

Up for Adoption

If ever there was an orphan, it's the Beaufort-Morehead airport. But it looks as though it might get a family, soon. Beaufort took the bit in its teeth Monday night at the town hall and appointed a representative to the Beaufort-Morehead Airport Authority. According to the law creating the authority, passed in 1941, Beaufort appoints a member, Morehead a member, and the county appoints three. The airport authority or commission (it's called by several names) has seldom functioned as required by law. The law requires that it furnish a yearly report on airport administration and operation. Since 1941 such reports have been almost nonexistent.

To be very blunt, appointing of members to the airport authority has been a fouled-up mess. Prior to April 1956 there were six members on the authority (the law specifies five). Then in April 1956 five were appointed by the county commissioners. Two months later those five appointments were thrown out the window and another five named. Three of the new five, however, were repeats of those named in April. The new five were appointed for four-year terms "or the number of years specified by law for creating the airport commission". The law specifies two-year terms.

If the June 1956 date is accepted as the beginning of the term of the present airport commission members, then their terms expired in June of this year. During the past summer, Mayor Clifford Lewis, Beaufort, became concerned about the unsightliness of the administration building—a chronic condition. He requested the newspaper to take pictures of the building. In connection with the picture-taking, the chairman of the airport commission was contacted. He didn't want them taken.

Anyhow, the proposal had the desired effect. In a very short time, workmen were out at the administration building, painting and fixing. Since Beaufort has cited the law on the airport authority, let's hope that this revival of interest may mean a new and better program in airport administration.

Thank You, USMC

Carteret owes Cherry Point Marine Air Corps Station a double thank you at this particular time—thank you for the generators sent to the Morehead City Hospital during Helene, and thank you for letting T/Sgt. Paul Bray head the military police detachment in Morehead City for five years. We wish his tour of duty in this position could continue.

Cherry Point has always been most cooperative when "this crazy civilian world" needs help that the military can give. Sergeant Bray's able administration in law enforcement may not be as sensational as rushing generators to the hospital, but over the long haul, his daily work of doing his job well has meant much to Morehead City, the beach, and Beaufort.

We welcome his successor, S/Sgt. Alexander Barron, and hope that in all things the relationship between Cherry Point and the folks in Carteret will bear the hallmarks of mutual help and respect.



Security for You...

By RAY HENRY

The Social Security Administration had some bad and some good news this year. Both affect you. The bad news: More money will be paid out in benefits in the next five years than is collected in taxes and interest. This came from the trustees of the Social Security funds. The good news: A committee of businessmen reported, after a year of study, the administration of the Social Security system is sound, vigorous and efficient.

"So what?" you ask. It's simple. The Social Security system is run with your money. And, it's, at least, a part of your key to a secure old age.

What does it mean to you that more money will be paid out than is taken in between now and 1963?

In the long run, nothing. That's the word of Secretary of Welfare Folsom.

He said the system now has on hand about \$24 billion dollars. It can draw upon this money to make up the 2 1/2 to 3 billion dollar shortage in income expected over the next five years.

By 1965, he says the system will again start taking in more than it'll be paying out and will continue to do so until at least the year 2025.

Thus, as Folsom sees it, the system's financial problems are temporary and for these reasons:

—When the Social Security system was broadened in 1954 and 1956 to cover millions of additional workers in dozens of occupations,

a bad estimate was made of how many of the workers would soon qualify for payments. Many more, particularly farmers, have been qualifying than was expected. This can't happen again. The system now covers almost all occupations. —More women than expected have chosen to take smaller payments at 62 rather than wait for full payments at 65. In the long run, this means nothing because, on the average, the women will collect the same total amount of money regardless of which choice they make.

—This year's recession has made it more difficult for older people to find work, many not being able to. So, more than expected have been drawing Social Security. —The recession, with its unemployment, has reduced tax income below expectations.

Folsom didn't specifically say the recession was temporary, but did so by implication. What difference does it make whether the system is administered soundly, vigorously and efficiently?

If it is, it's obviously using your money wisely. And, every extra dime the system can save by good administration means less tax you'll probably have to pay into the system to keep it going.

(Editor's Note: You may contact the social security representative at the courthouse annex, Beaufort, from 9:30 a.m. to noon Tuesdays. He will help you with your own particular problem).

F. C. Salisbury

Here and There

The following information is taken from the files of the Morehead City Coaster:

FRIDAY, OCT. 10, 1958

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil R. Willis returned to the city last week following a two weeks' bridal tour in several northern cities and Canada.

D. F. Koonce of Stella returned to his home this week after spending several days in the city with friends.

D. B. Wade Jr. recently underwent an operation on his nose made necessary when that member was injured in a fall while at his work in New Bern.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lee of Baltimore arrived in the city last week to spend some time here visiting Mr. Lee's mother, Mrs. Bettie Lee.

Mrs. B. I. Tart and son, B. I. Jr., left Tuesday for their home in Four Oaks after spending several days with Mrs. J. C. B. Morton.

Lorenzo E., the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Birdie Dixon, died at the family home Thursday night.

The Rev. C. H. Cavinnett, pastor of the Carteret Circuit, a charge of nine churches, was here Wednesday visiting the pastor of the First Methodist Church.

Marriage licenses issued for the week were to Clem R. Mann of Newport and Myrtle Taylor of Bogue; Melvin Willis of Sea Level and Margaret Ingie of Morehead City.

An enjoyable sail was given Tuesday night by Ensign Wm. H. Gobel and G. McAnney, secretary of the Knights of Columbus of the Naval Air Station.

Stand-In

Seventeen men who were seated in the waiting room of a maternity ward were surprised to see a little boy in football uniform enter and take his place alongside them.

The boy remained solemn and quiet until one of the men asked, "Is your mother in here, sonny?"

"Nope," replied the lad, "our coach's wife is... we got a big game on, and he sent me here as his replacement." —Coronet

Washington Report

By SEN. B. EVERETT JORDAN

Raleigh — Recently I have had quite a number of inquiries about how the Student Loan and Fellowship Program will operate under the National Defense Education Act that was passed by the 85th Congress.

This program was designed to offer federal assistance primarily to graduate and undergraduate students in the fields of science, mathematics, engineering and foreign languages. The program that will be set up under the law will make valuable contributions in other fields of education, but it is in these areas that greatest deficiencies now exist.

I have been in contact with The Office of Education in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare on several occasions to get information as to how the program will operate and the procedure students should follow to take part in it.

It appears that loans and grants to students probably will be available for the second semester of this school year... in January or February of 1959. At least, every effort is being made to get the program in actual operation by that time.

Under the program, a student should apply for a federal loan through the college or university he attends or plans to attend. To be eligible for a loan, a student must be in need of the loan, and no student may be loaned over \$1,000 in any one year or over \$5,000 in all. The loans carry a three per cent interest rate.

Under the fellowship division of the program, 1,000 fellowships are authorized to be awarded between now and next July 1. During each of the next three succeeding years 1,500 fellowships are authorized.

Each student who is awarded a fellowship will receive \$2,000 for the first year of graduate study, \$2,200 for the second year, and \$2,400 for the third year, plus \$400 each year for each dependent. The fellowships will be awarded for periods of study, not in excess of three academic years, during which time the graduate student

devotes full time to study or research.

There are other provisions in the law authorizing federal assistance to state educational agencies to strengthen courses of study in science, mathematics and foreign languages; to expand vocational education programs; and to do research in finding more effective use of television, radio, and motion pictures for educational purposes.

Congress was wise in writing into law specific provisions prohibiting any federal control over the curriculum, program of instruction, administration, or personnel. All of this will be under the complete control of the states and the local colleges and schools taking part in the program.

This program is by far the most comprehensive and far-reaching educational undertaking the federal government has ever engaged in and there is no reason why any snags should develop if it is properly administered. I am confident that it will, in the long run, do a great deal to stimulate badly needed additional interest and activity in education at all levels of government.

Stamp News

By SYD KRONISH

By agreement with the U.S. Navy, Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield has announced that all first day covers for the 4-cent Overland Mail Centennial stamp (to be issued Oct. 19 at San Francisco) destined for delivery east of St. Louis, will be picked up that day and flown by jet plane to St. Louis. Then the covers will be transported by normal methods. This flight will require approximately three hours as compared to the 24 days for the Butterfield Overland Mail on its run from Tipton, Mo., to San Francisco.

Italy and Brazil both have issued stamps honoring the visit of Italy's President Gronchi to Brazil. Italy's stamp depicts a plane flying from Rome to Rio de Janeiro.

Louise Spivey

Words of Inspiration

THE INDISPENSIBLE MAN

Sometime when you're feeling important, sometime when your ego's in bloom, Sometime when you take it for granted you're the best qualified in the room, Sometime when you feel that your going would leave an unfillable hole, Just follow these simple instructions, and see how they humble your soul.

Take a bucket and fill it with water, put your hand in it, up to the wrist, Pull it out... and the hole that's remaining is a measure of how you'll be missed! You can splash all you wish as you enter, you may stir up the water galore; But stop, and you'll find that in no time, it looks quite the same as before!

The moral in this quaint example is... do just the best that you can; Be proud of yourself, but remember, there's no indispensable man!

Money can be a vile thing: it can turn a man's head and ruin his soul. Only it isn't the money that is vile; it is the man. You can squander money and you can save it. You can let it master you or you can take money and say, "This is something that is God-given. This is part of me. Take, Lord, and use it."

—Theodore Ferris

- The five most important words: "I am proud of you."
- The four most important words: "What is your opinion?"
- The three most important words: "If you please."
- The two most important words: "Thank you."
- The least important word... "I."

QUOTES

Trials are medicines which our gracious and wise Physician prescribes because we need them and He proportions the frequency and the weight of them to what the cause requires. Let us trust in His skill and thank Him for His prescription.

God looks most where man looks least... at the heart.

A great many Christians are "missing in action."

The deepest problem is not to add years to our lives, but to add life to our years.

He who seeks trouble will have no trouble finding it.

Hem your blessings with praise lest they unravel.

He who sins for profit will not profit by his sins.

To say one has no time for God is like saying one has no time for breathing.

He is richest who is content with the least, for content is the wealth of nature. —Socrates

I've shut the door on yesterday, its sorrows and mistakes; I've locked within its gloomy walls past failures and heartaches. And now I throw the key away to seek another room To furnish it with hopes and smiles and every springtime bloom.

Free Wheeling

By BILL CROWELL  
Department of Motor Vehicles

FATAL STROLL... The North Carolina pedestrian has been catching it something awful from the auto of late.

And what follows will probably read like a textbook, but something needs to be said about the walker who is turning into one of the major items in the traffic death and injury tally.

Ironically, many pedestrians struck dead last year never owned a car or a driver's license. For that reason they probably made the fatal mistake of not interesting themselves in traffic laws and regulations. But we do have laws that every pedestrian should know—and it remains true, of course, that every driver should be familiar with pedestrian regulations.

In North Carolina, where 238 walkers were fatally injured last year, the pedestrian has not yet become the forgotten man.

The first regulation we ought to consider is a rule that sets forth a clear and important pedestrian right. And underscore right. That rule is for pedestrian protection at crosswalks and intersections.

The motorist must yield right of way at these marked zones.

And here's something to think about the next time you take a jaywalk. The law does not protect your pedestrian rights when you cross in the middle of the block or at random wherever you choose. That's why the State Department of Motor Vehicles repeatedly urges pedestrians to cross only at intersections—never in mid-block.

VERSE... We've been stockpiling poems again. Here's one of the better ones, contributed by C. S. Zealand of Louisburg:

"It isn't the car that begins to whine  
When forced to stop for an old stop sign—  
It's the driver.  
"It isn't the car that will take a drink  
And quickly lose the power to think—  
It's the driver.  
"It isn't the car that fails to heed  
The dangers of reckless, discourteous speed—  
It's the driver.  
"It isn't the car that steps on the gas  
And causes an accident trying to pass—  
It's the driver.  
"And a car may be bent and twisted awry  
But it isn't the car that's likely to die—  
It's the driver."

SUDDEN TAWT... One thing about backseat drivers—they don't lose control of the car.

NOPE... They call 'em Powderpuff Derbies nowadays, but 50 years ago auto racing promoters weren't having any part of feminine racing enthusiasts. The AAA, in a 1908 publication, declared that "No woman shall be permitted to operate or ride as a passenger in a motor car in any contest of speed."

Smile a While

In an Army hospital a soldier was cooking up a letter to his wife. A kind nurse was writing for him. "The nurses here," he dictated, "are a very plain lot—"  
Oh, I say," interrupted the angel of mercy, "don't you think that's a little unfair to us?"  
"Of course it is," said the soldier. "But just think how happy my wife will be when she reads it."  
—Capper's Weekly

Character is pretty much like window glass—even a little crack shows clear through.

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