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MRS. BECKWITH LOVED HYDE COUNTY.

Few natives had more love for Hyde County than had Mrs. Stuart J. Beckwith, who passed away last Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Moore, in Washington. Mrs. Beckwith lived in Hyde all of her married life, which was the greater part of her 86 years. While she was not born here and had not lived here since 1927, she always kept in close contact with life in the county and often visited her old home.

Mrs. Beckwith is remembered best for teaching at Lake Landing where she operated a private school for a number of years. Many who were growing up three or four decades ago will remember her as the one from whom they received all their schooling. She was known by all the children as "Miss Lulu." Many people until her death thought of her by that name.

Death took away one who loved Hyde when it took Miss Lulu. She was indeed devoted to the community life of her adopted county and the home land of her husband who passed away in 1927. Mr. Beckwith was a school man and at one time was superintendent of Hyde County schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Beckwith were one of the Hyde County families that gave a son in the last war. Like many families of today they carried the burden without complaining over the loss of their loved one in the continuous struggle for freedom.

The floral tributes which came from Washington showed that she was beloved there also. She had lived with her daughter in Washington for the past 17 years. The flowers in many beautiful designs covered the grave and the area surrounding it.

Hyde County has found great help and love from its adopted ones. Many have come from other places to live in the county and have made fine citizens. Some of these like Mrs. Beckwith, have contributed much to better living and progress. Often-times these adopted ones have been missed when taken by death more than native sons and daughters. Many Hyde County people have gone elsewhere to live and have helped make living better where they made their homes. But others have come here and contributed toward making this a better place. Among these were Miss Lulu.

Surely Hyde County lost one who loved her when Mrs. Beckwith passed on. Her many friends will miss her.

HAVE THE WILL TO LEARN.

(N. C. Christian Advocate.)

It is good not only for youth in school but for one and all to maintain the capacity and inclination to learn, and the Masonic World suggests the following:

"Learn to laugh. A good laugh is better than medicine. When you smile or laugh, your brain for the moment is freed from the load that it ordinarily carries.

Learn to tell a helpful story. A well-told story is as wholesome and as welcome as a sunbeam in a sick room.

Learn to keep your troubles to yourself. The world is too busy to linger over your ills and sorrows.

Learn to stop croaking. If you cannot see any good in the world, keep the bad to yourself.

Learn to greet your friends with a smile. They carry too many frowns in their own hearts to be bothered with any of yours."

ANOTHER SPRING

The long-awaited spring of 1944—the season which many have predicted would be the beginning of the end of the war in Europe—has finally arrived. As we wait impatiently but fearfully for news from those battles which will be the turning point of the war, we feel the sharp contrast between this glorious season and the work of destruction which occupies most of the world.

The earth is full again with promise; the rains and sun gently contribute to her bearing season. And the awe we human beings feel at this rebirth is in nowise lessened by its repetition or by circumstances. Each year is like a separate life to all of us, embodying the periods of a real lifetime, and in the experience of the current one we forget the intensity of the years that have gone before, so that each new season is experienced as if for the first time.

Even in this world of war and destruction we cannot help the feeling of joy which comes over us at this new spring season, and we should not. For it is a positive experience, a renewing of the life forces, and it should be lived to the full. Spring will still come when the pain and sadness of this time in our lives have long faded into the past. It gives strength to us to know that spring will always come to erase the hardships of winter from the earth and from our hearts.

DEATH—BY MISTAKE

Although the purpose of the home medicine chest is to keep on hand emergency preparations for the protection of life, every day it proves to be the source of death in some American family.

Accident statistics show that hundreds of children as well as hundreds of adults continue to die each year by using the wrong medicine bottle, by mistaking sweet-coated strychnine pills for candy or by taking overdoses of remedies which are harmless when administered in accordance with directions.

Although there has been no increase in such accidental deaths since the war, a number of these deaths are attributed to wartime. There have been several cases where people have taken a poison by mistake during a blackout as well as a number of instances where insecticides, because they now come in paper bags instead of metal containers, have been mistaken for sugar.

We don't recommend getting rid of the medicine chest—which perhaps is more important now than at any time in history because of the shortage of doctors—but we do think it is important to warn our readers, once again, that such accidents still take place in some homes every day and that precautions should be taken continually to see to it that they don't happen in yours.

DUTCH BOY PURE WHITE LEAD PAINT... F. L. VOLIVA HARDWARE CO., Bellhaven, N. C.

KEEP ON Backing the Attack WITH WAR BONDS

QUADRUPLETS WE CAN DO WITHOUT



OTHER EDITORS

NORTH CAROLINA WAS SIXTH (State Port Pilot)

Allison James, Associate Manager of the War Finance Committee, has advised R. F. Plaxco, Brunswick county chairman, that North Carolina stands sixth in the list of states which went over the top in the Fourth War Loan Drive.

Equally interesting is that the Army at home and abroad is to be informed of the ten states in which the sales of E. F. and G. bonds during March exceeded established quotas by the widest possible margins.

This means that soon after the final tally is in, a few days after the close of March, the Special Service Branch of the War Department will send this select list by radio and cable to all service publications overseas and will distribute it also to service publications in this country. The plans to include this information in news dispatches arose out of the enthusiastic reaction of troops in the front lines to reports of Fourth War Bond sales in their home states.

Naturally, there is general gratification that North Carolina made the showing that it did, standing sixth in the list of states. There is also gratification that the War Department plans as above. By far and above the best course to follow in letting the men at the front know how their people at home are backing the Attack is to tell them how their home states bought war bonds.

VITAMIN QUACKERY (Christian Science Monitor)

For the past year, the Federal Trade Commission has been busy issuing "cease-and-desist" orders against the sellers and advertisers of chemical, or synthetic, vitamins because of the extravagant claims made in their behalf. Some vendors had been representing that their product would prevent a long list of diseases, insure good teeth, prevent hair turning gray, improve eyesight, and cure sleeplessness and nervous troubles. One cosmetic manufacturer even advertised that her skin cream, "so faithful in combatting age," contained vitamins which the skin would absorb.

Little of this Federal curbing of the vitamin campaigners was given much newspaper publicity. But now the New York newspaper, PM, has published a double-page expose which debunks the "vitamin craze" in three ways: (1) It attacks the untruthful or abnormally magnified claims made for the products; (2) it charges that the public is paying grossly high prices, which the OPA already has ordered reduced; (3) it reveals the danger which lies in hypnotizing the public into believing the advertisers' claims and "doctoring themselves" with the pills.

A brief excerpt from PM's thorough presentation of March 16 is reproduced below. It would be well if much publicity were given to the exposure of this "carnival of quackery."

The Truth About Vitamins The vitamin-conscious American consumer is being subjected to a barrage of bunk and ballyhoo that beats anything since the days of Dr. Hokum's Indian Tonic, guaranteed to cure every ailment of man from flat feet to scalp-itch.

Radio and press blurbs, drug-store window displays and mail ads daily scare him out of his wits with dire warnings of all the "hidden ills" he may be suffering and how he could get rid of them all immediately and enjoy buoyant health, popularity and sex appeal forever more by simply swallowing a vitamin-packed miracle pill

once, twice or three times a day. High-pressure promotion geniuses are letting their imaginations run riot on vitamins.

As a result partly of the energetic efforts of these advertising geniuses . . . the manufacture of synthetic vitamins has been run up during the last five years from a tiny area of drug production into a \$200,000,000-a-year industry. . . Prof. E. V. McCollum of the Johns Hopkins Medical Center in Baltimore, a pioneer in vitamin research, last month lashed out at the commercial ballyhoo of synthetic vitamins as having "reached the disgraceful plane of the old patent-medicine days" when country-store almanacs were used as guides to diagnosis and treatment.

"The descendants of the old patent-medicine hawkers," the eminent scientist said, "are trying now to find a market for train-loads of synthetic vitamins on the same plane.

"We can no longer teach a house-wife how to feed her family properly on a simple plan of presenting the few necessities and adding that 'after eating so much of these, eat anything else you want.'"

"If we make a reasonably intelligent selection of foods, we don't need any synthetic vitamins. . . The overselling of vitamins is harmful in another respect. It tends to make hypochondriacs of many Americans by scaring them into thinking something is wrong with them. It also tends to make some people forget that the main element in nutrition is genuine, 100 per cent farm-grown food, not synthetic vitamins packaged in pills or capsules. . .

The vendors of vitamins should be made to hew closer to the lines of truth.—The newspaper PM.

MONKEY WRENCH MEN (N. C. Christian Advocate)

Someone has observed: "A woman should have five husbands—an intellectual companion, a muscular toiler, a financial genius, a practical plumber and electrician, and at least one romantic playboy." To get all these in one man, save in the most limited way, would be out of the question. The suggestion, however, implies that one husband should be interested in more than one line of human understandings; provided, the wife is a woman capable of appreciating such a husband. Such a combination would certainly provide the variety which is the spice of life.

REMINDER

Meats, Fats—Red stamps A8 through J8 are good indefinitely. Waste kitchen fats exchanged for two points and four cents a pound.

Processed Fruits, Vegetables—Blue stamps A8 and K8 are good indefinitely.

Sugar—Sugar stamps 30 and 31 are good for five pounds indefinitely. Sugar stamp 40 is good for five pounds of canning sugar through February 28, next year.

Gasoline—In 17 East Coast States, A-9 coupons are good through May 8. In other States A-11 coupons are good through June 21.

Tire Inspection Deadlines—A-coupon holders, September 30; C-coupon holders, May 31; B-coupon holders, June 30.

Fuel Oil—Periods 4 and 5 coupons aer good through September 30.

Shoes—Stamp 18 in Book One is good through April 30. Airplane Stamp 1 in Book Three is good indefinitely. Another stamp, good beginning May 1, will be announced soon.

CAPTAINS COURAGEOUS

An Authentic Series of Thrilling Stories of the Heroism of Men of the Old Life Saving Service Along the Coast of the Sixth District, From Cape Henry to Cape Fear, as Furnished Through the Courtesy of A. W. Drinkwater, Veteran Telegrapher of Manteo, N. C.

No. 60—A SERIES OF SHIP WRECKS IN 1890-1891

Not all the ships succored by surfmen along the North Carolina coast in the old days were ocean going vessels from distant countries. The little trading vessels along the coast, and the small schooners in the sounds and rivers, some that had a crew of only two men and were known as "Fried Meat" boats got into trouble in shoal waters, or faced disaster in storm. Their owners, and usually the owners were skippers as well depended on these boats for a livelihood for their families, and their families at home anxiously awaited their return.

Here are a number of instances of assistance rendered which occurred during the stormy seasons of 1890 and 1891:

Jan. 3, 1891. At Cross Shoals, 2 miles north-northwest of station, Little Kinnakeet, the sloop, Edith B. of Hatteras, N. C., from Elizabeth City bound for Hatteras, with a cargo of coal valued at \$35 (ships value \$165), totaling \$9,200, estimated value saved, \$200, with 2 persons aboard, both of whom were saved.

Aug. 12, 1890, 4 miles west-northwest of station, Currituck Inlet, a sloop from Currituck Inlet, N. C. From Currituck Inlet to Knotts Island, N. C., valued at \$50. Value saved—\$50. One man crew also saved.

Sept. 9, 1890. At Point of Cape Fear, at Cape Fear Station, St. Y. Mignon of Newark, N. J., master of ship was Pugh, with tonnage of 77 from Morehead City, N. C., to Savannah, Ga. Value \$6,500, value saved \$375, value lost \$6,125, 5 men crew saved. 5 persons succored at station for 11 days.

Sept. 29, 1890. 1 mile s.e. of station Cape Henry, schooner Hattie Perry of New Bedford, Mass. Masters name, Chase, 174 tons, from Philadelphia to New Bedford, with cargo of coal. Vessel valued at \$5,000, cargo at \$650, totaling \$5,650. Total loss. 7 men in crew saved and succored at station for 14 days.

Oct. 3, 1890. 3-4 mile n.w. of Cape Lookout station, sp. Rhiwidrin, of Cardiff, Wales, tonnage 1-156. From Key West, Fla. to Newcastle, England: Cargo of Phosphate rock. Value of ship \$100,000, of cargo \$8,400, total, \$108,400. All lost, 19 men in crew saved.

Oct. 29, 1890. At Kings Point Pamlico Sound: Creeds Hill and Cape Hatteras Stations, sloop Alice, of Elizabeth City, N. C., from Elizabeth City to Trent, N. C., value of ship \$150, \$115 saved, and \$35 lost. Crew of 2 men saved.

Dec. 1, 1890. A mile off shore at Oregon Inlet station, yawl belonging to sc. Mollie J. Saunders of N. Y. C., \$25 value saved. 8 man crew saved and succored at station 32 days.

Dec. 13, 1890. At Gull Shoal Reef, Gull Shoal Station, sl. Eliza Ellen, of New Bern, N. C., master: O'Neal, 10 tons, from Fort Landing to Little Kinnakeet, N. C., cargo of wood valued at \$50. Ship valued at \$400, total value \$450, all saved. 2-man crew saved.

Jan. 29, 1891. 1 1-2 mi. north-west of station at Cape Henry. St.

sp. Acuba of Sunderland, England, master: Steele, 1,845 tons. From Philadelphia to Newport News, Va., \$90,000 value, saved. 20-man crew saved, 9 of whom succored at station 9 days.

Jan. 24, 1891. Pamlico Sound, 1 mi. N. N. W. of station Big Kinnakeet, Sc. F. M. Isabella of Edenton, N. C., master: Scarborough, 6 tons, from N. Y. C. to Wilmington, cargo of Guano valued at \$4,000, Ships value \$6,000, total: \$10,000 all lost. 5-man crew saved. 3 of whom succored 6 days at station.

Jan. 25, 1891 at Chicamicomico, 1 mi. N. N. W. station Gull Shoal, Chicamicomico and New Inlet Stations, Sc. River Queen of Chicamicomico, N. C., dragged anchors and stranded. \$400 value of vessel saved.

Feb. 5, 1891. 3 miles west of station Little Kinnakeet. Sc. Willie T., of New Bern, N. C., master: O'Neal, 5 tons. From Elizabeth City to Kinnakeet, N. C., cargo of wood, corn, and meal, valued at \$24. Ships value \$800, total: \$825, saved 3-man crew saved.

Feb. 23, 1891. 6 miles N. W. of station, Durants, Sc. S. C. Wilson, of Washington, N. C., master: Simpson, 60 tons. From Washington to Hatteras, value \$1,500, saved. 4-man crew saved.

Feb. 26, 1891. Olivers Reef, 6 miles W. N. W. of station Durants, Sc. Enterprise of Wilmington, Del. Master: Oden. 35 tons from Washington to Hatteras with cargo of lumber valued at \$400. Vessel's value \$1,500, totaling \$1,900, saved. 4-man crew saved.

Mar. 2, 1891. 400 yards east of station—Wash Woods—Sl. Hope, valued \$200, \$100 saved and \$100 lost.

Mar. 15, 1891. 2 1-2 miles west of station—Oregon Inlet, sailboat Pilot Shed of Manteo, N. C. Value \$200, \$100 lost and \$100 saved.

Mar. 27, 1891. 3 miles southwest of station—Ocracoke—St. sp. Borinquen, Bilbao, Spain. Master: DeBorica. Tonnage: 1,262 from Galveston, Texas to Liverpool, Eng. Cargo of cotton and oil-seed cake valued at \$118,000. Ship's value \$47,000, total \$165,000. Saved \$121,260 and lost \$43,740. 28-man crew saved.

Apr. 14, 1891. 1 mile east-by-south of station—Cape Henry—Bk. Strathome, Maitland, Nova Scotia. Master: Urquhart. 1,098 tons, from Lobos de Afuera, Peru to Hampton Roads, Va. Cargo of guano valued at \$75,000. Ship valued at \$25,000, totaling \$100,000, saved. 14-man crew saved.

May 25, 1891. Bodies Island beach, 3 miles south-southwest of Nags Head Station—Nags Head, Kill Devil Hills, and Bodies Island stations. St. sp Hudson, N. Y. C., Master: Remble, 1,873 tons. From N. Y. C. to New Orleans, La. General cargo valued at \$150,000, vessel at \$250,000, totaling \$400,000. \$393,500 of which was saved and \$6,500 lost. 96-man crew saved.

June 23, 1891. 7 miles northwest of station—Durants, sc H. K. Price of Baltimore, master: Patience. 53 tons of lumber, valued at \$400, ship valued at \$2,500, totaling \$2,900, saved. 4-man crew saved.

Bound from Aurora, N. C., to F. C. more.

Jan. 18, 1891., Currituck N. C., Jan. 18, 1891.

Dear Sir: I beg to state that vessel, the Norwegian steamship Banan, stranded on the about two miles south of the rituck lighthouse in very weather and a heavy sea from northeast at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. The vessel had working full speed astern about two minutes before striking and continued doing so for half an hour after, but when it

seen to be of no avail, and was breaking heavily, we fired distress signals at a few second interval, to call for help. Shortly after 9 o'clock, when the coast

discerned from the vessel, the boat was there ready to be landed. About 9:30 the boat ed alongside and took off my and some of the seamen. About hour later the boat came out ag

and took off a few more, leaving on board both mates, chief steward, five sailors, and a neer, who did not want to leave vessel. I find it a pleasure to see that Captain Scarborough and crew worked with the utmost patch, and, considering the breakers, handled their boat admirably and took all that

landed ashore without any mishap. I have also heard today of my wife and the part of the crew that were on shore during night, that they have been treated very kindly in every respect. These services I hereby offer, in their name and in my own, sincere thanks.

THO. HANSEN, Master of Steamship Banan, A. Scarborough, Esq., Keeper Currituck Inlet Life-Saving Service.

STATE COLLEGE HINTS TO FARM HOMEMAKER

By Ruth Current N. C. State College Sharpen knives often. A tapered steel rod, oil stone, or granite stone can be used. See that the cutting edge always leads when sharpening.

To keep knives sharp, cut on wooden cutting board and not on a metallic or enameled surface. Avoid leaving knives in hot water. Store in a wooden rack. Never store knives loose in a drawer as the edges become dulled.

To prevent dents in utensils store them in an easy-to-reach place so they can be removed without moving others. Make racks for storing pots, lids, pie pans, thin baking sheets, and trays.

Early cut hay is more palatable, more digestible and contains more protein than late cut hay, says Dr. J. O. Halverson animal nutritionist with the Agricultural Experiment Station at State College.

A new sorgo came from Ethiopia may have possibilities for sugar production, say USDA officials. It will be tested in the Southern States and in the Canal Zone.

Calvary, 1944

