Pretty Committee at its meeting October 6. Builder Joe Tarascio told the committee Dr. Engstrom had asked him to complete the structure. Tarascio said he planned to build the house in accordance with the original plans except that it would be constructed eight feet above the concrete slab put down by the original builder. Tarascio said the slab would remain as a floor to the basement that would result.

Gil Millington reported to the committee some of the preliminary findings of a study of the canal, both its flow and the water content, being made by the Duke University Marine Laboratory under the direction of Dr. Joseph Ramos.

Millington said the two students making the study, Dean Ritz and Jess Larson, had come up with "some surprising results." The two students who used grapefruit to study the water flow found "ther are some dead spots in the canal, with hardly any movement." Millington said some grapefruit "which were released at the east end of the canal worked their way to the vicinity of the Fred Korff home and stopped."

Millington said the students were constructing a device to measure the water flow "considerably deeper than the grapefruit" and they hope it will help them get more positive results.

Millington said the study has produced "interesting information about coliform count." For example, he said the count "is much higher in some places than others. One of the worst spots is right near my house, where the Salter Path Road drain comes in." He said the students wanted to get a coliform count on the water draining from Salter Path Road after a heavy rain.

Millington said the State Fisheries office in Morehead City, which ordered the canal closed last year for shellfishing because of pollution, had recently taken another coliform count."

"It's still bad," he said.

PKS residents should not bother to put out their garbage cans on Thanksgiving Day because Waste Industries Inc., has notified Town Hall there will be no pick up that day. However, the company said it would make a pickup on the Saturday following Thanksgiving.

Speaking of garbage pickups, town Commissioner Ken Hanan says may PKS residents are placing their refuse containers on the streets much too early, leaving them the prey of marauding dogs and raccoons and other varments which sometimes scatter the contents into an unsightly mess.

Hanan said the containers should not be placed at the edge of the street earlier than 12 hours before the scheduled pickup and that the empty containers should be removed from the street not later than 12 hours after pickup.

Hanan also cautioned PKS residents planning garage sales not to place signs advertising their sales on street right-of-ways or other public property.

Hanan said that recently a garage sale sign was erected on the island in the middle of Mimosa Boulevard at the Salter Path Road intersection.

"Any such signs in the future will be removed by the police," Hanan said.

Building Inspector Bill Ballantine has called attention to the town ordinance which forbids the erection of "any permanent or semi-permanent wooden or other enclosure or rack designed for the purpose of holding garbage containers" on town rights-of-way.

"If the town has to remove them, the cost will be billed to the property owner,"
Ballantine warned.