

# Attend President's Birthday Ball Saturday Night

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## President's Ball Been Postponed To Saturday

### WAR IN BRIEF

**EAST INDIES**—Huge Jap armada, with 65 ships still afloat despite loss of 31, heads for landing on Java; Wavell orders destruction at all costs; U. S. bombers sink transport, make direct hit on cruiser.

**SINGAPORE** — Japs drive to within less than 40 miles of great naval base; British order north shore of island evacuated in preparation for siege.

**BURMA** — American and British pilots shoot down 31 more Jap planes.

**ATLANTIC** — 250 feared dead as sinking of Canadian luxury liner is disclosed with arrival of 71 survivors at Puerto Rico; two subs believed operating in Gulf of Mexico.

**RUSSIA**—Soviet armies smash big holes in German lines; report capture of Bryansk and breakthrough south of Orel.

**LIBYA** — British halt axis advance 40 miles south of Bengazi.

### Brown In Norfolk

Aycock Brown, editor of The Beaufort News, is in Norfolk, Va., this week on business. He left Monday afternoon and probably will be gone until the last of the week.



Washington, D. C. NEW SELECTIONS

It needed no mind reading to fathom what was behind that war department announcement of the purchase of 700,000,000 feet of lumber and 240,000 kegs of nails—the biggest order of its kind in U. S. history.

The materials are for the construction of numerous new army cantonments and the enlargement of existing ones.

Army strength, down to 1,600,000 after the demobilization of 28 to 35 year olds last fall, is due for a big increase—at least another 1,000,000 after the next draft lottery following the February 16 registration of men between 21 and 44.

An estimated 24,000,000 will register next month, and on the basis of past experience only about 5 per cent will be rated 1-A; that is, subject to immediate call. Heretofore the army has inducted only men in good physical condition, with no dependents and not engaged in "essential" production.

However, as the need for military manpower develops, 1-A standards will be broadened and many thousands of 1-B, 2-A, and 2-B deferrees by pre-war standards will be called up.

For the present, the army still is placing primary emphasis on youth. The February 16 registration is expected to list around 2,000,000 20-21 year olds and the largest proportion of new inductees will come from this group. Registrants in the 38 to 44 group will have to be in top condition to get in the army at this time.

However, big scale inductions from this age group can be expected by fall, particularly those with no dependents and with previous military service.

For the present the army will take its older-age recruits from the 28 to 35 year olds who were exempted because of dependency or defense work.

### REDTAPE BUSTER

Ordinance is the haughtiest and most hide-bound branch of the army. So much so that it has been the object of much bitter private criticism by civilian defense chiefs.

But there is one notable exception to this Ordinance rule. He is William Van Antwerp Kemp, a tall, husky, dynamic engineer, who made a big success in private business and volunteered his services when the national emergency arose. Since See MERRY-GO-ROUND P 7

Due To Not Being Able To Secure Orchestra

### MARCH OF DIMES IS NOW UNDERWAY

The President's Birthday Ball which was scheduled to be held tonight (Thursday) was postponed on account of not being able to secure the orchestra wanted for this date. The ball will be held Saturday night, Jan. 31 in the USO building in Morehead City. This ball is held each year to help fight infantile paralysis and every one should contribute to this worthy cause. If you can't buy a ticket, you can contribute to the March of Dimes which also is a part of this campaign.

Tickets are on sale in all drug and furniture stores in Beaufort and Morehead City. The school children are also collecting dimes for this fund and the class room that raises the most money will be presented with a large framed picture of President Roosevelt. When any one approaches you for a contribution for this fund give freely and be a part of this campaign.

### Federal Use Tax On Pleasure Boats

A Federal Use Tax is imposed on pleasure boats propelled by machinery, sail or both, effective on and after February 1, 1942. The tax varies with the overall length of the boat beginning with \$5.00 per annum for boats sixteen feet in overall length to a maximum of \$200.00 for a boat over 200 feet in length. Tax attaches when boat is first used. Tax does not apply to boats used by the United States, a State, or a political subdivision thereof. Payment of the tax will be evidenced by stamps which may be procured from the Collector of Internal Revenue, Greensboro, N. C. Application Form 732 can be obtained from the Collector on request.

### Daylight Saving Time To Go Into Effect Feb. 9th

Daylight Saving Time will go into effect throughout the United States on Feb. 9th under provisions of an act of Congress which President Roosevelt signed Jan. 20. The new time is designed to conserve electric power and generally increase efficiency of the war effort, and will remain in effect for the duration of the war. This time, not like it was last summer, all trains, busses and transportation facilities, radios and everything will adopt the new schedule.

### Smyrna In Junior Red Cross Drive

A successful drive for the Junior Red Cross was ended in the Smyrna school Jan. 26, with a total of \$9.09 going into the Junior Red Cross treasury.

All six rooms in the high school building, grades seven through eleven, reached their goal of one dollar or more for a membership for each room. Three dollars and nine cents were collected over and above the regular membership fees.

The dollar membership fee for each room entitles the room to a subscription to the Red Cross Magazine, any posters or materials sent from national headquarters, and enough Junior Red Cross buttons for each contributor.

The work of the Junior Red Cross is not only to raise present funds for the needy, but to continue interest in the organization in the school throughout the year by special chapel programs and class projects.

Grades one through six have just begun their drive and have no present report to make.

When a Navy doctor is commissioned he is given intensive training in tropical diseases, and problems of submarine and aviation activities.

## C. W. CLIFTON DIED SUNDAY

Was Former Keeper of Cape Lookout Lighthouse

Capt. C. W. Clifton, esteemed citizen of Beaufort, passed away at his home on Ann street Sunday evening at 7 o'clock, following an illness of 19 months.

Funeral rites were conducted Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock from the late home, with Rev. W. S. Potter officiating, assisted by Rev. J. H. Miller of Morehead City, and Rev. L. D. Hayman, former Methodist pastor of Beaufort, now pastor of the Methodist church at Atlantic. The choir rendered two impressive songs: "Lead Kindly Light," and "Amazing Grace," after which the body was taken to the old home place, Old Trap, Camden County, for interment in the family cemetery.

The casket was covered with a pall of white lilies, pink rose buds and fern, and the many beautiful floral designs attested to the high esteem in which he was held.

Active pallbearers were members of the Masonic Lodge No. 109 in which he held a life membership.

At Elizabeth City the cortege was met by the Masonic Lodges of Camden County and Elizabeth City who joined the procession down to Old Trap, where final rites were held.

Capt. Clifton who was 66 years old was a loyal member of Ann Street Methodist church. He was keeper of Cape Lookout Lighthouse many years, and was retired from service about three years ago.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Claudie Hamilton Clifton, and one son, Charles Clifton by a former marriage, of this city.

### LEAVE FOR CAMP

The following Beaufort and Beaufort RFD draftees left for Fort Bragg Wednesday morning for military training: Julius Adair, Charles Rice, William Harry Bates and Y. Z. Mason of Beaufort; James R. Willis and William Campen Pake of Beaufort RFD.

## --: Beaufort, North Carolina --:

By MARGAARET SALTER

Following is a report which every citizen of Beaufort should be interested in, a story of their own home town. The facts were found in the following books and pamphlets: Story of North Carolina, Young People's History of North Carolina, North Carolina History, Facts To Know About North Carolina, Discovering North Carolina, "Beaufort By the Sea," "North Carolina 'A Good Place To Live,'" "The Old Topsail Inlet."

The reader will please keep in mind the following account is taken from historical books and not made creative by the author. The author merely put the facts together for your interest.

Beaufort, the fourth oldest town in North Carolina, was named in honor of Henry Somerset, Duke of Beaufort. It did not receive its name until 1722 and its charter was not obtained from the General Assembly until 1723. No one knows when the settlers first came to Beaufort but it has been estimated that 1709 was the date. Two years after the settlers came to Beaufort they had a fight with the Indians where Highland Park is now located. The settlers, under the leadership of Nathaniel Moore, drove the Indians back to Craven County. Because of his success as a leader the first cross street entering Beaufort was named in his honor.

Dr. Charles Caldwell wanted to develop a railroad in Beaufort and New Bern. He stated the need of transportation throughout the state. The advantages of railroads over canals were: 1. In determining the courses of canals there must be a continual supply of water; 2. The railroad is not as expensive to build; 3. More can be carried on the railroad at one time than on boats; 4. The expense of maintaining bridges, making canals, is much greater than that of railroads; 5. Canals interrupt business because of freezing rivers; 6. Steam may be employed by

## Sand Dunes Don't Stop Army Jeep



When the first U. S. Army "Jeep" or reconnaissance car came to the coast a few months ago, troops demonstrated its ability to travel through sand dunes, so News - Editor could make this picture, down on Bogue Banks. PHOTO BY AYCOCK BROWN

## Chemical Plant To Be Built Near Beaufort

### Waste Paper Being Collected Here

Waste paper is being collected for defense each Saturday morning by the Boy Scouts, according to an announcement by Mayor G. M. Paul. Housewives should save their paper and card board boxes during the week and put it in a convenient place so the boys can get it.

### L. W. Hassell Appointed As Licensing Agent

L. W. Hassell, Clerk of Superior Court of Carteret County has been appointed by the Federal Government as local Explosive Licensing Agent under the Explosive Act of December 1941. He will have charge of regulating the sale of explosives during the present war emergency to see that they do not get in the hands of irresponsible persons or persons who would be hostile to the United States.

Deeds recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds this week transferred a tract of land on Lenoxville Road from its former owners, J. F. Duncan, C. R. Wheatly and George J. Brooks, to the Van Sant Corporation. This land is north of Lenoxville Road and near Beaufort Fisheries Manufacturing plant.

It is understood that a large chemical plant will be erected on this site as soon as materials can be assembled. What type of plant will be built is not known, but it is reported that it will be one of the largest enterprises in Carteret County and will employ a large force of men.

### Beaufort Rotarians Enjoy Oyster Roast

Beaufort Rotarians enjoyed an oyster roast at the Rainbow Inn on Morehead City-Beaufort causeway Tuesday night, honoring the officers stationed at Fort Macon. About a dozen officers were present, besides a good many Rotarians. Mr. Worth Stewart of Stewart-Edwards Theatres and owner of the Beaufort Theatre, attended as a guest of Mr. Perry Reavis, manager of the local theatre. All present had a most enjoyable time.

### New Engines Being Installed In Hatteras

Two new 170 horse power Super Diesel engines are being installed in the Hatteras, State Fisheries boat. These engines will cost approximately \$13,906.00 installed with all fittings and ready to run. The engines which the new ones replaced will be installed in the John A. Nelson, another of the fleet of the Fisheries Division of the State Board of Conservation and Development. The Hatteras is used in off-shore patrol duty to enforce the N. C. Fishing laws and is expected to be back in service this coming Monday.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

W. Wallace Soutar, Morehead City, N. C., to Edith H. Heady, Smyrna, N. C. (white).  
Edward Earl Salter, Beaufort, N. C., to Kathleen Rhue, Beaufort, N. C. (white).  
M. V. Lofrumento, New York, N. Y., to Josephine McClure, Swannona, N. C. (white).  
Herman Lyles, Beaufort, N. C., to Doris Lee Nelson, Atlantic, N. C. (white).  
George D. Hall, New River, N. C., to Edna Beacham, Beaufort, N. C. (white).  
Rasha Frost, Newport, N. C., to Hazel Snooks, Beaufort, N. C. (white).

### IN MANY SERVICES

The late John de Spears was a first sergeant in the Marine Corps, a captain in the Royal Canadian Flying Corps, a lieutenant in the Princess Pat Infantry Regiment and a captain in the Mexican army.

Navy doctors must be graduates of accredited medical schools before being commissioned in the service.

## Tax Executions Are Being Advertised In Today's Paper

### RED CROSS

Fund Increased Past Week

The Red Cross War Fund being raised by the Beaufort Chapter was greatly increased during the past week by funds raised in communities of the county.

Atlantic has reported \$50.00 received with more promised as the drive continues. The community of Bettie reported \$22.65 received and that more was expected. These amounts with \$10.39 received in Beaufort during the past few days makes the total of the War Fund to date \$578.08.

The War Fund Chairman announced that the drive would continue for some time. National Headquarters of the Red Cross has set a goal rather than a time limit in the hope that the American people will keep on giving to the fund that will provide for both civilians and soldiers injured in the war.

### Anxious Americans Pour Inquiries Of Kin On American Red Cross

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—Anxious Americans have made more than 11,000 inquiries to the American Red Cross on the safety of civilians and military personnel in the Pacific war areas, Chairman Norman H. Davis announced today.

Answers to more than 3,000 of these inquiries have been received, despite numerous obstacles.

Bulk of the inquiries are from worried mothers, fathers and wives who are seeking word of the welfare of relatives in the Philippines, Hawaii, Wake Island, Guam and other Pacific areas torn by war.

In addition, the Red Cross field See RED CROSS Page 8

### NEW SANITARY OFFICER NAMED

Mr. Edward J. Willis replaces Mr. George Starr as Sanitary Officer for Carteret County.

Mr. Starr left the Health Department to enter the armed service on the first of the month.

Mr. Willis has recently completed a period of training in Public Health Work at the University of North Carolina. He is a former resident of this area, and has many friends here.

The Sanitary Officer has important duties in the activities of the County Health Department. Inspections of Cafes, Meat Markets and Dairies are carried out by him, and many other aspects of Sanitation receive his attention.

### 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              | Friday, Jan. 30 | LOW |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----|
| 6:55 AM           | 12:31 AM        |     |
| 7:13 PM           | 1:19 PM         |     |
| Saturday, Jan. 31 |                 |     |
| 7:35 AM           |                 |     |
| 7:54 PM           |                 |     |
| Sunday, Feb. 1    |                 |     |
| 8:14 AM           | 1:55 AM         |     |
| 8:35 PM           | 2:33 PM         |     |
| Monday, Feb. 2    |                 |     |
| 8:53 AM           | 2:33 AM         |     |
| 9:16 PM           | 3:08 PM         |     |
| Tuesday, Feb. 3   |                 |     |
| 9:32 AM           | 3:13 AM         |     |
| 9:58 PM           | 3:43 PM         |     |
| Wednesday, Feb. 4 |                 |     |
| 10:13 AM          | 3:53 AM         |     |
| 10:42 PM          | 4:21 PM         |     |
| Thursday, Feb. 5  |                 |     |
| 10:56 AM          | 4:38 AM         |     |
|                   | 5:05 PM         |     |

### Those Who Pay Up Before Sale Can Save Property

SALE TO BE ON FEBRUARY 25TH

Executions against property owners in Carteret County on which taxes for the years of 1937 and 1938 are unpaid are being advertised in The Beaufort News today and will be run for four weeks. On February 25th said property will be sold at the Court House door. Sheriff Holland told a newsman that those advertised had one more chance of saving their property and not be taxed with the advertising costs, and that was to pay up before sale.

A great many persons have made last-minute rushes to the Sheriff's office to pay up, still there are several hundred who are being advertised today.

Property owners who are advertised are urged to raise the money with which to pay their taxes or they will lose their rights and interests in property after the sale, Sheriff Holland said.

### CAPTURED 40 GERMANS

In the first World War Corp. John H. Pruitt of the U. S. Marines captured 40 Germans single handed and attacked two machine guns, killing two of the enemy. The American destroyer, USS Pruitt, is named after him.



### Hating Hate:

The President of the United States has announced a completed objective. It is: The United Nations. Twenty-six nations have united to win a war and to keep the peace that follows war. What the nations refused to learn from concentration camps and torture chambers of one continent, they have learned on the bitter battlefields of all.

Dictators fight for power; diplomats for prestige; and militarists for victory. But the Common People always fight for peace. Not an armistice between nations, but peace of soul between men.

That is why the present struggle is a total world war, because the dictators' New Order is a campaign against world conscience. The panzer attacks to break a military line are less important than the propaganda efforts to tear the fabric of law and order. The Common People today are fighting for their stake in law and order.

Men from all over the world are fighting side by side for their countries. Because they want to live in dignity side by side for their God. And when final victory comes, it will be the job of the diplomats not only to bring peace to nations—but peace to men.

For the Common People of the world are awake. Their enemy is out in the open. It is not a man. It is a creed. They know there is nothing to hate—but HATE!

### Innocent Bystander:

Judge Joseph Guthrie, of Kansas City, tells the one about the show that came to town and was pretty bad. The audience almost to a man groaned and grumbled most of the evening.

Except, that is, one spectator, who just kept staring at the stage. His neighbor who kept growling, "This is awful," finally turned to him and said: "You haven't had anything to say—what do you think about it?" "I am here on a free seat," was the dry reply, "but if this thing gets any worse—I am going to buy a ticket and raise hell."

Old razor blades are being collected to supply steel for tanks. Don't forget. No blade is too dull to cut Hitler's throat.

Jessie Royce Landis, star of "Papa Is All," the Theatre Guild comedy about the Pennsylvania Dutch, had to spend a great deal of See WINCHELL Page 7