

Boy Drowns, Woman Saved at Beach Sunday



Grim hopelessness is shown in faces of Atlantic Beach life guards as they try in vain to revive Lonnie Ayers, 17, lying with blanket over him.

Two Banks Will Take Holiday

Morehead City Banks will take a two-day holiday over the July Fourth weekend.

They will be closed Friday, the Fourth, and Saturday. First-Citizens in Morehead City will be open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Thursday, the day before the Fourth. Commercial bank will observe its usual 9 to 2 hours.

The banks at Newport and Beaufort will be closed Friday, but open Saturday. The Commercial bank at Sea Level will close at 1 p. m. Thursday and reopen Monday.

Postoffices and all other federal offices, as well as state, will be closed as will ABC stores. The courthouse, Beaufort, and town halls will be closed.

Air mail and other mails will be dispatched from postoffices as usual.

It is not known what stores will be open. Some are expected to close.

A 17-year-old youth, Lonnie Ayers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ayers, Bethel, was drowned at 1 p. m. Sunday in waters off Atlantic Beach and another near-drowning victim was saved later in the afternoon. Saved was Mrs. Marvin E. Ruebuse of Havelock.

Ayers was on a raft that capsized about 150 yards from shore outside the roped-off swimming area. With him was Carlton Kell, 21, of route 3 Bethel.

Kell told Bill Moore, beach police chief that a wave overturned the raft and dumped them both in the water.

Kell said he saw Ayers struggling and grabbed him but had to turn him loose in order to save himself before becoming exhausted.

Lifeguards recovered Ayer's body about 15 minutes later, but efforts to revive him failed.

Mrs. Ruebuse was pulled from the water about 4 p. m. She was swimming with her husband, a Marine staff sergeant, when she became exhausted. Sergeant Ruebuse held on to her until help arrived.

Both had been swimming beyond the life ropes.

When life guards took her from the surf, she was unconscious. She

was revived, after a long time, with the Atlantic Beach resuscitator.

When the oxygen supply was exhausted, another tank was borrowed from the Fort Macon Coast Guard station.

Mayor A. B. Cooper, Atlantic Beach, said that Mrs. Ruebuse's pulse was very faint when she was

The resuscitator used to revive Mrs. Marvin E. Ruebuse was bought with funds donated in 1956 by readers of THE NEWS-TIMES. The Town of Atlantic Beach keeps the resuscitator supplied with oxygen and trains lifeguards in its use.

rescued. He commended the lifeguards for their excellent job in saving her.

He added, "Everybody is a lifeguard at the beach, if they would only realize it. People should swim in pairs and look out for the other fellow. If they do that, then we can usually get help to them in time if they are in trouble."

Strong northeast winds and swift tides made the water unusually rough Sunday.

The funeral for Ayers is scheduled for this afternoon at Bethel.

Report Given On Box Request For Postoffice

The Postoffice Department has approved additional lockboxes for the Morehead City postoffice, but it has yet to request their installation.

That is the latest word in the long quest for more boxes. It was forwarded last week to J. A. DuBois, Morehead City Chamber of Commerce manager, by Congressman Graham A. Barden.

Mr. DuBois contacted the congressman, who in turn queried Franklin Foete, administrator, General Services Administration. The GSA acts on requests made by the postoffice department.

Harold Webb, postmaster, reports that 150 additional lockboxes are needed. He said that he would again request the Postoffice Department to get the boxes installed. The postoffice now has 409.

The additional boxes were requested as long as seven or eight years ago.

The Postoffice Department has requested installation of air conditioning in the postoffice. Mr. Webb says he can't explain why that expenditure has been approved but not expenditure for the lockboxes. The excuse always given at Washington is that there is such a backlog of requests for boxes in postoffices throughout the nation that there has never been enough money in a fiscal year to meet the Morehead City request.

Mr. Foete says that when the Postoffice Department asks the General Services Administration to put the additional boxes in, "we will program the work, if sufficient funds are available, and install the equipment."

Cars Collide In Beaufort

Three cars collided at Ann and Queen Streets, Beaufort, at 12:10 p. m. Friday. One of the cars, a 1951 Chevrolet driven by Clarence Rogers of Beaufort, turned over on the sidewalk against a tree in front of the William Skarren residence.

Also involved in the accident were Mrs. Ruby H. Adams, Newton, Ohio, driving a 1956 Pontiac, and Russell G. Manson, Beaufort, driving another Chevrolet. No one was injured.

Witnesses say that Mr. Rogers was driving east on Ann Street and Mrs. Adams was driving west. Mr. Manson pulled out of Queen Street going north.

The front end of Mr. Manson's car hit Mr. Rogers' car in the right front fender, knocking it in the path of Mrs. Adams' car. When those two cars collided, Mr. Rogers' car tipped over and came to rest on its side against a tree.

Police chief Guy Springle investigated the accident but made no arrests or charges. He said he was leaving the case "open." Mr. Manson drove his car from the scene of the accident but the other cars were towed away by a wrecker from Paul Motor Co. There was no report on the estimated damage to the vehicles.

Defendant Posts \$3,000 Bond in Molesting Case



Jean Chadwick, Miss Beaufort of 1957, crowns her successor, Winkie Willis. Miss Beaufort was crowned at Cape Lookout aboard the Carolina Queen Saturday night. The Beaufort Jaycees sponsored the cruise to raise money to send Miss Willis to the state beauty pageant at Charlotte next week.



Sheriff Hugh Salter gets a hundred dollar kiss from Winkie Willis, Miss Beaufort. Sheriff Salter gave Miss Willis a check for \$100 and a bouquet of roses when she was crowned Miss Beaufort.

Pastoral Assignments Made At Methodist Conference

At the Methodist Conference last week at Wilson, Bishop Paul N. Garber of the Richmond area announced pastoral assignments.

For Carteret County, they are as follows: Atlantic, D. M. Lewis; Ann Street Church, Beaufort, J. M. Cline; Beaufort circuit, J. E. Smith.

Camp Glenn-Broad Creek, V. N. Moore; Harlowe-Oak Grove, J. G. Lupton; Marshallberg, W. M. Jeffries; First Methodist, Morehead City, J. F. Herbert; Franklin Memorial, Morehead City, S. S. Moore.

Newport, R. L. Fleming Jr.; Salter Path, J. H. Bryant; Stacy-Sea Level, W. R. Hale; Straits-Harkers Island, J. E. Mahoney; Williston-Smyrna, D. M. Tyson.

Reassigned to Ocracoke was W. W. Clarke Jr.

The Rev. Louie Lewis, who was at Atlantic, has been assigned to Aurora. The Rev. Robert Poulk, formerly pastor on the Beaufort Methodist circuit, has been assigned to Salem, a church near Goldsboro. The Rev. H. E. Gibat, former pastor at Straits-Harkers Island, has moved to Greensboro where he will be employed in a plant which prints religious publications.

The Rev. Jesse T. Fisher, formerly at Salter Path, has been assigned to Stonewall.

C. M. Bridges Held for Theft

C. M. (Sonny) Bridges, 25, has posted \$500 bond for his appearance in county court on a charge of car theft. Bridges was apprehended by Carlton Garner, assistant police chief, Beaufort, Sunday at a house in the 500 block of Pollock Street.

Officer Garner said that the car, a black Cadillac, was owned by Mrs. Margie George, who had lent it to her brother, Melvin Brown, a crewman aboard the Mispillion. Brown said the car, with Pennsylvania license tags, was stolen at 6:30 a. m. Sunday. Bridges allegedly parked the car where he was staying and someone told Brown where it was. He went and got it, then informed the police that Bridges had taken it and told the police where Bridges could be found.

With Officer Garner at the time of the arrest was W. E. Pickard, highway patrolman.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar (Eastern Standard Time)

HIGH	LOW
Tuesday, July 1	
8:13 a.m.	2:12 a.m.
8:30 p.m.	2:19 p.m.
Wednesday, July 2	
9:02 a.m.	2:59 a.m.
9:17 p.m.	3:05 p.m.
Thursday, July 3	
9:53 a.m.	3:42 a.m.
10:04 p.m.	3:50 p.m.
Friday, July 4	
10:43 a.m.	4:24 a.m.
10:50 p.m.	4:34 p.m.

Phone Fight Committee Issues Hearing Report

The East Carolina Phone Fight Committee, which opposes the telephone rate hikes requested by Carolina Telephone and Telegraph, has issued to contributors to the fight, the following report:

Our executive committee, Mayors George B. Herndon, John D. Wilson, Milton Strickland, City Manager Leonard P. Bloxam and I wish to make the following report of our hearing before the North Carolina Utilities Commission on June 17 through June 20:

The committee is in general agreement that our attorney, Mr. Samuel Behrends Jr., had the best prepared case we have ever heard and also, that our expert witness, Mr. Paul Howell, was the most competent and best informed witness we have ever heard. We noted that our case was presented in the very best manner.

Likewise, Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co. had a well prepared and well presented case. We feel that we did a lot of good, because Mr. Behrends and Mr. Howell had informed themselves of the law and facts in the case, to such a high degree that they were able to make an excellent presentation to the commission.

The Utilities Commission has wide latitude in the enforcement of our North Carolina Statute governing public utilities. They gave us a fair hearing but we would not attempt to guess what their decision will be.

As soon as the transcript of the hearings is completed, the attorneys in the case have twenty (20) days in which to prepare and present their brief to the commission. Then the commission will have to have time to study the entire case before their decision is made. Therefore, it is not likely that they could possibly hand down their decision for a month or so at the earliest.

Mayor John D. Wilson, treasurer of the group, reports that we have approximately eight hundred (\$800.00) dollars in the treasury. Mr. Behrends' fee was thirty-five hundred (\$3500.00) dollars, plus two hundred and fifty (\$250.00) dollars expenses and Mr. Howell's fee was thirty-five hundred (\$3500.00) dollars. The other miscellaneous expenses of this committee were relatively low, but all have not been determined yet.

Our committee feels that this balance should be retained in the treasury until after we hear the decision of the commission. There is always the likelihood that the petitioners and the protestors might seek relief from the commission's findings in the courts.

Our committee feels that they had done the best job they possibly could do and we feel confident that we have performed a public service to the telephone subscribers of East Carolina. This was our intention. It has been a hard campaign, but it has been a pleasure to be associated in common effort for a righteous cause. We hope that all participating governmental units are satisfied with our efforts and the forthcoming results.

Yours most sincerely,
Robert I. Powell
Chairman East Carolina Phone Fight Committee

Heavy Rain Falls Friday, Saturday; Clears for Weekend

Nearly 4 inches of rain fell Friday and Saturday. Weather observer Stamey Davis reports that 3.38 inches fell Friday and another .38 inch fell on Saturday.

The wind shifted from the southeast to the northeast Friday and the mercury dropped to 62 early Saturday morning. The skies cleared Saturday in time for thousands of visitors to crowd Atlantic Beach Saturday afternoon and Sunday.

Maximum and minimum temperatures and wind direction for the weekend follow:

	Max.	Min.	Wind
Thursday	85	76	SW
Friday	80	67	NE
Saturday	78	62	NE
Sunday	80	65	NE

Alert Lookout

The lookout at Fort Macon spotted a 22-foot open boat that was disabled in Beaufort Inlet at 2:05 p. m. Friday. A Coast Guard boat was sent out to tow the boat to Beaufort, home of Kenneth Downes who was aboard.

Roma Willis, Beaufort, has been charged with assaulting an 8-year-old girl in a car at the south end of Turner Street, Beaufort, Friday. He was released from the county jail Saturday under \$3,000 bond.

The alleged molesting of the child took place between 11 a. m. and noon Friday. The child's father reported it to Beaufort police who picked up Willis at his home in the 200 block of Orange Street between 7 and 8 Friday night. Making the arrest were Guy Springle, chief of police, and Carlton Garner, assistant chief.

According to information given officers, the child's mother went into the Colonial Store to buy groceries. The little girl went to get change to put a nickel in the meter, then she got in the car.

While she was there, a man identified as Willis went up to the car and talked to her. She said that he got in the car and asked her to ride her bicycle around to his house to see him. Then he kissed her and made other advances.

Then, she said, he got in his car and drove away.

Willis has denied the charges against him. He is a former employee of both the Beaufort and Morehead City fire departments.

Finders Return 250 Crab Tags To Fishery Lab

Already 250 tagged blue crabs have been recovered, reports Charles Walburg of the Fish and Wildlife Lab, Pivers Island, Beaufort.

The Fish and Wildlife Service, in a project to trace the movements of the commercially valuable blue crab, has tagged 3,000 crabs in Neuse River and Pamlico Sound.

As a supplement to this project, fisheries biologists are also taking crabs in pots at 12 locations in the Newport River. The crabs are measured, tagged and released.

Persons who find a tagged crab are asked to mail the tag to the US Fishery Lab, Beaufort, together with the date the crab was caught, where it was caught, such as the landing point or location near a channel marker, and type of gear used to get the crab.

In return for the tag and the above information, the sender will receive 25 cents. The sender should be sure to enclose his name and address with the tag, so that the 25-cent reward can be sent him.

The tag is of red plastic, marked US Fishery Lab, Beaufort, N. C., on one side and bears a number on the other.

If biologists can trace the travels of the blue crab, both male and female, they will better be able to predict fluctuation of the crab crop.

The tagging program is being carried out by the Fish and Wildlife Service in conjunction with the Oyster Institute of North America.

One of the tagged crabs was recovered two weeks ago by William C. Horton Jr., Morehead City, who was crabbing in Calico Creek.

Rotary Installs New Officers

W. C. Carlton acted as installing officer at the Morehead City Rotary Club meeting Thursday night. The club met at the Rex Restaurant. Mr. Carlton installed Thomas Noe as president and W. B. Chalk as vice-president. Albert Gaskill and D. Cordova were re-installed as treasurer and secretary respectively.

The board of directors is composed of the Rev. Guthrie Brown, Dr. Silas Thorne, Dr. Darden Eure, Truman Kemp, Jasper Bell and J. R. Sanders. Retiring members of the board are I. E. Pittman, Mr. Chalk and Bud Dixon.

Rotarian Frank Cassiano reported on the progress of the new Teen-Age League. The club has agreed to sponsor one team in the league.

Guests and visitors at the meeting included Phil Goodson, Greenville; S. Barbour, Clayton; Avery Croning, Hamlet; Reid Holmes, Winston-Salem; Earley Wade, Morganton; Cecil Moore, Kinston; Bob Montague, Newport; and Dr. Dorothy McKinney, Beckley, W. Va.

The architect firm of Burrett H. Stephens and Robert H. Stephens, New Bern, has changed its name to R. H. Stephens-A. B. Cardell, announces Mr. Stephens.

Three Hurt Seriously in Head-On Crash



This is the front of the 1951 Oldsmobile in which the Carlises and Janowicz were riding.



This is the front of the 1957 Buick Graham Davis was driving. He was alone in the car. (Photos by Capt. Carl Bunch)

Three persons were seriously injured in a head-on collision at 6:55 a. m. yesterday at Bethel.

Injured are Graham Davis, 65, Straits, who has a broken jaw, collarbone, nose and numerous bruises; Walter Carlisle Jr., 33, and his brother, Norman Carlisle, both of Kinston. Walter was in a semi-conscious state yesterday afternoon, suffering from fractured ribs and a severe brain concussion. Norman suffered a broken leg.

Francis Janowicz, 30, Allen Park, Mich., who was riding with the Carlises, was treated at the Morehead City Hospital and discharged. The others were admitted. They were taken to the hospital by Dill

and Adair ambulances.

Patrolman W. J. Smith said that Davis, in a 1957 Buick, was headed toward Beaufort and the other car, a 1951 Oldsmobile, was going east. The patrolman said that the Buick was behind two cars which had slowed, one of which was evidently going to stop to pick up some passengers.

The Buick cut out from behind the slow cars to pass them and collided head-on with the car coming from the other direction. The front ends of both cars were locked together.

The accident happened seven miles east of Beaufort on Highway 70. Both cars were demolished. Charges are pending.

Police Have Wallet Lost By Asheville Woman

Beaufort police are holding a wallet found over the weekend in the phone booth outside the police station. Papers in the wallet indicate that it is owned by Mrs. Margaret E. McKay, 27 White Oak Rd., Asheville.

The wallet was found by A. Lynn, 209 Front St., Beaufort. Guy Springle, police chief, says the wallet contains money, driver's license and papers.

The owner may call for it at the police station, or notify police where it should be sent.

Rained—Phones Piff!

Carolina Telephone and Telegraph officials at Tarboro laugh heartily when told that a hard rain here puts the phones out of commission. In Friday's downpour, few people would get the right numbers when they dialed; people calling the newspaper office had to dial the operator and get her to dial 6-4175. The sun finally corrected what the phone company can't.

With good weather, Bogue Banks beaches are expected to have record-breaking crowds over the Fourth.