

Menhaden Plants Recover From Heavy Five-Day Catch

Robinsons Pull Two Men Out Of Beaufort Inlet

David and George Robinson, brothers, of Beaufort, fished Billy Ricks of Lennoxville Road and an unidentified colored man from the waters of Beaufort Inlet about 8 p.m. Saturday.

David Robinson said that he and his brother were going across to the outer banks to fish when they heard the cries of the colored man. They found him hanging to the motor of a submerged boat. He was so weak and cold that he could not talk, according to Mr. Robinson. The brothers heard more faint cries in the distance and started a search which resulted in their finding Ricks, clinging to a fuel tank, about a mile away from the boat.

Although both Ricks and the colored man were originally in the same boat, Ricks gave no explanation as to how they capsized.

Ricks was suffering from exposure and had a death grip on the fuel can, which was drifting out the inlet with an ebb tide. The brothers carried the men to Humphreys' fish factory, Beaufort, where workers agreed to take them in and warm them up.

Mr. Robinson said that he had not seen either man since the event and that the fuel can which Ricks was clinging to was still in his boat. David Robinson is a boat builder and fisherman, and George Robinson is a plumber and fisherman.

Food Fish Catches Improve Too

Menhaden plants had not fully recovered even yesterday from the tremendous catches of fish made from Tuesday through Saturday last week.

Although the boats brought in so many fish the factories couldn't keep up with them, the total volume for this season is still slightly under the total volume for last year at this time.

Last week's catches were termed by W. H. Potter of Beaufort Fisheries as "the largest catch of fish in some time."

C. G. Holland, commercial fisheries commissioner, called it a record catch, reporting that one boat took 3,300,000 fish in four days and couldn't go out the fifth day because the boat couldn't be unloaded.

Catch Estimates

Harvey Smith of the Fish Meal Co. estimated that his boats caught 35 million; Beaufort Fisheries took about 17 million; Wallace Fisheries took between 10 and 15 million; and an estimate of the Standard Products Co. catch was five million.

R. W. Taylor of the R. W. Taylor Co., Morehead City, said that he still had three boats at dock yesterday waiting to be unloaded and couldn't give an estimate on the total catch. Seven boats are fishing this year for Mr. Taylor's firm.

Even though the fish can't be processed right away, Mr. Taylor said that not over 10 per cent of their value is lost through delay.

Banks Stay Open

To cash checks for fishermen, the First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co. remained open Saturday afternoon in both Beaufort and Morehead City. The Morehead City bank closed at 5 p.m. and the Beaufort bank at 8 p.m.

That's the first time folks can remember the bank's staying open for the benefit of the fishermen. Usually grocery stores and other businesses had to cash the paychecks.

The Beaufort bank expects to stay open late next Saturday also.

Although many of the boats were still waiting to be unloaded Saturday, about 15 went out. Rough weather kept them tied up yesterday.

Mr. Potter said that never have as many fish been available. He said the fish were here in the biggest quantity and "best quality ever; they were schooled up and easy to take.

Mr. Potter predicts that the best is about over. "They're beginning to spawn now and will soon move out." He said the volume of fish thus far this year has not reached last year's volume.

Bill Baughman, Wallace Fisheries, said that catches last year were spread out more evenly. Catches started in October and continued through November and December. "We're just about caught up now with last year," he commented.

Up until last week, the boats hadn't been doing very well.

To enable the 11 boats working for Wallace to keep fishing last week, boats would be half unloaded and return to the fishing grounds. This gave all boats a chance to make larger catches.

Officers Called To Beaufort Plant

State Highway Patrolmen J. W. Sykes and W. E. Pickard were called twice to the Standard Products plant, Lennoxville, Saturday night when fishermen were allegedly on the verge of riot over a controversy with plant managers.

According to reports, one of the menhaden boat captains, his mate and pilot had been fired and the Negro fishermen on the boat, from Texas, Louisiana and other Gulf states, quit too.

Involved with this trouble was a controversy about pay and financing transportation for the Negroes back to their homes in the Gulf states. The fishermen were told that if the new captain wanted them to work with him they could stay, but the company would not pay their transportation back home if they quit.

Patrolmen said that as one of the large tanker trucks was loading fish oil, some of the fishermen cut the hose loose and oil spewed all over the place.

The officers said they stayed until about 10 o'clock and left, but were called back about 11. The fishermen had picked up iron bars and were hanging threateningly around the office. Meanwhile, the payroll, which the men were waiting for, was finally made out. They were paid off and evidently went on their way.

Officers Blow Up Still Saturday at North River

Another still was blown to bits over the weekend. ABC Officer Marshall Ayscue, Sheriff Hugh Salter and Deputy Sheriff Bruce Edwards blew up a 300-gallon whisky factory at 1 o'clock Saturday morning in the colored section of North River.

Destroyed at the still were 600 gallons of mash. The still was cold but ready for a run. Several weeks ago a 2,000-gallon still was raided by authorities.

Marine Corps, NCFA Meet To Discuss Bomb Targets

At the invitation of C. G. Holland, state commercial fisheries commissioner, Marine Corps officers and members of the North Carolina Fisheries Association met yesterday morning at Camp Glenn to discuss bombing targets.

Commissioner Holland termed results of the meeting "very good."

He said the Marine Corps has no new bombing areas in mind now. They are the same as were set up in 1953. He said there will be some work done on indicating bombing areas with markers and lights.

To make the Moll Point bombing area in Pamlico County safer, the Marine Corps has agreed to widely publicize throughout the coastal area the date and hours bombing will be underway there. Commissioner Holland said that

in the future if fishermen have complaints about the practice areas, they should contact his office at Morehead City or get in touch with Garland Fulcher, Oriental, president of the NCFA.

Representing the Marine Corps at yesterday's meeting were Col. P. H. Ashley and Maj. J. Payette, also John O. Frye of the public works office, Cherry Point.

In addition to Commissioner Holland, the following members of the NCFA were present: President Fulcher, Fred Whitaker, Kingston; Earl Holton, I. J. Hudson, both of Vandemere; Cecil Morris and Clayton Fulcher Jr., Atlantic; Roy L. Watson, Hobucken, and W. H. Potter, Beaufort.

Also present was Dr. A. F. Chestnut, director of the Institute of Fisheries Research, UNC.



SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

Marshallberg Men's Club Will Meet Thursday

Members of the Marshallberg Community Men's Club will meet in special session at 7 p.m. Thursday at the community building to discuss participation in the Carteret Community Hospital Association program.

Representatives of the association, Jasper Daniels, president, F. C. Noyes, secretary, and Elwood Willis, spoke to club members about the merits of the association at the barbecue supper sponsored by the men's club Saturday night at the community building.

Leon Thomas, vice-president, said no action could be taken without consulting the members. For that reason the special meeting was set.

Two hundred sixty dinners were served Saturday night. The Community Men's Club estimates that it cleared approximately \$140. Proceeds will be used for the fire department. The dinner was served by the Women's Church Clubs of Marshallberg.

Play Tonight

The Boy Scout troop, sponsored by the Community Men's Club, will sponsor a play at 7 o'clock tonight at the Marshallberg Community Building. The play will be given by the Morriss Family, New Bern, who have appeared on TV.

Admission is 60 and 25 cents. Proceeds will go to the Boy Scouts.

At the regular meeting of the club at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the community building members of the Carteret Community Hospital Association will be present to hear the results of the special Thursday discussion.

To Discuss Plans

At that time plans on the new fire department building will be presented. The building, if approved, will be made of cement block.

The fire truck pump motor has been overhauled. John Valentine, club president, said that Thomas Gillikin, chairman of the fire truck committee, and other club members have been doing an excellent job, getting the truck in shape.

It will be painted soon and is expected to be ready for operation about a week or 10 days.

The club members, wives, and members of the Women's Church Clubs will have a Christmas party at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 22, in the community building. Boy Scouts will also be present.

Welfare Office Will Help Again With Charity Work

The county welfare department is acting again this year as a clearing house for organizations or individuals who want to help needy families.

Miss Georgie Hughes, superintendent of the welfare department, said that her staff would appreciate being notified of the families various groups expect to help.

She explained that this eliminates duplication. In some cases, one family may get several baskets of food while other needy families get no help whatever.

In Beaufort tonight representatives of churches and civic organizations will meet at St. Paul's parish house with welfare officials to check on who is being helped by whom.

Miss Hughes said that the welfare department is not trying to tell organizations or groups what to do; it merely is interested in seeing that "goodwill" is distributed evenly throughout the county.

The welfare department will act as a clearing house for all communities. Persons who would like welfare assistance in their Christmas charity work may phone 2-4391.

Two Men Seriously Cut Early Saturday, Beaufort

William Brown and Charles Lee Ballard, both of Avalon, Va., were seriously injured early Saturday morning when an unidentified man allegedly stabbed them during a fight in front of the Beaufort police station.

The Beaufort police were on Queen Street at the time of the incident. When they arrived on the scene the two men were standing in front of the station. One passed out from loss of blood when the police arrived.

They were taken to the Morehead City Hospital in Adair's ambulance.

Parish Meeting

St. Paul's Episcopal Church will hold its annual parish meeting at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow at the parish house. New vestry members will be elected at that time and annual reports will be given.

Sheriff Gets Back Stolen Saws

Four Men, One Woman Arrested in Connection With Newport Thefts

The sheriff's department has retrieved two valuable saws stolen recently at Newport. Apprehended in connection with the thefts are Mr. and Mrs. Alton Waddell, Bobby Waddell and Willie Brown.

All are in jail in Portsmouth, Va. Warrants have also been sworn out for James Brown and Larry Arnold, also involved in the thefts. Sheriff Hugh Salter reported yesterday.

Robert Brown, brother of Willie, has been charged with receiving a stolen saw. Both Robert and Willie are out on bond.

One saw, stolen from Lonnie Howard, Newport, the night of Nov. 6, was picked up by Sheriff Hugh Salter and SBI Agent John Edwards on a trip to Norfolk and Portsmouth, Va., Saturday night.

The sheriff and Officer Edwards located the Waddells, former residents of the Mill Creek section, in Portsmouth, Va. There they picked up Ralph Arnold, also from this area, for parole violation. He is in jail in Portsmouth too.

Willie and James Brown and Arnold are charged with stealing a McClellan chain saw from Charles Kelly's car the night of the Newport School Halloween carnival. That saw was recovered at Raeford, N. C.

When the sheriff and Officer Edwards showed up at the Waddell house at Portsmouth at 2:30 a.m. Saturday Mrs. Waddell screamed that they, and Officer Marshall Ayscue of Carteret County were driving her crazy and she wished they'd leave her family alone.

The Waddells and their accomplices have an imposing record of law violations.

Coast Guard Gives Up Search

The Coast Guard has given up the search for the bodies of Coley Stanley and Barney Edwards, both of Greenville, who were reported missing on the Neuse River Thursday night. The Fort Macon Coast Guard station reports that the New Bern Coast Guard, using their auxiliary power boat and a 16-foot skiff from Fort Macon, stayed on the job for 38 hours and 21 minutes before leaving the scene of the accident just across from the mouth of Adams Creek.

Mr. Stanley was the son-in-law of S. A. Horton, Morehead City. He and Mr. Edwards were reported missing by Craven County Deputy Bruce Edwards about 10:40 p.m. Thursday. The Coast Guard immediately went to the scene of the accident and remained there until 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The Craven County Sheriff's department is still continuing the search, but there is little hope that the bodies will be found. The river is about five miles wide at the spot where the Coast Guard found the overturned boat.

The missing Edwards is the brother of Craven County Deputy Bruce Edwards. The two men who have apparently drowned, were fishing.

Robert Dudley, Hubert Springle Lose Licenses

Robert Burn Dudley, Morehead City, and Hubert Wesley Springle, Beaufort, have had their licenses revoked. The State Highway Safety Division revoked the licenses after the men were convicted of drunken driving.

Dudley was convicted in district court, Cameron, La., and Springle was convicted in recorder's court, Beaufort.

Scout Leaders To Attend Banquet Here Tomorrow

James Butler, alumni secretary, East Carolina College, will be the guest speaker at 7 p.m. tomorrow night at the first annual Scouter banquet in this county. The banquet will be held at the Masonic Hall, Morehead City.

Bob Howard, Carteret district Boy Scout chairman, will present awards. He will also give the welcome address, introduce guests, and recognize Scouters.

The invocation will be given by the Rev. L. A. Lewis, institutional representative from Atlantic.

Ethan Davis, district commissioner, will give the progress report and Dr. Darden Eure, Morehead City, will introduce the speaker.

Rudolph Alexander, district field representative, will conduct the closing ceremony.

Adult Scout leaders and their wives, den mothers and their husbands are invited. A turkey dinner will be served. Approximately 75 are expected to attend.

Man Cuts Neighbor's Neck in Beaufort

Corbin Lawrence, Highway 101 Beaufort, was committed to the state hospital, Raleigh, Thursday, after he cut his next door neighbor, John Nelson, in the neck.

Sheriff Hugh Salter said that Lawrence, who had been in the hospital because of a mental illness, had been recently allowed to come home. Lawrence went into Nelson's house Thursday morning and cut about an inch gash in Mr. Nelson's neck. Mr. Nelson, the sheriff said, is recovering satisfactorily.

Shirt Factory Employees To Vote on Union Dec. 20

F. C. Salisbury Wins Second History Award

For the second consecutive year, F. C. Salisbury, NEWS-TIMES columnist and history feature writer has won an award of merit from The North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians.

The award was given Friday at the meeting of the society at Raleigh. Mr. Salisbury, however, was unable to attend the meeting.

Joining in the honor was THE NEWS-TIMES. The society makes awards annually to the newspapers and writers who publish outstanding articles on local history.

Other winners are Nancy Alexander, Homer Keever, Victor C. King, the Statesville Record and Landmark and the Mecklenburg Times.

During the past year 25 articles on county history, written by Mr. Salisbury, have appeared in THE NEWS-TIMES. Mr. Salisbury has been a regular columnist for the newspaper since 1948 and prior to that time was in the newspaper publishing business in Morehead City, where he makes his home.

He is an officer in the Carteret County Historical Society and with his wife has given talks on local history before civic clubs.

J. I. Mizelle Withdraws From Water System Suit

J. I. Mizelle, one of the 23 Newport citizens filing suit against the town of Newport to prevent installation of a water system, withdrew as a plaintiff yesterday.

Mr. Mizelle, in a signed statement to A. H. James, clerk of Superior Court, said

"I, the undersigned wish to state that I am not interested in engaging in a fight against the advancement and progress of the Town of Newport.

"That I am not physically able to do so and I do not want it to appear further that I am interested in any way towards promoting a legal battle in the matter and herewith want it to appear that I am withdrawing from the prosecution of this action and would like for you (A. H. James) to let the people know of my stand."

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Town to Receive Certificate Today

Morehead City will be presented a certificate of merit for "outstanding accomplishments in traffic safety" by the North Carolina State Automobile Association at 2 p.m. today at the municipal building.

The framed certificate will be awarded in recognition of Morehead City's record of no motor vehicle fatalities within the city limits for a period of almost 14 years. The last fatal accident occurred on May 9, 1956. Prior to that time, the last previous accident was on October 9, 1942.

The certificate will be presented to Mayor George W. Dill Jr. and Chief of Police Herbert Griffin by C. V. Umphlett Jr., N. C. State Automobile Association representative in Morehead City, on behalf of the State Automobile Association and the National Automobile Association, with which the motor club is affiliated.

Also participating in the ceremony will be C. V. Umphlett, Durham division manager for the state A.A.

Salesman Held For Burglary

Being held in the county jail without bond is Frank Perus, magazine salesman from New York state, who is charged with stealing \$31 from the home of John M. McCabe, Wildwood, Saturday.

Sheriff Hugh Salter said that Perus broke into the McCabe home by taking out a side window. The McCabes were not home at the time.

Perus, the sheriff continued, took \$11 from one billfold and \$20 from another. The robbery took place about 5:15 p.m. and Perus was picked up at 6:15 p.m.

The sheriff said that Perus was a door-to-door magazine salesman. He will be given a preliminary hearing in county recorder's court Thursday.

The Gloucester Community Club will meet at 7:30 tonight at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Pigot instead of at the MacFarlane home as originally announced.

Inquest Set For Tonight

Coroner Leslie Springle will conduct the inquest into the deaths of David Glen Jones and Luther Jones Jr. at 7 o'clock tonight at the Morehead City Municipal Building. The boys, 3 years and six months, were burned to death Thursday, Nov. 29 when their home on highway 70, just west of the junction with 24, burned to the ground.

Luther Jones Sr., father of the boys, said that he had been at work in a fish factory since the previous day. Their mother apparently was in Morehead City shopping at the time of the fire.

There were no adults in the house when the fire broke out, and the three children who escaped were unable to rescue their brothers.

A coroner's jury composed of R. H. Brown, John Ashley, Bruce Edwards, James Jones, Harold Willis and Ernest A. Guthrie will determine whether or not criminal negligence contributed to the deaths.

The inquest has been postponed twice. It was originally set for Nov. 30, changed to Dec. 4 and the third date set is tonight.

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Employees at the Morehead City Garment Co. will vote Thursday, Dec. 20, on whether they want to become affiliated with the union.

Balloting will take place in the plant from 8 to 9 a.m. The election will be conducted by the regional director, National Labor Relations Board, Winston-Salem.

Two representatives of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, AFL-CIO, have been in this area since last January. They are Mrs. Rachel Barnes and Mrs. Lucille Witt. The union representatives have been contacting plant employees after work hours to try to sell them on union affiliation.

NLRB Petitioned

Following a hearing Aug. 8, the NLRB was petitioned for an election at the garment company. The NLRB issued a notice Friday stating that an election should be held. An election is then required within 30 days after the NLRB directive.

Several efforts in past years to organize the workers at the garment company, better known as the shirt factory, have been unsuccessful. On one occasion soon after the plant opened, union organizers were run out of town. In 1949 the union was defeated and shortly thereafter the garment company was charged with unfair labor practices.

Union Loses

Another election was held in 1953 and again the employees at the garment company decided against the union.

According to Truman Kemp, plant manager, the union apparently is offering employees "fringe benefits and better working conditions."

At present the 220 employees, Mr. Kemp said, are earning in excess of the minimum wage, a dollar an hour. During the past year, Mr. Kemp added, average hourly earnings have increased 25 to 50 per cent.

The company provides hospital insurance for its employees under a group plan, with premiums paid by the company, and also has a group health insurance program in which employees may participate.

Employees are also given two week-long vacations with pay each year, one in July and another in December. The vacation this month will begin Dec. 21.

Should the union not be successful in the election Dec. 20, law prevents union organization activity among plant employees for one year.

Newport Farmers Win Cash Awards

Archie Hardesty and Guy Garner, both of Newport, won \$35 cash awards Wednesday night. They were honored at a dinner meeting of fertilizer and lime dealers at the Maola plant, New Bern.

Mr. Hardesty was top corn producer in the county with an average yield of 125 bushels per acre. Mr. Garner was top soybean farmer with an average of 53 bushels per acre.

Others who attended the meeting were Clayton Garner, Newport, corn champion for the county, Billy Simmons, junior runner-up, Orville Gaskill, Beaufort fertilizer dealer, R. M. Williams, county agent, Fred Knott, and Harry Venters, assistant county agent.

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LOW	8:27 a.m.	9:26 a.m.	10:25 a.m.	11:23 a.m.
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LOW	8:43 p.m.	9:34 p.m.	10:28 p.m.	11:20 p.m.