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## S. SELF CASE COMPLETED IN COURT TUESDAY

## Fishermen Allowed To Return to Va. After Paying Costs And Medical Bills

The case of Shirley Self, Virginia fisherman charged with assault on Sam Rhodes and Lee Vann Johnson which has been hanging since early November was tried in Recorder's Court Tuesday. Sam Rhodes was in the hospital and unable to appear until Tuesday. Self, unable to give bond, has been held in jail.

At the trial, witnesses for the two sides gave extraordinarily divergent stories of what happened in a general free for all in which Shirley claims the crowd ganged up on him and "bricked" him across the field. There was plenty of evidence that he was "bricked" by the crowd but it also appeared that there was probably reason for it.

Judge Webb found Self guilty but felt there were mitigating circumstances to be considered in passing judgment. He was given a six months sentence which the Court promised to suspend and permit him to return home provided he could find money for costs of the Court and to pay hospital and doctor's bills of two whom he knifed.

Ernest Hill (colored), storekeeper, at Adams Creek was charged with transporting non tax paid liquor and of driving without a license. To the first charge he pleaded not guilty; to the second, guilty. The Court found him guilty of driving without a license but not guilty of transporting non tax paid liquor. Joe Windley who was with him, was found guilty of having in his possession non tax paid liquor. In both cases, the defendants paid the costs.

The case of W. R. Willis, Morehead City, charged with reckless driving has been hanging for several weeks because of difficulty in getting witnesses together. The case was partially heard Tuesday. Two service men from Camp Branch testified that they were in a jeep near the Rifle Range into which the defendant crashed from the rear. Witnesses for the defendant were out of town and will be heard next week.

Other cases heard were the general run of traffic violators.

## County Ministers Meet In Newport

The Carteret County Ministers met on Monday with Rev. John E. Poe at the Methodist Parsonage in Newport after which the J. I. Mizzelle's entertained them with their annual oyster roast.

Dr. Edgar Jones, new rector of St. Paul's met with the group for the first time. He also spoke to them about the Penny Farms in Florida, supported by the J. C. Penny estate for retired ministers, at which he spent some weeks prior to coming here. Dr. Lester Evans, Presbyterian Civilian Chaplain, was also present and told of his work with the service men here.

Officers were elected for the coming year: President, Rev. J. H. Miller; Vice-President; Rev. K. C. Seawright; Secretary - Treasurer, Rev. L. E. Peyton; Program Committee: Rev. K. C. Seawright, Dr. Edgar Jones, Dr. J. H. Bunn. Gthel (gaP vbkg cmfw vbg vbgb)

## RATION BRIEFS

**GASOLINE**  
A-8 coupons good through February 8.

**SHOES**  
No. 18, Book I, good indefinitely for one pair.

No. 1 "Airplane" Stamp in Book III good for one pair.

**SUGAR**  
Stamp No. 29 in Ration Book IV good for five pounds of sugar until January 15. This stamp is marked "Sugar."

**CANNED GOODS**  
Green A, B, C, Book IV, good through Dec. 20. D, E, F, good thru Jan. 20.

**MEATS**  
Brown L, M, N, P good thru January 1.

**FUEL OIL**  
Period 1 coupon good through Jan. 3. Period 2 coupons good for 10 gallons per unit.

## Beginning Today Students Available To Help Merchants

High school pupils 14 years old or older needed and employed in advance by merchants or other business men of the county in connection with their Christmas labor needs, may be excused by principals from attendance upon school for all or for part of each school day from now until the Christmas recess begins on Dec. 21, provided such students are passing their school work, and provided such employment is approved in writing by the parents, and provide such students exhibit to the principal in advance bona fide written evidence of their employment.

This combined ruling and recommendation was adopted by the County Board of Education on Nov. 1 and passed on to the principals on Nov. 5 in the hope that the business men and the shopping public would be greatly benefited thereby during this busy holiday season when labor is a greater problem than ever.

Students between the ages of 14 and 18 years desiring the necessary employment certificates should call in person for the necessary blanks at the Department of Public Welfare in the Courthouse Annex Building where they will be given further information in connection with certificates, hours of work, etc. Applicants should carry to the Welfare Department their Employer's application and either their birth certificate, Bible record of birth, or the principals' written statement of age based upon school census records. Pupils and parents are cautioned that issuance of permits often involves more than one office and cannot be "accomplished" in a few minutes' or after office hours.

School work will be resumed at 8:30 A. M. Thursday, Dec. 30.

## Air-Raid Chorus

Rev. Janis Laupmanis who speaks at Ann Street Methodist Church Friday evening served as an air raid warden in Birmingham, England, before coming to our country. He wrote the following stanza and taught to those under his care in the air raid shelter.

God is our refuge be not afraid,  
He will be with you in an air raid.  
Bombs may be falling, danger be near,

He will protect you till the "All Clear."

God is our refuge, He will be near  
After the warden sounds the "All Clear."

Loved with a love that never can end,  
Jesus stil liveth, Savior and Friend.

## Colenza Inquest

At the inquest into the death of Charles Colenza held at the Morehead City Town Hall last Friday, County Coroner A. H. James says that after hearing the evidence, the decision was reached to drop charges against both parties since inadequate lights seemed to be the principal cause of the accident and in this respect both cars were at fault.

Colenza was killed in an accident Tuesday evening, November 23rd on the water front drive near Mr. Oscar Noe's home when a car in which Colenza together with three other members of the U. S. C. G. were riding collided with the Beaufort Fisheries Station Wagon driven by Mr. Oscar Noe.

## Service Club Christmas Party

The Service Club held its annual Party and regular meeting Thursday night, December 9, at the home of Mrs. Y. Z. Simmons and Harry Simmons in the Mason-town community.

The Simmons yard was beautifully decorated with Christmas lights and a huge bon fire. Old Santa paid his annual visit bringing gifts for all the group—approximately 50 per sons. Not only did Santa bring gifts to each but also entertainment. Harry Wright, U. S. Coast Guard, entertained the group with dialogues for half an hour or more.

Last, but by far not least, we all enjoyed the oysters which the Simmons' so nicely roasted and served with pickles and crackers. May the time go by fast so that we may be invited again soon to the Simmons'.

## Christmas Music By Sunshine Choir of Methodist Church

The Sunshine Choir of Ann Street Methodist Church will give the following program of music Sunday evening, December 19th. Processional "O Come All Ye Faithful"

"Ave Marie"—Betty Lou Merrill.

Story of the Manger of Bethlehem by Pat Webb.

"White Shepherds Watched"—Choir.

Reading—Pat Webb.

"Winter Sun" and "The First Noel" Choir.

Reading—Phyllis Britton.

"We Three Kings"—Kenneth Willis, Stanley Potter, Billy Bailey and Choir.

Reading—Phyllis Britton.

"Away In a Manger—Solo with Choir.

"O Holy Night"—Carol Bessent

Reading—Pat Webb.

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"—Solo—Joyce Johnson.

"Joy to the World"—Choir.

"Silent Night—Mrs. Sid Willis with Choir.

Recessional—"O Come All Ye Faithful."

## BEAUFORT BOYS IN THE SERVICE

Albert Chappell, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Z. Chappell, is expected to arrive tomorrow from Jacksonville, Fla., on ten days leave. Albert completed his course in Aerial Gunnery on Wednesday. Four days of last week he spent in the Bahamas in connection with his course.

Sgt. Royall Barbour, Army Air Corps, left Wednesday for his new station at Mitchell Field, New York.

Cpl. Leonard Sanders, of Indian Gap, Penna., is expected home this week on leave.

Comdr. Ernest Davis has been transferred from the Fleet Service School, Virginia Beach, to the Naval Training Station, Newport, R. I. Mrs. Davis and Laura are with him at his new post.

Paul Cahoon, Jr., S-2-c stationed at Great Lakes, Ill., is home on a nine day furlough visiting his wife and son, Rodney Paul, at South River. He also visited his mother, Mrs. L. F. Williams on Cedar Street.

Otis E. Mason, Sgt., USA, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Mason, was last week graduated from the Army Air Forces Flexible Gunnery School at Ft. Myers, Fla. He will receive his crew training at one of the operational training fields in the U.S.

James Elwood Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Warren, of Beaufort, RFD, has been advanced from second to first lieutenant, QMC.

Glenn Adair, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Adair has entered the Nashville Army Air Center Nashville as an aviation student.

Word has just been sent to us of outstanding service of Capt. Maurice B. Cree, of Henderson, son of James A. Cree, Sr. former manager of our Five and Ten Cent Store. The account is of delicate surgery performed in the jungles of the South West Pacific. Capt. Cree removed a rifle bullet from the brain of a soldier who had remained unconscious for three days. In four weeks, the soldier was up and around.

## School Sale of Stamps and Bonds

Mrs. N. F. Eure, Mrs. J. K. Vanderveer and Mrs. J. W. Humphrey in their weekly canvas of the grades of our school on Tuesday sold \$380 worth of defense stamps and bonds. Miss Edith Lewis' Fifth grade again took the lead.

## Capture Still

In Merrimon Township on Monday of this week Patrolman L. H. Nelson and Deputy Sheriff Murray Thomas captured a still with fully equipped copped outfit. They destroyed several barrels of mash and brought the still into the Alcohol Board of Control.

## Speaks Here Friday



REVEREND LAUPMANIS

## NOTED LECTURER TO BE HEARD HERE ON FRIDAY

## Russian Minister Former Member of Communist Party to Speak About Russia

Reverend Janis Laupmanis, a citizen of Latvia, is to speak at Ann Street Methodist Church Friday evening, December 17th at 7:30 P. M.

Mr. Laupmanis has lived in Russia and for four years was a member of the Communist Party. His mother became a Christian through American Methodist work in that country. He scarcely remembers his father who died in Siberia when he was but six. His theological education and ministerial ordination took place in Latvia.

With the help of leaders in the Methodist denomination, Laupmanis was enabled to come into this country in January, 1941, and since that time has travelled from coast to coast lecturing before religious, civic, and educational groups. In this lectures he says he tries to give information about Russia's economical and political life, some of his personal experiences in Latvia-Russia, and to show that the Gospel of Christ is the ultimate hope for the world peace. That he has been doing all this in an interesting and stimulating manner is attested by press clippings from coast to coast. There are those here who have heard him; they tell us that persons who fail to attend will be the losers.

## Mr. Steed's Father Dies in Maxton

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Steed, James Steed, and Billy are in Maxton this week where they were called on account of the illness and death of Mr. Steed's father, Mrs. P. S. Steed. Mr. Steed died Monday night, and the funeral was conducted on Wednesday.

## Hunters

Messrs. Gherman Holland, Jas. Potter, Jack Neal, Alvah Hamilton, Will Webb, and naval officers from Cherry Point spent the first of the week hunting ducks and geese from Mr. Will Webb's camp on Harkers Island. They returned Tuesday.

## SAVE PAPER

Paper salvage week is drawing nigh. The exact date is to be announced by Jaycees soon. Save newspapers, boxes, wrapping papers, sort into piles, fasten, put away where they can be easily brought out when collection day comes.

## TB Seals

Don't forget to answer that letter from the County Health Department—the one containing the TB seals from the sale of which we are looking to for the support of the educational and preventative work of the Tuberculosis Association in the County.

## County and Town Offices Close For Christmas Holidays

Offices in the Court House and Town Hall will be closed for the observance of Christmas from Thursday noon, December 23rd, until Monday morning, December 27th.

## RICHARD SMITH HELD UP SAT.

## Robbery Occurs On Front in Early Morning Hours

Richard Smith, employee of Pender's was held up on Front Street last Saturday night around one thirty just after he and Mr. J. S. Steed had separated at the corner of Queen and Front Streets, and he was proceeding east.

Richard says he was aware of three colored civilians standing on the sidewalk talking but thought nothing of it until he had passed and one of them struck him on the back of the head with what felt to him like a stick of wood, then took his money amounting to something over \$19. He continued home and on Sunday morning reported the incident to the authorities who are working on the case, but as Richard says there were no clues to give them and the matter was so unexpected and his notice of the men so casual that he feels he would be unable to identify them.

## Kirk and Smith Held Guilty

Orville Kirk and Roy Smith, of Beaufort, were found guilty in Mayor's Court Monday of interfering with officers in the performance of their duty on Saturday, December 11th, and were each charged with costs amounting to \$32.50.

## 60-candle Cake

R. E. Chaplain celebrated his birthday yesterday in honor of which Mrs. Chaplain made him a birthday cake large enough to hold sixty candles and both "Happy Birthday" and "Merry Christmas."

Mr. Chaplain has no children to join in such a celebration but he does have a host of nieces and nephews many of whom came to congratulate him making the occasion a pleasant surprise party. Fifteen nephews and grand nephews were absent in the service of their country.

Mr. Chaplain has been Carteret County jailor since 1930 and served for a number of years prior to that time under Sheriff Wade.

## Lespedeza and Soybean Seed

Information has just been received from Mr. H. L. Meachem, Extension Marketing Specialist, Raleigh, that the production of Lespedeza through the State is considerably below normal this year and that the demand for these seeds from other states by seedmen is increasing steadily.

Lespedeza is one of our best crops for hay in this section due to its fine stem and nutritious value. It is also one of the best summer grazing crops and soil builders.

A good quantity of these seed have been harvested in the county this fall. It is hoped that our farmers will take advantage of these seed while they are available and purchase what seed are needed for spring planting.

Lespedeza seed can be seeded over small grain around the latter part of February until 15th of March without disturbing the small grain. After the small grain has been harvested in the spring the lespedeza will begin growing and will furnish excellent grazing during the summer months.

The North Carolina Department of Agriculture is urging any farmers who have good quality, adapted varieties of high oil content soybeans to hold them for sale for our 1944 planting. Good soybean seed are scarce and anyone having such seed will more than likely get top price when sold for seed next spring.

## EDNA JANE LEWIS

Edna Jane Lewis, ten months old granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert T. Lewis, of Otway, died in Williamsburg, Virginia, last Saturday morning of pneumonia and was brought to Otway for burial on Monday. Services were conducted from the Freewill Baptist Church and the infant was laid to rest in the Freewill Baptist cemetery.

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## Tax Executions Are Being Advertised In Today's Paper

## Legion Christmas Tree For the Boys

Mrs. Bernice Jarman asks us to announce that there will be a Christmas celebration at the American Legion Hut for service boys planned very much after that of last year. There will be a Christmas dance on Thursday evening, and the Hut will be open on Friday and Saturday for the pleasure of those boys with so little leave that they cannot make the trip home. There will be a Christmas tree under which she hopes to have a gift for every boy who stops in.

Last year this was made possible by the cooperation of individuals and organizations in the town and County and she is calling on them again for help. No elaborate gift is expected—cigarettes, toothpaste, shaving cream handkerchiefs, candies and such. Each should be gift wrapped with no name on the outside but the name of the giver inside and should be sent either to the Hut (after 6 p. m.) or the the Miller Furniture Company as son as possible.

## CAROL SERVICE AT HIGH SCHOOL NEXT MONDAY

The Carol Service scheduled for Wednesday, December 15th, in the High School Auditorium was postponed because of the weather until 2:30 on Monday, December 20.

Two hundred boys and girls will sing in an entertainment directed by Mrs. Charles Hassell assisted by Mrs. Grayden Paul. Everyone invited to attend and hear the Christmas story in song and narrative.

## DAVID WILLIS

Mr. David Willis, 51, of New Bern, died at Morehead City Hospital this morning where he was entered as a patient about a week ago. Mr. Willis while making his home in New Bern, is a native of Sea Level. He is survived by one son, one sister, and a brother. Funeral arrangements have not been made as we go to press.

## GILLIKIN OF SMYRNA BACK IN U. S. OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY ALSO SERVE ABROAD

Norman D. Gillikin, Storekeeper, 2nd Cl. NSN, of Smyrna, has arrived back in the States aboard the destroyer to which he is attached.

Storekeeper Gillikin's vessel has been engaged in escort duty around Recife and Trinidad. She has also seen convoy service to Gibraltar, in the Caribbean, the South Pacific, and the region of the Philippines.

Storekeeper Gillikin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Gillikin of Smyrna and attended Smyrna High School and Campbell College before enlisting in the Navy at Raleigh in October, 1939, and has been in action in the Battle of Java Sea and the Battle of Bali Straits.

His Brother-in-law, Cpl. Joseph Carmen, U. S. Army and his cousin, Lt. Quentin Lewis, U. S. Army Air Force, took part in the invasion of Italy. Another cousin, Walton Gillikin, Boatswain's Mate 2nd Cl. USCG, was a casualty at Guadalcanal.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Beaufort, N. C.  
Rev. Edgar Jones, Ph.D., Rector

The Fourth Sunday in Advent, Dec. 19th.

Church School 9:45 A.M.  
Communion and Sermon 11 A.M.  
Subject: "Christians Need Three Pairs of Eyes."

On Sunday next and hereafter on the third Sunday of each month our service will be one of Intercession for the men and women of St. Paul's who are in Military service. Their names will be read from the altar and prayers offered for them. Come and join with us in prayer for your beloved son or daughter.

## Those Who Pay Up Before Sale Can Save Property

## SALES TO BE ON JANUARY 10 and 12

Executions against property owners in Carteret County on which taxes for the years of 1937, 1938, 1939 and 1940 are unpaid are being advertised in The Beaufort News today and will be run for four weeks. On January 10th property on which there have been no payments will be sold at the Court House door. On January 12th property will be sold on which partial payments have been made but are not paid up in full.

Sheriff Holland told a newsman that those advertised had one more chance of saving their property and that was to pay up before sales.

A great many persons have made last-minute rushes to the Sheriff's office to pay up, still there are several hundred who are being advertised today.

Property owners who are advertised are urged to raise the money with which to pay their taxes or they will lose their rights and interests in property after the sale, Sheriff Holland said.

## EIGHT INCH SNOW COVERS COUNTY

## This is Biggest Snow Since Jan. 29, 1936 When 11 Inches Fell

An eight inch blanket of snow which started early Wednesday has covered Carteret County, and most of the State. It is the deepest snow since 1936 and probably the most ever to fall before Christmas in this section. The last snow of any consequence was on January 7, 1942 when three or four inches was recorded at that time except in certain places where wind formed drifts.

Early today despite the fact that a glaring sun was shining indications were that snow would not melt very fast for sometime at least. Many of the younger people were enjoying the sports that go with a snow, on the other hand it brought additional suffering to many families in Carteret County. In some sections a shortage of coal and wood was reported with only a limited amount being available to each purchaser. Garages were rushed in car repairing but many cars were stalled due to the lack of labor and supplies.

Sixteen is the low reported at the official weather station on Piver's Island for this week's cold spell.

## ANN ST. METHODIST CHURCH

W. Stanley Potter, Minister

11 AM. The Light of Christmas  
7:30 PM. Cantata by Sunshine choir.

Because of illness the Adult Choir will not be able to give their Cantata as planned.

The Children's Christmas party will be held at the church on Wednesday, Dec. 22nd at 2:30 P. M. There will be a program and tree.

Sunday morning the Adult choir will give three special Christmas Anthems and there will be a Christmas sermon.

Sunday evening the Sunshine choir will give a Cantata and Christmas Carols.

Let us not forget the church and the Christ child at this Christmas season.

Worship with us next Sunday—We need you and you need the church.

The Friendly Church With a Welcome For You

## LIBRARY HOURS

The Carteret County Library will be open each Monday and Tuesday from 12:30 to 5; each Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10 to 12:30 and from 2 to 5:00; and each Saturday from 9 to 12. It will not be open on Christmas Eve. The Bookmobile will not operate December 20 and 21 nor December 27 and 28 because of Christmas.