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## WORK TO BEGIN ON NEW AIRPORT COMING WEEK

### Houses Moved from Designated Area

Unofficially, it is said that work on the new Beaufort-Morehead City Airport will begin next week. The houses to be moved from the area designated by the Engineering Department for the Airport have crossed several fields and been put down on the east side of the old New Bern road opposite the recently vacated County Home. John Chapman, the largest was the first and took the longest trip. It was moved from the Grahamville shore line to the first lot on the right of H. T. Carraway's, Denard Davis, of Davis, with the help of nine men, a horse, and a windlass or capstan, raised it up, put it on rollers, laid a track of boards and in something like eight days had it in its new setting. Berkeley Piner's was moved next, and he is John's next door neighbor on his right. On the same stretch Joe Buttry's house has come to rest, then Henry Edwards, Mr. Davis, moving specialist, has been in the business for years. He claims the houses each

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## COUNTY HOME TO HOUSE LABOR

### Co. Board Allows Temporary Use of Bldg. to Relieve Acute Shortage

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday. But four members were present as no one has been appointed to fill the vacancy due to the death of W. Z. McCabe.

The Board voted to allow use of the recently vacated County Home for 150 colored laborers to be brought in to relieve the acute shortage of farm help. Thousands of dollars have been put into the County which will be lost as well as the urgently needed foods unless something is done at once. In allowing the use of the Home for the emergency, Commissioners state that Fred Lewis is to have an office in the building and be in charge, caretaker George Lewis will live there to see that the County property is cared for, and County Health Officer Stevick will look after health conditions. They also state that the emergency is of short duration and occupancy will be for six weeks at the most.

Miss Lena Duncan and Rev. W. Y. Stewart appeared before the Board to appeal for support for the Carteret County Library. The Board decided to carry this matter over until the July meeting in order to investigate resources available for the purpose.

Four tax matters were presented and approved.

## Health Department Trains Workers

Recently grants from the U. S. Public Health Service and the Kellogg Foundation have made available a number of fellowships for the training of workers in the field of Health Education.

This week two of these workers joined the staff of the County Health Department for the summer. They are Miss Alice Griesemer of Reading, Pa. and Miss Lucille Brownell of Cambridge, New York.

These young ladies have recently completed a period of training in the School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

They will take part in the county-wide educational programs of the Health Department. The training received here will prepare these workers for positions in the near future in County and State Health Departments. A great demand for educational programs in the Health Field has recently developed throughout the county to help solve many of the war time Public Health Problems.

## Prytherch Tells National Group About N. C. Oysters

Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Prytherch and Herbie and Catherine returned to Piver's Island Saturday night following a trip to Philadelphia where Dr. Prytherch addressed the National Shell Fisheries Convention in Philadelphia on Oyster Farming in the State of North Carolina. Dr. Prytherch's mother and sister, Mrs. H. W. Prytherch and Miss Catherine Prytherch, of Binghamton, New York, met them in Philadelphia and returned with them for a short visit in Beaufort.

## County Advertising In Today's Edition

The 1942 delinquent tax list is being advertised beginning in this issue of The Beaufort News. The list was divided this year due to the shortage of labor and material. The Beaufort News was given the names of property owners East of Newport River and the names of those West of Newport River are being advertised in the Morehead City paper. The list is much smaller this year than in previous years due to the fact that there is more money in circulation and the increased efforts of County officials to collect these taxes by using their authority under the State laws.

Be careful not to pinch, bruise, or break the skin on any fruit or rot will enter.

## MEMORIAL SERVICES HELD AT OCRACOKE



OFFICERS AND ENLISTED men of the Naval Section Base on Ocracoke Island took part in the memorial services conducted at Cunningham Cemetery on Sunday, May 30. In this cemetery four members of the Royal Navy who lost their lives in action during the current war off the east Coast. The cemetery was named in honor of Lieutenant Thomas Cunningham, one of those who was lost off the coast. Also in the burial ground are two unknown sailors, identified as British from the uniforms they were wearing and Stanley R. Craig, an A. B. sailor aboard one of His Majesty's Ships. The services were conducted by Lieutenant John T. Callan, a Naval Roman Catholic chaplain and Rev. William Dixon, pastor of the Methodist church at Ocracoke. The photo shows the four graves, marked by stone crosses, but does not show the hundred or more Naval personnel who took part in the services. A 16 man firing squad fired three volleys following the services and a Bugler blew taps as the services came to a close.

## LIBRARY

Letter presented to the Board of County Commissioners by Miss Lena Duncan and Rev. W. Y. Stewart Monday morning in connection with a request for support for the County Library.

Beaufort, N. C., May 19, 1943. The Board of Commissioners, County of Carteret, Beaufort, North Carolina. Gentlemen:

In connection with the urgent and sincere appeal for aid being made to you for our Library, the writer wishes to offer a few points of information and general interest, area served, circulation, types of reading and volumes on hand.

Your Library has reached its present position of aid and pleasure to citizens of Carteret not without considerable effort having been made in its behalf, and its sponsors have oft times faced what, to them, appeared insurmountable difficulties. However, they have resolutely carried on secure in the knowledge that our Library was an educational and therefore a cultural necessity for our community. It has been truly a labor of love on the part of some of our far-sighted, faithful, and deeply concerned citizens. Now, once again, we must ask for life-giving help.

Perhaps the following facts will prove of interest and of assistance: We are providing a regular

## New Commander



JACOB MILLER, local Furniture Dealer was elected Commander of Carteret Post 99 American Legion on last Friday night. Mr. Miller has served as Finance Officer of the Post for a number of years. He will continue to fill this position also. C. Z. Chappell and Jerome Meacham were elected Vice Commanders. The other officers of the Post will be appointed by Commander Miller.

## Permits Required To Ship Potatoes

RALEIGH, June 8—The War Food administration has taken control over shipment of potatoes from 36 Eastern North Carolina counties. C. Hillman Moody, head of the Food Distribution Administration in North Carolina, has announced.

The purpose of the control is to enable the armed forces to obtain essential supplies and provide for equitable distribution of military purchases among both producing areas and individual growers and shippers.

All shippers must obtain permits before making shipments either by rail or truck. Offices to handle permits have been set up by the FDA in Goldsboro and Washington.

Carteret is among the 36 North Carolina counties affected—there are 54 others in other southeastern states.

## BEAUFORT BOYS In The Service

Lt. and Mrs. Graham Herring of New Bern spent Sunday with Lt. Edward Potter who is living here while assigned to Cherry Point.

Sgt. Wren Lawrence, of Fort Bragg, spent the week end here with his wife, the former Mildred Salter.

Word was received last week that Donald Williams, Seaman 1st Class, USNR, is with our forces overseas.

Lt. Robert Stamey expects to be in New Orleans for two weeks and Mrs. Stamey leaves Monday to join him there.

Ben Bell has been transferred during the past week to Great Falls, Montana.

Jack Barnes, son of Mrs. R. E. King, has been transferred to Headquarters, Drew Field, and advanced to Corporal.

Clarence Guthrie, Pharmacist Mate, 1 class, spent the week end in Beaufort with his parents. He had an eight day furlough which he divided between the mountains and the coast.

Stanley Weaver is still in Walter Reed Hospital. After a few more weeks he is looking forward to thirty days sick leave and a visit to his home and friends here.

Spoilage spreads in the forgotten can or box. Frequent check-ups save food.

## MAJOR SCHERER DIES MONDAY OF HEART ATTACK

### Funeral Conducted Wednesday Morn.

Major George C. Scherer, retired Army officer, died last Monday afternoon of a heart attack with which he was stricken on Friday while fishing with friends.

Major Scherer came to Beaufort about five years ago and he and Mrs. Scherer have made their home in the old Thomas place at the west end of Front Street. He has for some years been agent for the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company of Greensboro.

Funeral services were held from the home at eleven o'clock Wednesday morning conducted by the Rev. J. H. Bynum, visiting rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, and the body was laid to rest in the Episcopal Cemetery. Pallbearers were Messrs. Otis Willis, Will Arrington, Joseph House, George Huntley, Charlie Hatsell and William Skarren.

Major Scherer is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Davis Scherer, member of one of the old Beaufort families, and by an invalid sister in Norfolk.

## Mr. O'Berry Dies In Raleigh Sunday

A telegram was received here Sunday stating that Charles H. O'Berry, aged 77, died on that date at Rex Hospital, Raleigh. Mr. O'Berry recently underwent a major operation for stomach trouble. A report had been received that he rallied from the operation, but apparently his improvement was very temporary.

Mr. O'Berry is survived by his niece, Mrs. C. F. Koonce, with whom he made his home. Funeral services were held in Raleigh Monday afternoon from Brown's Funeral Home conducted by the Rev. James McDowell Dick, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd. He was laid to rest in Oakwood Cemetery.

Mr. O'Berry operated a grocery store at the corner of Turner and Cedar Streets here for something like thirteen years during which time he made his home in the same place. In December 1942 because of advanced age and ill health he sold out to Mrs. L. F. Williams and went to Raleigh.

ST. PAUL'S  
The Rev. J. H. Bynum who conducted services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church last Sunday will preach again at the eleven o'clock service this coming Sunday.

## Everything That Comes Out Of War Isn't Bad Says Judge Stevens

### Alfred E. Larson Back From Iceland

Alfred Larson who has had some harrowing experiences in the Merchant Marine is at the home of his sister, Mrs. O. C. Deal, of Kannapolis, but as soon as he is fit, he intendst o get into things again.

Alfred spent four years in Carteret before the war. He was with Mr. R. B. King for two, and with Mr. C. T. Eubanks on his farm on the New Bern road for two. Mr. Eubanks expresses himself as fond of the farm boy of Norwegian blood; Larson's letters show that the friendship is mutual. His latest beginning, "Dear Folks" had in it a clipping from a Western Carolina paper giving the story of his experiences.

Larson has been in the Merchant Marine for two years now. Last June his ship was torpedoed in the Caribbean and the crew reached an island in two jammed life boats after three days and three nights of heavy seas.

His second narrow escape came in November. He was aboard a freighter bound northward from Iceland for a Russian port when a German sub put three torpedoes into her. Eight men went down with the ship, 23 more were lost when a life boat capsized, Larson and his mates drifted 6 days in another life boat afloat in an icy sea. They were taken up by a British vessel after drifting 500 miles north of Iceland. "The happiest moment of my life was when they put me in a nice clean American Army Hospital bed in Iceland." Gangrene had developed in Larson's frozen feet, and he has been in Reykjavik Hospital since.

These experiences give Larson a Merchant Marine War Service Bar with two stars.

## Produce

According to County Agent R. M. Williams, we have reached the peak of bean shipments. Prices for the round beans have dropped to \$1.50, the best ones are bringing \$1.75

Potato shipments are just beginning. Next week will probably be the peak for them.

The cabbage season is practically over except for a few of a late variety.

## Isaac Noe Guests Arrive by Bicycle

Isaac and Allen Kuhn sons of Mrs. and Mrs. Harvey Kuhn, arrived in Beaufort last Thursday afternoon after a bicycle trip from Newton. They were three days and two nights on the road. The first night they spent at Siler City, the second at Goldsboro. Mrs. Kuhn was Elizabeth Noe of Beaufort, and the boys have been the guests of their grandfather, Mr. Isaac Noe. They left for home Tuesday morning but were easily persuaded to ship their wheels and travel back by bus.

## Walter Willis Buried Monday

Capt. Walter Willis, 73, died Sunday afternoon at his home on Cedar Street after a long illness. Funeral services were conducted from the home Monday morning by the Rev. J. N. Bynum, visiting rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Burial was in the Episcopal Cemetery.

Mr. Willis is survived by his wife and by three children, Mrs. Jack Sewell, Louis Willis, and Thomas Willis.

## Mr. Cordova Speaks Here

At the general meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service held at the home of Mrs. Jack Neal on Monday afternoon of this week, Mrs. Laurie Moore gave the devotional program followed by a very fine talk on Latin America by Mr. D. Cordova, of Morehead City. At the close of the meeting members of the Alma Potter Circle who were hostesses for the afternoon served refreshing fruit punch and cake.

## June Court Short Term Slim Crowd

### ROBERT LE PAGE TO BE TRIED BY COURT-MARTIAL

Court week but not many people milling about as opening hour approached on Monday. A score of men sitting and standing outside the Court House and another score doing the same thing in the cool recesses of the halls. In the Court room three colored women and a little boy exploring the railed section while waiting to draw the names for the Grand Jury.

Finally the Sheriff came in with a pitcher of ice water for the Judge and the Clerk came in with an armful of books, but even then there was no surge up the stairs. Something less than 50 people including court officials greeted the Judge when he entered at 10:15 looking mighty handsome in gray suit matching the gray in his hair and a maroon tie.

Court opened at once. The Grand Jury was selected and Irvin W. Russell was sworn in as foreman. After a number of jurymen were excused and left there were exactly eighteen people in the main body of the room six of whom were members of the petit jury.

Judge Stevens remarked upon his pleasant visits here in times past but said he was making his first visit in an official capacity. He stopped to pay tribute to Judge Hamilton, "as distinguished a judge as we have on the bench," Judge Frizzelle, who "served with honor to himself an the vicinity, Solicitor Dave Clark, and members of the Carteret Bar "whom I have known and want to know better."

"There are many things I could talk about but nothing can be more important than to call your attention to the national effort in the greatest conflict the world has ever known."

Coming from inland to the coast and finding lights dimmed, Judge Stevens said, brought a sense that in this conflict certain things are demanded of the civilian population. "Before it all ends in a positive peace, we are going to have to make many real sacrifices." We can do it. We have a national debt of something like two hundred billion dollars now and we can give more if necessary — we can give up our homes and the shirts of our backs. We have become accustomed to super luxuries that people in continental Europe have never dreamed of: radios, refrigerating devices, automobiles, and much more and it is making us flabby mentally, physically, and spiritual.

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## 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 or near the inlet or at the head of the estuaries.

HIGH	Friday, June 11	LOW
2:30 P.M.	9:17 A.M.	
3:18 P.M.	9:48 P.M.	
	Saturday, June 12	
3:28 A.M.	10:07 A.M.	
4:17 P.M.	10:44 P.M.	
	Sunday, June 13	
4:27 A.M.	10:56 A.M.	
5:12 P.M.	11:40 P.M.	
	Monday, June 14	
5:26 A.M.	11:46 A.M.	
6:05 P.M.		
	Tuesday, June 15	
6:22 A.M.	12:35 A.M.	
6:57 P.M.	12:37 P.M.	
	Wednesday, June 16	
7:15 A.M.	1:27 A.M.	
7:45 P.M.	1:29 P.M.	
	Thursday, June 17	
8:08 A.M.	2:18 A.M.	
8:37 P.M.	2:19 P.M.	

## RATION BRIEFS

### COFFEE

No. 24, Book I, good for one pound through June.

### GASOLINE

No. 5 "A" coupons good for 3 gallons but must last till July 21.

### SHOES

No. 17, Book I, good for one pair until June 15. No. 18 valid for one pair June 16.

### SUGAR

No. 13, Book I, good for 5 lbs. through Aug. 15.  
Stamps No. 15 and 16, Book I, good for 5 lbs. each for use in home canning through Oct. 31. Housewives may apply at local board for supplementary sugar rations for home canning if essential.

### CANNED GOODS

Blue G. H. J, good through June 7  
MEATS, ETC.  
Red J K and L good through June.