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## As a Token of Your Appreciation of The Sacrifice in Our Behalf Made by The American Soldiers, And The Great Victory They Have Won, Have You Contributed to The War Work Campaign Fund? If You Haven't, Don't Delay. Do it Now.

### FOUGHT UP TO LAST MINUTE

Americans on Western Front Engage in Fierce Combat Just Before Cessation of Hostilities—All Celebrate.

An Associated Press Dispatch from Paris, dated Monday morning, says: When dawn came this morning there was not hint of a cessation of hostilities. East of the Meuse the American second army attacked in force at eight o'clock.

The onslaught was preceded by a tremendous barrage which was returned by the enemy. For three hours the Americans swept forward, hurling themselves against the wire entanglements.

The German gunfire was devastating. Then, at exactly one minute or eleven, like a final thunder crash of the clearing of a storm, the guns on both sides abruptly ceased.

The silence was more startling than the deafening roar of the barrage. For a brief minute intermittent rifle fire followed; then came a pause, punctuated by ripping cheers from the trenches on both sides of the line.

What followed on one sector was perhaps one of the most singular events of the war. Against the sky line figures were suddenly silhouetted. They appeared cautiously at first, but soon, growing bolder all along the line, they stood upright. These were Germans.

The Americans were not so cautious. As the barrage died, ending in a final husky rumble in the distance from the big guns, runners went springing along the fire line. Instantly comprehending the whole line of doughboys leaped from trenches, fox holes and shell craters, splitting the unaccustomed silence with a shrill cheer. The roar of voices was like an outburst at some great college contest in America when a contestant scores a classic play.

Strange to relate, the defeated enemy joined vociferously in the cheering. The world war was finished.

At one minute before eleven it would have meant death to show ones self above shelter. Not more than a minute after the hour the rolling mine was alive with cheering, shouting men, so recently deadly foes. No many minutes later Germans and Americans were coming along the narrow stretch of ground, some shyly and awkwardly, like embarrassed schoolboys. The first advances followed by offers from the Americans of cigarettes, chocolates and chewing gum. The Germans in some places reciprocated with offers of hot coffee, bread and sausage.

The order forbidding fraternizing was strict, but the novelty of the situation at times overcame prudence, and doughboys surreptitiously visited nearby enemy dugouts. Along the barbed wire at a road crossing some doughboys and Germans began brisk barters for souvenirs. The Germans were bewildered by the number of Americans speaking German.

"Sure, my old man was born in Germany," laughingly remarked one stalwart private.

"That's nothing," said another, "my mother and father were both born there."

A middle aged landstrumer exclaimed:

"Yes, the war is finished, thank the good God. My only wish is to get back to Germany."

A slender, pink-cheeked machine gunner said: "Yes, I know the Kaiser has abdicated."

Instantly a young aristocrat raised his voice: "There will be no revolution in Germany, a new emperor will succeed."

An uproar immediately arose. The speaker was drowned out by protesting voices. Then the Germans began offering the Americans such news and gossip as they knew. The approach of an officer broke up the conversations.

Tonight the Germans are celebrating peace along the lines by firing flares, rockets and signal lights. The night is uproarious with their cheering. The victorious Americans are taking it more calmly.

Along the front the majority of them are getting a good night's rest. Behind the lines towns are brilliantly lighted for the first time in four years. French and Americans are parading the streets arm in arm, singing the Marseillaise, the Star Spangled Banner and French and American war songs.

### CHIEF MILITARY TERMS OF THE ARMISTICE.

- 1. Immediate evacuation of all invaded countries, including Alsace-Lorraine, Russia, Roumania, and Turkey.
- 2. Evacuation of left bank of the Rhine and occupation by allies of principal Rhine crossings.
- 3. Surrender by the Germans of a great mass of equipment and material.
- 4. German command must reveal all mines, poisoned wells, etc.
- 5. Surrender of a large number of submarines, battleships, destroyers, etc., all others being disarmed.
- 6. Occupation of certain German ports.

### ARE YOU PROUD OF THE FIGHT?

Are you proud of the fight you made for winning the war? You should be. Did you do your best? If you did you should be proud of it. You have won, and a great victory it was.

But, listen: Probably you may feel now that you should have bought more bonds and stamps—didn't do quite, enough to ease your conscience. You have another chance to prove up and show your patriotism. The War Work fund gives you this opportunity—"another chance." Get in this time. You want to be able to look the boys "square in the eye" when they come home.

# PEACE



Commander-in-Chief of the American Army and Navy.

### WHEN WILL THE BOYS COME BACK HOME?

The question, "When will the boys come home?" is on everybody's lips now. Particularly relatives of boys in France are anxious to know when they will return to their homes. At this writing these questions cannot be definitely answered. There are more than two million American soldiers in France, and perhaps it will be necessary to hold at least half this number there until everything gets quiet. It is said that the soldiers who have been in France the longest, naturally, will be the first returned.

The soldiers in camps here will be demobilized not all at once. These men, as well as many others in France were mustered in for the duration of the war. When peace was declared their terms of service ended, but what will be done has not been fixed. The war authorities are working out the plans now for the disbanding of the army.

A brand new baby was born early last Sunday morning, in the home of Rev. Wolfe, the presiding elder. This is the first baby, so far as the editor of the Register-Examiner of this paper recalls, born in this paragon home. Not read a little further: This was not Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe's baby, but the heir to the throne of the House of Kelso, where Mrs. Kelso chanced to be on a visit at the time. And now you know why this preacher failed to appear at his usual haunts this week, and why his face was so weathered in smiles Monday morning at the Methodist church.

The Board of Stewards met last Saturday. The meeting was harmonious. The Board voted unanimously to take a "forward step."

The following members were present: J. S. White, Curtis Gibson, J. P. Barrett, R. P. Buchanan, G. S. Gilderleuve, Jr., J. R. Meek, J. B. Thompson, W. A. Buchanan, W. R. Bowen, C. G. Jones, and L. C. Buchanan.

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### NOTES OF POUNDING MILL.

Pounding Mill, Nov. 13.—The following ladies attended the meeting of the Southern Missionary Society at Rev. Jos. Graham's at Maxwell today: Mrs. C. H. Trayer, Mrs. R. T. McGee, Mrs. C. G. McClain, and little Miss Louise Trayer. The Society gave their preacher and his wife a severer pounding, not of rock or with the fist, but of the necessities of life. The writer was mighty sorry to miss the meeting, but was called elsewhere.

Mrs. James Johnson, who has been on the sick list for a few days, is reported better.

Mrs. J. T. Altizer went to Richlands this p. m. on account of the serious illness of her brother-in-law, Mr. Dock Altizer, who has the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Gillespie and baby Katherine, Mrs. W. B. Steel and Miss Mabel Bourne spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Gillespie and family at Wittens Mills, returning about 9 o'clock this night. A delightful visit was reported.

The Gillespie sisters, Misses Lona, Nelle, and "Chunk" were also present.

Mrs. R. T. McGhee had as her guest over Sunday her father, J. R. Collins and little son, from Pulaski. Miss Marie Maxwell, who visited her aunt, Mrs. Martha Sparks, has returned to Roanoke Business College, Roanoke.

Misses John D. Gillespie and John Moore will go to Gillespie tonight to finish papering J. Sanders Gillespie's residence. It is useless to say that these men are on the job.

Mr. Alex Riley was a business visitor to Tazewell yesterday.

Miss Mabel Bourne, of Gratton, is spending a few days visiting relatives here.

The flu has about flew out—no new cases here.

The surrender was celebrated here by ringing of church bells, school bells and especially a big demonstration by the school children.

Mrs. W. B. Steele, and sister, Miss Pearl McGuire, Messrs. James E. T. A. and J. Ed. McGuire were all at Tazewell today on legal business.

Sunday school was had last Sunday, the first for about half a dozen Sundays and Rev. Joseph Graham preached at night.

Ira Simpson has moved his family into the section house.

Mrs. Tom Ringstaff has been quite sick for a few days. Her husband, a bridegroom, was called home on account of the sickness.

Mrs. Charles Robinett was shopping in Tazewell Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Robinett are proud parents of a bouncing boy baby, while Mr. and Mrs. Claude Thomas are in ecstasies over a pretty girl baby. All doing finely.

The W. C. T. U. will meet next Wednesday at 3:30 p. m., probably at the school building. Let all members be present.

We want to see the pennant and banner brought back from Roanoke last month.

Dr. Rex Steele, who enlisted in the veterinary corps expects to leave in the morning for Camp Lee. He may be sent back, but so far has had no message not to come.

Mrs. W. B. Greear and Miss Sallie Mahood spent the afternoon recently with Mrs. R. K. Gillespie, who had a slight relapse.

Mr. John Hoops was a visitor to Tazewell today. His stepson, William Caldwell, in France, has been wounded.

The members of the Tazewell Rifles will take notice that the regular weekly drill of the Company will be held next Tuesday night at 7:15 p. m. All men absent will be held accountable in the usual manner.

A. C. BUCHANAN, Commanding Officer.

J. W. CHAPMAN AT NORTH TAZEWELL.

Mr. J. W. Chapman spoke in the interest of the war work fund at North Tazewell, Wednesday afternoon—not a very good time for such a meeting, nevertheless, something considerably over a hundred dollars was secured. Brother Campbell, the White Lime Works "Hermit," heading the list with \$50.00, the amount at which the subscription was started. North Tazewell will double up this amount of her subscription, surely.

Made the supreme sacrifice. Mrs. J. E. Skelton, of Hatfield, Mo. sends her check for subscription and says: "We left Tazewell about 34 years ago. Our son made the supreme sacrifice in France. Hope all the Tazewell boys will come safely home." Tazewell people among the elderly class, remember Mr. and Mrs. Skelton, and sympathize with them in the loss of their boy.

### DRAFT CALLS ARE SUSPENDED

Men Who Were to Entrain Today Will Stay at Home—Local Board to Examine and Classify Men of Certain Ages.

There was much rejoicing here the first of the week when a message was received from the Provost Marshal calling off all draft calls. A company of thirty-two men had been called to appear here today for enrollment to Camp Green, N. C., but each of them have been notified not to appear.

The news also was received by the board that registrants of the class of September 12, 1918, between the ages of 37 and 45 are not required to submit questionnaires or be classified at this time, but all men between 19 and 36 who are in class one will be examined immediately.

It has also been ordered that all 18-year old registrants of the class of September 12, 1918, must submit questionnaires, and those who are placed in Class one will be examined immediately.

It is stated that the stopping of the draft for men in the army will not effect the navy or marine corps.

It is proposed by the war department to demobilize the men in the training camps as soon practicable.

As to the early return of the men in France, no positive announcement has been made. It is said that Pershing will need a million or more men in France for sometime to come, in preserving order, and doing police duty on the frontiers. One report was that the married men and those who have been in France since the beginning of the "United States" entrance into the hostilities will be returned home first.

WEST POCAHONTAS.

Big Vein, Nov. 12.—The Fuel Committee did not have a meeting late Monday night on account of the great war being over and the people had to celebrate.

Mr. S. D. Synhor, fuel expert and government man, was here last Monday getting a specimen of coal to send to New York navy yard for analysis.

A number of our good citizens attended the lodge meeting of the I. O. R. M. last Tuesday night at Pocahontas.

Mr. Robert Leonard has moved to Boissevaire. He will be very much missed here in religious work.

Mr. A. E. Greene, who has been ill for sometime, we are glad to say has returned to his post of duty.

Mr. Walter Lecheo, of Boissevaire, stopped over in our camp one day last week.

M. M. Maxey, our noted pumpier, is entitled to a medal of honor for working on election day. It is the first election day that he had ever worked. I prove to us that he is patriotic. Take off our hat to you, old sport.

There was a great celebration here last Saturday night, when a message was received announcing that the war was over. Our citizens began to celebrate with shot guns and we began to think that the war had just started here. Several of our good women were frightened at the beginning of the bombardment, but were soon pacified when it became known what the commotion was about, but on Sunday morning when we saw the headlines in the papers we were very much disappointed.

In some towns nearby they burned a dummy kaiser last Monday night, but oh how we wish it could have been the original one.

Mr. Frank Watson lost a very fine large fat possum last week. He was fattening him for Thanksgiving, but he got out of the coop and got away, but a neighbor had a dog that smelled him and treed him and said neighbor had possum for supper that very next day and said nothing to the original owner of the possum.

We have helped to whip the kaiser now let us help to build up the country that his murderous army has torn down, and live in peace with all nations. Amen.

RED CROSS NOTES.

The regular routine of the Red Cross work, with the exception of surgical dressings, is resumed this week.

The work room however, is moved into the Gillespie building, over Jeff Ward's store.



JOHN J. PERSHING, Commander of the American forces in France.

### NEWS OF TANNESVILLE.

Tannesville, Nov. 12.—Jos. Bohms the sixteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Holmes, died Monday a. m. at 3 o'clock, after more than 3 weeks illness with typhoid. It was thought he was slightly improving until Sunday afternoon, when his condition changed for the worse.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. R. D. Carson, of Rich Valley. Burial in the family burial ground Tuesday afternoon. Death, the always sad, is doubly so when it entices into one full of youthfulness and bright promise—one who was courteous and a universal favorite among his youthful associates.

Besides his parents he leaves eight brothers and two sisters to mourn his absence. His oldest brother, Sergeant E. A. Holmes, is in France.

Miss Grace Rimmer, of Richlands, has accepted a position as teacher at Valley View School, recently given up by Miss Um Lee Welsh, of Galax. Miss Welsh was very popular, the patrons and pupils alike regretting her departure.

It is hoped the influenza epidemic is over here. There hasn't been any new cases for several days. Reports say it is on the decline at Broadford, North Holston, and Saltville, where it has been raging for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Neel and Lint Keister, accompanied Miss Naomi L. Patterson to her home at Pulaski on Friday, where they were the guests for the week end.

Mrs. R. P. Hill and children and Miss Grace Rimmer were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ashbury Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Patrick had as their guests Sunday for dinner, Mrs. S. L. Moore, R. Kelly and Pat Henry Scruggs, and Pat Frazier, the two last are soldiers stationed at the new chemical plant at Saltville.

George and Lee Patrick and Ray Bruster left Monday for Nashville, Tenn., where they had positions with the large powder plant.

News from Samuel Whitehead, of Co. C, 126th Inf., is that he is in a Red Cross hospital, suffering with a slight shrapnel wound. He writes that he hopes to be out soon, as he was anxious for a chance at the Huns.

Mrs. Wm. Atkins, of Marion, and R. W. Holmes, of North Holston, were here to attend the funeral and burial of their nephew, Joseph Holmes, Jr.

Ryburn Patrick and Billy Nash, of Broadford, were the guests of the I. L. Patrick family Sunday.

PRAYER SERVICE OF THE W. M. SOCIETY.

Beginning with the 18th of November, the Womens Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will hold special services of prayer and thanksgiving for the great vision of those who have held, and for those who are still holding up the Cross of Christ before the world, and for opened doors of opportunity.

The program follows: Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Mrs. Allen Davidson, Leader, Mrs. Mary O'Keefe. Subject "Chosen of God."

Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with Mrs. Henry Harman, Leader, Mrs. J. W. Harman. Subject, "Visions and Occupancy."

### DON'T NEGLECT THE BOYS NOW

Hostilities Have Ceased, But the Boys in France Must Be Taken Care of Until He Returns Home to You.

The war work campaign of the seven great organizations was started in this county last Sunday. Tazewell County's quota of \$15,000 or more must be raised by Saturday night. The fact that the war is over does not mean that the boys must be turned loose and permitted to provide for themselves in any way they can, but the amusements, and protection that have been afforded them during the bitter struggle must be continued until they set foot back on American soil. They must be brought home clean and healthy as they were when they left.

Rev. C. R. Brown, chairman of the war fund campaign in Tazewell county, issued this statement yesterday afternoon.

An Urgent Appeal.

The subject of this article should grip the heart and mind of every man, woman and child in Tazewell county. There are only two more days until the Y. M. C. A. or War Work drive closes and the fourteen thousand dollars asked for is not half covered.

Tazewell has not failed to go over the top on every call. Shall we fail in this one? The answer is with the people. John A. Mott says the cessation of hostilities only increases the need of the funds called for. Authorities in Washington say it will require more than a year to demobilize the army and get the soldiers back home. During that time, my fellow countrymen, what of the boys thousands of miles away from home, homeless.

The only thing that resembles hope in any way is that which is provided by the organizations united in this call. These are the boys who went to the battle front to make the supreme sacrifice, if need be, for the freedom of American homes. Shall they be forgotten and neglected now? They have complied with their part of the contract. There are only three days left for us to make good our part. Dead, dead must be the soul and deaf the ear that fails to hear and answer the call of the homeless boy across the sea.

The ministers of the gospel of the county, Sunday school superintendents, high schools and principals of the high schools and teachers are urged from this date to solicit subscriptions to this fund. My final and last appeal to every one in whose heart there is the least trace of the "milk of human kindness," or even the faintest realization of the brotherhood of man, loosen the strings of your purse, and in this day, the happiest day since the birth of our Lord, make a Thanksgiving offering, and while peace comes to the nations of the world, add comforts to the boys who won this peace.

Yours for service until every boy gets home.

C. R. BROWN, County Chairman.

PUBLIC SPEAKING NEXT SUNDAY.

The following appointments in the War Work campaign have been made for next Sunday:

Richlands, J. W. Chapman, 11 a. m. Cove Creek, H. C. Post and R. O. Crockett at 11 a. m.

Shawvers Mills, H. C. Post and R. O. Crockett at 3 p. m. Ebenezer, J. W. Hicks, at 11 a. m. Pleasant Hill, J. W. Harman and L. A. Tynes, at 11 a. m.

White Church, J. W. Harman and L. A. Tynes at 3 p. m. Founding Mill, J. P. Royall, at 11 a. m.

Maxwell, J. P. Royall at 3 p. m. Ward's Cove, Geo. C. Perry and Barns Gillespie, at 11 a. m. Midway, H. L. Spratt and J. A. Leslie, at 11 a. m.

Stelsburg, H. L. Spratt and J. A. Leslie, at 3 p. m. Raven, T. C. Bowen, at 11 a. m. Cedar Bluff, A. S. Higginbotham, at 11 a. m.

Tip Top, A. C. Buchanan, at 11 a. m. Bailey, A. C. Buchanan at 3 p. m. Bustead, C. W. Steele at 3 p. m. Burke's Garden, Rev. W. C. Thompson and Mrs. Sallie Harrison at 11 a. m.

MRS. GILLESPIE DEAD.

Mrs. Gillespie, widow of the late Augustus Gillespie, 70 years of age, died on Wednesday evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Gillespie.

Decesed was a Miss Thompson, of Burke's Garden, sister to the mother of the Litz brothers.

Her children here are Mrs. Lizzie Gillespie, Mrs. Jo Hagy, J. F. Gillespie, Mrs. Etter, and a son in Horsepen Cove. The family moved to Tazewell from Horsepen Cove several years ago, her husband Augustus Gillespie dying here.

THE NEW METHODIST PASTOR NEXT SUNDAY.

Rev. Mr. Crowe, the new pastor, will preach his first sermon in the Main Street Methodist church next Sunday morning and at North Tazewell at night. Mr. Kelso will leave this week for his new charge at Johnson City. Mrs. Kelso and the "Peace Baby" will follow later.

TAZEWELL CASUALTIES.

The papers report James Yates, of North Tazewell, missing in action. Harris, of Richlands, is reported killed in action. Major James L. Montagu, formerly county demonstrator here, is reportedly wounded.

Don't Forget the Y. M. C. A.