

LOCAL WWI PUBLICATION TO BE RELEASED SUNDAY,  
ON 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ARMISTICE

*“Over the Top” Over Here and Over There*, a book published by the Gasconade County Historical Society, will be released Sunday, November 11. A program about the book is scheduled for 2 p.m. at the Bay American Legion Hall at the intersection of Highway 50 and Highway K, south of Bay.

Release date of the book coincides with the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the armistice ending the Great War.

A brief meeting of the Gasconade County Historical Society will precede the program. The meeting and program are free and open to the public. Selected readings from the book and music popularized during WWI will be featured in the program.

The text of *“Over the Top”* is copy from the three newspapers published at Bland, Owensville and Hermann at the time of the war, chronologically arranged from 1914 into 1919. Newspaper coverage includes such topics as the German alien issue, the Liberty Loan programs, rationing and much more.

The fully-indexed volume contains the names of Gasconade County men who registered, were classified and then were entrained for service. Letters home to the editors of the newspaper from the boys in khaki in the camps and from the front are included, as are the obituaries of those from Gasconade County who were killed in action or who died from influenza and pneumonia.

Persons attending the November 11 event at Bay will be able to purchase the 300+ page volume for \$5 off the regular retail price of \$30.

After November 11 *“Over the Top”* will be available at the Gasconade County Historical Society Archives & Records Center in Hermann and at the GCHS Museum in Owensville.