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## Farmers Get Brunt of Storm in This County

No Lives Lost in Carteret County and No Damage Reported Done to Boats Hereabouts; Corn, Cotton, Sweet Potatoes and Hay Crops Badly Damaged by Hurricane-like Winds and High Tides; Electric, Telephone and Telegraph Lines Greatly Affected by Gale

While the storm that raged along the Atlantic coast Tuesday night and yesterday did not spend as much of its wrath upon Carteret County as it did tidewater Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey, many thousands of dollars worth of damage were done in this county, most of which was in the eastern half. By far the major part of the damage was done hereabouts. The wind ranged here from northeast to north and on around to southwest, and blew with hurricane-like force.

Portsmouth, Sealevel, Stacy, Davis and Williston were wholly submerged, the News has been informed. It is said that the water in Core Sound rose up until there was three feet of water on the highway at Davis and it was waist deep on the highway at Sealevel. It was said that the keeper of the club house on Core Banks across from Davis said that it was the worst storm there since the memorable one in 1913.

A large portion of the corn crop in Carteret County was blown down by the terrific gale, and much of it will be a total loss. Some of it may be salvaged, but the farmers will lose thousands of dollars on this one thing. Practically all of the sweet potatoes growing at Sealevel, Davis, Stacy and Williston will die as a result of being submerged in the storm tide, while all the sweets planted on the "lowlands" around the creeks in other parts of eastern Carteret will also die. Much of the five hundred acres of cotton was also damaged. Practically all the cowpeas, soybeans and other haycrops were blown down and considerably damaged, but nearly all the farmers will harvest fairly good crops of hay. Salt water came up in many of the fields in the upper North River section.

As far as the News has been able to learn, no finished dwelling or other completed structure in Carteret was damaged in the county. At Williston a partly-built home belonging to Donnie Davis, son of Cleveland Davis, was blown down. A good many trees in Beaufort, Morehead City and the vicinity were uprooted and blown down, while hundreds of small limbs were blown from the parent trees. The wind blew a sizeable umbrella tree down in the yard of Pierre Potter, colored, on Marsh Street, and it just missed hitting the side of his home.

It was reported that highways near the ridges in eastern Carteret were washed out partly by the tides. Telegraphic communication was cut off as a result of the wires being down between here and New Bern. The Tide Water Power and Light Company lines here and in Morehead City were severed in many places. The Beaufort News was without electricity all day Wednesday. The Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company had many local troubles and the trunk line leading from the community was also damaged. As far as the News knows, no lives were lost or boats were damaged in Carteret County.

Despite the fact that crops were considerably affected by the storm winds and tide and many were inconvenienced, people in general in this vicinity seem glad that the major part of the gale did not hit Carteret county.

### ELECT BEAUFORT MAN DISTRICT COMMANDER

Carteret Post 99 of the American Legion received enviable recognition at the State Convention in Wilmington Saturday morning when the Rev. Worth Wicke was elected commander of this district. The local post was also given special notice in open convention for increasing its membership from fifty-two to seventy five this year.

Capt. L. A. Brown, incoming commander of the Morehead City Post 46, was elected district delegate to attend the National Convention of the American Legion in Chicago, October 2-5, 1933.

Madison Farmers, Inc., owner of a farmers' warehouse at Marshall, paid a four per cent dividend at the annual meeting held in August.

## COUNTY MIDWIVES WILL MEET HERE

Nurse Will Give Instruction in Obstetrics August 30

Miss Flora Ray, a nurse representing the Department of Maternity and Infancy, is now in Carteret county for the purpose of visiting and holding some classes for midwives now at work in this county.

Carteret county is well served by excellent physicians, but there are still a rather large number of people in the county who find it necessary to depend upon midwives for many of the mothers.

The purpose of this visit is to assist the county physicians to give some instruction to these midwives in order to make them safer and more competent in the performance of their duties.

The importance of this work is not understood as well as it ought to be. It is interesting to record that in the year 1931, the last year for which the State Board of Health has accurate tabulated statistics, that of 74,743 babies born in that year, 23,234 of the mothers were attended by midwives. In other words, nearly one third of the mothers of North Carolina depend upon midwives at the most critical period of their lives. It means that about 30 per cent of the expectant mothers of the State never come in contact with a physician unless some serious complication develops, and then it is often too late for the physician to save their lives.

Miss Ray will endeavor to instruct these women in the simplest and most elemental requirements of cleanliness and sanitation. Will demonstrate to these women the minimum equipment necessary for them to have in order to carry on their work with the reasonable degree of safety.

The infant and maternal death rate in North Carolina are both higher than the national average. The State Board of Health is doing its utmost, with the limited personnel and funds available, to bring about a change in this situation. The nurse in the field solicits the aid of all public-spirited citizens of the county, particularly physicians, the club women and the registrars who are in better circumstances, to make this work successful in reaching all of the midwives in the county.

Time and place of meeting: Beaufort, Wednesday, August 30, in the Court House 9:30 a. m.

### WILLSTUDY PHARMACY AT SCHOOL IN ATLANTA

Clarence Guthrie, who has been employed at the Bell Drug Store here during the past several years, left Monday morning for Atlanta, Georgia, where he will take a course in pharmacy. Mr. Guthrie will be away from Beaufort until just before the Christmas holidays, when he will return and resume employment at Bell's.

### BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Buttry Saturday, August 19, a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dorris Guthrie of Atlantic Tuesday, August 22, a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Chadwick of Straits, Monday, August 21, a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Piner of Norfolk, Va., Tuesday, August 22, a son.

Born to Solicitor and Mrs. D. M. Clark of Greenville, Saturday, August 12, a daughter, Katherine Brodgen Clark.

Korean and Kobe lespedeza planted in Burke County demonstrated the ability to make a fair growth during a long period of scant rainfall this summer.

Mountain farmers in Clay County have organized a corn club to see who can grow the most corn on an acre of land next season.

## DRUNKEN DRIVERS FACE JUDGE WEBB

Both Defendants Fined Fifty Dollars and Costs; Other Cases Were Continued

Walter ("Spiro") Williams, Morehead City colored man, was sentenced to pay a fine of fifty dollars and costs or serve a ninety day road sentence following his conviction of driving an automobile August 18th in a reckless manner and while drunk and running into and damaging the car of Simon Gatlin to the extent of seventy-five dollars.

Simon Gatlin said that "Spiro" was hoggin' the road, and on account of the latter's car having no left light, the exact position of the vehicle could not be determined. Claude Marin said that Walter ran into his filling station and when he got out and asked for a match he had the "staggers." Other witnesses in the case, besides the defendant and the prosecuting witness, were Charlie Thomas, Sheriff Elbert M. Chadwick, and Calvin Jones.

Charged with driving while intoxicated, F. R. Longest, a visitor from Rousey Mount, pleaded guilty to Judge Paul Webb at the latter's home Sunday afternoon and was fined fifty dollars and costs. The reason of the settlement Sunday afternoon was on account of the fact that Mr. Longest, a traveling salesman, said that he might lose his job if he was required to stay over until Tuesday.

Mildred Sparrow and Emma Barbour, sentenced to leave the county within a week, came into court Tuesday morning and told Judge Webb that they had been unable to get away but were making arrangements and asked an extension of one week. This was allowed.

W. L. Hancock, continued from last week on a charge of violating a plumbing ordinance of Morehead City, was continued until next week because of the absence of the main witness for the State, who had not been subpoenaed.

Joe L. Willis came into court to answer a charge of being drunk on the streets of Morehead City. On request of the defendant the case was continued until next Tuesday for settlement. Bond was set at one hundred dollars.

Mrs. Harry Lynch came into court and complained that her husband, tried several weeks ago for the abandonment and nonsupport of his three minor children, had not complied with the order of the court in that he had failed to pay two dollars a week to her. Lynch told the judge that he had a job now and that he would be able to make payments each week from now on and also catch up on the past-due payments. Judge Webb said that he would give Lynch two more weeks in which to prove the truth of his statement, and if he fails to make the weekly payments he must serve a nine-month road sentence.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Atlantic Beach and Bridge Co., to Edward Bachelor, 2 lots Morehead City, for \$100.

Fred L. Cordes to Salina Pearl Cordes, 3 lots Beaufort, for Love.

### WINS BEAUTY CONTEST

Miss Edna Taylor, of Washington, a brunette, was Saturday night elected, "Miss North Carolina," in the finals of the American Legion's state beauty contest at Lumina, Wightsville Beach. She was chosen from 20 beauty queens, each representing one of the Legion districts in the state. Miss Edna Patten, of Murphy, won second place.

Miss Johnnie Dill represented the Beaufort Post in the contest.

## DEVASTATION WROUGHT BY STORM ON VIRGINIA COAST TUESDAY NIGHT

The storm of Tuesday night and Wednesday morning did not take any toll of life in Carteret county nor did any excessive amount of damage to property, other sections were not so fortunate. Along the Virginia, New Jersey and New York coasts lives were lost, many vessels were sunk or injured and much damage was done inland to houses and farms.

The area around Norfolk was hit very hard by the storm, according to press reports several million dollars worth of damage was done to property in Norfolk, at Virginia Beach, Ocean View and Willoughby. A man was drowned at Ocean View. In and around Elizabeth City, N. C., the storm wrecked a good many houses not to have been very severe.

## GIVES MERCHANTS ONE MORE CHANCE

If They Refuse to Join NRA, Patrons Will Be Asked to Cease Buying

All local merchants who have not signed President Roosevelt's Re-employment Agreement will be given a chance to do so before a house-to-house canvass is made next week, when workers will request the heads of each home to fall in line with the National Recovery Administration by ceasing to trade at all stores who do not fly the Blue Eagle.

This, in substance, was what F. R. Seeley told a News reporter yesterday afternoon. In the absence of an active chamber of commerce here Mr. Seeley was appointed by Dr. Herbert F. Prytherch, president of the Beaufort Rotary Club, to be chairman of a committee to assist R. B. Wheatly, secretary of the dormant chamber on commerce, in lining up this community as far as possible with the NRA.

Mr. Seeley was given the power to appoint other members of the committee himself, but so far no one—with the exception of Mr. Wheatly—has been made a member of the committee. Although the Rotary Club is sponsoring this, other than members of the club will be appointed to the committee.

In order to be fair and square with the local merchants, Mr. Seeley stated that they will be given a personal invitation to join the NRA fold before the house-to-house canvass is made. But after all efforts are put forth, then he said that each individual home within the corporate limits will be visited and each home manager will be asked to trade ONLY with merchants flying the Blue Eagle.

This local campaign will be conducted along with others in every community in the country, and are scheduled to start Monday, August 28. Administrative Washington is looking forward hopefully to this nation-wide house-to-house canvass.

## Sheriff Raids Red's Place at Camp Glenn

Saturday afternoon Sheriff Elbert M. Chadwick made a "professional" call upon "Red's Place," which is located at Camp Glenn and has been run by Everett Stewart. A half gallon of liquor was found and the man was arrested on the charge of possessing intoxicating liquors for the purpose of sale.

Stewart was brought before Justice of the Peace Henry W. Noe at nine o'clock in the court room of the Court House for a preliminary hearing, but examination was waived. The case was sent to the Recorder's Court for trial, this to come up September 4. Stewart was required to give a two hundred dollar justified bond or remain in jail in the meantime.

Sheriff Chadwick told a News reporter this week that he has put the "bug" in the ear of Clarence Lowe—better known as "Fat"—to "move on," or take the consequences. The officer said that the Log Cabin operator has given satisfactory evidence that he will comply shortly with the "request."

### WANTS TO LOCATE MRS. ESTELLE WILLIS SOON

The News has been requested by Wm. H. Bailey, service officer of Carteret Post 99 of the American Legion, to try to locate Mrs. Estelle Willis, the widow of the late Anson Willis. It is said to be very important that Mrs. Willis be located before September 1, 1933. The U. S. Veterans' Bureau wishes to communicate with Mrs. Willis through Mr. Bailey.

## Several Changes Made In Highway Personnell

Chief Engineer Leslie R. Ames Dropped; New Physician at State Prison And Other Changes; May be Some More; Chairman Jeffress and Revenue Commissioner Maxwell Referred to as "Figure Heads." Pou and Noble Seem to be The Real Thing

### Coast Guard Captain Denies Accusation

On account of the fact that the people on the boat "Happy Days" had a rather unhappy night recently when their engine stalled, and that they did not receive assistance from the Portsmouth Coast Guard station, they made a vigorous protest to Washington. A considerable crowd from Morehead City, New Bern and Raleigh were aboard the vessel and had to stay there all night. They were on a fishing trip in Pamlico Sound.

Capt. E. G. Tillet of the Portsmouth station has issued a statement in which he denies any negligence on the part of the Coast Guard. His statement in part follows:

"Owing to the fact that in the vicinity where the boat containing the party was anchored, fishermen fish every day in boats similar to the boat 'Happy Days' and that boats owned by fishermen use that vicinity for anchorage during the day and also at night, no special attention was paid to the boat during the day, but was no doubt observed from the lookout tower several times. Lights were observed from the lookout tower during the time that the party claim they displayed the flares, but owing to the fact that the lights did not go out completely the lookout man paid no special attention to them, as there is never a night when the condition of the weather will permit but what there are lights similar to those used by the party, being displayed by fishermen while they are fishing. I have seen groups of boats anchored at that particular place, sometimes twelve or fifteen anchored side by side. When boats so anchored swing in range of each other, it causes the anchor lights on such boats to become eclipsed and then brought into view again, which produces a light identical to those used by the party."

### Population Increases July Report Indicates

Births in Carteret county during the month of July were just 20 more than deaths, there having been 34 of the former and 14 of the latter. Morehead City led the list with seven deaths and nine births. Several places had neither births nor deaths.

This report, which is furnished by the Bureau of Vital Statistics of Raleigh, is given herewith:

Town	Deaths	Births	Stillborn
Beaufort	2	5	
M. City	7	9	

(Newport has been combined with Newport Township).

Townships	Deaths	Births
Beaufort	0	3
Cedar Is.	0	0
Harkers Is.	0	1
Harlowe	0	0
Hunting Quarter—Davis	0	0
Hunting Quarter—Stacy	0	1
Hunting Quarter—Sea Level	0	1
Hunting Quarter—Atlantic	0	0
Marshallberg	1	1
Merrimon	0	0
Morehead	2	6
Newport	0	3
Portsmouth	0	0

(Smyrna has been combined with Marshallberg township).

(White Oak combined with Morehead township).  
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### UNSIGNED COMMUNICATIONS

The News does not receive many anonymous communications but occasionally one comes in. Sometimes they are acceptable and would be printed if the author's name had been given. One of this sort was received this week and was not used, in accordance with newspaper rules.

### SUBSCRIBE FOR THE NEWS

By M. R. DUNNAGAN

RALEIGH, Aug. 21—First installment of the promised shake-up in personnel of the new State Highway and Public Works Commission has arrived and others in high places, as well as all down the line, may be expected when the commission meets again August 30.

Meanwhile, some developments may be expected in the Revenue Department under the new regime, with Dr. M. C. S. Noble, Jr., as executive assistant commissioner, in charge of personnel, probably in keeping with the campaign assertions of Governor Ehringhaus that the department should be made more efficient. The talk follows disclosures that there have been irregularities, probably amounting to petty embezzlements of minor officials in the Revenue Department, leading Dr. Noble to issue a brief statement that audits are being made and all information of a criminal nature is being turned over to Attorney General Brummitt.

The double turn of affairs the past week leads the newspaper boys to liken the State administration to that of the nation, with George Ross Pou, executive director of the highway and public works body, and Dr. Noble as the "brain trust" of the Ehringhaus administration, while Chairman E. B. Jeffress, of the highway and public works commission, and Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell are pictured as figureheads, heads of departments without much authority, but with the power resting in Governor Ehringhaus and passing through Pou and Noble.

The highway division shake-up is dubbed a Pou victory and a Jeffress defeat. However, few of the changes were made in the highway division, most of them being in the prison section, headed independently by Mr. Pou for 12 years, but with several in the prison camp section formerly with the highway body. It is at least certain that both Mr. Jeffress and Mr. Pou regret this sort of putting each against the other, and deny that there is friction. They both feel that it will result in a condition that will create, if there is not one already, or widen, if one, of breach between them which impede and harm the smooth operation of the consolidated highway and prison departments. The principal shaft was the resignation of Leslie R. Ames as highway engineer, by request of the commission, and election of John D. Waldrop to the post. Mr. Ames served for several years and went to Louisiana, returning soon. Mr. Waldrop took his place, and Mr. Ames was again elected two years ago. Mr. Waldrop (Continued on page 8)

### TIDE TABLE

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

High Tide	Low Tide
Friday, Aug. 25	
10:49 a. m.	4:26 a. m.
11:01 p. m.	5:12 p. m.
Saturday, Aug. 26	
11:19 a. m.	5:07 a. m.
11:45 p. m.	6:08 p. m.
Sunday, Aug. 27	
11:47 a. m.	5:56 a. m.
12:25 p. m.	7:10 p. m.
Monday, Aug. 28	
12:40 a. m.	6:59 a. m.
1:24 p. m.	8:18 p. m.
Tuesday, Aug. 29	
1:45 a. m.	8:10 a. m.
2:31 p. m.	9:22 p. m.
Wednesday, Aug. 30	
2:54 a. m.	9:22 a. m.
3:49 p. m.	10:28 p. m.
Thursday, Aug. 31	
4:15 a. m.	10:32 a. m.
5:00 p. m.	11:07 p. m.