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State Hopes Bridge Will Be Ready for Use Sunday

Sheriff Hugh Salter said the State Highway and Public Works Commission hoped to have one-way traffic across North River bridge by Sunday. It was to be opened temporarily to Cherry Point traffic from 5 to 7 a. m. this morning.

The west end of the bridge has been built and work started yesterday morning on the east end. No state dump trucks were down east when the storm hit, so two had to be rented from Clayton Fulcher at Atlantic.

Highway 70 to Newport was open by Wednesday morning, but rural roads throughout the county are still in bad shape and probably will be for a few weeks. The state has promised to get them fixed as soon as possible.

In addition to the ducks at North River, the state has hired a shrimp boat to carry passengers back and forth, at no charge to passengers.

Heavy fog yesterday morning threw one of the ducks off course. She missed the opposite shore completely and started going off down the river. She finally was brought back on course by another duck that went after her.

Ducks get bogged down in the muddy river bottom too, but so far they've managed to get out.

Officials Discuss Mosquito Control

Mosquito control was discussed Wednesday night by town officials and representatives of health services at the Jefferson Hotel.

Earl A. Mader, engineer with the Federal Civil Defense Administration, emphasized that work done to get rid of mosquitoes would be "meager and temporary."

Renting of equipment from the federal government was discussed, as well as use of insecticides and ditching to drain flooded areas.

Counties which have applied for mosquito control aid are Pamlico, Carteret, Hyde, Currituck-Dare, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Camden and Chowan, New Hanover-Duplin and Elizabeth City.

Attending the meeting were C. E. Spongole of the U. S. Public Health Service, Charles M. White, director of the State Saltwater Mosquito Commission; C. J. McCotter, Pamlico County Health Department; Noah Sites, Civil Defense engineer.

Bill Stuckhouse of Southern Pest Control, Charlotte; A. D. Fulford, county sanitarian; C. T. Lewis, mayor of Beaufort; Dan Walker, Beaufort town clerk; Carson A. Foad, State Board of Health; C. H. McAnally, Federal Civil Defense Administration; and Mr. Mader.

Sarah Mason, 11, Hit by Automobile

Sarah Mason, 11, of 1112 Ann St., Beaufort, suffered injuries to her right leg when she was struck by a car driven by James D. Rumley Monday night at 5:20 o'clock, police report.

Mr. Rumley told Police Chief Guy Springle that the youngster ran into his car as he was driving slowly down Ann Street. The accident happened in front of the Mason home.

The girl was taken to Morehead City Hospital for examination and then sent home. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luke Mason.

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Hurricane Losses To Be Combined

Noah Sites, Budget Bureau engineer on loan to the state Civil Defense office, said yesterday morning that all claims for reimbursement of losses during Connie, Diane and Ione will be lumped into one.

Forms filed by Carteret towns and the county after Connie and Diane were returned for revision and now when they are re-filed, one claim will be included, Mr. Sites said.

Towns which had not filed applications after Diane will include the one damage.

Mr. Sites left Morehead City yesterday but expects to be back in this county Tuesday.

Troubles Arise On Seawall Plan

Mayor A. B. Cooper Says Government Wastes Money on Dunes

Troubles have arisen in the Bogue Banks seawall plans.

Civil Defense has now taken the attitude that funds can be used only "to repair existing facilities" at the beach.

Property owners were making seawall plans on the announced Civil Defense policy that funds

There will be a meeting of Atlantic Beach property owners at 10:30 tomorrow morning at Atlantic Beach. Mayor Cooper said, "It is most important that every property owner at Atlantic Beach attend!"

would be provided for a temporary structure, if the need for such existed.

The beach people were hoping to use Civil Defense financial aid and make up the difference, to provide a permanent wall, with their own funds.

"I've been misled in this whole thing, even from the top office," Mayor A. B. Cooper said dejectedly yesterday. "We're going to have another meeting of property owners and explain the situation to them," the mayor said.

Civil Defense, according to Mayor Cooper, has taken the attitude that sand dunes are cheaper. "But they do not furnish the type protection needed for all this valuable property here," Mayor Cooper said.

"We'll probably get some help, but nothing like we had hoped," he added.

"Pushing up dunes between storms and then having them washed away is just wasting the government's money," he continued. "It seems to me that the plan we have under consideration is only good business sense."

"There's another storm (Janet) on the way and we can't put up with this time after time. If something permanent isn't done, we're going to lose everything we have," the mayor concluded.

Game Warden Picks Up Three Men

Three men have been charged with taking deer illegally at night in the Merrimon section. They are James Styron, Clyde Rose, and William Duke.

They were apprehended about 11 o'clock Saturday night by Eddie Padgett, county game warden, Leroy Parks, deputy protector and several federal agents.

Two others have been convicted on charges of hunting without a license, according to Warden Padgett. Blaine Longmorse and Leroy Weeks, both of Crab Point, were given a hearing before A. R. Craig, Newport justice of the peace. They were fined \$10 and costs.

Beaufort firemen answered an alarm at 6 o'clock Wednesday night. They extinguished a burning light pole at Ann and Front Streets, using carbon dioxide. The fire is believed to have started when a wire shorted.

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There are conflicting reports on when Beaufort and Morehead City will be getting trains in from the west.

Allen Leary of the Beaufort and Morehead Railroad, using the railroad's seventh sense, said yesterday, "I know we'll have a train in here by Monday at the latest."

According to information from the Atlantic and East Carolina office, New Bern, yesterday, it would be several weeks before a train could come in here. The A&EC report said that no agreement had been made as of yesterday to use the federal line between Lejeune and Cherry Point.

Mr. Leary said that he had been in contact with Washington and Cherry Point and was confident that the line would be put into use as soon as three washouts on it are repaired. They're expected to be fixed by tomorrow night.

Calvin Hodges, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Millie Hodges, Pine Street, Beaufort, was electrocuted at 11:30 yesterday morning while working on a job for Leonard's Metal Shop at the home of Malcolm U. Collins, 3301 Arendell St., Morehead City.

According to his fellow workers, Hodges was working underneath the house with an electric drill, and the ground was damp. Mr. Hodges asked a co-worker to plug in the drill and when the current went on, Hodges was electrocuted.

Beaufort firemen arrived on the scene with their respirator but Dr. Hodges was already dead. Dr. Michael Brady pronounced him dead minutes after the accident.

The deceased is survived by his parents, a brother, Eugene, who lives in Australia, and a sister, Mrs. Carleta Taylor, Beaufort.

Mr. Hodges had formerly been employed by Carteret-Craven Electric Corp., Carolina Power and Light and he fished during the winter.

10 Men Sign Up In Army Reserve Heavy Boat Outfit

Ten men signed up for the newly-activated 824th Transportation Company (Heavy Boat) in Beaufort Tuesday night. The group held its initial meeting above the Joe House Drug Store. First Lt. Leon A. Mann Jr., mayor of Newport and commander of the unit was in charge.

Lieutenant Mann stated that the organization of this type of unit in Beaufort will provide the ideal solution for proper utilization of the many skilled young men who make their living operating or supporting the boating industry.

"The 824th Heavy Boat Company should appeal very strongly to those for whom the sea and boating have such a tremendous recreational appeal," he remarked.

First Lt. Paul W. Cordova, of Barbour Marine Supply, Beaufort, executive officer of the new company, stated that the mission of the 824th is to augment lighterage service during amphibious landing operations and to provide ship to shore lighterage in ports, harbors, inland waterways or on the open sea, of heavy cargo and personnel.

First Lt. Gerald D. Hill of Beaufort, supply officer for the 824th, stated that the unit would be equipped with 10 steel utility landing craft powered with diesel engines with an overall length of 115 feet, also a 65-foot 600 horsepower diesel harbor tug and a 36-foot patrol boat, if called to active duty in the event of a national emergency.

As the Heavy Boat Company gains in strength it is highly possible that some floating equipment may be issued, Lieutenant Hill said. The unit will have full use of all floating equipment during the annual summer training at Fort Eustis, Va.

The 824th Heavy Boat Company will have a strength of four officers, 23 warrant officers and 105 enlisted men. All masters, mates and engineers rate the rank of warrant officer. The unit will meet for a two-hour period each Wednesday night at 7:30 and for each two-hour period attended, a full day's pay will be received, according to the individual's grade or rank.

Time of the meeting was changed from Tuesday to Wednesday night at this week's session. This new unit will function in addition to the Army Reserve Unit headed by Capt. Thomas McQuaid, Beaufort.

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Under that plan, cars would be sent from New Bern to Jacksonville, then across to Cherry Point and into Morehead City.

The railroad bridge at New Bern was washed out by Ione and that's what has caused all the trouble.

The A&EC office said that there is a small bridge and washout between New Bern and Kinston and it would take a few days to repair that. Therefore, there would be no trains into New Bern.

Mr. Leary said that would not prevent freight from coming in here. He said cars could be sent on the Southern from Goldsboro to Wilmington and then back to Jacksonville.

Tanker Due
The USNS Saugatuck is due at Aviation Fuel Terminals Monday from Port Everglades, Fla., to unload a cargo of aviation gas.

Farm Agent Recommends Soil Analysis

ASC Awaits OK on Use Of Funds for Gypsum Treatments for Fields

"All farmers who have had farms covered with saltwater should have their soil analyzed for salt content," R. M. Williams, county farm agent, stated yesterday.

Farmers may call at the farm agent's office in the postoffice building, Beaufort, to pick up soil boxes in which to put samples of the ground.

B. J. May, ASC manager, said that ASC funds to help farmers pay for gypsum (to treat saltwater-damaged fields) has been requested of the State ASC committee, but the state ASC has not yet received an OK from the federal government.

\$20,000 Requested
Twenty thousand dollars has been requested by this county to help the farmers in this phase of farm rehabilitation.

Mr. Williams said that analysis of soil, after Connie and Diane, did not show as much salt content as after Hazel. "The ground has been so saturated with fresh water that the saltwater did not soak in like it did in Hazel," the agent commented.

Ione, he said, has probably finished off any sweet potatoes that survived Connie and Diane. "Hay and soybeans are surely gone," Mr. Williams added.

Robert Laughton, Crab Point, said, "Actually, Ione couldn't do much damage, because everything was destroyed in the earlier storms."

Forms Received

Mr. Williams said that his office has received forms to fill out, giving data on damage to farms in Connie, Diane and Ione. He said that he doubted that a meeting of the County Hurricane Damage Committee would be called because farm officials themselves are planning to check among the farmers and use those form reports in filling out the forms.

Mr. May reminds farmers that his office is now taking applications for conservation practices—pastures, ditches, winter cover crop. Cover crops now include oats, wheat, barley and rye or a mixture of those.

Farmers interested in getting financial aid to carry out those practices should contact Mr. May in the postoffice building, Beaufort.

Storms Boost Rainfall to 67.62

Cherry Point—The annual rainfall record for this air station was broken during Hurricane Ione when the rain reached a peak of 8.99 inches. When added to the total of 1955, this came to a sopping 67.62 inches as of 6:30 a. m. Monday.

Starting in 1943, Cherry Point records show that previously 1946 was the wettest year here with 67.42 inches of rain.

During the hurricane, which turned the streets of the station into rivers and turned every low spot on the base into a rain-lashed lake, winds reached a velocity of 64 miles an hour with some gusts topping the 108 mile-an-hour mark.

Before the fury of the storm hit Cherry Point, Marine officials offered the safety of the base to military dependents and civilian employees living in government housing on and in the vicinity of the Air Station.

Buses continued to cruise the areas until all who desired evacuation could be taken to the sturdily-constructed station theatre.

Many of those who took refuge aboard the station had reason to be thankful as the raging wind uprooted huge trees and sent them crashing down on houses and garages.

The exact extent of the damage to this Air Station has not yet been determined. The station senior medical officer reported no injuries.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar		
HIGH	Friday, Sept. 23	LOW
12:57 a.m.		8:32 a.m.
1:17 p.m.		7:57 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 24		
1:50 a.m.		7:59 a.m.
2:06 p.m.		9:03 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 25		
2:48 a.m.		9:12 a.m.
3:05 p.m.		9:57 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 26		
3:40 a.m.		10:09 a.m.
4:05 p.m.		10:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 27		
4:46 a.m.		10:58 a.m.
5:02 p.m.		11:30 p.m.

County Loss Guesstimated: \$300,000 Plus Connie, Diane

Phone Firm Cleared Long Distance Line Wednesday

By Wednesday morning, a long distance telephone line was available for emergency calls from Beaufort and Morehead City to upstate.

A Civil Air Patrol unit from Kernersville, commanded by Capt. Leonard H. Bell, came into Morehead City Tuesday night but Civil Defense released all units from duty at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning and the unit returned to Kernersville.

With Captain Bell were Lt. John Ed Cummins and Cadet Johnny Graves, both of Kernersville. The unit was set up in the Morehead City Recreation Building.

Adam Mayer's short wave radio unit knocked out Tuesday night after doing yeoman's service for three days. Because Mr. Mayer, of Carteret Electronics, had to tend to his TV business Tuesday, Gene Lambright, K4IBC, ham operator from Havelock, came to Morehead City and operated the station Tuesday.

On Wednesday Mr. Lambright brought his mobile radio equipment to this county and with the assistance of Al Riley, Newport, K4AAT, handled 30 to 40 messages.

Carolina Telephone and Telegraph hoped to have their lines restored to normal this weekend.

Isolated by the hurricane were exchanges at Topsail Island, Holly Ridge, Swansboro, Richlands, Morehead City, Beaufort, Marshallberg, Atlantic, Newport, Oriental, Bayboro, Pollockville, Trenton, Vanceboro, Aurora, Bath, Belhaven, Swan Quarter, Engelbar, Jacksonville, Newton Grove, Garland, Williamston, Plymouth, Columbia, Robersonville and Gatesville.

Exchanges at Morehead City and New Bern apparently were hardest hit although New Bern was never completely isolated.

Patrolman Sykes said the car apparently was traveling at a low rate of speed when it ran into the canal. It did not overturn. The ignition switch was turned off and the car was out of gear when the body was found.

Officers were of the opinion that Mr. Lewis, realizing his condition, had almost succeeded in stopping the car when it eased into the canal. Mr. Lewis was in a weakened condition physically after several months of ill health.

Surviving are his wife, a son, Delmas, Morehead City; two daughters, Mrs. William Edward Congleton, Beaufort; Mrs. Gerald Piner, Morehead City; his father, D. H. Lewis, Beaufort; a sister, Mrs. Elva Lewis, of Portsmouth, Va.; and two brothers, Bert, of Bettie, Taylor, who lives in Nevada; and four grandchildren.

Mr. Lewis operated a garage and auto paint shop on Live Oak Street, Beaufort.

Customs Inspector Speaks to Rotary

James E. Crowe, deputy collector of customs, Beaufort, was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Beaufort Rotary Club Tuesday night at the Inlet Inn.

Mr. Crowe spoke on his work in relation to Beaufort and gave a history of the customs department. Mr. Crowe has been with the Customs Department for the past 25 years and he told many interesting stories of his experience in other parts of the country.

Dr. John Morris, Morehead City, was the only visiting Rotarian.

Illegal Solicitation
Contrary to law, the Elizabeth Kenny Foundation, 2400 Foshay Tower, Minneapolis, Minn., is currently appealing to citizens of North Carolina for funds. The State Board of Public Welfare announces that the organization is not licensed to solicit in the state.

Mrs. Hugh Pake Reports On Meeting at Chicago

(Editor's Note: Mrs. Hugh Pake, Bettie, chairman of the 20th district, North Carolina Home Demonstration Clubs, attended the National Home Demonstration Council meeting last month in Chicago. Following is the first part of her report on the trip. The second part will appear in Tuesday's paper).

On Friday morning, Aug. 19, twenty-three happy and excited Home Demonstration Club women left North Carolina enroute to Chicago. These women were the delegates to the National Home Demonstration Council meeting at the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago, Aug. 21-28. I was very fortunate in being selected as delegate from the 20th District (Carteret, Craven, Pamlico, Onslow, Jones Counties).

We left Raleigh on a "special" air-conditioned Trailways Bus at 6 a. m. Miss Ruth Current, state Home Demonstration agent, was there to see us off, and to urge us to work very hard to get our candidate for southern director elected to office. Stops were made at Durham, Burlington, and Greensboro to pick up the women from that section of the state.

Mrs. Charles Graham of Linwood, a past state president, was in charge of the group enroute, since Miss Verna Stanton, assistant state agent, and Mrs. E. P. Gibson, state president, left on Aug. 18 to attend the Country Women's Council meeting, and to make reservations for the group.

Mrs. Graham gave each of us a dogwood emblem, carved of wood by one of the western women, to wear during our stay in Chicago. "North Carolina" was printed on the green ribbons on the emblem. She asked us to change seats often so that we would become better acquainted with our fellow delegates.

Unofficial estimates of damage to Carteret's private businesses, farms, highways and homes amount to \$300,000. That figure does not include damage to public property, such as sewer systems, seawalls and streets in Beaufort, Morehead City, Atlantic Beach and Newport.

While \$300,000 may seem low, that figure is in addition to the damage caused in Connie and Diane. Many roads, washouts, and bridges had not been repaired because of the continual rain after Diane.

Farm crops had already been wiped out in the August storms, but Ione went to work on farm buildings that had escaped damage in August. Many barns down east had one end blown out. Farm homes and outbuildings had considerable roof damage and of course, many low-lying areas were again covered with saltwater.

Waterfront Damage
Private businesses on waterfronts, such as fish houses, suffered from high water. In Beaufort and Morehead City businesses had plate glass windows blown out, signs ripped down and roofs damaged. Beaufort businessmen on Front Street bailed as best they could, but all suffered from rising water.

One furniture store worked all day Monday to keep the high water out but the blow that capped the stack was when the roof collapsed and the front window gave way. Water poured in from above and everything was drenched.

Most homes suffered roof damage and loss from rising water.

East of North River water and wind damage was similar to that in the western part of the county. Harkers Island waterfront suffered and John Weston Smith's fish house and docks at Atlantic were heavily damaged.

Hospital Stayed Dry
Marshall Whisnant, administrator at Sea Level Hospital, said that water was all around the hospital but none got inside. The hospital put its emergency generator in use to supply power. The pier at Sea Level Inn was wrecked and an outbuilding on Nelson's Bay was floated up to Highway 70.

Mr. Whisnant said that the power went off at the hospital at 2 a. m. Monday and was restored at 8:30 Tuesday night. "I think CP&L did a wonderful job under the circumstances," he remarked.

Some small skiffs went down but larger boats rode out the storm. Many were cast high on shore by the angry waters but were not severely damaged.

The attitude of most folks down east is, "We're fortunate that damage wasn't any worse!"

The South River and Merrimon sections suffered from high water. Many small frame homes were

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Beaufort has requested \$91,000 in Civil Defense funds to repair damage sustained by the town in Connie, Diane and Ione.

After Connie and Diane, \$76,000 was requested. Fifteen thousand dollars has been added to that figure as the result of Ione's visit.

Dan Walker, town clerk, said the sewers are in terrible condition. In some homes toilets cannot be flushed and sewage is backing up.

Two sections of seawall and supporting sidewalk were undermined on Front Street. One washout was at the south end of Moore Street. This area was also partially damaged in Hazel.

The other was in the postoffice block of Front Street where a large storm drain empties in Taylor's Creek from Ann Street. Part of the seawall and five sections of sidewalks were washed out. Further inspection is required to determine full extent of damage, Mr. Walker said.

The town hopes to be back on regular garbage collection schedule Monday.

Garbage could not be collected after the storm because the road to the dump was washed out, and to get that road repaired the road to the town's sand pit had to be repaired first.

Two small trucks are collecting garbage but the large trucks cannot use the dump road until the road is in better shape.

Firemen to Attend Dinner; Lloyd Layman Will Speak

Firemen of Beaufort, Morehead City and Newport will meet at 7 o'clock tonight in the Sanitary Restaurant, Morehead City, for the final session of their county-wide fire school.

Lloyd Layman, chief of fire fighting, Federal Civil Defense Administration, will be the guest speaker. He will also present certificates to firemen who have completed the week-long training course.

Sessions started Tuesday night under the supervision of Capt. Otis Dowdy, Charlotte Fire Department. They were delayed one day because of Ione.

The courses have been conducted at the Morehead City Fire Station with the exception of last night when drills were conducted at the Beaufort Fire Station due to the death of the Morehead department's captain, Leroy Guthrie.

Forty attended the Tuesday night session, according to Fire Chief Vernon Guthrie and 45 attended Wednesday night's course.

The school was arranged by the Newport Fire Department in cooperation with Beaufort and Morehead City firemen.

Officers of the state fire association are expected at tonight's dinner and Chief Guthrie says they hope to have films of a recent fire at Wilmington. Dinner will be Dutch.

Phone Lines Near Normal Again

All long distance telephone lines were almost back to normal yesterday, according to Lonnie Daniels, manager of Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co., Morehead City.

Mr. Daniels announced that all circuits to New Bern are now in operation and practically all the circuits to Raleigh are working too.

He announced that some contact was made with the down east section at Marshallberg and Atlantic at 6 p. m. Wednesday night.

Mr. Daniels stated that the company is still plugging away, trying to bring back telephone service to all subscribers.

Charge Fined
Johnnie Logue, Morehead City, was apprehended by Morehead City police Wednesday and charged with having no operator's license and driving a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicants or narcotics.

Salvage Starts
Work started Wednesday afternoon on raising the Euro pile-driving barge which sunk just south of the Beaufort bridge during Ione.

Clubs Undertake Clothing Project

Morehead City and Beaufort Junior Woman's Clubs will conduct clothing drives again this year. Clothing collected is furnished the County Welfare Department. The "Clothing Closet" is a statewide Junior Woman's Club project.

In charge in Morehead City are Miss Elizabeth Lambeth, 3205 Evans St. and Mrs. J. D. Holl, 2107 Shepard St. Clothes may be taken to them or if donors phone Miss Lambeth, 6-3854, or Mrs. Holl, 6-5082, the clothing will be called for.

Miss Lambeth said clothes for elderly people and for children in the grammar grades through high school are especially needed. Clothes should be in good condition. "We're not interested in collecting rags," Miss Lambeth remarked.

Plans for the Beaufort collections will be announced later. Mrs. Robert Slater is in charge.

Sea Level Hospital Considers Blood-Typing

Marshall Whisnant, administrator at Sea Level Hospital, said that a blood typing plan is under consideration at the hospital.

He said that blood would be typed and a record kept so that donors would be known and available in case of any civilian disaster.