

Captain Shepherd To Speak Tonight On Camp Prospects

Downey Says Work Of Evaluation Going Ahead. Title Abstracts Being Prepared.

Roxboro Rotarians, with a number of invited guests will tonight hear Capt. R. E. Shepherd of Durham, in charge of engineering plans for the proposed army camp in Person, Granville and Durham counties, discuss in particular Person aspects of problems pertaining to the camp.

Capt. Shepherd, who comes as a special guest of the Rotary club, is expected to clear up many hitherto unfamiliar points in connection with plans for the proposed camp.

Although it is understood that title work is going ahead and that various tracts are being staked off, it is known that feeling of some of the inhabitants of the Person area to be affected, notably in Mt. Tirzah and Moriah, is still aroused.

From Oxford comes word that government representatives will this week complete their gross appraisal of 65,000 acres of land lying in Granville, Person and Durham counties and will present to Project Director Bruce J. Dowe their estimate of the cost of all physical properties within the area under consideration for a new army cantonment and training ground.

Mr. Dowe said that the nine appraisers at work in the field would complete their tabulations by the middle of the week. Immediately thereafter, the appraisers will begin work on the individual ownerships within the proposed camp boundaries, the director stated. Estimates prepared in the real estate office here directed by Mr. Downey show 39,000 acres in Granville, 13,000 each in Durham and Person counties. Mr. Downey said his office had made no estimate of the number of families residing in the area, but other sources have computed the number as being from 1,000 to 1,300.

Meanwhile, the office awaited word from the fourth corps area headquarters in Atlanta on the awarding of contracts for abstract of title work necessary in procuring the site. Bids were taken at the office here and forwarded to Atlanta, Oxford, Durham, Roxboro and High Point attorneys placed bids on the work.

Preliminary engineering work is being hurried along on the cantonment, which would be located in the southwestern corner of Granville county, under the direction of Capt. Shepherd. Some question had arisen as to suitability of the soil, known locally as "black land," in the section where the cantonment is proposed, but army experts have completed an investigation and held that the site was in every way satisfactory.

NEW HUDSONS NOW ON DISPLAY AT LOCAL AGENCY

1942 models of Hudson cars, with new styling, color options, easier steering and softer riding qualities are now on display at Dickinson Motor Company, Hudson agency, North Main street, according to announcement today made by G. P. Dickinson.

Mr. Dickinson and Mack T. Saunders, his assistant, say that they will be pleased to show the new models, which embody latest advancements in motoring safety and comfort.

STORE THEFTS PUZZLE POLICE

Break-In Made Easy At Peebles By Use Of Key To Front Door. Shirts And Hats Taken.

Theft of a dozen shirts and seven or eight hats for men, having total valuation of about \$40, was Tuesday morning reported at Peebles Department store, Main street by J. D. Mangum, manager.

Chief of Police George C. Robinson, who investigated, said entrance was effected through the front door by use of a key to the door and that few clues were available. The break-in occurred during the night or early morning and was discovered when the store opened for business.

Chief Robinson, who yesterday said that he has no additional information concerning the theft of the shirts and hats did say that he has dispatched descriptive bulletins of the missing goods to police departments in nearby cities.

The Chief said he has no doubt that entry to the store was effected through use of a key to the front door. Durham officers have assisted in the investigation.

More Rigid Control Looms As Gasoline Shortage Increases

Stocks Dwindle To 10-Day Supply For Eastern Seaboard

Washington, Aug. 20.—Federal authorities reported today that the Eastern gasoline shortage had finally reached the acute stage, that reserve stocks had diminished to a 10-day supply and that the situation was "perilous."

Ralph K. Davies, deputy petroleum coordinator, said stocks dropped 893,000 barrels last week, as the diversion of tankers to the British service made its consequences apparent.

Davies hinted that more drastic measures than the present limited rationing might be necessary. He also denounced as "near-sighted prophets" those who had called the shortage "phony."

"We must conserve gasoline stocks now to avoid a drastic shortage this winter when our tankers must be used to haul fuel oils unless our people are to be left to freeze and our defense industry shut down for lack of power," he said.

Beginning of Sharp Drop
"This is the beginning of the sharp and serious drop in supplies that we forecast. Figures which have become available today show that reports that stocks on the East coast are in firm and safe condition are myths."

Gasoline in storage in the Eastern area last week totalled 20,476,000 barrels, he said, of which about 14,000,000 were unavailable for use because they were at the bottom of tanks, filled with sludge, or in process of refining. The remainder, 6,476,000 barrels, constitute only a 10 day supply.

Continuing, he gave these statistics on the situation:
Gasoline inventories dropped 893,000 barrels last week.

Heating and fuel oils in storage are 1,400,000 barrels less than a year ago this time.

Heavy industrial oils are some 2,500,000 barrels less than a year ago, with the demand for them up 10 per cent.

Countless Windows Were Smashed By Bottle Throwers



This broad view of the South side of the Person County Court House shows windows broken by flying pop bottles, rocks and gunfire. Windows have now been replaced. The jail is on top floor of the Court House. Most of the damage was done about 2 A. M. Saturday. Photo by Person County Times.

Governor Expresses Opinion That Arrests Should Follow

WELFARE OFFICE RENOVATIONS IN FINISHED STAGE

Painted Walls And New Floor Coverings Add Much To Attractiveness Of Quarters.

Nearly completed are renovations to quarters of the Person County Welfare department, including WPA headquarters, in the Hall building, Abbot avenue. Office space has been re-arranged, so that Mrs. T. C. Wagstaff, director, and her secretary, Mrs. R. B. Holeman have adjoining offices.

Also provided are separate offices for case-workers and staff assistants, including Mrs. Glenn Brandon and Miss Barbara Bloxam. Walls in the suites have been painted a light tan or cream color and floors covered with patterned green linoleum. Awnings have also been added at windows.

Mrs. Brandon, accompanied by her husband, will tomorrow leave for her vacation, at Williamsburg and other points in Virginia. Mrs. Holeman and members of her family returned last week from a trip which also included a stay at Williamsburg.

SON IS BORN

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Craven, Jr., of this city, announce the birth of a son on Tuesday, August 19, at Duke Hospital, Durham. The baby is a grandchild of Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Craven, formerly of Roxboro, and of Mayor and Mrs. S. G. Winstead.

DEFENSE STAMPS

Bryan Boswell acting postmaster at Wooddale, has announced that Defense Savings stamps will be on sale at the Post Office, Wooddale, on and after September 1.

M'Millan Names Legion Chairmen

Department Commander R. L. McMillan of Raleigh yesterday announced the appointment of chairman of various department committees to serve for the 1941-42 Legion year. Other appointments will be made in the near future, department headquarters said.

John Hill Paylor of Farmville, former member of the State Legislature, was named chairman of the department legislative committee.

H. Pat Taylor of Wadesboro, who served in this capacity last year, was appointed chairman of the committee on education of war orphans. Taylor is a former State senator.

Other appointments:

Victor R. Johnson of Pittsboro, oratorical contests; Cecil Pate of Charlotte, rehabilitation; Dr. H. E. Casstevens of Greensboro, child welfare; H. L. Swain of Williamston, law and order and Amos Maynard of Greensboro, chairman, and Boyd Brannick of Winstonsalem, vicechairman, of membership.

Former Department Commander Bryce P. Beard of Salisbury heads the national defense committee. Area chairmen, as named by Commander McMillan, are: Thurmond Chatham of Winston-Salem, Carroll Kramer of Edenton, June Rose of Greenville, Burgin Pennell of Asheville, William M. Shaw of Fayetteville, Wilbur R. Doshier of Wilmington and R. Dave Hall of Belmont.

FROM ROARING GAP

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Long, Sr., returned Saturday from Roaring Gap. Mr. Long stayed there several weeks in the interest of his health, and was joined later by Mrs. Long and their son, Donnie. Mr. Long, now much improved, was downtown yesterday in the business district.

Investigator Probes Angles of CCC Role In Mob Action

PERSON SCOUT COUNCIL HEARS AUGUST REPORTS

Cushwa Presides In Absence Of C. A. Harris Jubilee Plans Discussed.

Highlight of August session of the Person Scout district Tuesday, was the report on successful conclusion of the aluminum drive conducted in the interest of national defense in which Scouts contributed largely to the gathering of 550 pounds of the metal, which has already been dispatched to the collection center for this district.

Plans were discussed for a jubilee to be held at Chapel Hill, September 18, 19 and 20, for the North and South Carolina area. Names of members attending are to be reported to A. P. Patterson, Cherokee Council executive, Reidsville. Included in the jubilee, for a modest fee, are tickets to the Lenoir-Rhyne game, meals and other forms of entertainment at the combined rodeo and camporee.

Chief executive Patterson reported that Person percentage of attendance at recently closed Camp Cherokee was probably largest of any of the districts in the Council.

Of particular interest to the Person district was Dr. R. E. Long's account of the week-end camping period enjoyed Saturday and Sunday at the McIvaney farm at Roseville, by 26 Scouts from Pittsburgh, Pa. Hosts were Dr. and Mrs. William Jones, who invited Person Scouts and a number of leaders. A feature of the Saturday night affair was a Brunswick stew supper.

Among local Scout leaders present were Dr. Long, Dr. A. F. Nichols, C. H. Mason and Mrs. Mason, George W. Kane, together with Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Clayton and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nelson and Miss Lelia Russell.

By invitation from Dr. Long Council members are to be present at a Parent's night to be held Wednesday, August 27, at the Fred Long Cabin.

Army Theatre To Stimulate Morale Declared Flop

New York, Aug. 21 — The army's program to build soldier morale through theatrical entertainment was declared a flop today by Broadway Producer Billy Rose who suggested the situation could be corrected for the price of one submarine.

His view that the camp entertainment drive had failed was strongly shared by Actors Equity Magazine, spokesman for the Actors union, which asserted that Equity had tried without success for a year to get the army and navy departments to "sit down and work out a policy for entertainment or authorize the working out of a definite program."

Equity said that no full meeting had been held by the committee on theatrical entertainment, appointment of which was sanctioned three months ago by Frederick Osborn, chairman of the past army and committee on welfare and recreation.

Camp shows so far have been provided on a potluck, piecemeal basis, Equity said, adding: "You cannot pick up a lot of young men and take them a long

Hochstim And Others Unearth Evidence Showing Approximate Number Of CCC Boys In Saturday Morning March Near Square.

In conference yesterday morning with Person Sheriff M. T. Clayton was Lieut. J. J. Hochstim, special investigator for District A of the CCC, although Sheriff Clayton declined to make comment on the findings of the investigator, who has for the past three days been in Roxboro in an effort to determine the role played by Negro CCC boys in a march of Negroes into the downtown section of the City during last week's disorders at the court house.

Lieut. Hochstim has, however, said that he is now tabulating reports as to the actual number of CCC boys in the secondary marching mob of Negroes and that he will in a few days be prepared to submit a complete report to Col. Kirk Broadus, of Fort Bragg, executive officer of District A CCC.

Sheriff Clayton, Chief of Police George C. Robinson and other County and City officers, at the time of the marching of the Negro group, were in the court house, where doors were locked against a larger mass of white citizens, some of whom were demanding the release to the mob of Cy Winstead, Negro, charged with an alleged assault on a young white woman, of near this city. The officers, therefore, were not eye-witnesses to the marching of the Negro group.

Only officer on outside duty at time of the Negro disturbance was City Policeman Gilbert Oakley, Charlie Wade, also of the Force, and on vacation at his home in the city, arrived on the scene shortly after the shooting occurred. Oakley was at the time watching the court house crowd.

Lieut. Richard Thomas, military commander at the Roxboro camp, has said that he was not informed by Sheriff Clayton or City Police of any impending disturbance and that he did not know of any disorders in the City until about 2 o'clock Saturday morning. With exception of the boys at the Friday night dance, all enrollees who should have been in camp were in camp when he made night inspection at 10 o'clock Friday night.

Beyond establishment of the fact that there was on Friday night, August 15, in the "Hill" section, Negro area of Roxboro a weekly dance at which were present a number of CCC enrollees, who heard while at the dance that there was a disturbance of some sort going on in the downtown area, and who presumably left the dance about 11 o'clock and at some time between 11 and 1 o'clock formed a body to come to town to investigate, Lt. J. J. Hochstim, special investigator for CCC, had on Tuesday nothing new on the part of the CCC boys are said to have played in the mob disturbance of last week.

It is the opinion of Lt. Hochstim that comprehensively few of the boys who were at the dance were in the body of marchers. Most of the boys returned to camp, he said although he is not yet prepared to make a statement on the number who did march down and were dispersed by shots fired by white people about block and a half from the court house.

The investigator said that he will be in town for two or three more days, that the investigation is progressing successfully and that he has secured from a number of representative citizens sign-

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