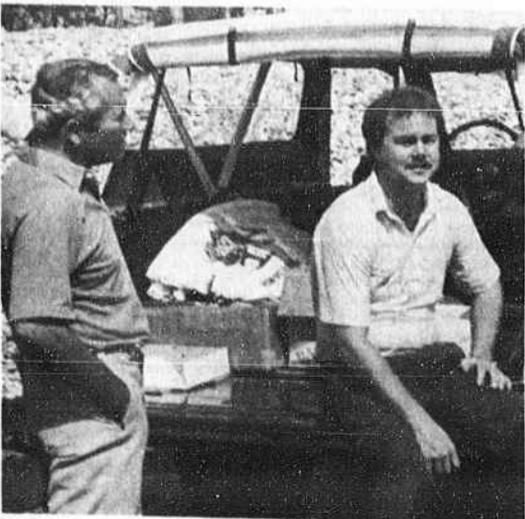


AS THE BLAZE REACHED ITS PEAK TEMPERATURES, sections of the clubhouse roof and second story fell away in chunks, quickly consumed by flames.



FIRE MEDICS Jean and Alex Mearns of Bonaparte administer oxygen to Chuck Fogle, one of three volunteer firemen overcome by heat, smoke inhalation and gas fumes in the first minutes of the Oyster Bay fire. Calabash Volunteer Rescue Squad transported Fogle, Bob Constantine and Tim Carter to The Brunswick Hospital in Supply.



FOR OYSTER BAY GOLF PRO Mike Kearns and staff members it was business almost as usual Saturday morning, with shop set up on the tailgate of a truck in front of the clubhouse ruins. Mobile offices have since replaced the track.



LITTLE BUT RUBBLE REMAINED of the Oyster Bay Golf Links clubhouse at Twin Lakes Friday, but play continued without interruption on the course.

## Crowd Control Becomes Problem At Fire

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 fire department, Young continued, the smoke got so thick he left the clubhouse and made the call from across the street. The fire continued to build rapidly, fed by the 84 golf carts of fiberglass and rubber. When the heat reached flashpoint—1,300 degrees, Allison said, the second story ignited and collapsed almost immediately.

Crowd control became a problem Friday evening for firefighters and emergency vehicles attempting to go and come from the fire.

After two firefighters became ill, Allison said, he evacuated the public from the immediate area.

Police officers and sheriff's deputies regulated movement of traffic along the approach to the fire as three firefighters, Tim Carter and Bob Constantine of Sunset Beach and Chuck Fogle of Calabash, were rushed to the Brunswick Hospital emergency room, overcome by the smoke, intense heat and toxic gases apparently created when the golf cart batteries began exploding, releasing acid.

Firefighters and/or rescue workers from Sunset Beach, Calabash, Ocean Isle Beach, Shallotte, Shallotte Point, Supply-Holden Beach and Waccamaw responded to the blaze, which was reported about 7 p.m. It was the first mutual aid call in which Supply VFD responded with its support van, the

Brunswick County Sheriff's Department's former crime prevention van, spokesman Mack Long said.

At Brunswick Hospital, the emergency room went on disaster alert, with extra personnel coming on duty to deal with the emergency. Staff treated and released a dozen

firefighters Friday night, Nursing Supervisor Evelyn Hill said, none with serious injuries.

Blood tests were taken to check for any remnants of toxic gases in the bloodstream, she said. Some firefighters received chest X-rays, antihistamines for congestion and/or

an IV feed of electrolyte solution and glucose to replace body fluids lost through dehydration in the heat of the fire.

The Oyster Bay clubhouse opened in spring 1981, Young said. Its 8,000 square foot upper level housed offices, a pro shop, snack bar and bar.



CARSON TODD, assistant Sunset Beach fire chief, was one of 13 firemen treated and released from Brunswick Hospital's emergency room Friday night.

## Commissioners Express Confidence In Manager

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 and said he appreciated their willingness to evaluate him in public session.

In his individual review, Chappell rated Carter high in organization and goal setting.

"You are very professional in all your duties," he said.

On Chappell's scoresheet, Carter rated lowest in management style. "You sometimes do get emotional," Chappell continued, "and there are times I think you are biased in comments to some departments."

Commissioner Herman Love agreed that "a little bias" was sometimes apparent, probably without Carter's realizing it.

Rating the manager's performance as standard overall, he said Carter was "a good boss man" because he's stood up for his department heads in discussions with the board on whether the supervisors were "giving 100 percent."

He added, "They ought to love you."

He and other newer members of the board praised Carter's helpfulness. Commissioner Grace Beasley added, "Without someone to go to for answers to certain questions there are times I would have been in the dark."

And Commissioner Frankie Rabon especially appreciated Carter's help

during budget deliberations and praised his overall performance.

"I think you have done an outstanding job as county manager in keeping us informed of what's going on outside and within the departments."

While saying it was "probably the nature of the game" that commissioners "get hit with a lot of cold information" at meetings, Commissioner Jim Poole counted off on Carter's form for not "providing adequate time and information to make decisions." Overall he rated Carter above standard and recommended a 5 percent salary increase.

While Poole thought Carter could do more to create a "better image"

for the board, Beasley said she thought he did a good job in public relations, always projecting a positive viewpoint.

But, she said, like many managers, he tends to take on too much responsibility rather than delegating it.

Describing herself as "a very conservative person," she recommended a 2½ percent raise.

Rabon, Poole and Chappell recommended 3 percent, the same raise the clerk to the board received.

In making the motion for the salary increase, Chappell noted that the clerk, manager and attorney would be included in the reclassification study underway this year.

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