

Beauty Pageant Opens Tomorrow

Morris, Atlantic Businessman, Gets Conservation Board Post

Cecil O. Morris, Atlantic businessman, was one of 13 men appointed to the Conservation and Development board Friday by Gov. William B. Umstead. He will serve a six-year term.

Governor Umstead reappointed seven members of the present board and appointed six new members. He said that he expects to fill the remaining two vacancies before the board holds its next meeting July 26 in Morehead City. The governor said that he hopes and expects to name another person from the fishing section to one of the two vacancies on the board. Mr. Morris, while from Atlantic, is not a commercial fisherman, but the governor said that "he is familiar with the fishing industry."

Commercial fishermen have urged that the governor appoint a fisherman to the new board, but it is believed that they have been unable to agree on a choice. Mrs. Roland McClamrock of Chapel Hill, former chairman of the board's commercial fisheries committee, was not among those reappointed, and it is believed that a representative of the fishing industry will become chairman of the committee.

Among those reappointed was Miles J. Smith, a Salisbury manufacturer, who has been chairman of the board. He was named to a four-year term. The governor did not indicate his choice for the chairmanship of the new board.

W. J. Damtoft of Asheville, paper company executive, was also named to a new four-year term. He has been serving as vice-chairman of the board.

Others reappointed and their terms of office are Seroop W. Enloe, jr., of Spruce pine, representing the mining industry, for four years; Hugh Morton, Wilmington businessman, for six years; Charles S. Allen, Durham banker and businessman, for two years; W. B. Austin, Jefferson lawyer and cattle raiser, for six years; and Charles H. Jenkins, Aulander automobile dealer, for four years.

New members appointed with Mr. Morris are Robert M. Hanes, Winston-Salem banker, for two years; Carl Buchan, jr., North Wilkesboro hardware dealer, for four years; Max Watson, Forest City hosiery manufacturer, for six years; Leo Harvey, Kinston merchant and banker, for two years; and Amos Kearns, High Point manufacturer, for two years.

Governor Umstead, in a press conference Friday afternoon, said that he is proud of the new C&D board. He said, "I am very much pleased with the folks I got to serve on the board."

At the conference the governor also confirmed the fact that Ben Douglas of Charlotte would succeed George Ross next week as director of the Department of Conservation and Development.

The fact that he picked a business man, See MORRIS, Page 3, Section 1

Northeaster, Rain End Hot Weather

A continual northeast wind and 7.49 inches of rain which fell between Friday and Sunday morning brought cooler weather to the county, according to the recorders of E. Stamey Davis, county weather observer.

Temperatures dropped from a high of 91 on Thursday to a low of 69 on Sunday. Maximum temperatures have ranged in the low 80's during the three-day period ending Sunday.

The northeaster, bringing cold weather and rough water, put a virtual stop to sport fishing in the Morehead City-Beaufort area, with a few fishermen venturing out and few of those reporting much luck.

Max. Min.

Thursday, July 9	91	76
Friday, July 10	84	73
Saturday, July 11	74	70
Sunday, July 12	80	69

Late Entries Made In Beauty Pageant

Pictures of 33 of the entrants in the Miss North Carolina beauty pageant may be seen in sections two and three of this issue of the NEWS-TIMES.

Four entries in the pageant were made too late to be included. They are Miss Winston-Salem, Miss Barbara Ann Crockett; Miss Brevard, Miss Barbara Talley; Miss Whiteville, Miss Shirley Allen; and Miss West Jefferson, Miss Margaret Eleanor Grant.

Naming of Morris Pleases Fisheries

Carteret leaders of the fishing industry were well pleased with the appointment of Cecil O. Morris, Atlantic businessman, to the Conservation and Development board by Governor W. B. Umstead. T. B. Smith of Davis reported that the fisheries people were "very satisfied." "I was one of those who recommended Mr. Morris," he said, "and I think his appointment is one of the best things for the fisheries industry to happen in some time."

Echoing this sentiment was Gordon C. Willis of Morehead City, who commented, "he knows fisheries problems and his appointment will be an asset to the industry. We hope that the board will see fit to put him on the commercial fisheries committee, possibly as chairman."

Mr. Morris was unanimously endorsed for the appointment by the North Carolina Fisheries association. This association is composed of dealers and other leaders in the industry in Carteret county and other counties around Pamlico sound.

"I didn't seek the appointment," Mr. Morris said in commenting on his new office, "and I have the greatest desire that my work will merit the confidence my friends have placed in me."

Though this will be his first appointment to a state board, Mr. Morris is no newcomer to local government agencies. He has been a member of the Carteret county welfare board for many years and has recently been serving as chairman of the Atlantic district school board.

36 Register Saturday For Annexation Vote

Beaufort Board Appoints Chief

Gordon Hardesty, Beaufort police commissioner, announced Saturday that the board of commissioners has named M. E. Guy of Wilmington as chief of police.

Chief Guy will take office Aug. 1, succeeding Carlton Garner who asked to be relieved of his duties as chief. The former chief will serve as assistant chief and will have charge of the department's night shift.

The new chief has 14 years experience as a law enforcement officer, 13 years as a member of the state highway patrol and one year with the state theft bureau. At present, he is employed in a service station in Graham.

Chief Guy is 39 years old, is married and has two daughters aged six and nine. He and his family will move to Beaufort in the near future. When he applied for the position, he told the commissioners that he wanted to return to the coast.

Commissioner Hardesty said that from the new chief's record and appearance he believes that he will make a very good chief. He said that Chief Guy's long experience should make it possible for him to do an excellent job in his new post.

In a special session yesterday morning, the town board appointed Richard J. Babcock, 28, 713 Broad street, to the police force to succeed Lt. Otis Willis, who resigned Saturday.

A native of New York, Officer Babcock is now making his home in Beaufort with his wife, the former Shirley Johnson of Beaufort, and their 21-month-old son, Richard, jr.

Before moving to Beaufort a few weeks ago, the new officer had lived in Norfolk where he was employed by the Army engineers. He had held his position with the government since his discharge from the army.

His previous police experience has been as a military policeman at Fort Bragg and at Fort Benning, Ga. Much of his military service was spent as a member of the 82nd Airborne division. Officer Babcock will take over his police duties this morning.

Beach Will Get Bus Services

A bus service will begin operating between Morehead City and Atlantic Beach in the near future, possibly this weekend, Marvin Powers told the Atlantic Beach board of commissioners Saturday morning.

The beach board granted the Community Bus lines of Morehead City a temporary permit to operate on the paved streets in Atlantic Beach.

The bus firm is owned by Marvin Powers, Morehead City taxi operator, and Carl C. Godwin. The temporary permit runs until September 15.

Last week the Morehead City board granted a permit to the bus line for regularly scheduled service in the town.

Mr. Powers told the beach officials that he felt the service was needed and that regularly scheduled buses would benefit the entire beach section.

Following a discussion of beach finances, the board voted to send a notice to all cottage and property owners who have not paid their assessments that assessments must be paid or the town will stop garbage and sand removal service for the property.

"We can't run the town without funds," H. W. Anderson of Wilson, board member, commented. Alford Cooper, mayor of the town, presided over the meeting. Other commissioners attending were L. T. White of Raleigh, and W. C. Whitehurst of Bethel. J. Con Lanier of Greenville was unable to attend the meeting.

As an expression of the town's appreciation of services rendered by the Morehead City volunteer fire department, the board authorized a contribution of \$100 to the fire department.

The commissioners reported pleasure at the success of the recently inaugurated system for handling traffic to and from the beach on weekends. At the present time the state highway patrol, the beach police force and the Morehead City police departments are cooperating in maintaining a steady flow of traffic to and from the beach while making possible a faster flow of cross traffic.

The next meeting of the board will be held August 8. At that time the board will devote its principal attention to the over-all financial system of the beach.

Stella Farmer Gets FHA Post

I. M. Robbins of New Bern, Farmers Home administration supervisor, has announced that the secretary of agriculture has appointed Leland H. Morris of Stella to the FHA committee.

Mr. Morris succeeded Lawrence A. Garner of Newport, whose three-year term expired June 30. Other new appointees are Staley V. Scott of Arapahoe and Johnnie E. Daugherty, Rt. 2, New Bern. The New Bern FHA unit serves Carteret, Craven and Pamlico counties.

The new committee members and supervisors held their first meeting Tuesday in New Bern. G. V. Woodard, FHA supervisor, and Bruce Foy, Jones county committeeman, were observers at the meeting. Carteret county was represented by Mr. Morris and Allen J. Vinson of Peletier.

During the morning the group visited several Craven county farmers who had received loans from the FHA and studied the improvements which had been made with the loans.

The afternoon was devoted to discussions of the duties of committeemen in making and servicing farm housing loans, farm ownership loans and adjustment operating loans and the responsibility with regard to other work of the FHA. M. C. Holland, district supervisor, and Charles Jeffrey and Ralph Turner of the state office led the discussions.

County Agents to Meet
R. M. Williams, county farm agent, has announced that the five-county agents' group will meet Thursday at his office in Beaufort to discuss mutual problems. The group is made up of farm agents from Carteret, Pamlico, Jones, Onslow and Craven counties.

Fire Does No Damage
A fire, believed to have been caused by a short circuit in some overhead wires, did no damage Saturday morning at the Colonial store in Beaufort. The Beaufort fire department extinguished the fire before it did any damage.

Opening Delayed On Beach Bridge; Aug. 10 or Later

Electrical Equipment Still Needed; Other Work Is Completed

The new bridge to Atlantic Beach will not be opened before August 10, J. B. Cutchin, highway commission engineer in New Bern, reported today.

Mr. Cutchin said that certain parts of the electrical equipment needed for the swing-span will not be shipped from the factory until July 27. After they are received here it will still require time for installation and testing.

"I don't see how the bridge can possibly be opened before August 10, if then," he said.

Earlier the commission had hoped the equipment would arrive in time for the bridge to be opened sometime this week. Mr. Cutchin reported that the highway commission has no plans for opening ceremonies for the bridge but will cooperate with any local groups that plan such ceremonies.

The electrical contractor on the bridge will have everything ready except the unavailable equipment so that the time to get the span in operation will be reduced to a minimum. Everything else on the bridge is ready for the opening except for a clean-up, Mr. Cutchin said.

Bids on the bridge were sought by the commission in April, 1951. On May 8, 1951, the T. A. Loving construction company of Goldsboro submitted the low bid for the construction of the bridge, and in June the highway commission approved the bid and awarded the contract.

During the fall of 1951 in October a pile-driver started work and the construction firm acquired land for the fabrication of the re-inforced concrete piling. The work was delayed by the steel shortage at that time.

Preliminary work got under way in November of 1951 and construction on the bridge has been nearly continuous since that time except for delays caused by shortages of materials.

Benson Declares Quotas on Wheat

Agriculture Secretary Ezra Benson on July 1 declared that marketing quotas on wheat will go into effect for the 1954 crop. The order cannot become effective, however, until wheat growers have an opportunity to accept it in a referendum.

B. J. May, manager of the Carteret county PMA office, says that the date for the referendum has not been set but it will be within 30 days. Any grower eligible to receive a wheat allotment may vote in the election, and a two-thirds majority will be necessary to put the quotas into effect.

Mr. May says that acreage allotments for Carteret county producers will be set as soon as the available acreage is known.

Although marketing quotas have not yet been declared on cotton, Mr. May says that they probably will be declared on the 1954 crop. He said that measurement of cotton acreage in the county will begin soon.

Mr. May has asked all Carteret county farmers, who are growing cotton this year, to let him know about it immediately. He wants the information in order that such farmers will not be overlooked when measurement begins.

Letters have been sent to all farmers known to have grown wheat in recent years asking for information about the number of acres which they have grown in each of the last three years.

Mr. May says that response to the letters has been good but some farmers have not yet replied. He has urged them to do so immediately. He has also asked those cotton growers who have not received letters to contact him immediately.

The measurement of tobacco acreage in the county to insure compliance with acreage allotments has been completed. Mr. May says that his office is now remeasuring the acreage of those farmers who were dissatisfied with the original measurement, assisting in the destruction of excess acreage and preparing marketing cards for the county's tobacco farmers.

Miss America of 1953



Miss Neva Jane Langley, Miss America of 1953, of Macon, Ga., and Lakeland, Fla., will be a judge in the Miss North Carolina beauty pageant which starts tomorrow night at the dog track. She arrived in Carteret county Sunday afternoon.

37 Contestants Seek State Title

Morehead Jaycees Sponsor Pageant To Pick Miss N. C.

With 37 entries from all parts of North Carolina, the Miss North Carolina beauty pageant brings the Old North State's loveliest young ladies to Carteret county today to begin competition for the honor of becoming Miss North Carolina of 1953.

Not only will the beauties be on the platform but in the judges' box will be Miss America of 1953, Miss

BEAUTY SECTION

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Stories giving the history of the pageant, the North Carolina Jaycees, the Morehead City Jaycees, and pictures of past representatives of Beaufort and Morehead City are also included.

North Carolina of 1952 and Miss North Carolina of 1951. The pageant is staged by the Morehead City Jaycees.

Registration for the beauty pageant will start this afternoon at 1 o'clock at the recreation center. Later today the contestants will be taken on a short cruise aboard the yacht, Danco.

The pageant itself will get off to a flying start tomorrow afternoon at 1 when the Morehead City Jaycees present the girls to the public in a grand parade. The Morehead City high school band will play for the parade.

Tomorrow night the first preliminary of the pageant will be held at the Carolina Racing association track beginning at 7 o'clock. At this time one-half the girls will appear in evening gowns and the other half in bathing suits. Following the preliminary, the track will present an abbreviated program of six races.

Tickets for all the preliminaries may be obtained from any Jaycee or at Hill's or Leary's stores. Tickets may be purchased for any one event in the program or for all four parts of the program. Tickets will be \$1.25 for the three preliminaries and \$1.75 for the finals, or an advance ticket for the entire program may be purchased for \$4.50.

Thursday afternoon in the Morehead City high school auditorium the contestants will present their talents for the judges. The talent show will begin at 1 o'clock. Thursday night the third and final preliminary will be held at the dog track beginning at 7. At this time the contestants will complete the evening gown and bathing suit parts of the preliminaries.

Friday night at the same time the 12 finalists will be picked by the judges. They will appear in both evening gowns and bathing suits. They will also present their

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Large Response Pleases Workers at First Clinic

Governor Names New Director

Ben Douglas, former mayor of Charlotte and a former member of the state highway commissions, has been named director of the Department of Conservation and Development succeeding George Ross. He will take office July 20.

Gov. William B. Umstead informed Mr. Ross Thursday that he had appointed Mr. Douglas to the post which the governor regards as one of the most important in the state government.

The governor told Mr. Ross that he regretted that he had learned of the change before being officially informed. Word of Mr. Douglas' appointment had leaked out to Thursday morning's newspapers.

After confirming the reports and apologizing to Mr. Ross, the governor discussed with him some of his plans for the new Board of Conservation and Development.

Mr. Ross later declined to reveal any details of the governor's plans, but he said that he got the impression that the governor intends to reappoint several members of the present board and choose others in line with his program for bringing new industry to North Carolina.

The out-going director did not name any of those he thought would be reappointed nor would he confirm any names mentioned to him by reporters.

The inability of commercial fishermen to get together on selection of a representative of that industry may delay the naming of a complete board until the next board meeting which will be held July 27-29 in Morehead City.

The out-going director, a native of Randolph county was appointed to the C&D post in 1949 by Gov. W. Kerr Scott. He had been a marketing specialist for the state Department of Agriculture for several years while Governor Scott was serving as agriculture commissioner. He also served as one of the governor's legislative advisers during the 1949 session of the general assembly.

Mr. Ross told reporters that his plans are indefinite. He is eligible to retire but has not yet applied to the Teachers and State Employees Retirement service for retirement.

Mr. Douglas is a Charlotte business officer at the Cherry Point air station, was another guest speaker. He was accompanied to the meeting by his son, Rodney.

Morehead City Rotary Hears Maysville Man

Tommie Foscue of the Maysville Rotary club was the guest speaker at Thursday night's meeting of the Morehead City Rotary club. Mr. Foscue spoke on service and competition.

Col. George W. Martin, communications officer at the Cherry Point air station, was another guest speaker. He was accompanied to the meeting by his son, Rodney.

Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar

Those who worked at the county's first orthopedic clinic held Saturday at the Morehead City hospital annex say that everyone concerned with the clinic was pleased with its success.

Mrs. Helen Carlton, one of the volunteer workers, said that about 40 persons registered for examination by Dr. Lennox Baker, chief orthopedist at Duke university hospital, who conducted the clinic. Mrs. Carlton said that the patients ranged in age from tiny babies to a woman 73 years old. The patients came from all parts of the county, with some coming from as far as Cedar Island.

Mrs. Carlton said that the clinic went very smoothly because of the planning and organization and that all of the patients had been examined by noon.

Most of those attending the clinic were examined and referred to other doctors for treatment. A physiotherapist was on hand to administer minor treatments which could be given on the spot.

Assisting at the clinic in addition to Mrs. Carlton were Miss Elizabeth Lambeth, Mrs. Julia Tenny, Mrs. Mozelle Clark, Mrs. Henry Andrews, Mrs. W. M. Brady and Mrs. John Crump.

The clinic is being sponsored by the Morehead City Rotary club in cooperation with the county health department and the state board of health. G. T. Windell was in charge of local arrangements on behalf of the Rotary club.

The clinic was the first of its kind to be held here, although similar clinics have been held in other counties under the sponsorship of civic organizations. In the past, residents of the county have been forced to attend the clinic in New Bern in order to receive orthopedic treatment.

The clinic in Morehead City will be held monthly, probably on the first or second Saturday of the month. It is open to persons of all ages with any bone or joint ailment or with cleft palates or hare lips. It is open to all regardless of their ability to pay.

Beaufort Police Report Three Dogs in Pound

Carlton Garner, acting police chief, has announced that the Beaufort department has picked up three stray dogs on the streets. The dogs, one female and two males are being held at Dr. Clarence Paden's animal hospital on US 70.

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State Resorts Free of Polio

Dr. J. W. R. Norton, North Carolina state health officer, declared last week that "no polio exists in the tourist regions of the mountains or along the coast," and that "there is nothing connected with the polio situation in North Carolina to interfere with tourist travel."

This statement was made after the health officer made a survey of the polio outbreak in Caldwell county, which has been the subject of wide national publicity because of mass inoculations with gamma globulin.

Dr. Norton said he was issuing a formal statement because he was receiving telephone calls and letters from all parts of the country inquiring if the Caldwell outbreak presented a health hazard to vacations in North Carolina's coastal and mountain resorts.

His statement is as follows: "There is nothing connected with the polio situation in North Carolina which would interfere with tourist travel to any part of the state. The only area affected is Caldwell county and to some extent the three adjacent counties Catawba, Burke, and Wilkes counties. No polio exists as of this date, July 9, in the summer tourist regions or to any extent in any of the other 96 counties in North Carolina.

"Our resorts, assemblies and summer camps, are all well-protected under our existing sanitary laws, and under strict health inspection at all times."