from the war were the loyal dependants of the women and the children whose men had gone to the Confederate Army. When Sherman came marching through this county in the spring of 1865, the darkies did not flock to the liberating army. On the contrary they helped to hide the horses and cattle in the swamps and bury the meat and provisions in places difficult of detection, and in every way to help the families in which they had been chattels. Many of them followed their masters to the army and served them there in the most faithful manner. Here and there is occasionally found an aged negro man or woman still attached to the family which was his owner before the emancipation.

The negro affords the principal hired labor source throughout this section. He is an indispensable factor on the farm, about the saw mills, in railroad work and is even creeping into the trades. A large proportion of the brick laying is done by colored men who attain a skill that brings them good wages. Much of the lathing and plastering is done by the colored labor and considerable carpenter work. They are apt in automobile repair shops and make dependable drivers of cars. Many of them save their money and are buying homes and farms, and no people on earth are more tenacious in holding to a bit of land when he gets it than a negro.

In some ways the darkey has his shortcomings, but his good humored cheerfulness more than makes up for some of his indifference and his willingness at times to slight the job. To my notion one of the charms of existence in the Pinehurst section is that the negro is such a common factor in carrying on the work that has to be done. He is tractable, agreeable, fairly efficient, and most of the time you know what he says, and that is an interesting difference in some of the conditions that are met with in the North.

Fort Bragg Poloists Defeat Pinehurst

THE army officers finally turned the tables on the Pinehurst Polo team and won their first victory of the season over the local team by a score of 7 goals to 6 on Sunday last.

The visitors were allowed 2 goals on handicap, and two goals each scored by Lieutenants Campbell and Tate and one by Major Batson gave them a final majority of one goal.

Those scoring for the Sand Hills team were Messrs. Latting, 2; Tuckerman, 1; Lovering, 1, and Major Duvall, 2.

The line-up was:

FORT BRAGG		PINEHURST
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Lt. Gross		Major Duvall
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