

Firemen Install Officers



New officers of the Newport Fire department check respiration equipment on the rescue ambulance following their recent installation.

Officers, left to right, are Lt. Larry Howard, assistant chief Bennie Garner, fire chief C. A. Gould, assistant chief George Green, and Lt. Gordon Cutler. Kneeling is secretary Allen Elliott.

Capt. Raymond Edwards and W. D. Heath, treasurer, were absent when the picture was taken. Firemen are interested in taking a refresher course in first aid and are looking for one or more qualified Red Cross instructors.

Chamber OK's Budget, Will Employ Publicity Director

Directors of the Morehead City chamber of commerce have adopted a \$27,912 budget for this year. It includes a full-time publicity director to be employed from April 1, 1961 through Labor Day.

The advertising and publicity budget of \$14,000 is the largest in the total budget. President Skinner Chalk and J. A. DuBois, manager, have been authorized to select a publicity director who will cover sports fishing, resorts and industrial development.

By request, Norwood Young, Beaufort, submitted a letter in which he set forth the work he would do as publicity director, compensation and assistance he would require.

The membership committee of the chamber and the board will meet at 10 o'clock this morning at the Hotel Fort Macon.

At last week's meeting of the board, committee appointments were made and the budget discussed.

The chamber's 1959 budget was \$14,943. Collected that year was \$11,150. The 1960 budget was \$28,208, of which \$20,430.82 was collected. Expenditures last year were \$20,430.84, but some commitments have not yet been met.

Board members were given names of persons still owing 1960 dues. The manager was instructed to prepare statements for 1961 dues and request payment as soon as possible.

The president noted that additions may be made from time to time to the committees. The directors commented that each community should have its own merchants association.

Committees named: Merchants — Kenneth Wagner, chairman; R. A. Barefoot, Wilbur Garner, Wayne Beasley, J. O. Barbour, Cecil Morris.

Membership — A. E. Cooper, chairman; Dom Femia, Elmer Willis, Iris Fulcher, Harold Simpson, Charles Willis, Shelby Freeman, Oscar Allred, Moses Howard, E. T. Credle.

Advertising — George Vickroy, chairman; W. C. Matthews Jr., Sylvester Fleming, John Baker, Otis Purifoy, Grover Munden, Tommy Noe, Earl Mades, Holden Ballou, Dr. W. L. Rudder, George Stovall, Roy Eubanks, Iris Fulcher, O. J. Morrow, Dr. Berl Lewis.

Industrial Development — Rufus Butler Jr., chairman; Gerald Murdock, H. S. Gibbs Jr., R. L. Hicks, I. E. Pittman, W. B. Chalk.

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Civilians Welcome New Club Member

Members of the Morehead City Civitan club welcomed a new member, discussed safety patrol equipment and their fruit cake project at a meeting Friday noon at Mrs. Russell Willis's restaurant.

Trawler Owner Settles Suit By Paying \$1,500

George Purifoy, Morehead City, owner of the 38-foot fishing trawler Phillip, has paid \$1,500 in settlement of a suit brought against him as the result of a boat collision in Beaufort inlet.

The suit was filed by Mrs. Edna Smith, widow of Ellis Smith, 47, of King, N. C., who drowned following the collision on Oct. 13, 1959.

The suit was filed in Stokes county superior court. The settlement was reported Friday in a final decree filed in federal court, middle district, Greensboro.

The decree resulted from a petition procedure brought by Purifoy under admiralty law.

He brought the petition for an order holding him not liable in the accident or to limit his liability to the value of his trawler. The petition was filed under the 1851 act to limit liability of ship owners.

The final decree notes that the deadline for entering claims against Purifoy has passed, and that the one claim brought against him has been settled.

The decree forbids any future claims as a result of the accident.

The owner of the trawler was not aboard when it struck the anchored skiff from which Ellis Smith, Fred White and Quainter Smith were fishing.

At the wheel was Norman Guthrie. Captain of the Phillip was Esie Guthrie, brother of Norman. Also aboard was Sam Howland. Norman Guthrie told investigators that his tiller line parted and he could not avoid hitting the skiff.

White and Quainter Smith were pulled from the water by the men aboard the Phillip. But Ellis Smith disappeared. His body was located the Friday following the accident.

County Historical Society To Meet 2:30 Saturday

The quarterly meeting of the Carteret County Historical Society will begin at 2:30 Saturday in the civic center, Morehead City. Papers will be presented covering the seceding of South Carolina from the Union, leading up to the opening of the Civil War.

The State Civil War Centennial commission has requested that all historical societies, as far as possible, observe the important events of this national strife during the next four years, according to the society president, F. C. Salisbury.

Morehead Firemen Get Three Calls Thursday

Morehead City firemen extinguished three grass fires during a busy afternoon Thursday.

The first alarm came from box 47 on Calico Drive, early in the afternoon. Soon after firemen had returned to the station, they were called to 15th and Avery streets, where grass and weeds were burning.

At 4:30 p.m. they were called out of town to the vicinity of the new cemetery to put out another grass fire.

Firemen reported no property damage at any of the fires.

Jaycee DSA Banquet Will Be Friday, Jan. 20

Friday night, Jan. 20, will be the date of the Morehead City Jaycee Distinguished Service Award banquet. The banquet will be held at 8 o'clock at the Blue Ribbon restaurant.

Morehead City mayor George Dill, Beaufort mayor W. H. (Piggy) Potter and the Beaufort Jaycees have been invited. A buffet-style dinner will be served, according to Walter Willis, chairman.

At last week's Jaycee meeting L. G. Dunn announced several forthcoming meetings. A district meeting is scheduled for January or February and will be held in Kinston. Local Jaycees will attend the meeting and submit a request for Morehead City to host the fourth quarterly board meeting.

Mr. Dunn said that the third quarterly board meeting is set for Durham with Olympic champion Bob Richards heading the guest speakers' list. The state convention will be held in Asheville and the national convention in Atlanta, Ga.

L. F. Kelly, chairman of the fourth quarterly board meeting, volunteered to find a suitable site should it be held in Morehead City. Bill Munden was appointed chairman of the club's new weekly bulletin, Ocean Roars. Dr. Outlaw volunteered to author a biography for the first edition.

President Cliff Lynch announced plans for the club to sponsor a tissue sale either the first or second week in February. Also heard was a reported from George Whittle on football ticket sales.

Whittle reported that proceeds from football advertising amounted to \$275.

Fund Campaign Labeled 'Fake'

Children soliciting "for the school athletic fund" in Morehead City are doing so without authorization. Lenwood Lee, principal, made the following statement yesterday:

"It has come to my attention that in several instances children of school age have been soliciting funds ostensibly for the Morehead City school athletic program.

"I would like to emphasize the fact that our school is not conducting any kind of drive soliciting funds for the athletic program.

"Unquestionably, the program could use additional funds; but no drive is under way or anticipated at the present."

Mr. Lee said that the money collected by the children has not been turned in to the school office, nor would it have been accepted had it been turned in.

He assumes that the youngsters are using the money for their own purposes.

Beaufort Firemen Get Call to Hamilton Home

Beaufort firemen were called to the home of William Roy Hamilton on Fulford Street, Sunday at 2:35 p.m., where an exhaust unit above the stove was burning. The fire had filled the room with smoke.

Firemen remained on the scene about half an hour. The department reports that the unit was a complete loss and there was some smoke damage.

Faces Charges

Scheduled to appear in recorder's court is Avon Glover of Beaufort, who was picked up in Beaufort Friday and charged with driving drunk and driving while his license was revoked. Mack Wade, Beaufort policeman, was the arresting officer.

Susan Bridgman Plays Role Of Gypsy in Little Minister

Susan Bridgman will appear as the vivacious gypsy lass who falls in love with a young minister, when the Carteret Community theatre presents The Little Minister again Tuesday night, Jan. 31, in the Morehead City recreation building.

Mrs. Bridgman has appeared in two previous theatre productions, The Night of January 16 and See How They Run. Playing opposite her will be the Rev. Robert Wood, pastor of Franklin Memorial Methodist church, Morehead City, as the little minister.

The play was enthusiastically acclaimed by those who saw it when it was first produced in November. It is being repeated at the request of the Carteret County Shrine club, with whom the theatre will split net proceeds on a 50-50 basis.

Board Receives Report On 1959 Traffic Record

The National Safety council report on Morehead City's traffic safety activities for 1959 was presented to town commissioners at their recent meeting at the municipal building.

Morehead City had no fatal accidents in 1959. Forty-eight persons, however, were injured, a number above the average for the three years of 1956 through 1958.

In 1956 there was one fatal accident, causing one death. In that year there were four injured in Morehead City auto accidents; in 1957, sixteen, in 1958, thirty-five, for a three-year average of 18.

Among recommendations in police traffic supervision were the following:

• That more aggressive action be taken against accident-producing violators.

• That, in view of the city's accident experience, the amount of enforcement of a gainst hazardous traffic violations be further increased. The traffic contact rate per officer showed capacity for this needed increase with personnel currently available.

The traffic analysis contained the following observation: "According to the information reported, the strongest area of your program is traffic court, while those appearing to be most in need of strengthening are organization for traffic safety improvement, public traffic safety education, school traffic safety education, and police traffic supervision."

As to traffic court operation, the following comments were made:

• A quadruplicate traffic ticket was not used . . . The use of the Uniform Traffic Ticket and Complaint in quadruplicate provides an easy method of keeping an account of each ticket, eliminating the evil

Craven, Carteret Prison Camps to be Consolidated

Elmer D. Willis Heads County Republican Club

Elmer Dewey Willis of Williston was elected president of the Carteret Republican club Saturday night at a meeting at the Hotel Fort Macon.

Other officers in the organization, the first of its kind in the county, are Osborne Davis, Beaufort, vice-president; Kenneth Wagner, Morehead City, treasurer; and Mrs. Maurice Richardson, Bogue Sound road, secretary.

The club now has 150 paid members and plans are under way for a Lincoln Day dinner Saturday night, Feb. 11, at the Biltmore Motor hotel, Morehead City.

The dinner is not a money-raising affair, according to club officers. Tickets are \$2.50 per person.

The club's by-laws have been drafted and committees tentatively named. A committee of 10 met twice during recent weeks to nominate officers.

Approximately one hundred attended Saturday night's meeting. Dues are \$5 a year and a committee has been appointed to investigate the possibility of getting lapel pins.

Mr. Wagner reported that all bills from the recent campaign have been paid and there is some money left in the treasury. Tickets for the Lincoln Day dinner are on sale now.



Elmer D. Willis . . . chosen president

Beach Board Revises Zoning Regulations

Atlantic Beach town commissioners Friday morning at the city hall, approved a rezoning proposal for property on the south side of Fort Macon boulevard.

The proposal makes all property on the south side of the boulevard, from the western to the eastern terminus of the town limits, a business zone instead of a residential zone as it has previously been designated.

The board also discussed the state building code and approved a resolution presented by M. G. Coyle that would include residential dwellings and apartments of up to two-family capacity in the town's building code.

Mr. Coyle also reported that the state Civil Defense headquarters had specified Atlantic Beach as the county's radio net control station. Call letters and a license for the station have been obtained and the station's facilities should be in operation by February, as soon as additional equipment arrives, according to Mr. Coyle.

A weather station has also been established in the town hall.

In another report, Mr. Coyle stated that approval of the new fire department has not been received as yet, so new fire insurance rates for Atlantic Beach are not known. He added that approval is expected shortly.

The commissioners reported the purchase of a new truck to be used by the police department. The truck is equipped with a two-way radio and rescue equipment.

Shelby Freeman, who lost business property in hurricane Donna last fall, appeared before the board with an idea for redeveloping ocean front property that would eliminate future hurricane losses.

Mr. Freeman asked the board to approve his building a trailer of chuck-wagon type on his property, to be used as an experiment. Mr. Freeman told the board that permanent-type buildings on the board walk "will never last" as long as storms continue to plague Atlantic Beach.

The type of structure proposed by Freeman would be portable and could be moved to a safe location in the event of an approaching hurricane.

Mayor Cooper advised Mr. Freeman to obtain literature and pictures on the type of building he had in mind and present them to the board at the next meeting.

By July 1, the state prison unit at New Bern in Craven county will be consolidated with the Carteret prison-camp at Newport.

The prison and state highway facilities at New Bern are being moved to free the land for Craven county's new hospital.

George W. Randall, director of the prison department, said the Newport prison unit will be increased to maximum capacity and prisoners there will work on Craven as well as Carteret county highways.

Mr. Randall said nine of the state's older prison units have been marked for abandonment. Other units will have their number of inmates increased.

"It is estimated," he remarked, "that these changes along with changes placing prisoners of the same type together will make possible savings estimated at \$761,000 for the biennium."

The New Bern prison unit is an old one, he explained. The cost of renovation would be excessive, and its location, facing highway 70, surrounded by homes and near two public schools, makes its location undesirable for a prison unit.

Under the new system referred to by Mr. Randall, youthful offenders will be together in certain prison camps and prisoners serving short terms will be segregated from those serving time for major crimes.

Mayor Leon Mann, Newport, reports that pipe for the prison camp water line project has arrived and work on installation will begin soon.

The town of Newport has agreed to pipe water to the prison camp, which is located on the Mill Creek road.

Two Accidents Occur in Town

Sgt. Bill Condie of the Morehead City police force investigated two accidents over the weekend. One occurred on Friday the 13th.

In the Friday accident Mrs. Woodrow Marks, driving a 1955 Buick, was struck a glancing blow on the left rear by a 1953 Mercury driven by Leslie Earl Raynor. Both drivers are from Morehead City.

Sergeant Condie said that traffic ahead of Mrs. Marks stopped and as she applied her brakes her car veered to the left. Raynor, who was following her, struck her car when it veered in his path.

Damage to the Buick was estimated at \$50 and to the Mercury at \$25.

Mrs. Ella Henderson Collins, Morehead City, misjudged the distance between two parked cars at 3:21 p.m. Sunday and struck a 1961 Oldsmobile with the 1958 GMC pickup truck she was driving. Owner of the Oldsmobile was Ginnie E. Sanderson, Morehead City.

The policeman said the accident occurred at 21st and Bay, as cars were parking at the cemetery after the funeral of Jennie Bynum. There was enough room for Mrs. Collins to go between the two cars, but she miscalculated and hit one of them. Damage to the Oldsmobile was estimated at \$35. The truck was not damaged.

Beaufort Pastor Accepts Call to Atlanta Church

The Rev. Alec Thompson, pastor of the First Baptist church, Beaufort, has resigned. He has accepted a call to the Woodland Hills Baptist church, Atlanta, Ga.

His resignation becomes effective Feb. 14. Mr. Thompson said yesterday that he and his family plan to leave for Atlanta on that day.

He started his pastoral duties in Beaufort in May 1958.

Agriculture Council Sets Forth Year's Objectives

Objectives for the new year were set forth by the county agriculture workers' council Thursday afternoon at the farm agent's office.

The objectives are to bring about a revision of the Carteret county fair; to study and familiarize themselves and their area groups with the Civil Defense program, senior citizens problems, highway safety and child welfare, and to promote better public relations.

David Warrick, program chairman, announced that Miss Grace Wilson will speak on senior citizens in February, the group will discuss Civil Defense in March, R. M. Williams will speak on emergency planning in April, and highway safety will be the subject of the May program.

It was agreed to eliminate the June and July meetings since many of the council members are on va-

cation during those months. Mr. Williams and other members gave reports on community club work in the highway 101, Gloucester and Bogue areas.

I. M. Robbins, manager of the Farmers Home Administration, asked about crops such as grain which are used as windbreaks in tobacco fields.

He was informed that farmers would not be given credit for the conservation measure and that if any such rows were found planted when the crop was being measured, it would be counted a part of the total crop.

Members attending were B. J. May, president; Mr. Robbins, Mr. Williams, Maynard Owens, Mr. Warrick, Mrs. Rosemary Lockard, Mrs. Floy Garner, Mrs. Rachel Tetterow, Miss Evelyn Henderson and Mrs. David Beveridge, secretary.

Garden Club Sells Tickets To Flower Show

Tickets to the Southeastern Flower and Garden Show are now being sold by the Garden and Civic department of the Morehead City Woman's club. The show will be Feb. 24-28 in the North Carolina State Fair arena, Raleigh.

Tickets, if purchased from the garden club by Feb. 1, will be a dollar each. If they are purchased at the door they will be \$1.50 each, according to Mrs. F. C. Salisbury of the club.

A portion of the proceeds, based on tickets sold, will go to the Morehead City club.

Participating in sponsoring the flower and garden event are The North Carolina Federation of Garden Clubs, The North Carolina Orchid society, The North Carolina Camellia society, The North Carolina Commercial Flower Growers association, The North Carolina Association of Nurserymen, and The North Carolina State Florist association.

The show's principal attraction will be 25 professionally designed and planted gardens, in which leading landscapers and gardeners of the southeast will install 10,560 square feet of live and growing beauty, from full-grown trees to violets, and from small urban patios and apartment gardens to colorful swimming pool and artistic sculpture gardens.

A new corporation, formed jointly by organized flower growers and nurserymen to stage the show, will promote attendance from 15 southeastern states.

Patrol Checks Three Accidents

Highway patrolmen investigated three accidents over the weekend. A 1951 Mack tractor trailer, driven by Elwyn Thompson, Morehead City, collided with a 1960 Ford pickup truck Friday at Bogue on highway 24. Driving the pickup was Roy A. Stewart, Swansboro.

Patrolman W. E. Pickard said both trucks were headed west. The pickup started to pass the tractor-trailer as the tractor-trailer was about to make a left turn. Damage to the pickup was estimated at \$100 and to the bigger truck \$30.

At 3 p.m. Saturday on the Harfers Island road a 1956 Chevrolet, driven by Sterling M. Gillikin, USCG, Norfolk, went in the ditch. Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr. said Gillikin was headed east, came up behind another car, was unable to stop, skidded to the right and went into a ditch.

The accident happened during a hard rain. Damage to the car was estimated at \$200.

One car hit the rear of another at 12:10 a.m. Sunday on the Atlantic Beach road in front of the Town and Country Drive-In.

Fred W. Bullock, 1532 Ann St., Beaufort, was driving a 1958 Ford, according to patrolman Smith, and was going to turn left into the drive-in when he was struck from behind by another 1958 Ford driven by Miss Gloria Jean Byrd, Mitchell Village.

Damage to the Byrd car was estimated at \$250 and to the other car \$200.

No one was reported injured in any of the accidents. Charges are pending in all three.

James Howland Loses Finger in Electric Saw

James G. Howland of Morehead City is confined to Morehead City hospital recovering from an accident in which the little finger of his left hand was cut off.

Howland, who is employed at Will Howland's cabinet shop, was using an electric saw Thursday to cut boards when the accident occurred. His condition is reportedly satisfactory.



Susan Bridgman . . . plays role of Babbie

Willis, Jean Holt, Leonard Lewis, Peggy Holt, Don Jackson, and Ruth Peeling, all of Morehead City.

The play is under the direction of Mrs. Joyce Lewis. Tickets will be available soon from members of the Shrine club.