

Cooper, New Slate Win Beach Town Election

Alfred B. Cooper of Morehead City was named mayor of Atlantic Beach by beach property owners this week by an overwhelming vote. All beach officials are elected by a mailed ballot from the property owners who are qualified voters.

Others elected were J. Con Lanier of Greenville, L. T. White of Raleigh, W. C. Whitehurst of Bethel, and H. W. Anderson of Wilson. These men were named commissioners.

The names of the winners will be sent to the Governor who will give them a four-year appointment under the provisions of the town's charter.

For the first time since its incorporation Atlantic Beach experienced an election with two different groups seeking office. Opposing Mr. Cooper and the slate of commissioners elected were W. L. Derrickson of Morehead City for mayor, Burke Taylor of New Bern, Miss Mamie Ruth Tunstall, E. L. Baker and Mr. Lanier, all of Greenville, for commissioners.

In the election Mr. Cooper received 202 votes to Mr. Derrickson's 82. The candidates named to the commissioners' posts were selected on the basis of the four receiving the greatest number of ballots. The count for commissioners was Mr. Lanier, 262; Mr. Whitehurst, 192; Mr. Anderson, 190; Mr. White, 185; Mr. Baker, 95; Miss Tunstall, 90; and Mr. Taylor, 85.

The issue dividing the two factions was the method of obtaining financial support for the town. At the present time, property owners pay assessments to the town government. Since these assessments are not a legal form of taxation they cannot be collected if property owners do not desire to pay them.

In the past Miss Tunstall, Mr. Baker, and Mr. Taylor, members of the board for the last four years, have favored a continuation of the assessment method. Mr. Cooper, who was mayor, and Mr. White, a member of the board, have favored the institution of an ad valorem tax.

At the February meeting of the board, Mr. White introduced a motion to create a regular budget for the town and institute ad valorem taxes. The motion died without a second.

The three members of the board opposing the ad valorem tax insisted at that time that they felt the majority of property owners on the beach did not want taxation and that most of the problems on the

Jaycees to Meet At Atlantic Beach

About 200 Jaycees from 14 clubs in eastern North Carolina will meet at Atlantic Beach tomorrow and Sunday in the quarterly board meeting of the eighth district.

Clubs to be represented at the two-day session are New Bern, Jacksonville, Kinston, Goldsboro, Mt. Olive, Warsaw, Burgaw, Vanceboro, Greenville, Farmville, Washington, Havelock and Beaufort. The Morehead City club will play host to the meeting.

This weekend's meeting will be the last one for the district as it is presently constituted. A restructuring adopted at the last state meeting in Durham added an extra district and changed the present eighth district to the ninth. Goldsboro, Mt. Olive, Warsaw and Burgaw have all been transferred to other districts.

All state officers and candidates for state office have been invited to attend, and many have indicated that they will be at the meeting. Two national officers, Harry Stewart of Raleigh, national vice-president, and Mike Harper of Sanford,

national director, will also attend the meeting. Mr. Harper is a candidate for state president.

The meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m. tomorrow with registration at the Ocean King hotel, headquarters for the meeting. A "get acquainted" party at 5 p.m. at the hotel will be followed by a dance at the Bogue Sound club. A marine band from Cherry Point will provide the music for the dance.

The business session will begin at 9:30 Sunday morning at the hotel. The Rev. Priestley Conyers, III, pastor of Webb Memorial Presbyterian church, will be the speaker at a devotional period at 10:15. Door prizes will be awarded before the business session, and coffee and doughnuts will be served.

Dr. Russell Outlaw is in charge of arrangements for the meeting. Committee chairmen serving under him are Ralph Gardner, registration; L. G. Dunn and John Sokolow, get acquainted party; Paul Cordeva, refreshments; Paul Geer, arrangements; Jasper Bell, devotional period; and Jimmy Meeks, dance.

Stevadore Firm Head Visits Morehead Port

Harold D. Stevenson, president of the stevedoring firm of Stevenson and Young which is working with the Morehead City state port, was here this week studying and analyzing the stevedoring conditions at the port.

"Our loss was smaller on the ship discharged this week than on the first ship," he said, "but we are still taking a substantial loss on our operations at Morehead City."

Through Tuesday night, local stevedores were averaging 12.7 tons of cargo discharged per gang hour. A gang is composed of approximately 13 men and works one particular hatch of the ship being unloaded.

"With the equipment which we have here, highly skilled stevedores should be able to take off more than 30 tons per gang hour," Mr. Stevenson continued.

"Unless we can increase the efficiency of our stevedoring operation, the port will not be able to get ships to come here," he said. He emphasized that the operation is showing a steady improvement, but pointed out that the stevedoring gangs were still short of the standards set by other ports for fast and efficient operations.

In addition to being president of Stevenson and Young, Mr. Stevenson is president of M. P. Smith and Sons, one of the oldest stevedoring firms in the New York port. He became president of that firm in 1937. For the last 20 years he has served as president or chairman of the board of the National Association of Stevedores. During the last war he was in charge of the world-wide stevedoring operations of the War Shipping Administration.

Just prior to coming to Morehead City this week, Mr. Stevenson was in Cleveland where the Case Institute of Technology honored him as being one of its 25 leading alumni.

The stevedoring firm has invested in approximately \$70,000 worth of equipment for the port here. Mr. Stevenson said that he has faith in the growth and future of the Morehead City port with the cooperation of everybody concerned.

No Guthrie Political Party, Everybody Is Independent

"We are not running on a Leroy Guthrie ticket for Morehead City town commission posts," three candidates frantically chorused in phone calls late Tuesday afternoon to THE NEWS-TIMES publisher.

Leroy Guthrie filed and paid filing fees last Saturday for V. J. (Puck) O'Neal, R. Doug West and Thomas Wade.

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Ten minutes after Mr. O'Neal's call, Mr. West phoned.

"I'm not on any Leroy Guthrie ticket. Just because he filed for me doesn't mean I'm tied up with

Beaufort Board Names Officials

Davis and Willis Will Be Municipal Election Judges this Year

The Beaufort town board appointed two judges for the coming municipal election at its regular monthly meeting Monday night. The election will be held Tuesday, May 5.

Elmore Davis and Daniel Willis were made judges of the election. The board took little action except on routine matters of town business. Present were L. W. Hassell, mayor, R. Math Chapman, Carl A. Hattell, Clifford T. Lewis, James D. Rumley, and Dr. W. L. Woodard, commissioners.

The board was informed that a bill introduced in the General Assembly to transfer jury trial cases from the Beaufort recorder's court to the superior court has passed the House and been sent to the Senate.

Charles W. Stevens, town attorney and solicitor of the recorder's court, was suspended without prejudice by the board. Mr. Stevens is awaiting trial before the Morehead City recorder's court on charges of driving while under the influence of an intoxicating beverage.

The town board voted to ask Gray Hassell, civil engineer, to rent a fee for the town's ditching machine. A proposed plan of the Glendale subdivision outside the town's limits on highway 70 was approved by the board. The subdivision will be built by William Lewis.

Others attending the meeting were Dan I. Walker, town clerk, W. C. Garner, police chief, Wardell Fillingame, street foreman, Gerald Hill, chairman of the town's planning board, Earl Mason, judge of the recorder's court, Gerald Woolard, building superintendent, and W. G. Temple.

Ministers Honor Former Pastor

The Carteret county ministerial association at Monday night's meeting commended the Rev. C. R. Berry, former pastor of the First Christian church of Morehead City.

Mr. Berry recently resigned from his Morehead City pastorate to accept a new charge in Lumberton. The ministerial association has sent copies of the commendation to Mr. Berry's new church and to the Lumberton ministerial association.

The commendation follows: The Carteret county ministerial association commends the Rev. C. R. Berry to the Christian church of Lumberton, and to the Lumberton ministerial association.

Brother Berry has been an outstanding Christian leader in the work of the association. During his pastorate in the Christian church of Morehead City greater advancement was made than in any other period of the history of the church.

As a man he was a prince among men, a Christian gentleman in every respect; always magnifying the Christian spirit. Ever sincere and deeply interested in reaching individuals for higher usefulness in the work of the Master's Kingdom.

Brother Berry gave himself unflinchingly to inspiring others to dedication of self and substance to the cause of Christ throughout the world. The influence of his leadership in the Christian church here, and his fine fellowship in the Pastor's Conference will abide in our hearts for all the years to come.

He was ably assisted in his work by his fine wife, Mrs. Berry gave great assistance in their home life and in the work of the church. She rendered valuable service in the music of the church and in all the various organizations of the life of the church. Our prayer is that God's richest blessings shall fall on our good brother Berry and his family in their new field of labor.

Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Friday, April 17	
10:45 a.m.	4:53 a.m.
11:12 p.m.	4:53 p.m.
Saturday, April 18	
11:36 a.m.	5:44 a.m.
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Sunday, April 19	
12:02 a.m.	6:39 a.m.
12:31 p.m.	6:43 p.m.
Monday, April 20	
12:58 a.m.	7:36 a.m.
1:33 p.m.	7:46 p.m.
Tuesday, April 21	
1:58 a.m.	8:36 a.m.
2:37 p.m.	8:54 p.m.

Construction Starts On New Colonial Store

Work began this week on construction of a new Colonial store at 11th and Arendell streets, Morehead City. The building, owned by the York Building company of Raleigh, will occupy the site of the Arthur home which is being torn down.

The new store building will have a 50-foot frontage and will be about 50 feet deep. Parking facilities will be provided. The new store is expected to open in July.

National Board Chooses Wallace

George R. Wallace, president of Wallace Fisheries, Morehead City, has been elected a member of the by-products division of the executive committee of the National Fisheries Institute.

The election was held during the eighth annual convention of the institute in Washington, D. C., this week. The institute is made up of representatives of all segments of the fishing industry—fleet owners, packers, processors, canners and brokers.

Nearly 1,000 persons from the United States, Canada and Mexico registered for the three-day convention which began Monday, April 13.

The discussions included the Reciprocal Trade Act, better merchandising methods, ways to guarantee better quality, more complete use of by-products, and plans for the coming year.

Secretary of the Interior Douglas McKay made the keynote address at the convention. He discussed the relations between the fisheries industry and the tidelands oil controversy.

Later during the convention, John A. Logan, president of the National Association of Food Chains, warned the fishing industry that their product faces increasing competition from meat and other nutritious products.

In order to meet increasing competition as meat prices fall, he said, the fishing industry should study distribution methods and determine what the consumer wants. Reductions in costs of handling and transportation, improvement of quality and better packaging will help meet competition, he said.

The Beaufort Jaycees at their meeting Monday night voted to sponsor a clean-up and beautification campaign in the town. The club will urge property owners to clean their yards and plant shrubs and flowers in an effort to beautify.

The Jaycees will also urge merchants along Front street to clean up the waterfront during the campaign.

The club also voted to erect historical markers in Beaufort and to try to obtain a closed park which would serve as a playground for children.

Other suggested projects which were not adopted included a walkway on the bridge between Beaufort and the causeway, a small boat harbor with facilities for party boats and a golf driving range.

A committee was formed to make plans for an intra-club recreation program. It was also suggested that a softball league be organized among the various civic clubs.

Plans were made for participation in the district meeting to be held this weekend at Atlantic Beach.

Slate Named In Newport

Edgar Hibbs Nominated To Replace Gould As Newport Mayor

Edgar Hibbs, a present member of the town board, was nominated for mayor of Newport Wednesday night at a public nomination meeting at the town hall. Mr. Hibbs was nominated without an opposition.

Town board candidates nominated at the meeting were S. E. Mann, Charles Hill and D. Ira Garner, members of the present board, and Mrs. Leah Bell and Norman Bell.

The public nomination meeting is a tradition which is observed before every municipal election. The incumbent officers and any interested citizens nominate a tentative slate of candidates for town offices. The purpose of the meeting is to insure that there are candidates for every office. Anyone else who wishes to run may do so by filing with the town clerk.

Mr. Hibbs was nominated for mayor when Mayor Charles A. Gould said that the nature of his job at Cherry Point would not allow him to hold public office.

Nominations for commissioner produced ten names and three ballots were required to reduce the field to five names. Prentice Garner nominated the four remaining members of the present board, and Dick Lockey nominated Ed Carraway to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Hibbs.

Commissioner Garner offered Mrs. Bell's name in place of his own. He said that he was willing to serve but that he felt that there should be a woman on the board. The nomination was seconded by several of those present.

Others whose names were placed before the group were Harold Wilton, Wilbur Garner, Ben Royal Garner and Norman Bell.

On the first ballot, Commissioners Mann and Garner won re-nomination decisively. Four others, Commissioner Hill, Mrs. Bell, Mr. Bell and Wilbur Garner, tied for the remaining three places on the slate. Commissioner Murray McCain was eliminated on the first ballot.

A second ballot gave the nod to Commissioner Hill and Mrs. Bell. Mr. Bell and Mr. Garner tied for the final opening on the slate. Mr. Bell was chosen on the third ballot.

In a business meeting before the nominations were opened, the board voted to ask Albert Gaskill to appear at the next meeting to explain the bookkeeping system which he proposes to set up for the town.

Commissioner Hibbs said that he had contacted Mr. Gaskill and had received information about the cost of setting up a simple system. He said that Mr. Gaskill had offered to set it up for \$75 and estimated that the total cost, including books and forms, would be about \$200.

The board members present agreed that the town needed some type of bookkeeping system and voted to ask Mr. Gaskill to explain the details of his proposal.

Indian Scientist Sees Many U.S. Laboratories

"This is a wonderful country," Dr. Santhappan Jones said in giving his impressions of the United States. A marine biologist, he has spent this week at the laboratory of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service on Pivers Island.

Dr. Jones came to the states in March and his itinerary will take him to marine biological laboratories in every section of the country. He is scheduled to return to India late in June.

One of India's leading research workers in problems of marine biology, Dr. Jones is visiting this country under the provisions of the Point Four program.

Senate Committee Drafts Measure Calling for Track Investigations

The Senate Propositions and Grievances committee Wednesday killed a bill which would have outlawed dog tracks in Carteret and Currituck counties.

A public hearing for opponents of the bill was held Tuesday afternoon. The bill would have made pari-mutuel betting illegal in every county in the state. Only Carteret and Currituck at the present time have pari-mutuel gambling under a system of local adoption created some years ago.

At the hearing Mayor George W. Dill, jr., of Morehead City told the committee that the city has used the funds it receives from the track to furnish services to citizens. The city gets 10 per cent of the money taken in at the track.

Attending the meeting was John Masoni of Cleveland, Ohio, representing the principal owners of the two race tracks. He offered to answer any questions the committee might have about the operation of the tracks.

Others from Carteret county at the opponents' hearing were Grover Munden, Floyd Chadwick, R. H. Dowdy, Delmas Willis, Elvin Franks, M. T. Mills, Dom Femia, Virgil Jenkins, Sheriff C. G. Holland, and Ray Cummins.

At a proponents' hearing the week before, the senators heard a Carteret county minister, the Rev. R. H. Jackson of Davis, say that many Carteret citizens were afraid to express their objections to the dog track for fear of "retaliation." Other witnesses from Currituck county at that hearing advanced the same argument.

Under the proposed investigation bill, a committee of two senators and three representatives would be appointed by the lieutenant governor and speaker of the house to look into the tracks at Moyock and Morehead City. The committee's recommendations would be made to the 1955 General Assembly.

The bill was introduced several weeks ago by nine senators including Senator Adam J. Whitley, chairman of the Propositions and Grievances committee which killed the bill. At that time many charges of racket connections in the tracks were made.

Wednesday Senator J. William Copeland of Hertford and Senator Whitley said they would sponsor legislation which would allow the people of Carteret and Currituck counties to vote on whether they want to keep the tracks.

Witnesses at the Tuesday opponents' hearing told the committee that funds brought into their counties by the tracks had been very beneficial to general community.

Investigating shrimp at the institute in 1951 was Carter Broad who is now on the staff of Duke university. At the present time Dr. Austin Williams is continuing the work on the spotted shrimp.

Dr. Williams is making a life study of the shrimp and has established a series of 21 stations from Queens to Cedar Island which he visits once every two weeks checking on the development of the shrimp.

In the fall the adult shrimp spawns at sea and the larvae are carried back into the sounds and rivers and creeks by the action of currents, tides and other unexplained factors. By November, Dr. Williams has detected the presence of larvae in the estuarine creeks leading into nearby rivers. As far as is known the shrimp is confined to Bogue sound, the Neuse waters and the lower part of Pamlico sound.

After a dormant period of several months, the shrimp start growing and in the early spring start their migration toward the sea. It is during this migratory period in May and June that the shrimp may be caught in the sounds. Once in the sea, the shrimp never returns to the sounds.

The Conservation and Development board held its regular spring meeting in Elizabeth City yesterday.

"We have no trouble of overproduction, if we could solve our distribution problems we could double or treble our fish production without having a surplus," he said.

Many of the poor people in India are essentially fish eaters. Shrimp are caught in certain areas in abundance, and after drying they are ground into a paste which is used widely throughout the country. Fresh shad sometimes sell near the cities for the Indian equivalent of 45 cents per pound, which according to Dr. Jones is very high indeed in India.

C of C Board Orders Survey

The board of directors of the Beaufort chamber of commerce voted at a meeting Tuesday night to approve a survey of property which has been offered for industrial use. The chamber will pay for the survey as part of its campaign to attract industries to Beaufort.

It was reported at the meeting that prospectuses are being drawn up at the request of three industrialists who have expressed interest in Beaufort as an industrial site.

Holden Ballou reported that work is underway on the project to place concrete benches along the waterfront and at other places in town. He said that nameplates have been made which will bear the names of the merchants sponsoring the project. The chamber will pay half of the cost of the benches, and various merchants will pay the rest of the cost.

Dr. W. L. Woodard, chairman of the chamber's utilities committee reported that 151 applications have been completed in connection with the telephone survey being carried out by the committee.

Dr. Woodard said that as soon as the survey is completed, the applications and maps of the areas surveyed will be forwarded to the North Carolina REA and the state utilities commission.

Treasurer Glenn Adair reported that \$2,985 has been pledged by chamber members this year. He said that he has collected \$2,433.65 including payments on pledges for the bench project.

The directors voted to advertise in Collins' Tourist Handbook. Present at the meeting were Gerald Hill, president; Dan Walker, manager of the chamber; Mr. Ballou, Mr. Adair, Dr. Woodard and Halsey Paul, directors.

Morehead City Church Plans Spring Revival

In conjunction with the simultaneous evangelistic crusade, the First Baptist church of Morehead City will begin its spring revival Sunday.

The Rev. Charles E. Parker, pastor of the First Baptist church of New Bern, will preach the evangelistic messages at services each night.

The Rev. John Bunn, pastor of the church, has invited the public to attend the revival services.

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Spider Bite Proves Fatal

Henry Salter, 67, of Marshallberg died Wednesday night at the Morehead City hospital from the effects of the bite of a Black Widow spider.

Mr. Salter was admitted to the hospital Tuesday afternoon and appeared to be doing well until he went into a coma at 6:55 that night. He remained in the coma until his death at 7:05 p.m. Wednesday.

Mr. Salter was bitten Tuesday in an outdoor toilet at a garage on the North River road. He had taken his car to the garage and was waiting for some repairs to be completed.

Mr. Salter went into the coma at almost the exact minute that his daughter's father-in-law, Wilbert Lewis of Stacy, died at the Morehead City hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. today at the First Baptist church of Marshallberg. Burial will be in the Bettie cemetery.

Mr. Salter is survived by his wife, Lillian; three children, Mrs. Delbert Lewis of Plymouth, Mrs. Audrey Long of Marshallberg and Shelton Salter of Norfolk; three brothers, Cecil of Norfolk, Charles of Bettie and Bryant of Tarboro; and eight grandchildren.

State Announces Paving Projects

The state highway commission has asked for bids on 27 highway projects including one in Beaufort, one in Mansfield and one on NC 101 near Cherry Point.

The first project in Carteret county calls for 4.5 miles of resurfacing on the road from US 70 to Lennoxville and from a point on Front street, Beaufort, to a junction with the Lennoxville road.

The second project listed for the county calls for paving of a traffic circle between US 70 and Bogue sound, near Mansfield.

The Cherry Point project, one of three listed for Craven county, calls for surfacing two miles on NC 161 from the main gate of the air station toward North Harlowe.

Bids will be opened April 28 and will be reviewed April 30 at a commission meeting in Raleigh.