

Favorable Ruling on Ferry Expected Within One Month

A formal ruling by the State Utilities Commission on the application for a Cedar Island-Ocracoke car ferry should be forthcoming within a month, according to Judge Luther Hamilton, Morehead City.

Judge Hamilton appeared as attorney for A. W. Daniels Friday morning at the utilities commission hearing at the Morehead City municipal building. Mr. Daniels is asking for permission to operate the ferry.

Sam O. Worthington, utilities commissioner, conducted the hearing. The commission, he said, had received no statement of opposition against the ferry. No witness spoke against it Friday morning.

Judge Hamilton said that after the utilities commission gives its ruling, which is expected to be favorable, the ferry operator will submit to the commission the time schedule and the toll rate he intends to charge. Both must be approved by the utilities commission.

During his testimony Friday morning, Mr. Daniels said that he hoped to have the ferry in operation in 12 months and then added, "as early as possible."

Two Ferries Necessary

His testimony revealed that he believed two ferries would be required and three would be desirable. He has made a tentative bid to purchase a 28-car 200-passenger ferry now in operation.

He told Commissioner Worthington that he would make a firm bid for the ferry if the commission grants him a franchise. The ferry is for sale, he explained, because the water it now crosses is being spanned by bridges and tunnels are being put in operation.

The ferry, Mr. Daniels said, will be available in 12 months and the Coast Guard has already given informal approval of its operation in these waters. Dimensions of the vessel were given as about 150 feet long and 40 to 50 feet wide.

Mr. Daniels testified that a new ferry would cost between \$600,000 and \$700,000. Pointing to the price of steel and troubles in that industry now, he said he couldn't contract for a new boat for a year and a half at least. In the second place, a new ferry boat would require "toll rates so high they'd be out of the question."

He estimated that the time required for the ferry to run between Cedar Island and Ocracoke would be two and a half to three hours one way. "I'm thinking of three round trips a day," Mr. Daniels said, "but that depends on demand."

Mr. Daniels said that a short road would be built from Highway 70 approximately 300 feet to the ferry slip on Cedar Island. Cars would cross a ramp on to the ferry. Nothing has been done about a slip at Ocracoke yet, but Mr. Daniels said two sites are available now.

Dredging Underway

A native of Cedar Island, Mr. Daniels testified that he was familiar with the route the ferry would travel. Some shallow spots are being dredged now, he said.

The first person to speak at the hearing was Junius Grimes Jr., attorney from Washington, N. C. Mr. Grimes said that his clients, Ansley O'Neal and J. M. Saunders Jr., who now operate the mailboat between Atlantic and Ocracoke, have no objection to a ferry.

Mr. Grimes explained that his clients, who had at first objected, fearing invasion of the passenger and mail-carrying rights, have

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Lions See Film On Tennessee

Charles Walburg, project leader of the Fish and Wildlife shad investigation, Pivers Island, showed a film entitled Tennessee Holiday at the meeting of the Morehead City Lions Club Thursday night at the Hotel Fort Macon.

Owens Frederick reported that Jerry Garner of Morehead City who has been attending the camp for the blind under Lions sponsorship at Canton will return home Friday.

Committee chairmen were announced by President J. E. Crowe. They are as follows: Victor Wickizer, attendance; E. H. Eppy, constitution and by-laws; C. W. Williams, finance; J. G. Bennett, Lions information; Oscar Allred, publicity; L. O. Crowe, membership; Jack Morgan, program and convention; Frank Moran, sight conservation and blind.

John D. Willis, health and welfare; Lewis Hinson, safety; S. K. Hedgecock, citizenship and patriotism; E. C. Watson, boys and girls; Sargent Smith, civic improvement; J. B. Eubanks, education; Owens Frederick, United Nations; A. N. Willis, greeter and Sidney M. Edwards, agriculture.

Visiting Lion at the meeting was G. E. Bell of Washington.

Jaycees Expect 8,000 To See Beauty Pageant

Gene Smith Will Speak to Group At Marshallberg

Gene Smith, Beaufort, delegate to the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, will be the speaker at the meeting of the Marshallberg Progressive Community Club at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, John Valentine, club president, announced yesterday.

The club will meet at the Harbor Light Motel Restaurant, Marshallberg, for dinner.

Mr. Valentine said that Congressman Graham Barden and Congressman Herbert Bonner were invited but due to the pressure of a Congressional session coming to a close, will not be present.

Mr. Smith is expected to speak on waterways projects of the down east section.

The president of the club said that the organization is devoted to the development of Marshallberg and is working with other communities of that area to promote hunting and fishing and bring in business.

The club, he added, has been vitally interested in the Marshallberg harbor project for which federal funds have now been appropriated. "Dredging of our harbor is sorely needed," Mr. Valentine said, "not only for commercial boats for Marshallberg's growing partyboat business."

The Progressive Community Club, organized within the past few months, is looking toward incorporating the town of Marshallberg. Officers of the group, in addition to Mr. Valentine, are Leon Thomas, vice-president; Edward Morse, secretary; and Claude Brown, treasurer.

State Beauties To Appear on TV

Miss North Carolina Pageant contestants will appear on TV today throughout the state.

Bob Davis, publicity director of the pageant, announces that from 1 to 1:30 p.m. this afternoon Miss Charlotte, Miss Wadesboro, Miss Albemarle and Miss Shelby, along with Jerry Ball, one of the pageant judges, will appear on WBT-TV, Charlotte.

On WNCT-TV in Greenville this afternoon from 4:30 to 5 Miss Morehead City, Miss Beaufort, Miss Kingston, Miss Greenville, Miss Washington, Miss Williamston, Bugs Barringer, pageant judge, and Mr. Davis will appear.

In Durham on WTVD-TV from 4 to 5 p.m. today Miss Raleigh, Miss Durham, Miss Chapel Hill, Miss Wake County, Miss Henderson and Miss Oxford along with Dick Herbert, pageant judge, will appear.

Miss Morehead City, Miss Wilmington, Miss Dunn, Miss Whiteville, Miss Burgaw, Miss Onslow County and Miss Tabor City, with President Herbert Phillips of the Morehead City Jaycees appeared Saturday afternoon on WMFD-TV in Wilmington.

36 Become Members Of Beaufort Chamber

Thirty-six firms and individuals have joined the Beaufort Chamber of Commerce for the coming year, according to Miss Pat Springle, chamber secretary.

Miss Springle said that she expects reports on others tonight at the monthly meeting of the chamber directors. The yearly membership drive is now in progress.

Capt. Dave Strickland Dies of Heart Attack

Capt. David Strickland, Morehead City partyboat captain, died of a heart attack at 5 p.m. yesterday as he was docking his boat, the Caribbean.

Captain Strickland was rushed to the Morehead City Hospital after an ambulance was summoned by phone from Capt. Bill's Restaurant.

Polio Shots Will Be Given Today

County Doctors Propose Clinics to be Conducted Throughout County

Polio shots will be given at health department clinics in Beaufort and Morehead City starting at 1 p.m. today.

Mrs. Leota Hammer, public health nurse, said that polio shots only will be given. Persons wanting typhoid or other inoculations are requested to wait until later in the week.

The next regular clinics will be Thursday morning in Beaufort and Thursday afternoon in Morehead City. Whether polio shots will be given Thursday depends on whether there is any vaccine left.

The supply on hand now totals 531 doses. First, second and third shots will be given to persons through 19 years of age and to pregnant women.

Dr. W. M. Brady, Morehead City, president of the County Medical Society, announced yesterday that the society is working now on scheduling polio clinics throughout the county. The doctors are cooperating with the state medical society in a mass inoculation program.

Doctors say they will give the shots, assisted by members of the County Nurses Association. The schedule is expected to be released this week.

County Historical Society Hears Two Reports

Two papers, dealing with the history of the western part of the county, were read at the meeting of the County Historical Society Saturday afternoon at the Ennett lodge on Bogue Sound.

The papers, written by F. C. Salisbury, treasurer of the society, were read by Miss Lena Duncan, Beaufort, and Mrs. Floy Garner, Newport. (Both appear in today's NEWS-TIMES. The article read by Miss Duncan starts on page 3 section 2, and the article read by Mrs. Garner starts on page 2 section 1.)

The meeting was opened with prayer by Van Potter, Beaufort. Miss Amy Muse, secretary, reported that names on stones in Ann Street Cemetery have been compiled. She said the committee doing the work spent 50 hours on the project in May.

The names are being typed now. Copies of the listings will be placed in libraries. Miss Muse said that family names appearing most frequently on grave markers were Thomas, Duncan, and Jones—the top three.

Thomas Respass, president, welcomed visitors, and appointed the following committee to nominate officers at the October meeting: Miss Ethel Whitehurst, chairman; Mrs. Mary Privette, and A. D. Ennett.

Mr. Respass read a letter from Allen Taylor, Sea Level, and a letter written by J. W. Saunderson June 3, 1892, in praise of Miss Lulu Stewart, a teacher who had once taught in the Cedar Point section.

Following the reading of the papers, Mr. Salisbury commented on a large map he had drawn of the area referred to in the papers. Shown with the map were photographs of various landmarks.

Hosts to the group were A. D. Ennett and John S. Jones. Approximately 35 persons attended. After the meeting, delicious Bogue Sound melons were served.

Morehead City's New Fire Truck Scheduled for Delivery in November

The Morehead City town commissioners voted unanimously Thursday night to purchase a new GMC firetruck for the new fire sub-station.

Fire Commissioner D. J. Hall presented the proposition. Mr. Hall said he had gone to New Bern to inspect the GMC truck in that city. He said the New Bern firemen had very high praise for it.

The new sub-station, Mr. Hall told the commissioners, should be completed in about thirty days. The truck is to be delivered in November.

It will cost the city \$14,388, less federal tax, and will be purchased on a lease-purchase plan. Five thousand dollars will be paid on delivery with the balance to be paid in five yearly installments.

Equipment on the new truck will include a 750-gallon pumper, a 300-gallon booster, electric pumps, booster hose, ladder, axes and crowbars.

Part of the First-Citizens Bank ad on page 3 section 2 is upside down. It's not supposed to be that way really!

Red Cross Tightens Policy On Replacing Boats, Nets

To Arrive Tomorrow



Miss America, Sharon Kaye Ritchie of Colorado, and Miss North Carolina, Faye Arnold, will arrive at the Beaufort-Morehead Airport at 5:13 tomorrow afternoon.

Greeting the reigning beauties of the state and nation will be Mayor George Dill of Morehead City and Mayor C. T. Lewis of

Beaufort as well as a group of Jaycees headed by Herbert Phillips, president, Luther Lewis and Dr. Russell Outlaw, co-chairmen of the beauty pageant.

Mayor Dill will present the key to Morehead City to Miss America.

Also on the same flight will be pageant contestants from Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill.

P. H. Geer Jr., Gannon Talbert to Serve on Board

Beach, Picnic Area Close Temporarily

Fort Macon State Park's bathhouse, swimming and picnic areas will be closed today through Friday while the parking lot is being hard-surfaced, according to an announcement made yesterday by Smith Ray, director of the park.

Normal operation will be resumed Saturday, July 28. Mr. Ray said he regretted that the closing was necessary but the paving could be done no other way.

All picnics scheduled for this week are automatically canceled. This includes the picnic planned for today by the County Agriculture Council.

Motorist Cited Following Wreck

Norris Boddie Jefferey, Goldsboro, was charged with failing to yield the right-of-way when his car struck a 1953 Studebaker Saturday morning at 8:10 at the intersection of 6th and Arendell Streets, Morehead City.

The driver of the Studebaker was Mrs. Viola McDonald, Newport. Her car was knocked into a parked 1950 Ford owned by Ray Murphy Pittman, route 1 Beaufort.

According to the report given Sgt. Joe Smith, Mrs. McDonald was traveling east on Arendell Street when Jefferey's 1950 Buick, proceeding south, struck the Studebaker's left rear fender, turning the car completely around and causing it to strike the parked car.

Damage was estimated at \$100 to the Buick, \$100 to the Studebaker and \$150 to the Ford. No one was hurt.

Fishery Specialist Speaks to Agents

Dr. A. F. Chestnut, director of the Institute of Fisheries Research, Morehead City, spoke to the Six-County farm agent's group Friday afternoon. The meeting took place at the civic center, Morehead City.

John Piland, district farm agent, was present for the meeting. It was the first time he had met with the group. Mr. Piland pledged his full support to the county agents in their work.

Dr. Chestnut spoke on the fishery industry. He outlined a general picture of the industry, and showed how many of their problems are closely allied with problems of farming.

Counties represented at the meeting were Carteret, Craven, Jones, Beaufort, Pamlico and Onslow.

Marine Corps Band Will Lead Thursday Parade

The precision-drilled crack Marine Corps Band of Cherry Point Air Station will lead the Miss North Carolina parade in Morehead City Thursday afternoon.

Even a brilliant sun will not out-dazzle the 45 convertibles and their cargo, the smiling beauties who will vie for the Miss North Carolina title. The parade will be six blocks long.

It will start at 1 p.m. at the west end of the Morehead City School building. According to Marion Mills, Jaycee parade chairman, the line of march will be as follows:

From the school south on 12th to Arendell, west on Arendell to 18th Street, then east on Arendell to 4th Street, west to 12th and north to the school building.

Everybody's hoping for fair weather. Mr. Mills said that unless it rains very hard, the parade will be held as scheduled. According to present plans, all of the contestants will wear bathing suits for this, their initial public appearance in the three-day pageant.

Coast Guardsman Struck by Auto

Oscar N. Butts, Coast Guardsman aboard the Conifer, was moved to Norfolk after being struck by a car at 1:30 a.m. Sunday on the Atlantic Beach causeway.

Butts suffered a double fracture of his right leg and head injuries. According to State Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes, Butts was hit by a car driven by Charles William White, 1528 Ann St., Beaufort. No charges have been filed against White.

The patrolman said White was headed south in his 1948 Chevrolet, going about 35 miles an hour, when he saw the Coast Guardsman wandering down the middle of the highway.

He couldn't stop in time and hit him, throwing Butts' body up on the hood of the car. The Coast Guardsman was taken to the Morehead City Hospital in the Dill ambulance. From there he was moved to a Norfolk hospital.

Damage to White's car was estimated at \$25.

Town Considers Insurance Plan

Mayor George W. Dill has appointed a committee to study a proposed change in the city's present liability and casualty insurance following.

After their meeting at the municipal building Thursday night, the commissioners listened to a report by John L. Crump and Joe Beam, insurers. Mr. Beam presented the commissioners with a survey his firm had made of the city's present coverage and made suggestions on how the city could be better protected from liability suits and damage to city property.

Mr. Beam said the city was not at present adequately covered.

Mr. Crump pointed out that he was not interested in his firm getting all the insurance. He said other firms could give the same coverage, but he felt the town should have an intelligently-devised insurance program which would give it necessary coverage at a reasonable cost.

Those appointed to the committee to study the recommendations are Commissioners S. C. Holloway and Gibbs Sanderson, and Attorney George McNeill.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Tuesday, July 24	
9:00 a.m.	3:02 a.m.
9:15 p.m.	3:08 p.m.
Wednesday, July 25	
9:42 a.m.	3:35 a.m.
9:50 p.m.	3:44 p.m.
Thursday, July 26	
10:16 a.m.	4:06 a.m.
10:24 p.m.	4:21 p.m.
Friday, July 27	
10:52 a.m.	6:39 a.m.
11:01 p.m.	7:34 p.m.

The Red Cross, in the future, will not be as liberal as they have been in the past with fishermen who lose their nets and small boats in hurricanes.

Hudson Bacon, Red Cross worker, said, "Even if a fisherman is eligible for Red Cross help, if he doesn't have a very good reason for not hauling his small boats and nets above high water, he's not going to get help."

"I don't want this to be misunderstood," Mr. Bacon said. "We want to help everybody who needs it, but the Red Cross cannot afford to replace boats and nets every year."

Unessential Buys
He said that the Red Cross has discovered that in many cases it has bought nets that were not "essential" to a man's earning a livelihood. In other cases, the Red Cross replaces one man's net or boat, but a neighbor who got his boat up and saved it as well as his nets, got nothing.

"That," Mr. Bacon said, "makes for ill feeling, and it also raises the question, 'If one man in the same area could save his property, why should we help a man who made no effort to help himself?'"

He said the Red Cross has noted a growing attitude on the part of fishermen, an attitude of "Let 'er sink. The Red Cross will buy me a new one."

Mr. Bacon said that a severe storm hit Dare County several months ago. Sixty-five applicants who sought Red Cross help did not get it because they could not show that they made an effort to save their property from high water.

Outlines Suggestions
In conferring last week with Glenn Adair, county Red Cross disaster chairman, Mr. Bacon said that every storm shelter in the county should have a staff consisting of a shelter manager (and his wife if possible), a nurse, a person in charge of food, and a registrar to keep a record of the people in the shelter.

After the storm, he said, someone is needed to make a survey of the amount of damage in each community. This information must be relayed to the Atlanta office of the Red Cross within several hours so that the Red Cross will know how large a staff to send into this area.

Mr. Bacon is scheduled to meet next Monday and Tuesday with the Red Cross-Civil Defense personnel throughout the county.

23 Pay Current Chamber Dues

Twenty-three firms and individuals have paid their current membership dues to the Sea Level Chamber of Commerce, according to Clayton Fulcher Jr., president. These payments total \$1,064.

In a letter this week to potential members, Mr. Fulcher asked that they pay their dues just as soon as possible.

The money is needed to pay the secretary, Miss Sandra Salter, to pay for mosquito control, and to pay for an ad which appeared in the State magazine.

Contributors thus far are the following: W. D. Pake, Monroe Gaskill, Carolina Power & Light Co., Gaston Smith, Herbert F. & Mary F. Webb, Harvey Taylor Sr., Henry Styron.

H. G. Willis, West India Fruit & Steamship Co., Commercial National Bank, F. C. Noyes, Winston Hill, Machine & Supply, R. N. Peacock, Georgina P. Yeatman.

Clayton Fulcher Seafood Co., A. W. Daniels, Maola Milk & Ice Cream Co., City Grocery, Jim Harber, Sam Leffers, Cedar Island Beach Fishing Pier, and Bessie Howard.

Motorist Cited After Collision

Wilfred J. Pedreira, Cherry Point, has been charged with following too closely as the result of a wreck at 10:25 p.m. Monday west of Morehead City.

According to State Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes, Pedreira, in a 1951 Packard, ran into the rear of a 1955 Ford driven by Allen Lee Corbett, route 4 Greensboro. The accident occurred in front of the Perry Park Motel, west of Morehead City.

Both cars were headed west. Corbett was preparing to turn into the motel. Damage to the Ford was estimated at \$150; damage to the Packard at \$250. No one was hurt.

Replaces Examiner
J. R. Woodley, Greenville, is taking the place of Ed Walston as driving license examiner in Carteret County while Mr. Walston is recuperating at his home at Maury.