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Stores Display Holiday Goods

Read The Advertisements In The Beaufort News This Week And Learn About The Attractive Gifts Local Merchants Have on Display; Many Novel And New Presents Are Offered Christmas Shoppers This Year And Early Shoppers Are Getting First Choice

ONLY 16 MORE DAYS

Postal Officials Urge Everyone To Mail Their Christmas Packages Early To Avoid Last Minute Rushes That Will Be Bigger Than Ever This Year

Most of Beaufort's merchants have already placed their Christmas gift selections on display. Toylands have been opened in many of the stores and this year there are many useful, new and novel gifts to select from, and it looks like the Santa Claus business will be very brisk during the next few days.

Local postal officials are urging everyone to mail Christmas packages early, to assure safe delivery before Christmas Day and to avoid last minute rushes. Persons mailing packages are also urged to insure packages sent by parcel post.

New style wheel goods, velocipedes, streamlined wagons, miniature automobiles and other mechanical toys are on display in several of the stores. Carteret Hardware, Noe Hardware and Ben's Bicycle Shop are displaying wheeled goods for larger children and many for the tiny tots.

R. Felton and Son have a variety of useful gifts for men, women and children in the clothing and novelty line. This firm is going to give away a Racing automobile and a Shirley Temple doll almost as big as Shirley herself. Many other firms are giving away presents this year. Carteret Hardware will give away a bicycle to a lucky number holder; Joe House Drug Store will give away a \$100 radio; Wm. H. Bailey will give away 20 silver dollars; Noe Hardware will give away a Cook Stove, a hunting coat and a 22 calibre rifle and a rocking chair; Bell's Drugstore is giving away a radio each Saturday night; Mr. Biggs of Modern Shoe Rebuilders will give away a streamlined wagon.

Covering The WATER FRONT
By AYCOCK BROWN

AN INTERESTING BOOK that gives a different perspective on life as we know it down here on the coast is Ed Bell's, "Fish on the People," published last week by Farrar and Rinehart of New York and which is retailing for \$2.50 per copy. In that book you will be carried from your present environment to a Tennessee 'hill-billy' town and into the throes of comedy, tragedy and drama.

THE STORY IS built up around two principal characters, a girl named Pete, who was born a few weeks after her mother's marriage and a boy named 'Shackles' the son of a sort of a ne'er do well who operated a brickyard and took on a bit of building contracting from time to time. Life as it is lived in a small inland town that has a brickyard, a cemetery, a group of Campbellites is portrayed through the pages. And there are moments of intense loving—well but not wisely—moments of hate and meanness and moments of comedy. It is the first book by the author Ed Bell, who has apparently lived among such characters as he writes about.

KEMP PLUMMER Battle Bonner, M. D. and chairman of the Carteret board of commissioners tried to convince me the other day that between the two audits recently given space in this newspaper, Carteret's affairs were in a much better shape than Morehead City's financial affairs. We did not argue the matter, but merely listened. Our only comment is that the Morehead City official who asked us to run the story, at least treated a reporter in a more diplomatic manner than the Carteret official who called a person a damn thief because he

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GOOD SHIP RELIEF SAILS AT 5 TODAY

Direct relief as distributed by the local NCERA in Carteret county officially ends at 5 o'clock this afternoon. All clients who have applied up to that hour today will be given food slips which may be cashed at the local store or the Morehead City Store Friday and Saturday. But under the present set-up, that is all—there ain't no more.

It is understood that in Carteret county approximately 250 families now on relief or who are classed as relief clients will receive no further aid. Included in this number is approximately 100 clients who are classed as un-employable aged people, people with incurable diseases and such. They will suffer more than anyone else.

Carteret county may make some provision to take care of the unemployables, but so far no such steps have been taken. Many of the NCERA clients will have jobs within a few days from the Works Progress Administration, but all in all there seems no immediate bright future for the client to look forward to. The local office will be closed to clients after today. The administrative force has been slashed and only three case-workers remained employed. Relief clients can no longer look to NCERA for food slips, medical services, mattresses, comforts and other necessities of life that a great many poor people lack. The Good Ship Relief has sailed.

NEW SEATS FOR LOCAL THEATRE

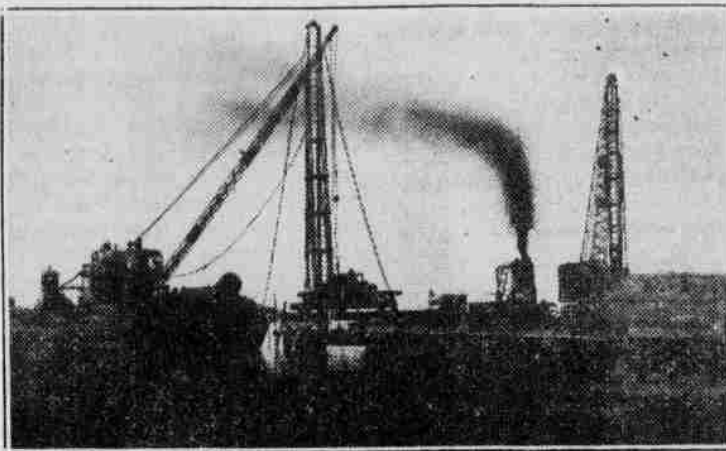
New plush-spring seats are now being installed at the Seabreeze theatre. They will replace the old fashioned wooden seats that have been in use there for years. W. L. Paul, owner of the theatre that has been in Beaufort before pictures learned to talk stated that he was making the change because he wanted his patrons to sit in comfort as they witnessed the shows he presents each week day afternoon and night.

Another thing that owner W. L. Paul is offering his theatre patrons is first run shows for Carteret county. During the week of December 9, he is presenting the following feature pictures: Monday and Tuesday: "Orchids to You" featuring Jonh Boles, Jean Muir and Charles Butterworth; Wednesday and Thursday (10 cent bargain days) Warner Oland in "Werwolf of London" and on Friday and Saturday Ann Rutherford in "Waterfront Lady." Future patrons of the Seabreeze will see good pictures and sit in comfort on plush-spring seats.

GOVERNOR HERE TO TESTIFY IN COURT

His Excellency, John Christopher Blucher Ehringhaus was in Beaufort Wednesday as an interested party and to offer testimony in the case of Hood, Commissioner, against Newby and White a Hertford firm, which involves the disposal of approximately 16,000 acres of Carteret timberland. Judge Walter Small appointed Junius Grimes of Washington, as referee in the case and being referred, naturally His Excellency did not have to testify. Other out of town attorneys and parties interested in this case included John H. Hall, Jr., P. W. McMullan, J. B. McMullan and R. Clarence Dozier of Elizabeth City and Rufus M. Riddick, Charles Whidbee and Thomas S. White of Hertford. They stopped at the Old Davis House while in town. Other cases disposed of by Judge Small will be given in next week's edition.

As Work Began On Terminal Site



Preliminary Work of Driving Piles Now Underway

Derricks and pile drivers have been sinking wooden piles for the past several days and excellent headway is being made. On December 20, the Baltimore Mail Line (Baltimore to Hamburg Germany) is due to dock in Norfolk with the steel from Germany, according to Maurice R. Beaman, general manager of the Morehead City Port Terminal.

Just how the steel piles will be routed for transshipment to Morehead City from Norfolk has not been definitely determined but probable that same will be shipped via the Inland Waterway. Mr. Beaman and his associates are trying to make arrangements with the steamship company bringing the piles from Germany to route same to Cape Lookout Light and there unload on barges for ship-

ment through Beaufort Inlet to the terminal site. That would save much time and time saved in this matter is very essential to the port builders.

It is understood that the T. A. Loving Company has let the dredging contract for 180,000 yards in the immediate vicinity of the Port Terminal site to a Norfolk firm and the dredge to be used was at one time owned by Dr. C. L. Duncan of Beaufort. But officials of the T. A. Loving Company could not be reached to determine the name of the firm which will do this work.

Morehead City has turned over two offices in the Municipal Building for the use of U. S. Army Engineers who will work under the direction of Major Ralph Millis of the Wilmington office. (Eubanks-News Photo.)

Patsy Admires Ocracoke Folks

Because A Great Many People Took A Comedy Serious, Miss Patsy McMullan, Talented Young Playmaker Of Chapel Hill Writes The Editor of This Newspaper And Gives Some Interesting Explanations About The One Act Play "Cottie Mourns," Recently Presented in Morehead City.

In the first place the plot and characters were not really based on the people from the island of Ocracoke. Miss McMullan is happy to have the opportunity to correct that impression. The scene of the play was set at Ocracoke by others than Miss McMullan and the foreword to the act was written by someone who thought it would lend color to say that she had spent many summers down there on Ocracoke Island.

It seems that not so many years ago Miss McMullan heard the story of a woman living in an outlying community who had been married six times and was preparing to take on another husband; but the sixth husband over whose body she was doing a bit of courtin' turned out to be dead drunk but not dead. He recuperated and so the 'seventh heaven' the woman anticipated was forestalled by the "coming to life" of the sixth. It was not the intention of Miss McMullan to give to the people of Ocracoke characteristics that do not belong to them, she stated in her letter.

er. But read the letter:

Editor of The News:

I thank you for the paper you sent me referring to the recent one act comedy, "Cottie Mourns," given by the Carolina Playmakers at Morehead City and written by me.

From your column I gathered that some members of the audience took the comedy seriously and thought the plot and characters were really based on the people from the island of Ocracoke.

I am happy to have an opportunity to correct that impression, first, because of my sincere love and admiration for the people there whom I know. In the second place, the plot and characters are, obviously, not drawn from Ocracoke or from any one person. Several years ago I heard the story of a woman living in one of our outlying counties who had been married six times and was preparing to take unto herself a seventh husband; she was forestalled by the "com

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Prussian Emperor Aboard Ship That Sailed To Morehead City

Longfellow, The Post and Wentworth The Famous Mathematician Were Also Aboard S. S. Sun-Sprite Which Sailed From New York To Morehead City Years Ago

Longfellow, the poet, Wentworth the famous mathematician and King William, the emperor of Prussia were aboard the steamship "Sun-Sprite" which called at Morehead City years ago, if there is any foundation to an account of someone who wrote in longhand of experiences on a voyage from New York to Morehead City. Bill Bladea Parkin operator of The Sea Breeze has a hobby of collecting old letters and coins. In a batch of letters he loaned the editor of the Beaufort News recently was an unsigned account of some child who had made the voyage from New York to Morehead City. The account was unsigned, so just who the author was,

we are at loss to know.

Neither is there any date that would indicate just what year the article was written. But judging from certain incidents in the account of the voyage, it must have been just after the War of the Confederacy. Probably few people in Carteret county know that steamships called at Beaufort and Morehead City years ago. As a matter of fact both Morehead and Beaufort were ports before a port development in this section was ever dreamed of. The Clyde Line—now the Clyde-Mallory Lines at one time had regular sailings to and from Morehead City. Passengers were taken aboard or disembarked at the 'hotel pier' in Morehead City. The account of the voyage aboard the Sun-Sprite which had aboard the three notables mentioned above, follows:

It had been very hot and dusty all

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Clerk's Office To Be Audited

Chairman of Board of Commissioners Authorized to Effect Immediate Contact With A. M. Pullen & Company to Arrange For Early Beginning as Possible of The Undertaking; Will Be Employed to Make as Complete and Detailed Audit as Practicable.

COUNTY AUDITOR USES AUTHORITY

County Auditor J. J. Whitehurst who, as the result of a resolution passed by four members of the Board of Commissioners on November 18 (the fifth did not vote) was given authority "to organize in his own discretion the personnel of his office" used same day or two later by giving Mrs. Eva Bravaldo a 15 days written notice that her services were no longer needed. The 15 day period expired Wednesday, December 4, and today Mrs. Bravaldo is out of a job—despite the fact that according to her contract she was employed for a period of two years to an office then known as "Assistant to County Auditor." Her contract would have expired in December 1936.

Auditor Whitehurst gave no reason for her dismissal in the written notice other than he was taking action in accordance with the resolution passed by the Board of County Commissioners on November 18. Mrs. Bravaldo, a widow, with one daughter and an aged mother as dependents had been employed in the County Accountant's office for about five years. Her salary was \$90 per month. Mrs. Nellie Windley is temporarily successor to Mrs. Bravaldo, Auditor Whitehurst, phoned the Beaufort News.

Mrs. Bravaldo telephoned the editor of this newspaper and stated that she in no way held The Beaufort News responsible for the loss of her job. Information had come to the editor that he was responsible for the change in personnel at the Auditor's office due to the fact that he printed extracts from the county audit recently without getting permission from the Auditor to look at same.

FIVE NEW BABIES ARRIVE AT OTWAY

The community of Otway led other Carteret towns and communities in 'blessed events' during the past week. Five little babes were born there during the past week according to the reports given by local physicians today. The proud parents of Otway, and the date of their baby's birth and sex follows: Mr. and Mrs. C. Tom Gillikin, December 3, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Lawrence, (at M. City hospital) November 30, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Lawrence, December 1, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester W. Lawrence, November 29, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Warden Roe Gillikin, November 30, a son.

Other births in the county during the past week as reported by local physicians were: Mr. and Mrs. Tilman Taylor, Sea Level, (M. City hospital) December 1, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Roberts of Portsmouth, November 24, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Luther Gaskill of Roe, November 28, a son.

MRS. BLOODGOOD IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. M. E. Bloodgood, Red Cross Roll Call chairman for Beaufort and Eastern Carteret county was operated on early today in Morehead City hospital. Her physician, Dr. Frank E. Hyde stated she was getting along nicely following the operation.

MRS. CLYDIE LAWRENCE'S HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

The home of Mrs. Clydie Lawrence of Otway was completely destroyed by fire Monday morning about 10:30 o'clock. She was away from the house at the time. Mrs. Lawrence is a widow and has one child. It is understood that some insurance was carried on the property.

One hundred of the 550 club members of Cleveland County took part in the health pageant presented during the recent county fair at Shel-

MUST FURNISH BOND

There Appeared to be Some Sort of Misunderstanding of The Official Bond Heretofore Required to be Given by Clerk of Court and Must Have Another \$5,000 Bond By January 1, Making Total Of \$10,000.

A certified public accountant will be employed to make an audit of the clerk of superior court's office which St. George Abrahams pondered over for three days and then stated it would be impossible to give an intelligent consensus of conditions. But Lawrence W. Hassell who has been in that office for a number of years stated at the time that it was possible to audit the office. Just how soon the work will commence has not yet been learned.

In the meantime Mr. Hassell has been instructed to secure an additional \$5,000 bond. It seems from a resolution passed by the Board of Commissioners in their regular monthly meeting Monday that there has been some misunderstanding about the bond required heretofore. Since 1921 the clerk has given bonds in varied amounts from \$5,000 as a minimum to \$15,000 as a maximum. A resolution in connection with this bond follows:

WHEREAS, there appears to be some misunderstanding as to the amount of the official bond heretofore required to be given by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Carteret County; and whereas, it appears that the bonds heretofore given during the tenure of his office since 1921 have varied in amounts from Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars as a minimum to Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000.00) Dollars as a maximum, but that from an examination of the records it appears that since the year 1926 the amount of bond was intended to be, and should have been, in the penal sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars; and whereas, the Board is of the opinion that bond should be provided by the Clerk of the Superior Court, regularly conditioned as now required by law, in a penalty of not less than Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars; now, therefore, upon motion, be it

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TIDE TABLE

Information as to the tide 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, Dec. 6	
4:32 a. m.	11:01 a. m.
4:50 p. m.	11:01 p. m.
Saturday, Dec. 7	
5:30 a. m.	11:58 p. m.
5:48 p. m.	11:58 p. m.
Sunday, Dec. 8	
6:24 a. m.	11:55 a. m.
6:41 p. m.	12:52 p. m.
Monday, Dec. 9	
7:15 a. m.	12:47 a. m.
7:30 p. m.	1:41 p. m.
Tuesday, Dec. 10	
8:04 a. m.	1:36 a. m.
8:18 p. m.	2:28 p. m.
Wednesday, Dec. 11	
8:49 a. m.	2:23 a. m.
9:05 p. m.	3:13 p. m.
Thursday, Dec. 12	
9:36 a. m.	3:10 a. m.
9:52 p. m.	3:56 p. m.