

Hurricane Damage Runs to Millions

Stockholm Sails 20 Hours late In Sunny Aftermath of Hurricane

Three Marines Held Under Bond

National Guard, Police Officers Go on Duty At Atlantic Beach

Three Cherry Point Marines are being held in the county jail under \$200 bond each on a charge of looting at Atlantic Beach.

During disaster, theft is not a misdemeanor but a felony, Mayor A. B. Cooper explained yesterday. The three, Pfc. Abnam Mohamed, Pfc. Paul J. Snyder and Cpl. Aloysius C. Peck were apprehended by Atlantic Beach Police Chief George Smith when their car was searched.

In the car were blankets, a radio and other articles allegedly taken from the Atlantic Beach Hotel and two beach cottages damaged Friday.

Members of the Beaufort unit of the National Guard were placed on duty at the beach over the weekend. For a time, persons were not allowed on the beach Sunday unless they could prove that they were cottage owners.

Chief Smith said he hired two men, Frank Grantham and Charles Sloan, to assist in controlling traffic and checking cottages.

For a while Sunday, cars were turned away from the beach. There were so many sightseers there was no place for the cars to park.

15 Men Will Go In Army Thursday

Fifteen men from Carteret County have been ordered to report for induction into the Army Thursday at the courthouse annex, Beaufort. From there they will be sent to Raleigh.

Beaufort men who are to be inducted are Moses B. Gaskill Jr., Robert W. Safrit III, Everett O. Styrone, John C. Lynch, Alfred Anderson Jr., Alfred J. Washington, Rufus Fair Jr.

Also to be inducted are James M. Willis, John H. Gray, and Irvin W. Davis Jr., all of Davis; William C. Neal, Marshallberg; Robert Lee Jones and William C. Johnson, Morehead City; John Parnley Jr. and Richard A. Sutton, Newport.

Robert Lee Jones, John H. Gray, William C. Johnson and Rufus Fair Jr. are delinquent. They should have been inducted prior to this time but their whereabouts is unknown to the draft office.

Storm Causes \$80,400 Loss in Town Property

Dan Walker, Beaufort town clerk, gave a preliminary estimate of \$80,400 damage to municipally-owned property yesterday.

The damage to street surfacing, sub-grades, sidewalks, breakwater, curbs and gutters, sanitation and storm sewers, parking meters and fire alarm system was caused by the hurricane Friday.

Dancer to Appear

Wynema, Indian ceremonial dancer, will provide the entertainment at 8 o'clock tonight at the meeting of the Literary and Art Department at the Civic Center, Morehead City. The public is invited.

North River Bridge to Be Open to Traffic This Week

J. L. Humphrey, county road superintendent, said Saturday that he hopes to have the North River Bridge ready for traffic by the end of this week.

Highway crewmen were at work Saturday repairing the washed out west end of the bridge. Crossed timbers are being placed crosswise to meet the still-standing middle part of the bridge.

The same will be done at the east end where the high waves of Friday's hurricane swept the structure away.

Officials Make Inspection

C. Y. Griffin and R. Markham, second division highway officials, were at the bridge Saturday to make an inspection and expedite repairs.

The approach to the Harkers Island bridge was damaged but one-way traffic was maintained. Mr. Humphrey said the bridge would

Hustle, bustle and color marked the first sailing of a transatlantic liner from Morehead City Sunday. The Stockholm was scheduled to arrive here at 8 a.m. after 20 hours' delay due to Hurricane Hazel. Shortly before 8 o'clock the big, white luxury liner, gleaming in the sun, crossed Beaufort bar.

The ship, towering high above the dock bore an emblem painted on its white smoke stack, a blue circle with three yellow crowns in the center.

As the ship pulled in, the blonde Swedish sailors began yelling at men ashore, trying to get them to fasten the lines. The sailors were shouting in Swedish but most of the directions were understood only by pointing and much flailing of arms. The men on shore answered back excitedly, "OK, OK."

Soon after the ship docked, the passengers began to arrive although sailing time wasn't until 11 o'clock.

Immune to Cold

The Swedes on the ship were running around in their shirt sleeves as heavily-coated North Carolinians watched in amazed admiration.

Dignitaries had their pictures taken on the loading platform but photographers had to stop at intervals to make way for the little tractors pulling trailers loaded with luggage.

The long brick warehouse at the port was turned into an office by the ship's officials and passengers checked booking and luggage there.

A Morehead City laundry had two men there taking laundry off the ship. There was much rushing because the laundry had to be back on the ship by 11 o'clock.

Flowers Delivered

A Morehead City Floral Company truck was also at the dock delivering flowers to the passengers. Dan Walker, town clerk of Beaufort, was busy booking storage space for passengers' cars.

Two blue-suited men walked into the warehouse to serenade the passengers with a violin-accordion duet. The man playing the violin had once played before the crown prince of Norway.

Departure Delayed

The Stockholm was scheduled to leave Morehead City at 2 p.m. Saturday but couldn't leave New York until after the hurricane had passed.

The North Carolina Academy of General Practice booked the cruise for their sixth annual convention and assembly.

Mrs. H. H. Allen, wife of the cruise manager, sailed on the ship and was planning to go to Nassau and then fly back to New York Sunday.

When asked the reason for selecting Morehead City as the point of departure for the cruise, Mrs. Allen said, "Mr. Allen had done some work in the south and always thought that Morehead City would be a great port."

"He went out in a Coast Guard cutter once around 1945 or 1946 and looked over this section. He decided that Morehead City had all the facilities necessary."

She concluded by saying, "I think Morehead City is an up and coming port."

The Morehead City band, attired in their red uniforms, stood by as the passengers went up the red, white, and blue gangplank. The band began playing and the chefs, stewards and sailors came to the rail to listen. Several took pictures of the band.

One man stood admiring the treasure. See STOCKHOLM, Page 8

Hazel Had Her Lighter Moments

J. P. Scott, a Carolina Telephone and Telegraph repair man, was working furiously Friday night trying to get the communications system back in working order in Beaufort after Hurricane Hazel ripped it down.

Then Mr. Scott got a message from his wife saying that the roof of his house had blown off. Mr. Scott shook his head sadly but continued working on the telephone lines which had to be repaired.

Mrs. W. E. A. Rush, Beaufort, has some chickens which were evidently glad to see Hurricane Hazel.

The hurricane blew down the fence around the chickens' pen and the chickens flew out. They immediately got in the garden and, with their feathers blowing in the strong wind, started feasting on the garden.

Beaufort High School students found time for entertainment at the expense of Hurricane Hazel Friday.

The students, who helped remove merchandise from the stores, were riding skiffs down Front Street in the middle of the hurricane.

The howling wind would blow skiffs down the street and then the kids would push the skiffs back up the street and take another ride down. They also hooked rides on piers that were bobbing along.

Dan Walker, Beaufort town clerk, tried to show the lighter side of Hurricane Hazel.

The street department on Saturday blocked off streets that they were cleaning. At the point where the street was closed, Mr. Walker placed signs which read "Street Closed for Fall Cleaning."

John Lashley, Morehead City clerk court, is swearing out a warrant for the arrest of Hazel Hurricane for malicious damage to public property.

Capt. Herbert Griffin, Morehead City Police Department, has already declared that he won't serve the warrant.

Lions Schedule Broom Sale

The Morehead City Lions Club will have its annual Broom Sale on Thursday and Friday, between 6 and 9 p.m. each night. Lions Club members will knock on every door in Morehead City selling brooms made by the Guilford Industries for the Blind, an organization employing only blind help.

The proceeds from the sale will be used by the Lions Club Sight Conservation Program which helps the blind and visually-handicapped of Carteret County.

Brooms will also be on sale Saturday at Early Jewelers, Webb's, City Bakery and Rose's.

This past Thursday night the Lions entertained the Cub Scouts of Beaufort and Morehead City who aided them in their recent bread sale. Hot dogs and all the trimmings were served to the Scouts and to Lion families.

The club made \$275 on its recent bread sale in Morehead City and Beaufort.

Toby Westbrook Dies Friday Night

Rather (Toby) Westbrook, 50, of Mansfield, died at 9:45 Friday night from a shotgun wound in his head. Coroner Leslie D. Springle ruled the death suicide.

Westbrook, who was reported to be in poor health, ran the Westbrook Grocery and Service Station with his wife, Mrs. Swannie Westbrook. In addition to his widow, he is survived by a son, Sutton, 20, of the home, and a daughter, Velda, 11.

Coroner Springle said that Westbrook got ready for bed, then apparently put the end of the shotgun in his mouth and pulled the trigger with his toe while he sat on the bed.

The Westbrooks lived behind the service station which was located on Highway 70.

At the time the shot went off, Mrs. Westbrook was checking the cash register preparatory to closing and another person, Charles R. Weston, was just leaving the station.

Coroner Springle said that a motorist, Robert M. Russell, got in his car and reported the incident to Deputy Sheriff M. M. Ayscue. There was no phone service at that time due to the storm.

The body was removed by the Dill ambulance and taken to Kinston, then to Trenton for burial Sunday. The Westbrooks moved here from Trenton in 1952.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar		
HIGH	Tuesday, Oct. 19	LOW
1:43 a.m.		7:57 a.m.
1:10 p.m.		7:46 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 20		
3:52 a.m.		9:09 a.m.
3:21 p.m.		9:52 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 21		
3:58 a.m.		10:16 a.m.
4:20 p.m.		10:45 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 22		
4:55 a.m.		
5:13 p.m.		11:15 p.m.

Beach Bears Brunt of Storm

Damage from Club Colony Through Ocean Ridge Set at \$2,500,000

Mayor A. B. Cooper of Atlantic Beach has estimated total damage to cottages all along the beach area, from Club Colony west through Ocean Ridge, at two and a half million dollars.

Damage to the town of Atlantic Beach, its streets, walks and other town property, according to the mayor, is at least \$170,000.

Mayor Cooper attended a meeting of all beach mayors at Wilmington Sunday. The meeting was called by Mayor L. T. White of Wilmington to get a total estimate of damage to coastal municipalities so that this figure may be forwarded to Washington. The federal government has designated North Carolina as a disaster area and promised funds to help the communities dig out of the rubble.

Mayor Cooper has suggested that the mayors of Beaufort and Morehead City make estimates of their town damage immediately so that the figures may be sent to Washington without delay.

Town Board, Hospital Board Confer Last Night

At an emergency meeting of the Morehead City town board and the Morehead City Hospital Board of Trustees at the municipal building last night, officials made estimates of the damage to municipal property.

Mayor George W. Dill, Morehead City, conferred with Ed Rankin, secretary to Governor Umstead, by telephone yesterday. Mr. Rankin suggested that the town board pass a resolution requesting federal aid under Public Law 875 of the 81st Congress.

The resolution, passed last night, contains an estimate of the hurricane damage. The resolution will be sent to Governor Umstead and then a field representative under Gen. Edwin Griffin, State Civil Defense commander, will survey the request and investigate the situation here.

"It is possible that we may get outright grants," the mayor commented.

He said, however, that the state cannot match federal funds therefore the town hit by the hurricane have been asked to help themselves as best they can.

The mayor commented the people of Morehead City for pitching in and cleaning up their property. He said the work they have done has been a tremendous help to the street department and he asks that they continue to clean up as much as they can.

As for the private homeowner who sustained heavy loss in the hurricane, the mayor reminds him to make application to the Red Cross at the municipal building in Morehead City or to the sheriff's office in the courthouse, Beaufort.

The mayor said quite a few businessmen are concerned about their losses. He has been advised that the Small Business Administration will have a representative in this area to survey losses with a view to making loans, long term at low interest.

He said that in some cases a man who had a very small business may be given an outright grant to get him back on his feet again.

But, he added, the man must have had a substantial business before the storm.

When the Small Business Administration sends an official here, the public will be notified, said the mayor. People may also inquire as to developments at the clerk's office in the municipal building.

Get Typhoid Shots, Health Officer Urges

Due to the recent flooding of many areas in Carteret County Dr. Luther Fulcher, health officer, urges all who have not had recent typhoid shots to get them as soon as possible.

This can be done by the family doctor or the county health department. Public health nurses are visiting communities this week.

A clinic will be held all day today, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the health department offices in Beaufort, to administer typhoid shots.

Much Rubble Remains to Be Cleared; Beaufort, Morehead Hard Hit

Hurricane Hazel ripped through Carteret County Friday, causing damage way up in the millions of dollars. Few people cared to even guess at the total loss.

The areas hardest hit were those along the water. Inland parts of the county came through surprisingly well compared to the tremendous damage the storm wrought upstate.

Sheriff Hugh Salter who flew over the county Saturday morning reports that most of the damage downstate, as could be determined from the air, is sunken boats.

Buildings seem to be intact. At Harkers Island, boat damage and net loss was heavy and roofs of several houses were blown off. At Williston the boat building works recently constructed by Elmer Willis was leveled and of the three boats reported sunk at Grady Davis's fish house at Davis, one is believed to be beyond salvaging.

The storm literally blew Carteret County into yesterday. To get east of North River a boat is needed. Saturday morning a body, embalmed and ready for burial, was carried on a boat, complete with flowers, to its resting place at Harkers Island.

Swansboro Suffers

Swansboro was severely hit. The Cedar Point drive-in theatre is a shambles. Highway 24 from about a mile east of the bridge is littered with marsh grass, mattresses, boats, and oil tanks which broke loose from their foundations and were carried high by the tides.

The community center at Swansboro was set up as a Red Cross center. Fred Phillips' fishing pier, located between the two bridge spans, was washed away and the building at its end is tilted at a crazy angle.

At Morehead City Fleming's fishing pier and Mom and Pop's fishing pier, which extended northward into Bogue Sound, were washed away. The Duke Marine Laboratory pier on Pivers Island was destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$2,500.

The laboratory boat, the Venus, was grounded and the skiffs washed up on land. Other property damage there was minor, amounting to less than \$100.

Roof Blows Off

The roof of Freeman Brothers Grocery Store, Arendell Street, blew off and landed across the street in front of the Morehead Theatre and Belk's Department Store. The tons of tin struck the theatre marquee and smashed the plate glass window at Belk's.

A Carolina Power and Light truck was slightly damaged when the roof hit the ground. The truck was parked between Freeman's and the Gulf Service Station.

The roof and other debris that came flying earthward were removed by the town crew Saturday morning. The skating rink on Shepard Street collapsed. The entire area from 7th Street west on Shepard to 12th is littered with debris. Roofs of front porches have collapsed, trees are blown over, and skiffs and heavier boats rest as far as 100 feet from the water.

The Gordon C. Willis fish house was damaged by the swirling high waters and the water rushed headlong into the basement of the Morehead City Hospital. The nurses' living room, technician's laboratory and the kitchens are located in the basement.

Kitchen Awash

No meals were cooked in the kitchen until yesterday when things started to get back to normal. Meals for patients were ordered over the weekend from local restaurants.

As in Beaufort, waterfront property in Morehead City was severely damaged. At one of the restaurants on the Morehead City waterfront holes were bored in the floor to let the tide surge in and out.

Captain Bill Ballou estimated damage to his restaurant at about \$500. Jerry Schumacher, photographer, said his place, which is built over the water, was just about washed away.

The concrete block fence from 11th to 12th Streets on Bay blew over and at drive-in theatres everywhere throughout the county fences were blown down and free.

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Utilities Crews Work Steadily To Restore Lines

Telephone and power crews have been working steadily since Friday to restore service.

Lonnie Daniels, manager of Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co., Morehead City, said circuits to New Bern were restored Saturday and by Sunday calls could be gotten through as far as Raleigh.

From there on, he didn't know because many places upstate were more severely damaged by wind than were places here.

Lines were still out down east yesterday, but telephone crewmen have been working from 6 a.m. until dark ever since Saturday to restore service.

All repair work, both power and telephone, here in the county is being done by the regular local crews. Because of the extensive damage elsewhere, there were no extra crews available to be sent here.

Power Out

Power was cut off Friday morning when the salt spray was so heavy that current started jumping from the cross-arms on the poles to the insulators, said George Stovall, manager of Carolina Power and Light.

"We never cut the power off to keep possibly broken lines from hitting people," commented the manager, "because we figure people should have enough sense to stay in the house in a storm like that."

All power was flowing again by 11 p.m. Friday except east of the North River Bridge. Saturday morning two repairmen were sent across North River on a boat and on the other side they hired a truck to take them along the lines. Power into Smyrna was flowing by noon Saturday and it was restored all the way to Atlantic by 3 p.m.

Repairs Sunday

There was a total outage in Morehead City from 6 to 7:15 a.m. Sunday to repair slight damage at the main Morehead City power station and power was off in Beaufort from 7:45 a.m. to 8:20 a.m. Sunday to check insulators in the Beaufort station.

Mr. Stovall said the street light circuit in Morehead City is a total loss. Wires were blowing into high voltage circuits and crewmen simply cut them down. Stop lights in Morehead City are out too.

"We were hard hit on the beach," Mr. Stovall added. But current as far as Money Island and also westward on the beach was restored by Saturday night. On Sunday current to Fort Macon was flowing again.

Most of the line damage was caused by flying debris. The village of Salter Path got little damage. Although many residents there sought shelter in Morehead City, property loss was light. A deep gully was washed across the banks west of Salter Path but had started closing by yesterday.

Power was available to Salter Path by 3 p.m. Saturday. Lines to the community west of Atlantic Beach are owned by REA.

She Packed a Wallop

Hazel was no lady. She was every inch a hurricane. Carteret will be two weeks climbing out from under the debris of this storm. Carol and Edna were slight "blows" compared to the hurricane which hurtled northward from Haiti, missed the Florida coast but barreled with unrelenting vengeance into the Carolinas Friday morning.

Early advisories on the storm said she would hit this part of the coast before 7 a.m. Friday, but it was not until 8 that water started piling up. Five hours later blue sky pushed aside clouds that had ridden the crest of 80-mile-an-hour winds.

The high tides dropped suddenly, leaving skiffs in the middle of highways. Wet, brown grass was piled as high as three feet deep at high water marks, and pilings as big as telephone poles lay about like toothpicks tossed aside by a passing Paul Bunyan.

Causeway Blocked

By 9 a.m. there was no way of getting across the Beaufort-Morehead City causeway. Water 4 feet deep at the east side of the Beaufort bridge trapped unwary motorists. Cars choked, gasped, strug-

Outer Banks Fare All Right

"The outer banks fared better in this storm than we did," reports Earl Taylor of the Airport Service Center, Beaufort, who has made numerous trips along the outer banks since Hazel struck Friday.

High water was reported on Ocracoke and Portsmouth but the property damage was not nearly as extensive as it is inland.

Mr. Taylor said he saw no bodies of cattle or ponies and believes that they survived the storm.

"The damage along Atlantic Beach, from the air, is a sight to behold," says Mr. Taylor.

However, people from upstate were here Sunday to go fishing. A party was taken by plane to Drum Inlet Sunday and made fine catches of drum. In Mr. Taylor's opinion the fishing will be good during the coming weeks in spite of Hazel's churning of the waters.

It was reported soon after the storm that new inlets were cut in the banks north of Portsmouth, but Mr. Taylor said any new inlets there had been cut through by either Carol or Edna.

Ducks Carry Mail At North River

Three ducks, amphibious vehicles from Camp Lejeune, have been loaned by the Marines Corps to the United States postoffice and the country to carry mail and emergency provisions across North River.

J. P. Betts, Beaufort postmaster, said the area east of North River was without mail from Friday until yesterday. Sheriff Hugh Salter said 12 Marines from Camp Lejeune under the supervision of two lieutenants are operating the ducks.

Postmaster Betts said the mail is taken by truck to the North River Bridge, there it is transferred to a duck and carried to Atlantic. The duck crosses water only at North River and goes the remainder of the way on the highway.

Delivery along RFD routes east of North River is being made by Ralph Davis, a clerk at the Beaufort postoffice who has been stationed east of North River.

Sheriff Salter said the ducks are operating daily from 7:30 a.m. until sundown. The county is providing room and board for the Marines in Beaufort.

Postmaster Betts said arrangements for carrying the mail in Marine Corps vehicles were made by P. B. Osgood, local postoffice inspector.

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