

**DARLINGTON CITIZEN DEAD;
ONCE LIVED IN MANNING**

Darlington, Feb. 19.—David M. Smoot, a prominent cotton buyer, aged 63, died at his home in Darlington yesterday, after an illness of about two weeks. Mr. Smoot was

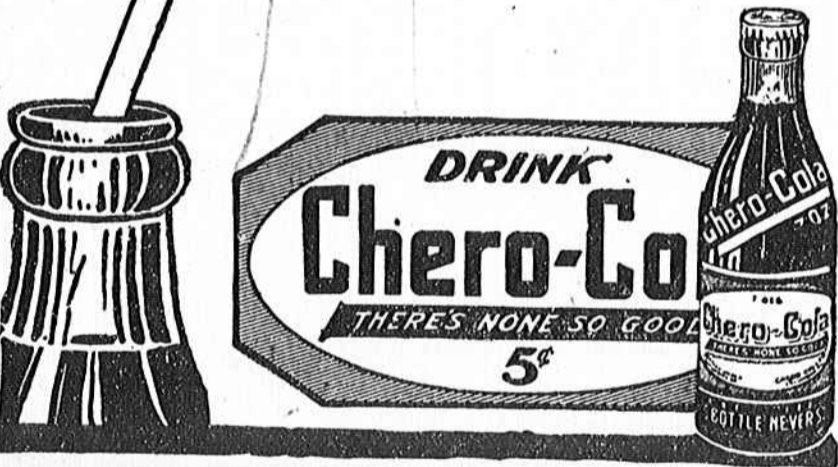
born near Darlington and lived here nearly all his life. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and always took great interest in the affairs of the church. He had a large number of friends in the different activities of the town. Mr. Smoot leaves a wife and seven



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"I had catarrhal fever and what I think was a slight case of the grippe. I was very much sick at my stomach and I vomited so much I could not keep even cold water on my stomach, much less my food. I had dizzy, faint spells a lot, too. I had become so weak and sick that I had to stay in bed. I stayed in bed three weeks and could not even sit up, and I was under treatment all the time, but I did not seem to be getting any relief, except that nausea was helped. I did not gain any strength at all, though, and I finally lost heart in that way of trying to regain my health, and I threw away all medicines and began taking Tanlac.

"A friend whose husband had been helped ever so much by it kept after me until I began taking this medicine, and she certainly did me a great kindness by doing so, too.

"My relief by using Tanlac was as follows: I was able to be up and going to the table and eating a regular meal and doing light housework in three days, and in a week I discharged the cook and began doing my housework myself. I was able to go to church five days after I started taking Tanlac. The Tanlac gave me back my appetite right at the start, and soon drove away that nausea that I then had at times, and I could just feel myself getting stronger right along.

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children, four boys and three girls, as follows: T. W. Smoot, superintendent of a boys' high school in Atlanta; Charles C., coping contractor; Dunn, N. C.; David M., life insurance; Greensboro, N. C.; Lonie A., member of Company E, Darlington Guards, who came home from the border a few days ago on account of the illness of his father; Mr. T. W. Bradley and Miss Lizzie Smoot, of Sumter, and Miss Lottie Smoot, a student at Winthrop College. All of his children were at home at the time of his death. The funeral was held at his late residence on Broad street, at 3:30 this afternoon, conducted by the Rev. Howard L. Weeks, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the remains were interred in Grove Hill Cemetery.

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**BIRDS OFTEN SING OVER
TRENCHES ON BATTLEFIELD**

With the British Armies in France, Jan. 30.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—One of the distinct surprises to the newcomer at the war is to find larks singing over the front-line trenches. One would think that birds of every sort had long since been driven far from the war zone, but instead, they lurk in and about it in great numbers. Very often the sudden flight of a covey from a secluded thicket or remnant of wood has given the first signal of a shrapnel attack.

The drumming of big guns, the "patter-patter-patter" of machine-guns, the whirr and "bang" of "plum puddings" and "rum jars" sent over by the enemy trench mortars, seem to have lost all terror to the feathered songsters. They chirp as gaily and loudly over the muddy "line" as if there was no such thing in all the world as war.

The British Tommy is very fond of pets. When he can safely do so he throws crumbs over the parapet for the larks and if he had his way would fill up every nook and corner of the trench with some sort of animal mascot. As it is, there is a strange mixture of pets and pests in these deep cuttings in the earth—the outposts of battle—where the men themselves live a sort of animal life. It is a life no human being was ever intended to live, and yet the health of the troops is positively amazing.

Of all the trench pests, the rat, of course, by reason of his size, takes precedence. He is everywhere. No amount of cleaning up has tended to wipe him out. In fact, he waxes fatter and fatter as the war goes on.

Of the pets the dog is by far the more numerous and popular. There are goats and cats and canaries and various species of mascots, but the dog becomes more a part of the life than any of the others.

Many a subaltern or company commander has gone "over the top" into battle with his dog leaping and barking happily beside him. Scores of dogs have been killed beside their masters and hundreds wounded. In the fighting about Mametz, during the great "push" on the Somme, a Red Cross searching party came upon a pathetic little group composed of a subaltern, his dog, and four private soldiers, just as they had sprawled to their death in a burst of machine gun fire.

The dogs in the trenches have great fun chasing the rats. They will even leap over the parapet after them into "No Man's Land." And sometimes old "Fritz" from the enemy trenches will snipe them. There is one old terrier now in the front line who has been wounded four times. If he survives the war, this old veteran is going to have a collar with four gold stripes on it.

The Red Cross dogs of the French hardly come under the head of pets. They are a lasting tribute to the part dumb animals have played, and are playing in the great world conflict. The dogs, however, render a service scarcely more notable than the little French donkeys that carry ammunition to the front line trenches. These little burros are as wise as they are gray. Their long, straight ears, always poking forward are attuned to the sounds of battle, and when the firing gets too heavy they dart for the shelter of shell holes and lie there with the drivers until danger temporarily is past.

Some of the strangest animals of the war are the wild cats of Ypres. The old mother and father cats of Ypres were once domesticated. But when the frightened population fled at the first bombardment, the cats, true to all cat traditions, remained behind. Now Ypres is a wilderness of ruins and all the cats born and living there have become like wild animals.

A Canadian sergeant-major came marching out of the "line" a few days ago with a magpie sitting on his shoulder. A private in the same company had a kitten curled up on the top of his knapsack. All the overseas troops bring mascots with them. The South Africans started out with a great collection of spring-boks, baboons, duikers and a variety of queer animals, but the climate of Northern France in winter mood is far from friendly, and the warm weather pets have mostly been "done in."

Probably the most amazing of all war pets, however, was the lion cub, adopted by the Americans in the French aviation service. They read in a Paris paper that a "perfect dear of a cub" was for sale and promptly sent emissaries in to buy it. They said when it grew up they were going to drop it in the German lines, but it was spoiled into being a pampered pet instead of a man-eater, and finally because its playful howls at night became a nuisance, it was sent to a zoo.

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