

New Morehead Board at First Meeting



The recently elected members of the Morehead City town board watch as George W. Dill, Jr., takes his oath as mayor from A. H. James, county clerk of the superior court. The commissioners were sworn in at the same meeting. The men are from left to right Ted Garner, Dr. John Morris, D. G. Bell, Mayor Dill, Mr. James, S. C. Holloway, and D. J. Hall. Photo by Jerry Schumacher

Charles Stevens Freed by Jury

Charles W. Stevens, Beaufort attorney, was acquitted on a charge of driving while under the influence of alcohol after a four-hour trial Monday afternoon in Morehead City recorder's court. The jury of five men and one woman returned the not guilty verdict after about ten minutes of deliberation.

Stevens had been arrested April 6 after the car which he was driving was involved in an accident with a car driven by J. C. Harvell of Morehead City.

Harvell testified that he was driving east on US 70 at about 35 miles per hour at the time of the accident. He said that he saw the other car approaching him in a normal manner. He said that just as it reached him it crossed the road and struck the side of his car.

Harvell said that he obtained the license number of the other car and then called the police. He then went up to Stevens who had stopped further west along the highway. He said that Stevens' first words were, "What happened?"

He said that Stevens apologized for hitting him and offered to pay for the damages. He said that the lawyer then turned his car around and drove back to where he had stopped. Harvell said that he did not remember whether or not Stevens asked if anyone had been hurt.

The witness told the court that Stevens had difficulty in walking and talking and that he had a strong odor of alcohol on his breath. When asked if he had an opinion as to the defendant's condition, Harvell replied, "If ever I saw a drunk man, he was drunk."

Under cross examination by Harvey Hamilton, Jr., one of two defense attorneys, Harvell said that he did not know how far over the white line Stevens came to hit his car. He again said that he believed the defendant was drunk at the time of the accident.

Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith, who arrested Stevens, said that he arrived at the scene about 30 minutes after the accident. He said that Stevens staggered as he came toward him and had a strong odor of alcohol on his breath.

He said that he examined the scene of the accident and determined from the debris on the road that the accident had occurred on Harvell's side of the white line. He admitted that it had been raining but denied that the rain had been hard enough to wash the debris to the side of the road.

He said that he arrested Stevens and that he and Patrolman Brown, who had arrived at the scene, brought Stevens to the Morehead City police station. He said that he did not ask Stevens how much he had had to drink.

Smith said that Stevens was See BEAUFORT LAWYER, Page 2

Power Interruption Set Sunday Morning

Electrical power to all of Carteret county will be cut off Sunday morning from 5 to 5:30, weather permitting, George B. Stovall, district manager for the Carolina Power and Light company, announced today.

The power interruption is necessary in order to install a larger transformer at the Cherry Point station of the company to supply its continually increasing power load in Carteret county.

Mr. Stovall reported that all of the work scheduled for other interruptions has been successfully completed.

Rules Announced For State Park

A. T. Pierce, ranger at Fort Macon state park, has announced the regulations for the summer season at the park which will open Monday if lifeguards and park personnel arrive in time to put the bathhouse and concession stands in shape for operation.

The ranger said that the bathhouse will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., the picnic area from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m. and the fort from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. Mr. Pierce said that there may be some changes in the schedule, but they will be announced in advance.

Rules for the park are as follows:

1. Speed limits will be 25 miles per hour on the road and 15 miles per hour in the parking lots.
 2. No parking will be allowed except in parking areas.
 3. No parking will be allowed in the park after hours, especially in the fort area.
 4. No dogs or pets of any kind will be allowed unless on a leash less than six feet in length.
 5. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed in the park.
 6. No motor vehicles will be allowed on the beach at any time.
 7. No swimming or picnicking will be allowed except in designated areas.
 8. No fires will be allowed except in places provided for them.
 9. No flowers or shrubbery are to be picked or broken.
 10. No paper or garbage is to be thrown from cars.
 11. Fishing will be permitted except in swimming areas.
- Ranger Pierce says that all rules will be strictly enforced and has asked those who use the park to observe them for their own safety and that of others.

Food School Response Good

A. D. Fulford, sanitarian for the county health department, says that he is pleased with the response to the food handlers' school which will begin at 9:30 Tuesday morning in the cafeteria of the Morehead City school.

Mr. Fulford says that he has contacted the owners, managers and personnel of the county's eating places and reports that they have all shown great interest in the school.

The sanitarian said that most restaurant operators have said that they will send all, or at least some, of their employees to the food school.

The school is being sponsored by the county health department in cooperation with the state board of health, the local restaurant industry and the North Carolina Restaurant association. The purpose of the school is to improve health through better sanitation in food handling.

Classes will include lectures by outstanding authorities in the fields of sanitation and food handling and the latest in educational movies.

There will be both morning and afternoon sessions with the same material being covered at each session. The two sessions will allow everyone to attend the school.

Certificates will be presented to those who complete the course, and special awards will be given to establishments with 100 per cent staff attendance at the school. Door prizes, donated by local businesses, will be awarded at the school.

Tuesday's class will cover bacteriology for food handlers with W. A. Broadway, district sanitarian for the state board of health as the principal speaker.

W. T. Minah, director of dining halls at Duke university, will be the main speaker at Wednesday's class on good methods assure safe food. M. M. Melvin, executive secretary and vice-president of the North Carolina Restaurant association, will speak at the final session on proper dishwashing.

Other speakers at the school will be Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, county health officer; Ray M. Connor, E. J. Willis, J. S. Canady and N. McK. Caldwell, all of the state board of health; and Mr. Fulford.

Mayor George W. Dill, Jr., of Morehead City will welcome the students at the opening session on Tuesday. The Rev. Dr. John H. Bunn, pastor of the First Baptist church of Morehead City, will give the invocation.

The school is the first of its kind to be held in Carteret county. The school is open to all restaurant managers and employees, school lunchroom employees, cooks in private homes, home economics students and all others interested in food handling methods.

Youth, 13, Rescues Buddies

A 13-year-old Morehead City youth is becoming a specialist in saving the lives of his playmates while swimming in Bogue Sound. Last week he made his third lifesaving effort.

Gordon Patrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Patrick of 2109 Arendell street, rescued Dick Canfield last Thursday after Dick stepped into the hole dredged out before the menhaden boat was launched at the foot of Twenty-third street.

With the help of David Ellis Willis, Gordon managed to pull Dick out of the hole. Dick was wearing a mask with a glass front and at first the boys thought he was jok-

ing, Gordon said; but then he started going under and they had to swim to him to pull him out. Dick is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Canfield.

Gordon made his first rescue six years ago when he was able to pull his brother, who was then three, out of the water after he fell in. The brother jumped for a sailboat tied to a dock near the site of the new beach bridge, but missed the boat and the current pulled him under. Gordon reached his brother in about three minutes and rescued him.

"We didn't give him artificial respiration, because we didn't know how," he said, but a doctor who attended the child reported that

in carrying him home most of the water had been forced out of his lungs.

Earlier this month, Ray Adams, eight, stepped into another part of the sound which had been dredged out and was saved by Gordon after a similar pause because the boys thought Ray was joking.

A former scout who made his second class badge, Gordon will be in the eighth grade at the Morehead City school next year. He feels very strongly about dredged holes in Bogue Sound and says that the city should either furnish a swimming pool for boys and girls or set aside a part of the sound which is reasonably safe for them to use.

Barrus Given Morehead City Paving Contract

Kinston Company's Bid Accepted for Paving Fisher, Sunset Drive

The Morehead City town board, at a meeting Monday afternoon, awarded the Barrus Construction company of Kinston a contract to pave Sunset Drive, part of 4th street and part of Fisher street.

The Barrus company's bid was the lowest of three submitted. Barrus asked 85 cents per square yard for subgrading and paving the streets, B. Towles Construction company of Wilmington asked \$1.30 per square yard and F. D. Cline Paving company of Raleigh asked \$1.40 per square yard.

The Barrus company already has its equipment in the Morehead City area where it is doing work for the state highway commission. The presence of the equipment made it possible for the company to offer such a low price and also made it possible for work to begin immediately.

The sections to be paved are all of Sunset drive, 4th street from Bridges to Fisher and Fisher from 4th to 11th. Work on Fisher street began late Monday afternoon and was completed Tuesday. Work on Sunset drive began Wednesday.

Mayor George W. Dill reported that he had contacted the A&E Ry. with regard to paving the railroad crossings on Arendell street. He said that railroad officials told him that they plan to lay new track along Arendell street in the near future and do not wish to pave the crossings until after the new track is in place.

The board directed J. V. (Hooty) Waters, street superintendent, to prepare specifications for curbs and gutters along town streets. The specifications will then be turned over to property owners who wish to install their own curbs. Only curbs which meet the specifications may be installed.

Commissioner D. J. Hall asked that the board take some action to enforce regulations regarding bicycle riding. He said that some of the children riding bicycles in town are dangers to themselves and motorists. It was decided to check with the highway patrol on the regulations governing the operation of bicycles.

It was also decided to begin prosecution of all those who fail to comply with ordinances relating to disposal of garbage. Commissioner Ted Garner reported that he has received several complaints about people throwing garbage into neighbors' yards instead of placing it in the covered containers required by law.

Union Service Plans Announced

The churches of Morehead City and the Morehead City Junior Chamber of Commerce will jointly sponsor a fifth Sunday union



Rev. M. C. Macqueen

service Sunday night at 7:30 in the Morehead City school auditorium. Speaking at the union service will be the Rev. M. C. Macqueen, pastor of the Graves Memorial Presbyterian church of Clinton.

This is the third fifth Sunday service which the Jaycees have joined in sponsoring. The services feature an outstanding visiting minister.

Mr. Macqueen is well known throughout North Carolina for his civic and religious activities. He has been instrumental in organizing several Alcoholics Anonymous groups in recent years. He is also a widely respected revival speaker.

A native of South Carolina, Mr. Macqueen is a graduate of Davidson college and the Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va. After a six-year pastorate in Alabama, he became pastor of the Clinton church in 1938 and has remained there since that date.

Leaders of the union service urge local residents to attend the service and point out that in view of the summer weather men should leave their coats at home.

Camp Glenn School Low Bids Awarded; Total Is \$196,433

Beaufort Redeems \$20,562 in Bonds

The town of Beaufort will redeem 35 of its interest funding bonds July 1 this year, it was announced Monday night at a special meeting of the town board.

The 35 bonds were chosen by lot and range in value from \$13.75 to \$1,162.50. The total value of the bonds to be redeemed is \$20,562.25. After this year \$11,238.11 worth of bonds in the interest funding issue will remain outstanding and the town plans to redeem this July 1, 1954, when they come due.

Under the law, the town is required to give 30 days notice of its intention to redeem the bonds and such notice has been sent to the bondholders.

A report from the committee appointed to canvass the ballots in the May 5 municipal election was heard and approved. The resignation of Dr. W. L. Woodard from the board was announced. He was defeated in his bid for re-election in the election.

City Holds 'Door Open' For Westward Growth

In an interview this week, George W. Dill, Jr., of Morehead City said that "the door is always open for any group of citizens west of the present city limits who want to come into the city."

Referring to the possibility that some of the citizens in parts of the areas which last week voted not to be annexed might want to come into the town, Mr. Dill said that the town would have to wait at least 12 months for another election on the same proposed areas, but a change in the boundaries of the proposed areas would be in effect on a new proposal.

The town board is cognizant of the fact that the only direction in which Morehead City can grow is west and northwest, he said. "We will always hold the door open to any reasonable proposal."

In discussing the town's growth, the mayor pointed out that in the near future the town must buy property and construct a second fire station. "We can't do this intelligently," he said, "until we know exactly what the size and shape of the town will be."

In the event any area should be added to the town, Mayor Dill reported that the city's first step would be to make a survey of the area to plan for the most efficient fire and police protection, fire alarm box placement, street maintenance, garbage disposal, zoning and city planning. Immediate steps would be taken to protect existing streets and a drainage survey would be made to plan future street development. "Within 12 months any area added to the city would have satisfactory streets," the mayor said. With respect to police protection, Mr. Dill commented that police protection is as close as the nearest telephone for any resident within the city limits.

The mayor indicated that in his opinion one of the most important aspects of city planning for Morehead City at the present time is the protection of property values after highway 70 is relocated. "We cannot zone on the north side of the new highway, and therefore we cannot control the type of construction and business which will use the property," he said. "The effect of this will be to devalue property on both sides of the highway."

The only way this property may be zoned and values protected is for it to be incorporated into the town, he indicated.

Directors Approve New Store Hours

The board of directors of the Morehead City merchants association decided at a meeting Monday that member stores should remain open on Wednesday afternoons and close Friday nights. They based their decision on the results of a mail vote taken last week.

Members of the association voted 14-8 to continue the Wednesday afternoon store hours which were begun a few weeks ago. They voted 13-7 to close at 5:30 p.m. on Fridays instead of at 8 p.m. as they have been doing. Three members favored staying open Saturday nights.

The vote was taken after several members of the association said that they did not believe that the Wednesday afternoon and Friday night hours were successful.

Dan Walker, town clerk, reported that the total real and personal property tax valuation in Beaufort for 1953 was \$2,721,230. In outlining municipal sources of revenue for the coming year, Mr. Walker listed real and personal taxes based on the valuation at \$54,424.87, poll taxes, \$461; dog taxes, \$166; and sewer service charges, \$2,544.60. This would give the town a total revenue from these sources of \$57,596.20.

In line with its past experience, the town will base its budget on an expected 90 per cent collection of these taxes and charges giving a budget income figure from these sources of \$51,804.58.

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Jaycees Vote To Aid Program

The Beaufort Jaycees, at their meeting Monday night, voted to donate \$100 to the summer recreation program for the Beaufort school children. The club also voted to donate \$150 toward the purchase of new uniforms for the school band.

Wiley Taylor, Jr., out-going president of the club, reported that the club has spent almost \$20,000 for the athletic program at the school during the past two years.

A. C. Blankenship, the club's state director, reported on the recent state convention in Asheville. He also informed the club that the next state board meeting will be held in August in Rocky Mount.

It was reported at the meeting that the recent Miss Beaufort beauty pageant was a great success. The club voted to thank the NEWS-TIMES, Miss Betty Lou Merrill, WMBL and Jerry Schumacher for their efforts in making the pageant a success.

The club has asked each civic organization to send a representative to a Beaufort Historical committee which will select the sites for historical markers to be erected by the club.

The club voted to assist the Beaufort Choral club with its summer revue which will be presented next week in the school auditorium.

President Taylor thanked the members of the club for their cooperation during the past year.

Beaufort Rotary Club Hears Story of Trip

N. F. Eure described his recent trip through Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Georgia at Tuesday night's meeting of the Beaufort Rotary club.

Mr. Eure described the various universities and engineering projects which he and his son visited on the trip.

The body of Pfc. Harold Weiner, 20, of Cherry Point, who drowned Sunday afternoon off the Ocean Ridge section of Atlantic Beach, was recovered early Tuesday morning.

The body, which had apparently washed ashore during the night, was discovered by Miss Nancy Ann Wright of Raleigh, who notified the Fort Macon Coast Guard base. The Coast Guard then called Coroner Leslie D. Springle.

A key in the pocket of the marine's bathing trunks led the coroner to a rented locker where the marine's clothing and identification were found. The marine had been missing since Monday morning when he was due to report back to his base after weekend liberty.

The discovery of the body put an end to the mystery of whether or not anyone had actually drowned at the beach Sunday afternoon. Several persons said they saw a

Federal Defense Funds Allocated For Construction

A Kinston construction firm won the low bid for the general construction on the new Camp Glenn school with a bid of \$151,525. The total construction cost will be \$196,433.90.

Other low bids were awarded to Robbins Electrical company of Rocky Mount for the electrical installations, \$6,383; Williford Plumbing company of New Bern for the plumbing, \$15,679; and J. T. Pearson of New Bern for the heating, \$11,728. O. L. Shackleford and company won the construction bid.

These actual construction bids amount to \$185,315. The remainder of the total cost is the architect's fee. The firm of Stevens and Stevens in New Bern has done the architectural work on the school.

H. L. Joslyn, superintendent of the county schools, reported that the Federal government has allotted \$186,146 for the Camp Glenn school. The bids and final report on the project have been sent to the Office of Education of the government for final approval.

A spokesman for the architect's firm said that preliminary work on the construction would start within 10 days after the bids are approved by the contract. Actual construction of the building will take about 12 months.

The government funds were given to Carteret county as a part of the federal aid to areas that were heavily affected by the enlargement of the defense establishment.

A total of \$307,000 was given to the county. The remainder of these funds were used for the addition to the Newport school which is now under construction.

The county school board decided to concentrate the remainder of the funds on the Camp Glenn school after government officials vetoed funds for a plan which would have distributed the money throughout the school system. The specialist with the Office of Education found the Camp Glenn school the most over-crowded and affected by the defense area problem and urged that all the remaining funds be used there. This course was followed by the school board.

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Nobody Bids On New Bridge At Cedar Island

The state highway commission has announced that it has received no bids on the proposed construction of a new bridge over the thoroughfare between Atlantic and Cedar Island.

The swing span drawbridge to replace the present draw was one of 33 projects on which the commission had called for bids. The bids were opened Wednesday and will be reviewed at a meeting today.

The highway commission has not yet indicated whether it will again call for bids on the project or do the work itself.

The McMeekin Construction company of Cheraw, S. C., was low bidder on the proposed new bridge across the Trent river at New Bern. The company will do the work at a cost of \$844,195.70. The bridge will replace the present highway bridge which has long been called unsafe for traffic.

The Barrus Construction company of Kinston was low bidder on a paving project in Carteret and Craven counties. Barrus bid \$50,007.50 on 7.8 miles of paving on a county road from Havelock southwest to the Craven county line and on a county road from the Craven county line southeast to a junction with a paved county road.

The highway commission received bids totaling \$4,911,616.45 for the 33 road projects in 35 counties. The work includes 279,544 miles of paving and the building of five structures.

Of the 33 projects, nine will be financed by the secondary road bond program, and one other will be partly financed by this program.

The total low bids were more than \$600,000 below the highway commission estimates. There were 87 bids received on the 33 projects.

Rescue Attempt Proves Fatal

A report from the NEWS-TIMES correspondent in Peletier says that Edna Anise Bright, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Bright, drowned Sunday afternoon while attempting to rescue Kenneth Sawrey, 14, son of Coroner Leslie D. Springle who earlier reported that the girl drowned while teaching her younger brother to swim.

The girl, her brothers, Woodrow, 14, and William, 13; Paul Hamilton, 14; and the Sawrey boy had been swimming in the White Oak river near the Bright farm.

After swimming, the children waded along the shore of the river. At the mouth of Hadnot's creek, the Sawrey boy who cannot swim, stepped into a ten-foot hole, and the girl was drowned while attempting to rescue him. The boy was rescued and is recovering from a high fever caused by the near drowning.

Funeral services for the girl were held at 2:30 p.m. Monday in the Peletier Baptist church. Approximately 400 persons attended the services which were conducted by the Rev. Hugh Page, pastor of the church, and the Rev. L. J. Atkinson. Burial was in the new cemetery at the church.

The girl is survived by her parents, her two brothers and two sisters, Eugenia and Elaine. She was a junior in high school. Coroner Springle had reported that the girl had graduated from school two days before the drowning.

Joslyn Announces Main School Dates

The opening and closing dates and the principal holidays for the school year, 1953-54, were announced this week by H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools.

The schools will open Sept. 2 but Labor day will be observed as a holiday, Monday, Sept. 7. One day will be taken in October for county teachers to attend district meetings of the NCEA and NCTA.

As usual two days will be given students for the Thanksgiving holiday in November.

Students who can hardly wait for Christmas can start making their plans now for the Christmas vacation which will start on the afternoon of December 18 and school will resume Monday morning, January 4, 1954.

Easter Monday, April 19, will be a holiday, and next year's summer vacation will start on the afternoon of June 1.

Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar		LOW	
HIGH	Friday, May 29	2:38 a.m.	2:26 p.m.
8:26 a.m.			
8:45 p.m.			
Saturday, May 30		LOW	
9:08 a.m.		3:20 a.m.	3:11 p.m.
9:29 p.m.			
Sunday, May 31		LOW	
9:55 a.m.		4:03 a.m.	3:59 p.m.
10:15 p.m.			
Monday, June 1		LOW	
10:43 a.m.		4:48 a.m.	4:52 p.m.
11:06 p.m.			
Tuesday, June 2		LOW	
11:36 a.m.			