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RAEFORD'S NEW MILITARY UNIT HAS INSPECTION

Headquarters and Combat Train Gets Good Start Tuesday Night; Army Officials Optimistic Over New Outfit Here.

Raeftord's new military company, the first of which has been made from time to time, became a reality Tuesday night when Major Franklin Kemble, Senior Artillery Instructor for the 252nd Regiment, inducted it into Federal service, administering the oath and completing all details necessary to make this new company a regular unit in the National Guard. He was accompanied by Major James B. McCumber, of Wilmington, battery commander, Capt. Humphrey of Lumberton and Lieut. Gilliken of Wilmington, Col. R. B. Lewis, Capt. W. L. Poole, Capt. J. H. Blue and Lieuts. H. A. Currie and Herbert McKeithan also were present at the induction.

Capt. J. W. Walker is commander of this new company which is known as Headquarters and Combat Train, and two lieutenants will be appointed at an early date. Their equipment will consist of trucks, telephones, radio and other signal equipment. Their armory, for the present at least, is on the third floor of the Covington and Johnson building and it was here that the induction took place. Major Kemble was most generous in his praise of the appearance of the men, their enthusiasm and the high type of personnel that went to make up the unit. Col. Lewis made a speech of welcome into the regiment on behalf of Col. McClelland who was unable to be present. Major McCumber made a short speech of welcome into the first battalion and predicted a bright future for the company. Capt. Poole made a short talk in which he assured the new unit of the hearty cooperation of all officers and men of Battery F. It should be said in passing that Capt. Poole deserves a large share of the credit for getting this new unit located in Raeftord. Not only his influence in asking that he be located here but the fine record made by Battery F led the authorities to think most highly of Raeftord as a base for the National Guard.

Raeftord and Hoke County are to be congratulated upon the location of this outfit here when many towns much larger have had no company at all, in fact. General Metts and those in authority investigated the outlook carefully before here some time ago to look the situation over. That they were much impressed with the way the community was backing Battery F was quite evident and General Metts stated while here that unless something developed to change the outlook that Raeftord would get this new unit. The location of this new company means that the county has two companies with a total of 95 enlisted men and ten officers residing here. The total expenditures through these two companies will be in excess of twenty thousand dollars a year and this money means a lot in a financial way to the county, being well distributed and representing an income that would not otherwise be had except for these companies.

The greatest good derived from them, however, is the value training that they give to the men who are in them. The fellowship, discipline, and other training are invaluable and mean a lot to the county. The men in these outfits make the best of citizens and it is indeed rare that one is ever indicted for any infraction of the laws of the State.

Following is a list of those comprising this new unit:

John W. Walker, Captain; Rowland C. Andrews, George C. Brown, Robert M. Cox, Henry C. Culbreth, Percy English, Harry A. Greene, John A. Hodgin, Jr., William C. Hodgin, Theo. Hucklebee, Troy J. Johnson, Lacy H. Koonce, Kenneth D. Lowe, James D. Matheson, Neill A. McDonald, Jr., William T. McKay, Archie S. McKeithan, William D. McLeod, John A. McPhaul, Jr., Robert B. McCracken, Allen M. Seals, Nathaniel McN. Smith, Whitford A. Sneed, Charles B. Spivey, Earl Tolar, William T. Walters, Marjoe B. Warren, Neill A. Willis, Daniel C. Wilson.

ALL BIDS REJECTED

Postmaster G. W. Cox informs the News-Journal that the post office department has rejected all bids submitted some time ago for a new site for the post office here. New bids will be received at a later time, and in the meantime, the post office will remain where it is, Mr. McClatchie having agreed to an extension of the old contract by the month until other arrangements are made.

Last week Dee Currie and George Willis, colored, were whitewashing the new place of business which Dee has opened under the name of the Universal Garage, and in the process they both were about covered in whitewash. When they got through through George said "Mr. Dee, us'll have to weigh." Whereupon Dee desired to know why. "Us'll have to weigh to see which one is me," replied George.

7,651 Pounds Chickens Shipped Last Week

Wednesday, March 19th, one hundred and seventy one different people brought poultry to a car loaded here and seven thousand six hundred and fifty one pounds of said feathered bipeds took their departure from Hoke County for good and all. This was a co-operative shipment with the county under the supervision of county agent L. B. Brandon. The sum of \$1,660.37 was left as a result of the transaction. Mr. Brandon was successful in getting a little better price than was being paid in neighboring counties and plans to have another car in the near future.

Here On Big Rat Killing Campaign

There are many ways of earning a living and one of them is killing rats. That one unusual way for women is the choice of Miss Madge Case of Seattle and Miss Anna May Wright of Portsmouth, Va., and from all accounts they are not only making good for themselves but for the communities they visit because of the wholesale slaughter they leave in the rat families, which despite years of intensive effort, seem to multiply. Miss Case and Miss Wright point out that consistent effort is necessary to kill them off.

Anyway the two women rat killers who are not only charming but apparently know much of their business will be in Raeftord for a week engaged in that very thing. They arrived here Friday all ready to start on their tours of extermination, and will see the actual beginning of the war they expect to stage on rats beginning Monday, March 24. The estimate of the number of rats in Raeftord runs well into the thousands. Government statistics show that each rat does around \$1.82 of damage each year.

After their killing in Raeftord the young women will work the country in their campaign. They expect to rid many a barn and storage house of its rat menace. The young women use a drug which they call barium carbonate which can be purchased at any drug store. They apply the approved methods adopted by the United States public health service and the system is declared universally uniform in its success.

Miss Case and Miss Wright have been engaged in this unusual occupation for years. They have visited 42 states, Alaska and the Hawaiian islands in their pursuit of rats and have gained wide reputation for their ability.

"Know Your State" Articles To Appear

The News-Journal is glad to announce to its readers that it has secured exclusive rights to publication in this section of a series of articles entitled, "Carolnians, Know Your State," written by noted authors, who are native Carolnians.

These articles are short and aim to acquaint the people of the State with the early history of North Carolina. They are written in clear, concise language and each article is accompanied by a cut showing in picture form the subject matter of the article.

Beginning with this issue a different article will appear each week. The articles, which are released through a large news and feature agency of national reputation, give a connected story of the development of the State, its people and its industries. The stories are not limited to any one section of the State but take the history up as it comes giving as much attention to one section as to another.

Every phase of the State's history is touched upon and is accurately recorded. The articles themselves at many worth times the subscription price of the paper. They are interesting as well as instructive. Don't lose the connection between the articles by missing an issue.

OF INTEREST TO VETERANS

Evidence must be submitted prior to April 6, 1930, to show service connection for a disability other than nervous and mental disease, spinal meningitis, and active tuberculosis disease, paralysis agitans, encephalitis, lethargia, or amebic dysentery, unless there is an official record of the injury during service or at the time of separation from active service. April 6, 1930, is the last date for filing claim for compensation. These limitations are covered by Sections 206 and 209 respectively of the World War Veterans' Act.

A bill now pending in Congress provides that Section 206 and 209 of the World War Veterans' Act be repealed. Veterans legislation in congress has been unavailably delayed on account of high government officials and members of congress. While it is apparent that Sections 206 and 209 of the World War Veterans' Act will be repealed during this session of congress, just when we do not know and the thought has occurred to us that in order there may not be any unnecessary delay for those veterans needing clinical or fiscal relief they should make application therefor on or before April 6, 1930. If claim has already been filed and further evidence is required same should be submitted to the Veterans' Bureau on or before April 6, 1930.

Aged Lady Passes At Dundarrach Last Week

Mrs. Mary A. McMillan, wife of Mr. N. C. McMillan of Dundarrach died at her home Wednesday afternoon March 19, about 6 o'clock. She had been in poor health for several months, suffering from paralysis, but had been able to be up and about the home most of the time, being confined to her room only about two weeks prior to her departure. She was the eldest daughter and child of the late S. P. Clapp and Sarah Nelson Clapp, the former being a native of Guilford county, coming to this section many years before the Civil war and settling in what was then Lum'ers Bridge township, Robeson county and for many years after the war was engaged in the turpentine and timber business. Mrs. McMillan had just entered her 76th year of age, being born March 11th, 1855. She had been for many years a consistent member of the Presbyterian church and was an affectionate wife and mother, a thoughtful and helpful neighbor and friend, attentive to her home affairs and always deeply concerned about those dependent upon her, she was one that "looked well to the ways of her household and ate not the bread of idleness."

Her going is a distinct loss to the community and she will be missed. She is survived by her husband, Mr. N. Charles McMillan, one daughter, Miss Bessie McMillan, one brother, Mr. Joe Clapp of Statesboro, Ga., three sisters, Mrs. John A. McDougald of Statesboro, Ga., Mrs. J. E. Clifton of Lumber Bridge, and Mrs. John W. Shaw of Orlando, Fla., one grand-son Mr. Raymond Hall of Durham, and one great-grand-son, Master Raymond Hall, Jr., six months old, besides many nephews and nieces dispersed over the Southern states.

The funeral was conducted from the home Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock by her pastor, Rev. A. D. Carswell, assisted by Rev. Geo. W. Hanna, pastor of Antioch church, and interment was made in the cemetery adjoining that church. A large crowd of relatives and friends were present, many coming from a distance, which, in a small way, manifested the esteem in which the deceased was held. The active pallbearers were Jesse Gibson, J. A. Quick, N. A. Molnise, C. F. McBryde, W. J. McBryde and H. A. McKenzie.

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State Establishes New Low Smallpox Record

Raleigh, March 21.—A new low record both for the number of cases and number of deaths attributed to smallpox was achieved in North Carolina for the year 1929, according to provisional figures compiled by the State Board of Health. For the year there were 438 smallpox cases reported, and one smallpox death recorded.

The remarkable record for 1929, however, will be reversed if the prevalence of this disease for the first eleven weeks of 1930 continues. From January 1 through March 15 there have been 263 cases reported and already two deaths have been caused by this easily preventable disease.

Nearly all of the cases for the present year have occurred in a group of five contiguous counties: Cumberland had 35, Harnett 55, Hoke 32, Sampson 75, Robeson 22, totaling 223. The remaining 40 cases have been widely scattered over the State.

"A sure and safe means of preventing smallpox is easily available," said Dr. Chas. O'H. Laughlinhouse, State Health Officer, "and it should be considered a disgrace for an enlightened people to continue to permit the presence of this disfiguring, and often fatal, disease in the State. Vaccination is simple, it is safe it is sure."

"Smallpox in North Carolina under the State law is not quarantined. The reason for this is simple. Why should we use a secondary means (quarantine) of preventing the spread of smallpox when we have a perfectly efficient and simple preventative (vaccination)? If we were to rely on a quarantine as a defense against smallpox, we should be lulling ourselves into the dream of false security. Quarantine is only a partial method. The prevention of smallpox by vaccination. A person who has been successfully vaccinated recently will not contract smallpox. If he has been exposed to smallpox for safety he should be vaccinated again. A needle scratch is simpler by far than death-dealing smallpox.

"Every child should receive this protection before going to school. When exposed, it is safe to vaccinate babies at birth. Having been successfully vaccinated early in life once, children should be vaccinated again at about twelve years of age. If both vaccinations are successful they will be practically protected for life."

"In view of the fact that smallpox is prevalent in the State it is the course of wisdom for those not successfully vaccinated within recent years to take advantage of this sure means of protection."

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Masonic District Meet In Lumberton

There will be a meeting of the Masons of the 11th District in St. Alban's Lodge, Lumberton, on the 8th of April at 7:30 p. m. Past Grand Master Henry A. Grady and Grand Secretary John H. Anderson will be present, and Past Grand Master Grady will make an address. District Deputy Grand Master R. T. Allen, urges all the Masons of the District to attend and especially the officers of all lodges in the district.

T. B. Upchurch Writes From Hot Springs

The following letter, under date of March 18th, was received from Mr. T. B. Upchurch, who is recuperating in Hot Springs, Ark.:

"I left Raeftord for Hot Springs, Ark., several weeks ago and I have been thinking I would write you to warn the people to plant more food-stuffs and vegetables, or anything that can be eaten by man or least on the farm.

"On my trip here I passed through South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee and Arkansas, and I am sure there was 90 per cent of the land tilled in cotton last year, and preparations again being made for cotton this year on the same land. I saw some few rice fields where it was too low for cotton. I do not believe the county as a whole made enough corn and feed to last them a month. If they did I did not see where it was made.

"To me the farms look home seemed like the garden spot of the world. But we can still make improvement. Conditions are really alarming on these farms as a whole.

"Not more than half the tenants houses were fit for human to live in. I never saw a collar patch, turnip, cabbage, or anything green to eat, except one little salad patch; not even a potato hill. Unless the farmers get busy and cooperate more with their tenants to make better gardens, more grain and meat, the South will go under.

"There is no harm in making all the cotton and tobacco you can, after you have produced all you can eat at home, but be sure you do this and a little surplus of feed and provision. The franks will be ready to assist any man that has plenty of feed and supplies, with what little cash he needs.

"Every man in the county that knows me knows that I practice just what I am preaching.

"Unless the cotton acreage is reduced, or some unforeseen calamity on the crop, we are headed for ten cent cotton or below. Since being in Hot Springs, I have talked to men from nearly every state in the union, and all admit that their states are flat financially.

"There is lots of unemployment, and as I see it, unless conditions change, I do not see how the world can buy the next cotton and tobacco crop at any price.

"I dislike to be a pessimist, but possibly I have seen and learned more of the conditions by observing and talking to every man I could see from the different parts of the country, than some others who have not had this opportunity.

"These are conclusions that I have arrived at, and in my mind unlike any conditions we have ever faced before.

"The only man I have found that is not suffering is the man that is raising cattle, mules, horses and hogs. The manufacturers all admit they are suffering."

T. B. UPCHURCH.

Offers Prizes For Best Drilled Soldiers

Baucum's Cash Store announces that they will give the following prizes to best drilled soldiers in the two local military companies: To Battery "F" Coast Guard Artillery; 1st prize, to the best drilled soldier, \$5.00; 2nd prize, to the best drilled soldier enlisted since Jan. 1, 1930, a \$2.00 shirt. To Battalion Headquarters & Combat Train (Raeftord's new military company), 1st prize to the best drilled soldier, a pair "Baucum's Special" \$5.00 Oxford. 2nd prize, to the best drilled soldier enlisted since Jan. 1, 1930, a \$2.00 shirt. To Battalion Headquarters & Combat Train (Raeftord's new military company), 1st prize to the best drilled soldier, a pair "Baucum's Special" \$5.00 Oxford. 2nd prize, to best drilled soldier not previously enlisted, a \$2.00 shirt. This contest will end July 12th, and prizes will be awarded according to decision of the judges.

U. D. C. MEETING

The United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet next Wednesday afternoon, April 2nd, with Mrs. H. L. Gatlin. The hour of meeting is 3:30.

Preaching Service At Sandy Grove

As next Sunday is the fifth Sunday there will be preaching services at Sandy Grove Presbyterian church as usual by the pastor, Rev. A. D. Carswell. This revered old church is on the Fort Bragg reservation.

W. W. Rivers Talks About Boy Scouts

At its regular meeting Thursday evening, March 20, the Kiwanis club had as its guest Mr. W. W. Rivers of Southern Pines, Boy Scout Executive for the Walter Hines Pag Council of Boy Scouts, who made an interesting talk on the work and objectives of the Boy Scout movement in America. Mr. Rivers emphasized the fact that our boys were our greatest asset, that the boy was the only animal we had to make men out of, and our men in a large measure would be like the boy from which they came.

He made the startling statement that out of the 837,000 Boy Scouts in America in 1928, only 17 were convicted of any crime, but that there were 150,000 convicted that did not belong to the scouts. He also said that of the 1374 boys brought before the court in Waco, Texas, in fifteen years, only one was a scout. This was indeed gratifying to the club in its efforts to sponsor the scout movement here. Mr. Rivers' remarks were greatly enjoyed by the members of the club, and it is hoped that he can visit our town regularly this year, not only to help out the scouts but to attend the club meetings also. Capt. Wm. L. Poole who has for many years encouraged and helped the Boy Scouts in town, was in charge of the program.

ANTIOCH NEWS.

Miss Elizabeth Stutts of the Antioch school faculty spent last weekend at the home of her parents in Giletton.

Mrs. G. C. Biggs, Mr. Henry and Miss Edna Earle Biigs went over to Lumberton last Sunday afternoon to see Miss Hazel Biggs.

Friends of Col. Alex. McMillan are sorry to learn that he is critically ill at his home near Dundarrach. Col. McMillan is one of the few Confederate soldiers living now in our county and he has many friends who will be grieved to know of his illness.

Misses Lois and Ernestine Page, Dora Huggins, Spauld Newton and Jack McNeill spent last weekend at Marietta visiting in the home of the Misses Page.

We are glad to know that Mrs. Flora Conoly is better now and able to sit up some.

Misses Claire Crenshaw, Annie Mae McLean and Elizabeth Stutts were shoppers in Fayetteville last Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. D. S. Liles and family with Mr. Carl Wilson spent last Sunday in the home of Mr. Wilson at Rockingham.

Miss Kathryn McPhaul has been quite sick for several days. We are glad to know that she is much better now and able to return to school.

Mrs. L. E. Walters, Mrs. William Tapp and William Jr., of Raeftord, spent last Thursday in the home of Mrs. Walters' brother, Mr. J. W. McPhaul.

The many friends of Mrs. R. A. Smoak, who has been in a Lumberton hospital for several days, are delighted to know that she is improving rapidly and expects to return to her home here within the next few days.

Miss Edna Liles has been substituting for Mrs. Smoak in the school room.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade H. Leggett of Winston-Salem were weekend visitors in the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Skipper and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McPhaul.

We are glad to know that Mr. M. B. McBryde is better now, following the near serious accident to his eye several days ago. He is still suffering right much from the injury.

Miss Kate R. McMillan of the local school faculty spent last weekend at her home in Wagram.

We are sorry to report that Miss Willa McClatchie isn't improving as fast as her many friends wish. She is now in Baker Sanatorium at Lumberton, undergoing special treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Prillaman are spending some time in the home of Mrs. Prillaman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. McBryde.

Mrs. H. S. Kirkpatrick and Miss Margaret Kirkpatrick went over to Raeftord shopping last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Arch Smith were visitors recently in the home of Mrs. Smith's father, Mr. N. A. Watson.

Mr. Sheppard Page of Marietta visited in the home of Mr. Huggins here last Friday afternoon.

Miss Janie Bell of Fayetteville who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Walter Gibson, for several days, returned to her home last Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. Pete McKay of Fayetteville were recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McPhaul. Mrs. McPhaul and Mrs. McKay are sisters.

Mr. F. F. McPhaul was a business visitor in Raleigh Saturday.

Mr. R. A. Smoak and children, Leete and Albert, went over to Lumberton Sunday to see Mrs. Smoak.

Messrs. Bennie and Lacy Dalton have returned to Chapel Hill after spending the spring holidays in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Dalton.

Judge J. J. Parker Named By Hoover To Supreme Court

Charlotte, March 22.—Judge Johnston Parker, whose nomination as associate justice of the Supreme court was sent to the senate yesterday by President Hoover, has for a number of years been prominent in the public life of North Carolina. Judge Parker, was born at Monroe, N. C., November 20, 1885, the son of John D. Parker and Francis Johnston Parker. He is lineally descended from Governor Abner Nash, revolutionary leader of North Carolina.

Entering the university of North Carolina in 1903, he received his AB degree in 1907 and LL. B. degree in 1908. While in college he served as president of the freshmen and senior classes, DI society, athletic association and student council. He was president of the Phi Beta Kappa during his senior year in 1927, and awarded an LL. D. by the university.

Beginning the practice of law in Greensboro in 1908, he served that year as secretary of the Republican campaign committee in the fifth North Carolina district. In 1909 he moved to his home town of Monroe to practice law, and in 1910 he was the nominee for the Republican party for Congress from the seventh district. In 1916 he was nominee of the Republican party for attorney generalship of North Carolina.

Strong Race For Governor Judge Parker was nominated by his party for Governor of North Carolina in 1920 and although defeated by his Democratic opponent, polled 230,000 votes, which was 63,000 more votes than any candidate for Governor of either party had received prior to that time.

Judge Parker moved to Charlotte in 1922 to take up the practice of law in this city. Continuing his public life, however, he was in 1923-24 special assistant to the attorney general of the United States. In 1924 he was elected a member of the Republican national committee and was a delegate at large from North Carolina to the Republican national convention.

Mrs. Virginia Conoly Injured In New York

Mrs. Virginia Conoly, formerly of this county, but now of New York City, was run over by an automobile Monday in that city. A telegram received Tuesday by Mr. A. A. Conoly, brother of Mrs. Conoly, stated that her condition was serious but not critical and that she was suffering from a fractured leg and bruises about her face.

Mrs. Conoly is in St. Luke's hospital.

Balance of Equalizing Fund Mailed Recently

Raleigh, March 25.—The balance of the fourth installment of the equalizing fund, a sum amounting to \$641,671.22, was mailed to the counties a few days ago by State Superintendent of Public Instruction. It is learned today from the State Office. The first part of this fourth payment, the sum of \$615,462.50, was sent out in February. The total of these two amounts, \$1,257,133.72, therefore, represents the fourth and last installment of the fund applicable to the six months school term.

On September 5, 1929 the first payment of \$1,156,300 was made; on October 15 a second installment of \$1,214,800 was made, and on December 10 a third sum of \$1,270,500 was distributed—making in all a total sum of \$3,671,900 apportioned before January 1, 1930. This fourth installment just finished brings this amount up to a total of \$4,893,033.72, which has been applied to the operation of the six months schools.

Within a few days, the State Superintendent announces, checks will go forward to those counties employing rural school supervisors to help pay the salaries of those officials. Under a ruling of the State Board of Equalization, each county employing a school supervisor will receive that percentage on the supervisor's salary which equals the percentage of its current expense, which it received from the equalizing fund.

After this distribution, it is learned, the next money will be from the \$1,250,900 fund set aside by the General Assembly to aid those districts operating their schools beyond six months. This distribution will be made some time in April.

Play At Mildouson School Wednesday

A play "What Happened to Judy" is to be given at Mildouson school next Wednesday night, April 2nd, at 8 o'clock p. m. It is being given by the faculty and people of the community for the benefit of the school. It is a comedy drama in 3 acts, five boys and seven girls. This is a play of remarkable appeal, full of lively action, affords unlimited comedy, while the tragic and dramatic parts thrill the audience and sustain a high degree of interest throughout. Everybody come! A small admission will be charged.