

79 Years Ago Monday, Storm Wrecked Much of Carteret

Town Board Discusses Street Paving Projects

● Cost Estimated Monday Night at \$9,232

● Lot Owners Would Pay, Board Says

Beaufort town fathers discussed street paving to the tune of \$9,232 Monday night at the town hall. The only hitch to the project is "no money."

The town proposes to have property owners pay the cost. The cost would be divided between property owners on each side of the street.

L. T. Vick, Barrus Construction Co., attended the meeting at the request of the town. Paving projects proposed by the town are the following:

100 block of Craven Street, \$809.20; 300 block of Craven, \$2,240; 300 block of Pollock \$3,360 (cost would be halved if rock not used); Sea View Street, \$511; and Hill Street, \$2,312.

Dan Walker, town clerk, explained that Powell bill funds cannot be used for paving because they are needed for routine street maintenance.

The board approved expenditure of \$160 to have town lots west of the cemetery cleared. The street commissioner, James Rumley, was asked to obtain merchant cooperation in putting sweepings from stores in trash can rather than dumping them in the street.

A new arrangement of parallel parking spaces, to give cars more maneuvering space without resetting meters, was discussed.

Two Appointed
Mayor Clifford Lewis appointed Dan Walker, clerk, and Commissioner William Roy Hamilton to arrange for a ceremony to mark opening of the new bridge next month.

Charles Harrell, fire chief, reported that Carolina Power and Light has ordered that all linemen forfeit membership in volunteer fire departments. The order follows a recent occurrence when a hospital was without power due to linemen not being able to go on the job because they were at a fire, Mr. Harrell said.

The board approved \$20 in dues to the State Firemen's Association and approved payment of expenses for two rescue squad members who recently attended a meeting at North Wilkesboro.

The chief requested two more paid drivers, but was told the money is not available.

Siren Discussed
Firemen were given permission to clean and re-wire the air raid siren on the water tank and test it once a month. Commissioner Gerald Hill said fire hydrants should be tested monthly too.

At the request of commissioner Hill, Mr. Walker read the town's accounts payable. Accounts outstanding total about \$10,000, Mr. Hill deduced.

Fire, police and street statistics were given by the respective commissioners.

Present, in addition to those mentioned, were Commissioners W. R. Hamilton, James Rumley, Math Chaplain; Gerald Woolard, building inspector; Gray Hassell, town engineer; Wardell Fillingame, street superintendent; Guy Springle, police chief; and Gene Smith, town attorney.

Explorer Scouts, Dates, Take Cruise Friday Night

The Explorer Scouts, Post No. 61, Newport, held its annual coed party aboard the Jack Piper VII Friday night. They enjoyed dancing, soft music and refreshments while cruising along the inland waterway and the Beaufort bar.

Aboard were Philip Gurganus, Linda Pringle, Eric Gray, Betty Frances Gould, Lyndon Norris, Joan Ray Gray, Joe Garner, Ingrid Peters, Gordon Slaughter, Anita Fay Hansley, Munroe Garner Jr., Frances Pincus, Victor Reynolds, Nancy Sanders, Ray Garner, Shelby Fulcher, and Billy Green.

Chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Slaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Kit Norris, Mr. and Mrs. Redmond Pringle, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Gould, and Mr. and Mrs. Ashton Willis Jr.

The Explorers of Post 61 extend warmest thanks to Mr. Jack Piper for his graciousness and hospitality and to Captains Roy Dodd and Kemp Wickizer and crew for their part in making the trip a most pleasant one, Mr. Willis commented.

Memorial Day, Indeed!
Eagle City, Okla. (AP) — John Krause reports his mother, sister, daughter, grandson and great-grandson all were born May 30.

By F. C. SALESBURY

One of the most severe storms ever to occur along the Carteret coast, within the memory of persons living today, was the storm that struck on Aug. 18, 1879, 79 years ago Monday.

All day Sunday the storm signal was seen flying from Fort Macon, but little heed was taken of it. Citizens along the coast were aroused at midnight by the wind which had increased into a gale. A few hours later the storm had reached the height of its fury, with a high tide that reached inland with force and destruction.

The town of Beaufort is recorded to have suffered the greatest loss along the southern coast of the county. Wind and water brought destruction to most of the buildings in the town facing the inlet.

Hotel Crumbles
One of Beaufort's landmarks, the Atlantic Hotel, partly built out over the water, was one of the first buildings to crumble under the impact of the storm. The season for this famous hotel was at its height with a house full of guests, among which were Gov. and Mrs. Thomas J. Jarvis.

Lost in the crash of the building was John D. Huges, who had rendered aid in clearing the hotel of guests after the water had come in over the first floor. He was making a final check of the building when, undermined by wind and wave, it toppled over into a heap of splintered timbers.

Every store and house on the water front was damaged—roofs blown off and chimneys down. Boats large and small were grounded in the yards and streets.

One of the best stories to come out of the storm was that about Governor Jarvis and his shoes. He was a guest at the hotel and when it became necessary to flee, his first thought was for his shoes.

Makeshift Shoes
After a frantic search, he found them, and went out carrying them in his hand. In the rush, however, he lost them. Because his feet were so large he was unable to find another pair in town to fit him, and had to wear an oversize pair of rubbers until he reached Raleigh.

At Morehead City the large wharf known as Pier No. 1 was totally destroyed. Many of its iron pillars were torn out. The water tank was wrecked and a large barge belonging to Captain Oaksmith was carried across the tracks. It landed in a marsh.

The watchman at the depot, Thomas Webb, when the wharf began breaking up, attempted to reach the Macon House by wading and swimming. He succeeded in reaching the switch arm to which he clung for his life. The water broke over him many times and such was the force of the waves that his clothing was torn off even to half of his shirt. In one of the lulls in the storm he succeeded in reaching high ground, more dead than alive.

The 160 guests rescued from the Atlantic Hotel were brought to Morehead City where a special train awaited them. They had been cared for in the various homes of the town that had not suffered from the storm.

The loss of property by the guests of the hotel, the building and contents, boats and nets at Beaufort was estimated at \$100,000. Morehead City fared better with a citizens' loss of \$10,000, and a \$25,000 loss suffered by the A&NC Railroad.

Many inhabitants felt that the tragedy of this storm was the judgment of God on the people of Beaufort for dancing on Sunday nights at the local hotels!

Vacationing Contractor Wants Federal Assistance

Waukesha, Wis. (AP)—Confusion over the nation's economy, Rep. Don Tewes (R-Wis.) noted, is not confined to politicians. Tewes said he received a letter from a building contractor, complaining about the recession and calling for a variety of federal aid to his industry.

The letter was written, Tewes discovered, from Hawaii — where the hard-pressed contractor was vacationing.

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Aug. 6 — The Rev. and Mrs. Parks Harris of Raleigh, former pastor of the First Baptist Church here spent Tuesday here visiting relatives.

Miss Alma Davis left Sunday for Baltimore, Md., to spend a while with relatives.

Mrs. Archie Lewis and Mrs. Bertie G. Davis of Baltimore, Md., left Saturday, returning home after spending two weeks here visiting relatives.

Mrs. Fred Baxter of Jacksonville left Monday, returning home after spending a week here with her mother, Mrs. Della Lewis.

Dr. and Mrs. Guy Roberts Willis and children of Durham spent the weekend here with Dr. Willis' mother, Mrs. Gertie Willis.

Mrs. Virgil Harris and daughter, Sally Ann, returned home Tuesday from Southport where they have been visiting relatives.

Mrs. Ruth Wooten, Mrs. Iredell Murphy, also Mrs. Nina Wade of Beaufort returned home Monday from New York City where they attended the convention of the Jehovah Witnesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davis left Sunday for Staten Island, N. Y., to spend a few days visiting Mr. Davis' brother, Guy Maurice Davis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Smith and son, Bruce Jr., of Brunswick, Ga., arrived here Friday night to spend a few days with Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Cathleen Gillikin.

Mrs. Julia Lewis and granddaughter, June Mentzer, left Friday for Greensboro where they will visit Mrs. Thomas Stamey.

The Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Lewis and daughter, Davetta, of Aurora, arrived here Saturday evening to spend a few days with the Rev. Mr. Lewis' father, S. F. Lewis.

Birthday Party
Mrs. Melvin Davis entertained Tuesday afternoon at a lawn party for her two daughters, Debra and Melva Lee, who celebrated their 7th and 4th birthdays.

Thirty-five children came and played games directed by Mrs. Davis, after which refreshments were served. Debra and Melva Lee opened their gifts while ice cream and cake were being served. Favors were presented each guest.

Reunion
Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Gillikin entertained members of their family Wednesday evening at a picnic supper served on the lawn.

Those who attended were their daughter, Mrs. Bill Moore and children who are here visiting and son, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gillikin of New Bern. Also Mr. and Mrs. Stacey Nelson and daughter and granddaughter of Aulander, the Rev. and Mrs. Leolan Jackson of Maryland and others from New Bern, Beaufort, Morehead City and Gloucester.

Golf Club Stockholders To Meet at 8 Tonight

Stockholders of the Morehead City Country Club will attend their annual meeting at 8 Friday night in the court room of the Morehead City town hall.

Four new directors, a secretary and treasurer will be elected. Nominated as directors are George R. Wallace, Dr. W. M. Brady and T. H. Potter, for three-year terms; and S. A. Chalk Jr. for a one-year term.

Nominated as secretary is Bernard Morton, as treasurer, Mrs. A. B. Roberts.

To be opened this afternoon are bids on a clubhouse. Results of the bidding will be reported at tonight's meeting.

Sharp Idea
Norfolk, Neb. (AP) — Norfolk jeweler Paul Ziegenbein says he has brightened the lives of new mothers by inventing a self-sharpening safety pin.



Aug. 6 — Mrs. Jennie Mills of Bridgeton is visiting her sister, Mrs. Emily Nelson and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McIntyre of Rocky Mount spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Adams and Miss Nita Carraway.

Mr. and Mrs. George Coymann and children and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tompkins and little daughter, all of New Jersey returned home on Saturday after spending last week with Mrs. Coymann's parents, the J. M. Stallings.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stallings Jr. of Havelock spent Sunday with his parents.

Mrs. Addie Carraway accompanied her daughter and son-in-

law, Mr. and Mrs. John Felton of North River to Nags Head for a week's vacation on the beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sewell Sr. of Beaufort visited Mr. and Mrs. Guy Carraway Friday evening.

Mrs. Lois Stallings and Mrs. Bessie Carraway attended a meeting in the home agent's office Monday afternoon.

The Rev. J. E. Smith of Core Creek filled his regular appointment here Sunday night. He was accompanied by Mrs. Smith.

The Merrimon Home Demonstration Club had their annual picnic on Saturday afternoon, Aug. 2, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Pittman. There were 81 present.

The fish and shrimp were dressed in the fish house and cooked under a tree nearby. While this was being done, some were making salad, preparing the table which was on the lawn by the water, making coffee and hush-

puppies and by 6 o'clock every-

thing was ready to eat and some of us had worked up a good appetite.

It was a pretty setting, the sea gulls were there diving and screaming, motorboats were pulling skiers on the creek.

The weather was not too hot and everyone had a good time. Among some of the visitors were the Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Smith of Core Creek, our new Methodist minister; the Rev. Charlie Rice of New Bern, Baptist minister of South River.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brock and family of Tampa, Fla., Mrs. Rock Scharron and two children of Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Bill McIntyre of Rocky Mount, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Carraway of Bachelor, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beaver of Morehead City; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lawrence of Newport, Mr. and Mrs. John Felton and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Emer, Mrs. Harry Hardy of Beaufort RFD.



Aug. 5 — The Rev. W. R. Hale filled his regular Sunday night appointment at the Methodist Church Sunday night.

Miss Nancy Day who has been spending some time at New Bern with Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lupton, returned home Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bratt and daughter, Mary, spent Sunday with Mrs. Bratt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Goodwin.

Mr. Lester Day who has been in Georgia for a few weeks is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Day.

The Woman's Society Christian Service will meet at the Methodist Church Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Lupton and

Recording from Jungle Lulls Couple to Sleep

Louisville, Ky. (AP) — Mr. and Mrs. Leo Halliwell say they have no trouble sleeping after 33 years as missionaries in the Amazon River Valley.

Halliwell made a tape recording of jungle sounds before they left the Amazon. The couple play the tape every night. They say it lulls them to sleep.

Mrs. Agnes Sherman of New Bern spent the weekend with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daniels and girls spent the weekend with Mr. Daniels' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Daniels.

Mr. Carlton Day who has been stationed at Thule, Greenland, for a year returned home Sunday morning.

Everyone hopes Mr. Alden Goodwin soon gets well.

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