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BFT. BOY GIVEN DISTINGUISHED MERIT BADGE

Sgt. Garner With Veteran B-24 AAF Liberator Group

Master Sergeant Willard H. Garner, whose wife lives at Route 1, Beaufort, is a member of a veteran USAAF B-24 Liberator Group which has received a Presidential Citation for the historic low level attack on oil refineries at Ploesti, Rumania, on August 1, 1943, according to a release just received from Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces.

Sergeant Garner entered the of the group for over twenty-one months, has hit the enemy hard from bases all the way from the hot sands of the Middle East to newly prepared bases in Italy. They have dealt over 250 crushing blows to targets in Africa, Italy, Sicily, France, Germany, Austria, and many of the Balkan countries.

Hon. C. R. Hoey Here August 20

Hon. Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby, Democratic nominee for the United States Senate, will be the speaker at the eleven o'clock service at Ann Street Methodist Church on Sunday morning, August 20. The occasion will be the celebration of the 166th Anniversary of the Church.

Attending 4-Day Refresher Course

Mrs. George Henderson left Tuesday for Raleigh to attend a 4-day refresher course dealing with problems of Public Welfare. The State has been divided into four parts for the special course, and Mrs. Henderson is among the 28 county welfare heads meeting from Group 4. The course is given as part of the State Department's program of Staff development.

MAJOR BALLANCE LOSES SON WHOM HE HAS NEVER SEEN

Bruce Mitchell Ballance the 28 day old son of Major and Mrs. M. F. Ballance, of Marshallberg, died at Dr. Sidbury's Hospital, Wilmington, last Friday, July 28th, at three o'clock.

The body was taken to Kitty Hawk, Mrs. Ballance's home, on Saturday for burial. Major Ballance is serving with our armed forces in England.

RATION BRIEFS GASOLINE

A-10 good through Aug. 8. SHOES No. 1 and 2 "Airplane" Stamps in Book III good indefinitely.

SUGAR Stamps No. 30, 31 and 32, 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 Z-8 and A-5 through F-5 good indefinitely.

MEATS Red Stamps, Book IV, A-8 through Z-8, A-5, B-5, C-5 good indefinitely.

FUEL OIL Period 4 and 5 coupons good through September. During October unused coupons may be exchanged at Ration Board for new 1944-45 heating season coupons.

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

Rent Control All persons renting, or offering for rent, any living quarters whatsoever must register each dwelling unit with rent control office in their rent area. Persons who feel that they are being overcharged for rents may submit complaints to OPA. Complaint forms are available at the local War Price and Rationing Board if your area does not have a rent control office.

Fire Damages Home On Live Oak Street Early Wednesday

Fire at 4:00 A. M. Wednesday morning burned the roof from a 6-room two story house on Live Oak Street owned by Mr. Tommy Willis of Ann Street and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lewis and their five children.

The blaze started upstairs from a kerosene lamp which was overturned by one of the children and exploded. Alarm 45 was turned in but by the time the Fire Department could reach the scene, the house was in a blaze fanned by a wind that although not at that time of storm proportions made control difficult.

It is said that everything upstairs was practically a total loss from fire and water; some of the furnishings from the first floor were saved.

Ballots Go Out To Service Men

Requests for ballots for the fall election are coming in now at the rate of about twenty-five a week. Already 300 have been made as compared with 160 sent out in the May Primary.

The election Board of which F. R. Seeley is Chairman began mailing these out this week. It is again urged that families notify the Board at once of any change in address of those for whom ballots were requested in May and get requests for ballots in quickly as it will require weeks to reach those in the far corners of the earth.

The State Board is expecting at least 1000 Service ballots to be cast in the County in November. There are between 2100 and 2200 Carteret boys in Service around the world. Only an estimated 1900 to 2000 are of voting age but fifty per cent of these are expected to exercise their franchise.

Orthopaedic Clinic

The State Orthopaedic Clinic will be held in Greenville August 4 from 12:30 to 4 P. M. This Clinic takes all types of cripples, both white and colored, free of charge who are unable to afford private treatments. The clinic is held at the Pitt County Health Offices on the corner of 3rd and Greene Streets, Greenville.

COUNTY SHORT OF TEACHERS FOR 1944-45

Schools Plan To Open August 31st

The Schools of Carteret County were scheduled in May to open Thursday, August 31, and it is hoped that the infantile paralysis situation will prove such as not to necessitate postponement. However, as this announcement goes to press there appears the possibility that the infantile paralysis situation may make postponement of the opening advisable. Unconfirmed reports are that the White Oak and Swansboro schools plan normally to open Thursday, August 17.

Superintendent Allen stated yesterday that there has been considerable teacher turn-over in many of the larger schools during the present summer and, notwithstanding extraordinary diligence on the part of school officials thru-out the summer, one to four vacancies still exist in the larger schools, with no applications from qualified teachers on hand or in sight. According to Mr. Allen the one- and two- and three-teacher white schools are fairly well fixed for teachers except the Cedar Island and Lukens schools, for which no interested applicant has as yet been found.

The personnel of the colored schools remains practically intact, Mr. Allen stated. Four colored teachers average 2 years college training; all others employed average four years of college training. The shortage among white teachers is so acute, however, that many white classrooms will remain closed unless teachers with little more than high school graduation are employed.

Recorder's Court

All cases on Recorders Court Docket for Tuesday of this week were continued until August 8th for lack of prosecuting witnesses.

Rescue Worker



Donald G. Willis, boatswain's mate first class, USCG, Harkers Island, has been assisting in rescue work in the English Channel. Willis' Coast Guard cutter participated in a specially organized rescue flotilla which, since D Day, has saved the lives of 900 men. (Cut courtesy U. S. Coast Guard)

At The Throttle



Gerald W. Williamson, machinist mate first class, USCG, Sea Level, is at the throttle of an assault transport with a fleet of transports in the Allied invasion drive in the Far Pacific. (Cut courtesy U. S. Coast Guard)

In England



Cpl. Elijah H. Springle, USA son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Springle of Fulford Street is serving with our armed forces in England. Cpl. Springle entered the Army at Fort Bragg two years ago last April. He trained at Savannah, Ga., and left for New York in May following a furlough at home with his parents and his aunt, Mrs. John Hall, also of Fulford Street.

CARTERET BOYS IN THE SERVICE

Pelham T. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Jones, Marshallberg, has graduated from the Naval Training School for midshipmen at Abbott Hall Northwestern University, Chicago, and been commissioned an Ensign in the USNR. He is to see action with the fleet as deck officer.

Harry Paul, USN, son of the Grayden Pauls has returned to Chicago following leave spent with his parents.

Pharmacist Mate 3c Stahl H. Leonard, Jr., USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Leonard of Front Street is stationed at Jacksonville, Fla. David W. Leonard, his younger brother, is apprentice seaman, USN stationed at San Diego, Calif.

Lt. Francis Bogien Mace has returned from a "shake down cruise" and is on a new carrier in Brooklyn awaiting orders.

William Thomas, will visit with his parents, the Sam Thomases of Ann Street until Saturday when he returns to Charleston. William was recently advanced from QM 3rd Class to QM 2nd class, USCG.

Cpl. Robert E. Lewis, USMC, son of R. E. Lewis, Sr., of Newport, is home on a 30-day furlough after serving in the South Pacific for over two years with the First Marine Division which won the Presidential Citation for achievements in the Guadalcanal, Cape Gloucester, and New Britain campaigns. Prior to entering the Service, Robert was employed by his uncle, Clifford Lewis, Pollock Street, proprietor of the Ideal Cleaners.

Julius Willis, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Willis of Live Oak Street was in the invasion of France serving on an LST.

Sgt. Leland B. Piner, USA, son of Mrs. Leland F. Piner, Davis, was slightly wounded in action in France on June 8 and has been awarded the Purple Heart. He is better and expects to be back in action soon. Sgt. Piner is the father of an eleven months old son, Braxton Lee, whom he has never seen.

Clemmy Chadwick, captain, ATS, Newport News, and Ralph Chadwick, Coxswain, USCG, New London, Conn., have been spending ten days with their mother, Mrs. Alice Chadwick, and their sister, Mrs. James Davis, of Straits. Lafayette Chadwick, E. M. first class, USCG, youngest son of Mrs. Chadwick is in transport service.

Word has been received that Sgt. E. E. (Dick) Duncan, USA, is in Normandy.

Pvt. Edmund Smith left Sunday for Camp McCoy, Wis., after spending his furlough with his mother, Mrs. John Smith of Live Oak Street.

Cpl. Weldon Salter, son of Mrs. Sabra D. Salter and the late J. L. Salter of Sea Level, was one of the Quartermaster soldiers in the Air Service Command in Britain recently commended by Lt. General Carl Spaatz for his part in supplying the Air Service Command Troops with food, clothing, and organizational equipment used in the battle of France.

Carteret County Farmers have nothing to lose and all to gain thru the organization of the Lower Neuse Soil Conservation District says County Agent R. M. Williams.

D. F. C. AWARDED NEWCOMER HERE

On Saturday, July twenty-ninth in a ceremony at Peterfield Point, New River, Captain George C. Stamets of Craven Street was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement while serving as a pilot attached to a Marine torpedo bombing squadron operating in the Solomon Islands.

Captain and Mrs. Stamets come from Dallas, Texas. They have been occupying the apartment vacated by the Walter Morrisses about four months ago.

STORM SPENDS ITSELF BEFORE REACHING COAST OF CARTERET

Slight Damage Only In This Section

The storm that played havoc around Wilmington and nearby beaches Tuesday afternoon and night doing \$2,000,000 worth of damage and proving the most destructive of a century was very evident locally but no great damage resulted. A "small craft warning" floated over Beaufort in the afternoon, and heavy rain and east wind struck us before five o'clock. During the hours from then until midnight heavy rain fell making veritable rivers of the streets. An between Marsh and Pollock looked like "high tide" as some one added and "no feesh."

Between 6:30 and 7:30 (high tide) the water came up to the breakwater and waves were lashing angrily in the wind, but no great amount of water came over. Around 6:00 o'clock the signal station here received word that a 90-mile gale had struck Wilmington and was headed this way. A red lantern went up on the tower for the first time in a number of years announcing "storm of violence with southeast winds."

Owners of boats large and small braved the wind in oilskins scurrying about tying up their boats or taking them to more protected spots. As the gale increased, pieces of broken piers floated in "the cut" and were carried along with the current, but those who were here in 1933 and during other storms were inclined to treat it all lightly and reminisced of days when water came from the ocean sweeping in half way to Ann St., and great trees lay across the streets. At every lull a line of cars would appear as the curious drove along Front Street to view the water. The wind continued well into the night fortunately dying down considerably before the fire at 4:00 A. M. in a closely built section of Live Oak Street.

Herbert Walls Killed in France

Henry Walls of Marsh Street received a telegram on Saturday stating that his brother, Pfc. Herbert E. Walls, USA, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Walls, was killed in France on July 3.

Herbert Walls was a native of Old Fort. He was educated in the public school there and was a State Inspector of construction work prior to entry into the Army last summer.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret Lessinbee Walls, four brothers, and two sisters.

"NOT PRANKING"

Life is never dull these days - what with a storm Tuesday night and planes almost grazing the roofs on Wednesday night.

The latter came up for considerable discussion on street corners and porches today. We are still grimly on the side of anything that forwards the War and according to reliable information this does. It will likely occur later and later in the evening throughout the week, but the boys will not be "pranking."

The Beaufort Airfield is being used for an Advanced Combat Training Center in connection with the Cherry Point Base. That means that advanced flyers will use it for experimental work. The training schedule of each squadron calls for a certain number of hours of night flying and landings and when the squadron working at present completes this schedule, there may be others who will repeat the procedure—but we are assured that it is all something that is necessary to the end for which we are all working.

CUT FIRE WOOD TO SAVE COAL.

Every extra cord of fire wood American farmers supply for fuel can save from one-half to a ton of coal, WPB advises. Coal supplies this year will be short and vitally needed by essential war industries.

MARINE FROM ATLANTIC FIELD ELECTROCUTED

Accident Occurred Sunday Morning Bet. Here and Morehead

Robert William Watson, second lieutenant, USMC, stationed at the Atlantic Air Field was electrocuted Sunday morning at 10:30 between here and Morehead City, near the Port Terminal. First aid was administered and he was rushed to Morehead City Hospital but he was dead when he was received there.

The body was taken to his home in Minneapolis, Minn., on Tuesday accompanied by a military escort.

Coroner A. H. James who investigated the tragedy said that a radio truck of the USMC was parked beneath high tension wires of the Tide Water Power Company so that the long antenna contacted a 2300 volt wire. Lieutenant Watson walked over to speak to the driver, touched the truck, and death came instantly.

AAA Notice

Farmers of Carteret County may earn a practice payment of \$1.50 per acre under the 1945 AAA farm program for establishing winter cover from seedings this fall of wheat, oats, barley, rye, or mixtures of these grains, says S. D. Edwards, chairman of the County AAA Committee.

To qualify for this payment, a protective winter cover must be provided and the crop must not be harvested for grain. However, it may be pastured, cut for hay, turned under as a green manure crop, or left on the land as a "go down" crop next spring. The seed bed should be well prepared and the seed sown sufficiently early to permit plants to withstand winter freezes.

Announcement of this practice is made at this time by the Regional AAA Office in Washington in order that farmers have sufficient time to make plans for a fall seedings of winter cover crops. In addition to serving as a curb on erosion, the forage from these crops should be especially valuable to farmers who have increased their livestock numbers to meet increased wartime demands for meat and dairy products.

Rare Bird Is Found In Beaufort

Dr. C. S. Brimley, State Department of Agriculture entomologist, said that a nest of Painted Buntings has been found in Beaufort.

Dr. Brimley declared that, although it has been known for some time that this bird sometimes ranged as far north as Beaufort, this is the first account the Department has received of the Painted Bunting's attempt to raise a family in North Carolina.

The nest and young were found by John Coffey and Tom Zapf, Raleigh school boys.

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.

Table with columns for HIGH and LOW tide times for Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.