Southern Officials Make Two-Day Inspection Trip Here

Marines Leave Morehead For Mediterranean Duty

County Grapples Again with Open **Range Problem**

The county commissioners locked horns again yesterday with the issue of cows and horses running loose on Core Banks.

Claud Wheatly, Beaufort attorn-ey, told the board that the matter has been hanging fire for a year. has been hanging fire for a year. He informed the board that the state attorney general, Harry Mc-Mullan reversed in April a former opinion in which he had said the county could not call for a referendum on the matter.

Mr. Wheatly requested that the

board pass a resolution calling for referendum which would permit the residents on Portsmouth to vote when they go to the polls Nov. 2. The Portsmouth residents don't

want the cattle roaming at large. But the cattle and pony owners, all of whom, according to Mr. Wheatly, live on the mainland, don't want

Alvah Hamilton, county attorney said that a referendum would mean that the 13 people living on Ports-mouth could vote against open range and that would mean that 22 miles of grazing territory from Drum Inlet north to Ocracoke would be lost "all because of a handful of people living on 100 acres of land at Portsmouth," he

He said that the law could not be enforced unless there were a fence. He objected to Mr. Wheatly's sugcoke Inlet be natural barriers.

"If the Portsmouth people want the cattle fenced, I want to know who's going to pay for that fence," he announced. "If the county has to pay for it out of taxpayers" money, I'm going to see to it that they don't pay for it unles ordered by the court," he

Mr. Wheatly said that a later law has been passed that will put the cost of the fence on the Portsmouth residents. Mr. Hamilton said he wanted to look up the law and there the matter rested.

Officers Inspect **New Guard Unit**

Morehead City, a service battery, underwent its first inspection last night at the armory, Camp Glenn. It was the first night of pay drill. Present were Col. Weston H. Present were Col. Weston H. Willis of Jacksonville, Lt. Col. J. A. Kornegay, Washington, Gen. John Hall Manning, Adj. General of North Carolina; Lt. Col. Thomas Longest, training officer; Lt. Col. John T. Castleu, Army advisor 196th Field Artillery Group; Maj. Clement M. Ward, executive officer 196th Field Artillery Group; and Capt. Lewis L. Taylor, training officer for the 295th Field Artillery Battalion.

tenant Merritt Bridgman, officer in charge of the unit, said windows fog up and he didn't see that the regular meeting night for the other car coming. the battery has not been set, but Milton Woodrow Webb, More-

Bogue Sound Road. He may be reached by phone, 6-4914 after 5

p.m. M/Sgt. Benjamin G. Jones will be permanently stationed in More-head City and will be at the armory each day from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Packard at \$9 and to the Dodge Monday through Friday.

Nearly 2,000 men of the reinforced Second Battalion Second Marines, Camp Lejeune, left More-head City Wednesday for five months' duty with the United States forces, Eastern Atlantic and

Under the command of Lt. Col. Charles H. Cowles, the "Med" Marines will train with elements of the Sixth Fleet before returning to the Second Division

Mediterranean.

As members of the U.S. Mediteranean Fleet, the unit will partici-pate in NATO maneuvers during the cruise. They also plan to hold shore exercises with a Greek Army division during a stop at the island of Crete

During the battalion's tour, about 70 days will be spent on liberty at ports in Portugal, French Morocco which will include a visit to the recruit depot of the French For-eign Legion, Spain, Sardinia, France, Italy, Crete, Greece and Turkey

Tours through numerous Old World cities will be made available People of the various stopover European ports will again see the Marine dress blues on this trip. Second Battalion men have been encouraged to wear the uniform on liberty, according to Lejeune authorities. "Fox" Co. will be out-

County Gets Only Fringe of Storm

The fringe of Hurricane Edna passed over Carteret County Friday night and early Saturday morning leaving little apparent damage. But residents had prepared hemselves for the worst.

Edna was not as fierce in her treatment of the county as was Carol and property damage was held to a few lost roof shingles and some crooked television an-

The Red Cross prepared for the on-coming hurricane Friday after-noon by setting up headquarters in the Morehead City Municipal Build-

Members of the Red Cross who the A&EC will help the North Car-were stationed there were Frank olina seashore to realize its "long Hollowell, field representative of dream of direct rail connections the Red Cross for North Carolina Bill McDonald, Red Cross First Aid and Water Safety representative, Miss Elaine VanEvrin Red Cross nurse representative from Ala-bama, and Col. Hans C. Larson, Red Cross disaster chairman from

Fayetteville. Stamey Davis, weather observer, said Edna brought 1.93 inches of rain as compared with 5.25 inches during Hurricane Carol.

Truck, Car Crash Friday Morning

Hurricane Edna probably cause at least one accident in Morehead City Friday when the driver of one of the two cars in a collision ex-plained that the rain made his car

the battery has not been set, but it will be either Tuesday or Thursday.

Seven men have enrolled in the unit. Enlistments opened Aug. 24. Friday at 10 a.m. when he said he The armory is a renovated shop building at the section base.

Further information on National Guard enlistment may be had by contacting Lieutenant Bridgman, driving a 1951 Packard.

Webb was going a 1953 Dodge parcel post truck belonging to the Morehead City post office the Morehead City post office of the Morehead City post of the Morehead City post office of the Morehead City post of

Webb was going south on 10th Street and Eubanks was driving west on Bay Street.

Capt. Herbert Griffin and Sgt. C. E. Bunch investigated the acci-dent and estimated damage to the

ton, D. C., president of the South ern Railway System, was here Fri- Men Given Preliminary day on an inspection trip over the Atlantic and East Carolina Raifway, which the Southern hopes to acquire "in the very near future," he said.

The inspection trip started at foldsboro on Thursday and was made from a special train run by the A&EC from that point to More-head City, with a side trip from Havelock to Camp Lejeune over the Marine Corps railroad.

Mr. DeButts and his party arrived in Morehead City on Thursday evening and spent Friday morning looking over the port fa-cilities. In the afternoon, the in-In the afternoon, spection party motored through the countryside along the route of the A&EC to Goldsboro.

The Southern officials entertain Morehead City town officials and port officials at a luncheon aboard their private car at the port Friday noon

Mr. DeButts emphasized that his inspection was simply in the nature of "looking over the property of "looking over the property which the Southern seeks to acquire.

"We hopefully expect the next few days will see the signing of the contract for operation of the Marine Corps railroad, after which we immediately will file our application with the Interstate Commerce Commission. When the ICC approves, we are coming back and have a real victory celebration,'

Expressing himself as being "tre-mendously impressed" with the in-dustrial potentials of the region served by the A&EC, and predict-ing a "bright future" for More-head City Port, he said the Southern's Industrial Development De-partment was "champing at the bit" to start working with local groups to "help speed the develop-ment of this promising area."

He added: "We want to come here and work with the commun ities for the benefit of all. We know that anything that helps them prosper and progress also helps us. Above all, we want to do those things which will enable us to de-serve to be known as a good neighbor and good citizen in the com munities along our lines."

The Southern is an 8,000 mile rail system that blankets the area east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac Rivers, serving every state in the area except West Virginia. As Mr. DeButts said, possession by the Southern of with rail centers in the mid-con tinent as well as throughout the South."

While on the A&EC, Southern's president was guest of H. P. Edwards, of New Bern, chairman of the board and general manager of the A&EC. Other Southern officers in the inspection party were W. Mason King, traffic vice pres ident; F. Clifton Toal, assistant vice president in charge of industrial de velopment; and B. E. Young, as sistant to the president, all of Washington; and E. L. Faulconer, assistant vice-president, of Greens

A&EC Railway officials who ac companied the inspection from Kin-ston to Cherry Point were E. R. Buchan, president, and Cecil

Car Upsets, Driver, **Passengers Unhurt**

Palmer L. Felix, Stallings Air Force Base, Kinston, and severa boys riding with him, escaped in jury at 11 p.m. Saturday when the car in which they were riding turn-ed over a half mile east of Newport on Highway 70.

Felix was proceeding west when, according to State Highway Patrolman R. H. Brown, the car ran off the highway on the right, back to the left, struck a ditch, hit a pine tree, and landed on its top.

Patrolman Brown said the high way was wet. No charges were pre-ferred. Damage to the car, a 1950 Chevrolet, was estimated at \$400.

Judge Puts Two Sailors Under **\$350 Bond**

Hearing on Charge Of Car Theft

Two sailors who are reported to have jumped ship in Morehead City Wednesday and stole a car belonging to Edward L. Faucette, Morehead City was a control of the control of Morehead City, were arrested in Enfield Thursday. They were given a preliminary hearing in Morehead City's Recorder's Court vesterday.

The sailors, Raymond D. Weav-er and Thomas E. Brewington were bound over to Superior Court and were placed under \$350 bond by Judge George McNeill. The two went AWOL from the

USS Cambria while the ship was docked at Morehead City, police said. They said that a third sailor. Buddy L. Prince, stole the car and not be brought to the Morehead City court because he was being held in Greenville on another

charge of auto theft.

The sailors said they were on their way to Norfolk to turn them-Prince later abandoned the car

nd they went on in it. Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes testified that the boys ran out of gas in Enfield and Enfield police recognized the car and arrested the

said it was stole from in front of the Morehead between 4 and day afternoon. car is now in

Tickets for Play To Go on Sale

Mrs. Wiley Taylor Jr., business nanager of the Carteret Communi-Theatre, announced yesterday that tickets for the play, "The Nightmare," will go on sale this

will be available from They will be available from school children in Beaufort and Morehead City. Posters will be dis-played in business houses and where posters are shown, tickets will be available in that store, Mrs.

The play will be given Thursday and Friday, Sept. 23 and 24 at Morehead City High School and Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 at Beaufort High School. The schools are spon

soring the play in each town.

Members of the cast are Dorothy eeman, Pat Webb, Sammy Dan-s, Horace Loftin, Lynn Stol er, Walt Hamilton and Ruth Pecling

Western Union Asks Rate Raise

Raleigh (AP) - The Utilities ommission has set Oct. 22 to hear an application of Western Union Telegraph Co., for an increase in its intrastate rates.

The company had asked permis sion in its application to up the new rate into effect last week, but the commission ordered them sus pended pending the hearing.

proposed rates would in cost on messages between within the state an estimated \$130,810 a year. Intrastate messages constitute about one-fourth of Western Union's business in North Carolina, Interstate rates

The Federal Communications Commission already has approved the increase for interstate rates, and they are in effect. Edgar A. Wemble of the Utilities Commis-Wemble of the Utilities Commis-sion said it was the third rate in crease granted the telegraph com-pany since 1951, and resulted from a seven-million-dollar pay increase granted Western Union workers

Womble said the principal in crease is on the general message rate, to be upped from 55 to 75 cents for 15 words or less in Zone 1, or up to 75 miles.

will meet for its September session at 7:45 p.m. Thursday at the muni-cipal building.

Tide Table Tides at the Beaufort Bar

LOW Tuesday, Sept. 14 9:14 p.m. 3:16 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15

County Board Defers Action On Fishing Pier Controversy

Accident Victim Awarded \$3,458 **By Court Friday**

Two-Week Special Term Of Superior Court Closes Friday Afternoon

Sadie E. Culpepper, route 2 New port, was awarded a \$3,458.64 set tlement from Pender A. Smith Pender Nolan Smith and Ezekiel Edward McCabe in Superior Court picked them up later. Prince could Friday for injuries suffered in an automobile accident March 6, 1954

Miss Culpepper's sister, Mrs. Neil hadwick, filed the suit in her behalf since she is 17 years old and

The accident occurred on High vay 101 near the Carteret - Cra ven line. Miss Culpepper was rid ing in a car with Pender Nolan Smith when they collided with another vehicle driven by Ezekiel McCabe. All three were hospital-

Miss Culpepper, a student at Newport High School and a member of the girls' basketball team last year, suffered head and eye injuries. In other judgments in automo

bile cases, Richard D. Harris was ordered to pay W. T. McKay \$900 for damages to Mr. McKay's auto-Benny R. Garner received a \$200

settlement from Ross Clifton Brown and J. T. Brown for damages resulting from an accident. The jury's verdict in the case of John C. Bennett vs. Lawrence Lee Dixon Sr., Eugene Lee Dixon, and Herman Bennet Jr., was that Mr. Bennett was not harmed by neg-

ligence on the part of the defen dants. Therefore, he did not re-ceive any money to cover damages. In the suit, neers vs. Sanders Mildred Cooley Sanders and Sand ers Motor Co. were ordered to pay

Guy Avery \$250. A compromise agreement was reached between James T. Gating and J. M. Barnes in which Mr. Barnes agreed to pay Mr. Cating \$2,500 to cover damages inflicted in an accident June 24, 1953. The accident occured on Highway 117

Ruth Rains Pretlow was awarded sustody of twins, Robert Joel and Carolyn Ann Pretlow in the case of Carolyn Christie (Pretlow) James (their mother) vs. Ruth Rains Pretlow. The findings were

1. That Carolyn Christie James and James Patterson Pretlow Sr., were married in March of 1934 and the twins, Robert Pretlow Carolyn Pretlow were born of the marriage in February of 1939 in Wilmington.

2. Carolyn Christie James a divorce April 18, 1941, in Florida and shortly afterwards married her present husband, John James Jr., an attorney who moved from Charlotte to Beaufort, N. C., in August of 1953.

3. Custody of the children was divided between the father and their stepmother living at Eagle's Island, Brunswick County, and

their mother living in Beaufort.
4. The twins lived with their father on Eagle Island during the school year of 1953-54 and with their mother during the summer of 1954. Their father was killed in an

automobile accident Aug. 16, 1954.
5. Before the death of the father it was agreed that the twins mother during the school year of 1954-55 There was no question as to

the fitness of either parties to keep the children.
7. The twins agreed to live in

Beaufort with their mother but ex-pressed a desire to live with their stepmother. They expressed equal love for their mother and step-mother.

8. Their father's will provided

for support, maintenance are cation of the twins.

9. Custody awarded to their tepmother, Ruth Rains Pretlow. In the case of Robert D. Lancaster vs. William Tulley Smith, Mr. Smith got a continuance until the next term of Superior Court under the Soldier's and Sailor' Civil Relief Act.

The two-week special term of civ-

il court adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

muliets. Crews started beach seining Saturday along Bogue Banks. The cool porth winds were termed "the closest thing we've had to a mullet blow yet!"

decision on filing objection to a proposed ocean pier at Money Island.

Two factions appeared before the board yesterday mornng at the courthouse, one group opposed the pier and the other, the builder, spoke in favor of it.

Harvey Hamilton Jr., Morehead City attorney, repre sented the objectors. Accompanying him were M. F. Courie, Dr. Heath Nesbitt and Mrs. J. L. Foun-

tain.

Money

jection to the pier:

creased

his property now.

Island

Mr. Hamilton said he was also representing Ottis Purifoy. More

He set forth the following five

easons for property owners' ob-

1-Refuse and dead fish make

swimming impossible 2—Odor is objectionable and the

3-Property values would be de-

4-The pier would impair use

take care of summer swim-

farther east which meets fishing

Fishermen Object

Mr. Hamilton added that the pier

ould interfere with commercial

fishermen who trawl within 1,000

Mr. Hamilton pointed out that

permission for building the pier

would be denied by the Army Corps of Engineers only if a gov-

erning body of the county object

ed, because the engineers are in-terested in objections only from

The attorney, hoping to convince

the board that they should file an

Dr. Nesbitt said that the pier

the navigation standpoint.

who were also against it.

west of the club.

feet of the shore and it would in-terfere also with night shrimping.

pier would impair the view

Uncle Sam to Spend **Funds on Research Here**

The federal government has allocated \$15,000 for collection of commercial fisheries statistics at the Fish and Wildlife Station. ciated Press report from Wash-

Twenty-five thousand dollars has also been appropriated for research on mid-Atlantic oysters. A total of \$1,890,000 has been earmarked to "expand research strengthening commercial fish-

Announcement of the appro-priations was made Saturday.

Board Passes Road Resolution

The County Board of Commissioners yesterday passed a resolu-ion asking that the State Highway commission give special considera tion to paving roads which lead from the main county highways to he inlets, sounds or rivers. The matter was brought up by

Dr. K. P. B. Bonner who said that the county's economic well-being depends to a large extent on access o the water. There are places in he county where private property owners have closed off what were formerly public roads used to get to and from the water, he added.

The board decided that a request by the Dunes Club, Bogue Banks, o have the state take over the oad leading to it, should be investigated further.

A petition aritime that the road

be paved from Merrimon into the Fordham and Eden properties was approved. The road is 1.4 miles The petition was presented by Peter Carraway, Merrimon.

Prior to the meeting the new commissioner, Alvah Taylor, was sworn in by A. H. James, clerk of Superior Court. Register of Deeds Salter witnessed the ceremony.

Commissioners drew names of jurymen who will serve in the Oc-tober term of Superior Court. They will be listed in Friday's NEWS-

Beaufort Pastor Heads Group

The Rev. J. D. Young, pastor of Ann Street Methodist Church, Beaufort, was elected president of the County Ministers Association yesterday morning at the first fall meeting. The ministers met at the rivic center, Morehead City.

A. L. Benton, Marshallberg, wa lected vice president and Jesse Staton, Morehead City, was named ecretary-treasurer.

The Rev. Robert Poulk, Core

The new officers will take office in October.

Present at the meeting were the following ministers: C. B. Hansley, D. M. Tyson, Z. M. Deshields, Guth-rie Brown, Mr. Young, Mr. Benton, Dr. John H. Bunn, Lewis A. Dill man, Leon Couch, H. H. Cash, Mr. Poulk, R. H. Jackson and Jesse

Two Trucks Meet At Intersection

Center and a truck belonging to Sunshine Laundry collided at the intersection of Fisher and N. 17th

Stroug's truck was traveling west on Fisher Street, driven by Alonzo Earl Freeman Jr., Morehead City, and Clanton Bruce Dudley, More-head City, was driving the Sun-shine Laundry truck north on 17th Street when they met.

No charges were filed against

Balloting Begins On United Fund

Jaycees Request Opinion On Campaign from Folks in Morehead City

Morehead City Jaycees opened the United Fund balloting yester-

head City, partyboat owners and other commercial fishermen. The Jaycees are taking a poll to ee whether citizens of Morehead City are in favor of a United Fund "Red Feather" Drive as it is called in some cities.

Frank Cassiano, a member of the poll committee, said that the Jay cees are not sponsoring the United Fund, they are merely conducting ble to have such a charity cam-

and enjoyment of the beach

Courie's Beach is needed to paign in Morehead City. He said that all the drives for funds would be included in the campaign, except infantile paraly-

sis, tuberculosis, cancer and heart Mr. Courie told the board that his property, Courie's Villa and People may pledge money week by week, month by month or they can contribute to the drive in one the Villa Queen Hotel, are to the south of the proposed pier and that there is another ocean fishing pier lump sum. Mr. Cassiano added, however, that this will not relieve businessmen from being asked to needs of this area. He added that give merchandise as prizes for refuse from that pier washes up on other benefits such as bingo or card parties.

He explained further that givers can specify to which charity they want their money to go, in case they are interested in excluding

Appearing in today's NEWS-TIMES is a ballot which Morehead residents may clip out. Ballots are also being delivered to homes being served by Whiteway Laun-dry, Chadwick's Dry Cleaning Freeman Brothers, and Hall's Dry Cleaning

ballots should be marked and returned to ballot boxes in Leary's, Hill's, A&P, Morehead City Drug Store and the Colonial

Letter Read A letter from Judge J. L. Fountain, Raleigh, was read. The judge, in addition to citing aforemention-ed objections to the pier, also said insufficient parking space in that locale to care for per-

A letter of objection from Mrs. W. N. Warren and a telegram from Rogers Realty and Insurance Co., Raleigh, were also presented to the board

Mr. Courie said at one time he was in favor of a fishing pier but that was until he saw the effects of a nearby pier. Commissioner effects of a nearby pier. Commissioner Alvah Taylor asked if the Triple-Ess Ocean pier interferes with commercial fishing. Mr. Hamilton said it does but the

fishermen didn't realize it until it was constructed. Mr. Courie added that Darius Ballou has been setting his mullet nets at the pro-

See BOARD, Page 2

the board that they should file an objection, also said that the Dunes Club, with a membership of 300, was opposed to the pier which would be located a short distance would be located a short distance **Rotarians Hear** would "hurt" his property and that Jaycee President he had spoken to several people

Jasper Bell, president of the Morehead City Jaycees, addressed the Morehead City Rotary Club Thursday night at Fleming's Restaurant on the topic "What is a

Junior Chamber of Commerce."

Mr. Bell gave a history of the Jaycees which started in 1915. He also listed requirements for membership and objectives of the organization.

ed the functions of the various committees within the club and some of the projects that had been undertaken with success by the Morehead City club Carolina Pageant and the sponsoring of the high school football program as successful projects of the Jaycees.

Visitors at the meeting were Lawrence Stroud, Greenville, Lee Nance and Sam Kilpatrick, both of

Three County Teachers Fill Creek, present vice-president of the association, presided over the meeting in the absence of the Rev. Home Economics Offices

Mrs. Floy G. Garner, Newport, was elected vice-chairman of the five-county group of home economics instructors who met Saturday at Beaufort School. Mrs. Garner is the home economics instructor at Smyrna High School.

ed secretary, and Mrs. Delfido Cor-dova, Morehead City, was elected publicity representative for this

Other officers are Mrs. Frances Lupton, chairman, Belhaven; and present.

Mrs. Nancy Paul, Aurora, program

winity; Mrs. Pauline Robbins, Alli-ance, and Miss Mary Little, Vance-

Publicity representatives, in ad- fantile Paralysis Chapter.

Publicity representatives, in addition to Mrs. Cordova, are Mrs. Pauline Robbins. Pamlico; Mrs. Lupton, Mrs. Pauline Moore, Swanquarter, and Mrs. Frances Green, New Bern.

Program for the coming year will be as follows: Nov. 13 at Bath High School, Discussion on Future Homemakers of America; Feb. 5 at New Bern High School, Ideas for Special Occasions; April 2 at Englehard High, Problems in the Housing and Management of the Home Economics Department.

Mrs. Beveridge and Mrs. Cordova were hostesses at Saturday's meet-ing. Miss Ruth Peeling, editor of THE NEWS-TIMES, spoke at the morning session on "How to Get It Printed." Following lunch at the Sanitary Fish Market Restaurant, Mrs. Ruby Simmons, instructor Morehead City, the teachers reconst Newport High School, was electnomics department for their busi-

lina College, Greenville, supervisor of the group, and 20 teachers were

chairman. Assisting the program chairman will be Miss Sarah Bowland, Choco-

Ten new contributors raised the The FHA adviser for district 1 Carteret County Emergency March will be Miss Margaret Grant, Bath, of Dimes total to \$432.15 yesterday and for district 2, Miss Joyce Dun-can, Jasper. morning, according to Mrs. C. L. Beam, treasurer of the County In-

State's Oyster Season Opens Oct. 1 Conservation and Development's fisheries commissioner in charge North Carolina oysters, long

famed for their excellent flavor, will soon be finding themselves in bowls and plates on dining tables.

closes March 1.

Some 400 or more of the more at how extensive it was no one than 2,200 boats licensed to do commercial fishing in North Carolina waters are expected to engage in dredging for Tar Heel oysters during the coming season, according to officials of the Department of Gehrmann Holland, assistant state season.

Therefore Generally Good Oysters taken from Tar Heel waters last year brought from \$2 to \$3.25 for a five-peck bushel. They were generally considered of excellent quality.

See OYSTERS, Page 5

The season for the taking of oysters from state bottoms in waters along the coast opens Oct. 1 and closes March 1.

Conservation and Development's commercial fisheries division.

Hurricane Barbara, which did extensive damage to oyster beds along the coast last year, was a considerable factor in making last season's catch one that was below normal. The most recent hurricane — the one the weatherman named Carol — also is believed to have caused some damage, but as to how extensive it was no one will know until investigations are

8:53 a.m. 9:41 a.m.

11:24 p.m.

3:24 a.m. 10:31 a.m. 10:49 p.m. Priday, Sept. 27 4:07 a.m. 4:59 p.m. 5:00 a.m. 5:55 p.m.

Cool weekend winds brought mosquitoes, but they also brought mullets. Crews started beach sein-

A truck owned by Stroud's Food

Streets, Morehead City, Thursday afternoon at 5:15. Stroud's truck was traveling west

Capt. Buck Newsome, Morehead City policeman who investigated, ated damage to Stroud's truck