

## HALIFAX BOYS AT CAMP JACKSON

Account of Trip Down and Brief Resume of Camp Life at National Army Cantonment at Columbia

### SOME PROMOTIONS FROM RANKS

We left Halifax on Friday morning, the 21st of September, at 5 o'clock, our train was due at 3 A. M. but it happened to be late. Our men were assigned to a special car on the regular train, and Mr. Otto Meyer, of Enfield was appointed officer in charge of the men and Mr. J. R. Manning, of Roanoke Rapids, was second in command. We reached Rocky Mount about 7 o'clock, our car was sidetracked, and we were marched to the A. C. L. cafe for breakfast, after offering thanks to Almighty God for his blessings and asking him to bless us on our great mission and to permit us to return to our loved ones, when we will have performed our duties for our country, we enjoyed a very good breakfast at the expense of Uncle Sam. While waiting for the special train to be made up, some one in our party secured a large American flag, which was placed on the rear of our car. Most all of the cars on the special train had flags, but the Halifax boys had the largest flag that was seen between Rocky Mount and Camp Jackson. The cars for Edgecombe and Nash Counties were next to our car, and the Edgecombe County Red Cross ladies had too many Comfort Bags for the Edgecombe boys, they gave the extra bags to about 5 of our boys, and these bags are very useful for the boys in camp, (but many of the boys prefer that the cigarettes and playing cards be omitted, and the Edgecombe ladies were thoughtful enough to omit these items.)

Our train was due to leave Rocky Mount at 9 o'clock, and long before this hour, people began to gather from every direction, and when we left there was a multitude at the station to bid the soldier boys farewell. In most every town and city that we passed through we saw crowds of people at the stations, and they cheered us and waved flags, hats and handkerchiefs at us as we passed.

When we reached Fayetteville, there was a large crowd of school children assembled at the station, and the reception that was given us by the loyal citizens of this progressive city reminded the Halifax boys of the night when the news of Woodrow Wilson's second election was received. Fayetteville will be long remembered by our boys. We ate dinner at Florence, S. C. about 4 P. M.

As our train was speeding on its way and the end of our journey was drawing near, some of the boys began to look sad, as their thoughts wandered back to mothers, sweethearts and loved ones at home. One married man began to write to his wife before leaving Rocky Mount, and some of the boys said that he mailed a letter or card to his wife every time the train stopped between Rocky Mount and Camp Jackson. We believe that this man will be as faithful to his country as he is to his wife.

Our train reached camp about 6:15 in the afternoon, and as we detrained, we were attached to Company G, and the boys began to prepare for camp life. As the rations were rather short, we had only bean soup, corn bread and coffee for supper and the boys began to roll their eyes and sigh. After supper we were given one blanket each and assigned to a single bed with hay mattress. These mattresses are made by filling a white duck tick with wheat straw, and the straw must be changed about twice a month. The boys thought they could not sleep on the hay

bunks at first but they soon found out that after drilling hard during the day that they could sleep on these novel little beds and it was not necessary to rock them to sleep either. On Saturday afternoon we were assigned to Company "H", where we have remained until now. Our food is very good. It is a well balanced food, prepared by expert cooks, we have one cook from Boston and another from Chicago, and most of the men seem to be well pleased with our bill of fare or menu. The food is much better than what one gets from the average hotel in the small towns. The experienced army men say that our fare is much better than what the old regular army used to get, and the new American National Army is the best cared-for and best paid army in the world today. Of course, we do not get all of the dainties and luxuries that some of the boys got at home, but if we are loyal to our country, we should be willing to make some sacrifices for our country and the future safety of our loved ones at home. Camp life here is not near as hard and unpleasant as it is on the average camping or fishing trip that the people in civilian life seem to enjoy so well. We have to get up at 5:45 A. M., get breakfast at 6:15, clean up our barrack grounds at 6:30, begin drill at 7:30, we get a short rest period about every thirty minutes and stop for a lecture from 9:15 to 10:15, quit drill at 11 o'clock. Dinner at 12 noon, begin drill at 1:30, quit drill at 4 P. M., Wednesday and Saturday afternoons and Sundays off duty.

The Y. M. C. A. have several large buildings here and also a large Chautauqua tent. They furnish free entertainments at the buildings each night, except Wednesday and Sunday and they have religious services on these days. These entertainments are given by the best talent of the nation and are enjoyed by the soldiers. The Chautauqua tent is as large as a circus tent and we have some of the same performers that have entertained us in Roanoke Rapids for the past few years. We have Dr. Frank Dixon, speaking on "Why We Are At War", this week and these splendid addresses are followed by good entertainments in the regular Chautauqua style. The price of admission is only 10 cents for soldiers, the civilians would have to pay the regular prices, perhaps 50 and 75 cents for each performance. The Y. M. C. A. also furnishes the soldiers with free stationary, testaments and also gives free lessons in French and other branches of study, besides all this, the government is going to furnish us with outfits for baseball, football, basket ball and many other kinds of athletic games, etc.

Many of the churches, secret orders and societies of Columbia have special nights to entertain the soldiers and these entertainments and receptions are free. So you see that the soldier boys are not having such a hard time after all. Some of them got very blue though when they fail to get those precious letters from the "dear ones" at home promptly. They are assembled twice each day to hear the mail called out, and when one fails to hear his name called, he goes away with a sad look. If you want to cheer the boys up write to them often and don't write any more of the sad and gloomy news than is necessary.

There is a school for non-commissioned officers in each company and four of the Halifax boys, Corporal J. R. Manning, Corp. W. T. Towe, Corp. N. P. Boyd and Corp. N. P. White are taking the officer training. R. M. James has been appointed company clerk. Our company is said to be the best in the regiment and it will consist of 250 men and officers when it gets up to full strength. The company expects to have a splendid Sunday School class. R. M. James has been in-

## ROANOKE RAPIDS PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

J. C. Tiddy, a former resident of Roanoke Rapids, returned here last week to make his future home.

Jim Lynch, of Greenville, N. C., was called here Sunday on account of the illness of his wife.

Mason Faison and Misses Lena Rivers Jones spent Sunday in Henderson with Miss Lottie Green.

Miss Alice Hockaday, who is attending the Conservatory of music in Durham is spending the week here with her parents.

Mrs. J. J. Lawrence, of Ayden, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. P. Taylor.

J. P. Robertson and family left Tuesday for near Newbern, where they will make their future home.

Dr. E. E. Hachman spent several days in Henderson this week on business.

Mrs. Faison is visiting her daughter, Mrs. O'Brian in Randleman.

Miss Rachel Myrick, of Littleton, is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Vaughan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Vaughan spent Sunday in Littleton with relatives.

Miss Maude Wilkerson spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Richmond attending the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Grimmer spent several days in Richmond this week attending the fair.

Miss Rogerson spent Sunday in her home at Vaughan.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wyche spent this week in Richmond.

Rev. William Towe, of Aurelian Springs, spent several hours here Tuesday on business.

W. E. Rhew spent several days in Rocky Mount last week attending the fair.

J. M. Ingraham spent Tuesday and Wednesday out of town the past week.

Mrs. W. S. Hancock visited relatives in Littleton this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. House attended a wedding in Thelma Wednesday.

Mr. Gibbons, of Hamlet, spent Sunday here with friends.

Mr. Cowper, of Norfolk, was in town Wednesday on business.

Mrs. W. P. Vaughan attended the fair in Richmond this week.

The Ladies Aid of the Methodist Church will hold their annual bazaar on December 7th and 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taylor, daughter, Miss Mildred and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Taylor spent several days at the Richmond Fair this week.

J. J. Johnson and F. M. Thomson left Thursday for Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Marks left for their home in Richmond Wednesday after visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Marks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Lewis, of Littleton, spent several days here last week with their daughter, Mrs. W. S. Saunders.

C. P. Edmonds, an army recruiting officer, is in town.

### A CORRECTION

In the article published last week in regard to the new Garage Building which is being erected on Roanoke Avenue by Mr. L. A. Daniel, the statement was made that part of this building would be occupied by the Mint Cola Bottling Company's plant. This was an error, as the Mint Cola Company will occupy another brick building to be erected next to the Garage Building by Mr. Daniel.

structed to organize the class next Sunday morning at nine o'clock.

Our camp is situated on a sand hill about four miles from Columbia and there is a ravine between the camp and Columbia, which forms a beautiful landscape.

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## BULLETIN

Congress Begins Short Recess.

A momentous session of the American Congress has just ended. A full account of the great event is given in this issue of The Herald along with other important news of the week.

The great events in Europe along the battle front are thoroughly covered and leading news of our home land is never overlooked in The Herald's columns.

### HALIFAX COUNTY SCHOOLS

The Rural Schools for Halifax County are beginning an extensive campaign in Community Life Work. A large number of schools throughout the County have organized Community Life Clubs.

The purpose of these Clubs is to provide a better social life in the community, to bring about closer relations between the school and the people, to increase the loyalty among the student body, to induce more of the young people to come to school, to make the school life more interesting, and to create a greater interest.

"If a school is properly organized and directed it is possible to create, in every rural community, an admirable center for the fullest expression of the community life."

The first One Teacher School in the County to take this forward step in organizing community life work is Enfield No. 2, taught by Miss Bessie Cherry.

On October 4th this school gave the following program:

Song—America (S. F. Smith), School.

Play—Doctor and Patient. Dennis Holliday and Jimmie Simmons.

Poem—October's Party. Lillian Partine.

Song—Thumbkin (Hunt), Little Folks.

Play—Going to Meet Aunt Hattie (Mrs. Arzalca), Louisa Barnhill, Elsie Raye Simmons, Hadley Lewis, Nannie Lewis.

Song—Wish I Had Been Born a Boy, Elsie Raye Simmons.

Recitation—Seven Days in a Week. (Cora Woodward), Seven Girls.

Song—Wind and the Leaves. (Geo. Cooper), Helen Lewis, Margarette Barnhill, Donald Holliday.

Co-operation and Loyalty to the Teacher. Miss Zoe Porter.

Song—Columbia the Gem of Ocean School.

About twenty patrons and friends of the school enjoyed this program. The Club was organized and definite plans were made for carrying on the Community Life Club Work in this locality, in educational work.

Darlington School, Faucetts No. 1, organized a Community Life Club on October 5. The school gave a program of songs and recitations, and a talk was made by Miss Zoe Porter on "The School as a Community Center." This Club started with an enrollment of twelve members.

Glenview School, Brinkleyville No. 5, has organized a Community Life Club of thirty-one members.

Improved Thumb Tacks. Recently invented thumb tacks are provided with handles to help in withdrawing them, which fold down into the heads of the tacks so as to be out of the way when not needed.

No Compromise. Luke was weighed down with a pair of feet of a size remarkable even for a man of his color in the poly-chrome of human kind. As he was sitting one day engaged in the game of chance which has to do with cubes of bone with black dots upon their sides, Sam approached. In his pre-occupation, Sam trod upon the foot of Luke and remained planted there. Luke turned upon him indignantly. "Get off'n dat foot," he commanded. "Get off. Get all de way off!"

It Can't Be Done. If you stay up nights, you can't keep up daytimes.—Judge.

## ROSEMARY PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Mosley and children, of Henderson, visited relatives here a few days the past week.

B. D. Hamill, of Thelma, spent Saturday here on business.

L. S. Cannon, after spending a few days out of town on business, returned Monday.

L. G. Chase, of Richmond, spent a few hours here Friday on business.

Mrs. J. A. Pridgen and children returned Sunday, after an extended visit to friends and relatives in Edgecombe County.

Rev. A. G. Carter motored to Boykins Sunday, where he filled the appointments of Rev. Mr. Dalton, who is here assisting in a revival service in the Baptist Church.

R. G. Brown spent Saturday and Sunday in Enfield with his family.

F. W. Clayton and bride are spending their honeymoon in Norfolk and Washington.

Mrs. J. H. Williams and little son, after visiting friends and relatives in Franklinton and Clayton, returned home Wednesday.

Mrs. Ophelia Williams, who has been on an extended visit to relatives in Clayton returned here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Byrd, Miss Pattie Byrd and their guest, Mrs. Amie Evans, motored to Tarboro Saturday, where they spent Sunday with relatives.

Messrs. R. B. Powell and Joe Scull left Thursday for Goldsboro to attend a meeting of the Sixth District Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Miss Lucy Jones, of Scotland Neck, spent the day here Sunday as the guest of Miss Annie Williams.

C. H. Tigner left Wednesday for Columbia, Ga., after a few days stay here on business.

Geo. L. Hayes spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Richmond on business.

Mrs. Annie Evans, of Durham, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. R. Byrd.

N. M. Harrison and daughters, of Brinkleyville, spent Sunday here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harrison.

Geo. Carmichael spent several days this week in Baltimore with his father, who is in a hospital.

C. B. Moore, of Henrico, was here several days this week on business.

Hannibal Shearin, of Aurelian Springs, spent a few hours in town Wednesday on business.

C. F. Ogilvie spent several days in Henderson this week.

Butts-Joyner Surprise Wedding

Henry Mercer Joyner and Miss Alice Grizzard Butts of Gary's surprised their many friends there and here on Wednesday when they were married at the "Jefferson" Richmond, Va. Miss Butts and her sister, Miss Lucy Butts left from here while Mr. Joyner boarded the train at Weldon, his friend, Mr. Owen Reese, of Gary's having preceded him on the early train and arranged for the wedding.

The bride was handsomely dressed in a beetroot suit, trimmed in taupe fur with hat, gloves and shoes of taupe.

Mrs. Joyner is the daughter of Jos. C. Butts of Gary's and the granddaughter of the late James Monroe Grizzard, one of Halifax county's most prominent lawyers, while Mr. Joyner, son of Wm. H. Joyner, Gary's, comes from one of the oldest and most prominent families of the state. They will be at home to their many friends after the 20th in Enfield, N. C.

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## WITH THE CHURCHES

### Baptist Church

Rev. C. H. Trueblood, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M. W. S. Hancock, Supt.

Prayer meeting Wednesday night followed by choir practice.

Men's Bible Class Tuesday night, taught by H. G. McDonald.

Cottage Prayer meeting Monday and Friday nights.

Senior B. Y. P. U. meets 6:45 Sunday.

The public is invited to attend these services.

### Methodist Church

Rev. Eugene C. Few, Pastor

Sunday School at 9:45 o'clock. W. V. Woodruff, Supt.

The protracted meeting in progress during this week will conclude Sunday night.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. Subject: "The Second Coming of Christ."

Preaching 7:30 P. M. At this service the theme for discussion will be composed of only one word found only one time in the entire Scriptures. Come hear the discussion of this very important word.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 7:30 o'clock.

All are cordially invited to attend all of these services.

### All Saints Church

(Episcopal)

Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, Rector

Next Sunday is the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity. Sunday School and Men's Bible Class, 9:45. T. W. Mullen, Supt. 11 A. M. Special service for the Woodmen of the World of Roanoke Rapids, Rosemary and Weldon, also to the Woodmen Circle. 7:30 P. M. Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Monday night the Girls' Friendly Society will meet in the Parish Hall. Cottage Meeting Tuesday night. Wednesday afternoon Women's Auxiliary. Wednesday night Boys' Club. Thursday, October 18th is St. Luke's Day. Services will be held in St. Luke's Church, Vulture, at 11 o'clock and 2:15 P. M. Archdeacon Lawrence of Hillsboro, is expected. Services will also be held in St. Luke's Church next Sunday at 4:00 o'clock P. M.

The public is most cordially invited to these services.

### HALIFAX ITEMS

Donald Campbell and family spent one day at the Rocky Mount Fair the past week.

Mrs. Chas. Hale and Mrs. Jos. G. Butts were the guests of relatives at Gary's the past week.

Mrs. Ben Hale was brought here from the Rocky Mount hospital Sunday where she underwent an operation.

Donald McCluer of the A. & E. College, Raleigh, spent the week-end here with friends.

Mrs. Cary Williams of Ringwood was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Norman this week.

Earnest Sater was in Petersburg on business this week.

Mr. Tenix was the guest of his daughter in the home of Mrs. Annie H. Gowan the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Green of Weldon were visitors here the past week.

Mr. Willie Coppedge and son spent one day at the Rocky Mount Fair.

Mrs. Vann Warren was at the Rocky Mount Fair one day the past week.

Mr. Ed. Travis spent the week-end here with his family.

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## KEEP WELL THIS WINTER

Don't Pull Down the Windows nor Leave Off the Morning Bath

Winter is coming on and it's going to be the plucky man or woman who doesn't let the first chill bring down the windows or cause leaving off the morning bath. Whoever would keep 100 per cent efficient must keep well. There are two particularly important aids in keeping well in winter: Sleep in as much fresh air in winter as in summer and continue the daily morning bath. Leaving off these two health practices reduces one's resistance to the serious winter diseases and decreases his efficiency for his work.

An effective system of ventilation which every one may have is by means of opening two windows, or a door and a window, on opposite sides of the room. A room is always well-ventilated when a current is produced. Fortunately for people in the South there is hardly a whole day or night in the year that does not permit the windows being open. Foul air diseases in North Carolina should be almost unknown.

Sleeping in fresh air in cold weather is not popular for the reason that people do not prepare for it. Of course they find it cold when they use the same night clothes in winter as in summer. Sleeping comfortable in cold air requires plenty of soft warm cover, underneath as well as on top and soft warm pajamas, heavy bath robes and warm slippers.

When one really prepares for sleeping in fresh air by providing the proper kind of bedclothing and night clothes, he finds it delightful and invigorating.

Furthermore, he finds it easy taking a morning bath and that his health and efficiency are much improved.

### ENTERTAINS ALUMNI

Mr. J. L. Patterson was the host on last Thursday evening to the Alumni of the University of North Carolina who reside here at an informal dinner and smoker. Ten of the thirteen Alumni were able to be present and the evening was rendered most enjoyable by reminiscences and anecdotes of college life.

### REV. STANLEY WHITE RETURNS

Rev. Stanley White, of the Roanoke Rapids Presbyterian Church returned last Wednesday and has resumed his pastoral duties here. Mr. White has been absent about four months on account of ill health and returns greatly improved by his long rest. He will conduct services next Sunday.

Wanted: All men, women and children of the various Sunday Schools of the community to be on hand at the Roanoke Rapids School building Sunday morning, October 21st at 11 o'clock to hear an inspirational discourse by Rev. Grace W. Hughes, Rector Holy Innocent's Episcopal Church, Henderson, N. C.

### POLICE COURT NEWS ITEMS

J. S. Marks for altercation with Chief of Police C. R. Hamlet, \$1.00 and costs.

Winfield Jordan, drunk and disorderly, \$1.00 and costs.

Camera for Aviators. One of the new devices by which European war aviators obtain a correct photograph of the enemies' position is a camera operated with a trigger like a pistol. It can take clean and distinct photographs for military purposes at an altitude of 600 feet or more. The aviator takes aim and pulls the trigger as though firing a revolver. The pistol camera was invented by the Germans, but one of them was found on board an aeroplane brought down by the French. It was so simple and effective that it was copied in large numbers for French aviators.