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Washington News Letter

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Washington, D. C., April 4.—One of the most strenuous battles in recent North Carolina history is the four-way pull which has been going on for the most part quietly despite its vigor, between a quartet of localities all seeking the same defense plum.

The "plum" in question is an Air Force troop carrier unit which is to be based somewhere in the state—and for which representatives of the four localities are struggling desperately even as Air Force inspection teams compare the merits of the four.

Under consideration by the Air Force for the plum are two World War II installations, both now idle, and two municipal airports, neither of which would lose its civilian airline service if selected.

Loudest noise about the matter is being made by the backers of the World War II air base between Laurinburg and Maxton, but at this writing the inside track seems to be held by the Raleigh-Durham airport, in behalf of which Rep. Carl Durham cannily and quietly did a tremendous and effective job of selling without bothering to call in the noise-makers. The others involved in the four-way struggle are the municipal airport at Winston-Salem and the World War II air base at Goldsboro, Seymour Johnson field.

In behalf of the latter, former Army Secretary Kenneth Royall has been reportedly putting in some good ticks, but insiders do not believe the influence of a former official will be able in the long run to offset the influence of an incumbent such as

Congressman Durham, who has his role as a ranking member of the House Armed Services going for him in his support of Raleigh-Durham.

So quietly has Durham's campaign been staged that Rep. Cooley, whose district also is affected by that airport's chances, didn't even know the airport was under consideration until last week, when inspection teams moved into the state.

But if Cooley was not alert to a prospect affecting his district, Reps. Eitel Carlyle and Deane, whose districts want the base at Laurinburg-Maxton, most certainly were.

And, with much fanfare and tub-thumping, Carlyle and Deane did manage to get the Air Force to re-consider Laurinburg-Maxton after a decision had been made that the idle base was not suitable because the surrounding communities would not have adequate facilities to take care of the 5800 service personnel and an estimated equal number of dependents, who would come with the troop carrier unit.

Whether that reconsideration will result in favorable action is another and undecided matter. There is that possibility, but insiders believe the reconsideration will merely serve to delay selection of Raleigh-Durham for a few weeks.

Two North Carolinians, a Wilson professor and an Asheville writer, recently lent their support to an organization long listed as subversive in calling for an end to the Justice Department's deportation drive under the McCarran act.

The two Tar Heels, Prof. C. H. Hamlin of Atlantic Christian College and Edwin Bjorkman, well-known author, were among the signers of an open letter to President Truman demanding that he order Attorney General McGrath to end the deportation drive.

The letter was presented to the White House by a group of five war veterans in Washington as part of a "Washington Pilgrimage" sponsored by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born.

The American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born is listed by both the Department of Justice and the House un-American Activities Committee as a subversive organization. It was first so listed in 1942.

The open letter signed by Bjorkman and Hamlin, among 125 others, terms the threatened deportation of some 3400 non-citizens under the McCarran law "shocking" in view of its effect on American homes, and as a violation of "democratic traditions."

The signers declared that the deportations would establish an "exceedingly dangerous precedent," and



RESTRAINED FROM COMMITTING SUICIDE . . . His suicide attempt failed, Arthur Dehn, 22, Milwaukee, Wis., sobbed and struggled as police lead him forcibly from the Michigan Ave. bridge in Milwaukee. The youth, partially disrobed and shoeless, was seized after he had placed one leg over the bridge rail to jump into the icy river. Taken in a patrol wagon to the station, he was booked on a disorderly conduct charge.

4th Period Honor Roll For Lillington School

First grade: Nancy Christian, Ginger Johnson, Ann Martin, Va Milton, Leslie McNeill, Betty Gray Taylor, Linda Whittington, Harold Bell, Jeanette Bennett, Lara Coleman, Conalo Parker, Phyllis Thomas.
Second grade: Billy Cameron, Larry Coleman, Judy Breeden, Jean Daniels, Linda Patrick, Byron O'Quinn, Sandra Thuge, Patricia Womble, Patricia Worrell.
Third grade: Mabel Mason, Janet McDonald, Felicia Temple, Jean Roberts.
Fourth grade: Jerry Lynn Bradley, Billy Nipper, Marjorie Parker, Donna Faye Parrish, Ronnie Stone, Janet Sutton, Marie Thomas, Charles Black, Jeanette Blanchard, Linda Gates, Della Hudson, Donald Kelly, Emily Kelly, Janet Rose Thomas, Judy Womble.

Fifth grade: Elizabeth Byrd, Joe Lanier, Annette Lee, Ronnie Milligan, Jessie Mae Moore, Emily Pheltis, Ida Carol Senter, Mary Le Grande, Ammons, Patricia Cotton, Jeff Daniels, Glenn Messer, Ann Renn, Ruth Sexton.

Sixth grade: Keeter Baggett, Janice Black, Jeanette Darroch, Howard Hood, Gerald Myrick, Doris Black, Barbara Morgan, Monnie O'Quinn, Joan Pittman, Sue Ross.

Seventh grade: Barbara Jean Blackmon, Robert Allen Stephens, Tommy Spence.
Eighth grade: Shirley Cannady, Raye McDonald, Ruth McDonald, Darrell Kelly, W. C. Lanier, Carolyn Salmon, Stacy Whittington, Frank Farrell, Ruth Holder, Charles McDonald, Beatrice Patrick.
Ninth grade: Jane Cranford, Anne

that these "non-citizens, many of whom have lived here most of their lives, should be given an opportunity to become American citizens."

North Carolina has, proportionately, fewer government employees than any other state except Arkansas the Census Bureau says.

A Census survey in October of last year showed that only 29 of every 1000 persons in North Carolina were publicly employed. In the country, as a whole, 42 of every 1000 persons are on public payrolls.

In North Carolina there were 117,743 public employees, of whom 94,126 worked for state and local governments.

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COUNTY-WIDE 4-H FEDERATION AT SHAWTOWN

26 Demonstration Teams Take Part In Day's Program

(By Ida P. Hinnaat, Negro Home Agent)

The County 4-H Federation was held in Shawtown high school Thursday, March 29, to determine the winning teams that will represent the county in the District Federation. There were 26 demonstration teams composed of boys and girls and 12 girls entering the dress revue. The boys gave a demonstration on A Balanced Ration for Hogs, while the girls gave demonstrations on Buying and Washing Hose, Making and Using a Clothes Sprinkler, Everyday Courtesy, and Making and Trimming a Candy Tree.

The morning session was concerned chiefly with team demonstration and dress revue eliminations while the afternoon session was devoted to final reports of winners. Annie Ruth McKay, President of Shawtown 4-H Club, presided over the meeting. The program was as follows:

Song: "4-H Firelight", led by Shawtown 4-H Club.

Prayer: Manda Lee Pierce, President Angler 4-H Club.

4-H Pledge: Christine Harrington, Shawtown 4-H Club.

Song: "Follow The Glean", led by Shawtown 4-H Club.

Welcome: Annie Ruth McKay, President Shawtown 4-H Club.

Dress Revue: All Competitors.

Song: "Farm and Home Demon-

stration", Audience.

The girls' demonstration team on "Making and Using a Clothes Sprinkler", given by Julia E. Turner and Emma McNeill of Beaver Dam School won first place, while the boys' demonstration, given by Jessie Banks and James Brown of Shawtown school won first place. Winner in the dress revue was Evelyn Cameron of Johnsonville school.

Judges for the girls' team demonstrations and dress revue were Mesdames Lucy O. Toole, Negro home agent, Johnston county; I. F. Hawkins, English teacher, Shawtown high school; Mrs. Bullock, home economics teacher, Lillington high school; Misses W. R. Laws, Negro district agent, Greensboro; Natalie Peebles, Negro home agent, Wake county; G. M. Kyser, Negro subject-matter specialist, Greensboro; Lorraine Vall, home agent, Harnett

county, and M. O. Ledbetter, home economics teacher, Shawtown high school. Judges for the boys' demonstration teams were: R. L. Jones, W. M. Freeman and R. L. Monroe, veteran instructors, Shawtown high school; Henry N. Ferguson, mortician, Shawtown; T. D. O'Quinn, assistant county agent, Harnett county, and C. R. Ammons, county agent, Harnett county.

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B. S. Smith Pledged By Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Lakeland, Fla.—B. S. Smith of Lillington has been pledged for initiation by Sigma Alpha Epsilon at Florida Southern College here this month.

Ten Florida Southern fraternities pledged 73 new members in the annual spring screening.

Judges for the boys' demonstration teams were: R. L. Jones, W. M. Freeman and R. L. Monroe, veteran instructors, Shawtown high school; Henry N. Ferguson, mortician, Shawtown; T. D. O'Quinn, assistant county agent, Harnett county, and C. R. Ammons, county agent, Harnett county.

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Notice of Town ELECTION

The voters of the Town of Lillington, North Carolina, will take notice that an election will be held on Monday, May 7th, from 7 o'clock a. m. until sunset at the Municipal Building in Lillington for the purpose of electing the officers of said town, to-wit:

The Mayor and five (5) aldermen to serve for a period of two years, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Registration books for said election will be open for the registration of such voters as are entitled to register on April 7, 14, 21 and 28, from 9 a. m. until sunset at the Lillington Municipal Building. Registration books will close at sunset on April 28, 1951.

Saturday, May 5, will be Challenge day.

C. S. LOVING, Mayor

Attest:
H. H. HAMILTON, Town Clerk.

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