

## Capt. John Nelson Reports To Board on Fish Production

### Man Pleads Guilty To Auto Larceny

### Judge Suspends Sentence, Puts Defendant on Three Years Probation

The production of food fish in North Carolina from July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949, showed a decrease from previous years. Capt. John A. Nelson, fisheries commissioner, told the Board of Conservation and Development Tuesday.

But there were more menhaden boats fishing last fall than ever before, the commissioner reported. Approximately 60 boats fished out of Beaufort inlet, including the non-resident boats chartered by resident menhaden plants.

"I was told that more menhaden were seen between Hatteras and Cape Lookout than had ever been seen at one time," Captain Nelson commented.

A record was set in shrimping. The state produced 7,219,667 pounds in 1948-49 as against 4,264,883 pounds last year (heads on).

There was an increase in oyster production, but a drop in the market for hard and softshell crabs, and clams.

Regarding the food fish drop, Captain Nelson said, "The production of food fish the past year has not been up to what it has been in the previous years. The main fishing season is the fall of the year and the catch of fish depends largely on weather conditions because most of the fish, mullets in particular are caught along the beaches. We had quite a few catches of roe mullet on the inside but they were small catches compared to those made on the beaches when the "run" was on during favorable conditions. The past shad and herring season was one of the poorest we have ever had. As you probably know, the production from this activity is subject to sharp change."

"We produced 171,666 tubs of oysters as against 153,740 tubs last year, or a gain of 17,926 tubs. We planted 163,175 tubs of oyster shells in Hyde, Pamlico, Carteret and Brunswick counties. Dr. A. F. Chesnut, of the Institute of Fisheries Research, will check soon the different places where oyster shells are planted and will report to the Board the condition of the sets. We also planted 10,176 tubs of oysters in Hyde, Pamlico and Dare counties. We produced 20,806 bushels of clams this year as against 24,473 bushels last year. There were as many clams as ever before but we have not had the market for them."

"We produced 30,666 dozen soft crabs as against 36,812 dozen last year. The catch of hard crabs this year was 2,183,710 pounds as against 4,102,470 pounds last year. We had just as many crabs but there was less market for them."

"The 1949 General Assembly appropriated \$50,000 to purchase a boat to take over the duties of the Hatteras. This boat will patrol our outside waters particularly to keep non-resident trawlers beyond the three mile limit and to check on non-resident menhaden fishing north of Cape Hatteras. This outside patrol is hazardous work especially at night around Hatteras, and I hope the new boat can be secured and made ready to take over this work between November 1st and 15th, as that is the time the trawlers come down. Also, the usefulness of the Hatteras on this patrol has about come to its end," the commissioner reported.

He concluded with the following financial report: "Our receipts for this year were \$60,397.89 and disbursements \$122,525.12, including \$6,089.44 we turned over to the Shellfish Division; our appropriation was \$62,127.23. The Governor and Council of State gave us \$3,985 for radios to be installed on the boats but we did not purchase the radios during this period; therefore, we transferred the \$3,985 to be used during 1949-50 along with \$1,200 for truck purchase."

A sentence of one year on the roads was handed out to Roy Young Hudson, charged with larceny of an automobile and driving without a license, after he pleaded guilty to temporary larceny in Tuesday's session of recorder's court in Beaufort.

Judge Lambert R. Morris told the defendant that the sentence would not issue provided that he remain sober and on good behavior for three years and pay the costs and \$25. The fine and costs were paid and the prisoner set free.

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### Fisheries Committee OKs Radio-Telephone Station

Further assistance in this area's attempt to have a marine radio-telephone station located in Carteret county was received this week when a division of the State Board of Conservation and Development joined in the fight.

The commercial fisheries committee of the board with W. Roy Hampton, Plymouth, as chairman this week passed a resolution to be sent to the Federal Communications Commission endorsing a marine operator station in Carteret county.

In making the resolution the committee instructed that a copy of it should be sent also to the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph company and Southern Bell Telephone company.

### Services Held For Former Mayor

Funeral services for Gordon Dimmick Canfield, mayor of Morehead City from 1919 to 1920, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Earl Piner, Monday afternoon after an illness of two weeks were held from the home Wednesday afternoon at 4:30. The Rev. Lester A. Tiley, assisted by Dr. John Bunn conducted the services. Interment was in Bay View cemetery.

Surviving Mr. Canfield are his wife, Mrs. Mary M. Canfield, three daughters, Mrs. Richard Guthrie of Madison, N. J., Mrs. Earl Piner and Mrs. Graham Whitehurst of Morehead City, and three sons, Charles, Kenneth and Norman, all of Morehead City.

Mr. Canfield, who was 77 years old, came to Morehead City in 1907 from Pennsylvania. He established the Canfield Lumber co. at what is now Bogue Field and continued in business until 1917 when the North Carolina Ship Building co. came to Morehead City.

At that time Mr. Canfield disposed of his holdings and became superintendent of the ship yard.

He was a member of the Good Roads congress when the first hard-surfaced road was built from the Tennessee state line to Morehead City. He received a medal from the citizens of Morehead for the work he had done in securing what was then known as the National Highway.

He was a former assistant superintendent of the Methodist Sunday school, was active in the volunteer fire department and was a charter member of Morehead City Rotary club.

### Penny Pleads Guilty, Pays Costs, in Mayor's Court

Robert Penny pleaded guilty to charges of being drunk and disorderly and disturbing the peace, and paid \$30 and the costs in Monday's session of Morehead City mayor's court.

Penny was bound over to recorder's court under \$100 bond on charges of resisting arrest and causing injury to police officer Carl Blomberg. It is alleged that Penny and the officer were tussling when the officer broke his toe.

A plea of guilty was also entered in the case of Mary Argo, Negro, charged with public drunkenness. She paid a \$15 fine and costs.

### Scott Fulfills Boyhood Dream, Becomes Locomotive Engineer

By Aycock Brown

An Alamance county boy who once had dreams of becoming a locomotive fireman when he grew to manhood, but became governor instead, stepped into the role of a modern Diesel powered locomotive when the Atlantic and East Carolina afternoon train moved Westward from Morehead City Monday.

Governor Scott, who had spent a busy day with the Board of Conservation and Development, became the first governor of North Carolina to step into the role of engineer aboard one of the modern engines of the State-owned railroad that once was known as the old Mallet Line but changed to Tobacco Belt Line by its present lessee.

### CAA Earmarks Funds for Airport

County Will Be Required To Match Federal Appropriation of \$6,000

Of the Civil Aeronautics Authority's \$67,273,519 airport construction program for the current fiscal year, 1949-50, the Beaufort-Morehead City airport is slated to receive \$6,000, providing the county can match that amount.

Dr. K. P. B. Bonner, chairman of the board of county commissioners, stated yesterday that no provision was made for any such appropriation in the county's 1949-50 budget. He said, however, that the matter will be discussed at Monday's board meeting. When asked if he thought the budget could be stretched to match the government's \$6,000, the chairman said he believed every effort should be made to do so.

The CAA said \$29,840,767 in Federal aid will be matched by \$37,432,752 from State or local sponsors on 314 projects during the year.

Another \$9,500,000 in Federal money may be allocated for construction later. That amount is being held for use where D. W. Rentzel, Civil Aeronautics Administrator, may direct.

The list of projects for construction in North Carolina this year follows: (sponsor's funds, Federal funds, and totals in order):

Asheboro, Randolph Airport, \$48,750, \$31,250, and \$80,000; Beaufort-Morehead City, \$6,000, \$6,000, \$12,000; Dunn Municipal, \$92,825, \$72,325, and \$165,150; Seymour Johnson (Goldsboro), \$25,000, \$25,000, and \$50,000; and Pinehurst-Southern Pines, \$9,000, \$9,000, and \$18,000.

### Five Vets to Pace Fort Macon's Crew

Five of the eight Fort Macon crew members in the surfboat race next Thursday are veterans of last year's race.

They are Reginald Lewis and Merley Johnson, of Harkers Island, Earl Styrone, of Cedar Island, Bonnie Piner, Otway, and Gerald Salter, Davis, Walter Goodwin, Beaufort, coxswain, was coxswain also for the race in which they out-distanced all other crews last summer.

The other three crew members will be William Harvey, Core Creek, Joe Smith, Cedar Island, and George Piner, Otway. All nine are residents of Carteret county.

The boys have been going through rugged workouts day after day, in intense heat, morning and afternoon.

That silver Josephus Daniels Memorial trophy which they won at Hatteras looks mighty fine, the Guardsmen say, in Fort Macon Coast Guard station. Anybody who intends to take it away can plan on putting forth superhuman effort, the crew declares.

The race will take place Thursday afternoon in the vicinity of Port Terminal, unless it is rescheduled to be run on the ocean.

### Fishing Frolic Begins Tomorrow

Final plans were being made today for the fishermen's frolic tomorrow and Sunday at Portsmouth. The big event is being sponsored by Roy Eubanks, Beaufort, and Stanley Wahab, Ocracoke.

Fishing craft from all ports along the coast are invited to attend the frolic and take part in the weekend of activities ranging from old fashioned square dancing to the race between the work boats.

Eubanks says that they plan to send out invitations to the Governor, members of the Wildlife Commission, and all State officials.

Several rugged and strenuous contests will be held. Mr. Eubanks said that he plans to erect several Jacob ladders to an elevated platform and stage a climbing event between the visiting seamen.

Also, a fiddlers' contest will be presented in addition to a banker pony rodeo.

Special boat and plane services are being planned so that as many people as possible can attend the event. A boat from Washington will leave at midnight Saturday and arrive at Portsmouth at 7 o'clock Sunday morning. Craft are also expected to come from Beaufort and Morehead City.

## Beaufort Crimes Continue Unabated

### 'Shoplifter' Takes Camera From Eubanks Studio

The fourth break-in and third theft in less than two weeks occurred in Beaufort this week when a thief or thieves entered the camera shop of Roy Eubanks, Turner street, between noon and 2 p. m. Monday and stole an eight millimeter Eastman moving picture camera valued at \$75.

At the time, Mrs. Eubanks was in the rear of the shop taking a picture. Curtains were drawn between the front and rear of the shop.

Regular customers of Mr. Eubanks were contacted to see if any of them had borrowed the camera but the search was fruitless. Beaufort police were called in and investigated the case, finding no positive evidence or leads.

The theft was the third in Beaufort within one week. Tuesday night a week ago money and valuables were stolen from the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Prest, Saturday night \$300 was stolen from the home of E. T. Bellam and then the day-light theft on Monday at Eubanks.

Chief of Police Louis Willis reported there are no developments on the case of Mrs. John T. Noe, who was severely beaten about the head as she slept during the early morning hours of July 19. The intruder and attacker, in that case, was reported to have entered by a window.

### Ross Expresses Satisfaction With Board Meeting

George R. Ross, director of the State Board of Conservation and Development, stated that he was highly satisfied with the summer session of the board which ended Wednesday noon at Camp Glenn. This was the first session over which Ross, successor to Bruce Etheridge, presided.

Highlights of the meeting were the board's approval of the Buggs Island flood control and hydro-electric development, coordination of activities of the State Wildlife Resources commission and the State Board of Conservation and Development, and authorization of the spending of \$150,000 for purchase of Tryon palace property, New Bern.

Retiring head of the State news bureau, Bill Sharpe, was paid high tribute Tuesday morning when a delegation of tourists from all parts of the state requested that the advertising program continued in the same way that it has under Sharpe.

Letters were read commending the work of the state publicist and the board passed a resolution expressing its gratitude for his work. Johnny Hemmer, state photographer, will serve as acting director of the bureau until a successor to Sharpe is named. This has been left to the committee, with approval of the director, as has the letting of the state advertising contract (tourist advertising in out-of-state publications).

The Buggs Island dam and other projects proposed for the Roanoke River basin were described in the report given by Eric Rogers, Scotland Neck, as "reasonable, necessary, and beneficial" in helping improve electric service and prosperity for the people of North Carolina and Virginia.

Upon recommendation of the commercial fisheries committee headed by Roy Hampton of Plymouth the board decided that after Aug. 15 the use of all State boats would be restricted exclusively to State business. Director Ross was empowered to interpret which usages such as by chambers of commerce conventions, civic organizations or State guests might be for the benefit of the State rather than for purely personal purposes.

A new boat to replace the "Hatteras" for outside patrol was envisioned with request that Ross Nelson and Hampton investigate. The Federal Communication Commission was requested to establish a Marine telephone station in Carteret County for ship to shore use.

In compliance with Governor Scott's advice, the auditing book-keeping and budgeting divisions of the commercial fisheries will be moved to the department headquarters in Raleigh and hereafter division purchasing will be through Raleigh.

Opening of a fisheries museum at the Commercial Fisheries Building at Camp Glenn was authorized under direction of Ross, Hampton and W. A. Ellison, director of Marine Fisheries Institute.

The commercial fisheries committee authorized the holding of a See ROSS Page Seven

### Rotarians Look For New Members

Beaufort Rotarians heard a further discussion of membership aims and a short talk on air service by Dan Walker, Chamber of Commerce manager, at their Tuesday night meeting at the Inlet Inn.

The theme of Mr. Walker's talk was the need for air mail service in this locality. He said that 200 years ago the community that did not have water transportation had to fight for survival 100 years ago it was the community without rail service that was lost and that 50 years hence it will be the area without air transportation that will suffer.

The Chamber manager stated that Piedmont Airlines desires to increase its number of flights to Beaufort but that increased use of mail, freight, express and passenger services will be necessary before the number of flights can grow.

President N. Thomas Ennett presented each member with a card which can be chosen. He asked all list of the various general classifications from which Rotary members to study the list to see if there were prospective members in Beaufort who would fall under the classifications.

The Rotary President announced the appointment of N. F. Eure as membership chairman.

Guests at the meeting were Bill Spivey of Wilmington and Lawrence Stroud of Greenville.

### Music Company Publishes Song by Newport Woman

Recently published by the Nordyke company, Hollywood, Calif., is the song, "My Mary Jane," by Lina W. Williams, Newport.

Mrs. Williams wrote the lyrics, which were accepted by the publishing company some months ago. The score is also credited to her, but she said she received some assistance on that part.

The sheet music, is on sale at music stores, with an attractive rose and green cover. In addition to outright payment which Mrs. Williams received, she will also receive royalties.

The song can be also purchased from her. The mailing address is Box 441, Newport.

### State Park will Not Open For Swimmers This Weekend

The swimming, picnicking, and bathing areas at Fort Macon State Park will not be open to the public this weekend.

That was the reply given yesterday in answer to the query, "Are state parks authorities going to open the park this weekend as scheduled?"

Despite elaborate blueprints showing projected plans for the park, apologies for not informing the public when part of the park was closed, and promises that the park would be open July 30, the principal portion of Fort Macon State Park will not be open to the public today, tomorrow, the day after, nor probably for days to come.

Three weeks ago considerable public furor was aroused when it was discovered that signs had been erected in the park stating: "Park Open For Historical Purposes, Swimming and Picnicking Not Permitted." Following a News-Times expose of the situation, Charles C. Stott, assistant superintendent of state parks, hurried to Morehead City to apologize for not notifying the public and the newspaper of the reasons for erecting the signs.

Mr. Stott stated that the signs were put up in order to keep visitors out of the area where the

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### Beaufort Jaycees Will Entertain Island Jaycees

Beaufort Jaycees will entertain Harkers Island Jaycees at the Inlet Inn Monday night, Aug. 8.

The Beaufort club agreed to issue an invitation to the island Jaycees at their meeting Monday night at the Inlet Inn.

At the suggestion of Jaycee Wiley Taylor, Jr., the Beaufort group will assist in the tuberculosis Christmas seal and bond drive this year. Each Jaycee will aid in solicitation.

Odell Merrill, president, conducted the business session and commended editors of the news bulletin on their first issue, "Tide Table," which was published last week. "Now my wife knows what's going on," the president added.

James Potter, chairman of the committee on the constitution and by-laws, reported that he and Jarvis Herring had revised the by-laws, but the club deferred adoption until an original copy of Jaycee by-laws could be obtained.

Tom Potter was made chairman of a committee to investigate the possibilities of staging an air show. Serving with him on that committee are Charles Cheek, J. O. Barbour, Jr., and James Potter.

Following discussion on the annual Jaycee minstrel show, the group referred the matter to the board of directors. The men split on the issue of having the show written and directed by local talent or employing a professional writer and producer.

Robert Simpson, Beaufort, was introduced as a guest and new member of the club. President Merrill announced that T. G. Leary, Beaufort school principal, who was scheduled to speak at Monday's meeting, could not attend because of the illness of his mother.

Winners of the attendance contest Monday night were members of the Blue team, headed by George Cottigham. The "cash kitty," an innovation at the Jaycee meetings, was won by David Hill, but he couldn't collect because he was not wearing a Jaycee pin.

### Auto Turns Over On Bridges St.

An old model Chevrolet automobile was demolished and its driver received slight injuries recently in an accident on Bridges street in Morehead City.

The driver, William Steaber, Cherry Point Marine, told investigating officers that his car was traveling 35 miles an hour at the time of the accident, 1:15 a. m. Friday.

The young Marine failed to explain how, if the car was traveling no faster than he said it was, after striking a hole in the street, it skidded 300 feet where it struck some sand, and skidded another 145 feet before it turned over two or three times.

No charges were preferred against the driver or any of the three occupants of the car since the only damage incurred was to the automobile and not to private property, police reported.

The accident occurred between 13th and 14th streets on Bridges street.

### Tide Table

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12 midnight	6:03 p.m.
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Monday, August 1	
1:02 a.m.	7:10 a.m.
1:42 p.m.	8:12 p.m.
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### Mercury Hits New High Wednesday, 98 Degrees

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