
Anson	6,407	3,133
Chatham	210	3
Hoke	4,181	2,047
Lee	652	81
Montgomery	478	106
Moore	313	1
Richmond	4,437	1,466
Robeson	13,147	8,017
Scotland	11,020	6,519
Stanley	251	1
Union	1,836	82
State	78,654	27,827

Cotton today 28 3-4c. Spots up 10 points, closing at 31.55.

Register To Vote.

The registration books for Nov. 5th election will close Saturday night. If your name is not on the books, attend to the matter AT ONCE. Failure to have your name on the books will keep you from voting.

On page 3 the quarantine delivery hours of Everett Hardware Co. Their truck will have a regular schedule to the various exits of the city while the quarantine lasts.

FAILED TO FILE

Names of 29 Sept. 12th Registrants Who So Far Have Failed to File Their Questionnaires.

Out of 1165 questionnaires sent out to the Sept. 12th registrants every one has been properly returned to the exemption board but 29. This is a splendid record. Doubtless some of these 29 have sent their questionnaires, but they may have been miscarried in the mail. Others of the 29 may have failed to receive them.

The following are the 29 who have so far failed to return their questionnaires. If your name appears in this list, you had better see the board without delay and either return your questionnaire or get a new one. This is important, in order to forestall further action.

- 19 Sandy Smith
- 14 Joseph Eltona Davis
- 22 Harvey Brooks
- 244 Alfred Covington
- 248 Clarence Covington
- 250 William Quick
- 260 James Quick
- 266 C. L. Little
- 267 Adlis McCjendon
- 375 Clarence Sanders
- 410 Nelson Robinson
- 608 Herbert Cornell
- 696 Lawrence McKay
- 744 Lee Jackson
- 1018 John Cobb
- 1476 Jas. Byrd Shropshire
- 1518 Charlie Baxter Lilly
- 1673 Calvin Stanback
- 1782 Anderson Massey
- 1783 Jessie Smith
- 1784 James Edgar Terry
- 2125 Ben Miller
- 2517 Wm. Lee Fletcher
- 2520 Wellington Smith
- 2626 Walter Onslow Whitter
- 2651 John Dunlap
- 2668 Culpepper DeBerry
- 2669 James Singleton
- 2686 Wm. James Sloan

Western M. E. Conference.

The annual conference of the Southern M. E. Church, Western North Carolina District, which was to convene at Monroe Nov. 5th, was postponed indefinitely in a called session of the presiding elders at Charlotte Tuesday. The postponement is due to the influenza epidemic.

Definition of Hell.

Said a Rockingham merchant last Saturday when the quarantine was on strict, and not a person on the streets except the clerks:

"Some folks say dere vas no hell, but if dere vas no hell, vere in hell has bisniss gone?"

QUARANTINE

1300 Cases Influenza in County. 90 in Rockingham. Quarantine of Rockingham Made Tighter. Possibility of Its Being Lifted Next Week.

The influenza epidemic in Richmond county continues unabated. The estimate of cases is 1300.

On Thursday of last week Health Supervisor J. M. Maness placed Rockingham under strict quarantine, with guards at each exit to prevent passage coming in. Up until Wednesday no effort had been made to prevent people leaving the town. But now to better enforce the quarantine, the guards have been instructed to shut the city tight—to prevent people leaving or coming in. This also applies to railroad traffic.

Also, effective Wednesday night, that portion of Great Falls mill village which lies in Rockingham was included in the city quarantine, and the guard placed at Great Falls creek bridge instead of at the "Rockets" corner as heretofore. (When the quarantine was instituted, the village of Great Falls was not included in the city quarantine; now, however, in view of the new hospital built at Great Falls, the lines have been placed at the creek.)

On Monday night the barber shops of the city were ordered closed until the quarantine is lifted.

So far there have been reported to health officer Maness, at his office in the opera house building (phone 321), 90 cases for the entire town, including the town portion of Great Falls. Two deaths have occurred, one white and one colored.

On Monday the quarantine was made even more effective by quarantining the homes where cases appear. Placards are placed on each home in which is a case, and no one can leave that home until four days have elapsed after the latest case in that home.

Dr. Maness can really give no estimate as to when the quarantine can be lifted. He informs the Post-Dispatch that it will certainly continue all the present week; and lifting it next week depends upon the further spread of the disease.

8 new cases were reported for Rockingham for Wednesday.

As will be noted from the relatively few cases in Rockingham, the epidemic is well in hand and the conditions vastly better than in a majority of places; but the quarantine and other precautions is to KEEP the health conditions good and to PREVENT a real spread. "A stitch in time."

The cases so far reported daily for the county, are as follows; these total 1009, and there were several hundred cases before the reports were begun:

Oct. 15th	220
Oct. 16th	144
Oct. 17th	161
Oct. 18th	112
Oct. 19th	79
Oct. 20th	68
Oct. 21st	69
Oct. 22nd	79
Oct. 23rd	77

Almost the entire county is under quarantine. Ellerbe, Norman, Hoffman, all of Wolf Pit township, Rockingham and the ten cotton mills are under strict quarantine. Bars are across the store doors at Ellerbe, and customers are served goods by bringing it without. The same applies to stores at Roberdel Nos. 1 and 2. Two guards are on duty at the two leading roads at Roberdel No. 1 to prevent entrance.

The Rockingham Red Cross Chapter has been doing splendid work. Sewers are busy morning and afternoon (including last Sunday) making masks, averaging 225 each day. People who come in touch with patients are urged to wear these, but not over two hours at a time; the mask should then be sterilized by boiling and a new one put on. These masks can be secured from Dr. Maness, with whom the Red Cross is heartily co-operating.

The Great Falls mill company, through Mr. Gore, at the beginning of the quarantine last week began the erection of a hospital on the hill 300 feet east of the mill, on the main street. The building is 24 feet wide by 75 feet long. The sides are walled four feet up with heavy 13-ounce government duck. This allows an abundance of fresh air ventilation; at the top of the sides are other rolls of duck that can be lowered in inclement weather so that the building will be completely encased. A stove is within. Running down the length of the building is a duck partition to divide the male and female patients. The mill built the hospital and the Red Cross has equipped it and will supply soups, etc. Three Red Cross nurses are in charge, the mill paying for two and the Red Cross for one; they are Miss Lillian George, of Wilmington, Mrs. Morgan, of Hendersonville; and a colored nurse from Raleigh, Mary Griffin.

The hospital was opened Wednesday afternoon; seven patients were at once carried there, these being Mrs. J. W. Goodman; Mrs. Martha Andrews, Miss Grady Hart, Mrs. Ella Coble, Miss Viola Andrews, Mr. J. P. Jenkins and a Mr. Yates. Four additional patients will be placed there this afternoon, and more Friday.

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

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