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State's First NYA-Seaplane Landing Float Dedication Here Saturday

Forty Eight Students To Graduate From Beaufort High School Friday Night

Dean of WCUNC Will Address Students



DR. W. C. JACKSON, dean of administration at Woman's College, U. N. C., will make the commencement address at Beaufort High School's Commencement Exercises tonight, which will start at 8 o'clock. He will be introduced by Principal Thomas G. Leary, who has made an outstanding record as head of the local school during the school year which ends tonight.

Noted Educator

Dr. Walter Clinton Jackson, dean of administration at Woman's College, is one of the outstanding teachers of history in the state and nation. For twenty-nine years a member of the faculty of woman's College, he made his study of "Representative Americans" the most popular course

Class Exercises To Be Observed At 8 Tonight

DR. W. C. JACKSON
FINALS SPEAKER

Forty-eight students of Beaufort High School will graduate on Friday night during a full program of activities which will feature an address by Dr. W. C. Jackson dean of administration at Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in Greensboro. Preceding the graduating exercises however, will be the Class night program scheduled to begin at 8 o'clock tonight, (May 9)

"A Southern Rosary" is the theme of the Class Night program. The cast includes the following characters: General Pickett, Robert Gooding; Polly Fairfax, Sybil Hunning; Constance Fairfax, Marie Carraway; Marse John, Clinton Vicker; General Fairfax, Alex Erickson; General Pickett (as a boy) Robelee King; Polly's friends, Edna Taylor, Hazel Rowe, Adilee Carraway, Carolyn Carraway, Bernice Congleton and Hilda Eubanks.

Master of Ceremonies, William Norris; Salutatorian, William Skarren; Class President, John Davis; Grumbler, Ray West; Poet, Sybil Hunning; Prophet, Jocelyn Stevens; Testator, Howard Stubbs; Gifforian, Minnie Carraway; Valet-dictorian, Verona Carraway; Farewell Song, words and music composed by John Davis and Class Mascott, Rachel Lang.

List of Class members follows: Adilee Carraway, Carolyn Carraway, Marie Carraway, Minnie Carraway, Bernice Congleton, David Cuthrell, Robert Cuthrell, John Davis, Rita Davis, Guy Dickinson. (Continued on Page 8)

Bow Of Deering On Ocracoke Island Is Mystery Vessel

The bow of the old Carroll A. Deering, the ghost ship of the graveyard of the Atlantic is still exposed to view on Ocracoke Beach. This is the 5-master which sailed on Diamond Shoals about 29 years ago without a soul aboard, despite the fact that all sails were set. Extensive investigation never solved the mystery of the Deering's crew. Finally the vessel was dynamited by the Coast Guard because it was a menace to navigation out near the coastwise ship lanes where it had foundered on the outer shoals. The bow washed ashore on Ocracoke. During the years it has frequently sanded up, but storms or winds often bring the vessel back into view. It was in view this week. The Deering's bow is near the hull of the 3-masted schooner Nomis which was the last schooner to founder on the island.

ALMANAC BIRTHDAYS Of Famous People

MAY

10. J. G. Bennett, N. Y. Herald 1841.
11. Irvin Berlin, composer, 1888.
12. Maria Theresa, Hungary, 1717.
13. Florence Nightingale, nurse, 1820.
14. Fahrenheit, thermometer 1686
15. Vauban, Fr. Marshall, 1633.

HISTORICAL EVENTS

MAY

10. Confederate Memorial Day.
11. Columbus sailed on last voyage 1502.
12. Mothers Day—Whit Sunday.
13. Jamestown settled 1607.
14. First Constitutional Convention 1787.
16. President Lincoln nominated 1860.

Julian Bell Wins High Honor



JULIAN A. BELL, Newport, who has been making an outstanding record at State College in Raleigh where he is a student received further honors a few days ago when he won the Kappa Phi Kappa education award. Pictured above young Mr. Bell is the son of Julian Carlyle Bell of Newport and late Mrs. Bell.

1939 Delinquent Tax List Will Be Advertised June 1

T. Murray Thomas, tax collector and city clerk for the Town of Beaufort stated today that the 1939 delinquent tax list would be advertised on June 1, this year with absolutely no extension. Persons who fail to pay their Town of Beaufort taxes during May will be subject to court costs plus cost of advertising following advertising, it was stated. An advertisement notifying delinquents to pay up now appears elsewhere in this edition.

Surplus Cotton To Be Made Into Bed Mattresses Here

Surplus cotton and ticking is being allotted by the Federal Government to many counties in Eastern North Carolina, Carteret included, so that it may be possible for cotton mattresses to be made by farm families whose gross income did not exceed \$400 during 1939, 50 per cent of the gross income being derived from agricultural commodities or occupations.

These mattresses are being made under the supervision of the Extension Service with the approval of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. The County AAA committee will be required to approve the applications for mattresses just as they approve work done under the Soil Conservation Program.

The only cost will be \$1.00 to be paid when applications are made, after which when approved, applicants will be notified as to the date they will be assisted in the making of their mattress. In other words, a full size 50-pound cotton mattress will be given for \$7 and a few hours time it will take to make the mattress.

U. S. Fisheries Start Releasing Baby Terrapins

Several thousand baby terrapins will be released in the coastal waters of North Carolina and the South Atlantic and Gulf coast waters during the next few weeks. These terrapins were hatched at the U. S. Fisheries Marine Biological Station on Piver's Island here last year. They are planted in coastal waters where terrapins have become very scarce or almost extinct. Five hundred were sent down the Outer Banks to the Ocracoke-Hatteras Inlet territory last week and released by Amana Fulcher and Pinta Williams.

Capt. Charles Hattell, assistant to Dr. H. F. Pythorpe, director of the laboratory stated that it took several years for the young baby terrapins to reach maturity. It is unlawful to capture the terrapins commercially at this time, due to the fact that the adults are going through the laying stage.

An average of six or more pedestrians a week are killed on North Carolina streets and highways.

DEATH CLAIMS T. M. THOMAS, SR.

He was Born On Day Hatteras Inlet Was Opened

Funeral services for Thomas Murray Thomas, Sr. one of Beaufort's oldest and most widely known citizens were conducted at 3:30 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, at the home of his daughter Miss Laura Thomas. He died early Friday following a long period of failing health. On July 30 he would have been 92 years of age.

On the same date of his birth, July 30, 1848 a violent storm was raging down the Banks and it was at the time that Hatteras Inlet was cut through from the ocean to the Sound. The late Mr. Thomas liked to tell people that he and Hatteras Inlet were the same age.

For many years he was a highly prosperous farmer of Carteret County and during his life he had a wide circle of friends, not only in this immediate section but throughout the Eastern section of North Carolina and along the coast. For many years his intimate friends knew him as "Uncle Murray" a name which practically everyone in Beaufort affectionately called him. During his lifetime he was noted for his philanthropies and was ever ready to help those in need.

Hundreds of people attended the last rites which were conducted by Rev. Stanley Potter of Ann Street Methodist Church, the family church of the Thomas family. The esteem in which the venerable old gentleman was held was shown by the large number of floral tributes and the messages of condolence received.

Sixty three years ago he took as his bride Miss Laura Pelletier of Carteret County, and during recent years the annual celebration of their wedding anniversary has attracted wide attention and merriment. (Continued on Page 8)

LEGION ELECTS NEW OFFICIALS

Raymond Ball Will Succeed Bailey As Commander

Raymond Ball, master farmer of the Harlowe section and prominent in American Legion circles was elected commander of Carteret Post 99, American Legion at a meeting here last Thursday night. He succeeds Commander William H. Bailey. Other officers include: C. C. Chappell, first vice commander; John Lashley, second vice commander; Jake Miller, finance officer; Hugh Hill, director for three years; I. E. Pittman, C. L. Beam, Roy Barbour and Harry Edwards, directors for two years and W. H. Bailey, director for one year.

The Post contributed \$10 to help finance a school and town band.

WPA Project Week Begins In Carteret On May 20th

150 Persons Will Attend Supper Meeting

With the theme, "This Work Pays Our Community," project week of the professional and service divisions of the WPA will be observed in Carteret County during the week beginning May 20. Every unit of the WPA will participate in the program of the week which will feature as a high spot a supper, tentatively planned to be presented in the American Legion Hut on Monday, May 20. Over 150 persons are expected to attend the banquet.

Achievements of the professional and service divisions in Carteret

Salvation Army To Meet On Monday



MAJOR WILLARD S. EVANS, divisional and young people's secretary for the Salvation Army in the Carolinas will conduct the weekly meeting for the Army at 7:30 o'clock. The regular weekly meeting will be held on Monday instead of Wednesday. Major Evans (Continued on Page 8)

Democrats To Meet Saturday

Carteret County's Democratic Convention will be held at the Courthouse here on Saturday morning, May 11 at 1 o'clock, has been announced by Irvin W. Davis, executive chairman of the Democratic Committee. He stated today that delegates from the various precincts would be present and that he was also expecting large attendance from others interested in party activities.

Ocracoke Mailboat Sunday Schedule Begins On May 26

Capt. Wilbur Nelson, skipper of the Ocracoke Mailboat which has just gone over a thorough overhauling here at Paul's Marine Railway, will start Sunday schedules on May 26, he stated this week. At present the boat makes daily trips to and from the island leaving Atlantic at 1 o'clock and returning from Ocracoke at 7 o'clock in the morning, arriving at Atlantic at 10 o'clock. Many sports fishermen travel to and from Ocracoke Island aboard his vessel which is named the Aleta.

JR.-SR. PROM

The Fifth Annual All-County Senior Class Dance proved the most delightful and enjoyable of the dances staged thus far by the Atlantic Beach Management and the Carteret County Board of Education, sponsors, in honor and for the pleasure of the seniors and juniors of the Carteret County Schools, according to reports from those privileged to attend this now strictly school annual classic. By far the larger portion of the juniors and seniors of the county were in attendance, as were also a large number of the faculty and of the school committeemen and members of the Board of Education.

Complete details will appear in our next issue.

John Lang Head of NYA In N. C. And Other Officials To Speak

Model Planes Will Be Featured In Program

GIANT NAVY AMPHIBIAN COMING FOR EXERCISES

John Lang, N. C. Administrator of the National Youth Administration will be the principal speaker at the dedication of the CAA-approved Seaplane landing float in the harbor here on Saturday afternoon, May 11, at 2 o'clock. The speaking will take place on the east porch of the U. S. Fisheries Building on Piver's Island, within just a few feet of the location of the landing float.

Within a few feet of the speakers stand also will be a giant U. S. Navy Sikorsky Amphibian plane which will take part in the program of the day and be so situated that the public will be given a close up view of one of America's fine fighting aircrafts. Assurance that the Navy plane would be here on Saturday was given sponsors of the event by Senator Robert R. Reynolds and Congressman Graham A. Barden, early this week. Sponsors of the event stated today that beautiful model planes contributed by leading model plane builders of America would be offered as prizes to the youths entering models they have constructed.

Tom Leary, who is co-chairman with Harvey Joslyn for the model plane contests stated today that he had been given the assurance that there would be from 20 to 30 planes entered in the contest.

Mrs. Rosa Merrill, head of NYA activities in Carteret stated that the new NYA building at the corner of Broad and Craven (north-east corner of courthouse square) would hold open house from 3:30 until 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited to attend.

A number of airplanes are expected to be present Saturday to take part in the dedication.

TOWNSEND PLAN ADVOCATE WILL VISIT CARTERET

Dr. Zeno Spence of Goldsboro, who is conducting a vigorous campaign as candidate for Congress from the Third North Carolina District will make a whirlwind visit to the Carteret Coast on Saturday, May 11, according to announcement received here today. He is accompanied on his tour by a band and pretty majorettes, making his campaign trips very colorful. The Carteret itinerary will include stops at Bogue, Stacy, Morehead City, Beaufort, Marshallberg, Davis, Havelock and possibly other communities along the coast.

Salvage Crew Fails To Recover Engines Of The "Albatross"

A salvage crew from Norfolk made a futile attempt on Sunday to recover the motors from the fishing trawler "Albatross" which sailed from Morehead City following rough weather one day during the past winter, and foundered on a shoal in Ocracoke Inlet about 24 hours later. The Albatross was one of the largest beam trawlers afloat. She was owned by the Townsends of New Jersey, operators of a large fleet of fishing vessels. Capt. Dan Hayman of Manasco (brother of Rev. Louis D. Hayman of Atlantic), was skipper of the vessel. Several members of the crew were from Carteret County communities.

The crew of the Albatross were rescued by Ocracoke Coast Guardsmen. The vessel was a total loss, but for several weeks high hopes were held for recovering the motors from the vessel, which were valued at \$35,000. A crew of divers had been on the scene and attached cables around the motor after releasing it from the bottom of the vessel. A final attempt was made last Sunday to hoist the motors—but the attempts were fruitless and it is understood that no further attempts will be made. This means that the sand of Ocracoke Inlet, sometimes called the "graveyard of the Atlantic" have claimed another victim.

Local Student Makes Good At College



TOM I. DAVIS, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Leslie Davis of Beaufort has made an exceptional record at Wake Forest College where he is a student. Hardly a week passes, that he is not in the college news. This week his picture appears in a series of six students who have operated the three student publications. Space prevents insertion of all six, but we proudly publish the picture of the business manager of the student newspaper.

Fishing And All Outdoors By AYCOCK BROWN

(Aboard Ocracoke Mailboat, Tuesday morning, May 6)

IT HAS ALWAYS been my contention that Ocracoke is the birthplace of more good fishing stories than anywhere else along the coast. The first Gulf Stream fishing stories in North Carolina carried Ocracoke datelines. That was about 10 years ago and Frank Fuller of New York, aboard his boat the "Frank and Susan" with Capt. Arthur Millette of Morehead City as his guide and skipper was mentioned in those first stories. Tom Easton of Winston-Salem was also getting publicity and making history with his exploitation of the Gulf Stream waters off Ocracoke first, and a short time later off Cape Hatteras. Tom liked the central coast so well that he later moved to Hatteras and did much towards the development of the village. Bill Sharpe nicknamed him the "Duke of Hatteras"—and it is a deserving title for a fine fellow. On the week-end I saw much of the development he has done for the island—the power plant and ice plant—I talked over telephones which he brought to the community. I saw his freight and passenger boat the Hadeco sail from Hatteras. (Continued on page 8)

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. 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 head of the estuaries.

HIGH	Friday, May 10	LOW
10:02 A. M.		4:01 A. M.
10:16 P. M.		3:59 P. M.
Saturday, May 11		
10:47 A. M.		4:43 A. M.
11:01 P. M.		4:45 P. M.
Sunday, May 12		
		5:31 A. M.
11:34 A. M.		5:40 P. M.
Monday, May 13		
11:51 A. M.		6:26 A. M.
12:27 P. M.		6:43 P. M.
Tuesday, May 14		
12:46 A. M.		7:25 A. M.
1:26 P. M.		7:51 P. M.
Wednesday, May 15		
1:49 A. M.		8:25 A. M.
2:33 P. M.		8:59 P. M.
Thursday, May 16		
2:56 A. M.		9:25 A. M.
3:39 P. M.		10:03 P. M.