

DOWN EAST WITH BILLY ARTHUR

Bill Henderson won't talk about his personality before the News and Views' Mrs. Marlene Burns again.

We were discussing stationary the other afternoon and I asked him if he wanted his personal stationary on pastel blue.

"Well, I was thinking of something that would match my personality," Bill said.

"Make it black, then," Mrs. Burns spoke up.

The war must be over: Two Marine captains and two lieutenants were holding a heated gin rummy game in Johnson's Drug store Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

Funny how a little money can make a man so darned tired. One of the citizens had a little friendly (?) poker game the other afternoon at his place of business, and the minute he got a few bucks ahead, he was so fatigued he had to go home.

The boys in the sheriff's office thought they were missing something Friday morning. A fellow came in and reported a truck load of bloodhounds was parked in front of the State Prison camp and wanted to know how many prisoners escaped.

Deputy Willis Johnson telephoned for the dope.

"They ain't bloodhounds," Brooks told him. "Just my fox hounds."

Meri Ferguson says he's going to give up the chairmanship of the Viewing Board, because for three years he's sat on the Courthouse lawn benches and when something finally did happen out there, he missed it.

He was talking about the brief boxing match that took place between Too-Many-Words C. V. Cheney and One Punch Marion Cowell Thursday afternoon.

It was pretty funny Friday morning to all the bench warmers; that is, the sideights were.

It seems that Mr. Ed Provost knocked over four benches getting out of the way, and was so scared that he didn't answer the roll call again until way up in the morning of Friday.

Clayton Petteway, they tell me, moved faster than he ever did in all his life in search for one big tree, behind which he secured himself and called on Galloway Jones to part them. Anyway, that's what Dick Merrill says.

But Clayton says that Dick was standing right behind him, behind that tree. However, Clayton suddenly remembered he was going to the movie, and there's some talk he had seen the show the day before.

eri contends that Cheney had business on the courthouse lawn in the first place, since he never has been voted a member of the Viewing Board.

Doc Smith suggested that the next time anything like that is about to happen, some advance notice ought to be given, and tickets sold. He predicts we could take in pretty penny that way.

You can tell a man who doesn't get around much anymore.

Started down to Willis Landing Sunday afternoon and I piloted the fellows down the back road via Starling's and passed up the new paved highway to the Triangle Outpost. Had to inquire my way from Mrs. Lillian Ray.

Newt Sanders and Charlie Erwin say the Marines have literally played a dirty trick on the Bear Creekers and residents along White Oak river.

They declare that it can't be anything but that DDT the Marines have been putting out that's driving the mosquitoes into Bear Creek and up White Oak.

Roosevelts Are Due To Get Litigated Lands In Carteret

(By Bill Sharpe)

Salter Path, N. C.—Bulldozers are pushing over two miles of the Bogue Banks dunes which formerly were embraced in the maritime empire of aging Alice Hoffman, of Paris and the Banks. It appears that before very long the land which has been in litigation—lengthily and lethally—will be occupied by wealthy cottagers who never heard of Alice Hoffman, aunt of Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., nor even of their neighbors, the so-called squatters of Salter Path, whom Miss Hoffman tried in vain to remove from the property she had bought.

A development company has bought in 1,000 acres (two miles) of the property, which faces both ocean and sound, and is proceeding rapidly with a beach project which is planned as the most pretentious along the coast.

When the smoke of court battles had subsided in the twenties, Alice Hoffman, who formerly divided her time between Paris and the Bogue Banks, was left with only the rights in her sandy estate. When she dies it will revert to Theodore Roosevelt 3rd, Camelia Van Schack Roosevelt, Quentin Roosevelt, and Grace Roosevelt Millan, or their heirs. Quentin Roosevelt was killed in World War I. Miss Hoffman is now in her dotage.

The two miles now under development were lopped off by court order and sold to pay taxes on the remainder of the estate last fall. (Continued on page six)

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Cut U.S. Forces In Japan; 27 War Criminals Held

Tokyo.—(AP)—U. S. Eighth Army headquarters today reported 27 of 46 war-crimes suspects wanted by Gen. MacArthur were in custody. Seventeen remained at liberty; two were dead by their own hands. MacArthur announced that the 31st, 37th, 38th American divisions would go home soon from Manila. The supreme commander disclosed he had protested strongly over Russia's mistaken destruction of a B-29 over Korea. Gen. MacArthur instituted a thorough American information program, utilizing the Jap press, radio and schools.

Meantime, Admiral Halsey's naval forces speeded Jap disarmament by smashing 25 big coastal defense guns and scuttling 51 midget submarines, 103 suicide boats, and 103 man-guided torpedoes.

Reduce Garrisons Tokyo.—(AP)—The Allied garrison force in Japan probably will number not more than 200,000 within six months, Gen. MacArthur said in a statement disclosing that smooth progress of occupation has enabled a drastic cut in the number of troops scheduled to remain in Japan.

Resignation Reported Tokyo.—(AP)—Well informed Japanese sources said Monday that Shigemitsu had resigned as Japanese foreign minister.

Leaf Volume Heavy And Average Drops On Eastern Markets

By The Associated Press Eastern Belt Tobacco markets completed their fourth week of sales, with all markets still blocked and with continued heavy deliveries.

Several markets reported that the glutted conditions were causing the blocking of vehicle traffic on some streets. The volume for the four sales days totalled 39,055,924 pounds at an average of \$43.06 a hundred—a decrease of 19 cents a hundred from the average of the previous week. Gross sales for the season were brought to 147,394,979 pounds at an average of \$43.38.

Averages prices for most grades were the same as for the previous week. A few losses were observed by these amounted to only \$1 a hundred. Primings, which have been marketed in very limited quantity, showed more decline than any other group.

Red Cross Disaster Chairman Appoints Committee in County

As the tropical storm approached the Carolina coast Monday, B. B. Kesler, chapter vice-chairman and chairman of the disaster committee of the Onslow County Chapter, American Red Cross announced the personnel of the county-wide disaster group.

It is composed of local chairmen Cy Rawls, Jacksonville; Graham Shaw, Richlands; A. T. Redd, Jr., White Oak; Wyatt Morton, Swansboro; Hayward Campbell, Holly Ridge; and Robert Justice, Sneads Ferry. Kesler instructed the local chairmen to name their assistants and be prepared to attend a county-wide disaster conference here October 1.

Gold was discovered near Los Angeles in 1842 by a sheep herder who was trying to dig up a few wild onions for his lunch.

Unusual High Winds, Off-Shoots Of Tropical Hurricane, Felt Here

The tropical hurricane that was threatening the Carolinas' coastline yesterday was playing a crazy game by taking a zig-zag course that kept weather forecasters guessing.

At 2 p. m. yesterday the center of the storm was between Charleston and Parris Island, S. C., east of the South Carolina coast and moving northwestwardly at approximately 14 miles per hour with winds up to 60 miles per hour velocity and gaining in intensity. If it held its present course, the storm was to have passed inland of Jacksonville between 11 p. m. and midnight last night. But from the zig-zag course it had been taking since sweeping across Florida during the week end, observers couldn't tell for certain exactly where it would move next.

Unusual high winds, off-shoots of the tropical hurricane that did \$50,000,000 damage in Florida and subsequently moved inland over the North and South Carolina borders, were felt here Monday as precautions were taken for any sudden shift in the course of the storm.

The barometer at Peterfield Point registered a decline all of Monday morning, but until midnight afternoon only sharp gusts of wind were felt here. They did no damage.

Rain, Rain-Go Away

Wonder how much it's rained in these parts lately? Here's the dope, as reported by the weather observing station of Hofmann Forest, 84,000 acre N. C. State College tract: From January 1 through noon of September 12, a total of 47.95 inches of rain had fallen against an Eastern North Carolina average of approximately 45 inches for a full 12 month period.

But, since June 18 a total of 35.59 inches of rainfall were recorded; so now you know why it has been so wet around here recently.

Broken down, the precipitation by months during the considered rainy season follows: June, 8.97 inches; July, 9.61 inches; August, 13.36 inches; and through September 12, 5.28 inches.

Onslow Servicemen Arriving Home From European Theatre

New York.— Onslow County servicemen listed below were booked as arriving on vessels arriving here September 12. The list was compiled by The Associated Press from advance convoy passenger lists and is not a corrected list as to date of sailing or date of arrival.

Port authorities ask that relatives and friends of the men not contact the port for additional information, as that is not available. The Associated Press does not have additional information, nor does The News and Views. The lists follow:

Capt. Daniel Bright, Jacksonville. Pfc. Carrol A. Dawson, Jacksonville.

Scheduled to arrive aboard the SS Pike at New York September 15 were: T5 Robert L. Simmons of Jacksonville.

Cpl. John N. Shepard of Jacksonville. Scheduled to arrive in New York September 16 aboard the SS E. B. Alexander were:

Pfc. Horace G. Thomas of Jacksonville. Scheduled to arrive in New York September 16 aboard the SS General Stuart was:

T-5 Acie Pickett of Chinquapin.

Basil Mercer, Sr., Father Of Onslow Woman, Succumbs

Kinston.—Funeral services for Basil Mercer, Sr., 73, who died Friday morning at the home of a son, Richard Mercer, in Jones County, were held Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home of a son, Clyde Mercer, near Friendship Church.

Surviving are seven sons, Jake Mercer of Norfolk, Va.; Jim Mercer of Kinston and Richard, Clyde, Chris, Basil, Jr., and Tommy Mercer, all of Jones County; three daughters, Mrs. Rom Cox of Craven County, Mrs. Frederick Heath of Onslow County and Mrs. Herbert Hill of Jones County; three brothers, Jim, Lee, and Ben Mercer, and a sister, Mrs. Sarah Casper, all of Jones County, and 35 grandchildren.

John McCormack Dies

Dublin.—(AP)—John McCormack, world famous tenor, died at his home in County Dublin Sunday after a brief illness. He was 61.

The great Irish singer had been living quietly in Boston, just outside Dublin, under a doctor's orders to give up singing.

Devereux, Hero Of Wake Island, Says Casualties Were Not Great

Tokyo.—(AP)—Lt. Col. James P. Devereux, commander of the heroic defense of Wake Island before it fell to an overwhelming force of Japanese, reported that American casualties in the fight were not great.

Members of an air evacuation group who visited him in a prison camp on Hokkaido island said Devereux told them: "Of several groups of Marines, we lost five officers and 41 men. Of five Navy officers and 58 men, we lost three men, and as well as I recall, of approximately 1,200 civilian workers, we lost about 37."

Denies Message The rescue party said Devereux denied that a radio message—"Send Us More Japs"—was sent from the island before it was overrun by the enemy. There were reports at the time that such a message had been received at Pearl Harbor from the Wake garrison.

"We did not send out such a message," he was quoted. "We had

Jenkins And Ellis Are 2 Onslowans In Marine Corps

Two Onslowans serving in the armed forces of the country: Pfc. Wesley W. Jenkins, USMC, is home on furlough after having been overseas since December of 1942. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Jenkins of J. A. C. sville, route three, and has been in the Marine Corps since September 1942.

Jenkins and Mrs. Leslie A. Jenkins, route one, who had been in the Army since November 27, 1940, and fought in Tunisia, Sicily, Naples, Foggia, Rome, Southern France and the Rhineland while overseas from August 17, 1942, to August 3, 1945; wears American Campaign with five Bronze stars, American Defense, and Good Conduct medals.

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Holly Ridge Rotary Club Invites Marines To Weekly Sessions

In order to bring better cooperation between the Marine Corps and the Town of Holly Ridge, the Holly Ridge Rotary club has started a program of inviting two Marine personnel, one Netherlands and one American, to its weekly meetings.

Last week the club had Lt. H. E. Haught, Company Executive officer and billeting officer, and associate recreation officer of Camp Davis and Lt. A. N. Wolf of the Netherlands Marines as guests.

Lt. Haught gave a very fine speech on his experiences on Tarawa and Iwo Jima. It was at Iwo Jima where he was wounded. Lt. Wolf also gave a fine talk on the good cooperation between the Netherlands Marines and the citizens of Holly Ridge.

Dr. H. W. Stevens, county health officer, gave a good speech on his work in Onslow County and the results in the last few years in public health in this county.

Guest of Jay Lindburg was Mortimer S. Neblett, member of the Wilmington Junior Chamber of Commerce, who said a few words on the veterans' business educational program the Jaycees are sponsoring throughout the United States.

Mrs. Della Trachtenberg, Local Man's Mother, Dies In Massachusetts

Mrs. Della Trachtenberg, mother of Morris Trachtenberg of Jacksonville, died at her home at Dorchester, Mass., Wednesday, according to word received here. She was 80 years old.

News of her passing was received here too late for the son to attend the funeral.

Stationed On Okinawa

Stephon Everette, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephon Everette of Jacksonville, is now stationed with the Army on Okinawa. Everette entered the Army in October, 1944, and went overseas last July. He received his training at Camp Gordon Johnson, Fla., Fort Lewis, Wash., and at Fort Belvoir, Va. He is attached to an engineer construction unit. His wife, the former Ruby Webb, resides with her parents at Macclisfield.

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Young Smith was admitted to the hospital Thursday with a 22 calibre bullet wound in his abdomen, which he told parents was accidental.

Funeral services were held from the home Saturday.

Young Smith is survived by his parents, one brother, Thurman Smith, of the Army, and a sister, who lives at home.

"Great" Guy

The red-headed infant son of Pvt. and Mrs. A. D. Hatsell is a "great" little guy. Sunday at the Onslow County Hospital, where he was born Thursday night, he was visited by his great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Whitford of New Bern, maternal grandparents of Mrs. Hatsell, who is the former Miss Leslie Earle Hargett of Silverdale.

On Saturday he was visited by his great grandmother, Mrs. Hargett. Another "great" who has visited him is Mrs. L. M. Scott of Washington, N. C., his great-great aunt.

In addition, the infant has six other great-great aunts, five great-great uncles; 12 great aunts, and 11 great uncles.

Pvt. Hatsell, whose home is at Hubert, is now stationed at Camp Croft, S. C.

Miss Sally Riddick Succeeds Miss Buell At New Bridge St. USO

Miss Sally Riddick, native of Hobbsville, N. C., has been appointed director of the New Bridge Street USO-YWCA here, succeeding Miss Lois Buell, who has been director for the past 16 months.

Miss Riddick comes to Jacksonville from Portsmouth, Va., where she was associated with the USO-YWCA club as program and recreational director. She will have full charge of the local club. Miss Buell has gone to her home in Boston to await assignment to another club.

Miss Riddick attended Chowan College at Murfreesboro, where she received an AB degree, and later taught in the North Carolina schools. She joined the YWCA-USO last August.

First PTA Meeting Of Scholastic Year Will Be Thursday

The Parent-Teacher Association Meeting will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. in the high school auditorium.

The subject is to be "Parents and Teachers as Partners". There will be a round table discussion. All parents are urged to attend.

Mrs. Lillie E. Thomas Of Maysville Passes; Funeral To Be Today

Mrs. Lillie E. Thomas, widow of the late Ernest L. Thomas of Maysville died Monday morning at 9:20 o'clock after having been seriously ill for some time.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. M. Lowder, pastor of Maysville Baptist church of which Mrs. Thomas was probably the oldest member. Burial will be in the Maysville cemetery.

She is survived by five sons, Jerry, M., and Phil Thomas of Maysville; T. J. Thomas of Morehead City; E. Leon Thomas of Pilecksville; and Charles R. Thomas of the U. S. Army, now in China; a half-sister, Mrs. A. J. Ervin of Maysville; and two half-brothers, George T. Taylor and Albert Taylor of Maysville; and 13 grandchildren.

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More Building Planned; Mangum Buys Price Lot

176 Onslowans Received Discharges From U. S. Armed Services Recently

One hundred and seventy-six Onslowans have been discharged from the nation's armed forces in recent months.

In the past two weeks, in addition to those already reported in the News and Views columns, the following veterans have been awarded honorable discharges:

Pfc. Deamos B. Sandlin of Richlands, route one, who had been in the Army since February 5, 1943, and overseas from February 11, 1943, to July 31, 1945; veteran of campaigns in Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes and Central Europe; wears European Campaign with five Bronze stars, American Defense, and Good Conduct medals.

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According to the superintendent's records, the enrollment at the five white high schools follows: Jacksonville, 999; Richlands, 984; Dixon, 530; White Oak, 344; and Swansboro, 447.

Thomas H. Pritchard, Swansboro, Passes; Funeral Held Friday

Funeral services for Thomas H. Pritchard, 64, well-known Swansboro business man who succumbed to an extended illness Wednesday, were held from Swansboro Methodist church Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev. Charles E. Mercer, pastor, assisted by Rev. A. I. Benton, pastor of Swansboro Baptist church officiated, and burial with Masonic rites was in Swansboro cemetery.

Mr. Pritchard had been living at Swansboro since 1905 when he went there to become associated with the Swansboro Land and Lumber company. He was a native of Hamilton, N. C.

In recent years following the dissolution of the lumber company, he had been managing the affairs of the family estate. Mr. Pritchard had been in ill health for the past three years, and confined for the past five weeks.

During his residence at Swansboro, he took an active part in Seaside Lodge A. F. & A. M., and was its secretary for a number of years. He also was a life-long member of the Methodist church.

Mr. Pritchard is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary Ward Moore Pritchard of Swansboro; two daughters, Mrs. H. A. Jarman of Jacksonville and Mrs. A. E. Smith of Swansboro; three sons, D. F. Ward of Swansboro, George W. Ward of Boston and C. W. Ward of Lake Charles, La.; one sister, Miss Lalla Pritchard of Greensboro; church two brothers, Dr. George Pritchard of Black Mountain and Lt. Col. Frank Pritchard of St. Petersburg, Fla.; and one granddaughter, Miss Geneva Ward.

White Registrants Go To Fort Bragg For Pre-Induction Exams

Seventeen white registrants will leave for preinduction physical examination at Fort Bragg, September 20.

They are: James Alfred Wetherington, Jr., Swansboro; George Dewey Meadows, Jr., Maysville; Herbert Ivan Foy, Richlands; Virgil Houston Thompson, Richlands; John Guilford Walton, Jacksonville; Andrew Duvon Ennett, Jr., Holly Ridge; James Franklin Sanders, Folkston; Earl Lewis Wetherington, Silverdale; William Jasper Powell, Jr., Richlands; Cecil Victor Davis, Holly Ridge; Leo McClellan Weston, Richlands; Morris Jasper Davis, Richlands; Percy Edward Gibbs, Jacksonville; Harold Wesley Lloyd, Jacksonville; Melvin McCoy Taylor, Richlands; Edward M. Parker, Jr., Jacksonville; and Kirby Lee Walton, Richlands.

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16,000 WAR AMPUTEES

Washington.—(AP)—The war left approximately 16,000 amputees in the armed forces, Army and Navy officials said today. Of the men losing an arm or leg, 14,000 were in the Army and 2,000 in the Navy.

Real estate and building apparently are on the boom in Jacksonville

3,304 High School Students Enrolled In Onslow County

A total of 3,304 white students are enrolled in Onslow County high schools, according to records in the office of Supt. A. H. Hatsell.

Although reports have not come in from the outlying white elementary schools and colored schools, one of the latter, Georgetown, reports enrollment of 438 pupils; and it was estimated that more than 5,000 white and colored students are enrolled for the 1945-46 term. The more representative reports will be turned in at the close of the first school month.

Excavations were started last week for two more buildings on New Bridge street, and an announcement by the Jacksonville Record of purchase of property opposite Swinson store was reported impending.

Excavations started on the 50 x 135 foot lot adjacent to Sanders Sales and Service company are being done by J. L. Goodman contractor, preparatory to erecting two buildings for Ellis Cates, owner of the property.

Cates said yesterday he would erect one building 25x85 feet for a sporting goods shop he proposes to put in, and another structure 25x70 for rent. Architects' drawings of the buildings, to be two stories, were expected to be received yesterday.

Meantime, building permits were issued by Inspector Herbert Eastwood for a residence being erected by Eddie Humphrey on South Court street and an addition to Paul Swinson's grocery store on New Bridge street.

Jury List Drawn For October Term Of Superior Court

The jury list for the October term of Superior Court which begins October 8 is as follows:

W. L. Ennett, W. H. Ennett, J. D. Kellum, J. C. Brown, James W. Loney, A. S. Ervin, John W. Mills, Lindsey H. Humphrey, R. S. Pinkston, H. H. Williams, Fred J. Parker, A. B. Lanier, M. F. Barber, J. V. Gurganus, J. D. Baggett, L. A. Riggs, L. W. Pierce, C. W. Hartsfield, W. C. Baysden.

W. L. Gould, P. J. Parker, C. A. Jones, John W. Barnhill, B. F. Robinson, W. J. Bryan, George W. Lewis, Jr., A. E. Ketchum, Wilbur Justice, Hatch Bryan, R. E. Mercer, E. L. Henderson, P. M. Matlock, Marvin Brown, Clarence Jones, T. N. Cook, M. F. Duff, George L. Sandlin, U. W. Greer, A. D. Ennett and G. K. Eubanks.

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