

Directors of Unknown Seas Announce Cast of Characters

Mrs. Grayden Paul and Mrs. Charles Hassell, who are directing the play, Unknown Seas, have announced the cast of characters. The play will be presented in July in Beaufort as part of the town's 251st anniversary celebration.

In addition to two out-of-town guest artists, Mrs. Herbert Waldrop Jr., Clinton, and Otis Lambert, Fayetteville, the following local residents will appear in the play:

The Rev. C. Edward Sharp, Nancy Russell, John Moore, Cookie Guthrie, Helen Salter, Joanne Allen, Mrs. Jack Stewart, Anne Clemmons.

Roberta West, Mrs. Jarvis Herring, Ann Davis, Glenn Adair, Mrs. Frank Langdale, Guy Smith Jr., Ruth Durham.

Karl Stiles, James Potter III, Mrs. Clifton Lynch, Hugh Salter, the Rev. John Cline, Mrs. William Willis, Earl Willis.

Jimmy Jarman, Mrs. J. P. Harris Jr., Dr. M. T. Lewis, Mrs. Earl Lewis, Mrs. James Rumley, Mrs. Ralph Eudy, Clifford Tilghman, and Mrs. James Davis.

Mrs. Hassell, director of music, and assistant to the director, tells how the play, Unknown Seas, came to be born:

Twenty years ago, members of the Beaufort Woman's Club (Book Club Division) became interested in local history. As part of the project, research was done on many of the county's favorite legends and the papers read at meetings.

The Nancy Manney story was chosen by Mrs. Grayden Paul as one of the most colorful and unusual love stories, outside of fiction. From the beginning of her research, Mrs. Paul became intrigued with the dramatic possibilities of the old legend; a ready-made plot, filled with names of prominent families of historic Beaufort, and spanning a period of 50 years of the town's most exciting era, 1836 to 1886.

The local playwright spent weeks in talking to old residents, reading old letters, newspapers; checking family records, and court documents. The state and federal libraries loaned valuable material and descendants of the people who were involved in the story gave the most priceless information of all.

Out of this mass of material, the full length drama, Unknown Seas, was born. Mrs. Paul has said that "the play wrote itself." When it was presented, in 1940, however, the viewers agreed that the author had done a magnificent job in converting an old legend into a colorful, dramatic entertainment.

Unknown Seas will be presented on two nights of the 251st Anniversary Celebration of the founding of Beaufort — July 7, 8 and 9, this year. It has been revised somewhat by the addition of a full musical background, sound and lighting effects and a cast of 35 singers.

The two leading roles will be played by soloists of outstanding reputation in the state: Mrs. Herbert Waldrop Jr. of Clinton, and Mr. Otis Lambert, of Fayetteville. Pictures and information regarding these two will appear at a later date.

Unknown Seas is not a pageant or narrated chronicle of historic events. It is a true story of the people and events involved in a dramatic episode. The incidents and characters are as authentic as research could make them. Dialogue and action are imaginative, of course; also the fictional adoption of vocal talent for Nancy Manney and Charles French.

This liberty was taken to enhance the color and entertainment value of the whole production. The author and music director believe that local historians and descendants of the characters in the play will not object to this device, since it in no way interferes with the main plot of the true story.

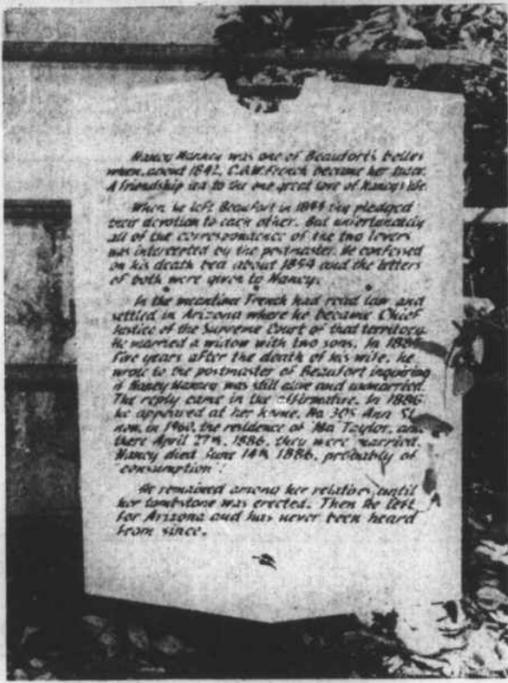
Stage Band Will Play at Concert

Among highlights of the Morehead City school band concert Friday night at the school will be numbers by the recently-organized school stage band.

The stage band, a group of 14 students, directed by Ralph Wade, will present several numbers.

The band has played on several occasions during the current school year and met with enthusiastic response. Their numbers consist of popular type like "Ain't Misbehavin'", "Deep Purple" and similar songs that have become popular classics. Members of the group are Garth Cooper, Virgil Burr, Josiah Bailey, James Terrell, John Crowe, Bill Condie, Gregg Bell, Jim Morton.

Thomas Swanson, Michael Lewis, Bill Morton, Alton Robinson, Fred Willis and Richard Whorton. Mr. Wade will direct the entire school band in other numbers. The concert will start at 8. There is no admission charge.



This marker, at the tombstone of Nancy Manney, in Ann Street cemetery, Beaufort, tells of the thwarted romance of Nancy and her sweetheart, C. G. W. French. Nancy is the heroine of the play, Unknown Seas, to be given July 7 and 8 in Beaufort.

Candidates Will Speak At Clambake Saturday

Civilians Elect Officers Friday

Morehead City Civitan club elected officers for the coming year Friday at their noon meeting at Mrs. Russell Willis' restaurant.

Taking over as president for this year is last year's president-elect, Warren Beck. Mr. Beck succeeds Walter Morris. Elected president-elect was George Vickroy. Joe Beck was elected vice-president and Roy Denkins secretary. The new treasurer is Donald Davis.

Three new directors named for this year are Ralph Styron, Earl Lewis and Roper Van Horn. Six prizes from the recent Civitan give-away have not been claimed as yet and it was voted to hold a re-drawing. Winning numbers will be posted in the window of Leary's Men's store.

The prizes unclaimed were a quantity of paint from Sherwin Williams, a chiropractic treatment from Dr. Bert Lewis, a sports shirt from Leary's, a one-year's safe deposit box rent from Commercial National Bank, 50 gallons of fuel oil from Ocean Oil Co., and a honeymoon special for two at Oceanana with a dinner-dance at the Blue Ribbon.

Motorist Hits Rear of Cars

Clifton V. Rhodes, route 1 Hubert, was charged with careless and reckless driving after the 1957 Ford he was driving crashed into the rear of two cars Sunday night.

At 7:40 p.m., patrolman J. W. Sykes says Rhodes hit the rear of a 1957 Buick driven by Herbert E. Haywood, Camp Lejeune Marine. Haywood was headed east at the county line at Swansboro.

Rhodes continued east, the patrolman added, until he came up behind a 1955 Plymouth driven by K. V. Scott. He smacked him in the rear and that stopped him.

Damage to the Buick was estimated at \$75, to the Ford \$200 and to the Plymouth \$200. No one was injured.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar		
HIGH		LOW
Tuesday, May 10		
7:21 a.m.		1:30 a.m.
7:41 p.m.		1:38 p.m.
Wednesday, May 11		
8:10 a.m.		2:19 a.m.
8:28 p.m.		2:25 p.m.
Thursday, May 12		
9:01 a.m.		3:07 a.m.
9:19 p.m.		3:12 p.m.
Friday, May 13		
9:50 a.m.		3:54 a.m.
10:17 p.m.		4:01 p.m.

There will be speeches by political candidates, food and dancing when the Snyrna PTA sponsors its annual clambake Saturday night at the school.

Serving will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will continue until 10. A dance, with music by the Twain Plus III of Camp Lejeune, will begin at 9 and last until 1 a.m. There will be waltz, fox trot, and cha cha contests.

Scheduled speakers are James O. Simpkins, David J. Rose, Skinner Chalk and Robert Stallings, congressional candidates, and Addison Hewlett, candidate for the United States Senate. Mr. Hewlett will be accompanied by his campaign manager, Eugene Simmons. Tickets for the entire event, supper, dance and speeches, will be \$2 per person. Tickets for the dance and speeches alone will be \$1.50 per couple and \$1 stag.

Mayor William H. Potter of Beaufort will be the master of ceremonies.

Recreation Commission Discusses Summer Plans

The summer recreation program at the Morehead City recreation center, 1500 Shepard St., was discussed by the town recreation commission at its recent meeting.

The program is scheduled to start a week after school closes. It consists of outdoor games, table games, story-telling and music instruction.

Employing of instructors for the summer program was discussed, but no final decisions made, pending contacting of those who had applied for jobs, according to Dr. S. W. Hatcher, chairman of the recreation commission.

Attending the meeting were Dr. Hatcher, Mrs. Robert Taylor, treasurer; Mrs. J. W. Thompson, secretary; E. L. Smithwick, Mrs. George McNeill.

Absent were commissioners Bill Condie, George Mizesko and Mrs. Llewellyn Phillips.

Driver Cited After Saturday Accident

Charles P. Wilson, USMC, stationed at Camp Geiger, was charged with careless and reckless driving and no operator's license after his car wrecked at 8:30 Saturday night five miles east of Swansboro on highway 24.

Patrolman J. W. Sykes said that Wilson and two buddies, in a 1955 Chevrolet, were headed toward Morehead City, when Wilson lost control.

The car went off the left side of the highway and turned over. The occupants suffered bruises and abrasions.

Amos Abrams Speaks to NCEA At Friday Dinner

- Lenwood Lee, New President, Presides
- Principals Introduce Retiring Teachers

Dr. Amos Abrams, editor of the magazine, North Carolina Education, told teachers and their guests Friday night that he's getting tired of criticism of the public schools.

"Critics are causing people to lose confidence in the public schools," he said, "and it's time teacher and public school administrators fought back."

Dr. Abrams was the speaker at the annual Carteret North Carolina Education association banquet at Camp Glenn school.

"Everybody you meet knows how to teach reading, arithmetic and English better than you do," he told the teachers, "and it's time we stood up and said we know as much about teaching as you know about lawyering or doctoring or selling cars."

The public school, the editor said, in "the good old days" was never as good as some critics would have us believe.

He recalled that at teacher conventions, teachers take money out of their own pockets to buy teaching aids that they cannot get with public school funds. "Nobody," Dr. Abrams said, "has a deeper sense of responsibility than the teacher."

No one in any other profession, he continued, is willing, as is the teacher, to say, "Examine me." He was referring to the recently-instituted program of teacher testing.

Of today's public school system, he said, "Never before have so many people been taught so well by so many with better teaching materials than we've ever had before."

"The democracy of the public schools is a wonderful thing," the speaker remarked. "Kids from all sections of town sit next to each other. And they eventually learn that through education they may be able to move from the wrong side of the tracks to the other."

He deplored the frenzy to train the mentally elite, saying that some day America may decide that certain children don't need any education at all.

Dr. Abrams stated that the inventions of today are being made by young people, fresh from the public schools. He predicted that some day public education will have to go beyond the high school.

The speaker added his voice to a chorus of growing objection to high school weekend house parties. He stated that teachers at Needham Broughton high school, Raleigh, had been picked up to take to Atlantic Beach.

Youths Arrested On Theft Counts

Five youths, three of them juveniles, have been charged with breaking and entering fishing pier houses and cottages at Atlantic beach.

Two of the five, Charles T. Overman, 19, and Jimmy Fox, 16, both of Atlantic Beach, will be tried in county recorder's court this morning.

Overman and Fox allegedly entered the office of Fish 'n Lake and the other three went into the pier house at the Oceanana as well as several cottages, according to sheriff Hugh Salter.

Nothing was taken from the cottages, but missing from the other places were fishing tackle, cigarettes, chewing gum, cakes, and knives.

The sheriff said that the places were entered twice, but the first time was not reported. The latest break-in was Wednesday night. The boys were picked up in 48 hours by deputy sheriff George Smith. Most of the non-edible loot was recovered.

The Fish 'n Lake place was entered by opening an unlocked window. It is believed that the boys unlocked the window in the men's room during the day and entered through the window at night.

The three juveniles will be tried in juvenile court before A. H. James.

Heroism Medal

This is the gold life-saving medal awarded to Kirby Guthrie, Morehead City, for his heroism in helping to save the crew of the Sarah J. Rawson in February 1905.

Mr. Guthrie died in Morehead City Oct. 1, 1925. The dramatic rescue of six men aboard the schooner was recalled recently when the last of the medal winners, James W. Fulcher of Stacy, died April 19 of this year.

Others who received medals like the one shown above were William H. Gaskill, John A. Guthrie, Joseph L. Lewis, W. M. Yeomans, Calput T. Jarvis, John E. Kirkman and Tyre Moore.

Grocery, Destroyed by Fire, Wins Suit Against Water Co.

Five Marines Tried for Gas Station Theft

In Morehead City recorder's court yesterday, charged with larceny and aiding and abetting in larceny were five Cherry Point Marines. They were apprehended in connection with the robbery of the Downtown Esso station Sunday night, May 1.

Charged with taking \$30 from the station was Pvt. Edward W. Hedges. Four other Marines with Hedges were charged with aiding and abetting. They were William D. Gangle, William W. Sroufe, George W. Havertape, and David L. Van Horn.

Hedges was given a six-month suspended sentence, fined \$75 and court costs. Cases against the other four were not prosecuted.

Police said that on the night of May 1 the five drove into the service station just as station operator Billy Oglesby was preparing to close for the night. They asked Oglesby if he would install a tail light in their car.

While Oglesby was installing the light, all five of the men got out of the car and were milling around the station. The station operator told police that some of them went inside the station and the rest of them stayed around the car.

When Oglesby went into the station to make change for the men he discovered that approximately \$30 had been taken. Also missing was one of the Marines.

Oglesby flagged down a passing police car and a quick search of the area turned up the missing Marine, Edward Hedges, who was apprehended two blocks away in front of the taxi stand. Hedges was searched and the money was discovered hidden in his shoes and in a watch pocket of his trousers. He also hid some of it in the police car after he was picked up.

The other four Marines denied having any knowledge of the robbery, stating that Hedges was just a rider they had picked up to take to Atlantic Beach.

Mrs. Terry Sanford Will Attend Tea Thursday

The Women for Sanford committee in the county will entertain Mrs. Terry Sanford at a tea Thursday afternoon at the Morehead City Country club.

Hours are from 3 to 5 o'clock. Mrs. Gene Smith, Beaufort, chairman of the Sanford for Women committee, announced yesterday that the public is invited.

Seat Covers Presented

Warrant Sworn Out Cited for speeding is Benjamin Cannon, who, according to patrolman W. J. Smith Jr., overturned a car on the loop road by K. W. Wright's last Monday. The warrant was sworn out yesterday. Cannon was not hurt.

Four of Six-Man Yacht Crew Are from Carteret

Arriving yesterday at the Morehead City Yacht basin was the 106-foot yacht, Heavy Moon, manned by four men from Carteret.

Captain of the yacht is Murray Pigott of Gloucester. The other Carteret crewmen are Lester Pigott, Gloucester; Bill Taylor and Jay Simmons, Morehead City. The crew totals six.

Owner of the yacht, Col. J. S. Sensenbrenner, Neenah, Wis., and Mrs. Sensenbrenner, are aboard. The yacht is en route to Annapolis, Md., from Daytona Beach, Fla.

Board Commends Life-Saver

County commissioners passed a resolution last week recognizing "the outstanding bravery and heroism" of David Merrill, 13-year-old son of Odell Merrill, register of deeds. On Sept. 21, 1959, David saved Mrs. Elizabeth Musselwhite and son, Dwain, from drowning.

Jury Awards \$15,000; Carolina Water Appeals

The jury awarded \$15,000 to Potter's Grocery store Friday afternoon in superior court, but attorneys for Carolina Water Co., against whom the case was brought, appealed to the supreme court.

The jury, after about three-quarters of an hour in deliberation, decided that the water company failed to furnish water to town fire hydrants in the early morning of Dec. 12, 1958, thus allowing a fire to rage unchecked for almost an hour.

Potter's grocery was destroyed in the fire. Its owners and operators, James H. Potter Jr., James H. Potter III and Gilbert Potter requested reimbursement from the water company of \$23,365.29.

The case opened Thursday. Gilbert Potter was the last witness to take the stand Thursday afternoon.

He stated that the grocery store had increased its stock the month of the fire to supply grocery demands for menhaden boats they serviced, as well as handle Christmas business.

Under questioning by his attorney, C. R. Wheatly, Mr. Potter said that gross business during that season averages \$8,000 a week. Stock in the store at the time of the fire was valued at approximately \$17,000.

The stock of goods was insured by New Hampshire Fire Insurance Co. for \$2,500. That sum has been paid to the Potter's, the witness said. Mr. Wheatly interjected that

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Four Accidents Happen in Town During Weekend

Four minor traffic accidents were investigated by Morehead City police over the weekend.

The first happened at 9th and Arendell streets at 11:20 Friday morning and involved cars driven by Norvie Winston Day of Beaufort and Chester Kemon Graham of Morehead City.

According to police reports, Graham was backing out of a parking space and scraped Day's car when he cut his wheels too sharply. Damage to both cars was minor. Police sergeant Bill Condie investigated.

Arendell and 33rd streets was the scene of the second accident at 9:50 p.m. Saturday. A car driven by Early Thomas Taylor, Newport, went off the road and hit a telephone pole. Taylor told investigating officers that another car, which didn't stop, forced him off the road into the pole. Damage to Taylor's car was estimated at \$75.

The other two accidents were both rear end collisions. Drivers involved in the first one were Margaret Mason Rumes, 1504 Ann St., Beaufort, and Thomas Hancock Russell, 905 Shepard St., Morehead City.

According to police, Mrs. Rumes, going east on Arendell street, had stopped for a stop light at 24th and Arendell when her car was struck from behind by Russell's vehicle.

Damage to Mrs. Rume's 1958 Ford was estimated at \$50 and to Russell's 1959 Mercury, \$20. No charges were filed. Capt. C. E. Bunch of the Morehead City police department investigated.

The scene of another rear end collision was the intersection of 7th and Arendell Sunday afternoon.

The drivers involved were Jackie Fay Smith of Smyrna, Georgia and Cecil Sharon Lynch of Smyrna.

Police said that the Smith woman had stopped for a car in front of her at the intersection and she was hit from the rear by Mr. Lynch. No damage was done to the Lynch car. That to Smith's vehicle was estimated at \$50. Police chief Herbert Griffin investigated.

64 Members Listed in Town Fire Association

Sixty-four members belong to the Beaufort Rural Fire association at the present time, members were told at their meeting Friday night in the Beaufort courthouse. Most of the members have been acquired in recent weeks.

Officers elected Friday night are Clarence Davis Jr., chairman; L. D. Springle, vice-chairman; Mrs. W. J. Ipoek Sr., secretary; and John Miller, treasurer. New directors are George Broda, G. V. Troyer Jr., James D. Biggs, G. T. Spivey, and Jack Sewell.

J. P. Harris Jr., who was instrumental in forming the rural fire association several years ago, reviewed its activities. The new chairman commented that the Beaufort fire department is not responsible for withdrawal of fire protection from areas proposed for annexation. He stated that the withdrawal was authorized by the town.

At present, the Beaufort rural fire truck is housed in the Beaufort fire station and will be taken to fires in the areas proposed for annexation by a volunteer driver.

The association's board of directors plans to meet this week with John Valentine, county Civil Defense director. Forty persons attended the meeting.

Troop Schedule Boy Scout troop 201, Beaufort, will meet at 7 p.m. Thursdays at the Lottis Sanders building, Ann Street, Beaufort.

Pfc. Robert Davis Named Soldier of the Month

Stuttgart, Germany—Army Pfc. Robert M. Davis, son of Mrs. Udene M. Davis, 216 Live Oak St., Beaufort, recently was named Soldier of the Month for the 229th Signal Company in Germany.

A radio operator in the company in Stuttgart, Davis was selected for his soldierly appearance, knowledge and performance of duties and military courtesy.

The 23-year-old soldier entered the Army in February 1959 and arrived overseas the following July. He is a 1955 graduate of Beaufort high school and attended Wake Forest college and North Carolina State college. He was employed by the Newport News (Va.) Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co., before entering the Army.

Private Davis has two brothers in the armed forces, Pfc. Gordon M. Davis, stationed at Baumholder, Germany, and second lieutenant James C. Davis, stationed at Mather Air Force base, California.

Mrs. Davis has three other sons, Harry, Bill and Charles, all of Beaufort, and five married daughters. Mrs. Davis was selected as mother of the year in Carteret county in 1956.

Trawler Goes After Ketch

The 65-foot shrimp trawler, Carmen Louise, left Morehead City at midnight Sunday in a second attempt to take in tow the drifting 45-foot ketch, Dutch Treat.

Weather forced the Carmen Louise back to Morehead City Friday.

LATE BULLETIN: The Carmen Louise was awaiting a Coast Guard spotter plane yesterday afternoon at 3:30 to help it locate the Dutch Treat.

But the crew of the trawler, Jake O'Neal, captain, Kenneth Meadows, Garland Smith and Julian Taylor, all of Morehead City, pulled alongside and said five days of drifting hadn't damaged the ketch.

Five persons were rescued from the Dutch Treat Monday, May 2, when it foundered east of Charleston, S. C.

Frank Meadows, owner of the Carmen Louise, said that he was contacted by the boat's insurers, and asked to take the drifting vessel in tow. At 10 yesterday morning, Mr. Meadows said that the crew of the trawler informed him by radio that they hadn't sighted the ketch by then, but hoped to very soon.

Plans are to tow the Dutch Treat into Morehead City, weather permitting.

Pressure Can Puts Out Blaze

A new type fire extinguisher, like the cans insecticide or shaving cream spray out of, proved its worth Friday afternoon. Deputy Sheriff George Smith was riding by Dom-L's at Atlantic Beach when he saw the back seat of a 1955 Chrysler ablaze.

He turned around, got his extinguisher and sprayed the flames right down, he said. Driver of the car was John B. Maxwell, Cherry Point. The fire started from a cigarette.

The fire occurred at about 3:30 p.m. Deputy Smith estimates damage to the car at \$50.

Each deputy sheriff has been supplied with a can of the new type fire extinguisher for his car. The can is about 8 inches high and works after shaking vigorously and pushing the valve on the top.



Mrs. Thomas I. Carraway, president of the Merrimon Home Demonstration club, presents seat covers for the Beaufort Historical Association bus to Grayden Paul, director of the association. The seat covers were made by the Merrimon club.