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EDITORIAL

A German-American isn't one half so much to be dreaded as an American-German.

We haven't seen our bad, muddy roads lately for the snow and ice, but we can well imagine what they will be when the thaw comes—if it does come.

The roads were so rough on the mountain leading to Blowing Rock that a fellow lost his false teeth and offers a reward for them in The Lenoir News.

If the republican party expects to win in the next campaign on a platform of disloyalty or even by fault finding they had better quit now, before they get fairly started.

Buy a thrift stamp card if you cannot buy a Liberty bond or a war certificate. A few cents which you would occasionally throw away on trash will help your government and soon amount to a considerable sum.

Since Judge Ferguson is out of the judicial race it is almost certain that Capt. W. J. Hannah will contest honors with Messrs. Frye and Bryson, of Swain. Capt. Hannah would not enter against Judge Ferguson.

You can't expect aid and comfort from a German because we are at war with his country, but we should expect and do expect every American who claims allegiance to the stars and stripes to be loyal and true in the open or behind a curtain.

In this issue we print an announcement from Judge Garland S. Ferguson who says he will not be a candidate in the next primary for the office which he has so ably filled two terms, at the end of this year. He has made a fine record and many newspapers have paid him high compliments on the faithful discharge of his duties and for his ability. He will retire with honor and with the consciousness of duty well performed and will return to a lucrative practice awaiting him, as he was known to be one of the best lawyers in this district, and especially good as a small numbers criminal practitioner.

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FROM CAMP SEVIER.

Greenville, S. C., Jan. 18.

Editor Mountaineer:

Just a few items from Camp Sevier. The name of this camp should, have been Camp Severe for it has been the most severe weather here ever before known, the old residents say. Last Sunday morning registered the coldest, it being seven below.

We found old Co. H all busted up on our arrival at the camp on December 16, 1917. You will hardly find two of the boys in the same company. Among the late changes made we notice that Capt. W. F. Swift has been transferred from the 119th Infantry to the 118th Infantry. Maj. J. H. Howell is in command of this regiment, the colonel being absent on detached duty. Sergeants L. L. Allen and Thos. Leatherwood have been transferred from headquarters train and military police to the 120th Infantry, attached only.

Sergeant Jerry C. Mehaffey, who was called in along with all the national guard recruiting officers, has been assigned to duty with headquarters Co. 119th Infantry.

Lieut. Samuel C. Plott is reported very much improved and will soon be able to leave the hospital.

There was a peculiar disease spread rapidly over Camp Sevier Christmas week known as the A. W. O. L. absent without leave. Hundreds of the boys were stricken with it. Most of them are recovering slowly in the different guard houses of the 30th division. We are sorry to say some of the old Co. H boys were among the afflicted. Mr. Arlo McCracken, of Iron Duff, and W. M. Jones, of Clyde, were visiting relatives here Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Chas. Hampton, of Canton, who owns a store here, left for home Sunday.

Most of the men in camp will be granted furloughs home beginning about February 1 to spend a few days with their friends and loved ones, for it is a settled fact that ere the March wind blows this Division will either be in France or well on their way there.

J. Mark Liner, who has been in the west the past year, has arrived here. He expects to locate here.

John Ladbetter, Jolley and Davis, of old Co. H, are home on furloughs this week.

Mr. W. H. Jones, our barber, says this place is so lonesome that the hoot owls die with the blues—and Mr. Jones is generally right when he says anything.

Miss Josephine Davis has returned from Waynesville, where she spent the holidays.

Paul Rhinehart has accepted a position with the Globe cafe.

Dr. Martin has returned from an extended visit to Canton.

Health conditions at Camp Sevier have greatly improved the past two weeks, there being but four deaths reported in that time.

THE WEATHER IN 1860-'61.

Route 1, Clyde, N. C.

Editor Mountaineer:

As I have been housed up for some weeks with cold and gripes I don't hear anything but cold weather and war talk. It seems that a great many have had memories. You hear them say "we have never had such a long, cold spell before."

I will give you a little of my experience. The fall of '60 and '61 we had a cold spell that started in the first part of December, 1860, and was longer than this has been, lasting until about the first of February, 1861. My recollection now is that the water courses all were frozen over solid as a cement bridge and we could cross them anywhere. We have had a few nights lately as cold as then but at that time it remained cold until a general thaw.

I will give one instance of how cold it was. My father had a large beef killed the day it first turned so cold, which weight 648 pounds and which was quartered and put in the smokehouse. The night following it froze so hard you could not cut it with anything but an axe. It lay there until about the first of February, when it seemed just as fresh as when killed.

The spring of '61 was an early one and there was an extra fine crop of wheat made, though there was not half as much sown then as now.

We certainly have had a long, cold, gloomy spell of weather, and there must be untold suffering on the battlefronts if it is anything like as cold there as here. We should all do everything in our power to give all the aid we can in helping our soldiers and our government to bring this fiendish war to a speedy close. But it should not close until Kaiserism is put under.

I certainly enjoy reading your most excellent paper. I think you are making the best paper we have ever had.

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RATCLIFF COVE ITEMS

We are having some cold winter out here—snow, sleet and ice. The oldest people say there is more ice than ever before in their recollection. It is a difficult matter to get wood enough to keep comfortable and supply the cook stove.

There are but few topics of conversation in our section—the weather, Hoover, Garfield and President Wilson. As to the weather, it needs no comment, for its effects and results are visible everywhere. As to Mr. Hoover, he is accomplishing much and we hope to see further results. Mr. Garfield did the wise thing, I think, when he took hold of the fuel situation with a firm grip, though there are some critics who seem free to criticize his course. Some go so far as to refer to him as King Garfield.

It was somewhat amusing to me to be in a small town in this county on Monday morning and witness some results of Mr. Garfield's orders. In this town there were some few who live in the incorporate limits of the town who seem to have no occupation except loafing on the streets in fair weather and when it is too inclement they seek shelter and protection in places of business where they crowd around stoves to keep comfortable, thus trying the patience of the man or men who are trying to make an honest living. But it was difficult on Monday for them. When they started on their usual rounds the situation was different. The places of business were all closed, so they had to loiter on the streets and didn't know which way to turn for comfort.

Now, so far as President Wilson is concerned, he is always "on the job" and at the right time with a level head and well-balanced mind.

I see from the papers the political pot is beginning to simmer so far as legislation is concerned. One thing needs special attention and it calls for men with courage and backbone to represent us in that respect. We should have a dog law and protect the sheep industry. We should get rid of the worthless dogs in our county. We need better roads and schools also.

Aunt Sultenia Turner, who has been in feeble health for some time, does not seem to improve.

J. M. Ratcliff, while trying to get some wood a few days ago, lost his footing and before he could recover he slid nearly 200 yards down the mountainside, but escaped injury except for a bruised hip.

Success to the Mountaineer-Courier.
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