

Weather Bureau Gives Citation To State Patrol

Raleigh—For its part in relaying storm warnings and assisting with emergency communications during Hurricane Helene, the North Carolina State Highway Patrol was recently cited by the United States Weather Bureau.

A "public service" award, prepared in Washington and signed by the chief of the Weather Bureau, was presented to patrol commander James R. Smith by Raleigh weatherman Chick Carney.

Carney remarked, during the brief presentation ceremonies, that Helene was by far the most devastating natural disturbance to ever strike anywhere with no loss of life. He commended the highway patrol for its hour by hour cooperation during the storm's course.

Patrol headquarters assigned a state trooper to the Raleigh-Durham weather station on a standby emergency while Hurricane Helene tore at coastal areas on her way northward. Other patrol cars cruised constantly in the area warning residents of the danger.

The weather bureau award will be displayed in patrol headquarters in Raleigh. Copies will later be sent to troop headquarters in Greenville, Fayetteville, Greensboro, Salisbury and Asheville, Col. Smith said.

Pine Cones

Coach Names Smyrna High Basketball Players

By PAT CHADWICK

Hi, folks! Now to tell you what has been happening here at SHS this past week.

First of all, those of you who know Judy Thompson, our new Miss Smyrna High, I am sure realized the mistake in last week's



Judy Thompson

Pine Cones. So, with an apology to Judy and to you bewildered readers, we are putting a picture of her in this week's edition so that you may all know who she actually is.

All the girls who went out for basketball were really excited last week when our coach, Mr. Parkin, selected the team for the season.

The varsity forwards are Jean Willis, Brenda Baker, Carolyn Phelps, Melinda Gillikin, Brenda Golden, Rose Arthur and Elizabeth Styron.

Varsity guards are Clarice Willis, Brenda Willis, Carol Willis, Claudia Brown, Sally Hooper, Pat Chadwick, and Linda Willis.

The junior varsity players are Sandra Willis, Carolyn Gillikin, Diane Willis, Dawn Piner, Daphne Thompson, Patsy Taylor, Carolyn Salter, Barbara Davis, Rosita Guthrie, Jenny Guthrie, Betty Jonas, and Harriet Gillikin.

For the boys, the first string varsity players are Dale Lewis, Curt Nelson, Paul Wade, Braxton Piner and Horace Lawrence.

Second string players are John Hill, Roland Lewis, Carroll Hill, Woodie Hancock, Vaughn Yeomans, and James Mears.

Mr. Parkin thanked everyone for participating in the practices. The players have also been issued suits.

On Tuesday night, Nov. 4, the girls' basketball team at SHS went

to Atlantic to attend a basketball clinic, which was to inform the players and coaches of changes that have been made in the rules. I think all those who attended considered it very interesting and really profited by it.

The officials in charge of the clinic said that bulletins concerning the new changes will be put into circulation soon so that the spectators may have a better understanding of the games.

The Atlantic boys met with the Smyrna boys Thursday night.

This week our senior big wheel is Benjamin Brooks. He was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Brooks on Dec. 3, 1940. Benjamin, who lives at Harkers Island, has brown eyes, a shade of light brown hair, weighs 183 pounds and stands 6 feet tall.

He says that he enjoys listening to the radio to pass his time away. When asked what his favorite food is he replies, "Steak". His favorite



Benjamin Brooks

rite singer is Johnny Mathis, and his favorite song is "To Know Him Is To Love Him." Benjamin considers Tony Curtis and Debbie Reynolds tops in the line of movie stars.

He says that he isn't exactly sure what his plans for the future are.

Benjamin is a member of the Missionary Baptist Church and in church activities he is secretary of his Sunday School class.

In school he has participated in the following activities: 4-H, 1; school bus driver, 3 and 4; FFA, 1, 2, 3, 4. He was elected as art editor of the annual and also as best looking boy in his class.



News from SEA LEVEL

Nov. 5 — Sheriff Hugh Salter, Gehrman Holland and Odell Merrill, Beaufort, were visitors in our community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Taylor left Thursday for Van, W. Va., to visit the family of the Rev. Stanly Skeen and parents. They plan to spend several days in that section. They were accompanied by Rev. Thurman Smith, who will hold a revival meeting in Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Daniels and Mr. and Mrs. Alridge Daniels went to New Bern Saturday.

Mrs. Maltby Taylor left Thursday with her son, Alfred, for Norfolk, to visit with her children, also see her sister, Mrs. Sophronia Salter, who is ill in the hospital there.

The Rev. Johnnie Floyd and family of Marion have moved here. Mr. Floyd is pastor of the Free Will Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Willis are spending a week with their son, Dennis, and family in Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Mr. Sonnie Williamston, USAF, Mrs. Williamston and son of Goldsboro are spending several days

Good News About 4-H

By Harry Venters, 4-H Advisor



This week's column was written for us by Ray Bowlin. Ray and I visited Charlotte recently to attend an electric congress.

Sunday a week ago Mr. Venters and I left Morehead City to go to Jacksonville. The purpose of this journey was to board a bus which in turn took us to Charlotte. Our bus, which was chartered by Carolina Power and Light Co., picked up delegates to the electric congress.

We ate dinner in Laurinburg aboard the bus. Later that afternoon, about three o'clock, we arrived in Charlotte. After registering and finding our rooms, we took a much-needed rest.

About 6 p.m. we all headed to the ballroom for supper. Welcoming speeches and orientation talks were very interesting. After supper we retired to our rooms.

We assembled at 8 p.m. for vesper services. The services were over about 9:30. Some of us then went to bed but others stayed up until one or two o'clock.

The next morning the operator called us at 7 o'clock. After a very delicious breakfast we prepared to visit the Allen Steam plant. There were five chartered busses waiting at the hotel door.

When we reached the steam plant we divided into groups and toured the plant. The switch yard, coal pile and water pumps on the outside were our first objectives. We then entered the building.

After seeing the boilers, turbines and generators, we went to the lab. There we learned the process that they go through to make sure that the coal is safe to be used in their boilers.

After all this was over, we entered the office and each of us was given a pen with "Reddy Kilowatt" on it. We then went back to the Hotel Charlotte. At noon we met in the ballroom for lunch. After more speeches and a talent show, we were dismissed.

In the afternoon we met for a few more speeches, demonstrations and a panel discussion on "Why I carried an electric project."

At 6 p.m. we met in the ballroom for our banquet. After eating steaks we retired to our rooms to dress for the halloween party. During the party we watched skits and had chances to win door prizes. A 4-H band played for dancing at the party.

After the party was over we were supposed to go to our rooms and go to bed but I don't think anyone did. Some watched tv and others went to the soda shop.

It was after 2 o'clock when I went to floor. The reason I say "floor" is because we didn't like the beds because they were too soft, so we slept on the floor.

The next morning I heard a bell

ringing and in my sleep I didn't realize what it was. After about five minutes I finally woke up and knew it was the phone. The operator asked me if everybody was dead.

At 8 o'clock we boarded the bus to come home. We stopped at a restaurant on the way home to eat breakfast and ate dinner in Wilmington. We got home about 7 o'clock.

I had a very enjoyable trip to Charlotte and everyone at the hotel was very nice.

Top Fisheries Official Gives Quarterly Report

Damage to the state commercial fisheries division in hurricane Helene amounted to \$2,500, according to C. G. Holland, fisheries commissioner, who presented his quarterly report recently at the state C&D board meeting at Asheville.

Commenting on oystering, the commissioner said, "About seventy dredges, or one-third of the fleet in that area, are operating in Pamlico Sound. New River is having the best season in ten years although they had lots of oysters last year. This is attributed by many to our oyster seed planting in this area."

"Dr. Chestnut made a survey in September of the seed oysters and shells planted last year and he reports the seeds are growing unusually well, but that the shells did not have too good a catch of spats during the summer due to extreme cold early spring weather. However, they could have a fair catch in the fall."

Commissioner Holland reported that two hearings have been conducted during the past three months. One at Washington was well attended. This dealt with closing the Pungo and Pamlico rivers to all types of trawling.

The hearing at Ocracoke, in regard to repealing a regulation, was not well attended.

The commissioner concluded his report as follows:

"We acquired a plane during this quarter which has increased the efficiency of our law enforcement program tremendously. The plane and pilot participated in the recent Ranger Training School at Lake Mattamuskeet conducted by the Forestry Division, so as to render their assistance in cases of emergency.

"Our division is in good financial condition. Up to October 1, we had licensed 5581 boats, being

Morehead City School Promotes Visit Program

Announcing a visit-the-school program, Lenwood Lee, principal of Morehead City School, has sent the following letter to parents of children attending Morehead City School:

Morehead City Graded School
Morehead City, N. C.
Nov. 4, 1958

Dear Parent:
The Morehead City Graded School is beginning a program of school visitation which will run through the school year. This program will begin Nov. 9, the second day of American Education Week.

We hope that it will enable every parent who is interested in the educational welfare of his children to avail himself of the opportunity to visit the school and see those children in actual classroom situations; to learn at first hand some of the aims, needs, and achievements of our school.

We cordially invite you to come, to observe your children in the classroom, on the playground, and in the cafeteria. We hope that you will be able to eat with your child in our lunchroom.

It would be a fine thing to be able to invite everybody to come and eat with us at any time. However, in view of our limited lunchroom facilities, this is manifestly impossible. We have to stagger our lunch periods for you visitors just as we have to stagger them for our students.

With this in mind we have worked out a schedule which we hope will be convenient for you and which will allow us to give you a realistic view of what school life is like for your boys and girls.

Please understand that this schedule is not rigid. We shall be happy to have you visit the school at any time. This is merely to enable the lunchroom personnel to make adequate preparations for extra people.

We are looking forward to having you visit us. Don't disappoint us.

Sincerely,
Lenwood Lee, Principal

- Schedule for Visiting
- Nov. 9-14 — Mrs. Willis, first grade; Mrs. Nelson, eighth grade
 - Nov. 17-21 — Mrs. Herndon, first grade; Mrs. Taylor, eighth grade
 - Dec. 1-5 — Mrs. Piner, first grade; Mr. Gordon, eighth grade
 - Dec. 8-12 — Mrs. Hopkins, second grade; Mrs. Scott, seventh grade
 - Jan. 5-9 — Mrs. Morgan, second grade; Mrs. Day, seventh grade
 - Jan. 12-16 — Miss Pake, second grade; Mrs. Baily, twelfth grade
 - Jan. 19-23 — Miss Fleming, second grade; Mrs. Zelma Phillips, twelfth grade
 - Jan. 26-30 — Mrs. Bradbury, third

127 more boats than for all of 1957, which was an all time high. The shrimp tax will be way off this year as our production for 1958 is about 80 per cent under that of the previous year."

Vernon Paul's Operate Hotel

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Paul, Morehead City, have taken an option to lease the Hotel Fort Macon. Mr. and Mrs. Paul began operating the hotel Nov. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul, who operated the Atlantic Beach Hotel last summer, have been in the hotel business for the past 20 years. They are both natives of Morehead City. Mrs. Paul is the former Miss Esther Lee.

The Hotel Fort Macon has 39 rooms, 13 with private baths and 16 with connecting baths. The hotel caters to salesmen and permanent guests, for whom special rates are available.

Mrs. Paul has already begun to make improvements on the hotel lobby.

Mr. Paul says that he hopes to make several major improvements before next summer.

Lions Club Seeks Funds For Sight Conservation

Morehead City Lions have announced that during the next few days letters will be mailed requesting contributions for the Lions sight conservation program.

Those who contribute will receive seals bearing the slogan, Be Thankful You Can See.

Persons who do not receive a letter may send a contribution to the Lions, care of O. J. Morrow, chairman of the sight conservation committee.

Lottie Moon Circle Meets at Newport Home

The Lottie Moon circle of the Missionary Baptist Church met with Mrs. Fred Dorsett recently with ten members present. The WMU president was a guest.

Mrs. Aida Robinson and Mrs. Wheeler gave the discussions on the study, "North East Asia." A social hour followed the business session and the hostess served refreshments.

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with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tully Williamston.

Mrs. Donald Taylor and daughter, Cindy, are spending several weeks in Frenchick, Ind., with her parents and family.

Mrs. T. C. Manning and son, Glenn, of Morehead City, her sister, Mrs. Colonel Scott and daughter, Janet, of Newport, were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Paul.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonza Willis, Mrs. Melvina Salter, Mrs. Roxie Taylor and Capt. William Rose, Beaufort, spent Sunday afternoon here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lloyd spent the week at Crab Point with their daughter, Mrs. Seibert Morris and family.

Mr. Arline Taylor and family of Beaufort spent Sunday with his brother, Ewell Taylor and family.

The Rev. W. R. Hale filled his regular appointment at the Methodist Church Sunday.

Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Wiley Taylor, Beaufort, were visitors in our community Monday.

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