Insect Suit Buzzes Out At Marion

Duke Is Acquitted of Mosquito Negligence

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MARION—The famous mosquito suit of J. A. Bartlett against the Duke Power Co. on the grounds that he had suffered with malaria fever from mosquitoes bred in Lake James was lost here today in McDowell Superior Court.

The jury returned a verdict that the Duke Power Co. had not been neligent in any way and that Mr. Bartlett was not entitled to collect any damages.

Not only the fate of Mr. Bartlett's $3,000 suit was involved but also, to some extent, the fate of 123 other suits now pending and in which all defendants seek to collect a total of more than $700,000 damages which they contend they have suffered as a result of bring bitten by malarial mosquitoes bred in the ponds of the Duke Power Co.

When the jury today found a verdict in favor of the defendant Power Co., attorneys for the company announced that, if necessary, they would fight each and every one of the remaining suits separately until they have been disposed of.

During the course of the trial expert witnesses were presented by both plaintiff and the defendant on mosquitoes.

The Power Co. contended that their oil-treating system kept mosquitoes under control on their lakes and ponds and that the company had in no way been negligent.

Company witnesses also testified that they had found mosquitoes breeding much nearer the Bartlett home than the company's lake.

Back into the rich Ukraine are thrusting the armies of Russia to regain the industrial and agricultural regions seized by the Germans in 1941. Fall of Kursk, Kharkov and Rostov paved the way for Soviet drives deep into the heart of this "Breadbasket" of central Europe.

Agnes Scott Alumnae To Meet Here

Luncheon Session Set For 1 P. M. Saturday

Agnes Scott Alumnae of Charlotte will celebrate Founder's Day at a luncheon tomorrow at 1 o'clock at the Mecklenburg Hotel. An informal program has been planned for the occasion.

Miss Evelyn Baty, class of 1940 and a member of the Queens faculty, will tell the group of recent developments at Agnes Scott. In addition, records made by various members of the faculty will be played, films of college activity will be shown and a letter from Dr. J. R. McCain, president of the college, will be read.

The committee on arrangements includes Mrs. A. Rountree, Mrs. Claude Squires, Mrs. W. Bruce Wright, Mrs. Ray Jordan, Mrs. Louis Carter, Mrs Frances Miller, Mrs Harry Dalton and Miss Freck Sproles.

Among those planning to attend are Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. James W. Stewart, Mrs. J. A. Jones, Mrs. Bob Allen, Mrs. Squires, Mrs. Dalton, Miss Miller, Miss Mary Virginia Allen, Miss Louisa Duls, Miss Margaret Irwin, Mrs. Wallace Moore, Mrs. Carter, Mrs Gordon Watt, Miss Maria Rose, Miss Mildred Greenleaf, Miss Bernard Walker, Miss Sproles, Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mrs. Walter LeGray, Mrs. Frank Sims, Mrs. Reynolds Cuthbertson, Mrs. Robert McKay, Mrs. S. B. McLaughlin, Mrs. J. S. Slicer Jr., Mrs. James E. Wilson Jr., Mrs. Marion Hunter of Belmont, Mrs. Reginald Bell, Mrs. James LeConte, Miss Baty, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Joe Choate, Mrs. Perrin Quarles, Mrs. Francis O. Clarkson, Mrs. A. C. Rountree ad Mrs. Harry Hardy, president of the local association. Others who wish to make reservations are asked to call Mrs. Bernard Walker at her home tonight.

Following the luncheon and program, as many of the Alumnae who wish to may remain to play bridge, gin rummy or some other games.

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Sorority Singers Singing Tonight At Queens For Silver Loving Cup

The first annual competitive Sorority Sing will be held tonight at Queens College in the auditorium, beginning at 8 P. M. The junior class, which is sponsoring the affair, will present a silver cup to the winning sorority. They hope to established the custom of holding the sing annually, with the cup passing from winner to winner.

Mrs. LaRue Allison of Charlotte heads the committee in charge of arrangements. Representatives in charge of arrangements in their sorority are Miss Alice Aiken, Alpha Delta Phi; Miss Elizabeth Lael, Kappa Delta; Miss Sarah Pardee, Chi Omega; Miss Martha Summerville, Phi Mu; and Miss Lucille Wayland, Alpha Gamma Delta.

In addition to the group singing, a special program has been planned. Miss Billie Luck of Winston-Salem will sing, as will a trio—Misses Betsy Hodges, Jane King and Anelle McCall. Miss Catherine McCorkle will play the piano.

Judges in the competition will be a selection of faculty members.

Czechs Sentenced To Die

LONDON—(AP)—Four more Czechs have been sentenced to death in their homeland on a charge of organizing and carrying on propaganda for "the illegal Czech movement of resistance" against Nazi domination, a Reuters dispatch from Zurich said today.

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ache pimples, bumps (blackheads), ugly broken-out skin. Millions relieve misery with simple home treatment. Goes to work at once. Direct-action germ healing by killing germs it touches. Use Black and White Ointment only as directed. 10c, 25c, 50c sizes. 25 years success. Money-back guarantee. For Vital skin cleansing, use good, mild, fully medicated famous Black and White Skin Soap.

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Urge Metal Spray Use

Will Conserve Auto Parts Here

Bus, truck and auto operators were urged today by the Charlotte Office of Defense Transportation to use, when feasible, the metal spraying process of rebuilding worn parts as a means of conserving replacement parts.

The "metallizing" process, a product of modern science, is available in Charlotte, it was pointed out and can be used on various types of parts, ranging from engine crankshafts and steering arm spindle pins for buses, to driving rods and armatures for street cars.

Other parts that can be reclaimed by the metal spraying include wheel and axle hubs, clutch shaft and lever assemblies, air compressor crankshafts, transmission cases, differential pinion shafts, universal joint crosses, brake camshafts, driveshaft yokes and splines, transmission shafts, generator housings and brake piston shafts, said L. R. Stallings, ODT manager here.

LaBombard To Bombard

HAMDEN, Conn.—(AP)—It is not known in what specific branch of service one of Hamden's latest group of inductees eventually will find himself, but he's got an appropriate name for a fighting man of almost any classification.

It's Llewellyn F. LaBombard, and he has been accepted by the Navy.

One-half of all the American flags produced each year are made of cotton.

Padlocking In Asheville

Courts Start City Gambling Clean-Up

ASHEVILLE —(AP)— Following up a move instituted by Superior Court Judge Zeb V. Nettles to clean up alleged gambling and crime conditions here, padlock proceedings were instituted last night against the Amity Club.

The action, including a summons, affidavit and complaint, is a civil proceeding, and was brought by Solicitor James S. Howell against Eugene Cole, operator of the club, and Tenche Cox, agent for the Cove Estate, owners of the building. The papers were signed by Judge Nettles.

Howell's complaint and affidavit charges that the Amity Club "has been for a long time operated in such a manner as to constitute a public nuisance and that the illegal sale of liquor, drinkers, boisterous and disorderly conduct are permitted about the place. It was further alleged that gaming and gambling devices have been operated in the club.

The court was asked for an injunction to prevent further operation of the club and for an order padlocking the premises for one year or until further order of the court.

I Gotta Discipline This Guy Here Some

ESTANCIA, N. M.—(AP)—Caught without a drive's license, Justice of the Peace E. L. Galvin wrote a complaint against himself.

The State patrolman signed it, the judge found him guilty and fined himself $10—which he paid.

The $2.50 in court costs, though, he paid to himself.

Sea Scouts Will Hold Bridge Of Honor Here

Charlotte Hotel Event Tonight Will Have Nautical Arrangements

Sea Scouts of the SSS Columbus and the SSS Donald McKay of the Mecklenburg County Council of Boy Scouts will hold a formal Bridge of Honor, complete with nautical fanfare and trimmings, at the Hotel Charlotte tonight at 8 o'clock.

A replica of a ship's deck, with guard rail, quarter deck, bridge, ship's wheel, masts and ship's fittings, has been constructed in the ballroom of the hotel in readiness for tonight's ceremony.

Council members, commissioners and all scouters and wives and friends of scouting have been invited to attend the affair, which is a traditional highlight of the Senior Scout yearly program.

ARRANGEMENTS HANDLED

Arrangements for the Bridge of Honor have been handled by Skipper P. O. Roberts of the SSS Columbus, who also is commissioner of Senior Scouting in the Mecklenburg Council.

Presentation of awards will be under the direction of the following men: Eagle awards, W. H. Hallburton, president of the Council; Able Sea Scout awards, Scout Executive John B. Hackney; ordinary awards, M. E. Gambrell, chairman of the advancement committee of the council; special award, Skipper Roberts; and emergency service awards for civilian defense work, Commissioner Robert Alexander.

A formal dance for Sea Scouts and their guests will be held in the hotel ballroom after the Bridge of Honor.

WOULD RECEIVE AWARDS

It was pointed out today that a number of former Sea Scouts of the local Council, who are now serving in the armed forces, would receive awards if it were possible for them to be present.

Six former Senior Scouts are now in the Army Air Corps and five are in the Naval Reserve.

Advisers Are Appointed

Miss Akers, Mr. Gault Aid "Snip and Cuts"

Miss Martha Akers and James D. Gault were named this morning as co-advisers of Central High School's annual publication, "Snips and Cuts."

Editor-in-Chief Bill Scruggs had previously announced that Mr. Gault would lead the staff, but Miss Akers's appointment was not revealed until this morning. Both assignments have been approved by Dr. E. H. Gardner, principal.

Miss Akers, a foreign language instructor, served as annual faculty adviser last year but resigned in September because of the pressure of other work. She will replace Miss Emily Harris, who left school several weeks ago to enter Red Cross Foreign Service.

Editor Scruggs also stated that the Snips and Cuts bi-annual subscription campaign held last week was "the most successful in the annual's history." Under the direction of Circulation Manager Nancy Stitt, representatives of the publication toured Central home rooms every day from Feb. 8 to 12 soliciting subscriptions. This was the final opportunity for students to solicit circulation tickets.

Many educational photographs have already been considered, but the list of home room photos has not yet been finished, according to staff members.

One fact which is making the 1943 issue of "Snips and Cuts" more important than ever before is that this will be the last edition for the duration. Editor Scruggs stated that the contract with cover manufacturers will terminate this Spring and that war restrictions on paper would force the publication's abandonment. The last annual factor influenced the staff's publication greatly, the staff believes.

"Snips and Cuts" is scheduled to appear at the close of school in May.

'N' First Thing I Knew, Mister—

BUTTE, Mont.—(AP)—The bus driver helped a woman and little girl into the bus.

Several blocks later the woman alighted.

"Aren't you going with your mama?" the driver asked the girl.

"That's not my mama."

"Well, where are you going, then?"

"Oh, I aren't going anywhere. I was just standing there, and you helped me on the bus, so . . .

To conserve tires, gasoline and automobiles a large U. S. ordinance plant recently purchased 32 horses for use of guards, replacing proud cars.

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GREATER Home Sanitation is especially important today, for home health defense is essential to national defense. Millions of women are making their kitchens not only clean, but sanitary, fresh-smelling, through the use of Clorox in routine cleansing of china, glassware, tile, enamel, porcelain, linoleum, wood surfaces. Clorox has intensified germicidal action ... it disinfects, deodorizes, also removes stains. Let Clorox aid in providing health-protective cleanliness in kitchen, bathroom, laundry ... simply follow directions on label.
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Sale!
WHITE SHIRTS
$1.29 ea. 4 for $5
Fully Tailored, Smartly Fitting Shirts With Regular Style Collar Attached!
HERE'S a great opportunity to replenish your wardrobe with good quality white shirts. Remember . . . you can never have too many shirts like these, so buy your Spring and Summer supply from this sale-priced group. These are slight irregulars of regular $1.49 and $1.95 shirts. Sizes 14 to 17, sleeve lengths 32 to 35 inches.
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Man-tailored and dressy type suits, indispensable for wearing now under topcoats and for Spring. You'll find what you are looking for in plaids, checks and mixtures in pastels, red, navy and black. Wonderful shetlands, worsteds, herringbone tweeds and gabardines. Sizes 10 to 20; 38 to 44.
SPRING COATS
$10.95 to $19.75
Lovely spring coats in solid pastels and red, also tweeds, plaids, navy and black. An assortment of smart materials fashioned in fitted and boxy, dressy and tailored styles. Sizes 9 to 20; 38 to 52.
LOVELY BLOUSES $1.98
Batiste and rayon crepe blouses in frilly and tailored types. Maize, blue, pink, beige, brown, red and white. Sizes 32 to 44.
ALL-WOOL SWEATERS $2.98
Slip-over and cardigan sweaters of 100% all wool. Colors are blue, maize, natural and pink. Sizes 34 to 44.
SPRING SKIRTS $2.98
Gored and pleated skirts in materials for spring . . . twills, worsteds, crepes and others. Solid pastels, navy, black and plaids. Sizes 24 to 32.
SATURDAY SPECIALS!
Marquisette SASH CURTAINS 25c pr.
Plain rayon marquisette curtains in cream, beige and white. 68 inches wide (per pr.), 36-ins. and 40-ins. long.
10-Inch Unbleached SHEETING 15c yd.
Good quality. Strong weave for sheets and pillow cases. Heavy unbleached sheeting . . . 40-inch width.
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