

As '55 Prepares to Enter, '54 Events Pass in Review

By F. C. SALISBURY
January

Week of Jan. 1:
Lt. Peter S. Branson, USCG, assumes command of the 125-foot Coast Guard Cutter Agassiz based at Morehead City. — C. V. Hill of Beaufort escapes injury when bumped by a car. — Death of Charles V. Webb of Morehead City occurred following a heart attack. — Negotiations started for purchase of the A&EC by the Southern Railroad. — Col. G. W. Gillette, director of the State Ports Authority since 1947, retired.

Robert Humber, founder of World Federalist movement addressed a gathering at Beaufort. — Dan E. Taylor, one of the Taylor brothers of Sea Level, was married to Mrs. Frances C. Burkhardt at West Palm Beach, Fla.

Marriages: Miss Glenda M. Willis of Smyrna to Thomas W. Eaton of Morehead City. — Deaths: Mrs. Ernest Guthrie, 57, of Harkers Island. Mrs. Mary Fulcher, 80, of Atlantic. Hervey D. Carraway, 69, of Merrimon.

Week of Jan. 8:
Consolidation of the Beaufort and Morehead City Red Cross Chapters approved by the national board of governors. — Margaret L. Merrill, age 10, of Beaufort escaped serious injury when struck by a car. — Fire damaged the home of Eddie Gliden, Bridges Street, Morehead City.

County high school students to compete in statewide oratory contest sponsored by bankers. — Elks of the state start campaign to raise \$40,000 to build boys' camp on Bogue Banks. — Sunday started the new year in the county with a touch of spring as the thermometer rose to 69. — Pfc. Warren C. Day, formerly of Lola, reported missing in action in Korea, officially listed as dead. — Robert W. Safrit Jr., of Beaufort, named chairman of County Board of Education.

Marriages: Miss Ann Rivers of Newport to Joseph S. Garner. Mrs. Dorothy English of Sea Level to Wilbert Bruce of Kentucky. — Deaths: Pinta D. Williams, 43, Ocracoke. Mrs. Leeveilla Williams, 87, of Ocracoke.

Week of Jan. 15:
B. H. Whitehurst, Beaufort, installed Thursday night as Noble Grand of Concordia Lodge No. 11



B. H. Whitehurst led Odd Fellows

of Odd Fellows. — Defense department lists Pfc. Randolph Eubanks, son of John R. Eubanks, Morehead City, missing in action. — Alvah Hamilton elected president of the All-Seashore Highway Association at a meeting in New Bern. — Cost of new buildings in Morehead City for the year 1953 totaled \$743,300. — Charles Lockland Jr., captain of trawler owned by E. C. Ballou, reported missing. — Halsey Paul elected president of the Beaufort Rotary Club. — Col. Richard S. Marr, executive director of the State Ports Authority, paid his first official visit to the Morehead City port. — Numa F. Eure elected chairman of the Finer Carolina contest in Beaufort.

Marriages: Miss Eva V. Taylor of Beaufort to Samuel F. Ballou of Morehead City. — Deaths: Mrs. Permelia Fulcher, 91, Newport. Lemuel Smith, 80, Morehead City. Mrs. Pearl Pringle, 67, Newport. William L. Harris, 85, Bachelor. Stephen B. Mason, 89, Atlantic.

Week of Jan. 22:
N. F. Eure, Beaufort, chairman of the Carteret District Boy Scouts of America, presented with Silver Beaver award at Greenville meeting. — Gordon A. Skean, production manager of THE NEWS-TIMES accepts position with the Stars and Stripes in Tokyo. — Holden Ballou of Beaufort named 1953 Man-of-the-Year by Jaycees of Beaufort. Vic Bellamaw presented the Key Man award.

Winner of the CP&L Finer Carolina Farm Contest in the 50-acre class, M. L. Simmons, RFD, Newport. — David Small, Morehead City High School senior recommended for a John M. Morehead



Holden Ballou won Jaycee honor

Foundation scholarship. — Carteret County Ministerial Association placed 25 Bibles in the Sea Level Community Hospital and five new Testaments in the Bogue Sound Rest Home. — Robert L. Humber elected honorary member of the Emeritus Club.

Marriages: Miss Nancy I. Whitehurst of Beaufort to Marvin P. Knox. Mrs. Violet Noe of Beaufort to Ernest C. Tatum. — Deaths: Mrs. Frank Merrill, 31, of Beaufort. George W. Willis, 69, Beaufort.

Week of Jan. 29:
H. S. Gibbs Jr. elected chairman of Finer Carolina program in Morehead City. — Morehead City town officials change parking meters to nickel-an-hour basis. — County REA request that their new office and warehouse be taken into Morehead City limits.

Mrs. Wiley Taylor Jr., Beaufort, elected manager of the Carteret Community Theatre. — Deputy Sheriff Ormsby Mann, chief of police of Newport captured car containing 90 gallons of bootleg whiskey.

Marriages: Miss Inez Hamilton of Sea Level to Kenneth Wiggins. — Deaths: John E. Bridges, 83, former manager of the Port Macon Hotel in Morehead City at Sanford, Fla. Mrs. Mary T. Salter, 93, Broad Creek. Clem E. Springler, 78, of Beaufort. James H. Lewis, of Harkers Island.

February

Week of Feb. 2:
H. S. Gibbs Jr. honored with Jaycee Distinguished Service Award. — A. B. Cooper appointed member County Board of Education to fill vacancy of late C. V. Webb. — Newport citizens enter protest against state building by-pass about town.

Former Royal Theatre in Morehead City being remodeled into store space. — Family of the late Dr. W. A. Lambert donates books to several institutions. — Mrs. Harvey Hamilton Jr. elected president Morehead City Junior Woman's Club. — Fire damages the home of Lewis Hinson in Morehead City to the extent of \$2,000.

Marriages: Miss Edith A. Willis of Beaufort to Hubert L. Everhart, Miss Jean C. Morris of Atlantic to Vincent J. Donofrio. — Deaths: Mrs. Annie Gardner, 73, of Beaufort. Mrs. Marion N. Guthrie, 71, Harkers Island.

Week of Feb. 9:
County had first snowfall of the season on Sunday. — Community Theatre gives play "One Foot in Heaven." — John Riggs and Kenneth Allen seriously hurt in auto accident. — H. Earle Mobley resigns as governor of Morehead City Moose lodge.

Beaufort PTA approves the sum of \$507 for school expenditures. — Williston Boat Yard given contract

for new boat for the Institute of Fisheries Research.

Marriages: Miss Gail Bennett of Savannah, Ga., to Lt. Cecil R. Murphy of Davis. — Deaths: Mrs. George Hemick, 32, Harkers Island. Mrs. Laura T. Watson, 82, Stella. Mrs. Hannah Guthrie, 70, Harkers Island.

Week of Feb. 16:
The Wilmington Shipping Co. opens shipping agency in Morehead City with W. T. Davis in charge. — Suit by Seth Arthur heirs against the CP&L Company settled for \$3,200. — Four-year-old Jenny Edwards of Newport winner in March of Dimes baby contest. — Commercial National Bank of Kingston to open branch in Morehead City.

Davis Free Will Baptists to remodel church into new \$30,000 sanctuary. — John James elected governor of Moose Lodge to succeed H. E. Mobley.

Marriages: Miss Anna L. Bell of Beaufort to Curtis Modlin. — Deaths: Mrs. Julia Saratowski, 62, mother of Eddie Saratowski of Morehead City. Mrs. J. C. Salter, 69, of Broad Creek. John G. Guthrie, 25, of Harkers Island. Mrs. Burt Pittman, 59, of Morehead City.

Week of Feb. 23:
Miss Georgina Yeatman, operator of the 43,773-acre Open Grounds



Beaufort High School basketball team copped District 2 basketball trophy.

Farm won a first prize in the 1953 CP&L Finer Carolina contest. — IS Antwerpen unloads 750 tons of sugar at Port Terminal consigned to J. B. Kittrell, Greenville. — Drive starts for new members for the Holy Name Society of St. Egebert's Catholic Church of Morehead City.

Deaths: John E. Jenkins, 75, Morehead City. Wanda K. Willis, age 6, Atlantic. Mrs. Dominick R. Cafarelli, 28, Morehead City. Mrs. Sallie Ann Johnson, 78, Harkers Island. Carl Taylor, 47, Bogue. Walter Davis, 43, Morehead City. Mrs. Dannie Morton, 73, Broad Creek.

March

Week of March 2:
Coast Guard Cutter Agassiz saves sea-going barge with load of potatoes valued at \$136,000. — W. M. Jenkins of Morehead City injured when his car was struck by Seashore Bus. — Beaufort parking

meters go on five-cent basis. — Heavy windstorm with lashing rain sweeps over county doing considerable damage.

County Board refers to grand jury names of 250 who failed to list for taxes. — A chapter of the National Beta Club for high school students established at Atlantic. — Morehead City Drug Store opens new store. — Beaufort board orders complete new map made of the town and environs.

Marriages: Miss Elizabeth I. McClosky to George D. Gamble of Morehead City. Miss Florine M. Hayden to D. M. Johnson of Harkers Island. — Deaths: Alec Beeton, 47, Morehead City. Mrs. Mary F. Debrish, 72, Beaufort. Mrs. Hannah Williams, 67, Beaufort. Robert E. Lee, 72, formerly of Morehead City. The Rev. James P. Harris, 71, former Baptist pastor of Beaufort. Mrs. Clyde Duncan Walker, wife of the late Dr. C. L. Duncan of Beaufort.

Week of March 9:
Plans approved by State Port Authority which would triple existing storage space of the port. — County officers overhaul Virgil Roberts of Kingston after hair-raising chase, capturing 60 gallons of non-taxpaid whisky. — Charles W. Davis of Beaufort elected as historian of Beaufort Cemetery Association. — Skinner Chalk named

Ocracoke USCG Life Boat Rescues Disabled Tug, Ship

Readers Tell of Headlines They'd Like to See in '55

By RIP WILDER

With 1955 on the threshold, readers have been telling us what headline they would like most to see in THE NEWS-TIMES next year.

Gene Smith, Beaufort, would like to read "Senator Scott Introduces Measure to Build Seashore Highway," and Mr. Smith would also like to see news about Southern Railway coming into the county.

Mayor George Dill, Morehead City, expresses his hope that headlines might tell of no business "backslide" in the county. "If business holds up in 1955 like it did in 1954, we'll be doing all right," he remarked. He, too, would like to read, "ICC Approves Lease of A&EC to Southern."

Leroy Guthrie, head of the More-

head City Longshoremen's union, would like to pick up his paper sometime early next year and read, "Southern Takes over A&EC."

The Rev. J. D. Young, Beaufort, would like to see a story headed "Church Attendance Increases 40 Per Cent Over Last Year," and a Beaufort school teacher, who asked that she not be identified, would like to read "More Rooms Added for School Children."

"World Peace Assured" would head the story that Claud Wheatly, Beaufort, wants to read. "Wouldn't we all like that!"

Capt. Buck Newsome, Morehead City, would like a story headed "Added Recreational Facilities for Teen-Agers Cuts Juvenile Delinquency."

T. H. McQuaid, Beaufort, visual-

izes a headline "New Industries Come to Carteret County."

Mrs. C. C. McCuiston, Morehead City, would like to sit down and read a story in THE NEWS-TIMES which had the headline emblazoned across the front, "Dog Track Reopens; Big Convention Hotel Completed."

"Morehead Campaign to Clean up Vacant Lots is Successful" would herald the story which Mrs. G. B. Stovall, Morehead City, would like to see.

And so, a composite story, reporting all these events, might be headlined "Carteret Profits from Seashore Highway, More Business, Industry, New Railway, Higher Church Attendance, Teen-Age Recreation Facilities, Dog Track, New Hotel, and Town Beautification as World Peace Makes Permanent Entry!"

A Coast Guard patrol boat from Ocracoke life boat station returned to the station at 4:15 a.m. yesterday after saving the Ocean Prince, a disabled tug, and the S.S. Polana, a troop type transport, southeast of Diamond Shoals.

The Ocean Prince was towing the S.S. Polana when the tug had engine trouble and high seas and strong winds started moving them toward Diamond Shoals, the graveyard of the Atlantic.

The 83-foot patrol boat reached the tug and transport at 1:30 Wednesday afternoon when they were about three miles southeast of the shoals and started towing the two vessels northward.

The Coast Guard cutter, Cherokee, was dispatched from Norfolk, Va., to meet the patrol boat and take over the two vessels in tow. Immediately after the Ocracoke patrol boat arrived, the engineer on the tug began tearing down the engines to make repairs.

The patrol boat met the Cherokee early yesterday morning and turned over the disabled vessels.

The 125-foot tug owned by the Red Star Co., New York, was towing the Polana from the James River mothball fleet, near Hopewell, Va., to Jacksonville, Fla., when she radioed that she was in danger of going on the sand bars of Diamond Shoals.

Boatswain Mate Chief John Rogers was in charge of the Ocracoke patrol boat which sped to the rescue of the two disabled vessels.

17 Cases Tried; Alvah Hamilton Presides Monday

Seventeen cases were tried and 20 were continued in Morehead City Recorder's Court Monday morning. Alvah Hamilton, attorney, presided in the absence of Judge George McNeill.

Theodore Koziol pled guilty to a charge of being drunk and disorderly and pled not guilty to interfering with an officer in the line of duty. He was found guilty of both charges and was fined \$25 and taxed costs of court.

Elmer Bryant Dudley, Alonzo Jones and Alex Guthrie faced speeding charges. Dudley and Jones were fined \$10 and assessed costs. The state did not prosecute Guthrie.

Drexel E. Hopkins and George Newman had to pay half court costs. Hopkins was charged with not having a muffler on his car and Newman faced a charge of having an expired operator's license.

Pay \$10 Fines, Costs
Lulla Mae Kallafus, Ernest Clayton Crist and Charles Weston were fined \$10 and taxed costs for not having driver's licenses.

The state did not prosecute Pete Sam Chagaris and Roger Clayton Mallard. Mallard was charged with speeding and Chagaris was charged with failing to yield the right of way.

Kennedy Austin was given 30 days or \$10 and costs for not having a driver's license and driving on the wrong side of the road.

Alphonzo Styron was ordered to stay away from Morehead City for 12 months, after he was found guilty of being drunk in an automobile.

Allen E. Sydnor and William Gattis, charged with public drunkenness, were given 30 days on the streets or \$10 fines and court costs.

Bonds Forfeited
Carroll M. Williams, William Floyd Brown and E. C. O'Steen Sr., forfeited their bonds. Williams is charged with speeding and Brown faces a drunk driving charge while O'Steen is charged with false pretense and fraud.

Continued cases are Norman Chadwick and Beverly Cummins, no driver's licenses; John Henry Pritchett, allowing an unlicensed person to drive; Dolly Morse Willis, Jerry Garner, failing to yield the right of way; Robert C. Ashby, public drunkenness.

Duffy Arnold, failing to comply with a court judgment; Richard D. Fockler, drunken driving, careless and reckless driving, failing to stop at a stop sign, driving on the sidewalk, resisting arrest, and not having a driver's license.

Carrie Watson White, Augustus Little, Cecil Claude Hill, Luke Herbert Wetherington and John Emmett Rhue, all charged with failing to stop at a stop sign; Harrison Horton, assaulting a female and chasing her away from home; Kenneth Guthrie, possessing obscene film.

Burglar Gets \$11 When He Enters Fulcher House

Sheriff Hugh Salter Uses Bloodhounds to Follow Morning Trail

Another crawler, on the prowl in Beaufort early Wednesday morning, crawled through the front window of Dr. Luther Fulcher's home and made off with \$11.

Sheriff Hugh Salter said the break-in took place at about 5:30. In the home at the time were Dr. and Mrs. Fulcher, their five children and Dr. Fulcher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Fulcher, Stacy, who were spending the night there.

Mr. Fulcher's wallet, containing about \$10 was taken and a dollar in change was taken from Dr. Fulcher's coat pocket.

Donald Fulcher, 19, was asleep in the living room and saw the man in the house, but as he stirred, the man fled out the front door. Donald described the intruder as short and heavy-set but he didn't know whether he was Negro or white.

Sheriff Salter obtained two bloodhounds from New Bern and a trail was followed through Hancock Park, but it ended in a marsh back of Circle Drive.

The burglar got in the Fulcher home by opening a window through which an electric cord ran to Christmas decorations outdoors. Both the screen and window were open. He put a prop under the window so he could crawl in.

This is the eighth in a series of break-ins with which Beaufort has been plagued during the past couple of months. In every instance, the intruder seems to be after money.

And in all cases, except one, burglars have made good their getaway. Carlton Franklin, Negro, was bound over to Superior Court Nov. 30, on a charge of breaking and entering the Charles Owens home, Broad Street.

Port Operates at Profit, But Overall Loss Recorded

Car Turns Over At Merrimon

Christopher Thomas Salter, Stacy, and a passenger in the Salter car, escaped injury at 11:30 Monday night when the 1954 Chevrolet Salter was driving upset in front of Cannon's Grocery at Merrimon.

Salter, who is in the Air Force and stationed in Mississippi, was home on furlough. He was headed south on the Merrimon Road, according to Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes, and failed to round a curve.

The car turned over and landed on its top in the yard of Clyde Cannon, tearing up the fence around the yard. Damage to the car was estimated at \$300.

Because the road is in the process of being re-surfaced, Salter has been charged with speeding too fast for existing road conditions. The man riding with Salter was not identified.

Offices, Banks, ABC Stores Close Tomorrow

The postoffices, banks, ABC stores, municipal offices in Beaufort and Morehead City, and the courthouse will be closed tomorrow, New Year's Day.

A window at the Morehead City postoffice will be open from 12 to 1 o'clock.

Most of the stores in both towns will be open.

Driver Arrested Following Wreck On Ann Street

Jack Rose, Harkers Island, was arrested at 5:45 p.m. Wednesday following a wreck at Ann and Turner Streets, Beaufort. Rose was charged with being drunk, careless and reckless driving.

State Highway Patrolman W. E. Pickard said that Rose, driving a 1946' Plymouth, was proceeding east on Ann Street when he ran into two cars stopped at the stop light. One was the Beaufort police car.

The police car, driven by Chief M. E. Guy, had stopped at the light. Behind that car was a 1954 Chevrolet driven by Thomas Carter, Whitestone, Va.

Rose smashed into the rear of Carter's car and knocked that car into the police car. Riding with Chief Guy was Freddie Lee Wilson, resident of the Laurel Road. Damage to the police car was estimated by town officials at about \$50. Damage to the Chevrolet was estimated by Patrolman Pickard at \$250 and Rose's car was demolished.

Chief Guy put Rose in jail. Dan Walker, town clerk, who happened to be in the vicinity of the wreck, later took Chief Guy and Wilson to the Morehead City Hospital where Dr. Luther Fulcher examined them.

Dr. Fulcher said Wilson had a headache and the chief had minor neck and shoulder strains. The physician also examined Rose who had a cut gum and lip.

Port Operates at Profit, But Overall Loss Recorded

Port income at Morehead City for the 1953-54 fiscal year was \$205,972, according to a report released recently by Henry L. Bridges, state auditor. The port's operating expenses were \$64,377 less than income, or \$141,595.

Although profitable operation took place at Morehead City, the overall view of the state ports picture shows a loss of \$40,160 during the past fiscal year. The state also operates a port at Wilmington.

That loss figure includes allowance for depreciation. Without such allowance, \$163,567, the port would have shown a profit of \$16,942. Total income, \$333,711, was up \$111,732 over the previous year and expenses increased \$94,953.

The state appropriated \$134,318 from the general fund to help operate the ports during 1953-54, but only \$106,485 was spent. Had go state appropriation been available, according to the audit, the loss, including depreciation, would have amounted to \$146,645.

County Recorder's Court did not convene Tuesday but will be in session next Tuesday as usual.

Tar Heels Send Brazilian Seamen 3,000 Greetings

Theatre Group Invites Crew to Party; Carolers Sing Aboard Ship

During their stay in Morehead City over the Christmas holidays, crew members of the Guapore, Brazilian tanker, received over 3,000 Christmas cards from North Carolinians. The Brazilians put into the Morehead City port Dec. 16 for generator repair.

The captain, Andre Sabatie Fonseca, and several members of the crew appeared on WNCT, Greenville television station, Dec. 22 and were treated to lunch, after the appearance, by the Proctor Coffee Shop in Greenville.

The Carteret Community Theatre had six Brazilians as their guests at their Christmas party Dec. 23 and carolers from Beaufort sang for the men aboard the ship on Christmas Eve.

Trees Cut
Bob Hicks, manager of Heide & Co. Inc. shipping agents, cut Christmas trees for the Brazilians and they decorated the trees for a Christmas party.

Captain Fonseca estimated that 2,600 persons visited the ship Christmas day.

William Davis, manager of the Morehead City Shipping Co. which is handling the ship, said repairs have been slow because help had to be obtained from New York.

To complicate matters, instructions on the faulty generator were written in Swedish and German, the crew speaks Portuguese and Americans are making the repairs!

Foreman Commended
Mr. Davis commended Johnny Harris, ship foreman at Machine & Supply Co., Beaufort for his assistance.

He said, "If it weren't for him I don't know what we would have done. He pitched in and kept up the spirit of the other workers. It is hard to get anyone to work during the holidays."

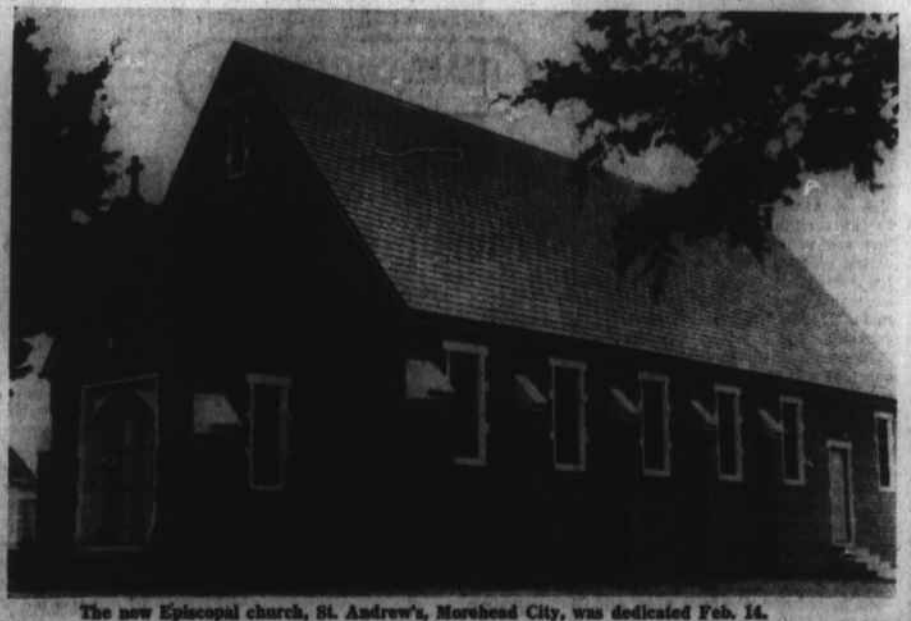
Mr. Davis said the repair work being done on the Guapore here will speak well for the port and again proves that Morehead City can handle problems which are usually taken to bigger ports.

Announcement Deferred

The winners of the home Christmas decorations contest in Newport will be announced at the next meeting of the Newport Businessmen's Association. The association sponsored the contest. Their meeting of Dec. 28 was postponed.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Friday, Dec. 31	
11:48 a.m.	6:06 a.m.
12:09 p.m.	6:31 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 1	
12:05 a.m.	6:50 a.m.
1:06 p.m.	7:18 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 2	
1:49 a.m.	8:04 a.m.
2:08 p.m.	8:17 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 3	
2:54 a.m.	9:14 a.m.
3:12 p.m.	9:20 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 4	
4:01 a.m.	10:23 a.m.
5:19 p.m.	10:25 p.m.



The new Episcopal church, St. Andrew's, Morehead City, was dedicated Feb. 14.