

## District Wins Attendance Award; Beaver Award Goes to Robert Howard

The Carteret district, Boy Scouts of America, won the attendance trophy Wednesday at the 34th annual meeting of the East Carolina council at Rocky Mount.

Attending the meeting were Dr. Darden Eure, chairman of the Carteret district; Floyd Chadwick, Scoutmaster of troop 130; Gordon C. Willis, chairman of the troop committee; the Rev. A. L. Reynolds, institutional representative of troop 101; Robert McCabe, member of troop committee 101.

Dr. W. A. Chipman, health and safety chairman of the district; N. F. Eure, member of the council executive board; Kenneth Wagner, institutional representative of troop 130; R. B. Howard, district commissioner; W. C. Carlton, district advancement chairman; Coy Wallace, institutional representative, Newport; and Ralph Whitley, Scoutmaster of troop 61, Newport.

All except Chadwick and Whitley were official delegates to the meeting.

The attendance trophy was accepted by Dr. Eure and was presented by Ralph Morris, chairman of the Cra-Jo-Pam district which won the trophy last year.

C. R. Hassell, Beaufort, who was not present, won the wood badge. Howard received a commissioner key. Wagner was chairman of the "Go to Rocky Mount" committee and responsible, Howard said, for this district winning the attendance honor.

Also attending the meeting were Mrs. N. F. Eure, Mrs. Howard, and Mrs. Wagner.

## Former Polio Patients Support March of Dimes

Direct mail appeals are being made this week to residents of Carteret county asking their support of the 1952 March of Dimes.

Approximately 1,400 letters from Virginia Howe Hassell, Beaufort, and Eric Pake, Bettie, former polio patients ask Carteret countians to contribute toward the fight against infantile paralysis.

"Ginny Howe," as she is known, is 14 years old, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hassell, Beaufort. She was stricken in 1944 but has completely recovered. Her mother served one year recently as chairman of the county March of Dimes.

Eric, 11, became ill with polio in 1946 and still wears braces on both legs. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pake, Bettie.

The letters from the children follow:

811 Ann St.  
Beaufort, N. C.  
January 8, 1952

Dear Neighbor,

Today, because of the March of Dimes, I have completely recovered from the effects of polio. I was 7 years old when our state suffered its worst epidemic in 1944 and spent five months in the Hickory Emergency hospital. I was in a large ward with about 40 girls and although we could not walk, we were not too sick to enjoy the good things that were done for us.

We had excellent nurses, food, and all kinds of entertainment — and all of this was furnished by the Foundation. When I was discharged from the hospital, I was fitted with a leg brace and special shoes. I have been to Warm Springs, Ga., twice to be examined. All of this care, given free by the Foundation was made possible because of the March of Dimes. Today at the age of 14, I am among the fortunate ones, for I have completely recovered from polio.

I could never repay what was done for me through the March of Dimes. But I am glad of this opportunity to write to you and ask your support of the 1952 March of Dimes. Contributions should be sent to Mrs. C. L. Beam, March of Dimes treasurer, Beaufort, N. C. You helped me in 1944... please help others now.

Sincerely,  
Virginia Howe Hassell

Bettie, N. C.  
January 5, 1952

Hello!

It's March of Dimes time and I'm writing to tell you how much I love the March of Dimes.

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## Jaycees to Name Award Recipient Monday, Jan. 21

Morehead City Jaycees will name their "man-of-the-year" at a banquet Monday night, Jan. 21. Jaycees were told at their meeting Monday night at Capt. Bill's cafe that the place of the banquet will be announced later.

Nominees for the distinguished service award are named by municipal clubs and the selection made by a secret committee.

Jaycee Frank Safrin reported that 44 children attended the annual Jaycee Christmas party the Saturday prior to Christmas and J. C. Harvell reported on the "ambassador of good will" visits Jaycees make to the hospital each Sunday.

Lester Styron, chairman of the Jaycee Christmas decorating contest, made his report, and Sal Palazzo was appointed chairman of the Jaycee February scrap drive.

Oscar Ely told of a visit with the Jaycees of Pensacola, Fla., and Jasper Bell appeared on the program for the evening. He spoke on the history of barbering and barbering science.

Guests at the meeting were Bob Peel and Jim Brown, both of Morehead City.

## George Johnson Returns to Jail For Additional Three Months

George Johnson is back in jail for another three months. He was found guilty Tuesday in recorder's court on a charge of being drunk and disorderly. This time Judge Lambert Morris sent him to the roads. Johnson completed serving a 60-day jail sentence last Friday but was picked up on the drunkenness charge Saturday in Beaufort.

Col. Raymond B. Hurst, charged with careless and reckless driving and driving drunk, resulting in an accident, was found guilty of reckless driving. He was ordered to pay \$300 and costs.

Willie Stewart was found guilty of being drunk and disorderly and was given 60 days on the roads, suspended on condition he pay \$10 and court costs.

Pleds Guilty

James Leslie Adams, charged with driving under the influence of alcohol or narcotics, pleaded guilty to reckless driving. Judgment was suspended on payment of \$100 and costs within 60 days.

Stanley Joseph Osserman pleaded guilty to failure to stop at a stop sign and paid court costs. Dallas Thompson Guthrie, charged with having no operator's license and driving drunk, was ordered to pay \$125 plus costs.

Malicious prosecution was ruled in the case of Willie Fitch, charged with assault and trespassing. The prosecuting witness was ordered to pay court costs.

The state decided not to prosecute at present the case against Charlie Buckmaster, charged with larceny and assault. John W. Burke, sr., John William Wilson, and Gary McKeever pleaded guilty to speeding. In the case of Burke, judgment was continued one week. Wilson was ordered to pay \$10 and court costs.

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## Army Reserve To Be Reorganized

Col. George H. McNeill, commanding officer of the local unit of the Army Organized Reserve corps, announced today that the local unit of the United States Army Reserve was disbanded as of Jan. 1, 1952 under a new reorganization plan.

The personnel of the local unit are now a part of the 3015th reception center, Greenville. "Four cells" of the 3015th are to be located in this area and staffed by local reservists. The reorganization plan calls for 11 officers, two warrant officers, and 64 enlisted men.

Colonel McNeill said that vacancies exist at present for two officers, two warrant officers, and most enlisted grades in this cell. Pay for the unit has been authorized on the basis of two paid drills a month.

The organization will attend summer camp for two weeks this summer at Fort Jackson, S. C. At present they meet at 7:30 each Tuesday night at Webb Memorial civic center, Morehead City, and will continue to do so until reorganization is completed which will probably be within the next two weeks.

The commanding officer said that meetings will then probably be held twice a month.

The unit at present has nine officers and seven enlisted men.

Assisting with tax listing in the Beaufort town hall is Mrs. Frank King, jr.

## Auto Hits Parked Car on Evans St.

Property damage amounting to \$200 resulted from an accident at 10:23 Monday morning at 3206 Evans st., Morehead City. A parked car owned by Harold L. Lloyd, 3206 Evans st., was struck by a car driven by Wayland Earl Clark, Nashville, N. C.

According to Officer Hubert Fulcher, Clark was proceeding west on Evans street when he collided with the Lloyd automobile. The Clark car, damaged to the extent of \$75, was owned by Mrs. W. E. Clark, Nashville.

Damage to the Lloyd car was estimated at \$125.

A car driven by Joseph Hester, 207 N. 12th st., Morehead City, was slightly damaged Sunday at 12th and Arendell st. Hester said he lost control of the car as he went around the corner. He hit a guy wire and damaged a front fender. Officers Robert Gray and Murphy Jenkins investigated.

At 12:45 p.m. Saturday a car driven by Ben Selvitelle, 1004 Evans st., backed out of a parking place at 8th and Arendell and collided with a car driven by Richard Kittrell of 18th and Fisher st. The right front fender of the Kittrell car was damaged. Officer Buck Newsome investigated.

No charges were preferred in any of the accidents.

## Housing Projects Near Base Will Ease Rental Crisis

Construction Proceeds Rapidly; Builders Work Nightly by Floodlight

Cherry Point, N. C.—Enlisted men of the Marine Corps Air station here will soon find a partial solution to the growing need for adequate, low rental housing within easy reach of the base.

Fort Macon Village, located behind an older government housing project in nearby Havelock on highway 70, is just that type of development, and its completion for occupancy by enlisted men and their families is not far off.

This new housing project, which promises to solve many needs of Cherry Point's married enlisted men, is now entering full-scale construction.

Every day — and some nights, too — finds the Fort Macon project taking shape. Equipped with specially erected floodlights, workmen are currently putting in night hours to hasten completion of the housing village. Structures of the Fort Macon project are in all stages of completion — ranging from buildings with finished exteriors and some with newly-erected roofs, to a few locations whose groundwork is barely begun.

Fort Macon Village, when completed, will consist of 52 two-story apartment buildings, designed to accommodate 249 families of enlisted men. Apartments will be unfurnished except for a gas range, gas heater, and electric refrigerator in each unit.

Low Rent Scale

One of the outstanding features of the new housing project is the low scale of rental rates which have been set up. Rental rates will be \$58 per month for one-bedroom units, \$70 for two-bedroom units, and \$77 for units of three bedrooms. These rates include the cost of utilities estimated at \$15 monthly.

Enlisted men will be offered 38 units that include one bedroom, or 149 units of two bedrooms, and 62 three-bedroom units for larger families.

Tentative dates for occupancy of the Fort Macon Village apartments are expected to be announced in the near future.

Construction of new officers' housing at Hancock Village is also nearing completion, and the first 20 units are expected to be ready for occupancy by Feb. 1. Hancock Village, located a half-mile south of the base, will consist of 100 units.

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## High Southwest Wind Hits County

High southwest winds, estimated to have reached 40 miles an hour at times, hit the Carteret coast yesterday morning but the wind shifted around to the northwest before 10 a.m. and calmed.

No storm warnings were posted, according to the Coast Guard, but small craft insecurely tied took a beating. Fishing boats didn't go out.

E. Stamey Davis, county weather observer, said the warm sou'wester would probably be followed by low temperatures.

Balmy weather last week preceded a drop in temperature Sunday and snow flurries were seen in several parts of the county Sunday night. Rain fell in the form of sleet Wednesday and the temperature dipped to 28 degrees, the first below-freezing temperature of the new year, Wednesday.

Temperatures from Jan. 1 through Jan. 9 follow:

	Max.	Min.
Jan. 1	67	52
Jan. 2	66	53
Jan. 3	71	52
Jan. 4	52	41
Jan. 5 (.45 inches rain)	62	48
Jan. 6 (.16 inches rain)	52	37
Jan. 7	42	31
Jan. 8 (.02 inches rain)	40	28
Jan. 9	59	40

## Mayor Proclaims Jaycee Week

Mayor L. W. Hassell, Beaufort, today proclaimed the week of Jan. 14-21 as Jaycee Week.

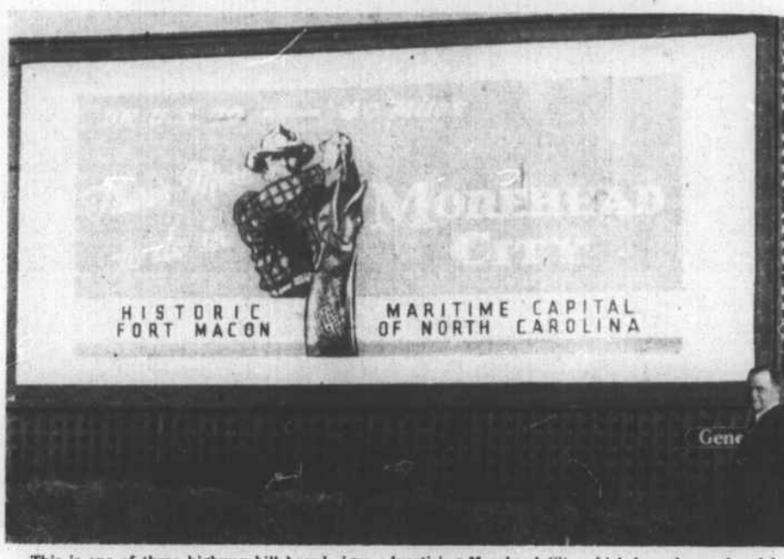
He called attention to the fact that the United States Junior chamber of commerce and its affiliated state and local organizations have set aside next week to observe the founding of the Junior chamber of commerce and to commemorate that founding by the selection of an outstanding young man in the community as recipient of the distinguished service award.

Beaufort Jaycees will present their 1951 man-of-the-year award at a banquet Saturday night, Jan. 19, in the Beaufort school cafeteria.

Chairman of the DSA committee, which has selected the recipient from nominees submitted by town civic organizations, is Holden Balou.

## Town Defers Action on Petition, Considers Recorder's Court

Signs Advertise Morehead City



This is one of three highway bill board signs advertising Morehead City which have been placed by the chamber of commerce on highways leading toward the Carteret coast. One sign is located on highway 17 south of here, another on highway 70 west of New Bern, and a third in New Bern facing traffic approaching New Bern from the north. Another sign, to be re-painted twice annually, is also located on highway 17 south of Jacksonville. Pictured at the right of the above picture is J. A. DuBois, manager of the chamber of commerce.

The Beaufort town board didn't agree to take in the new petitioners for entry to the town nor did they turn them down. The commissioners, meeting at the town hall Monday night, deferred action for 30 days on taking in the new area.

The commissioners deferred action on annexation because it was believed that more homeowners may be interested in joining the town. If so, it would be easier to handle the whole matter at one time, they thought, and would further simplify engineering plans for laying of sewers and water mains.

Will Get Protection

During the interim period, however, the petitioners will be given fire protection. Nine homeowners signed the petition presented to the board Monday night.

Anyone taken into the town in 1952 will not be subject to taxation this year.

In the course of discussion on a recorder's court for Beaufort a letter from George Franklin was read. Franklin said he thought the idea was feasible and recommended that court officers be paid on a salary rather than fee basis.

The clerk remarked that under the present mayor's court set-up court costs are \$4.50 and the town receives only a small part of that. If a recorder's court were established, court costs would be \$21.50. Fines and forfeitures would go to the county board of education.

Must Operate Two Years

The town attorney warned that if the court is started, it must operate at least two years, according to statute, before it can be abolished. Court officers, judge, clerk, and solicitor, are appointed and serve until the next town election when court officers must be elected.

Police Chief Carlton Garner suggested that another man be added to the police force. No action was taken.

Purchase of the town water system was mentioned but arguments by proponents of the proposition paled in the face of mild but probably unexpected opposition from several of the commissioners.

The board launched into criticism of Tide Water Power company and the manner in which water valves in the streets have been repaired. The valves stick up above the surface of the street and cement has been laid in a hill around them, forming a big hump.

It was explained that no other type valves could be obtained and the clerk, Dan Walker, said that the water company offered to contract the job of cementing a larger area around the valve, thus making ascent and descent less abrupt.

The board asked the clerk to write to Tide Water Power company and ask them to have a representative at the next meeting to discuss the matter because they consider the hillocks a hazard.

## Beaufort to Start Procedure For Abolishing 'Life Estates'

The Beaufort town board on Monday night authorized the town attorney, Wiley Taylor, to initiate legal procedure to remove certain Beaufort properties from the status of "life estates" and get them back on the tax books.

Taylor said that such could be done by starting foreclosure proceedings.

Commissioners remarked that it is not fair that certain properties in Beaufort be exempt from taxes. The "life estate" propositions are carry-overs from previous town administrations.

The town fathers also asked the attorney to start legal action to obtain reimbursement and compensation for expenses borne by the town as the result of the police car wreck Dec. 5.

Taylor was authorized, too, to file a tax judgment on property of the now defunct terrapin company. The property is located in the north part of town and Taylor said no taxes had been paid on it for 20 years. Three of the four lots, he added, are under water most of the time.

The board set a price of \$500 on the lot on Marsh street north of the former Whitehurst bond factory.

The town clerk, Dan Walker, stated that numerous privilege taxes have not yet been collected and it was suggested that the matter be taken up with George Franklin, counsel for the League of Municipalities, who will confer with the commissioners the week of Jan. 20.

The clerk also reported that letters were sent to holders of bonds which mature in 1953 and 1954, asking them if they wouldn't be willing to settle now. None seemed interested, he said, but approximately \$12,000 in bonds will be paid off July 1, 1952.

Revenue for the town for the first six months of the fiscal year 1951-52 exceeded the same period of the previous fiscal year by \$14,735.57, the board was told. This was due to a higher percentage of collection, and in small part due to the higher tax rate and increase in property valuation, remarked the clerk.

The board directed that unless the three front street business houses pay the town the agreed sum of \$50 annually, parking meters should be installed in front of the business places. (When meters were installed several years ago, these business houses asked that they be allowed space for trucks to unload or load and each offered \$50 a year to partially compensate for the amount lost by the town).

## New Bern Youth Will Serve 6-10 Year Prison Term

New Bern.—A 16-year-old New Bern youth, a former high school football star, and two Cherry Point Marines on Monday received prison sentences for a series of robberies here.

The youth, Bill Boyd, pleaded guilty to seven counts of breaking and entering and was sentenced to 4-7 years in state prison by Judge John J. Burney.

In addition, a suspended sentence for theft of 2-3 years was invoked for Boyd, giving him a total sentence of 6-10 years. (Boyd was tried on burglary charges in Carteret superior court last October).

The Marines, both 23 and both of Kansas City, pleaded guilty in superior court to seven counts and got 6-9 years each in state prison. They are Edward C. Turgeon and Tom Clark.

One theft to which Boyd pleaded guilty occurred at the auto company operated by the boy's uncle.

In another of the robberies, testimony showed that Boyd supplied the details about the Floyd Paul home here. The two Marines entered the Paul residence while Boyd was playing a football game at Morehead City and did not give him his share of the loot.

Except for the Paul home, all of the thefts were carried out at business firms.

Total amount of the loot was several thousands of dollars.

## 7,500 View Nativity Scene at Core Creek

Seventy-five hundred persons viewed the nativity scene at Core Creek Methodist church during the Christmas season. Members of the congregation consider that figure conservative because many persons viewed the creche who did not register. Thirty states and four foreign countries were represented among the viewers, according to the register.

Members of the church today extended their thanks and appreciation to all who helped in making the scene possible and also expressed gratitude for the publicity given. The animals were lent by Dewey Hardesty and Jack Ricks.

Mrs. Jeff Sabiston of the Core Creek church commented, "We hope the scene helped to bring the real spirit of Christmas to all who saw it."

## Child Recovers From Injuries

The condition of Eleanor Louise Jones, Newport route 1, a 5-year-old colored girl who was struck by an automobile Dec. 28, was reported yesterday to be very satisfactory. The child is recovering from a broken leg and other injuries in the Morehead City hospital.

The little girl was hit at 1:30 the Friday afternoon following Christmas as she was playing by the side of the road on highway 70. The car was driven by Louis Cvetko, Cherry Point.

Cvetko told J. W. Sykes, investigating highway patrolman that he was proceeding toward Morehead City when he saw some children playing by the side of the road. He said he slowed down, thinking they might run out into the road and just as he came upon them the little girl darted in front of his car.

The child was taken to Morehead City hospital by John J. McKenzie a passing motorist, and was accompanied by Mrs. Cvetko. No charges were preferred.

## Family Receives Two Letters From Soldier in Prison Camp

Two letters have been received by the family of Cpl. Thompson Morse, Morehead City route 1, who is confined to a prisoner-of-war camp in Korea. Both letters, which have been received during the past few weeks, are printed below.

The first, addressed to his mother, Mrs. Emma Simpson, follows:

North Korea  
P. O. W. Camp

Dear Mom,

Well, Mom, here I go again, trying to write and let you know that I am OK and feeling good.

Mom, I hope that you get this letter. I have written before and I guess that it didn't go through or I would have heard from you. Mom, it has been a long time since we have been together and I want you to know that I miss you and the family. Tell all I said hello.

I hope to see you soon, as soon as this war is over. Hope that will be soon.

Will close for now. Hope to hear from you soon. Please write if you can.

Love to Mom and all,  
Your son Buddy

Later another letter was received by the corporal's sister, Mrs. Pearl Austin of Morehead City route 1:

North Korea  
P. O. W. Camp

Hi Sis:

Just a few lines to let you know that I am getting along good and that I am being treated very good by the C. P. A. They are doing their best to keep us in good health.

Well, Sis, I hope that you are getting along just fine.

Sis, I miss you, Mom, and Dad very much. But maybe it will not be for long. This war will be over and I can come back to the family.

Sis, if you get this letter, be sure to let everyone know that I am in good health and am being treated good by the Chinese People's Army.

Hope to hear from you. Write if you can.

Love,  
Brother

As far as can be determined, Corporal Morse is the only Carteret countian being held in Communist prison camps in Korea.

## Police Chief Organizes Force

Police Chief E. J. Willis, Morehead City, recently formally organized the force, assigning titles and duties to his eight men.

Herbert Griffin, captain, is in charge of traffic control, parking meters, and maintenance of police cars. Buck Newsome, captain, is in charge of radio patrol, the crime report and automobile accident files.

Hubert Fulcher, assistant chief, has been placed in charge of the shift from 4 p.m. to 12 midnight daily. Carl Blomberg, lieutenant, is traffic and patrol officer; Guy Springle, lieutenant, is in charge of the shift from midnight to 8 a.m.; Preston Edwards, Murphy Jenkins, and Robert Gray are traffic and patrol officers.

Edmond Willis, former member of the police force, resigned two months ago to work at Cherry Point.

## Custody Case Heard Saturday at Snow Hill

The case of the state vs. Rachael Albert Benjock was heard before Judge Paul Frizzelle Saturday at Snow Hill and will not be tried in the Carteret county courts as scheduled.

Mrs. Benjock is charged with taking away from Beaufort school her two children who had been placed in custody of her former husband, Sgt. Albert Benjock.

Judge Frizzelle stated that Mrs. Benjock is entitled to custody of the children providing they do not leave this state, reported Attorney Harvey Hamilton who is representing Sergeant Benjock. Attorney George Ball is representing Mrs. Benjock.

## Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar

HIGH	Friday, Jan. 11	LOW
7:40 a.m.		1:21 a.m.
7:56 p.m.		2:13 p.m.
	Saturday, Jan. 12	
8:18 a.m.		2:01 a.m.
8:35 p.m.		2:48 p.m.
	Sunday, Jan. 13	
8:45 a.m.		2:40 a.m.
9:12 p.m.		3:24 p.m.
	Monday, Jan. 14	
9:29 a.m.		3:18 a.m.
9:47 p.m.		3:55 p.m.