ERET COUNTY NEWS-TIME PRIZE-WINNING NEWSPAPER of the TAR HEEL COAST MOREHEAD CITY AND BEAUFORT, NORTH CAROLINA TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1956 PUBLISHED TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS TWO SECTIONS FOURTEEN PAGES 45th YEAR, NO. 91. **Rape Trial Enters Fourth Day Today**

Fire Destroys Gray Residence

Family Was Visiting At Maysville When **Tragedy Struck**

The Heber Gray home, located west of Morehead on property for-merly used as an airport, was de-stroyed by fire at 1:15 a.m. Sunday

The five - room recently - built house was valued at approximately \$5,000

The fire was discovered by Ver-non Smith, who lives nearby. He and three other men, James Styron, Cecil Lynch and Coolidge Rus-sell rushed to the home and found that fire was eating through the wall at the back, just above the containers of bottled gas. Mr. Smith said he believes the

fire may have started around the gas stove. The Gray family was visiting in Maysville at the time. Mr. Smith and his companions did not know that. They broke open a bedroom window so they ould get in to rouse anyone in-

side. Mr. Smith's wife, Lettie, telephoned the Morehead City Fire Department, but the house was destroyed before firemen got there The Grays are in need of bed-ding and clothing, according to Sam Adler of the county Salva-

tion Army committee. They have three boys, 8, 10 and 12.

three boys, 8, 10 and 12. The family is living now in a home next door owned by rela-tives who have moved to Kinston. Neighbors have helped find them weds and a bit of furniture. Persons who have donations for the family may take them to Ad-ler's store, Moret.cad City, and the contributions will be delivered the contributions will be delivered

Council Pledges Fair Assistance

to the Grays.

At the meeting of the County Ariculture Workers Council Thurs-day afternoon at the farm agent's office, R. M. Williams, secretary, was requested to write a commen-datory letter, on behalf of the council, to the county fair sponsor,

Legion Post No. 99. Mr. Williams was requested to pledge the council's aid for an bigger and better fair next year

The council program during the past year was evaluated. Members said they felt the council aided in coordinating their efforts, offered fellowship and a better understand-ing of the county's agriculture problems.

Member were asked to bring to the December meeting a list of goals they think should be sought luring the coming year. At that neeting a program committee will during the

also be appointed. In addition to Mrs. Delfido Cordova, chairman, who presided, and Mr. Williams, the following and Mr. williams, the following were present: Harry Venters, Fred Knott, both of the farm agent's of-fice; David Jones and Howard Garner of the Soil Conservation Service, Mrs. Floy Garner, home agent; C. S. Long, vocational ag-riculture teacher at Newport, and Mrs. David Beveridge, vocational home economics teacher, Beaufort.

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Conifer Tows in Trawler



Photos by Jerry Schump

An unidentified Coast Guardsman aboard the Conifer watches the Fish and Wildlife trawler George M. Bowers wallow in the wake of the Conifer, which is towing her in. For the story of the rescue, see Jerry Schumacher's column on the editorial page. The Bowers is still at Fort Macon awaiting repairs.

Judge Chester Morris Highly **Praises Grand Jury's Work**

Outer Banks Committee

Judge Chester R. Morris dismiss- (boats are a menace to navigation , ed the grand jury Friday morning with high praise. "You've gone about your duties as grand jurors should," the judge declared. "I compliment you for are unable to be moved under their paired as soon as practicable as it declared. it. I wish grand juries everywhere would take time to do what you have done." own power in case of emergency. The grand jury especially com-mended Miss Georgie Hughes, wel-

Foreman of the grand jury was Thomas L. Noc, Yaupon Terrace, Morehead City, for whom the judge said he had high personal esteem. The grand jury made two noteworthy recommendations:

1. That the county representative present a bill to the state legislature enacting a law that would pro-hibit any county official from purchasing any property sold by the county for taxes or procuring any unclaimed properties for personal

gain. 2. "That this court take imme-diate action" concerning the wrecked ship, Omar Babun and other obns in Calico Creek, More head City.

Termed 'Menace' The grand jury said that the inmates.

County offices were inspected botts are a menace to having to have been boots are liable to Repair, painting and replacement break loose and drift into docks at of equipment was suggested. It was appears to be in a dangerous con dition."

Resurfacing Needed

It was recommended that the bridge at North River be resurfare superintendent and her staff, for the work they are doing. Referring to H. L. Joslyn, county faced. It was noted that the county superintendent of schools has an "overall plan" to overcome a ma-jority if not all of the repair needs at schools throughout the county. Members of the grand jury, in superintendent of schools, the jury said, "We wish to thank our super-intendent for the wonderful job he has done for the past ten years in has been in office." Also commended were teachers and principals throughout the coun-vey Taylor, W. T. Salter, Alonzo has done for the past ten years he

Salter Jr., Leon E. Fodrie. Eugene Quinn, C. W. Garner, Yancey Barbour, Maney Salter, J. It was recommended, however, that the sheriff be instructed to work out some way to protect the Atlantic School from vandalism. B. Rice, C. C. Land, R. T. Mun-dine, L. C. Smith, Mrs. Elizabeth The prison camp at Newport was Garner, Charles Broadhurst and termed to be in excellent condition. The superintendent and his staff Roy Eubanks.

They were dismissed with the were commended for care of the judge's "personal and official inmates."

Board Gives Order to Collect Delinguent Taxes County commissioners yesterday

authorized Eugene Moore, tax col-lector, to take necessary legal steps to collect back taxes on personal property. "If you've got to tow in automo-

biles or take possession of other personal property, such as TV sets to get the money, go ahead and do the commissioners declared They ordered Mr. Moore to nish Sheriff Hugh Salter with the necessary information so that the papers can be served on delinquent

taxpayers. board also authorized Mr. Moore to turn over to the clerk of court necessary information for filing judgments against persons who have not paid their 1954 or 1955 ad valorem taxes.

\$250 Set Up At the request of Cecil Morris, chairman of the County Hurricane Rehabilitation Committee, the board approved expenditure up to \$250 to finance a plotting of outer banks property and expenses for J. A. DuBois, committee secretary. Determination of who owns what

lands on the outer banks is neces-sary, Mr. Morris explained, before a right-of-way can be obtained so that prison labor might be sent to the banks to build necessary barriers to eatch sand.

Mr. Morris said it is particularly important that sand be anchored between Drum Inlet and Ocracoke. He said that the Lassiters of Char-lotte, owners of about 12 miles of outer banks in that vicinity, will be asked to turn their land over to the state so that conservation work

can be started. Gray Hassell, engineer, was asked to make the map showing areas

George Creech, Wildwood, ap-peared before the board and re-quested that the state put belgrade ney, called it).

ers deserved a pat on the back rather than a pep talk, he said. Oscar Allred, publicity agent, re-City.

Commission

Cecil Morris, Atlantic, Heads the matter up with Maynard Hicks, road commissioner for this district, the latter part of this week.

The chairman of the board, Moses Howard, suggested that the board write a letter to the gover-

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the Carteret County Hurricane Re-almost a third of the entire valuation, the said the charts did not indi-

Manteo Mystery Witness **Prolongs Proceedings**

The case of Frank Boyette, on trial for his life for alleged rape of 13-year-old Amanda Elizabeth Harrell, Morehead City, goes into its fourth day today. Court recessed at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon with the announcement by Harvey Hamilton Jr., defense attorney, that he had to send for two more witnesses, one at Manteo.

minutes after the resumption of the

trial in Beaufort courthouse yesterday afternoon. The court was brought to a shiv-

Fiancee Testifies The outburst came with the in-

beth had aided Boyette in the attack. The witness was Miss Lois Brickhouse, Boyette's fiancce, who testified that Elizabeth had told her, "I helped Frank pull off my clothes."

on her frail mother's shoulder. Then a following witness, Mrs. township.

Photos by Bob Seyn

Frank Boyette, on trial for his life, leaves the courthouse with Deputy Sheriff Bobby Bell, right.

The "balloon" by Deputy Bell's head is a light in the hall of the

State Officer

ante-room

Cries Continue Her cries pierced through the baken door, pervading the stilled

That was about 2:20 p.m. Court did not resume until 3 o'clock after

Dr. Theodore Salter had administered to the girl and quieted her.

Trial Opens The key figure in the case, Eliz abeth, a physically immature girl, was the first witness placed on the stand at 41:10 Saturday morning

by Robert Rouse Jr., solicitor. Wearing a pink gingham dress, pink sweater, with her loss brown hair tied in a pony tail, the child sat tensely, waiting the first ques-tion. Her face was devoid of makeup. She looked like an average sev-enth grader. After telling her name and stat

Their recent performance in the White Cane drive and their con-tinued support of blind case working that she- attended Morehead City School, there were protests from both the defense attorney, Harvey Hamilton Jr., and the jur ors that they could not hear what she was saying. Despite admonitions by the judge

and Mr. Rouse, the girl did not speak loud enough to be heard. At that point the judge requested a public address system. Testimony was deferred 20 minutes until a public address system was set

up, with the microphone in front Morehead City fire chief, Vernon of the witness stand. Elizabeth testified that she had Juthrie, and Fireman John Parker left for Miami Sunday morn-ing to pick up the new fire truck. The truck has been on display at attended school at Wilmington and in Florida before her family moved to Morehead City last April.

Relates Story At the request of the solicitor

Morehead City by Friday. It was believed last month that she then told the following story of events on the afternoon of Friday, the truck would not be ready in June 29. time to be on display at the con-vention. When it gets here, it will She said that she and her 15-year-old sister Marie were "downbe placed at the new fire sub-sta-See RAPE CASE, Page 2

Elizabeth burst into terrifying, hysterical tears just 15

Twenty Voters

ering standstill.

Select Own Candidates Twenty voters took time to write

in candidates in the election Tues-At that Elizabeth started sobbing n her frail muther's shoulder. for constable of Morchead City

Hallie West, more explicitly said that Elizabeth had told her, "I helped Frank pull off my pants." Were George Dunn and Mack Ed-With that Elizabeth let out agon-ized tears. Judge Chester Morris directed Ward Ballou, one each.

court officers to remove Elizabeth from the courtroom. Helped by Sneriff Salter and surrounded by for state senator. Claud Wheatly her brother, Gene, two sisters and got one vote from Morchead 1 and her mother, she was taken to an one from Newport for state sen-

For a few minutes Judge Morris paced the floor, then he ordered a doctor to be sent for. county voted a straight Repub-lican ticket on the county ballot even though no Republicans were listed on the ballot.

A sergeant stationed in Wash-ington called Mr. Chappell the day after the election and asked him to please send him a ballot so he could vote!

TB Christmas Seals Mailed Out

Mailed throughout the county over the weekend were the Christmas seals distributed annually by the Carteret County Tuberculosis Association.

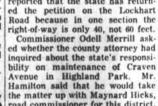
Accompanying the four sheets of cals was a letter from Stanley Woodland, president of the Carteret County Tuberculosis Association. Sheets are a dollar each. Proceeds from the sale of seals help fight

TB and finance research for a TB preventive. Officers of the TB Association, in addition to Mr. Woodland, are Dr. John Morris, vice-president; Mrs. W. I. Loftin, secretary and chairman, and James H. Davis, treas-

urer. This year is the 50th for the an ual Christmas seal sale

Cash, Pens Taken From Drug Store

Beaufort police were continuing investigation yesterday of the theft at Bell's Drug Store. The store was entered Saturday night sometime between 9 and 10 o'clock and \$50 taken out of the two cash registers.



To Write Letter

nor, thanking him for his help in mosquito control in the county.

Commissioner Skinner Chalk sug-gested that the board study the employee survey made by the Employment Security Commission re-

Visits Lions A. L. "Chuck", Kline, Lions deof land ownership. He reported that at 'two places the sea is now washing through Shackleford Banks — this has occurred since last fall's puty district governor from Grifton, was guest speaker at the Morchead night. He was accompanied by Don Casey, secretary of the Grifton club. City Lions Club meeting Thursday hurricanes. **Road** Request Mr. Kline said that the trip was "originally" planned so that he could give the Lions a pep talk.

rock on the Airport-Arthur Road (as Alvah Hamilton, county attor-The road, 1.4 miles, runs through

the former Arthur farm north of Highway 70 and west of Morehead

ported about 20 members present. Snowden Thompson, Beaufort, was The matter was referred to the State Highway and Public Works a guest.

Irvin Davis, clerk to the board, reported that the state has return-Firemen Go to Miami **To Bring Back Fire Truck**

the fire chiefs convention. Mr. Parker, who will be driving theh truck back, hopes to get to

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| In Car Pile-Up part of the county. Presiding at the meeting was Moses Howard, chairman of the they would plant grass; 18 said they would plant grass; 18 said they mould plant grass; 18 said | both the An 18-year-old boy, who said urors are he'd never been in court before. back of the store. Chief Springle |
| Three persons were injured who called the committee meeting mail truck pile up about eight in a three car-US mail truck pile up about eight the outer banks, explaining that tion to prevent removal of dunes. "I don't think there's been any greater problem in my time," he commented. He ven | County. became of the courtroom smoking. F. R. Bell, owner of the store, left when the store closed at 9 p.m. |
| Highway 70. They were Horace Lee Tyler of Havelock, treated at the past three years have made in- tocks on the banks which nature the banks which nature the banks, informed him that in the banks which nature the banks, informed him that in the banks, informed him that in the banks informed him that in | Carteret, ris called ten from supposed to smoke in open |
| L. Brown and Harley F. Quillen, who were treated at the Cherry Point dispensary. | those 13 Well, get a chair up here by when site in the grant of the |
| State Patrolman J. W. Sykes, point where persons standing on that the mail truck had pulled off the sound side can look across the banks and see the ocean. Harry Davis, Raleigh, who also owns outer banks property, report, two weeks ago. "If nothing is done date the banks, Pamlico Sound car amounted to only about 25." | t jury in sting the d to that up and sat down by the judge. In Two Weeks |
| , f and that driver Clarence West- brook of Greensboro had displayed warning flares. When Leroy Chaissons, Cherry | the jury, the judge told him to go back in the intermunity Club decided at a lis going the courterour and size mean meeting Saturday night that mem- |
| Point Marine, slowed to pass the truck, Mr. Tyler's car ran into him. Before Tyler could get out of him is car to inspect the damage, only way to prevent flooding of vey, building of groins, planting any hope of federal backing before there's any hope of federal backing | fers. No speciators were allowed in f a new the courtroom Saturday during the Marshallberg fire truck. They |
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| Iater parked in Havelock. A search of Marine barracks found both Quillan and Brown nursing cuts committee devoted to saving the banks and that New Hanover and frier. at places in his section, an ordinary tide sweeps over the whole bar. to present his plans for functioning of the Carteret County Hurricane Rahabilitation Committee to the 4:48 a.m. 10:26 p.m. whizzed down right by It was about 4 inche an inch wide. You er | his car. long and look up Bocause Frank Boyette, de- dance at Smyrna High School. |
| and bruises. Brown, who allegedly was driv- ing the car, has been charged with hit and run and careless and bruises. "Carteret han't lifted a method with hit and run and careless and most valuable property in the made by early settlers. Through drew Emetioned, were Am- settlers. Through drew Emetioned, were Am- most valuable property in the most valuable property in the made by early settlers. Through drew Emetioned, were Am- most valuable property in the most valuable property in the made by early settlers. Through drew Emetioned, were Am- the most valuable property in the made by early settlers. Through drew Emetioned, were Am- the most valuable property in the made by early settlers. Through drew Emetioned are been to the the through holes in the state of the outer banks, the most valuable property in the made by early settlers. Through drew Emetioned, were Am- the roof as having | ght. The an attorney to defend him, Har- describe vey Hamilton Jr. and his brother, band that appears on the Washing- |
| reckless driving. He is being held in the county jail. Bond was set at \$500. Friday, Nov. 16 Money Island, about two miles of | through. were appointed as defense coun- sel by Judge W. J. Bundy, resi- the home of Leon Thomas, Mar- |