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BEAUFORT VOTES ON RAT CONTROL AT JAN. MEETING

Morehead Undertakes Plan. Mayor Taylor Volunteers to Gather Beaufort Opinion

Morehead City is embarked today on a permanent rat control program.

Beaufort will decide whether to join in the program at a meeting of its Board of Commissioners on January 8.

The program, recommended by County Health Officer, Dr. R. K. Oliver, will be carried out by the State Health Department working in conjunction with the Typhus Control Unit of the United States Public Health Service.

Machinery and technical skills involved will be donated by the State and National Health services.

The program will cost Morehead City nothing. Cost of labor and supplies required to rat-proof buildings will be charged to the owners of the buildings. Such cost, it is estimated by E. L. Hinton of the State Health Department, will average \$10 a building.

To secure the services of the State Health Department and the United States Public Health Service, Morehead City's Board of Commissioners passed an ordinance which disallows any interference with the program on the part of a building owner and which levies cost of rat proofing in much the same fashion as ordinary taxes are levied. In addition, Morehead City agreed to pay its share of a monthly cost of \$150 to maintain the program, once it is completely underway.

Mayor D. B. Willis of Morehead City said today that he is confident that the cost of the program will be repaid many times over by reduction of the ever-growing damage done daily by the hordes of rats that invest the wharves and business sections.

Dr. Oliver described the program Monday night at a meeting of the Beaufort Board of Commissioners expressly called by Mayor Taylor.

It was the majority opinion of the Commissioners that Beaufort merchants, business men and building owners should be allowed an opportunity to investigate the merits of the State Health Department program and action on the regulatory ordinance was tabled until the January meeting.

Mayor Taylor volunteered to canvass the merchants, business men and property owners between now and Jan. 8 and secure their opinions.

DON'T FORGET SEAL DRIVE

Don't forget to send your check, money order or cash in to the Tuberculosis Seal Drive Headquarters in the Welfare office in the courthouse annex, Mrs. Martha Loftin, chairman of the drive asked today.

The response to the annual appeal for funds to carry on tuberculosis prevention and cure in Carteret County has been excellent to date, Mrs. Loftin said, adding however that the goal of \$1,800 had not yet been reached.

Tuberculosis has claimed an increasing number of lives since the war began.

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ROBERT D. HILL 31c MISSING IN ACTION

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hill, Beaufort, RFD., received word yesterday from the Navy Department that their son, Robert D. Hill 31c is missing in action somewhere in the Pacific area.

HUGE SURPLUS EYED BY LEGISLATORS

The North Carolina Legislature will convene for its second wartime session on January 3 with a new Governor, R. Gregg Cherry, and the task of handling the largest surplus in the state's history.

Governor-elect Cherry campaigned for conservation of the fund approximating more than \$70,000,000 and recommended that the sum be used to pay off the state's indebtedness of \$52,000,000.

Cherry is on record as saying that while he believed taxpayers are entitled to some relief either in the form of credits or refunds during the "temporary" surplus period, the job of revising the State's general tax schedule should be left to peacetime assemblies.

Although legislatures generally follow a new governor's wishes there will be many contested issues, leaders believe.

Other problems to come up are reports recommending establishment of hospitals for the Negro feeble minded, spastic paralytics; creation of a four year medical school at the University of North Carolina.

CARTERET BOYS IN THE SERVICE

Sam Gibbs, Jr., S 2c, U. S. Navy, arrived Monday night to spend Christmas leave with his mother, Mrs. Edna Gibbs on North River road. Sam leaves Tuesday for Bainbridge, Md.

George J. Brooks Jr., since December 1st has been enrolled in Officers' Candidate School at Ft. Benning, Ga.

Lt. Mary Bowen Brooks, USA, Nurse Corps, writes that she has returned to her post of duty at Naples, Italy, after a brief rest at Sorrento, Italy. "Real beds," she says, "and bath tubs were something to be appreciated." Mary Bowen has been overseas for 26 months and will spend her third Christmas away from home on Monday.

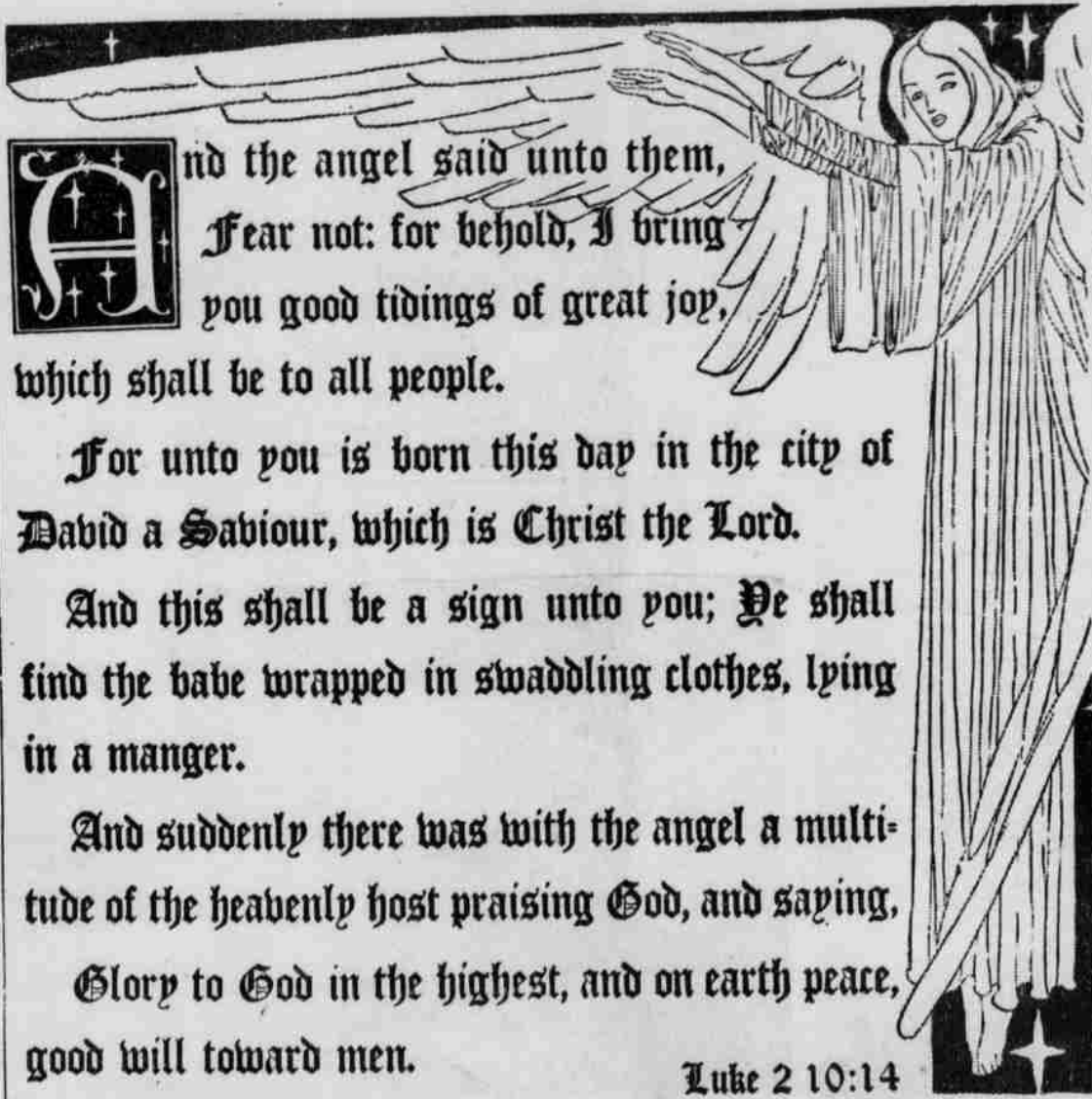
After a long period of no mail at all, Mrs. B. E. Windley has received a letter from her son, Neil, who is an Ensign in the U. S. Merchant Marine, somewhere in the Pacific, in which he sent Christmas greetings back to the folks back home.

Many J. Styron, attached to the U. S. Coast Guard in Baltimore, returned Wednesday after a visit of several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Styron on Orange Street.

Mrs. E. Edwards have returned to Norfolk after a visit here with his sister, Mrs. L. E. Dennis, and Mrs. Edwards' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rolison of West Beaufort.

With two sons in the Navy mine sweeper service, Mr. and Mrs. M. Leslie of Beaufort expect one of them home for Christmas, Ensign John Dixon Davis, now attending a mine sweeper school at Yorktown, Va. Their second Navy son, Lt. Tom Ivey Davis, skipper of a large mine sweeper, is somewhere in the Pacific.

Sgt. Fillmore Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lawrence, Beaufort, RFD., has been awarded the Purple Heart. He was hit in the left leg and side by shrapnel while participating with the first assault wave in the attack on Leyte. A letter to his mother this week states that he is recovering in a field hospital, on Leyte. Sgt. Lawrence has so far amassed the fol-



And the angel said unto them,
Fear not: for behold, I bring
you good tidings of great joy,
which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of
David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall
find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying
in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude
of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace,
good will toward men.

Luke 2 10:14

lowing ribbons: Pre-Pearl Harbor, Asiatic, Good Conduct, Purple Heart, Philippines, Presidency Citation and the seventh is coming, a Governor's Citation.

Lt. Perry Reavis, Jr., former manager of the Beaufort Theatre, is now stationed in France, serving as a 9th Air Force P-51 Mustang pilot.

Pvt. Paul Davis attached to an engineer regiment is at a rest camp in Italy according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Davis of Davis. He has been on active duty in Italy during the past eighteen months.

Pfc. Billy Wells will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Wells and daughter, Billy Jean. Wells, who has been hospitalized at General Hospital, Augusta, Ga., will be stationed at Myrtle Beach in January.

Mrs. Thelma Whitehurst of Beaufort has received word that her son Logan 3c, USNR, has arrived in Boston from overseas and will be home within thirty days.

Sgt. Charles Roy Eubanks has notified Mrs. Eubanks of his arrival in the Philippines.

Walter S. Morris, Aviation Trainee, U.S.A.A.F. stationed at Columbus, Mississippi, arrived Sunday night with Mrs. Morris and young Walter to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Elmore Davis.

Guy Dickinson, Jr., MM 2/c, U. S. Navy arrived Saturday for a leave of 30 days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Dickinson. Guy has seen much of the war from an LST in the Mediterranean and European theatres.

Technician 5th Grade Reginald T. Styron of Davis, N. C., is now serving with a Military Police detachment assigned to a P-51 Mustang fighter station in England. The Davis soldier is charged with the protection of fighter aircraft and vital installations at the 8th Air Force base, and also with the maintenance of security regulations connected with combat operations.

Inducted in the army Feb. 11, 1943, T/5 Styron has been in the European Theatre of Operations for 14 months, previously on duty at a B-26 Maulrauder medium bomber base in northern Ireland. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Styron of Davis.

Pvt. Willard P. Willis, son of Mrs. David C. Willis of Harkers Island, who has been serving overseas has returned to the U. S. and is stationed at Trux Field, Madison, Wis.

Corp. William H. Skarren, somewhere in the Southwest Pacific wired his mother, Mrs. W. D. Skarren of Ann Street, flowers for Christmas.

LT. RICHMOND HOME.
Lt. Sidney T. Richmond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam A. Thomas of Beaufort, arrived home for Christmas Tuesday evening from Northampton General Hospital, Tusculoosa, Ala. Lt. Richmond, a nurse, was wounded in India. She is expected to spend an extended convalescent period with her family.

CARTERET EXCEEDS BOND GOAL

Carteret County bought \$521,767 of bonds in the Six War Loan Drive, Chairman I. E. Pittman, announced to The Beaufort News at press time this afternoon. The quota was \$317,000.

DR. BUNN TALKS TO ROTARY

We cannot divide our social, political and religious relationships, ideas and lives into three divisions and expect to be complete Christians, the Rev. John H. Bunn, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, Morehead City, told the Beaufort Rotary Club Tuesday evening at the Inlet Inn.

We cannot be one type of person socially, another type politically and still a third type religiously and achieve integration, Dr. Bunn said, alluding to the famous phrase of disparagement "all things to all men" to drive his point home.

Dr. Bunn was introduced by B. J. May who is Rotary program chairman for December.

James Canady, president, presided for the first time in several weeks. Mr. Canady has been absent due to the grave illness of Mrs. Canady who, he reported, is now resting comfortably in the home of Mr. Canady's sister, Mrs. Lottie Pulley in Kinston.

Robert Williams, county farm agent, exhibited a six pound, nine ounce turnip grown by Herman Merrill, Beaufort, RFD. Some of Mr. Merrill's extraordinary products have been exhibited before to the Rotary Club.

J. E. English of the Morehead City Rotary Club was a guest.

Wright Given New Trial By Supreme Court

The case of C. L. Beam against K. W. Wright which had been continued for about two years was finally tried in the March 1944 term of Carteret County Superior Court. Beam was given a judgment of \$5,976 with interest. Wright took an appeal to the Supreme Court, and said court granted him a new trial when it convened recently for its fall term.

Farm Bureau Meets Tonight

The annual meeting of the Carteret Farm Bureau will be held tonight at the Courthouse with a free barbecue supper at 6:45 at the office of the county home demonstrator preceding it.

Joe Williams, assistant secretary and treasurer of the North Carolina Farm Bureau will be the speaker.

START OF CAP SET FOR JAN.

With inquiries being received from teen agers and a scattering of elders eighteen years or more about the date and place of the organization meeting of the Carteret County Civil Air Patrol Civilian Auxiliary, the Beaufort Junior Chamber of Commerce announced today that the place and date will be revealed shortly after January 1.

The forty lesson course for embryonic pilots will be directed by Capt. Herman M. Reid of Cherry Point. Capt. Reid flew with the CAP out of Beaufort under the command of Lt. Col. Frank E. Dawson.

Capt. Reid knows the history of the dangerous lives led by the CAP members during the dark days of the war when submarines lurked up under the noses of the Fort Macon guns because he was one who participated in the land-plane flights far out to sea in search of submarines, distressed tankers and seaman drifting singly or in groups, sometimes on rafts, sometimes buoyed up by nothing more than the wind in their lungs.

COURT HOUSE HOLIDAY

The offices of the county courthouse, Beaufort, will be closed Monday and Tuesday of next week December 25 and 26 in observance of the Christmas holidays.

CHURCHES KEEP CHRISTMAS HOPES ALIVE

Despite Effects of war And Illness of Dr. Jones, Churches Continue Age-old Traditions

Beaufort Churches, along with all of Carteret County's churches, will celebrate Christmas traditionally with special church services, special musical programs, with street caroling, and with Santa Claus parties for the younger Sunday School students.

Edge will be taken from some of the gay festivities by the war, and here at home, by the illness of Dr. Edgar Jones, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church who has been ordered to bed by his doctor.

The Santa Claus party of St. Paul's will be held tomorrow evening at 6:30 p. m. in the Parish House. Mrs. Bayard Taylor has arranged a program of special music for the Sunday morning service, but otherwise activities at St. Paul's will be greatly curtailed due to Dr. Jones' illness. The church's Sunday program will be: Church School at 9:30 a. m. and Church service at 11 a. m.

The Christmas Eve communion service scheduled by Dr. Jones will not be held.

Holy Communion will be offered at 11:30 o'clock on Christmas Day with the Rev. Edgar L. Pennington, Ph. D., Episcopal chaplain at Camp Lejeune officiating. Dr. Pennington was rector of Holy Cross Church, Miami, Fla., before joining the Navy.

Ann St. Methodist
The Children's Division of the Ann Street Methodist Church held its Christmas party this afternoon. It was hugely attended and the appearance of Santa Claus set up shouts of glee that shook the tomb stones in the church yard.

On Christmas Eve the Senior and Young People's Department of the church will sing Christmas carols along Beaufort streets for the shut-ins.

The Rev. W. Stanley Potter, pastor, has arranged a special program for the 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening service in the church. At 11 o'clock in the morning Mr. Potter will preach on "The Road to Bethlehem."

The Sunday evening program follows:
Processional — "O Come All Ye Faithful."
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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, Dec. 22	
2:09 AM.	8:29 AM.
2:29 PM.	8:56 PM.
Saturday, Dec. 23	
3:12 AM.	9:30 AM.
3:32 PM.	9:56 PM.
Sunday, Dec. 24	
4:17 AM.	10:39 AM.
4:36 PM.	10:54 PM.
Monday, Dec. 25	
5:20 AM.	11:44 AM.
5:38 PM.	11:51 PM.
Tuesday, Dec. 26	
6:18 AM.	-----
6:35 PM.	12:43 PM.
Wednesday, Dec. 27	
7:12 AM.	12:45 AM.
7:27 PM.	1:38 PM.
Thursday, Dec. 28	
8:02 AM.	1:36 AM.
8:17 PM.	2:39 PM.