

4th WAR LOAN
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THE BEAUFORT NEWS

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BEAM AWARDED JUDGMENT IN CASE VS WRIGHT

Two Year Old Case Settled in Closing Session of Court

The closing days of the March Term of Court were taken up with civil cases. The case of C. L. Beam against K. W. Wright and Mary B. Wright hanging fire for the past two years was decided in Beam's favor. Judge Hamilton declared defendants guilty of indebtedness to the plaintiff by virtue of their promissory note to the sum of \$5,976.00.

A divorce on grounds of two years separation was granted in the case of Dederic Morris vs Annie D. Morris; Fred Jones, white, Morehead City, found guilty earlier in the week of larceny of an automobile was placed on probation; in the case of State vs Manie Stanley for non-support and abandonment, the defendant pleaded guilty and was given 6 months suspended and defendant was placed on probation.

In the case of J. G. Bell vs V. M. Rhue and wife, Bertha Rhue, and Margaret Burton Mann matters in controversy were referred to C. M. Hill, of Newport, as Referee his report to be filed not later than 10 days before the June Court.

The Grand Jury reported a survey of all the departments of the County making one recommendation: "That additional help be employed to service the school trucks, even though the funds for paying the men be taken from County funds; that plumbing and toilet fixtures in the Beaufort white school be repaired."

Athletic Assn Raises \$317.19 At Newport Dance

The St. Patrick's Dance given by the Athletic Association in Newport School gymnasium proved to be a great success. Andrew Murdoch, Senior Class sponsor and representative of the association, welcomed the guests, members of the orchestra, and led the grand march with De Hurley Lashley, Junior Class sponsor.

Sammy Guthrie and his Orchestra furnished the music for both round and square dancing.

Two cakes iced in St. Patrick colors were presented—one to the lucky person in a cake walk and the other to the holder of the lucky ticket.

The high light of the evening was the vocal selections by Harry Wright.

Misses Mildred Taylor and Grace Jones of the school faculty served as co-chairmen of the Dance Committee. They were supported by other committees of students.

The proceeds, \$317.19 will be used by the Athletic Association to purchase equipment for the baseball team.

RATION BRIEFS

GASOLINE

A-9 Coupons good through May 8.

SHOES

No. 18, Book I, good through April.

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

Another shoe stamp good beginning May 1.

SUGAR

Stamp No. 30, Book IV, good for 5 pounds of sugar indefinitely.

No. 40 good for 5 lbs. canning sugar through February 28, 1945.

Stamp 31 will become valid on April 1 for 5 pounds.

CANNED GOODS

Blue stamps A-8, B-8, C-8, D-8, E-8 good through May 20.

MEATS

Red stamps A-8, B-8, C-8, D-8, E-8, F-8, good through May 20.

G-8, H-8, J-8, good March 26 through June 18.

FUEL OIL

Period 4 and 5 coupons good through September.

REMINDERS

Tire Inspection Deadlines for A-coupon holders, March 31; for C-coupon holders, May 31; for B-coupon holders, June 30.

Date for filing 1944 Declaration of Estimated Income and Victory Tax extended to April 15.

H. I. CIRCUS CASE HEARD TUESDAY

Elephant Keeper "Not Guilty" Of Assault on Boys

The Harkers Island "Circus Case" occupied a good part of Judge Webb's morning court on Tuesday and dragged into the afternoon. Both sides had counsel, and Harkers Island was well represented among the spectators.

Overt Roy Bible, of Kansas, in charge of the elephant in Sello Brothers Circus that showed there last Friday night was charged with assaulting Abnon Lee Lewis (15) and assaulting with intent to kill, Buck Lewis (15). In the latter case the warrant was changed to "assault with deadly weapon inflicting serious injury" in order to bring the case into the jurisdiction of Recorder's Court.

Arbon referred to bruises but his injuries were minor only; Buck had, according to testimony of Dr. L. W. Moore, "a puncture wound" on the left side of his head and a broken left arm and told Dr. Moore that the "man in the show hit him with a piece of iron." The "bull hook" with which Bible handled his elephant was produced, but Dr. Moore scarcely thought it could have been the instrument puncturing the boys head.

Sheriff Holland called to the scene at the time testified that Bible wanted to settle damages Friday night, but he took a small cash bond pending a talk with the fathers of the boys.

Just what happened was not all perfectly clear. The crowd was apparently excited and hostile and bottles flew. Buck said that Bible said "Come on in the tent, and I'll fix you up." Buck's brother tried to get at Bible and grabbed him with such force as to tear his clothing under his leather coat.

Bible on the stand testified to an unsympathetic mood throughout. They "booed every act." The elephant according to him was taken outside not to protect him from the crowd but the crowd from the elephant. He explained that excited by the crowd in the tent, he was liable to pull stakes and run through them. He disclaimed hitting the boys, said he saw Buck on the end of the moving line of people thirty feet away from the group, saw he was hurt, put his hand on his shoulder, asked, "Who hit you?" and the boy said, "Somebody." It was then that he said he tried to get him to come in for first aid. He declared he had no occasion for striking the boy, had not even seen him before. Bible went to the Moore home to escape the crowd and was there when the Sheriff arrived. After all evidence was in, Judge Webb passed his verdict of "Not Guilty."

Mr. Charlie Simmons (63, white, Newport) had three charges against him which have been continued for several weeks: On October 25, he was charged with assaulting a female (Mrs. Tolson) and making it necessary for her to move her premises through fear; on February 26 with being drunk and destroying personal property; on March 5, with breaking the peace.

Simmons and his wife occupied part of the Tolson home beginning October 7. He put up a clothes line, chicken fence, roll for the toilet paper, a helm in the axe. On the 25th they had words and Simmons advanced on Mrs. Tolson threateningly; soon afterwards he left for treatment. In February, upon his return to Newport he was charged with being drunk and destroying the axe helm and the toilet paper roll (for which he claims he paid but eighteen cents). On March 5th, Simmons went back to Tolsons, at her son's request, to move his chickens and "everything that was his." He took his clothes line, dug up the poles, and when told to fill up the holes did some cussing. He acknowledged the cussing with "quite likely I did" and the drinking with the fact that he seldom drank but "might have took too much."

The Judge nonsuited the charge of destruction of personal property but found him guilty on the two other counts. Continued prayer for judgment on condition he let the Tolson's alone for two years and pay the costs.

Clara Huff, white, New Bern pleaded guilty to being drunk. She had already spent two days in jail, had no money, and was allowed to go.

Primrose Mason, white, was found guilty of failing to assist an officer in making an arrest and paid officer's costs.

In England



Master Sergeant Edward C. Longest, son of Chief of Police and Mrs. Walter R. Longest, is in charge of repair and maintenance at an Air Service Command in England. His wife, Mrs. Pauline Longest, is science teacher at Lewisville High School during his absence. Sergeant Longest was physical director at the University of North Carolina from the time of his graduation in 1932 until he entered the Service in October, 1942. He has been in England since last summer.

CARTERET BOYS IN THE SERVICE

Staff Sergeant Cecil M. Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Bell of Harlowe has been in Sicily several months. He entered the Service in January, 1942.

Crip Jones, Army Transport Service, Mrs. Crip and young Kit are spending a ten-day leave here. They will return to Norfolk at the week-end.

Aviation Cadet Harry Paul has completed his Pre-Flight work at Athens, Ga., and has been ordered to Memphis for Primary Flight. He will be here for ten days before leaving for his new assignment.

Pvt. Iva Paul Bailey has left First WAC Training Center at Fort DeMoines, Ia., and transferred for duty with the Army at Patterson Field, Ohio.

Chris Rogers, Jr., has been advanced to B.M. 2-c. He is stationed at the Navy Landing Equipment Depot, Norfolk, and is training with landing craft. Since making his rating he is in charge of a group of coxswains.

William Cuthrell, S 2-c, Beaufort RFD, machinist on a Liberator, spent several days here this week. He has recently returned from Brazil.

Lt. Duncan Sellers has finished his twenty-five missions and has cabled his mother, Mrs. Lollie Duncan Sellers to stop all mail. This would indicate that he can be expected home soon. Recently he met Sgt. E. E. (Dick) Duncan in England.

Sgt. Ted Richards, Singal Corps, USA, and John Butler, Infantry, USA, have had dinner together in Italy. Ted and John, friends here, entered the Army together at Ft. Bragg on the same day but went in opposite directions. This is the first time they have gotten together since and each boy was meeting a fellow Tarheel for the first time since he has been abroad.

Cecil Truitt, Jr., grandson of Mrs. W. M. Neal and the Alex Truitts has completed his Base School at Pass Christian, had seven months sea duty, and this month enters the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, Long Island, N. Y.

Thurman D. Garner, Pvt., USA, Ft. McClellan, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Garner, Newport, shot one of the highest scores in his battalion to qualify for his experts medal on the rifle range at his center according to a Public Relations Release from his Camp.

A Public Relations Release from Keesler Field, Miss., states that David Hill, son of the R. H. Hills is going through a period of Army processing there. Upon completion of this phase, he will either be sent to a university for five months of further study or directly to a pre-flight center for cadet training.

Miss Hilda I. Smith, Army Nursing Corps, Smyrna, has been raised from second to first lieutenant.

Randolph Eubanks, Morehead City, has been promoted to Technician 5th Grade. He is in a field artillery battalion fighting Japs.

BRIDGE ASKED FOR NEUSE AT WILKINSON PT.

Route to Bi-Pass New Bern, Shorten Road to Norfolk

Following a joint meeting of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association on Friday morning, March 3, a request was made to the State Highway and Public Works Commission to look into the possibility of cooperating with the U. S. Navy Department in building a new bridge over the Trent River (the river we cross going into New Bern) copies of which were sent to Hon. Graham Barden, Commanding Officer, Col. C. F. Schilt, of Cherry Point, and others. Immediately Pamlico and Beaufort County people began to revive talk of a bridge across the Neuse from Wilkinson Point (Minnesott Beach) to Cherry Point.

History of the proposed Wilkinson Point Bridge: Two years ago following a suggestion from H. M. Harris, Mgr. Pamlico-Beaufort Electrical Membership Corporation, a ferry service was established at the point in question to save time, gas, rubber, and physical wear and tear on Cherry Point workers, and to spread housing thinner by making it possible to use Minnesott Beach cottages. The following figures show approximate savings in mileage that resulted:

Aurora to Cherry Point, by New Bern, 49; by ferry 30.

Vandemere to Cherry Point by New Bern, 44; by ferry 25.

Bayboro to Cherry Point, by New Bern, 38; by ferry 18.

Gransboro to Cherry Point, by New Bern 33; by ferry 14.

Oriental to Cherry Point, by New Bern 48; by ferry 12.

Arappohoe to Cherry Point, by New Bern, 41; by ferry 6.

Minnesott Beach to Cherry Point by New Bern, 45; by ferry 2.

By looking at a map it is easy to see that such a bridge would not only bring communities in Pamlico closer to Cherry Point and our coast, but would shorten the route to Norfolk by from 40 to 45 miles and by-pass the no longer small city of New Bern with its congestion and windings.

Pamlico and Beaufort Counties, together with the towns of Washington and Greenville are now furnishing most of the additional traffic from the North side of the Trent River bridge, while Cherry Point, Beaufort, and Morehead City are furnishing most of the traffic from the South side of the bridge. A bridge at Wilkinson Point would connect the heavy duty highway already constructed on the north side of the river to a point southeast of Cherry Point, and with very little road construction would furnish a direct outlet to Cherry Point, Morehead City, Beaufort, and Camp Lejeune. It would also offer shorter and more direct travel for convoys from Army Camps going north. From a military standpoint, too, the two bridges would be dividing up the eggs and putting them in two baskets instead of merely improving the one outlet to the Coast.

Last Tuesday evening Rotarians made a study of the situation and passed a resolution endorsing the proposed bridge at Wilkinson Point as in keeping with the best interest of this immediate community and the entire section.

County Commissioners of Pamlico have already taken the matter up with the Highway Commission, and it is expected that the matter will be brought before our own commissioners for action at their next meeting.

Carteret Educators Attend Meeting

Miss Lena Duncan of the Beaufort High School and Principal S. B. Smyth of the Atlantic High School left yesterday for Raleigh to attend the 60th Annual Convention of the North Carolina Educational Association at Hugh Mason High School as delegates from the Carteret County NCEA. Supt. J. Allen preceded them and was present Wednesday afternoon for the Superintendent's meeting at the Sir Walter.

Protection

The Town authorities have ordered four new caution signs for the school zone for further protection to our school children.

Paratrooper



Woodrow (Dick) Willis, 19-year old paratrooper, USA, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Willis, of Bettie, is serving with our forces in England.

"Dick" is a Smyrna High School boy. He entered the Army April 1, 1943, trained in Arkansas, and was stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia, just prior to going abroad.

Funeral Services For Mr. Jas. Rumley

Funeral services were conducted last Friday afternoon for Mr. Jas. Rumley who died on Wednesday at his home on Orange Street. Dr. Edgar Jones, Rector of Saint Paul's Episcopal Church held the services assisted by the Rev. W. Stanley Potter of Ann Street Methodist Church.

Those serving as pall bearers were Messrs. Ed Potter, Bayard Taylor, Ernest Waters, Julius Duncan, Sam Hughes Thomas, and E. L. Davis.

Members of the Rumley and Tankard families here for the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Tankard, Mr. and Mrs. Coley Tankard, Messrs. Hall and Eugene Tankard, Miss Mary Tankard, Sheriff William Rumley, Mr. Henry Rumley, Miss Mary Tankard of Washington; Mrs. John Tankard, Miss Helen Tankard, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tankard, of Yatesville; John N. Rumley and Mrs. A. B. Creekmore, of Norfolk.

R. C. War Drive Short of Quota

Returns from the Red Cross War Drive for the Beaufort Chapter this morning totalled \$1,913.27. Reports from various parts of the town are still incomplete and from the County only Roe and Davis have filed complete reports. Time is short. Chairman Potter urges our support.

Funeral Today For Addie Lou Robinson

Addie Lou Robinson, aged 3 years, 9 months, and 2 days, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Robinson of Cedar Street died at Potter Emergency Hospital Wednesday morning at 5 o'clock from burns received the day before.

Mrs. Robinson went to the fish house for fish on Tuesday leaving Addie Lou asleep. When she returned she was already burned and there was a fire. The assumption is that she was playing with matches when her clothing ignited. Her little brother George is said to have extinguished the flames with water. She was taken to the hospital where examination showed seventy-five per cent of the skin burned, and the seriousness of her condition was apparent. Members of her family were at her bedside when she passed away.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home by Dr. Edgar Jones assisted by the Rev. W. Stanley Potter (and burial will be in Ocean View Cemetery.

Addie Lou is survived by her parents: Mr. and Mrs. Ben Robinson; a 7 year old sister: Jane; her five year old brother: George; her maternal grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mason, of Beaufort; her paternal grandmother: Mrs. W. M. Robinson, of Jacksonville, Fla.; and the following aunts and uncles: John Robinson, James Robinson, Mrs. John Hunt, Mrs. F. E. Selby, of Jacksonville, Fla.; Robert Robinson, Mrs. E. Y. Nelson, Mrs. Charlie Bishop, of Norfolk; Mrs. Harry Willis, Morehead City; Sgt. Preston Mason, serving abroad; John Mason, Mrs. Price Johnson, Steve Mason, and Mark Mason, of Beaufort.

Dissolve 1 pound of 5-7-5 or 5-10-5 fertilizer in 10 gallons of water to use as a starter solution for young plants that have just been set, says Extension horticulturists at State College.

HOME SERVICE WORK OF R. C.

Red Cross Helps With Local Needs

When you give a dollar or two dollars or five dollars for the Red Cross, the largest part of it goes during wartime to National Headquarters for service in all the departments of the great humane institution but especially at this time to helping our men in camps, in enemy prisons, on battle fronts around the world; the rest is kept for Home Service in the area covered by the Beaufort chapter which means the part of the County east of the Newport River to tipmost point of Cedar Island.

Besides Dr. F. E. Hyde, Chapter Chairman, who busies himself with the affairs of the Beaufort Chapter, there are other volunteer workers who give their time to the work: Home Service Chairman, Rev. W. Stanley Potter; Volunteer Case Worker, Mrs. J. K. Vanderveer; Camp and Hospital Chairman Mrs. C. R. Wheatly; Home Nursing Chairman, Mrs. J. G. Allen; groups such as the Eastern Star who are making overseas kits, and the Casual Club making "house wives" to go in them; and others. None of your contribution goes to these people, but it does go to cover actual expenses incurred such as materials, telegrams, telephone calls, money advanced to help service men and their families in emergencies of various kinds such as sickness, financial troubles, and so forth.

During the month ending March 15, the Home Service Department wrote 31 letters; helped with 14 allotment applications; sent 21 telegrams; helped solve 12 miscellaneous local problems such as housing, emergency leave, trouble with allotments; made 75 phone calls including 6 long distance calls. These have been in the interest of service men or their families in every corner of the eastern part of the County and have been about evenly divided between the white and the colored.

We still have a long way to go with our quota with but eight more days in the month. Remember, by making a contribution you extend yourself so that you are able to help the boy in Iceland, China, India, Europe, Africa, and the boy in your own midst, whom you may pass daily on the street. He also has problems and needs a friend—an influential and powerful friend such as the American Red Cross.

Funeral For Manly Willis

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon from the Williston Methodist Church for Manly Willis, 42, of Williston, who died at Potter Emergency Hospital Tuesday morning at five o'clock. Mr. Willis was taken to the Hospital a few days before then suffering with an acute heart attack.

The Rev. H. C. Cuthrell, pastor of the church, conducted the services. Mr. Willis was a member of the Methodist church. He was a Mason, member of the Cornithian Lodge 266, Norfolk, and was buried with Masonic Rites. Between fifteen and twenty Masons from the Beaufort Lodge were present for the service. The body was laid to rest in the burying ground in the church yard.

Mr. Willis was chief on a tugboat. His wife, the former Mary Lewis, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Charlie Lewis died about a year and a half ago.

Mr. Willis is survived by his son: Charles Manly; his parents: Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Willis of Williston; two brothers: Elmer Willis and Wesley Willis, both of Williston; and two sisters: Mrs. Jesse Piner, Mrs. Guion Mason, both of Williston.

Community Services For Easter Season

Members of all the Beaufort congregations will unite in a church service on Good Friday from one to four o'clock to be held at Ann Street Methodist Church. There will be seven speakers representing all denominations during the three hours.

Again on Easter morning all churches will unite in a sunrise Easter service in old Live Oak Cemetery. Everyone in the community is invited to worship in these services.

HI-Ys ACTIVE IN RED CROSS WAR DRIVE

Theatre Offerings Taken This Week in Beaufort Theatres

Hi-Y girls have been passing their tin pans all week at the Beaufort Theatre and the Sea Breeze Theatre collecting for the Red Cross War Fund. Coins have jingled encouragingly each evening to the tune of several hundred dollars to date. The full amount will not be available until the end of the week.

Theatre collections are under the direction of Miss Lena Duncan and Hi-Y President Joyce Johnson has organized the club members for this piece of work and given the girls their assignments.

Our Hi-Y Club is a group of high school girls selection of which is made by the member of the group each year on the basis of leadership and character. This in cooperation with our theatre managers, Mr. Leonard Register and Mr. Raymond Paul, is their particular contribution to the Drive. Continue to encourage them throughout the week by making generous contributions to our Red Cross.

SCRAP PAPER

Paper containers are essential for sending food and other vital supplies to our men abroad—your waste paper can help make these containers.

Next Sunday, March 26, Jaycees will again collect waste paper. They will be around from 1:30 on according to Charles Hassell, acting President. Have papers bundled and tied (please) and on the front porch or curb when the boys come by to pick it up.

Half of the proceeds is to be given to the building fund for the Boy and Girl Scout Hut. This should make Scouts eager to remind folks at home and neighbors of the time and help in any way possible to get it together and out.

Magazines and cardboard boxes as well as newspapers are wanted.

The School Sale of Stamps and Bonds

Mrs. J. K. Vanderveer, Mrs. N. F. Eure, and Mrs. J. W. Humphrey of the School Stamp and Bond Committee report sales of \$825 in bonds and \$152.70 in stamps on Tuesday of this week. Miss Susan Rumley's third grade led in purchases.

CGA Announcement

Earl N. Noe, Commander Flo-tilla No. 1, Division 6, C. G. Auxiliary, announces that there will be a meeting at the Town Hall, Beaufort, Thursday evening, March 23rd, at eight o'clock.

All members of the Auxiliary plus any men in the community who may be interested in seeing "The Coast Guard on Convoy Duty" on the screen and any who want to know what the Auxiliary is doing are urged to attend.

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 near the inlet or at the head of the estuaries.

HIGH	LOW
Friday, March 24	
9:04 AM.	2:54 AM.
9:26 PM.	3:18 PM.
Saturday, March 25	
9:52 AM.	3:45 AM.
10:14 PM.	4:03 PM.
Sunday, March 26	
10:38 AM.	4:35 AM.
11:02 PM.	4:50 PM.
Monday, March 27	
11:24 AM.	5:25 AM.
11:51 PM.	5:36 PM.
Tuesday, March 28	
12:12 PM.	6:15 AM.
	6:24 PM.
Wednesday, March 29	
12:42 AM.	7:06 AM.
1:01 PM.	7:14 PM.
Thursday, March 30	
1:36 AM.	8:01 AM.
1:56 PM.	8:10 PM.

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