

School Board Members Vote To Campaign for Bond Issue

"You won't vote on anything more important than the Oct. 3 bond issue in your life," O. B. Johnson, superintendent of Duplin County schools, told the Carteret County School Board Association Monday night at a meeting in the Beaufort school.

The meeting of the association was called in order to familiarize school district board members with facts about the bond issues and the needs for school construction. Mr. Johnson was introduced by H. L. Joslyn, superintendent of the Carteret County schools. The association voted unanimously to support the bond issues.

Dr. Darden J. Eure, president of the association, presided over the meeting. Dinner was served to the 34 members present in the home economics room of the school.

Continues State Policy

Mr. Johnson pointed out that the state has helped counties with their school construction since the early days when every community building a school got \$20 from the state. He urged the members to work hard for the passage of the bond issue.

"I know for a fact that it will take more than \$1 million to meet the minimum school needs in Carteret County," he said. "This is only the minimum. The county alone cannot meet the needs of your children."

Throughout his address, Mr. Johnson emphasized that poorer counties in the east and west lack the taxable resources to match the educational systems of the rich counties in the Piedmont. "Guilford county alone has more taxable property than 25 Eastern North Carolina counties," Mr. Johnson commented.

"We can't meet our needs in Duplin and Carteret counties without the help of the rich counties," he continued. "A three-cent tax levy in Jones County will be one-sixth of a classroom but the same levy in Guilford will build a whole school."

No Educational Equality

Mr. Johnson pointed out that the taxable resources behind each school child varies greatly from county to county throughout the state. "Talk about educational equality," he said, "there's no educational equality in North Carolina."

During his speech, Mr. Johnson carefully emphasized to the Carteret school board members that the bonds will be paid out of the state's general fund and that no new tax levies will be made against property in the state to pay them.

The Duplin superintendent also pointed out that the poorer counties are now getting more out of the general fund for schools alone than they put in. Carteret County pays \$464,000 into the fund and gets back \$518,000 for schools alone; while Guilford County pays in \$12 million and gets back \$4 million.

Urges Support

"I urge everyone of you for the future of the children in your county to get out and work and vote for these bond issues," Mr. Johnson concluded.

Following his speech, the members unanimously voted their approval of the bond issue and plans were made to get voters registered and circulate facts and information on the issues. The association will work through local PTA's, school children, the press and radio to present the issue to county voters.

The next meeting of the association will be held the third Monday night in November at the Morehead City school.

Service Station Entered Tuesday; Money Is Taken

Fred's Service Station, Camp Glenn, was entered Tuesday night and 30 cartons of cigarettes, several cases of beer, and \$20 to \$30 in the cash register stolen.

The owner of the station, Fred Anthony, Camp Glenn, said the building was probably broken into between midnight and 12:30 a.m. Entrance was gained by breaking a window at the back.

The burglary was discovered Wednesday morning and reported to the sheriff's office. Sheriff C. G. Holland stated yesterday that Bob Pope, with the State Bureau of Investigation, and Deputies Marshall Ayscue and Hugh Salter were working on the case.

Deputy Sheriff Salter said a description of a car seen at the service station about midnight was obtained. It so happened that the night before when Deputy Sheriff Salter and other officers were checking cars on highway 101 they noticed a car that answered that description. The car was parked on the road and they recalled the license number. The car has been traced to the Marine base at Cherry Point but by press time yesterday no arrests had been made.

Highway Group Sets Up Meeting on Coastal Road

Following a preliminary barrage of resolutions and petitions from all sections of the coast, advocates of a Coastal Highway down the Outer Banks will take their case before the Highway Commission in person next Thursday, Sept. 24.

The All Coastal Highway Committee, composed of civic leaders in towns and communities along the coast, has made arrangements for a meeting with A. H. Graham, chairman of the State Highway and Public Works Commission in Raleigh.

Alvah L. Hamilton Sr. of Morehead City is president of the committee. He has called for every community in Eastern North Carolina to have delegations at the meeting. Petitions and resolutions have already been secured from most of the communities involved.

The proposal calls for car ferries and a paved strip of roads on Ocracoke Island to connect Atlantic with the present highway on Hatteras. Proponents visualize a combination of ferries and roads which will enable tourists to travel down the Outer Banks from Norfolk to

Morehead City and then southward by highways 24 and 17.

Resolutions and petitions on the project have been obtained from the Dare County Tourist Bureau, Hyde County Commissioners, Carteret County Commissioners, Atlantic Beach, Morehead City, Morehead City Chamber of Commerce, Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, Swansboro, Ocracoke, Hatteras, Buxton, Swan Quarter, Fairfield, Atlantic, Davis, Sea Level, Willisville, Cedar Island, and the Morehead City Lions Club, Rotary club, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The committee describes its efforts as an attempt to get more North-South highways for the eastern part of the state. Proponents point out that the central and western parts of the state have much larger networks of highways than the eastern part.

Others on the committee are Dan L. Walker of Beaufort, Clayton Fulcher Jr. of Atlantic, R. Stanley Wahab of Ocracoke, Harry Middgett of Hatteras, Aycock Brown of Manteo, P. M. Camak of Wilmington, M. N. Lisk of Swansboro, and Joe DuBois of Morehead City, secretary.

St. Egbert's Gets Priest To Fill Pastoral Vacancy

The school building fund drive at St. Egbert's Catholic Church will continue under the direction of the church's new pastor, the Rev. DeSales Dworkette TOR, it was announced this week.

Father Dworkette fills the vacancy left by the transfer of the Rev. Gabriel Stephens, formerly pastor of the church.

Leaders of the church are hoping to complete their drive for \$50,000 for a parochial school building by Nov. 1. The campaign started Sept. 5.

A fund committee of laymen is now contacting each member of the church getting pledges for contributions to the school fund. The church plans to erect an eight-room elementary school building on a part of its property at the intersection of 17th and Evans streets.

Father Dworkette revealed that the architect's drawings for the school will be available for inspection within two weeks. The campaign for funds was opened at the church's annual fall festival on Sept. 5. Approximately 800 people attended the festival. At the present time members of the Holy Name Society and the Ladies Auxiliary in the church are planning other fund raising projects. Hugh Rice is president of the Holy Name Society and Mrs. Dom Femia is president of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Mrs. Femia announced that a reception will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the parish house to welcome Father Dworkette and his assistant pastor, the Rev. Terrence Burns.

Present plans call for a one-story, eight-room building to be constructed in an L-shape for the school. The enrollment will be divided among Catholics and non-Catholics and church officials point out that religious instruction will not be compulsory for non-Catholic students.

"The erection of this school in Carteret County would ease the congested conditions in local schools and provide an excellent education for all children enrolled without increasing the school tax burden," one layman of the church said in describing the project.

The congregation of the church decided to build a school before a church sanctuary, though future plans call for the erection of a new sanctuary.

Police to Close Streets at School

At the recommendation of Police Chief M. E. Guy, the Beaufort Board of Commissioners directed that the streets around the Beaufort and Queen Street Schools be closed during the hours of 8 A. M. and 4 P. M. on school days.

In front of the Beaufort School the street will be closed from Live Oak (at the rear of The Spot) to Marsh and Mulberry and Queen will be closed at the west and north of the Queen Street School.

Because of the danger of children running in the street, Chief Guy said the only way to assure that none would be hit by a car would be to close the streets.

Teachers may still park in front of the Beaufort School as they are doing now, he said, and parents taking youngsters to school will let them out at the east and west ends of the building.

Sgt. Thompson Morse Returns Home Yesterday

Sgt. Thompson Morse, who was a prisoner of war in Korea for 33 months, arrived at his home near Morehead City yesterday morning. His family went to Camp Lejeune to meet him Wednesday night.

Sergeant Morse is the son of Mrs. Emma K. Simpson and the sister of Mrs. Pearl Austin. He was the second Carteret County soldier to be released.

Sgt. Archie Edwards, Morehead City, also a prisoner of war, came home this week but he is still under medical care. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Edwards and was among the first group of prisoners exchanged.

Chamber Group Seeks Members

The Morehead City Chamber of Commerce is still \$2,565 short of its budget goal of \$12,000, it was announced this week.

Joe DuBois, manager of the chamber, reported that \$9,435 has been pledged to the chamber and \$6,250 collected. The Chamber of Commerce is at the present time engaged in an intensive membership campaign.

The manager's report on chamber activities also called attention to the fact that this summer has brought to completion three of the group's major projects in recent years. These are the extension of the Morehead City town limits, the opening of the new Atlantic Beach bridge and the opening of the Morehead City Golf and Country Club.

Projects Several Years Old

The extension of the city limits was recommended by the chamber's board of directors on March 6, 1947 when George R. Wallace was president of the chamber; work for a new bridge started on June 4, 1947 when Judge Luther Hamilton was made chairman of a committee to work for the bridge; and in October of 1948 a resolution was passed urging the establishment of a golf course.

Projects on which the chamber is now working include a coastal highway, sewage disposal plant, railway passenger and Pullman service, a new high school building, more hotels and tourist housing, increased port facilities, more industries, and a four-lane U. S. highway 70.

Recently the chamber has also inaugurated an advertising program advertising the coast as a year-round vacation spot. The directors are hoping that this program will keep the tourists coming throughout the year.

Bridges Repaired

The new Atlantic Beach drawbridge and the Beaufort drawbridge underwent repairs this week. The beach draw was closed twice to highway traffic when the main cog drawing the span was stripped Wednesday. The Beaufort bridge "gave away" at the northeast shoulder and was being repaired by state highway workers yesterday.

Beaufort Commissioners Authorize Changeover to Nickel Meters Only

Board Receives Finance Report

The budget of the town of Beaufort and its financial status as of Aug. 31, 1953 were reported to the Beaufort Board of Commissioners Monday night.

The collection on current taxes is \$4,363.72. Anticipated for the year is \$50,000. Collection on prior years' taxes since the beginning of this fiscal year totals \$2,622. Received from the liquor store to date is \$1,411.79. Parking meter revenue since the first of July is \$1,654.72. Anticipated for the entire year is \$10,000.

Dan L. Walker, town clerk, reported that the gross revenue from the town Recorder's Court last month was \$677. Collected so far this month is \$652.88. Receipts since the court opened amount to \$8,448.20. This includes fines and bond money. (A large part of the bond money goes back to the defendants after cases are disposed of.)

Commissioner Gerald Hill asked that the clerk, who is also clerk of court, present a detailed report on the court finances at the next meeting.

The commissioners deferred action on a request from Fire Commissioner J. P. Harris to pay fire department engineers for the days that they worked when they should be off. Mr. Harris said that the time worked to date is 36 hours. It was also requested that members of the street department who work on their off days be paid. No action was taken.

Attending the meeting were Mayor Clifford T. Lewis; Commissioners James Rumley, Gordon Hardesty, Gerald Hill, W. G. Temple, Carl Hattell; Gene Smith, town attorney; Mr. Walker, Gerald Woodard, building inspector; Wardell Fillingame, street foreman; Earl Mason, judge of Recorder's Court; Police Chief M. E. Guy; Mr. Harris and Norman Whitehurst.

Teacher Injured In Auto Wreck

Miss Annie Morton, teacher at Beaufort Graded School and former dean of Women at East Carolina College was injured shortly after 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon when her car she was driving ran into a parked car on Front street, Beaufort.

Miss Morton was taken to the hospital. Her physician, Dr. C. S. Maxwell, said that she was suffering quite a bit of pain from a back injury. X-rays show a fracture but Dr. Maxwell added that it is possible that the fracture is an old one suffered by Miss Morton some years ago. Following a report of the radiologist at Morehead City Hospital, the extent of the injury can be more clearly determined. Dr. Maxwell said that Miss Morton may have to be hospitalized a week.

M. E. Guy, chief of police, said that Miss Morton was proceeding west on Front street when her car collided with the car of Mrs. Edna Jones Harrell. Mrs. Harrell's car was parked on the north side of the street.

Riding with Miss Morton was Mrs. Isabella Morris, a teacher at Beaufort school. She was not hurt. With Mrs. Harrell was her daughter. Neither of them was hurt.

Chief Guy estimates the damage to Miss Morton's 1938 Chevrolet at \$75. He didn't venture an estimate on the damage to the Harrell 1946 Plymouth but the rear bumper was smashed in.

Substituting for Miss Morton in the fourth grade yesterday was Mrs. Calvin Jones, Beaufort.

Rotarians Hear Light Engineer

Clyde King, Wilmington, lighting engineer for Carolina Power and Light Co., spoke to Beaufort Rotarians Tuesday night at the Inlet Inn. His topic was commercial lighting as applied to businesses and offices in Beaufort. Rotarian Jack Oakley was in charge of the program.

President Gene Smith appointed Dr. David Farrior to the Rotary Scout committee. Dr. Farrior replaces Odell Merrill who resigned from the club.

The president also read a letter from Kenneth Stargardt, director of the summer recreation program. Stargardt reported on the program and thanked the Rotary Club for their support.

Next week's speaker will be Clarence Ammons, Red Springs, N. C. Mr. Ammons is a Rotary Foundation Fellow who has returned after a year in Switzerland.

SPA Votes Delay On Gillette Case

George W. Gillette, executive director of the State Ports Authority, will keep his job for at least 30 more days, the seven members of the authority decided Monday afternoon in Raleigh.

Before the authority began discussing its director, it heard a statement from J. D. Holt, manager of the Morehead City port terminal, who said that a majority of the state's tobacco exporters wanted tobacco storage concentrated at one port, and preferably at Morehead City.

According to reports the authority is divided 4-3 against keeping Mr. Gillette. Action was deferred Monday amid indications that Governor Umstead will have his say before the group acts.

Opposition to the retired Army colonel who has been director of the ports since they were founded was spearheaded Monday by W. Avery Thompson of Lake Waccamaw. Mr. Thompson said that the authority had agreed to "determine the status of our director" at the Monday session. "I think we should bring the matter to a head," he concluded.

A motion to defer was made by Harvey W. Moore of Charlotte and seconded by J. Harry White of Winston-Salem. These two men with A. G. Myers, authority chairman who is ill, are counted as Gillette supporters. Mr. Thompson, Senator Edwin Pate of Laurinburg,

Court Hears Confession Record in Cutting Case

They made history in Beaufort Recorder's Court Tuesday afternoon when confessions of two accused men were played from a tape recording.

Willie Searcy and Lincoln Blue admitted they hacked each other up with knives Friday night in Beaufort. Judge Earl Mason gave each a six-month sentence suspended on condition they pay \$100 fines, court costs and the hospital bill incurred when they were sewed up.

Goes to Roads

Blue could not pay his fine and has been sent to the roads. Searcy's fine was paid by his employer, C. R. Courtney.

The recording was made Friday night in the town hall after the men were arrested and had returned from the hospital. The entire side of Blue's face was laid open. Searcy had a cut on the head and was cut in the chest.

Gene Smith, solicitor, commented that they were both lucky to be alive.

The story of the cutting, as revealed by testimony, follows: Blue and Searcy were in a bedroom of the house at 509 Pollock St. Friday night. Blue put on Searcy's hat and they got into an argument about the hat. Then this led to an argument about the knives each owned.

Blades Fly

Before long, blades were flying as well as knives. In the recorded confession, the two defendants said they had been drinking. Officer Carlton Garner asked them where they got the whiskey but they said they couldn't tell because it might get somebody in trouble.

The police call to Pollock street was relayed by the Morehead City police to Beaufort. Both Dan Walker and State Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes were in the City Bakery when they were told of the fray at about 11 o'clock.

They drove to Pollock street and found Blue and Searcy at Pine and Pollock, both bleeding profusely and staggering. Patrolman Sykes took them to Morehead City Hospital.

Officers Mack Wade and Garner went to the house where the fight occurred and found the knives that

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Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar		
HIGH	Friday, Sept. 18	LOW
3:06 a.m.		9:19 a.m.
3:44 p.m.		10:20 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 19		
4:15 a.m.		10:30 a.m.
4:48 p.m.		11:16 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 20		
5:18 a.m.		11:33 a.m.
5:45 p.m.		
Monday, Sept. 21		
6:14 a.m.		12:07 a.m.
6:38 p.m.		12:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 22		
7:05 a.m.		12:55 a.m.
7:29 p.m.		1:23 p.m.

Saturday Is Last Day For Vote Registration

Tomorrow is the last day for registration for the Oct. 3 school and mental institution state bond election.

Qualified voters who are not registered for a state or national election in the county already may register for the bond election at any of the polling places throughout the county.

Saturday, Sept. 20, will be challenge day. Registration books close tomorrow afternoon.

County Youths Win 16 Prizes

Carteret County 4-H Club members brought 16 prizes home from the Junior Dairy Calf show at New Bern Wednesday. Six were first prizes, six were second, and four were third.

Winners of blue ribbons (first prize) and the animals they entered, follow: Elta Taylor, Harlowe, entered two Guernseys, a junior and senior calf, both placed first; Sherrill Garner, Newport, Jersey senior calf; Hubert Murdoch, Wildwood, Jersey senior; Gordon Beaton, Harlowe, Guernsey senior; Tommy Oglesby, Crab Point, Guernsey senior.

Ten dollars in cash went with each blue ribbon.

Winners of red ribbons (second prize) are Walter Clark, Newport, Guernsey senior calf; Grace Yeatman, Open Grounds, Guernsey senior; Herbert Bell, Newport RFD, Guernsey junior calf; Christopher Golden, Bettie, Jersey senior; Allen Trader, Newport, Jersey junior; and Scottie Lynch, Smyrna, Jersey senior.

Red ribbon winners each received \$9.

Other Winners

White ribbons (third place) went to James Graham, Beaufort, Jersey senior; Gerald Taylor, North Harlowe, Jersey senior; Walter Clark, Newport, Guernsey junior; and Joe Mann, Newport, Jersey junior.

Third place winners got \$8 in cash.

Fifty-six calves were shown from Carteret, Craven, Pamlico, Jones, and Onslow counties.

Club members and their parents were entertained at a banquet at the Neuse Manor building on the Kinston highway Tuesday night.

Parents of most of the Carteret County club members attended and R. M. Williams, farm agent, said he was pleased with the cooperation parents gave their children in showing their calves.

Speaker at the banquet was Dr. Joe Pou, dairy specialist, who demonstrated his talk on dairying progress with models of cows.

Judges at the show were R. R. Rich, G. W. Mellow, and J. D. George who were assisted by C. S. Mintz, district county agent, and L. B. Dixon, 4-H club agent for the state.

Only certain animals were selected to compete in the fitting contest. Among those chosen were the calves shown by Miss Taylor, Clark, and Murdoch.

Jaycees Announce Voter Campaign

The Morehead City Junior Chamber of Commerce laid plans for a "Get Out the Vote Campaign" for the Oct. 3 school and mental institution bond election at the club's meeting Monday night.

Floyd Chadwick Jr. was named chairman of the committee planning the campaign by P. H. Geer Jr., president of the club.

The club will attempt to get unregistered voters registered and then get these voters to the polls Oct. 3 to vote in the election. The Jaycees will not take any position on the bond issues.

The club heard a report from Jimmy Wallace on the Miss America Beauty Pageant in Atlantic City, N. J., which he attended as a representative of the North Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Car Turns Over Friday At Ward Creek Bridge

Herman T. Gillikin, Marshallberg, got a cut lip at 1 o'clock Friday morning when his car turned over at the foot of Ward Creek bridge. Betty Chris, Beaufort RFD, who was a passenger in the car was not hurt.

Gillikin, who is in the Army, told State Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr. that he fell asleep at the wheel. Damage to the car, a 1950 Chevrolet, was estimated at \$250. No charges were filed against Gillikin.

Board Acts To Meet Law

The Beaufort Board of Commissioners in session Monday night directed that the town parking meters be changed to take nickels only.

This action was taken to bring the town in line with state law on parking meters. Decision to change the meters was made after lengthy discussion.

Commissioner James Rumley predicted that changing the meters would cause a 50 per cent drop in revenue and Mayor Clifford Lewis predicted the change would bring a 20 per cent increase.

The argument that the higher price would prevent people from using the meters was countered by Gene Smith, town attorney, who said that the town would then be doing its job in controlling traffic because fewer people would drive their cars downtown.

Others said that occasionally everybody would be parking on "free" time, using the unspent minutes of the motorist who was in the space before. Mr. Rumley abstained from voting on the change. All other commissioners approved.

The town attorney read the commissioners' portions of the law on parking meters and use of parking meter revenue. He also recommended that the town consider more seriously the proposal to establish a town parking lot equipped with meters.

Commissioner Gordon Hardesty was appointed to speak with Paul Jones regarding use of a lot owned by Mr. Jones on Turner street. Commissioner Hardesty and Halsey Paul, director of the planning board, were named to investigate the possibility of providing free parking space for doctors in the downtown area.

A bill for \$225 from James Davis of the Davis Boarding House was presented. In a note to the board, Mr. Davis said that he had not been paid from the time of the death of William Hattell, former town clerk, up to last summer. Mr.

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Bill Presented

Everett Koonce of the Cedar Point area was elected to fill the unexpired term of John S. Jones as a director of the Carteret-Craven Electric Membership Corporation Monday night.

L. W. Pelletier, president of the rural electric cooperative, announced that Mr. Jones resigned his position so that a younger man might be added to the board of directors. Mr. Jones has been a director of the cooperative for the Cedar Point area since its charter was granted in August of 1940.

Directors are elected for one-year terms at the annual meeting of the members of the electric cooperative held in December. Mr. Koonce will fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Jones.

Mr. Pelletier praised Mr. Jones for his "long and faithful service in securing electric service for his neighbors in the Cedar Point area of Carteret County."

Other members of the board are George W. Ball of Harlowe, Clarence Willis of Newport, Gordon K. Laughton of Crab Point, Gilbert Whitehurst of Straits, Earl Day of Cedar Island, W. J. Wynne of Havelock and Roger Jones of Broad Creek. Mr. Pelletier is from Stella.

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Garment Factory Honors Ministers

The Morehead City Garment Co. entertained the Carteret County Ministerial Association Tuesday night at a supper in the Morehead City recreation center.

During the meeting the Rev. H. T. Payne, pastor of the Franklin Memorial Methodist Church of Morehead City, assumed his duties as president of the association for the coming year. The Rev. Leon Couch is the retiring president.

The Morehead City Garment Co. gave the dinner to express its appreciation to the association for the services which are being conducted at the plant each Wednesday by members of the group.

New committees were appointed by the president and a short business session was held.

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