

Sergeant

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commander of the 303rd Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron.
Sergeant Willis, before joining the Air Force in 1951, served 17 months in the infantry and attained the rank of corporal.
His father saw 18 years' service in the Coast Guard, was in the battle of Iwo Jima, was on convoy duty from New York to England during the second world war and retired in April 1946. He served on the USS Harveson (DE 316), LST 756 as chief petty officer and on a sub-chaser.
Mr. Willis expressed pride in the accomplishments of his son and his ability to carry on the military service tradition of the family.

Hospital Official Asks Speedboaters to Go Slow

Hoyle Greene, Morehead City Hospital administrator, requests that people quit racing speedboats on the Morehead City waterfront channel in front of the hospital.
Mr. Greene says there have been many seriously ill people in the hospital and the noise of the boats has been most disturbing.



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Newport Board Tentatively Adopts Budget for 1954-55

The Newport Town Board, in session Tuesday night at the town hall, tentatively adopted the budget for the 1954-55 fiscal year.

The commissioners estimated their total income for the coming year at \$8,900. That figure does not include Powell bill funds which have been estimated at about \$3,400.

Among the major expenses budgeted for 1954-55 are \$2,000 for street repair, \$1,000 for the water system, and \$725 for the fire department, plus the salaries to the clerk, police chief, mayor, commissioners and funds to pay the street light bill.

Expenditures during the year just past, according to Miss Edith Lockey, clerk, amounted to \$11,800.60 and income was \$11,384.70. Received last year in taxes was \$5,231; \$4,740 came from the ABC store, and \$679.77 was the total of the beer and wine rebate. Powell bill funds for street maintenance amounted to \$3,265.84.

Miss Lockey reported that the tax levy is based on a total town property valuation of \$482,381.

Mayor Edgar Hibbs announced that the town has agreed to pay the state \$1,250 toward curbs and gutters along the town's main street. The curbing will run from the intersection of Haskett Street and highway 70 eastward to the railroad on both sides. Then it will continue on one side to Mann's fish market.

Special Meeting
This agreement was made at a recent special town board meeting attended by H. Maynard Hicks and R. Markham, highway officials. The width of the street will be 23 feet.

At another special meeting the board authorized William C. Matthews, Morehead City, to caulk the town water tank for \$199. The mayor reported that the town agreed to pay for the materials needed.

At that meeting the clerk was also authorized to charge tax de-

linquents a \$1.25 advertising fee plus a 50 cents sale fee.

With expected Powell bill funds, the town will pay \$1,350 to \$1,500 for the paving of Main Street from Highway 70 to Orange. The state will do the work. The street is about 900 feet long and will be 18 feet wide.

Street Commissioner Early Mann was authorized to contact Cliff Sherill, dragline operator, Beaufort, relative to repairing a street in the veterans housing project.

Mayor Hibbs commented that CP&L had been contacted about two weeks ago relative to moving the light poles for the improvement of the main street but nothing had been done to date except that two engineers visited the town and said the poles would be moved.

Letter Read
The clerk read a letter from Laurence Vickers, Morehead City, asking for a \$200 balance due on a contract he had with the town on erecting the water tank. He said if he didn't get the money by June 19 he would have to charge the town for 24 tons of marl he put on the road to the tank.

Mayor Hibbs said he informed Mr. Vickers that the town felt the contract had not been fulfilled, and therefore the \$200 and money for marl would not be forth coming. The commissioners said that if there was any marl on the road leading up to the tank, Mr. Vickers could come and get it.

Town Attorney George Ball said that a representative of the A&E Railroad came to see him in answer to a letter about a wash-out a railroad ditch at Newport and the representative said he couldn't locate the washout. The town attorney said the representative would probably be back.

Mosquitoes Troublesome
The commissioners discussed the mosquito problem. Commissioner Charles Hill said that a fogging apparatus costing about \$39 could be obtained. The apparatus uses diesel oil and DDT. But no action was taken.

No action was taken either on a request by Mrs. Charles Garner for a street light in front of her house. The board discussed the fact that the power company system for installing street lights allows installation of lights at intervals of 400 feet and no closer.

The mayor expressed the board's appreciation to Bennie Garner of the fire department for the work he did on the town water tank. Mr. Garner said he was assisted by Mr. Matthews in building a float for the tank.

He also said that Mr. Matthews was going to drain the tank Wednesday in attempt to stop up a few small leaks. Commissioner M. D. McCain said, "I'd sure like some of that 50,000 gallons of water on my tobacco patch."

Soft drinks were served by Commissioner Mann and candy bars by Commissioner Wilbur Garner.

Beaufort Police Order Five to Appear in Court
Beaufort police made five arrests this week. Two of the arrests were for failing to stop at a stop sign, two were for failure to stop at a red light and the other arrest was on a charge of public drunkenness.

Henry Proctor Sermons, 21, and William Henry Godette, 34, have been charged with failing to stop at a stop sign.
Charges of failing to stop at a light were filed against William Garner and N. S. Edwards.
Calvin Stanley has been charged with public drunkenness.

Skiff Stolen
A 14-foot skiff belonging to the Institute of Fisheries Research, Morehead City, was stolen over the weekend. It was tied up at Harkers Lodge, Harkers Island. The skiff is lettered "Institute of Fisheries Research," and was used in checking clam and oyster beds in the area.

Negro Draws Suspended Term

George Godette Pleads Guilty to Beating Alvin Hodges

George Godette, North Harlowe Negro, was given a year on the roads Tuesday in Beaufort Recorder's Court after pleading guilty to assaulting Alvin Hodges, Beaufort Negro.

The sentence was suspended on condition that Godette pay a \$90 fine and costs of court and behave himself for a year.

Godette is also to pay \$10 to Dr. John Morris, Morehead City, for treatment of Hodges, and \$1 to the Morehead City Hospital, Judge Earl Mason ordered.

Godette was arrested Monday by Assistant Chief of Police Carlton Garner after he had gone to Hodges' home on the complaint of Edward Tyson Jr., Beaufort, who said that a neighbor was being beaten up.

Officer Testifies
Officer Garner testified that when he arrived Godette was still standing over Hodges beating him with a length of pine board. He also said that Hodges was "moaning and groaning so he couldn't tell what condition he was in."

After taking Godette to jail, Officer Garner took Hodges to the hospital, where Dr. Morris examined him, finding bruises about his legs and side, Officer Garner said.
Tyson told the court that he was sitting on his porch when Godette came along with the board in his hand and turned into Hodges' home. He said that Hodges was on the porch and an argument followed.

When Godette started beating Hodges, Tyson said he went for the police. Godette told the court that he suspected Hodges of stealing a pig belonging to him.

He also said that while asking Hodges about the alleged theft, Hodges threatened him and he began to hit him with the board.
Judge Mason told Godette that he couldn't take the law into his own hands, saying that the law protects the life of any man no matter who he is.

Sentence Suspended
Dave Carr, Negro, charged with being drunk and carrying a concealed weapon, was sentenced to 90 days on the roads. Sentence was suspended on payment of \$25 fine and costs, and one year good behavior.

Carr was arrested by Officer Steve Beachem on Ann Street. After searching Carr he found a .38 Smith and Wesson revolver. Carr said he didn't have a permit. He pled guilty to both charges.
Babe Ross, Negro, was sentenced to work around the town hall for 30 Saturdays after pleading guilty to being drunk.

Costs Paid
Eleven persons were assessed costs of court for failing to stop at a stop sign.
They were Edward Tyson Jr., Gerald W. Willis, Sammie Faison, James McClure Jr., William Henry Godette, Hubert L. Hewitt, James Robert Ebert, Anna Barbour, Benjamin F. Jarman, Mattie King Davis, and Stephenson Emory.

Bench warrants were ordered issued for Ralph Garland Long, improper muffler; Calvin Stanley, public drunkenness; and Augustus Collins, failing to stop at a stop sign.
Eddie Blue, found guilty of being drunk, was given 30 days on the streets to be suspended on payment of costs.

Others taxed with court costs were Mulford Hilton Jr., improper muffler; and Clarence Owens Sal-

County Swelters Under Torrid Sun

Carteret Countians continued to swelter under a hot July sun during the early part of the week as the temperature hovered around 90.

The temperature Monday was 89. Tuesday the mercury hit 90. Wednesday the thermometer posted 81, according to Stamey Davis, weather observer.

Temperatures since Monday follow:

	Max.	Min.
Monday	89	75
Tuesday	90	73
Wednesday	91	77

Newport to Crack Down On False Alarms

The Newport Fire Department is making arrangements to have all fire alarms traced in an effort to put a stop to false alarms, announces Charles Gould, fire captain.

The penalty for turning in a false alarm is \$50 fine and/or 30 days in jail, he said.

This announcement came after the department had answered nine alarms last week. Of the nine calls only two were actual fires, Captain Gould pointed out. Three were wrong numbers and four were of unknown origin, he concluded.

ter, cutting through a service station driveway.

Cases Continued
Nine cases were continued. They are against Lillian McDowell, Elwood Newman, N. S. Edwards, Richard E. Fulford, James B. Collins, and Cornelius Small, charged with failing to stop for a stop sign; Lemmon Marion, being drunk; and Wilbur William Garner, failing to stop for a stop sign.

Judge Mason gave an order making the police officers responsible for seeing that a sufficient cash bond was posted, or that an approved bondsman put up bond before releasing prisoners.

The order was made, said Judge Mason, because several bench warrants have had to be issued recently to get defendants into court.

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