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C. H. YOUNG HAS BEEN EMPLOYED BY COUNTY REA

Half Of Lines In
Carteret Have
Been Strung

COMPLETION DATE IS
NOW SET FOR FEB. 15

C. H. Young, formerly in charge of the Miller Baxter Company's crew which was employed by the Carteret Craven Electric Membership Cooperative to build approximately 158 miles of lines from one end of the county to the other, has been employed as operating manager of coastal utility. He is a native of Owensboro, Ky., and before his connections with the Carteret-Craven Cooperative he had been employed for the past five years by the Miller Baxter Company. He was highly recommended for the job, and local persons associated with the Carteret REA knew much of his ability before he was employed due to his previous work in the county as manager for Miller-Baxter Company.

Carteret-Craven REA project's potential completion date has been set for February 15. It would have been finished in September (as first planned) had not the National Emergency come along to slow up the arrival of materials. Much of the project has been completed already, however, and about 80 miles of the total of 158 miles has been energized. Lines have been strung along Route 24 to Pelletier and Stella, and so far this section has not been energized. Lines have also been strung from Newport where the sub-station is located to Cherry Point, and to Core Creek. These lines have been energized. Lines have also been

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Santa Claus Is Coming To Town

Santa Claus, (himself in person) will arrive in Beaufort on Saturday afternoon, and he will be a familiar sight on Front street in the vicinity of downtown stores until Christmas Eve. His arrival in Beaufort is sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, and, as a result of a meeting of that organization at the Inlet Inn on Monday night of this week.



Man About Town:

The Story Tellers: The Dec. 2nd Look has this observation by S. Spewack: That the bombings of Britain accomplished this much, at least: The British people realized that property rights aren't as important as human rights. . . . Perhaps Life magazine is a jinx. First it went all-out for a baseball rookie who never lived up to their sugary words about him. Then Life threw a book of pretty orchids at a football team in Texas which got licked and went right into a losing streak. Now Life hangs a blue ribbon around a show whose star has become very ill and forced the play's postponement. . . . Jim Young's piece in Flying and Popular Aviation is eye-opening.

The Front Pages: Mr. Woolcott got a little originality into his back-from-Europe interview. He recalled that the funniest thing said in the Old County during his sojourn was a little ad lib of his own—"Oh, to be in England now that Averell is here!" . . . He also declined to be quoted on something he could sell—which is a line from his character in "The Man Who Came to Dinner" . . . A local copy-reader has a scrap-book of editorials walloping FDR for allegedly muzzling the press. His title for the collection is "In Defense of Hysteria" . . . In "The Chuckling Fingers," (a whale of a crime yarn) the author reports news photogs setting up their tri-

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His Students Have Another Successful Father-Son Banquet



C. S. LONG, Vo-Ag teacher of Newport School, who is an outstanding leader in his field of work, along with the cooperation of his students and the Home Economic group, presented another very successful Father-Son banquet last Friday night. The theme of the banquet this year was patriotism, and patriotic ideas was presented during the program, as well as in the decorations.

Principal speaker on the program was Dr. Ben F. Royal whose subject was Poems, and how the poets of the ages have predicted the present world crisis. In his most interesting and illuminating talk he brought his subject to a climax by bringing back the "Father and Son" thought. His talk was brief, but to the point. "The definition of character is what is left of a man after his reputation is gone. You can't keep a man down who has character," he said.

H. C. Joslyn, principal of Morehead City Schools and chairman of the Production Credit Association for three coastal counties, was the first speaker on the program, and his subject hinged around the relationship of fathers and sons. During the program two of the Vo-Ag students, dressed as soldier and sailor, gave a demonstration about the proper use of the American flag.

Much credit for the success of the event was due Miss Parker, Home-Economics teacher and her students who prepared the delicious banquet for the fathers, sons and guests present.

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RED CROSS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ENDS

The final checkup for the 1942 Roll Call conducted by the Beaufort Chapter of the American Red Cross, under the chairmanship of E. C. McConnell, reveals that this has been the most successful Roll Call in the history of the Chapter. The total money collected amounted to \$472.35. The total membership were 447 divided as follows: one \$10.00 membership; four \$5.00 memberships; 442 \$1.00 memberships. The monies collected for the Roll Call are divided between the local chapter and the National Organization. Fifty cents of each membership plus half of all contributions under \$1.00 goes to headquarters and the remainder See MEMBERSHIP Page 8

Tax Executions May Be Paid On Partial Plan Until Jan. 22

Sheriff C. G. Holland announced today that anyone desiring to make partial payments on executions served as result of delinquent taxes may do so, provided the full amount of taxes due is paid in full by January 22, 1942, which is the date set for advertising. This new plan has been adopted to aid those who can pay off executions in installments, and so that their property may be saved from Sheriff's sale. The partial payments, however, must be made into the Sheriff's Office and not the regular Tax Collector's Office, it was stated.

Air Raid Blackout Warnings

Members of Carteret Post 99, American Legion, have been officially sworn in as Air Raid Blackout Wardens in Beaufort and during Blackout tests or actual emergencies arising from attack by enemy planes they have police power and authority to arrest any violators of the new Ordinance relative to this precautionary setup.

T. E. Kelly has been named Chief Warden, and his assistant or zone chiefs include C. L. Beam, W. L. Hattell and R. H. Hill. The following Legionnaires have been named as wardens with authority to enforce the new law: Al Thomas, Joe House, H. F. Prytherch and Fred King; Elmore Davis, C. Z. Chappell, Elmore Stewart, and Vance Fulford; W. H. Bailey, Jacob Miller, Fulton Stanley, James Fodrie and John Thaxton. These wardens are supplemented by local and county peace officers, and each during an emergency can deputize additional apersons if needed.

The first blackout (due to the fact that most everyone knew of it in advance) was declared a success. Future tests will not be announced in advance. Circulars have been distributed throughout Beaufort relative to the ordinance and advices to individuals. On this same circular the following advice was carried:

Advice To The Individual
When air raid warnings sound after dark during blackouts, don't get panicky, but proceed about your business calmly and quietly without undue haste. To run or

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Air Raid Warning Post Organization Completed Locally

Beaufort's Air Raid Warning Observation Post, now under the management of Hugh Piner, chief warden, has been completed and is ready to function, it was announced today. However, the observation posts of the county will not be manned until instructions are received from the Interceptor Command which includes this area. However Carteret Post when organized must give at least one daily report between the hours of 8-9 A. M. 12-1 noon or 5-7 evening to the central post for testing purposes.

Only two communities in Carteret have fully organized their Observation Post personnel. They are Beaufort and Pelletier. The latter community has as its chief, D. W. Truckner. It is most important that other posts be organized immediately. William H. Bailey, post organizer for Carteret stated that should the post-chiefs of any community not understand fully their duties relative to completing organization of posts that he will furnish same on Sunday afternoon, if those interested come to Beaufort. Post Organizer Bailey stated that he would be at his store (Wm. H. Bailey Jeweler) from 4 until 6 o'clock.

In Beaufort the observation posts can and will be manned on 15-minutes notice of the Interceptor Command. Women will man

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Speed Up Work At Cunningham Field

Due to the new angles of the National Emergency brought about by the Declaration of War a few days ago, work is being speeded up at Cunningham Field, the U. S. Marine Air Base at Cherry Point. Employees on this project were notified this week that "effective immediately all employees shall be required to work not less than one full eight-hour day in excess of the basic five day, 40-hour week." The new ruling will effect a number of persons living on the Carteret Coast who are employed on the project.

Portsmouth, In Carteret County, Has Smallest School In The United States



PORTSMOUTH, Carteret County community, with a population of only about 30 persons today, has the smallest school in North Carolina and probably in the nation. Half of the student body of this school, Myrtle and Doris Midgett, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John Midgett of the community, are shown in the photo. They stand beside a stuffed albatross which is a sort of mascot of the school, and about which a story appeared in Ocracoke Island Beacon on December 15 along with the above photo. The insert shows Mrs. Abner Dixon, teacher of this school. She has two other students, Jesse Lee and Marion Joyce Babb who are in her "high school" department. The total enrollment is only four students. Mrs. Dixon has been teacher of Portsmouth school since 1917 excepting for two or three years.—(Photo by Aycock Brown; Cut Courtesy Ocracoke Island Beacon.)

Christmas Services In Churches On The Coast

ANN ST. METHODIST

The Ann Street Methodist choir under the direction of James Wheatly will give a program of Christmas music at the church at 7:30 Sunday evening. There will also be carol singing by the congregation. You will want to enjoy this worship in music.

On Sunday evening (December 21) at 7:30 o'clock the program of music will be as follows: Prelude; Procession, Joy to the World; Hymn, Hark! the Herald Angels Sing; Prayer; Solo, The Lord's Prayer; Hymn, It Came Upon the Midnight Clear; Voluntary; Bible Readings; Choir, Star of Bethlehem; Hymn, O Little Town of Bethlehem; Solo, Ave Maria; Choir, O Holy Night; Hymn, While Shepherds Watched; Choir, Silent Night; Benediction, and Postlude.

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.

HIGH	Friday, Dec. 19	LOW
8:44 AM	2:22 AM	
9:05 PM	3:08 PM	
	Saturday, Dec. 20	
9:36 AM	3:13 AM	
9:59 PM	3:57 PM	
	Sunday, Dec. 21	
10:28 AM	4:04 AM	
10:52 PM	4:47 PM	
	Monday, Dec. 22	
11:19 PM	4:56 AM	
	Tuesday, Dec. 23	
11:45 AM	5:54 AM	
12:10 PM	6:33 PM	
	Wednesday, Dec. 24	
12:39 AM	6:56 AM	
1:00 PM	7:28 PM	
	Thursday, Dec. 25	
1:34 AM	8:00 AM	
1:54 PM	8:22 PM	

FIRST BAPTIST IN BEAUFORT

A Christmas program will be presented on next Sunday, (December 21) morning at 11 o'clock. This program will be presented instead of the regular morning services at the First Baptist Church. The program follows:

Prelude: Harry Paul; Procession: Hark the Herald Angels Sing, Mendelssohn, by the choir; Doxology; Invocation; by the pastor; Lo, How a Rose, Michael Praetorius, by girls' sextette: Noel, Rita Bowers, by choir; offering and announcements; Solo, by Florence Smith; I Heard the Voice of Jesus, Bonae McCormick, by male quartet; Singing of Him, Ira B. Wilson, by choir; Responsive Reading; God So Loved the World, J. Stainer, by choir and, Benediction and Recessional.

COMMUNITY CHURCH CORE CREEK

A program of Christmas music from the Maas Cathedral Chimes and new Hammond Organ by Mrs. Graydon M. Paul will be presented at Core Creek Community Church on next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, it was announced today by Rev. W. Y. Stewart, pastor. The Church has extended a cordial invitation to everyone to attend the program from the Chimes and the Christmas service. If atmospheric conditions are right the chime program amplified from the church steeple should be heard over a wide area.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Paul's Episcopal Church will observe the 1942 Christmas season with the Sunday School Christmas Tree being held on Tuesday night at 6:00 o'clock and the traditional Christmas Eve celebration of the Holy Communion at 11:30 Wednesday night.

There will be no services in the church on Christmas Day so all members of the church are urged to attend Christmas Eve and make their Christmas Communion.

Beaufort Red Cross Chapter Sets Up Disaster Committee

TO ENFORCE LAW ON FIREWORKS SHOOTING HERE

Mayor Graydon Paul very emphatically stated this morning that local police had been given instructions to arrest every person who violates the local law which prohibits the shooting of fireworks in the downtown business area, and persons throwing fireworks from automobiles underway. In the latter case, the State Highway Patrol is very apt to come into the picture, and the offender is very likely to find himself not only in Mayor's Court where the minimum fine is \$5 but where the costs go much above this figure.

"As a matter of fact," said Mayor Paul, "the ordinance prohibits the shooting of fireworks in Beaufort except in the back yards of homes." Furthermore, parents are urged to look at firecracker shooting this year from its moral aspects. That is, they are urged to prohibit their children from shooting the explosives even on their own property—due to the general hysteria that has been brought about with our entry into the World War. An appeal to this effect has been made by the Principals of the schools and by officials of the PTA.

In closing his remarks, Mayor Paul stated that he planned to show no leniency towards anyone shooting fireworks. The minimum fine will be imposed upon conviction on anyone, regardless of whether it is the children of the mayor or the children of the editor, or any one else.

The fine will be increased against the person convicted of throwing firecrackers from moving or parked autos. The police have their orders and this story is a warning to all—DON'T SHOOT FIREWORKS in Beaufort this year unless you want to be arrested for violating the ordinance which prohibits same.

COVERING THE WATERFRONT

By AYCOCK BROWN

BEAUFORT'S first War-time blackout was a success, primarily because about half the people knew in advance that it was scheduled. Then, too, the Boy Scouts had circled the town with the new ordinance printed on hand bills, which helped make the people blackout conscious. With one or two exceptions the entire population co-operated splendidly. Probably less than five percent of the people really took the "test black-out" seriously. People generally have not taken the possibility of an enemy aerial attack on Beaufort seriously, because they think that since Japan is 12,000 miles away no planes of that nation will ever attempt to bomb the east coast. The same people think that the Atlantic Ocean is a barrier against possible invasion from our enemies to the eastward.

WE PREDICT an air-raid or some eastern city of the United States within a short time. Of course we may be wrong. Our prediction that the United States would be in War by September did not come true. Only thing that happened was that our Navy got shooting orders that month. War was not actually declared until December 6. We urged the use of WPA funds for the construction of air raid shelters back in 1936. We were laughed at when we predicted that eventually they would serve a most useful purpose. Time Magazine probably "hoondoggled" the idea out of existence in 1936, when they gave national publicity to the proposal under the caption "Beaufort Boondoggle."

BACK IN September 1939 we called the coast of North Carolina an open doorway for enemy invasion from the east. We urged the

Dr. F. E. Hyde Will Serve As Head Of Group

The Beaufort Red Cross Chapter during the past week set up its Disaster Preparedness Committee to take its place with other agencies of the Civilian Defense Council.

Dr. F. E. Hyde, chapter chairman, will act as head of the Disaster Committee and take a place on the Civilian Defense Council composed of Chiefs of Air-raid Wardens, Police, Fire, Air-raid Spotters and others.

The heads of various sub-committees are Rescue, Mr. James Stewart; Medical Aid, Mrs. W. S. Chadwick; Shelter, Rev. Stanley Potter; Clothing, Mrs. C. R. Wheatley; Transportation, W. E. Adair; Registration, Mrs. Richard Bloodgood; Information and Publicity, Aycock Brown; Finance, E. C. McConnell and James Davis.

RED CROSS WAR FUND UNDERWAY

Give your Red Cross War Fund contributions to the person or persons who called on you last month for the Roll Call campaign. The colored people of Beaufort can give their contributions to Capt. John Davis or Mrs. Carrie Davis who have been appointed for this by the Chapter officers. Read guest editorial on Page 4, this issue.

More persons have heard owls than have seen them, because most owls are active at night.

Your Red Cross War Relief contribution will save lives. Give to the Red Cross now.

The Washington MERRY-GO-ROUND

Washington, D. C. HIDDEN TREASURE

With American industries crying for war materials, the government has finally got around to seizing a giant hoard of semi-manufactured war materials originally intended for the conquered countries.

Tons upon tons of steel bars, steel rods, steel sheets, ship plates, tin plate, copper wire were ordered by Poland, Czechoslovakia, Holland and Belgium, some of it three years ago. It has been in warehouses and idle freight cars ever since, despite the scarcity of raw materials and despite the fact that some industries are even closing for lack of them.

Why this hoard of priceless material remained untouched for so long is a mystery. But the secret is first, government red tape and bureaucracy; second, the fact that owners of these materials, who were holding them for higher prices, did not want to sell.

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