

Guthrie Net Works Guttled in \$35,000 Fire Wednesday

Thirty-five thousand dollars in net supplies and equipment went up in flame at 9:15 Wednesday night at Guthrie Net Works located on the Morehead City waterfront.

Louis Guthrie, who with his son, Charles, operates the net works, said that the loss is only partially covered by insurance.

Origin Unknown

"We have no way of telling how the fire started," he remarked. "I was in New Bern all day and didn't get home until after the fire was over. They say it could have been spontaneous combustion, but I don't know."

Guthrie's daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Brown, who lives next door to the net works on Shackelford ave., heard an explosion and discovered the flames, her father reported. Mrs. Charles Edwards, who lives across the street from the net works, turned in the alarm.

Inside Guttled

The walls of the 30 by 70-foot metal building still stand but the inside is gutted. Firemen pumped water on the blaze for 45 minutes.

The Guthrie Net Works has suffered fire loss before. Within the past two years a building adjacent to the present one, but closer to the water, burned.

Miss North Carolina Will Attend Jaycee Meeting Monday

Harkers Island REA Criticizes Wire Service

Dan Walker, manager of the Beaufort chamber of commerce, today released a letter regarding Western Union services on Harkers Island. The letter, written by Maxwell Willis, manager of the Harkers Island Electric Membership corp., was sent to the Morehead City Western Union office and a copy forwarded to the Beaufort chamber of commerce which is fighting an effort on the part of Western Union to close their Beaufort place of business.

The letter, dated July 27, follows:

"Gentlemen:

We have had numerous complaints from the people here at Harkers Island regarding the handling of Western Union Money Orders through the Morehead City office. Telegrams are also delayed at times due to the distance.

It is very inconvenient and sometimes impossible for the people here to go all the way to Morehead City to get their money orders. If mailed to them the delay would offset the advantage of even using Western Union.

We therefore request that the Island business be transferred to the Beaufort office. This will mean better business and better service. We trust you will do all you can to make this change.

Very truly yours,
Maxwell Willis, Manager."

Four Injured In Wreck Monday

Four persons were injured Monday night several minutes before midnight when their car turned over on Arendell street just east of 18th st., Morehead City. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Young of Cherry Point and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lancaster were given emergency treatment at the Morehead City hospital. Young was sent to the Cherry Point dispensary.

Their car, a Ford, flopped over on its side when it collided with an Oldsmobile being driven by Clarence Fletcher Bell, 900 Fisher st., Morehead City. According to Officer Hubert Fulcher who investigated, Bell was proceeding north on 18th and as he entered Arendell he struck Young who was driving east.

The Bell car went into a skid before striking the other automobile. Bell has been charged with careless and reckless driving, driving while drunk, and causing an accident.

Bell was released in the custody of his father. He will be given a hearing in mayor's court Monday afternoon.

USES Issues Call For Workers

Mrs. Julia Tenney, manager of the United States Employment Service office, Morehead City, issued a plea today for workers.

"There's a scarcity of labor," she said, "and we cannot fill the demand for workers."

Needed locally are carpenters at \$1.65 an hour, hotel porters, waitresses, domestic cooks and maids, laundry pressers, room clerks, and stenographers.

Needed at Camp Lejeune are 50 laborers at 92½ cents an hour.

Mrs. Tenney said that unemployed persons should register at the office which is located at Evans and 7th st., Morehead City. If there is not an opening for a person at the time he registers, she said there will be an opening eventually and the only way the unemployed can obtain work is to keep their name on file.

Methodist Men to Enroll Charter Members Tuesday
All men who attend Tuesday night's meeting at the First Methodist church will be enrolled as charter members in the new organization, Methodist Men. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m.

Forty-five have already joined the organization which is headed by Dr. L. A. Eakin.

Rotarians Hear David M. Britt, District Governor

David Britt, Fairmont, governor of the 279th Rotary district, spoke Tuesday night to Beaufort Rotarians on the four principles of Rotary. The club met at the Inlet Inn.

Britt also reviewed the service Rotary performs throughout the world and its active efforts to promote peace.

In addition to the activities of Rotary's 7,300 clubs in their own



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communities to promote this objective, Britt explained, over a six-year period Rotary International is spending \$1,500,000, principally to create better understanding among the peoples of different nations.

One of the ways in which this money is being spent is on Rotary Foundation Fellowships, which enable outstanding graduate students to study for one year, in countries other than their own, as ambassadors of good will. Since this program was established in 1947, 294 fellowships have been awarded to students in 42 countries, with grants totaling more than \$700,000.

"Devoted to service, Rotary provides a common ground for 350,000 business and professional executives throughout the world, regardless of nationality or political or religious belief," the Rotary district governor emphasized.

As a supplement to the efforts of the international organization to promote better understanding and relations between the peoples of the world, District 279 is currently providing a year's study at the University of North Carolina for a Japanese post-graduate student.

Prior to the meeting the district governor met with chairmen of the committees to plan projects for the coming year.

A guest at the meeting was Lawrence Stroud of Greenville.

Jaycees Schedule Five Home Games

Five home games have been scheduled to date for the Morehead City high school football team, Bernard Leary, chairman of the Jaycee football committee, announced Monday night at the meeting at Capt. Bill's Waterfront restaurant.

The Jaycees are also planning a football booster banquet with Leary and Paul Cordova engineering the project.

Lester Styron reported that the grass recently sown on the athletic field is growing and requested help in watering the field this week. Sixteen Jaycees volunteered their services.

Miss Lois Simpson, Miss Morehead City of 1951, was a guest at the meeting. She told of her experiences at Burlington the weekend of July 20 when she participated in the Miss North Carolina beauty pageant.

W. B. Chalk, chairman of the committee for "Miss North Carolina Week" outlined plans for the visit of Miss Lulung Ogburn to Morehead City next week. Miss North Carolina of 1951 will be the guest of Jaycees.

President Jimmy Wallace reminded Jaycees that the 8th district Jaycee meeting will take place at New Bern Aug. 14 and the first quarterly board meeting Aug. 25 and 26 at Rocky Mount.

Paul Branch, chairman of Sunday's scrap drive, requested full cooperation of all members in collecting the paper.

Judge Suggests Commitment Of Glenn Atwood to Hospital

Jaycees to Collect Scrap Paper Sunday Afternoon

Morehead City Jaycees will make their monthly scrap paper drive at 1:30 Sunday afternoon. Paul R. Branch, chairman, states that the collections will cover the Noyes ave. and Homes dr. sections as well as Mansfield Park.

All homeowners should have their contributions on the curb no later than 1:30 p.m. "Help Uncle Sam conserve material for the war effort. Save every scrap of paper!" Chairman Branch declared.

Three Groups File Objections To Fuel Terminal

Three protests, one from the sixth Naval district, one from the State Ports Authority, and another from the Morehead City Pilots association have been filed with the Corps of Engineers, Wilmington, objecting to the proposed structure of a 702-foot steel pier in Morehead City harbor. Requesting to build the pier with 695-foot tee is Aviation Fuel Terminals, Inc., Washington, D. C.

The State Ports authority is objecting on the basis that the structure would hamper present plans for widening and deepening the port channel, and the Navy, which is also vitally interested in those plans, is basing its objection on similar grounds.

The Pilots association objects because its members say that vessels lying at the proposed pier would be a menace to navigation.

All three groups appeared before representatives of the Corps of Engineers in Morehead City last November to request a deepened channel and enlarged turning basin.

The original date for filing objections to the work had been set at Aug. 2, yesterday, but this date has been extended to Aug. 21.

The Aviation Fuels Terminal firm's plans call for a steel piling pier approximately 1,230 feet south of the northeast point of the turning basin, the pier to be 702 feet long and 19 feet wide with 695-foot tee at the end. It would extend to within 90 feet of the eastern edge of the existing turning basin.

Plans for the project may be seen at the Morehead City post office.

Morehead City Chamber Will Publish Directory

All Morehead City businessmen whose dues to the chamber of commerce have been paid will have the names of their firms, slogans, addresses, and phone numbers in a business directory to be published in the near future. The deadline for submitting necessary information to the chamber, so that the directory can be compiled, is Aug. 15.

The directory will list chamber members alphabetically and will also have a classified section. J. A. DuBois, chamber of commerce manager, states that the directories will be distributed throughout the state and nation in answer to inquiries, a copy will go to every new resident, and copies will be available at every chamber of commerce office in the state.

A letter explaining the purpose of the directory, with a post card enclosed for submitting information, went to chamber members this week. With it was a pamphlet listing the officers and directors of the chamber and the committee chairmen.

The chairmen, who were appointed last Thursday night at a board of directors meeting, are as follows: George W. Dill, civic affairs; Robert B. Howard, industrial development; Walter Morris, housing; George H. McNeill, advertising and publicity.

George Eastman, better business; George R. Wallace, national affairs; J. Warren Beck, membership; Robert L. Hicks, transportation; Dr. John Morris, public health; William B. Chalk, safety and fire prevention and W. C. Carlton, tourists and conventions.

The pamphlet also explained the purpose of the chamber of commerce, its organization, and urged the members to make use of chamber services.

Chairmen Name Committeemen

Two Morehead City chamber of commerce committee chairmen have appointed their committeemen. George McNeill, chairman of the advertising and publicity committee, has named H. Earle Mobley and S. A. Chalk, jr., serving with him.

W. C. Carlton, chairman of the tourists and convention committee, has appointed Jim Wheatley, Paul Cleland, John Alford, and Dom Femia as his committee members.

The advertising and publicity committee met Wednesday and made preliminary plans for the printing of a new brochure on Morehead City. They also discussed the printing of a Morehead City business directory and the physical condition of signs advertising Morehead City. One sign is located south of Jacksonville on highway 17 and is badly in need of repair. Another sign on highway 70 outside of New Bern has disappeared.

"At least nobody can find it," remarked J. A. DuBois, manager of the chamber of commerce.

"Both the advertising and publicity and tourists and conventions committees have tremendous jobs to do," he declared. "We have to get the tourists here and once they're here we have to take care of them."

Bus Company Discontinues Late Night Run to New Bern
Finding the late Beaufort-Morehead City to New Bern bus run impractical, Seashore Transportation co. has announced its discontinuance. The last run was made the night of July 31, Tuesday. The last bus out of Beaufort and Morehead City now is at 6:50 and 7 p.m., respectively.

The bus company said that the highest number of passengers during the four-week trial was three. The late bus was operated at the request of the Morehead City chamber of commerce.

Members of the Morehead City Boatmen's association reaffirmed their decision Wednesday night to limit prizes for fish only to anglers fishing from boats operated by association members. The boatmen met at Capt. Bill's Waterfront restaurant.

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County Social Security Payments Total \$10,188

N. A. Avera, Manager of Wilmington Office, Issues Report on Monthly Basis

In Carteret county 385 persons are receiving old-age and survivors' insurance benefits amounting to \$10,188 monthly. N. A. Avera, manager of the Wilmington field office of the federal security agency, announced today.

The beneficiaries in the 11-county area, including Carteret, had increased 47 per cent in the last 20 months, he stated.

Increase in the amounts being paid was even more substantial, jumping 17 per cent from \$44,328 to \$121,394 monthly, according to Avera.

Avera said that as of June 30, 1949 it was estimated that 3,094 persons were receiving \$44,328 monthly in insurance payments in this area. A tabulation recently completed shows that as of Feb. 28, 1951, there were 4,546 men, women, and children in the 11 counties receiving \$121,394 monthly. The manager pointed out that the reason for the proportionately greater rise in amount of payments was that the new law, effective last September, not only made many additional persons eligible for payments but also very substantially increased the general level of benefits.

Calling attention to the fact that this federal insurance program provides not only old-age insurance but protection for the family in case of the breadwinner's death, Avera listed the following breakdown of monthly payments in the area:

1,755 retired individuals, \$60,195; 510 wives or husbands, \$8,975; 1,670 children, \$34,500; 364 mothers of surviving children, \$9,909; 218 widows or widowers, \$6,657; and 29 dependent parents, \$959. Four thousand five hundred forty-six beneficiaries are receiving \$1,456,992 annually.

These payments are from the federal program of insurance, supported by the worker and his employer with payroll taxes, and have no reference to the state-operated public assistance programs, which are also sponsored by the social security act, Avera explained.

While no local breakdowns are available as of the end of June, 1951, Avera reported that the Federal Security agency estimates that as of June 30 for the first time more than four million persons were receiving monthly benefits, reflecting an increase of more than a million since the amendments went into effect last Sept. 1. June payments amount to \$144 million, an increase of 80 million in the 10-month period.

Recreation Commission Hears Two-Month Activities Report

Charles Hester, director of the Morehead City Municipal Recreation program, told members of the recreation commission at their meeting Tuesday night that attendance at recreation events for the two months of June and July totaled 3,675.

In June 1,501 participated and in July the number increased to 2,174. These statistics are figured on a weekly basis and each number does not represent an individual child, rather it indicates participation. If on one day a child takes part in a ball game, swims, and goes on a hike, that is indicated on the director's chart as three participations.

Hester expressed the hope that 400 boys and girls will be taking part in the program by the end of next month when the summer recreation schedule is completed. One hundred ninety-one children took advantage of the program in June; this increased to 291 last month, the boys outnumbering the girls. In June there were 145 boys and 46 girls, in July 215 boys and 76 girls. Sixty-seven colored children, 55 boys and 12 girls are taking part.

The busiest time thus far was the week of July 9-14 when there were 680 participants.

Hester stated that more youngsters take part in baseball than any other sport, tennis ranks second, swimming third, ping pong, fourth, and then horseshoes and croquet.

Mrs. A. B. Roberts, secretary-treasurer of the commission, reported a balance in the treasury of \$776.85. The program started in June with \$2,100 received from the town. Salaries have amounted

to \$771, transportation \$125, equipment \$427.15, making a total of \$1,323.15 as expenses to date.

Sale of the present recreation center was discussed and the commission members stated that it will affect the program in no way other than in slight inconvenience because all equipment is now stored at the school. The ping pong tables in the building have been salvaged for use in the future.

Night tennis will be possible as soon as poles and lights are erected. Placement of a shuffleboard near the courts was discussed. This would also be used at night. The possibility of putting an attachment on fire hydrants for "street showers" was considered. Streets would be roped off and the kids allowed to play under the water at stated times during the day and at different places throughout the town.

The commission directed that a letter of appreciation be written to Mrs. Bob Williams, chairman of the PTA steering committee for teen-age entertainment. Mrs. Williams was in charge of the teen-age program at the recreation center. This program will be discontinued with sale of the building.

Thieves Take Wheel, Tire From Parked Convertible

A tire and wheel were stolen Tuesday night at 10:30 off the Cadillac convertible belonging to Arthur Hutaff, 1609 Shackelford ave., Morehead City.

According to police, the thieves jacked up the front end of the car (parked in a garage) and made off with the rubber and hardware.

Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar		
HIGH	Friday, August 3	LOW
8:31 a. m.	2:32 a. m.	
8:41 p. m.	2:27 p. m.	
Saturday, August 4		
9:06 a. m.	3:03 a. m.	
9:16 p. m.	3:04 p. m.	
Sunday, August 5		
9:40 a. m.	3:33 a. m.	
9:51 p. m.	3:42 p. m.	
Monday, August 6		
10:15 a. m.	4:05 a. m.	
10:28 p. m.	4:23 p. m.	
Tuesday, August 7		
10:56 a. m.	4:38 a. m.	
11:07 p. m.	5:37 p. m.	

Accidents Cause \$1,185 Damage

Weekend highway accidents caused property damage amounting to \$1,185, highway patrolmen reported today.

At 5 o'clock Sunday morning a 1947 model sedan burned up on the Mill Creek road. The car was owned and driven by George Dewey House, 800 Bay st., Morehead City. With him was G. B. Gould, 2009 Fisher st., Morehead City. Neither one was hurt but the car, valued at \$800, was destroyed.

According to Rouse, he was headed west on the Mill Creek road when smoke started coming from beneath the dash board. He also said hot metal started dropping on his feet, so he put on the brakes and both men jumped out.

Rouse wanted to go back to the car and try to put the fire out, but Patrolman J. W. Sykes, who investigated, said Gould prevented him from attempting it.

Two cars sidwiped at 10 o'clock Saturday night a mile east of Newport near the trailer park. A 1948 convertible sedan, driven by Gene Ferrara, Cherry Point, and a 1940 model car driven by Grayden Knutson, Cherry Point, grazed each other on a curve.

Each driver claimed he was on his own side of the highway, reported Patrolman W. E. Pickard. Damage to the convertible was estimated at \$35 and to the other car, \$50.

A truck turned over on highway 70 at the airport west of Morehead City at 2:30 Friday afternoon. Ernest Johnson, New Bern, who was driving, was uninjured. The truck was headed east when Johnson said his steering gear locked and he ran into the ditch at the left of the road.

Damage to the truck, which is owned by the Craven Grocery co., New Bern, was estimated at \$300. Patrolman Pickard investigated.

Vessel Docks
The USS Mellette arrived in Morehead City from Little Creek, Va., bringing Marines back from maneuvers. The Mellette sailed Wednesday afternoon.