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Jack Sharkey Listens As— OCRACOKE BANJO-PICKER PLAYS.



JACK SHARKEY, onetime heavyweight champion of the world, is shown here as he listens to banjo music picked by Edgar Howard of Ocracoke, North Carolina. Howard and Sharkey were once shipmates in the U. S. Navy. The picture was made recently in Boston where Sharkey lives and runs a night club. At the time Edgar Howard was one of the musicians in Gene Autry's traveling road show which came east and made a tremendous hit in cities of the North. Howard, native of Ocracoke, has been a musical entertainer in New York and other northern cities for a number of years. His brother Walter Howard, is living at present at Sea Level where another brother the late Charles Howard made his home.

Governor and General Spoke To Troops At Camp Davis Tuesday



Washington, D. C.

MEDITERRANEAN KEY

Key to the fateful battle of the Mediterranean which is about to burst in full fury is not the Suez canal, but Britain's great naval base at Alexandria, 125 miles west of the canal entrance.

The loss of Alexandria would deprive the British of their key "bridgehead" in northern Africa and ensure Axis domination of the eastern Mediterranean.

Actually, the Suez canal itself has been of little value to the British for months. It went out of use as the so-called "life-line of the empire" when the Axis air attack that severely damaged the air carrier Illustrious proved it was suicidal to attempt to convoy shipping through the long and narrow waterway.

Since then the Mediterranean has been a "no man's land" for all the belligerents. While 2,000 miles in length, its narrow width at certain places has made it extremely hazardous for both sides, and the British have been routing their shipping around the Cape of Good Hope for some time.

Loss of the Mediterranean would, of course, be a serious blow to the British; but it would by no means end the war or mean victory for the Axis. With her fleet intact, Britain would still be able to carry the fight. See Merry-go-round, Page 3

ALMANAC HISTORICAL EVENTS

- MAY
- 16. Pres. Lincoln nominated 1860.
 - 18. Rogation Sunday.
 - 20. Lindbergh starts for Paris, 1927.
 - 21. U. S. Red Cross founded, 1881.
 - 22. Ascension.

BIRTHDAYS Of Famous People

- MAY
- 16. W. H. Seward, statesman 1901
 - 17. King Alfonso XIII, Spain, 1886
 - 18. Emperor Nicholas, Russia 1868.
 - 19. Samuel G. Blythe, author, 1868.
 - 20. J. S. Mill, economist, 1806.
 - 21. Glenn Curtis, hydro-aeroplane 1878.
 - 22. A Conan Dolye, author, 1859.

JUDGE CARR TO PRESIDE OVER COURT

June Term Begins
On 9th—Jurors
Are Drawn

Judge Leo Carr of Burlington (Alamance County) is scheduled to preside over the two weeks term of Superior Court beginning here on June 9. The first week will be for hearing criminal actions, the second for civil actions. During the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners here last week, the jurors were drawn for this term of court. The jurors follow:

JUNE TERM JURORS
First Week
George W. Gillikin, Beaufort; W. H. Quinn, Newport; A. R. Hartfield, Newport R. F. D.; John A. Hill, Davis; Eldon Smith, Roe; Bayard Taylor, Beaufort; Stacy Guthrie, Harkers Island; Walter Banks, Lukens; Hugh Murdoch, Wildwood; C. E. Herrington, Newport; Willie J. Willis, Davis; E. F. Perry, Beaufort; George W. Davis, Smyrna; J. W. McCabe, Newport R. F. D.; Paul S. Jones, Beaufort; H. O. Davis, Harkers Island; C. J. Taylor, Newport; Wesley Paul, Davis; J. T. White, Beaufort; Leon Chadwick, Straits; J. O. Barbour, Beaufort; Makely Salter, Sea Level; A. C. Murdoch, Jr., Wildwood; B. G. Hardy, Merrimon; Guy C. Chadwick, Straits; M. N. Eubanks, Beaufort R. F. D.; W. H. Chadwick, Straits; Frank F. Harker, Morehead City; Luther Pittman, Beaufort; Tom Tosto, Beaufort.

Second Week
Wilson Golden, Beaufort R. F. D.; Paul Davis, Davis; Andrew Slaughter, Newport R. F. D.; John E. Willis, Atlantic; Thomas D. Lewis, Morehead City; Justin Robinson, Morehead City; Alex Davis, Marshallberg; Ray Morse, Marshallberg; Lawrence Garner, Newport R. F. D.; Alan Moore, Harkers Island; Alex H. Webb, Morehead City; C. T. Whitehead, Morehead City.

Bonita Delicious To Eat Prytherch Tell Newspaperman

Dr. H. F. Prytherch, expert on all fisheries matters, told The Beaufort News editor this week to let the public know that Bonita-Mackerel, such as the sportsmen are catching now are very delicious to eat. "Unlike another species of bonita, the flesh of the bonita now being taken off Beaufort Inlet is not coarse but of a very fine texture making it very palatable," he asserted.

On Wednesday Dr. Prytherch had as his fishing guests, Rep. Graham A. Barden and Earl I. Conderman, postal inspector of New Bern. They landed 39 bonita while trolling off the Inlet. They were fishing from aboard the Sand Piper.

C. G. Plane Crashes

Two members of the U. S. Coast Guard from Elizabeth City escaped injury in a plane crash at Padgett about 5 miles west of Verona, last Monday afternoon around 5 o'clock.

The plane, believed to have been forced down by trash in the gas line, was almost demolished when it landed in a group of pines.

A Coast Guard truck from Elizabeth City came to Padgett last Tuesday to haul away the wrecked plane.

SCHOOL BAND DONATIONS

Due to illness of some of the committee workers the collections this week for the Beaufort Band fund dropped below what would be normally expected. A total of only \$15 was collected in annual membership dues and the grand total is still less than \$200. Unlike the interest shown in Morehead City where over \$500 was raised in just a few days for their excellently equipped band, Beaufort people as a whole have shown little response to the drive to secure funds for carrying on the fine start Director Fred King has produced in the way of a band. See DONATIONS, Page 8

Graduating From N. J. Hospital



MISS MARY Bowen Brooks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Brooks is a member of the graduating class of Christ Hospital, Jersey City, N. J. Following the graduating exercises on May 28, Miss Brooks will accept a position on the staff of Christ Hospital. A graduate of Beaufort High School, Miss Brooks has many friends here who will be pleased to learn the progress she is making in her career as a nurse.

COUNTY BOARD NAMES DEFENSE FARMERS GROUP

To Work With Other
Groups In East
Carolina

Commissioner W. Z. McCabe, Joe G. Taylor, Bogue, and Gilbert Whitehurst, Straits, were appointed a committee to cooperate with similar committees of other counties with respect to marketing farm products in the territory covered by the defense program. This group is sponsored by East Carolina Chamber of Commerce and they will also collaborate with other counties with respect to labor shortages on farms.

A certificate of incumbency and identification of signatures was presented to the Board and approved and forwarded to the Bondholders Committee which has to do with the bonded indebtedness of Carteret County amounting to \$3,306,800 refunding bonds Series 1937 and \$192,886.85 funding bonds.

Bids for supplies to county home for the current month were awarded City Grocery.

Covering The Waterfront By, AYCOCK BROWN

UP AT MR. Holland's farm near the junction of White Oak River and Pettiford Creek in Croatan Forest just off the Stella road, I made a number of pictures this morning when it was still so dark that the flashlight apparatus had to be used. The photos I made were of Lt. Col. D. J. Page and his staff of officers, the field kitchen units, soldiers washing their dishes, photos of machine guns, anti-tank guns, 37 mm guns and the heavy 155 mm howitzers. Then as the sun began to shine I made some general scenes of the various mobile units, grouped around (but not in) Mr. Holland's corn patch.

I HAD MET Colonel Page and his executive officer on Atlantic Beach Wednesday afternoon. To help me in getting an unusual news picture they even ordered one of the 4-wheel drive (Dodge) Reconnaissance cars to climb a sand dune. None of us were sure that the car would make it, but we had hopes. A few minutes previously we had been talking about the sands of the Sahara (not far from Dakar, where Senator Pepper would send an Expeditionary Force—new not later) and wondering about the comparison of desert sands with those of Atlantic Beach. I told the officers of the Battalion that the North Carolina beach sands were probably harder to navigate than the sands of the Sahara. That being true we were convinced that the mobile units (or reconnaissance cars at any rate) of our new U. S. Army can travel through the Sahara desert—and how, after

See WATERFRONT, Page 8

ARMY MOBILE UNIT TRAVELS THROUGH SAND

Reconnaissance Car
Of 34th F. A. Bn.
Given A Test

FORT BRAGG SOLDIERS
VISIT ATLANTIC BEACH

Uncle Sam's new reconnaissance cars, with 4-wheel drives, can travel up a 45 degree angle sand dune without any trouble, it was revealed on Atlantic Beach late Wednesday. Lt. Col. D. J. Page, commanding officer of the 34th F. A. Battalion from Fort Bragg's Ninth Division had the "Recon" car's ability to travel through sand demonstrated primarily for the benefit of The Beaufort News Editor who wanted a picture of the mobile unit traveling through the wind-blown dune.

The test took place near the intersection of Triangle Parkway and West Drive on Atlantic Beach. Four men were in the car at the time. Colonel Page and his Executive Officer, Major C. W. Kold were standing by watching the car plough its way through the hub-deep sand. Other interested spectators were members of the Battalion which came to the Carteret Coast 750-man strong on Tuesday and encamped on the S. E. Holland farm at the intersection of White Oak River and Pettiford Creek in Croatan Forest near Swansboro until early today when the unit began its return march to Fort Bragg.

The Battalion's convoy equipment of 136 pieces consisted of 22 reconnaissance cars, 11 machine gun carriers, 10 blitz buggies, 16 four-ton trucks, 65 two and half ton trucks, and the following fighting equipment: twelve 155 mm howitzers, mounted; 75 mm anti-tank guns, 37 mm guns and 30 caliber machine guns.

The commanding officers of this battalion were very much impressed. See ARMY, Page 8

New Menhaden Boat Powered With 300 Horsepower Motor

The new 105-foot menhaden vessel "Dewey" constructed at Bell-Wallace shipyards in Morehead City made its trial run to Beaufort Inlet sea buoy and return early this week, and Messrs. M. E. Venick, of Bridgeport, Connecticut and J. W. Jarman of Cambridge, Maryland, who were responsible for the vessel's power which carried her through the waters at a speed of 12 miles per hour were well pleased with their part of the job.

Mr. Jarman is the man who sold the powerful motor or engine for the new menhaden craft and Mr. Vonick was the test engineer for the motor. The motor, an 8-cylinder, 9 1/2 inch bore with a 14-inch stroke, was made by the Wolverine Motor Works of Bridgeport, and it produces 300 horsepower. The Wolverine is the second motor of this type which has gone into the Webb fleet. The boys also is powered with a Wolverine. The "Dewey" with the installation of the motor, now represents a total investment of approximately \$60,000 it has been stated.

Recorders Court

Garfield Ellison, Negro, was given three months on the roads in Recorders Court Tuesday for assault on a female, to-wit, his girl friend. It was the only case tried during court Tuesday.

MARINES IN ONSLow

The first contingent of Marines—180 strong—moved into Onslow last week to serve as an advance guard and to provide fire protection for the construction of the \$15,000,000 Marine Barracks there. The Marines, who are stationed at Paradise Point, are under the command of Major A. D. Challacombe, who has served with the Marine Corps at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and at Parris Island in recent months. Arriving from Parris Island in 15 motor trucks and station wagon. See MARINES, Page 8

Successful Young Morehead City Florist Shown With Her Flowers



MRS. FRANK MORAN of Morehead City is shown here amid the profusion of flowers in her shop just prior to Mother's Day last week. With her husband, Mrs. Moran, operates a most successful floral business in Morehead City for Carteret coast patrons. In addition to the Morehead City Floral Company which the Morans operate, they have a flower farm at Crab Point where they grow a variety of flowers for commercial purposes.—(Aycock Brown Photo.)

Morehead Bluffs Is Sold to Kinston Men

Villa Hotel Also
Sold But Bid
Is Raised

PROPERTY LITERALLY
"SOLD FOR A SONG"

As compared to the boom day prices which single lots were bringing back in the balmy days of the Twenties, "Morehead Bluffs," a development which failed to develop, was literally "sold for a song" according to deed recorded here on Monday. The vast partly developed property, a total of 260 acres, was sold by Carteret County to Eli J. Perry and R. T. Allen, of Kinston for \$10,000.

Carteret County came into possession of this property through tax foreclosures. The property, developed by a syndicate in which the late Bill Blades was principal figure, at one time had street lighting, paved streets and water and sewerage facilities. Many lots were sold, some bringing not hundreds, but thousands of dollars in the more desirable locations. Today, however, with few exceptions, the lots have grown up in underbrush. The streets are fairly good, but the electric lighting system and the water mains are all out of commission.

Messrs. Allen and Perry have a gold mine, should the Carteret coast begin developing as result of national defense activities. That is probable. But, should the Carteret coast not begin to make some progress in way of development, the Kinston men have a white elephant. See BLUFFS, Page 8

NAB DESERTER

Sheriff C. G. Holland and Deputy Sheriff Murray Thomas, arrested Manley Garner of Newport on charges of public drunkenness last week-end. He boastfully informed the officers: "I had rather spend 90 days in jail than go back to the Army". This was the first knowledge the arresting officers had of Garner being in the Army.

Upon investigation they discovered that he had recently been inducted and that he was classified as a deserter. Army officials at Fort Bragg notified the authorities to turn the deserter over to the nearest Army post. This they did on Tuesday. Garner was turned over to the Provost Marshall at Camp Davis, early Tuesday.

Miss Hoffman Is Objecting To Road Through Her Estate

It is understood from authoritative sources that Miss Alice Hoffman of Bogue Banks is strenuously objecting to the road which has been constructed by the State of North Carolina across her property connecting the community of Salter Path with Atlantic Beach. It was stated here this week that she is making an effort to determine just what right if any the State had in building this road on her property. The road, of a rather secondary nature, has been built with WPA-labor, comprised chiefly of Salter Path residents.



Walter Winchell

Memos of a
Girl Friday:
Dear W. W.: Quentia Reynolds has arrived safely via convoy. He made it that way to do an article for Collier's on convoys... FDR and John L. Lewis haven't exactly buried the hatchet, but the things they say of each other privately aren't as nasty as they were.

Mrs. T. Roosevelt Jr. resigned from that "Women United for Peace" outfit. She was a speaker along with Senators Reynolds and Bennett Clark at Carnegie Hall. She said in her talk that America had no room for intolerance. The comment met stony silence—so she resigned. Hurray for her.

You wanted me to remind you to say something about the 15m gangsters who pin themselves onto Americans who are popular. Willkie sure was brave when he threw away the votes of many by publicly announcing that he didn't want Frontiers, Bundists et al on his side... Dare the Dept. of Commerce to deny this... That our oil exports to Japan are still averaging about 400,000 barrels weekly and have been as high as 600,000 per week!

The spending by the visiting British tars has saved many a joint ready to fold up... Eliot Janeway has a horse of a name in the new See WINCHELL, Page 2

TIDE TABLE

Information as to the tide at Beaufort is given in this column. The figures are approximately correct and are based on tables furnished by the U. S. Geodetic Survey. So meallowances must be made for variations in the wind and also with respect to the locality, that is whether near the inlet or at the head of the estuaries.

HIGH	LOW
Friday, May 16	
12:03 A. M.	6:29 A. M.
12:32 P. M.	6:50 P. M.
Saturday, May 17	
12:59 A. M.	7:28 A. M.
1:30 P. M.	7:56 P. M.
Sunday, May 18	
1:59 A. M.	8:26 A. M.
2:33 P. M.	9:00 P. M.
Monday, May 19	
3:02 A. M.	9:20 A. M.
3:36 P. M.	9:58 P. M.
Tuesday, May 20	
4:04 A. M.	10:10 A. M.
4:32 P. M.	10:52 P. M.
Wednesday, May 21	
4:56 A. M.	10:57 A. M.
5:19 P. M.	
Thursday, May 22	
5:42 A. M.	11:41 A. M.
6:00 P. M.	11:42 P. M.