

# Beaufort Finer Carolina Committee Submits Report

## Scout Leaders, Parents To Meet at 7:30 Tonight

Reorganization of Cub Scouts in Morehead City will be discussed at a meeting of parents and Scout officials at 7:30 tonight in the auditorium of the Educational Building of First Methodist Church, Morehead City.

The meeting has been called because the Cub Scouts are now without a sponsor. If enough sponsors can be found, Ethan Davis Jr., neighborhood commissioner, says it would be desirable to form three packs because there are at least 100 boys interested.

Letters to parents of boys who are Cub Scout age were sent out this week informing them of the coming meeting and its purpose. The letter was signed by Mr. Davis, E. W. Roelofs, Cubmaster, R. B. Howard, district commissioner, and Dr. D. J. Eure, chairman of organization and extension.

Before discussion of the problem, a short film on Cub Scouting will be shown.

## Newport Mayor Tells of 'Free' Encyclopedia Deal

At the recent town board meeting at Newport, Mayor Edgar Hibbs told a story that he said should serve as a warning to Newport folks and everyone else in the county.

He reported that an encyclopedia salesman came to him and offered him free a whole set of encyclopedias, worth \$250, if the mayor would simply allow his name to be used in endorsement of the encyclopedias.

The mayor said he listened to the glib salestalk and said yes, he thought he'd take the set and allow his name to be used.

Then, said the salesman, for just \$100, the mayor could get the annual encyclopedia supplement. Again the salesman went into a long song and dance about how wonderful the supplement was.

The mayor listened and then said, "No, I don't think I want the supplement. I'll just take the free set of encyclopedias."

The salesman was miffed. In that case, he said, there was no free offer and off he went.

The mayor said he thought from the beginning there was a catch to the deal and suggested to the town board that some action should be taken to prevent such characters from trying to hoodwink the people.

## The Rev. Colvard Guthrie To Preach Sunday Night

The Rev. Colvard Guthrie will preach at the 7:30 Sunday night service in the Parkview Baptist Church, highway 70 at the Bogue Sound Club Road.

Following the service there will be a business meeting. Persons interested in the mission are requested to attend.

from the International Boy Scout Association with headquarters in London, England.

The Beaufort Finer Carolina steering committee has completed its progress report for February. In accordance with Carolina Power and Light contest rules, the report was given to George Stovall, local CP&L manager.

On the clean-up project, the report stated that the ground between the curb and sidewalks has been leveled to prevent dirt from washing into gutters. Thus unsightly condition of streets will be eliminated.

On the beautification project, 15 near-dead trees and tree stumps were removed. The unoccupied Dave Richardson home on Ann street, long overgrown with weeds, was cleaned up by the town crew, and other homeowners have remodeled their houses and cleaned property.

On the recreation project, the Beaufort Junior Woman's Club obtained waterfront property for a playground for children up to 8 years of age. The property, south of the Beaufort drawbridge, has been cleaned and will be bulldozed. Playground equipment will be supplied by the Junior Woman's Club and the Chamber of Commerce.

Under project No. 4, additional tourist aids, up-to-date data concerning the county has been supplied for the revised edition of North Carolina, a Guide to the Old North State, published by the University of North Carolina Press.

The information, 26 pages of it, was compiled by Miss Dorothy M. Avery, Beaufort. This is the first complete revision of tourist information of the entire county to be collected in 10 years. N. F. Eure, chairman of the Finer Carolina contest, said.

## Fire Truck Bought

On project No. 5, improved rural relations, the Beaufort Rural Fire Association bought a truck and thousand gallon tank to fight out-of-town fires. The equipment is maintained and manned by the Beaufort Fire Department. Five out-of-town alarms have already been answered with the rural fire truck and other town equipment.

The first day the truck was put into service, it was instrumental in saving a rural home.

Submitted with the report were two photographs, one was of the rural truck in action at a demonstration fire, and the other showed Leslie Springle, chairman of the Rural Fire Association, and J. P. Harris, fire commissioner, turning title to the truck over to Mayor Clifford Lewis.

## J. D. Holt, H. R. King Talk To Men's Group

J. D. Holt, manager of the Morehead City port, and H. R. King, superintendent of the New Bern District of the Methodist Church, were the speakers Tuesday night at the monthly meeting of the Morehead City Methodist Men's Club.

Mr. Holt told of port activities during the past year and gave the outlook for the coming year.

Mr. King complimented the men on their work and for their interest in seeing other clubs organized.

Jim Bob Sanders, program chairman, introduced both speakers. Approximately 120 persons were present for the steak supper-meeting in the education building. Twelve visitors were from Beaufort.

Jesse Staton, religious education director of the church, dismissed the group with the benediction.

## Driver Draws Suspended Term

Henry Democ Stilley was sentenced to six months on the roads in Morehead City Recorder's Court Monday. The sentence will be suspended, Judge George McNeill said, if the defendant remains sober and on good behavior for two years, refrains from driving in the state for 12 months, and pays a \$250 fine and costs of court.

Stilley was charged with resisting arrest, assaulting an officer, speeding, reckless driving, driving on the wrong side of the road, failing to stop, and driving drunk. He pled guilty to all charges.

The court ordered court costs paid in the cases of Abe Silverman, running a red light; Emil T. Blondex, speeding; and William Vallmore, speeding 56 miles an hour on the Morehead City-Beaufort bridge.

George Anderson, charged with reckless driving, was fined \$25 and costs. All other cases were continued until Monday because Superior Court was in session.

## Tune is Costly

Long Beach, Calif. (AP) — A tune on the piano cost Elsie C. White \$13. Her music drowned out the noise of a burglar.

## Morehead City Chamber Protests Curtailment of Airline Service



March 10—Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Piner and their four children, Keith, Beth, Pamela, and Johnnie, are now making their home at Davis. They formerly lived at Willis-ton.

Mrs. Virgil Styron and her infant son, Richard Wayne, came home Monday from Morehead City Hospital.

Mrs. Adell Salter, of Sea Level, visited her daughters, Mrs. Wardie Murphy and Mrs. Edwin Piner last week.

Mrs. L. A. Lee has returned from a weeks visit in Norfolk with her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Miller.

Mrs. Vernicia Salter, Mrs. Justin Willis Sr., and Mrs. Alma Pake visited Mrs. Saphronia Fulcher at Crab Point Thursday. Mrs. Fulcher is Mrs. Salter's sister.

Mrs. May Spears, Miss Jesse Hodgekins, and Mrs. Carrie Christianson, of Buffalo, N. Y. are the guests of Mrs. Clair Chamber and family for several days.

Mr. Justin Willis spent Thursday with his sister, Mrs. Tommie Willis, in Morehead City.

Mr. and Mrs. Frances Murphy went to New Bern Sunday to spend several days with Mr. and Mrs. Alva Fulcher. Mrs. Fulcher is Mr. Murphy's sister.

Mr. Burkley Willis entered Morehead City Hospital Monday and went under surgery Tuesday morning. His friends are glad to know his condition following the operation is very satisfactory.

Miss Linda Salter, of Beaufort, spent the weekend with Misses Connie and Willa Jackson, daughters of Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Jackson, minister of the Free Will Baptist Church.

Friends of Mrs. Carl Southerland of Morehead City, are sorry to hear that she has gone to Wilson, N. C. for treatment at the sanatorium there. Mrs. Southerland is the former Lessie Huggins, and a niece of Mrs. Georgia Willis of Davis.

Rev. and Mrs. Jackson took their daughter, Carolyn Ruth, to the doctor in Morehead City Tuesday, and he diagnosed her sickness as influenza.

Atlantic Baptist Association The First Baptist Church was host to the Pastor's Conference

J. A. DuBois, manager of the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce has written the Civil Aeronautics Board opposing Piedmont Airlines' proposed discontinuance of May and September service to this section.

In a brief filed before the CAB last month, Piedmont said that "vacation travel to this resort area is concentrated in the months of June, July and August and relatively few passengers use air service to Morehead City-Beaufort during the months of May and September."

Figures supplied by Piedmont show that May passengers in 1952 numbered 93 as compared with 114 in May 1953 and a high of 343 in July 1952. Passengers in September 1952 totaled 87 as compared with 115 in September 1953. The highest number of passengers in any month were 362 in July 1953.

Based on direct flying and station costs, suspension of service to Morehead City-Beaufort in May and September would result in substantial savings to Piedmont and consequently a reduction in govern-

ment support in the form of air mail pay, Piedmont says.

The airline claims that if they operate here this May and September they will sustain a \$1,481 loss.

Mr. DuBois' letter follows: "In the application of Piedmont Aviation for the suspension of service to the Morehead City-Beaufort Area, statistics on passengers boarded and deplaned during 1952 and 1953 were quoted.

"Though the months of May and September did not equal the months of June, July and August, they did show a 20 per cent increase in traffic from 1952 to 1953. "This increase is in direct ratio to the increase in tourist and sport fishing traffic during the past year. "One of the main objectives of our Chamber, of Commerce is the extension of the tourist season and we have backed this program with year-around Vacationland advertising. All of the businesses dependent upon tourist traffic have felt the benefit of the extended season and the Ocean King Hotel on the beach, open the year around in 1952-'53 and '53-'54 has fared exceptionally well.

"The service rendered by Piedmont has been one of the most helpful factors in the extension of our resort season and we feel that any curtailment of service in May

or September will mean a serious set-back to this entire coastal area. "We have, in today's mail, two inquiries about Piedmont's schedule in May — one from Roanoke, Virginia, and one from Cincinnati, Ohio.

"It is our sincere hope that some way may be found to give this rapidly progressing area a little longer chance to put the months of May and September in the profit column for Piedmont."

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