

Fire Ravages Woodlands In Eastern Part of County

Firefighters yesterday were still battling a forest fire raging on an eight mile front from Otway to Stacy. The fire, located in Woodlands on the edge of the open grounds, has been burning for almost a week.

The fire started last Friday north of Williston and has since been joined by other, smaller fires which sprung up in the area. E. M. Foreman, county fire warden, says that he has been unable to determine the exact size of the area which is burning, but he says that the blaze covers an extensive acreage.

Mr. Foreman says that firefighters have been hampered in their efforts by the nature of the terrain on which they are working. The land is pocosin and will not support the weight of the heavy equipment which in the past has proved effective in battling forest fires.

Detachments of marines from Cherry Point have been used to supplement the regular firefighting crews working in the area. With the help of the marines, the fire was brought under control early in the week, but it broke out again Wednesday with renewed intensity.

Late Wednesday afternoon, when the fire was at its peak, a billowing cloud of smoke could be seen from many parts of the county. Wednesday night, flames lit the sky and could be seen plainly from the Morehead City-Beaufort causeway.

The fire as yet presents no threat to residents of nearby communities. The wind has been blowing from the south and the fire is working north toward the open ground rather than south toward the communities along US 70.

In the event that the wind does change direction and begin to drive the flames toward the highway, Mr. Foreman says that he believes it could present any serious threat to communities in its path.

The dry weather in recent weeks has made county woodlands tinder-dry and has been responsible for the rash of fires which have struck county woodlands in the past week.

Over last weekend firefighters battled at least 12 forest fires in the county. Most of the fires were in the eastern part of the county, and several of them joined to form the one large fire now burning.

There have, however, been some fires in the Harlowe section. Firefighters reported that there were two or three fires in that section. One was still burning Monday afternoon near the Negro school on the North Harlowe road, but all of the fires in the area were out by mid-week.

Mr. Foreman has announced that the state forestry division has suspended all burning permits until after rain eliminates the danger of fires in dry woodlands.

The action was taken because of the number of forest fires which have endangered timber and lives in various sections of the state.

There have been several other serious fires in recent weeks in the eastern part of the state. The town of Dover in Craven county narrowly missed destruction when a forest fire burned much of the nearby forest. Stumpy Point in Hyde county was saved from destruction only by a change in wind direction which swept a forest fire away from the town.

Last April, foresters have reported there were 1,030 forest fires which caused damage in excess of \$350,000. The month was marked by one of the heaviest and costliest series of forest fires in the state.

The great damage during that month was attributed to the combination of dry weather and wind. Foresters point out that the same conditions are true this year, and everyone has been urged to exercise great care in order to prevent the outbreak of more serious fires.

Housing Project Addition Plans Are Completed

Bids for a 40-unit addition to the low-rent housing project in Morehead City have been invited by the Eastern Carolina Regional Housing Authority, Goldsboro.

The new units will be constructed on property just west of the present units in the project. At the present time there are 25 units for white persons and 25 units for Negroes.

The new 40-unit addition will be for white tenants. The first 50 units were opened last fall. They have been completely occupied since that time.

I. E. Pittman of Morehead City, chairman of the housing authority, reported that all of the units including the addition were approved at the same time, but construction on the last 40 units had been delayed while engineers prepared specifications and plans for contractors.

Morehead City Jaycees To Issue Bond Series

The Morehead City Jaycees at their meeting Monday night approved the issuance of a series of bonds. The bonds, in the amount of \$8,000, will be issued to obtain money for the completion of the new athletic field.

The club plans to issue 80 \$100 bonds at three per cent interest. The bonds will be secured by a first mortgage on the lighting equipment and other fixtures to be erected at the field. The bonds will be retired in 1958 with one-fifth of the bonds to be called each year until that time.

In order to eliminate individual liability for the bonds it was decided to incorporate the club. If the club remained unincorporated, each member would be individually liable for payment of the bonds. The bonds will be issued after the incorporation becomes effective. The First-Citizens Bank and Trust company of Morehead City will serve as trustee of the bonds.

It was announced at the meeting that the new officers of the club will be installed at a banquet at 7 p.m. Monday at the Blue Ribbon club. President-elect Paul Geer announced that he had appointed James Macy as secretary for the coming year. While all other officers are elected by the club, the secretary is appointed by the president.

The club voted to back Jimmy Wallace as a candidate for national director at the state convention May 15-17 at Asheville. A committee was appointed to conduct a

campaign, and club members were asked to contact other clubs in the eighth district to solicit their support.

The club voted against a proposal to change the name of the national organization from Junior Chamber of Commerce to Jaycees. The proposal is being backed by clubs in Tennessee which have already made the change on the state level. Members of the club felt that a change in the name of the organization would mean a rebuilding of the good will which the organization now has under the old name.

President Walter Morris reported that plans have been completed for the parade to be held today by the bicycle club at the Morehead City school. He said that merchants are being approached to donate prizes for the bicycle decorations.

President Morris also said that the parade is only the first step in the club's safety program. He said that a field day will be held in the fall and the grand prizes will be awarded at that time. The bicycle club is being sponsored jointly by the Jaycees and the Morehead City school.

President Morris asked for volunteers to help with the waterfront clean-up which was held Wednesday. The club was asked to handle the clean-up on the section of the waterfront near the hospital.

The club voted to pay the expenses of one delegate to the boys state sponsored by the American Legion.

Home Demonstration Week Plans Near Completion

Farmers Study Weed Control

R. M. Williams, county farm agent, has recommended that corn raisers in the county study the weed control demonstration being carried out on the farms of Neal Campen of Wire Grass and Thomas Oglesby of Crab Point.

He says that the purpose of the demonstration is to show how use of 2 4-D chemical spray controls weeds when applied at different times and under different cultural practices.

Mr. Williams says that four plants are being used in the demonstration. Two of the plants received a pre-emergence treatment, two applications of 2 4-D about a week after the corn was planted. One of these plants will receive no cultivation, and the other will be cultivated once at laying-by time.

A third plant, which received no pre-emergence treatment, will be cultivated normally through laying-by time. All three of the plants will receive post-emergence treatments about ten days after laying-by time. The fourth plant will be cultivated in the usual manner and will not receive any treatment.

The agent says that chemicals have proven effective in controlling weeds in corn fields, small grains, lawns, improved permanent pastures and on ditch banks. While present in the soil, chemicals will destroy most germinating grass seedlings, including crab grass. For best results, the chemicals should be applied after a rainfall.

Mr. Williams says that the pre-emergence treatment should eliminate one and possibly two cultivations of the corn, thus reducing labor costs. He also says that proper weed control should mean higher yields per acre.

Carteret county home demonstration women are making final plans for Home Demonstration Week which will be celebrated from May 3-9. The purpose of the week is to acquaint the public with the work of the clubs and the home demonstration program.

Among the events scheduled for the week are the annual flower show, the dress revue, the crowning of the 4-H health kings and queens, a clean-up campaign and the celebration of the 22nd birthday of the curb market in Morehead City.

The flower show and dress revue will be held Thursday at the court house in Beaufort. The flower show will be held in the afternoon and evening in the office of Miss Martha Barnett, county home demonstration agent. The dress revue will be held Thursday night in the court room. The revue will be followed by the crowning of the junior and senior health kings and queens.

The birthday of the curb market will be observed Saturday morning at the market, 12th and Evans streets, Morehead City. All home demonstration club members have been invited to attend the celebration. Refreshments will be served by the sellers at the market.

The clean-up campaign is part of a state-wide program for the week. The program is designed to show the service to their communities rendered by home demonstration club members.

Irvin Davis, Jr., Promoted
Irvin W. Davis, jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin W. Davis, sr., of Davis has been promoted to the rank of sergeant first class at the Oak Ridge Military Institute.

Young Davis was one of 37 enlisted men at the institute chosen for promotion in the ROTC and Cadet Corps.

Grange Endorses Milk Control Bill

The North Carolina State Grange has issued an explanation and endorsement of the controversial Senate Bill 263, the milk control bill. Harry B. Caldwell, state master of the grange, has issued the explanation in the belief that it will eliminate much of the misunderstanding on the part of milk producers.

In his statement, Caldwell says that the bill is basically a fair trade proposal designed to eliminate unfair trade practices which "threaten to destroy small, independent distributors of milk" and to provide an incentive for local production of Grade A milk.

The bill is intended to curb sales at lower prices of milk produced in other states and shipped into North Carolina for sale. Caldwell says that the lower price of such milk is gradually squeezing inde-

pendent distributors out of business.

The bill sets up a state commission and gives it the power:

- (1) to confer with legally constituted authorities of other states with the view of securing a uniformity in the marketing of milk with respect to milk coming into and going out of the state in interstate commerce;
- (2) to investigate all matters pertaining to production, processing, storage, distribution and sale of milk in the state;
- (3) to supervise and regulate the handling of milk for the health protection of the consumers of the state;
- (4) to hold hearings, make or adopt rules and regulations and issue orders necessary to carry out the purposes of the act;
- (5) to examine into the busi-

Power Interruption Set for Morehead

Electric power will be cut off in Morehead City east of Twenty-fourth street on Sunday afternoon from 1 until 3 o'clock weather permitting. George B. Stovall, district manager of Carolina Power and Light company, announced this week.

The interruption is necessary in order to raise the voltage in Morehead City from 2,300 volts to 4,160 volts. This will allow the company to give better service to its increasing customer load.

Service will be restored first to the hospital, second to the police and fire departments, third to the business district, and then to residences.

Mr. Stovall explained that Sunday afternoon was chosen because it was thought that date would be least inconvenient for residents of the city.

City Clean Up Starts Monday

The Morehead City Junior Women's club and Junior Chamber of Commerce are jointly sponsoring a clean up week beginning Monday, May 4, and ending Friday, May 9.

The major emphasis of this clean up will be directed at homes and business property in the city. The city street and garbage department is cooperating in the campaign.

To make the drive easier, the city trucks will pick up trash from a certain area of the city each day next week through Thursday. Persons living in those areas are requested to have their trash on the street curbing that day and it will be picked up.

On Monday, Avery, Bay and Fisher streets will be picked up; Tuesday, Bridges street and the north side of Arendell; Wednesday, the south side of Arendell and Evans street; and Thursday, Shepard and Shackelford streets.

Each member of the Junior Women's club and the Jaycees will be assigned a particular block in the city to visit during the week. The clubs will also work through the schools beginning Monday. The Junior Women's club had made posters which will be placed through the city to remind residents of the week.

A few of the suggestions for residents to do during the week are cut grass and clean up all yards, clean out underneath the house, clean alleys, straighten loose lumber in yard, repair and paint if needed all fences, straighten garbage cans and keep lids on, and trim vacant lots.

The city government has joined the clubs in urging Morehead City residents to clean up their property during the next week. The leaders of the drive point out that in addition to improving the appearance of the town the clean up will eliminate many menaces to the health of city residents.

Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Friday, May 1	
9:25 a.m.	3:37 a.m.
9:46 p.m.	3:27 p.m.
Saturday, May 2	
10:05 a.m.	4:18 a.m.
10:28 p.m.	4:09 p.m.
Sunday, May 3	
10:51 a.m.	5:03 a.m.
11:18 p.m.	4:59 p.m.
Monday, May 4	
11:45 a.m.	5:51 a.m.
	5:56 p.m.
Tuesday, May 5	
12:13 a.m.	6:46 a.m.
12:45 p.m.	7:01 p.m.

Merrimon Farms Ask Adams Creek Dredging Permits

Two applications for dredging permits on Adams Creek at Merrimon have been received by the U. S. Army corps of engineers in Wilmington it was announced this week.

The Marlboro farm has asked for permission to dredge on the east side of Adams Creek approximately 3 of one mile southeast of intra-coastal waterway light number four.

Approximately 17,000 cubic yards of material would be dredged out by the Marlboro farm.

Riviera Ranch has applied for permission to dredge on the same side of the creek 2 of one mile southeast of waterway light number four. Approximately 5,000 cubic yards would be dredged out here.

Both of the applicants have asked for permission to do the dredging in order to build up land that has washed away and stop further erosion. Plans showing the proposed work may be seen at the post office in Merrimon or the engineers' office in Wilmington.

Objections to the proposed work must be received by the corps of engineers before May 27, 1953.

Beaufort Group Forms New Slate For Town Board

A new slate of candidates emerged for Tuesday's municipal election in Beaufort when five of the candidates for town board got together to form a ticket.

The new ticket is comprised of Gordon Hardesty, Richard Smith, J. L. (Jimmie) Range, Wyon Gray Lewis and Willie Lewis, sr. Although no official announcement has been made, it is believed that Roy Eubanks, candidate for mayor, and Bayard Taylor, candidate for recorder's court judge, are also members of the same ticket.

The slate was formed after a meeting Monday night at the Beaufort town hall. Several of the candidates running in opposition to the slate headed by Clifford T. Lewis were present at the meeting. Guiding spirits behind the meeting were Mayor Lawrence W. Hassell and Jim Davis.

The men who make up the new slate for town board were at the meeting as was Mr. Eubanks. Mr. Taylor was not present at the meeting. Several other residents known to be opposed to the present town government were also present at the meeting.

Mayor Hassell, who presided at the meeting, says that he is supporting both Mr. Eubanks and Mr. Taylor. He denies, however, that he is supporting any group of candidates for town board. He says that he is no longer active in politics and is supporting Mr. Eubanks and Mr. Taylor for non-political reasons.

The mayor says that he is supporting Mr. Eubanks because he is a veteran of World War II and he feels that he should be honored for his overseas service. The mayor says that he is supporting Mr. Taylor for judge because he is a native of Beaufort.

Mayor Hassell says that too many of the county's judges have come from Atlantic. He cited the cases of Luther Hamilton, former superior court judge; Lambert Morris, present judge of the county recorder's court; and Earl Mason, present judge of the Beaufort court. The mayor says that he believes that a Beaufort court should have a Beaufort judge.

Mr. Davis says that he is supporting the entire new slate of candidates because he has long been an advocate of a change in the Beaufort town government.

The first slate formed for the election is that headed by Mr. Lewis. The slate includes Judge Mason; Commissioners James Rumley, Carl Hatsell and Dr. W. L. Woodard, all seeking reelection to the board; and Gerald Hill and W. G. Temple, seeking to fill two vacancies on the board. The vacancies were created when Mr. Lewis decided to run for mayor and Commissioner Math Chaplain declined to seek reelection.

The remaining candidates for the town board are W. J. Mishael, Charles Hudgins, William Skarren and Marcus Mason. None of these candidates have as yet joined any group and are running independently.

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Man Injured in Fall

Walter Godwin of Selma was taken to Morehead City hospital Wednesday afternoon, suffering from contusions, bruises and fractured ribs sustained when he fell from the second story of a house he was building at Atlantic Beach.

Mrs. Merrill Named Woman of Year

Mrs. Dave Merrill was named "Woman of the Year" for Carteret county at the annual "Bosses' banquet of the Business and Professional Women's club Tuesday night.

The presentation was made by Mrs. Wiley Taylor. Mrs. Merrill received an engraved silver goblet from the club.

Mrs. Merrill was chosen by a committee of judges from nominations made by civic clubs in the county and the Business and Professional Women's club. She was cited for her business achievement and work in church and civic organizations for the betterment of the county.

The speaker at the banquet was Mrs. Darden Eure. She was introduced by Mrs. Merrill. We must work to build a better future, Mr. Eure told the group.

The future must not be limited by the past, she continued. "The throbbing current of life will break through the barriers of our pat little systems," she said.

In order to build the future, "we need vision and an enlightened imagination," Mrs. Eure declared. The past cannot be imposed on the future.

In conclusion, she said, "Faith in God is the most important factor in building a future better than the past."

The "bosses' dinner is given once a year by the members of

the club for their employers. Approximately 80 people attended the dinner which was given at the Ocean King hotel. The mothers of members of the Beaufort school band prepared the dinner. They will use the proceeds from the dinner to help purchase band uniforms.

Mrs. John Alford, president of the club, announced that the club will hold a special meeting Tuesday night for the election of officers at her home.

The invocation was pronounced by Mayor L. W. Hassell of Beaufort. Mrs. Floyd Chadwick gave the welcome and Mayor George W. Dill of Morehead City the response. The toast to bosses was made by Mrs. William Loftin.

Mrs. Marshall Ayscough introduced the guests. Representatives of Business and Professional Women's clubs in Greenville, Goldsboro, Kinston and Clinton were present. Other guests were Dan Walker, manager of the Beaufort Chamber of Commerce; Joe DuBois, manager of the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce; H. Earle Mobley, state representative for Carteret county; Mrs. Lockwood Phillips and Grover Munden.

Special music at the beginning of the dinner was presented by Miss Betty Lou Merrill with Mrs. Charles Hassell playing the piano accompaniment. Miss Merrill sang several songs.

Fourteen Seek Office In Newport Election

Waldron Bailey Will Probated

The will of the late Waldron Bailey was filed for probate this week in the office of the clerk of superior court. The will was filed by Waldron Bailey, jr., named as executor in the testament.

Mr. Bailey ordered that his property be divided equally among his four children, Waldron, jr., and Mrs. Frances Morris, both of Morehead City, Mrs. Josephine Alfred of Aurora and Mrs. Natalie Graham of Mount Kisco, N. Y.

Mr. Bailey directed that, before the estate is divided, Mrs. Morris is to receive \$500 and St. Andrew's Episcopal church of Morehead City is to receive a "substantial amount."

The will directs the executor to hold for a good price property owned by Mr. Bailey in White Oak township. The will urges the executor to take particular care with oil rights on the property.

Mr. Bailey also directed his executor to arrange for the sale of 16,000 acres in the eastern part of the county owned jointly by Mr. Bailey and John Fox of New Bern. He directed that an adjustment of the proceeds of the sale be made with Mr. Fox.

The property in the eastern part of the county has been seized by the Federal government to be used as a firing range. No payment for the land has yet been made.

Mr. Bailey directed that any proceeds from his writing should be divided among his four children. He asked his heirs not to sell his scrap books and other trophies.

Flying Sergeants Borrow Plane to Visit Friends

Two Cherry Point sergeants landed in Shreveport. The 200-mile flight normally requires approximately one hour. The sergeants lost their way twice enroute enroute.

The landing at Shreveport took three attempts but Milburn defended his flying ability with the comment, "I've seen lots of real pilots do worse than that."

The two sergeants were arrested at the main gate of the Barksdale Air Force base in Shreveport. They never did see those friends.

Concert Planned

The Morehead City school band, under the direction of Ralph Wade, will present its annual spring concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the school auditorium. The program for the concert will be announced early next week.

Registrar Says 800 New Names On City Books

With election day next Tuesday and today the end of the extended registration period, Morehead City's political tempo has increased day by day during the past week.

An accurate measure was the sudden spurt in registrations. Last Thursday, Grady Bell, city registrar, told a NEWS-TIMES reporter that approximately 125 new registrations had been recorded since the books opened April 18.

Yesterday, he reported that more than 800 new registrations were on the books with nearly 700 added in the last week. Tomorrow is challenge day for all registrations.

At various periods during the week, people have lined up in the city hall waiting to get their names on the city's book or to check and be sure they were registered.

Much of the confusion was caused by the fact that there is one registration book for city elections and another set of books for county, state and national elections. A person registered in one book might not be registered on the other set of books.

Every qualified voter must register in person. If the voters name is already on the city book, he need not re-register.

Mr. Bell and F. C. Salisbury, an election judge, estimated yesterday that the total of new registrations in Morehead City might go as high as 1,000 before the book is closed late this afternoon.

The only contested seats are those of the city commissioners. Mayor George W. Dill, jr., is unopposed for re-election and all of the city recorder's court officials are unopposed for re-election.

The present commissioners are running on a slate together, though the ballot will be arranged so that the voter will vote for any five of the 12 candidates. The present commissioners are D. G. Bell, Dr. John W. Morris, S. C. Holloway, M. T. Mills, and W. L. Derrickson.

Other candidates who have filed are Ted Garner, D. J. Hall, W. E. Cottingham, Leroy Guthrie, Thomas Wade, R. Doug West and V. J. O'Neal. A. L. Brinson filed but has withdrawn from the race.

This exceptionally large number of candidates has generated a great deal of interest in the election. Last Saturday night, a meeting of the candidates was held to discuss the state election and registration laws. Prior to that time, there had been some confusion as to who was registered and whether or not a person might register for another person.

Other offices open in the election are two members of the board of hospital trustees. A. B. Roberts, jr., and Gordon C. Willis are unopposed for re-election as hospital trustees.

Court officials running in the election are George McNeill, judge; Alvah L. Hamilton, sr., assistant judge; John E. Lashley, clerk; and Herbert O. Phillips, III, solicitor.

Students Parade Bicycles Today

Members of the Morehead City school bicycle safety club will stage a parade through downtown Morehead City this afternoon.

Approximately 100 brightly decorated bicycles and their riders will compete for prizes. The club is sponsored jointly by the school and the Morehead City Junior Chamber of Commerce.

G. T. Windell, principal of the school, has announced that the parade will begin at the school, go down Twelfth street to Arendell street, proceed east on Arendell to Fourth street, then west on Arendell to Twelfth street and back to the school.

The school band will lead the parade. Mayor George W. Dill, jr., and Chief E. J. Willis of the Morehead City police department will ride in an open car at the head of the parade.

Traffic along the route of the parade will be handled by Capt. Herbert Griffin of the Morehead City police and Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith.

Prizes will be awarded to the students with the most attractive, most original, and most comical decorations on their bicycles. The prizes will be awarded by the Jaycees.

Judges will be Warren Beck, president of the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. M. T. Mills, jr., president of the Junior Women's club; and Paul Geer, president of the Jaycees.