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COUNTY BOARD RAWS JURORS FOR OCT. COURT

Other Matters Considered of Routine Nature

The Board of County Commissioners met Monday of this week with Chairman Bonner presiding and all members present except Tilton Davis of Harkers Island.

The following jurors were chosen for the October term of Superior Court: BEAUFORT: Roy Carraway, C. W. Britton, T. C. Ilikin, R. B. King, Robt. K. Finn, Orville Gaskill, B. F. ... BEAUFORT RFD: B. B. Garland Gillikin, Paul ...

W. Willis, T. C. Willis, J. ... MOREHEAD CITY: ... S. T. Watson; NEWPORT: ... S. Swinson, B. S. ... HARKERS ISLAND: W. T. Salter, Dan ...

James D. Potter and C. Z. Chapel were appointed to investigate property valuation of land at the extreme west end of Broad Street, Beaufort, belonging to Edmund Jones. The Board adjusted valuation for Charles Mason, Atlantic ...

Funeral Monday For "Whit" Willis of Marshallberg

Mr. Whitfield Willis well known farmer died Sunday, September tenth, at 11:30 A. M. of typhoid fever in the home of his brother in Marshallberg. Mr. Willis was 70 years and one day old.

Funeral services were conducted from the Marshallberg Baptist Church at 2:30 Monday afternoon by Rev. H. C. Cutthrell and Rev. Frazier after which the body was laid to rest in Victoria Cemetery, Marshallberg.

Mr. Willis is survived by two sons: Sheldon Willis and Roy Willis, both of Marshallberg; one sister: Mrs. Sabra D. Willis; and two brothers: Van B. Willis and Walter Willis.

RA TION

BRIEFS GASOLINE

A-11 good through Nov. 8.

SHOES

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

SUGAR

Stamps No. 30, 31, 32 and 33 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 G-5 good indefinitely.

MEATS

Red Stamps, Book IV, A-8 thru through L-5 good indefinitely.

FUEL OIL

Period 4 and 5 coupons now valid for current season will remain valid throughout the coming heating year. Period 1 coupons for next season are now valid.

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.

HUGHES-GUTHRIE FEUD TO BE HEARD IN OCT. SUPERIOR COURT

Graham, Held For Deaths on Atlantic Highway, Bound Over to Oct. Court

Recorder's Court on Tuesday drew a Court Room half full of spectators to hear the Hughes-Guthrie feud aired. Fred Hughes, night policeman, Morehead City, was charged with assaulting Leroy Guthrie, Morehead City, operator of the Seashore Taxis on September 4th with a deadly weapon, to wit a coca cola bottle, with intent to kill; and Guthrie was charged by Hughes with assault with his fists on the same date; and back last May first, Hughes charged Guthrie with simple assault.

Instead of a morning of drama, counsel for Hughes asked to have "intent to kill" stricken from the warrant as it takes the case out of the jurisdiction of the lower Court; when denied, Hughes, through his attorney waived examination and was bound over to the October term of Superior Court and Guthrie requested, through his attorney, that he be given a jury trial and was bound over to the October Court.

Scarcely less interest was shown in the case of Robert Lee Graham, of Sanford, in jail since Sunday unable to give bond of \$3,000. Graham was held on three charges: manslaughter in the death Sunday night of Allen Nelson and his son Billy, with hit and run driving, while under the influence of intoxicants. Graham also waived examination and will be heard in Superior Court.

Mrs. Wiggins, white, Broad Creek, charged 55-year old Polish farm laborer John Obedaski with assault on a female with intent to kill. Mrs. Wiggins is not the clinging vine that gave women the sobriquet "the weaker sex." Bent toil worn she is but proved herself nevertheless well able to take her part and seemed to enjoy the Court procedure.

From Mrs. Wiggins' testimony, the Court was given a mental picture of a free for all in the Wiggins tobacco barn last Thursday when the two were grading tobacco which they raised on shares. As best as could be gathered from Obedaski's broken English, it started over the question of who was boss. Mrs. Wiggins claimed, although it was hard to believe, that she got the worst of it with bent glasses, "a busted lip," and other injuries, but said, "I kicked him as far as I could." On the stand, Obedaski denied everything saying she called him names, hit him with a tobacco stick, and he pushed her away. Mrs. Wiggins interrupted with, "You know I don't have no tobacco sticks grading tobacco. If I could have got a tobacco stick, you wouldn't of hit me"—and thus it went. Obedaski was found guilty of simple assault. Continued prayer for judgment on condition he give no trouble for a period of a year and pay officer's costs of \$1.50.

Other cases were the usual number of traffic violators.

ROTARIANS

Rotarians at their regular Tuesday evening dinner meeting at the Inlet Inn had the privilege of listening to Joe Williams, Assistant Secretary of the North Carolina State Farm Bureau, who has been working in Carteret with County Agent R. M. Williams in the interest of organization of the Farm Bureau. Mr. Williams gave an informative and interesting talk on the work of the Bureau in the United States.

Childrens Services Resumed at Ann St. Methodist Church

Dr. R. K. Oliver, County Health Officer, has given permission to include the children again in all church services beginning Sunday, September 17th.

Ann Street Methodist Church, the Church School, Leagues, and Sunshine Choir will hold their regular meetings and the Sunshine Choir will sing at the Sunday evening service.

FUNERAL FRIDAY FOR TWO KILLED SUNDAY NIGHT

Allen Nelson and Billy Have Double Service

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Nelson and four year old Billy of Atlantic were walking along the Highway last Sunday evening at 8:45 between their home and that of John E. Nelson when they were struck by a hit and run driver, and Allen and his son, Billy, were killed. Death is said to have come instantly to both victims although Billy's body was knocked so far from the Highway by the force of the impact that it could not be found until a truck with a searchlight was brought to the scene from the Air Base.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon from the Primitive Baptist Church by Rev. Edwards and the bodies laid to rest in the Atlantic Community Cemetery.

Allen Nelson is survived by his wife the former Inez Salter, daughter of Captain Oscar Salter, USCG; one son, Allen, Jr.; his parents, John East Nelson and Sidney Nelson; one brother, John, Jr.; USA, Louisiana, who is home for the funeral; and one sister, Mrs. Amanda Rooss, Atlantic.

Coroner A. H. James' report stated that a car owned by Robert Lee Graham, foreman of construction work in Atlantic, was picked up with sufficient evidence that it was the car that struck the two. Circumstances led to the arrest of the owner who has been confined in the Carteret County Jail since unable to give \$3,000 bond. No. inquest was deemed necessary.

Apostle Benson To Visit L. D. S. Church on H. Is.

Harkers Island will experience one of its really great events when on the evening of Sept. 18th, Monday, at 7:30 Apostle Ezra T. Benson of Salt Lake City, Utah, will visit the L. D. S. Chapel there for the purpose of holding one of those well known Mormon Conferences.

Apostle Benson who served a Mission in Great Britain from 1921 to 1923 is well known the world over as a great agriculturist and Boy Scout leader, not mentioning the many other services rendered his church both at home and abroad.

Accompanying the apostle on his conference tour will be Graham H. Doxey, president of the East Central States Mission.

Both of these men are eloquent speakers and the public is invited to attend.

DR. JONES BACK

Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Jones who have been vacationing in New England are returning to Beaufort this week. Dr. Jones will be present for the regular eleven o'clock service at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Sunday morning, September 17. Dr. Jones writes that they have "had a grand time but are anxious to get back."

LUCKY

Mrs. A. T. Smith, Cedar Street, was a fortunate visitor to the Dora Dean Beauty Shop on its opening day last Saturday. Her lucky registration number entitled her to a free permanent.

DICKINSONS SUFFER \$500 DAMAGE LAST WK. FROM LIGHTNING

Lightning last Thursday night struck the east chimney of the home of Mrs. Gerald Dickinson, Ann Street, tore two sides of the chimney down to the roof and cracked the chimney down to within several feet of the ground. The Fire Department was called out, but there was no other damage except from falling bricks and soot. The chimney, which is being rebuilt this week, is an inside chimney which will make it necessary to replaster and redecorate two rooms. Damage estimated at \$500 is covered by insurance.

In Pacific



Cpl. Gray Osborne Davis, USA son of Mrs. Mildon Willis of Marshallberg is serving with the 5th Air Force Service Command in the Southwest Pacific. Cpl. Davis is a Louisburg College boy who specialized in business administration. He is with the Quartermaster section of his organization.

MULLETS

The "mullet shift" last week brought in the first mullets in quantities. Duffy Guthrie made the biggest haul to date off Salter Path—41,000 pounds. The fish were caught by Carteret Fish Company and handled by Otis Purifoy, Morehead City; Brownie Pinner caught 37,000 pounds which were handled by S. W. Davis, Bros., and Carteret Fish Company.

Roba and Friends

A halyard slipped out of place on the weather signal staff last week and the "small craft warning" on Thursday went up late and only after nimble Roba Lee King climbed up to the very top to take care of the matter.

Again on Wednesday afternoon, Roba Lee, Charles Chappell, Ernest Guthrie and Joe Beam came to the rescue and raised the pennant and flag to indicate the approach of the storm. Later Roba Lee climbed to the top of the pole and repaired the cross tree so that the lanterns might be displayed.

NEWS DAY LATE

The Beaufort News is being issued today (Friday) due to the storm which struck here early Thursday morning which disrupted the electric power lines, resulting in their being no electricity all day. This is the first time that THE NEWS has failed to appear on Thursday since the big snow in 1936.

Mr. Bell of Harlowe Burial Fri. Afternoon

Mr. Armstead Bell, 53, Harlowe, died at his home Thursday night at six o'clock after a long illness. He was the son of the late W. N. and Lula Hardesty Bell. Funeral services will be conducted Friday afternoon at three o'clock from the home by the Rev. John R. Poe, Newport.

Mr. Bell is survived by his wife and ten children: Cecil Bell, Mrs. Cook Williams, Mrs. Ralph Bolin, Edsel Bell, Eloise Bell, Royall Bell, Clyde Bell, Carl Bell, David Joyce Bell, Roger Royce Bell, and by three sisters: Mrs. George Bell, Mrs. Earl Dickinson and Mrs. G. C. Bell all of Harlowe.

BLUE TOKENS, FAREWELL

If you've got some blue tokens in your purse, better use them now because after September 30 they will be good only for the kids to play with. Until next Sunday the OPA says, you can use them just as you always have used them. Beginning Sunday, September 17, retailers will cease giving blue tokens to consumers as ration change, and shoppers will be able to spend them only in groups of 10. If necessary, shoppers may pool tokens to make up groups of 10. Removal of practically all canned and bottled vegetables and fruit spreads and specialties from rationing September 17 makes use of blue tokens unnecessary. Beginning September 17 point values on canned fruits, canned juices, canned tomatoes, catsup and chili sauce will be designated in multiples of 10.

RETURNED "G. I. JOES" CET JOBS.

More than 50,000 returned veterans of the present war were placed in jobs during July by the Veterans Employment Service of the War Manpower Commission thus making a total of more than a half million who have been placed. Employers are offering veterans the cream of the jobs that come within their capacities WMC says.

LOUISBURG GIRLS

Beaufort will be well represented in the Freshman class at Louisburg College this fall. Four of our 1944 high school graduates intend to leave next Tuesday to begin the year there: Jean Fodrie, Mary Francis Morton, Emily Taylor, and Carol Dean Bessent.

BAPTISTS TO HAVE SPECIAL SERVICES FROM OCTOBER 15-25

Rev. Stephens of Warsaw to Preach

Protracted meetings will be held in Beaufort Missionary Baptist Church beginning October 15th and continuing through October 25. Rev. G. Van Stephens of Warsaw will do the preaching.

Services will be held each evening at 7:30. For the first thirty minutes, the church choir, under the direction of Miss Daphney Paul, will lead in singing old and familiar hymns from the church hymnal and the Beaufort Male Quartet will sing one or more of these Gospel songs each evening.

These meetings are being held for the glory of God and for the good of the people of Beaufort and their friends. Everyone is welcome. Rev. M. O. Alexander, the pastor, says the invitation is a personal one, "You Come, and bring others with you."

Mrs. Snooks Buried Friday Afternoon

Funeral services for Mrs. Annie Viella Rhue Snooks, 49, were conducted from the home on Broad Street last Friday afternoon by the Rev. M. O. Alexander of the Beaufort Baptist Church, and the body was laid to rest in Ocean View Cemetery.

Mrs. Snooks suffered a stroke on Wednesday while visiting at the home of her daughter on Broad Creek and was moved by ambulance to her home in Beaufort. Death came at 5:30 on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Snooks was the daughter of the late Sarah Morris and Reuben Rhue. She is survived by her husband, Will Snooks, and by a number of children.

Sunday School At St. Paul's

Superintendent Charles H. Bushall announces that Church School at St. Paul's Episcopal Church will be resumed at 9:45 Sunday morning, September 17. The school has been closed for the past five weeks in compliance with polio control regulations and he hopes to have all children present for the reopening.

Mr. Joyner of M. C. Died This Morning

A. H. Joyner, Evans Street, Morehead City died this morning, September 15, at his home following a long illness. The body will be taken to the home this afternoon and to Farmville, N. C., tomorrow for interment.

Mr. Joyner served as City Clerk for Morehead City from 1935 to 1943 when he retired because of ill health. He is survived by his wife, a son, Aculla H., Jr., USNR, who is become from service in England, and a daughter, Betty.

SCHOOL MONDAY

Carteret County Schools large and small, white and colored, will begin the school year next Monday morning, September 18. Part of the roof of the Atlantic High School was blown off by the storm, but the original roofing beneath is good and school is expected to open as scheduled.

FUNERAL TODAY FOR DAUGHTER OF

THE PERCY GARNERS

A 12 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Garner died early Wednesday morning at her home in Newport. Funeral services will be conducted from the home this afternoon at 4:30 by Elder Major Simmons of Newport and burial will be in the community cemetery.

Worse Storm Since '33 Strikes Carteret Coast

Gale Beginning in Early Morning Reached 105 Miles an Hour Between 8 and 9.

CARTERET BOYS IN THE SERVICE

Sgt. Edwin Martin, USA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Martin of Norfolk, formerly of Merrimon, who has been spending leave here, left Sunday to return to his station in California.

John Carraway, USNR, son of the Peter Carraways, returned to Camp Peary, Va., Sunday following "boot" leave at home.

Captain E. C. McConnell, Chaplain, USA, is now stationed at Aniston, Ala., and Mrs. McConnell and the children are with him there.

Lt. (jg) Charles Davis Harris, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Harris, Marshallberg, has been serving on an LST in the European theatre of operations since April, 1943. Lt. Harris is a graduate of ECTC and was a member of the teaching staff of the Fairmont High School for a year. In 1942 he enlisted in the Navy as an ensign and was trained at Princeton University. His ship has taken part in the Invasions of Sicily, Italy, and France. She had a close call on New Year's night when she was beaten by terrific storm a sketch of which was given in the May American. Lt. Harris has two sons, now a year old whom he has never seen. His wife is the former Cecelia Cobb of Merry Hill. Harris writes his family that he is faring fine but is longing for the day when he can take his twins on his knees.

Jack Allen, Kestler Field, Mo., and Frank Pinner, Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., spent the past week together in St. Louis.

Roy Dickinson, "Tom Dick" son of Mrs. John T. Noe, Broad Street is at Newport, R. I. awaiting commissioning of the ship to which he has been assigned. Mrs. Dickinson and his baby have been with him there.

Adrian Brooks, Water Tender, 2nd class, USN, left Monday for New Orleans after spending a few days leave here with his family on Turner Street.

Clarence Beachem, store keeper 2nd class, aboard a destroyer, is here from the Pacific with his parents, the Paul Beachems.

Lt. Edward Potter, USNR, is here this week visiting his parents, the E. H. Potters of Marsh Street.

Pfc Manly E. Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie G. Murphy, Marshallberg, graduated last week from the aircraft mechanic's course conducted by the Army Air Forces Training Command, Camp Curtisair, Buffalo, N. Y. Camp Curtisair specializes in instructing soldier-technicians in the repair and maintenance of the famous P-40 Pursuit ship and the C-46 Commando. The latter is the largest twin motored cargo ship in the world.

Royce Vincent Emory, son of Mrs. Della Emory of Roe, has been in the Southwest Pacific with our Amphibious Forces for the past five months. He entered the Navy in November, 1943, received his boot training at Bainbridge, Md., his LST training at Camp Bradford, Va. Emory has served in both the Atlantic and Pacific. Garfield Emory, Mo. MM. 1c, USCG his brother, has been in the Service for 16 years. He has served in both the Atlantic and Pacific and for 16 months aboard a destroyer during which time he was in several engagements. He is now at Cape Lookout.

Pfc Henry G. Bellamy, USA, son of Mrs. Lena Simmons, Beaufort, RFD, is reported wounded in action in the Mediterranean Theater.

Bernard A. Phelps, Jr., 1st lieutenant, USA, former Beaufort High School student now of Baltimore, is with the Signal Corps in the Hawaiians. George Phelps, his brother is somewhere in England serving with the Infantry. See SERVICE Page 10

HUNDREDS LEAVE FOR NEW BERN AND OTHER UP STATE POINTS

The last minute change of direction that was the only hope for the North Carolina Coast came, and the center of the tropical hurricane that threatened this section during the night Wednesday did not strike us in full force although before it was spent it did considerable damage all along our low lying section proving the most disastrous storm since '33.

A signal announcing "storm of violence with N. E. winds" flew over Beaufort throughout Wednesday afternoon. Wednesday night two red lanterns with a white between were displayed indicating approach of a tropical or tropical hurricane, and the Weather Bureau urged residents to seek safety in higher sections.

In the early morning, the barometer dropped to 28, a high wind arose accompanied by rain increasing violence as the morning advanced. Hourly radio reports urged evacuation and during the night hours seventy-five families left town, many others packed their War Bonds and other treasures and were ready to get out on a moments notice. Between one and three in the morning the USMC evacuated Marines (both men and women) from Atlantic to Cherry Point, Army personnel at Ft. Macon, except for a few necessary men, were moved out, and personnel from Ocracoke evacuated. Some fifty or more private citizens from Lenoxville were brought in by the USCG and taken care of by the Red Cross at the Court House until after noon Thursday.

Headquarters, Southeast District of the Red Cross sent two trained disaster relief workers who with Chairman F. E. Hyde were on the alert all night keeping communities in the east informed of the situation, helping with evacuation, making arrangements to keep in touch with the outside world by wireless in the event we should be cut off, and otherwise preparing to meet whatever might arise.

A heavy wind lashed the section until well into the morning. It reached its peak between 8 and 9 when, according to Army Operations, Ft. Macon, the velocity was 105 miles an hour. Poles were snapped off, trees blown down by scores, tin and composition roofs loosened and became toys of the wind, window panes blew in, sign boards went down, false store fronts fell, tressises blew out of place, plate glass windows, including those straight across the Eastman Furniture Company were shattered, electric current and telephone service was disrupted paralyzing business, falling poles and wires blocked the Causeway around five temporarily halting the flow of evacuees out of town. No

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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, Sept. 15 Date of 1933 Storm	
7:43 AM.	1:43 AM.
8:00 PM.	1:55 PM.
Saturday, Sept. 16	
8:22 AM.	2:20 AM.
8:37 PM.	2:34 PM.
Sunday, Sept. 17 Constitution Day	
9:00 AM.	2:55 AM.
9:12 PM.	3:11 PM.
Monday, Sept. 18 Jewish New Year	
9:34 AM.	3:28 AM.
9:46 PM.	3:47 PM.
Tuesday, Sept. 19	
10:07 AM.	4:00 AM.
10:20 PM.	4:22 PM.
Wednesday, Sept. 20	
10:41 AM.	4:31 AM.
10:55 PM.	5:00 PM.
Thursday, Sept. 21	
11:16 AM.	5:03 AM.
11:32 PM.	5:36 PM.