

Judge, in Disgust, Recesses Court 'til 2 P.M. Yesterday

County, Towns Receive Beer-Wine Kick-Backs

A total of \$17,425 came into the county over the weekend in the form of beer-wine refunds to the towns and county.

The county received \$10,303; Morehead City \$4,035, Beaufort \$2,519, Newport \$530 and Atlantic Beach \$38.

Because beer and wine consumption was off sharply during the past 12 months, the checks sent out from Raleigh were the smallest in eight years.

The total paid to counties and towns is \$1,959,139.58, which is 22 per cent under the amount distributed last year.

Under an act of the 1947 General Assembly, portions of the beer and wine tax collected in counties and cities which allow beer-wine sales are refunded to the local units. Last year the Revenue Department's Beverage Tax Division refunded \$2,518,594.19 to the counties and towns.

This year's total was hard hit by declining beer sales which are being blamed upon beer price increases.

The biggest check, one for \$105,152, went to Charlotte. Winston-Salem got \$68,885, Greensboro \$58,356, Durham \$55,941, Raleigh \$51,323 and Asheville, \$41,577.

Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn recessed Superior Court yesterday until 2 p.m. He was disgusted — and rightfully so — because defendants were not in court.

"How can we have court if nobody's here to be tried?" he growled. "The county goes to all the expense to have a special term and then this happens!"

"Where are these people?" Solicitor W. J. Bundy shouted. "We may as well call the whole thing off!"

Tempers were short. A court term Thanksgiving week evidently didn't sit well with anyone.

"I know what I'll do," Judge Burgwyn said as the docket calling continued and lawyers rushed frenziedly around trying to find their clients. "I'll just order all bonds forfeited and issue capias!"

Sheriff Hugh Salter presented one defendant, a Negro lad. "He

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Santa Claus Will Come by Boat To Beaufort

Arrival of Jolly Old Elf Will Mark Beginning Of Christmas Season

Santa Claus will arrive in Beaufort via the "Good Ship Mistletoe" Wednesday, Dec. 1, at 4 p.m. and will be escorted through Beaufort by a parade featuring two high school bands and a Beaufort fire truck.

Santa Claus will give away free prizes to all children who present him with a letter.

This Saturday, 29 merchants will begin giving away tickets for the Pirate's Chest of Silver. The tickets are given away with each purchase of one dollar or more.

The stubs of the tickets will be placed in the Pirate's Chest and there will be four drawings with a total of \$100 being given away each time. Persons have to be present at the drawing to win.

The first drawing will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, and will be followed with drawings each Saturday until the last one, Friday, Dec. 24. All drawings will be at 3 p.m.

Stores will begin staying open on Wednesday afternoons Dec. 1 with the arrival of Santa Claus.

Stores will be open until 8 p.m. each night, starting Dec. 18.

In charge of the Christmas promotion is a Chamber of Commerce committee headed by Lonnie Dill.

The town crew and the fire department will put up town Christmas decorations. For the first time a lighted tree will stand this year in the center of the turn table at the west end of Front Street. The tree will be visible at night from the causeway and Beaufort bridge as well as from the main street of town.

Director Ben Douglas of the Board of Conservation and Development reported to Gov. Luther Hodges yesterday on his weekend trip throughout the coastal area.

Accompanied by Beverly C. Snow, chief engineer of the C&D Division of Water Resources; C. G. Holland, assistant commercial fisheries commissioner; and Eric W. Rodgers, assistant to Mr. Douglas, the C&D director toured the 11 coastal counties to survey hurricane damage.

The officials were in Carteret Friday. With them on the tour here was W. A. Ellison, Jr., director of the Institute of Fisheries Research. They were joined Saturday at Topsail Island by Col. R. L. Hill, in charge of the Wilmington district, Corps of Army Engineers.

Commissioner Holland has placed the total loss to the state's fishing industry, as the result of the hurricane, at \$1,506,313.

A summary of the damage done, by counties, follows: Beaufort, \$55,555; Bertie, \$135,020; Brunswick, \$474,232; Carteret, \$303,061; Chowan, \$163,226; Dare, \$53,087; Hyde, \$10,197; New Hanover, \$71,170; Onslow, \$209,215; Pamlico, \$28,400; and Washington, \$3,150.

Damage to fishing boats was put at \$369,058, to nets and stakes at \$226,461, to fish houses, docks and plants at \$787,924, to homes at \$111,428.

Commissioner Holland reported 750 commercial fishermen suffered damage from the hurricane, with some of them having their equipment destroyed and others sustaining partial damage.

Director Douglas commended the state's fishermen for their efforts to get their boats back in the water as soon as possible without waiting to see if the government were going to help them.

Because Judge Earl Mason is scheduled to be out of town today, there will be no Recorder's Court in Beaufort this afternoon. County Recorder's Court will not be held because Superior Court is in session.

C&D Director Tours State's Coastal Area

Atlantic Coast Line, Wilmington Interests Enter ICC Proceedings

Dr. R. O. Barnum Wins Flying Cross For Heroic Action

Dr. R. O. Barnum, a member of the Marine Corps Reserve, Morehead City, has been awarded the distinguished flying cross for action in Korea.

Dr. Barnum, whose home is at 1807 Bridges St., is also holder of several air medals for heroic action in Korea and in the South Pacific during the second World War.

The DFC was awarded for action July 7, 1952. In the citation from the President, forwarded by C. S. Thomas, secretary of the Navy, the action is described as follows: "Leading a flight of attack aircraft on a close air support mission against a heavily defended and well-entrenched enemy concentration of artillery and automatic weapons... Captain Barnum promptly located the carefully camouflaged batteries... and initiated a daring low-level napalm assault... through an intense barrage of hostile anti-aircraft fire. "After personally scoring a direct napalm hit that engulfed two enemy mortar positions in flames and clearly marked the target for the remainder of his flight, he led the division in repeated bombing and strafing assaults..."

Dr. Barnum, a native of Glaseco, Kan., went into the Marine Corps upon graduation from high school in 1942. He was trained at Pensacola and was stationed at Cherry Point in 1944.

After discharge from the service in 1946, he went to Chiropractic College in Davenport, Ia., and in 1950 was recalled to service. He re-entered as a first lieutenant and was promoted to captain in September 1950.

His service in Korea started in February 1951. Dr. Barnum started Chiropractic practice in Morehead City in February 1952. The Barnums have four children, Robert Sue, 9; Howard Otto, 7; Shirley Ann, 3, and Jeanie Marie, 1.

Under that plan, truck trailers would be transported from the Morehead City port to other ports along the Atlantic Coast, where the trailers would be picked up and taken to their destination by land.

The ICC has not set up any hearings as yet on the Southern Railway proposal.

There was no indication at Interstate Commerce Commission today when such a hearing would be held, if it is.

Another plan before the ICC which would also place a traffic emphasis on the Morehead City port is the proposal of McLean Trucking Co. of Winston-Salem to provide sea-land freight shipments that would use the port as a terminal.

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Morehead City Sewer Fee To Go into Effect Jan. 1

Friday News-Times Will Go to Press Tomorrow

Due to Thanksgiving Day, THE NEWS-TIMES will go to press tomorrow night with Friday's issue. Correspondents, advertisers and others submitting items for publication should send their material to the NEWS-TIMES office as soon as possible.

The deadline for accepting classified ads for Friday's paper will be 1 p.m. Wednesday. The paper will be distributed Thursday morning of this week rather than Friday.

SBA Finances Loans Totaling \$139,375 Here

The federal government, through the Small Business Administration has loaned \$139,375 to persons in this area to help them recover from losses caused by the Oct. 15 hurricane.

The SBA office, set up in the courthouse, Beaufort, Oct. 27, received 52 requests for loans. Had all been granted, the loan total in this area would have been \$155,775. Three of the 52 loan applications were not approved.

A. H. Graham, head of the office, said a majority of the loans went to fishermen. A few however, were to persons who needed homes rebuilt or their business houses repaired.

The repayment plans were arranged to suit the borrower, the time for repaying set over a period of years and at low interest rate.

Applications for loans to recover from hurricane-caused loss may be made until May 1, 1955. Since the local SBA office closed Friday, applications must now be filed at the Richmond office, 900 N. Lombardy St.

Patrol Checks On Two Wrecks

Two automobile accidents which occurred within four hours Saturday night and Sunday morning were investigated by State Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr.

A 1950 GMC pickup truck driven by Ira Guion Lewis, Marshallberg, turned over on the Gloucester Road at 11 o'clock Saturday night.

Lewis was rounding a curve, headed east, when the pickup ran off the right shoulder and upset. Lewis, who was alone, was taken to the Sea Level Hospital and treated for a head injury. Damage to the pickup was estimated at \$150.

A 1953 Ford, owned by Bonzell Lewis, Beaufort, and operated by Kenneth H. Willis, Beaufort, skidded across highway 101 and went in a ditch at 1 o'clock Sunday morning. Willis was headed east on the West Beaufort Road.

Damage to the car was estimated at \$150. Patrolman Smith said the road was wet at the time the accident occurred.

No charges were filed in either case.

Firemen Observe Demonstration

How to put out gas fires was the subject of the latest monthly drill of the Newport Fire Department. A "demonstration gas burner rig" provided plenty of fire for members of fire squads to extinguish.

Foam and carbon dioxide extinguishers were first tried. Neither put out the flames. Water fog at 400 pounds pressure from the booster line failed to extinguish the blaze. Fog from the larger hose lines and the applicator head finally subdued the fire.

After the initial demonstration, P. H. Ellington, Southeastern Safety Appliance Co., Atlanta, demonstrated the new type dry chemical extinguisher purchased by the fire department.

The new type extinguisher knocked out the fire in two or three seconds. Various members of the department tried out the new extinguisher.

W. H. Hawkins, engineer with Suburban-Rulane Gas Co., explained the characteristics of gas fires and gave the members pointers in the control of various types.

Twenty-one firemen were present.

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Officers Shatter Hopes Of Holiday Bootleggers

Dreams of abundant, illicit holiday grog were shattered this week-end as the sheriff's department and the county A.S.C. officer, M. M. Ayscue, closed in on two stills.

One still, a 100-gallon steam rig, was located in woods off the North River Road and the second, of about 50-gallon capacity was found at Davis between Catbird Swamp and the cemetery.

Mr. Ayscue said both stills would be dynamited early this week. He's planning to indict several persons believed connected with the bootleg operation at North River.

Officers went into the North River still about 1 a.m. Saturday and waited until 8 a.m., hoping the operators would turn up, but a batch of brew had already been run and disposed of.

The still at Davis was located a short distance behind the old school house which is now the community building. Mr. Ayscue said apparently everybody knew about its location except him!

When he got there Sunday afternoon it was the object of sightseers and folks in the community were upset about the fact that the illegal distillery was so close to home. The still is believed to have been found last week by some boys who were hunting in the locality.

Accompanying officers to the site Sunday was the sheriff's young son, Jeffery Salter, who located a bottle of the moonshine which had been hidden near the still.

"They're branching out," Mr. Ayscue said, referring to the bootleggers. This is the first time a still has been located that far east. Operations in the recent past have been confined to just east of Beaufort and the highway 101 section.

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Dixie B Won't Sail Again, Owner Reports

Charles Davis of Davis Seafood Co., owner of the Dixie B, says the Dixie B will never sail again.

Held immovably in the clutches of Cape Lookout Shoals, the trawler, which was struck by the menhaden boat, Dewey, Nov. 12, is beyond salvaging.

"The water's too shallow there to get in to her," Mr. Davis said. Efforts to free the vessel with tugs have failed.

The Dixie B is the victim of a collision on a bright and calm morning. According to a Coast Guard hearing conducted Tuesday, Nov. 16, at the courthouse, Beaufort, the Dewey ran into the trawler, striking her amidship, while both boats were passing through Cape Lookout strait. The crew aboard the trawler was saved. The Dixie settled to the bottom in about half an hour.

Mr. Davis said a suit is being filed against the Webb Bunker Co., owner of the Dewey, to recover damages.

Mayor Expresses Hope For Early Federal Aid

The Morehead City Town Board, in session Thursday night at the municipal building, decided that the sewer assessment shall go into effect Jan. 1, 1955. The board also discussed hurricane-damaged municipal property.

Mayor George Dill explained to the board that he has talked to the mayors of other towns and their sewer tax runs as much as 50 per cent of the water bill. He expressed his belief that the 25 per cent that Morehead City is levying for sewer service tax is not very much, compared with the other towns.

The commissioners agreed that the sewer tax should go into effect Jan. 1, 1955.

According to the 1954-55 budget adopted by the town in July, the sewer service fee this year was expected to bring in \$6,000. Delay in setting up machinery for collecting the fee made levying at the beginning of the fiscal year impossible. As a result, the fee will amount to only about half the estimated \$6,000.

In the past, the town has borne the expense of sewer maintenance, but town growth and reduction in revenue from unbudgeted sources has made it necessary, officials expect.

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Phone Company Joins Long Distance Circuit

Better than nine out of ten of the nearly 2,000 long distance circuits of Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co. became a part of the nation-wide long distance dialing network Nov. 21.

This enables the great majority of long distance operators throughout the Carolina company to ring any telephone in the United States that is now part of the network, by dialing a series of numbers.

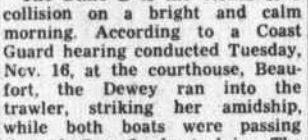
Acting as focal points in Eastern Carolina through which most long distance calls are disseminated to the network are the three long distance centers located at Rocky Mount, Fayetteville and New Bern.

Development of this new type long distance service in Eastern North Carolina has been rapid. In 1951, Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co. inaugurated its first operator long distance dialing circuits between Rocky Mount and Richmond, Virginia.

Today, less than four years later, better than 90 per cent of all its long distance circuits have been converted and as of Nov. 21 became part of the nation-wide network.

Even though you, here in Eastern North Carolina may place a call to some point in distant California, chances are that your call will be completed in a matter of minutes if you know the number. Your long distance operator will dial the number and intricate and expensive electronic equipment will complete the job, phone officials announce.

They're Courteous Folks



Mrs. Roverta Woodcock, waitress at Captain's Bill's Restaurant, and Lennis Brinson, deliveryman for White's Ice Cream and Milk Co., are winners in the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce courtesy contest. Each received a check for \$25. (Photos by Dan Wade)

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Potato Farmers To Vote Dec. 3

R. M. Williams, county farm agent, announced yesterday that potato farmers will vote on Friday, Dec. 3, on whether they want to pay 1 cent per hundred pound of potatoes to promote the sale of the North Carolina Irish potato.

A meeting giving the background on the proposal will take place at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the courthouse, Beaufort. Among the speakers will be Hugh Martin of the State Department of Agriculture and Joe Gurvey of the marketing division.

At the meeting at Washington, N. C. several months ago, Raymond Ball, Harlowe, was named to the potato referendum committee.

Mr. Williams said he and Mr. Ball plan to call on farmers this week to explain the potato promotion program to them.

Duffy Rowe Tells Lions of CARE

Duffy Rowe, of the Railway Express office, Morehead City, was the speaker at the Lions Club meeting Thursday night at the Morehead City Recreation Center.

Mr. Rowe spoke on the non-profit CARE organization which sends packages overseas to needy families.

In the business meeting plans were discussed for a talent contest. The basketball game between Hazel Walker's Arkansas Travelers and the Morehead City High School boys team, sponsored by the club, were also reviewed.

A board of directors meeting was held after the regular session.

There will be no meeting this week because of Thanksgiving. The following Thursday, Dec. 2, the Lions will be selling brooms in Beaufort.

Rotarians Hear Opera Official

Mrs. R. W. Carney, Waco Tex., publicity representative of the Grass Roots Opera Company, addressed the Morehead City Rotary Club Thursday night at Fleming's Restaurant.

The program was under the direction of H. L. Joslyn, of the club service committee.

Mrs. Carney led the group in some songs and then sang several solos. She told the club of the aims of the Grass Roots Opera Company and gave the background of the organization.

The company will present Don Pasquale at Smyrna School Dec. 1 at 7:30 p.m. and a matinee and evening performance at Beaufort School Dec. 2.

Lee Nance, Ayden, was the visiting Rotarian at the meeting.

Firemen to Sponsor Cartoon Show

Beaufort firemen are sponsoring a Swap-A-Toy cartoon show at the Beaufort Theatre Friday morning at 9:30.

Youngsters of all ages, from 1 through 100, are invited. The admission charge is a used toy in good condition, a new toy or a contribution of 50 cents or more.

Toys and money received will be used by firemen to provide a Merry Christmas for the town's underprivileged youngsters.

The show will last an hour and 15 minutes.

Tides at the Beaufort Bar	HIGH	LOW
Tuesday, Nov. 23	8:37 a.m.	12:15 a.m.
	6:47 p.m.	1:06 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 24	7:16 a.m.	12:54 a.m.
	7:27 p.m.	1:45 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 25	7:52 a.m.	1:32 a.m.
	8:05 p.m.	2:24 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 26	8:29 a.m.	2:08 a.m.
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