

Fisheries Officials Comment On Controversial Report

While oystermen and fishermen along the coast were miffed about last week's report on North Carolina Fisheries, as presented by the University of North Carolina School of Business Administration, they weren't nearly as disconcerted as fisheries officials connected with the Board of Conservation and Development and the Institute of Fisheries Research.

The report, called "An Economic Study of the North Carolina Fisheries," was presented to the C&D board by Dr. Rex Winslow of the School of Business Administration. Prepared by Dr. George Woodward of the business school research staff, it suggested that the demand for North Carolina seafood is falling off, that North Carolina dealers and oystermen are not handling their business to the best advantage, and that North Carolina is not keeping up with modern fish-packing processes.

Eric Rodgers, former chairman of the Commercial Fisheries Committee and now assistant to C&D director, Ben Douglas, said officials are "concerned about the report." He added, "We don't want oystermen or fishermen to get the idea that the Institute of Fisheries Research or C&D has started to criticize the fisheries."

W. A. Ellison Jr., director of the Institute of Fisheries Research, said that to his knowledge the report was prepared without consulting any of the North Carolina fishermen, dealers, C&D fisheries personnel or members of the institute staff.

Mr. Ellison said that about a week before the C&D meeting, the report was given to him and C. G. Holland, assistant commercial fisheries commissioner, to read.

Both he and Mr. Holland, upon reading the report, pointed out fallacies and inaccurate statements and suggested that they be changed, but with a few minor exceptions their suggestions were not accepted, Mr. Ellison said.

Disclaim Responsibility
Both Mr. Rodgers and Mr. Ellison emphasized that the C&D board and the Institute of Fisheries Research "had nothing to do with the report."

The director of the Institute said the institute has no objection to an economic survey of the state's fisheries, but he said the survey should present a true picture based on accurate figures and authoritative facts.

How did the report come into being?

It was suggested by fisheries officials several years ago that a detailed study of the dollars and cents value of the state fishing industry would be of benefit in guiding the industry toward more profits and would be advantageous as a guide for research projects.

Mr. Ellison said that his staff was not equipped to make such a study. It was suggested that the project be undertaken by the university's School of Business Administration where there are personnel trained in economics.

The C&D board was then asked to put the cost of the study in their budget. The C&D board said they did not have the funds to do it.

Legislature Acts
Then the 1953 legislature was asked to appropriate \$32,000 to finance the study. They did so and the bill provided, according to Mr. Rodgers, that the report be presented to the C&D board. The first part of it, called "First Semi-Annual Report on the Economic Study of the North Carolina Fisheries,"

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Dr. Luther Fulcher Heads Health Office

Dr. Luther Fulcher, Beaufort, was appointed acting county health officer at a meeting of the County Board of Health Friday afternoon.

Dr. K. P. B. Bonner, chairman of the board of health, said the health officer originally scheduled to come to this county next month has been delayed in being separated from the Army. For that reason Dr. Fulcher has been appointed until an officer can be obtained. He replaces Dr. F. E. Hyde who was also acting health officer.

Rotarians Hear District Governor

Dr. Ralph D. Wellons of Red Springs, Rotary district governor, spoke to Morehead City Rotarians Thursday at a meeting in the Recreation Center, Morehead City.

Dr. Wellons' address was "Fellowship, the Theme of Rotary." Dr. Wellons commented that in Rotary there is a fellowship of men who come from various walks of life and who take time out to discuss mutual problems to the benefit of themselves and their community.

He also stressed the importance of the Four-Way Test in business. The test, the Rotary motto, is: Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build good will and better friendship? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Before the regular meeting Dr. Wellons met with R. B. Howard, club president, committee chairmen, and directors.

He went over each committee's proposed program for the year, studying each man's job.

B. D. Bunn, Whiteville; Mallie Todd, Wendell; Jake Brooks, Monroe; and William Pressley, Atlanta, Ga., were club visitors.

Dr. Wellons will pay his official visit to the Newport Rotary Club Aug. 30.

Automobile Runs Into Residence

A 1954 Ford, driven by John Clarence Bell of Hubert, ran into the corner of Robert Dudley's house at 209 N. 13th St., Morehead City, yesterday morning at 12:22 a.m., jarring the chimney loose.

Damage to the Ford was estimated at \$400 by Patrolmen Homer Lewis and Guy Springle, investigating police officers. The damage to the house had not been estimated by yesterday, Patrolman Lewis said.

Bell was headed south on Fisher Street and said he was trying to dodge a car coming the other way when he got off the road and ran into the corner of the house.

Bell was confined to the Morehead City jail yesterday morning on charges of damaging personal property. He was taken to the Morehead City Hospital later after he complained of a sprained back. He said that he had hurt his back when he lifted his car after running into the house.

Bell's bond was set at \$100.

Cedar Island Girls Injured When Car Upsets

Driver, Charles Smith, Atlantic, Says He Must Have Fallen Asleep

Two girls from Cedar Island were slightly injured at 10:30 Saturday night when the car in which they were riding turned over 2 1/2 miles west of Sea Level on Highway 70. They were Peggy Styron, 15, and Judy Goodwin, 14. Driving the car was Charles Russell Smith, Atlantic, who was not hurt. The girls were taken to Sea Level Hospital by Mrs. Elmer Willis, Williston. Miss Styron was treated for cuts and bruises and discharged and Miss Goodwin remained in the hospital yesterday, receiving treatment for a back injury.

State Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes said Smith told him he must have fallen asleep. Smith, in a 1951 Ford, was headed east when he went off the right shoulder of the highway, skidded 300 feet back to the left, hit the bridge railing across the Open Grounds Canal Bridge, sheared half the railing off, continued 200 feet more and turned over in a ditch at the right of the road.

Smith claimed he was going 45 miles an hour. Damage to the car was \$600. No charges were filed against him.

R. T. Allen Will Filed Here

The will of R. T. Allen, Kinston, has been filed in the office of the clerk of Superior Court, Beaufort. The will was drawn Aug. 5, 1948. Witnesses were Marion A. Parrott and Oliver P. Mallison.

Mr. Allen left to his sister, Martha Allen Barnes, \$3,000, a house and lot on E. Caswell Street, Kinston; an apartment building, and his automobile.

To his brother, Matt H. Allen, and his wife, Charlotte H. Allen, he leaves a house and lot at 417 N. Pollock St., Kinston; \$500, and his interest in his law books and office furniture.

Mr. Allen gave to his brother, William A. Allen, a house and lot at 304 Trianon Ave. and \$500; and to his brother, Conner M. Allen, a house and lot at 415 N. Pollock St. and \$500.

To each of his nephews, W. A. Allen Jr., Oliver H. Allen, Ward Allen, Conner M. Allen Jr., and Oliver Barnes, and each of his nieces Sarah Barnes Suggs and Elizabeth Howard Allen, Mr. Allen leaves 15 shares of Commercial Bank stock, 100 shares of Carolina Racing Association Inc. stock, and \$500.

In addition, Ward Allen and Oliver Barnes were given watches, Oliver H. Allen, a Lewis medal and revolver; Conner M. Allen Jr., a pair of field glasses and an automatic shotgun; and W. A. Allen Jr., a double-barrel shotgun and a declaration medal.

The executor, W. A. Allen Jr., was directed to sell at public sale a house and lot at 306 Trianon Ave. All other property not specifically mentioned is to be divided among his brothers and sister.

Lions Hear Convention Report Thursday Night

Jack Morgan, Lions Club member, gave Lions a report on the Lions International Convention in New York at a meeting Thursday in the Recreation Center, Morehead City.

It was announced that Ladies Night would take place Thursday, Aug. 5. Victor Wickizer, entertainment committee chairman, and Gordon Loughton, secretary, were appointed by Owens Frederick, president, to formulate a program for the affair.

Ted Davis, Morehead City Chamber of Commerce manager, was a guest. He presented a dance skit.

Port Calendar

Esso Utica — Will sail today from Esso Terminal. Going to Baton Rouge, La., after unloading cargo of fuel oil.

OTC 23 — Barge docked at Aviation Fuel Terminal and left Saturday night. Came from Marcus Hook, Pa., loaded with aviation gas. Bound for Norfolk.

USNS Macoma — Will dock at Aviation Fuel Terminal Aug. 2 with jet fuel. Coming from Houston, Tex.

2 1/2-Year-Old Boy Killed by Car On Fort Macon Road Saturday

Beauty Attends Breakfast



Members of the Chamber of Commerce membership committee breakfasted with Miss North Carolina yesterday morning. Standing, left to right, are Dick McClain, Ken Wagner, Ben Alford, Shelby Freeman, Roper Van Horn, J. R. Sanders, Bernard Leary, Carl Southerland and J. R. Morrill. Seated are Frank Cassiano, Miss Betty Jo Ring's escort for the day, and Miss Ring.

Morehead City's Chamber of Commerce launched a one-week membership drive yesterday morning with a "kick-off" breakfast at Fleming's Restaurant on the beach

Miss Betty Jo Ring, Lexington, recently crowned "Miss North Carolina," was a guest.

Ted Davis, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, described the services of the chamber and

listed the ideals for which the chamber stands.

J. R. Sanders, chairman of the membership drive, told the group that there were approximately 100 prospective members to be contacted.

He gave 10 prospects to each of the 10 membership committeemen at the breakfast. He said the drive will be successful only if each member does his part.

A meeting will be held Friday

to check on how the drive is progressing and to discuss possible improvements in methods of seeking memberships. The time and place is to be designated later this week.

Bernard Leary, president of the chamber, said, "We have to get behind this drive and push. We can't let up. There is a need for a live-wire organization such as this and that need is greater now than ever before."

Eva Frances Gaskill Takes First Down East Beauty Crown Saturday

Bike Rider Loses Warts Saturday

Ten-year-old Walter Hardinson, Camp Glenn, had two warts removed the hard way Saturday afternoon.

Walter was riding his bicycle on 25th Street at 5:45 p.m. Saturday and was struck by a 1952 Pontiac driven by Virginia Herring Lancaster, Grifton, as he rode out arendell Street.

Walter was knocked to the side of the road. The right windshield and the right headlight of the Pontiac were knocked out.

Capt. Buck Newsome and Lt. Carl Blomberg, Morehead City Police Department, received a call and rushed to the scene of the accident. They took Walter to the Morehead City Hospital immediately.

At the hospital it was discovered that the only injury to Walter was the removal of two warts, one off his right hand and one off his shoulder.

Otherwise, he was in good condition, said Captain Newsome.

Motor Court Owner Buys Machine That Kills Mosquitoes

E. W. Copeland, owner of the Edgewater Motor Court west of Morehead City, announced Saturday that he has bought an apparatus which sprays dust and kills mosquitoes deader 'n a doornail.

Mr. Copeland said that before he bought the machine he was losing \$50 daily. Persons would drive up to the motor court and as soon as they stepped out of the car would be stung by swarms of mosquitoes.

They'd get back in their car and drive off.

The machine sprays a type of dust that is "99 per cent effective," he added. Cost of the apparatus which is placed on the back of a pick-up, was \$1,000. Friday night 100 pounds of dust were sprayed on 41 lots, he said.

The machine was merely demonstrated Friday night but it was so destructive to the mosquitoes that Mr. Copeland bought it immediately.

Ira Thomas Willis, Marshallberg, did not testify in County Court last Tuesday that a pick-up truck driven by Elbert Gillikin struck a man riding a bicycle. That testimony was given by another witness. The NEWS-TIMES regrets the error, retracts the statement and apologizes.

Assistant U. S. Attorney Resigns

Raleigh, N. C. — Thomas F. Ellis, assistant United States Attorney, tendered his resignation to Julian T. Gaskill, United States Attorney, effective Wednesday.

Mr. Ellis has been assistant U. S. Attorney for over two years, having served during the Democratic Administration.

Mr. Gaskill, formerly of Sea Level stated that he had requested Mr. Ellis to remain in office since the 1st of January, 1954, in order to take care of a number of cases which were pending in the office at that time.

During his tenure in office, Mr. Ellis has tried numerous tax fraud and other criminal prosecutions, as well as suits involving negligence and contract actions pending with the federal government.

Mr. Gaskill stated that Mr. Ellis had done a very outstanding job and that it was with regret that he accepted his resignation.

Mr. Ellis stated that he was returning to the private practice of law in Raleigh, N. C.

Mr. Gaskill indicated that Lawrence Harris of Wake Forest has been recommended as Ellis' successor in office.

Three Automobile Drivers Lose Operators' Licenses

Three persons of this area lost their driving privileges recently for violating motor vehicle regulations, according to the State Highway Safety Division.

Theodore Lawrence, Beaufort, had his driver's license suspended after being convicted in Beaufort Recorder's Court for transporting illegal liquor and not carrying his driver's license.

Hugh Bidwell Farrington and Richard S. Martin, both of Cherry Point, had their licenses revoked after being convicted in Beaufort Recorder's Court for drunk driving.

Lands 15-Pounder

A 15-pound cabbie was caught from the Cedar Island Fishing Pier Friday by Otis Givenrod of Illinois. On the previous Saturday Mr. Givenrod caught an 18-pound cabbie from the pier.

To Head Campaign

Mrs. C. G. Holland, Beaufort, has been named county chairman for the Emergency March of Dimes campaign Aug. 16-31, announces Thad Eure, Raleigh, state chairman.

Funeral Services Take Place at Erwin

Funeral services for 2 1/2-year-old Cortez Blake Jr., who was killed at 3:10 Saturday afternoon on the Fort Macon Road, were conducted yesterday afternoon in the Church of God at Erwin.

The child was killed in front of the Snack Bar, a quarter mile east of the Atlantic Beach town limits, when he was struck by a car driven by Marvin W. Waldrop, Cherry Point. Waldrop was headed east on the Fort Macon Road and told Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes that he was going 20 to 25 miles an hour at the time.

Patrolman Sykes said a witness to the accident told him the boy was playing on the shoulder of the south side of the road when he saw his mother come out of the Snack Bar to get into her car. He ran out into the road to go to his mother.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cortez Blake, formerly of route 3 Dunn, operate the Snack Bar.

Waldrop said that he never saw the child. He heard a slight thud and his wife said he had hit a youngster. In a car just behind the Waldrops was Mrs. E. L. Harklewood, Chevy Chase, Md., Katherine Ferber, Emily S. Warren and Bettie B. Gaskins.

Coroner Leslie D. Springle conducted an inquest Saturday night at the Morehead City Municipal Building so that Mrs. Harklewood, who was leaving for home Sunday, could testify.

The boy was killed instantly. He had a broken neck and crushed skull. Patrolman Sykes said the car Waldrop was driving, a 1947 Plymouth, traveled 144 feet before stopping.

The coroner's jury ruled the accident unavoidable. Serving on the jury were E. B. Fleming, Edward Bass, William F. Warren, Alvin N. Willis, Earl H. Willis and George Folsom, all of Morehead City.

The coroner reported the death is the fourth highway fatality this year.

Surviving in addition to the boy's parents, are three sisters, Edna, Carol and Linda Blake, all of the home, the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Ed Tyndall, Fayetteville, and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Blake of route 3 Dunn. State Highway Patrolman R. H. Brown assisted in investigation of the accident.

15-Year-Old Boy Saves Negro Lad

Fifteen-year-old George Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Robinson, Cedar Street, Beaufort, saved a young Negro boy from drowning Friday morning in Taylor's Creek.

Hugh Gordon, director of the town's Summer Recreation program, said that the colored boy, whom he could not identify, jumping off the Moore dock opposite the postoffice. He went down once and when he went down the second time, Robinson dove in and pulled the youngster out.

Robinson was waiting with other children to board the bus to go to Pivers Island for swimming classes when the incident occurred.

Miss North Carolina Will Go on Tour Today

Betty Jo Ring of Lexington, Miss., North Carolina, will be taken on a tour of the Beaufort-Morehead City area today by Beaufort Jaycees. Miss Fay Merrill, Miss Beaufort, will be hostess.

This afternoon Miss North Carolina and party will take a yacht trip along the inland waterway, courtesy of the Morehead City Yacht Basin.

Miss Ring arrived at the Beaufort-Morehead City airport at 5:20 p.m. Sunday accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Ring, and Joe McCrary, newspaperman from Lexington.

The 24-year-old pageant winner and her party were welcomed by a crowd of 300 persons which included Cliff Lewis, mayor of Beaufort, George W. Dill Jr., mayor of Morehead City; Bernard Leary, Morehead City Chamber of Commerce president; Jasper Bell, Morehead City Jaycee president; and a good-sized delegation of Morehead City Jaycees.

Miss Ring was given the key to Morehead City by Mayor Dill and welcoming speeches were given by

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Smyrna's Vo-Ag Course Will Begin in Fall

PTA's Funds for Equipment Help Bring State Approval

H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools, announced yesterday that vocational agriculture will be taught at Smyrna High School this fall.

Mr. Joslyn said that he was told recently by state vocational education officials that the money was available for a teacher of vocational agriculture at Smyrna. They asked him if a building were ready there for a vocational agriculture shop where woodworking, metal working and other machine work connected with farming could be taught.

Mr. Joslyn said there was no building but the Smyrna PTA had raised \$5,400 to equip a shop. State officials said they felt it unwise to approve a vocational agriculture program where there is no building for the work involved.

Mr. Joslyn told them that it had been hoped to get money for a building through state funds provided by the recent bond issue but distribution of funds, according to need, has been held up.

He said the room underneath the stage in the gymnasium could be used for a vo-ag shop.

Last week E. B. Elliott, district supervisor of agricultural education, came to the county to discuss the situation. He said that as a rule he has never recommended institution of a vocational agricultural program.

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Motorist Loses, Recovers Car

Raymond Still, Beaufort-Morehead City Causeway, had his 1947 Ford stolen Sunday night. Three hours later it was recovered.

Mr. Still took his wife to the Ann Street Methodist Church, Beaufort, at 7:30. While waiting for the church service to end, Mr. Still decided to take a walk. He had walked about a block when he turned and saw someone driving off in his car, according to Assistant Police Chief Carlton Garner.

At 8:30 Mr. Still reported the missing car to the Beaufort Police Department.

Officer Garner said that while he was looking for the car he received a call from Mr. Still saying that the car had been found in front of the Beaufort Postoffice at 10:30.

Mr. Still reported that no damage was done to the car and that \$300 worth of tools in the trunk of the car had not been taken, but a quarter tank of gasoline had been used.

St. James Methodist Church Forms Men's Club

A Methodist Men's Club has recently been formed in the Newport St. James Methodist Church, announces Methodist's General Board of Lay Activities of Chicago.

Officers of the new group are David R. McCain, president; Charles T. Dudley, vice-president; and Douglas C. Henderson, secretary.

The Newport group is one of the more than 7,000 Methodist Men organizations chartered by the board.

School Band to Present Final Concert Tonight

The Morehead City Recreation program will present its final band concert of the summer tonight at 7 o'clock on the Recreation Center grounds. The concert will be directed by Ralph Wade.

The one-hour concert will feature selections by the Morehead City High School Band, the majorettes, and solo numbers.