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Cotton Referendum To Be Held On Saturday

Dr. Koch Will Read A Christmas Carol Here December 17



DR. FREDERICK H. Koch's reading of Charles Dickens' immortal "A Christmas Carol" here on the night of December 17th will be vastly more than the recitation of a well loved story. It will be the first time that the famous playwright who has long been known as America's top ranking "one-man theatre" has read "A Christmas Carol" on the Carteret Coast. The program will be presented in the Beaufort High School Auditorium under the co-sponsorship of the Carteret Home Demonstration and Four-H Clubs.

Dr. Koch, who is founder and director of The Carolina Playmakers at the University of North Carolina, has been interested in de- See DR. KOCH Page 8



ROBOT PLANE SCORES HITS WASHINGTON.—No military secret is more closely guarded than a sensational new robot airplane now being tried out secretly by the navy in both Hawaii and Langley field, Va.

Navy experts have been working for more than 10 years to develop a reliable "pilotless" plane operated by radio control. Observers who have witnessed some of the latest tests, pronounce the device as near miraculous. A robot bomber takes off, discharges its bombs over a distant target, returns to base and lands without being touched by a human hand.

The distance of the target is calculated in advance, and when the robot reaches it a device automatically releases the bombs. Naturally the aiming is largely a matter of chance, but in the tests a number of direct hits were scored. The cruising radius of the robots is limited only by fuel supply and the radio frequency range.

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ALMANAC HISTORICAL EVENTS

- December
- 6 Lincoln's last message to Congress 1864.
- 7 U.S. Declares war on Austria 1917.
- 8 First written message to Congress 1801.
- 10 Peace treaty with Spain '98.
- 11 Edward VIII abdicates, 1936
- 12 Wireless telegraph across Atlantic 1901.

BIRTHDAYS Of Famous People

- December
- 6 E. H. Sothorn, actor, 1859.
- 7 Rudolph Friml, composer, '81
- 8 Joel Ch. Harris, author, '48.
- 9 Meredith Nicholson, author 1866.
- 10 D. Appleton, publisher, 1785
- 11 Guy Empey, "Over The Top" 1888.
- 12 Arthur Brisbane, writer, '64.

County Agent Lists Polling Places In Carteret

Cotton growers of Carteret County, North Carolina and other States in the Nation where the lint crop is produced will go to the polls on Saturday to decide in a referendum whether to have cotton marketing quotas in effect on the 1941 crop. Quotas have been in effect for the past three years, including 1940.

Cotton Referendum Polls In Carteret

County Agent J. Y. Lassiter has announced that the polling places for the 1941 Cotton Referendum on December 7, will be as follows: Newport Township—Town Hall, Newport.

White Oak Township—Buck's Corner.

Beaufort, Morehead, Harlowe, Smyrna, Hunting Quarter, Merrimon and Straits Townships—Beaufort Court House Annex.

In Carteret County where the farmers have voted for cotton quotas during each of the three years, the income from the crop has increased from \$1,700 in 1939 to over \$20,000 in 1940, County Agent J. Y. Lassiter states. Carteret Farmers favored the cotton quota in 1940 by a vote of 95 per cent, it was added.

E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer of N. C. State College, urges every farmer who produced cotton this year to go to his community polling place and express his opinion. "A large majority of cotton growers voting will mean that the referendum outcome represents the true opinion of producers as a whole," he declared.

The nation-wide vote in favor of cotton marketing quotas for 1940 was 877,297 for quota and 84,975 against quotas, or 91.2 per cent of those voting in favor of quotas. North Carolina gave 1940 quotas a 50,737 to 5,767 vote (89.8 per cent) vote of approval.

TWO CARTERET YOUTHS LEAVE FOR FT. BRAGG

First From County In Draft Were Volunteers

In impressive and history-making ceremonies, Carteret County's Selective Draft Board gave final instructions to the first two young men to ever be inducted in the armed forces of the United States during peacetime drafting at City Hall in Morehead City on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Herbert deFuniak 28, and Otis Eugene Woodcock, 21, both of whom had volunteered, filled the requirements of Carteret's first quota.

They left by bus for Fort Bragg on Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock and were scheduled to be included in the radio program shortly after noon which would feature

More Questionnaires Sent To Draftees

As we go to press today a total of 250 questionnaires had been forwarded to that many of Carteret's 2,198 persons between the ages of 21 and 36 who are registered with the Selective Draft Board. Chairman Carl G. Gaskill again urges all registrants to use ink (NO PENCIL) in filling out their questionnaires and if there is any doubt in anyone's mind as to how the forms should be filled out they are urged to contact their local Advisory Board member or F. R. Bell, chairman of the Local Draft Advisory Board in Carteret.

Secretary S. A. Chalk of the Draft Board acted as spokesman for Chairman Carl Gaskill and Members W. H. Bell and as he gave the young men their bus tickets, meal tickets and general instructions he also spoke of the honor it was to be the first selected to serve their country in this peacetime selective draft. As he talked, deFuniak and Woodcock along

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FINAL REPORT OF RED CROSS CALL IS GIVEN

Beaufort Chapter Has Total Of \$261.15

The final report of the Annual Red Cross Membership Roll Call conducted by the Beaufort Chapter shows a total of \$261.15 collected. This sum is made up of 235 one dollar annual memberships; \$25 in contributions over one dollar; \$1.15 in contributions under one dollar. The annual memberships were divided as follows: Beaufort 177;

Red Cross Chapter Has Wool For Sweaters

The Local Red Cross chapter has a large quantity of wool yarn for sweaters for English and Finnish war refugees. Women wishing to knit sweaters call Mrs. E. C. McConnell or Mrs. F. E. Hyde for material and instructions.

Atlantic, 33; Davis, 4; Williston, 9; Cedar Island, 12; Contributions over one dollar were: Rose's Five and Ten, \$5; First-Citizens Bank, \$5; Safrit Lumber Co., \$15. Of the amount collected \$138.58 stays in the local chapter treasury; \$117.57 for National Headquarters work; \$5 for Junior Red Cross Enrollment of Atlantic Seacoast.

In addition to the Volunteer Workers named last week working in Beaufort the following worked in their respective communities: At antic, Mrs. J. A. Batson; Davis, Mrs. Stetson Murphy; Williston, Mrs. Lessie Pake; Cedar Island, Mrs. Mattie Styron.

The chairman of the Beaufort Chapter, Dr. F. E. Hyde, and the Roll Call chairman, Rev. E. C. McConnell, both expressed satisfaction with the Roll Call this year, and wish to thank the Volunteers for their work and the people of the participating communities for their support.

Automobile Strikes Morris Child Here

Mitchell R. Morris four and half year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Morris was taken to Morehead City Hospital this afternoon to be treated for injuries received when struck by an automobile. A 1936 Buick sedan driven by a man who could not be reached to determine who was driver of the car which struck the child. Unofficial details indicated that the accident was unavoidable. Mr. and Mrs. Morris formerly of Atlantic, live in Davis House Apartments here. He is employed at A. B. C. store, No. 1.

Local Merchants Begin Christmas Advertising Here

Many local merchants placed Christmas advertising in The Beaufort News this week and those who wish to get the additional Yuletide business that newspaper ads always brings are urged to contact The Beaufort News office early next week as the size of the paper will increase from eight to 10 or more pages. The Beaufort News has complete Christmas advertising service for its patrons.

New Christmas advertisers this week include Martin's a firm featuring a variety of Christmas gifts; Carteret Hardware Company which is offering suitable gifts for sportsmen and wheel toys for youngsters and Miller Furniture Company with its line of General Electric Christmas goods; Bailey Jewelry Stores and Leonards in Morehead City.

Earlier advertisers include Eastman Furniture Company, featuring toys and gifts for the home; Bells Drug Store and House Drug Store, both with many new Christmas suggestions for every member of the family; The Vogue, with its women wear and accessories for women; Photo Shop with its superb photography; Ben's Bicycle Shop and Western Auto Associate Store, wheeled goods.

HI-Y MEETS

Hi-y met at the school Monday at Activity Period. After the meeting was called to order and all business attended to, we then had a program on "Personality" after the program we closed the meeting.

Senator Bailey Is Going After Ship Building Projects

Senator Josiah W. Bailey has advised The Beaufort News that a list of all potential boat builders and assistants, data compiled by the Chamber of Commerce in Beaufort, has been placed in the hands of proper officials in Washington which may result in ship building projects coming to this section. During the past week at least two encouraging news stories out of Senator Bailey's office have indicated that ship building may soon begin on the North Carolina coast and Carteret will more than likely be in for a slice of the work.

Show Boat Will Be In Beaufort Week Of Dec. 9th

Captain Milford Seymore, owner of the Original Floating Theatre is bringing his Show Boat into port on Monday, December 9 for a full week's engagement at The Inlet Inn Pier, he telephoned The Beaufort News on Monday. Expecting amateur productions, the Show Boat players known along the waterways from New York to Florida for genuine stage entertainment, are the only professional group which come to Beaufort.

Opening production on Monday night will be "The Gossip" featuring Peggy Lennox, one time cinema actress during the old days of silent films. Ernest Chandler, top-notch black face comedian is another feature of the Original Floating Theatre on its present tour. Skipper Seymore announced that this year the prices for both the main show and the concert would be lower than in the past. The Original Floating Theatre was founded by James Adams and Edna Ferber made it famous when she lived aboard to get inspirations for her famous book and stageplay "Show Boat."

Anti-Aircraft Base For Eastern Carolina

Although The Beaufort News predicted it two months ago, it was not until this week that formal announcement was made in connection with the Government's plan to build an anti-aircraft base between Jacksonville and Wilmington. The project calls for an expenditure of \$9,000,000 which will provide facilities for over 20,000 men. Congressman Barden and Bayard Clark officially announced that the project would be constructed. It will be ready on or about March 15, 1941.

Defense Projects Increase Lumber Business Locally

Scarboro-Safrit Lumber Company started operating two shifts this week in its efforts to keep up with the increased business brought about by orders for lumber that is being used in defense projects. Approximately 100 persons are employed at the mill on Lenoxville Road and twice that number are employed in the woods cutting timber for the plant. Most of the lumber is going to Fort Bragg, North Carolina's current boom-city.

Boats And Nets Are Lost During Squall

Just as we go to press today Harvey Smith of the Fish Meal Company reported that two purse boats, nets and a catch of fish were lost during a sudden squall near the breakers abreast Rice Path, several miles west of Beaufort Inlet. The equipment was part of the fishing gear of the "Parkins" menhaden vessel owned by the Fish Meal Company. Capt. Dave Davis, master of Parkins indicated that lost equipment may be salvaged when weather abates. Value of loss according to Smith approximately is \$4,000. Beaufort Station Coast Guardsmen have offered assistance if needed.

Dr. Hyde And Miss Clark On Program PTA Study Group

The Study Group of the Parent-Teachers Association will meet at the home of Mrs. Horace Loftin on Wednesday afternoon December 11 at 4 o'clock. Dr. F. E. Hyde will talk to the group on nutritional diseases and Miss Clark, Home Agent, will demonstrate the packing of an ideal school lunch box. All members of the study group are urged to be present.

ANNUAL SEAL SALE BEGINS IN CARTERET

Schools To Share In Christmas Seal Sale

Mrs. J. G. Allen will again have charge of the Christmas Seal Sale in Carteret County with the exception of Morehead City. Seals have gone out to all schools over the county. Each school retains 75 per cent of seal sale money for health work in local school—25 per cent is returned to State headquarters.

SEAL SALE GOAL \$195 IN COUNTY

Mrs. J. G. Allen reported today that every indication points to a most successful Christmas Seal Campaign. Already Smyrna High School, has requested 1,000 additional seals having sold their first consignment. The goal for Carteret County (including Morehead City which is a unit within itself in the campaign) is \$195 and the sale will not end until Christmas.

in Winston-Salem for State and National use.

Dr. P. P. McCain, the President of the National Tuberculosis Association and Superintendent of the North Carolina Sanatorium and Western North Carolina Sanatorium, sends the following message to all North Carolinians:

Preparation for the defense of our Country against those who would destroy our liberty and our democracy is rightfully engaging the attention of our whole Nation.

Christmas Gift!

Give The Beaufort News. \$1.50 Per Year in N. C. Va. and S. C.



CARTERET BOARD RE-APPOINTS JOB-HOLDERS TO THEIR JOBS

Busy Session Held Here On Monday Morning

TAX LISTERS FOR 1941 ARE NAMED

Carteret County Commissioners on Monday reorganized for the coming term of two years. Dr. K. P. Bonner was re-elected chairman. James G. Potter was appointed county auditor, Dr. L. W. Moore was re-appointed health officer, John Johnson was re-appointed caretaker, and Miss Nan Wade was re-appointed janitress. Capt. George Lewis was re-appointed

COUNTY OFFERS U. S. EVERY COOPERATION

Carteret Commissioners on Monday adopted a resolution at the request of Beaufort and Morehead City Chambers of Commerce relative to securing defense projects along the Carteret Coast. The County Board's resolution asked for nothing but emphasized the fact that Carteret wished to offer every cooperation to any agency of Federal Government which may have under consideration the establishment of any particular unit in a county which has a coast line that takes up approximately one third of the 300 mile coast line of North Carolina. The resolution will be forwarded various Federal departments and representatives in Congress from Carteret. Representing the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce were Clyde Jones and R. H. Dunn; representing Beaufort were Dr. W. L. Woodard and Aycock Brown.

tered superintendent of the Carteret County home. Members present at the meeting besides the chairman were Bayard Taylor, W. Z. McCabe, Raymond K. Davis and

Senior Class Of Beaufort School To Present Annual Class Play Friday Night

Accompanies Naval Group To Coast



CONGRESSMAN Graham A. Barden Accompanied a Party of Three Navy Officers to the Carteret Coast Wednesday to inspect a possible site for a proposed base for lighter-than-air craft.

The Navy's official party included Capt. Charles E. Rosendahl, (hero of the Shanadoah disaster), Commander D. N. Logan and Lieutenant A. T. Flaherty and in Carteret they inspected two or three available sites west of Morehead City and two in the vicinity of Beaufort. Requirements for the base include a tract of land 620 acres in size and near a railroad. Sites throughout Eastern North Carolina have been inspected during the week and a flight over the area is also planned by Capt. Rosendahl.

In Morehead City a committee composed of Dr. Ben F. Royall, Representative H. S. Gibbs, Mayor D. B. Willis, Chamber of Commerce President I. E. Pittman, and Secretary J. L. Crump showed the party certain tracts. In Beaufort Chamber of Commerce Secretary Aycock Brown and Mayor George W. Huntley was the committee who accompanied the party to two available sites. Briefs on sites inspected must be in Washington by Saturday.

Memos of a Midwinter: Farmer Paul Whiteman gave farmer Frank Norris of Time's staff a nice Aberdeen Angus bull and farmer Norris is mighty appreciative. Ex-Senator McNaboe says if that item about keeping the wackiest company referred to him (which it didn't) he can prove it's inaccurate, except Eddie Cantor, whose flickers (except "40 Mothers") never grossed less than two million dollars, is 3,000 miles from H'wood, where they are producing a dozen musicals. No wonder the bankers who back some of those movie firms are getting grayer. Reader's Digest will soon have another competitor. Geo. Miller of the Jolson show is looking for the press agent of Kelly's Stables for erroneously coupling him with Martha Raye via nightly phone calls there.

NEW YORK HEARTBEAT

MEMOS OF A MIDWINTER

SOUNDS IN THE NIGHT

At the Circle Club: "Don't ever get the reputation of being 'a good guy' on Broadway." See WINCHELL Page 2

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, Dec. 6	LOW
1:10 AM.		7:35 AM.
1:31 PM.		8:05 PM.
	Saturday, Dec. 7	
2:07 AM.		8:36 AM.
2:27 PM.		8:56 PM.
	Sunday, Dec. 8	
3:08 AM.		9:32 AM.
3:26 PM.		9:44 PM.
	Monday, Dec. 9	
4:05 AM.		10:21 AM.
4:22 PM.		10:31 PM.
	Tuesday, Dec. 10	
4:55 AM.		11:18 AM.
5:10 PM.		11:18 PM.
	Wednesday, Dec. 11	
5:37 AM.		11:17 AM.
5:55 PM.		12:07 PM.
	Thursday, Dec. 12	
6:19 AM.		12:00 M.
6:37 PM.		12:51 PM.

Title Of Production This Year "Belle Of Barcelona"

A very famous and gay musical comedy "The Belle of Barcelona" will be presented in Beaufort High School Auditorium on Friday night, December 6, at 8:30 o'clock by the Senior Class of the local consolidated school. This production, the annual class play, is under the direction of Mrs. Charles Hassell and is said to be one of the finest ever presented here.

The scenes of "Belle of Barcelona" are laid in gay old Spain during the fiesta regime. There is a handsome American Naval officer and a beautiful Spanish senorita meet and fall in love amid the laughing, dancing and singing of the Spanish seniors and senioritas, in their brilliant costumes. A funny Irishman and a prim English governess afford the comedy with their love scenes, along with the Spanish toreador and his fiancée.

The unusual talents of the class are displayed in the solos, duets, choruses, and dances throughout the three acts. The dances are directed by Miss Ruth Lewis and Mrs. Frances Hussey of New Bern. The admission will be fifteen and thirty cents.

MERCHANTS

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Walter Winchell

New York Heartbeat
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