

HISTORIC LAND IN STATE NOW BELONGS TO THE GOVERNMENT

Moore's Creek Bridge Battle Anniversary Celebrated by Host of Notables at Historic Spot. LAND WILL BE MADE INTO PARK Thirty-Acre Tract Accepted by Government and Will Be Maintained as a Park in Future.

Moore's Creek Bridge, N. C., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Major General Johnson Hagood, commander of the fourth corps area; Mrs. Alfred J. Broseua, president of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and a host of other notables were here today to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Revolutionary battle of Moore's Creek Bridge.

General Hagood will accept for the federal government a grant of a 30-acre tract of land which is to be made into a federal park. Others on the program also included Representative C. L. Abernethy, of North Carolina, who sponsored a bill authorizing acceptance of the tract for a national park; and Senator Lee S. Overman, who obtained passage of the bill in Senate.

The women's organization headed by Mrs. Broseua is sponsoring the celebration. The last North Carolina legislature adopted a resolution in which it resolved that "Moore's Creek battleground in Pender county, North Carolina, should be erected into a national park and so maintained by the federal government."

Following the passage of the resolution in the State legislature the bill was introduced into Congress by Representative Abernethy. It was passed in 1926.

The battle of Moore's Creek Bridge took place February 27, 1776, when 1,000 patriots under the command of Col. Alexander Lillington put to flight 1,600 Tories under Col. Donald McLeod, thereby saving to North Carolina the cause of American independence.

It is said this battle so broke the spirit of British adherents that they never again rallied in North Carolina to support the Royal cause.

MRS. GREGORY SPEAKER AT MOOR'S CREEK BRIDGE Says Spot is One of Most Historic in all the United States.

Moore's Creek Bridge Battleground, Aug. 24.—"We are assembled here upon one of the most historic spots, not only in North Carolina, but in all America," said Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, of Salisbury, state regent of the North Carolina Daughters of the American Revolution, in addressing the gathering today in connection with the dedication of the Moore's Creek Bridge Battleground, and its presentation to the federal government as a military reservation for perpetuity.

Mrs. Gregory presided over the ceremonies, for it has been due to the efforts of the D. A. R. in the state that the thirty acres of battleground is being donated to the government. In her address Mrs. Gregory modestly refrains from mentioning the part the D. A. R. played and gives abundant credit to Congressmen C. L. Abernethy, of New Bern; Senator Lee S. Overman and George Moore, president of the Moore's Creek Bridge Association, for their efforts, both in and outside of Congress, in making Moore's Creek Bridge Battleground into a national park.

Mrs. Gregory spoke in part as follows: "This is sacred ground, hallowed and characterized by the blood of immortal heroes who fought that momentous Revolutionary battle than which no other possessed more strategic importance and which went far in making possible the successful campaign in the South, thus paving the way for the ultimate American triumph at Yorktown."

"Today is a crowning one for those who have labored so faithfully and long and with such fervent spirit and patriotism to secure proper national and governmental recognition of that battle. It is perhaps impossible for those not closely associated with the project to realize the amount of time, self-sacrifice and initiative given to the project by those interested in the undertaking."

Here Mrs. Gregory paid special tribute to the untiring work done by Congressman Abernethy and Moore's Creek Association, in behalf of the battleground.

"We desire to pay all honor and high tribute to everyone, whether in legislative halls or national organizations or private associations, who has had any part in this enterprise," Mrs. Gregory continued. "I think I express the feelings of our president-general as I do my own, when I say how happy she and I are that it was during our administrations that the government placed around this historic spot the arm of its protection by making it a national park."

"Let us hope that from this day forward our great mother State will recall from the four corners of the globe her sons and daughters to celebrate the anniversary of this momentous day. And as we turn back the pages of our State's history, reading there the records of the imperishable

Death Weapon?



William A. Winterer, of Philadelphia, is shown with the revolver that police believe is the one with which Rev. Edward Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Mills were killed in New Jersey.

SEKES IDENTITY OF MAN FOUND ON SHIP Government Wants to Know Who Man Known as Harry Wilcox Really Is.

Washington, Aug. 24.—(AP)—After an unsuccessful eight-months search for information to establish the nationality of Harry Wilcox, a prisoner in Haiti, the State department today issued a public appeal for help in the case.

Wilcox, whose statements, voice and speech indicate he is an American, was found last December attempting to stowaway on the steamship Baracca at Cape Haitien. Customs authorities sent him under guard to the Jaganian Hospital where he was pronounced insane, and he was placed in the asylum for the insane.

He gave his father's name and address as John Wilcox, 114 Thurston Street, Wilmington, N. C. Inquiries there and in Wilmington, Delaware, failed to bring information. Since then the State department has had every Thurston street in the country searched for trace of John Wilcox, but without success.

Youngblood Heads Commission. Washington, D. C., Aug. 24.—F. M. Youngblood has been appointed by the American Wholesale Grocers Association as its representative on the committee which will have charge of the program in Concord for Canned Foods Week which begins November 10.

Canned Foods Week is sponsored by seven national trade organizations interested in the production and distribution of canned foods—the National Canners Association, National Wholesale Grocers Association, American Wholesale Grocers Association, National Food Brokers Association, National Association of Retail Grocers, National Chain Stores Grocers Association, and the Canning Machinery Association.

The co-operative movement which aims to disseminate a better knowledge of the canning industry and its products, is on a nationwide basis. Committees were organized last year in over 500 towns and cities. The program for each community is arranged by the chairman and members of the local committee, which is made up of business men identified with the various branches of the canned food industry and trade.

He Protects Dead From Wild Strains of Jazz. Philadelphia, Aug. 22.—City Attorney Guever has a poor opinion of jazz and jazz orchestras. In refusing to grant a license for a cabaret to be established near a cemetery he declared: "The dead should not be disturbed by the nightly music of jazz orchestras."

deeds of her patriots, the instruction we receive possesses a profound and significant meaning. It impresses upon us that there is in all the world no more glorious history than North Carolina's. Let us translate the meaning into our hearts and let our service to our state, home and country be such as to prove ourselves more worthy of our precious heritage."

Particular attention was called to the monument erected in honor of Mrs. Slooten, the first shaft erected in this country to women of the Revolution, and supreme patriots of North Carolina, because it symbolized "the highest emotion of the human soul—that of hero worship properly applied."

Mrs. Gregory concluded her address with an eloquent tribute to the American flag, saying that the flags of all other nations had at some time been incarnated with the blood of millions of their fellowmen.

"But not so Old Glory! It has no such lachrymose or blood-stained escutcheon. And as this flag floats to the breeze, may our hearts thrill with a loftier patriotism and a greater devotion to God, home and native land."

COMPROMISE ENDS BOST CASES; WILL PAY FAMILY MONEY

Plea of Nolo Contendere Entered by Defense and Accepted by State—Special Verdict Here. BOST WILL PAY \$3,500 AND COSTS

Agrees to Pay All Costs in Two Cases Including the Cost of Bringing Venire From Mecklenburg.

A compromise in the civil suit brought against Martin Bost by relatives of Jesse Vanderburg, slain by Bost several years ago, resulted in a dismissal of all charges against Bost in the criminal proceedings instituted by the State.

When the case was called in Cabarrus Superior Court this morning counsel for Bost entered a nolo contendere plea, which was accepted by Solicitor Zeb V. Long. It was explained in this connection by the solicitor that he had accepted this plea by the defense upon agreement by Bost to pay \$3,500 to the widow of Vanderburg and all costs in the cases, both criminal and civil.

In open court Judge P. A. McElroy, presiding at the present term of court, stated that after reading the evidence in the two trials of Bost and the decisions of the Supreme Court, he did not understand how verdicts of manslaughter had been rendered by the jury which had heard the evidence. He stated further that in his opinion the compromise was a just solution to the case.

It was rumored in the court house that in view of the Supreme Court decision of the State felt that a conviction of Bost would not be secured. It was further hinted that the State accepted the compromise so Mrs. Vanderburg could get the money it being certain that should Bost be freed in the criminal case no jury would give her damages in the civil action which she instituted some time ago.

Sheriff Cochran, of Mecklenburg county, reported to the court house here early this morning with the prize of \$25,000, ordered Saturday by Judge McElroy. Several minor cases were disposed of early today and the Bost case was called about 10:30. The motion of nolo contendere was made immediately after the case was called and was accepted by the State. Sheriff Cochran and his retinue returned to Mecklenburg as soon as they received their attendance pay.

The court house was packed when the case was called and the outcome evidently surprised a majority of those present. "This compromise of a compromise had been heard the details of the plan were not known and few in the vast throng had any idea that the case was not to be released again before a jury."

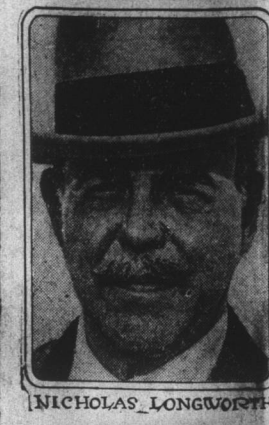
Judge McElroy in his statement from the bench indicated that he did not think Bost could be convicted. He said he did not, after reading the evidence of the case, and the two decisions of the Supreme Court, which granted Bost new trials, he said he would have preferred that the case be disposed of by a jury.

The court order for disposition of the case reads: "The defendant, Martin Bost, is charged with the charge of manslaughter, which plea the Solicitor accepts. In this case it appearing to the Court that the administrator of the deceased man has brought suit against the defendant for damages and that that action has been compromised and judgment entered against the defendant in the sum of \$3,500.00, and the defendant having entered a plea of nolo contendere to the charge of manslaughter, and the Solicitor for the State having recommended that judgment be suspended on the payment of the costs of this action and of the judgment in the civil action, the Court now orders that judgment be suspended on payment of the costs of this action and of the judgment in the civil action, including the costs of a special venire summoned at this term of the court from Mecklenburg county."

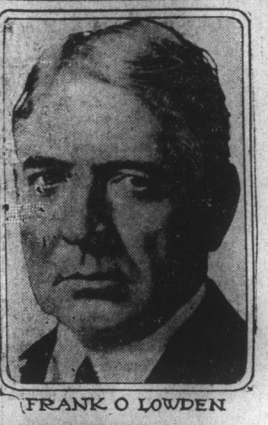
Keep 20-Year-Old Appointment. London, Aug. 24.—A romantic tryst, made between three boy friends twenty years ago, and signed, boyish fashion, in blood, had its fulfillment in London a few days ago, when three modern musketeers kept their youthful vows to each other by meeting in Trafalgar Square. Unknown to thronging passers-by the three men—once apprentices together, now every one married and prosperous—foregathered near the base of the Nelson monument, each wearing a carnation in his buttonhole as a means of identification should time's changes have made it necessary.

The twenty-year-old appointment had been made for 5:30 p. m. Promptly to the minute the three approached and recognized and greeted one another with a warmth—not altogether untouched with emotion—that their long separation had only served to enhance. During the twenty years there had been no meeting or communication among the three.

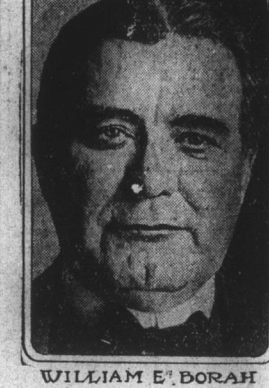
Mentioned for the Presidency.



NICHOLAS LONGWORTH



FRANK O. LOWDEN



WILLIAM E. BORAH



CHARLES G. DAWES

Friends have started Presidential booms for Nicholas Longworth, speaker; Frank O. Lowden, former Governor of Illinois; William E. Borah, Idaho Senator, and Charles G. Dawes, Vice-President.

HEAVY DOCKET FACES COURTS IN MEMPHIS

About 250 Jail Cases Must Be Tried at September Term of Court.

Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 24.—With some 250 bandits, murderers, burglars and thieves sweltering in the Shelby county jail from the terrific heat, awaiting trial, criminal courts will have a heavy September 1st, with one of the heaviest dockets in years.

Attorney General W. Tyler McLean, who was re-elected at the August election, and his staff of assistants, John Shea, Will Gerber and C. P. J. Mooney, Jr., will again handle the prosecutions in criminal court this term.

On the first week's calendar, Rev. A. H. Smith, deposed pastor of the Rowan Memorial Baptist Church, will be tried on charges of attempted criminal assault and attempted violation of the age of consent.

Rev. Smith was indicted by the Shelby county grand jury after charges were brought against him by five of his Sunday school girls, ranging in age from 16 to 19.

Smith is married and the father of three children. Galloway and Weinstein, attorneys, will conduct the defense at the trial.

GRANTHAM PRESIDENT OF WATERWORKS MEN

C. E. Rhyne Elected Vice President and H. G. Baity Secretary.

Wilmington, N. C., Aug. 24.—(AP)—C. M. Grantham, city manager of Goldsboro, was today elected president of the North Carolina Section American Waterworks Association, and Durham was selected as the next convention city.

Other officers elected were: C. E. Rhyne, of Gastonia, vice president; H. G. Baity, of the North Carolina board of health, Chapel Hill, secretary.

The executive committee named as composed of J. O. Craig, Salisbury, the retiring president; Mr. Grantham, Mr. Baity, H. E. Miller and George Catlett, of Raleigh, both of the board of health, and W. E. Vest, of Charlotte. Announcement was made by delegates that Gastonia would seek the 1928 convention.

Delegates today resumed discussion of matters affecting water supply of various cities of the state, and gave study to the more improved methods of overcoming such difficulties. Sessions will continue through tomorrow.

MORE THAN HUNDRED WOULD BE LAWYERS

Between 130 and 140 Stood Examination For Law Licenses in State.

Raleigh, Aug. 24.—All set to awe the North Carolina Supreme Court with their profound and extensive knowledge of matters legal, between 130 and 140 embryo attorneys looked to the Hall of the House here yesterday and opened fire on the State bar examinations.

Nervousness, admitted by some and stoutly denied by others who leaned toward the philosophy of the late Emile Cote, was the order of the day.

For seven hours the applicants poured out their knowledge upon white paper. Faced with sixty-six questions, the correct answer of forty-four of these being required for passing, the would-be lawyers performed a full day's work.

It was the general comment of the students. Included in the class of applicants were twenty-odd law students from Washington who were drawn to the North Carolina bar by remarks of William Beal, former Tar Heel, which were interpreted to mean that the local examination was a mecca for D. C. also-rans. Several of these admitted that they had tried and failed the district examinations, said to be one of the hardest in the country, several times.

When they first arrived in Raleigh and discovered the publicity that had preceded their arrival, the Washington students vouchsafed fear that the Supreme Court would be very strict in grading their papers. However, they were soon quieted when it was pointed out that the papers were graded by number and that the Supreme Court justice who would determine their fitness for practice was neither interested nor concerned in their name or address, they breathed easier.

Though Justice Herriott Clarkson was in charge of the examination, it is the general opinion here that it was the work of all five members of the court, each justice propounding those questions with phases of law about which he is most interested.

This has probably been the practice for some time though each class of applicants is always very interested in knowing who is going to "give the bar."

Results of the examination will not be announced for several days.

PA Watch For It A GREAT STORY

WAR VICTOR GAINS NOTHING, DANIELS TELLS CONVENTION

Germany Suffered No More Than Other Countries in World War, He Declares.

STEVENS MAKES ANNUAL REPORT

Shows That Legion Has Made Great Strides in North Carolina During Past Several Years.

Hickory, N. C., Aug. 24.—(AP)—The World War was fought under the Great Illusion that the victorious nation would emerge from the conflict less ravaged and less broken economically than the defeated forces, declared Josephus Daniels, war secretary of the navy, in an address here today before the 8th annual convention of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion and the Woman's Auxiliary. Post-war conditions, he said, offer proof enough of the falsity of the supposition that "plenty and peace and happiness come to the victors of a mighty struggle at arms."

Department Commander Henry L. Stevens, Jr., consumed most of the time prior to Mr. Daniels' speech with his report which told of the remarkable strides made by the state organization this year.

He said that while the National Commander placed the membership goal for this state at 18,000, "a great big voice that sounded good," the department now has a total of 9,700 members. That is the largest in the history of the organization, the Commander said.

He recommended that departmental officers stay in power until adjournment of the National Convention, and that the Department Commander be the head of the delegation at the national meeting. Commander Stevens said the department was in the finest financial condition it had ever been, and that there was a closer friendship among the Legionnaires.

Mr. Daniels began his address shortly after the address of Commander Stevens, and the large auditorium was packed to capacity.

Naval and Army officials before the war, he asserted, thought Norman Angell, the man who first contended "that in any war of the future the victor would reap no more benefits than the vanquished," was a dreamer. They laughed at his suggestion and termed it "absurd."

"If you should today embark with Europe as your destination what panorama would your eyes behold as you sailed in an aeroplane over the nations engaged in that titanic struggle? Grayed on grave," continued the former secretary of the navy, "in scores of cemeteries would mark how blood was poured out by millions sacrificed to a Great Illusion. You would see lands still sodden and desolate by the ravages of war in France and Belgium where the hell of war flamed. In Flanders' Field, in parts of France and elsewhere you would find poppies growing where you there saw devastation in 1918. But if as your craft carried you beyond the Rhine and into the German and Austrian countries, you would see no trace of destruction of houses or the devastation of fields or the demolition of great industrial plants."

"If you were a visitor from Mars and someone should tell you that bloody war raged from the Mediterranean to the North Sea over all that terrain, which country would you regard as the victor from traces of devastation—France or Germany? Without a moment's hesitation you would point to the unarmed fields of Germany as evidencing the blessings that come from victory, and the scars of France as proof of a country that has been sorely wounded."

OWNERS NOW RUNNING THE MOREHEAD VILLA

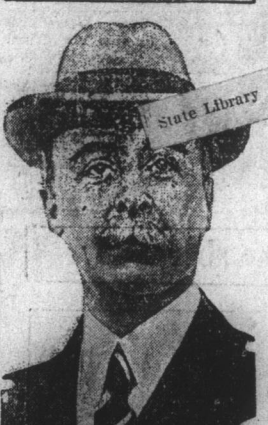
No Reason Given For Cancellation of Contract With Operating Company.

New Bern, Aug. 23.—The Morehead Bluffs Hotel Company is now operating the new hotel, Morehead Villa, at Morehead Bluffs, instead of the William Four Hotel Operating Company, of Durham, to whom the hotel was first leased before its opening on July 2nd. It has been learned here.

Manager J. B. Koerper, Chief Jack Monroe and the entire corps of helpers were retained in their respective positions by the new operators and there has been no ostensible difference in the hotel management.

No reason was given out for the cancellation of contracts with the William Four Company. The hotel has been doing a good business, it is said, since its opening and it is being rapidly improved for further service as an all-year hostelry in eastern Carolina.

Up to Him.



State Library

The return of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Berlin from Europe, and constant reports that they expected an heir renewed rumors that the bride and her father, Clarence Mackay (above), millionaire telegraph man, were to be reconciled.

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THE COTTON MARKET

Good Deal of Realizing Today After Advance Absorbed by Moderate Setbacks.

New York, Aug. 24.—(AP)—A good deal of realizing in the cotton market today after yesterday's big advance was absorbed on comparatively moderate setbacks as the dips appeared to bring in a broadening demand from both trade and speculative sources.

The opening was steady at advance of 3 points to decline of 2 points, active months showing net losses of about 1 to 9 points in the first few minutes. December eased off to 17.68 and March to 17.85, but the market turned firmer after the initial profit-taking had been absorbed.

Except for realizing, selling was restricted by the unsettled weather outlook, while the bullish sentiment created by yesterday's crop figures remained very much in evidence.

Cotton futures opened steady. Oct. 17.80; Dec. 17.70; Jan. 17.70; March 17.97; May 18.05.

HINT VALENTINO WAS VICTIM OF POISON PLOT

District Attorney Says He Has No Proof to Support the Rumor.

New York, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Published reports hinting that Rudolph Valentino had been poisoned brought from Assistant District Attorney Peora today a statement that his office had received no definite information on the matter and that he would take no action until official proof was presented to him.

Mr. Peora's statement follows: "If any responsible party brings up proof tending to show the commission of any crime, the matter will receive the official attention of this office, regardless of what it may involve. We are not going off on any rumor or idle gossip that goes around this town. If we did we would have no time for the legitimate affairs of this office."

The death certificate filed yesterday with the board of health gave as the cause of death a ruptured gastric ulcer and general peritonitis, with septic pneumonia and septic endocarditis.

STILL HOPE SETTLEMENT WILL BE REACHED SOON

Deallock in Mexican Controversy Not Accepted Now as Final.

Mexico City, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Although a deallock has again been reached in the controversy between the Roman Catholic Church and the Mexican government over the new religious regulations, hope still exists in some quarters that all doors to a settlement have not been closed.

The hope is more or less based on a statement issued by the Catholic episcopacy as a supplement to its statement yesterday that the situation has reverted to the same status as before the conference Saturday night between President Calles, Archbishop Leopoldo Ruiz Flores, and Bishop Diaz of Tabasco.

Engineer Prevented Serious Wreck.

Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 24.—(AP)—The prompt action of W. W. Giles, engineer, in bringing the train to a stop today prevented what might have resulted in a severe loss of life or injury when three Pullman cars attached to the westbound "Memphis Special," fast Southern Railway passenger train, were derailed, and toppled to their side at Salsburg, Tenn., 40 miles southeast of Memphis. With the exception of one woman who was reported slightly hurt, none of the passengers was injured.

PRESSMEN HOLDING MEETING AT THEIR TENNESSEE HOME

New Officers Installed at First Business of Convention Which Began Today. FRED A. WALKER MAKES ADDRESS

Speaker Says That Wages of Worker Should Be Based on the Individual Production.

Pressmen's Home, Tenn., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Wages should be based on individual production so that the more efficient workmen may receive a just return for his labor, Fred A. Walker, chairman of the Publishers Association of New York City, today told the annual convention of pressmen's union in session here.

Mr. Walker, a member of the executive board of the New York Sun and New York Telegram, and said he will be the first newspaper publisher to address a union having contractual relations with him, remarked that it is a peculiar thing that in the negotiations with the 18 unions having agreements with New York publishers production does not occupy more than one-tenth of one per cent. time devoted to the consideration of wages.

"I should, of course," he said, "be ultra-optimistic if I believed it were possible to establish in the profitable business wage schedules based upon individual production, but I hope I am not too optimistic when I believe that in a few years the question of comparative production in any office will be the determining factor in the wages paid."

Officers Installed. Pressmen's Home, Tenn., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Installation of officers to serve for the next two years was the first business undertaken by the 31st biennial convention of the International Printing Pressmen and Assistants' Union of North America today after the formal dedication of the world war memorial chapel yesterday.

The present officers were re-elected by referendum vote taken in February, 1926.

Major George L. Berry, of the Pressmen's Home, international president at the expiration of the next term will have held the chief executive position in the organization for 21 consecutive years.

Vice Presidents re-elected were: John M. Brophy, William H. McHugh, Shuford B. Marks, George R. Brunet, Joseph C. Orr is secretary-treasurer; James Brooks, (some trustee for six years; Bernard G. Duggan, school, with E. Curtis White and Charles Korn.

VALENTINO FUNERAL IS SET FOR NEXT MONDAY

Unless Brother Arrives From Abroad Body Will Be Buried in New York.

New York, Aug. 24.—(AP)—The funeral of Rudolph Valentino will be held at 10 o'clock Monday morning from actor's chapel at St. Malachi's Church. Following the services the body will be taken to the receiving vault at Woodlawn cemetery if Valentino's brother Alberto has not yet arrived from abroad. If the brother is here in time for the funeral the body will be turned over to him.

S. George Ullman, Valentino's manager, said he would try to persuade the brother to have him buried in Hollywood, Calif.

Mail Travels Rapidly Now.

(By International News Service.) Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 24.—In this modern day when letters mailed in New York are carried over fast air mail routes and reach San Francisco, Calif., the next evening, speed of the postal deliveries rivals speed of anything else in this speedy old world.

Now comes a story through local postal authorities from New York of a letter mailed eighteen years ago which has just been discovered.

But all this time has not been consumed in travel. The letter was mailed within a radius of 100 miles of New York. Tearing down an old building workmen found the letter lodged in a small chute.

It contained a check for \$25.20 for shipment by mail order of two auto tubes which would cost less than \$10 today. It was addressed to the H. F. Goodrich Rubber Company, then a small concern.

Revolutionary Battle Commemorated.

Wilmington, N. C., Aug. 24.—The scene of the battle of Moore's Creek Bridge, in Pender county, today was turned over to the federal government for conversion into a national military park, in accordance with an act passed by Congress. The transfer was made at patriotic exercises commemorating the 150th anniversary of the battle, which is called "the first American victory in the War of the Revolution." Assistant Secretary of War MacVicker delivered the address accepting the land from the State of North Carolina.

THE WEATHER

Probably showers tonight and Wednesday, not much change in temperature. Moderate to fresh southwest winds.