

# \$350,000 Buys Half of Bogue Island

## Vocalist Jane Hobson Will Appear Here Tuesday

Jane Hobson, mezzo-soprano, will appear at the Morehead City High School auditorium Tuesday evening as the final artist this year for the Carteret Community Concerts.

Miss Hobson, who has sung on the Bell Telephone Hour and the Firestone radio program, received her bachelor's degree in music at the Cincinnati Conservatory and was studying the piano for her master's degree when the conservatory's voice teacher heard her sing and persuaded her to take singing lessons also.

Miss Hobson finally decided to follow a voice career and went to New York on a Juillard Fellowship where she studied under Evan Evans from 1942 to 1946. During that time she sang Dorabella in a Juillard performance of Cosi Fan Tutte, won a Naumburg Award and gave a Town Hall recital.

Under the auspices of Columbia Artists Management she was given a chance to audition for both Leopold Stokowski and Arturo Toscanini in 1946 and her career was launched. Both symphony conductors were impressed by her voice and personality and both chose her as soloist.

Under Stokowski she sang at Carnegie Hall in Debussy's Blessed Damozel on March 20, 1948, and on April 3, 1948 she sang in the Beethoven Ninth with Toscanini and the NBC Symphony.

Members of the concert series who have guests from more than 50 miles away, members of the armed forces and their families and new residents in the county may buy tickets at the door.



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## Contributions To Red Cross Total \$1,498

Red Cross drive reports from nine communities have been received. Mrs. James Rumley, campaign fund chairman, announced yesterday. Reports from other communities have yet to be received.

Toward the goal of \$3,400, \$1,498.36 has been received. Contributions are as follows: Sea Level Methodist Church, \$5; Atlantic, \$28.37; Cedar Island, \$15.50; Smyrna, \$13.25; Morehead City, \$300; Davis, \$26.50; Williston, \$7.50; and Beaufort, \$619.09.

To date \$489.15 has been reported from Cherry Point with 30 percent of the civilian donations and five per cent of the military donations counted. Mrs. Rumley said the Cherry Point total might be more when the final tabulation is made.

Anyone who still wishes to contribute to the drive should send contributions to community chairman or to "1954 Red Cross Drive" in care of their local postoffice.

## Republicans Will Observe Birthday

County Republicans will hold a barbecue in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Republican party at 7:30 next Friday night at the Fish Meal Co., West Beaufort.

Roy T. Garner, Newport, chairman of the Republican executive committee, said the celebration will begin at 7:30. Tickets may be obtained in each of the county's 26 precincts.

Several speakers are expected to appear on the program. Further details will be announced next week. The affair is being planned by the Republican executive committee.

## Agent Announces Farm Contests

Corn and soybean producers of Carteret County are invited by R. M. Williams, county farm agent, to participate in the five-county corn and soybean production contest this year.

The contest is being sponsored by Baugh & Sons Co., Dixie Chemical Co., and New Bern Oil and Fertilizer Co., all of New Bern. Growers in Carteret, Pamlico, Craven, Onslow, Jones, and Richland township of Beaufort County may participate.

Any adult corn producer, 4-H Club member, or vocational agriculture student interested in the corn and soybean production contest should turn in his application to his county agent's office by May 1. Not less than one acre of corn and two of soybeans must be planted by contest participants, Mr. Williams said.

Results of the corn contest must be turned in not later than Nov. 15. Soybean results must be in by Dec. 1.

The highest corn yield winners in each county will receive, at the banquet next fall, a \$30 cash prize, with \$75 going to the area winner. In the soybean contest, a \$25 cash prize will go to the person with the greatest yield and a \$50 prize to the area winner. Area winners in either contest can not compete for the county prize.

The Carteret County Farm Bureau is sponsoring the county corn production contest again this year. The Bureau will present four purchased gilt pigs to the four highest corn producers in the county.

Mr. Williams is hoping for a greater participation than ever before in each of the contests.

## Typhoid Clinics Begin This Week

Mrs. Leota Hammer, nurse with the County Health Department, reported yesterday that school typhoid clinics were started this week. She requested that parents instruct their children to take the immunization shots when the nurses visit the schools.

There will be an eye clinic at the health department in Beaufort Wednesday morning. But only those should attend who have been notified by the health department. A second eye clinic will be scheduled in the near future.

Mrs. Hammer commented that measles and whooping cough are becoming more prevalent throughout the county.

## Minister to Visit

The Rev. W. T. Cockman of Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, will deliver the 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. services Sunday in the Parkview Baptist Church west of Morehead City.

## Letters Invite 80 to First Chamber Meeting

Residents of Eastern Part Of County to Meet at Sea Level Tuesday Night

Eighty business and professional men from Beaufort to Ocracoke have been invited by letter to the organizational meeting of the Sea Level Community Chamber of Commerce at 8 p.m. Tuesday. The meeting will take place in the former Sea Level school building on highway 70.

Frank A. Pierson, executive secretary of the Durham Chamber of Commerce for 21 years, will be the speaker. Mr. Pierson is known for putting Daytona Beach, Fla., in the limelight with auto races on the 20-mile beach.

J. A. DuBois, manager of the chamber, will speak on the need for the organization and its potentialities.

A temporary board of directors will be elected, a constitution and by-laws considered, projects discussed and plans made for the next meeting. Communities to be represented in the chamber include Beaufort, Bettie, Straits, Gloucester, Otway, Williston, Stacy, Smyrna, Harkers Island, Davis, Cedar Island, Sea Level, Atlantic and Ocracoke.

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## New Store Formally Opens Tomorrow

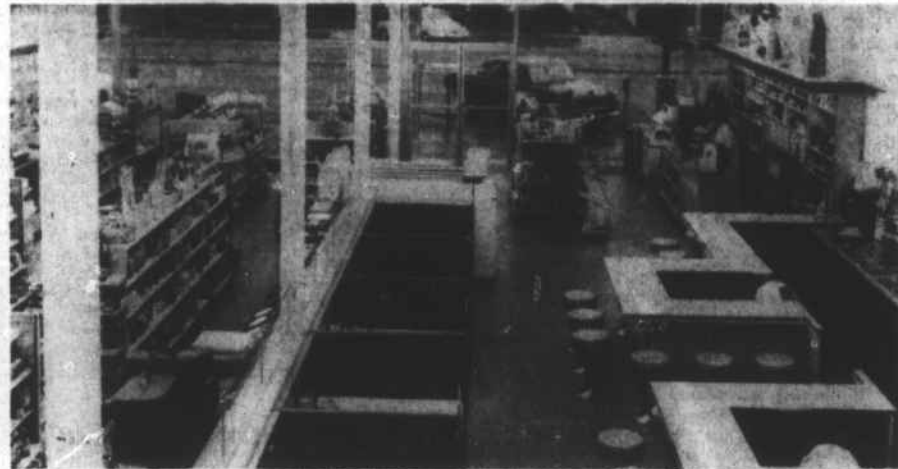


Photo by Jerry Schumacher

This is a view of the interior of the store looking from the mezzanine toward the front.

Morehead City Drug Co. will be formally presented to the public of Carteret County at 9 tomorrow morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Matthews and their sons, W. C. Jr., and Bobby will join hands in cutting a ribbon which will be stretched across the 40-foot front of dazzling plate glass.

Mayor George Dill will accept the store as a contribution to the

growth of retail business in Morehead City and Carteret County.

It was from Mayor Dill's father that Mr. Matthews bought Morehead City Drug Co. 25 years and one month ago—February 1929. Mayor Dill, a registered pharmacist himself, has frequently expressed his pride in Mr. Matthews' achievement.

Following the ceremony of ribbon cutting both Mrs. Matthews and

Mr. Matthews Jr. will personally receive all visitors and customers and present orchids to the ladies.

Among the treats in store will be gifts of 500 sample bags, door prizes, sample tastings of candy and soft drinks.

Drawings for the grand prizes will be held at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening at the old store 50 feet away.

## Morehead Band Members Will Solicit Funds Tomorrow

Tomorrow is Morehead City Band Tag Day.

With the slogan, Boost the Band, members of the band will go throughout town, beginning at 8:30, to collect contributions. On the door knob of each home where they collect money, the band members will hang a diamond-shaped tag carrying the words, Boost the Band.

Drum majorettes in uniform will be in the downtown section accepting contributions. They too will distribute tags to contributors. At 1 p.m. the band will parade downtown and stop between 8th and 9th streets to give a short concert.

Ralph Wade, director, said, "Going to Winchester, Va., for the Apple Festival depends to a great extent on the success of Tag Day. The community has always been most generous in its financial aid toward the band. Both the band and I thank everyone for their help in the past."

The Apple Festival, in which the Morehead City band has been invited to appear, will take place Thursday and Friday, April 29 and 30.

## State Revokes License Of John David Ambrose

John David Ambrose of Morehead City had his driver's license revoked in Morehead City, Recorder's Court recently, the State Highway Safety Division, Raleigh, announced.

Ambrose was found guilty of drunken driving.

## Gaston Smith to Run For County Board

Gaston Smith, Atlantic, has the distinction of being the first to file for a county office. Mr. Smith last week paid his filing fee for the office of county commissioner and his name will appear on the local ballot in the May 29 primary.

F. R. Seeley, chairman of the County Board of Elections, reminds prospective candidates that April 17 is the deadline for filing.

## Businessmen Receive Letters

Members of the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce this week received a letter from the president, J. Warren Beck, sounding the call to rally to the chamber for the coming year, 1954-55. Included with his letter was a pledge card and a letter from J. A. DuBois, retiring manager.

President Beck asked that businessmen support the chamber with manpower and funds. He commented on the importance of advertising this section's "priceless recreational resources." That job, he said, is the chamber's.

He said a new manager will have to be chosen by the first of May when the annual membership meeting will be held. By that time, he added, dues should be paid or pledged made.

Mr. DuBois' letter thanked chamber members for their cooperation during his managership. He has accepted the managership of the Sea Level Community Chamber of Commerce.

He said, "Now as I move a little further east, I know that we will all be working just as hard, toward the same goal, to make our community, Carteret County, a better place in which to live, prosper, and retire."

## Craven County AA To Meet Tomorrow

The Craven County Alcoholics Anonymous group will have an open meeting tomorrow night at the Centenary Methodist Church, New Bern, at 8 o'clock. The public is invited.

A speaker who is a member of the nation-wide organization will speak anonymously and the Rev. Mr. Leon Couch, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Morehead City, will also speak.

The Carteret County Alcoholics have a closed meeting every Monday at 8 p.m. at 426 1/2 Front street, Beaufort, and an open meeting every Thursday night when they have out-of-town speakers. The public is invited to the Thursday meetings.

The mail address of the Carteret County group is P. O. Box 185, Beaufort.

## Fire Destroys Sam's Hi-Drive

Sam Irwin's Hi-Drive at 25th and Bridges street, Morehead City, was destroyed by fire at 3 a.m. yesterday. Damage was estimated by Mr. Irwin at \$8,000 which he said was partly covered by insurance.

Mr. Irwin said he woke up about 3 a.m. and saw the light of the blaze. He awoke his wife, who turned in the alarm to the Morehead City Fire Department. The Irwins live in a trailer near the drive-in.

Mr. Irwin said the fire department arrived too late to save the structure. Firemen protected the trailer, located about 30 feet from the building, with water from the booster tank. The trailer, constructed of metal, was not damaged except for a window that bulged and cracked.

Neither Mr. Irwin nor the fire department knew how the fire started. It was still smoking at 10:20 a.m. yesterday.

## Cub Parents To Meet Tonight

Parents of Cub Scout-age boys and Pack committeemen will meet at 7:30 tonight in the Educational Building of the Morehead City First Methodist Church. This is the third and last phase of Parent training before the actual organizing and chartering of the new Packs and is a most important meeting, announces Ethan Davis, neighborhood commissioner. All parents of former Cub Scouts, Pack 101, which no longer exists, are especially urged to attend, he added.

At the meeting last Friday night, attended by 60 parents and committeemen, a training film was shown on the "Cub Scout Achievement Plan" after which a group participation stunt "A Cub Scout in a Toy Shop" was led by Mr. Davis.

Mr. Davis charted the "Cub Scout Pack Organization," explaining in detail the duties of the different adult leaders of a Cub Pack. Dr. Eugene Roelofs, former Cubmaster, explained the "Seven Periods of a Den Meetings." Much interest was shown by the parents and committeemen, Mr. Davis reports.

The meeting was under the leadership of W. C. "Bill" Wall, of New Bern, Field Scout Executive, East Carolina Council.

## North Harlowe Postoffice Shuts Down Wednesday

The North Harlowe postoffice was closed Wednesday.

The postoffice formerly served Harlowe, Bachelor and Adams Creek. Mail for persons living in those communities should now be addressed RFD No. 8, Havelock.

## County's Largest Land Deal Closed

The largest land deal to take place in this section since pre-revolutionary days was concluded Tuesday night when Mrs. Anita Fort Maulick, Philadelphia, sold the western half of Bogue Island to businessmen of Red Springs and Smithfield, N. C. The selling price was \$350,000—cash.

The buyers, each of whom put \$50,000 into the deal, are William B. McLean, James A. Singleton Jr., George Spell and Hiram Grantham, all of Red Springs, Lewis R. Holding, Robert P. Holding Jr., and Frank B. Holding, all of Smithfield.

The property runs for 12 miles west of Salter Path to Bogue Inlet. Its border on the north is Bogue Sound and on the south the Atlantic Ocean. Estimated at 4,000 acres, it includes all except the Bogue Inlet Coast Guard station near the western tip.

Legal papers in the transaction would fill a wheelbarrow. One hundred twenty separate pieces of land have been conveyed to the buyers and the remainder to the First Citizens Bank and Trust Co. as trustees for the seven investors.

Plans of the buyers are to divide it into building lots, some to be offered for sale this summer. Construction of roads through the property is expected to begin within a few weeks.

One of the buyers, Mr. McLean, commented, "Those who know this property realize that it is some of the finest undeveloped property on the Atlantic Ocean." He said it is planned to be called Emerald Isle by the Sea. Building will be restricted.

A bathing beach will form the focal point of the development with the residential sections extending eastward and westward.

Negotiators for Mrs. Maulick were Fred R. Seeley of Beaufort and George Koenig of the George Koenig Realty Co., Philadelphia. The buyers were represented by two of their number, Mr. McLean and Lewis Holding. Attorney for the buyers was Frank M. Wooten, Greenville, lawyer for the Hoffman-Roosevelt owners of Bogue Island property.

To connect the Salter Path Road with the former Maulick property a three-quarter mile right-of-way had to be obtained through the Hoffman property.

H. K. Fort Bought Land Mrs. Maulick's father, Henry K. Fort, a dealer in used machinery, came to this country in 1918 and began transactions to acquire the western half of Bogue Island. Mr. Fort, whose home was in Philadelphia was attracted to this section because he learned desirable property was available here for low price.

In 1923 he completed negotiations for the land which has just been re-sold. To obtain clear title, he had it torrenized. (The essential feature of torrenization is guaranty by the government of property registered titles). Those procedures were not completed until 1927. Including purchase costs, torrens proceedings and surveying of the vast property for its development represented a total investment of close to \$150,000.

The plan for development the new owners are contemplating is similar, Mr. Seeley said, to Fort's plan. Mr. Seeley became Mr. Fort's agent here in 1935 and has served as agent for Mrs. Maulick since 1943 when Mr. Fort died.

Mr. Fort planned to build a bridge from the western end of his property north across the sound to the mainland. To carry out that plan, he bought 489 acres of land

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## Town to Conduct Clinic for Dogs

Dan Walker, Beaufort town clerk, announced yesterday that a clinic for vaccination of dogs will take place at the town hall Wednesday afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m.

Cost for vaccinating male dogs and obtaining a license will be \$2, for female dogs \$3.

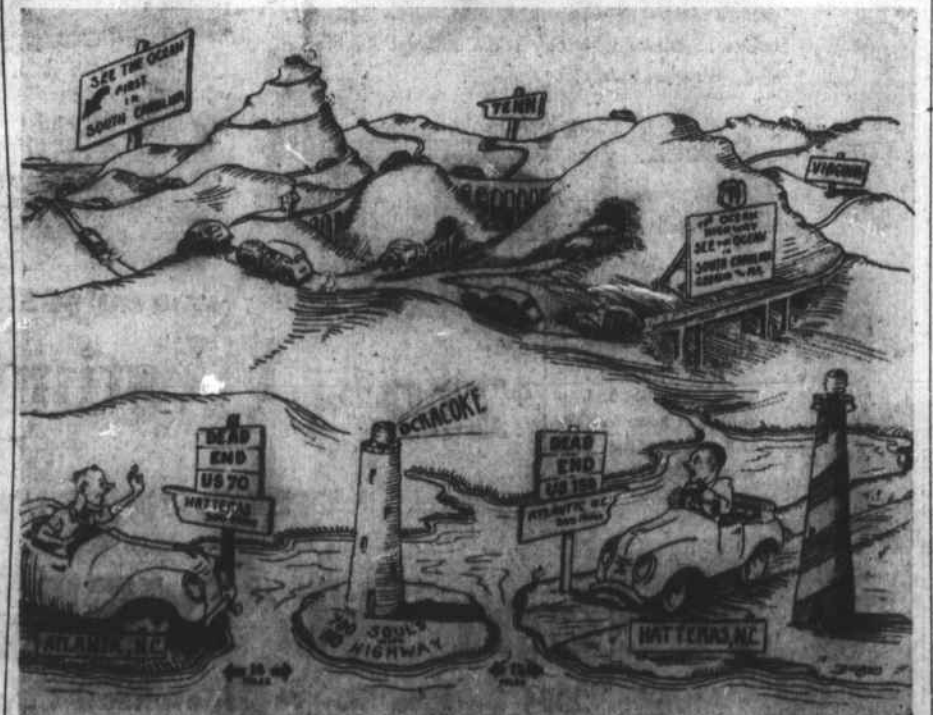
Mr. Walker requests that owners who send their dog to the clinic with a neighbor or a youngster, tell that person under whose name the dog is listed so they may be given credit on their taxes for paying their dog license tax.

Mr. Walker said that if the dogs have not been listed, owners need not be afraid to bring them to the clinic. No penalty will be imposed.

One home, now under construction, will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Whisnant. Mr. Whisnant is administrator of the Sea Level Hospital.

Mr. DuBois said Wednesday: "The Sea Level Community is to be publicized throughout the state and nation as the ideal location for retired couples. Built around the hospital and inn, it will have much to offer — modern hospital facilities in case of sickness, an up-to-date inn where residents may entertain visitors, the finest of all hunting and fishing, with bathing in the unpolluted crystal blue waters of Nelson Bay and Core Sound."

## Why They Tour the Mountains But Detour Our Seashore



J. A. DuBois, former manager of the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce, turned artist to produce this graphic argument for an all-coastal highway. Mr. DuBois is secretary of the Seashore Highway Association.