

Beaufort Commissioners Ask Extension of Police Authority

The Beaufort town board at its meeting Monday night adopted a resolution asking Rept. H. Earle Mobley to secure permission for the town to extend the jurisdiction of its court and police department. The proposed extension will require a special act of the general assembly.

If the general assembly grants permission for the extension, the jurisdiction of the court and the police will extend approximately five miles from the town limits. The limits will be K. W. Wright's road on NC 101, the road to the oyster farm on US 70, the Newport river on the west and Lennoxville point.

The resolution as originally drawn asked for extension of juris-

dition to include all of Beaufort township. The members of the board felt that this might cause too much of a conflict with county authorities and recommended the change in the resolution.

Police Commissioner Glenn Adair made several recommendations with regard to traffic control. He urged that warning lines be painted on the streets at each traffic light. He recommended that the lines be placed at the last place at which a driver can see the light. He also asked that walkway lines be painted at all intersections and that parking lines in the business district be repainted.

Adair also recommended that parking fines be increased. He said that the present fines are too low to act as deterrents. The commissioners agreed to study the matter.

Present Request

At the request of Coroner L. D. Springle, Dan Walker, town clerk, asked the commissioners for permission to send the fire department out of town on emergency calls from the coroner or the highway patrol.

Charles Stevens, town attorney, recommended that the commissioners take no action on the matter at the present time. He said that there

is a possibility that such action by the fire department would be illegal and that the town would be liable for any damage caused by a fire in town while the firemen were on such an emergency call.

The commissioners decided to defer action on the request pending an investigation by the attorney. Several of the board members said that they believed that the county should set up its own fire department to handle out of town fires.

Ask Parking Change
Merchants on the south side of Broad street requested that parking be allowed on that side of the street and not on the north side. At present, parking is allowed on the north side only.

Walker explained that the present system was set up to allow the fire department to drive along the south side of the street which in places is in better shape than the north side. Mayor L. W. Hassell and Walker agreed to discuss the proposal with the fire department.

Walker said that he had checked with highway department engineers in regard to widening the corner of Ann and Live Oak. He said that the engineers believe that if the town will move the curb, the state will pave the area between the present curb and the new one.

Jaycees Thanked

At the suggestion of Mayor Hassell, the commissioners adopted a resolution thanking the Beaufort Jaycees for the signs which they have erected near the school and the churches.

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Mobley Bill Wins Approval Of Committee

New Law Would Allow Pilotage Commission to Issue More Licenses

A House of Representatives committee reported favorably Wednesday on a bill to remove the necessity of obtaining the written approval of two licensed pilots in order to become a pilot in old Topsail inlet and the Beaufort bar Wednesday.

The bill, changing a provision of the 1947 law, was introduced by Carteret county representative, H. Earle Mobley. Mr. Mobley introduced the measure, he reported, at the request of the Morehead City Navigation and Pilotage commission.

Under the 1947 law, a pilot could be licensed only with the written approval of two licensed pilots. The bill now in the general assembly would allow the pilotage commission to examine applicants and license them without the approval of already licensed pilots.

Mr. Mobley reported that there was no opposition to the bill before the House Counties, Cities and Towns committee. "There will probably be opposition to the measure when it reaches the senate," he said, "but I see no reason why it shouldn't be passed by the assembly."

The intent of the bill is to provide for the needs of the port in the future, Mr. Mobley continued. "The port is growing rapidly and needs more pilots," he said. "There are situations which might arise when the port would be without pilots and under the old law could not license new ones."

At the present time there are three pilots licensed for the local port. Captain Charlie Piner, sr., said that under the new law the port will be unable "to get qualified pilots." He described the harbor here as one of the "trickiest on the east coast." The other pilots are Captain Charlie Piner, jr., and Captain Ira Willis.

Mr. Mobley reported that the bill would probably reach the senate within the next two weeks.

Countians Rush To Buy Licenses

Carteret county motorists rushed Saturday to beat the deadline for purchasing state and town license tags, but many of them still missed the deadline. Only the extension of the time limit saved some of them from arrest.

Personnel in the installment loan department of the First-Citizens Bank and Trust company which sells the state license tags reported that they sold more than 300 tags before the office closed Saturday afternoon.

Automobile owners were standing in line outside the office when it opened and there was still a line when closing time came. At times during the morning, the line extended from the bank to 9th street and around the block to Evans street.

Business at the bank was not quite so heavy Monday, but 131 tags were sold. Except for early in the morning, there was no line at the bank during the extra day of grace which the state extended.

Town offices in both Beaufort and Morehead City report a last-minute rush to buy town tags. In Beaufort, 52 licenses were sold Saturday and Monday. In Morehead City about 100 tags were sold during the two-day period. Both offices report that business was heavier during those two days than at any other time in the two months during which the tags were on sale.

Auditor Issues Tax Reminder

All Carteret county residents who have not yet listed their real and personal property for county taxes must do so before Feb. 15, James D. Potter, county auditor, reminded residents this week.

A 15-day extension of the tax listing period was ordered by the county board of commissioners at their regular meeting last Monday. The period was originally scheduled to end Jan. 31.

The commissioners voted the extension to allow everyone a chance to list his taxes without paying a penalty.

After Feb. 15, a fine will be imposed for late listing. The fine will be \$1 minimum and a maximum of 20 per cent of the value of the property listed.

Mr. Potter estimated that 80 per cent of the taxable property in the county was listed during the regular period. In 1952, the total property valuation in Carteret county was \$20,015,493. The county tax rate is \$1.80 per \$100 of valuation.

All real property must be listed for tax purposes and all personal property of residents of the county must be listed. Mr. Potter pointed out that failure to list property for tax purposes constitutes a misdemeanor under the law.

Tax listing offices are distributed throughout the county to facilitate listing.

Commissioners Draw Jury

The board of county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting Monday drew the names of 50 citizens of the county who will serve as members of the grand and petit juries at the March term of superior court.

The mixed civil and criminal term will begin March 9.

Those selected for jury duty are: Beulah L. Dowdy, Rt. 1, Beaufort; Joel S. Smith, Morehead City; C. L. Willis, Smyrna; Earl Taylor, Beaufort; F. E. Lawrence, Rt. 1, Beaufort; William F. Gillikin, Rt. 1, Beaufort; William Mason, Newport; Warren Piner, Williston; Richard M. Smith, Morehead City; John F. Reynolds, Rt. 1, Newport.

Lance Smith, Beaufort; Willie Willis, Sea Level; J. W. Merrill, Rt. 1, Beaufort; Cecil J. Moore, Harkers Island; Louie E. Willis, Smyrna; N. C. Weeks, Newport; James W. Weatly, Beaufort; Edith Stacy, Newport; E. P. Gaskill, Stacy; G. E. Salter, Sea Level.

Alex Guthrie, Salter Path; Alex Moore, Salter Path; W. D. Pake, Smyrna; Carroll E. Chadwick, Beaufort; Everett Arrington, Beaufort; Earl Noe, Beaufort; Leroy Hancock, Harkers Island; Lee Piner, Harkers Island; Charles H. Newton, Morehead City; T. L. Willis, Rt. 1, Beaufort; Joe C. McIntyre, Merrimon; Elmore Davis, Beaufort; Dave Merrill, Beaufort.

Willard Hill, Harkers Island; Pritchard A. Lewis, Beaufort; Sterling P. Robinson, Atlantic; Tommy Lewis, Harkers Island; Leolen Gillikin, Rt. 1, Beaufort; L. H. Davis, Marshallberg; Roy B. Litton, Morehead City; Dewey Merrill, Rt. 1, Beaufort; Clifford J. Robinson, Morehead City.

John Taylor, Beaufort; Leslie Asdenti, Straits; B. L. Carroway, Newport; W. C. Smith, Morehead City; W. L. Guthrie, Harkers Island; Leroy Guthrie, Morehead City; H. S. Gibbs, jr., Morehead City.

Ships Arrive For Maneuvers

Ships began arriving at the Morehead City port terminal this week to take part in the mammoth "Lant Phibex II" maneuvers for Navy and Marine personnel.

One of the most extensive Atlantic fleet amphibious force training exercises ever conducted, the operation will help to maintain the combat readiness of ships and crews. It will end early in April.

The operation is specifically designed to improve and test communications, command relationships, tactical concepts and training methods. Approximately 25,000 Navy personnel and 17,000 Marines, including naval and marine aviation units, will take part in the giant operation.

Vice Admiral F. G. Fabrian, commander amphibious force, U. S. Atlantic fleet, is in over-all command of the operation. Marines taking part will come from Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic, under the command of Lieutenant General Graves B. Erskine. Marine aircraft will be commanded by Major General Field Harris.

During the first phase, amphibious troops from the Second Marine division at Camp Lejeune will embark at Norfolk and Morehead City. The task force will then proceed to Puerto Rico where an assault aimed at capturing the island of Vieques will be staged. This Caribbean island will be defended by a Marine training group now there for intensive field training.

The second phase of the exercise will end with an assault at Onslow Beach. More than 150 ships will take part in the invasion test against submarine and air opposition.

The attacking Marines will be from the Second Marine division and force troops, both based at Camp Lejeune while the air elements of the Marine air-ground team will be from the Second Marine air wing based at Cherry Point and the Third air wing based at Miami, Fla. D-Day for the Onslow Beach assault is March 28.

The training operation will test recently developed tactical theories, especially the employment of helicopters in amphibious operations; and will serve to polish up old techniques of air-ground cooperation aimed at speeding up the whole sequence of amphibious operations ashore.

Large Audience Hears Quartet

A large and appreciative audience Wednesday night heard the Song Masters, a male quartet, present the final program in this year's county community concert series at the Beaufort school auditorium.

Their program ranged from quartet arrangements of classical lieder to a medley from the current Rodgers-Hammerstein Broadway musical, "The King and I."

Recently organized, the quartet is making its first tour with engagements in many eastern cities. The group maintained a fine blend of voices in the harmony sections and each member sang solo passages well.

John Peterson from Winnipeg, Canada, was the first tenor; Jack Frigmore, second tenor, is a native of Texas; Joseph Frederick, from New York, sang baritone; and Ivar Ivarson, bass, was born in Norway. Miss Kaprielian played a group of three piano pieces by Claude Debussy.

Many of the arrangements which the quartet sang were made by Mr. Frederick and Mr. Peterson.

The group concluded their program with a medley of songs from "H.M.S. Pinafore," the famous Gilbert and Sullivan operetta. Following the medley, the Song Masters sang two encores.

Before organizing the quartet, each member of the group had achieved distinction in the musical world.

Ports Authority Allots \$175,000 For Repairs at Port Terminal

Harold Bass Sentenced To 11 Months on Roads

Harold Bass of Morehead City was given jail sentences totaling 11 months Monday in Morehead City recorder's court.

Bass was sentenced to serve 30 days for disorderly conduct, destroying government property and forcible trespass and 90 days for resisting arrest.

Judge George H. McNeil also invoked two 30-day suspended sentences which he had imposed upon Bass on Oct. 20.

Judge McNeil also passed sentence on several charges to which Bass had entered guilty pleas Dec. 8. He had deferred passing sentence at the time.

He sentenced Bass to 30 days for being disorderly and disturbing the peace, 30 days for public drunkenness, 30 days for assaulting an officer and 30 days for resisting arrest. He also sentenced Bass to 30 days for using profane language

and disturbing the peace in his home.

The sentences are to be served consecutively.

Held for Grand Jury

Matthew P. Marshall, jr., was ordered held for the grand jury on a charge of forgery. Judge McNeil also bound him over to the superior court on two charges of issuing worthless checks in order that the three cases might be tried together. Marshall's bond was set at \$1,000.

Curtis Bell was ordered held for the grand jury on charges of breaking and entering and larceny of a watch. His bond was set at \$500.

Guy Copes was sentenced to 18 months on the roads for careless and reckless driving, speeding, failing to stop at a red light, failing to stop for six stop signs, failing to stop at the sound of a siren and transporting non-tax paid whiskey.

The sentence was suspended on condition that Copes pay a fine of \$250 and costs, remain on good behavior for two years and refrain from operating a motor vehicle for 12 months.

Judge McNeil ordered that Copes' car be advertised and sold.

Files Appeal

Copes served notice of an appeal to the March term of superior court and was released on \$500 bond. Bond for the removal of the car was set at \$750.

Daniel Isaac Erwing was fined \$50.

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Court Settles Five Old Cases

Judge Earl Mason Tuesday in Beaufort recorder's court made disposition of five old cases, two of which have been on the court docket since the first session.

Otto Johnson was ordered to pay costs for allowing his car to be driven without brakes causing a wreck. James Harvey was ordered to pay costs for driving a car without brakes, following too close in the line of traffic and causing a wreck.

Johnson and Harvey have been on the court docket since the first session, Oct. 23. They are residents of Craven county and the case had been continued until capias could be served on the men.

John and George Worthy were charged with leave. Davis was charged with following too close and causing a wreck and Ellison and Worthy were charged with public drunkenness. The three men have left the county and can not be found.

William C. Gillikin was fined \$100 and costs for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. Cary Gordon Lewis was ordered to pay \$5 of the costs for speeding in a school zone and driving on the wrong side of the street.

Fred Patrick, William Allen Smith and Earl Kenneth Lawrence all paid costs for failing to stop at stop lights. John V. Weeks paid costs for failing to stop at a stop sign.

Richard Hardesty paid \$10 and costs for public drunkenness. Clarence Wallace paid costs for public drunkenness and indecent exposure.

Leroy Sharpe paid costs for careless and reckless driving. Judge Mason issued a capias for Abraham Williams for failing to comply with a judgment of the court.

Two Get Suspended Sentences For Transporting Illegal Liquor

Two men arrested last week on charges of transporting 432 gallons of non-tax paid whiskey were given suspended sentences Tuesday in county recorder's court.

William E. Hinton, driver and owner of the truck in which the whiskey was found, was sentenced to one year on the roads for transporting non-tax paid whiskey. The sentence was suspended on condition that he pay a fine of \$250 and costs and remain on good behavior for a period of two years.

James H. Durlake was given one year on the roads for aiding and abetting in the transporting of non-tax paid whiskey. His sentence was suspended on condition that he pay a fine of \$150 and costs and remain on good behavior for two years.

Arthur G. Davis was fined \$250 and costs for driving while under the influence of alcohol. Charles G. Hunter was fined \$100 and costs for driving while under the influence of alcohol.

Sentence Suspended

James Allen Salter was sentenced to six months on the roads for driving while under the influence of alcohol and careless driving. The sentence was suspended on condition that he pay the prosecuting witness \$800 in monthly installments of \$50 each.

Newton F. Pennington was fined \$100 and costs for speeding. Ikie Kyndall Guthrie was fined \$10 and costs for speeding. William T. McGuiness and Thomas Frank Mylett were ordered to pay costs for speeding. The state declined to prosecute McGuiness on a charge of driving without a license.

Edwin Copeland was ordered to

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Beaufort Permits Total \$19,400

Gerald Woolard, Beaufort building inspector, has reported that he issued permits for work amounting to \$19,400 during the month of January.

The largest single piece of construction is a business building being constructed by G. W. Huntley on Turner street. The building is being erected at a cost of \$10,000.

Repairs to the home of Julian Hamilton, Ann street, added another \$7,000 to the total. The Hamilton home was heavily damaged by a fire in December.

Mrs. John G. Jones was given a permit to alter a dwelling on Orange street at a cost of \$1,000. Repairs to the home of Mrs. M. L. Davis, Front street, cost \$400.

Chamber Manager Receives 42 Applications for Telephones

Dan Walker, manager of the Beaufort chamber of commerce, reports that he has received 42 applications for telephone service in the Stella-Pelletier area. The chamber is spearheading a drive to obtain telephone service for those sections of Carteret, Onslow, Jones and Craven counties which do not have such service.

The applications were obtained as a result of a meeting Dec. 2 in Pelletier. At that time, Walker and a representative of the REA explained the procedures for obtaining telephone service. Some applications were filled out at the meeting and others were obtained by canvassers who contacted those unable to attend the meeting.

At a meeting in Beaufort last week, plans were made to extend the survey to other parts of the county. Local groups are being asked to set up meetings at the chamber representatives of the chamber of commerce will explain the steps necessary to obtain service.

Those who have applied for service in the Stella-Pelletier area are Mr. and Mrs. Wilber L. Jenkins of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Littleton of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. Navi Morton of Silverdale, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Coston of Silverdale, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Gillette of Silverdale, George D. Mattocks of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. Odie H. Jones of Maysville, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Morse of Stella.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Truckner of Pelletier, Mrs. D. C. Morse of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Young of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Jahn of Maysville, Mr. and Mrs. M. Meadows of Maysville, George Wainwright of Stella, Dr. Leland

Woodard of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Trotter, Jr., of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. John Brinkley of Stella.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Wetherington of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Young of Maysville, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Smith of Rt. 1, Newport, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wellspeak of Swansboro, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Baker of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. E. Godwin of Maysville, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rose of Pelletier, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Meadows of Pelletier.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Taylor of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Hancock of Swansboro, Mr. and Mrs. Harry V. Hamilton of Swansboro, Mr. and Mrs. Effron S. Smith of Swansboro, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pelletier of Stella, O. E. and S. E. Smith of Rt. 1, Newport, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Smith of Rt. 1, Newport, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Morris of Stella, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Blight of Stella.

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Morris of Stella, Essie T. Smith of Rt. 1, Newport, H. H. Watson of Stella, Adam Pietras of Swansboro and W. T. Casper of Swansboro.

The canvassers who obtained the telephone applications from their neighbors were Milton Truckner of Pelletier, J. W. Young of Stella, N. W. Morton of Silverdale, Effron S. Smith of Swansboro, Otis E. Godwin of Maysville, Leslie G. Dudley of Pelletier and E. F. Smith of Rt. 1, Newport.

Each application was accompanied by \$10. This money will be applied to membership fees if it becomes necessary to organize a telephone cooperative in order to obtain the service. If the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph company provides the service, the money will be refunded to the applicant.

The State Ports authority has approved the expenditure of approximately \$175,000 to make repairs on the old dock at the Morehead City port terminal.

The decision was made at a regular quarterly meeting of the authority in Wilmington Wednesday. Final approval on the expenditure must be made by the Council of State.

A. G. Myers, chairman of the group, reported that there is enough money in the budget to complete the project.

On Tuesday night, members of the state group and other persons connected with the shipping industry heard Lewis I. Bourgeois, director of commerce for the port of New Orleans, describe the growth of that port since 1940.

Before 1940, Mr. Bourgeois said the port was tied to state politics and began to grow only after the legislature put it on a business basis. "If you work hard at it, business will come your way. It will take a few years, but with courage and determination, you can build a port which will stand alongside any on the Atlantic seaboard, and it will enjoy a share of world trade which all of us are building up," he continued.

He estimated that a ship and its cargo at a port result in a direct or indirect expenditure of approximately \$200,000. At the New Orleans port, he said, 4,000 ships a year give the port a total business of \$1 billion.

The money set aside for dock repairs at the local port will be used on 1,000 feet of the old dock. The remaining 350 feet is under contract to the Standard Oil company of New Jersey. The oil firm's contract specifies that it shall maintain that portion of the dock.

In addition to the dock repairs, the port authority members also discussed the advisability of building additional warehouse space at the Morehead City port for tobacco storage.

The repair project here will include placement of cement sleeves around the present building, deepening the present supports and other general improvements.

The quarterly meeting was held at the terminal administration building in Wilmington. J. D. York, manager of the Morehead City port, attended the meeting.

Newport Board Extends Limit For Town Tags

The Newport board of commissioners extended the time for purchasing city automobile tags until Tuesday, Feb. 10, at their regular monthly meeting Tuesday night.

Ormsby Mann, Newport police chief, reported to the board that many residents in the town had not bought their tags before the scheduled deadline of Jan. 31. The board then extended the period by ten days.

After the ten-day period is over, the commissioners instructed the police department to arrest all residents whose automobiles do not have the required tags. Under the town ordinances, failure to display a current city tag constitutes a misdemeanor.

Miss Edith Lockey, town clerk, was instructed to write a fire equipment company to obtain information about a new siren for the town's fire department. It was pointed out that the present siren needs repairing, and the commissioners ordered its immediate repair.

Several members of the town's volunteer fire department attended the meeting and urged the board to purchase a stronger siren than the present one. They reported that members of the department frequently came to the fire house after an ambulance or police car had gone through the town through a confusion in the sounds of the sirens.

The commissioners decided to ask for a 30-day trial period on a new siren horn to test its workability in relieving the confusion.

The board also passed a resolution requiring that all tickets for repairs and gasoline for Newport automotive equipment should be signed by the person ordering the repairs or gasoline.

Ira Garner presided over the meeting in the absence of C. A. Gould, jr., mayor of the town. Other commissioners present were Charles Hill, Edgar Hibbs, M. C. McCain and S. E. Mann. George Bell, town attorney, was also present.

Boy to Compete For Scholarship

David Hales Freshwater, a senior at Morehead City high school, is one of 36 candidates from all sections of the state who are competing for John Motley Morehead scholarships to the University of North Carolina.

The 36 candidates chosen by district committees will be interviewed March 2 or March 3 at Chapel Hill. The central committee will then choose several recipients of the scholarships.

Freshwater was first chosen by the county committee headed by Claud R. Wheatly, jr. Freshwater then competed with 18 other candidates last week in Greenville. He was one of six chosen by the district committee to compete at Chapel Hill.

Freshwater is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Freshwater of Coral Bay. He is a top-ranking student at Morehead City high and is one of the top stars of the Eagle basketball team.

The Morehead scholarships were established by John Motley Morehead, New York industrialist and grandson of the founder of Morehead City. For the first time, the scholarships are being offered to high school seniors for undergraduate study at UNC. Previously, the scholarships were offered only to college students for advanced study.

Each scholarship is worth \$1,200 per year for four years. The committee has not announced the number of scholarships to be given.

Beaufort Police Department Reports One Traffic Arrest

Beaufort police report one arrest this week. Isaac Murray, colored, Rt. 1, Beaufort, was arrested Tuesday for failing to stop at a stop sign. He was arrested by Chief Carlton Garner and was released on \$25 bond. He will be tried Tuesday in municipal recorder's court.

Chief Garner has thanked the Jaycees for the signs which they have erected on Ann and Live Oak streets and for their assistance with traffic control problems.

Report Not Ready

Officers of the B&PW club which sponsored this year's March of Dimes drive report that all returns are not yet in. A report on the amount collected in the drive will be issued as soon as final returns are made.

Dental Clinics Begin Operation

Dental clinics for underprivileged Carteret county school children started this week under the direction of the county health department.

The clinics are held through the cooperation of the state school health coordinating service and local dentists. The four dentists in the county make their services available to the school children at a great financial sacrifice.

Children are selected for the clinic by county health nurses cooperating with the teachers at the schools. The children are carried to the individual dentist's office by a nurse and returned to the school after the work has been done. All clinics are held in the morning from 9 to 12 o'clock.

The health department sends a notice to the parents of selected children asking their permission for the work. The parent may choose the dentist to be seen so far as is practical.

Last year, health department officials reported the clinics started in April and continued after school was out through the month of June. The program is beginning earlier this year in order to avoid the difficulties of finding the children after school has recessed for the summer vacation.

Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, county health officer, reported that the clinics were highly successful last year.

February Brings Rain, Colder Weather to County

February brought more rain and cooler weather with it to Carteret county. Temperatures dropped from a high of 70 degrees Sunday to a low of 32.5 degrees early yesterday morning. There have been 1.07 inches of rainfall since Sunday.

	Max.	Min.
Sunday, Feb. 1	70	50
Monday, Feb. 2	57	41
Tuesday, Feb. 3	52	47
Wednesday, Feb. 4	52	43