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PUBLISHED TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Brother, Sister Get Re-Acquainted Here After Separation of 54 Years

Fred R. Seeley, Beaufort, and his sister, Mrs. H. C. Bishop, who has moved to Florida to live, were reunited last week after 54 years'

They got together after a span of more than half a century when Mr. Seeley contacted Mrs. Bishop and asked her to come to Beaufort for a visit. Prior to moving to Florida, Mrs. Bishop made her home in Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. Seeley, who is chairman of the County Board of Elections and a justice of the peace, has made his home in Beaufort, except for several years, since 1920.

He represented Carteret County in the General Assembly during two regular terms and two special

terms in the late 1930's. Mr. Soeley, who will be 83 years old the 24th of this month, doesn't miss a day at his desk in the courtouse annex, Beaufort. shine, warm or freezing, he's right there, ready to marry some young folks, try a case brought before him, or collect the rents for land holders for whom he acts as agent. Oldest of Eight

Mr. Seeley is the oldest of eight children born to Horace H. Seeley and Esther Donaldson Sayre and rs. Bishop is the youngest. Their reunion this month has

brought back many memories. Mrs. Bishop says of Mr. Seeley "He op says of Mr. Seeley, "He so much like our father!" Mr. Seeley, after serving as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Kansas City, visited three days with his

Mr. Seeley was originally named an alternate to the convention but when the delegate got sick he went. He feels it a great privi-lege to have voted for William Jennings Bryan as the presidential

nominee for the Democratic party.
The Democratic Seeleys, he says, date back to 1792 when one of his ancestors opposed the election of John Adams to the presidency. Mr. Seeley started his life on a prairie farm in Clay County, Kan. There was no timberland in the

wide open country, only an oc-casional cottonwood along a creek bank. His father had gone out to Clay County with his bride in a covered wagon and they took un a homestead on the Little Republican River. That was in 1870.

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Prior to that time, Mr. Seeley's father was a carpenter in Leaven-worth, Kan. He had four years in the Union Army and was made a first lieutenant on the field at

At the new Clay County farm, Mr. Seeley's father plowed 20 acres, built a home of sod, a sod barn and sod fences. There simply was no lumber and no money to buy lumber with. Wheat, corn and oats were planted on the newly-tilled land.

Fred arrived in 1872 and two years later a drought hit Kansas. The Seeleys moved to northwest Missouri where Fred's father took charge of a lumber yard. Later he went into business for himself, but the business failed. Mr. Seeley paid up his debts and after several more unsuccessful business ventures went back to Kansas when

tures went back to kansas when his son, Fred, was 5 years old. He took up another sod claim in Marion County but in two years Kansas dried up again and the family returned to Missouri where Mr. Seeley went back in the lumber

business.

In the early 1880's the family



Mrs. H. C. Rishop, last week joined her brother, F. R. Seeley, in Beaufort for a visit. It was their first reunion since 1900.

Arguments Heard on Two Fisheries Tax Proposals

A bill that would eliminate all cents to 25 cents on boats 16 feet tax on commercial nets and reduce the tax on motor boats 16 feet and under would mean a loss of \$2,500 in revenue, that same amount would be saved in the process of collecting the tax. When Mr. Seeley last saw his tax on commercial nets and reduce sister, Etta, she was just 10 the tax on motor boats 16 feet and years old. That was in 1900 under met head-on Wednesday with a bill that would eliminate all taxes on a boat 16 feet or less.

The tax reduction bill was introduced Tuesday by Rep. D. G. Bell from Carteret County. The bill that would eliminate all taxes on little boats was introduced earlier in the session by New Han-over's Rep. Addison Hewlett of New Hanover. Bell's bill has the support of

Cecil Morris, Atlantic, chairman of the State Commercial Fisheries Committee, R. Bruce Etheridge, Committee, R. Bruce Etheridge, boat owners. As it stands now, representative from Dare County, Sam Whitehurst, legislator from Daren, Carl Venters, legislator from Onslow, and other state commercial fisheries officials.

Representative Bell said that the tax he proposed will be easier to collect than taxes now imposed and while his reduction from 50

The first section of Bell's bill, poposed by Hewlett, eliminates the requirement to list all nets. The second section eliminates all taxes now collected on nets of all types. The third section reduces the boat footage tax from 50 to 25 cents on all boats 16 feet and un-

Bell's bill, in a nutshell, would equalize the tax burden among fishermen, with the little fellows paying a lesser tax than the big boat owners. As it stands now, Carteret's legislator says, the hig boys are paying less, proportion-ately, than the small commercial fisherman.

expired license plates.

Richard Warren Parker, expired

Whisky Runner Pays \$500 in Court Tuesday

Wamack Hardy Barber has been , road; Robert B. Edwards, having fined \$500 and costs for having 78 gallons of non-taxpaid whisky in license plates; Estello Gillikin Lawrence, failing to yield the righthis possession and for refusing to stop at sound of a siren. Barber pleaded guilty in County Recorder's Court Tuesday morning before Judge Lambert R. Morris.

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A charge of speeding 100 miles per hour was dropped.

The case against Wamack's cousin, J. H. Barber, charged with aiding and abetting in the transportation of the whisky was dropped too. Both defendents were represe

ed by Claud Wheatly of Beaufort. ed by Claud Wheatly of Beautort.
Ted Day pleaded guilty to issuing a bad check, and was given 90
days in which to pay \$150 due on
the check plus costs in lieu of a
three-month sentence on the roads.

Costs were assessed in the fol-lowing cases: Bobby B. Damron.

See REUNION, Page 7, Section 2 lowing cases: Bobby B. Damron, speeding, Elmer Morris Goodwin, driving on the wrong side of the 16 Ocracoke Citizens Get

Action at Board Meeting

Bonds Forfeited Bond was forfeited in the follow

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Beaufort Board Proposes Five Bi

Chamber Adopts Two Resolutions

Members of Sea Level **Organization Meet** At Smyrna Tuesday

operation of the car ferry between Hatteras and Ocracoke and that the 500 or more residents on Ocracoke be provided with a paved highway from Ocracoke village to Hatteras Inlet, was unanimously passed by the members of the Sea Level Chamber of Commerce at their meeting Tuesday at the Smyrns

out that this 16-mile-long island, Ocracoke is included in the Na-tional Seashore Park and must be made readily accessible by automo-bile to the thousands who wish to visit and enjoy the park.

Drum Inlet, and Taylor's Creek.

Cars Collide **Near Atlantic**

Two cars collided Sunday after noon three miles east of Atlantic on the Cedar Island Road. The driver of one, a 1952 Ford, was the Rev. Elmer Morris Goodwin of Cedar Island and driver of the other car, a 1953 Dodge, was A. T. Leary Jr., Morehead City.

Mr. Leary suffered slight injury about the face and the other driver was reported unhurt.

State Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr. said that the Rev. Mr. Goodwin lost control of his car as he rounded a hair-pin curve. The

on. The impact drove the motor of Leary's car up into the dash Patrolman Smith estimated damage to each car at \$400. The Leary automobile was owned by A. T.

The Rev. Mr. Goodwin was charged with driving on the wrong side of the road. He was found guilty and paid costs in county recorder's court Tuesday.

Draw Jury List

David Gould

Horne, Joe Guthrie, Van Willis, Gordon K. Laughton, Willie Gray, Mrs. Effie B. Adler, Winfield Webb

Mrs. Effie B. Adler, Winfield Webb
Jr., George R. Lewis, James W.
Kellogg, Chester A. Pittman, J. E.
Seilter, Clyde Jones, Marvin E.
Gray, Nick Galantis, and Charles
P. Freeman.
Newport — Vegnon Mann, E. C.
Ballou, Arlie Fodrie, Raymond Tayjor, Elimer I. Garner, Borden Adams, Tom M. Garner, Charles E.
Masters, G. C. Gaynor, Leslie C.
Glancy, and Carl W. Garner.
Harkers Island — Telford Rose,
Allen Moore, Charles W. Hancock,
Fernie Yeomans, and Owen Fulford.

Farmers Receive Checks



head City looks on as Clayton Cannon, Newport, and Marion Weeks, Pelletier, receive checks from J. R. Sanders, cashier at the First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co. in Morehead City. The money is to pay for the two-week short course on agriculture Mr. Weeks and Mr. Cannon are now taking at State College. The course is sponsored by the North Carolina Bankers Association.

Beaufort Police Chief Presents Resignation

faction with the Beaufort Police Department and its supervision, members of the Beaufort Town Board voted Menday night to request the resignation of Chief M. E./Guy. The chief submitted his resignation Tuesday morning. Police Commissioner Gordon

Hardesty, Commissioners James Rumley, Gerald Hill and Carl Hatsell voted in favor of the dismissal. Commissioner W. G. Temple did not vote. According to parliamentary law, a voter who abstains is considered to have voted with the majority.

The commissioners requested

The commissioners requested that the chief be given 30 days severance pay.

The vote came close to midnight

Monday after commissioners talked a couple hours about the police de-

The commissioners said that in addition to the obvious strife in the ranks of the department and the inability of the chief to cope with the situation, the chief has not been meeting financial obligations to bus nessmen in and around Reaufort.

Commissioner Hardesty said that he had been receiving complaints that the chief failed to pay per-sonal bills.

Entered in the judgment docket in the courthouse is an order signed by E. M. Underwood, clerk of superior court of Lee County, in which Clerk Underwood orders that the defendants, M. E. Guy and

wife, pay \$1,000 plus interest from May 22, 1951 to J. Harvey Wicker. Clerk Underwood stated that the suit was filed by Wicker when the defendants failed to meet payment

defendants failed to meet payment on a promissory note. The judg-ment was filed here Nov. 30, 1953. Confinissioner Hardesty said that he has tried his best to iron out difficulties in the police depart-ment and that he was tired of tak-ing the blame for the situation. "The police officers and the chief do not cooperate and in my chief do not cooperate and in my

opinion, smooth operation of the department is the responsibility of the man in charge," he said.

Commissioner Carl Hatsell said that other officers in the department were equally to blame for the back-biting and obvious jeal-ousy. Commissioner Hardesty said that it might be necessary eventu

start out anew.

The Beaufort Town Board requested the chief's resignation in October, but due to a technicality in the manner of firing him, he was re-instated.

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Government OKs Beaufort Request

Fernie Yeomans, and Owen Fulford.

Atlantic — William R. Willis, Wallace Morris, Hugh Styron, and Warden Gillikin.

Davis — Wesley Paul, C. V. Styron, and William Carlton Wade.

Beaufort — William Carlton Wade.

Beaufort — William Kirk, Earl B. Jones, B. E. Windley Jr., and Elbert Eubanks.

Stella — W. P. Vinson and Charles W. Wetherington.

Marshallberg — John D. Lewis, Swansboro — Charles Buckmaster Sr., Stacy, Earl Fulcher; Lola, James G. Lupton; Cedar Island, W. W. Styron.

Sea Level — Mitchell Taylor;

Jack Lewis, manager of the Commercial National Bank of More

Following expression of dissatis-

Jaycees to Name Man-of-the-Year **Monday Night**

Beaufort's Man-of-the-Year will be presented with the Distin-guished Service Award for 1954 at the annual Jaycee banquet Monday night at the Inlet Inn. Employers of Jaycees will be honored guests at the banquet, T. H. Potter, president, an-

The Jaycee Key Man award will also be made that night to the Beaufort Jaycee who has done the most for the organiza-

Dinner will be served at 7 p.m.

Two Hunters Pay Fines For Violating Regulations

Two men from this County were fined recently by Justice of the Peace Fred Seeley of Beaufort for violating hunting laws, according to Game Warden Leroy McIntosh. Quinton Salter, Newport RFD, was fined \$10 and \$6.50 costs when he was found guilty of taking squirrels during closed season.

P. H. Taylor, Newport RFD, was fined \$10 and \$6.50 costs for hunt-ing without a license.

Beaufort town commissioners approved Monday night five bills to be introduced, at their request, in the current ession of the legislature.

The bills, as presented by Gene Smith, town attorney,

would do the following: 1. Pay each commissioner \$25 a month and specify that

the board shall meet the first Monday of each month and in special session when necessary. (At present commissioners are paid \$5 each time

thority to suspend or fire any member of the town police department if such is deemed necessary for the good of the town. (At present only the chief can be fired and no of-ficer can be dismissed without enumerating specific

3. Authorizing payment of \$600 to the mayor to compensate for his action as mayor and carrying out any other duties which the town may assign though not able to build the subhim, such as acting as judge of mayor's court. (At present, the mayor's legal duties in clude acting as presiding of ficer in mayor's court but the town has no mayor's court. mayor's court).

4. Appointment of a zoning commission with terms of each member defined.

5. Redefinition of town limits to include the school, white and Negro cemeteries and to make recently-drawn map by Town Engineer Gray Hassell the official map of the town.

The first proposed bill, on the ommissioners' salaries, would add \$1,500 annually to the town budget. The commissioners made no sug-gestion as to where the money

They said that they have been accused of having special meetings just so they could collect \$5 each time. They also said that since none of them would run again, they wouldn't be collecting the \$25, and added that the high pay might entice somebody to run for commissioner in May. missioner in May.

The second proposal is the out-growth of an impasse reached re-cently in an effort to revamp the police department.

The third would correct a pres-

ent discrepancy in the town set-up which came about when the recorder's court was established.

The fourth would place Halsey Paul and Dr. W. L. Woodard on the planning board for three years, D. F. Merrill and Mrs. Henry Hatsell for two years and Jarvis Herring for one year.

The fifth would correctly define

the town limits, according to Mr. Smith and Mr. Hassell, and would give the town an official map for the first time in history.

2. Give the town board the authority to suspend or fire any

New Fire Station At a special meeting of the Mor At a special meeting of the Morehead City Town Board at the Municipal Building Wednesday afternoon, Mayor George Dill told members of the Finer Carolina committee that the town of Morehead

station, will man and maintain it. made in reply to a query by the of- Finer Carolina committee

According to Ted Davis, publicity chairman of the Finer Caro This bill would correct that but also leave the door open for re-establishment of a 25 by 40 feet, with room on the front of the building for fire trucks. Living quarters for two men will be in the rear. No plans have been made as yet for financing construction.

Several sites are being consider ed for the building. Adding the station will not mean added expenditure to the town for equip-ment, according to Mr. Davis.

Attending the meeting were Mayor Dill, Ted Garner, D. J. Hall, and Gibbie E. Sanderson, commis-sioners, George B. Stovall, Fire Chief Vernon Guthrie and Ted

Poultrymen Will Attend School

Poultry producers of the county are invited to attend a poultry school Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the

R. M. Williams, farm agent, invites home flock owners as well as commercial producers, to attend. Specialists from State College, Raleigh, by using charts and slide will speak briefly on phases poultry production.

Poultry producers are invited to exhibit their eggs at the show Three prizes will be offered in the white shell egg classification and three in the brown shell. The ex-hibits should be a dozen eggs, pre-

ferably on paper plates.
Mr. Williams suggests that the eggs be large in size, uniform in shape and color, and clean.

Beaufort Attorney Reports On County Board Action

picked up by ABC Officer Marshall | er Ger Ayscue Tuesday night on Highway 24.

According to Officer Ayscue, he had six gallons of non-taxpaid whisky on the front seat of the cab of his truck.

Hunter, who has been released under \$50 bond, was apprehended at the intersection of the Nine-Foot Road and Highway 24. The truck was impounded by the officer. Hunter said it belonged to

his brother. Officer Ayscue also said that he and federal officers tore up a 150-gallon still in the North Harlowe section Wednesday afternoon. The still was new. It had not even been used once, the officer said.

ABC Officer

Makes Arrest

Joseph Lee Hunter, 22-year-old Negro of route 2 Jacksonville, has been charged with transporting non-taxpaid whisky. Hunter was picked up by ABC Officer Marshall

Town Attorney Gene Smith notified the Beaufort Town Board Monday night that the county board has agreed to transfer a lot in Hedricktown to the town, has agreed to offer the ABC store property in Beaufort for sale and has expressed approval of a bill which would give any law enforcement officer in the county the authority to pick up dogs anywhere and impound them.

The Hedricktown lot is the former George Monroe property which er George Monroe property which but up a building to can seafood

er George Monroe property which was owned by the county and town jointly. The county agreed to deed

The ABC store property on The ABC store property on Turner Street will be advertised for sale with sealed bids to be accepted on the whole 47-foot frontage or on just 32-foot frontage. If the sale is made on the basis of 32-feet, Mr. Smith explained, the other 15 feet would be opened as an alley.

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an alley.

The proposal to give all law enforcement officers authority to pick up stray dogs is an alternative to an earlier proposal by Mr. Smith that the county appoint a dog

Deautort — Willis Kirk, Earl B.
Jones, B. E. Windley Jr., and Eibert Eubanks.

W. Stella — W. P. Vinson and Charles W. Wetherington.

E.m., Marshallberg — John D. Lewis, and W. H. Smith the county, Morehead City and Beaufort have been notified that their requests have been granted. The town of Atlantic Beach also applied for aid.

Civil defense officials, including Swansboro — Charles Buckmaster Sr., Stacy, Earl Fulcher; m. Lofa, James G. Lupton; Cedar Island, W. W. Styron.

M. Swinshall H. A. Smith, and Stanley G. Lupton; Cedar Island, W. W. Styron.

M. Beaufort route I. — Allen W. Lupton, Iredell Lawrence, Lloyd H. Riley, erosion engineer with the Civil Defense Administration, and W. H. Smith, and Stanley Gillikin; Morena head City route I, Floyd A. Garians, and Boyd C. McElhany;

Newport route I, F. Swinson, and Boyd C. McElhany;

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for human and animal consu

T. B. Smith, Davis, who also has a fish house in Beaufort, is presi-dent of the firm. Affiliated with him is Charles Davis of the Davis nim is Charles Davis of the Davis Scafood Co., Beaufort. Claud Wheatly, representing the firm, appeared before the Beau-fort Town Board Monday night to get the board's approval on loca-

get the board's approval on location of the plant.

He said that a law, preventing the establishment of a fish company within three miles of a town, is on the books. He added that he doubted the law would apply in this case, but approval of the board would eliminate any possibility of a repercussion after the plant is built.

The town board gave its ap

Driver Cited for Driving Drunk Following Wreck

Ortra Outlaw, Mt. Olive, was charged with driving under the in-fluence of intoxicants following a wreck Monday on Front Street, Beaufort.

Beaufort.

According to Dan Walker, who was nearby when the accident happened, Outlaw, in a pickup truck, backed into Mrs. Roy O. Sparks of Stacy. Mrs. Sparks was driving a 1950 Oldsmobile.

Demand to Mrs. Sparks' on was

amage to Mrs. Sparks' car was mated at \$100. No one was

and the allocation of 12.9 miles By ALICE RONDTHALER any highway mileage that may be allotted by the First Highway Divi-sion for the purpose of construct-ing an all-weather highway with Ocracoke — A delegation of 16 citizens from this town, representing the committees of Ocracoke Civic Club on hurricane aid and ferry connections from Hatteras to Ocracoke. Resolutions making these actions effective were con-sidered, voted favorably, signed, and delivered to the Ocracoke delroads, made the cross-sound trip to Swan Quarter Tuesday to present their cause to the Hyde County Board of Commissioners. Travelling on the Wm. C. Dryegation forthwith. R. S. Wahab, district vice- presi-

Travelling on the Wm. C. Dryden, local trawler, the group left Ocracoke at 6 a.m. to reach their county seat at 10 a.m. They were in fog the entire trip, lost once, but delayed only one-half hour.

In charge of the boat was Wallace Spencer, aided by many an other pilot and navigator, notably E. S. Tolson, Elmo Fulcher, B. E. Spencer, Wahab Howard, and Thurston Gaskill. Other crew and passengers were Jack Willis, Junius Austin, Edgar Thompson, C. F. Boyette, Chris Gaskill, Theodore Rondthaler, Murray Spencer, Charles Ahmon, Owen Gaskill, and Danny Garrish. R. S. Wahab joined the group at Swan Quarter. dent of the All-Coastal Highway ners for their moral and financial support of the move now under way in which 21 coastal counties, are banding together to obtain legislative aid for mosquito obtain legislative aid for mosquito control in coastal Carolina.

It is the intention of these petitioning counties to press upon the legislature a really comprehensive program for all-out mosquito control similar to that which has been achieved by other Atlantic states.

tic states.

A most timely key to the town was presented to the delegation by an anonymous donor in the form of a beaping dinner at the O'Neal House. The delighted and hungry sailors, unfed since 5 s.m., consumed the feast with gusto, departing thereafter for a fogless voyage back, docking at the home pier in Silver Lake at 5:05 p.m. Danny Garrish. R. S. Wahab joined the group at Swan Quarter.

Both missions of the group were carefully considered and fully approved by the commissioners of Hyde County. These were designation of the hurricane aid committee at Ocracoke to act as agent of the county in negotiating for federal help to restore the protective level of the ocean beach at Ocracoke, pie

of-way resulting in an accident; Richard Gray Burger, no license plates; Reid Higgins, expired li-cense plates, and Charles Vernon Pays \$10, Costs
Gerald D. Impens was fined \$10
and costs when he was found guilty of careless and reckless driving. Gale S. Hagar was fined \$10 and

costs when he was found guilty of speeding 65 miles per hour and failing to stop at a stop sign resulting in an accident.

Gerald E. Dickey pleaded guilty to issuing a bad check. Judgment was suspended upon payment of check and costs.

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James Cecil Jones was fined \$10 and costs after pleading guilty to speeding 70 miles per hour.

The following cases were left open for future prosecution: Willie Preston Willie, speeding, Tracy Benjamin Moore, no operator's license; Martha Warren Baxter, speeding: John Leonard Huml.

speeding; Kurt Chew-Een Lee, speeding. The case against Eugene Marvin Huggins charged with expired license plates was dropped.

Bond was forfeited in the following cases: David Allen Fiske, falling to stop at a stop sign; Demon Highsmith, improper display of North Carolina license plates; William Gray Fodrie, speeding; and Durwood Belmont Sanderson, failure to yield the right of way. Half costs were assessed Richard P. Anderson who pleaded guilty to failing to display 1955 North Carolina registration plates. The following forfeited bond

Tide Table

A resolution, requesting that the State of North Carolina take over

The resolution went on to pe

A resoultion was also adopted urging the immediate dredging of the many neglected waterways in Core and Pamlico Sound, namely Wallace Channel, Ocracoke Inlet,

A \$50 contribution was made to the fund which is being raised to promote the All-Seashore Highway. Refreshments were served in the school cafeteria following the meet-

road was wet and one tire was slick. Mr. Leary stopped and then backed up in an attempt to avoid the collision, but the cars hit

Commissioners

The list of persons drawn by the county board for jury service in the March term of Superior Court is as follows:

Morehead City — Stephen E. Purifoy, Stanley Wainwright, Paul-ine Anthony, John A. Pavonne, Calvin Adams, Alvin M. Garner, Alice B. Long, Williard L. Kittrel,