

Three Beaufort Organizations Endorse Health Center Plan

The Beaufort Jaycees, the Beaufort Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club this week went on record endorsing a proposal to obtain a health center for the county, to be built in Beaufort.

A bill was passed by the 1955 legislature allowing Carteret County to borrow money as its share in a state and federal matching fund program for a health center. It was proposed that if the money could be obtained the health center would be built on the courthouse square.

Referendum Required

After the bill, which would have allowed Carteret to borrow \$10,000, was passed, the county was informed by bond attorneys in New York that the North Carolina constitution forbids the borrowing of money to build such a structure unless the people authorize it in a referendum.

Alvah Hamilton, county attorney, told county commissioners last May that the state interprets hospitals or health centers as non-essential and therefore the people must say whether money shall be borrowed to build them.

Had the county been able to borrow \$10,000, the federal government would have contributed \$10,000 and the state, through the Medical Care Commission, would have contributed \$10,000.

The Medical Care Commission told Carteret in the spring of 1955 that its funds were fast dwindling and unless Carteret acted fast, \$10,000 from the state may not be available. It was not expected that the legislature, then in session, would replenish the Medical Care Commission's funds.

Bill Pushed Through

For that reason the bill, permitting Carteret to borrow \$10,000, was rushed through the legislature. (The county did not have \$10,000 to put into the project). The referendum requirement was the obstacle prohibiting carrying out of the health center plan.

At the suggestion of Dr. Luther Fulcher, health officer, the County Board of Health, in session this month, requested that Dr. C. C. Applewhite of the State Board of Health, be invited to a joint meeting of the county board and the board of health to discuss the health center proposal.

Dr. Fulcher told the board of health that he had been advised that requests for health centers be registered with the state no later than June.

Fumigation Plant Bids Opened

Ten firms bid on the fumigation plant to be built at Morehead City port. Bids were opened at the State Ports office, Morehead City, Tuesday afternoon. Contracts will be let after a review of bids by an engineer with the State Budget Commission.

The low bid from a general contractor was \$80,116 from Davis and Safran, Raleigh, plus an additional \$2,120 if it were decided to alter certain foundation specifications.

The low electrical bid was \$1,796 from Page Electric Service, Raleigh.

Other general contract bids came from Clancy Construction Co., Raleigh; R. N. Rouse and Co., Goldsboro; Miller Building Corp., Wilmington; East Carolina Construction Co., Dunn; and J. D. Sommers.

Other electrical contractors bidding were Demers, Inc., New Bern; Electrical Construction Co., Durham; Blanchard's Electric Service, Morehead City; Thompson Electrical Co., Raleigh.

Lodge Repaired

Franklin Lodge, Turner Street, Beaufort, is undergoing general repairs. Contractor is O. Lawrence, Bettie.

Maureen Brings Attractive Dutch Nurse to America



Miss Tans Bron, left above, and Mrs. Albert Ashwooden visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Holt, Morehead City. The tanker Maureen is shown as she was approaching the Morehead City draw Tuesday morning, bound for Norfolk enroute to Rotterdam.

Attractive 24-year-old Tans Bron was a passenger aboard the Maureen, fish oil tanker, which sailed from Beaufort Tuesday after loading 1,200 tons of fish oil at the Fish Meal Co., Beaufort.

Miss Bron, a registered nurse, came to this country from her native Holland and is bound for Minneapolis, Minn., where she will work in the Swedish Hospital.

She left Morehead City by car Wednesday morning with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ashwooden. Mr. Ashwooden is with the American Tile Co., which boarded and exported the fish oil. The Ashwoodens came here from their home in New York so that Mr. Ashwooden could look after the loading of the Maureen.

To Visit in New York

Before proceeding to Minneapolis, Miss Bron will visit with relatives at Groton, N. Y.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hendrik Bron, she was born in the town of Kinderdyk, near Rotterdam. She finished nurses' training in May and has been working since as a private nurse — two months in

England and six months in France.

During an interview at the Jefferson Hotel Tuesday, Miss Bron said that her parents have encouraged their children to travel.

A brother, 18, has a high school scholarship to study in this country. He went to school in Minneapolis. "Although he is now back home," Miss Bron said, "he has many friends in Minneapolis."

She has another brother 13. Speaking English very well, Miss Bron added, "Yes, my parents want us to travel. They say they would have liked to travel if they had had the opportunity when they were young."

Her father works in a shipyard in Rotterdam. Having done work on the Maureen, he was able to make arrangements for his daughter's passage. Miss Bron went by train from Rotterdam to Genoa, Italy, the port from which the Maureen sailed Feb. 5.

The tanker docked here Monday, requiring 22 days to cross the Atlantic. The crossing was all right.

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Garden and Civic Club Will Show Camellias

FTA Executive Committee To Meet at 3 Tuesday

The executive committee of the Carteret County Future Teachers Association will meet at 3 p.m. Tuesday in the office of the teacher supervisor, Fred Lewis, Beaufort.

Plans will be made for the county's annual spring FTA meeting.

Bradley McIntosh, Morehead City, is president of the county unit. Carteret FTA members number 150.

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Fred King Suffers Injuries When Hit By Car Tuesday

Accident Victim Reported To Be Getting Along All Right in Hospital

Fred King, 58, 207 Moore St., Beaufort, was reported yesterday as getting along very satisfactorily in the Morehead City Hospital. Mr. King was struck by a car at 7:10 Tuesday night as he was crossing Ann Street at Moore.

He suffered a cracked left hip and broken left shoulder. According to Assistant Chief of Police Carlton Garner, Mr. King was hit by a car driven by Miss Margaret Thomas, 25, Newport.

Officer Garner said Miss Thomas was proceeding east on Ann on the way to a Beaufort Choral Club meeting. In the car with her were three other passengers.

She said she saw a man step out on the street in front of her and applied brakes but could not avoid hitting him. The officer said skid marks on the street showed she had traveled approximately 25 feet after putting on the brakes.

Officer Garner said Mr. King told him he was watching headlights of a car coming south on Moore and also another car going toward Morehead and did not see the car approaching from his left.

Mr. King, a former director of the Beaufort School band and acting manager of the Beaufort Theatre, was taken to the hospital in the Adair ambulance.

No damage was reported to the 1954 Pontiac Miss Thomas was driving. No charges have been filed against her.

Dr. John Way, Mr. King's physician, said that the accident victim would be in the hospital "quite a while."

Tax Check-Up Period Ends

The two-week period for taxpayers to check on their new valuations at the courthouse, Beaufort, ended Wednesday.

County tax officials said that a report of any changes or revisions in valuations has not been made to them yet. Appraisers on duty during the past two weeks to confer with taxpayers on the valuations were Leon A. Marshall, Leon Brinkman and Arthur Elliott.

Mr. Brinkman said yesterday that the reaction to revaluation in this county was no different than that in other counties where revaluations have taken place.

He considered the number of persons who turned up "not out of proportion" and said that he was glad to see them because it showed people have an interest in what has been undertaken.

The revaluation, which has been in progress since the beginning of 1955, was conducted by the firm of E. T. Wilkins and Associates, with whom Mr. Marshall, Mr. Brinkman and Mr. Elliott are affiliated.

County tax officials said that after a revised report is received from the Wilkins company, persons who are still dissatisfied with their valuations will be mailed letters informing them of the next step they may take.

SMYRNA PTA to Serve Seafood Tomorrow

A seafood supper and dance, sponsored by the Smyrna PTA, will get underway tomorrow night at the Smyrna School at 8:30 p.m.

The menu includes clam chowder, clams on half shell, clam fritters, french fried clams, scallops, slaw and old-time corn bread.

The supper will be served from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. and will be followed by square and round dancing in the Smyrna gym.

Reservations may be had by calling Marshallberg 1-46.

Port Calendar

M/V Paranagus—Will dock at Morehead City port today to load general cargo, and will sail Saturday for South America.

OTCO Bayway—Due Sunday at Aviation Fuel Terminals with a load of jet fuel from Paulsboro, N. J. Will leave after unloading.

Profit \$50,547

According to a financial report presented to the Ports Authority by Col. Richard Marr, executive director, at a meeting last month, net profit at the two ports for the six months ending Dec. 31, 1955 was \$50,547.02.

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County Officials Open Bids On New Jail at Courthouse

Farmers Pick Up Free Grain



Photo by News-Times

Forty-six Carteret farmers received their share of free grain this week. They are shown above weighing the corn and loading it on their trucks. The corn was unloaded in Beaufort on the siding near K. W. Wright's warehouse.

A total of 108,850 pounds were distributed. B. J. May, ASC man-

ager in charge of the distribution, said two more carloads have been ordered and one of them "will probably be here next week."

Roy Keller, Bettie, supervised the weighing. Albert B. Johnson, Raleigh, with the agriculture department, was assisting in keeping records.

The above picture was taken from the rear of the truck owned by Lloyd Smith, farmer of Beaufort route 1. His son, Henry, maneuvered it into position for the photographer.

The free grain is being distributed under a federal program to aid hurricane-stricken farmers.

Bids for the county's proposed new jail were opened yesterday afternoon at the courthouse.

No contracts will be let until the full board of county commissioners reviews the bids and attempts to fit costs into the budget. The county has borrowed \$75,000 to build the jail. Most bids exceeded the \$75,000 figure on general contract alone.

Bids Listed

Bids listed below are base bids and do not include additions or deductions for alternate projects.

General contracting: W. C. Flowers \$59,840, O. C. Lawrence \$80,168.50, O. W. Godwin \$81,500, O. L. Shackelford \$79,900, and East Carolina Construction Co. \$84,800.

Plumbing: Beaufort Plumbing and Supply Co. \$14,228.85, Howell Plumbing Co. \$13,425, C. L. Russ \$16,670, Kennan-Corey Plumbing Co. \$16,961.

Heating: Beaufort Plumbing and Supply \$4,962.84, J. T. Pearson and Co. \$5,995, C. L. Russ \$5,865, and Kennan and Corey \$4,960.

Electrical: Hatsell Electric Co. \$3,215.46, Caraway's Electric Service \$6,088.97, C. J. DeMers \$3,195, and Blanchard's Electric Service \$3,196.

May Reject All

The county board of commissioners has the privilege of rejecting all bids, if the cost exceeds the amount of funds available.

Attending the bid opening were B. H. Stephens and Robert Stephens, architects, Sheriff Hugh Salter, Moses Howard, chairman of the county board; Harrell Taylor, county commissioner; Alvah Hamilton, county attorney; J. A. Early, Raleigh, jail supervisor; James D. Potter, county auditor; Irvin W. Davis, clerk to the board, and 15 contractors.

Bids were opened by B. H. Stephens and read by Robert Stephens.

Plans call for tearing down the present jail to make way for the new one.

Civil Defense Finally OK's \$281,145 for Storm Repairs

Port Manager Comments On '55 Tonnage Report

Although the port of Morehead City handled fewer tons of cargo in 1955 than 1954, J. D. Holt, port manager, says that the drop is partly due to the transition necessary to handle more commercial cargoes.

According to a report released this week by the Corps of Engineers, Wilmington, Morehead City port handled 438,000 tons in 1955 as against 504,000 in 1954.

The State Ports Authority decided last year that warehouse space formerly used by the Navy should be diverted to use by private firms. This will make, eventually, for a healthier economic condition," Mr. Holt commented.

New Warehouse

A new warehouse is now in process of construction at the port and bids were opened Tuesday for the new tobacco fumigation plant to be built there.

Another reason for the drop in tonnage at the Morehead City port is due to fewer oil products being imported. Standard Oil is diverting tankers to other terminals.

A new contract was negotiated with Standard Oil some months ago, increasing Standard Oil's charges for using Morehead City port.

The Ports Authority deemed such a move necessary to receive fair compensation for the oil company's use of port facilities.

Asphalt tonnage dropped about 2,000 in 1955 as compared with 1954.

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To repair damage done by hurricanes, the Federal Civil Defense Administration has approved \$281,145.40 for Carteret County, Moses C. Howard, chairman of the County Board of Commissioners, announced Wednesday.

Letters from Civil Defense to the county said that the money would be forthcoming only after work was completed and properly documented. The federal government further specifies that on all projects the work must be done as economically as possible.

Approval on 10 county projects comes only after applications have been revised four times. The first request was for \$718,878.50. This included stabilizing Core Banks.

No money for outer banks preservation, other than for Bogue Banks, is included in the \$281,145 figure.

On each project, directions from FCDA specify what should be done in order to obtain payment for the work after it is completed.

Projects and the amounts approved follow: Portsmouth \$6,720, Salter Path \$21,750, Bogue Banks \$118,250, Harkers Island \$34,000, Atlantic \$7,943, Sea Level \$23,499.30, Davis \$22,443.10, North River \$8,865, Marshallberg \$32,500 and Cedar Point \$5,175.

Ground observation of planes is being carried out by Coast Guardsmen at stations along the outer banks as well as by state highway bridge tenders.

Major Corbin said a representative from the Durham Air Defense filter center will visit this county "in the near future."

ABC Officer Reports End Of Still at Pelletier

A new still, that hadn't even had its first run, was blown up Wednesday by Marshall Ayscue, county ABC officer, and federal officers.

The still was located in woods near Pelletier close to the Camp Lejeune Railroad track. Officer Ayscue remarked that maybe the operators were planning to run their product out of the county in tank cars.

The still, barrels and other items necessary for making moonshine were dispatched with dynamite.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar

HIGH LOW

Friday, March 2

6:07 a.m. 6:13 p.m.

Saturday, March 3

6:59 a.m. 7:04 p.m.

Sunday, March 4

7:54 a.m. 7:59 p.m.

Monday, March 5

8:54 a.m. 9:01 p.m.

Tuesday, March 6

9:54 a.m. 10:02 p.m.

Benjamin Swain.

Court Orders \$8,000 Payment

Eight thousand dollars has been ordered paid by Mr. and Mrs. Bonner C. Guthrie, Morehead City, in settlement of a suit filed against them by J. R. Sanders, Morehead City, administrator of the estate of Clarence E. Ayers.

Ayers, a Marine, was killed by a car driven by Mrs. Guthrie July 24, 1955 on the Atlantic Beach causeway.

According to the Superior Court order, signed Feb. 15, 1956, the defendants will be freed of civil liability after paying the \$8,000.

According to A. H. James, clerk of Superior Court, settlement of the case was reached by compromise.

Other recent superior court rulings are as follows:

In the case of Marvin H. Powers and Mary G. Powers vs. E. F. Murray, trading as Murray Contracting and Engineering Co., the plaintiffs are entitled to recover any damages a jury may award during the coming term of civil court.

The case of D. R. Sisk vs. Hines Brothers Lumber Co. Inc. was dismissed for lack of prosecution.

The bank took a non-suit in the case of First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co. vs. Harold A. Wilton and Joseph Morton, trading as Wilton and Morton.

Because controversy between the parties was settled, the case of A. B. Roberts, R. W. Freeman, and T. J. Thomas, trading as Freeman Wholesale Co., was dismissed.

Shrine to Meet

Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem will meet at 8 p.m. Friday night, March 16, at the Masonic Lodge, Morehead City.

Little Symphony Will Give Two Concerts Here Today

The North Carolina Little Symphony will present two concerts in the county today.

At 2:30 p.m. this afternoon the symphony will present children's concert at the Morehead City School auditorium, and at 8:30 tonight it will give a concert for adults in the eBeaufort School auditorium.

Mary Jennings, talented young soprano, will be soloist with the symphony. She is a beauty contest winner who has used scholarship money to further her musical education.

Miss Jennings was Miss Arkansas of 1950 and won third prize in the Miss America Pageant at Atlantic City.

Director of the symphony is Dr. Benjamin Swain.

H. F. Lindsay Speaks To Down East Lions Club

H. F. Lindsay, Morehead City, spoke to Down East Lions at their meeting Monday night at the Atlantic School. His subject was Sentiment and Fellowship.

Twelve Lions attended. The board of directors meeting was postponed until Wednesday night.

Error Corrected

The County Health Department said Wednesday that it made an error in reporting the sanitation grade of Lindsey Guthrie's Meat Market, Morehead City. The rating is 95 instead of 90.5 as reported in Tuesday's paper.

News in a Nutshell

INTERNATIONAL

JEWISH OWNER of the ship delivering 18 tanks to Saudi Arabia said if Saudi Arabia prevents the ship from docking at its destination, Jedda, he would order the captain to return to the U. S. "or dump the tanks in the ocean."

FRENCH PREMIER Guy Mollet appealed to Algerian Nationalists this week to cease fire or else meet with fullscale military operations on the part of France.

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