

County Plaintiff Loses Damage Suit Against Bottlers

Mrs Florence Adams, of Parmele, Asked Damages in Sum of \$10,000

The Coca-Cola Bottling Company, of Greenville, and Wilber Whitehurst, storekeeper of Parmele, were held not liable in a damage suit filed by Mrs. Florence L. Adams, also of Parmele, in the November term, Superior Court, Pitt County, last Friday.

Testimony was completed on last Thursday and Friday morning Judge Jeff D. Johnson, of Sampson County, charged the jury. Mrs. Adams was suing the merchant and bottling firm for \$5,000 actual damage and \$5,000 punitive damage in the case which required two full days for all testimony to be presented.

The plaintiff alleged that she swallowed a piece of glass while drinking a soft drink purchased from Whitehurst and bottled by the Greenville firm in 1939, and was injured internally. Julius Brown represented the plaintiff, while the defendants were represented by Burt James.

Reports state that the case was earnestly presented and fought, and that it attracted much attention during the two days it was before the Pitt Superior tribunal in Greenville.

Serious Climax To Far East Crisis Is Believed Imminent

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littered graveyard, the spokesman said, adding that casualties have been heavy on both sides, and the end is far away.

"Our objective still is to wipe out the Axis tank units in Libya," he pointed out, "but it will take a lot more hard fighting."

Encouraging reports were heard this morning when 100 French airplanes joined the British against the Nazis in Libya. It is apparent that the French in Africa are angered because of the Nazi forced dismissal of General Weygand as commander-in-chief of the African French forces. Late reports from London hinted that the British goal in Libya has virtually been reached.

New disorders were reported today in France. Railroads were wrecked and attempts were made to disrupt power service. There were two executions by the Germans.

A sub-committee today approved Senator Connally's proposed bill to curb strikes in defense industries. It was also reported that the administration's proposed price control bill may be defeated or may be passed in the House before night.

Propose Correction Of Minor Physical Defects For 92 Men

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when there would be widespread objection to allowing men to escape military service because of some minor and remediable defect.

As data concerning the physical condition of registrants accumulated at National Selective Service headquarters, the President was kept advised of the growing number of men escaping military training because of correctable defects, and on October 10th he issued the following statement in the form of a report made to him by General Hershey:

"About 50 per cent of the approximately two million registrants who have been examined for induction into the Army of the United States under the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940 have been disqualified because of physical, mental, or educational reasons. Of the approximately one million rejected, 900,000 or about 90 per cent, were found to be physically or mentally unfit."

County Teachers Receive Third-Month Salary Today

The more than 100 white school teachers in the county are receiving their third-month salary checks from the office of the board of education today. The payroll amounts to approximately \$24,000 for all teachers, bus drivers, principals and janitors.

Recovering From Operation In A Washington Hospital

Undergoing an operation in a Washington hospital a few days ago for appendicitis, Mr. Roland Coburn, brother of Judge W. H. Coburn, is recovering in a Washington hospital.

Suggest Cotton Gifts For 1941 Christmas

Cotton is grown on about two-thirds of the farms in North Carolina. Textile manufacturing is one of the leading industries in this State.

Miss Willie N. Hunter, extension clothing specialist of N. C. State College, says the people who grow cotton, the people who manufacture cotton goods, and all the other folks who indirectly benefit from the prosperity of cotton producers and processors owe it to themselves to use cotton products.

She suggests: "Let's make it a Cotton Christmas this year; give presents made from cotton, and use this basic agricultural and industrial product in our decorations and otherwise."

Miss Hunter said that shortages in many other commodities used in gift-items are already apparent because of the National Defense. "There is a vast surplus of American cotton," she stated, "and the purchase of cotton Christmas gifts will serve a three-fold purpose."

"In the first place, cotton gifts will bring happiness to the recipient, second, it will aid the millions of people who are either directly or indirectly dependent upon the production, manufacture and sales of cotton products for their livelihoods, and, in the third place, will contribute to National Defense by relieving the demand for more limited commodities urgently needed in the rearmament program."

The extension economist suggested cotton, blankets, clothing of all kinds, linens, and others of the thousands of products made entirely or partly of cotton as desirable Christmas gifts for this year.

Change Hours For Red Cross Production Unit

Effective next Tuesday, the Red Cross production center in the Woman's Club building will close at four o'clock instead of five. The center will open at the usual hour, 10 o'clock each Tuesday and Friday.

RESIGNS



Sanitarian for the Martin County Health Department since the organization was established in February, 1938, is resigning to accept a position with a surgical supply company. His resignation, effective January 1, is the third reported within the past several months in the department which is now operating with a nurse's position vacant.

Number of Red Cross Members Continues To Grow In County

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Lester Peele, Gomer Harrison, Rossell Rogers, Mrs. Wheeler Rogerson, Mrs. Minnie Mottley, Miss Irene Hester, Mrs. Eva Avant, Miss Blanche Parrott, Miss Janie Freeman, Miss Ella Mae Gaylord, Miss Ruby L. Barnhill, Allen P. Olmstead, Mrs. Oscar Anderson, Oscar Anderson, E. S. Scott, Mrs. Clifton Whichard, F. A. Weston, Mrs. E. C. Watson, Miss Edna E. Alphin, Robert C. Keys, Jr., R. L. Perry, Lee A. Wallace, Mrs. Elbert Sherman, Miss Ruby Johnson, H. B. Keehn, Earl Miller, Mrs. Bessie Gwynn, Miss Rosa Moore, Dr. John Williams, W. F. Sessoms, H. B. Hargett, Mrs. C. D. Cavenaugh, W. T. Martin, D. V. Clayton, D. E. Darden, Miss Kate Philpott, Bob Leggett, L. E. Rudisill, Proctor Shoppe, Willard Shoe Shop, Harrison Shop, L. T. Fowden, Charles Manning, Mrs. Joe Godard, B. A. Critcher, Miss Nell Harrison, Mrs. Edwin Peele.

The following made contributions of less than \$1.00: Miss Julia Everett, Mrs. Tom Barnhill, Misses Bessie Malone, Carrie Dell Terry, Magdaline Harrison, Velma Bailey, Ruth Hazel Harris, Annie Davis and Mrs. Albert Coltrain and H. D. Harrison.

Army Truck Drivers Set Safety Record

Fort Bragg—What may be a new safety record for Army transportation was reported here today. Officials disclosed that vehicles operating from the Quartermaster motor pool during October traveled a distance equivalent to more than fourteen trips around the world without a single personal injury, and only four property-damage accidents.

Completing a total of 8,353 errands the vehicles—ranging from light motorcycles to heavy cargo trucks—journeyed 367,212 miles during the month. The cost of repairs resulting from the four mishaps was only \$35.21, including labor and materials.

Fire Does Slight Damage To Colored Home Today

Caused by a defective flue, fire slightly damaged the small home of Martha Williams, colored, on South Sycamore Street here this morning. The fire was burning rapidly in the roof when the firemen reached there, but was soon put out.

Local Man Returning Home From Hospital

Mr. Charles A. James is returning home this afternoon from a Durham hospital where he underwent a stubborn tonsil operation last Tuesday morning.

FARM FORUM

"Food for Freedom" will be the topic for discussion at the bi-weekly forum of the Martin County Farm Bureau in the agricultural building here this evening at 7:30 o'clock. County agriculture authorities will lead the discussion which will center around the part the government is asking the farmer to play in the bid for freedom.

Unofficial reports state that the Bureau is only 21 members short of its 1,000 goal, and it is believed the names of more members will be turned in at the meeting tonight.

This Week In Defense

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have greater fire power, maneuverability and speed than European models as well as "many times the powers of endurance." He said the Ordnance Department has also developed a light anti-tank artillery piece "capable of knocking out any known tank at very great ranges."

Army Health

The War Department announced the death rate in the Army from disease now is less than one-tenth what it was in 1917-18, and the venereal disease rate is less than half what it was at that time. Chief of Army Morale Osborn said most of the USO buildings will be in use by Christmas. The Army also announced field houses are being built in 37 camps to furnish additional recreational facilities during winter months.

Civilian Supply

Director of Civilian Supply Henderson announced passenger car production during February, 1942, will be reduced by 56 per cent as compared with production in February, 1941—from 396,000 cars to 174,000 cars. An OPM automotive committee recommended the effective date for the order banning bright work from automobiles be postponed from December 15 to December 31. The OPM made tentative allocations of 112 airplanes to U. S. commercial airlines during 1942.

Subcontracting

The Maritime Commission announced that because it started 14 months ago to "farm out" contracts to small manufacturers, it is now receiving machinery and equipment for the emergency ship construction program from 450 concerns in 32 states. The Treasury Department issued a booklet on procedures called "Doing Business with the Procurement Division," Washington, D. C. The Contract Distribution Division opened nine more field offices to bring the total to 66.

Coke and Coal

Fuel Coordinator Ickes reported coke production during the first 10 months of this year was 16 per cent greater than during the corresponding period last year. A record production of 65,000,000 tons is indicated for the complete year of 1941. Mr. Ickes also said production of Pennsylvania anthracite coal through October, 1941, was nine per cent above the corresponding period of 1940. If the percentage is maintained, he said, total 1941 production will approximate 56,000,000 tons, the largest since 1934.

Agriculture

The Department of Agriculture said additional improvement in the demand for farm products is indicated for the next few months as a result of increased consumer incomes and increased Government buying. Farm income from marketings increased 15 per cent more than the normal seasonal gain during the period from June to September. The department also reported 10,420,000 persons employed in agriculture as of November 1, the lowest November level since 1925. Secretary Wickard announced establishment of a nation-wide organization of farmers and department workers to make plans for an agriculture post-war program.

Invite Special Singers For Service Here Sunday

A special invitation has been extended the Emmanuel Trio, of Harker's Island, to sing in the Pentecostal Holiness Church here Sunday. The series of revival services underway at the church will continue through Sunday, it was announced today.

STRONGER

While the basic price continues to center around five cents, the local peanut market was said to be showing added strength today, some quotations running as high as 5 1-8 cents a pound for the very best. Some farmers are said to have refused to sell at that figure, but quite a few are understood to have dealt on that basis.

Conservative estimates indicate that 90 per cent of the crop, or even more, has moved out of the farmers' hands, and that deliveries are rapidly declining in volume.

Mistake Of First War Is Corrected

The first World War caught America badly short of trained engineers and production supervisors, men who could step into a new factory, take over a department and make it run. Moreover, most supervisory training was left to factories themselves, where new men learned new jobs only through costly and painful experience. This time, going on quietly behind the scenes, has been a vast new federal program to avoid a repetition of this mistake. It has enlisted the support of 144 engineering colleges throughout the country. In Pennsylvania, 11 institutions have trained 35,000 men—20,000 of them by Penn State College alone. Since last February nearly 150,000 men, all told, have been added to this technically-trained manpower reserve.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Davis, Jr., and son, Stewart, visited relatives in Louisville this week.

WANTS

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NOTICE

North Carolina. Martin County. In The Superior Court. Before the Clerk.
Mary S. Gray, Administratrix of the Estate of Warren A. Gray, vs. J. D. Gray, William Warren Gray, and others.
The defendant above named, William Warren Gray, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to sell a piece of land for the purpose of making assets, in which said defendant, William Warren Gray, owns an interest; and said William Warren Gray will further take notice that he is required to appear before L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, at his office in Williamston, N. C., within ten days after completion of this service by publication, and to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.
This the 27th day of Nov., 1941.
L. B. WYNNE, Clerk Superior Court. n28-4t

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North Carolina. Martin County. In The Superior Court. Before the Clerk.
Estelle Williams Holliday vs. Roland Holliday.
The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to secure an absolute divorce based upon two years separation; and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, within thirty (30) days after completion of this notice, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.
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