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## Hawkins Leads Eastern Team To 7-3 Win in All-Star Contest

The Eastern All-Stars, comprised of players from Morehead City, Beaufort, Harkers Island, Straits, and Marshallberg, defeated the West team, 7-3, in the Tidewater League all-star game held at Beaufort Wednesday afternoon. On the West team were players from Swansboro, Jacksonville, Newport,

Chiefly responsible for the East's victory was the booming bat of Lefty Hawkins, star first baseman of Harkers Island-Straits. Hawkins had three hits in four times at bat and batted in five Eastern tallies with a single, double, and home run.

## Cemetery Group Requests Help On Fence Problem

The Beaufort Cemetery Restoration association would like permission to have some unsightly fences removed from the graveyard unless there is someone with a heart interest who wants to restore them. Mrs. D. F. Merrill, chairman, announced today. Where these lots can be identified, permission has or will be asked, but the committee has been unable to identify the following:

Near Purvis Chapel, a long narrow rectangle with old fence on three sides. Within no marked grave except for one wooden slab bearing the initials MAM.

Near the above, one grave surrounded with small fence. Within is a cypress marker with letters DG.

North, near Craven Street, a fence in bad state of repair. Within are graves with wooden markers but no initials.

Near graves of Abigail and J. P. Willis, east of the center, a small enclosure, tumbling down, no marker.

In removing such fences, iron markers will be driven to define the boundaries when requested.

The committee will be grateful if anyone having information on these lots will telephone B-542-6 and report it.

## Passenger Arrives On Tanker, Niobe

Sailing one week ago from Aruba on the Panamanian tanker, Niobe which docked at Port Terminal, Jack Bachelor arrived at Morehead City July 4, and became the first known passenger to land at Morehead directly from ocean voyage. He is on his way now by train to St. Louis, Missouri.

Mr. Bachelor, an Englishman, is employed as a marine engineer by the Standard Oil company in Aruba, and the purpose of his travel to St. Louis, it is believed, is to spend a five or six-month vacation there, said Captain George W. Mayne, commander of the 7,153-ton tanker.

Although the big German-built ship hailed from Aruba, a Dutch-speaking island off Venezuela, every one aboard was English.

The Niobe unloaded at the Esso dock from the 4th to the 7th of July, and is believed to be one of the largest tankers to come to Morehead City. Besides her one passenger, the 33-year-old ship carried a cargo of 76,000 barrels of asphalt and a quantity of fuel oil.

She is now on her way to Chile, South America, to pick up cargo and carry it back to Aruba.

The Niobe is owned by the Panama Transport company.

## Capt. Tom Gaskins, 93, Dies On Ocracoke Island July 5

By John A. Parris, Jr. OCRACOKE ISLAND, N. C., July 5.—Captain Tom Gaskins sailed today for the islands of the Blessed and tonight the ghost skippers of the Seven Seas gathered to welcome him into their celestial harbor.

The long shore-leave that his age had imposed on him came to an end at noon when his heart stopped beating and he crumpled to the ground of the oak-shaded yard of his home where he had lived since for a dozen years or more.

Only an hour before, the 93-year-old one-time skipper of schooners and clipper ships had been sitting down on the quay spinning yarns of a bygone era when sailing vessels with two and three raking masts, their topgallant and royal sails furled, stood in the roadstead off Ocracoke.

Perhaps he had a premonition of what was to come only a short time later, for he talked of building himself a ship so that he could go down to the sea again.

The sea was his life and his love, so perhaps in the Blessed Islands where the sea is stormless and the winds are full but gentle he will find his old ship—the Annie Wahab.

Born on Ocracoke Island Dec. 19, 1854, Captain Tom took to the sea when he had barely reached his teens.

For almost 40 years he sailed up and down the Atlantic coast, but he never got down into the West Indies.

He sailed the rice and corn route. The Carolinas and Georgia were his ports of call. His schooners carried the corn of Hyde county to Charleston and Savannah on the outward voyage and came back loaded with rice.

The two ships of his life were the Annie Wahab and the Paragon, both two-masted schooners.

Another standout offensively for the East team was Ben Hester of Beaufort, who batted 3-for-5, including a double and two singles. Pitching for the East team were Jim Webb of Morehead City, Moe Willis of Harkers Island-Straits, and Stanley Johnson of Beaufort, each of whom did three-inning stints. Webb started and received credit for the win.

The starting and losing pitcher for the West team was Fred Taylor of Havelock. He was followed on the mound by Melvin Aycock of Newport, Floyd Williams of Jacksonville, and Arthur (Pappy) Diem of Swansboro.

The East team broke the scoring ice with a run in the first inning. Elvin Davis of Marshallberg walked and stole second base. A few seconds later, Hawkins brought him in with a single.

The East added two more in the third inning. With two strikes on him, Webb singled into centerfield, and an error by centerfielder Charlie Odum, of Swansboro, in handling the ball doubled Webb to take second. Hester followed him in and Hawkins followed with another double to make the score 3-0.

Singles by Myron (Ace) Harris and Billy Davis, both of Marshallberg, and another hit by Ray Hassell of Beaufort brought in another run in the sixth inning and made the score 4-0 in the East's favor.

The East's offensive was climaxed with a three-run outburst in the seventh frame. Hester singled and Dave Yeomans of Harkers Island-Straits got a life via a miscue by a shortstop Bill Holt of Swansboro. With the West's defense shifted to the right for a left-handed batter, Hawkins then sent a long, high blast into left field, going for a home run and scoring three tallies before it could be recovered.

In the meantime, the West had been thoroughly tamed by the three Eastern hurlers for the first seven frames. They had been allotted only three hits, all off starter Webb. Willis no-hit the Westerners for three frames, and Johnson duplicated this treatment in the seventh.

After striking out Williams to start the eighth, Johnson also fanned Holt, but backstop Johnny Willis of Marshallberg dropped the See ALL-STAR Page 3

Contributions Mount In Crusade for Children

Mrs. O. H. Johnson, chairman of the United Nations Appeal for Children, announced today that contributions are mounting, but that there is still quite a distance to go before reaching the county's \$2,000 goal.

Checks or money orders should be made out to "A.O.A.—United Nations Appeal for Children," and sent to Mrs. O. H. Johnson, 2711 Evans street.

Contributions may be sent also to the campaign headquarters, Carolina hotel, Raleigh. These donations will be accredited then to the county from which they come.

## It Was a Happy Holiday For Morehead City Area

It was a happy holiday over the Fourth of July weekend as for Morehead City was concerned, reports Robert Lowe, secretary of the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce.

There was a record crowd, a record amount of money spent, and furthermore, there were no mishaps.

There were over 15,000 people here for the weekend and estimates of money spent range from \$250,000 to \$500,000, Mr. Lowe said.

## School Official Seeks Four to Fill Faculty Positions

Four teacher vacancies exist in the county for the 1948-49 school term. H. L. Joslyn, superintendent of schools, informed the board of education at its July meeting Tuesday afternoon in his office.

Vacancies are as follows: mathematics teacher at Smyrna, high school teacher and coach at Atlantic, principal at Camp Glenn, and third grade teacher at Harkers Island.

H. D. Epting, of Little Mountain, S. C., will fill the position of principal at White Oak school, replacing H. Leslie Chadwick, and Mrs. Rosalie Davis, of Davis, will teach home economics at Smyrna. Also required is a matron at the teachers' home in Newport.

Thirty-six fire extinguishers were recently delivered to the county and will be placed in the schools. Mr. Joslyn also reported that repairs are being made at Newport and Smyrna schools and that the new roof on White Oak school has been completed. Sprinkler tanks were recently installed at the Atlantic teachers' home.

Plans are being made to improve the school building at Harkers Island also. These include laying a new roof.

## Three Drivers Pay Heavy Fines

Three drivers paid stiff fines Tuesday morning in recorder's court on charges of drunk driving, heading a light docket of 23 cases. Judge L. R. Morris was on the bench.

The three defendants were James Willis Moody, John R. Blackman, and Vina Wetherington, and all were ordered to pay \$100 fines and costs of court.

Moody pleaded guilty to charges of driving drunk and without a license, and Miss Wetherington pleaded guilty to the charge of driving drunk and doing damage to personal property. Blackman pleaded guilty to a lone charge of drunk driving.

William Peterson, charged with hit and run, doing damage to personal property, and driving without a license, pleaded guilty to the no license charge, while the state reserved the right to prosecute the defendant some time in the future in regard to the other counts.

In another case Milton Lewis was charged with assault, but the court found malicious prosecution and taxed the plaintiff with the costs of court.

The state also reserved the right to prosecute in the case of Elzy Guthrie, who was charged with abandonment and non-support and assault on his wife.

Obelia Wilson, charged with public drunkenness, was found guilty and ordered confined to jail for 30 days. See DRIVERS Page 2

## Four Conventions Will Be Held Here This Month

Four conventions, scheduled for Atlantic Beach this month, will bring approximately 500 persons to the Morehead City area.

First will be the N. C. Dairy Products association July 15-16. Approximately 300 delegates are expected. On July 23 and for four days the N. C. Utilities Coordinating committee will convene on the beach with approximately 50 representatives in attendance.

On July 25, the American Institute of Architects, (N. C. Chapter) will convene at the Atlantic Beach Hotel. One hundred and twenty-five delegates are expected. Starting on July 26 will be the summer meeting of the Department of Conservation and Development which will bring a large number of officials and citizens, interested in fishing commercially, to the Morehead City area.

## Mainlanders Join Islanders July 5

'Nine Old Men' Defeat Coast Guard in Game of Softball

OCRACOKE ISLAND, N. C., July 5 — Dozens of Island visitors joined with Ocracoke today in a lusty celebration of Independence Day.

Streaming here from the heat-ridden cities of the mainland, the holiday weekenders gathered at the Coast Guard base with some 400 islanders to participate in the festivities.

The celebration got under way at 1 p.m. when young Clifton Austin, son of a Coast Guardsman, ran up the Stars and Stripes on the base flagpole.

Still standing at attention, the crowd sang the first verse of the Star Spangled Banner, which was led by Harvey Wahab of the Coast Guard.

Dr. Charles J. Tilley, pastor of the Ocracoke Methodist church, then offered a prayer and made a few brief remarks befitting the occasion.

The gathered crowd also bowed in silent tribute to Captain Tom Gaskins, whose death had occurred only a few minutes before.

Highlight of the program was a softball game between Ocracoke's "Nine Old Men" and the Coast Guard. The "Nine Old Men" won by a score of 22 to 15.

Hunter Robinson, one of the guiding hands of the occasion, had rigged up swings and a merry-go-round for the children.

John Parris was master of ceremonies.

## State Sets Deadlines In Car Inspection Program

Because the mechanical inspection lane program has been lagging the past several months, officials of the state motor vehicle department have set deadlines for the various models of cars.

There are only six months left in the car inspection program and only 250,185 of the state's 862,252 vehicles have passed through the lanes.

The deadlines are as follows: 1. All vehicles of models up to and including 1936 and vehicles of models 1947 and 1948 must be inspected by August 31.

2. Models 1938, 1939, 1943, 1944, and 1945 must be inspected by October 31.

3. Models 1940 and 1942 must be inspected by November 30.

4. Models 1941 and 1949 must be inspected by December 31.

In passing the law requiring inspection of vehicles, the 1947 General Assembly set no such deadlines. However, officials point out that, the law does give the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles the authority to promulgate rules and regulations that he deems necessary to the administration of the law.

By setting these deadlines, Director Arthur T. Moore of the Mechanical Inspection Division said, the department can be assured that all registered vehicles have visited inspection lanes by the year's end.

Rush Avoided

"In this way," he added, "the lanes will not have to undergo such a tremendous rush at the end of the year."

The law requires inspection of all vehicles once this year and twice a year hereafter.

The new deadlines, officials pointed out, won't prevent vehicle owners from taking their cars and trucks to inspection lanes earlier than the specified times. For instance, if the owner of a 1941 vehicle wants to have his car inspected during July, that will be fine, even though the actual deadline for inspection of 1941 models is not until December 31.

The operation of any uninspected motor vehicle after the time

## County's First Antique Show to Open Thursday

Morehead City's first antique exhibit and sale will be held Thursday and Friday of next week in the Carteret County Recreational center, the former USO, on Shepard street.

The exhibit will open at 11 o'clock Thursday morning, July 15, and close at 10 o'clock that night. Luncheon will be served at 1 o'clock Tuesday and reservations should be made by phoning M-8511. It was announced today.

On the following day, the show, which is being sponsored by the Morehead City Women's club, will be open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

The exhibit and sale is under the direction of Bess Hyman Guion, of New Bern.

Bound for Philadelphia

Irvin Davis, pictured above, Carteret county's register of deeds, is scheduled to leave today for Philadelphia where he will attend the Democratic National convention.

Mr. Davis is one of four delegates from the Third Congressional district. From New Bern he will motor with John Watkins and Libby Ward, state senators, to Washington. From there they will take a train to Philadelphia.

When asked who he was going to vote for, Mr. Davis replied, "President Truman. We else is there?"

Pelletier Club to Meet

The Pelletier Home Demonstration club will meet at 2:30 today at the church. Topic will be "The Making of Wills."

## Aero Club Tour Arrives Today

The welcome mat will be out to members of the North Carolina Aero club at Morehead City airport this afternoon. Earl Taylor, manager of the Morehead City field will fly to Rocky Mount with several other local pilots for the opening luncheon of the annual tour.

The group, comprised of approximately 50 member pilots, their wives and guests, will leave Rocky Mount and land at Morehead in time for an afternoon on the sands of Atlantic Beach. Taylor has planned a reception at the airport prior to dinner Friday night.

The management of the Carolina Racing association and the Surf club have offered their facilities for entertainment of the group this evening.

Owners of the private planes will assemble tomorrow morning at the airport and proceed up the Outer Banks to Ocracoke, where they will be entertained for luncheon.

The group is then expected to split up, some winding up the weekend with a return to Morehead City for fishing and a week end at the beach.

This is the second annual tour of the North Carolina Aero club and it is hoped will become an annual affair. Approximately twice as many pilots and guests as were on last year's tour are expected this year.

## Camp Players To Present Revue

"The Gay Nineties Revue," a musical show of the decade termed the Naughty Nineties, will be presented tonight and tomorrow night at the Roda Theatre by the Camp Morehead Players. Camp Morehead is a summer camp for boys located on Bogue Sound west of Morehead City.

This Gay Nineties Revue was first produced August 11, 1947 in the camp gymnasium as one of the features of a new drama group. The group really got its start with the Revue, and now the Camp Morehead Players plan weekly program, dances, and a major production each month.

The idea for the Gay Nineties Revue was conceived by Bill Trotman, of Winston-Salem, when he came to the camp to help with dramatics in 1947. In collaboration with Billy Barnes, of Wilson, the complete plans were drawn up, and the ten different numbers went into rehearsal.

A cast of over 20 people ranging in age from 6 to 20 met daily to put the finishing touches on the can-can, the barber shop quartet, and the various other numbers.

Then on August 11 the show was a finished production, and the opening night audience acclaimed it as a hit; so the Revue was produced one more time that season with the same favorable result. Although the cast was young and inexperienced, it was agreed that each boy, doing his best, put over a show that Camp Morehead was proud of.

Cargo Transport Unloads Marines at Port Terminal

Two hundred six Marines of the second division, Camp Lejeune, returned to their base near Jacksonville Wednesday afternoon after the cargo transports USS Vermilion docked at Port Terminal.

The transport left yesterday morning for Norfolk. The Marines' six months' sea duty which ended Wednesday, included training in the Mediterranean area.

## Tide Table

HIGH	Friday, July 9	LOW
10:10 a.m.		4:08 a.m.
10:30 p.m.		4:17 p.m.

	Saturday, July 10	
4:08 a.m.		4:57 a.m.
4:17 p.m.		5:15 p.m.

	Sunday, July 11	
11:55 a.m.		5:48 a.m.
		6:14 p.m.

	Monday, July 12	
12:15 a.m.		6:39 a.m.
12:50 p.m.		7:20 p.m.

	Tuesday, July 13	
1:11 a.m.		7:35 a.m.
1:52 p.m.		8:27 p.m.

## Beaufort Police Receive Thanks from Salesman

The Beaufort police department recently received a pat on the back from a visitor who was impressed by the efficiency of the local gendarmes during his stay here. Sharing the laurels with the policemen is L. W. Hassell, mayor of Beaufort.

The satisfied "customer" is Joe L. Young, southern sales manager of a company in St. Louis, Mo., who wrote the following letter to Mayor Hassell:

Hon. L. W. Hassell, Beaufort, N. C. My Dear Sir:

Please let me thank you and your efficient police department for making my first visit to your lovely city a pleasant one.

It's a shame we don't have more cities like yours, that haven't forgotten the true southern hospitality.

Cordially yours, Joe L. Young

## Ball Game Nets Lions Club \$165

The Donkey Baseball game, sponsored by Morehead City Lions netted the club \$165.40, it was reported Friday night at the organization's meeting at the Carteret Recreation center. This amount will be applied to the club's year-round program of aid to the blind and the physically handicapped.

Speaker at Friday night's meeting was Gaither Beam, retired district governor of district 31-C. Mr. Beam, from Lewisburg, is making his 72nd official visit to Lions clubs throughout this district. Thus far these trips have totaled 11,000 miles, he remarked.

The next regular meeting of the Lions club will be at 7:15 Friday night, Fort Macon hotel. To be discussed will be the establishment of a Lions auxiliary.

## Flag Pole In Front Of School Snapped Off

The flagpole in front of Morehead City High school, near the street, was snapped off cleanly three feet from the ground early Thursday morning.

No one reported having seen the incident but an unidentified person said he heard a noise at 2 a. m. which might have been the pole falling, according to E. J. Willis, chief of police.

Morehead City police state that upon examining the metal stump it appeared the pole had already been split halfway through the diameter at the breaking point and whatever struck it above the split finished the job neatly.

## Purse Boat Makes Rescue

A purse boat from the Sick's, menhaden boat owned by David and Calvin Jones, picked up three men and a girl, all unidentified, who were floundering in the water when their skiff overturned Tuesday in the Straits. All were uninjured.

## Dr. J. O. Baxter Attends National Elks Convention

Dr. J. O. Baxter of Beaufort is now attending the annual national Philadelphia convention of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks as an alternate delegate.

Lou Gore of Morehead City, Executive Ruler of local Elks, is not attending the convention because of a recent death in his family.

## He Manages Large Coastal Realty Company

Wilson Wahab, who recently graduated from the University of Virginia, is shown here talking to a client of Coastland Realty Co. in Manteo. He is the son of R. S. Wahab of Ocracoke Island, who recently established the firm which is operated by his children.

Wilson Wahab is the secretary-treasurer of the firm and also its resident manager in Manteo and along the Outer Banks. The firm specializes in real estate and homesites on the islands of the Outer Banks.

(Photo by Aycock Brown)

## Jaycees to Meet Weekly at Center

Power Situation Discussed; Bank Establishment Prospects Reported Dull

For the first time Monday night the Morehead City Junior Chamber of Commerce held its regular weekly meeting at the Carteret Recreation center. They will meet at the center for four consecutive weeks.

Formerly, meetings were held at the Fort Macon hotel. The Junior Chamber has not decided as yet to return to the hotel at the termination of the four-week period or to continue holding their meetings at the Recreation center.

At the next meeting a roast turkey dinner will be served, and Miss Morehead City of 1948 will provide entertainment.

The Tide Water Power situation was discussed. Steps are being taken to rectify it and final results of a recent survey by A. B. Jones, vice president of Tide Water company, will be forthcoming shortly, it was announced.

The committee appointed to look into the possibility of establishing another bank in Morehead City reported that the prospects did not look very bright at present.

Lawrence Austin, Jaycee, from High Point, was guest speaker at the meeting. He gave pointers on the waste paper drive to be made in Morehead July 25. The proceeds of the drive will go to civic betterment.

## Officer Reports On District Meet

B. J. May, newly installed president of Beaufort Rotary club, gave a report on the district assembly at Wrightsville Beach at Tuesday night's meeting at the Inlet Inn.

Mr. May named members of his committees and told the club that the coming Rotary year, with their cooperation, should be the best the have yet experienced.

He announced that the 168th district convention would be held in May of next year and that the Rotary International convention will be held in June, 1949, in New York City. N. F. Eure was named chairman of the committee on international convention information.

Guests at the meeting were David Murray, Morehead City Rotarian, James Alexander, of Greenville, Grant Leonard, of Detroit, Mich., and Thomas H. Carrow, of Philadelphia.

At last week's meeting Mr. Carrow, whose series "Memories of Beaufort in the Nineties," is running in The News-Times, was speaker for the evening.