

# County Board Official Warns Against Higher Liquor Tax

The county's dwindling revenue from state liquor stores was the subject of a lengthy comment by Dr. K. P. B. Bonner, chairman of the county board, at yesterday's board meeting. The board chairman said that liquor store revenue used to bring in \$48,000, but last year the income was below \$24,000. He pointed out that a bill before the legislature proposes a liquor tax increase of 3 per cent. "If that bill passes," Dr. Bonner said, "the county will get nothing."

The towns get their shares from gross, not net, receipts. All expenses are deducted from the total liquor store revenue and the county receives the residue. Alvah Hamilton, county attorney, said that it could be that in the future the county would be paying out money and sustaining a loss so that ABC stores in Beaufort, Morehead City and Newport could operate.

Mr. Hamilton commented that no business would operate on the principle of division of gross receipts rather than net profit.

## Total \$34,298

Liquor sales last month totaled \$34,298.55. Morehead City's sales were \$16,899.05, Beaufort's \$10,763.05 and Newport, \$6,636.75. State sales tax amounted to \$2,605.82. Paid to the Morehead City Hospital was \$773.36, to Beaufort \$492.52 and to Newport \$303.86.

The chairman of the county board said the commissioners should take every means possible to prevent an increase in the liquor tax. Possibility of changing the manner of division of ABC funds was hinted at, but no action taken.

## Property Sold

In a land transaction, the board sold 17 feet of county property on Turner Street to the town of Beaufort for \$900. The property will be used to give access, by way of an alley, to the rear of Front Street properties.

The town bid on the entire lot, 47-foot frontage, but the county decided to keep the property, minus the 17 feet, and put it up at public auction later.

Appearing before the board in regard to the land purchase were Mayor Clifford Lewis, Town Clerk Dan Walker, Town Attorney Gene Smith and C. Z. Cheppell.

## Favors Health Center

The board officially went on record favoring the building of a county health center and the borrowing of \$12,000 to meet the county's obligation. The remainder of the funds would be supplied by the state and federal governments. A. D. Fulford, county sanitarian, was present to inquire into the status of the matter.

A bill has already been introduced, enabling the county to borrow the money.

The board approved the farm land values set up by E. T. Wilkins & Associates for revaluation of property.

Jasper L. Phillips, Kinston, an official with the State Highway Department, said the Swansboro Chief of Police, A. D. Allen, has raised the question of the location of the county line at Swansboro.

Mr. Phillips said Swansboro officials say it is at the east end of the two bridges between Onslow and Carteret County. Auditor James D. Potter showed a Coast and Geodetic Survey chart with the line drawn down the middle of the White Oak River. Dr. Bonner said he felt that was the proper place for the line to be.

## To Build Road

Officials from the Fifth Naval District, accompanied by Sam Morgan and C. K. Howe, property owner on Radio Island, appeared before the board to get the county's approval of the Navy building a road on Radio Island to the site of its proposed LST ramps. The board approved.

The road, with 100 feet right-of-way, will be about a mile long. It will run east of Radio Station WMBL and south from Highway 70. The board approved the plans.

The county approved a request that the state take over and maintain a mile and three-quarter road known as the Pearson Road in White Oak Township.

Arnold Lawrence appeared before the board relative to paving a road at Otway, but was given little encouragement because sufficient use of the road, to warrant paving, was not shown.

## Wants Road Paved

Mayor George Dill of Morehead City asked the board to push the paving of a road leading to a proposed new cemetery site in Morehead City and Harvey Hamilton Jr. asked the board to take action on paving a road at Mansfield leading from Highway 70 to the Community Club Road.

## Chamber of Commerce Dinner Will Take Place at 7 P.M. April 14

The annual meeting of the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce will take place at the Recreation Center, Thursday, April 14, at 7 p.m. It will be a dinner meeting and all civic clubs of the city have voted to hold their regular weekly meetings with the chamber.

The program of work for the year will be discussed, as well as accomplishments of the chamber during the current year. To be elected are three three-year directors. The nominations committee, Grover Munden, chairman, Warren Beck and Dr. John Morris will present six candidates.

Dr. J. D. Messick, president of East Carolina College, who has been termed by southern edu-

## Five Escape Injury In Saturday Wreck

Five persons escaped injury at 11:30 p.m. Saturday when the car in which they were riding slid into a ditch on Highway 70 at Sea Level. Driving the car, a 1940 Ford, was Frank R. Wade,arkers Island.

With him were Willard Willis, Jimmy Jones, Peggy Goodwin and Delois Jean Falcher. The car was headed east. It had been raining and State Highway Patrolman W. E. Pickard said tires on the car were worn smooth.

Damage to the car was estimated at \$400. No charges were filed.

## Morehead City Firemen Answer Two Alarms

Morehead City firemen answered an alarm Sunday night and one yesterday morning. Yesterday at 10:30 a.m. they extinguished an oil fire behind Wainwright's Moving and Storage Co. on the Morehead-New

## Born Highway. Damage was reported to have been negligible.

On Sunday night at 8:15 the firemen put out a fire in the Ernest Lewis auto parked in front of the liquor store in Morehead City. According to the firemen, the ignition in the car grounded out and caught afire. The car now needs a new wiring job, firemen said.

## Call Received Late

Beaufort firemen would like it understood that even though the fire at the West End Boat Works,arkers Island, was discovered at 7:30 last Wednesday night, they did not receive the call until 8:55. They said that if they had received the call earlier, they may have been able to save some of the property.

ators as "the South's leading educator," will be the speaker. Born at South Creek, in Beaufort County, Dr. Messick received his undergraduate degree at Elon College in 1922. He did graduate work at the University of North Carolina and received his Ph.D. degree in administrative and supervision of schools at N. Y. University in 1934. In 1948 he received his Lit. D. from Elon and was awarded the outstanding alumnus award for the same year. He was principal at Wade and Trenton; superintendent of schools in Spencer; dean of instruction at Elon College; professor at Teachers College, Asheville; dean of instruction and administrative assist-

# TELEVISION PROGRAMS

WMFD - TV, Wilmington, N. C.		
Tuesday, April 5	4:15 Relax with Jax	6:00 Saturday Sunday School
5:00 Ted Mack's Matinee	4:30 Todd's Wayside	6:15 Message for Today
5:30 Howdy Doody	4:45 Nancy Carter's Cookbook	6:30 The News Today
6:00 Relax with Jax	5:00 Pinky Lee Show	6:45 Sports Final
6:30 Musical Moments	5:15 Howdy Doody	7:00 Lone Ranger
6:45 Message for Today	5:30 Musical Moments	7:30 Supermen
7:00 Over at Al's	5:45 Nick's Speciale	8:00 Wild Bill Hickok
7:15 John Daily News	5:55 News and Sports	8:30 Indiana on Parade
7:30 John Daily News	6:00 News and Sports	8:45 Western Songs
7:45 John Daily News	6:15 News and Sports	8:55 Saturday Program
8:00 Life is Worth Living	6:30 News and Sports	9:00 NBC Glamorous Spectacular "The Merry Widow"
8:15 News and Sports	6:45 News and Sports	10:30 Hit Parade
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## Morehead Finer Carolina Project Moves Ahead

Under the direction of Chairman Jasper Bell, the Morehead City Finer Carolina project is moving along on schedule, Ted Davis, publicity chairman, reports. The new fire station is going up. Preparations have been made for pouring the foundations.

The town is corresponding with Mrs. Della Hyatt, owner of the burned-over property on East Arendell St. It is understood that she is negotiating with contractors relative to tearing down the buildings. They should be out of the way within the next 60 days.

Bob Howard, chairman of the new school gym committee, has run into several minor snags, but hopes to clear these barriers within the next week and get moving toward a better sports and community center.

The civic club sign has been designed by a local sign company and Fry Roofing Co., which will pay for the sign, is deciding what size would be best for erection at the city limits.

The Jaycees under Chairman Russ Willian have cleaned off the proposed site for the midget league activity and a backstop has been erected. Clay for the infield has been deposited and signs on the outer fence are being painted. The entire league diamond will be custom tailored to midget specifications and tailored home-runs will be scored for the little fellows when balls go over the fence.

Board Meets D. G. Bell, Carteret legislator, met with the Beaufort Town Board at 8 o'clock yesterday morning to discuss changes in a proposed bill defining authority of the chief of police of the town.

## Lions Sell Tickets For Minstrel Show

Tickets for the Dixieland Minstrel Show at the Morehead City School auditorium Friday, April 15, are now being sold by members of the Morehead City Lions Club.

Proceeds from the sale of the tickets will be used for Lions Club activities throughout the county. The tickets are available at Early Jewelers, 723 Arendell Street, Morehead City, as well as from the club members.

The minstrel is produced and staged by members of the New Beaufort Lions Club and is being sponsored by clubs throughout Eastern Carolina to raise funds for eastern activities.

## Cattle Bill Hearing Will Not Take Place Tomorrow

The hearing on the Portsmouth cattle bill will not be held tomorrow, as was announced last week. D. G. Bell, Carteret legislator, said the legislators have been invited to meet Beaufort tomorrow, therefore no hearings are being conducted.

It and that announcement of a re-scheduled hearing will be made. A week from tomorrow, the local government committee of the town will conduct a hearing on the liquor referendum.

