

New Division of ABC Funds Okayed

Croatan, Cedar Island Fires Plague County

For the second time since last Wednesday the Croatan National Forest fire was believed under control yesterday noon. In the face of high winds, Marines, state forest rangers, Newport firemen and federal foresters battled a destructive blaze which has burned over about a third of the 153,000-acre Croatan forest.

SPA Says Port Office to Stay At Wilmington

The State Ports Authority decided at its meeting Saturday at Charlotte to retain the State Ports office at Wilmington. The authority also issued a statement saying it had no interest in "jealousy" between the two port cities.

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A large part of the forest is located in this county. In addition to the Croatan fire, E. M. Foreman, county forest ranger, was battling another fire at the opposite end of the county over the weekend. A fire flared up on Cedar Island Saturday afternoon when a plane from Cherry Point reportedly jettisoned an incendiary bomb on the island.

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LATE BULLETIN
Firemen from Beaufort, Morehead City and Cherry Point were called out at 3:45 yesterday afternoon to battle a blazing inferno that started in Croatan forest Wednesday morning. The flames broke out anew, jumped the Nine-Foot Road and even leaped the Newport River.

Ketch Runs Aground at Cape; Coast Guard Saves Two Men

The Coast Guard Cutter Agassiz and the shore-based personnel of Cape Lookout Coast Guard Station will make a second attempt this morning to free the Canadian ketch Nola Sergeant from Cape Lookout shoals.

Two Beaufort Navy Men Join in Celebration



Official U. S. Navy Photograph

Lt. Macon S. Snowden, USN, and is now flying F2H-3 Banshees as Operations Officer of Fighter Squadron 41.

The meeting, called by Dr. K. P. B. Bonner, chairman of the board of county commissioners, took place at the courthouse.

James D. Potter, county auditor, said that on the basis of eight months' sales during the current fiscal year, Beaufort accounted for about 28 per cent of the liquor sold in the county, Morehead City 54 per cent and Newport 16 per cent.

It was pointed out that in January 1955, the county sustained a loss of \$522.40 on ABC store operation which meant that the loss had to be made up by taking money from the general fund.

New Elks Officers Preside Thursday

Newly-installed officers of the Morehead City-Beaufort Elks Lodge presided at their first meeting Thursday night.

Newport Woodmen Give Boy Scouts Flag, Compass

Jack Garner, Consul Commander, Camp 336 Woodmen of the World, and several other sovereigns of the camp presented the Boy Scouts of America with a new flag and a new compass Tuesday night.

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The flag was accepted on behalf of the troop by Patrol Leaders Dickie Garner and Joe Mann.

Tool Identification Team Wins Contest at New Bern

Competing with five other chapters in the Seashore Federation, Future Farmers of America, the Newport Tool Identification team walked off with honors Thursday.

County Board Confers With Town Officials

A problem that has been a sore spot for years was partially solved yesterday at a special meeting when representatives of Beaufort, Morehead City and Newport agreed to a different distribution of county liquor revenue.

Defendant Gets Suspended Term

Sylvester Bell Pleads Guilty to Assaulting Brother with Knife

The judge fined Sylvester \$25 and costs to be paid within 30 days and also put the following conditions on him or a suspended 12-month sentence will be invoked: He remain on his good behavior particularly insofar as engaging in fights is concerned, he must not have any weapons in his possession, and he must also remain sober for a period of two years.

In another case before the judge, Zenon Zakrzeski was found not guilty of driving drunk, but was found guilty of careless and reckless driving and was fined \$50 and costs.

Zakrzeski was apprehended by State Highway Patrolmen W. J. Smith and R. H. Brown when he was seen driving east on highway 70 without lights at night.

Marine Injured In Auto Crash

Pvt. Earl Henisay, Cherry Point, was seriously injured at 8:15 Sunday night at Smyrna when the car he was driving crashed into a tree.

Private Henisay sustained a compound fracture of the right arm and right leg and several of his teeth were knocked out. The 1946 Mercury convertible he was driving was demolished.

Funds to Hospital

Mayor George Dill said that Beaufort and Newport benefited from the liquor store profits but Morehead City didn't. He said it all went to the hospital and the money was used to defray cost of caring for indigent patients from all over the county.

He said that last year charity patients cost the hospital \$15,819.12 and the hospital received from ABC funds \$13,376.68. He said that more than 90 per cent of the charity patients were from outside Morehead City.

George Huntley, who was mayor of Beaufort at the time the first ABC bill was passed in 1939, explained the reason for the financial arrangement in that bill. He said at that time the state tax was 3 per cent (it is proposed now to raise it from 8 1/2 to 10), net profit to the county in 1939 was 22 1/2 per cent and the federal tax was only \$4 as compared with \$10.50 today.

He recommended that the change be made as suggested by Dr. Bonner.

Receives Appointment

Harvey W. Smith, Beaufort, has been appointed junior grand deacon of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina.

Hams Congregate

Twenty-four amateur radio operators from all over Eastern Carolina attended a picnic at Fort Macon State Park Sunday. They had to have an indoor picnic at the Chamber of Commerce building in Morehead City when high winds and sand drove the group from the beach.

Marines Called

Marines from Lejeune and Cherry Point were called out when the fire came within several miles of the Marine Air Base. The Newport firemen were called to lend aid in the Mundine and Bogue Sections.

Negro Citizens Ask Town Board to Pave Dirt Streets

A delegation of Negro citizens, John Tillery, spokesman, appeared before the Morehead City Town Board Thursday night and requested that streets in the north part of town be paved.

Evelyn Morris Wins Spelling Bee

Evelyn Morris, Camp Glenn, was winner of the county spelling contest sponsored by the Morehead City Lions Club yesterday afternoon at Beaufort School.

Four Newport Boy Scouts Go to Camporee

Four Boy Scouts of Troop 61, Newport, and Assistant Scoutmaster Vincent Rhue attended the camporee of the East Carolina Council in Washington, N. C., over the weekend.

More Daylight
The Marine Corps bases went on daylight saving time at midnight Sunday. Carteret County remains on Eastern Standard Time.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar	HIGH	LOW
Tuesday, April 26		
11:37 a.m.		5:16 a.m.
11:54 p.m.		5:22 p.m.
Wednesday, April 27		
12:37 p.m.		6:15 a.m.
12:55 p.m.		6:28 p.m.
Thursday, April 28		
12:55 a.m.		7:22 a.m.
1:38 p.m.		7:45 p.m.
Friday, April 29		
1:54 a.m.		8:28 a.m.
2:36 p.m.		8:55 p.m.



FFA Seashore Federation officers are, left to right, seated, Tammy Haddock, Vanceboro; Charlie W. Miller, Pamlico; Robert Needs, Smyrna; standing, Ronnie Kelly, Newport; Johnny Dall, Jasper; and Jimmy Kelly, Newport.