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MANY RESPOND TO RED CROSS ROLL CALL HERE

Early Signs Point To Largest Drive In History

189 Memberships In Now And More To Come

The twenty-fifth annual Roll Call of the American Red Cross now being conducted by the Beaufort Chapter of the Red Cross shows early signs of being the largest Roll Call in the history of the chapter.

With unfinished reports from only eight of the zones within Beaufort itself, the Volunteer Workers have reported 189 memberships received.

Besides Beaufort there are 17 communities in the eastern part of Carteret County participating in the Roll Call this year. These communities and the workers in them are here listed:

Williston, Mrs. Leslie Pake; Davis, Mrs. Stetson Murphy; Atlantic, Mrs. Claud Davis; Bettie, Mrs. Hugh Pake; Otway, Mrs. Elwood Piner; Marshallberg, Mrs. Leon Thomas; Sea Level, Mrs. Marie Taylor; Smyrna, Mrs. Lanche Willis; Harkers Island, Mrs. Earl Davis; Merrimon, Mrs. George Martin; Stacy, Miss Era Fulcher; North River, Mrs. W. Dail; Russell Creek, Mrs. C. S. Gers; Wire Grass, Mrs. David Hill; Core Creek, Mrs. J. H. Skinson; Cedar Island, Mrs. Ora Day and Mrs. Mattie Styron.

The Roll Call chairman, E. C. McConnell, stated today that he believed it would be the communities in the County outside of Beaufort that would put the quota of the Chapter over the top. The Chapter has been asked for 400 membership this year to assist with the increased work of the Red Cross caused by the national emergency.

Library Closes For Thanksgiving

The County Library closed today for the Thanksgiving holidays and will not open again until next Monday, remaining closed on Friday and Saturday of this week in addition to Thursday. Three new books have been added during the past week to the rental shelves of the library. They are: "The Strange Woman," by Ben Ames Williams; "They Came To A River," by Aleis McKay and "Raleigh's Eden," by Inglis Fletcher.



Notes of an Innocent Bystander:

The Story Tellers: The Satevepost is publishing so-called humorous stuff from Wodehouse, who wrote it between licks at Nazi boots. Humor that comes out of that form of environment doesn't make you laugh. It makes you shiver. . . . If you want a note of thanks from your mind—let it drink Wilkie's smarticle in Reader's Digest. It's common-sensational. . . . William Allen White's tug-at-the-hearticle in the same issue is a "must," too. . . . James W. Barrett's exciting book, "Joseph Pulitzer and His World," quotes the great publisher as saying: "Every reporter is a hope, every editor is a disappointment."

The Confession of the Week: H. Allen Smith in the Nov. Cosmopolitan: "And talk about your gossip. Why, we've raised gossip to a fine art in New York. We put it in the papers and pay the experts fabulous sums of money. And I love it. I've always loved gossip. So have you. Maybe you won't admit it. Maybe you'll say gossip is not polite, not noble. But don't try to tell me you stop up your ears or run or hide in the cellar when someone begins whispering about the thing Joe Schwogic's wife did at Fred Phlebbey's party Saturday night."

It was Friday night.
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MRS. THOMAS BURIED HERE ON WEDNESDAY

She Died Suddenly At Her Home On Saturday

WAS MEMBER OF OLD BEAUFORT FAMILY

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Lelia Russell Thomas, 59, wife of Charles Thomas, State Highway and Public Works foreman in Carteret County, were conducted at Ann Street Methodist Church on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Rev. Stanley Potter, pastor officiating assisted by the Rev. E. C. McConnell, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church.

Mrs. Thomas died suddenly, Saturday afternoon at her home on Turner Street, as the result of a heart attack. She was well known locally, a member of one of Beaufort's oldest families, and her sudden death was a great shock to relatives and friends.

Final rites were delayed until today so that Lieutenant Ralph Thomas, who was enroute to the Philippine Islands for a tour of duty could return home. He was enroute to the west coast to board ship at the time of his mother's death, and Representative Graham A. Barden assisted the bereaved parents in making arrangements for him to return to Beaufort. He had gotten as far west as Cheyenne, Wyoming, when the death message reached him. Lieutenant Thomas arrived here Tuesday.

Arriving previously was Charles Thomas of Tilsonburg, Ontario, Canada. These two sons, and a third, George Murray Thomas of Beaufort RFD., survive, along with her husband, Mr. Thomas. Mrs. Helen Russell of the Russell House, mother of the deceased and one sister, Mrs. Ben Taylor of Maxton also survive.

QUAIL SEASON OPENS TODAY IN CARTERET

Birds Are Plentiful In Rural Section This Season

TURKEY AND RABBIT SEASON ALSO OPENED

With reports from the rural mail carriers indicating that there is a good crop of quail this season along the coast, nimrods who go afield are promised some real sport on the days of each week that shooting will be permitted. In Carteret County shooting quail will be permitted through special law, only on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. The other days, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays will be lay days, and it will be unlawful to hunt quail. The season on these flat fluttering 'bullets' of the fields and sparsely wooded areas opened today.

In addition to the quail season opening today, and continuing until January 31, it is also lawful to shoot turkey and rabbits in North Carolina. There are no lay days for either species of this game.

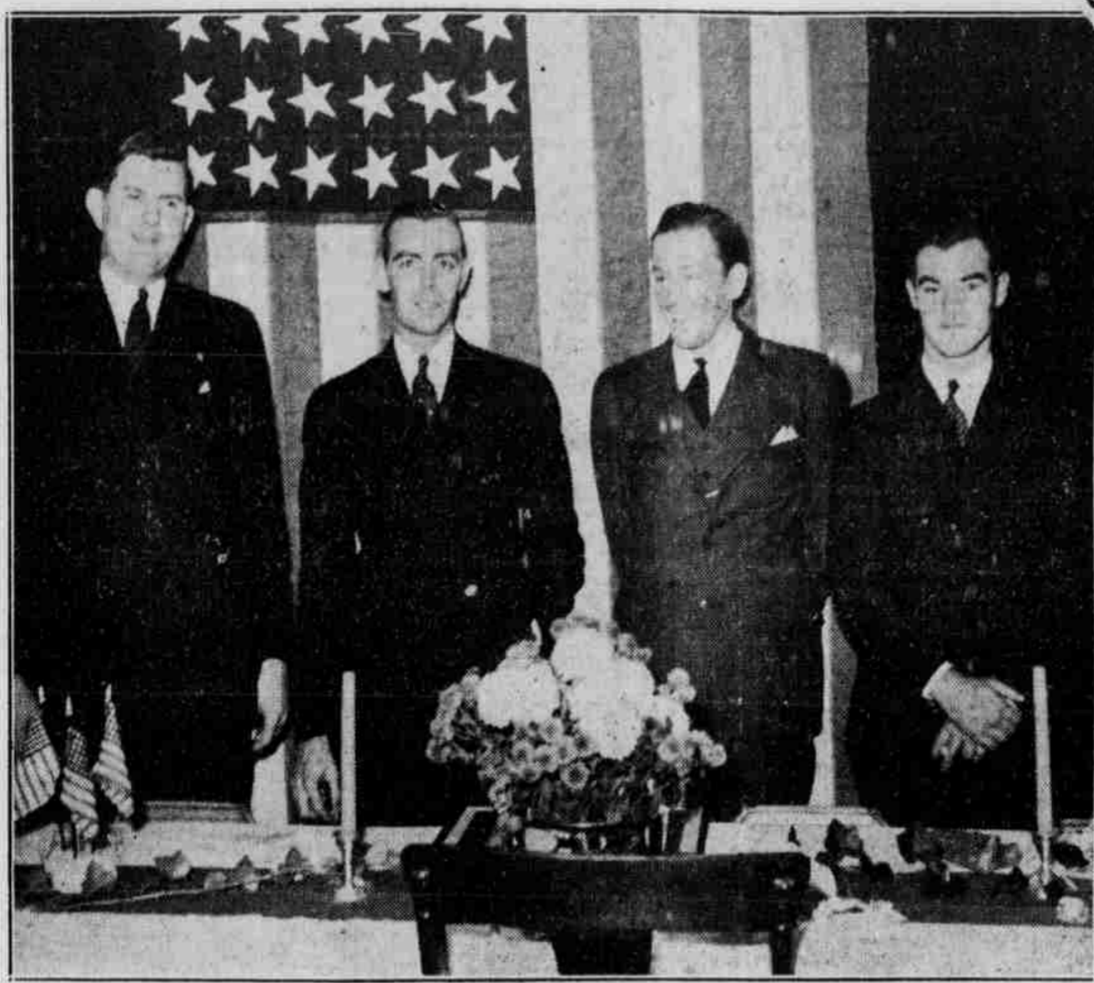
There will be more interest in quail shooting than either rabbit or turkey.

Public Offices Are Closed Today

All public offices in Carteret County, the postoffice and First Citizens Bank and Trust Co. are closed today in observance of Thanksgiving Day. This is the first year that North Carolina has observed Thanksgiving Day so early in November. Although many states of the nation have through Presidential proclamation been observing an early Thanksgiving, Governor Hoey for North Carolina let this State continue observing the original or last Thursday in November.

Then Governor Broughton, thru proclamation, let the State observe the early Thanksgiving with the rest of the nation. This is the last year, however, that any Thursday, except the last in November, will be observed as Thanksgiving. It has been announced at the White House.

Officials Present On Monday Night, November 10, 1941, When Beaufort Junior Chamber Commerce Received Its Charter



Those who took leading roles at the banquet on Monday night, November 10, when Beaufort's Junior Chamber of Commerce received its charter are pictured above. They are from left to right: Basil Whitener, president of the State Jaycee organization and a national director; James Potter III, president of the Beaufort Jaycees; Senator John Larkin of Trenton, who made the principal address at the gathering, and Bill Adams, of Wilson, State vice-president and East Carolina director. Whitener presented the local group its national charter while Adams presented the State charter.—(Photo by Roy Eubanks Photo Shop).

ALAN VANN, USN, IS BURIED HERE

Negro Sailor Said To Have Been On USS Kearney

HE DIED IN BOSTON HOSPITAL ON NOV. 13

Although his relatives here could not verify the statement, Alan Vann, chief steward's mate, U. S. Navy, who died in a Boston hospital last Thursday, was believed to have been suffering from shell-shock or injuries received while serving aboard the U. S. Destroyer "Kearney," which was badly damaged near Iceland, by a torpedo from a German submarine, several weeks ago. Chief Vann, whose nearest of kin lived in Beaufort, where final rites were conducted on Tuesday at the colored Baptist Church with Rev. Brooks officiating, had been in the Navy for the past 23 years.

His sister, Mattie Vann Williams, who was interviewed by a Beaufort News reporter, said that while she had heard that Chief Vann was aboard the Kearney, that she had not received any official notice to this effect. She said that in the last letter from her brother, he said that he has been aboard a ship near Iceland, training young colored sailors serving as stewards, and that he was being sent back to the United States for hospitalization in the Naval Hospital at Boston. Jack Williams, a white enlisted man accompanied the body of the late Chief Vann to Beaufort where it arrived on Monday. This young guard of honor, Mattie Williams said, was a very fine young man whose home is in Lexington.

Mattie Vann Williams said she raised Alan from a small boy, being his oldest sister. His parents, the late Isaac and Millie Vann, had died while he was quite young. Although reported to have been married with a wife and child living in Boston, neither accompanied the body of Chief Vann home. In addition to his sister Mattie, another sister, Ella Parker, and two brothers, Owen and Isaac of Beaufort also survive. Interment of the body was made in Ocean View cemetery.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICES 10 O'CLOCK

The annual Thanksgiving Day service will be held in St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Thursday, November 20th at 10 o'clock A. M. The usual custom of bringing gifts of food, to be distributed among the less fortunate, will be observed as Thanksgiving. It has been announced at the White House.

COVERING THE WATERFRONT

By AYCOCK BROWN

Guest Columnist this week is J. Hammond Brown, president of the Outdoor Writers Association of America. His column appears regularly in the Baltimore News Post, of which he is outdoor editor. He has fished at one time or another on just about every foot of the North Carolina coast, and his column which follows, has to do with the future channel bass crop of this State.

By J. HAMMOND BROWN

THE CHANCES are that North Carolina is not going to wait until its channel bass are all but disappearing from its Outer Banks before taking steps to insure a succession of the crop.

WHILE SURF casters range all along the coast from the Carolinas north to New England and also while the one big thrill to which all of them look forward is the taking of a bass gamester from the surf, few of them stop to think that practically all of the channel bass crop comes from the Maryland-Virginia-Carolina sector and that the North Carolina waters probably produce 75 per cent of this same crop.

WITH A concentration such as this, unless there is care exercised at the source, it is very easy to start the species on the downward grade. Unfortunately it is just such a situation that has now developed along the North Carolina banks.

A FEW FAR-sighted anglers saw this situation developing and gave warning several years ago. As a consequence, the North Carolina conservation authorities in turn warned the watermen of the coast that unless they showed a greater tendency toward decency in their taking of channel bass, it would be necessary to take steps compelling them to observe good sportsmanship.

NO NOTICE was taken of this warning and during the present season, the bass have been slaughtered to no good purpose as usual. So if strict regulation irks them in future years they have only themselves to blame.

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ACP BULLETIN NOW AVAILABLE

The Agricultural Conservation Program Bulletin for 1942 is now available at the county AAA office, according to Roland Salter, member of the Carteret County AAA committee.

The Bulletin covers all provisions of the conservation program, including information on payments and deduction rates, said Mr. Salter. It also contains full details with regard to soil building practices.

HEAD OF CAA IN BEAUFORT ON VACATION

Physician Advised Him To Rest In Our Climate

HE WAS FORMERLY 2ND ASST. P. M. GENERAL

Harilee Branch, former 2nd assistant postmaster general under James Farley, and at present chairman of the important Civil Aeronautics Board in Washington, D. C., is spending a vacation in Beaufort, resting, on orders of his physician Dr. Sterling Ruffin. Mrs. Branch, his wife, is also here and they are stopping at Inlet Inn.

Working under tremendous pressure in Washington for the past several months, brought on a

Harilee Branch Will Speak To Rotarians

Harilee Branch, head of the CAA Board, and former second assistant postmaster general, has accepted an invitation to be guest speaker at the regular supper meeting of Beaufort Rotary Club next Tuesday night, November 25. His talk will probably hinge on civil aeronautics.

spasmodic stomach ailment, which the high CAA official has suffered from at various times in recent years. Consulting his physician, Dr. Ruffin, who is a North Carolinian, that has gone to the top in capitol medical circles, he was advised to go either to the far South or to Arizona on an extended rest. Because he wanted to be near Washington, in the event his presence is needed, he told Dr. Ruffin that if given his choice, he had rather come to Beaufort. Dr. See CAA HEAD Page 8

CORE CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH DEDICATED TO BE OBSERVED ON SUNDAY

Dedication of Core Creek Community Church, Inc., will be observed on Sunday, November 23, at 11 o'clock. Official program for the event which will mark the consecration of the second non-sectarian church in North Carolina was announced today, by Rev. W. Y. Stewart, the pastor.

Features of the program will be music from the new Hammond Electric Organ and Maas Cathedral Chimes by Mrs. Graydon M. Paul, organist and singing by the choir and congregation, under the direction of Mrs. W. Y. Stewart, director.

Methodist At Conference Voice Opposition To War

S. A. CHALK IS NOW CHAIRMAN OF S-S BOARD

S. A. Chalk of Morehead City, member and vice-chairman of the Carteret Selective Service Board, became chairman of the Board on last Friday following the resignation of C. G. Gaskill of Beaufort who resigned due to pressure of his personal business. New man on the board, succeeding Gaskill, is R. Hugh Hill, prominent business man and World War veteran of Beaufort.

The other member of the board is William H. Bell of Newport.

Mr. Gaskill's resignation was accepted by Selective Service Headquarters in Raleigh. He devoted much time to the job during the year he served, playing an important role in organization work for the establishment of offices, registration of eligible young men in Carteret for Selective Service and other work in connection with the board's operation.

Mr. Hill took oath of office at the Carteret Selective Service headquarters in Morehead City in the presence of former chairman Gaskill, new Chairman Chalk, member Bell, Appeals Agent J. F. Duncan and Board Secretary Mrs. Floyd Chadwick.

Dr. Stevick Tells Rotarians About New Health Dept.

Although Beaufort Rotary club, along with other civic and fellowship organizations of Carteret fought hard for a long time, before they were able to induce the County to establish its Health Department, it was not until Tuesday night that many got a clear insight on what the Department is doing and what it plans to do.

Dr. Charles P. Stevick, head of the Health Department who recently moved to Beaufort, who was officially becoming a member of Beaufort Rotary Club on Tuesday night, was also its chief speaker. He gave a clear and concise account of all the aims and objectives, and the present operation, which includes clinics, the prevention of communicable diseases through inoculation, the drive against venereal diseases, the many new health ordinances, and present and future plans for the improvement of sanitation facilities in Carteret.

Text of new Health Ordinances and Laws relative to Health in Carteret County will be found on Page 3 of this edition. Persons are urged to read these ordinances to learn more of the new health laws now effective in Carteret.

He had a very complicated subject, and it took longer than the usual time allotted guest speakers at Rotary, to get his message across, but he did get it across in a most easy to understand manner. Judging from his remarks Carteret is benefitting greatly from the new Health Department.

Morehead City Postoffice Is Showing Gains

Increased population accompanying the national defense program in this section has resulted in enlargement of the post office service in Morehead City.

Postmaster Harold Webb announced that Mrs. McDonald Willis, who has served as a substitute since M. C. POSTOFFICE Page 5

Rev. W. S. Potter Is Re-Appointed To Local Church

FEW CHANGES MADE ON CENTRAL CONF

North Carolina Methodists in annual conference at Durham last week, went on record again as opposing American involvement in the war, and on Friday Bishop Claire Purcell read his ministerial list of appointments as the meeting adjourned. Beaufort Methodists were happy to learn that their pastor, the Rev. Stanley Potter was re-appointed to the pulpit of Ann Street Methodist church, where he has not only been a popular minister, but a religious leader in the community.

Rev. L. D. Hayman, pastor of the Methodist church in Atlantic and supply minister for Cedar Island and other nearby eastern churches was re-appointed to that charge, where he has proven to be a much liked religious leader.

Rev. C. S. Boggs, popular young minister of Newport for the past three years was transferred to Aurora. He leaves Newport with the satisfaction of knowing that he has made many friends and has carried on his duties in a most worthwhile manner. The Rev. J. R. Poe will succeed Rev. Mr. Boggs as Methodist pastor in Uewport.

Rev. L. E. Sawyer returns to Marshallberg as pastor. In Morehead City the Rev. T. G. Vickers is succeeded by Rev. J. H. Miller. The Rev. Mr. Vickers, now a lieutenant-colonel, has been transferred to the U. S. Army as chaplain. The Rev. M. O. Stephenson returns as pastor in the Morehead Circuit. Down on Ocracoke Island, Rev. W. R. Dixon succeeds the Rev. W. H. Brady. The island minister also has the Portsmouth See METHODIST Page 8

Local Jaycees Attend Meeting In Greensboro

Among those attending the recent state-wide convention of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Greensboro were two delegates from Beaufort which only recently received its charter. They were Julius Adair, local mortician, and Perry Reavis, manager of Beaufort Theatre. Attending the convention also were many state and national leaders of the Junior Chamber of Commerce organizations in America.

The local delegates returned with new ideas for the advancement of the Beaufort Jaycee organization. Beaufort was the only town in the central coast region represented at the meeting.



BRITISH AND U. S. POLICY

U. S. diplomats are not shouting it from the housetops, but there have been two important occasions when the British put a very restraining hand on American foreign policy, and checked major moves in the South Atlantic and the Pacific. One move was last May when it became conclusively apparent that the Vichy government was the tool of Hitler and when many U. S. strategists favored the taking of Martinique and the Azores, and perhaps even a landing force at Dakar in French West Africa.

But the Churchill government protested that this would take U. S. ships away from transporting supplies to the Battle of Britain; would focus American attention upon another part of the world. So Roosevelt kept out of the South Atlantic. The second move was about two weeks ago when Mr. Churchill telephoned the President to advise against any showdown with the Japanese in the Pacific. His advice came shortly after the new pro-Nazi cabinet took office in Tokyo. Churchill urged that the battle in Europe was the main show and the United States should not get absorbed with side-shows.

Regarding this Churchill advice, there continues to be a wide rift inside the Roosevelt administration. See MERRY-GO-ROUND P 7