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R. H. HILL, JR. TELLS ABOUT A DAY OF A PILOT IN THE PACIFIC

Hill Was A Member Of Famous Squadron Setting a Record As A Fighter Group

When the 40 members of the Class of 1936 walked down the aisle of the Beaufort High School not one person had the prophetic gift to foretell that we were looking at two future Air Medal winners, one winner of an Oak Leaf Cluster, and two DFC winners—all in the Pacific War Zone. If we had known it we would have probably looked longer at the gangling youths in their first academic gowns.

Lt. (jg) Robert Hill, USNR, third of the group to return has just finished a 30-day furlough at home and gone to Jacksonville, Fla., to train men for a new squadron—then back to the Pacific.

"How does a day go out there in the Pacific?"

"Begins with 'briefing' of the days work. The Squadron Commander finds out the mission for the day. We gather round while he tells us how many bombers are going out, how many fighters, the altitude, the bases to be hit, and so on. We are all tense—quiet except for necessary talking. Before take-off with whom we are to fly. Yesterday didn't come back last night, we thought about it during the night, dreamed about it, wondered who would be missing today."

"At take off, the fighter pilot is too busy with mechanics of the plane to be scared. He is pilot, navigator, gunner all in one. But he is nervous again as he nears the target. Jap planes can be expected any second. Fighters split into groups of two, weave back and forth above the bombers. A last minute check of the plane, your heart pounds madly. 'Boogies' (unidentified planes) shouted over the radio. Black dots like a swarm of bees are seen. Planes increase speed, black puffs of ack-ack burst nearby, but you are interested in the enemy above. Now they dive on you. You see a friend in trouble—a zero on his tail. You head for him. Your wingman has just driven a Jap away who was trying to shoot you. All about are diving, turning, twisting planes, parachutes floating down, planes falling in flames, the blinding flash of phosphorus shells."

"The bombers drop their loads, below you glimpse sinking ships, buildings ablaze, clouds of dust and smoke. The bombers leave. You begin to breathe normally drenched with perspiration, you bite off a stick of chewing gum and start the long ride home."

"The crowd that left grimly in the morning becomes all talk, shouting, back slapping, full of adventures of the day. They tell stories, rib one another, drop voices as they talk about the chap who didn't get back. They smoke, talk about the mail, speculate as to when they will go home, do a little griping about the food, they are close to one another—a friend saved your life today, you saved his yesterday. They eat—no fresh vegetables nor meats—everything out of a can—spam, beef tongue, dried eggs, vienna sausage (doesn't see HILL Page 8

NEW HOME FOR LOCAL CO-OP

Directors Vote to Join Other Co-ops In Safety Program

At the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the local REA last Thursday evening, our Co-op decided to join the 27 other Co-ops of the state in sponsoring a safety program.

A man, technically a member of the State College faculty, will be employed to give his full time to visiting the Co-ops of the state in the interest particularly of the men at work on the lines. He is expected to spend approximately two weeks of the year here and to give demonstrations from time to time at central points at which representatives from a number of Co-ops can meet at the same time. There has been but one slight accident in our local REA project, but there have been more serious ones elsewhere in the state.

The Board also authorized Manager R. M. McGirt to move the offices into the building vacated by the Western Auto Associate Store on the west side of Turner Street. The new building is not only larger but offers better ventilation than the one at 124 Turner. Line materials and office equipment will be moved at once, and the Co-op expects to be ready to do business at the new stand after the fifteenth of the month.

JUDGE FRIZELLE ADDRESSED CO. DEMOCRATS SAT.

Delegates Chosen For Convention In Raleigh Today

Judges of the Superior Court of North Carolina were well represented at the County Democratic Convention at the Court House last Saturday. Judge Luther Hamilton, of Morehead City, scheduled to speak merely introduced Judge J. Paul Frizelle, of Snow Hill, who delivered the address of the morning.

Both speakers were solidly behind the Administration, put themselves definitely on record in favor of Roosevelt for a Fourth Term, and there was no doubt about the fact that the whole body was in accord with them.

Register of Deeds Irvin W. Davis, Davis, was again elected Chairman of the County Executive Committee. Mrs. Clayton Fulcher, of Atlantic was made Vice President, and James B. Long, of Morehead City, was made Secretary to the County Executive Committee.

The ruling of one delegate to the State Convention in Raleigh for each 150 Democrats casting votes in the 1940 gubernatorial election permitted Carteret the following 26 delegates representing all parts of the County at the meeting in Raleigh this afternoon: BEAUFORT: L. W. Hassell, Jas. D. Potter, C. G. Holland, John Johnson, Mrs. C. G. Holland, Mrs. James D. Potter; MOREHEAD CITY: Alvah L. Hamilton, Judge Luther Hamilton, W. M. Webb, Judge Paul Webb, Charles V. Webb, H. S. Gibbs, Mrs. Sam Adler, James B. Long; NEWPORT: Wm. H. Bell; DAVIS: Irvin W. Davis, C. H. Davis; ATLANTIC: Clayton Fulcher; SEA LEVEL: A. B. Taylor, Wallace G. Styrton; STALLY: William Fulcher; MARSHALLBERG: E. O. Moore; GLOUCESTER: Capt. John A. Nelson, Charles G. Nelson, Ernest Nelson; HARKERS ISLAND: Tilton Davis.

Informal Tea To Open Floral Shop

The public is invited to a tea Friday afternoon, May 5th, from 2 to 5 o'clock at the home of Mrs. John Gladstone Jones, 210 Orange Street. Mrs. Jones and Mrs. James Noe, joint hostesses, will introduce the people of Beaufort to our latest business, The Beaufort Floral Shop, a venture in which they are cooperating.

Entrance to the new shop will be on the south side of the house and will be indicated by a sign. The ladies say they will be equipped to take care of any floral needs: corsages, growing plants, cut flowers, basket arrangements, novelty growing things for the sick room or window shelves, and floral designs.

AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



Torpedoed at night, men of the Merchant Marine abandoned their fast-sinking ship. Frederick R. Zito, Cadet-Midshipman, left his lifeboat, climbed hand over hand up the falls to free a 250-pound fireman. Unable to loosen the ropes, he cut them free, then towed the entangled man until they were picked up by a lifeboat. His heroism beyond the line of duty. That extra War Bond you buy may save a life!

U. S. Treasury Department

CARTERET BOYS IN THE SERVICE

Robert Gooding, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Gooding, is serving as shipfitter third class with the Seabees in North Africa.

Pfc Linwood Goodwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dorris Goodwin, Roe, has notified his parents of his safe arrival with the Army Air Forces in Italy. Goodwin entered the Army April, 1943.

S/Sgt. Frank Rice, son of Mr. Adrian Rice of Broad Street has arrived safely in England. Pvt. Charles S. Rice, another son, who has been stationed at Palm Springs, Calif., is being transferred to Camp Grant, Ill.

Lance Smith C. Mo.M.M., USCG who has been stationed at the office of the Captain of the Port, Morehead City, and at Lenoxville Barracks for the past twenty months has been transferred to Duluth, Minn.

Julian Hamilton, Jr., A.M.M., USNR, of the Air Base at Pasco, Wash., arrived Monday evening to spend a 15-day leave with his parents on Ann Street.

Sgt. John B. Holt, owner of Holt's Rainbow Inn, has been serving abroad with an address in care of the PM, New Orleans. He is home now on his first furlough since he entered the Army two years ago. Mrs. Holt is here with him.

James Steed, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Steed of Queen Street has entered the Navy and reports to Raleigh on Monday for assignment.

Together

A little over two weeks from today and Henry F. McIntosh S 1-c, Robert W. McCabe, S 1-c, and Edwin Lewis, S 1-c, all of Carteret will have served together in the Naval Reserve for a year.

McIntosh is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fernie B. McIntosh, of Marsh allberg; McCabe is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McCabe, of Newport, and Lewis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Lewis, of Harkers Island. The boys entered the Navy May 21, 1943, and received their boot training at Bainbridge. They have recently returned to their base at the New Orleans Armed Guard Center after spending eight months at sea as members of the naval gun crew of a merchant ship. The voyage to England, Italy, Africa, and Sicily was made without encountering enemy action.

The boys are awaiting similar assignments on merchant vessels.

Word has been received of the safe arrival of Lt. Hugh Jones in England.

Sgt. James May, USA, Elgin Field, Fla., son of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. May, is making his second visit to Beaufort since his parents have been here.

Lt. W. L. Rudder, USN, son of Mrs. W. S. Chadwick, has landed safely at some port in the Pacific.

Word has been received of the See SERVICE Page 5

LEGION FAIR AND CARNIVAL BACK OCT. 2-7

Prell's World Fair Shows Booked With Zacchini the Human Cannonball

The American Legion Carnival and Fair—a pre-blackout, pre-dim-out institution will be back again October 2-7. Members of the Post 99 have booked Prell's World Fair Shows for the Fair and Carnival to be given on the school grounds along lines followed, before it was suspended two years ago.

Twenty-one rides and shows are promised including the free daily breath taking thriller of Zacchini "The Human Cannon Ball" shot from a huge cannon 200 feet over a twin ferris wheel—his first appearance in Carteret. Legionnaire Tom Kelly, General Manager of the Fair, says it's something to look forward to for the next six months.

Exhibits will be displayed in the school gym as in previous years. Classes and premiums will be the same as in 1941 and because of the paper and labor shortage, no new premium books will be printed. Premium books will be deposited in the offices of the County Agent, Home Demonstration Agent, AAA, and FSA.

Legion officers of the 1944 Fair Association are R. Hugh Hill, President; Raymond Ball, Vice-President; William Hatsell, Secretary; Jake Miller, Treasurer.

School Stamp and Bond Sale

The School Stamp and Bond Committee report sales totalling \$835.45 on Tuesday of this week with Mrs. John Brooks' 7th Grade leading and Miss Marjorie Lewis' 2nd Grade taking second.

May Quotas

Passenger Cars—	
Grade I	230
Tubes	264
Trucks—	
Small (750's)	84
Large (825's or larger)	18
Tubes	80
Gas—	
Allotment 'Hardship gas'	118 gals.

TRAFFIC AND LIQUOR CASES OCCUPY COURT ON TUESDAY

Docket Cleared In Morning Session

Tuesday morning Judge Webb heard cases of Eric Hill, white, USNR, and Lemuel Golden, Stacy Seashore Bus Driver, continued for three weeks.

Hill ran into the bus of Golden's near Gillikin's Store, Betty, about 9 P. M. April 3 as it stood parked by the roadside and was charged with reckless driving; Golden was charged with stopping on the Highway without flares. In the collision, both cars were damaged.

Golden claimed he was out of gas, couldn't get the top off his flares, went to the store for a wrench and to phone. In his absence the accident occurred. Both men had counsel, and the cases were long drawn out. Judgment in both was, "Not Guilty."

Fred C. Cannon, white, Newport, was heard for driving a car last Sunday with an expired Virginia license. Cannon was having ownership trouble and was in communication with the Virginia Motor Vehicle Department in an effort to clear it up. The Judge gave him time to straighten the matter out.

Lee Garner, Newport, white, was accused of possession of non-tax paid liquor last Sunday and Lee Brock, Newport, colored, was accused of possession for sale and transportation. A Patrolman rehearsed the pantomime which he had watched. Garner and a friend approached Brock, money was exchanged, Brock went off, came back, and the Patrolmen found the men cups in hand one with his filled, the other, luckily, had not poured. Garner plead guilty. Claims to be a "week-end drinker." He was given fatherly advice which See COURT Page 8

4TH DECORATION FOR SNOWDEN

Legion of Merit And Gold Star Awarded Apr. 10

Comdr. Ernest Snowden, USN, was again decorated on April tenth when the Commander of Carriers, Pacific Fleet, in the name of the President of the United States, awarded him the Legion of Merit and Gold Star in lieu of a second Distinguished Flying Cross for service in line of duty as Air Group Commander in combat action against the Japanese Empire the specific action of which cannot be published for security reasons. Ernest, our most decorated Beaufort boy, already has the following decorations and service campaign medals: the Navy Cross, Distinguished Flying Cross, American Defense Ribbon with Star, American, European, and Pacific Ribbons.

Comdr. Snowden is Commander of Air Group 16 which has won fame in the South and Central Pacific. He has been on continuous sea duty since December, 1941. He is now flying the Navy Helicat fighter plane which has proven itself in action to be one of the best fighting planes that has come out of the war.

Comdr. Snowden writes that he is cherishing a hope of getting back to Beaufort this summer but says there's a lot to be done out there.

RATION BOARD OFFICES AFIRE EARLY TUESDAY

Prompt Response of Dept. Prevented Disastrous Fire

Night Policeman Louis Willis discovered fire in the office of the County Ration Board early Tuesday morning just in time to prevent a disastrous fire in the business section of town.

The Beaufort Fire Department responded to the call at once, found the building full of smoke, fought their way in, and found the desk of Miss Alma Davis, Secretary of the Board, ablaze.

Because of the hazardous location of the fire, water was poured in great quantities. The blaze was extinguished in something like half hour with no damage from the fire except the total destruction of the one desk. Damage to other equipment such as the adding machine and typewriters was from water. Origin of the fire is unknown.

Fortunately records were in the steel files and were uninjured, the telephone had to be replaced at once, walls were smoked, and the floor flooded with water. The office was closed all day Tuesday while members of the staff devoted themselves to getting things in shape again; on Wednesday morning the office was open for business as usual.

Naval Recruiting

Recruiter Harry Gatten of the New Bern Naval Recruiting Station is located in the Morehead City Post Office Building each Friday to interview 17-year-old young men and ladies 20-35 for the Waves.

The tempo of enlistments is increasing, according to Recruiter Gatten, and more enlistments are expected with the impending graduation of high school seniors.

Rev. W. Y. Stewart Back In Pulpit Sunday Morning

Rev. W. Y. Stewart who has been convalescing at his home following his recent illness gives us the good news that he is all right again and expects to fill his pulpit at Core Creek Community Church again on Sunday.

Mr. Stewart asks us to say he is grateful to all those who lent a hand at the time of his automobile accident and those whose kindnesses have followed him in the days since then both during his hospitalization and since his discharge.

TWO OFFICERS CALLED BEFORE TOWN BOARD

Recent Bus Station Scrap Investigated By Board Monday

The Board of Town Commissioners in their regular monthly meeting on Monday went into the Bus Station scrap of several weeks ago in which Officer Louis Willis was involved and also the report that Officer Peterson had arrested a man who was doing nothing.

Both men were summoned for their stories. Willis said that his trouble started when he arrested a drunk at the Ration Board. Later he locked up two Marines near the Bus Station who were drinking and disturbing the peace, and later in the night he went into the Bus Station to get a cool drink. It was then that the wife of one of the bus drivers told her husband, "That's the man who slapped me this afternoon."

Officer Willis denied ever seeing the woman before but said he could have bumped into her when he was bringing the man out of the Ration Board Office. An argument followed, he said he tried to reason, but a tussle followed. Officer Louis Willis put the blame for most of the street talk on Night Watchman Dave Willis who makes his headquarters at the Bus Station. When asked about pulling watchman Willis' nose he made no comment, just smiled. He denied that he himself had been drinking.

Officer Peterson was questioned as to the report that he had arrested a man who was doing nothing. Peterson said that he was driving the town wagon down Live Oak Street one evening recently. A man called to him to "Turn around and carry me to Atlantic." He said he could see him thru the car mirror and he was "acting drunk" so he turned around, went back, and told him to get in the wagon. On the way to the lock up the man said that that he was not drunk but his wooden leg is what made him stagger, although he did admit he had had a beer of two. Peterson said he let him go.

No action was taken by the Board in either case.

The Board ordered the Clerk to make application to the WPB to buy a new truck for the street Dept. as the two which they have are about worn out.

The Board authorized the town attorney to draw up a deed to The Beaufort Boy and Girl Scout Council for a lot on Pollock street on which they intend to build a club house.

Orthopaedic Clinic

The State Orthopaedic Clinic will be held Friday, May 5th at the Pitt County Health Department, corner 3rd and Greene Streets, Greenville, from 12:30 to 4 P. M.

The Clinic takes all types of cripples, white and colored, free of charge who are unable to afford private treatments. It is conducted by Dr. Hugh A. Thompson, orthopaedist, Raleigh.

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, May 5	
7:12 AM.	1:14 AM.
7:34 PM.	1:22 PM.
Saturday, May 6	
7:58 AM.	1:53 AM.
8:11 PM.	1:58 PM.
Sunday, May 7	
8:32 AM.	2:33 AM.
8:47 PM.	2:35 PM.
Monday, May 8	
9:10 AM.	3:12 AM.
9:25 PM.	3:11 PM.
Tuesday, May 9	
9:49 AM.	3:52 AM.
10:04 PM.	3:47 PM.
Wednesday, May 10	
10:29 AM.	4:32 AM.
10:46 PM.	4:29 PM.
Thursday, May 11	
11:12 AM.	5:16 AM.
11:32 PM.	5:12 PM.

RATION

BRIEFS

GASOLINE

A-9 Coupons good through May 8.

A-10 good May 9 through Aug. 8.

SHOES

No. 1 and 2 "Airplane" Stamps in Book III good indefinitely.

SUGAR

Stamps No. 30 and 31, Book IV, good for 5 pounds of sugar indefinitely, No. 40 good for 5 lbs. canning sugar through February 28, 1945.

CANNED GOODS

Blue Stamps, Book IV, A-8 through Q-8 good indefinitely.

MEATS

Red Stamps, Book IV, A-8 through Q-8 good indefinitely.

FUEL OIL

Period 4 and 5 coupons good through August.

NOTICE

Every car owner must write his license number and State in advance on all gasoline coupons in his possession.