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## CAPT. ELDRED DROWNS ON DUTY

### Once Piloted Bft.-Morehead Ferry

Chief Boatswain's Mate Melford Eldred, 54, a familiar figure in Carteret fishing circles for years, was drowned on Nov. 11 when his patrol boat sank in Shinnecock Inlet, Long Island, N. Y.

Eldred joined the Coastguard three years ago. His home was at Gordon Place, Freeport, L. I. He is survived by his wife and son, Captain Raymond K. Eldred, a brother Ben Eldred and sister Mrs. Edith Winks all of Long Island.

With him in the 25 foot boat when it sank was Coast Guardsman William Wyckoff who was saved by Lt. Comm. Roy Carter, an uncle-in-law of Charles Mades of Beaufort. Mades a BM 1-c is also stationed at the Shinnecock Coast Guard Base, and is a brother of Earl Mades of The Beaufort News. Another eastern North Carolina boy stationed at Shinnecock is Callie Fulcher of Bridgeton.

The drowning took place on heavy seas after his 25 foot motor boat in which he was patrolling with Wyckoff, was swamped and sank. Although provided with a life jacket Captain Eldred drowned before coast guardsmen under Lt. Comm. Carter reached the scene.

Wyckoff was rescued, having managed to keep swimming until aid arrived, although nearly exhausted at that time.

The tragic death of Eldred stunned his host of friends along the coast from Montauk to Florida. Ironically, Eldred had made a name for himself the past years for having rescued more fishermen and boatmen from craft stricken off the coast.

In 1935, Eldred, who skippered the "Juliana," rescued six from the Jones inlet after their craft had been broken apart by a wave. Last year, he rescued nine persons in Suffolk waters.

He had established a wide reputation as a skilled navigator and was a favored skipper among local fishermen because of his knowledge of the ways of tides. He had taken cut many famous personalities, Irvin Berlin being one of his "steady" customers.

In the winter, he went to Florida and there rivalled the local skippers in popularity, his boat and services being constantly in demand.

Three years ago he joined the coast guard reserve and turned his boat over to the coast guard for patrol duty. Recently he signed over into the regular coast guard.

## SIXTY ROAD DAYS HEAVIEST COURT SENTENCE

Cecil Mason of Newport was found guilty of drunkenness, assault on an officer and of destruction of jail property before Judge Paul Webb in Tuesday's Court and sentenced to 60 days on their oad.

Mandy May Morton of Newport was found guilty of assault and use of profane language. Prayer for judgment was continued on payment of court costs.

Dave Smith and Claude Smith, both of Newport, pled guilty to drunkenness and were fined consolidated court costs.

## ATTEND DANCE

Among those attending the Scottish Rite dance in New Bern on Thursday night of last week were: Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Potter, Mr. and Mrs. Ghermann Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Noe, Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Lewis, Mr. Jake Miller and Dr. L. W. Woodard.

## HOSPITALIZED

Miss Lucy Jane Bowers who was a popular member of the Beaufort high school faculty for six years and is now a member of the Henderson, N. C. high school faculty is a patient at Maria Parham Hospital, Henderson.

## MISS SMITH ENGAGED TO Pfc. LIONEL G. WALTON

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Lee Smith of Piney Green announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen Elizabeth Smith, to Pfc. Lionel George Walton, USMC, the son of Mrs. A. Hicks, of Oklahoma City, Okla.

## RECEIVES D. F. C. AND AIR MEDAL



Word was received this week by Mrs. Wilbur Rhue of Williston that her husband, T/5 Corporal Wilbur Rhue who is stationed in India has received the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal. He has been overseas 22 months. No details have as yet reached Mrs. Rhue. Corporal Rhue is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Rhue of Broad Street, Beaufort.

## BEAUFORT CONCERN IS GRANTED CHARTER

The Beaufort Housing Corporation which will build fifty modern homes along Ann Street and Front Street, extended, his filed a certificate of incorporation with the secretary of state at Raleigh. The authorized capital stock is \$100,000. Subscribed stock totals \$2,000 from W. H. Weaver, T. C. Hoyle, Jr., L. T. Hoyle, all of Greensboro.

## BRIDGE CLUB MEETINGS

The Friday Night Bridge Club met at the home of Mrs. H. G. Hill on Front Street. Mrs. Robert Safrin, Jr., and Mrs. Larry W. Moore were guests for the evening. After three progressions of bridge, Mrs. Moore, with high score and Mrs. Safrin with second high, were given defense stamps. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. James Potter III served cake, salted nuts and coca colas.

The Thursday Afternoon Bridge Club met with Mrs. Pauline Dickinson of Ann Street with Mrs. Jack Keel as a guest. Mrs. Jack Windley was given stationery as high scorer and Mrs. Keel a handkerchief, for second high.

The hostess served a salad course with coffee.

Mrs. Ed Potter was hostess to her bridge club on Thursday evening of last week. Miss Gladys Chadwick and Mrs. Jack Windley were guests for the evening. At the conclusion of the game, Mrs. Claude Wheatly, high scorer, was given guest towels, and Mrs. Jack Windley, second high, a box of home made fudge.

It being the Thanksgiving season, the hostess served mince meat pies, topped with miniature turkey-shaped pastures and whipped cream, and coffee.

The Tuesday Bridge Club met with Mrs. Tom Potter on Front Street. Mrs. Bayard Taylor, Mrs. Claude Wheatly and Mrs. R. M. Williams were guests.

Mrs. Robert Safrin was declared high scorer and was given bath salts.

## YOUNG MATRONS CLUB

Mrs. J. Wander entertained the Young Matrons Club on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Horace Loftin on Ann Street with Mrs. Loftin and Mrs. Charlie Cheek as guests. Mrs. Wander served fruit cake and cider, after which the members and guests enjoyed three progressions of bridge. Mrs. Loftin, winner of high score, was presented an attractively boxed barometer, and Mrs. Leslie Moore, low scorer, was given a potted plant.

## ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. Edgar Jones, Ph. D. Sunday, Nov. 26th 9:30 A. M. Church School 11 a. m. Morning Prayer and Sermon. Subject: "The Commandment that Moses left out of the Decalogue." Special Thanksgiving Service Today at 10 am. at St. Paul's

## ATLANTIC HITS U. S. O. QUOTA

### Mrs. Fulcher Sr., Accepts Second Chairmanship

Mrs. Clayton Fulcher, Sr., chairman of the Atlantic United War Fund Drive, was in Beaufort on Saturday and paid over \$260.80 to Drive Chairman James Davis. The sum put Atlantic over the top.

Mrs. Fulcher commended her co-workers, Mrs. Lydia F. Morris and Mrs. Clayton Fulcher, Jr., for their efforts in the fund raising.

Mrs. Fulcher, Sr., is starting a new this week on another job, that of chairman of the Atlantic Tuberculosis Seal Drive.

### Beaufort P. T. A. Renewed Spirit

The revived Beaufort Parent-Teacher Association attracted more than 150 parents at the second meeting of the year on the evening of Nov. 14 in the Beaufort high school auditorium.

With Dr. H. F. Prytherch in the chair and Miss Susan Rumley at her secretary's desk, the program was under the direction of Mrs. W. Stanley Potter who conducted a question and answer session on the meaning of membership in the P. T. A.

Mrs. F. R. Bell is Program Chairman for the year's program which will be devoted to all phases of "Meeting the Needs of Youth."

The Beaufort association voted to join the state and national associations, it was decided by vote.

## NOTES TOLD OF GREAT KILLER

### Speaker Describes Ravages of T. B.

Carteret County was third highest among the 100 North Carolina counties in tuberculosis deaths last year, L. L. Bing Miller, assistant executive secretary of the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association revealed last night in an appeal for support of the Tuberculosis Seal Drive before the Beaufort Rotary Club in weekly dinner session at the Inlet Inn.

Pasquotank leads all counties with Wilson next. Contrary to vital statistics for other counties, more white than negroes died of tuberculosis in Carteret. Of the fourteen deaths last year, eight were hites.

In the nation, Mr. Miller said, 57,000 died of the disease, which he labeled as the No. 1 enemy, with 1459 of the deaths in North Carolina.

Tuberculosis is not inheritable Mr. Miller said but balanced his explosions of that old wife's tale by stressing the sordid fact that the tuberculosis in its early stages is rarely recognized except by a doctor who specializes in its diagnosis, prevention and cure.

The incidence of susceptibility to tuberculosis rises alarmingly of course, Mr. Miller added, in families where the disease exists.

"You can have tuberculosis without any having symptoms," he said, "and therein lies the disease's greatest menace."

Mr. Miller pled for support of the Seal Drive explaining that support of the drive is support of the movement to provide more hospital beds for tubercular patients.

Guests of Rotary to hear Mr. Miller were: Mrs. Martha Loftin, County Chairman of the Seal Drive, and H. P. Scripture of Morehead, a member of the committee.

Rotary will entertain their ladies at next Tuesday evening's meetings.

### REGISTRATION OFFICE TO REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 7 O'CLOCK NEXT WEEK

The last four days of November, 27th, 28, 29 and 30. The Carteret County ABC office will be open each of these four days for the registration of those desiring a new whiskey book which will be used beginning December 1st. Ration Food book No. IV must be shown in order to secure the new book. After Nov. 30 there will be no further registration until the second Tuesday in January, 1945 and thereafter the second Tuesday in each month.

## CARTERET BOYS IN THE SERVICE

Lt. (jg.) F. Borden Mace, son of Mrs. W. A. Mace of Beaufort, is home on a five day furlough.

Cecil O'Neil, PR 2c, USN, who has been stationed at Pearl Harbor during the last eighteen months has returned to Beaufort on 30 days leave.

Corporal Charlie Gillikin, Signal Corps, USA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cicero T. Gillikin of Beaufort RFD, who has been in New Guinea since August 1943 writes that his address has been changed, but to where is a matter of conjecture.

The three sailor sons of Mrs. Roland Styron of Davis are covering the entire Pacific. Their sister is Mrs. Cecil Gilgo, also of Davis.

Roland E. Styron, SK3c, USN, is somewhere in the Pacific according to latest reports.

Hilton Grey Styron, S 1c, USN, is at Dutch Harbor in the Aleutians.

William C. Styron, BM 2c, USN, who was on the battleship San Francisco during several Pacific battles, is again at sea but on another ship.

J. R. Miller, S 1c USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Miller of 808 Broad Street, writes that life on the Pacific is not so bad. He doesn't have much to say about life under it.

Aviation Cadet Glenn H. Adair, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Adair of Craven Street, has returned to Cochran Field, Georgia, after a short visit with his parents. Cadet Adair has just finished basic training and on his return to duty will face the final phase of flying before graduation. Cadet Adair was once an ace carrier for The Beaufort News.

Cpl. James Potter III arrived yesterday from Fort Bragg for a short visit with his wife and son at their home on Front Street.

Navy Lieutenant (jg) Maston L. Gray, whose wife Mrs. Roberta Shaw resides at here has been assigned to the Medical Field Service School at Camp Lejeune as a student.

Lt. Gray is the brother of Cpl. R. A. Gray, of 609th Engineers, U. S. Army and Ensign William H. Gray, attached to the Naval Landing Ship Transports. He attended the Medical College at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia. He received his BS degree from Marshall College, at Huntington, West Virginia. He was commissioned July, 1943, at Charlottesville, Va.

Pvt. Willard P. Willis, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. David C. Willis, Harkers Island, has been enrolled in the AAF Training Command's aircraft radio mechanics school at Trux Field, Madison, Wis., it was announced today by the post commander.

He will take an extensive course in servicing radio equipment used on U. S. bombers and fighting planes and will be trained in defense against chemical warfare, aircraft classification, and related AAF subjects designed to fit him for combat duty. In civilian life, he was a commercial fisherman.

Pvt. Edwin L. Garen, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Garner, Jr., of Bandale x xziffiff vbqkq vbg Newport, has been transferred from Camp Rucker, Ala., to Camp Shelby, Miss.

David M. Smith, S 1c (QM), husband of Mrs. Theresa Smith of Fulford St., Beaufort, is among the prize winning crew of the recent graduating class at U. S. Naval Amphibious Training Base, Solomons, Mr. Smith was a pitcher for the Philadelphia Athletics before joining the Navy.

Captain, USN, follows: "It is with pleasure that the Commanding Officer of the U. S. Naval Amphibious Training Base, Solomons, Maryland, announces the selection of LCS Crew 3808 of which David M. Smith, S1c, a former resident in your community, is a member, as the outstanding crew in the group graduating 3 November, 1944 at this Training Base.

"In choosing the outstanding

## BEAUFORT GIRL A BEAUTY QUEEN

### SAE Fraternity Picks Miss Elizabeth Mace

That the prettiest girls in Carteret County has been proved again in the selection of Miss Elizabeth Mace, daughter of Mrs. W. A. Mace of Beaufort and a junior at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, as Beauty Queen of SAE Fraternity, one of the foremost college fraternities.

She will compete with "Queens" selected by other Chapel Hill fraternities for the title of "Queen of the Campus" at a beauty ball sponsored by the Yackety Yack, university year book, on Saturday night, Nov. 25, in Woolen gymnasium which will be the evening climax of the Saturday football game between Duke and North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The queen and eight co-ed attendants will be chosen by a board of judges at the dance. Miss Mace is reported by our Chapel Hill news source to have been well established in the lead by her selection as Queen of SAE.

The Board of Judges will comprise:

Administrative Dean R. B. House, Dean Francis F. Bradshaw; Capt. H. W. Carroll; Dean E. L. Mackie and Maj. James W. Marshall.

Mrs. Mace and her son, Lt. (jg) F. Borden Mace will leave tomorrow for Chapel Hill where they will attend the game and the dance.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Whitehurst announce the engagement of their daughter Gwendolyn to

Pfc. O. J. Ashman, U. S. Army, son of Mr. & Mrs. H. Astman, of West Bend, Wis.

crew in the group it was necessary to consider such points as the crew's military performance and bearing, promptness at drills ashore and afloat, appearance, general attitude and interest and performance at schools. David M. Smith is to be commended for his contribution to the excellent performance of his crew. The training was rigorous and necessarily condensed so that the competition was keen."

Lt. (jg) Clayton Fulcher, Jr., reports in letters to Mrs. Fulcher and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fulcher, Sr., all of Atlantic, that he had been hard at work aboard a mine sweeper in invasions both in the Mediterranean and in southern France.

Logan A. Whitehurst, son of Mrs. Thelma Whitehurst of 301 Cedar Street, Beaufort, has been promoted from Seaman First Class to Coxswain. He was a member of a U. S. Naval crew in the American assault force which invaded Normandy and southern France.

## BRONZ STAR MEDAL

The Bronz Star Medal was presented to Mr. William H. Fulcher at Stacy on Nov. 19th at 3:30 by Colonel Adam E. Potts, the commanding officer of Camp Davis.

The Bronz Star Medal was posthumously awarded to his son, Sergeant Clarence Fulcher, for gallantry in action in Solomon Islands, during March 1944.

Clarence Guthrie, PhM 1-c has just returned from an extended trip in the Atlantic Theatre. He and Mrs. Guthrie are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Guthrie or the next 8 days.

1st Gilbert Potter USA writes his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Potter of Ann Street from Parris Island. He has recently been promoted to Captain.

Corp. James B. Ross of USMC who has been in the South West Pacific for the past 20 months arrived in Calif. last Saturday. He received a 5 star reward at Guadalcanal and saw action at Bougainville, Sipan, His wife the former Miss Pauline Pkne Willis has been informed. Mrs. Ross will meet him on Dec. 5. They will spend 10 days with his parents at Butler, Penn. They will return to New River for his new assignment.

## Harry L. Rogers' Promotion Announced

### Son of Former Beaufort Pastor

The promotion of Chaplain Harry L. Rogers from 1st Lt. to Captain has been announced by Brigadier Gen. Edmund W. Hill, commanding general of the Eighth Air Force Composite Command. Chaplain Rogers is the son of



the Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Rogers of Rosehill where Mr. Rogers is pastor of the Methodist Church. His wife, Mrs. Jessie Ireen Rogers lives on Route 4, Raleigh.

Chaplain Rogers passed several years of his youth in Beaufort while his father was pastor of the Ann Street Methodist Church. According to the word received about him by Mrs. William Hatsell, Chaplain Rogers considers Beaufort to be his real home.

Chaplain Rogers attended Ashbury College where he won his A. B. He reached his B. D. from Emory and has done work at Duke University. Before entering the service he was pastor of Hillsboro Methodist Church and also served at Stern and Apex. Both his mother and father were born at Newport.

Chaplain Rogers is now the Protestant chaplain at a heavy bombardment base in Europe.

## LT. RICHMOND IN HOSPITAL

### Her Wounds Are Described as Serious

Second Lieutenant Sidney T. Richmond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel A. Thomas of Beaufort, has been returned to the States for hospitalization at General Hospital, Coral Gables, Fla., according to word that reached her parents yesterday.

Mrs. Richmond was the first absentee Carteret voter to return a ballot to the Board of Elections in the past election. Her ballot came from India where she was seriously wounded. Details of her wounding have not yet been released by the War Department. She was among the first registered nurses to volunteer from North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have been informed that they will not now be allowed to visit their daughter.

## MAYOR TAYLOR APPEALS FOR UNITED WAR FUND

Mayor Bayard Taylor of Beaufort, chairman of the United War Fund Drive for Carteret, made a last appeal this morning for the collection of \$2,000, the amount the \$7,350 drive is short in Carteret.

"Let's celebrate Pearl Harbor Day by going over the top," he said.

## Court of Honor Sunday Night

A Boy Scout Court of Honor will be held on Sunday evening at the Beaufort Baptist Church for presentation of awards won by Boy Scouts in tests before Boards of Review.

The following Scouts passed tests before the most recent Board of Review conducted by Stanley Woodland at the Inlet Inn last Thursday evening:

First Class: Robert Simpson, Lloyd Barnhill and Pete Skinner. Stamp Collecting Merit Badge: Robert Thompson.

Art and Firemanship Badge: Billie Lewis.

Art Badge: Tommy Eure.

Carteret Scoutmaster School will be held on Tuesday evening, Nov. 28, at the Inlet Inn. Scout Executive Boone B. Owen will instruct.

## WAR BOND DRIVE HITS FAST PACE

### Carteret County Alive To Sixth Obligation

Paced by the theme "The War's Not Over" the sixth War Loan Drive got under way in every city, town and hamlet in the United States on Monday with a goal of \$14,000,000,000 to be attained with \$5,000,000,000 of the sum to be raised from sale of Class E. bonds.

Carteret County's quota of those astronomical sums is \$317,000 with \$187,000 of the total amount to be accounted for by Class E bonds.

The Beaufort Jaycees first thing on Monday morning installed a "Bond meter" a new and fitting word coined by Charles Hassell, on the Beaufort Post Office lawn where the progress of the sale may be noted day by day.

The Morehead school children staged a parade on Monday afternoon.

I. E. Pittman, Chairman of the Carteret County Bond Sales, issued a message to all the county.

Issuing agents at the four Carteret Post Offices—Atlantic, Beaufort, Morehead City and Newport and the First Citizens Bank and Trust Company offices in Beaufort and Morehead.

Mr. Pittman reported this morning that the sale had got off to a reasonable start but warned that a start was no indication of the finish. He added, however, that Carteret has never failed to meet any of the five previous War Bond quotas and that, with the best fishing season in history flooding the county with new dollars, Carteret should have no trouble in meeting its sixth obligation.

"We will certainly appreciate anything that is done by the citizenship in helping us reach the quota; don't wait for special events and high-powered sales promotion features to buy bonds, begin buying today and buy to the limit of your ability," Mr. Pittman said.

Miss Cora Joslyn is head of the County's Woman's Division for War Bond Sales. Her committee comprises: Morehead City School, Miss Bettie Harker; Morehead City co-chairman, Mrs. J. C. Taylor and Mrs. M. T. Mills; Beaufort, School, Miss Lena Duncan; Beaufort; Mrs. Paul Woodard, Eastern Stars; Davis, Mrs. Alvin Davis; Atlantic; Mrs. Hester Mason; Newport; Mrs. Sam Edwards; Harkers Island; Mrs. Emma Fulcher; Marshallora; Mrs. Nedda Hancock; Smyrna; Mrs. Thelma Moore.

## LAST JAYCEE DRIVE

This Sunday will mark the last Beaufort Jaycee waste paper salvage pick up. The Jaycee truck will start on its rounds at the customary time of 1:30 p. m. and the Jaycees hope, that with this the last pick-up, Beaufort residents will have large bundles waiting for the truck on the curbsides.

The Beaufort Jaycees will be host to the Morehead Jaycees at their dinner session in the Inlet Inn on Monday night.

## RENT CONTROL AGENT HERE ON FRIDAY

W. A. Davis, Rent Control Representative, has postponed his visit to Morehead City from November 23rd, to November 24th. He will be at the City Hall on the 24th between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m.

## LOUIS WARREN ENTERTAINS

Louis Warren entertained more than 100 friends last Wednesday evening at a dinner at the Recreation Center.

## TENANT FARMERS GET FERTILIZER PRICE AID

Landlords selling fertilizers to tenant farmers cannot charge more than the applicable retail ceiling price of these products, the Office of Price Administration has ruled. An additional mark-up by landlords never was authorized, the agency stated.

5000 board feet of lumber are required to crate a P-40 fighter plane. A crate for the wings of the plane measures 35' 6" x 10' 4" and weighs 3000 pounds. The fuselage crate measures 7' x 30' x 5' 2" and weigh 2000 pounds.