

## ALBEMARLE'S NAMESAKE SLIDES DOWN THE WAYS: NAVY'S SEAPLANE TENDER

### 8,900-Ton Vessel Dubbed For Inland Waters of Mystery; Assistant Secretary's Wife Christens

Down the Perquimans River, approximately ten or twelve miles from Hertford, lies the Albemarle Sound. At the eastern extremity of the Albemarle Sound, at Kitty Hawk or nearby, is the site of earliest aviation attempts by the Wright Brothers.

The Albemarle Sound, at its western end, is the site of a naval battle between Union and Confederate forces somewhere in the vicinity of the mouth of the Roanoke River. The Albemarle Sound is simply loaded down with historic secrets and bursting with the answers to such questions as "What became of the Lost Colony?" and "Did Virginia Dare live to grow up?"

The Albemarle, if it could speak in a language other than the murmuring of waves against the shore, or if we could translate the Sound's way of speaking, would reveal the answers to all these cherished mysteries.

We aren't so sure we'd like that. There's something about a mystery, whether it's the howling of an unseen spirit we call "The Wampus" or what became of the Lost Colony; a mystery is always at its best when it remains a mystery.

And so leaving the mysteries of the Albemarle to perplex coming generations, we come down to the real purpose of this piece . . .

The U. S. S. Albemarle, an 8,900-ton seaplane tender, named for the Albemarle Sound, North Carolina, has slid down the ways in Camden, N. J., after being christened by Mrs. Lewis G. Compton, wife of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

The vessel, the first unit of the United States Navy we can recall to be tagged with the name of one of the nation's oldest sections, will be delivered to the Navy early in 1941. It will service squadrons of seaplanes off the New Jersey coast.

To one not versed in the vernacular of ship-building, the size of the U. S. S. Albemarle is not made clear by the listing of "8,900-tons." But if 8,900 tons means the vessel isn't too large to navigate the waters of the Albemarle Sound and tributaries, the hope is expressed that the seaplane tender will some day visit the waters for which it is named. Page someone who knows something about ships in the language of "tons."

A physician says coffee is not harmful if used in moderation. We imagine three or four saucer a day would be reasonable.

### HERTFORD CLUB MEETS

The Hertford Home and Garden Club met with Mrs. Mark Hathaway Friday afternoon. The meeting was called to order by the president and "A Song of the Open Country" was sung, after which the Collect was repeated. Roll was called and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Miss Frances Maness, home agent, gave a reading on the Jane S. McKimmon Loan Fund. She also demonstrated cleaning and refinishing furniture.

Mrs. W. D. Landing was unanimously elected to represent the club at Home and Farm Week in Raleigh.

The hostesses, Mrs. Mark Hathaway and Mrs. George Fields, served ice cream and cake.

Members present were: Mrs. C. M. Harrell, Mrs. Z. A. Harris, Mrs. Norman Elliott, Mrs. H. C. Barcliff, Miss Frances Maness, Mrs. William Elliott, Mrs. Ernest Reed, Mrs. B. T. Wood, Mrs. George Fields, Mrs. Wilson Reed, Mrs. W. D. Landing, Miss Helen Gaither and Mrs. Seymour Chappell.

The August meeting will be held with Mrs. Z. A. Harris.

### Miss Wright Honored At Lingerie Shower And Buffet Supper

Miss Merle Blanchard delightfully entertained at a lingerie shower and buffet supper on Tuesday afternoon, July 9, from four until six, in honor of Miss Gordon Wright, whose wedding will take place August 20th.

Those present honoring the bride-elect, including the hostess and the honoree, were: Misses Merle Blanchard, Gordon Wright, J. Brown Huggins, Virginia Hollowell, Catherine Blanchard, Minnie V. Carter, Marie Riddick, Dorothy Hollowell, Kathryn Hollowell, Beatrice Rountree, Clarine Wiggins, Kathryn Hathaway, Anne White, Mrs. L. Wright and Mrs. J. Thomas White.

Miss Wright was the recipient of many lovely gifts.

### LUCKY MAN

Bowling, Okla.—Harry Keefer, 34-year-old ranch hand, is lucky and he knows it. Recently, while riding his mowing machine over a gas line, the line exploded, throwing him from the seat into the path of the sickle. He was dragged 300 feet before the tractor struck a post and stopped. When his wife answered his cries for help, she found him keeping a herd of fifty Brahma steers at bay by hitting them in the nose with his hat. Taken to a hospital, it was found that his only injury was a badly lacerated ankle.

### EXTENSION NOTES

By FRANCES MANESS  
Home Demonstration Agent

I am well-pleased with the interest shown in Farm and Home Week. I am sure that those planning to attend will not regret taking the time.

Reports show that a very interesting program has been planned. I believe you will be interested in knowing something about plans for the Home Management and House Furnishings part of the Farm and Home Week program.

Mrs. Esther Gordon Shepherd, who has been doing graduate work in House Furnishings in Cornell this past year, is going to conduct two classes—one, Expressing your personality in your home through color, in which she is going to use illustrative material to show the effect of color and successful ways of using it in the home; another, Equipping the home for the small child, in which she will discuss storage and furnishings.

Mr. Henry S. Johnson of Columbia, S. C., will discuss Keepers of the Family Pocketbook one day and another day Guarding the Family Pocketbook.

The mattress project which has been going on in the State will be varied and combined with slip covers. Miss Whisman and Mr. Starnes will give a demonstration on The Mattress Goes into the Living Room. In this class Miss Whisman will demonstrate the building of a day bed and also how to slip cover it.

Miss Gordon says that last year so many people were interested in the tour to the home of Col. and Mrs. Harrelson that they are repeating it this year. This is listed on the program as Beauty in the Home.

These are only a few of the many interesting discussions and demonstrations that take place during Farm and Home Week, July 29-August 2. I hope that you will decide to attend.

### Cotton Acreage In State Up 10 Per Cent

### Reduction In Tobacco Planted Responsible For Increase

North Carolina farmers had 10 percent more cotton in cultivation on July 1, 1940, than they did a year ago, according to the report released by Crop Reporting Board of the Department of Agriculture. The 1940 acreage was estimated at 829,000 and, with the exception of last year, is the lowest acreage for North Carolina since 1878. The acreage planted this year, however, is 30 percent less than the ten-year average (1929-38) crop. North Carolina shows the third largest increase among the cotton states for this year, being exceeded only by Arizona and New Mexico.

The heavy reduction in the tobacco acreage was primarily responsible for the increase in the acreage devoted to cotton. In some of the major eastern tobacco counties, cotton plantings increased as much as 40 percent over those of last year. The acreage in non-tobacco producing counties remained about the same as that of 1939.

With less than average rainfall during June and with extensive mopping for weevil control, weevil damage as reported on July 1st was considerably less than it was this time last year.

For the entire Nation, the acreage of cotton in cultivation on July 1st was estimated to be 2 percent greater than a year ago, but 28 percent less than the ten-year average plantings. The acreage this year is placed at 25,077,000 as compared with 24,683,000 last year and a ten-year average crop (1929-38) of 34,929,000 acres. The major cotton states showed little change from last year's plantings.

### FIFTH BEST CUSTOMER

If France should be cut off from the American market, the United States would lose its fifth best customer for farm products, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

### KILLED AT TARGET SHOOT!

Vineland, N. J.—White target shooting near his home with two friends, Charles K. Hadden, 16, was instantly killed when the .22 calibre rifle of one of his companions, John Williams, 15, accidentally discharged, the bullet entering Hadden's right shoulder and puncturing his lung.

### The Woman Of It

Banker—What can I do for you?  
Mr. Jones—I—ah—would like to get a little loan on the \$25 I paid down on my car.

### DOG RAMS CAR

South Bend, Ind.—When a huge dog rammed into his car, it cost Frank M. Segety \$12 for repairs. The dog wasn't even hurt.

When he flew under a plow, five-year-old Robert Vandyne of Parsons, Kan., was buried under 14 inches of soil but escaped without injury.

## Tobacco Growers Will Vote Saturday On Quota Question

Flue-cured tobacco growers will go to the polls Saturday and decide whether they want three-year marketing quotas, one-year quotas, or no quotas at all. They also will be deciding to a large extent the price they will receive for their 1940 crop of tobacco, it is pointed out by E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive office of N. C. State College.

If quotas are approved for a three-year period, 1941 through 1943, the Federal Government has promised to protect prices of the 1940 crop "at or slightly above last year's 14.9 cents per pound level." The Triple-A officials also have announced that if three-year quotas are voted, the allotments in 1941 will be the same as in 1940. Recent amendments to the Crop Control Law provide that no quota can be re-

duced more than 10 percent from the 1940 allotment during the next three years.

If one-year quotas are voted, Floyd said, the Federal Government will not be able to protect prices at the 14.9 cent level the 1939 crop brought, and allotments for 1941 will be reduced 10 percent. Without any quotas, predictions of the price the 1940 crop would bring range from 4 to 10 cents per pound.

Floyd said that any person who will share in the proceeds of the 1940 crop of flue-cured tobacco is eligible to vote in the referendum Saturday. Community polling places will be set up, to be opened not later than 9 a. m., and to close not earlier than 5 p. m.

It will require a vote of two-thirds of those casting ballots to put three-year quotas in effect. If two-thirds or more of those voting do not favor three-year quotas, but the total of the three-year and one-year votes is two-thirds or more of the total vote cast, then one-year quotas will be in effect.

Bernice Davis of Barnes, Kan., is collecting one dog from every state in the Union.

### SINGING ROBBERS

Tacoma, Wash.—Bored with the quietness of his hotel lobby recently, Tony Wilson approved when a group of seven men gathered around a music box in the lobby and began singing, humming and whistling. His joy was turned to sorrow, however, when he discovered that their singing was a cover for their actions—they had removed the back of the machine and emptied the coin box, getting \$8.

### QUICK WAYS TO MAKE PERFECT JELLY

Now you can make jelly in a jiffy through modern recipes and suggestions of an expert. Housewives planning to stock their shelves with jellies should follow the advice of Mrs. Christine Frederick, famous authority on household efficiency. Don't miss her special article in the July 28th issue of

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Desiring to eliminate the objectionable places, the Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors Committee has cooperated fully with law enforcement officials and to date 90 of them have lost their licenses and several more others have been denied new licenses because they refused to "clean up" during the past year.

So . . . when you say: "That's where we'll go!", be sure it is the RIGHT kind of retail beer outlet.

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