and PEG KNIGHT will feel like working up steam again next year!

There's a new card and magazine and book shop in Atlantic Beach, between the deli and the ice cream shop, near the ABC store. RUTH WETHERSPOON of Durha has opened it - she and her husband have a summer home on the beach and Joe commutes weekends. Our MARTHA FLYNN, good friend of Ruth's, is helping her out occasionally in the shop and told us there was to be a complete line of American greeting cards as well as several out-of-town newspapers and some locally done crafts in stock.

Have you noticed the Yard of the Month sign in LORRY DAYTON'S yard? That was awarded by the Morehead City Garden Club, and we are for sure proud to have that lovely PKS yard recognized for its outstanding quality. Lorry tells us that several residents, with permission of the owners, have cleared underbrush on vacant lots. This not only enhances the appearance of neighboring property but helps cut down on the mosquito population for which we are also grateful.

Public Spirited Citizens: ALLEN MITCHELL and ERIC HASSEL have taken on the responsibility for the life raft and ring at the Mimosa beach. This means putting them out every morning and taking them off the beach every evening. Thank you both. We all know how valuable that equipment could be.

You remember that the electorate voted to increase the number of County Commissioners. Running for nomination for County Commissioner is DOUG FLEMING of Atlantic Beach, son of PKS resident, Lib Fleming. He is the only Bogue Banks resident seeking the nomination. Doug who is owner-manager of Fleming's Motel in Atlantic Beach was presented an award by the Morehead City Jaycees as 1976 Outstanding Young Businessman - Carteret County Chamber of Commerce.

Don't know about you, but we keep getting completely confused about the purposes of and goings on around the FISHERIES of our area. Decided it was time to get into depth on the subject. If you are FISHERY knowledgeable, skip over all this 'cause it will be elementary.

Let's start with the DUKE MARINE LAB on Pivers Island (just over the Beaufort causeway and to your right). Here are represented several departments of Duke University's main campus, including zoology, botany, and chemistry, with emphasis on oceanographic aspects of these fields. A full time research and teaching faculty stays right on the island, and the flow of students in and out is constant. In the spring, for example, visiting international scientists come to use the vast facilities the lab has -- these people are often from underdeveloped countries that need help in solving difficult local oceanographic problems. All year long the lab houses students from other private universities who take courses for credit back at their own schools. In summer usually three concentrated terms are offered and courses are available on both undergraduate and graduate levels. And always present are research scientists on their own various grants, working on specific projects

Now then -- we come to the INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCES at Camp Glenn, which offers the same kinds of things on a somewhat smaller scale, and is primarily a research facility for the University of North Carolina faculty members, along with lab technicians and assistants working on grants under these faculty people, although two 6 week summer sessions are offered for Chapel Hill students.

The building, Robert D. Coker Hall, contains research labs, classrooms, library; photographic darkroom, research collections, special x-ray equipment, etc., and the institute also operates a 47 foot deisel powered, extremely well equipped research vessel (of course, Duke has its research ship, the Eastward, too).

Moving right along here -- are you still with us? We come to the UNITED STATES COMMERCE DEPT. OF NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION'S NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE, also on Pivers Island. At this one they study fisheries for the southeastern states, focusing on the ecology of the estuaries up and down the coast, what grows in them, their pollution by heavy metals, etc., and they study offshore sports fishing and, of course, commercial fishing, especially menhaden, and the habits, migrations, etc., of fish. By special arrangement with North Carolina State University, graduate studen' of that school may do research in the lab, and in summertime, teachers, as well as other students, even from high schools, are employed there.

Finally, the NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, Camp Glenn, is con cerned with fisheries statutes and regulations for Coastal waters. They ar law enforcers, they have a research and development department which sends out a trawler and small boats for statistical information about bodies of