

Last Passenger Train Out Of Morehead City Leaves Today

By F. C. Salisbury

Accident Case Will be Tried In Superior Court

Judge Lambert Morris Dismisses Case Charging Negro With Rape

Willie Brown Lawrence, jr., of Otway, charged with manslaughter as the result of the accident in which Frank Edward Gillikin was killed, will be tried in the next term of superior court at Beaufort. The case against Mark Washington, Negro, charged with rape, was dismissed.

Probable cause was found in the Lawrence case in Tuesday's session of recorder's court and the defendant has been placed under \$500 bond. Judge Lambert Morris threw the rape case out of court after the evidence was heard.

Charges of manslaughter, reckless and drunken driving, and driving without a license were lodged against Lawrence as result of the fatal accident March 17 in which young Gillikin, of Otway, lost his life. Lawrence was driving his car when it ran off the road at M. L. Yeoman's store. Harker's Island, hit a telephone pole, tore through a grove of trees and stopped 270 feet from the highway. Gillikin died while on the way to the hospital.

Washington was charged with raping a 17-year-old Beaufort Negro girl at 7:30 Sunday night in the vicinity of Temple's sawmill near the west Beaufort bridge. He was also charged with stabbing the girl in the leg.

Sentence Imposed
A two-year's suspended sentence on the roads was given William L. Hardesty for failing to comply with the terms of a judgment rendered April 12, 1949, where he was indicted for non-support. Sentence was suspended on condition Hardesty pay the costs of court and \$10 a week to his wife for the support of his minor children.

Prosecution in the case of Hubert Perry, charged with abandoned and non-support, was deemed malicious and the prosecuting witness was taxed with the costs.

Garland Gillikin was found guilty of giving a bad check. Sentence was suspended on condition he pay the costs of court and make the check good. Notice of appeal of the verdict was entered and the case was bound over to superior court under \$150 bond.

Pays Fine, Costs
Joseph Fulcher was fined \$50 and costs for public drunkenness and carrying a concealed weapon. The gun in the case was ordered confiscated. Raymond Jackson was fined \$10 and costs for assault and battery.

A number of verdicts were appealed to superior court. Edward G. Summerlin and Antonio Aguilar, both found guilty of speeding, appealed and had their cases bound over under \$100 bond each. Ellis Worthington, found guilty of reckless and careless driving, was bound over under \$75 bond. Horace C. Bell, found guilty of failing to yield the right-of-way and thereby causing an accident, was bound over under \$50 bond.

I. R. Williams pleaded guilty to

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March of Dimes Brings in \$5,000

A. H. James, campaign chairman, announced today that the final report on the March of Dimes 1950 collection in Carteret county is \$5,000. This is \$2,200 short of the goal.

Mrs. Phillips Russell, director of organization of the state March of Dimes, reported in a letter to THE NEWS-TIMES today that on the basis of approximately 75 per cent of final and tentative reports, somewhere between \$850,000 and \$900,000 has been raised in North Carolina.

Mrs. Russell added:
"For the past eight years—since the beginning of my association with the infantile paralysis work in this state—our weekly newspapers have given unstinting support to our annual fund raising drive.
"I am convinced that your co-operation has contributed to a very large measure to our continuing success in persuading the people to give generously to this cause.
"Please accept our sincere gratitude for your help."

"All aboard" will sound for the last time today when the passenger train of the Atlantic & East Carolina railroad pulls out at 4 p. m., bringing to a close the passenger car service of that road that has been in continuous operation for nearly 92 years. It was on July 7, 1858 that the first train ran through from Goldsboro to the terminal at Morehead City, following the completion of the Atlantic & North Carolina railroad.

From the archives of state history one can gather much information of interest covering the conception and turbulent days of this state-owned railroad, from the time of its conception in 1852 to the execution of its lease to the Howland Improvement company in 1904.

Over 100 years ago the matter of railroad transportation engaged the legislatures and internal improvement commission of the state. Projects were presented for con-

The recent State Public Utilities commission ruling authorizes removal of passenger trains from Goldsboro to Morehead City. The order goes into effect at 12:01 a. m. tomorrow.

struction of state-owned railroads at most every session of the assembly from the early part of 1800 up to 1848.

Up to that time the Wilmington & Gaston and the Gaston & Raleigh were the only railroads in North Carolina. More than half the state was dependent upon the horse and buggy for distances from 50 to 400 miles to market.

East Wants Road
Following the completion of the North Carolina railroad, extending from Goldsboro to Charlotte that had been largely built by state funds, a demand came from the eastern counties between Wilmington and the Roanoke that they be given an outlet to the west that would open up the center coastal section to join the junction point at Goldsboro.

The Sanders bill of 1852 provided that the Atlantic & North Carolina railroad run from Beaufort harbor to Goldsboro. Following a survey by Walter Gwynn, a company was organized with a capital stock of \$1,000,000 of which the state was to purchase two-thirds of the stock.

In anticipation of the state becoming a stockholder, it was decided

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County Farmers Hope to Control Mold on Tobacco

Contacts with a considerable number of Carteret county tobacco growers indicate that a greater number of farmers are preparing to control blue mold this year, R. M. Williams, county agent, reports. It has become the usual practice for many tobacco growers to prepare 100 square yards of plant bed for each acre of their tobacco allotment. Of the 635,800 flue cured tobacco acreage allotment last year, 63,500,000 square yards of plant beds were grown.

Tobacco authorities state that with the proper management of tobacco plant beds the plant bed yardage could be reduced one-half. Accordingly tobacco growers could have saved over 4 1/2 million dollars last year on plant production. Blue mold, which is caused by a fungus parasite is the most destructive and costliest enemy of plant production. With the use of the present fungicide treatments the ravages of this disease can be reduced to a minimum.

Lacked Plants
Last year, due to blue mold destruction, many growers found themselves without a sufficient number of plants to set their acreage, relates Mr. Williams. This condition resulted in cost of purchasing and transportation of plants from one farm or county to another. Setting acreages late resulting in reduced yields, the mixing of varieties not adapted to certain farms and the introduction of certain tobacco diseases caused further trouble. Very little black shank disease has been reported in Carteret county. Adjoining counties have been having considerable trouble with this disease. Fortunately, our tobacco research people have developed varieties resistant to this disease, commented the farm agent.

Any or all of these practices can mean none other than lower net return per acre for our tobacco farmers, Mr. Williams pointed out. Blue mold has already done considerable damage to the crop.
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Part of Inland Waterway To Close April 28-29

Col. H. R. Cole of the corps of engineers, U. S. Army, Wilmington, has announced that the inland waterway between New River, N. C., and Swansboro, N. C., will be closed Friday and Saturday, April 28 and 29.

Col. Cole says the closure is due to "military necessity." He asked all navigation interests to govern their schedules accordingly.

Business Women To Offer Hospital \$400 for Tent

Members of the Carteret County Business and Professional Women's club, at their meeting Tuesday night in the Scout building, Beaufort, decided to give \$400 to Morehead City hospital for the purchase of an air-conditioned oxygen tent, providing the hospital will pay \$150 as its portion of the purchase.

Grace Ayscuc, president, and Mrs. C. L. Beam, corresponding secretary, will present this proposition to the hospital board of trustees at the next meeting.

Mrs. Beam read a letter from Congressman G. A. Barden. He thanked the group for their interest in having the 20 per cent federal luxury tax lifted and said he agreed with them. He said that since the war has ended he could see no reason for the tax continuing.

The president appointed the following to a nominating committee: Mrs. Zelma Talbert, Miss Betty Joyner, and Mrs. Lovie Fulcher. They will make their report at the May meeting and new officers will be elected.

Mrs. Blanda McLohon, treasurer, reported \$468.99 in the treasury. Mrs. Ayscuc requested that district dues be paid and reported that the Carteret club is the only one in the district which has paid its total assessment for the proposed retired business and professional women of North Carolina.

Mrs. Marian Ryan gave a report on the district meeting at Kinston March 19 and Miss Joyner was appointed to investigate possibilities of the club meeting in the First Methodist church, Morehead City.

Guests at the meeting were Mrs. Hilda Peeling, Mrs. Margaret Flanagan, both of York, Pa., Mrs. L. W. Moore, Mrs. R. M. Williams, Mrs. James Davis Potter and Mrs. T. G. Leary.

The program, in charge of Mrs. Fulcher, was presented by pupils of John Van Deventer, instructor of piano at Beaufort School.

Piano solos were played by Letitia House, Betsy Brooks, Barbara Harris, Peggy Williams, Ray Frances Hassell, Elizabeth Ann Leary, Catherine Potter, and Judy Moore.

Mr. Van Deventer announced that his pupils will present a recital Friday night, April 21, at Beaufort school.

Broken Line Causes Power Failure Tuesday

A broken line at the rear of the Bill Fulcher home on North River road caused a power failure Tuesday afternoon in Beaufort, down east, and on the Beaufort-Morehead City causeway.

George Stovall, manager of the Tide Water Power company said the power went off at about 1:15, according to their charts, but the trouble was not reported until 2:10 p. m.

Mr. Stovall said the repair crewmen reported that it looked as though an insulator had been shot and moisture, due to the heavy rains that afternoon, penetrated the line and caused a short circuit.

Power was back on at 3:10 in Beaufort and shortly thereafter in Lennoxville and down east.

House Committee Approves Projects at Marine Bases

Among the military expenditures approved recently by the house armed services committee is \$1,765,500 for quarters at Cherry Point Marine air base; \$5,806,000 for family quarters at Camp Lejeune in addition to Navy hospital conversion for family quarters, \$128,000, and construction of the railroad spur between Lejeune and Cherry Point, \$3,000,000.

The bill, a much amended version of a senate measure, is now ready for house action. The senate in January passed a military public works bill of less than \$500,000,000.

Morehead Board Calls Meeting Of Townspeople

Commissioners Want to Hear Opinions on Town Recreation Program

Morehead City citizens will have the privilege of expressing their opinion on the advisability of re-opening the Carteret County Recreation center, Shepard street, at a mass meeting at 8 o'clock Tuesday night in the municipal building.

The meeting has been called by the board of commissioners. If residents want the center re-opened, Mayor George W. Dill commented, the only way to be financed is to levy a tax to be used for municipal recreation.

"Fortunately," the mayor continues, "this does not mean that our tax rate will increase. Because of the state ports program, the Morehead City levy of 10 cents per hundred will be removed June 30 this year."

"Therefore, this 10 cents could be applied to municipal recreation and be used to maintain the recreation center. Revenue from this levy amounts to about \$8,000 annually," he said.

It is believed that \$8,000 will adequately maintain the recreation center, with a paid director of recreation. The mayor said there would be no objection to other money-raising projects being undertaken by the groups or organizations that may use the building.

To use the 10-cent levy for recreation, the matter will have to be submitted to the people in referendum, the Mayor stated.

To explain the methods of legally constituted municipal recreation a state recreation commission officer will speak to a group of Morehead City citizens at a meeting today at the Jefferson restaurant.

The Carteret Recreation center was closed several weeks ago when the board of directors resigned. They presented their resignations because they stated that operation of the center was not economically feasible.

Rotarians Hear Judge Hamilton

Judge Luther Hamilton was guest speaker at the Beaufort Rotary club meeting Tuesday night at the Inlet Inn.

Judge Hamilton discussed present federal government policies, deploring its tendencies toward the welfare state. He pointed out that doles from the government were destroying the initiative and independence of citizens and that in many instances free enterprise found itself in competition with the government.

He favored all legitimate aid to needy citizens but he was opposed to across-the-board handouts. He favored autocrat control in time of national emergencies but opposed all forms of professional, industrial or agricultural regimentation in times of peace.

President Ennett, and the club as a whole, gave to the Rev. W. L. Martin, rector of St. Paul's, Beaufort, a warm welcome back to the club.

The topic for next week's meeting will be the significance of Easter to all Christians.

Methods to Cook Fish to be Shown

A demonstration on methods of cooking fish will be conducted at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon in the Morehead City school lunchroom. Topic of the demonstration will be "The Use of Fish in School Lunches."

School administrators, dietitians, school lunchroom staffs, restaurateurs, fish dealers, or anyone else interested, is invited.

The demonstration is being sponsored by the Fish and Wildlife Service of North Carolina under the National School Lunch program which is directed by the department of agriculture.

Purpose of this "cooking school" is to stimulate a wider use of fish, especially in school lunch rooms, because fish is an economical food which is very high in proteins, minerals, and body-building factors, the Fish and Wildlife Service reports.

Miss Jean Burgess of the F&W laboratory, College Park, Md., will conduct the demonstration.

The announcement of her visit here was made by H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools.

Carteret County Census Workers Will Begin Enumeration Tomorrow

Eight Boys Receive First Animals in Pig Chain

Eight Carteret county farm youths were given pigs yesterday in the county's first 4-H pig chain.

The eight boys were presented with the animals late yesterday afternoon at the Gibb Farm near Newport. They will raise the animals and turn over one of the offspring to other 4-H youths who in turn will follow the same procedure, thus making a "chain of pigs" that will boost the county's livestock production, R. M. Williams, county agent, explained.

The seven 4-H boys who received the porkers were Tommy Gooding and Colon Merrill, Beaufort RFD, Edward Lee Beaton, Harlowe, Tommy Oglesby, Harlowe, Joe Howard, Newport, Earl Taylor, Pelletier, and Gerald Miller, Wildwood. The name of the eighth boy was not available at press time.

These boys were carefully selected from scores of applicants.

Havelock Jaycees Launch Campaign Against Carnivals

Carnivals have no place in the center of Havelock and a civic movement should get underway to prevent their locating anywhere near the center of the community, Havelock Jaycees agreed at their recent meeting at the Rossmore Motor company.

Jaycees proposed to contact all the civic groups in Havelock and ask their support of a drive to keep out carnivals. It was pointed out that a movement was underway at the Marine base to declare the present carnival area off limits to Marine personnel.

Arrangements are being made to institute a softball league in Havelock, chairman Vern Axtell, of the recreation committee, reported. Keith said support for the league already had been obtained from base officials and the county school superintendent.

Conflict Seen

The only objection to instituting the league was voiced by Apprentice school representatives who said it would conflict with their schedule in the Tidewater League. It was agreed that a Jaycee delegation should meet with Apprentice representatives to settle the problem.

A committee was appointed by President Jim Godwin to look into the advisability of installing a traffic light at the intersection of the New Bern highway and entrance to Havelock Park Homes and at the intersection of the main gate highway and highway 70.

Plans Progress

Plans are still being prepared for the Jaycee charter night, chairman Ray Chugg stated. He said the group may be able to obtain use of the non-commissioned officers club on the base for the affair. It also is possible that a band will be engaged that night, Chugg reported.

New members welcomed into the group were Jimmie Hodges, Charles Lutz and Roy Oliver. Guests were Donald Gardner, Alvin Hansen and Charles Watkins. President Godwin announced that Ray Chugg had been appointed to the board of directors to succeed Teddy Shapou.

Glaring Headlights Cause Accident Wednesday Night

Glaring automobile headlights temporarily blinded Charles Davis, Morehead City, Wednesday night causing him to lose control of his car and run into the rear of a parked car owned by Capt. Charles Willis parked at 1204 Shepard st., Morehead City, police reported yesterday.

Damage to both cars was extensive. The Willis car was parked on the north side of Shepard, Davis' car, a Chrysler, was headed east on Shepard and traveled across the street before striking the Willis car, a DeSoto.

No charges were preferred.

Government Allots 50 Housing Units to Havelock

Washington—(AP)—The government has allotted 50 low-rent housing units to Havelock.

The public Housing Administration said the community had asked for a \$20,000 loan to pay for preliminary planning of the one-year program.

Such loans must be approved by the President.

The census in Carteret county and throughout the nation will begin tomorrow morning. Twenty-four enumerators, in addition to two crew leaders, will cover Carteret county.

The enumerators are attending their last training class this morning at the Scout building on Pollock st., Beaufort. Classes began Monday and were in charge of William Murray Thomas, Beaufort RFD, and Earl Johnson, Harkers Island, crew leaders.

140,000 Will Canvass

One hundred forty thousand canvassers will be working throughout the nation this month. The counting is expected to require two weeks in the cities and a month in the rural areas. Results will be made public locally as fast as they are tabulated but national tabulations will not be complete for two years.

The census bureau knows that the nation's population has passed the 151,000,000 mark, also that marriage and divorce have gone up at an unprecedented rate, more young families are having more children than a decade ago, for the first time in history women will outnumber men, more married women are working than single women, and the Negro population outside the South has increased 50 per cent since 1940.

Census takers in Carteret county are Thomas Respass, Mrs. Mattie Respass, Mrs. Ester G. Stoy Robert Willis, Mrs. Ralph Eudy, Mrs. Stella W. Clifton, Mrs. Bernice W. Jarman, Miss Amy Muse, Mrs. James Wheatley, all of Beaufort; Mrs. Madge M. Hill, Beaufort RFD.

Mrs. Margaret E. Bell, Waddell H. Pridden, Mrs. Essie T. Smith, all of Newport; James S. Dye, Mrs. Lucille Guthrie, Mrs. Harold L. Hooks, Calvin C. Merrell, Mrs. Virginia Lee Price, Mrs. Olive S. Whitehurst, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Howland, all of Morehead City.

Mrs. Elizabeth R. Cheson, Mrs. Reva Willis, Mrs. Emma L. Yeomans, all of Harkers Island, and Lee A. Phillips, Marshallberg.

Morehead City Jaycees to Give Reception for Marine Families

A welcoming band of fellowship and neighborliness will be extended in May to Marine Corps families who have moved to Morehead City. Morehead City Jaycees will sponsor an open house for them.

Seniors to Stage Comedy Tonight

One humorous incident after another is guaranteed to keep the audience laughing tonight in the Morehead City school auditorium when the senior class presents the play "Wedding Spells." The first act begins at 8 p. m.

Steve Arlen, the leading character, who has lapses of memory, has forgotten who his wife is. He decides to have a party and invites all the girls whom he has been courting. Steve gets a friend, Charlie Cooney to make love to each of the girls, believing that then his wife will flare up.

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The charge of threatened assault against Henry Jones was dismissed because of lack of evidence. Judgment was withheld temporarily in the case of Raymond Jackson, charged with being drunk and disorderly and assault.

Curtain Goes Up On Minstrel Tonight

Adjustment Board To Meet Monthly

Mayor George W. Dill Appoints Robert G. Lowe As Chairman

Morehead City's new board of adjustment will meet the first Tuesday of each month at 4 p. m., in the municipal building. Officers of the board, appointed by Mayor George W. Dill, jr., are Robert G. Lowe, chairman, and George Ball, vice-chairman.

Other members of the board are Harvey Hamilton, jr., Marion Mills, and Bernard Leary.

The board of adjustment, appointed at the March meeting of the town board, met with the town board Thursday night for instructions and met again Tuesday afternoon at the municipal building.

At that time Mayor Dill spoke to them, stressing the importance of meeting regularly once a month. He commented on the necessity of their being far-sighted and carrying out planning that will favorably affect the growth and development of the town.

It was suggested that the adjustment board meet prior to the monthly town board meeting, should any matters require referral to the town fathers.

Mayor Dill pointed out that allowable variations in construction rested in their hands, but change in the zoning law, if found necessary, can only be acted upon by the town board.

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It's Jaycee Minstrel tonight! At 8 o'clock Beaufort Jaycees will ring up the curtain on their 1950 annual show. Music will be provided by the new "Bill Willis Trio" featuring Bill Willis, Earl Smith and Bob Dominic.

Musical director is Mrs. Claud Wheatly, jr., Director of Minstrel Days is Mrs. Wiley Lewis and director of the second part of the show, Congo Capers is Kenneth E. Johnson. Miss Betty Lou Merrill, home for the spring holiday's, will be featured soloist. Her number will be "Lulu's back in Town".

Characters in Minstrel Days are the following: Claud Wheatly, interlocutor; end men, Gerald Woolard, Phil Liverman, George Cottingham, Gene Smith, Hugh Salter, and Odell Merrill.

Chorus, Leslie Davis, James Potter, James Wheatley, Preston Mason, Osborne Davis, Eddie Paull, Cecil Peterson, George Eastman, James Webb, Frank Jordan, Jimmy Range, Jim Wallace Mason, Carl Chadwick, Willard Willis, John Butler, John McGregor, and Dallas Heddingfield.

Playing the roles in Congo Capers are Mrs. Lockwood Phillips as the queen, Ka-lu-a, Miss Marie Webb, Ka-li-a, Miss Alice Sanders; queen's attendants, Mrs. Tommy H. Potter and Miss Christine Stancel; Tom, Bruce Emerson Jasper, Tommy H. Potter, Ephraim, Joe House, jr., Inkypoo, Wiley Taylor, jr., and herald, Jarvis Herring.

Chorus, Miss Betty Rice, Miss Norma Gaskill, Miss Elizabeth Willis, Bobby Stephens, Dick Parker, Al Stinson, and Gilbert Potter.

Musical numbers are Minstrel Days, *Along the Road*, *Carolina in the Morning*, *Ding Dong Daddy*, *Kentucky Babe*, *Levee Song*, *Ole Man River*.

Numbers in Congo Capers are Aloha, *Blooming Blushing Bride*, *Because I Love You*, *Honolulu Babies*, and *Civilization*.

Newport Juniors Give Play Tonight

The scene of the Newport junior class play is laid with the Irish family of Michael O'Brien. The drama, "The Light Eternal," in three acts, will be given at 8 o'clock tonight in the Newport school auditorium.

The characters are as follows: Michael O'Brien, Johnny Carroll; Maggie O'Brien, Ella Mae Munn; Margaret O'Brien, Polly Tuttle; George O'Brien, Francis Garner; Mrs. Mary Conway, Louise Jones.

Daniel Collins, Francis Mason; Father Patrick Nolan, Clifton Pinner; James Nolan, Ernest Garner; and Marie Stafford, Chris Norris.

Director of the production is Miss Beulah Rasberry.

Few Drivers Report for Exams

"Motorists whose last names begin with N, O, P and Q have been slow in reporting for examination for renewal of their driver's licenses." Driver's License Examiner M. H. Everett stated today.

Although one-half of the period has passed in which persons in this category are to be examined, only about one-fourth of those who must stand examination have reported to the local station. Examiner Everett pointed out.

The N through Q period began Jan. 1 and will continue through June 30.

Examiner Everett stated that at present he has time to give immediate attention to persons applying for renewals but as the deadline nears he expects to be rushed. He listed his daily schedule as follows:
Morehead City, Sound Chevrolet company, Monday and Tuesday; Cherry Point, housing project office, Wednesday, and Beaufort, courthouse annex, Thursday and Friday.
"To avoid the last minute rush, I urge all persons whose last names begin with N, O, P or Q and who have not obtained renewal of their driver's licenses to report at their earliest convenience to their nearest examining station," Examiner Everett stated.