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## MULLET LINE STOCK BOOMS

### Morehead City Man To Serve Again As President

Stock of the state-controlled Atlantic and North Carolina railroad has increased in value from \$5 to \$40 per share during the past two years, under annual savings of \$71,683 effected in liquidation, with the old "Mullet Line" from Goldsboro to the sea now facing the brightest future in its long history, it was announced in New Bern Monday at the annual meeting of stockholders by Harry M. Jacobs, of New Bern, retiring secretary-treasurer.

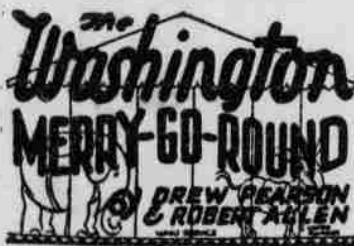
Committees were appointed to dispose of certain real estate property owned by the railroad in the vicinity of where the old Atlantic Hotel once stood in Morehead City. No reports were given at the New Bern meeting relative to the disposition of Camp Glenn property although it has been reported unofficially from other sources that this would be the site where the U. S. Navy would construct a base for small boats at an initial cost of several hundred thousand dollars.

On recommendation of Governor Broughton, W. M. Webb, of See MULLET LINE Page 8

## Health Department Making Surveys Of Local Food Places

The Carteret County Health Department is conducting a survey of cafes, restaurants, meat markets and other food handling establishments. A sanitarian of the North Carolina State Board of Health working in cooperation with the local department will visit all such places of business within the next several weeks. At this time no grades will be given, but the basis on which the grading is done will be explained. Considered in the grading are: Cleanliness of building and equipment, method of garbage disposal, proper care of food milk supply, wash room facilities, personal cleanliness of the employees, and numerous lesser items.

During October, and each month thereafter, it is expected that each location will be visited and graded. These grades will be published in this newspaper. Grades are given with the idea of indicating to those in charge of the food handling establishments ways in which their services may be improved from the sanitary point of view for the benefit of the public. It should be mentioned that the Health Department has the power to close any place which is too unsanitary as to be considered a menace to the public. It is hoped that this power will never be used.



Washington, D. C.

### U. S. BASES IN AFRICA

The public doesn't generally know it, though Nazi agents do, but the United States is very quietly and efficiently building up a series of strategic bases along the coast of Africa to guard against a Nazi air push from Dakar to South America.

First of these bases will be air-dromes at Freetown, in the British colony of Sierra Leone, now being developed by Pan American Airways on the airplane ferrying route to Egypt.

Second will be an important air-drome in Liberia, the Afro-American colony just south of Freetown. Equally important will be a submarine base in Liberia.

The Liberian air-drome is now being built in co-operation with the Firestone Rubber company.

Purpose of these bases is to take the place of the U. S. fleet in the South Atlantic. Long ago, U. S. naval strategists figured they could reduce materially the number of U. S. warships around Hawaii and California, if there were enough big bombing planes on the Pacific island bases to patrol the Pacific.

So now U. S. bombing planes operating from the African coast will do the same thing for the South Atlantic in order to guard against Nazi moves from Vichy-dominated Dakar.

See MERRY-GO-ROUND—Page 2

## CARTERET NOT REPRESENTED AT ROAD MEET

Despite the fact that civic leaders of Beaufort and Morehead City had been notified of a meeting of the Colonial Roads Association in New Bern last Friday night, no representatives from Carteret County were present. The meeting of Colonial Roads Association was for the purpose of completing an organization which has as its objective the construction of a new short cut highway and bridges across the Neuse and Pamlico connecting East Craven and Carteret Counties with U. S. 17 at Plymouth. Should the objective be realized, it would, for one thing shorten the distance between Beaufort-Morehead City and Norfolk, Va., some 40 to 60 miles.

Announcement of the proposed meeting was given members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Beaufort, the Town Board of Commissioners of Beaufort and the Chamber of Commerce in Morehead City. At a meeting of the Town Board here last Wednesday night, G. M. Paul, mayor pro-tem, and C. Z. Chappell were appointed delegates to attend the meeting. Late Friday both notified Mayor Huntley, after it was too late to appoint other delegates, that they would be unable to attend, the meeting which was held in the office of B. C. McCotter in New Bern. The secretary of the association has notified The Beaufort News editor that every section to be served by the proposed highway and bridges had delegates present, including Wilmington, which is away from the immediate territory of the proposed road—that is every section was represented except Beaufort-Morehead City and Carteret which has much to gain from such a route.

## U. S. E. D. Hearing Held Here Today

Representatives of navigation and fishing interests from Atlantic, Sea Level, Harkers Island, Davis, Beaufort and Morehead City presented evidence why Barden's Inlet should be widened and made deeper at a U. S. Engineer's Hearing conducted by Colonel Earl I. Brown, district engineer at Courthouse here today.

## Army Has Opening For Aviation Cadets

The United States Army has approximately one thousand openings for Aviation Cadets for NON-PILOT training as aerial navigators for each of the October, November and December classes. This is a wonderful opportunity for men otherwise qualified but who cannot meet visual acuity for pilot training, and for men who can meet the qualifications for pilot training but are not interested in pilot training. Minimum visual acuity required for navigator is only twenty over forty in both eyes, correctable to twenty over twenty with glasses.

Full information and necessary blanks for making application for navigator may be had by visiting, writing Sgt. J. M. Pate, the Army Recruiting Station, Post Office Building, Raleigh, N. C.

## Junior Chamber Of Commerce Approves 20 New Members

Twenty new members for Beaufort's Junior Chamber of Commerce organized here recently were approved on Monday night by the Board of Directors of the organization. During the meeting there was a discussion about rooms in the lower price bracket for defense program workers seeking a place to live in Beaufort. The Jaycees are anxious for all persons with rooms to rent in the See JUNIOR C OF C Page 8

## Home Demonstration Club Council Meets Here Next Thursday

The Carteret County Council of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs will have a very important meeting in the offices of Miss Margaret Clark, Home Agent next Thursday (Sept. 25) at 9:45 o'clock, it was announced today. All local club officers are urged to be present.

Purpose of the meeting to make plans for Home Demonstration activities during 1942. During the meeting Federation officers for 1942-43 will also be elected, it was announced.

## U. S. Navy Officer On Visit Here



ENSIGN ROBERT H. HILL, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hugh Hill, visited his parents here last weekend. He is attached to the U. S. S. Texas, which was in Norfolk on the weekend.

## TARGET TOWING PLANES FLYING OVER BEAUFORT

It has gotten to be a common sight to see planes, presumably from the U. S. Marine Airwing established at Mitchell Field near New Bern, in maneuvers over Beaufort and Morehead City. Hardly a day passes that numbers of planes are in maneuvers over the coast, looping, diving and going through all sorts of training acrobatics. Occasionally there are planes towing targets while other ships in close pursuit practice diving in gor other training made possible by the targets.

It is no longer unusual, also, to see planes of the Coast Guard base in Elizabeth City on patrol up and down the coast. Since the President's speech last week planes and ships on patrol have been given orders to "shoot" when necessary so it is likely that many of the planes flying over the coast daily now are loaded with "live" ammunition.

## COVERING THE WATERFRONT

By AYCOCK BROWN

THE HIGHWAY patrolman on duty at Cherry Point tells me about a guy from Virginia who is selling jobs on the Cunningham Field project to workers. His system is something like this: \$15 for a laborer or \$25 for a skilled worker. Things like that going on up there is going to result in some unfavorable publicity for the project. The FBI in the vicinity would like to do something about it, one Patrolman told me but there is no law against it. The Patrolman would like to do something too but they are in the same boat—there is no law against job selling.

THE PATROLMEN did make the fellow buy a North Carolina license tag, which he paid for with a rubber check, but apparently he made the check good. Seems to me that Congressman Barden and the Navy Department or Bureau of Aeronautics could think of a good way to get rid of guys going around selling jobs when the N. C. Employment Service has been set up for that purpose, and have been doing a mighty good job here in the east where the work is carried on under the direction of W. C. Carleton.

A TOWN OFFICIAL informed me that the owner of the building at the northeast corner of Front and Craven has a 90-day period from the meeting of the Board of Commissioners in August to make repairs. The proposed repairs meet with the approval of the Town Board but not with the law governing construction work within the fire district. (My authority for the latter part of the foregoing sentence is Fire Chief Duncan). While on the subject I would like to say, that if I was a betting man, I would bet any member of the Board of Commissioners in Beaufort two to one that the repairs or whatever it is they have approved will not be completed within a 90-day period. We will see.

ALSO WHILE ON the subject and for the benefit of those who read the letter, the one which bore the signatures of Charles and Oliver Davis and appeared on our editorial page was not written by either of these young men. One man said that Oliver did not even See WATERFRONT Page 8

## EARLY SWEETS WILL BE DUG IN FEW DAYS

### Bulk Of Carteret's Crop Harvest To Be Next Month

1,700 ACRES PLANTED  
IN COUNTY THIS YEAR

Carteret's sweet potato acreage this year is approximately 1,700 acres, according to J. Y. Lassiter, Farm Agent, who stated today that a few of the earlier varieties will probably be harvested next week or in a short time. The main harvest, however, will not come until mid-October, when the sweet potatoes dug will be placed in curing houses that are located on many of the farms north and east of Beaufort.

Shortening days and cooler nights which herald the arrival of fall harvest time for sweet potatoes, also heralds activity on the part of extension experts of N. C. State College. This was indicated in the announcement by Farm Agent Lassiter that arrangements have been made for two demonstrations, under the supervision of experts from State College, to take place in Carteret County next month, probably during the week beginning October 20. A sweet potato story issued by State College this week follows:

Potatoes keep best when they are allowed to mature before harvesting and before frost kills the vines, according to Lewis P. Watson, extension horticulturist of N. C. State College. If the vines are killed by frost, they should be removed immediately and the potatoes stored in a cool place. See EARLY SWEETS Page 8

## WIDER RUNWAY AT AIRPORT IS AID TO PLANES

Widening of the 2,900 foot runway at the Beaufort-Morehead City airport in West Beaufort completed last week by Earl Taylor, local aviation enthusiast has aided materially in improving the landing facilities there for visiting planes. The runway which previously was about 115 feet wide now has a width of 165 feet. In the meantime Taylor is extending the length of the n-w and s-e runway from about 1,500 feet to 2,000 feet.

CAA-officials notified the B-MC Airport Authority's tentative secretary-chairman Aycock Brown this week that soon they would have one of their engineers drop in at the local field to inspect the facilities after which, if it met with auxiliary field approvals, the 'port would be included in bulletins issued weekly to airmen. The CAA officials had been contacted with the thought in view, that an engineer would be sent here, not only to inspect the field, but to make recommendations for its improvements.

## 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.

Daylight Saving Time

HIGH	Friday, Sept. 19	LOW
7:25 AM		1:21 AM
7:43 AM		1:38 PM
	Saturday, Sept. 20	
8:12 AM		2:06 AM
8:28 PM		2:27 PM
	Sunday, Sept. 21	
8:57 AM		2:48 AM
9:16 PM		
	Monday, Sept. 22	
9:44 AM		3:32 AM
10:02 PM		4:01 PM
	Tuesday, Sept. 23	
10:33 AM		4:14 AM
10:51 PM		4:49 PM
	Wednesday, Sept. 24	
11:24 AM		5:00 AM
1:43 PM		5:42 PM
	Thursday, Sept. 25	
12:16 PM		5:49 AM
		6:38 PM

## Urges Citizens To Attend Meeting



MAYOR GEORGE W. Huntley has announced that there would be a mass meeting of citizens at City Hall on Friday night September 19, at 8 o'clock for the purpose of discussing the formation of a zoning commission for Beaufort. All property owners and others interested are urged to attend. (Eubanks News Photo).

## NEW CITY TO BE BUILT ON RT. 24

A new city, or a housing project of 700 units, will be constructed by the Navy Department in the vicinity of Piney Green on N. C. Route 24. Nine tracts of land have been taken in there in one area on which the city will be built. The housing project will house the married enlisted men and civilian employees of Marine Barracks when the permanent structures are completed and occupied. Bids for furnishing the material for the housing unit were opened last Wednesday.

## Need For Harbor At Sea Level Is Increasing Daily

Need for harbor improvements is increasing daily in the community of Sea Level, and the residents there cannot understand why the improvements once promised were never made. It seems that there was some sort of agreement a few years ago that if the State of North Carolina would build a paved road into the community to the present harbor facilities, that the harbor would be improved as a WPA-project. The road was completed at a cost of several thousand dollars — but the waterway improvements were never made.

Harold Taylor, prominent citizen of the community has one of the most complete briefs ever presented at a hearing of the U. S. Engineers, explaining why the improvements should be made. This brief has been presented at hearings a number of times, but so far the U.S.E.D. has not recommended the improvements. In Atlantic a harbor was created as a WPA-project when Capt. James R. Morris and associates put up cash as sponsor's share. The Atlantic harbor has proved of much benefit to navigation interests and the fishing fleet that bases there during certain intervals of the year. Taylor has stated that while the residents of Sea Level cannot put up the sponsor's share, that it was See HARBOR Page 8

## INVITE YDC TO OCRAOKE ISLAND

Wires from Wahab Howard, secretary Ocracoke Chamber of Commerce and from R. S. Wab, the island's most prominent citizen, were sent this morning, to the Young Democrats convening in Winston-Salem, inviting them to the island for a summer convention in 1942.

## Treasury Official Visits C. G. Units Along Outer Banks

Herbert E. Gaston, assistant secretary of the U. S. Treasury and Mrs. Gaston visited aboard the C. G. Cutter "Andico" to the Outer Banks early this week. They visited several of the new Coast Guard units along the Banks, stopping for about 24 hours at Ocracoke Island where Capt. Steve Basnight in charge of the Super-Station unit there was their host. They were accompanied to the island by Capt. R. I. Hudson, commander of the Pamlico. The party were shown over the island by Charles McWilliams and other islanders.

## Building Underway In Vicinity Of Beaufort

### MASS MEETING City Hall, On Friday Night Sept. 19-8 P.M.

Citizens of Beaufort and its suburbs are urged to attend a Mass Meeting at City Hall on Friday night, September 19, at 8 o'clock. Purpose of the meeting is to discuss plans for zoning Beaufort and the creation of a zoning commission. Without proper zoning, Beaufort stands little chance to get any of the improvements which will be possible as result of national defense program. If, on the other hand, Beaufort is properly zoned, there will be opportunities to get housing projects, utility improvements, such as sewers and disposal plants and other things needed for the progress of Beaufort and its future.

It is essential that persons owning available building sites as well as property owners be present at the meeting. Stanley Woodland of Morehead City, who is one of the best informed men in Carteret County on town and city zoning, due to fact that he has talked with government officials often relative to zoning plans, will be present at the meeting to answer any questions relative to the proposal to formation of a Zoning Commission.

## Expect Marines At New River Marine Barracks Next Week

Three hundred U. S. Marines have arrived at the New River Barracks and are getting the temporary tented area of U. S. 17, south of Jacksonville ready for the reception of approximately 6,000 more expected sometime during the coming week. The first detail arrived from Quantico. It has been reported that the additional men will be transferred from Paris Island and Quantico.

## Expect Marines At New River Marine Barracks Next Week

The Onslow News and Reviews, semi-weekly newspaper published by Billy Arthur reported progress at the Marine Barracks, New River as follows:

"Considering the number of persons employed and the accessibility of materials, definitely good progress has been made on Marine Barracks. . . The temporary area is ready for occupancy. . . In the Hadnot Points section roads are being constructed and barracks erected with efficient and satisfactory speed.

"Everyone is apparently satisfied with the progress of construction except folks who have gone to that section looking for a lot of work and unable to find same—and those who have put up small places of business looking for "gravy" and—they haven't got it either, according to the Onslow newspaper. . .

## WALTER MOORE SENT TO MARINE HOSPITAL RESULT OF EXPLOSION

Walter (Boo) Moore, formerly of Beaufort, is recovering at the U. S. Marine Hospital on Staten Island in New York Harbor from injuries suffered during an explosion on an oil tanker last Thursday morning at 6 o'clock. He was engineer of the tanker. His injuries were described as serious by Eldad Moore who sent the report home.

## Cecil Brooks Going To Greenland Bases

Cecil C. Brooks, engineer aboard a ship is now enroute to Greenland where he will be stationed for three months. The vessel is presumably transporting supplies to the new U. S. Bases that have been established on the Danish protectorate. Mr. Brooks is a native of Beaufort and brother of George and John Brooks, well known local men. News of his departure for Greenland was sent The Beaufort News by Eldad Moore of 521 W. 122nd St., New York City, the port from which the vessel sailed on Tuesday.

## New Homes Showing Growth Of Town And Suburbs

TOWN'S POPULATION  
INCREASING STEADILY

Since the 1940 Census was taken last year, Beaufort's population has increased considerably, (10 percent would be a conservative estimate) and this is reflected in the rentals of places to live plus the building activity in the vicinity of Beaufort and its suburbs. The population of Morehead City, likewise is increasing daily.

John Bridgers, well known real estate man of Morehead City told The Beaufort News on the weekend that despite census figures that were given out last year he felt the population of Morehead City today was a minimum of 5,000 persons and that Beaufort and its suburbs would (should another census be taken at this time) reveal a similar figure. John Crump, secretary of the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce reported that a number of new homes were now under construction in the ocean port city, with plans for even larger housing projects to begin at early dates.

In Beaufort vicinity one of the newest and most modern homes is that of the R. W. Safrits on Atlantic road in the Highland Park section. The Safrits have just moved into their new home which See MUCH BUILDING P 8

## GROUND SAILFISH ALMOST TAKEN BARE HANDED AT LOOKOUT

Capt. Guy Lewis, master of the Gulf Stream fishing boat "Piggie" in town today from Cape Lookout reported that he, with the R. W. Bakers of Greensboro and other summer visitors ran a 9-foot sailfish ashore into shallow waters and almost caught it barehanded.

## The Beaufort News To Cooperate With Naval Recruiters

An extensive recruiting campaign with newspaper publishers cooperating throughout the United States will be launched immediately in Carteret County. The Beaufort News is one of many newspapers in this State that will lend every effort through publicity, to the campaign. Although the campaign does not get underway until next week, the Navy Editor of the Beaufort News has already gotten some interesting data for distribution to young men seeking an interesting life in the U. S. Navy.



## The Private Papers Of a Cub Reporter

Eddie Dowling, the star of "Time of Your Life" and other plays, is an intimate of the President. Not long ago Eddie brought some Broadway entertainers to amuse White House guests. Among the stars was Giovanni, the delightful pickpocket. Giovanni, as almost any Broadwayfarer can assure you, is so good at his business—he can remove your vest without your suspecting it. . . At any rate, the President was vastly amused. He suggested that Giovanni get the gun from a White House guard's holster. But every time Giovanni approached the Secret Service man—the latter backed away saying: "N-h-n. Not me, please." When FDR later asked Dowling: "Did he get that guard's gun yet?" Eddie explained how the guard was hep to matters and wouldn't be sootable. . . If you engaged him in conversation, Mr. President," suggested Eddie, "Giovanni would have his gun in four seconds!" . . . "Do you know," whispered Mr. Roosevelt, "that even the President of the United States hasn't the authority to get that man away from that door?" Secret service men have only one boss—congress.

Why Historians Go Wrong Dep't: After the Roosevelt-Churchill meeting at sea, one of the weekly news digests reported that FDR and Winston met for five days and not three See WINCHELL—Page 2