

Rent Director Urges Tenants To Make Inquiry

Tenants have the full right to come to the area rent office and get the facts on the housing unit they occupy to determine the legal maximum rent and the services the landlord is required to supply, John Blair Mason, area rent director, announced today.

"There is nothing secretive or mysterious about our operation and we invite both tenants and landlords to inquire about properties they are concerned with," Mason said. "We especially invite tenants to ask questions because it is the belief of the local rent advisory board that too few tenants in Carteret county know their rights under the rent laws.

"No tenant can be evicted by his landlord merely because he inquires into the status of the unit he rents, or because he registers a complaint against his landlord," the area rent director emphasizes. "The rent laws afford tenants rigid protection against unlawful eviction. Most landlords are aware of this but I doubt if many tenants know it."

The area rent office, located at 9th and Arendell st., Pender bldg., Morehead City, has just received a new "fact sheet" of tenants' and landlords' rights under the rent laws that is available on request.

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dent's address by Henry Brooks, Roland Salter, of the school board, presented the diplomas. The class history was given by Callie Bland, the class prophecy by Weston Willis, and benediction by Margaret Davis.

Bruce Tarkington, principal, presented the awards. Musical numbers were given by Joyce Willis, Esther Lewis, and Edith Willis.

Both of the outstanding students in scholarship, Miss Lawrence and Miss Lewis, gave valedictorian and salutatorian addresses.

Marshals were Wilma Piner, chief, Osborne Davis, Terry Whitley, Barbara Hancock, Janice Mason, Betty Gillikin, and Nancy Willis.

Class mascots were June Kay Thomas and Jerry Willis and officers in addition to the president were Miss Lawrence, vice-president; Miss Bland, secretary; and Weston Willis, treasurer. Mrs. Barbara Willis is class adviser.

The baccalaureate service took place Sunday morning, May 25, at the school. The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by the Rev. Damon Dodd, Free Will Baptist minister of Nashville, Tenn.

Earl Johnson gave the invocation, the Rev. R. N. Fitts the scripture, and the minister was presented by the Rev. H. H. Jackson. The Rev. A. L. Benton pronounced the benediction. During the service two numbers were sung by the Glee club.

Graduates are the following: Leton Allgood, Herman Arthur, Henry Brooks, Donnie Davis, Leonard Guthrie, Lonnie Guthrie, Willard Guthrie.

Ernest Hill, Maryland Lawrence, Alex Lewis, Paul Lewis, Larry Murphy, Billy Neal, Jack Russell, Weston Willis, Albert Wolf, Callie Bland, Margaret Davis, Martha Davis, Barbara Fulcher, Joyce Fulcher.

Annie Brown Gaskill, Greta Lawrence, Clara Fay Lewis, Jean Audrey Lewis, Ann McGee, Sybil Rose, Janette Wade.

Groom Bakes His Own 300-Pound Wedding Cake

Detroit (AP) — Frank Gambino wanted his wedding cake to be just so — so he baked it himself.

He ended up with a cake bigger than he was. It was 9 feet high and weighed 300 pounds. It was built in several tiers with cake-like pillars holding up each tier.

The base had seven steps leading up to a miniature church in front of which were figures of the bride and groom and members of the wedding party.

Some earthquakes in the Mississippi Valley have followed heavy floods.

More than a third of all sulphuric acid produced in the United States goes into fertilizer.

Resort Grows From Pavilions To Hotels in 50-Year Period

By F. C. Satisfury

At the turn of the present century, Morehead City was the mecca for a host of summer visitors, attracted here by the service offered by the Atlantic hotel which at that time had been given the title of "Summer Capitol." State officials from the governor down, as well as many prominent citizens of the state, were steady patrons of this famous resort hotel for many years.

Along with other attractions offered the guests of the hotel was that of surf bathing on the Bogue Banks ocean beach. Sail boats operated by the hotel, as well as boats for hire, carried the bathers to the north side of the Banks from where they plodded through the sand to the ocean side.

Pavilions Built

Popularity of the ocean side and surf bathing brought about the construction of pavilions along the beach to care for the demand for bath houses and refreshments. The first pavilion to be erected on the beach was known as the Chadwick-Royal pavilion. This structure stood about at the site of the present Dunes club. Winfield Chadwick of Beaufort and J. J. Royal of Morehead City were the owners of Banks property extending from what is known as Money Island to the west line of the government property.

The building erected by these men was 50 x 75 feet, one story, with ells at the rear containing the bath houses. A refreshment stand stood at one end. The building was open on all sides, serving only as a shelter from the sun or storms. Later the land was divided between the two men, Mr. Royal taking the western end upon which he built a two-story pavilion with bath houses. This site known for many years as Money Island is now occupied by Courie's Villa, pavilion and cottages.

Transportation to the beach in those days and until the highway bridge was built in 1928 was by boat. A slue or creek on the north side of the banks permitted the landing from small crafts on a rickety dock from which a narrow board walk in later years was built leading to the Royal pavilion. Supplies for the refreshment stands, such as ice and soft drinks, were carried from the dock over the sand dunes by ox and cart.

During these early days of the beach development the operation of the two pavilions changed hands every season or two. Seemingly no effort was made to enlarge or improve the attractions or to give any sort of service or accommodations to persons desiring to spend any time at the beach. In July 1913, auction sales of beach building lots were held by the Atlantic Coast Realty company. It is stated that the offerings met with little response.

100 Acres Bought

Credit must be given to Van Bedsworth of Morehead City for the starting of a resort development which through the passing years brought about the present Atlantic Beach resort. Back in 1916 Bedsworth purchased the site of 100 acres of beach property including the Royal pavilion, giving it the name of Atlantic View beach. He made extensive improvements on the pavilion and bath houses and in 1918 built a 100-room hotel which met with instant success, giving the vacationing public accommodations directly on the beach.

Financial reverses caused Bedsworth to dispose of this property in 1920. For the next two years the resort was operated by J. E. Woodland. From that time on until the hotel was destroyed by fire the operation of the resort passed under several different managers, from bad to worse.

Following the loss of the Atlantic View beach, Bedsworth built a pavilion for colored people to the east on the beach on the site of the present McClamrock property. A year later he sold the property to a group of colored men who attempted to operate it until the buildings were destroyed by fire a few years later.

The year 1928 brought about the boom-time days of the Morehead Bluffs development. Morehead City and Beaufort caught the fever. Real estate was changing hands from day to day. Out of the "bubble" developed a project, by a group of Beaufort and Morehead men to organize a corporation to

build a bridge from the mainland in Morehead to Bogue Banks, creating a resort on what is today the site of Atlantic Beach.

Corporations Formed

Two corporations were formed by this group of promoters, the Atlantic Beach and Bridge corp. and the Atlantic Beach corp. The men back of the project were G. W. Huntley, W. T. Davis, George Brooks, J. F. Duncan, C. R. Wheatly, C. K. Howe of Beaufort, J. E. Woodland and Luther Hamilton of Morehead.

Besides the toll bridge connecting the mainland with the beach, the promoters built a small dining hall, bath houses and pavilion in which dances were held. This venture was short lived for during the night of July 6, 1929 fire destroyed the entire layout of buildings on the beach. The State Trust co. of New York which held a mortgage against the property took it over following the fire. This banking firm was absorbed by the Manufacturers Trust co., receiving the beach property as one of the assets from the State Trust co.

In 1930 the Manufacturers Trust co. sent Robert Cordon, one of its associates, down to look things over. Cordon liked the looks of things so well that he persuaded the trust company to rebuild the beach, consisting of a large casino and bath houses. A year later construction was started on the Atlantic Beach hotel by the banking firm and was completed in 1932.

Hotel Bought

Cordon acted as manager of the resort and hotel for several years. In 1940 the hotel was purchased by W. L. Derrickson who is the present operator. Later Newman Willis had the management of the resort until the property was sold by the banking firm to H. G. Mayer.

In the fall of 1945 the beach was purchased by Alfred Cooper, Morehead City, from Mayer. He remodeled the casino, built the Ocean King hotel and made many improvements. Later part of the property has been sold by Cooper to various parties who operate the several concessions.

In 1936 the bridge was sold to the state for an approximate \$50,000 and toll charges were removed. From that time of over a half century ago when but two crude structures served the visitors to the beach, the beach through the vision of its early promoters has become a highly-developed ocean-side resort. The popularity of Atlantic Beach has prompted the state to build a new highway bridge connecting the mainland at Morehead with Atlantic Beach at a cost of \$1,500,000.

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Copeland during his senior year was class president, co-captain of the football team, president of the Beta club, a member of the student council, a bus driver, a member of the varsity club and a player on both the football and basketball teams.

Miss Russell during her senior year was president and accompanist for the glee club, program chairman of the Beta club, a member of the Tri-Hi-Y club, business manager of the newspaper, treasurer of the Varsity club, co-captain of the basketball team, associate business manager of the school annual and library assistant.

Lynch during his senior year was president of the student council, a member of the glee club, the Beta club and the Varsity club, captain of the football team, captain of the basketball team, member of the baseball team and the school band, reporter of the school

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Another unit of the North Carolina Navy, the cabin cruiser "Ocracoke," was sold Thursday because it had grown too old for its job.

The State Division of Purchase and Contract said R. B. Burrus of Washington, N. C., high bidder in a sealed bid sale, would pay the State Department of Conservation and Development \$1,145.

Several months ago, the Department of Conservation and Development sold the state flag ship, the "Famlico," for \$31,000.

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