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Morehead City Sailing Club Will Stage Labor Day Regatta

295,000 North Carolina Men, 18-26, To Register Under '48 Service Act

Morehead Board Defers Action On Pay Raises

Mayor Reports That Spraying of Garbage Cans Has Begun

Raising of the salaries of municipal employees, especially those in the police and street maintenance departments was discussed by Morehead City commissioners Tuesday night but no action was taken.

The matter was referred to the finance committee and will be reported on at the September meeting. At the request of the finance commissioner, W. L. Derrickson, a monthly treasurer's report will be made at each meeting of the board.

Mayor George W. Dill reported that spraying of garbage cans has begun. After each collection the cans are sprayed with a solution of DDT. Each garbage truck is equipped with spraying apparatus. The mayor was given the authority to negotiate for the purchase of trash cans to be placed in the business section of town. James B. Willis, Morehead City, offered to contract for the painting of lines on the streets.

Ten dollars weekly will be paid to Mack Edwards, engineer at the fire department, for maintenance of the fire alarm system. The commissioners also decided that the ordinance prohibiting keeping of pigs within the city limits be more strictly enforced.

To obtain estimates on the resurfacing of city streets the board will request an engineer to inform them as to the work necessary in such a project.

27 to Receive Diplomas Tonight

Latest report from the dean's office, Morehead City Technical Institute, places the number of graduates in the first graduating at 27. Eleven are residents of Carteret county. Graduation exercises will begin at 8 o'clock tonight in the Morehead City high school auditorium.

Delivering the commencement address will be Dr. Frank P. Graham, president of the University of North Carolina. The public is invited.

Certificates for the graduates, who have completed a one-year course, will be awarded by Dean J. H. Lampe of the School of Engineering, North Carolina State college.

From 2 to 5 this afternoon there will be open house at the institute. Residents of Morehead City, Beaufort, and all of Carteret county are invited to go through the woodworking, metal shops, and classrooms. They will be the guests of the faculty and students. Graduates are the following: Niel K. Albright, Black Mountain, Samuel R. Bailey, Jr., York, Pa., Jinx Willie Baker, Kannapolis, Gloucester C. Cagle, Biscoe, John A. Corbett, Wilson, Albert H. Daniels, Asheville.

Ray A. Danielson, Morehead City, Ralph Leslie Davis, Robert O. Doss, both of Beaufort, Wilbur Sterling Goodwin, Lola, Thomas Hamlin Hampton, Plymouth, Eugene W. Hamilton, Bridgeton, Wayne Carl Hickox, Newport. Elroy Adam Hill, Millburn, N. J., Dugold Kell, Manassquan, N. J., Thurmond Lawrence, Jr., Joseph P. Pietrzykowski, both of Beaufort, Joseph Philip Mirabella, Newport, Salvatore J. Alazzo, Morehead City, Clarence Elwood Parker, Zebulon.

William Gray Robertson, Rockylock, William Sanderson, Hovey Mount, Tom Shoo, Star, Sam Pickney Wehnt, Cherryville, Wilson Whitaker, Enfield, Gene Tunney Willis, Morehead City and Thomas Nelson Wilson, Marshallberg.

Pastor to Leave Charge Sunday

The Rev. and Mrs. J. V. Axtell to Make Home at Port Washington

The Rev. J. V. Axtell, Webb Memorial Presbyterian church, Morehead City, will conduct his last service as pastor here on Sunday at 11 o'clock.

He and Mrs. Axtell will leave next week for Port Washington, Long Island, where they have bought a home and Rev. Mr. Axtell plans to spend his days in retirement.

His 42 years in the ministry began in 1906 when he obtained his degree in theology at Auburn Theological seminary, Auburn, N. Y. He spent two and a half years among the lumbermen of the Adirondacks as a missionary and then went to Hamilton, N. Y., where he took two years' graduate work at Colgate university.

For five years the Rev. Mr. Axtell served as pastor of Wycliffe Presbyterian church, Wycliffe, Ohio, where he returned last fall for the 72nd anniversary of the church's founding.

From Wycliffe he was called to Hammondsport, N. Y. and after three years at that charge went to Addison Presbyterian church, Addison, N. Y., where he served for 22 years and five months.

This month concludes three and a half years here as pastor at Webb Memorial Presbyterian church.

The Rev. Mr. Axtell was born in Oneonta, N. Y. At the age of 7 he moved with his family to a farm in Susquehanna county, Pennsylvania, and 10 years later started work in a general store.

He prepared for college under a tutor, learning Latin, Greek, and mathematics and entered Juniata college, Huntingdon, Pa.

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Negro Child, 4, Stricken With Infantile Paralysis

The illness of Dorothy Murray, 4, a Negro child, was positively diagnosed yesterday afternoon as polio. This is the county's sixth case this summer. Dorothy is the daughter of Benny Murray and lives on North River road.

The child became ill Saturday and was sent by ambulance to St. Agnes hospital, a Negro hospital in Raleigh Tuesday.

Definite diagnosis of polio came by wire to Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, county health officer, yesterday afternoon.

Jaycees Join Crusade For More Hospital Funds

Morehead City Jaycees made tentative plans at their meeting Monday night at the Hotel Fort Macon to appoint a delegation to go before the county commissioners at the September meeting in regard to obtaining more funds for support of Morehead City hospital.

Five members of the Junior Chamber will go to Fayetteville tomorrow to attend the State Junior Chamber of Commerce quarterly board meeting. They are Dr. Alvah Hamilton, Jr., James Murdoch, Gerald Phillips, Richard Swindell, and President Bruce Goodwin.

Jaycees discussed the possibility of sending their softball team to Ocracoke to play the Nine Old Men and the Coast Guard team. Gen Willis offered his boat for transportation.

To inform the Junior Chamber about the possibilities of improving Morehead City's street lighting system, George Conant, commercial manager of Tide Water Power company will be asked to speak at a meeting in the near future.

Plans to sponsor a Labor Day dance were discussed but the proposal was discarded.

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Mr. and Mrs. Courie were two of numerous witnesses put on the stand by the state who testified as to Creech's treatment of his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Courie's testimony was in connection with a visit of the Creeches to Money Island beach in 1944. Both said that they were attracted by cries for help from the room of the couple and that Mr. Courie went to the room to investigate.

Mr. Courie said that he found Creech lying on the bed. Mrs. Creech, according to Mr. Courie, said that she wanted to spend the rest of the night in another room. She spent the rest of the night with Mrs. Courie, the hotel manager told the court.

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Judge in the case is Clawson Williams. Creech is being defended by J. Melville Broughton and the Smithfield law firm of Abell, Shepard and Wood and Wellons, Martin and Wellons. State solicitor is W. Jack Hooks, assisted by L. L. Levinson.

Rotary Club to Sponsor '49 Recreation Program

The Beaufort Rotary club Tuesday night voted to sponsor a city recreation program for 1949, and appointed a committee to begin working on plans for the program. The 1948 Beaufort city recreation program was going in high gear until the polio epidemic brought an end to its activities.

Chairman of the committee is R. M. Williams. Assisting him are the Rev. T. R. Jenkins and the Rev. W. L. Martin. The committee will meet soon to discuss plans. In connection with this recreation work, a film, entitled "Playtown, U. S. A.," describing how a successful program can be worked out, was shown to the club.

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Mrs. Pauline Dickinson, of the County Chapter for Infantile Paralysis, will go to Wilmington today to check on the conditions of the five Carteret county polio patients in James Walker hospital.

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Atkinson to Serve 2-Year Sentence

Drunken Driving Charges, Motor Law Violations Lead Docket

Francis Atkinson was found guilty Tuesday morning in the recorder's court, Beaufort, on the charge of drunken driving and reckless and careless driving and received a two-year sentence on the roads because of violation of a "stay sober" edict issued by the court in 1947.

Atkinson was riding with Mrs. Marjorie Paul in Mrs. Paul's automobile when it crashed into Cole's grocery store at Marsh and Pine streets, Beaufort, Saturday, Aug. 7. At the time of the crash, Mrs. Paul declared that she was driving but later changed her story to say that Atkinson was at the wheel, police reported.

In court, it was established that Mrs. Paul, also a defendant on the same charges as Atkinson, was driving when the car crashed. The court was considering amending Atkinson's warrant to charge public drunkenness instead, when Atkinson testified that before the accident he had been driving the car while under the influence of liquor.

Judge Lambert R. Morris then pronounced a record of Atkinson's previous visit to court. On May 13, 1947, Atkinson had been given a suspended sentence of two years in jail, placed on five years' good behavior, and told to remain sober in that same time after being convicted of assaulting a female.

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Authorities Venture no Estimate On Length of Air Base Quarantine

Duration of the quarantine for poliomyelitis on the Cherry Point Marine corps air station, which went into effect Monday, Aug. 16, is dependent upon the incidence of new cases, it was reported today, and no estimate can be made as to when restrictions will be relaxed.

Authorities at the station have issued directives cancelling leaves and limiting liberty to that necessary for business. However, it is not contemplated that civilian employees and military personnel living off the station will be barred from their work.

One section of the residential area, married enlisted men's quarters and transit men's quarters, has been placed under limited quarantine. Only working members of the families are allowed to enter or leave the affected area without special permission.

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Workmen Complete Repairs To Beaufort Postoffice

Repairs to the Beaufort post office, costing \$37,000, were completed yesterday. These were the first extensive repairs made to the federal building in Beaufort since its construction in 1936.

Offices and the postal department were re-painted, carpentry work was done, and portions of woodwork attacked by termites were replaced.

Contractor was R. A. Jensen, from Mobile, Ala., who specializes in postoffice work. Mr. Jensen and his crew of three workmen have left now for a job in Tennessee. Assisting the contractor were several local laborers.

The work was begun about six weeks ago.

PMA Agent Reminds Farmers of ACP Deadline

Sept. 1 is the deadline for the reporting of conservation practices under the Agriculture Conservation Practices program, B. J. May, county agent, reported yesterday.

After Sept. 1, all money allotted for county farms not reported will be withdrawn and be replaced in the county pool.

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Carteret Farmers Put Lead On Eastern Belt Markets

Twenty-five to 30 Carteret county tobacco farmers put their lead on eastern North Carolina belt markets as they opened yesterday. Pre-marketing predictions put the average price well above last year's \$45.32.

Auctions opened at 9 o'clock yesterday morning at Farmville, Tarboro, Robertsonville, Williamston, Abokkie, Washington, Goldsboro, Wallace, Clinton, Wendell, Smithfield, Greenville, Kinston, Dunn, Rocky Mount and Wilson, the markets that comprise the eastern belt.

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Tentative Dog Track Closing Set for Oct. 16

Earliest closing date for the dog track west of Morehead City will be Saturday night, Oct. 16, Paul Cleland, secretary of the Carolina Racing association, revealed today.

Beach hotels are expected to remain open until Saturday, September 18, the longest in the history of this resort, and there is a possibility that they may continue operation beyond that time.

It was originally planned to continue dog racing, which has attracted many out-of-state visitors, for only 100 days.

Jaycees Continue Plan to Check Fund Requests

Within 30 days Beaufort Junior Chamber of Commerce expects to have in operation a system whereby requests for funds by various individuals or organizations will be investigated as to their validity and worthiness. This decision was reached at a recent board of directors meeting.

The Jaycees discussed this proposition at their regular meeting Aug. 9 but decided to defer action until it was determined whether their program would interfere with that of the newly-organized chamber of commerce.

After consultation with officers of the senior chamber, the Jaycees have continued their plans which will involve selling of plaques to Beaufort merchants. Those plaques will entitle them to the service offered by a secret Jaycee committee which will investigate requests for funds made by numerous allegedly charitable or public service organizations.

The Jaycees stated that they feel there is a definite need for such investigation because businessmen are continually asked for donations to unknown as well as well-known foundations or campaigns. Holders of the plaques will be considered honorary members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The committee appointed to investigate the possibilities of continuing with the proposal discussed at this month's Jaycee meeting was Osborne Davis, chairman, J. O. Barbour, Jr., and James Potter.

Man with Famous Physique To Crown Miss Atlantic Beach

Joe Lauriano, native Hawaiian and onetime winner of the Mr. America title, will crown Miss Atlantic Beach of 1948 Friday night, Aug. 27, at the Surf club, Atlantic Beach.

Contestants for the Miss Atlantic Beach title age the weekly winners of the Show Case of Beauty contests which were staged this summer.

The contestants will appear in evening gowns and in the white latex bathing suits they won at the beach. The winner will receive the Miss Atlantic Beach loving cup on display now in the window of Walter Morris, Morehead City jeweler.

Playing for the dance and contest, which begins at 9 o'clock, will be Allen Craig and his 12-piece orchestra.

Morehead City Orders Municipal Decorations

Morehead City commissioners in regular session Tuesday night at the municipal building ordered decorative material for the fire station, police departments and municipal building at a cost of \$80.

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The order was given to W.F. Danieley who will make them.

Two Attend Convention

Beaufort police chief, L. B. Willis, and M. M. Ayscue, ABC officer, drove to Wrightsville yesterday for a one-day visit to the policemen's convention being held there. The convention started Wednesday and will wind up its activities today.

Judge Postpones Madix Hearing

Evidence to Be Presented Before Judge W. J. Bone Friday, Sept. 3

The hearing in the case of Grady Ward Price, former employee of Madix Asphalt corporation, vs. Sheriff Gehrmann Holland and officials of Madix Asphalt and Southern Felt corporations, Morehead City, has been postponed until 11 o'clock Friday morning, Sept. 3.

Evidence will be heard by Superior Court Judge Walter J. Bone in the Nash county court house, Nashville. Judge Bone will determine whether a permanent injunction shall be issued against the sheriff and Madix officials, restraining them from violence, coercion, and intimidation they allegedly inflicted upon Mr. Price, the plaintiff, and his family.

In addition to a request for \$25,000 compensation for damage allegedly caused by the defendants, the plaintiff also requests \$25,000 punitive damages.

The hearing, originally scheduled for Aug. 14, 1948, was continued until 10 o'clock tomorrow, and at the request of attorneys for the defense, has again been continued by Judge Bone until Sept. 3.

The temporary restraining order, issued by Superior Court Judge Clawson L. Williams, of Sanford, was filed Monday, Aug. 9. Suit was filed Tuesday, Aug. 3 in superior court of Washington county, Plymouth, N. C.

This legal action is an outgrowth of efforts of the Madix and Southern Felt officials to prevent organization of labor at the local plants, according to allegations in the complaint filed by the plaintiff.

Counsel for defendants Sheriff Holland, Glenn Rose, general superintendent of operations at Madix and Southern Felt, Ed Parker, superintendent of Southern Felt, W. C. Carlton, purchasing agent and office manager, and C. C. Brewen, president of Madix and Southern Felt are Alvah Hamilton, George McNeill, and Claud Wheatley.

Counsel for the plaintiff are Robert S. Cahoon and Robert Coon, Greensboro attorneys.

Mr. Price, the plaintiff, is living now at Plymouth, having left the employ of Madix Asphalt corporation.

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