

Three European Women Speak To B&PW Club

Natives of three European countries were the guest speakers Tuesday night at the meeting of the Carteret Business and Professional Women's Club at the home of Mrs. Julia Holt, Radio Island.

The speakers were Mrs. Earl Murdoch, Wildwood, who is from Cologne, Germany; Mrs. Ira D. Murphy, Marshallberg, who is from Bordeaux, France, and Mrs. Virgil Lewis, Marshallberg, who is from London.

Their talks were informal. In answer to questions by Miss Ruth Peeling, international relations chairman, they told of the farming and industry in their home localities, gave their impressions of this country, their appraisal of Americans and of their own nationality.

All three are wives of Carteret men whom they met during the second world war.

Items from each native country were displayed following the talks.

Mrs. James C. Smith, president, conducted the business meeting. Routine reports were heard and Dec. 17 was set as the night of the Christmas party. Mrs. Frank Sample is chairman.

The club will meet Tuesday, Nov. 25, at the home of Mrs. W. L. Loftin, Beaufort. Mrs. D. F. Merrill reminded each club member to go to the polls Tuesday.

Prior to the meeting a fried chicken dinner was served by Mrs. Holt.

Bridge Survey Date Postponed

The survey of Morehead City port, with a view to finding a suitable location for the new bridge between Beaufort and Morehead City, did not come off Wednesday as originally planned.

The dates set now are Nov. 23 and 24. The plan then is to study the port area from helicopter, boat and car. Representatives scheduled to make the tour are those from the State Highway Commission, State Ports Authority and Southern Railway.

D. Leon Williams, state ports director, was speaker Wednesday night at Washington, N. C., before the Eastern North Carolina Engineers Club. He was introduced by Mayor George W. Dill, Morehead City. The ports director spoke on the value of ports in the industrial development of the state.

According to recent financial reports, revenue at state ports docks at Morehead City showed an increase of \$47,461 the first nine months of this year. Total revenue for the nine months has been \$129,960.

Revenues at Wilmington for the same period showed \$281,179, compared with \$369,000 for the year before. A 39 per cent drop in tonnage through the Wilmington port was due to a decrease in scrap metal shipments.

Tonnage at Morehead City also dropped. The drop was mainly due to petroleum products' being barged to Fayetteville.

Weather Observer Reports Cool, Fair Weather for Week

Weather observer Stamey Davis reports that the county has had nice weather for the past week. "With the exception of a brief thunder shower Monday evening, the weather has been clear and cool," he points out. The temperature has ranged from a high of 76 last Friday to a low of 43 early Tuesday morning. Maximum and minimum temperatures and wind direction for the past week follow:

	Max.	Min.	Wind
Thursday	69	53	SW
Friday	76	58	SSW
Saturday	71	56	WNW
Sunday	67	49	WSW
Monday	67	57	WNW
Tuesday	55	43	NW
Wednesday	66	44	SW

Election Tuesday Causes Changes

Because of the election Tuesday, there will be no superior court session that day. Court will open Monday and is scheduled to run for one week.

Also closed on election day will be the driver's license office in the Morehead City town hall. David Morris, license examiner, will be in Havelock and anyone wanting a license can see him there.

Courthouse offices will be closed, as well as other government offices.

Ballots may be cast Tuesday from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. No absentee ballots received by the chairman of the board of elections after 3 p.m. Tuesday will be counted.

Scooter's Halloween



Well, here it is, my first Halloween. They handed me this pumpkin and said, "This is it, boy, let's go trick or treatin'."



I've seen pumpkins before, but never one like this. What's he made of anyway? He's got a face, but no ears! Everybody ought to have ears, for heaven's sake!



They say if you go trick or treatin' you might get something to eat. Maybe there's something good inside here . . .



Wouldn't you know . . . fooled again. Nothing inside this old pumpkin to make a dog happy. Do you think maybe somebody will have a bone for me tonight when I go trick or treatin'? (Scooter, the Bassett hound, belongs to the Lockwood Phillips family, Beaufort.)

Duke Scientist Wins Major Battle In Marine Biology; Rearrs Blue Crabs

Bus Firm Asks Town's Help In Finding Bus Agency Stop

Directors of the Morehead City chamber of commerce have been requested to find a bus passenger stop for Seashore buses in Morehead City.

The request was made by R. C. O'Bryan Tuesday. Mr. O'Bryan is traffic manager for Seashore Transportation Co. The bus company reports it has to do away with the bus terminal in Morehead City because cost is exceeding revenue. It has proposed use of Scott's garage as a bus stop, but this proposal has not met with the approval of the town or the chamber of commerce.

For that reason, Mr. O'Bryan has asked townspeople to find a bus stop or if that is not possible, that the chamber and town not go on record opposing closing of the bus terminal.

Mr. O'Bryan met at the Sanitary Restaurant for lunch Tuesday with Mayor George Dill, Bud Dixon, president of the chamber; P. H. Geer, chairman of the chamber transportation committee, and J. A. DuBois, manager of the chamber.

Mr. O'Bryan was very anxious to impress upon the group that an "agency office" or bus stop would not "stop regular passenger service" as was reported by the chamber several weeks ago. The service will continue as now, only there will be no bus terminal.

Mr. O'Bryan said that most passengers coming into or going out of Morehead City wait along the main street for the bus to pick them up, rather than go to the station.

In answer to a question by Mayor Dill, the traffic manager said the proposed bus agency stop would handle freight carried by bus in the same way freight is handled now.

Mr. O'Bryan said that it costs Seashore 37 cents a mile to operate a bus line. Revenue derived from operation between Beaufort and New Bern now is 21 cents a mile, he added, thus the bus company is faced either with reducing service or reducing cost.

He said the bus company prefers to reduce the cost rather than cut down on service. Gross business per year during the past two years averaged between \$32,000 and \$34,000. Cost of operating the terminal alone is \$9,000. (The terminal is located on Arendell Street at 6th and is rented by the bus company and the A&EC railroad).

Cost of operating a bus terminal should cost no more than 10 per cent of gross income, Mr. O'Bryan said. From Sept. 1, 1957 to Aug. 31, 1958, operating cost of the Morehead City bus terminal ran 28.35 per cent.

Mr. O'Bryan said that he had tried to find a man to operate a bus stop on commission basis, but could not find anyone. Income to a person operating a station on commission would be 10 per cent of the gross.

The traffic manager said he was aware of the potential in this area. "We don't want to get out of the bus business in Morehead City," he remarked, "we would like to discontinue the high cost until it can pay its way."

He pointed out that the only reason Beaufort and Morehead City have the bus service they do is because of Cherry Point business.

Farm Agent Announces Seedlings Available

W. M. Stanton, extension forestry specialist, has notified county farm agent R. M. Williams that the supply of slash pine seedlings has been exhausted, but there are still plenty of loblolly and long leaf seedlings available.

Mr. Williams says that any farmers interested in setting out seedlings can stop by his office for assistance in filling out an application.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar (Eastern Standard Time)

HIGH	LOW
Friday, Oct. 31	
9:45 a.m.	3:52 a.m.
10:28 p.m.	4:37 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 1	
10:31 a.m.	4:16 a.m.
11:15 p.m.	5:10 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 2	
11:20 a.m.	4:48 a.m.
	5:50 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 3	
12:09 a.m.	5:33 a.m.
12:16 p.m.	6:52 p.m.

UNICEF Campaigners



Among the boys and girls who will be making Halloween calls to night collecting money for the United Nations' children's fund are Johnny Davis, left, Frank Reams, Ben Horton, and Mary Welby Watles, right, all of Morehead City.

Keep those pennies, nickels and dimes by the door tonight, because young'uns in Halloween get-up will be around to collect the coins.

Children wearing arm bands bearing the UN symbol of a child drinking a glass of milk are those authorized to make the collection. The UN symbol is also to be on the container in which the coins are placed.

Sunday Schools throughout the county are participating in the program. Funds are used to provide food and medical care for children throughout the world.

Clarence Pelletier Retires



Postmaster Harold Webb, right, presents Clarence Pelletier a letter of commendation. Mr. Pelletier retires today. He was presented an inscribed watch as a parting gift from the Morehead City postoffice staff.

Clarence T. Pelletier, fireman at the Morehead City postoffice is retiring today after completing seventeen years and nine months of service.

Mr. Pelletier was originally appointed as charman on Jan. 13, 1941, succeeding M. Eugene H.

Because of a research achievement at Duke University Marine laboratory, Beaufort, the day may arrive when blue crabs can be hatched in a nursery and reared to maturity. To the commercial fisherman this would be as important as raising chickens is to the farmer.

The raising of blue crabs for the commercial market is seen as a possibility due to the diligent work of Dr. John Costlow, research associate at Duke Marine lab, and two laboratory assistants, Mrs. W. A. Chipman, and Mrs. Charles King, both of Beaufort.

Although the team of three had accomplished, early this summer, the major feat of raising a crab from egg to crab, announcement of the achievement was not made until several days ago by Dr. F. John Verneberg, assistant director of research at the lab.

Dr. Verneberg termed the accomplishment "exciting". He said scientists have been trying to do it for years.

The income of the crab fisherman now is dependent on the whims of nature. In some years the crabs are plentiful and in other years there are almost none. When there are none, the crab fisherman has to look elsewhere for an income.

If, however, man can raise the crabs, there will always be enough to supply the ever-present market.

The work done at Duke lab does not mean that a man can start tomorrow to raise blue crabs in a backyard saltwater pool. It does mean that someone has discovered a way to do it, and that after future developments, others can be shown how to do it.

June 19 was a momentous day at Duke lab on Pivers Island. On that day, a blue crab had passed from the just-hatched stage to the point where he was officially a "crab". This first one was appropriately christened "Alpha" and has been nicknamed Alfie by his three "parents", Dr. Costlow, Mrs. Chipman and Mrs. King.

Alfie is now five months old and has already shed his outer shell several times. (A crab can't grow without shedding his shell because the shell is not flexible).

The work on the blue crab was financed by a National Science Foundation grant on which Dr. Costlow was research associate. Dr. Costlow, who has been working also on a Navy-financed project on barnacles, said that the technique of rearing barnacles was modified to include crabs.

Eleven species of crabs were used and raised in 12 different environments which combined three water temperatures with waters varying in salt content. Survival of a crab from the just-hatched stage to the point (seven to eight stages later) where he is a crab depends on temperature of the water and salinity — and of course, keeping him away from other animals that may eat him.

"It has never been proved before that salinity affects survival of the crab, although it was surmised. Salinity," Dr. Costlow remarked, "does make a difference."

It requires slightly more than a month for a crab to pass from the just-hatched stage to crab. In the lab, the temperature and salt content of Carteret waters, during the crab egg-hatching period (May 15 through September) was duplicated.

"From present indications, it is possible that the blue crab can be reared outside the laboratory," Dr. Costlow said, "but that is not the next step. We don't have the technique down cold."

Dr. Costlow has been a research associate at Duke Marine lab since

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15 Cases to Go To Grand Jury

Judge Clifton L. Moore will preside over the criminal term of superior court which opens Monday. Fifteen cases, ranging from murder charges to disturbing the peace, are scheduled to go before the grand jury. Eighteen defendants are involved.

Defendants and charges follow: Arthur Days, fraud; Maylan Evans Mattingly, murder; Willie Junior Phillips, speeding; Manley Mason and Leo Lawrence, assault.

William B. Lewis, Carl Locklear, Lester Knutsen, Harold Mobley, Hubert Thipodeaux, Hillary P. Thipodeaux and Robert Glazier, breaking, entering and larceny.

Robert Modlin, public drunkenness; Hoyt Lee, disturbing the peace; William Earl Chapman and Milton T. Pratt, hit and run; and Thomas A. Beaver and Margaret P. Vadese, larceny.

Fourteen cases are scheduled for trial Monday, 11 for Wednesday, 12 for Thursday and eight for Friday. There will be no court on Tuesday, election day.

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