

THE GASTONIA GAZETTE.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18, 1918.

YOUR BOY.

By Henry van Dyke. Your boy has fallen on the field of honor, a brave defender of righteousness, humanity and freedom. May a stranger, who is also a friend, venture into the sacred quiet of your sorrow to say a word of sympathy and comfort?

Where loyal hearts and true Stand ever in the light, All rapture through and through, In God's most holy sight.

WORK FOR RETURNING SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

There is not a surplus of jobs even for men returning home from service in the army or navy. Nor is there certainty that soldiers and sailors who immediately find work will find the right work, the kind in which they will be contented and productive.

The agencies concerned in the readjustment are the National Council of Defense, the State and local Councils, the United States Employment Service, the Y. M. C. A. and other "morale" organizations, the War Department Committee on Education and Special Training, the county farm agents, and special local bureaus which are about to be organized.

The success of the plan—failure being out of the question—depends on the individual communities. The county and community Councils of Defense, the community labor boards, the local committees—these will do the vital part of the work.

The plan of readjustment involves the collection of the essential facts and then the practical use of these facts. At each demobilization center every soldier will fill out a blank showing what education and experience he has had, whether he desires work found for him, and where he wishes to settle.

The local central committee will first comb their counties or communities for the positions to be filled. Their next step will be to classify the calls for work, and to find for each man the kind of work he can do to the best advantage of all persons concerned.

In the readjustment the local Councils of Defense and the local committee will ask the aid of county farm agents, community labor boards, public officials, war work organizations, and all good citizens who are prepared to give the soldiers and sailors something more than three cheers.

The Kaiser's Book. Charlotte Observer. The Kaiser is writing an autobiography in which he will set forth a history of his reign and its unhappy termination and in which, it is to be supposed, he will undertake a justification of the war.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable.

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terpretation of the situation, and the power for action and execution is solely in its hands.

LETTERS FROM OVERSEAS.

From Private Charlie B. Laney.

Following are some extracts from a letter which Mrs. J. A. Laney recently received from her son, Private Charlie B. Laney, of Co. F, 323rd Infantry:

Dear Mother: Will try to answer your letter I received yesterday. Mother I am still in the land of the living and hope you know they ceased firing Monday at 11 o'clock, and believe me, they did not stop any too soon to suit me, for our company had been on the front for three long days.

The shell fire up there was something awful, but there were only two boys in our company killed and several wounded, but I am glad to say that I came out without a scratch. Jim McArver, of Gas-tonia, was killed just about 30 minutes before the firing ceased.

I don't think it will be so very long before we start back to the good old U. S. A. Will close, love to all, your son, CHARLES.

From Private Meek B. Pearson.

Following are some extracts from a letter received Saturday by Mrs. R. A. Pearson, of Gastonia, from her son, Private Meek B. Pearson, who was wounded on September 29th. This is the first letter received from him since that date, and it is presumed he is in a hospital in England:

Dear Mother: Will write you a few lines to let you know I am all right. I was wounded September 29th. I am up and walking around now. Guess you got the letter a Red Cross nurse wrote you telling you I had been hurt. Will not try to write very much as my hand is not in good use, etc. Your son, MEEK B. PEARSON, Amer. Red Cross Hosp., Nov. 19, 1918.

From Everett Jones.

Following is a letter which Mrs. Ferrie L. Jones recently received from her son, Private Everett J. Jones, of Base Hospital No. 63, Base Section No. 24:

My Dear Mother: I got your letter yesterday with the newspaper clippings in it. We all read anything that pertains to Gastonia and I passed them around to the folks.

I was sorry to hear about Bill Nolan, as several of us knew him. There was a patient that came in today that lived on 33rd and Grove, Oakland, and another that lived in Alameda. We see lots of fellows that some of the fellows know, but none so far have arrived here from Gastonia or around Dallas. Storms come frequently and it sure looks like winter is upon us.

Say, you may remember seeing some army motorcycle side-cars. Well, you should see me riding around the country in one. Sometimes I take messages to a certain town and we get the sidecar out and burn up the road. French country and villagers are slow to move but out

here, when they hear us coming they hit it for the road sides or into the houses. Yesterday, we went to town in a driving rain. I had a good raincoat and didn't get very wet, but we had two punctures on the way there, and had to patch them in the rain. It happened that one occurred near a carnival and we attracted more attention than the carnival. There were all sorts of people around us, from blue uniformed Poilus, to red fezzed Algerian. It's exciting riding too, as we hit two "Frogs" (Frenchies) the other day but didn't hurt them.

Yesterday was French All Saints Day and Memorial Day. There were parades, troops of the Allies marched, American and French graves were covered with flowers by the French people and there were feasts and etc. But I didn't see any of their food.

You should see how the women of the better class dress in the city that I spoke of. The censor forbids that I say too much about their dress, but you have heard story that France sets the style. It don't seem as though these people have heard of the hardships of war, but upon closer observation, one notes that many are dressed in black. For many of their men have "Gone West."

All the Gastonia "family" are alive and getting along well. Frank Morris is as fat as ever, Capt. Lindeberger is "pulling" them, Misses Boyd and Potts and Wilber Cunningham are "on the job."

The war news looks very good at present and we believe that by the time this letter reaches you, that "something" is going to happen to that Potsdamian Gung.

With much love, your son, PVT. EVERETT J. JONES.

From Private L. W. Avery.

Following are some extracts from a letter which Mr. Clarence Avery recently received from his brother, Private L. W. Avery:

Dear Brother: I just received your letter and was glad to hear from you. This leaves me well. We have been having some prayer meetings for about seven nights and I have been going to some. It makes me think of being at home, for these meetings are so good and I hope they will go on for a while longer.

Last week we had a good time for three days, we went to foot races and horse and mule races and all kinds of other races and had plenty of boxing and good hand music; there were about six good bands there each day, so we had a good old time and lots of fun.

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Well, I have received about six or seven letters from you in the last two weeks. I think I am getting all of your mail now; so write as often as you wish, I can read them all.

Well, I just went out and got a batch of cake and milk, the cake is not half as good as mother's cake but it tasted good to me just the same.

Well, I am hoping to hear from you again soon. From your brother, L. W. AVERY.

Realizing the Insult.

Manual, a negro with a record previously clean, was arraigned before the burolic justice of peace for assault and battery.

"Why did you beat that negro up, Manual?" questioned the squire.

"He called me sumpin' judge."

"What did he call you?"

"He called me a rhinoceros, sah, a rhinoceros!"

"A rhinoceros! When did this occur?"

"About three years ago, judge."

"Three years ago! Then how did it happen that you waited so long to report it, Manual?"

"Lawd, judge, I ain't never seen no rhinoceros till dis mawnin'."

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Baseball has been introduced into France. Just imagine nine excited, enthusiastic Frenchmen talking to an umpire all at once.—Los Angeles Times.

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PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

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V. G. GRIER, City Tax Collector.

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