

# Stevenson Carries County as Record Vote is Cast

## Inquest Shows Negligence; Two Bound to Grand Jury

Action by a coroner's jury has bound Lundy Gillikin and Connie Perry Gillikin, drivers of the vehicles involved in the accident last Saturday night in which Donald L. Lawrence was killed, over to the grand jury under \$1000 bond.

The verdict of the jury indicated that jury members believed both men were guilty of negligence and that both should be held. The report of the jury stated that jury members did not know which of the men was most involved in the

accident or where blame should be placed and that such a decision was not within the province of the coroner's jury but should be left for the grand jury.

The coroner's inquest, held last Monday night in the county court house, was brief. Testimony from four men involved in the tragedy was heard as was testimony from Patrolman W. J. Smith, investigating officer.

Smith told the jury that he received a call at 12:30 on Nov. 1 to a wreck on the Harkers Island road. He put on his clothes and went down, arriving at 1 a.m. He found, he testified, that a 1947 Chevrolet had been in collision with a 1940 pickup truck. On investigation, he found that Lundy Gillikin was driving the pickup and Connie Gillikin was driving the car.

## Two Acquitted On Car Charges

Two defendants were acquitted Monday in Morehead City recorder's court after they were tried on motor vehicle charges.

Donald Leroy French was found not guilty of following too closely in the line of traffic and causing an accident. William Henry Robinson was acquitted on a charge of failing to stop at a stop sign.

Harrison Horton, colored, was found guilty of being drunk and disorderly and of assaulting Mabel Herring. He was sentenced to 30 days on the roads on each charge. The sentences are to be served concurrently.

### Sentences Suspended

Judge George McNeill suspended the sentences on the condition that Horton remain on good behavior for six months, refrain from seeing Mabel Herring, the prosecuting witness, for 60 days, pay Isham Herring \$6 for damage to the screen door and back porch of his home and pay the costs of court.

Chase Carlin was fined \$50 and costs for speeding. Andrew Jackson Williams was given a 30-day suspended sentence for operating a motor vehicle without a license. The sentence was suspended on condition that he pay a fine of \$25 and costs.

Lois R. Todd was fined \$25 and half of the costs after she was found guilty of driving without a license. The state declined to prosecute William Smith Todd on a charge of allowing an unlicensed person to operate a motor vehicle.

### Pays Costs

Joseph Galaska was ordered to pay costs on a charge of failing to yield the right of way and causing an accident.

W. H. Taylor and Roger Marvin Sanders each paid costs on charges of passing a red light.

John Brock, James Sexton and Pauline Jones paid costs for public drunkenness. The bond was forfeited by Charlie Smith also charged with public drunkenness. Judge McNeill issued a capias for Smith.

The warrant was withdrawn in the case of Jerome Secheist charged with disturbing the peace and using loud and profane language. The prosecuting witness was taxed with the costs.

The state declined to prosecute charges against Bobby Cook and James Kirtland Reilly. Cases were continued against John Allen Simmons, Charles Haskell Thomas, John E. Harris, Teddy Willis and Jimmy Long.

## Wilson C of C Asks Aid In Telephone Rate Fight

The Wilson chamber of commerce has asked the chambers of commerce of the cities and towns served by the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph company to contribute \$6,000 to carry on the fight against the company's request for a rate increase.

The money will be used to employ a rate expert to represent the various communities at a hearing in December. The cost will be prorated on the basis of the number of telephones in service in each town.

John B. Parramore, Jr., secretary of the Wilson chamber, has estimated that communities with 60 per cent of the company's 100,000 telephones will participate. At this rate, each town's share will be on the basis of ten cents per telephone.

The decision to hire a rate expert was made at a meeting Oct. 24 in Wilson. Representatives of the chambers of commerce of

The point of impact was at the intersection of Otway and the Harkers Island road. From the point of impact the coupe skidded and turned over. Smith said he found the body north of the car.

The officer questioned Lundy and he told him that he was coming from Harkers Island and was preparing to make a left turn into the Otway road that he saw the lights of the car coming from behind him but he thought he had enough time to make the turn safely. As he crossed the white line, the coupe hit him on the left side.

The driver of the car, Smith reported, told him that the tail lights of the truck were ahead of him, that he tried to overtake the truck and hit the truck as the driver swung into his left turn. He lost control of the car after the collision, according to Smith's testimony.

The driver of the car, Connie Gillikin, was not present at the inquest. He is in Morehead City hospital suffering from a broken leg incurred in the accident.

The three men riding in the pickup truck with Lundy Gillikin also testified. Each told the jury that Lundy was running slow for the left turn, that as he crossed the white line, the truck was hit from behind. The men were Alex Lewis, See INQUEST, Page 7

## Jaycees Expand Sales of Tape

The Morehead City Jaycees at their meeting Monday night decided to expand their sales of Scotchlite safety tape to motorists.

It was decided to sell the luminous tape to patrons of the drive-in theatres. The club will also continue its street sales to Saturday shoppers. L. G. Dunn asked for volunteers to help with the sales.

Larry McDade reported that work has begun on the new football field at Camp Glenn. He said that the actual playing area has been cleared and is ready for grading. The rest of the field will be cleared of underbrush at the earliest opportunity.

Jimmy Webb asked for help with the dismantling and storage of the bleachers at the high school athletic field. The work was to have been completed Wednesday afternoon.

Russell Outlaw reported on the district meeting last week in Washington, N. C. He announced that Morehead City had bid for, and received, the April district meeting.

Outlaw also announced that the club will hold a dance Friday, Nov. 14 at the American Legion hut. Final plans will be announced at the next meeting. It was decided to invite Beaufort Jaycees and their wives to attend.

Henry S. Gibbs, Jr., announced tentative plans for the annual football banquet. The banquet will be held either Nov. 24 or 26 in the high school cafeteria. Gibbs asked for volunteers to help with arrangements for the banquet.

The club voted to set up a fund to send two members to district meetings. The money will be used to pay the expenses of members who have never attended district or state meetings.

Bruce Goodwin, a former president of the Morehead City Jaycees, gave a short talk on the subject of life insurance. He gave figures on ownership of life insurance policies and explained why people buy life insurance.

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## Morehead City Will Host Meet

Members of the Atlantic Coastal district of the Supreme Forest Woodmen Circle in North Carolina will hold their district convention November 13, in the American Legion hall, Morehead City, according to Mrs. Ruth Banks, district president.

Nearly one hundred delegates are expected to register at the hall at 5:30 p.m. They will be welcomed.



Mrs. Ethel Donaldson

comed by members of Morehead City Grove No. 263, hostess camp.

Highlight of the convention will be the formal banquet at 6:30 p.m. which will be open to the public. Mrs. Ethel Donaldson, Charlotte, state manager, will be toastmistress. Entertainment will include performances by the Morehead City high school majorettes and Marsha Kersey, dancer.

The drill team from Jacksonville, captured by Clara Stephens, will assist in the ritualistic portions of the meeting.

The Woodmen Circle, now in its sixty-second year of fraternal service, is a nationally known fraternal society offering membership to women and girls only. In the past 62 years the organization has paid more than \$5 million dollars in benefits. Headquarters in Omaha, Nebraska, the Woodmen Circle lists assets of more than 48 million dollars.

## Beaufort Rotary Hears Woodard

Members of the Beaufort Rotary club heard Dr. W. L. Woodard, Beaufort dentist, speak on "Child Dental Care" at their meeting last Tuesday night.

Dr. Woodard spoke primarily about the dental needs of children in the eight to 12 age group, the period when children are losing their "baby" teeth and getting a new set.

He gave the Beaufort Rotarians some pointers on how to care for their children's teeth and gave a list of foods necessary for proper development of the teeth during this period of the child's life.

He also spoke of the necessity of proper dental care during these years and illustrated this point with his experiences as a member of the State Health department in another county in North Carolina. He told the members that during the year he worked with this agency he worked on the teeth of many children in the county. Some ten years later, he had occasion to return to that county and observe the continued work on those children. The work he had done and which had been continued had resulted in a reduced loss of teeth in those children of 95 per cent.

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## Stunned Silence Falls Here As Election Results Come In

It's all over but the shouting . . . but there isn't much shouting going on in Carteret county.

A stunned silence seems to have fallen over the county since the outcome of the election was announced.

And the stunned are not just the losing Democrats. The Republicans seem to be in a greater stupor than do the county Democratic followers. Primary comment you're hearing right now from the Republicans is "I didn't really believe it would happen." And some are saying "I'd hoped so hard but I'm surprised." And their jubilation is of the restrained kind. They're saying, "I hope it will be for the

best. I hope we've done the right thing."

The Democrats? Well, there's a kind of disbelief . . . a kind of refusal to accept what they know is inevitable. And most of them are saying, "If it was the people's will, then that's the way it ought to be." Even more are saying, "We'll wait and see." "Maybe things will be better." But the disbelief is still there. There's a kind of sadness in the faces of many . . . particularly those younger men and women who have never lived under any government except one run by the Democratic party. It's tough to lose when you've been on top so long.

Even the bitterness is restrained. The die-hard Democrats are saying, "All right, this is what the people wanted. Let them have it." "Ike says he's going to clean up this Korean mess. We'll see." "Ike says he's going to do something about the nation's economy. We'll see." "If he's going to Korea like he said, what's he doing on vacation?"

Some of the Democrats are saying, "Maybe a change will be for the better." "Maybe there won't be quite so much thievery, at least for a little while. It'll take them at least two years to learn how to steal . . . and then they won't have the know-how that 20 years has given the Democrats."

Still others are talking like this. "You'd better get your money out of the bank right now. The depression is on its way."

A man high in financial circles in the county was heard to say, "Well, I voted for Eisenhower, and think there will be only a slight recession. Maybe that will be good . . . it will take some of the air out of the dollar." But he adds, "I hope I've done the right thing."

The number who are saying, "Well, I didn't lose my vote. I marked a split ticket this year. I voted for 'Ike' but I voted Democratic the rest of the way." There See SILENCE, Page 2

## Beaufort Club Gives Concerts

Mrs. Virginia Hassell, director, and the Beaufort Choral club again presented an excellent program both Wednesday and Thursday nights when they gave concerts in the Beaufort and Morehead City school auditoriums for the benefit of the PTA's.

The first group consisted of patriotic songs by the entire club, ending with a medley arranged by Mrs. Hassell. Following those Garland Morris, tenor, sang a solo, Matinata.

In the second part of the program, the entire club sang two spirituals, It's Me O Lord and Ezekiel Saw de Wheel.

Following the spirituals, Sal Palazzo, tenor, and Mrs. Ralph Hancock, soprano, sang Because You're Mine, and as an encore, Be My Love. Mrs. Hancock gave a solo encore, I'll See You Again, and Mr. Palazzo gave as his solo encore, Come Back to Sorrento.

In the closing part of the program, the musical score from the motion picture, With a Song in My Heart, was sung by the choral club, with Mrs. Hancock, Miss Betty Lou Hill, Warren Grant, Sol Palazzo, and Alvin Hansen, featured singers. During this set the choral club gave the musical background for the soloists. Mrs. A. C. Blankenship and B. G. O'Neal danced, and members of the girls chorus, dressed as WAVES, gave a musical drill.

## Little Symphony Drive Continues

The Little Symphony drive will continue through next week, according to Glenn Adair, chairman of the group sponsoring the drive this year.

Adair says that any old members of the Symphony society who wish to renew membership or anyone wishing to join for the first time may call the Chamber of Commerce office in either Beaufort or Morehead City.

If you call either of the two offices, he says, leave your name and indicate your interest, and he will see to it that you are personally contacted.

The Chamber of Commerce phone number in Beaufort is 2-8241. In Morehead City, the number is 6-3404.

## State Asks Bids On Paving Jobs

The state highway and public works commission has asked for bids on 6.6 miles of paving in Carteret county and .81 miles of grading and paving in Onslow and Carteret counties.

The bids will be opened Nov. 18 and will be reviewed at a commission meeting Nov. 20.

The commission is seeking bids on 6.6 miles of paving on U. S. 70 from a point 1800 feet east of the North river bridge to a point 1.4 miles east of Smyrna.

The project in both Onslow and Carteret counties will consist of grading and paving the approaches to the bridge over the White Oak river outside Swansboro.

## Wind Shift Brings Lower Temperatures Tuesday

A shift in wind Tuesday brought slightly colder weather to the county. The wind changed from southwest to northeast. The drop in temperature did not deter voters from going to the polls.

Monday, Nov. 3, 73 51  
Tuesday, Nov. 4, 68 44  
Wednesday, Nov. 5, 66 38

The largest vote in the history of Carteret county was cast at the general election on Tuesday. The official count shows that 7,247 votes were cast for presidential candidates by county voters. The county followed the trend in the rest of the Tar Heel state and voted Democratic. The Democratic candidate, Stevenson, polled 4,280 votes and the Republican candidate, Eisenhower, polled 2967 votes.

Although the county did not vote with the nation in the choice for the next president, they did follow the nation-wide trend of going to the polls in record numbers.

F. R. Seeley, chairman of the county board of elections, told the NEWS-TIMES that the board is very glad that the largest number of voters known in the history of the county have cast their ballot. "We call particular attention," he said, "to the new precinct No. 2 in Morehead City which together with the Morehead City precinct No. 1 cast 1963 votes for president which is greater for Morehead City by 500 votes than the largest total ever cast." He continues, "When Luther Hamilton ran in the primary for Congress against Graham Barden, he had more than 1400 votes which together with some 75 absentee votes not properly notarized would have made 1500 votes. That is the largest previous vote cast for Morehead City."

The elections board chairman further says that the vote from Newport is reflected by the great increase in population at Newport. And, he reports, the vote from Beaufort, 1,581 votes, is more than 300 votes greater than any previous vote in the town.

Seeley says that the county elections board believes that more than 300 voters were absent from the towns to the east engaged in fishing. These people, Seeley says, would certainly have voted as they have never belonged to the stay-at-home class on election day.

The chairman of the elections board further says, "The county board of elections has tried

## Political Heads Issue Comments

The feelings of Carteret politicians concerning the outcome of the general election last Tuesday are much like the comments from county political leaders.

When asked to make a statement concerning the election outcome, Irvin Davis, Democratic county chairman, told the NEWS-TIMES, "The people have spoken and I accept it completely."

The Republican county chairman was more exuberant. Claud R. Wheatly, Jr., told a reporter that "I will merely quote A. L. Wilson, (traditional Republican of Newport (who hasn't missed a national convention since the nomination of Harding) . . . 'I'm so tickled I'm about to bust.'"

And political leader in county Democratic circles, Sheriff Gehrmann Holland, merely said, "I'm preparing for two years from now right now."

## Newport Wreck Injures Three

Three residents of Newport were injured Tuesday night when the car in which they were riding turned over on a curve on the Mill Creek road.

The injured were Jerry N. Lanier, the driver of the car, Vernon Garner and L. D. Ezell. All three suffered cuts and lacerations. Garner was given emergency treatment at the Morehead City hospital, and Ezell is still undergoing treatment.

Lanier told Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith that he was going east on the Mill Creek road when the car failed to negotiate a curve.

The car, a 1939 Buick, is a total loss.

## New Traffic Ordinance Okayed for Beaufort

The Beaufort town commissioners, at a meeting Monday night, took several direct actions and made several recommendations. The commissioners:

1. Approved a new street-lighting contract.
2. Went on record as opposing the proposed telephone rate increase in Beaufort.
3. Passed a new traffic ordinance.
4. Moved to file one foreclosure suit and delayed action on another suit.
5. Rescinded a previous motion which gave the town of Beaufort power to lend \$1000 to the newly established municipal recorder's court.
6. Discussed the possibility of changing the day the new court meets.

The new street-lighting contract approved by the commissioners is a ten-year contract set up by the Carolina Power and Light company and presented to the commissioners

## Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar		LOW
HIGH	Friday, Nov. 7	5:30 a.m.
11:48 a.m.		6:27 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 8		6:22 a.m.
12:16 a.m.		7:18 p.m.
12:37 p.m.		
Sunday, Nov. 9		7:21 a.m.
1:13 a.m.		8:10 p.m.
1:29 p.m.		
Monday, Nov. 10		8:22 a.m.
2:11 a.m.		9:01 p.m.
2:25 p.m.		
Tuesday, Nov. 11		9:24 a.m.
3:08 a.m.		9:50 p.m.
3:19 p.m.		

## Davis Ordered To Close Down

Beaufort Court Demands Health Rating Raised to Resume Operation

James Davis, Beaufort, has been ordered to cease serving food in the Davis House, Beaufort, until a sanitary rating of "C" is given his establishment by A. D. Fulford, county sanitarian.

The action came yesterday morning in the Beaufort municipal recorder's court with the judgment handed down by Earl Mason, judge of the court. Mason also imposed a \$100 fine, to be suspended if Davis complies immediately with the judgment of the court. He was also ordered to pay court costs.

Davis pleaded nolo contendere (no contest) to the charges against him. He had been charged on two counts but the cases were consolidated and heard at the same time. The charges against him were violation of the public health laws. Specifically, he had been charged with preparing and serving food to the public in a public eating establishment with a sanitary rating of less than "C." He was also charged with allowing employees to prepare and serve food to the public without a medical health certificate. The warrant also charged that he disposed of garbage in unclean containers so as to constitute an unsanitary condition. The second case against Davis charged that he had continued to operate after his permit had been revoked by an authorized agent of the state board of health.

Counsel for Davis, Claud R. Wheatly, Jr., told the judge that he believed there were mitigating circumstances in this case, inasmuch as Davis was making an effort to rectify the unsanitary conditions in his establishment and had agreed to another inspection by the health department in order to determine if the rating necessary could be achieved.

Judge Mason also indicated that Fulford should make an inspection of the Davis establishment as soon as feasible in order that the establishment could be re-opened as soon as possible, if it can now meet health standards required by the state.

Testimony in the case came from Grover Conway, Beaufort town

## Newport Rotary Has New Member

A Boy Scout representative will speak to the Newport Rotary club at its next meeting. The speaker has been invited to speak in connection with the revival of the Boy Scout troop in Newport.

Nathan Garner, publicity chairman for the Rotary group, reports that E. B. Comer, principal of the Newport school, has been accepted as a new member of the club.

At the club's last meeting, at which Ed Carraway gave the invocation, and over which Charles S. Long, president, presided, the club heard Edgar Hibbs, program chairman, present a program on individual classification. Chairman Hibbs reviewed the classification of each member of the group as some had been changed since the last survey. He explained that a classification is not given to a member, it is only loaned.

## Clubs to Sponsor Clothing Drive

The Morehead City and Beaufort Junior Woman's clubs in cooperation with the county welfare department will again sponsor the children's Clothing Closet this year.

The project is designed to furnish needy children in the county with adequate clothing for the coming school year. The clothes will be used by children whose need is unknown to the welfare department.

Those who wish to donate clothing in Morehead City can call Mrs. Dom Femia, chairman of the drive, at 6-3797. A member of the club will call to collect the clothing. Mrs. Femia says, "We are looking forward to the same spirit of cooperation from the public that we have received in the past."

## Holland May Get Fisheries Post

That Sheriff C. Gehrmann Holland is interested in getting the \$6,000 a year job of state commissioner of commercial fisheries, as stated yesterday in a Raleigh political column, came as no surprise to Carteret countians.

Closely identified with the fishing industry since his teen age years, Holland has backing for the job from prominent fishing dealers and fishermen themselves throughout the coastal area. The column stated:

Some eastern Carolina politicians are backing Carteret county Sheriff C. G. Holland for the post of state commissioner of commercial fisheries, and the report is that Sheriff Holland would like to get the \$6,000 year job.

Holland was Bill Umstead's campaign manager in Carteret in the primary last spring, which should in no way dim his chances of receiving the appointment — that is, if Umstead decides that it is time for a change.

The present commissioner, C. D. Kirkpatrick, has held the post only for a couple of years. He succeeded Capt. John A. Nelson when the latter retired after nearly half a century with the state, much of that time as fisheries commissioner.

## Farmers Harvest Sweet Potatoes

Carteret county sweet potato growers are harvesting this year's sweet potato crop this week. The potatoes are bringing \$2.75 to \$3.00 per bushel for U.S. number 1's, with the buyer furnishing the basket and doing the hauling, according to R. M. Williams, county farm agent.

The price has looked too good for many county growers to store their potatoes, according to Williams. He says that due to the present sweet potato outlook, other growers who own substantial sweet potato storage houses are storing their potatoes.

The county agent reports that Ray Keller and Roland Salter of the Bettie community were able to set their sweet potato crop during the dry season last summer because of irrigated fields.

As a result of the early planting and the long growing season, Keller and Salter have harvested double the potato yield that is being harvested from most fields without irrigation, Williams says.

## Concert Series Tickets Mailed

Membership cards to the Carteret-Cherry Point community concerts were mailed yesterday, and Mrs. G. Henry Jackson, secretary of the organization, has asked anyone not receiving a ticket to contact her or ask about tickets at the post office, since not all addresses were clearly marked.

Members of the community concerts are entitled to attend Columbia concerts in other communities. On Wednesday, Nov. 26, Marina Svetlova, prima ballerina, will dance in the Beaufort school auditorium. On Jan. 13, Samuel Sorin, pianist, will play in the Morehead City school auditorium and on Feb. 4, the Song Masters will appear in the Beaufort school.

New Bern will present the Columbia Concert Trio on Nov. 21, the Song Masters on Feb. 6, and John Knight, pianist, on March 16. Kinston will present Jenny Tourtel, mezzo-soprano on Feb. 13 and Marisa Regules, pianist, on March 20.

James Melton will sing in Wilson on Nov. 17, and Jean Casadesus, pianist, will play there on March 23.