

State to Repair Newport Streets

Board Approves Proposal To Put Up Street Signs, Number Houses

Newport will enter into a contract with the state to repair and construct town streets that are not on the highway system. This decision was made Tuesday night at the October board meeting in the town hall.

The streets will be maintained by the State Highway and Public Works Commission. Payment will be made from the town's Powell bill funds. The Powell funds amount to \$3,254.56. The contract will run for two years.

The board agreed that work should be done on the streets prior to the time the state begins and authorized Commissioner Early Mann to contact a private road construction concern.

Lester Bercegeay, a resident of the Veterans' housing development, called the board's attention to drainage problems in the development and the need for road work. The town agreed to have the ditches cleaned out as soon as possible.

It was also reported that New Bern and Railroad streets need repair work.

Signs, Numbers Proposed

Ormsby Mann, chief of police, was authorized to contact a firm that will erect street signs and number Newport streets. Mayor Edgar Hibbs said nobody knows the names of streets and houses without numbers are hard to locate. The street naming and numbering was suggested by Mr. Bercegeay.

The board requested the clerk, Miss Edith Lockey, to write to the League of Municipalities to request that a League official visit Newport with a view toward zoning the town.

George Ball, attorney, was directed to begin suit immediately against residents who have tax bills against them of near a hundred dollars and more. He also advised the board to advertise all tax delinquents next April.

The attorney also told Mr. Bercegeay, in regard to homes in the veterans' development, that owners of lots could be made to build in accordance with stipulations in the deed to the property.

Firemen Want Hose

Commissioner Charles Hill reported that the firemen need new hose. The board authorized payment of a bill incurred by firemen to attend a convention at Carolina Beach.

The mayor reported that he had been receiving numerous complaints about dogs. The chief said he was willing to shoot strays but he was not going to shoot dogs that he knew belonged to someone.

Mayor Hibbs asked the board's advice on the possibility of assisting a man in town who is unable to support himself. The attorney said that town money could not be used in that way unless the man were employed by the town. No action was taken.

Attending the meeting were the mayor, clerk, police chief, Commissioners Hill, Mann, Wilbur and Ira Garner. Commissioner M. D. McCain was absent.

Stacy Driver Faces Charges

Lemuel D. Golden, Stacy, has been charged with driving drunk and operating a car with improper lights. He was arrested following an automobile accident at 8 o'clock Saturday night.

Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr. reported that Mrs. Viola Davis of Davis was backing out of her driveway when she collided with Mr. Golden who was headed east on highway 70.

The right rear fender of Mrs. Davis' car was damaged and the left front fender of Mr. Golden's was crushed in. Damage to her car was estimated at \$100 and to his \$250.

Mrs. Davis sustained a bruised shoulder. Accompanying Patrolman Smith to the accident was Sgt. C. L. Teague, district sergeant of the Highway Patrol.

Mr. Golden will be given a hearing in Carteret Recorder's Court Tuesday.

Woman Ad-Seller Works Racket in Morehead City

The Rev. J. Paul Jones of the Pentecostal Holiness Church, Morehead City, reported to Morehead City police this week that a woman, posing as seller of ads for a church hymnal, had collected a large sum of money from members of his congregation. The woman was not authorized to make any sales on behalf of the church, the minister said.

Police warned people not to pay for advertisements sold by strangers or unauthorized individuals.

Mayors Make It Official



Beaufort's mayor, Clifford Lewis, and Morehead City's mayor, George W. Dill, sign individual proclamations designating Oct. 11-17 as National Business Women's Week. Mrs. David Merrill, Beaufort, a member of the Carteret Business and Professional Women's Club, observes the signing. Photo by Roy Eubanks

State Has Rough Going In Pig Stealing Cases

The state's case against boys charged with pig thefts all but collapsed Tuesday in Carteret Recorder's Court.

The state presented evidence that the value of the two hogs allegedly sold by J. D. Arnold Jr., with Ralph, his brother, and Odd Askeland assisting him in the transaction, amounted to less than \$100.

Claud Wheatly, attorney for the boys, pointed out that thefts valued at less than \$100 are not felonies. The court ordered that J. D. Jr. be charged with a misdemeanor and dismissed the charges against Askeland and Ralph Arnold.

Prayer for judgment in J. D.'s case was granted until after he is tried in Craven County Tuesday on hog theft charges. The state alleges that the boys also sold hogs taken from Craven County farmers.

State Witnesses

Witnesses for the state were George Canady, district supervisor for the State Bureau of Investigation, and Deputy Sheriff Hugh Salter. They told the court that Sheriff C. R. Berry, New Bern, contacted the Carteret sheriff's office Sept. 23 in regard to alleged hog thefts.

Deputy Sheriff Salter, Ormsby Mann, chief of police at Newport, and Bruce Edwards, deputy sheriff at Newport, met Sheriff Berry at Newport and went out to the Mill Creek section where they found J. D. Jr. and Ralph Arnold.

According to the officers, the boys said that the hogs were taken from the lot of Otto Lewenburg, highway 24, and placed in a pen behind an abandoned house in the Mill Creek section.

Askeland Owned Car

The hogs were transported to New Bern in a car owned by Askeland, but the SBI officer said that J. D. told him Askeland did not know the hogs were stolen and neither did his brother Ralph. The pigs were sold to the New Bern Provision Co., with Ralph signing the bill of sale on one occasion and Alton Waddell, another boy allegedly involved in the case signing the slip on another occasion.

According to the officers, the money was turned over to J. D. Although a warrant has been sworn out for Waddell, officers have not located him as yet.

When Askeland asked J. D. See PIGS, Page 2

Town Board Gets Report on Court

Commissioners Handle Routine Business, Give Money to Paint Building

The Beaufort town board received a financial report on 11 months of recorder's court operation when they met for their October meeting Monday night.

Revenue from all sources for the 11 months was \$9,325.20. This includes bond money that was refunded, fines, attorney appearance fees — all money paid into the court for any purpose.

Dan Walker, clerk of court, reported that total costs and fines from three years' operation of mayor's court (1950 through 1952) were \$6,112.35 as compared with approximately \$7,500 received during 11 months' operation of the recorder's court.

Financially, the court is not costing the town one cent thus far, Mr. Walker reported. Operating expenses are being met and in addition approximately \$5,000 worth of labor has been put on town streets by convicted violators.

Board Pleased

Due to the court, commissioners feel that law enforcement in the town is more effective. In general they expressed satisfaction with the report presented them.

Gordon Hardesty, police commissioner, suggested that "immigrants" on the menhaden boats be photographed and fingerprinted upon arrival in Beaufort. The clerk reported that the town owns a fingerprinting outfit. Chief of Police M. E. Guy said that it may be possible to have the photographic work done by one of the officers.

Commissioner Hardesty said he also received a complaint from a woman who damaged her car when she ran into a pack of dogs on Ann street.

Town Business Divided

To divide town gasoline business among Beaufort service stations, the clerk was directed to send all equipment to one service station for a month, and continue rotation under that plan. The board told the clerk that unless the service station operators kept the records as required for accounting, they should be informed that it will be impossible to continue dealing with them.

No decision was made on giving doctors free parking space. It was See BOARD, Page 2

Game Warden Arrests Four

Game Warden Leroy McIntosh announced today that four arrests have been made recently for violations of the hunting and fishing laws.

Charlie Hill, Rosalee Hill of Maysville and Becky Medawes of Stella were charged with fishing inland waters without a license. They were tried at Jacksonville by Judge Arthur Arnold. They were found guilty and received a suspended fine of \$10 apiece. They were ordered to pay court costs of \$7.30 each.

J. C. Jones, charged last week with shooting doves with a gun holding an illegal number of shots, was tried at Newport by A. L. Wilson, justice of the peace. He was found guilty and fined \$5 plus costs.

In Beaufort yesterday, George Bryan was tried before L. W. Hassell, justice of the peace, on a charge of allowing dogs to chase deer during closed season. He was found guilty and charged and the case was continued on an appeal by his attorney, Alvah Hamilton. Bryan was apprehended Sept. 29.

Jaycees Will Sell Reflector Numbers

Morehead City Jaycees decided Monday night at their meeting at the Recreation Center to sell reflector numbers for lawns in front of homes.

Proceeds will go to the club and the Damon Runyon cancer fund. The president, Paul Geer, presented a letter from Miss Ruth Peeling, chairman of the 1954 March of Dimes. The chairman asked that the Jaycees consider sponsorship of one of the March of Dimes money-raising projects in January.

Club members agreed to support the March of Dimes individually but said by-laws prevent them from raising funds for charity organizations or other similar groups.

Navy Men Held Under Heavy Bond

At a preliminary hearing in Carteret Recorder's Court Tuesday morning three Navy hospital corpsmen, stationed at Camp Lejeune, were placed under \$1,000 bond each and bound over to Carteret County Superior Court.

Judge Lambert Morris found probable cause for charges that they assaulted Ervin O. Ballard with intent to commit robbery. Mr. Ballard is chief of police at Swansboro.

The three Navy men are in the county jail at Beaufort.

Chief Testifies

Chief Ballard testified that he had received information regarding a proposed robbery. A civilian in the Riviera, a restaurant at Swansboro, overheard some servicemen plotting a hold-up. He told the court that he went to the restaurant, dressed as a civilian, hoping to get a lead on the intended hold-up. That was on the night of Sept. 30.

When he arrived at the club, a man identified as Lortz approached his auto and engaged him in conversation. The subject of playing poker came up, and Lortz informed the chief that he knew of a place where large stakes were played.

Walsh and Fugate then came up. Ballard was invited to accompany the three to the game. He consented, and Lortz told him to follow them. The three then climbed into an auto and drove off in the direction of Morehead City. Ballard followed in his car and the boys soon turned off onto the Stella highway.

About two miles from the main highway, the Navy boys stopped their car and Chief Ballard said he pulled right alongside them. Meantime he had placed his revolver on the seat beside him.

When the cars stopped, Walsh got out and came over to Ballard's car and pulled him out. The chief said as he was pulled from the

car he fired his revolver into the air and as he fell one of the other boys struck him between the shoulders.

Then realizing that he was armed, Walsh and Fugate ran behind their car. He said that Lortz grabbed the barrel of the revolver. The chief wrenched his gun from Lortz, covered him and then rounded up the other two.

Under questioning by Henry Grady Jr., New Bern attorney for the three boys, Ballard said that they did not attempt to attack him again because "I told them that if they came at me again I'd shoot them."

Sheriff C. G. Holland testified that after receiving a call from Chief Ballard shortly before 2 o'clock on Thursday morning, he went to Swansboro and there spoke with the three boys.

He said that they didn't have much to say. Walsh said that a gun was fired and another also stated

175 Yam Harvesters Will Arrive by Oct. 15

One hundred seventy-five farm workers who will help harvest the county's sweet potato crop will be in the county by Oct. 15, Frank Nance, farm labor supervisor, announced today. By Nov. 1, a total of 225 workers will have arrived.

Mr. Nance's office is located in a trailer on Live Oak street, Beaufort, next to Tom's Service Station. Farmers or persons wishing information on employment should contact Mr. Nance there.

Chief Stations Officer at Show

C. C. Goodwin, Bus Line Operator, Requests Beaufort Franchise

As a result of the auto facility Sunday afternoon in Beaufort, Chief of Police M. E. Guy has ordered a policeman stationed in front of the Beaufort Theatre before and after the movie each Sunday afternoon.

Chief Guy reported this move to the Beaufort town board at their monthly meeting Monday night in the town hall.

C. C. Goodwin, operator of the Community Bus Lines out of Morehead City, requested the board to grant him a franchise for operation into Beaufort and outlying areas.

The board directed the town attorney, Gene Smith, to check on utilities commission specifications in regard to the proposal. The board suggested a route for the proposed run and inferred the franchise would be granted following approval by the attorney.

Proposed Run

The commissioners suggested that the bus enter Beaufort, turn south on Orange street, stop at the Gulf station downtown, proceed north on Turner to West Beaufort, east on the West Beaufort Road to Huntley's, south on Live Oak street to Mulberry, east on Mulberry to the turntable at Lennoxville, west on the Lennoxville Road to Beaufort Fisheries, south to Front street, west on Front Street to Pollock, north on Pollock to Ann, west on Ann to Turner, south on Turner to a downtown station (yet to be specified) on Front Street, west on Front to Orange, north on Orange to Ann, and west on Ann and to Morehead City.

Mr. Goodwin said that he expected to see BOARD, Page 2

Office Manager Urges Employment of Handicapped

This week is being observed throughout the country as Employ the Physically Handicapped Week. Mrs. Julia P. Tenny, manager of the Employment Security Commission office, Morehead City, yesterday pointed out the needs and advantages in the employment of handicapped persons.

According to Mrs. Tenny, many employers feel that employment of the physically handicapped will raise their Workmen's Compensation insurance rates, and she asserts that this is not true. The handicapped are inclined to be more careful on the job than physically normal people. She also indicates that absenteeism is lower among the physically handicapped because they are inclined to feel that they have more at stake in a job.

The Carteret County office of the Employment Security Commission now has on file applications for employment from two handicapped veterans and several handicapped non-veterans. One veteran of the Korean conflict has poor eyesight, which disqualifies him for close work. However, he has had training as a petroleum engineer and as an aircraft mechanic. He has supervised men and equipment in western oilfields, and could be em-

ployed as a labor supervisor. He has had two years of college.

Another Korean veteran seeking employment was formerly a fisherman, but is now unable to do heavy physical work. Among the non-veteran handicapped persons listed in the files of the local Employment Security Commission is a 57-year-old man who has worked on fishing boats and dredges, but is no longer able to undertake strenuous work and would like a night watchman job. A young woman with a deformed left arm has also applied to the Commission for employment.

Mrs. Tenny feels that there may be many handicapped persons in Carteret County who do not know of the Commission's services for obtaining employment for them. The local office has placed only four persons during the past year, and many more must be interested in working but unsure of how to go about getting it, she adds. Employers of Carteret County must have many positions which could be filled just as well by handicapped persons as by the physically able, declares Mrs. Tenny.

The Employment Security Commission office is located in the Jefferson Coffee Shop building, 4th street, Morehead City.

Coroner's Jury Labels Death 'Unavoidable'

Give 'Em a Ranch

All that two members of the Morehead City police force needed Wednesday afternoon were lassos and ten-gallon hats.

Capt. Herbert Griffin and Sgt. Bruce Edwards were in a patrol car on Arendell street when they got word by radio that a horse was wandering loose in their vicinity. Sergeant Edwards radioed back that they had spotted the cayuse and asked that Chief E. J. Willis stand by to ride him home. Unfortunately, the chief was not in the office at the time.

The officers then climbed out of their patrol car and with a rope a lady lent them, Captain Griffin started stalking the runaway. Cowed by the captain's

brave and fearless manner, the horse allowed the rope (a really short one it was too) to be put around his neck.

Then the captain handed the halter over to Sergeant Edwards. The sergeant had been informed the horse belonged to "Peanut" Gaskill, a colored man who lives on back shore.

So he started leading him homeward. Sergeant Edwards said when two big colored ladies saw him and shouted, "Looky yonder!" that was too much. He handed the horse over to another colored fellow who said he'd return it to "Peanut." Then he thankfully climbed back into the patrol car with Captain (Cowboy) Griffin.

McCravy Guthrie, 24, Harckers Island, was exonerated by Coroner Leslie D. Springle's inquest jury Tuesday night in Morehead City town hall. The inquest was held to determine cause of the death of 4-year-old Judy Ann Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Nelson, 409 Pine St., Beaufort.

Guthrie, driving his automobile, ran over the little girl about 2:30 Sunday afternoon in front of Beaufort Theatre, she died within a few minutes.

The last witness called, Guthrie, choking tears, told how he was proceeding east on Front street, slowed by Sunday traffic, when the diminutive, saucer-blue eyed child darted in front of his car.

"It Was Too Late"

"I saw her. But it was too late." He could talk no more. All the horror of killing a child with a motor vehicle was packed into Guthrie's last words, "It was too late."

"Stand down," Coroner Springle said, then turned to the jurors and continued, "I want to place on the record that I talked with Mr. J. W. Glover, grandfather of the little girl, and he told me that he witnessed the accident and that Mr. Guthrie was absolutely not responsible."

First witness was Chief of Police M. E. Guy, Beaufort. He said that Officer Richard Babcock, Beaufort patrolman, was the first to investigate the accident and called him to the scene from his home.

He said that he talked with Mr. Glover who told him that his granddaughter darted away from her older sister, Patty Jean, and ran across the street towards a car in which sat her mother and Mr. Glover.

"It Wasn't His Fault"

"I saw it all," Chief Guy quoted Mr. Glover. "It was awful but Mr. Guthrie wasn't at fault. He was probably going only about ten miles an hour."

Officer Babcock stated that he examined the car and found it to be in good condition and that there were no signs on it that showed it had hit an object at high speed. He also said that the right front wheel of the car ran over the child and that the car was stopped before the body was crushed by the rear right wheel, which pointed to low car speed.

Witnesses Testify

Bruce Edwards Jr., 104 Marsh St., Beaufort, and George Lewis, Lennoxville Road, Beaufort, said that they were near the scene of the accident but did not see it. Both testified that they saw Mr. Guthrie afterward, out of his car and holding the little girl in his arms.

Alex Erickson, 310 Queen St., Beaufort, said that he saw most of the accident and that the car was being driven at less than 15 miles an hour. He also said that, in his opinion, Mr. Guthrie was definitely not at fault.

Miss Rita Mason, 1008 Ann St., and Miss Sue Sewell, 305 Cedar St., both Beaufort, said that in their opinion the accident was unavoidable.

Members of the jury who rendered the verdict, "accident unavoidable" are W. Allen Hancock, George B. Willis, John C. Guthrie, State Patrolman J. W. Sykes, all of Morehead City; T. P. Allen and James D. Rumley, Beaufort.

Bond Referendum Pleases Board

Members of the County Board of Education said in session Monday that they were extremely happy over the outcome of the bond referendum Saturday.

H. L. Joslyn, superintendent of schools, said that the county can make no plans for spending money it will receive until word comes down from Raleigh. He said he has no idea how soon that will be.

The board approved certain resolutions necessary for application for federal funds for schools in Carteret. The applications are being made under the amended laws 874 and 815. Law 874 provides for current school expense and 815 for school construction.

To obtain information for applications under law 874, Mrs. Lois Smith, Atlantic, has been employed on a part-time basis, assisting Mr. Joslyn.

Sign Burns
Morehead City firemen put out a fire at the Central Motor Co., 6th and Arendell St., at 6:30 Wednesday morning. Firemen said the neon signs short circuited and started to burn the wood behind them. Firemen returned to the station in about half an hour.

Auditor Clarifies Financial Report

James D. Potter, Carteret County auditor, today pointed out that the county's gross revenues for the fiscal year of 1952-53 of \$1,425,025.96 include state funds for the schools and federal funds for other projects.

Of the total amount, \$702,113.72 came from the state to pay teachers' salaries in the county school system. Other items include state and federal funds for welfare, health, old age assistance, and aid to dependent children.

County general funds amounted to \$147,804.56 and the debt service revenue was set at \$196,114.72. Excluding teachers' salaries and teacherage funds, the county revenues amounted to \$720,454.09, this amount including state and federal support to various health and welfare activities. The expenditures amounted to \$684,581.46 in this category.

Mr. Potter pointed out that the \$35,000 excess of revenues over expenditures was distributed among various county agencies with the majority of it going to debt service funds.

The county has been struggling for many years to reduce its bonded indebtedness and a large part of all surpluses as well as regular tax levies are used to retire bonds and pay interest on bonds that are outstanding.

Last year the county was able to reduce its bonded indebtedness by \$138,000. Luther Ausbon of the firm of Williams and Wall told county commissioners that county offices are being run efficiently and its financial records are kept accurately.

Merchants Meet Tuesday Noon

George B. Stovall was appointed chairman of the Christmas street lighting committee at the Tuesday luncheon meeting of the Morehead City Merchants' Association.

Mr. Stovall stated that plans included erection of another cable across Arendell street at 7th which will carry stars and bells. All business houses have been asked to contribute \$10 each to make up a lighting fund of at least \$300.

Walter Morris offered a motion to fix store hours from Dec. 18 through Dec. 24 from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. It was passed.

L. M. Fluhart explained the operation of a credit system and preliminary measures were undertaken to organize a credit bureau.

Those present were R. B. Howard, president, Mr. Stovall, J. C. Harvell, George Phillips, George Eastman, Bernard Leary, Walter Morris, Oscar Allred, Bill Durham, Carl Southland, Gretchen Brinson, Clarence Styron, D. G. Bell, Mrs. Clara Norman, W. C. Matthews, Jimmy Wallace, Mr. Fluhart and Joe DuBois.

Temperature Dips to 54 1/2 Early Thursday Morning

Pushed by a cold nor'easter, the temperature dipped to 54 1/2 degrees early Thursday morning. The chilly weather was ushered in Tuesday night with .11 inches of rain.

E. Stoney Davis, weather observer, reported prevailing northeast winds since the beginning of October.

Temperatures since Thursday, Oct. 1, are as follows:

	Max.	Min.
Thursday	84	69
Friday	81	70
Saturday	80	68
Sunday	82	68
Monday	77	70
Tuesday	83	69
Wednesday	75	55

Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar		
HIGH	Friday, Oct. 9	LOW
8:48 a.m.		2:31 a.m.
8:57 p.m.		3:11 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 10		
9:21 a.m.		3:02 a.m.
9:30 p.m.		3:47 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 11		
9:55 a.m.		3:34 a.m.
10:04 p.m.		4:23 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 12		
10:32 a.m.		4:09 a.m.
10:44 p.m.		5:04 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 13		
11:15 a.m.		4:48 a.m.
11:31 p.m.		5:51 p.m.