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PUBLISHED TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Morehead City Commissioners Pass Four Ordinances At Friday Meeting

Baseball League To Choose Queen

Collegians Will Play at Dance Tomorrow Night

The Collegians, a 15-piece orchestra from East Carolina Teachers college, ranking as one of the best college bands in the country and featuring a smooth style of dance music, will play tomorrow evening at an informal dance by the Tidewater league in the county recreation center.

Mr. Lashley stressed that the dance open to everybody. Highlight of the evening's entertainment will be selection of the Queen of Tidewater League baseball. She will be chosen from eight contestants, representing each of the communities in the Tidewater league.

Each of the eight will appear in bathing attire and in evening dress and will wear a corsage and carry a banner of her community. Judges for the selection will be from out of this area.

The Queen of Baseball chosen will be crowned, honored with gifts, and will lead the Grand March to the tune of "Take Me Out to the Ball Game," the only baseball number to be played that evening.

Later in the season a parade will be held in her honor, and she will rule at the all-star game.

This is believed to be the first time that a Queen of Baseball has ever been chosen.

Dancing will be from 9 a.m. until 1 a.m.

USS Marquette To Dock Today

The USS Marquette, cargo transport, is scheduled to dock this morning to load equipment for transportation to Marines in the Mediterranean, it was reported today at Port Terminal. The Marquette will arrive from Norfolk.

Marine activity at Port Terminal yesterday afternoon involved transportation of officer candidates from Quantico to the USS Randall, anchored offshore.

The officer candidates have been undergoing practice amphibious landings at Onslow beach, Camp Lejeune, where they landed yesterday morning.

Marines were transported to the Randall by small boats tied up at Port Terminal. Rough water at Onslow beach prevents loading of personnel and vehicles there, it was stated.

Graves Of Three Wars Restored During May In Ann Street Cemetery

Members of the Beaufort Cemetery Restoration association met Friday at the home of Dr. and Mrs. N. Thomas Ennett, Front street, Beaufort, and heard the following report:

Back when we were still fighting for our independence declared in 1776, Capt. Charles Biddle of Philadelphia saw action at sea, was taken prisoner, escaped to Jamaica, from there found his way to Virginia, bought half interest in the THREE SISTERS, and showed up in Beaufort in his new vessel.

In Beaufort, Charles Biddle fell in love with Hannah, daughter of Jacob Shepard. Jacob before his death represented us in the Assembly back in the days when Beaufort was part of the British Empire. Without much loss of time, Charles and Hannah were married. Charles, as his father-in-law had done, entered public life, served in the N. C. General Assembly, started a family.

In 1780, however, Charles Biddle went home, and for reasons unknown now, he stayed. A first child, Nicholas, was born here and died in infancy. Nine other children were born to them in Philadelphia. Among these was a second Nicholas from whom descended a large and influential branch of the Biddle family including Charles J., a great, great grandson of the first Charles.

Two weeks ago, Charles Biddle sent a check to the Beaufort Cemetery Restoration association asking to have the grave of his grandfather restored. It has been done. Those who wish to visit the oldest marked grave in the old cemetery will find it near the center back.

Morehead City commissioners literally "laid down the law" at a call meeting Friday afternoon in ordering the city attorney, Alvah Hamilton, to draw up ordinances relating to parking, dogs, registration fees for town political candidates, and privilege tax for carnivals.

To prevent traffic tie-ups on 8th and 9th streets parking will be permitted on those streets on the east side only between Bridges and Arendell.

After a lengthy discussion on the stray dog problem, Mr. Hamilton was introduced to draw up an ordinance aimed at getting the animals off the streets.

Mayor George Dill, in a statement today, emphasized that the commissioners made no definite decision on solving the problem at Friday's meeting, but left it in the hands of the attorney. Building of a dog pound may be necessary, he added.

Because there is no registration fee required by candidates seeking city office, Commissioner W. L. Derrickson suggested that an ordinance to this effect be prepared for presentation to the 1949 legislature.

The fact that the city receives no revenue from carnivals playing within city limits led the board to the decision to impose a hundred dollar privilege tax on such carnivals. In addition, they must be sponsored by some civic organization.

At the suggestion of the Chamber of Commerce the board agreed to zone the town for garbage collection so that residents will know on what days trucks will pick up garbage. The Chamber also suggested that garbage cans be set along the curb.

Commissioners did not fall in line with this suggestion, but said that garbage cannot be collected in alleys blocked by parked cars. An extra man will also be added to the garbage collection crew for the months from June through September.

Because many merchants have not paid this year's business privilege tax, the board ordered that businessmen who do not pay the coming year's tax by June 1 will be penalized an additional 10 per cent. If the tax is not paid within 30 days after the due date, the business will be closed by city authorities.

Increase of court costs was considered and the city clerk was instructed to obtain the cost of trash cans which would be placed on the sidewalks in the business section.

The board did not take action on the Junior Chamber of Commerce's suggestion to suspend parking meter operation after 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoons or on the problem of leasing town docks.

At the suggestion of the police force, cards will be printed explaining traffic laws to out-of-town visitors. Police will also give receipts for all fines collected by patrolmen.

Mr. Derrickson will conduct sale of the fire department's 1927 See COMMISSIONERS Page 8

It's Washington — and Beaufort Seniors



Indication of the good time each member of the senior class had on their trip to Washington is shown by this photo taken near the capitol. Seniors are, reading from left to right: Top row, Joyce Biggs, Pauline Mason, Patricia Webb, Zara Bechem, Mildred Simpson, Miss Lena Duncan, class adviser, Margaret Hansen, Patricia Thomas, Addie Carrow Thomas, and Mary Ruth Nelson; center row: Sarah Guthrie, Frances Kelly, Sally Poole Thomas, Gladys Cox, Elizabeth Willis, Blanche Saunders, Mary Sue Dail, Lorraine Willis, Patsy Willis, and Sue Noe; bottom row: Earl Willis, Charles Edwards, George Murray Thomas, Paul Ricks, bus driver, Howard Jones, Clarence Davis, Milton Taylor, and Thomas Eure.

Guy Smith, Jr., Beaufort, Wins Talent Contest

Guy Smith, Jr., Beaufort baritone, made the walls rock from applause at the Elons club talent show Saturday night at the Carteret county recreation center, with his solo, "Old Man River," and walked away with the \$100 cash first prize.

Second prize winner, awarded \$75, was Ruth Webb Bailey, Morehead City, and third prize of \$50 went to the Morehead City Girls glee club.

Guy, who is a sophomore at Beaufort high school, is this year's biggest discovery in county music circles. A member of Beaufort high school glee club, he has been trained by Mrs. Virginia Hassell, director of the glee club, and appeared May 7 in Beaufort high school's music and dance revue.

Two other outstanding contestants in Saturday night's show were Robert (Bobby) Morris, pianist, of Atlantic, who, on an upright piano that has been better days, played perfectly Chopin's Black Key Etude and Schumann's Promenade; and the Beaufort high school glee club which sang "You'll Never Walk Alone and Begin the Beguine."

Winning contestants will appear Saturday, June 5, in a stage show at the Roda theatre. Proceeds from the Lions club county-wide talent search, which began five weeks ago, will be used in the club's aid-to-the-blind project.

Saturday night's judges were Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Rollins and Miss See SMITH Page 8

Potato Growers Set Price for Farm Labor

At a meeting attended by potato growers at the court house Thursday night it was firmly agreed, R. M. Williams, county agent said, that not more than 35 cents per 100 lbs would be paid to labor for picking up potatoes, hauling to the grader, running over grader, also potatoes would be graded so as to pass inspection.

The purpose of potato growers wanting to get together on prices paid for harvesting was to try to establish a uniform price, Mr. Williams reported. In past years there has been irregularity in prices paid by different growers in the harvesting of their potato crop.

Three Communities Celebrate Completion of Highway 101

The communities of Bachelor and Mill Creek joined Harlowe community Sunday for a picnic in celebration of the completion of hard-surfacing highway No. 101.

The large crowd began to gather at 12:30 o'clock at Taylor's Community Hall and at 12:30 a bountiful dinner was spread on tables in the yard. Alvah Hamilton of Morehead City asked the blessing.

Guests were highway officers from Greenville and this district; county officers from Carteret and Craven counties; John L. Larkins from Trenton, D. L. Ward and T. M. Diggs from New Bern.

Ice drinks and ice water were served in addition to the food.

J. R. Ball, master of ceremonies, asked the large crowd to gather in the hall for a program.

The Beaufort quartette, M. L. Davis, Graydon Paul, U. E. Swann and Halsey Paul, sang a song and Graydon Paul led the group in several selections.

After recognition of the highway officials and the county officials from Carteret and Craven counties, John Clark, Greenville highway official, delivered an address.

Fisheries Dept. Plants Shells

If weather is favorable, this week will conclude three weeks of oyster shell planting by the state department of commercial fisheries in Pamlico and Hyde counties.

State boats are being used to supervise the work although contract for planting the 110,000 bushels of shells has been let to Capt. George W. Clark, of Belhaven, and Earl Holton, of Vandemere.

The shell came from the oysters taken on public grounds during this past season. On the average, one tub of oysters produces six pecks of shells, fishing department officials report.

The 63,000 bushels planted last year were purchased by the commercial fisheries department. Shell planting is an important factor in maintaining high oyster production, fishermen point out, the shells afford a place of attachment for young oysters.

Shell planting is under the supervision of Capt. John Nelson, commercial fisheries commissioner.

Auto Crashes Into '47 Truck

Elvin Davis, of Davis Shore, popular Tidewater League baseball player, received a severe bruised mouth and a hand injury about 5 p.m. Friday when the Dodge automobile he was driving ran into the rear end of a 1947 Chevrolet stake body truck driven by Nelson Gillikin, of Otway, on highway 70 near Otway. Mr. Gillikin was uninjured, but the Dodge was wrecked.

State patrolmen said today that the accident occurred when the truck's rear signal light, flashing for a left turn, was obscured by the tailboard of the truck. Both Mr. Gillikin and his father said that the tailboard was up when Mr. Gillikin started out, but that severe jolting had shaken it down. Mr. Gillikin said he gave no hand signal.

Mr. Davis, who was attempting to pass the truck, going east, could not see the tailight and smashed into the truck, skidding into a ditch about 50 feet away, patrolmen said. Blondell Lawrence, Otway, who had passed the truck immediately before, in another car, turned around, and carried Mr. Davis to Morehead City hospital. Mr. Davis was released after treatment and taken back to Davis by Mr. Lawrence.

Investigation of the accident is not yet complete, but state patrolmen said that it was probably the fault of both motorists.

Agassiz Rescues Yacht Thursday

The yacht Elise, bound for Philadelphia from Miami, Fla., was rescued 30 miles southwest of Cape Lookout by the Coast Guard cutter Agassiz at 4:45 Thursday afternoon.

The Agassiz, tied up at Port Terminal, was radioed for help at 2 o'clock that afternoon, and towed the yacht into port for repair.

Aboard the stricken vessel was the owner, Don C. Brimmer, of Philadelphia, his wife and four children, and four other passengers. The Elise's sails were ripped away by the wind and the motor was out of commission.

Mr. Brimmer stated that they had been adrift since Wednesday and that they would continue northward via the inland waterway.

Two Seaplanes Land On Beaufort Waterfront

Two light seaplanes, piloted by Jim Bradshaw and Charles Howe, of Lakeworth, Fla., landed Saturday afternoon at 5:55 on Beaufort waterfront and took off early Sunday morning after refueling.

Former director of the state employment service and World War II veteran, he describes his campaign as one of "planned progress and clean politics," and says his trailer campaign, "Hitched to no machine," is "rolling on to victory in what may well be the biggest political upset in North Carolina in years."

Poppy Sales Aid Needy Children

Aiding needy children of war veterans is one of the things accomplished by the memorial poppy which the American Legion auxiliary will ask everyone to wear in honor of the war dead on poppy day, Saturday, May 29, states Mrs. Julian Hamilton child welfare chairman of the Beaufort Auxiliary unit.

"The number of children of veterans needing aid is increasing rapidly," she said, "making it more important than ever to have a generous response to the Poppy Day appeal. The bulk of the contributions will remain right here in Carteret county to help our Legion post and Auxiliary unit care for needy children of local veterans' families.

"Families of veterans too disabled to do regular work and those of veterans who have died are facing hardship right here in the midst of our prosperous community," Mrs. Hamilton continued. "High prices reduce the value of any Government compensation they may receive. Mothers of young children face a difficult problem if they must go to work. It is a bitter experience for a man who gave his health and strength in the nation's defense to see that his sacrifices mean suffering for his family.

"I know that we all would like to do something for the families of these men who have done so much for us, and the memorial poppy gives us an opportunity to contribute to their welfare. Money received by the volunteer workers who distribute the poppies goes into Legion and Auxiliary rehabilitation and child welfare funds, where it works for disabled veterans and needy families throughout the year.

"When we honor the dead by wearing their memorial flower, we also help those who are still living in war's dark shadow."

Mayne Albright, Candidate For Governor, to Appear Here This Afternoon

R. Mayne Albright, Democratic candidate for governor, will arrive in Morehead City at 2:15 p.m. this afternoon, and will speak briefly at the city hall from "The Challenger," his trailer field headquarters.

Mr. Albright and his wife, Frances, will have a police escort leading a motorcade of his supporters. He has already visited most of the 100 counties in the state in what is said to be the most intense "Take-It-To-The-People" campaign ever conducted for the governorship.

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Tanker Leaves for Aruba

The tanker, Battle Mountain, left Port Terminal Saturday for Aruba in the West Indies. She docked Friday with four million gallons of gasoline and fuel oil from Baytown, Tex.

Irvin Davis Will Attend Democratic Convention

Irvin W. Davis, county registrar of deeds, is one of four members of the third congressional district who will go to the national Democratic convention, June 12, in Philadelphia, it was decided at the state convention last week. About 18 from Carteret county attended the state convention at Raleigh, Mr. Davis said.

Other delegates chosen, are Gordon W. Love, Sampson county, John R. Croom, Duplin county, and W. Frank Taylor, Wayne county.

All delegates will have a half a vote each, and will go unopposed.

Board Chairman Names Officials For Election

F. R. Seelye, chairman of the county board of elections, today issued the names of election judges and poll holders for the county's 27 precincts. These, with the registrar of each precinct, will sit at the polls Saturday from 6 a. m. to 6 p. m.

In the list which follows, the registrar is listed first, Democratic judge second and Republican pollholder, third:

Stella, J. C. Parker, John W. Watson, Adrian Norris; Pelletier, Allen J. Vinson, J. E. Weeks, W. D. Norris; Cedar Point, J. A. Weeks, John Jones, John Guthrie; Bogue, W. D. Smith, E. L. Weeks, O. B. Arthur.

Broad Creek, Norman Guthrie, J. Cola Guthrie, pollholder to be supplied; Newport, Mrs. Prudie Potter, Y. Z. Simmons, Mrs. Lotta Henderson; Wildwood, Curtis, L. McCabe, A. E. McCabe, M. B. Taylor.

Salter Path, George Smith, J. T. Lawrence, pollholder to be supplied; Morehead City, John B. Long, judge to be supplied, E. C. Guthrie; Beaufort, Frank King, John D. Brooks, Irene Whitehurst.

Wire Grass, M. M. Eubanks, Mrs. Will Norris, W. J. Merrill; Harlowe, George Ball, W. J. Hardesty, J. F. Small; Merrimon, H. B. Salter, W. L. Cannon, Guy Carraway.

Long Pine, Mrs. Polly Simpson, Minzette King Kornegay, Josephine Josey; Bettie, Cleve Gillikin, Theo Willis, Harvey Lawrence; Otway, Denard Gillikin, Lena Lewis, Iredell Lawrence.

Straits, Paul Chadwick, Gilbert Whitehurst, C. T. Jarvis; Harkers Island, Mrs. Mabel Lawrence, Lawson Willis, Fate Jones, Jr.; Marshallberg, I. F. Moore, Fred G. Gillikin, pollholder to be supplied.

Smyrna, George W. Davis, George W. Hancock, Mrs. D. V. Wade; Williston, Mrs. Pauline Wade, Mrs. Ivey G. Willis, Jesse Piner; Davis, H. H. Davis, C. H. Davis, Leslie Styron; Stacy, William Fulcher, Andrew Mason, Lorraine Gaskill.

Sealevel, A. B. Taylor, Hugh Salter, K. W. Gaskill; Atlantic, Clayton Fulcher, Nolie G. Fulcher, pollholder to be supplied; Cedar Island, J. B. Goodwin, Walter Goodwin, J. W. Goodwin; Portsmouth, John R. Willis, Dorothy May Salter, pollholder to be supplied.

Connor Youngster Suffers In Fall

Jerry Connor, son of Mrs. Theresa Heuser Carver, 1306 Evans street, is recovering today in the hospital from injuries received Friday afternoon at Morehead City school when he fell 12 feet through a trap door at the rear of the stage.

Jerry, who landed on his head, received a fractured skull, blackened right eye, and kidney injuries. He was rushed to the hospital in an ambulance and remained unconscious about four hours. The accident occurred at recess Friday.

Jerry, a fifth grader, reported that he thought someone was chasing him while he was running across a floor he said is higher than the stage. He saw the blackness in front of him but thought it was tar paper over the board. Instead, it was a hole, the same "trap door" through which Walter Lewis fell last year and severely injured his feet. It is also thought that another youngster fell through it at one time.

Morehead City, Beaufort Firemen Answer Calls

Morehead City firemen 1:35 yesterday afternoon used a booster tank to put out a small fire in the home of Don Mason, Fisher street. Beaufort firemen were called out about 6:20 Saturday afternoon to extinguish a small brush fire on Ann street extension. The fire was out by the time they arrived.

Police Shoot Three Dogs Morehead City police shot three dogs during the past several months. One person, Floyd Lewis, 1406 Evans street, was bitten, but this dog has been put under two week's observation. Mr. Lewis recovered.

Postmasters Will Hear G. A. Barden At Convention

300 Delegates Expected at Annual State Meet, Atlantic Beach.

Representative Graham A. Barden, of the third Congressional district will be the featured speaker at the annual meeting of the N. C. Chapter, National Association of Postmasters of the United States, which convenes at the beach for three days starting June 2.

More than 300 delegates from all parts of the state will be at the meeting which will feature business matters of postal interest and social activities. Sportsfishing for those who want to match their skill against the finny fighters of surrounding waters and a "Postmaster's Jamboree" in the Surf club will be recreation features. The Jamboree will be the evening of June 3.

Convention headquarters will be at the Ocean King hotel where some of the executive business sessions will be held. The larger group meetings, however, will be in the Surf club.

Wade C. Hill, Canton, president of the N. C. Chapter of Postmasters will preside at the various meetings. Other officials of the organization include J. Henry Hill, Hickory, first vice-president; Walter Bridgers, Warsaw, second vice-president; Stella Emerson, Bear creek, third vice-president and Inez Gibbs, Manns Harbor, fourth vice-president.

Mayor George W. Dill, Morehead City, will give the welcome address Wednesday night at the opening meeting, movies of the national postmasters' convention at San Francisco will be shown Thursday night as well as the film, "Meet North Carolina."

Congressman Barden will deliver the address at the closing banquet Friday night.

Business sessions, or breakfast discussions, will be conducted each morning at the Ocean King hotel, and the Atlantic Beach hotel for postmasters in each of the four postoffice classifications, Harold Webb, Morehead City postmaster, announced today.

Delegates will be taken on a cruise to Cape Lookout Thursday afternoon and on Friday afternoon will tour Cherry Point, Marine base.

Postmaster General of the United States, J. M. Donaldson, informed Mr. Webb that he will be unable to attend the convention because he will be at the Missouri Postmasters meeting June 3, 4, and 5.

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