

## HERE and THERE

With F. C. SALISBURY, Morehead City



An attendance of more than 10,000 for the thirteen full weeks of the first annual Baptist Seaside assembly at Fort Fisher this summer is predicted by Rev. R. K. Redwine, director. The assembly is sponsored by the Baptist State convention of this state.

Gordon Davis, a student at E. C. T. C., Greenville, has developed into a makeup artist that may carry him on to Hollywood. He assisted with the makeup of the players for the comedy, "The Man Who Came to Dinner," given by the senior class of the college.

By way of the "grapevine route" it is understood that while the Democratic party of this county is of one accord in favor of Charles M. Johnson, candidate for governor, there is a rift in the choice for the candidates for the office of United States Senator. It is said that the leaders are split about fifty-fifty between Umstead and Broughton.

Liquor sales in Carteret county for the months of April in 1947 and the corresponding month of the present year, ran almost neck and neck. The boys were a little drier this year than last or selected a higher grade of booze. Sales for 1948 for April were \$49,971.35 while this year the thirst rose to \$50,127.95, a gain of \$156.60.

Residents of Cedar Island and that section of the county must have thought the Russians had opened up an air invasion on this country, for the Marine Air Corps from Cherry Point put on a night rocket firing practice three nights last week. The danger area was within a radius of three miles of Hog Island Reef. The rocket firing was accompanied by the dropping of flares from aircraft to illuminate the target.

Subject to the action of the grand chapter of the Order of Eastern Stars at their state meeting in June 6-10, redistricting of the state will be proposed. It is thought necessary to restrict the local district to Carteret, Craven, Jones, Pamlico, Hyde, and Beaufort counties, whereas the local district has consisted of some thirteen counties in the past. Some 20 new chapters have been instituted in this district.

### STORY OF THE WEEK

In response to my request to Jimmie Guthrie, of Harkers Island, that he give us some history of the island, he has sent the following which we know will be of interest to the readers of the News-Times:

#### It Figgers Out

That Harkers Island is growing by leaps and bounds, it's not a joke either.

In 1900 when the ocean storms played havoc with us folks, we moved our belongings here on high and safe ground, to which place we were not molested and where we could rest and sleep by the noise of the rustling trees moving by the balmy sea breeze.

In that day and time we had to go to church by boat, but we went OK. Eleven families was the high mark when we moved here from Diamond City near Cape Lookout light house. The land sold at that time for \$1.00 per acre.

Harkers Island now has schools and churches galore. It has a splendid road, a bridge, electric lights, telephone, with Christians and sinners mixed. Nearly every foot of land has been taken for building on the south of the highway. The island will continue to grow so long as people grow.

Back in 1867 when the east was wondering more so than now, especially about new worlds, a ketch rigged boat tried to round Cape Lookout with seven men on board when four were drowned and three made it on shore. When they later made their way to this island, buying it all from the Indians, calling it by the name of one of the men, Harkers Island. At the time and many years later great growth of woods were above the beach which was peopled until it became blowing sand.

So the Harkers owned all of this land for many years. But not until the hurricane of January 1886 did our people begin to realize the danger ahead and wondering what to do. But the storm of 1899 seemed to awaken us more so than ever, when we took our belongings and left in 1900 for a haven of perfect rest.

Now on the east end of Harkers Island is the newly-erected Harker Hotel and on the extreme western end is the Nichols summer home which would be a credit to the Queen of Sheba.

Among some other notes covering island history we find the following interesting facts regarding the establishing of the first church on the island. During the period of the War Between the States, Miss Jennie Bell went to Harkers Island to teach school and to help

the islanders, as only a few families lived there. During her stay on the island she was visited by a friend from Boston, a Miss Annie Brown.

One night during a prayer meeting which was attended by the Misses Bell and Brown, Mary Fulford, known to her friends as "Speck," cried out at the gathering that she wanted a church on the island. When Miss Brown returned to Boston she related the needs of a church on the island and through her influence the Methodist society built a church there.

The first pastor was Rev. Harry Wilson. People from what was called Deep Hole Point, now Marshallberg, and people from Straits also attended this church. About 1874 the Star of Bethlehem church was built at Marshallberg which was served by Rev. Wilson who through his efforts placed an organ in each church.

### Time Marches On

As one views today the extent of the operations of the Morehead City Yacht Basin, with its modern equipment and ways, its docks and sales department, it is hard to realize that this concern is the outgrowth of a business started by the late John F. Bell back in 1905.

An old historical sketch of the John F. Bell company gives these interesting facts: "In the year 1905 Mr. Bell in a small way started the building of boats, from ordinary row boats to launches and yachts of seventy feet in length. A few years later the company was incorporated with a capital of \$10,000, with Mr. Bell as president and C. M. Wade, secretary and treasurer. The success of the concern is shown in the fact that when the company was organized its initial capital was only \$200. Mr. Bell and Mr. Wade each putting in \$100.

Mr. Bell has been a boat builder from boyhood and has no superior in this line of work. Mr. Wade was educated at the A. & M. college and possesses unusual technical skill as a draughtsman and engineer.

The company is also well known in the building line as contractors of residences and public buildings. Among the many notable buildings and here to their credit as contractors may be mentioned the residence of Chas. S. Wallace, Dr. Ben F. Royal, R. W. Taylor, C. M. Wade and John F. Bell.

The company has built several boats for the U. S. Government, and estimates are now in for more with good prospects of the bids being accepted."

It's a mighty mean person, regardless of age or sex, who will steal from a blind person. Bill Denby, the blind news man who operates a news stand next to the Royal Theatre has been obliged to put screen shields on each side of his delivery windows, to keep thieving fingers from taking candy and papers.

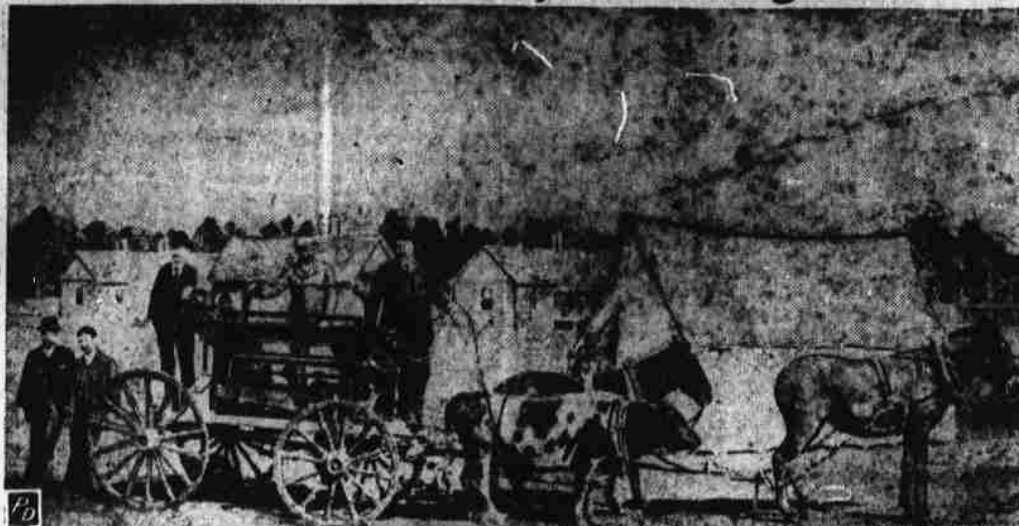
Reports from the local postoffice are to the effect that the air mail service now being rendered by the Piedmont Airline is increasing daily. The service of the Air Mail being recognized by patrons under the slogan "First received, first read, first answered." For speed and efficiency in handling through mail, patrons are being urged to use the distinctive regulation air mail envelopes which have the red and blue borders. Air mail out of the local office closes at 12:00 M.

The trade mark or trade emblem of the Madix Asphalt Roofing Corporation of this city which appeared in a recent advertisement in a state paper had quite a southern accent. The background of the design has the stars and crossed bars that very much resemble the Confederate flag, while the word MADIX in large type runs through the center. The advertisement announced to the public that this newest industry in this city is now in operation and ready to supply the trade with their products. The newly-organized corporation operating under the name of H. & W. have a contract with the Madix firm to do the hauling of their products within 250 miles of this city.

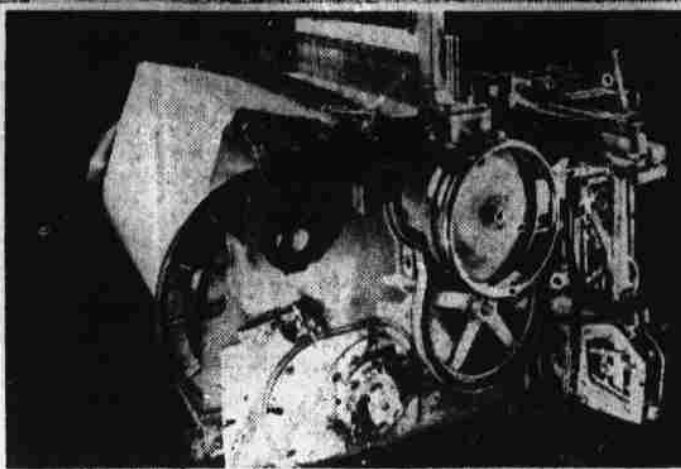
Recognition was given to members of the Democratic party from this county at the state convention held in Raleigh on Thursday, Irvin W. Davis, chairman of the Democratic county committee, was named as an alternate from the third district as a delegate to the National convention to be held in Philadelphia in June. M. Leslie Davis and Mrs. Clayton Fulcher, Sr., were named to serve on the State Executive committee.

Sir William Johnson was rewarded was a baronetcy, the first and only one granted on American soil, which occupied large areas of what is now northern New York state.

## A Half-Century of Progress



The above rare photograph, taken in 1896, shows a team of two mules and an ox hauling a new loom to a South Carolina mill from the nearest railroad point. Transportation was a big problem faced by southern mills in obtaining new machinery during the 19th Century. On the right, this latest high speed loom on which the shuttle travels across the cloth more than 220 times per minute, emphasizes the high-speed era of today in which streamlined transportation goes hand in hand with top-speed, easily-operated textile production machinery.



## Animals, Insects, Birds Play Major Roles In Wacky Accidents

Appearing in a recent issue of "North Carolina Motor Vehicle" was a story by Paul Jones, of the National Safety Council, on the "Wackiest Accidents of 1947."

The story follows: When a sparrow smokes in bed and a cockroach kicks a man down stairs, things are getting good and wacky. But that's what happened in 1947.

And that isn't all. A dead deer shot a hunter and a hitskip car made traffic history. A mouse upset a truck, a quail committed suicide, and some busy little bees boarded a streetcar and caused a honey of an accident.

Yes the annual roundup of odd accidents by the National Safety Council reveals that animals stole the show in 1947. To wit: Firemen in Camden, N. J., finally found the source of smoke pouring through the home of Mrs. Marie Baugher—a bird's nest under the roof. A sparrow had carried home a lighted cigarette. And just to prove that smoking in bed isn't restricted to sparrows, a pig in Washington started an apartment house fire the same way.

**Cockroach Wins**  
The celebrated case of the cantankerous cockroach occurred in Detroit and involved John Nantico, a bakery employee. Mr. Nantico said he looked into the leering eyes of the biggest cockroach any man ever saw. He kicked at the roach, the other foot slipped and he landed at the bottom of the stairs with a broken leg.

A dead deer shot Clarence Gerkin of Hudson, Colorado, in a neat bit of posthumous vengeance. Mr. Gerkin had shot the deer first and was preparing to dress it when a reflex kick by the animal hit his gun and discharged it. The bullet tore through Gerkin's left arm.

The hit-skip car became part of the nation's traffic problem when it bowled over Mrs. Lucy Nostrand as she alighted from a bus at a busy intersection in Milwaukee. The bounding bovine, fugitive from a farm, whammed into Mrs. Nostrand, knocked her flat, and barreled on down the street.

**Mouse Has Day**  
The British Women's Land Army had trained 19-year-old Christine Woodward to face bombs, bullets and battle without flinching, but they hadn't thought of a mouse. So when a mouse scampered across the toes of Miss Woodward when she was driving an army truck in Daventry, England, she just did what came naturally. She fainted. The truck went into a ditch, the mouse into a field, and the victim to a hospital.

Far less intrepid was the suicidal quail that found itself looking down the barrel of a gun held by Gene Hatfield in Joplin, Mo. Realizing the jig was up, the quail decided to end it all and flew straight against the barrel of the gun and dropped dead at Hatfield's feet with a broken neck.

Apparently stung by the high cost of living, bees took to streetcars in 1947. A frolicsome bunch of them swarmed aboard a trolley in Cincinnati and evinced much interest in Motorman Earl Armstrong. As he frantically batted at his bumbling passengers, the streetcar bumped an auto, which rammed the rear of another, which rammed the rear of another. Meanwhile, buzz, buzz, buzz, went the trolley.

As Fireman Horace LeBouf was carrying Mrs. Catherine Markowski down a ladder from a burning building in Detroit, they passed a first floor window. Flames shot out and nipped LeBouf in the seat of his pants. He yelped, spanked himself frantically and let go of Mrs. Markowski. LeBouf lost his balance, landed smack on the lady, who preceded him to the ground. Mrs. Markowski was bruised, her rescuer apologetic.

A speedboat carrying Miss Geor-

gia Brooks of Chicago during a holiday outing on Lake Geneva, Wis., swerved so sharply it threw Miss Brooks into the water, swerved again, hit the struggling swimmer, flipped her neatly back on its prow.

**Angel Without Wings**  
And in Seattle, John Angel drove into a service station, ordered a change of oil, stepped out, discovered too late that he was eight feet aloft on a grease rack.

World's champion freak faller of the year, so far as distance is concerned, was Charles Arnter, pitboy in a mine in South-Yorkshire, England. Charlie fell down a 1,554-foot shaft and escaped with only a broken leg. Halfway down the shaft he overtook an elevator cage which was going down almost as fast as he was. He landed on it and rode the rest of the way down.

In Lille, France, a tile setter named Yvon Dherie slipped off a roof, fell six stories and landed snugly in a baby buggy from which his mother had just been snatched her child. Dherie was unhurt, but the mother fainted and broke an ankle.

## 'Four Chaplains' Postage Stamp To Appear Friday

Issuance of the Four Chaplains United States Commemorative postage stamp May 28 will be observed with special "first day" ceremonies at the White House as well as in simple programs to be conducted by Chaplains of Army installations in the United States and overseas, the Department of the Army announced today.

The new three-cent stamp will be the latest memorial to the four Army Chaplains who sacrificed their lives to save others when the troop transport Dorchester was torpedoed off the coast of Greenland in the early morning hours of February 3, 1943.

The Chaplains—John P. Washington, a Roman Catholic, Alexander D. Goade, Jewish, and George L. Fox and Clark V. Poling, Protestants—passed their own life preservers to soldiers leaping into the frigid Atlantic from the sinking ship.

The Chaplains were last seen standing together in the bow of the ship, their arms linked and voices raised in prayer as the vessel plunged beneath the surface. The commemorative stamp will bear likeness of the four Chaplains and a picture of the sinking ship in the foreground. An inscription will read: "These Immortal Chaplains... Interfaith in Action."

Honor guests at the White House ceremony will be the nearest of kin of the four Chaplains. Officials of the Post-Office department and the National Military Establishment also will attend.

### Two Writers Work Here On Menhaden Industry

TWO WRITERS ... 14 ... Leonard Roy, on the editorial staff of the National Geographic magazine, and Jack Cowie, free lance writer and photographer from Ohio were in the county this weekend doing stories on the Beaufort-Morehead City menhaden industry.

Both men, working individually, are honorary Tar Heels. Mr. Roy went out on one of the Beaufort Fisheries boats. The writers stayed at the Jefferson hotel.

## Thoughts for an open mind...

Staying power is more important than braying power.

LEARN to learn if if you would learn to earn.

To go forward is important. To go straight is more important. Get your motives, your principles, your ambitions right, and nothing can utterly daunt you. Inward strength will sustain you.

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POWER comes from ABILITY intelligently and persistently applied.

What lifts us imperially above our dust, is our passion to give the best of us—and our best is no common thing—to what is worthy to receive it.

We are savages yesterday, but a sense of noble destiny compels our dreams. We are entangled in a net of things of which we are ashamed, but our very shame is a witness to our birthright citizenship in a nobler order.

—Jim Morrill

## Yanks Sought As Students Of Russian

By DAVID TAYLOR MARKE  
AP Newsfeatures Writer On Education

NEW YORK—Some 250,000 native Americans are wanted to study Russian. Those interested should apply to the American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages.

According to the latest estimates of the AATSEEL, no more than 35,000 Americans of every category will study Russian during the academic year 1947-48. Most of these will study with private teachers, since probably no more than 5,000 will be enrolled in regular college or university courses.

"Yet," says AATSEEL, "from estimates arrived at through conference with leaders of industry, education and the Armed Forces, there is a need at present for at least 50,000 persons who can handle Russian effectively. To meet this need, at least a quarter of a million Americans ought right now be studying Russian."

A "National Emergency" This need "amounts to a national emergency," says Dr. Arthur Prudden Coleman, assistant professor, department of Slavic Languages, Columbia University. "Russian should be added to the list of foreign languages studied in every large high school in the country."

Dr. Coleman, who is secretary of AATSEEL, has just issued a report on the status of Russian and other Slavic and East European languages in the educational institutions of the United States, its territories, possessions and mandates, with additional data on similar studies in Canada and Latin America.

Colleges and universities have done their part in the promotion of the study of Russian in this country, Dr. Coleman says.

"By late 1946, the interest in Slavic and East European studies in our colleges and universities had become very great, but still the languages showed no signs of penetrating to the high schools, where, as it was clearly foreseen, they would have to be accepted if college and university work in the field was to be on the level of that in other modern languages," he says.

**High School Objections**  
High school administrators are reluctant to introduce Russian because of the expense involved, says Dr. Coleman, adding: "A more serious objection is, would the language be accepted for entrance credit by colleges

and universities—and incidental—also in medical schools—which the student might later wish to attend?"

A study of 236 institutions on the collegiate level shows that under proper conditions full credit would be given Russian for admission, Dr. Coleman reports.

The "proper conditions," he says, were that Russian language should have been taken in an accredited high school and in a class conducted by a certified teacher, under the same conditions as if the language offered were German or French or Spanish. Of the medical schools studied, nearly a third are ready to accept

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## Young Democrats to Meet Thursday in Morehead City

Young Democrats of Carteret county will meet at 7:30 Thursday night in the municipal building, Morehead City.

Plans will be made to get out the voters Saturday in the Primary. Harvey Hamilton, president, will be in charge of the meeting.

### Three Pennings Scheduled

In addition to the two penny pennings, July 2 and Aug. 2, announced in Thursday's paper, there will be one a week from tomorrow, June 2, at Cape Lookout.

Russian language credits at face value. Many schools of theology and law will do the same, he says. Most state boards of education will accredit a teacher for Russian on the same terms as for any other foreign language, Dr. Coleman concludes.

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