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# State Spends \$194,467 on County Roads This Year

## Dr. Frank Graham To Speak at MCTI Graduation Aug. 2

Engineering Dean Will Award Diplomas to Class Of 25

RALEIGH—Dr. Frank P. Graham, president of the Greater University of North Carolina, will be the principal speaker at the first graduation exercise of the Morehead City Technical Institute of North Carolina State college on Friday, Aug. 20. Director Edward W. Ruggles, of the State College Extension division, announced here today.

Chancellor J. W. Harrelson, of State college, will preside over the exercises, which will be held in the Morehead City High school auditorium Aug. 20 at 8 p.m. The certificates will be presented to the graduates by Dean J. H. Lanze of the College's School of Engineering.

Approximately 25 students are expected to be awarded certificates. They enrolled for training at the institute last September.

The institute will hold "open house" prior to the graduation ceremonies, and visitors will be conducted on tours through the institute's buildings.

A new class of students will register at the institute Sept. 15. A new catalog has just been published and is available upon request. Copies may be obtained by writing to Director Ruggles, Extension Division, State College, Raleigh.

## Board Considers Witness Pay Issue

The county board of commissioners decided in regular session yesterday morning that a policy on payment of witness fees should be determined and hereafter followed. James Potter, auditor, and A. H. James, clerk of superior court, were named to investigate the matter.

The case came under consideration when a state's witness in the October 1947 term of superior court presented a slip issued him by Mr. James entitling him to payment of \$4.

The board explained that it has not been customary to pay witness fees because the county was financially unable to do so, but the commissioners also agreed that it was foolish to issue "pay slips" to the witnesses if there was no money with which to pay them.

Alvah Hamilton, county attorney, stated that when a defendant loses a case he is taxed with all costs, including witness fees. When the state fails to prove the defendant guilty, however, the county is obligated to pay witnesses one-half of the \$2 a day cost for appearing in court.

## Davis Legion Auxiliary Installs New Officers

The American Legion auxiliary unit No. 295, Davis, had its new officers installed Friday night, July 23, at the Davis Legion hut by Mrs. Floyd M. Chadwick, Morehead City. Mrs. Chadwick is department president of the North Carolina American Legion auxiliary.

The visiting official spoke on her trips to North Carolina veterans' hospitals this year and told of her visits to out-of-state auxiliary units.

Officers she installed are Mrs. Frank M. Hunt, president; Mrs. Gerald Salter, first vice-president; Miss Leonda Salter, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Wesley Paul, chaplain and historian; and Mrs. Opal Lewis, sergeant-at-arms.

Pictures of the new officers will appear in Friday's NEWS-TIMES.

## Fire Occurs in Car

Morehead City fire department reported that firemen were called out 10 p.m. Thursday night to extinguish a fire in the back seat of a Ford sedan belonging to N. T. Lewis. The fire ruined the back seat and burned the upholstery. The car was situated on 15th street at the time of the fire.

## Officials Name County's New Board of Induction

Personnel of Carteret county's new draft board which will administer the government's program of inducting young men for military duty has been announced by the nomination committee consisting of Fred Seelye, chairman of the county board of elections, A. H. James, clerk of superior court and H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools.

The new board consists of Floyd Chadwick, Morehead City, Lionel Pelletier, Stella, and H. D. Paul, Beaufort, Dr. S. W. Thompson is medical examiner and J. F. Duncan, Beaufort, federal appeal agent. Mr. Pelletier is the only member of the board who served on the wartime draft board.

This list of nominations has been sent in for the approval of Governor Cherry and is expected to be accepted by him.

## County Purchases Bond; Settles Tax, Road Problems

The county retired one of three old outstanding bonds which was not turned in under the refunding plan at yesterday's county board meeting at the courthouse.

D. J. Branch, Pitt county, holder of the 6 per cent bond, was paid \$1,250, the price he set for purchase. Coupons on the bond were not clipped since 1931 and the bond was to mature in 1957. Representing Mr. Branch was Samuel Worthington, of Greenville.

Other issues discussed by the commissioners dealt mainly with road and tax problems. Turk Cannon, Newport, presented a petition requesting improvements on the Nine-foot road all the way from route 70 to Newport to route 24. The board approved this petition and passed a resolution referring the matter to the State highway commission.

Commissioners also acted favorably on the suggestion made by Dr. K. P. B. Bonner, chairman of the board, for improvements to the road just east of the P & M garage on route 70 which leads to Arendell street, Morehead City.

This resolution called for making the road a part of the county highway system.

Wallace Styron, commissioner, was appointed by Dr. Bonner to investigate the request for reduced valuation on the home of Mrs. Marvin Nelson, Atlantic. C. Z. Chappell, commissioner, and James Potter, auditor, were appointed to investigate the request for reduced valuation on the home of R. M. Herring, Jr., Beaufort, and John Brooks will investigate a similar request submitted by Sunshine laundry, Morehead City.

Lots 12 and 13 in square 122, Morehead City, were ordered to be sold to Mrs. Mollie B. Willis for \$175 with the provision that all city taxes are settled.

A tax refund of \$63 was made in the case of Miss Dorothy Hutford. The Hutford property, block 14 and one-half of block 16, Morehead City, was involved in a listing error, and taxes were paid on an underwater lot since 1942. Taxes refunded were those paid on this lot.

The board was informed that Luther W. Guthrie, Harkers Island, wishes to reclaim property deeded to the county. Taxes due are \$297.03. No action was taken in this instance.

At the request of R. M. Williams, county agent, a mimeographing machine will be purchased for the county agent's office at a cost of \$50.

## Post 2401, VFW, Attends District Meeting, Willows

Post 2401 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, which includes both Beaufort and Morehead City, was represented at the district meeting of the VFW held this weekend at Wallace, N. C. About 150 delegates attended the meeting, including members from Goldsboro, New Bern, Havelock, Jacksonville, Clinton and, of course, Beaufort and Morehead City.

The meeting was a two-day session covering Saturday and Sunday. The activities included a barbecue chicken dinner and dance Saturday and a luncheon following the business meeting Sunday.

## Road Built on Outer Banks



The only road on the Outer Banks of North Carolina—from Hatteras to Avon, a distance of 17 miles—will be dedicated August 4 during Coast Guard Day celebration at Hatteras. Here's a section of the new road. Outer Bankers might well make much ado over the little strip of pavement. It's the first they've had in their 400-year history. (AP Photo).

## Charles N. Bennett, Morehead City, Heads New Group, Tar Heels Afloat

Charles N. Bennett was elected commodore of the state-wide organization of pleasure yachtsmen, Tar Heels Afloat, Inc., at the organization meeting yesterday afternoon at Morehead City Yacht Basin which he heads as president.

The meeting was attended by yachtsmen representing nearly every port along the North Carolina coast. They set Sept. 4, 5 and 6 as the dates for the first mass cruise with the Yacht Basin as the point of rendezvous Saturday afternoon, Sept. 4. Those participating in the cruise, whether as owner or guest, will become charter members of Tar Heels Afloat.

Bill Sharpe, director of state publicity, outlined the principle aim of the organization as bringing pleasure yachtsmen of this state into close contact to exploit for themselves and their friends the scenic beauties of North Carolina's relatively little known waterways.

About 50 pleasure craft carrying more than 200 persons are expected to participate in the first Tar Heels Afloat cruise.

Commodore Bennett plans a diverse list of entertainment for that day and evening including parties at Atlantic Beach and at the dog track.

On Sunday morning, Sept. 5, the flotilla will set forth about 10 o'clock for New Bern where, in the afternoon, everyone will be guests of the Eastern Carolina Yacht club. Dinner will be served at the Trent Pines club.

On Monday morning, Sept. 6, the See TAR HEELS Page 8

## Marketing Books For Leaf Ready

B. J. May, Production Marketing administrator for Carteret county, has requested that tobacco farmers call for their tobacco marketing books at his office in the postoffice building as soon as possible.

At the time the farmers pick up their books they will be asked to report on the soil conservation programs carried out on their farms this year.

This compliance report must be sent soon to the federal government, Mr. May said, and those farmers wishing to be reimbursed for their work must inform Mr. May of their accomplishments.



Charles N. Bennett

## Fishery Official Addresses Rotary

The Morehead City Rotary club, meeting Thursday night at the recreation center in Morehead City, heard W. Roy Hampton, chairman of the fisheries committee of the Board of Conservation and Development, outline a three-phase plan for the development of the food fish industry in this area.

Mr. Hampton, who makes his home in Plymouth, N. C., and who is interested in real estate and wood pulp there, prefaced his remarks by pointing out that from 1888 to 1942 the per capita consumption of food fish decreased from 21 to 11 pounds.

In addition to this, North Carolina fishermen in this same period have never caught more and received less for their pains.

The fisheries committee is setting out to help increase profits and improve the economics of handling food fish, said Mr. Hampton. It is possible for a housewife to buy packaged fish from Massachusetts and other states, but locally, fisheries are still shipping fish in boxes with heads, gills, fins, and tails.

Local fish, Mr. Hampton stressed, have to be cultivated and packaged conveniently.

Five scientists are working now on a research program which is intended to increase profits for local fishermen, the commissioner reported. The three phases of operation are: one, technical and scientific research which will determine how increase the supply of food fish; two, physical rehabilitation of waters; and three, marketing of fish.

Agent Announces Meeting  
Mrs. Carrie B. Gillikin, home demonstration agent, has announced the following club meeting for Thursday evening: Bettie and North River clubs, jointly, at 6 p. m., North River bridge.

## Col. G. W. Gillette Presents Proposal For Waterways

The board of conservation and development on Wednesday morning approved the plans and suggestions for improvement to North Carolina's inlets and waterways, as submitted by Col. G. W. Gillette, head of the North Carolina Ports authority. Colonel Gillette is a member of the board's committee on mineral and water resources.

The colonel remarked that there is little doubt that the federal government will approve the proposals for improvements at Port Terminal. These proposals call for deepening the channel to 34 feet. The channel is now filled in to a depth of 27 feet, making it necessary to lighten a tanker by almost half before bringing her to dock, he reported.

According to the port authority's plans, a dredge will be here the latter part of August to open the channel. Present authorized depth is 30 feet.

In answer to Dr. H. F. Prytherch, Beaufort marine scientist, who requested cooperation of the corps of engineers in preventing erosion of Fort Macon beach, Colonel Gillette said that the jetties will be moved slightly south of the present line. This will tend to build up the beach which has eroded away approximately 300 yards in recent months.

At present drum inlet is being maintained at a depth of 12 feet. New River inlet at a depth of 5 feet. Cape Fear inlet, 32 feet. In See WATERWAYS Page 8

## Education Board Hears Report on School Repairs

H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools reported on repairs being made to schools throughout the county at the board of education meeting yesterday afternoon.

Two new classrooms will be added to Harkers Island school and a roof on the structure now standing is completed. A new pump has been installed and repairs to windows have been made at Newport. Two rooms at Smyrna have also been re-conducted.

A few vacancies for teachers in the 1948-49 term still exist. A coach is needed at Atlantic, an English and French teacher and an eighth grade teacher are needed at Beaufort, a science teacher at Morehead City, a first and second grade teacher at White Oak, and a principal at Camp Glenn.

Newport, Atlantic, and Harkers Island teachers presented petitions requesting adjustment of teaching fees, but action was deferred. Mr. Joslyn stated that he will attend the superintendent's conference Aug. 11, 12, and 13 at Mars Hill college.

## Two More Cases Of Polio Develop

David Taylor, Sealevel, Lee Jenkins, Morehead, Become Ill

Carteret county accounted for its fourth and fifth cases of infantile paralysis for this year when the illnesses of David Ewell Taylor, of Sea Level, and Leo Bryant Jenkins, younger resident of Morehead City, were diagnosed over the weekend as polio. Both are 8 years old.

David, who is the son of Ewell Taylor, was taken to James Walker Memorial hospital in Wilmington Thursday, and his case was diagnosed as polio sometime during the night. Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, county health officer, was notified of the diagnosis Friday by wire from the hospital.

Dr. Ennett said the home has been quarantined according to state regulations.

Dr. Ennett pointed out that the Taylor boy was a member of the same Bible school as the other Sea Level youngster who has contracted the disease, Richard Salter, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Salter. The Bible school was closed after Richard's case was diagnosed.

No definite word has yet been received on the extent of David's affliction.

The Jenkins boy became sick Friday and was diagnosed Sunday by the family physician, Dr. S. W. Thompson, as a polio case. The family, whose permanent residence is in Kingston, have been living at 1610 Shackelford avenue since June 10.

The boy has since been admitted to Memorial hospital in Kingston, and Dr. Ennett said yesterday that the Morehead City home has been quarantined.

Besides the two Sea Level boys and the weekend case in Morehead City, the county's only other cases are Jean Chadwick, 8, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Chadwick of Beaufort, and Jasper Lawrence, 5, son of Mrs. J. B. Gould of Morehead City.

The Morehead City Teen Age club, Sunday schools and most parents are cooperating with the county health office in its request that children do not meet during these days of epidemic.

Cases in Craven county totaled seven on Saturday, four of these at Cherry Point. Victims are two women in their mid-twenties, and two are children.

## Cemetery Restoration Association Hears Latest Progress Report

Mrs. Maybelle Mace, new member of the Beaufort Cemetery Restoration association, met with the group in regular session at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Merrill Friday evening, July 30.

Mr. Merrill, reporting for the committee on repairs to the wall, said that work has been completed and preparations are being made to paint it this week. The town of Beaufort, to which the cemetery belongs, has given splendid cooperation in this, she said. Beaufort firemen moulded 35 domes to replace those broken, and employees of the town under Street Superintendent Clyde Peterson, are giving the necessary labor for the paint job.

A committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Thomas Ennett is endeavoring to secure proper gates. A report of the committee was heard but no decision was pending further correspondence and estimates.

Work accomplished in individual lots but hitherto unreported:  
A Leffers in Beaufort  
There have always been Leffers in the county since Thomas Leffers received a grant of land on North River in 1719. From Amsterdam, Holland, Mr. Richard Leffers says they came. Most of them have been in the eastern part of the county, but Samuel Leffers (1737-1822) was Town Clerk here in the 1780's, acquired much property here at that time, and he and his wife, Sarah, are buried in the old graveyard. Samuel's stone bears the quaint inscription:  
"Praises on tomb stones are but idly spent,  
"A Man's good name is his best monument."  
These Leffers stones together See CEMETERY Page 8

## Proposed Projects for '48-'49 Estimated at \$190,000

Spent in Carteret county on road construction and maintenance during the year ended June 30, 1947, was \$194,467.81, according to a report from the State Highway and Public Works commission released today by Dr. K. P. B. Bonner, chairman of the county board.

Proposed expenditure in Carteret county during the coming year is an estimated \$190,000.

Largest project during 1948-49, in terms of dollars and cents, is the surfacing of the road from Atlantic to Cedar Island, a distance of 10 miles. Estimated cost is \$100,000. This project will be completed this year; the highway commission reports.

Construction of the road to Harkers Island from route 70 was a federal aid project. This work was carried out at a cost of \$80,430. Construction involved grading and bituminous surfacing over a distance of 5.3 miles.

North Carolina route 101 from Harlowe to Beaufort, 13 miles, is being resurfaced at an estimated cost of \$72,850 and will be completed this year.

The sand asphalt retreat on the road from Beaufort to Lennox Point, 2.2 miles, was laid at an estimated cost of \$6,600.

Highlight of the 1948 program is the bituminous surfacing of the Merrimon road, from route 70 to the church and crossroads near Merrimon, a distance of 8 miles. Cost of this project, long clamored for and needed by residents of the Merrimon section, is estimated at \$120,000.

Also proposed for 1948 is the reconstruction of the fill from the Atlantic Beach bridge to Atlantic Beach, seven-tenths of a mile, at a cost of \$40,000. This and some of the following projects have already been started:

Bituminous surfacing on county road from Newport east 12 miles at an estimated cost of \$20,000; widening and repairing fill on approach at North river on route 70, four-tenths of a mile at an estimated cost of \$13,500.

Sand seal on road from Morehead City to Crab point, 2.2 miles at estimated cost of \$1,100; and sand seal on Beaufort airport road, 1.6 miles, \$800; sand seal on Front street in Beaufort, 1.4 miles, \$700; sand seal on Gloucester road, 2.8 miles, \$1,400.

Sand seal on Sea Level road, 1.3 miles at estimated cost of \$600; drag seal on county road on Hark See ROADS Page 8

## New Cabbage Seed Recommended

R. M. Williams, county agent, has informed farmers in the county that planting of Puget Sound grown cabbage seed may prevent black rot disease in spring crops.

Leaving seed dealers have agreed to stock this type of seed and the county agent has requested that local growers purchase this for their next crop of cabbage. Authorities feel that a great part of the trouble here is due to infected seed, according to the agent.

A three-year crop rotation where fields were infected last year is recommended wherever possible, says Mr. Williams, however, he remarked that the size of most Carteret farms will not permit this practice. If weather conditions are favorable, it is possible for black rot disease to over-winter in the soil and cause trouble again in the spring.

## Tide Table

HIGH	Tuesday, August 3	LOW
5:16 a.m.		11:26 a.m.
5:53 p.m.		
Wednesday, August 4		
6:15 a.m.		12:32 a.m.
6:49 p.m.		12:26 p.m.
Thursday, August 5		
7:12 a.m.		1:23 p.m.
7:40 p.m.		1:23 p.m.
Friday, August 6		
8:07 a.m.		2:11 a.m.
8:32 p.m.		2:18 p.m.

## Plans Move Ahead For Mass X-Ray

Dr. W. A. Smith Meets With Local Tuberculosis Board Friday

Members of the Carteret County Tuberculosis association met Friday afternoon at the county health office with Dr. William A. Smith, director of the State Bureau of Tuberculosis Control, to discuss plans for the mass X-ray survey scheduled for this winter in Carteret county. Also at the meeting, proposals were made to form a monthly county tuberculosis clinic.

Present at the meeting were Stanley Woodland, president of the tuberculosis association; Mrs. William Loftin, executive secretary; Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, county health officer; Mrs. Leota Hamner, health department nurse; Mrs. Mildred Spivey, health department nurse; Miss Christine Vick, supervisor of the Morehead City hospital; Mrs. George Henderson, of the welfare department; James Potter, county auditor; and Dr. Smith.

Dr. Smith told the group that according to present plans the state contingent—the technician, clerical supervisor, "educators," and other personnel will be on hand to assist the local group to get the survey under way in January.

Possible cancellation of appointments by other counties might move the date of the survey up to December.

The two "educators" sent by the state will be one white and one colored person to publicize the program and inform the people of details.

Dr. Smith told the group that there will be four units working See X-RAY Page 8

## Farmers to Make Field Trip Friday

Farmers can enjoy a field day at the Plymouth experimental station, Friday, Aug. 6, at 2 p. m. by applying to the county agent, R. M. Williams.

The day will begin with a short preview of the work under way at the station, followed by a trip to the field to see soybeans growing.

Dr. E. E. Hartwig, who is conducting soybean breeding work and row spacing work, will discuss the newer varieties and results obtained by different row spacing.

Dr. W. L. Nelson, working with fertility phases, will discuss the yield responses obtained by different fertility treatment.

Dr. S. G. Lehman, working with seed treatment, will discuss the latest information on this phase of production and Dr. W. M. Kulash will discuss the insect problems and their control.

There is also some outstanding experimental work at the station in connection with pasture production and those attending will be able to see some of the pasture grasses developing under different fertility treatment. Dr. W. W. Woodhouse will be there to discuss the work now in progress.

## Rotarians, Lions to Meet At Recreation Center

Morehead City Rotarians and Lions will conduct business sessions following dinners this week at the Carteret Recreation center.

The Rotarians will meet there Thursday night and the Lions, with their wives, Friday night. Morehead Jaycees held their meeting at the club last night.

## Two LSTs, Four LCTs Come into Port Terminal

Joint U. S. Navy and U. S. Marine (Camp Lejeune) maneuvers brought two LSTs and four LCTs into Port Terminal over the week-end for routine leading and loading tactics.

The large ships were beached, two at a time, on the west side of the dock.