

# New Morehead Annexation Asked

## County Farmers May Save Part Of Storm-Damaged Tobacco

R. M. Williams, county farm agent, says that he believes tobacco farmers, whose fields were damaged by last weekend's hail storms, may still be able to harvest some of their tobacco.

Mr. Williams says that with favorable weather conditions and proper management the farmers have a chance to harvest about two-thirds of a normal crop.

He explains that tobacco stalks cut off by hail will send out suckers at the axis of the lower leaves. He says that the most vigorous sucker should be left to grow and all other plant parts should be removed immediately.

The tobacco should be cultivated to control weeds and grass. Mr. Williams recommends that about six inches of the original stalk be left if possible.

The two hail storms, one Saturday afternoon and one Sunday afternoon, did damage to crops and buildings in Peletier, Bogue and Newport. The damage has been estimated at about \$75,000.

On many farms, corn, beans, watermelons and home gardens are a complete loss. Tobacco, which was about knee-high before the storms, was beaten and cut down to stubbs about three or four inches high.

The large hailstones knocked out windows in many homes, particularly in the Masontown section of Newport. Hester Quinn of Newport had to replace 30 windowpanes in his home. Asphalt roofing was removed from many homes and outbuildings, and metal roofing was dented.

Among the farmers who have reported heavy damage to crops are G. C. Garner, Lonnie Howard, Harold Simmons and Lawrence Garner of Newport, Gatlin Arthur and Elijah Guthrie of Bogue and Lee Sawrey of Peletier.

Little of the damage is covered by crop insurance. One farmer said that he had carried insurance on his tobacco for ten years but had never needed it. This year he failed to obtain the insurance.

Another hailstorm on Monday caused damage amounting to almost three million dollars in Halifax, Northampton and Bertie counties.

Heaviest damage was reported in Northampton where M. P. Chestnut, county agent, says that 25 per cent of the cotton acreage was destroyed. About 68,000 acres of cotton were "hopelessly damaged" in the county.

In Halifax, more than 600 acres of cotton were damaged according to W. O. Davis, county agent.

C. H. Kirkman, county agent in Bertie county, says that the hail damaged 20,000 acres of cotton, 4,000 acres of corn and 800 acres of tobacco.

## Adair Describes Mexican Trip

At Tuesday night's meeting of the Beaufort Rotary club, Glenn Adair described his recent trip to Mexico and gave his observations on the country's standard of living.

He said that unlike the United States, Mexico has a much sharper distinction between the classes of people. He said that just about everybody is very rich or very poor. The lower classes in the rural areas share their adobe huts with their livestock and have practically no sanitation. In the cities there are palatial homes belonging to the members of the upper classes.

Mr. Adair said that the school system is quite different from ours. The district schools go up to the sixth grade and offer a very elementary education. Federal schools in the large cities provide facilities for those who desire more than just an elementary education.

He said that hospitals in the larger cities are very modern and appear to have been built within the past few years. Mr. Adair said that he believes that good medical care is just developing in Mexico.

He also told his audience that the idea that one can retire in Mexico and live like a king is just a myth. He said that while some items, particularly handcraft items, can be purchased much more cheaply, the basic necessities cost almost as much as they do at home.

Guests at the meeting were Jack Holt, Walter Edwards and Floyd Chadwick of Morehead City, Tommy Eure of Beaufort, Hallie McGinnis of New Orleans, Charles Malone of Effingham, Ill., Penn Moore of Goldsboro and C. C. Abernathy of Lumberton.

## Town Board Votes To Hold Tax Sale

At a short meeting Monday night, the Beaufort town board ordered property on which taxes have not been paid to be advertised and sold.

The board voted to sell all property on which any taxes are delinquent for the period between 1940 and 1952. The sale was scheduled for July 16.

The board gave Dan Walker, town clerk, permission to close out the 1952-53 budget as of June 10 when May bills are paid. All June bills will be paid under next year's budget.

Mr. Walker explained that since the June bills are not paid until mid-July, it will be difficult to work out next year's budget if those bills are included on the present budget. The 1953-54 budget, which is supposed to be ready July 1, is based on expenditures during the current fiscal year.

Mr. Walker also asked all department heads to confer with him about the financial needs of their departments for the coming fiscal year.

## Joslyn Describes School Year as 'One of the Best'

## Construction Totals \$16,200

Building permits for work totaling \$16,200 were issued during the month of May, according to Gerald Woolard, Beaufort building inspector.

The major part of the cost was accounted for by alterations to the Beaufort theatre. Stewart Everett Enterprises, owner of the theatre, reported that the work would cost \$10,000.

The theatre owners say that the alterations and rebuilding of the old theatre does not mean that they have given up their plan to build a new theatre in Beaufort. They say, however, that the property which they want for a site for the theatre is not now available.

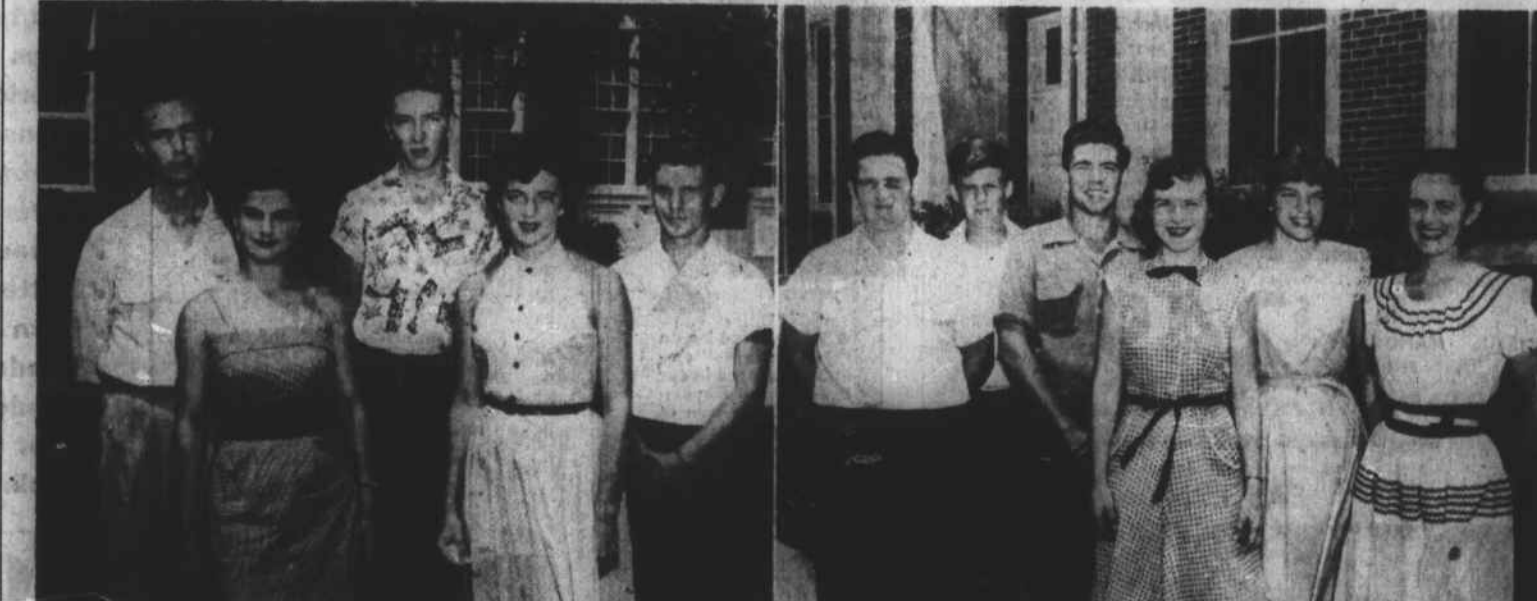
The Hamilton Furniture company received a permit to build a warehouse on Live Oak street at a cost of \$2,500.

Masonic lodge No. 248 obtained a permit for the construction of a lodge hall on Pollock street. Cost of the work will be \$2,000.

F. R. Bell was given a permit to reroof a dwelling on Front street at a cost of \$800. Charles Jarman is reroofing a dwelling on Broad street for \$400, and Herbert Parkins is reroofing a dwelling on Front street at a cost of \$500.

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# Carteret Delegates to Boys' and Girls' State



Local posts of the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary have chosen these high school students to represent Morehead City and Beaufort at the 1953 Boys' and Girls' State. The Boys' State will begin June 14 and end June 21; the Girls' State will begin June 28 and run for one week. On the left are the Morehead City

delegates from left to right David Small, Corinne Bell Webb, Joe Dickson, Maxine McLawson, and Horace Willis. Beaufort's delegates are from left to right Street Wetherington, Walker Moore, alternate, Wayne King, Sadie Harris, Helen Lee, alternate, and Inez Woodard. Photos by Jerry Schumacher

## June Court Term To Open Monday

The June term of Carteret county superior court will open Monday with a long criminal and civil docket facing Judge Henry L. Stevens of Warsaw, who will preside over the two-week term.

The superior court judge will hear a total of 41 civil cases and 40 criminal cases. The first week of the session will be both criminal and civil, and the second week will be civil cases, if all criminal cases are disposed of in the first week.

The manslaughter trial of Lundy and Connie Gillikin, who were indicted at the March term, will be held at this court session. The two youths were bound over to the superior court last November after a coroner's jury ruled that both were negligent in the accident which caused the death of Donald L. Lawrence.

On the civil calendar for this term is a suit against Lundy Gillikin and his father, W. L. Gillikin, by Ruby Lawrence, administratrix of the dead boy's estate. A motion by the two defendants has also made Connie Gillikin a party to the suit. Mrs. Lawrence seeks \$50,000 damages for her son's death.

The superior court will also try Vernon (Red) Sanders, Morehead City taxi driver, charged with committing a crime against nature, attempting to commit such a crime and possessing obscene literature for purposes of distribution. He was bound over to the grand jury last month after a preliminary

hearing in Morehead City recorder's court.

Curtis Bell and Tom Collins will be tried for breaking and entering and larceny in the theft of two shotguns from a Morehead City hardware store. George Murray will be tried for receiving stolen property, one of the shotguns.

On the civil calendar is a suit filed against Marvin Britt of Bettie by Marshall Johnson of North River, whose young son, Edward Earl Johnson, was killed by a car operated by Britt. Johnson asks damages totaling \$10,640. At the March term of court, the grand jury refused to indict Britt on a manslaughter charge.

Damages amounting to \$15,000 are being asked in two suits filed against the Dr. Pepper Bottling company of New Bern. Mae Lawrence Smith is seeking \$10,000, and J. E. Matthews is asking for \$5,000. Both plaintiffs allege that they were injured by glass and other foreign substances in soft drinks bottled by the company.

Among the 14 divorce cases on the calendar is one filed by Mrs. Esther Mae Gillikin against her husband, Clayton Gillikin of Otway. Gillikin is now serving a 26-year prison sentence for second degree murder in the shotgun slaying of his cousin, Bennie Gillikin, who was shot to death as he and Clayton's wife sat in a parked car outside a cafe on the Harkers Island road.

## Mayor, Commissioners Take Office in Newport

Edgar Hibbs was sworn in as mayor of Newport at Tuesday night's meeting of the board of town commissioners. Sworn in with him were the new commissioners, D. Ira Garner, S. Early Mann, Charles Hill, Murray McCain and Wilbur Garner.

Mr. Hibbs, a former member of the board of commissioners, replaced Charles A. Gould, jr., who had declined to seek re-election. His place on the board was filled by Wilbur Garner. The other commissioners were members of the previous board.

Before turning the town government over to his successor, Mayor Gould presided at a short business session and reported on expenditures during the last month of his term. He then thanked the members of the board for their cooperation during his two-year term.

The first action taken by the new board was the re-appointment of George Ball of Morehead City as town attorney for the next two years.

Bill Wright of The State magazine asked the board to consider an ad in the magazine's June 27 issue which will be devoted to Carteret county. After a lengthy discussion, the commissioners voted to take a quarter-page ad in the edition. Cost of the ad will be \$48.

Mayor Hibbs said that he would contact Phillip Ball, surveyor, and have him draw up a new map of the town streets for the Powell bill report which must be submitted by July 1.

No action was taken on the appointment of a town clerk or a chief of police.

## Lewis Releases Recreation Plans

Fred Lewis, recreation director, has announced that the Morehead City recreation center has begun its summer program for school children.

The center will be open from 9 a.m. until noon and from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. On Saturdays, the center will be open from 9 a.m. to noon.

Mrs. Richard McKenzie will work with children between the ages of five and ten in the morning session and with girls 11 and older in the afternoon. Mr. Lewis and Ralph Wade will work with the boys at both sessions. Mr. Lewis emphasized that the afternoon session is for older children and requested that the small children attend only the morning session.

Forms of recreation available are ping pong, table and floor shuffleboard, badminton, tennis, croquet, horseshoes, softball, baseball, volleyball and basketball. The snack bar will be open at all sessions.

The night program will be from 7:30 to 11 on Wednesday and Friday nights. The night program is for children 12 years old and up. Mr. Wade has announced that the outdoor band concerts will be given every other Tuesday beginning next week. The concerts will begin at 7 p.m. They will be given at the new bandstand erected on the grounds.

## Public Hearing June 24; Residents Have Petition

A new attempt will be made to extend the city limits of Morehead City westward, it was learned this week.

The city has called a public hearing on the proposal for June 24 in the city hall at 7:30 o'clock. At that time the board of commissioners will hold a meeting for the purpose of considering the annexation of the territory and the adoption of an ordinance extending the corporate limits of the town.

A committee has been formed to obtain signatures on a petition asking for annexation of the area west of the present city limits bounded on the north by the present highway 70 and on the south by the railroad and the sound. The intention is for the western limit to be the state property line at Camp Glenn including the rifle range.

E. G. McKinley of 2717 Arvon avenue is chairman of the committee and John T. Conner of 2716 Arvon is vice-chairman. The committee is composed of approximately 10 residents of the Homes drive, Noyes avenue, and other residential sections in the area.

At a meeting Wednesday night in the Clyde Jones showroom the committee discussed the petition. Under the terms of the state law, if 85 per cent of the residents of the area sign the petition asking to be annexed the city can annex the area without a referendum. The petition asks that a referendum be called if less than 85 per cent but more than 50 per cent sign.

A second meeting of the committee has been called for Monday night at 7:30 in the Clyde Jones showroom. The committee has been divided into teams of two-men who are making a house-to-house canvass in the area obtaining signatures for the petition. They will make their first report on progress Monday night.

On May 23 an annexation proposal was defeated by 11 votes in a referendum called by the city. A total of 145 voted in the election with 78 casting ballots against the proposal and 67 in favor of it.

A larger area was to be annexed by the defeated proposal. It would have included the area between 25th and 28th streets north to Calico creek.

The new proposal is that proposed north of the present highway which is called the rifle range. This property was included in the petition at the request of county school officials.

Under the state law at least 12 months must intervene between annexation elections for the same areas. By changing the bounds of the proposed area the committee has a new proposal. The residents backing the proposal hope to have definite action taken within four weeks.

At the committee meeting Wednesday night the leaders stressed in particular the improved schools, lower fire insurance rates and property value protection which would follow upon the annexation of the area.

Following the first election Mayor George W. Dill, jr., of Morehead City said: "We are disappointed in the election results but the city will always hold open the door for any reasonable annexation proposal."

An exact definition of the area proposed or annexation may be found in the legal notices column of this issue of the NEWS-TIMES.

## County Receives 20 Miles of Paving

Highway Commissioner Maynard Hicks of Snow Hill has reported that Carteret county received 20.34 miles of paving during the month of May.

Arendell street, Morehead City, was resurfaced with bituminous concrete pavement for 2.54 miles. The secondary road bond program financed the sand asphalt paving of traffic circles at Lennoxville Point and Marshallberg with extensions for 1.9 miles.

Resurfacing with sand asphalt on the Lennoxville road and a section of road near Mansfield accounted for 4.5 miles. The remaining mileage was sand asphalt resurfacing on NC 24 and on the Crab Point road.

The work in Carteret county was part of a total of 29,965 miles of road improvements completed in the second highway division during the month.

## Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar		
HIGH	Friday, June 5	LOW
2:00 a.m.		8:20 a.m.
2:41 p.m.		9:10 p.m.
Saturday, June 6		
3:04 a.m.		9:20 a.m.
3:44 p.m.		10:18 p.m.
Sunday, June 7		
4:06 a.m.		10:19 a.m.
4:44 p.m.		11:19 p.m.
Monday, June 8		
5:07 a.m.		11:16 a.m.
5:41 p.m.		
Tuesday, June 9		
6:04 a.m.		12:16 a.m.
6:35 p.m.		12:09 p.m.

## Largest Cargo Comes to Port In Greek Ship

The Greek ship Costis Los docked at the Morehead City port terminal late Monday afternoon to discharge the largest individual cargo in the history of the state port.

A total of nearly 4,200 tons of ammonium sulphate will be unloaded by local stevedores before the ship sails sometime during the weekend. The Costis Los is a Liberty-type ship and is the largest vessel to come to the port.

In March the Carl Fisser discharged 3,300 tons of potash here and a month later the August Bolten discharged 2,700 tons of assorted fertilizer products.

The ammonium sulphate aboard the Costis Los was sent to the port by the nitrogen division of the Allied Chemical and Dye company. It will be shipped by rail from Morehead City to fertilizer plants throughout the Carolinas and the middle western states.

At the present time the port is also being used by the Navy and Marine Corps as an embarkation port for men and supplies engaged in various maneuvers.

For many months following the dedication of the port last August it was used almost exclusively as a military and petroleum port. The Carl Fisser marked the first commercial cargo to come over the piers.

Work is also nearing completion on the tanks which will be used by the Dow Chemical company in its shipment of glycol from the Kinston plant making daron for the DuPont company. The glycol will come to the port by rail from Kinston and be shipped in tankers from here to Texas for purification.

Earlier this month a shipload of tobacco left the port in the first export movement of cargo through the port. This tobacco was assigned to the largest German manufacturer of cigarettes by tobacco exporters in North and South Carolina.

## Ocracoke School Graduates Two

Ocracoke, June 1 — Graduation exercises for two Ocracoke high school seniors were held Sunday night as a part of the regular service of the Methodist church.

Maxine Williams and William Midgett, graduating seniors, and Alona Farrow, Gaynelle Spencer, Larry Simpson and Danny Garrish, marshals, entered the church as the congregation sang the hymn, "Lead on, O King Eternal." Ushers were Edith Midgett and Clifton Austin.

The Rev. W. Y. Stewart, pastor of the church, delivered the baccalaureate sermon. He used as his text a passage from the book of Proverbs which praises the wisdom of ants, conies, locusts and spiders in making the best use of what they have. Mr. Stewart applied this passage to the ways and lives of young people.

Miss Williams read a prayer and transferred the senior class colors and flower to Murray Fulcher of the eighth grade, who represented the class of 1957. Mr. Midgett read the Scripture.

Diplomas were presented to the seniors by N. W. Shelton, superintendent of Hyde county schools; special perfect attendance awards were presented by Theodore Rondthaler, principal, to Berry Helen Howard, Martha Garrish, Jo Wayne Gaskill, Stanley Gaskins, Jackie S. Wilson, James Barrie Gaskill, William Garrish, Lindsey Howard, and Edward Carlson O'Neal.

Potter Offers Lot  
T. T. Potter has offered Morehead City the use of a lot on Evans street for waterfront parking. The lot will hold about 25-30 cars and is between Mr. Potter's warehouse and the Gulf plant. Mayor George W. Dill said the city would ready the lot for parking as soon as possible.