

Joy to the World . . . The Lord is Comel!



Photo by Jerry Schumacher

The choir of the Holly Springs Free Will Baptist Church, Newport, presented a Christmas Cantata Sunday night at the church. The cantata, The Music of Bethlehem, was composed by Fred B. Holton. It consisted of 12 selections, several of which were

based on traditional Christmas carols. The choir was under the direction of Miss Rachel Mundine, foreground. Miss Judy Slaughter, left, was organist. The Rev. Carroll Hansley, pastor of the church, led the devotional prior to the candle light service.

Members of the choir are: first row, left to right; Miss Joan Raye Gray, Mrs. Janie Garner, Miss Linda Godwin, Mrs. Abline Rewinski, Miss Jeannine Godwin, Miss Peggy Cannon, Miss Iris Fleming, Miss Betty Frances Gould, Miss Joanne Kelly, and Miss Linda Pringle.

Second row, left to right; Lea Gray, James Gurganus, Clayton Cannon, Mrs. Faye McCain, Mrs. Cora Lee Sanderson, Mrs. Rena Kirk, Mrs. Ina Gray Gould, and Mrs. Dean Gurganus. Third row, left to right; Otto Slaughter, Leon Tolson, and Francis Garner.

**Commissioners Open Sealed Bids for City's Gas Supply**

The Morehead City commissioners opened sealed bids for the city's gasoline supply at Thursday night's town board meeting in the Municipal Building. Four distributors submitted bids for the year-long contract, which begins Jan. 1.

Sinclair, Texaco, Shell, and Pure bids were opened, but the board was unable to make an immediate decision as to which one was low bid. The bids were submitted on tank car price scales, and John Lashley, town clerk, was authorized to examine the bids and award the contract to the one which was found to be lowest.

The board discussed the problem of police officers' retirement programs, which so far have been ineffective. At present, Morehead City policemen are not covered by social security or a state retirement plan.

The commissioners were informed by Mr. Lashley that policemen would become eligible for social security next year if they pass a state-wide referendum authorizing the government to make the move.

To Call Meeting  
They voted to call a joint meeting of policemen and commissioners to discuss the matter at a later date.

Commissioner D. J. Hall suggested that the city begin more strict enforcement of its garbage collection ordinance. He said that garbage cans which would not meet sanitary regulations should be condemned and repeat violators penalized.

Mayor George Dill said that size limitations should be placed on garbage cans, and that oil drums with wooden bottoms endangered the garbage collectors who handled them. The bottoms have a habit of falling out when the cans are picked up, according to the mayor.

Sale of BB Guns Legal  
Commissioner Ted Garner made a motion that the town revoke an ordinance prohibiting the sale of BB guns in the city limits. "Since residents of the town can buy BB guns anywhere else," he said, "it is unfair to penalize our own merchants by not allowing them to sell the guns."

Mayor Dill noted that this motion, which was passed, did not do away with the town ordinance prohibiting the firing of BB guns in the city limits.

Commissioner Jasper Bell reported that he had obtained 2,000 muffled rose bushes. The roses will be used as a living fence around the old section of the cemetery.

He got the free bushes from the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development.

Other commissioners present, in addition to the ones mentioned, were Gibbie Sanderson and S. C. Holloway. Town attorney George McNeill also attended the meeting.

Newport Wins Tool Naming Event  
T. B. Elliot, district supervisor of agricultural education from Woodland, conducted a tool naming contest at the Newport Seacoast cafeteria Thursday afternoon. Newport won with 292 of a possible 300 points, and Smyrna was second with 257.

Lyons Hardware Company, Durham, supplied 100 different tools and shop supplies, which the team members were required to identify. James Chapman, Terry Garner, Franklin Oglesby, and Edward Corbit were members of the winning Newport team.

C. S. Long is vocational agriculture teacher at Newport, and William J. Owens teaches the subject at Smyrna. Four other teams were invited to enter the contest, but they did not participate.

Both Colonial Stores Closed Dec. 25 and 26  
Beaufort Colonial Store will be closed on Wednesday, Dec. 26, as well as on Christmas Day.

The original directive from Colonial Stores headquarters in Columbia, S. C., that the Beaufort store would remain open on Wednesday has been rescinded. Thus, both the Morehead City and Beaufort Colonial stores will be closed both Christmas Day and Wednesday.

Four to Attend Banking Course from Morehead  
Four staff members of the First-Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Morehead City, have enrolled in a course dealing with the legal aspects of negotiable instruments.

**Defendant Appeals To Superior Court**

Richard Furlow Hill appealed to superior court, after Judge L. R. Morris had fined him \$125 and costs in county recorder's court Thursday. He was convicted of driving drunk, disregarding a stop sign, and driving without a license. He was released under \$200 bond.

George Bradley and Ellis Taylor were convicted on liquor charges. Both men were found guilty of possession of quantities of non tax-paid whisky. Bradley was fined \$50 and costs, and Taylor was fined \$10 and costs.

Robert Earl Howell paid \$50 and costs for driving at an unsafe speed and following too close.

Howard Fallin Jr. received a year's sentence suspended upon payment of \$15 a week to the welfare department for the support of his minor children.

Guilty of Racing  
Sam Howland was found guilty of speeding and racing and was fined \$15 and costs. He received a three month suspended sentence.

James Arthur Dorsey paid \$10 and costs for appearing on the highway in a drunken condition. George Copes paid \$10 and costs for public drunkenness and loud and disorderly conduct.

Edward Hyde Willis paid \$10 and costs for speeding. Jim Quinn was found guilty of passing a bad check, and he was ordered to pay costs and honor his check.

Pay Costs  
Bryant Foster McKnight paid costs for improper passing that resulted in an accident. Others paying costs were Phillip Rodman Mason and Cecil Lenwood Peterson, speeding too fast for conditions; Bert Thomas Walker, improper muffler.

Donald Francis Goodwin, failing to comply with driver's license restriction (wearing no glasses); Robert Nelson, public drunkenness; Walter Joyner, disturbing the peace; and Emma D. Fasano, no driver's license. Robert Earl

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**Water Company Seeks Franchise**

General Water Works Corporation, Philadelphia, Pa., holding company, applied to the State Utilities Commission last Tuesday for authority to take over Carolina Water Company.

Carolina Water Company owns and operates the old Tide Water Power Company's water systems at Snow Hill, Morehead City and Beaufort.

General Water Works, which describes itself as "primarily a holding company," owns controlling stock in 78 water utilities and seven telephone companies in 17 states.

General Water Works told the Commission it has arranged to issue 15,000 shares of its \$1 par value common stock in exchange for 735 shares of Carolina Water's \$100 par value common and a \$10,500 demand promissory note. It said that its stock has a market value now of about \$11 a share and that Carolina Water's stock has no listed market value.

**Rotarians, PTA Entertain Patrol**

The Newport School's safety patrol was honored at a Christmas party Tuesday evening at the school. The party was co-sponsored by the Rotary Club and the PTA. The boys and their dates were served hot dogs with all the trimmings.

Rotarians Moses Howard, chairman, Derryl Garner, Ed Comer, and Dick Lockey were in charge of preparations for the party. The PTA supplied gifts for all the members present.

Town commissioner Wilbur Garner commended the patrol for the doing in safety.

**Greetings**

This Christmas issue of THE NEWS-TIMES carries greetings to you from Carteret County merchants and business firms who have enjoyed serving you throughout the year.

Each and every one of them wishes you and every member of your family a joyous Christmas and true happiness now and throughout the years to come.

Look through all the sixteen pages and read their greetings and messages. They are:

- A. Allen & Bell Hardware Co.
- Ackerson's Jewelers
- Ann Street Esso Servicenter
- B. Belk's Department Store
- Busy Bee Restaurant
- Byrd's Metal Works
- Capt. Bill's Waterfront Restaurant
- Beaufort Plumbing & Supply Co.
- C. Beaufort Theatre
- Beaufort Hardware Co.
- Bell's Drug Store
- Biggs Shoe Shop
- Barbour's Marine Supply Co.
- Beaufort Department Store
- D. Chadwick's Dry Cleaners
- Courie's Villa
- Cherry's Market
- City Appliance & Furniture Co.
- E. The Coffee Shop
- Cannon Boat Works
- Carolina Water Co.
- Carteret Quick Freeze Co.
- Carteret Plumbing and Refrigeration Co.
- Carteret-Craven Electric Membership Corp.
- John L. Crump Real Estate
- F. Dom's Lunch & Dom-Ei's
- E. W. Downum Co.
- George W. Dill & Sons
- G. Eighth Street Service Station
- Eubanks Studio
- Early Jewelers
- H. Lloyd A. Fry Roofing Co.
- W. P. Freeman Wholesale Co.
- D. A. Freeman Upholstery
- I. Garner's Gulf Service
- C. G. Gaskill Co.
- Guthrie-Jones Drug Co.
- Roy T. Garner
- H. Hardesty Motors
- J. P. Harris & Co.
- Howard's Service Garage
- Joe House Drug Store
- Hamilton Furniture Co.
- Huntley's Builders Supply
- Herald Printing Co.
- I. Ideal Barber Shop
- Ideal Dry Cleaners
- L. T. D. Lewis Machine Shop
- M. Morehead City Garment Co.
- Mobley Buick Co.
- Midyette Net & Twine Co.
- Morehead City Drug Co.
- Mitchell Village
- (Rochelle Realty Co.)
- Morehead Block & Tile Co.
- Machine & Supply Co.
- N. Newport Dry Cleaners
- Newport Tractor & Equipment Co.
- O. Otis' Fish Market
- P. Phillips Hardware Co.
- T. T. "Tom" Potter & Son
- Paul Motor Co.
- Parker Motors
- R. Russell's Glass Shop
- R&N Furniture Co.
- S. Sunshine Laundry & Dry Cleaners
- Styron's Department Store
- Service Motor Co.
- Service Body Shop
- Sea Level Inn
- Safir Lumber Co.
- Sound Chevrolet Co., Inc.
- Sanitary Fish Market and Restaurant
- Seashore Transportation
- Scott's Complete Auto Service
- Smyrna Supplies
- G. T. Spivey Wholesale Produce
- Smith's Television
- T. Taylor's Ready-Mixed Concrete
- Tire Service (Jim Morrill)
- W. Willis Pure Oil Service
- Mrs. Russell Willis' Restaurant
- W. Roy Willis
- Western Auto Associate Store (Bt.)
- Rupert E. Willis Hardware Co.
- Western Auto Associate Store (MC)
- Walter's Texaco Service
- Jerry J. Willis Insurance Agency

**Firms Improve Marine Phoning**

A new marine radio station has gone into service at Point Harbor, near Elizabeth City, to offer improved ship-to-shore communication facilities along the coastal waterways.

L. A. Daniels, Morehead City manager for Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co., said the new station went into service Nov. 9. He added that initial operations have been "very satisfactory."

Mr. Daniels said the better radiotelephone service off the Carolina and Virginia coasts will be of particular benefit to boats operating between Norfolk and Wilmington. The project, he added, was a joint undertaking of the Norfolk and Carolina Telephone Co., Southern Bell and the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co. of Virginia.

The new transmitter and receiver are located at Point Harbor, but calls are handled by Norfolk marine operators of the Chesapeake and Potomac Co.

Mr. Daniels said this radiotelephone service permits people on board boats to make calls to any telephone on shore.

"The growth of this coastal area as a sports and commercial fishing center," Mr. Daniels said, "as well as its industrial expansion, played a large part in the decision to build the new station."

**\$38 Collected For Refugees**

The Carteret Red Cross chapter had received \$38 for Hungarian relief by noon Friday. Mrs. James Rumley, home service chairman, said that \$360 has been set as the county's quota for the drive.

A five million dollar goal has been set nationwide by the Red Cross. Forty countries throughout the world who are members of the International Red Cross are also helping in the refugee program.

Frank Hollowell, Red Cross district representative, terms the need for funds for this project "as great or greater than any call the Red Cross has ever had."

The American Red Cross is in charge of one of the refugee camps in Europe and takes charge of the refugees when they arrive in this country at Camp Kilmer, N. J.

**Two County Residents Lose Driver's Licenses**

Logan Hart, Newport, and James Cecil Perry, Morehead City, have had their licenses revoked by the State Highway Safety Division.

The revocations came as the result of drunken driving convictions in Morehead City recorder's court.

**Morehead City Chamber Manager Reports on Activities for 1956**

By JOE DuBOIS

**Lions Report Year's Work**

The Down East Lions heard a report on their activities for the year at their Christmas party at the Sea Level Inn Friday night. The recently organized club has already participated in several worth-while projects, according to president Jack Johnson.

The Lions sponsored the organization of the Down East Fire Department, contributed to the blind fund, organized a pony penning for a hospital benefit, and sold ball point pens to raise a Christmas charity fund.

Clayton Fulcher Jr. was principal speaker, and he gave an inspirational message dealing with the aspects of fellowship. He showed how it affected business relationships as well as personal contacts.

Twenty-nine Lions and ladies were present for the party. Joe Mason, Lion reporter, said that gifts were not exchanged.

**Emperor's New Tax Law Brings Hundreds to Town**

(Editor's Note: History often gives new meaning to the movements of man. Had there been newspapers in the day of Christ's birth, the event we celebrate on Christmas day may have passed unnoticed. If note had been taken of it, it might have been casually mentioned in a story like the one that follows).

Bethlehem, Judea—The city was flooded yesterday with citizens from all parts of Syria coming here to list taxes.

The influx began on the 30th day after the emperor, Caesar Augustus, issued the order in Rome that the head of every household shall record the names and age of members of his family, and the property he holds.

Word Spread

The order from the emperor reached Cyrenus, governor of this province, by messenger 10 days ago. Since that time, heralds have been riding throughout Syria announcing to the people that all residents must go to the cities to register with the publicans.

There has been grumbling among some, for this is the first time that such a listing has been required. People started their journeys to the cities, however, as soon as word of the new law reached the outlying areas.

The listing process will probably require each family to spend several days here, for lines are long in front of desks of the list-

take, and frequently patience wears thin as scribes scratch laboriously away, taking down names, land holdings, number of vineyards and size of flocks.

Keepers of hostleries and inn owners did not realize that the new government order would cause such an influx of people. Tent-makers have been reported renting tents on the outskirts of the city at handsome profit.

Some who have come to Bethlehem find no shelter at all. Levi Menna, keeper of the inn on the street that leads to the Nazareth Road, reported this morning that a woman gave birth to a child in the stable at his inn last night.

The woman and her husband, whose names Mr. Menna did not know, had come here from Galilee to comply with the emperor's tax law. The inn keeper said they wanted a room, but all his rooms were taken, so he let them stay in the stable.

Julius, the governor's aide, said yesterday that the listing of everyone in the province will probably require 14 days.

in the mill for making U. S. 70 a four-lane divided highway from Havelock to the Port of Morehead City, as soon as the widening now in progress is completed. We must keep pushing for early completion of this our main and only U. S. highway.

A project since 1952, upon which this Chamber has never relaxed its efforts, is nearing completion. The paving of a highway on the Island of Ocracoke is underway and will be finished in about one month. A. W. Daniels has a franchise to operate a Car-ferry from Ocracoke to Cedar Island.

Here at Morehead City our Waterways are nearly as important as our Highways. Deep water to our ocean port is essential to permit movement of freighters and tankers. Good docks and channels are vital to continued use of our Intra-coastal waterway.

Numerous smaller channels, docking and launching facilities are becoming more and more important each year as an attraction to the thousands of touring boat enthusiasts.

Never before, in any one year, has more been accomplished toward the improvement of inlets, harbors and waterways in Carteret County. Your Chamber of Commerce through its transportation Committee has maintained constant touch with State and Federal governments in its drive for more and better waterways. Your representatives have attended all meetings and conferences on waterways and the Chamber has supported all legislation with strong resolutions.

The Chamber was the first to call to the attention of the State and Nation the urgent need for saving the outer banks, that dwindling strip of sand which holds the Atlantic Ocean in check and protects 21 coastal Counties from destruction by flood. We are urging immediate steps to save the outer-banks.

Mosquitos, the pests which have driven many tourists away from Carteret County, have been kept under control through measures sponsored originally by your Chamber. More funds were obtained last year and legislation has been requested for even more mosquito control funds from the next Legislature.

Buildings constructed during the year include: Piggly Wiggly, Sears, Roebuck Building, Mansfield Supply Co., Downums Dept. Store, Bud Dixon's Motel, Capt. Bill's Restaurant.

The Pavilion, Gants Filling Station, Parker Motors Co., Bridge-view Filling Station, Texaco Dock and Service, and West End Fire Station.

Broadway Cafe, Sanitary Fish Market, Rex Restaurant, Carolina Power and Light Co., Cannon Boat Yard, and Goodwin's Hardware were remodeled in 1956.