

750 DEFENDANTS IN PROCEEDINGS AT CAMP BRAGG

Government Brings Action To Take Over 120,451 Acres of Land

HEARD BEFORE JUDGE CONNOR'S COURT HERE

Three Commissions Named To Set Valuation On Property Desired By Government; Many Landowners Unwilling To Give Up Homes For Great Artillery Training Center.

Seven hundred and fifty defendants were named in a suit heard before United States Judge H. G. Connor, in federal court yesterday in condemnation proceedings to acquire possession of 120,451 acres of land in Cumberland and Hoke counties for the site of Camp Bragg, the artillery training center of the United States army. Three commissions were named by the court to evaluate the land in question.

The vast acreage of land was presented by the government in 1918 when the war department determined to locate Camp Bragg in the sand hills, 9 miles west of Fayetteville, on a site approximately eight miles wide and 2 1/2 miles long, extending northwest across the county line into Hoke county. Immediate possession was taken of more than 8,000 acres of land under notice of condemnation procedure, and the remainder left to await the more deliberate processes of law.

A commission composed of Dr. J. Vance McGowan, now senator-elect, Hon. John G. Shaw, and Peter McK. Williams, of Fayetteville, undertook the work of purchasing these 200 square miles of country for the federal government, and have succeeded in buying outright a considerable section of country without the botherment of litigation. Many landowners have demurred from the finding of this commission, and condemnation proceedings were begun in federal court yesterday.

Three commissions, two representing Hoke county, and a third from Cumberland county, were named yesterday to expedite the fixing of the proper value of the land, and proceed to hold their first meeting August 9th at a point to be agreed upon within the region over which they will have jurisdiction. They will proceed to fix a value upon the lands, representing the sum which the government and the estate owners would pay in case the court will pass upon it.

Breaks Court Records

Probably no legal proceeding in North Carolina has attracted so many defendants named in the action heard here yesterday, and none with more ramifications to perplex lawyers and judges concerned. Many of the tracts are entangled in mortgages, some are encumbered, others are in the hands of executors for minor children, and there are others in the hands of contrary minded owners who don't want to part out, even though threatened with the prospect of having high powered artillery laying down barrages around them.

Representing the Federal authorities yesterday was Thomas D. Warren, of New Bern, W. H. McDonald, chief of the real estate service of the War Department, and Capt. J. J. King, Jr., chief of staff of the artillery branch of the service, of which Colonel Snow is head. The defendants were represented by Charles G. Ross, of Fayetteville, Q. K. Nimocks, Jr., and R. E. King, of Greensboro.

The commissions named in the action to fix values are as follows: Cumberland county—John E. Elliott, Duncan B. Currie and John M. Owen.

Hoke county No. 1.—J. A. Keith, J. A. Patterson and J. B. McCormack. Hoke county No. 2.—A. A. McKelthan, Neill A. McKay and Frank Buchanan.

The coming of Camp Bragg to Hoke and Cumberland counties has come to be regarded as a mixed blessing, the inhabitants round about the site welcoming it with open arms, and the 1,000 or so farmers who have had to move, or who will be moved under the condemnation proceedings, looking upon it with feelings not unmingled with disfavor.

The matter of county revenues also lifts its head to worry the county authorities. While not the richest section of either of the two counties, 209 square miles cut out of the source of revenue, amounts to a considerable sum, and both counties are feeling the effects of it. The question has already been raised as to the probable liability of the Government for at least part of the bonded indebtedness of the two counties before the camp became a reality.

MRS. JAMES ROBERT CANADY The untimely death of Mrs. J. R. Canady which occurred at her home in South Dunn Saturday night July 10, brought sorrow to a large group of friends and relatives.

WANT AMERICA TO HELP OCCUPY RUHR

Allies To Move Troops At Once If Germans Do Not Meet Coal Demands

Spa, Belgium, July 14.—The American government will be asked by the Supreme Council to join in the occupation of the Ruhr unless the Germans accede to the demand for 2,000,000 tons of coal.

All the details have been arranged for the movement of troops. The German delegation will be requested to meet the allies at noon tomorrow. The Germans will then be asked if they will give two million tons of coal to the allies, and if they will be occupied Friday.

This was a day of tension among the delegates to the conference, though outwardly calm. The day passed without communication between the Germans and allies except for an informal meeting at 10 o'clock between Premier Lloyd George and Dr. Simons, the German foreign secretary.

While the allied premiers were meeting at Villa Frenesme, the Germans held a series of cabinet meetings at Chancellor Fehrenbach's villa, two miles distant. Efforts were made during the day to resume contact. Dr. Simons asked Mr. Lloyd George to receive him, and the British prime minister consented after consulting with the French premier, M. Millerand.

The German secretary had an hour's plain talk with Mr. Lloyd George, who again told him frankly that the allies would go no further than they had already done in reducing the terms of coal delivery, namely, 2,000,000 tons monthly.

Dr. Simons repeated his contention that it was impossible for Germany to deliver the amount demanded. After conferring with Premier Lloyd George, he said that what the allies were insisting upon "means for my country either civil war, or invasion."

On his return to the Fehrenbach villa, the foreign secretary talked for a long time with the allies after which the cabinet met in a special session. The night was described as extremely anxious with wide differences of opinion. Immediately afterwards, the German ministers deliberated for four hours.

At 10 o'clock tonight the German cabinet was holding its third meeting of the day. Dr. Simons, who was to have received the German press representatives this evening, sent word that he had nothing to announce. One of the principal and most influential members of the cabinet was absent.

CHARLOTTE SET AGOG WITH REPORT OF BIG STILL IN CITY

Charlotte, July 14.—The city was set agog today with the report that one of the largest blockade distilleries ever operated in the state is operating within the city limits of Charlotte, just outside the city limits, and circumstantial details of how quantities of blockade whiskey are distributed from it to the numerous saloons and vicinity have come to the ears of the revenue officers.

It is stated that several days ago a delivery wagon was driven through the streets with the whiskey in uncovered bottles just as if it had been carrying water that is daily sold in the city. These drivers drove through the square, the traffic driver waving the truck driver forward all-unsuspecting that the clear fluid in the bottles was white lightning. It is stated that the big distillery here turns out liquor in 125-gallon quantities and disposes of it in not less than 25-gallon quantities.

SUFFRAGISTS TO INVADE CAROLINA

Leaders of National Woman's Party Preparing For Vigorous Campaign

Washington, D. C., July 14.—National suffrage workers, including lobbyists, personal workers, financial agents and press agents, boarded outgoing trains tonight for Tennessee and North Carolina to begin the intensive drive for ratification by the thirty-sixth state.

Just before the departure of the military wing of the suffrage forces a statement was issued from headquarters here expressing full confidence in the outcome in both Democratic states, and announcing a generous response to the S. O. S. for another \$10,000 campaign fund recently sent broadcast. That, it was said, will be spent in Tennessee, and a like amount will be needed for organization purposes in North Carolina. Contributors announced included folks in all walks of life from United States Senators to taxi drivers, and the sums coming in ranged in size from dollar bills to checks for a thousand.

Reports from the White House today were to the effect that Senator Farnifold M. Simmons had as yet made no response to the President's recent message urging ratification. Senator Lee Slater Overman, it was said today, has responded, but in a decidedly negative way.

ady in 1905 and to this union five children were born. She was a kind and faithful wife and mother. She leaves a husband and four children; a tiny babe having died an hour before it's mother and was buried in the same casket by her side.

The funeral was held at the residence and services conducted by Rev. E. I. Olive of the First Baptist church in the absence of her pastor.

LAFOLETTE WILL NOT BE CANDIDATE

Refuses To Run As Head Of New Party Under Its Platform; Break in Ranks

Chicago, July 14.—Robert LaFollette, Jr., notified new party leaders tonight that his father would not run under any circumstances on the platform adopted.

The "Farmer-Labor Party" was the name chosen by the convention of the new political party here tonight. The labor group was dominant when the new fusion party adopted a platform late today in preparation for nomination of candidates at tonight's session. A minority report from the platform committee was sponsored by the three of the five representatives of the Committee of 48, but was defeated by a vote of slightly less than three to one.

The majority report was signed by the five labor members of the committee on resolutions and two of the party of 48 representatives. It was adopted by a big majority which on motion was made unanimous.

Defections from the ranks of the New Party began when it was shown that the minority report would be overwhelmingly defeated. James Ferguson, former Governor of Texas, was the first openly to pull out of the meeting. He was followed by delegates from several States, none of whom was identified with the labor party.

About 200 of the Committee of 48 delegates assembled at another hall during the recess taken tonight. J. A. H. Hopkins, the national chairman, presiding. Allen McCarty, who made the keynote speech for their independent convention, made an address full of feeling, and before they adjourned to meet at 9 a. m. tomorrow it was clearly indicated that many of them were far separated from the labor group.

The next day it was decided at the night under the auspices of August, 1921, under the labor party constitution. A draft of a new constitution was referred to a conference committee to be reported on next year.

At the last night, with an other work on the way, the convention proceeded to nominate speakers for presidential candidates. R. H. Harland, of Washington, presented the name of Dudley Field Malone.

New York delegates staged a brief demonstration when Catherine Simms of New York City presented the name of Henry Ford. She explained she had first tried to offer the Detroit manufacturer as the "Single Tax Party," but received a cold reception.

IF I WERE A FARM AGENT

If I were a farm agent I should first want the confidence of the people. I should endeavor to get this confidence by being interested in the people, their homes, their farms. By combining these methods with the cultural work, I would always try to fill an engagement and be there on time. I should want to so organize my work that certain days of the month would be given to certain sections of the county in order that the farmers might arrange to be at home on those days, knowing when I would visit that section they would be ready to discuss their problems and plans with me. In this way I would not visit farm after farm and find the owner absent.

Furthermore, by planning my work ahead I could do it more systematically, with less rush and not be harassed to death even though my plans might have to be changed. I should wish to present my work first through community organizations, and then visit the people in the community for individual help. Above all I should start out to organize a Farm and Home Bureau that it might stand back of my work, lend impetus to it, and make it more far-reaching.

This I should consider impossible without the co-operation of the people in the community. Agent, whose assistance in all undertakings I should seek, since women "rush in where men fear to tread."

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CHRISTIAN CHURCH REVIVAL MEETINGS

On the 18th of July we are beginning a campaign at the Christian Church. Our desire is to see penitents and saved from sin, born again, consecrated to Christ.

We have secured the services of Mr. Campbell, of Winston-Salem, N. C., to preach the consecrated Christian message. We will be glad to have all who are interested, sympathetic and scriptural.

Miss F. J. of Wilmington is a great singer and a consecrated Christian woman. She will have the privilege of singing the revival music.

The revival meetings will be one of the best things of the city of Dunn this year. If you are saved come and help save others. If you are not saved come and hear the message. It is your opportunity to hear it. Your decision is up to you. We cordially invite the people of the city to attend and enjoy these meetings.

Come and examine the facts. Hear the testimony. Draw your own conclusion. Come to our meetings. We welcome you. JOHN W. JONSTON, Pastor.

ELECTION BOARD DECIDES VOTE

Morrison Wins Over Gardner By Margin of 9,259

MECKLENBURG CARRIES EIGHT OF TEN DISTRICTS

W. P. Stacy, Mecklenburg Justice, sweeps State House of Districts. While Mecklenburg carries eight of ten districts, only three counties are in the majority.

The State Board of Elections formed by 9,259 votes for Governor Gardner over Morrison, 70,352; Gardner, 61,073; Cook, 52,682; For Associate Justice Supreme Court: Stacy, 71,437; Long, 49,190. For Congress in the Sixth District: Homer Lyle, 9,147; Hannibal Godwin, 5,455.

Cameron Morrison lost only two congressional districts in the second primary, one of which was his own. In the first contest he carried the Third, Fourth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth districts. In the second contest he captured the First, Second, Fifth and Sixth districts, which he lost in the first primary, but lost in the Ninth. This district, added to the Fifth, which Morrison could not recapture, were Gardner's sole districts in the second primary.

Baxter Durham allowed J. P. Cook a lead in only three districts, the Seventh, Eighth and Ninth, while W. P. Stacy held B. F. Long to the Eighth and Tenth districts.

PLAY HEARTS TO WIN BY FEEDING THE BRUTE

Gingerbread Not So Romantic As Moonlight Nights, But—Read The Story

Mrs. Ann Baker McDowell tells the story that her husband fell in love with her when he saw her giving a demonstration in making gingerbread. She admits that he was interested when he smelled it cooking, but was completely captured when he tasted it. Judging from the thirteen who married from the Home Demonstration Division last year, there must be some truth in the saying that "The nearest way to a man's heart is through his stomach." Perhaps not all found the weakness of her game and used gingerbread, but no doubt each used the right bait, whether it was cake, preserves, or pie.

The number of signals that are now being flashed in the department, by these girls in the kind of single blossoms, leads one to naturally conclude that they too, had learned the nearest way to a man's heart.

To those who are still striving for the unfeathered males it could do no harm and might prove of great benefit to try some method which has proven so successful to the others. Perhaps cooking is not so romantic as moonlight on the water, or the sunset from the mountain top, still it seems that Cupid is often concealed in other places—even homely gingerbread.

The motto of those still hopeful should be: "Feed the Brute."—Annie Lee Ranklin.

SEEK BETTERMENT IN LOCAL SCHOOLS

School Board Goes On Record For Better Educational Prospects

The Sampson County school board at a meeting Monday, put itself on record as favoring increased salaries for teachers, better schools, consolidation of schools and betterment of educational facilities in general.

The resolution as drawn sets forth the stand of the board on the vital questions now before it for consideration. The resolution endorses the salary increases advocated by the state board, which increases have been found necessary in order to get teachers at all. It deplored the lack of advantage now offered in the rural schools, and favors further consolidation of the districts, which has been tried in many other places and found satisfactory and a great help to better educational facilities.

The board met for an informal conference in the office of the Superintendent and after a thorough discussion adopted the following resolutions:

1. That we heartily endorse the movement inaugurated by E. C. Brooks, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, whereby it is made possible for a teacher to receive a salary more in keeping with the year's experience, study and expense necessary in keeping the proper training for the profession.

2. That we agree with the expressed views of the State Department that a County Superintendent is and should be an administrative and supervising official.

3. That we believe the educational advantages now available in the lower grades of the rural schools are not adequate to the needs of the people, and place ourselves on record as favoring a further consolidation of districts, because, 1. It will increase the number of teachers allotted each school; 2. Proportionately decrease the number of recitations taught daily by each teacher; 3. And, in decrease the time allotted each recitation.

We also realize that a further consolidation in our county will make absolutely necessary the transportation of pupils, a movement very in keeping with the progressive spirit of the day, and we favor trying out the idea locally so as to prove if it is workable in our county and under our community conditions.

4. We congratulate the people of our county on the fact that it is now possible, both here and elsewhere, to public school system and we encourage to provide these additional advantages as rapidly as is requested and as is financially possible.

BIG INCREASE IN COTTON CONSUMED

Census Bureau's Figures Show \$55,321 Bales Consumed During June

Washington, July 14.—Cotton consumed in the cotton growing states was 54.4 per cent of the country's total consumption during June, compared with 54.4 per cent a year ago, the census bureau's monthly report today disclosed. There was increased consumption both in the cotton growing states and the rest of the country compared with a year ago, but the increase in the Southern States was double that of the remainder of the country.

Active cotton spindles during June showed an increase of 555,296, of which the greater portion, or 535,745, were in the cotton growing states. Cotton consumed during June amounted to 555,321 bales of lint and 32,990 of lintless.

During June, a year ago, 474,890 bales of lint and 11,083 of lintless were consumed. Cotton on hand June 30th in consuming establishments was 1,554,919 bales of lint and 270,171 of lintless, compared with 1,525,649 bales of lint and 363,994 of lintless a year ago; and in public storage and in consumption, 2,204,629 bales of lint and 574,648 of lintless, compared with 2,745,771 of lint and 507,781 of lintless a year ago.

June imports were 19,655 bales, compared with 17,289 in June, 1919, and exports were 341,456 bales, compared with 690,169 of lint and 3,710 of lintless in June last year.

Cotton spindles active during June numbered 3,450,575 compared with 3,555,358 in June a year ago. June statistics for cotton growing states are: Consumer 318,474 bales, compared with 255,820 in June last year. On hand June 30th in consuming establishments, 717,904, compared with 685,949, and in public storage and at compresses, 1,554,498 compared with 2,511,556.

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YOUNGSTERS ENJOY TRIP TO WHITE LAKE

County Clubs Have Big Outing At Popular Lake Resort

(Clinton News Dispatch) The Sampson County Boys and Girls Club encampment at White Lake last week was a decided success in spite of disappointments and difficulties encountered because of bad weather and bad roads. More than a hundred boys and girls who belong to the agricultural and home economic clubs in the county attended the camp and besides having the best of their lives were taught to do things which if put into practice will be worth hundreds of dollars in improving farm homes in the county.

Most of the day Tuesday was consumed in getting to White Lake, pitching tents and setting up the big army field camp stove for cooking. After supper a screen was set up in the grove and open air motion pictures were given. Between the boys and girls practiced club songs and yells under the direction of Miss Katie Williamson, Miss Mary Bennett and Miss Ola Pate. Wednesday morning the boys were divided into three groups according to age and were given instructions in big games, horse fighting plants, halter making and other a rope work while the boys and girls together were given a practical demonstration in brooding chickens by A. G. Oliver, State Poultry Agent. Each boy over thirteen years of age made an adjustable halter and brought it home with him. One of these halters will be on exhibition in the County Agents office. Other Extension Service officials who assisted in instruction work were H. S. Mack, Asst. State Agent E. R. Stacy, Farm Machinery Specialist, A. K. Kiser, of the Dairy Field Office, E. W. Gaither, District Agent, Miss Florence Jeffress, Home Agent from New Hanover and Miss Mabel Belmont, Assistant Home Agt. for Sampson County.

Miss Jeffress gave the girls a demonstration in hat trimming Wednesday morning. At the general session after Mr. Stacy gave a very inspiring address on "The Farm and Life" and was followed by Mr. Gaither who made a strong plea for better organization laying special emphasis on the work of the Farm Bureau. Before taking the afternoon swim Dr. Hollingsworth who was Director of swimming gave a lesson in aquatics.

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Immediately after dinner the word was entertained by a short program of recitations, songs and yells by the boys and girls and an exhibition of the things which they had learned to make. Mr. Kimrey gave a very interesting address on "Hill in the Home." Miss Jeffress gave the women and the girls another lesson in millinery work.

The entire day Friday was taken in breaking up camp and returning home.

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FAVORABLE PROGRESS BY COTTON LAST WEEK

North Carolina Crop Showing Up Excellent, Says Government's Weekly Review

Washington, July 14.—Cotton made favorable progress during the past week in all sections of the belt, benefiting generally from moderate temperatures and some moisture, the department of agriculture reported today in its weekly weather and crop bulletin.

Excellent progress was reported from North Carolina, and fairly good advances from South Carolina. In Georgia, fair developments were recorded, the report states, with plants fruiting well, although continuing to show light growth. While heavy rains have unfavorably affected the crop in parts of Florida causing shedding of fruit and increased weevil activities, some improvement was shown, the report added.

Satisfactory progress was shown in Alabama, Mississippi, and Tennessee, the report continued, while slight improvement was reported from Arkansas as a result of favorable weather. Cotton made excellent progress in Texas, said the report, appearing above normal in all localities and fruiting well where weevil were not active.

Control of Worms In orchards and on valuable individual trees the worms can be controlled by spraying or dusting with poisons exactly as is already practiced in our best orchards, or by banding the trunks of the trees with cotton or sticky substance as is often done for this pest and others in northern cities.

Area Damaged Most On Humpback mountain, where the studies were made, these natural forces were present in truly helpful force and the worms did decidedly less damage than in previous years. Few if any trees in that area will die from the attack this year.

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SHAMROCK WINS IN FIRST YACHT RACE OFF JERSEY COAST

Great Britain Gains First Tee-Hold In Fifty Years On America's Cup

RESOLUTE FORCED OUT BY ACCIDENT TO SAILS

Green Challenger Must Win Two More Races Out of Four To Get Trophy; Victory Was In Face of Almost Certain Defeat; Great Crowds Follow Yachts in Contest.

Sandy Hook, N. J., July 15.—Great Britain gained her first tee-hold in 49 years on the America's cup today when Sir Thomas Lipton's challenger Shamrock IV, won the first race of the 1920 regatta after the defender, Resolute, had been forced out of the running by an accident to her rigging.

The green challenger must win two more races out of a possible maximum of four if she is to achieve Sir Thomas Lipton's dream of taking the Boston powder trophy back to Britain. Resolute must win three out of four to retain the cup which has been in possession of the New York Yacht club since 1851. The second race will start at noon on Saturday.

Faced Certain Defeat Shamrock's victory today was in the face of what had seemed certain at the start and held it by an ever widening margin until, as she swept within half a mile of the turning mark, 15 miles from the start, spectators on the great fleet of pleasure craft saw her great area of billowing canvas abloom and begin to sink, flustering down her mast. A sudden gust had snapped her throat halyards and a second later the jaws of her gaff were shattered beyond repair.

Captain Chas. Francis Adams, 2nd, sent two men aloft to repair the damage while the stricken yacht lapped slowly around the turning mark, a near five minutes delay. Shamrock IV. A few moments later, however, the men descended, reported the extent of the damage and Captain Adams gave the order that "furl Resolute's mainsail and give the race to Shamrock IV."

When Resolute was seen to be in trouble, the fog bearing Sir Thomas Lipton's colors drew quickly up to the green yacht, victor from which the signal was following the progress of his challenger. Many yachtsmen halted at the turning mark to see the

was his initial handicap, but that he had been persuaded by his companions to permit Shamrock IV to finish as it was felt that construction and sturdiness of the contender should be taken into account in determining the race as well as comparative skill of the rival crews.

More than one hundred craft, ranging in size from an ocean liner to tiny plow boats that were almost lost in the mass, followed the contenders over the thirty-mile course that started even with the squat, yellow Arabesque lightship and took them 15 miles across the bay, mostly along the New Jersey coast and back.

"CANKER WORMS" DEPOLLATE FORESTS

Western N. C. Forests Stripped of Leaves by This Destructive

During the last several years the Fall Canker-worm has stripped mountain forests of their leaves, complaints having been received from the counties of Ashe, Avery, Jackson, Macon, Mitchell and Watauga. Mr. Sherman, Entomologist, has recently returned from Avery county after a study of the problem covering several weeks.

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There is a natural tendency to fear that a new pest will increase progressively year after year until it "ripes out" the object of its attacks. Mr. Sherman says that this seldom if ever really occurs. Every form of life has its foes and its friends, and there is a constant "see-saw" between them.