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AGAINST A NEW COUNTY.

The proposed new county of Jarvis would take from Johnston County a large party of Meadow and Banner townships. Coming across the upper end of Sampson County the proposed line would strike the Johnston County line not far from Reedy Prong Primitive Baptist church and run straight across Meadow and Banner townships till it struck the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad where the Banner township line crosses it, and then follow the township line to the Harnett County line. The proposed line would pass nearby Peacock's Cross Roads and take that place in the new county. It would touch the railroad a little east of Poplar Springs school house. The proposed Jarvis County would take in a large section of some of the richest farming land in Johnston County, including the splendid town of Benson. Johnston would lose several hundred thousand dollars of taxable property and the revenues of the county would be greatly reduced without reducing to any considerable extent the county's expenditures. The county cannot afford to lose this section. Such a move would have a tendency to increase taxes without increasing efficiency in governmental affairs. No part of Johnston wants to become a part of the new Jarvis County.

GOOD AND BAD AGENTS.

It is high time people generally should learn the difference between good and bad agents. Unscrupulous agents have swindled thousands upon thousands of people out of money. They do some of their work in towns and cities, but most of it is done in the country among farmers. We are glad that the farmers of North Carolina through the leaders of their Union are trying to get some much needed and long delayed legislation for their protection.

Some time ago in conversation with a leading citizen of Sampson County, we obtained some information which will show the need of such legislation. Some men went to Clinton and sold State rights to sell a washing compound. In and around Clinton they sold more than twenty thousand dollars worth of these rights. One farmer bought the State of Kentucky for seven hundred and fifty dollars and gave a mortgage on his horses and mules for the money. He then took his wife and went to Kentucky to get his fortune, but after going there he could not sell the Washing Compound and had to come back to his farm. Returning home, he soon realized his condition. It is said that when he had to go to Clinton he walked, as his stock had been taken to satisfy the mortgage. For some time he wore clothes with large patches on them trying to make back what he had lost. Others who bought rights fared about like the man mentioned above.

Another lot of men went to Clinton and opened an office to sell county rights to sell a patent sash lock for windows. They sold county rights for \$289 each. They claimed to be from the State of Kansas. It is said they had as many as twenty-five to thirty citizens at a time in their office trying to buy rights. The man who told us about this saw an envelope with eleven thousand dollars worth of notes given for these rights by some of the best men of the county. They sold in all probability about fifteen thousand dollars worth. No purchaser got his money back. The money paid for the rights was worse than lost as several of the purchasers were at other expense connected with their contracts.

The washing compound deal and the window sash lock cost the people so much that a law for protection was demanded. When Mr. George Peterson was in the State Senate he secured the passage of a law requiring a five hundred dollars license tax to sell any such thing. The whole State needs a law to protect the people from unscrupulous agents.

A 'BIGGER ARMY NEEDED.

On that May day in 1898 when Dewey sailed into Manila Bay he opened a new era in the history of the American nation. The United States on that day became a world power. The warning that President Washington gave in his Farewell Address that we enter into no "entangling alliances" was from that time onward more in danger of being disregarded than ever before. Becoming a world power brought new and greater responsibilities and obligations. These have been growing more and more year by year until we can keep our isolation no longer. President Wilson has seen the vision of our place in the world of nations more clearly than has any statesman before him, and he has dared proclaim it boldly and fearlessly. And all this has placed us in a different relation in regard to our Old World neighbors. Our exalted position in the family of world powers has placed upon us obligations that we cannot shirk. To meet these obligations with honor to ourselves we must be prepared for any emergency that may arise. A stronger Navy and a larger Army are absolutely necessary. We are planning as rapidly as possible for the Navy. But what about the Army? Here we find a wide divergence of views as to the best method of procedure. A bill that would have a tendency to solve this great problem has met with favorable consideration in the United States Senate Committee—the measure requiring every young man at the age of nineteen to serve a six months' course of army training without pay. There are certain exceptions that would leave out those physically unable and those who are the sole support of dependent relatives. Such a course of training would no doubt be of benefit to those who are taking the training and at the same time be preparing a large reserve force to serve their country in a case of emergency.

A nation occupying the position of the United States today cannot afford to face the future with the small army we have been content to get along with in the past. The Peace advocates and the most ardent pacifists must sooner or later come to the conclusion that peace cannot be maintained without preparation.

County Teachers' Meeting.

There will be a Teachers' Meeting in the Court House at Smithfield, Saturday, February 17th, for the purpose of discussing the Certification Bill which is to come before the Legislature soon. All who are interested are asked to be present at eleven o'clock.

L. T. ROYALL,
County Superintendent.

To Talk on Missions.

Mrs. Maude M. Chadsey, President of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society of the Advent denomination, of Boston, Mass., will make a Mission address in the Methodist church in Four Oaks, on Wednesday night, February 14th, at 7:30. All are cordially invited.

She will address the people on "Missions" at Hickory Grove church, on Thursday, February 15th, at 11:00 A. M.

J. Q. BAKER.

Henry P. Fletcher, ambassador to Mexico, called at the White House Thursday to receive final instructions from President Wilson before proceeding to his post at Mexico City.

The bill appropriating \$1,000,000 for military preparedness in New York State has been signed by Governor Whitman.

MORTGAGE SALE OF LAND.

Under and by virtue of the authority contained in a certain mortgage deed executed on January 1st, 1912, by R. A. Allen and wife to the undersigned, mortgagee, which mortgage is recorded in the Registry of Johnston County, in Book "I" No. 11, page 247, the conditions of said mortgage having been broken, and default having been made in the payment of the notes secured thereby, the undersigned will, on Wednesday, the 14th day of March, 1917, at twelve o'clock M., at the Court House door in the town of Smithfield, Johnston County, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder, FOR CASH, that certain tract of land situate in Oneals township, Johnston County, State of North Carolina, and

Beginning at a stake, the Huchenson Watson corner on the edge of Watson Mill Pond at high water mark, and runs S. 1 degree, W. 95 poles to the run of Buffalo; thence up the run of Buffalo to the mouth of Crooked Branch, the Daniel Eason corner; thence up the run of said Branch to a stake at the high water mark of the said Watson Mill Pond; thence S. 20 degrees E. along the line of high water mark 25 poles to a stake; thence about S. 67 degrees E. along said high water mark about 60 poles to the beginning, containing forty-five (45) acres, more or less.

This 12th day of February, 1917.
JESSE PARKER,
Mortgagee.
ABELL & WARD,
Attorneys.

BUSINESS LOCALS

FARM FOR SALE OR RENT—THE Needham Barnes place in Cleveland township for sale or rent. This tract contains 126 acres, about 50 acres cleared. Good land, in good community and good dwelling. W. M. Sanders, Smithfield, N. C.

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COMPLETE SAW MILL WITH EN- gine and boiler, ready to run, for sale to the highest bidder at W. D. Averá's, on February 19, at 12 o'clock. Also good pair of mules, 9 and 10 years old, will be sold at same time. W. D. Averá, Smithfield, N. C., Route No. 1.

FOR SALE—ONE GOOD MULE weight about one thousand pounds. Will sell for cash or on time. Apply at once to B. W. Lee, Smithfield, N. C.

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For information or reservation, address

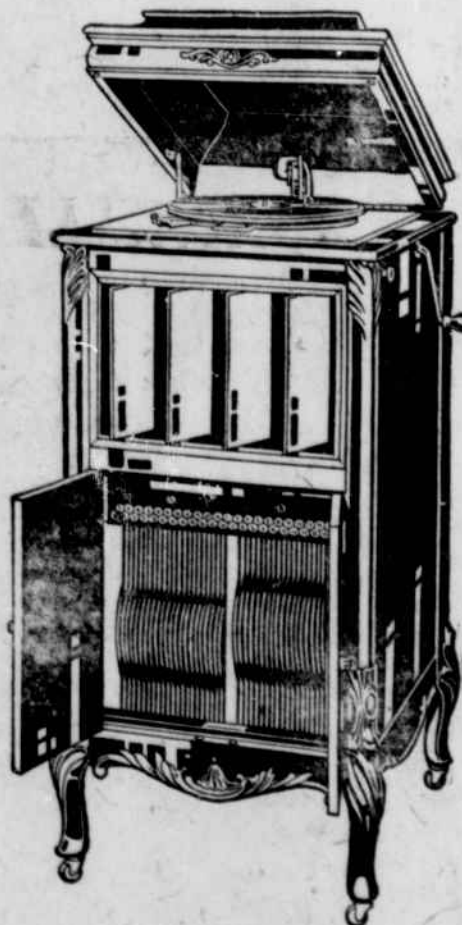
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