

County to Get \$170,473 for Schools

Beaufort to Undertake Major Paving Job Soon

Jimmy Murphy Advances in Tests

Two Other County Seniors Will Try for Morehead Scholarships

High scholastic honors came to two Beaufort boys and one Morehead City boy this week.

Jimmy Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Murphy, Beaufort, has been notified that he is a semi-finalist in the Merit Scholarship program.

This nationwide program, which offers 200 four-year scholarships, is seeking only the best students in the country. Only the best students in senior classes were permitted to take the first test in October.

Jimmy Potter, Beaufort senior, and Eddie Smithwick, Morehead City senior, have been selected by the Morehead Scholarship committee, in this county, to take exams for the scholarships next month.

Potter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Davis Potter, Beaufort, and Smithwick is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smithwick. Each Morehead scholarship, four years, is valued at \$5,000.

Potter is president of the senior class and was a member of the 1955 football and 1954-55 basketball squads at Beaufort School. Smithwick is president of the student body at Morehead City School and a member of the Beta Club.

Murphy is scheduled to take another examination Jan. 14.

Craven Officers Investigate Death

Investigation of the death of James Godette, North Harlowe Negro, who died in Morehead City Hospital Sunday is being continued by Deputy Sheriff Bruce Edwards of Havelock.

Deputy Edwards stated that no formal charges will be made, pending further inquiry. The fight in which Godette was cut took place in Craven County, across the Carteret line.

The officer said that Godette was slashed to death by Garland Richard, North Harlowe Negro, but investigation thus far shows that Richard cut Godette in self defense at the Richard home.

According to reports, Godette went to Richard's home and threatened to attack both Richard and his wife with an axe. He was disarmed and chased from the house. Godette then broke down the door and reentered. According to Deputy Edwards, he grabbed Richard's wife and choked her until Richard finally pulled him away, whereupon Godette chased both with a razor.

In the ensuing fight with Richard, Godette was badly cut and was taken to Morehead City Hospital where he died.

Morehead City police notified Craven authorities of the death.

Parking Meter Collections Lag Behind 1954 Receipts

Parking meter collections in Beaufort are reported running about \$1,300 behind last year. Finance Commissioner Gerald Hill expressed the opinion at the town board meeting Monday night that collections will probably pick up during the rest of the fiscal year.

The drop is due to removing meter heads when storm warnings were given. "Even so we're ahead of the game," commented Dan Walker, clerk. If the meters had been damaged, as they were during Hazel, all would have had to be replaced.

Not Much Hope

Commissioner Hill and Commissioner James Rumley said that the courtesy nickel parking plan will probably have to be abandoned. Overtime parkers are not replacing the nickels lent them.

Commissioner Rumley said, "The merchants are paying the nickels now." Commissioner Hill said he saw five cars recently which had one

Beaufort's bumpy Front Street in the business section will soon have a new smooth top. Dan Walker, town clerk, reported to the commissioners Monday night that the money is available to resurface it. The work is tentatively scheduled to start in February.

Plans also call for widening Pollock Street on the east side from Front to the postoffice driveway to allow diagonal parking.

Craven Street will be re-surfaced and the slight curve on Turner Street straightened. Cost of the street work, estimated at \$10,000 to \$12,000, will be met with Powell Bill funds.

Bad Condition
Gray Hassell, town engineer, reported several months ago that Front Street was in such bad condition that the sub-grade would be seriously damaged if resurfacing work were not done as soon as possible. Recent storms have not done the street any good either.

The board discussed opening Hill Street, which runs from Front to Ann, between the Gerald Hill home and the home recently bought by Norwood Young. Commissioner Gerald Hill said he did not want the street opened.

It was pointed out that the street has been publicly dedicated and is on the town map. Mr. Hill said that he owned one entire side of the street and "controlled two-thirds of the other side" and did not want the street opened.

Chief Suggests Signs
Chief Guy Springle suggested placing stop signs at the Moore and Broad Street intersections. Commissioner Hill said he thought signs were needed at Cedar and Pollock. No action was taken on either suggestion.

The chief also suggested that trees and bushes which overhang sidewalks and streets be cut. The clerk was authorized to notify property owners to trim their shrubs.

The clerk reported that the final shipment on the traffic light parts was due this week and announced that the first concrete street markers had been poured. One was on display in front of the town hall Monday night.

Attending the meeting in addition to those mentioned were Commissioners Otis Mades, William Roy Hamilton, Math Chaplain and James Rumley; Gene Smith, town attorney; and Wardell Fillingame, street superintendent.

Newport Auto Tags Are Now on Sale

Town auto tags are on sale now at Newport.

According to rulings made by the town board in July tags must be obtained for all vehicles (exceptions listed below) and the tags must be displayed.

Commercial vehicles primarily stationed within town must have tags although their owners may reside out of town.

Military personnel are not expected to buy and display tags unless they have North Carolina license tags.

Volunteer firemen are not required to display a town license tag provided they have a current fire department tag displayed.

The tags are on sale for a dollar each at Edwards Soda Shop.

Courtesy Nickel Envelope after Another Stacked under the Windshield

Police Chief Guy Springle said he did not realize that was what the town board intended.

Send in a Bill!
To illustrate his point, Commissioner Hill said he saw a car with four envelopes on the windshield so he approached the owner and asked how come. The reply came back, "Well, I pay them once a week."

The commissioners told the chief to start Tuesday putting overtime parking citations on cars if the parkers persist in sitting there without paying a nickel after the first courtesy envelope has been issued.

Chief Springle said that local people, both from Beaufort and

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Bed-Ridden Youth Would Like TV Set for Christmas

Hubert Gillikin, 18, formerly of Otway, would like a television set for Christmas.

Hubert, who has been confined to a wheel chair and bed ever since he was 11, is now living in Paulsboro, N. J., with his mother, Mrs. Earl Gillikin, and six brothers and sisters.

The above picture was taken when Hubert was 15. His mother and father are separated and the only means of support for the family are two grown sons working on a dredge out of Paulsboro.

Mrs. Golda Gillikin, Hubert's married sister, 513 Ann St., Beaufort, says that all Hubert talks about is a TV. Suffering from spinal trouble for seven years, he must now lie in bed on his stomach all the time.

Mrs. Gillikin said that many people here remember Hubert at Christmas time with small gifts. "If they would just give a little bit of money instead," she said, "we might be able to get him a TV."

Hubert has been hospitalized in North Carolina Memorial Hospital, Gastonia Hospital for Crippled Children and Sea Level Hospital.

The family has been helped by the Carteret Welfare Department and the Society for Crippled Children. Miss Georgie Hughes, county welfare superintendent, said that in the face of family difficulties, the only thing Mrs. Gillikin could do was move to New Jersey recently to live with her elder sons.

The family has not been in New Jersey long enough to obtain welfare funds nor can Hubert receive aid to children because he is 18 now; neither is he eligible at present for aid to the permanent and totally disabled.

Miss Hughes said the case is a worthy one. If anyone would like to contribute to a TV set for Hubert, they may mail their contributions directly to him, 55 Roosevelt Ave., Paulsboro, N. J., or mail their contribution to the Hubert Gillikin Fund, THE NEWS-TIMES.



Hubert Gillikin now confined to bed

County X-Rays Uncover Four Cases of TB

Four tuberculosis cases were discovered when the x-ray trailer, sponsored and financed by the Carteret County Health Department in cooperation with the State Board of Health, visited the county.

Of the four cases, three of them have already been admitted to the Wilson Sanatorium, according to Dr. Luther Fulcher, health officer.

There were 483 negative reports, 18 healed primary TB, three had pulmonary scars, 18 inactive TB (old patients), 14 other diseases than TB, and 36 suspicious cases.

The 36 suspicious cases are the ones which have to be watched. Dr. Fulcher said. These cases require either of the following: sputum tests, tuberculin tests and re-x-rays.

The County TB Association will pay to have these people re-x-rayed provided they are unable to pay for the x-rays themselves, the health department said.

All persons who were x-rayed were asked to contact their own private physician to learn of the result on their x-rays.

Dr. Fulcher and his staff express their sincere thanks and appreciation to the many people who made the x-ray service possible.

Special thanks were extended to the police of both Morehead City and Beaufort, the Carolina Power and Light Co. for supplying the electricity; the Carolina Water Co. for the water; House's Drug Store, Beaufort; the Sport Shop, Morehead City; Morehead City Garment Co.; THE NEWS-TIMES, Alvin Garner, Morehead City, to women in both towns who filled out records, and to all others who offered their services.

Dr. Fulcher said that the doctors and hospital staffs are most cooperative in following the x-ray patients and obtaining additional tests on them.

Vernon Guthrie Re-Elected Chief

Vernon C. Guthrie was re-elected chief of the Morehead City Fire Department at the December meeting Monday night at the fire station.

Other officers are Joseph Fulcher, assistant chief; Daniel L. Wilkins, captain; Sammy Hughes, lieutenant; John Pavonne, secretary; and Lindsey Guthrie, treasurer.

Chief Guthrie spoke on civil defense and distributed air raid warning cards.

Firemen discussed their Christmas charity program. They will give boxes of groceries to needy families and will furnish their fire truck to Santa Claus Friday night, Dec. 23. Santa will ride along Arendell Street and give fruit and candy to the youngsters.

John Parker is in charge of decorating the fire station.

Season's Here

The Christmas season officially arrived in Beaufort with Santa Claus Friday afternoon. Santa rode in a fire truck and was accompanied by the Beaufort School band and Scouts.

Negro Fisherman Drowns Monday

James Shaw, 32, Falls Between Menhaden Boats in Beaufort

James Shaw, 32-year-old Negro fisherman from Wilmington, drowned at 6:45 p.m. Monday on the Beaufort waterfront when he fell between two menhaden boats, the John W. Quinn and the Pauline. The boats were tied up at the Sinclair dock.

Fort Macon Coast Guard Station was notified of the drowning and Carlton Garner, assistant chief of police, said they were on the scene in 20 minutes. Coast Guardsmen dragged for the body and recovered it on the third try, at 8:20 p.m. The Beaufort fire department rescuator was used in an attempt to revive Shaw.

The effort was unsuccessful. Coroner Leslie D. Springle, who said Shaw had been drinking heavily, ruled the drowning accidental.

Officer Garner went aboard the Pauline and talked to Benjamin Jerrege, Fort Beach, Fla. Jerrege said that Shaw had come into the galley, laid his clothes on the table and told Jerrege to tell the cook, who had left the boat, to "take care of the clothes" for him.

Then Shaw left and the next thing, Jerrege said, he heard a loud splash.

He ran out on deck and saw Shaw between the Pauline and Quinn. He said he grabbed a line and threw it to Shaw, but Shaw made no effort to grab it.

A Negro known as "Lucky" who was aboard the Pauline, said he started to pull his boots off to go in after Shaw, but Shaw disappeared so fast, he thought rescue efforts would be useless.

The Jordan Funeral Home, Wilmington, sent for the body at 12:45 a.m. Tuesday. Shaw is survived by a wife and three young children and a sister, Minnie, 1211 S. 9th St., Wilmington.

Coroner Springle commended the Coast Guard for their promptness in answering the call for help. "If they hadn't gotten there as soon as they did," he said, "we may not have found the body for three days."

The body was recovered almost at the identical spot where Shaw was last seen in the water.

Shaw fished aboard the Quinn, a Smith boat.

Coast Guardsmen who did the dragging were Henry O'Brien who was in command of the boat, Ronald Quiddle, engineer, and James Pittman, scaman first class.

At long last the state has come forward with a formula for dividing the second part of a fifty million dollar school bond issue — and Carteret will get \$170,473.83.

Division of the funds, held up many months due to the Supreme Court's integration decision, was approved by Gov. Luther Hodges and the State Board of Education Tuesday.

In the first division of funds two years ago, Carteret received \$108,068.71. With the major portion of that money an elementary school was built at Beaufort and an annex built on the Queen Street School. W. S. King School, Morehead City, also had classrooms added with bond funds.

Under the state-approved building plan for Carteret, the next projects are Harkers Island and Smyrna School.

The master plan for Carteret school building improvements, approved by the state two years ago, is not subject to alteration. Since the first bond issue, new buildings and improvements to old buildings have been proceeding in accordance with the adopted program.

The formula for distribution of the second twenty-five million dollars is based heavily on a county's inability to meet its own school building requirements and on enrollment.

Some of the smallest and poorest counties will receive four or five times more per pupil than the wealthiest counties.

Carteret's neighboring counties, Craven and Onslow, will receive \$265,347.24 and \$241,485.23 respectively.

The money will be allocated when the proposed building programs have cleared the state's school planning department.

442 Families To Receive Food

Four hundred forty-two families have been approved for receiving surplus foods in this month's distribution.

The federal commodities will be given out next Thursday, Dec. 15, at the curb market, Morehead City, as they were in November.

The foods, such as cheese, flour, dried beans, cornmeal, will be unloaded from trucks Wednesday by Morehead City Jaycees. The food is transported here from upstate in State Highway trucks.

Members of the Beaufort and Morehead City Junior Woman's Clubs will help distribute the food Thursday.

It is estimated that the November distribution proceeded at the rate of a box a minute. Those in charge said the procedure was "wonderful."

Men are needed, however, to carry the cartons of food from the place they are packed to the recipients' trucks or automobiles. Any men who will offer their services will be welcome at the curb market next Thursday.

Distribution will begin at 9 a.m. and continue until 3 p.m. Food not distributed will be returned to Raleigh.

Commissioner D. Ira Garner To Resign from Town Board

Commissioner D. Ira Garner told his fellow Newport commissioners Tuesday night that they would have to find someone to replace him on the board since he has accepted a position on the county Alcoholic Beverage Control board.

The board decided to defer action until January. Mr. Garner is also a member of the county board of elections.

Commissioners approved purchase of a uniform for the town policeman, Dan Bell, and the purchase of a water main tapping machine and pipe wrench.

The policeman's salary was raised \$5 a month and commissioners agreed to pay the firemen's dues as stipulated in the budget.

Lonnie Howard appeared before the board and reported that the drainage job in the west Newport area was complete. Mr. Howard was awarded the contract at a special board meeting last month. The clerk was authorized

to pay him the cost of the work, \$976.

Problem Persists
Jim Kirby appeared at the meeting and said that something HAD to be done about the drainage ditch which constantly fills up on his property. Mr. Kirby, who has complained about it repeatedly, says the water runs from the housing development and the highway on to his property.

He told the board that a state highway engineer says, "The state highway department has no water problems." He continued, "I know they don't have 'em, I've got theirs."

Commissioners said they would go look at the situation tomorrow afternoon.

Commissioner Bennie Garner, reporting on another drainage problem, a ditch running from the town line to Harbour's branch, said that it would cost approximately \$575 to put down tile. No action was taken.

The board decided to investigate further the installation of tile in the vicinity of I. V. Haskett and Charlie Garner's. Commissioner Hilton Gurganus estimated cost of the tile would be about \$600.

More Help Needed
The board authorized hiring additional help to hook more homes on the water lines. Commissioner Garner said that all the persons wanting to be connected could not be hooked up unless more labor were obtained.

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School Advisory Group Meets With Educators

Board of Education Goes On Record Against Water Rate Raise

Four members of the County School Advisory Committee met with the County Board of Education Monday afternoon at the courthouse annex. They were Paul Jones, Beaufort, who was elected chairman of the committee, Earl Wade, Davis, Randolph Johnson, Beaufort, and John Tillery, Morehead City.

The two groups discussed getting acquainted with school facts that will be necessary for consideration in effectively operating the public schools.

The advisory group was appointed by the County Board of Education two months ago at the suggestion of the attorney general as the result of the Supreme Court decision on integration.

Two members sent their regrets, saying they could not be present Monday. They were Mrs. B. F. Royal, Morehead City, and Aaron Craig, Newport.

Protest Rate Raise
The Board of Education instructed its secretary, H. L. Joslyn, to draw up a resolution opposing the Carolina Water Company's raise in water rates. Mr. Joslyn said that the bill for water at the five schools in Beaufort and Morehead City was \$66.97 in October and \$217.76 in November.

He told the board, "We simply can't stand an increase like that."

The board authorized Mr. Joslyn and the chairman, R. W. Safrir, to proceed with sale of the North River and Merrimon School properties Friday, Dec. 16, as advertised. The properties are no longer being used since pupils attending those schools are now attending Queen Street School, Beaufort.

Land Claim
The secretary reported that John Jones, Harkers Island, is claiming part of the Harkers Island school property purchased from the O'Neal heirs. Mr. Joslyn said that the title is clear and Mr. Jones has no claim.

The board heard a report on its finances from Frank P. Wall of the Williams and Wall auditing firm and granted the Newport school committee an extension on sick leave for Mrs. Irma Quinn, Newport faculty member.

Attending the meeting were R. W. Safrir Jr., chairman of the board; D. Mason, Theodore Smith, W. B. Allen, and George Wallace.

News in a Nutshell

INTERNATIONAL

IN ENGLAND Clement R. Atlee, head of Britain's labor party and for six years prime minister of Britain, resigned as head of his party this week. For his long service to the nation, a total of 20 years, Queen Elizabeth made him an earl.

RUSSIA swooshed into the news again this week in a report from London which states that the Soviets will very soon have a bomber force that will challenge the West in the air.

NATIONAL

EMPLOYMENT set a new record last month. Personal income of Americans climbed in October. Outlay by industry for plants and equipment will continue to rise through the first three months of

1956. It looks like a rosy, gay Christmas.

TWO PLANES crashed on Pearl Harbor Bay, Wednesday. A huge jet seaplane exploded on test flight and fell into the Chesapeake Bay and a Navy jet crashed into a residential section at Richmond, Va.

STATE

WAKE FOREST this week gained fame via the "investigation bandwagon." A resolution, authorizing the investigation by a committee, of all phases of the college administration was adopted by the Baptist State Convention in November at Asheville.

IT'S BAD NEWS for 4,346 Tar Heels. Uncle Sam says they owe him over a million dollars in back taxes.