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# NO NEW COUNTIES

Of Robeson Killed by Legislative Committee.

LARGE CROWD FROM ROBE-

House Committee Voted Unfavorable In Next Campaign and Are Determined to Win.

Editorial Correspondence.

favor of the proposed major operation upon this dear Robeson; some say five; but all are agreed that the committee voted by a majority sufficient to be decisive against reporting factor of the proposition to create two great occasion.

In calling for Rev. C. L. Byta and it was there that the Y. M. marched the robbers out of the store and down Elm street to the corner of Third street, when both made an effort to get away, Shooter succeeding. However, Mr. McGill held his gun on Todd and soon found an officer, who are a while, if you were lucky enough to placed him in fail. vorably the proposition to create two great occasion. new counties out of Robeson. And Mr. Byrd ca aye and no vote decided, which is why head bound up, bearing visible evithere are different versions as to the size of the verdict against. The

Robeson county was very much in evidence here today. Hyperbolically and superlatively speaking, almost here to show the committee that they make of the grand old "State of Robe-son" three counties. Really, though, displayed by the divisionists. It was made through a window. were interested in this proposition to sition for division fall.

began it was announced that Repre-sentative J. S. Oliver had been added nearly all railroad mileage. to the mmittee, of which Major G.

the wall back of the speaker's stand. This map Mr. Patterson explained to boundaries. corder J. S. Butler of St. Pauls.

Scotland and rioke counties are the samples of the wisdom of creating small counties out of large counties. He aroused the first applause of the hearing when he declared that there hearing when he declared that there is not an energy of the signed petitions containing about a thousand names, and others were on the record a single instance of the signed petitions containing about a thousand names, and others were on the record a single instance of the signed petitions containing about a thousand names, and others were on the said, to have majority of 7, but on an official recount of the signed petitions containing about a thousand names, and others were on the said to sacceed minister by a majority of 7, but on an official recount of the signed petitions containing about a thousand names, and others were on the said to sacceed minister by a majority of 7, but on an official recount of the signed petitions containing about a thousand names, and others were on the said to sacceed minister by a majority of 7, but on an official recount of the signed petitions containing about a thousand names, and others were on the said to have majority of 7, but on an official recount of the signed petitions containing about a thousand names, and others were on the said to sacceed minister by a said to have majority of 7, but on an official recount of the said to sacceed minister by a said to said the said to sacceed majority of 7, but on an official recount of the said to said the said the said to said the said to said the sai is not on record a single instance of the way. Liberty, 110,000 acres, 2,600 polls, 191,000 acres, and a valu- main in Robeson. ated some 20 years ago, has grown

lion and a quarter to more than \$10,-Bill to Create Three Counties Out figures to the same purpose to t 000,000, and Richmond says that Scot-

figures to the same purpose taking Lee and Hoke counties to prove his contention that small counties have grown and flourished as the green

bay tree.
Mr. Weatherspoon admitted that House Committee Voted Unfavorable Report on Proposition to Carve "Liberty and LaFayette" Counties

The division he was adday night at 11:15 when Frank Todd, Joseph B. Blake, 28th infantry, first to admit when he struck this giant. Since 1911 he said when he struck to admit when he struck this giant. "Liberty and LaFayette" Counties Since 1911, he said, when a portion Out of Robeson-Divisionists Say of Robeson was taken to form the now has increased its property valuation from around \$11,000,000 to \$21,000,000 prove that this big county had done pretty well. There are 37 counties, he said, with not more than 232,000

Mr. Byrd came forward with his placed him in jail.

### Another Map.

taking the estimate of an honorable a good map, as far as it Shooter was arrested yesterday af-and fair-minded advocate of division, went, he said, but it failed ternoon by Chief of Police E. L. Han-there were 150 to 200 advocates of to show the character of the territory na and each of the young transgresdivision here. Bedecked they were, that would be left in Robeson. Over sors was bound over to the Superior too, with badges bearing the legend the portion of the first map showing court under a \$500 justified bond by Robeson as it would be left if vio-Recorder E. M. Britt this morning. while the quarter of a hundred, say, lently bereft, as proposed, of so much Both plead guilty of the charge. The opponents of division who trekked to garden-spot territory, he pinned a boys could not make bond and were this capital city to see the thing map which he represented as being sent back to jail. this capital city to see the thing map which he represented at the hearing his period of enlistment. hope that was in them. In which con- map, he pointed out, showed that old today that young Shooter had been nection it is fair to say that opponents Robeson, as they were pleased to before him 12 times on the charge of of the proposed carving operation up-designate the part of the county that larceny and that he had broken into on Robeson had very little time in would be left, was the most swampy the McAllister hardware store three which to gather their crowd, so sud-section of the county. This was a times. dealy and unexpectedly did this proporevelation to the committee. Swamps, rivers, marshes and ponds dotted that Orderly to begin at the beginning, map so numerously that one could the committee hearing to decide this but wonder if the inhabitants all livthis afternoon. The S. R. O. sign ap- noes. But no question was raised as Lots of Tobacco Plants-A Runaway propriately might have been hung out to the accuracy of the map: it was before that hour, for every seat in the drawn true to a United States soil hall was taken. For the nonce the survey. Both maps were made by Correspondence of The Robesonian. battle front of the fight upon the re- Mr. W. Lennon of Lumberton, but the ung was in this city of Raleigh. Each colored map exhibited by advocates 25.—We are having lots of rainy sult of which the fate of Robeson swamps were not shown in the triside was given one hour in which to of Liberty and LaFayette counties.

present its case. Before the argument began it was appropried that Represent the second too, that

5 Propositions to Divide. B. Sellars already was a member, Mr. Lawrence declared that there thus sweeping away any advantage were now five propositions to take to one side in case Major Sellars territory from Robeson-to form Lib- line Ivey, who is very sick and quite might decide to enter a plea for divierty, to form LaFayette, to take Red feeble with old age. stood like a stone wall against any ator Johnson of Hoke introduced a days visiting relatives at Mullins, awarded by the literary societies and all propositions to take from the bill to that effect Wednesday), to give glory and the grandeur that is Robe-son.

Map Showing Proposed Divisions.

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Fairmont a county seat, taking in part bearing the emblems of the societies, set in pearls.

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Fairmont a county seat, taking in part bearing the emblems of the societies. ex-Congressman and shrewd leader of ette, if the committee should report plants, though they are quite small of Robeson county in the contest this clans, was floor leader for advocates favorably this bill. Mr. George Mcof two new counties. A large map of
Neill of Cumberland interrupted Mr.
They are hoping to raise a lot of the Robeson, showing the boundaries of Lawrence to deny any move on his weed. the proposed new counties, adorned part to annex Parkton to Cumberland. Unexpected Move.

In 1911, Mr. Lawrence recalled, Mr. but escaped unhurt. the committee, tracing the proposed Patterson, then fighting against a Then he presented Re-proposition to divide Robeson, said in Weaver of Tenth District Unseatthat very hall that he went to bed sive.

Mr. Butler spoke the committee reviewed some history. Since 1911, for. No county so large as Robeson, he said, when a portion of Robeson ity late Saturday night after a bitter he said, could administer its laws successful and the said of the form Hole division by debate and by a strict after a bitter of the said. he said, could administer its laws suc- was cut off to form Hoke, division has debate and by a strict party vote of cessfully. He cited the road law as been dead. In no campaign has it 182 to 173 unseated Zebulon Weaver, an example. Hoke and Scotland, been urged, not a word was said about Democrat, who has represented the an example. Hoke and Scotland, been urged, not a word was said about tenth North Carolina district for the said, have good it in the last campaign, and yet sudsmall counties, he said, have good it in the last campaign, and yet sud-roads, while Robeson county not only dealy and unexpectedly this proposihas not good roads but the road com-missioners are in debt. He claimed that the proposed division would be that the proposed division would be that the proposed division would be attempted in the Legisla They were best for all concerned. They were ture at this late day but the first noon tomorrow, March, when the 65th best for all concerned. They were ture at this late day, but the liftst advocating new counties for no sell- of the week, while nearly every law. Salary and allowance for the entire fish purpose, he said.

They were ture at this late day, but the liftst congress ends. He will draw the will draw the salary and allowance for the entire their honorable discharge: Mrs. E. L. delaying this necessary measure to salary and allowance for the entire their honorable discharge: Mrs. E. L. delaying this necessary measure to the self- of the week, while nearly every law. Salary and allowance for the entire their honorable discharge: Mrs. E. L. delaying this necessary measure to the self- of the week, while nearly every law. Salary and allowance for the entire their honorable discharge: Mrs. E. L. delaying this necessary measure to the self- of the week, while nearly every law. Salary and allowance for the entire their honorable discharge: Mrs. E. L. delaying this necessary measure to the continued upon payment of the their honorable discharge: Mrs. E. Congress ends. He will draw the their honorable discharge: Mrs. E. L. delaying this necessary measure to the continued upon payment of the their honorable discharge: Mrs. E. Congress ends. He will draw the their honorable discharge: Mrs. E. L. delaying this necessary measure to the continued upon payment of the their honorable discharge: Mrs. E. L. delaying the their honorable fish purpose, he said.

Next spoke Mr. W. H. Weatherspoon of Scotland county, a former
member of the House of the Legislatrial Thursday in order that they
ture. Mr. Weatherspoon said that
ture. Scotland and Hoke counties are ex- There was no time, he said, to have was elected to succeed himself by a

a small county carved out of a large Mr. Lawrence read some telegrams. one being a failure. He pulled sta- One was from Hon. A. W. McLean, a Robeson county has he said, member of the War Finance board home from France, announced Satur-The proposed new and a member of the Democratic na- day by the War Department included counties would have, approximately, tional committee, who was expected the complete 30th division (Tennes-LaFayette, to come to Raleigh for the hearing but see, North Carolina and South Caro-194,000, leaving in old Robeson 249, was detained in Washington. Mr. lina national guards.) 000 acres. Counties containing around McLean urged that the proposed dien and Scotland. Bladen, he side, has gram signed by Messrs. J. B. Hum- 542 were officers. Demobilization or-404.000 acres, with a valuation of phrey, A. C. McLeod, and others stat-ders now have reached a total of 1,around \$5,000,000, while Scotland has ed that Burnt Swamp was solid to re-

county, from which Scotland was cre- reads, Mr. Lawrence pointed out that are on the way home from France as proposed in the Liberty and La- invited. (Continued on Page 4.)

from a property valuation of a mil- YOUNG BOYS CAUGHT IN ACT WORK OF PIONEER Y. M. C. A. LAST WEEK OF SESSION. OF ROBBING STORE. IN FRANCE.

LUMBERTON, NORTH CAROLINA, MONDAY MARCH 3 1919.

Store When Found by Mr. Fulton McGill-Also Broke Into Robeson Grocery-Bound to Court-Shooter's 12th Time up For Larceny.

They Will Make Division an Issue much-lauded county of Hoke, Robeson ed in breaking into the store of the ed in breaking into the store of the his division took part in until late in ed. After discussion all day Friday Thursday and Friday of this week.

News and Observer report says that come. He said he believed in small said his father bought them for him. News and Observer report says that come. He said he believed in small said his father bought them for him. The Senate Friday passed the bill as we could supply our needs," committee voted for favorable report.

Robeson county was yery much in With 16 minutes of their time in where the goods taken could be found. reserve, Mr. Patterson stated that The cigaretts and cigars had been proponents of division would rest a placed in the Farmers tobacco ware-

Co. was entered at a back door, the door having been prized open, while

# BROAD RIDGE BREEZES.

Broad Ridge (Orrum, R. 1), Feb.

still sick, with very little improvement.

Mr. June Pitman had a runaway Sunday and had his buggy turned over

# ed and Britt Sworn In.

# Early Convoy Home.

Units assigned for early convoy

571,000. ation of some \$8,000,000. Richmond Touching upon the contention about pital ship Mercy and seven transports are opposed to the division of Robeson ment of the school. The public is with about 10,000 troops.

Early Days of the War. Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 26.—The work of the pioneer Y. M. C. A. workers in A robbedy was nipped in the bud Fri-France during the early days of the

Describes Experiences During

robbing the McAllister hardware the 1st division June 26, 1917, and Monday morning.

his division took part in until late in and at a session Friday night of the Robeson Grocery Co. on First street and at a session Friday night of the Robeson Grocery Co. on First street and at a session Friday night of the Argonne woods. He wounded in the Argonne woods. He was first wounded in the Argonne woods. He was first wounded during the second bills were referred back to committee in the hone that a satisfactory lamy: Alfred Turner and Bertha Rog-Mr. Fulton McGill, an employee of battle of the Marne, near Soissons. In referring to the work accomplish-

than they were in the States.'

in the early part of December 1918, upon this matter. From there he was sent to the hospital at Camp Gordon for further treatment. He has entirely recovered from his wound, and after a short visit to his home, expects to join the 3 th infantry, with which he will serve out

# DECLAMATION CONTEST.

Preliminaries Will Be Held March 13 and Final Contest March 14. To the Editor of The Robesonian:

Hoping to make the third interscholastic declamation contest the Forest college, committees from the Philomathesian and Euzelian literary societies are working with a committee from the faculty on arrangements for this year's event. The preliminaries will be held in Wingate memorial hall on March 13th, and the final contest on March 14. The contest is open to all male students of all pre-paratory schools in North Carolina.

The participation is made interesting by the awards given to the suicessful speakers. As a first prize, the Mr. Alva Watts spent the last few college offers a scholarship worth \$50.

L. J. BRITT, Phi. Secretary. Wake Forest, N. C., Feb. 27, 1919.

women's committee, council of Nation-Defense. Robeson county division, has been notified by Mrs. Eugene Senate Passes Victory Loan Bill.

The following officers of the Robeson county division, therefore receive ducted a filibuster for the purpose of wife yesterday. Prayer for judgment man of Liberty Loan; Mrs. R. B. John, terday morning with this measure out the plate at her, cutting a gash in Maxton; Mrs. C. D. Smith, Rowland; of the way. Both houses entered to- her forehead. This happened while Mrs. J. Q. Bobbitt, Fairmont; Mrs. day upon the last full working day of they were eating dinner. D. S. Currie, Parkton.

JANIE CARLYLE, Sec. Box Supper at Bloomingdale at noon.

### March 7th. Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Barnesville, Feb. 28 .- There will be a box supper at Bloomingdale school Correspondence of The Robesonian. Demobilization of the army had re- house Friday night, March 7. Ice the same number of acres, he said, as vision was objectionable from every leased up to February 28, 1,301,959 of- cream and fruit will also be sold an entertainment at Laurell institute

Fayette movement.

Much Work for the Legislature to Do Senate Favors Municipal Suffrage scribers. For Women-Senate Votes to Refer to People Constitutional Convention BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS and Income Tax Amendment.

The General Assembly enters today chain gang are sick with influenza. aged 17 years, of East Lumberton, division, shortly before he departed much work shead, but it is expected nd Thad Shooter, aged about 14 years, for his home in Lumberton, N. C. adjournment next Saturday night or nicipal building.

Larayette counties to be carved out of Robeson this trip, thank you.

That was the verdict rendered by the House committee on counties, cities and towns after a 2-hours' hearing held here this afternoon in the hall of the House of Representatives. Nobody knows for certain, just how which the vote stood. Some say only three members of the committee voted in favor of the proposed major operation upon this dear Robeson; some say flive; but all see agreed that the Robeson and down Elm street to the corner and favor of the proposed county of the various bills. The full value of the various bills. The full measure to all might be hammered out ers. and as many on the calendar of the education are all holding regular House, with many yet to be reported monthly meetings here today.

The House must dispose of the bill passed by the Senate Thursday night has arrived and will be with the milfor municipal suffrage for women. linery department of Messra. R. D. The House also closed the week with Caldwell & Son's department store the child-labor bill to be passed on during the coming season. "The prices were just a little high final reading, and the Senate must

prices were then reduced even lower and the bill now goes to the House. Gov. Doughton's proposed income tax According to Pvt. Blake, the Y. M. amendment to the constitution, which turned home yesterday from Charand superlatively speading, almost would it be easier to attempt to call the roll of those who remained home the roll of those who remained home the roll of those who remained home the roll of those who passed the House by unanimous vote, a course in a business college. She throughout the hitter fights that it was engaged in, and the last words of bat, so to speak.

According to Pvt. Blake, the Y. M. amendment to the constitution, which house on East First street and were passed the House by unanimous vote, a course in a business college. She throughout the hitter fights that it was engaged in, and the last words of B. Ratley. cheer that were given the boys before Robeson made one of the best speech- B. Ratley. they launched their attack on Can-tigny, on the morning of May 21, the Governor's massage. Senator was given by a "Y" man as he passed out chocolate to them free of charge. Stacy declared that he would be Kathrine Doster and Mae Seabolt, all ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the faculty of the faculty of Carolina ashamed to be recorded as voting members of the facu Pvt. Blake landed at Newport News against allowing the people to pass college, Maxton were Lumberton visi-

# WITH ROBESON SOLDIERS.

Lost a Leg In Action. shape. Somebody bro Private Ernest Britt of R. 4, Lum- of the bridges Friday. berton arrived home Friday from -Mr. T. We Trogden, who has had recently returned from France. He was blown off just below the knee ed with the Bureau of Markets, Deby a German shell. He was in the partment of Agriculture. with an artificial leg.

greatest of its kind ever held at Wake urday from Camp Sevier, Greenville, discharge from military service

a letter from his brother, Mr. H. Lay- v short time with her husbad, Dr. W. ton Stephens, who went to France last succer with the 81st division. Mr. has been at the Charlotte sanatorium Stephens stated in the letter that he for several weeks. Dr. McPhaul's conhad applied for a discharge from dition is not much improved. military service and his application had been approved. He added that he turned yesterdy to their home in expected to sail for the States at an Charlotte after spending several days carly date. Before going to the army here visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Mr. Stephens was R. F. D. carrier McMillan were married in Charlotte from Red Springs.

Lieut. Russell S. Beam Will Return where in today's paper. to Lumberton.

As has been stated in The Robesonian, Lieut. Russell S. Beam arrived night of this week. The proceeds will in New York from France a few days go towards paying for piano for the go and after spending a few days in school. The public is invited. Misses Washington making arrangements for Mary Lee McMillan and Athesia Powhis discharge he left that city Friday ell are teachers in the Raynham night, for Camp Dix, N. J., to go school. They were Lumberton visithrough the official formalities.

Dr. Beam will locate in Lumberton tors Saturday. of National Defense Discontin-ued.

and throat at the base hospital No. Was a Lumberton visitor Saturday.

Mr. Collins informed The Robesonian during its entire existence. There that his little daughter, Clara has a were 2.500 beds in that hospital. Dr. hen less than one year old that has Beam is known to many Robesonian already delivered 72 eggs and is now Mrs. E. L. Holloway, chairman of readers who will be glad to learn that caring for a brood of biddies which he will return to his offices here soon. she hatched herself.

The United States Senate remained been signed that this organization is in session all night Saturday night to plead guilty before Recorder E. M. pass the Victory Loan bill, against Britt this morning to the charge of which some Republican Senators con- breaking a plate over the head of his the session facing an unprecedently Lee Allen was found guilty of mass of legislation. The 65th Con-breaking the speed limit with an augress will adjourn sine die March 4 tomobile and prayer for judgment was

### Entertainment at Laurel Institute March 8th.

Raynham, March 3.-There will be the proposed new counties, are the standpoint and that it might have semost progressive. He compared Bladriour political consequences. A telenounced Saturday. Of the total 77, come. bate, a box supper and a voting con--Mr. D. M. Rogers of Marietta, R test. A prize will be given to the 1, was a Lumberton visitor this morn-most popular girl. The proceeds of The battleship Nebraska, the hos-ing. He says the people down his way the evening will go to the improve-

D. F. LOWRY, Principal.

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-Four members of the county

-The U. D. C. will meet at 4 p. m. Thursday in the rest room in the mu-

-Messrs. R. D. Caldwell & Son will Road legislation is yet to be enact- have their spring millinery opening

tee in the hope that a satisfactory lamy: Alfred Turner and Bertha Rog-

-Miss Vera Cobb of Greensboro

-Mr. R. G. Stubbs of Girdley, Kan-

-Miss Kate Ratley of Fairmont re-

-Misses John Steele, Sarah Red-Senator wine, Elizabeth White, Clara Worth,

> tors Saturday. -Mr. W. D. Baxley of R. 4, Lumberton, who was in town Saturday, reported the two bridges across Jacob swamp on the Whiteville road in bad Somebody broke through one

Fort McPherson, Ga. Private Britt charge of the cotton grading offic here during the nast season left this morn lost his right leg in action. His leg ing for Raleigh where he is connect-

The government has provided him Brown of the Philadelphus section were among the visitors in town Friday. Both Mr. Buie and Mr. Brown Mr. John McLean arrived home Sat- are against any division of Robeson, especially that would take them out of Robeson.

-Mrs. McPhaul returned Friday Mr. J. L. Stephens received Friday night from Charlotte, were one spent A. McFhaul, county health officer, who

-Mr. and Mrs. G. P. McMillan re-Wednesday of last week. An account of the marriage will be found else-

-There will be a box supper at the Raynham school house Friday

Woman's Committee of Council again in his old offices. He was chief of the department of eye, ear, rose three miles north-east of Lumberton,

# Broke Plate Over Wife's Head.

Arch Norton of East Lumberton

continued upon payment of the cost-\$7.20.

Mr. J. P. Russell, who is engage, in Y. M. C. A. work at Camp Bragg, Fayetteville, spent Friday and Friday night here visiting his fmily. He returned to Camp Bragg Saturday

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