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**Why Should Merchants
Have To Employ Night
A Watchman?**

Old man Hay, the night-watchman, is in jail. He faces charges of killing Night Policeman Alex Norris. The shooting of Norris occurred last Saturday morning in down-town Beaufort. He died Sunday night in a New Bern hospital.

Facts surrounding this shooting according to all reports are that Hay was driving up and down the street drunk in the old Model-T which for many months now has appeared in town at twilight—much like a mosquito when the wind is from the landward. For sometime now we have thought as we drove with added caution as the Model-T hove in sight, that there ought to be a law to prohibit its operation, due to the fact that from outward appearance it always seemed to be on the point of a circus clown's "jitzney breakdown." And—there is a law which prohibits the operation of a Model-T or any other kind of automobile while the driver is intoxicated.

That, according to official reports on the shooting, is what led up to the affair which has resulted in an old man being jailed and a policeman being dead. Alex Norris, after getting advice from Corporal J. K. Clay, of the Highway Patrol by telephone, was attempting to arrest old man Hay, when the latter who never made any secret of the fact that he had no special love for Beaufort's police force shot twice, the first bullet puncturing the policeman's hand and the second shot entering his body, which proved fatal, dangerously near or perhaps in his stomach. Just why old man Hay, reportedly had no love for the police officers we do not know. Perhaps it was a sort of jealousy. He may have thought that he was doing a job which the policemen should be doing—

and getting much less compensation for same, than the municipal officers.

One owner of a business downtown said: "They can say what they want to about old man Hay, but since the merchants employed him to shake their doors, to be on the lookout for fires and make regular rounds of the business section after dark, there have been no break-ins or robberies." Assuming this is true, we would say that the pittance the merchants paid Hay was well spent. Many will recall when there were frequent break-ins and robberies of down town firms.

Why was it necessary in the first place for tax paying merchants to employ a "watchman?" Is it not the job of the police to do exactly what old man Hay was doing? It seems to us that there has been some poor judgment used by those in authority—not during the present administration—but for many years, relative to the police situation in the Town of Beaufort.

CLEANINGS

**LIGHTER FISHING TACKLE
—ITS PROS AND CONS**

A news dispatch from Miami says that fishermen in that region are going in more and more for the lighter tackle. The notion is that anyone can yank a big fish out of the water if the rig is heavy enough, but it takes skill and patience to land a whopper if the slightest overstrain will break the line. "Give the fish a chance" is the slogan of the light-tackle advocates.

That the tendency toward lighter tackle exists there can be no doubt. It is not found in Miami alone. There is a whole division of Chesapeake fishermen—of there were a few years ago—whose ambition it was to land a five-pound bluefish on a piece of No. 24 cotton thread. Some of them achieved that ambition.

But the story has another side. There are skilled fishermen in the world, men who almost never permit the hooked fish to break either line or leader. But for every artful manipulator there are, perhaps, a dozen whose wrists have no cunning, who have never got to know the "feel" of their rig. If such incompetents use light line, it is almost certain to be broken in the struggle with the plunging fish. Does this mean that the fish "has a chance"? On the contrary, it means the game makes off with yards of line hanging from his jaws and that eventually he dies.

If the tendency toward lighter tackle could be confined to fishermen who have proved their skill, it would be a great advance. If every Tom, Dick and Harry goes in for it, there will shortly be a lot of wounded and dead fish in the waters.—Baltimore Sun.

Army

A small "army" of experts, numbering more than 4,000 persons, is conducting the British Lease-Lending buying program in this country.

LETTERS

**Fire Chief Answers
Davis Boys Note**

To The Editor:

We note with interest the comments in a letter in the "News" last week written by Messrs. Oliver and Charles Davis which deplores what they term "unfair criticism" of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners by the Fire Chief and building inspector.

Our natural reply to this is that any board of authorities which fail to enforce laws for the public safety and further endanger the life and property of 3,000 citizens in order to appease a handful of people who find it more convenient not to abide by these laws, should be subjected to a lot more criticism than they have.

We sympathize with the Davis boys in their efforts to carry on their business, but at the same time we are aware of the fact that hundreds of other citizens, less fortunate than they manage to live and abide by these laws and promote civic welfare.

Since August of last year, the Fire authorities have tried to improve building conditions and correct fire hazards in practically every section of town. In many cases, the property owners have cheerfully corrected their hazards and consequently improved their property, as any good citizen should be willing to do.

Many of the people named by the Messrs. Davis in their letter have been called to the attention of the City authorities and every effort has been made by the Fire Department to prevent improper repairs from being made to their buildings, but it is only fair to say here that quite a few of the people named in that letter do not own "fire traps" and have not violated the law in making repairs.

If the Davis boys wish to know what properties in town constitute the greatest fire menace, we suggest that they consult any standard insurance rate sheet which will quickly give them the information desired.

The boys suggest in their letter that "someone sure owes some apologies." It is scarcely conceivable that they are referring to a public spirited newspaper trying to inform the public or a fire official trying to perform his duties toward the citizenship of the town, but if they are hinting at that, we might suggest that they themselves are subject to indictment for violation of public law regardless of any local board decision and consequently not in a position to demand apologies for either themselves or "their" board.

Yours very truly,
J. F. DUNCAN, JR.,
Chief, Fire Dept.

OPPORTUNITY — TWO AND A
half days and two nights in Washington, D. C., room, board and transportation for \$10. Leaving Beaufort 5 o'clock Monday morning, Sept. 8 Eastern Standard Time. For information see William Parkins, Bus Station.

America faces an emergency! Every citizen is urged to assist to the utmost of his ability by buying Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps.

**We Thank New Bern
Times For Editorial**

One of the outstanding weekly newspapers in Eastern North Carolina at this time—one which is not only well edited and whose typographical appearance is attractive and most pleasing—is the Jacksonville Record, published at Jacksonville, Onslow county by R. B. Page, owner of the two splendid daily newspapers at Wilmington. The Record comes forth weekly with eight, ten and twelve pages rplete with news and advertising covering the Onslow county territory completely. There are numerous splendid local pictures and the entire appearance of the newspaper is such as to attract favorable attention and comment.

Nathan G. Gooding, well known New Bern newspaper man and one who has had considerable experience, is editor of the publication and he is most assuredly doing a splendid job.

As a matter of fact The Jacksonville Record is, in our opinion, one of a trio of three really worthy while and outstanding weekly newspapers in Eastern Carolina, the other two being The Beaufort News, edited by Aycock Brown and (excuse us please) The New Bern Times. Each of these publications is doing a good job in the communities in which they are published. — (Reprinted From The New Bern Times.)

Starvation

Food has become so scarce in many parts of Greece in recent weeks that foreign observers predict many natives will die of starvation this winter.

Wooly

American consumption of wool is on the rise. More than 10,500,000 pounds of scoured wool was used by U. S. mills in June this year.

OCRACOKE

After spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Martha Ann Wahab, Mr. R. S. Wahab left on Sunday for Baltimore.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Miller of Cambridge, Md., and Miss Frances Henry of Baltimore, and Wilson Wahab of Norfolk, who accompanied Mr. Wahab to Ocracoke aboard his yacht "Wanderer" returned to their homes on the weekend.

Capt. Lafayette Howard and son, John Hoyle, of Philadelphia, spent last weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Howard. His daughter, Jeanne Howard, who has been visiting her grandparents here returned home with him.

Mrs. H. J. Williams is spending this week in Manteo visiting relatives.

The Ocracoke Chamber of Commerce had its regular meeting last Monday night at Wahab Theatre. The organization is growing rapidly and with the leading citizens included in its membership, the Chamber of Commerce expects to do much good work in behalf of the island.

Fishermen, both sport and commercial, are making very good catches at this time.

The many friends of Mrs. Zina Williams will regret to learn that her condition is so serious that it was necessary for her to be taken to the Tayloe Hospital in Washington for observation.

Mrs. Clyde Willis, Miss Gwen-

dolyn Willis, her daughter, and Miss Elizabeth O'Neal, flew to Manteo aboard the OTC charter plane on Monday to see the final showing of "The Lost Colony."

Miss Annie McWilliams of Newport News, Va., is visiting friends on Ocracoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Efron Williams of Swanquarter were visitors on the island last week.

The Harwards and the Moshers who have been spending the summer on Ocracoke in their cottages returned to their homes this week. Recent guests at the Wahab Village Hotel have included: W. J. Honeycutt, Danville; Gordon C. Felts, Galax; Harry L. Cooper and A. B. Cooper, Morehead City; R. W. Deham, Norfolk; Sam Griggs, Galax, Va.; M. C. Brown, Baltimore; William Henry Cooper and Mrs. Susan Anthony, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. David Ashton, and Mr. and Mrs. John Myers, Richmond; W. A. Sewell, Ft. Meade, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Montague and son, Franklinton; Dr. J. Shannon and Herbert Shannon of Washington, Pa.; J. R. Crandon, Durham; Fred L. Rogers, Elizabeth City; Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hodges and son, Durham; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burton, Alta Vista, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Chappell, Raleigh; Shirley Levins, Baltimore; M. L. Capton, Fort Meade, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Parrott, Kingston; Mrs. Gertrude Hobbs, Greensboro; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Keeter, Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Robinson and Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Beatty, Newport News, Va.; Mrs. Frank Cole, and Miss Natalie Cole, Weldon; Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Belanga, Elizabeth City; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Warren, New York City.

Henry Ballance, member of the U. S. Coast Guard has returned to his station at Sandy Hook after visiting his parents here.

E. S. Tolson spent the weekend with his family and has returned to Norfolk where he is employed. Mr. Owen Gaskill visited his parents last weekend.

Lum Gaskill in the Coast Guard at Little Creek Station has returned to duty after visiting his father here.

Mr. Mack Williams who has been spending the summer with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Williams has returned to the U. S. Marine Hospital for an examination which his friends here hope will be satisfactory.

Mrs. Benjamin O'Neal has gone to Siler City to visit Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Patman and family who vacationed here for several days.

Jack Carroll Willis left last Wednesday for Norfolk where he enlisted in the U. S. Coast Guard.

Mrs. Harry Hardy and son have returned to Newport News, Va., after visiting relatives here.

The Woman's Society of the Christian Service had their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth O'Neal on Monday.

After the business meeting Miss Dell Garrish and Miss Lizzie Scarborough served delicious cake and ambrosia.

Mr. Thad Scarborough and two grandchildren, Elsie and Eleanor Scarborough, have returned to Chester, Pa., after spending the summer here at their cottage.

HARKERS ISLAND

Home for the holiday: J. G. Brooks, Alton Mason, Walter Mason, Ardell Wade, Leslie Guthrie, Tyson Hancock, David Yeomans, Larry Willis, Bertie C. Willis, Edward Lee Brooks, Milton Scott, Dan Rose Jr., Fernie Willis, Elwood Guthrie, Luther C. Yeomans, Otis Willis, Walter Yeomans Jr., Morton Willis, Sammie Salter, Mrs. Walter Davis, Miss Gloria J. Davis, and Tennie Davis.

Mr. C. T. Hooper, recently stationed at Cape Lookout, was transferred from Jupiter, Fla., to Boston, Mass., and enroute made a flying visit here with us.

Miss Mary Louise Hancock, Mrs. Arthur Lewis, and Mrs. Donni-

**Timely Political
Picture Coming To
Seabreeze Theatre**

Adventure in Washington, starring Herbert Marshall and Virginia Bruce with Gene Reynolds, Mary Currier, J. M. Kerrigan and Pierre Watkin also in the cast comes to The Seabreeze Theatre for three days opening next Sunday. It is a political melodrama in which Marshall, taking the part of a New York senator arrives in

Yeomans, the Gospel trio of the Harkers Island Pentecostal Holiness church, are attending a camp meeting at Chocowinity, N. C.

Mrs. Gordon Willis and Mrs. Walter Yeomans, Jr., motored to Portsmouth, Va., with Mr. Walter Yeomans, Jr., to pay a few weeks visit.

Mr. Paul Jones and Mr. Richard Bledsoe of Winston-Salem spent the weekend here. While here Mr. Jones fulfilled a request by his wife, Mrs. Paul Jones, by obtaining a rug known as the Shenile Rug from Mr. H. B. Hunter. This rug was a duplicate of one she got a month ago. Mr. Jones has renamed the rug "Dog House Keeper Outer Rug."

Washington for the opening of Congress. Virginia Bruce, as a radio commentator, urges the Senator to discuss Naval appropriations over the air but is given the cold shoulder.

The story is built up around secret contents of a defense bill which leaks out through page boys although Coleridge is accused and brought before an investigating committee. The picture has many intriguing highspots before it finally ends happily.

On Wednesday and Thursday the picture will be "The People vs. Dr. Kildare." A large cast of well known stars headed by Lew Ayres, Lionel Barrymore, Laraine Day and Bonita Granville. The story, dealing with the "malpractice suit racket," details the tracking down of the young doctor's detective work among human beings as well as bacteria. There is a thrilling courtroom climax.

Saves

The Rural Electrification Authority now is making possible inexpensive local storage of fresh meat, eggs and vegetables formerly wasted, as a contribution to the national defense effort.

TAX NOTICE

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—plus—

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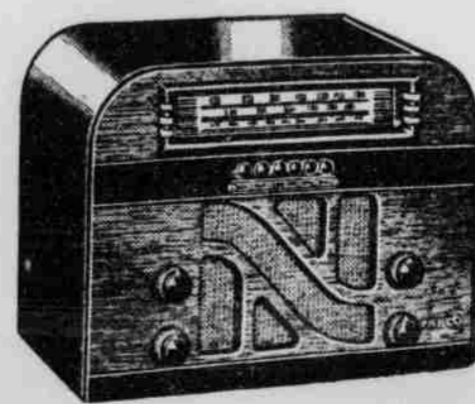
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