

Father of the Year with Gifts



Mayor George W. Dill, Jr., right, of Morehead City congratulates Charles M. Garner of Newport at a ceremony last Saturday honoring Mr. Garner as the county's Father of the Year. The contest was sponsored by Leary's, Carteret Gas company, Freeman Brothers, Parker Motors, Morehead City Drug company, The Boot Shop, Belk's, Hardware and Building Supply company, Eastman's Furniture company, and Early Jewelers. Each merchant presented a prize. Photo by Jerry Schumacher

Annexation Proposal Goes to People For Vote; Attempt by Resolution Fails

Six Hurt as Speeding Car Rams Vehicle from Rear

Morehead Seeks Traffic Lights

At a special board meeting Wednesday night following the annexation public hearing, the Morehead City board of commissioners voted to ask bids on traffic light equipment for four intersections on Arendell street.

The commissioners want a progressive system of lights for the Arendell intersections at 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th streets which will take care of the increased traffic during the summer months and also the military convoys which go to the state port terminal.

While discussing the traffic situation, the commissioners decided to cooperate in a state highway patrol experiment for speeding and controlling Sunday traffic at the beach and on 28th street.

Last Sunday a sergeant in the highway patrol surveyed the traffic situation at the beach, D. G. Bell, police commissioner reported, and next Sunday and July 4 and 5 the patrol will put extra men on duty. Mr. Bell said that the sergeant got a full dose of beach traffic since it took him 45 minutes to get from the beach parking area to the bridge.

In cooperation with the patrol and Atlantic Beach, the city will put a policeman at the intersections of 28th street with Arendell and Evans. Extra patrolmen and beach policemen will work on the beach at various intersections and at the intersection of Bridges street with 28th street.

The board also passed an ordinance making it illegal to break the curbs on city streets for alleys or driveways without first obtaining a permit from the city clerk. Except in special circumstances the ordinance also forbids breaks wider than 10 feet and the property owner must bear the cost of replacing sidewalks and grass areas.

A special provision of the ordinance requires that on every break wider than 10 feet the property owner must deposit a bond with the city clerk of at least \$50 for replacing the curb in the event the access-way should be abandoned.

Easements on an alley way and two un-opened street ends were also granted.

Flyers Meet At Ocracoke

Ocracoke—Members of the North Carolina Aero club arrived here Friday and Saturday of last week. By Saturday night the Atlantic beach area out in front of Wahab Village hotel was dotted with about eighteen planes.

Carl Goerch of Raleigh, long a leader of the N. C. group, arrived on Friday, but received sudden notice late that night of the hospitalization of Mrs. Goerch in Raleigh, so flew home at 5 a.m. Saturday. His genial presence was greatly missed by members of the club and by his friends here at Ocracoke.

Many of the fliers had visited the islands in other years, some came for the first time. Most of the group stayed at the Wahab Village hotel, a few stayed at the Howard tourist home and several visited the new Sound Front inn during their stay. On Saturday night practically the whole group enjoyed the square dance in the school recreation hall.

Among those here in addition to Mr. Goerch were R. P. and R. A. Lyon of Wadesboro, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Brown, Jr. of Murfreesboro, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Crawford of Ahsokie, Frank Thompson of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. E. Stein, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Rogers, A. B. Hamter and S. G. Bell, all of Henderson, C. P. Daniels of Raleigh, Ward F. Rice and E. A. Lackey of Hamlet, F. W. Jennings of Lancaster, S. C., T. A. Burke and W. S. Sample of Charlotte, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Coffey of Raleigh, William F. Maye, William Reid and W. F. Powell of Lenoir and J. H. McCumb of Morganton.

Most of the group traveled northward to Manteo or southward to Beaufort, en route home on Sunday, though several spent the entire weekend.

One Arrest Reported
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Six persons were injured, one seriously, yesterday morning in a three-car crash on Arendell street, Morehead City. Five of the injured were admitted to the Morehead City hospital, and the sixth was treated for shock and released.

Most seriously injured was Mary May, 11, a passenger in the car being driven by her mother, Mrs. Reynolds May of Greenville. The child suffered a broken arm and internal injuries and was undergoing surgery at press time yesterday.

Mrs. May's injuries and those of Arnold Borden of Morehead City, driver of the second car, have not yet been determined. Mrs. Vina May Garris of Greenville was being held at the hospital for a checkup, Sue Parrish, 12, of Beckridge, Va., another passenger in Mrs. May's car, suffered an ankle injury.

Mrs. May's son, Louis, 14, was treated for shock but was not admitted to the hospital.

Witnesses to the accident told police that Borden was driving east on Arendell street at about 70 miles per hour when he ran into the rear of Mrs. May's car, knocking it into a telephone pole, a tree and a parked car belonging to Leslie Earl Davis of Morehead City.

Doug West, foreman of the construction work on the new Colonial store directly across the street from the scene of the accident, was one of the first to reach the scene.

West said, "I didn't see Borden's car until just before the crash so I don't know how he was driving. I saw him hit the back end of Mrs. May's car and then start spinning. The rear end of his car went up in the air high enough so that I could see the other car under it."

He said that Mrs. May's car then went up over the curb, struck the

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Newport Youths Attend Meeting

Four Newport boys are included in the approximately 1,800 North Carolina farm youths who are participating in the 25th annual Future Farmers of America convention in Raleigh this week.

Thomas Gray, Ronnie Kelly, Jimmy Kelly, and Howard Garner are attending the convention with C. S. Long, teacher of agriculture and adviser to the FFA chapter of the Newport school.

During the convention session today young Garner will receive the State Farmer degree in Raleigh's Memorial auditorium. This degree can only be given at a state convention and is a very high and coveted honor in the FFA.

Only three other boys in the history of the Newport chapter of the FFA have received this recognition.

Approximately \$12,000 will be awarded to high scoring individuals and chapter groups during the convention in various state-wide contests. James Willis, national FFA secretary, will make the foundation awards and sponsors of other state contests will have official representatives to make the other awards.

The Newport boys and Mr. Long are living in the Owen dormitory at N. C. State college during their stay in Raleigh. All of the convention sessions have been held in the auditorium.

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The second attempt this year and the third attempt in recent years to annex land west of Morehead City failed Wednesday night and an election on the issue will be held.

Leaders of the annexation proposal had hoped they would have enough names on their petition to allow the city commissioners to annex the area by resolution. A counter-petition presented by Claud Wheatly, Beaufort attorney for O. O. Fulcher, L. G. Norris and other opponents of annexation, sought a referendum on the question.

Under the provisions of the state statute, a referendum must be called if a petition signed by 15 per cent or more of the voters of the area who were qualified at the last general election asks it. The petition presented by Mr. Wheatly was signed by 54 residents of the area, which is more than the required 15 per cent.

The petition seeking annexation was signed by 108 residents of the proposed area.

The date for the referendum will be set by the county board of elections. All the details of the election will be handled by the county board.

In addition to residents of the proposed area, Morehead City residents who live on the south side of Arendell street beyond 25th street attended the meeting. Most of the discussion at the short hearing involved these residents.

At the present time the city has no zoning powers over the property north of Arendell west of 25th street and these residents of the city are worried about the environment of their homes if low-grade commercial businesses should be built on the north side of Arendell. The commissioners explained that their power over property outside the city limits such as that proposed for annexation was limited to setting street lines.

"Would I be put in jail if I tore up the stakes for a honky-tonk across the street from my house," one resident asked. Mayor George Dill laughed and said that the county authorities would have to investigate such matter.

Leaders of the annexation proposal are E. G. McKinley, John T. Conser, Clyde Jones, and Captain Howard Ferguson. These men said Wednesday night that they intend to double their efforts to register and vote every resident of the area who favors annexation.

On Monday night approximately 10 of the residents of the area met in the Clyde Jones showroom to discuss the problem. At that time Mr. Fulcher and Mr. Norris said they would not withdraw from the fight in the face of the large majority of signers on the petition favoring annexation.

During the discussion of pros and cons, Mr. Norris said that he didn't want "Morehead City to have anything at all to do" with his property. When asked if he would call the Morehead City fire department in the event his home caught fire, he said he would but only "to protect my neighbors."

The opponents to annexation base their arguments on the contention that the city will not give them services in line with their increased tax payments. Proponents have argued that the increase in taxes will be partially offset by lower fire insurance rates, garbage disposal, higher property values and higher mortgage values. They also point to improved schools, zoning protection of property, street maintenance and other city services.

On May 23 an annexation referendum covering a larger area was defeated by 11 votes. This proposal included the land between the 25th and 28th streets north of the present highway 70 to Calico creek.

Commissioners who attended the hearing were D. G. Bell, Ted Garner, D. J. Hall, and Dr. John Morris. Mr. Bell made the motion asking that an election be called and Dr. Morris made the second.

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Another problem is the extension of the marketing season beyond the immediate harvest time. To keep sweet potatoes satisfactorily on a large scale requires careful handling, controlled curing and proper storage facilities.

The slight increase in production expected this year has been caused by the strong demand for the potatoes and the favorable price which producers have received in recent years.

Deposit Refunds Started by CP&L; To Total \$50,000

Many Carteret county electric customers have been receiving unexpected checks lately from the Carolina Power and Light company.

The utility firm explained today that the checks are refunds of deposits made to the old Tidewater Power company.

Carolina Power and Light has started a systematic refunding of deposits made more than two years ago by residential customers, and when the job is finished, more than \$50,000 will have been returned to customers in Carteret county alone, according to George Stovall, local manager for the firm.

"Deposits that have been up for 24 months or longer are reviewed for refund," he said, "and if accounts have been paid promptly each month a check is mailed to the customer for his deposit and interest. This review and refund is being handled alphabetically."

Since the refunding has only reached the "D's" many customers have not yet received their checks. Mr. Stovall explained that the large number of refunds which must be handled by the local office personnel will require several months.

Marine Flyer Dies in Crash

Four crashes Wednesday, including a fatal midair explosion near Merrimon, involved planes from the Second Marine air wing at Cherry Point.

M/Sgt. Ole Richard Woods of Horseshoe Bend, Idaho, was killed when his Banshee jet fighter exploded and crashed in woods between Merrimon and South River. Witnesses on the ground told Coronel L. D. Springle and Marine authorities that they saw the plane blown into several pieces and then crash into the woods along the Neuse river.

The first Marine to reach the scene of the crash, Maj. Robert A. Strieby, who landed at the scene in a helicopter, reported that wings, engine and fuel tank of the plane were found about 150 yards from the forward part of the fuselage.

The pilot's body was found in the cockpit which was not damaged by the fire which burned the other parts of the plane.

Cherry Point's air sea rescue unit received the first reports of the crash at about 11:30 a.m. Later reports came from workers at the International Paper company, Core Creek, and Gerald Midgett of Oriental, who saw the smoke from across the Neuse river.

The crash was also reported to Coronel Springle and to Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes, who investigated the crash.

Sergeant Woods is survived by his wife, Veronica, two sons, Bruce Michael, 6, and Richard Terry, 3, all of Haveiok and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion C. Woods of Horseshoe Bend, Idaho.

In the meantime, Chief Aviation Pilot Thomas J. Tate, USCG, was having a busy time with three other crashes in the vicinity of the auxiliary landing field at Edenton. One man was injured in the three crashes.

During the morning Tate answered a crash call and picked up Capt. T. E. Goss of Cherry Point who had crashed near Edenton. The injured pilot was flown to the Naval hospital, Portsmouth, Va., where he is being treated for compound fractures of both legs.

While returning from Portsmouth, Tate was called to Suffolk, Va., where another jet plane had crashed on the railroad tracks. Capt. R. R. Carson, pilot of the downed plane, told Tate that he crashed on the tracks after a "flameout."

Upon reaching the auxiliary field at Suffolk, they found that Captain Carson's wingman, Lieutenant Brown, had overshot the field and had also crashed. Tate then picked up Brown and returned the two pilots to Edenton.

Smoke Caused by Burning Trash
Coast Guard authorities reported this week that the heavy black smoke which rose from the Fort Macon area all day Tuesday came from the burning of trash on the island. The smoke started at about 7:30 in the morning and continued throughout the day until late afternoon.

State Awards Contract For Cedar Island Bridge

The state highway commission has awarded the contract for a new bridge across the thoroughfare between Atlantic and Cedar Island, to the Kitchin Construction company of Fayetteville.

The Kitchin company's bid, lowest submitted for the project was \$162,343.25. The bridge will be financed by the secondary road bond program.

The bid on this and 14 other highway projects will be reviewed today at a highway commission meeting.

The new bridge will be 283 feet long with a 108-foot span. The swing span bridge will leave a 30-foot channel for boats. The present bridge will remain in use only until the new steel, concrete and timber bridge is completed.

The highway commission first announced its intention to build a new bridge to Cedar Island last August when it applied for permission from the Army engineers to construct the bridge. Since permission was granted last fall, little has been done about the bridge.

The first concrete step toward construction of the bridge came May 19 when the highway commission asked for bids on the project. When bids were opened May 27, it was discovered that nobody had submitted a bid on the Cedar Island project. The project was the only one of 33 for which no bids were submitted. The highway commission again asked for bids on the project.

The bridge will replace the old bridge which has long been considered unsafe and inadequate for the traffic which it bears. Residents of the area have long been agitating for a new bridge.

In their requests for a new bridge, the residents of Cedar Island have pointed out that loaded school buses are not allowed to use the bridge. When the bus reaches the bridge, the pupils get out and walk across while the bus proceeds across unloaded.

Most of the fish being brought from Cedar Island to market are brought to Atlantic by boat and then transferred to trucks. Fish dealers say that the bridge will not support the weight of loaded trucks.

Residents of the island say that the new bridge will be particularly needed now that the new fishing pier has been opened on the island and more traffic is using the bridge.

Twenty-eight Men Apply For Beaufort Police Job

The town of Beaufort has received 28 applications for the position of chief of police, according to Dan Walker, town clerk.

The applicants seek to fill the vacancy created by Chief Carlton Garner's request that he be relieved of his present duties and assigned to the night shift as assistant chief.

The applications have come from various parts of the state, with only one coming from Carteret county.

Recreation Program Needs More Records

Kenneth Stargardt, director of the Beaufort summer recreation program, and his assistant, Jimmy Fodrie, have asked for 78 rpm records, which might be given to the program so the children may have records to dance to.

The Beaufort Jaycees have lent their record player and loud speaker to the program, but at present there are few dance records for them.

Phillips to Attend Scout Jamboree

Ted Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Phillips of Morehead City, will be Carteret county's representative at the third national Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America next month in California.

The Morehead City youth will be one of about 35 scouts from the East Carolina council who will attend the Jamboree at the Irvine ranch, Santa Ana, Cal.

The boys will leave North Carolina July 6 and will return about July 23. Ten days of the trip will be devoted to traveling with the remainder of the time spent at the Jamboree.

The boys from the council have been organized into a troop and patrols and have been attending preparatory meetings at Rocky Mount and Camp Charter.

Outstanding scouters from the council have been selected to serve as leaders of the troop at the Jamboree and are receiving special training for the trip.

During the Jamboree, the 3,000-acre ranch will be divided into 40 sections with 34 troops living in each section. Each section will have its own commissary, water supply and cooking facilities. There will be about 1,250 boys in each section.

At the Jamboree, the scouts will cook their own meals and live in tents. They will have an opportunity to learn the fine points of cooking, camping and other scouting skills. They will also be able to compare notes with others of the 50,000 scouts who will attend the Jamboree.

Each patrol will put on stunts at the night campfires and the boys will be entertained by movie stars and top rodeo performers.

In addition to the events at the Jamboree, the boys will make eight-day trips to the Grand Canyon, Pikes Peak, the Garden of the Gods, Great Salt Lake, the Petrified Forest, St. Louis and Atlanta.

Chestnut Attends Meeting

Dr. A. F. Chestnut of the Institute of Fisheries Research is attending the annual meeting of the National Shellfish association in New Orleans this week. Dr. Chestnut is secretary of the national group.

Jaycees Hear Boys Staters

The Morehead City Jaycees, at their meeting Monday night, heard a report from the three Morehead City high school students who attended Boys State last week at Chapel Hill. One of the boys was sponsored by the club.

David Small thanked the club for making it possible to attend the Boys State. He said that the information he, Joe Dixon and Horace Willis obtained at the school will prove very valuable to them in future years.

He described the various lectures which they attended and then told how they set up their own government to put into practice the things which they learned in the lectures.

Another guest at the meeting was Miss Pat Dawson, Miss Greenville, a contestant in the Miss North Carolina beauty pageant which will be held July 15-17 in Morehead City.

Jimmy Wallace, chairman of the beauty pageant, said that the club is making excellent progress on the pageant. H. S. Gibbs, Jr., reported that he has already received 20 complete entries and several which are still incomplete.

Dr. Russell Outlaw reported that he has obtained housing for 25 contestants and hopes to obtain more. He asked all members of the club to make every effort to obtain rooms for the girls.

Walter Morris reported that work is continuing on the football field and that a contractor has been asked to make an estimate on the construction of dressing rooms at the field. He said that bonds to cover the cost of the field will be issued as soon as the club is incorporated.

Shrimpers Rest Before Summer Season Starts

Shrimp fishermen along the coast are taking a well-earned rest for a few weeks until the summer run of shrimp starts, fishing leaders reported this week.

Before the peak of the brown spotted shrimp season passed an estimated three million pounds of shrimp were taken. The average price to the fishermen on these shrimp has been about 25 cents per pound for a total value of at least \$750,000.

The summer run of brown shrimp will start in about three weeks. This shrimp is caught in commercial quantities around the clock, while the early brown spotted shrimp is primarily nocturnal.

The Long Bay area in Carteret county was a particularly abundant source of shrimp. Some fisheries men estimate that more than one million pounds were taken from Long Bay during the spring season.

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Dr. Ennett Dies Suddenly After Collapse in Office

Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, county health officer, died early Tuesday morning in the Morehead City hospital a few hours after he was found unconscious in his office in the court house annex. Death was caused by a stroke.

Dr. Ennett was found on the floor of his office at about 11 p.m. by Chief Carlton Garner and Capt. Mack Wade of the Beaufort police. The officers were called after Mrs. Ennett became worried when her husband failed to return home.

The health officer left home at about 7 p.m. and told his wife that he would return in a very short time. When he had not returned after 10 p.m., Mrs. Ennett called the police.

The officers discovered the health officer's car parked outside the court house and saw lights in his office. When they could not gain admission to the office, they called A. D. Fulford, health department sanitarian, who unlocked the office.

After finding Dr. Ennett, the officers immediately called a physician and an ambulance to take the health officer to the hospital where he died at about 2:30 a.m. It is believed that Dr. Ennett was stricken shortly after reaching his office.

Funeral services for Dr. Ennett were held at 3:30 p.m. yesterday in the Ann Street Methodist church of Beaufort, with the Rev. B. D. Critcher officiating. Burial was in the Ennett family plot near Swansboro.

Active pallbearers were Dr. F. E. Hyde, Paul Jones, Dr. M. B. Morey, K. E. Johnson, Kenneth Prest and Moses Howard.

Honorary pallbearers were the county medical society, the Beaufort Rotary club, the county board

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Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Friday, June 26	
7:20 a.m.	1:33 a.m.
7:43 p.m.	1:21 p.m.
Saturday, June 27	
8:07 a.m.	2:17 a.m.
8:29 p.m.	2:10 p.m.
Sunday, June 28	
8:54 a.m.	3:00 a.m.
9:14 p.m.	2:59 p.m.
Monday, June 29	
9:42 a.m.	3:44 a.m.
10:02 p.m.	3:51 p.m.
Tuesday, June 30	
10:21 a.m.	4:29 a.m.
10:51 p.m.	4:41 p.m.



Dr. N. T. Ennett

Sweet Potato Production Falls

R. M. Williams, county farm agent, says that the production of sweet potatoes in the county may increase slightly this year although it will probably never again reach the figure for six years ago.

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