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CALVIN JONES NEW PRESIDENT OF ROTARIANS INSTALLED TUE.

Retiring President Gives Resume of Work For The Year

Tuesday night was the last night of the Rotary Year. Retiring President, W. Stanley Potter, formally gave the gavel to incoming President, Calvin Jones, who will preside at the first meeting in July.

President Potter spoke to the group on "Fellowship and Cooperation" and gave a resume of the work of the year. In addition to local undertakings with which people are generally familiar, the Club has made a contribution to the Rotary Foundation, a fund for Rotary welfare around the world; they have contributed to Rotary relief in occupied countries; and are sending three subscriptions to the Rotary magazine to prominent men in South America as a part of the program for a better understanding between us and our neighbors to the South. There were also reported three one hundred per cent attendances during the year when unusual and unexpected demands have been made upon all of the members.

Dr. W. L. Woodard, Secretary and Treasurer also made a report for the year.

All of this followed one of Mrs. Pearson's good steak dinners.

Aircraft Warning Important Service

(Part of an opening lecture of the Civilian Aircraft Warning System School in session at Wilmington this week)

"The first prerequisite of any accomplishment is to be thoroughly sold on your job. You must understand the necessity for the undertaking in hand. In addition to this, you must know the organization. You are here for a special purpose. You are a part of the defense of the United States and in as much as that part of the U. S. in which you are serving is classified as a vital defense area and the vital defense area is supplying men and materials to the fighting front, you are protecting the lives of relatives and/or neighbors who are carrying the guns and facing the dangers of mortal combat.

"An army the like of which we have never known before will soon be in the field to fight our battles, so large that it will take the entire resources of this nation in men, women and materials, to form and support it. In order that this army may function, that the men in it may be supplied with the materials and subsistence required for maintenance, and the conduct of the battle, the source of their subsistence and weapons must be protected. It must be protected so well that not once must our industrial areas and the seat of our government be attacked. The men who leave our shores must leave them with the utmost confidence that their base will be adequately protected, that they will never want for guns, bullets, armor and food, on which their lives will depend.

"We are fighting a war of survival with aggressor nations who are merciless in victory. The final See AIRCRAFT Page 8

RATION BRIEFS

COFFEE

No. 21, Book I, good for one pound until July 21.

GASOLINE

No. 5 "A" coupons good for 3 gallons but must last till July 21. "T" coupons expired June 30.

SHOES

No. 18, Book I, good for one pair through October 31.

SUGAR

No. 13, Book I, good for 5 lbs. through Aug. 15. Stamps No. 15 and 16, Book I, good for 5 lbs. each through October for use in home canning.

CANNED GOODS

Blue K, L, M, good through July 7. N, P, Q, good July 1 to August 7.

MEATS, ETC.

Red P Good.

BEAUFORT BOYS In The Service

Sgt. L. D. Hittinger who has been stationed at Ft. Bliss, Texas, has been transferred to Camp Davis. He was in Beaufort the first of the week visiting his wife, the former Dorothy Day, who is with the Grayden Paul's but left Wednesday for his new post.

Grayden Paul left Tuesday for Troy, New York, to enter Rensselaer Polytechnical Institute, as a member of the Navy V-7 training unit. He will study mechanical engineering as applied to aeronautics.

Ensign Robert Hill, of the Naval Base at Norfolk, flew home last Friday to spend the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hugh Hill of East Front Street.

Roscoe Miller, Seaman 1st class USNR, left for his ship after spending a seventy-two hour leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Miller of Broad Street.

Lawrence A. Oakley, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Oakley of Front and Live Oak Street, has completed his pre-flight training at the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center and been transferred to Bonham, Texas, for primary flight training.

Staff Sergeant Maurice (Wilkie) Willis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Willis, of Cedar Street, who has been on maneuvers in Tennessee has been transferred to Camp Davis for training in firing anti-aircraft guns.

Newly commissioned Ensign Taylor O'Bryan

has been in Beaufort this week visiting his grandparents, the N. W. Taylor's, Mrs. Clifford Fleet (Helen O'Bryan) and Miss Catherine O'Bryan, who went to Miami for his graduation on the 23rd, returned with him Sunday evening.

Taylor goes to Atlanta Sunday and from there to San Diego, California, on the tenth.

Taylor attended our local high school transferring to Christ School, Arden, in his junior year. Following graduation he attended U. N. C. and during his senior year there applied for V-7 training. He was appointed, received his pre-flight training at Chapel Hill, and from there he was sent to Hollywood Beach, Florida, where he completed his training for Navigator, U. S. N. Air Corps.

Mrs. Joe Mason is feeling much better since she heard from Preston this week after two months of being out of touch with him. He is still in North Africa and is all right. Her son John, who went into the service since Preston is serving in Alaska.

Ted Richards, Jr., has been advanced from Staff Sergeant to Technical Sergeant. This brings him next to the top in non-commissioned officers. He is still at Camp Crowder with the Telephone Division, Signal Corps.

James Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor is on convoy duty and has been out of touch with his family since April. Sgt. Warren H. Taylor, another son, is stationed at Camp Edwards, Mass. His Gun Section had the distinction of a visit from the President, Prime Minister Churchill, and one of our four star generals on the occasion of Churchill's recent visit here.

Radioman 3rd class Robert Poulk, of Cairo, Georgia, and the Section Base is one of the boys selected for training with the new Navy V-12 College Training Unit reporting at the University of N. C. on July first. Robert has been at the Base for the past thirteen months and has many friends locally interested in him and his new assignment.

Sgt. E. E. (Dick) Duncan, of Beaufort and Raleigh, has been transferred from Miami to Camp Ripley, Minnesota.

Typhoid Clinic at Harlowe

The County Health Department announces typhoid clinics at Conner's Store, Harlowe, at 11 a. m. on July 7, 14 and 21.

ALL CARTERET TEACHING STAFF FOR 1943-1944

T. G. Leary Takes Vacation After Lining Up His Teacher for Fall

New teachers lined up by Principal Tom Leary for 1943-44 are: Mrs. Daley Fulcher, of Atlantic; Miss Marjorie Gaskill, of Smyrna; Mrs. Roy Dickinson (Ellen Lupton), of Beaufort; Miss Marjorie Humphrey, of Beaufort; Mrs. Mildred Salter Lawrence, of Merrimon; and Mrs. Charles Hassell, of Beaufort. Mr. Leary says he believes he is establishing a record in that all of his faculty members this fall will be from Carteret County. Mrs. Fulcher has been teaching in New Bern and Chocowiny. In the latter place she had the experience of directing the annual tulip festival. Miss Gaskill is brother of former Principal Gaskill, of Smyrna. She has been in the Wayne County schools for five years. Mrs. Dickinson comes to us from the Atlantic School. Miss Humphrey leaves the school at Saratoga. Mrs. Lawrence was a member of our faculty before her marriage and is taking up her work again while her husband is in the service. Mrs. Hassell has also been connected with the schools previously.

The four teachers who have resigned are: Mrs. Edward Nelson (Louise Hudgins), Mrs. Jim Rumley, Mrs. W. L. Woodard, and Mrs. John Jones, all of whom are leaving because of household responsibilities.

Mr. Leary having cleared up the problematic matter of teachers, left Monday afternoon for his home in Alliance, to spend several weeks. Mrs. Leary, Elizabeth Ann and T. G. Jr., accompanied him.

Cafe Managers To Plan Course

Managers and owners of restaurants, drug stores and boarding houses in Beaufort will meet on Tuesday afternoon, July 6th at 3:30 to discuss plans for a food handlers' course. At this meeting, to be held in the Episcopal Parish House on Ann Street, suggestions will be made on subject matter to be included in the course, which is being sponsored by the Carteret County Health Department.

Wool Buyers To be in Kinston

There will be a representative of the Chatham Manufacturing Company in Kinston, July 8th, from 9:00 to 12 o'clock to purchase wool.

There has been an order prohibiting the sale of wool in small quantities and this will probably be the nearest point that our sheep producers will be able to find a sale to pool their wool this summer.

Each bag of wool that is being offered for sale should have a tag both outside and inside with the name of the owner. The price of wool being offered for sale will vary according to grade and quality and condition; however, the basic prices agreed upon by the Chatham Manufacturing Company are as follows:

Clear wool 53c lb.
Light burry wool 48c lb.
Heavy burry wool 40c lb.

R. M. Williams, County Agent, is urging all sheep producers who have wool to offer for sale to meet at his office, not later than 8:00 o'clock on the morning of Thursday, July 8th. It will only be necessary to take one truck to Kinston to carry this wool if our sheep producers will concentrate their wool at one point.

Tomatoes

County Agent Williams reports tomato shipping at its peak with what promises to be a short crop. The winds earlier in the week dried up the tomatoes, but rain since then has helped considerably.

St. Paul's

There will be a visiting rector here to hold regular services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Brothers in The Army



HERBERT DAVIS, of Harkers Island, has two sons in the U. S. Army. Pfc Donnie Davis (left) has been at Camp McCain, Mississippi, for four months now; Cpl. Samuel Davis (right), the elder of the two, is serving "on a South Pacific island." Samuel has been in the Army for a year and a half and has been in foreign service since September.



Commissioned

Jesse M. Heady, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Heady, of Smyrna, has completed a course at the Quartermaster School, Camp Lee, Va. and has been commissioned a 2nd lieutenant, USA. Mr. and Mrs. Heady and Miss Arden Shell were present for his graduation.

Heady entered the Army at Fort Bragg in March a year ago. Five months later he was made a technical sergeant and served with that rank until he entered Officers Candidate School.

Heady is a graduate of the Merchantville, N. J., High School. He was employed by the Atlantic Coast Line at Wilmington before entering the Army.

MAYOR SAYS DIMOUT TO BE ENFORCED

Mayor Grayden Paul announces that definite orders have come from Army Headquarters, approved by the Governor of the State and the President of the U. S., to the effect that dimout regulations must be enforced to the letter. He says the local police are pledged to enforcement and violators will be subject to a fine.

Regulations in brief are: Black-out and keep blacked out all lights visible from the sea from any angle. Turn out all exposed outside lights. Black the upper half of your auto headlights. Run only on parking lights with 6 or less candle power bulbs where lights are visible from the sea. Don't park with the front of your car toward the sea.

Attending Army School This Week

Mrs. William H. Bailey has been spending this week in Wilmington attending the Ground Observer Aircraft Warning Recognition School taught by Signal Corps Army Officers. Attendance at the school qualifies a representative to teach other ground observers from local posts to recognize aircraft by name and number as they are sighted and reported to the Filter Centers and to distinguish training planes from local airports reporting them as such. This will relieve telephone lines of unnecessary telephone calls in an attempt to identify them. When Mrs. Bailey returns she hopes to organize classes in Aircraft Recognition with materials furnished by the Army and is anxious to see Beaufort again take her place in this service which reaches along the coast from Maine to Florida.

Mrs. Bailey has found the meetings inspirational as well as helpful. She says that as she listens to the lecturers each day they make her feel strangely grateful to the faithful ones who have loyally watched from the Lenoxville Post even after others have become weary of well doing, and she hopes to see it remanned twenty-four hours a day for the duration.

County Board To Meet July 12th

The Board of County Commissioners will meet this month on Monday, July 12th. The meeting scheduled for the first Monday will be postponed because of the Independence Day holiday.

Crabs A Natural Resource Not Yet Fully Utilized

CRASH SUNDAY KILLS TWO CAPS

Plane Wrecked as Test Flight Began

Captain Harry L. Lundquist, of Gastonia, and Warrant Officer David Stephen Williams, radio operator, of Wallace, were killed last Sunday morning just before noon in a crash over the Beaufort - Morehead City Airport.

Repair work had been done on the plane, and it was taking off for a radio test flight when the crash occurred. The plane rose only about 250 feet before coming down.

Both men were buried with military honors. The funeral of Captain Lundquist was held from the Funeral Home of Z. A. Hovis and Son of Charlotte on Wednesday morning; services for Warrant Officer Williams were conducted in Wallace Monday afternoon.

Captain and Mrs. Lundquist came to Beaufort last September when the CAP Base was opened here. Prior to that time, he was connected with the Base at Mantoloking. The Lundquists purchased one of the new houses on the south side of Ann Street Extension and lived there with their four children and a son by a former marriage, 1st Lt. Harold Lundquist, who is also a CAP Pilot stationed here.

Warrant Officer Williams at the time of the accident had been promoted from sergeant for just a week. He also came to Beaufort when the Base was opened here last September. Mrs. Williams and his baby daughter, Judith Ann, came in December and since the first of the year they have made their home in one of Mrs. N. W. Mervyn's apartments at 306 Ann Street.

POTATOES

Dr. C. P. Stevick, Secretary of Carteret Food Advisory Committee has received a telegram from Hillman Moody, State Supervisor, Raleigh, urging consumers to eat more potatoes and food handlers to order all the market can stand as a temporary effort to dispose of the crop now running 35 per cent above last year. "Eat more potatoes and less of scarce commodities," says Hillman.

Consulted on the local potato situation, County Agent R. N. Williams said this morning that 85 per cent of the Carteret potatoes are dug. The extension service as well as various other agricultural agencies and a number of the leading farmers have been exerting every possible effort in order to stabilize the price of potatoes. Seasonal conditions this year and the increase in the production of potatoes in most of the potato producing areas has caused a surplus of potatoes on the market at the present time. At any time when supply of any farm commodity exceeds the demand, it is usually reflected in prices which a product brings.

According to C. C. Hillman, of FCX, at Washington, the Food Distribution Administration has ceased to take potatoes until further notice.

Floor price for Government bought prime potatoes has been \$2.25. There are also two commercial grades bought by the Government. Grade I is 85 per cent primes, 15 per cent No. 2's. These bring \$1.15. Grade II is 80 per cent primes, 20 per cent No. 2's. These bring \$1.05. There is also a 2nd or B Grade bringing \$1.35.

Smyrna Boy Covers Much Territory

Norman D. Gillikin, Storekeeper, 1st class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Gillikin, of Smyrna, has seen action in both the Atlantic and Pacific. He enlisted in 1939, served in the southwest Pacific until the past April, and since then been in the Atlantic. He has written of meeting Neil Willis, of Beaufort, and Guy Willis, of Smyrna. The latter had lunch with him recently in Rio de Janeiro.

Loss of Canned Crab Meat Once Imported From Japs Makes Attractive Potential Market

CRAB AUTHORITY PEARSON TELLS OF POTENTIALITIES

We once imported 11,000,000 pounds of canned crab meat annually from Japan. That's out. At home we can only about 500,000 pounds a year. We can say "It's the War" and get along with something like one twenty-fifth of what we once used, but to supply that deficit is an attractive potential market, and crabs are here. It's a luxury market, too. Nothing of which the top grade brings \$1.50 a pound is a poor man's dish. Japanese silk was out, we substituted nylon and rayon; Japanese agar was out, we found our own waters could furnish agar. What about crab meat?

Now, the nearest concentrated centers for processing crabs are in the Chesapeake - Crisfield, Maryland, and Hampton, Virginia. They not only process their own crabs, but they send trucks down here in the spring and get our crabs to process. They've been at it a long time. They control available markets, equipment is set up, colored pickers grown up in the industry have become to expert that the best are said to pick a hundred pounds a day. Crabs are available there in such quantities that they are dredged for in deep channels in winter as well as warm weather making it a year round industry. Even when not dredged, the trot line there has become mechanized making it possible for one boat to bring in from 10 to 20 barrels of crabs a day. Instead of primitively putting out the line and bringing it in by hand and taking crabs from each piece of bait with a dip net, a motorized boat with simple patented machinery lets out a quarter of a mile of line with 600 or more pieces of bait in about the time it takes to travel that far and reels it in by the same power knocking the crabs off automatically into a steel net basket.

It would take considerable enterprise to establish such an industry here, but the crabs are in our waters — a resource not fully utilized for lack of picking houses and processing plants. Sterling Harris, interested in canning the meat in South Carolina, is said to be undertaking something of the kind at Belhaven. If he establishes a plant there, it will be a means of saving this excessively perishable food when the market is glutted or transportation fails; on the positive side when crabs are plentiful and labor abundant, it will stimulate crab catching in excess of market demands for canning purposes. N. C. crabbers catch but 3,000,000 pounds annually as compared with the 25,000,000 of Virginia crabbers and ranks only fifth in production among the states, but development of processing plants offer an opportunity for expansion.

John C. Pearson, Associate Aquatic Biologist, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, who has been at Piver's Island in charge of crab research since last November is not here to stimulate expansion of the industry, but he would be interested in seeing the it expand so as to utilize this natural resource Mr. Pearson doesn't profess to know all about crabs, but he lives as close to them as possible without becoming aquatic. His office is in his laboratory where he is constantly surrounded by tanks of live crabs. By close observation he intends to verify knowledge of them which has hitherto been only circumstantial. He is especially interested in spawning habits. When a crab hatches more than a million eggs it becomes a matter of considerable interest to conservation to know whether a crab spawns once or twice, and that is but one of the problems on which he is working.

Because Mr. Pearson is so close to his crabs, whatever he tells us about them holds considerable interest. The baby crab is much like his mother but pin point in size, and as a member of a family of over a million children, he doesn't get much pampering, but like Topsy, he just grows, that is if he is lucky enough to evade his

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At the American Legion Convention held in Charlotte last week, Tom Kelly was elected one of five Vice Commanders for the State. Mr. Kelly has been long active in Carteret Post 99. He is Treasurer and General Manager of the Legion sponsored Carteret Fair, is a Past Commander of the Post, and is at present serving as Adjutant of the Post. Mr. Kelly lives on West Front Street and is connected with Carteret Hardware and Lumber Supply Department on Live Oak Street.