

Uncle Sam Okays \$122,675 Expense To Build Beaches

County Will Control Expenditure for Pushing Sand, Putting Up Fences

County officials were advised Tuesday by Gen. Edward Griffin of the State Civil Defense Administration that the federal government has approved expenditure of \$122,675 to rebuild Carteret beaches damaged by Hurricane Hazel.

But the money can be spent only for bulldozing sand and for putting up fences to rebuild the beaches. None of the money will be deposited with the county. It will remain in the hands of the government and be paid directly by the government to the contractors employed by the county to do beach restoration work.

It lies with the County Board of Commissioners to determine who shall do the work, how it shall be done and where. If the county authorizes work other than pushing sand back into place or erecting sand fences, the government will not pay the bill.

Money Applied For

The \$122,675 has been earmarked for this county on the basis of an application submitted to the Civil Defense Administration. The application requested funds for rebuilding beaches ravaged by high tides and hurricane winds Oct. 15. The government granted the money for the repairs specified in the application and the recipient of the money (in this case the county) can use it only for the purposes for which it was requested.

Specifications Considered

County officials are now considering specifications which contractors interested in doing the job will have to follow. After the work is done, it has to be checked, papers verifying that the work was done will be submitted to the proper government office and the funds will be paid to the contractor or contractors.

The county board is expected to consider the matter at its meeting Monday, Feb. 7, at 10 a. m. at the courthouse, Beaufort.

Approval of expenditure of \$122,675 here is the first to be made in the county. Beaufort, Morehead City and Atlantic Beach have also applied for government aid.

Guy W. Herring Killed in Wreck

Funeral Will be at 2 This Afternoon

Funeral services for Guy Walter Herring, 33, route 1 Newport, who was killed Wednesday night in an auto accident, will be conducted at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the home on Highway 70 west of Morehead City.

Herring's car turned over, pinning him beneath it at 9:30 on the Roberts Road, two miles from the Highway 70 intersection. The Roberts Road is a paved link connecting Highway 70 and the Nine-Foot Road.

According to State Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr., Herring was driving a 1940 Chevrolet, headed toward Newport. He apparently ran onto the shoulder of the road and lost control of the car.

Thrown from Car

The patrolman said Herring was probably thrown from the car and it rolled on top of him. He had a fractured skull, broken legs and internal injuries.

Nobody was with Herring except his pet dog. The dog was found in the car, suffering from a nose bleed.

The wreck was discovered by a Marine from Cherry Point who was returning after visiting his wife at Camp Lejeune Hospital. He went to a house nearby to notify police. Persons first on the scene of the accident couldn't find anyone, they said. Herring was so far under the car they didn't discover him. He was apparently killed instantly.

Sterling Roberts, who lives about 200 yards from the scene of the wreck, said he heard a rumble about the time of the accident, but didn't know what it was.

First Fatality

Herring's death is the first highway fatality in the county this year.

He is survived by his wife, Audrey Long Herring; two sons, G. W. Jr. and Jimmy, and a daughter, Judy Kay; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Herring, route 1 Newport; and four sisters, Mrs. Lehman Corbett, Mrs. George Murdoch, Mrs. Fred Kelly and Mrs. Lonnie P. Henderson, all of Newport.

The Rev. D. B. Cummings, Newport, will officiate at the funeral service. Burial will be in Wildwood Cemetery.

Courts Convict 11 in Climax To Crackdown on Liquor Trade

Eleven persons have been convicted of liquor violations in the recorder's courts of Morehead City, Beaufort and the county.

Found guilty were Roy Teel and his wife, Annie Mae Teel, Allen Murray, Mary Johnson Smith, Theodore Smith, Fred Arnold, G. L. Winters, Mrs. Alfred Anderson, Alfred Anderson, Viola Debrix and Andrew Bell.

A case against Mary Jane Davis, charged with possessing non-tax-paid whisky and selling same, was continued in county recorder's court.

Six of the defendants appealed to Superior Court. They are Roy and Annie Mae Teel, Theodore Smith, Andrew Bell, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Anderson.

In county court Roy Teel was sentenced to one year on the roads with his sentence suspended on the stipulation that he remain on good behavior for five years and pay a \$100 fine and costs.

Annie Mae Teel was given a suspended sentence of six months in Woman's Prison, suspended on condition that she pay a fine of \$100 and court costs.

Bonds Set

Both were charged with possessing non-tax-paid whisky and selling it. Their appeal bonds were set at \$200 apiece by Judge Lambert Morris.

Allen Murray, facing the same charge, was fined \$10 and taxed. See CONVICTIONS, Page 2

Luther Lewis Heads Christmas Lighting Program

Luther Lewis was appointed chairman of the Morehead City Jaycee Christmas lighting program at the club's meeting Monday night at the Hotel Fort Macon.

According to Jasper Bell, president of the Jaycees, several money-raising projects will be staged by the group to finance the program. The object of the program is to get better Christmas lights in the business district at Morehead City next Christmas.

The club voted to hold the Jaycee "Sheriff Party" at Marion Mills' cottage at 7:30 Jan. 31. The party will be a stag affair.

The club agreed to co-sponsor a television talent hunt with the Cowboyy Corral program on WNCT, Greenville television station.

The program will be here in the county Feb. 4 and the winner of the show will be on the Greenville station.

First place winner will receive \$25 and the second place winner will get \$15 while a prize of \$10 will go to the third place winner.

The place in which the one-hour show will be held has not yet been decided.

It was announced at the meeting that the Jaycee Christmas sign on Highway 70 will be changed this week to a welcoming sign reading "Welcome to Morehead City, Fisherman's Paradise."

P. H. Geer Jr. attended charter night at Ayden. The Ayden Jaycees were presented with their charter at that time.

President Gives Cup to Speaker

Toastmaster Theodore Phillips won the speaker's cup for this week, receiving the award from Club President J. P. Harris Jr., at the Wednesday morning meeting of the Carteret Toastmasters at the Inlet Inn.

George Stovall was a special guest and William Fodrie of Morehead City became the club's newest member at the meeting. Impromptu speakers were Mr. Harris, Jasper Bell, P. H. Geer Jr., and Walton Hamilton who spoke on the various phases of the "Finer Carolina Program." Toastmaster for the meeting was Ted Davis and topic critic, Toastmaster Bell.

Prepared speeches were made by Walter Hamilton speaking on "New Year's Resolutions," Mr. Geer, whose subject was "In Your Hands," Mr. Harris, "Man's Greatest Enemy," and Dr. Russell Outlaw on "Freedom of Discussion."

Individual critics were T. D. Phillips, E. G. Phillips, Dr. W. L. Woodard, and C. T. Lewis, Master evaluator and parliamentarian was Dr. Russell Outlaw. Gerald D. Hill was grammarian.

Toastmaster of the morning was J. P. Ehrman and the educational section of the program consisted of playing a tape recording of the speech which won the international first prize in Washington last August.

Phillip Payne Gets Suspended Prison Sentence

Elmo Teasly Draws Six Months for Selling Mortgaged Property

Phillip Payne was given a suspended sentence in County Recorder's Court Tuesday of three months on the roads for the larceny of gasoline.

Payne's sentence was suspended on the stipulation that he remain on good behavior for three years and pay a fine of \$25 and court costs.

T. Elmo Teasly, charged with disposing of mortgaged property, was sentenced to six months on the roads and Judge Lambert Morris suspended his sentence on the stipulation that he pay the prosecuting witness \$796.60 and pay court costs.

Fourteen defendants forfeited their bonds. They are Charles West, bad check; Dewey Coy Carter, Jonathan Henry Graham, Owen

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Defendant Booked on Seven Charges, Pays \$200 Fine

Auto Hits Parked Car in Beaufort

A 1939 Plymouth, driven by Miss Ella V. Davis, Beaufort, struck a parked 1948 Plymouth, owned by Oliver Yost, Beaufort, Monday night at 6:30 on Ann Street, Beaufort.

Mr. Yost's car was parked on Ann Street, headed west when Miss Davis, also headed west, collided with the car.

Miss Davis said she was blinded by the lights of a car coming the other way. She turned the wheel and hit Mr. Yost's car.

Assistant Chief Carlton Garner, Beaufort police department, investigated the accident and estimated that Miss Davis's car damage was about \$125 while the 1948 Plymouth had about \$50 damages.

No charges were filed in connection with the accident, the officer said.

Driver Pays Costs For Speeding

Fane Wright Pearson was taxed costs of court in Beaufort Recorder's Court Tuesday afternoon on a speeding charge.

A charge of cutting through a service station driveway, against Lytle Smith, was dismissed.

Five cases against menhaden fishermen were left open for future prosecution. The cases are against James Butler, public drunkenness and using profane language; Irvin Nichols, public drunkenness and disturbing the peace; George Beans, public drunkenness; Mitchell Rush, assaulting Daniel Richards with a knife; Daniel Richards, fighting with Mitchell Rush.

A bench warrant was issued for James Reel, charged with not having a driver's license and the state did not prosecute Freddie Lee Wilson for breaking and entering. The case against Alvin Hodges was continued. He is charged with public drunkenness and being a public nuisance.

Two Cars Tangle At Intersection

A car driven by Myrtle Ann Oglesby, route 1 Newport, collided with a car driven by Earl Thomas Willis, route 1 Morehead City, at 5:10 p. m. Friday at 10th and Arendell Streets, Morehead City.

According to Officer Joe Smith of the Morehead City Police Department, Miss Oglesby, in a 1952 Ford, was going east on Arendell Street and turned left into the Willis car which was proceeding west.

Damage to each car was estimated at \$150. Miss Oglesby said that she did not see Willis's car, a 1949 Studebaker, approaching. No charges were filed against either driver.

Play Scheduled For Feb. 17, 18

Tentative dates for the production of "Arsenic and Old Lace," the next Carteret Community Theatre play, are Thursday and Friday, Feb. 17 and 18, at Beaufort.

Mrs. Wiley Taylor Jr., business manager, said that due to changes in the theatre by-laws, the production will be given only in one town. Sponsoring the play is the Wesleyan Guild of Ann Street Methodist Church.

Directing the play will be Steve Dail of Atlantic Beach. Lynn Stoller, Beaufort, who was originally chosen to direct the three-act comedy, will direct the play to be given after "Arsenic and Old Lace."

Final try-outs took place last night.

Correction

Charlie Krouse who testified Monday in behalf of Malcolm Reed in Morehead City Recorder's Court, said Tuesday that he had never been employed by the Yellow Cab Co., as stated in Tuesday's paper. Reed was convicted of selling ABC whisky.

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The State Ports Authority on Wednesday approved a low bid by First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co. Smithfield, on \$60,000 in revenue bonds. The money will be borrowed to pay for the grain elevator at Morehead City port, pictured above. The elevator will be leased to Cargill Inc., a grain-handling firm.

The ports authority says the rent it will receive from Cargill will be sufficient to allow it to recover the full cost, plus interest, in five years.

Final sale of the bonds will be subject to the outcome of a friendly court action to test the Ports Authority's power to issue the bonds.

Atty. Gen. Harry McMullan said papers in the case, which will be filed by the Ports Authority in Wake Superior Court, will be prepared next week. The supreme court will be asked to give an early decision in the case.

Two Defendants

Named as defendants in the suit will be the First-Citizens Bank and the Wachovia Bank and Trust Co., Winston-Salem.

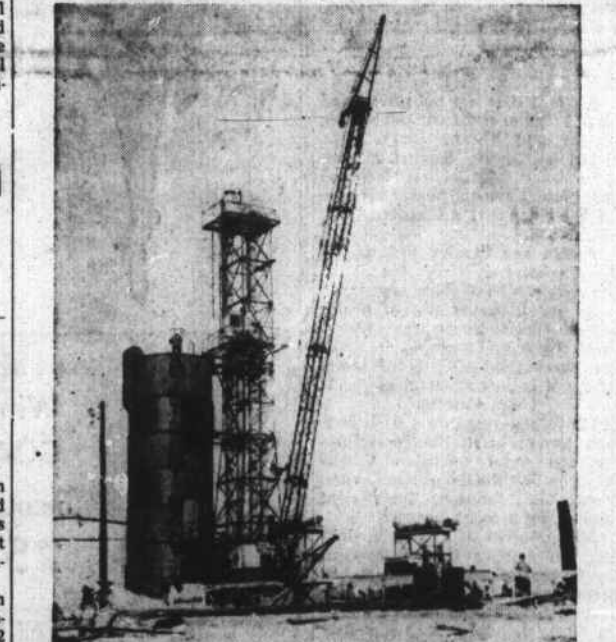
Wachovia one of the purchasers of the original state bonds issued to finance construction of the ports facilities in 1949, had explained, in order to test whether interests of the original bond holders would be affected by an issue of revenue bonds.

The original ports act committed its revenue to the retirement of original bonds, with the exception of necessary expansions.

Double Test

Not only will the authority's power to issue revenue bonds be tested, McMullan explained, but also its authority to finance a facility for a particular operator such

Ports Authority Acts On Revenue Bond Bids



as Cargill, without offering a lease to the general public.

The only other bidder on the \$60,000 bond issue was Wilmington Savings and Trust Co. which proposed and interest rate of 3.75.

A third bid, submitted by the State Bank of Laurinburg, was withdrawn without being opened when Edwin Pate, Ports Authority chairman, said he was a director of that bank.

McMullan advised Pate to withdraw the bid in view of his connection with the bank.

Pupils to Turn In March of Dimes Dollars Today

Teachers in schools throughout the county should collect the money for the March of Dimes from pupils today and turn the money in to the principal. Principals are requested to forward the funds to Mrs. Blanda McLohon, campaign treasurer, Morehead City.

Miss Alida Willis, chairman of the drive, said yesterday that it was not known how much money had been collected to date. She added, however, that Sunday Schools, churches or organizations which had contributed to the March of Dimes in prior years should mail their contributions as soon as possible to Mrs. McLohon.

Checks from individuals may be sent to Mrs. McLohon or to Mrs. C. L. Beam, Beaufort. Mrs. Beam is treasurer of the County Infantile Paralysis Chapter.

The campaign chairman hopes to raise \$6,000 in the March of Dimes this year with as little solicitation as possible.

Eight Attend Fish Dealers Meeting

State Tax Commission Says Fish Processors Eligible for Refund

Eight Carteret countians attended the meeting of the North Carolina Fisheries Association Monday night at New Bern.

They were W. J. Ipeck and C. Gehrmann Holland, Beaufort; Clayton Fulcher, Atlantic; Gaston Smith, Sea Level; T. B. Davis, Davis; and Ottis Purifoy, Walter Laker, and W. A. Ellison Jr., Morehead City. Mr. Fulcher is president of the organization.

It was announced at the meeting that commercial fishermen are exempt from state sales tax on certain items essential in their business if they are engaged in any phase of food fish processing.

This announcement was good news to the North Carolina fishing industry. It has been estimated that the ruling on the sales tax, obtained from the tax commission, would save the industry at least \$50,000 annually.

Fish dealers who have already paid their taxes have notified that adjustments will be made. Individuals affected must present their cases to the tax commission and each case will be judged separately. It is expected that all will receive refunds.

Investigation of the sales tax was started last spring when the fish dealers retained William B. Rodman, attorney, to look into the matter.

Food fish processing has been interpreted by the tax commission as heading, gutting or anything done to fish even while on the boats, to prepare them for market.

The president of the fish dealers organization told THE NEWS-TIMES yesterday that some fishermen have already received notices to the effect that they are eligible for adjustment in sales tax payment.

The meeting, which was well-attended by fishermen from all along the coast, was held in the Midway Restaurant, New Bern.

Ocracoke Civic Club Repeats Road Request

Car, Pickup Wreck Monday

A car and pickup truck were damaged but no one injured in a collision on the Merrimon Road about a half mile from the Highway 70 intersection at 6:35 Monday morning.

State Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr. said that Elton Littleton had stopped his 1939 Plymouth on the road in front of his home, trying to fix the accelerator which had come loose from the carburetor.

Ernest Wallace, Merrimon, driving a 1950 Oldsmobile, came up from the rear and couldn't pass the Plymouth because of an approaching car. He stopped and Earl Baten Jr., driving a 1954 Ford pickup truck, struck the rear of the Olds and turned over. Baten lives at Harlowe.

Damage to the pickup was estimated at \$650 and damage to the Oldsmobile was \$100. Littleton's car was not scratched.

Baten has been charged with following too closely.

Vegetable Growers To Meet Tuesday

Vegetable growers of the county will meet at the courthouse at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon in the second of a series of three meetings being held to inform farmers of new agriculture practices. The first meeting, on tobacco, was held recently at Newport.

At Tuesday's meeting a special list from the horticulture department of State College will present latest developments and information on the county's principal vegetable crops.

R. M. Williams, county agent, says the meeting will deal with all phases of vegetable production, including plants, varieties, fertilization, insects, disease control, harvesting and marketing.

Club to Meet Jan. 25

The Carteret Business and Professional Women's Club will meet Tuesday night, Jan. 25, in the Lotie Sanders Building, Beaufort.

B-B Shot Hits Boy in Right Eye

7-Year-Old Bobby Dunn Taken to Duke Hospital Tuesday Night

Bobby Dunn, 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Talbert Dunn, Ann Street, Beaufort, was taken to Duke Hospital, Durham, Tuesday night in an effort to save the sight in his right eye. The child was struck with a bullet from an air rifle while playing Saturday afternoon on the Lennoxville Road, Beaufort.

According to reports, one of the boys fired the air rifle toward a house and the shot glanced off and back into the right eyelid of the Dunn child. The accident occurred while the Duns were visiting Mrs. Lettie Dickinson, Mrs. Dunn's mother.

Bobby was taken to the doctor and later admitted to Morehead City Hospital. A blood clot had formed over the eye and he couldn't see.

Dr. Silas Thorne, Morehead City, at the request of the boy's father, made arrangements Tuesday for the boy to be admitted to Duke. It was not known yesterday whether the child's sight could be saved.

Newport River Traffic Up in '54

Statistics on operation of state-managed draw bridges in this county show that more traffic used the inland waterway via Morehead City in 1954 than in 1953.

Amount of traffic is based on the number of times the draw span across the Newport River opened. Figures for 1954 are given first, followed by figures for 1953: Newport River (Morehead City) 6,368 — 5,382.

Gallants Channel (Beaufort) 4,466 — 5,306; Straits (Harkers Island) 2,305 — 2,308; Thoroughfare (Cedar Island) 1,813 — 1,587; Bogue Sound (Atlantic Beach) 4,188 — 5,130.

Members of the Ocracoke Civic Club have reaffirmed their request to Hyde County and to the state for a paved highway with connecting links to the mainland. This action was taken at a meeting of the club Monday night.

J. A. DuBois, manager of the Sea Level Chamber of Commerce spoke to the club on mosquito control and advertising and publicity plans for 1955. Ocracoke is one of the 16 communities covered by the chamber.

Representatives of the chamber plan to appear before the Carteret County Board of Commissioners next month to solicit support for a county-wide mosquito control program.

Commenting on the Ocracoke highway and the part it would play in an all-seashore highway, Mr. DuBois said, "The rapidly growing statewide demand for an all-coastal highway originated from a resolution passed by the Ocracoke Civic Club early in 1953.

"At that time some 50 of the members, representing the 700 island residents, started the movement which has rapidly gained enthusiastic support of the entire coast, as well as that of many individuals and communities in the Piedmont and the mountains. . .

"This famous, but inaccessible island Ocracoke, now a part of the National Seashore Park, is the key to the entire project. If the state will build the 14 miles of necessary highway, to which the 700 residents are certainly entitled, Ocracoke can then be connected with paved Highway 158 to the north and U. S. 70 to the south, thus completing an all-weather, year-around scenic and historic highway along the coast from Virginia to South Carolina."

Attending Monday night's meeting, in addition to Mr. DuBois, were Joe Mason, Atlantic, and Jack Lewis, Morehead City.

Food Chain Announces Drop in Coffee Prices

Downward price changes are effective this morning on A&P 8 O'Clock coffee. These changes were made after THE NEWS-TIMES went to press.

8 O'Clock coffee dropped from the advertised price of 95 cents a pound to 89 cents; the three-pound package from \$2.79 to \$2.61.

County Doctors To Give Funds

Members of the Carteret County Medical Society agreed at their meeting Monday night to make contributions to medical schools each has attended.

This move followed a talk by Dr. John Morris who commented on the financial plight of schools of medicine throughout the county. Dr. Morris also reported on his stay in Atlantic City last month when he was admitted as a fellow to the American College of Physicians and Surgeons.

The doctors met at the Morehead City Hospital where they were guests of the hospital for dinner. Dr. Theodore Salter, president, conducted the meeting.

The next meeting of the society will be Monday night, Feb. 14.

Cars Collide At Williston

An accident which resulted in \$85 damage to two cars occurred at 12:45 p. m. Monday at Williston. No one was hurt.

Floyd E. Hardy, Merrimon, driving a 1940 Chevrolet coupe, was backing out from Willis Brothers Boatyard when he collided with a 1948 Dodge coupe driven by the Rev. Kenneth W. Gaskill, Sea Level.

State Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr. said that Hardy didn't see the Rev. Mr. Gaskill approaching. The minister said that he was going about 30 miles an hour. No charges were preferred.