

Marine Dies in Harkers Island Crash Sunday Night

Port Commission Pays \$380,000

Debt, Burns Bonds

State Ports Authority Members Investigate Project At Morehead City

A \$380,000 bonded debt of the Morehead City Port Commission was wiped off the books in an informal ceremony outside the civic center of Morehead City Thursday afternoon as bonds were burned.

This ceremony followed the formal transfer of Morehead City port property to the State Ports Authority headed by A. G. Meyers, chairman, of Gastonia.

Port commission members inspected construction at the port. The meeting at the civic center was attended by members of the Morehead City Port Commission and other residents of the town.

Although the town port commission will continue to exist until dissolved by legislation, H. S. Gibbs, chairman, said it will have nothing to do with operation of the port.

Members Attend
Port commission members who attended Thursday's session were Gibbs, Dr. B. F. Royal, R. W. Taylor, C. N. Bennett, and George Wallace.

Also at the meeting were Harry McMullan, state attorney general, and the following members of the State Ports Authority: Col. George Gillette, executive director, Harry White and Avery Thompson.

Ports officials' visit here followed a visit to the state port project at Wilmington.

Tobacco Support Price Set at 50.1

The agriculture department has set the minimum government support price for 1951 flue-cured tobacco at 50.1 cents a pound.

This is a record high minimum price in the history of the tobacco support program and is more than five cents a pound more than the 1950 support price of 45 cents a pound.

The support price, based on 90 per cent of parity, was calculated on the basis of March 15, 1951, conditions. When a final computation is made later in the season, it is possible that an increase will be in order. Under the law, the loan rate for the coming season cannot be lower than the figure set on the basis of the March 15 calculations.

The government support price is put into effect through loans made by the Commodity Credit Corporation on the basis of official standard grades at specified rates for each grade. The loans will be available at 90 per cent of parity.

As of Feb. 28, 1951, tobacco pledged to the CCC for loans from the 1946-50 crops totaled 283,000,000 pounds on a packed weight basis. These stocks included approximately 88,000,000 pounds of flue-cured tobacco, 93,000,000 pounds of burley, 86,000,000 pounds of fire-cured and dark air-cured and 16,000,000 pounds of other types.

These carry-over figures are much more favorable for tobacco growers and the CCC program generally than has been the case for several years.

Demand for tobacco—particularly for flue-cured—is rising at a consistent rate, and domestic consumption of cigarettes seems headed for still another all-time record high in 1951. Export demand for most tobacco is expected to be better in 1951 than in 1950.

Opposing Forces Draw Lines for Town Election Battles Next Tuesday, May 8

Lines have been drawn in the Beaufort and Morehead City municipal elections battle which will take place next Tuesday, May 8. Voters' registration books closed Saturday. Municipal residents already registered were not required to re-register. Challenge day will be Saturday.

Mrs. Grace Taylor and Mrs. Frances Council will seek re-election to the Morehead City hospital board. The terms of office are two years.

In addition to incumbent commissioners who are running for election, Dr. John Morris has announced his intention to run. George W. Dill, jr., former mayor, is unopposed.

The incumbent commissioners are M. T. Mills, Walter Freeman, D. G. Bell and S. C. Holloway. W. L. Derriekson, commissioner who served as mayor during Dill's term in the legislature, is running again for commissioner.

The deadline for filing, noon Saturday, smoked out candidates who were reluctant to put their names in the hat early in the game.

Legion Selects J. A. DuBois As Commander

J. A. DuBois has been elected commander of Post No. 46, American Legion, and Mrs. Martin S. Beaver was elected president of the auxiliary at a meeting of the Morehead City post Friday night at the Legion hut.

DuBois succeeds James Meeks and Mrs. Beaver succeeds Mrs. F. M. Chadwick.

Other past officers are Kenneth Canfield, first vice-commander; Fred Beaver, second vice-commander; Thurston Rice, sergeant-at-arms, and Earl Dunn, finance officer.

Serving with Mrs. Beaver on the auxiliary executive board are Mrs. J. A. DuBois, first vice-president; Mrs. James Meeks, secretary; Mrs. Floyd Chadwick, treasurer; Mrs. Walton Fulcher, historian; and Mrs. Thurston Rice, sergeant-at-arms.

DuBois and Floyd Chadwick were also selected as delegates to the American Legion convention, Department of North Carolina, at Asheville May 30 and June 1 and 2.

The post will also send a high school student to Boys' State at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, in June. The student's expenses are paid in entirety by the Legion post.

Newport Student Spends Weekend at Marine Lab

Jean Mason, Meredith college student from Newport, was one of 21 students of science who made a weekend field trip to the Duke University Marine laboratory at Beaufort to study animal and plant life Saturday and Sunday. The trip, an annual project of the Barber Science club at Meredith, was made by automobile.

Activities of the study tour included specimen-gathering trips by boat in the sound and in the ocean, inspection of the Duke laboratories, the Institute of Fisheries Research of the University of North Carolina, Morehead City, and the United States Fishery laboratory, Beaufort, as well as a visit to the Speer plant to observe the process of removing agar from seaweed.

In addition, officials of the federal laboratory under director Clinton E. Atkinson presented illustrated lectures for the students.

Two Acres Timber Burn Sunday at North River
Two acres of merchantable timber burned Sunday afternoon on the property of Marshall Johnson, North River.

E. M. Foreman, county fire warden, said the blaze is believed to have started at 12:30. He was called at 2:30 p.m. and the fire was out by 5 o'clock.

80 Carteret Scouts Attend Wilson Camporee
More than 80 Carteret county Boy Scouts attended the three-day annual camporee of the East Carolina district at Wilson over the past weekend. The boys were registered from Harker's Island, Beaufort and Morehead City.

The only mishap occurred when the 18 Beaufort Scouts were stranded Sunday at Wilson without transportation home. Trucks carrying the majority of the county group left Wilson about 11 a.m. Sunday, the truck drivers believing that another truck would come for the Beaufort boys.

Beaufort Scouts got home late Sunday on a Wilson truck obtained by Beaufort parents.

Road Re-Surfaced
The Salter Path road is being re-surfaced. Highway crews started the work last week.

Club Reports Highlight Jaycee District Meeting

Individual club reports highlighted the business session of the annual Jaycee eighth district conference Saturday and Sunday at the Ocean King hotel, Atlantic Beach.

During the Sunday morning business meeting, Morehead City Jaycees reported their most important work in the last quarter as improvements to the high school baseball diamond and playground.

The diamond was re-filled, rolled, and graded, while the adjoining playground was reconditioned.

Morehead Jaycees also plan to send representatives to the state conference at Asheville in June.

Notable guests attending the meeting were State Treasurer Harry Stewart, from Raleigh, who is the only candidate for state president; Goldsboro's James R. Oe, eighth district vice-president; J. B. Brene of Durham, candidate for national director; Newport's Al Ward, candidate for eighth district vice-president; and David Harris, Charlotte Jaycee president.

Weekend festivities started with a reception late Saturday afternoon followed by a combination entertainment-dance program headed by master of ceremonies James Wallace. And while district members conducted their business meeting Sunday morning, wives and guests frolicked on the beach.

P. H. Geer, jr., chairman of the district conference, expressed appreciation to Ocean King hotel manager Bud Dixon, Al Cooper of the Idle Hour Amusement center, F. J. Barnes of Wilson, and A. M. Garner of Morehead City for helping to make the conference a success. One hundred and eighty Jaycees and their guests attended.

Director Pleased With Blackout

Gene Smith, civil defense director, commented yesterday that Beaufort's blackout Thursday night was "fine."

Three business houses on Front street left their lights burning but Smith said that during the day preceding the next blackout, warden will call on businessmen and remind them to turn off their lights.

The blackout began at 9:15 and ended at 9:30. A sound truck riding the streets informed residents of the practice alert and warned them to get off the streets. Fire trucks took their stations on the outskirts of town.

Appointed observers also toured the streets in cars with red-plastic headlights to note how well homeowners were complying with the "lights out" order.

Smith will report to the town commissioners at their next meeting.

Protest Against Carnivals

It is my opinion and belief that all carnivals should be banned from Carteret county, and that all necessary and proper action should be taken by the county board of commissioners to prohibit carnivals in this county.

Signed: _____
NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
Date: _____

(Clip Out and Mail To THE NEWS-TIMES, Morehead City, N. C.)

Piedmont Airlines Begins Service to County Today

Piedmont Airlines will resume summer service to this area today. The plane will arrive each day at 2:37 p.m. and leave at 3:10 p.m. at the Beaufort-Morehead City airport, Beaufort.

Air mail will be accepted at the Morehead City post office no later than 2:15 p.m. for the day's flight and no later than 2:30 p.m. at the Beaufort post office.

Magazine Carries Review of New Fisheries Book

Appearing in the April 1951 issue of the American Scientist is a review of the book, Survey of Marine Fisheries of North Carolina, by Harden F. Taylor and associates. The review, by Daniel Meriman, is reprinted below.

Taylor, an internationally-known authority on fisheries of the world, is a member of the executive committee of the Institute of Fisheries Research, Morehead City.

Included in Taylor's work are sections written by members of the staff of the institute. W. A. Ellison, jr., director, has written on The Menhaden; Dr. Alphonse F. Chestnut has contributed the section on The Oyster and Other Mollusks in North Carolina; The Shrimps in North Carolina was written by Carter Broad, and The Edible Finfishes of North Carolina by Dr. Eugene W. Roelofs.

The book, published by the University of North Carolina, of which the Institute of Fisheries Research is a division, came off the press this year.

The review follows:
The title of this impressive work in no way does justice to its contents. The dust wrapper, but not the book itself, carries a subtitle which states that the volume also contains a comprehensive view of The Economics of National and World Fisheries. Since the section which deals specifically with economics, not including its appendix, occupies a full third of the book—and is a most notable contribution, it is unfortunate that the title proper indicates no more than a local fishery survey. A reversal of the implications in the title and subtitle would have given better notice that this is required reading for fishery biologists and their students the world over, to say nothing of economists, sociologists, members of the fishing industry, and the general lay public who wish to be well informed in this field.

As is to be expected when there are a number of contributing authors, the book is uneven. Some of it is routine—surveys of existing information which are useful locally; but much of it is provocative and of wide application.

The book is in three major sections. Part I, by Nelson Marshall, deals with the hydrography of North Carolina marine waters. This is a combination of physical and biological oceanography which sets a standard for future surveys and has some interesting, if speculative, material on productivity.

Part II, with contributions by nine different authors, discusses the biology and natural history of the economic species. Here, the in-

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'Little Smokey' To Visit County Schools This Week

Bear Cub Rescued from Fire Two Weeks Ago to Aid in Fire Prevention Drive

During the next few days school children of Carteret county will be favored with a visit by a real live son of Smokey, the forest fire prevention bear. Carteret County Forest Warden E. M. Foreman announced today that rangers of the N. C. Department of Conservation and Development will tour the schools with the six weeks' old bear cub which was rescued April 16 from a raging forest fire in Carteret county.

Foreman said that no definite schedule on visiting the schools has been set up, but he and L. W. Davis, New Bern, district forest ranger, will probably visit Merriam and South River schools today.

Through permission of the N. C. Wildlife Resources commission, the bear cub will be exhibited as living proof that forest fires destroy the state's valuable wildlife resources. A special cage has been constructed to give young Smokey comfortable quarters in the tank trailer of the Division of Forestry's jeep power pumper. Appropriate Smokey Bear posters, mounted on the pumper, will convey the forest fire prevention message to the children and County Warden Foreman will deliver a conservation message. Parents are assured that the bear will be confined and that there will be no danger.

Dangerous Month
County Warden Foreman stated yesterday that woods fires in April come at a time when both bear and deer are giving birth to their young. Since the largest fires in this area burn during April, it must be remembered that a heavy toll of helpless young game animals is taken every year.

Evidence of this destruction was seen last year when forest rangers found 26 dead deer in one trip through the area burned by the Hefson forest fire during April 1950. The county warden appeals to all citizens, especially sportsmen, to assist in cutting down this needless destruction of game by heeding fire prevention rules in the forests.

Businessmen Study Credit Plan

W. C. Matthews, George Eastman, and J. A. DuBois were named to a credit association Friday at the Morehead City Merchants association meeting Friday at the Hotel Fort Macon.

The committee will investigate possibilities of establishing a credit association and will report on their findings at the next merchants' meeting.

Warren Beck, who presided in the absence of the president, Clyde Jones, presented a plan for a credit association, as did DuBois.

Advertising in upstate papers and on upstate radio stations was discussed. Businessmen who attended the meeting were Walter Morris, Bernard Leary, Beck, Eastman, William Willis, Oscar Allred, C. E. Styron, Matthews, D. G. Bell, DuBois, A. H. James, jr.

Driver Faces Charges; Another Marine Injured

James Bernard Ewald, 20, a Marine stationed at Cherry Point, was killed instantly at 8:45 p.m. Sunday when an automobile in which he was riding with four other Marines crashed on the Harkers Island road.

Another passenger, James W. Edwards, Cherry Point, was treated for minor cuts at Morehead City hospital and discharged. Three others, the driver, Orville Joseph Creel, Varnel H. Harding, and Henry Michael Welski, all stationed at Cherry Point, were uninjured. Creel has been charged with careless and reckless driving.

Coroner Leslie Springale conducted an inquest on the fatality in the sheriff's office at the court house last night.

The accident occurred on the same curve where two other crashes took place during the past year. All vehicles snapped off the power pole on the curve. In an accident March 19, 1950, Frank Gillikin of Otway was killed as the car in which he was riding wrecked when it attempted to follow the twist in the road in front of M. L. Yeomans' store.

Sunday night's death car, a '47 model sedan, traveled 167 feet from the highway before flipping over on its top. H. G. Woodard, investigating state highway patrolman, said the car is a total loss.

According to Patrolman Woodard, the car traveled 115 feet before snapping off the pole, then continued 52 feet where it struck a tree, glanced off and rolled over. In the course of its wild flight, the car knocked over poles 12 inches in diameter which had been sunk 8 feet in the ground by "Bo" Willis who placed the fence along his property to prevent the frequent uncontrolled vehicles from crashing into his house.

Elihue Lewis of Harkers Island rushed to the car and helped pull out its occupants. A woman motorist took Edwards to the hospital while an ambulance was called for Ewald, who was taken to the Adair General Hospital in Beaufort, then to Cherry Point.

Assisting Patrolman Woodard in the investigation was Cpl. W. S. Clagon.

Lions Nominate 19 for Offices

Nineteen Lion members were nominated for 1951-52 offices by Chairman Frank Moran and his nominating committee of Victor Wickizer and Dave Battle Webb. Nominations were made Thursday night at the Hotel Fort Macon. The election is scheduled for May 10.

Duffy H. Rowe, Harry Van Horn, and Oscar Allred were candidates for president, Albert McElmon, and Alvah N. Willis, second vice-president, and Lewis Hinson and Frank Swindell, third vice-president.

James W. Bell and Edward Faucette were secretary candidates, and Stanley Wainwright and Allred treasurer nominations. Lloyd Stocks and Charles A. Bell were nominated as fine collectors (Tail-Twisters), and Robert G. Bell, jr., and Edward McLawhorn, greeters (Lion-Tamers).

Nominations for the board of directors were Fred G. Lewis, Joseph D. Rose, jr., Webb, Moran, and Willis.

Following nominations, Allred announced that 14 karat gold medals will be ordered for outstanding Morehead City boy and girl athletes to be honored by Lions.

Grand Piano Arrives At Morehead City School

A 6 foot 3 inch, specially treated, ebony-finished Baldwin piano now stands on the Morehead City high school auditorium stage.

Its acquisition can be accredited to the efforts of the Morehead City Woman's club, working in cooperation with Principal G. T. Windell and a generous public.

D. G. Bell Heads Commerce Group

J. Warren Beck to Serve As Vice-President; Three Directors Retire

D. G. Bell has been elected president of the Morehead City chamber of commerce for the coming year. The new president was chosen by the board of directors and members of the advisory council at a meeting Thursday night at the civic center. J. Warren Beck was elected vice-president. J. A. DuBois serves as general manager of the chamber.

Bell, who is a member of Morehead City's town board, has served as commodore of the Morehead City sailing club, is a past president of the Junior chamber of commerce, and has served on numerous chamber of commerce committees.

Beck is a past president of the Morehead City Merchants' association and is active in the Jaycees and chamber of commerce.

Expresses Appreciation
Dr. Darden Eure, retiring president, expressed his gratitude to the directors for their support and co-operation during the past year and his leadership was acknowledged by a vote of thanks from the directors and advisory council.

William Carmichael, business manager of the University of North Carolina, was accepted as a member of the organization. Carmichael mailed his \$25 membership fee following his engagement as speaker at the recent chamber of commerce banquet.

Three Retire
Manager DuBois was requested to write letters of appreciation to the three retiring members of the organization, W. C. Matthews, L. D. Gore, and S. A. Chalk, jr.

A report on the year's chamber activities was read by the manager and Albert Gaskill, treasurer, gave the financial report which showed that the organization operated last year on almost \$2,000 less than had been budgeted.

Present at the meeting, in addition to those mentioned above, were M. T. Mills, A. B. Roberts, George Eastman, and Grover Munden.

Four Pay Fines, Court Costs

A total of \$60 in costs were levied on four men by Mayor W. L. Derriekson in mayor's court Monday with one case being bound over to recorder's court.

Walter Davis, Morehead City, paid \$25 and costs for being intoxicated and using indecent language in the Freeman and Nelson grocery store, while a public intoxication conviction cost H. L. Hooks \$10 and costs.

Elmer John McKenna, Beaufort, paid \$10 and costs for speeding, while Gerald Taylor of Newport, also charged with speeding, forfeited a \$15 bond for failing to appear in court.

The court decided to move an assault case against Dave Bell, Negro, to today's recorder's court. Bell is charged with assaulting an 11-year-old colored lad who was chasing a baseball on Bell's property, 1300 Fisher st.

According to a witness, Henry Ward, the lad had told him that Bell pushed and kicked him several times in the side when he attempted to pick up the ball. And when the boy returned, with his mother, Bell, he said, pulled out a pocket knife and attempted to slash him.

New Bern District Methodists Will Convene

The New Bern district of the Methodist church will conduct its annual district conference at the Havelock Methodist church, Havelock, Thursday, May 3.

The conference, which begins at 9:30 a.m., marks the half-way period in the conference work. The churches will give their reports and district and conference leaders will bring the latest information in their fields of work.

Methodist ministers, directors of Christian education, delegates, and the various officials of the Sunday school and church are invited.

Seniors Give Gift

Smyrna seniors have presented a flag pole to the school as a farewell gift.