

County Approves All Amendments

Two Men, One with Pistol, Hold Up Lee Murdoch's Store, Take \$50 Cash

Two men, one of them armed, held up Lee Murdoch's store, Wildwood, at 8 p.m. Saturday and escaped with \$50 in cash. Sheriff Hugh Salter said yesterday that the men made their getaway in an automobile.

According to the sheriff, Mr. Murdoch and Joe Barnes, Wildwood, were in the store talking when the two men came in. Mr. Barnes was sitting on a keg of nails near the door.

One stopped and asked Mr. Barnes where he could get some beer and the other went toward the rear of the store, walked around the bread counter and approached Mr. Murdoch behind the wooden counter.

Mr. Murdoch asked the man coming toward him what he wanted and the fellow pulled a pistol, pointed it at Mr. Murdoch's head and said he wanted his money. "Stand still," he ordered "or I'll shoot."

With that the bandit opened the cash register drawer and started scooping out the cash. Meanwhile Mr. Murdoch kept edging toward him and got hold of a large knife that was under the cash register drawer.

The knife was used to cut bananas from a bunch that hung near the cash register. As Mr. Murdoch grabbed the knife, the bandit, wearing gloves on his hands, grabbed the blade and snapped it off.

He made a couple passes at Mr. Murdoch with the knife and Mr. Murdoch then tried to dash out the side door for his shotgun which was in the house.

Instead of shooting as he had threatened to do, the bandit, with his buddy, ran out the front of the store. Mr. Murdoch then went out the side door and ran around the front, hoping to get a description of the car.

As he got to the front of the building, the bandits fired a shot at him. Although both the inside and front of the store were lighted, the car was too far away for Mr. Murdoch to tell what it looked like.

The car headed toward Morehead City. The men made no attempt to take money on Mr. Murdoch or Mr. Barnes. Mr. Barnes was reported to have had a couple hundred dollars in his pocket.

The sheriff's department was notified of the robbery, and the sheriff, Deputy Sheriff Marshall Ayscue, Bobby Bell and Bruce Edwards, Morehead City police and military police answered the call.

The sheriff said the two men were not masked. His department was continuing its investigation yesterday.

Rescue Squad Ambulance Ready to Go in Beaufort

The Beaufort Rescue Squad, a branch of the fire department, has completed overhauling its new ambulance. The white '48 Cadillac, according to Allen Conway, engineer, is in tip-top shape, ready for any emergency.

It has been painted white and lettered "Beaufort Fire Dept. Rescue Squad" on the side doors. The ambulance has been equipped with a resuscitator, stretcher, wrecking bar, shovel, rope, bolt cutters, and other life saving equipment.



Lee Murdoch poses behind the counter of his store in approximately the same position he was in when two men held him up Saturday night. The counter is to the left of the store entrance. At the right, next to the scales is the cash register. The store is located at Wildwood, on Highway 70.



Mr. Murdoch holds in his right hand the handle of the knife from which the bandit broke the blade. The knife was under the cash register drawer. Fifty dollars was taken.

Morehead City Postoffice Takes Part in Civil Defense Observance

In observance of Civil Defense Week the Morehead City postoffice is displaying Civil Defense literature on a desk in the lobby.

Persons interested in the Civil Defense program are welcome to help themselves to the pamphlets, air raid instruction cards and brochures, said Postmaster Harold Webb.

Mr. Webb also announced this week that the postoffice storage room has been designated as the shelter area for members of the postoffice staff and customers who may be in the postoffice at the time of attack. First aid supplies are available there.

Duffy Guthrie, postman, has been named chief of fire-fighting operations for the postoffice and Robert Butler, clerk, has been placed in charge of rescue operations.

The postmaster and assistant postmaster, James Webb, have been designated as responsible for money and other valuables in case of emergency.

He also announced a cooperative

program between the U.S. Postoffice department and the Civil Defense Administration.

Under this program Civil Defense will help the postoffice distribute "Emergency Change of Address" cards to persons who because of an emergency cannot be reached at their former homes. Civil Defense workers will see that the cards are properly completed and returned to the postoffice.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar

HIGH	LOW
Tuesday, Sept. 11	
12:36 a.m.	6:42 a.m.
1:13 p.m.	7:41 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 12	
1:33 a.m.	7:39 a.m.
2:10 p.m.	8:41 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 13	
2:37 a.m.	8:40 a.m.
3:10 p.m.	9:39 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 14	
3:40 a.m.	9:42 a.m.
4:06 p.m.	10:33 p.m.

In turn, the postoffice department will accept Civil Defense "Safety Notification" cards for delivery, free of postage.

The safety notification card will be used by evacuees and others to advise their friends and relatives of their safety and new address.

The emergency change of address card, Mr. Webb said, will serve a dual purpose:

1. It will authorize the Postoffice Department to forward first class mail to an address other than that shown on the mail matter.
2. It will serve as a postal locator card for use in giving directory service to undeliverable mail in Postal Concentration Centers, where mail for disaster areas will be diverted and massed.

These two official cards will be used only in a civil defense emergency proclaimed by the President or by the Congress.

Members of the Carteret B&PW Club will attend a district meeting at 1 p.m. Sunday at the NCO Club, Cherry Point.

47 Pupils Enroll At St. Egbert's

Forty-seven children have enrolled at St. Egbert's School, Morehead City.

The school opened last Tuesday. Members of the faculty are Miss Dorothy Avery, Beaufort; Sister Edward Mary and Sister Begona. Miss Avery teaches kindergarten. Sister Edward Mary is principal and teaches first and second grade and Sister Begona teaches third and fourth. The sisters live at Havelock.

Enrollment, according to Father Walter Higgins is as follows: kindergarten, 10; first grade, 15; second grade, 8; third grade, 8, and fourth grade, 6.

School opens at 8:45 a.m. During a 45-minute lunch period some children go home and others eat their lunch at school. School closes at 3 p.m.

Father Higgins says that all classrooms are being used and the sisters are pleased with the program. This is the first year that St. Egbert's Catholic School is in operation. The building was constructed this year and is located on Evans Street next to the rectory.

Police Check On Two Wrecks

Morehead City police investigated two accidents during the weekend.

Two cars collided at 5th and Bridges Streets shortly before 1 p.m. Sunday and another accident occurred near 7th and Arendell Friday morning.

According to Police Chief Herbert Griffin, Roy Anderson, Farmville, driving a 1947 Chevrolet, went by a stop sign and collided with a 1955 Pontiac driven by Sal Palazzo, Beaufort.

Anderson was going north on 5th Street and Palazzo was going east on Bridges. Palazzo told Chief Griffin that he swerved when he saw Anderson coming toward him, but could not avoid the accident.

Damage estimates were \$500 on each car.

A 1953 Buick collided with a 1953 Plymouth Friday morning. Driving the Buick was Earl M. Thompson of Goldsboro. According to Sgt. Joe Smith, he backed the car out of a parking place into the Plymouth driven by Clyde W. Moore.

Damage to the Plymouth was estimated at \$75 and to the Buick \$15.

Dredge Refitted
The Corps of Army Engineers, Wilmington, announces that the dredge, Gillespie, is being refitted in Philadelphia. Overhauling will require two to three months. When the work is finished, the dredge will go to Wilmington to work on the 34-foot Wilmington harbor project.

Beach Board Hopes to Obtain Fire Truck

Commissioners Discuss Truck Proposition At Saturday Meeting

Steps were taken during the past month to obtain a fire truck for Atlantic Beach. At the meeting of the Atlantic Beach town commissioners Saturday morning, Commissioner J. S. Lanier, Greenville, reported that surplus fire trucks were available at Camp Lejeune.

Inquiry was made and it was reported that the trucks were being turned over to the State Defense Administration. Mr. Lanier said that he then contacted Gen. Edward F. Griffin, state Civil Defense director.

General Griffin requested Mr. Lanier to speak to the CD official handling the fire trucks, which Mr. Lanier did. He said that he was now waiting to hear from that official and believes that the town stands a good chance of receiving a fire truck.

During the meeting, at Frontier Village motel, Police Chief Bill Moore reported that several motorists have been arrested recently for speeding on streets in the town. He also said that in connection with the fire truck he had made a trip to Lejeune.

Chief Moore reported that "swim at your own risk" signs have been obtained for the beach, since Sunday was the last day lifeguards were on duty.

Lights Authorized
He reported that there were 10 places where street lights were needed, four places in the business section and six in the residential area. The board authorized placement of the lights.

Chief Moore also met with Mayor

In the Spotlight

Capt. Fred Gillikin, Marshallberg, Served State, Nation in Coast Guard



Capt. Fred Gillikin, right, talks with Sen. Kerr Scott in Morehead City. Captain Fred went to Morehead City to meet former Governor Scott while Scott was making plans for his senatorial campaign.

By BOB SEYMOUR

Capt. Fred G. Gillikin, Marshallberg, is a veteran of 36 years' duty with the Coast Guard and Life Saving Service. For more than 25 of those years he was officer in charge of various life saving and Coast Guard stations along the Atlantic coast.

A native of Marshallberg, Captain Fred now works around his house and in his spare time tells sea stories to his grandchildren.

"The most interesting rescue I ever made was over at Cape Lookout Shoals," he says. "The water was so rough we had to wait until the second day after the Silver C. Hall hung up before we could get the crew off."

"I was officer in charge of the Cape Lookout Coast Guard Station then, March 17, 1915. That was the first North Carolina rescue made by the Coast Guard. Until 1915 when the old Revenue Cutter Service and Life Saving Service were combined to form the Coast Guard,

I was with the Life Saving Service. "Well, I had eight men, a life boat, and a surf boat for that rescue. The water was still so rough we couldn't get the life boat near the ship. We towed the surf boat under her jib boom, and the crew crawled out on that and dropped off lines into the surf boat."

Carried Cypress
"That ship had a cargo of South Carolina cypress lumber, and when she broke up about a week later, lumber was floating all over the place."

During his years in the Life Saving Service and Coast Guard, Captain Gillikin participated in scores of rescues, but none of them stand out like that one, he says.

Before entering the service he was master of the Cathleen, a ship owned by his father, W. T. Gillikin. "I went to school at Graham Academy until I was 17," he recalled. "There weren't grades then. When I got out of school I dredged oysters and did local hauling in the Cathleen until 1900 when I joined the Life Saving Service."

Captain Gillikin resigned from the Service in 1903 but rejoined in

School Plan Wins by Wide Margin in Referendum

By a wide margin, Carteret voters voted for all four amendments to the state constitution Saturday.

With 17 of the county's 27 precincts reporting, the vote for the Pearsall Plan (school amendment) was 3,505. Ballots against the school amendment were 583. Morehead City and Beaufort registered 371 of the votes against the Pearsall Plan.

The school amendment will give local school districts the privilege of voting to close the school if race problems should arise and will also permit the state to pay \$135 a year to any child withdrawn from an integrated school.

The other amendments, all approved by comfortable margins, raise the pay of state legislators, change the date of convening of the General Assembly to February and give the power of attorney to married women.

Large Vote
The vote Saturday throughout the state was much larger than expected. Approximately 600,000 went to the polls. The vote in the county too was larger than anticipated.

D. G. Bell, assemblyman, said yesterday that he was pleased with the outcome of the vote and "pleasantly surprised" at the number who voted.

"I'm also pleased with the majority for the Pearsall Plan was as large as it was. This, we feel, is a clear-cut report as to how people feel," Mr. Bell continued, "and the state can administer the law with more enthusiasm and full confidence."

Mr. Bell said that he thinks it will be "a long time" before North Carolina is confronted with the race and school problem now facing other states, such as Kentucky, Tennessee, and Texas.

Rules to Go By
"Now the people have some rules to go by," the legislator said, "and everybody can work more enthusiastically for better schools. We no longer have to cope with a clouded issue," Mr. Bell concluded.

The legislator said that when the final count of the vote is made, he believes Carteret will have approved the Pearsall Plan by a vote of 5 to 1.

C. Z. Chappell, chairman of the County Board of Elections, was well pleased with the turn-out at the polls. He said the large number who voted was evidence of the interest the people have in the welfare of North Carolina's public schools.

The complete tabulation on all four amendments for each precinct in the county will appear in Friday's NEWS-TIMES.

Two Autos Upset Near Newport
Two cars upset during the past week on the Nine-Foot Road. Two Marines received minor cuts and a third was more seriously injured when a car upset at 7:15 p.m. Thursday.

Driving the car, a 1956 Chevrolet, was Clifford J. Martin, Camp Lejeune. The car was demolished.

The accident happened three-quarters of a mile north of the intersection of Highway 24 and the Nine-Foot Road. State Highway Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr. said that Martin was evidently headed toward Highway 24 at a high rate of speed. He has been charged with careless and reckless driving.

Mrs. Floy Garner, county home agent, happened by soon after the accident happened, and administered first aid. The injured were taken to Camp Lejeune Hospital in a Cherry Point ambulance.

At 7:30 p.m. Tuesday night four miles from Newport on the same road a 1951 Ford driven by Charles Wilson, Newport, turned over. Wilson, who was alone in the car, was unhurt.

State Highway Patrolman R. H. Brown said Wilson told him he met a car on the curve and headlights blinded him. He ran off on the right and turned over once.

The accident happened during a heavy rain. Damage to the car was estimated at \$500. No charges were preferred.

Beaufort Woman's Brakes Fail as She Rams Auto
Mrs. Jean Morrison's brakes failed as she pulled to the side of Ann Street, Beaufort, to let another car pass Saturday, Sept. 1. Chief of Police Guy Springle said her master cylinder went out when she stepped on the brake, and her car rolled into a 1951 Chevrolet owned by Bill Willis, 1018 Ann St.

Mrs. Morrison reported about \$50 damage to her car, and Mr. Willis estimated damages of his car at more than \$100.

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