

C. C. Goodwin Estimates Fire Loss at \$12-15,000

C. C. Goodwin, Beaufort Marine Salvage Co., estimated his loss in Thursday's Morehead City fire at between \$12,000 and \$15,000.

Mr. Goodwin's property was destroyed in the fire that consumed the frame buildings on Arendell Street across from Fry Roofing Co. at about 10:30 a.m. He said none of his property was insured.

Among the items in the building were a practically new diesel marine engine, a speedboat, seven 32-volt generators, 500 window sashes with panes, electric motors, pumps, electric switch boxes, and 5,000 outboard motor parts.

Mr. Goodwin said he couldn't begin to estimate everything. Much of it was government surplus property he had acquired since October for re-sale. Junk, he continued, is kept at his place in Beaufort.

He was at Cherry Point at the time of the fire. His firm is tearing down buildings at the base.

Asked if he knew how the fire may have started, he said he believed someone set it. In the building he added, were two 30-gallon drums full of oil on a stand. He said someone may have let the oil out of the drums and put a match to it. The fire, he continued, started in the front of the building. He explained that with the strong southwest breeze, all factors were conducive to all of the frame buildings going up.

He said nothing was salvagable from the flames except pieces of metal that didn't burn.

The fire was believed to be out by early afternoon, but at 6 p.m. the Morehead City fire department was called back because the wooden boat hull to the east of the building flamed up and flames broke out in other ruins.



Two Win Scholarships

Two students from Beaufort High School have won complete scholarships this year. Here principal Bruce Tarkington shows Mona House a letter congratulating her on winning a four-year scholarship to the Portsmouth (Va.) Hospital Nursing School. Rae Frances Hassell, right, won a \$4,000 Angier B. Duke Scholarship to Duke University in Durham.

Miss House is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest P. House, Beaufort, and Miss Hassell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gray Hassell, Beaufort. Miss Hassell was offered three scholarships but has accepted the scholarship to Duke.

Photo by Bob Seymour

Bill to Allow Islanders to Vote On Incorporation

Rep. D. G. Bell Hopes All Local Bills Are Now In The Hopper

Introduced in the House last night by Carteret representative D. G. Bell was a bill which would permit a referendum on Harkers Island relative to incorporation. The bill also calls for election of town officials at the same time the people would vote on whether they want to incorporate.

If the vote went in favor of incorporation, the people elected would take office; if the vote went against incorporation, the ballots for town officials would be ignored.

Mr. Bell said that he hoped to finish up with introduction of local bills last night. The legislators hope to get home early next month.

He reported that he was contacted last week by the developers of Emerald Isle relative to incorporating that development, but as of yesterday he had heard nothing more about the proposal.

Sam Whitehurst of Craven County, with Mr. Bell concurring, introduced a resolution last week requesting the Fish and Wildlife Service to interpret their baiting regulations and make additional studies on waterfowl food in eastern Carolina. The action was undertaken in an attempt to improve hunting in this section of the state.

The House C&D committee reported favorably on the resolution calling for establishment of a right-of-way on the outer banks and the use of prison labor to immediately restore eroded areas between Ocracoke and Drum Inlet.

Harkers Island Dedicates School Sunday Afternoon

Fish-Wildlife Lab to Get New Wing with 12 Offices

Beach Obtains Fire Truck

Equipment, Costing \$50, Will Carry Two Tanks Of Water

Proceeding on their faith in beach businessmen and residents, the town of Atlantic Beach, through its Civil Defense organization, yesterday obtained a surplus property fire truck.

Mayor A. B. Cooper said that the tanker truck, with a tank trailer, will have a total water-carrying capacity of 1,550 gallons. The truck cost \$50. To re-equip, convert, and paint it will cost between \$850 and \$1,000.

The conversion job is now taking place at Newport. "We're doing all this on credit," the mayor said, "we have faith that the beach residents and businessmen will voluntarily contribute the money to pay the bill."

The beach has been working for several years on some type of fire protection system. Mayor Cooper said that the truck now under conversion has enough water to fight a fire 30 to 40 minutes, which would go a long way toward knocking down the flames until other fire departments come to their aid.

The beach experienced another serious fire last week when the Moose Lodge burned.

Consultation with Morehead City and Newport firemen resulted in the beach officials' deciding to put 600 feet of 1 1/2-inch hose on the truck. The truck will have two lines.

The beach hopes to have the truck in working order in about 15 days. The tank portions will be painted red, the cab white, with the Civil Defense emblem on the cab. The mayor values the equipment, after conversion, at \$3,500. Until housing is obtained for the equipment, the truck will probably be parked in the vicinity of Walter's Service Station.

Chairman of the beach Civil Defense Council is Jack Savage.

Bids will be opened at Atlanta, Ga., June 3 on a new wing to the Fish and Wildlife laboratory, Pivers Island. The new wing will contain space for 12 offices and will probably cost between \$30,000 and \$40,000.

After the contracts are let, the building is expected to be completed within six to eight months, G. B. Talbot, director of the laboratory, said Wednesday.

The building will be of the same type as the present one-story structure and will extend southward at right angles from the present building. Eventually it is planned to construct a third wing parallel to the present building, which will give a layout in the form of an H.

Because of the present crowded conditions in the radiobiological laboratory, eight of the 12 offices in the new wing will be occupied by personnel from the radiobiological lab. At present a temporary 18 by 40-foot building is being constructed on the north side of the radiobiological lab.

It is being built by the F&WLS maintenance force and will be used for rearing aquatic organisms.

To create more office space, the garage near the present lab is being converted into five offices. These offices will house men doing crab research under a contract arrangement between the Fish and Wildlife Service and the Oyster Institute of America.

Recently completed east of the lab was a two-room dormitory unit for guest investigators and visitors. This building cost \$7,000 and includes two bedrooms and two baths.

Driver Cited Following Wreck

Jose Leo Martinez, Cherry Point, has been charged with careless and reckless driving as the result of turning over a 1954 Chevrolet Wednesday night on the Salter Path Road.

With him at the time was Betty Ann Conway, Bay Street, Morehead City. Patrolman J. W. Sykes, who investigated, said that Miss Conway complained of a hurt shoulder and back, but Martinez was not injured.

The car was owned by Shirley A. and Donald Meckley, also of Cherry Point. The accident happened about two miles west of Atlantic Beach at 11:10 p.m.

Martinez was headed east, came around a curve, skidded off to the right for a distance of 300 feet and then started rolling over for 125 feet.

The car landed on its wheels but was demolished.

No Court Thursday
Because the judge, Lambert Morris, was out of town, there was no session of county recorder's court Thursday.

Terry Sanford Will Speak at Newport

Terry Sanford, Fayetteville, will deliver the commencement address at Newport School at 8 p.m. tomorrow.

E. B. Comer, principal, announces that the eighth grade promotion exercises will take place at 9 a.m. Thursday morning at the school.

The seniors observed class night at 8 last night and the baccalaureate sermon was delivered by the Rev. J. H. Waldrop, Iliigh Point, Sunday morning.

County Veterans Service Officer Handles Case of George Bridgers

C. L. Beam, county veterans service officer, Saturday morning assumed power of attorney in the case of George Bridgers, 32-year-old Beaufort veteran who is seeking reinstatement as an employee in the United States postal service.

Mr. Bridgers was employed at the Beaufort postoffice as a temporary clerk and carrier but was dismissed after he refused to testify in federal court, New Bern, in April, in a case involving charges of embezzlement against another Beaufort postoffice employee.

Mr. Bridgers is suffering from a psychiatric ailment, Mr. Beam said. Letters presenting facts in the case were sent by Mr. Beam Saturday to officials of the North Carolina Department, American Legion, to O. B. Osgood, New Bern, postal inspector, and other official agencies involved in the case.

Gets Panicky
Mr. Bridgers says panic seized him when he gets away from Beaufort and that's why he did not go to New Bern. Mr. Beam reports that Bridgers, a Navy veteran, has lost his veterans' pension for the same reason. He will not leave Beaufort to go to Winston-Salem or Fayetteville veterans hospitals for examination.

"I have been trying to get George to come see me about his case," Mr. Beam said, "and he finally came Saturday morning."

Mr. Bridgers' situation was first publicized about a week ago in a Raleigh newspaper.

Ship Torpedoed
He says his affliction started Jan. 19, 1943 when Nazi torpedoes sank the freighter, SS Collinsworth, on which he was serving as a member of a Navy gunnery crew. The sinking happened a hundred miles off Dutch Guiana, South America.

The Navy veteran said he got sucked down with the ship. When he surfaced, he was taken aboard a raft and was rescued 14 hours later. He was later honorably discharged because of a nervous condition he was developing.

His testimony was pertinent in the federal case at New Bern because Mr. Bridgers collected funds and turned them over to the employee who was being tried for embezzlement.

He was excused from appearing by Judge Don Gilliam but was not excused by the Postoffice Department. Inspector Osgood said that if he could not testify in court he was not capable of doing all the duties required of him.

Postmaster J. P. Betts, Beau-

Rev. H. H. Cash Asks Churches To Make Reports

Chairman of Migrant Program Says \$110.52 Received Thus Far

The Rev. H. H. Cash, chairman of the county's migrant ministry program, announced yesterday that very few churches have turned in the offering collected for the migrant ministry. By yesterday, \$110.52 had been received.

Other than the Beaufort churches, only the Otway Christian Church and the Marshallberg Methodist Church had turned in their collections, Mr. Cash said.

He requests that the other churches make their reports as soon as possible. The offering for the migrant ministry was scheduled to be taken May 19. Checks should be mailed to the Rev. J. D. Young, Beaufort.

Miss Kathryn Leaf, Southeastern supervisor of the home missions division of the National Council of Churches spoke to the migrant ministry committee Friday afternoon in the First Baptist Church, Beaufort.

Miss Leaf reviewed the work of the National Council of Churches with the migrants.

She reported that the Rev. Orie Broomfield, who will work with migrants here this summer, is a graduate of a theological seminary in Georgia and has a pastoral charge there.

She mentioned that probably his most important work will be in visitation and counseling, but said local churches and civic groups could help tremendously by providing him with play equipment to set up in the migrant camps for the children.

Mr. Broomfield will live with Miss Marzella Cain, Craven Street, Beaufort. He will be taken this week on a tour of the migrant camps by Douglas Amerson who is with the farm labor office, Employment Security Commission.

Teen Canteen to Open At VFW Post Wednesday
The VFW Teen-Age Canteen, Beaufort, will open tomorrow night at the post home on Highway 101. The canteen, sponsored by the VFW auxiliary, will open at 7:30 p.m. and close at 11 p.m.

Admission for any teen-ager is 25 cents. This includes free music. Sandwiches and soft drinks will be on sale. Chaperones will be members of the auxiliary.

Plans are for the canteen to be open each Wednesday night. The auxiliary invites parents.

Harkers Island's sparkling new school was formally dedicated at a ceremony and open house at the school Sunday afternoon.

R. L. Pugh, superintendent of Craven County Schools, who gave the dedicatory address, told his listeners they could have "no nobler purpose than education of boys and girls."

Outstanding men and women of the world achieved enduring success, declared the speaker, because of their high objectives. He said the school should be dedicated to clear and righteous thinking because men, he continued, rise no higher than their ideals.

"To live," Mr. Pugh said, "you must give, and each person, in contributing support and interest to the school, is making a worthwhile contribution to the community."

The speaker was introduced by H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools.

Paul Howell, New Bern, plumbing contractor, presented the key to the building to R. H. Stephens, architect, who in turn gave it to R. W. Safrir Jr., chairman of the County Board of Education.

Accepting the key for the school was Tilton Davis, chairman of the school board.

The welcome address was given by Mrs. Emma W. Wade, principal. Music was presented by a chorus from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, a trio from the Pentecostal Holiness Church and the chorus of seventh and eighth grade girls.

The invocation and benediction were given by the Rev. A. G. Harris Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Morehead City.

Lime ice punch and cookies, furnished by the Harkers Island Electric Membership Corp., were served in the library. Visitors toured the building.

The \$135,000 school was occupied early in April, and is located on the Harkers Island Road east of the old school building.

Special guests at the dedication were Moses Howard, chairman of the county board of commissioners; County Commissioner Walter Yeomans, General Assemblyman D. G. Bell, T. B. Smith and W. B. Allen, members of the County Board of Education.

M. L. Yeomans, Linwood Parker, Charlie Hancock, and Ivey Gaskill, retiring school board members; Tilton Davis, David Yeomans, U. L. Piner, James Gillikin and Tommie Lewis, new school board members.

TV Centennial Program Grows

Lt. Bob Davis, chairman of the centennial publicity committee, has announced that a couple of attractions have been added to the Morehead City telecast scheduled for 4:30-5:30 p.m. today.

The hour-long program, Visiting With Hilda, will be dedicated to Morehead City and the Centennial. In addition to the dances, skits and interviews already announced, Lieutenant Davis says that the toy band from Mrs. Pearl Hamilton's kindergarten will perform.

Tray Baugh, Morehead City, will display the beard he is growing for the Centennial. The grand finale of the show will be a scroll held by two bathing beauties. As they unfold the scroll, viewers, will see the various phases of life in Morehead City and Atlantic Beach.

About 30 persons will take part in the live program.

Rotary to Hear Gene Simmons

Gene Simmons, Tarboro, a member of the Board of Conservation and Development, will be the speaker at the Morehead City Rotary Club meeting at 6:30 Thursday night, Fleming's Restaurant.

The program has been arranged by Bud Dixon.

Guest at last Thursday's meeting was Tom Willis, Farmville, who spoke on industrial development. He was introduced by H. S. Gibbs Jr.

The club will observe Father and Daughter Night Thursday, June 13. A. B. Roberts Jr. is chairman of the committee. Other committee members are W. C. Carlton and Kenneth Wagner. Piece of the banquet will be announced.

Dr. Silas Thorne had as his guest last week David Willis of Morehead City. Visiting Rotarians were Arthur Shackelford, Kinston; Dr. Fred Hale, Raleigh, and Lee Nance, Ayden.

Southern Buys One-Third Interest In Railroad Serving Morehead Port

Race Track Bill Hearing Today

Dr. B. F. Royal and Mayor George Dill, Morehead City, will appear this afternoon before the House Judiciary II committee when it hears testimony on the race track bill.

The hearing is scheduled for 3 p.m. in the highway commission auditorium, Raleigh.

To be presented at the hearing are petitions circulated by the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce stating that the race track was beneficial to Carteret's tourist industry.

D. G. Bell, Carteret legislator, who was co-introducer of the bill, said yesterday that he had received several letters from local ministers expressing opinion against operation of the track.

The Morehead City town board has gone on record as favoring the track as a tourist attraction.

Morehead City Jaycees were expected to act favorably last night at their weekly meeting on a resolution pointing out the value of the race track, especially in its owner allowing use of its facilities for civic enterprises.

Ann Street Men Elect Officers

William Roy Hamilton was re-elected president of the Ann Street Methodist Men's Club at the meeting Thursday night at the Lottie Sanders building.

Other officers for the coming year are Jim Wheatley, vice-president; Thomas Respass, secretary-treasurer; Clifford Lewis, chairman of the program committee; Dr. W. L. Woodard, publicity chairman; Ralph Leister, projects chairman; Thomas Eure, devotions chairman; Braxton Adair, chairman of the welcoming committee, and Mr. Respass, membership chairman.

The meeting followed a country style steak supper served by Roger Hunt, who was almost elected permanent chief cook because the supper was so good. On the menu were mashed potatoes, tossed salad, biscuits and butter, iced tea, and strawberry shortcake.

Auxiliary Raises \$197.26 In Saturday Poppy Sale

Mrs. J. B. Rice, president of the Legion Auxiliary, Post 46, Morehead City, reported yesterday that \$197.26 was collected through the sale of poppies Saturday in downtown Morehead City.

Mrs. Rice expressed her appreciation to all who bought poppies and helped with the project.

On the heels of the appropriation subcommittee's decision to put \$800,000 in the Morehead City port, announcement was made Thursday of the acquisition of one-third of the Atlantic and East Carolina Railroad stock by Southern Railway.

The stock was purchased from J. C. (Lon) Bolich, Winston-Salem, for a sum reputed to be \$175,000. Mr. Bolich is vice-president of the A&EC.

The A&EC serves the port of Morehead City. Southern Railway has been given the go-ahead by the Interstate Commerce Commission to acquire the operating rights to the road, but purchase of the Bolich interest is the first concrete indication that Southern will accept the conditions of operation as outlined by the ICC in its decision of Feb. 18, 1957.

The other two-thirds interest in the road is held equally by H. P. Edwards, New Bern, A&EC board

chairman and general manager, and Col. E. R. Buchan, A&EC president, Kinston.

Harry DeButts, president of Southern, said Bolich's stock was bought about a month ago.

Southern Railway officials were nonplussed in February when the state of North Carolina made public the Buckley report, a study of North Carolina's deep water ports. The study recommended no investment in Morehead City port for the next biennium.

If the state intended to follow Buckley recommendations, Southern's interest in a port apparently about to be abandoned by the state, was definitely cool.

Southern, therefore, has played a game of wait and see. Since the state, as evidenced by the appropriations subcommittee report, is still interested in Morehead City, the purchase of the one-third interest in the A&EC has come to light.

Nine Wills Probated, Filed In Clerk of Court Office

Nine wills were recently probated and filed in the office of the clerk of superior court, Beaufort.

They are the wills of Miss Ella D. Davis, Elmo Stewart, David A. Jarvis, Edgar Wilson Downum, D. F. Ramsey, Oscar Allen Wiggins, Clifford Willis, Mrs. Lola T. Shore, and Allen E. Taylor.

James D. Potter was named executor of the estate of Miss Ella Davis. Miss Davis bequeathed to her niece, Laura Davis, daughter of Ernest J. and Mattie King Davis, a pearl brooch. The brooch had been left her by her mother, Laura Duncan Davis.

The remainder of her property, both real and personal, was bequeathed to her sister, Etta Davis Potter. The will was drawn Nov. 29, 1951 and witnessed by Arnevis W. Warren and Blanche H. Davis.

Elmo Stewart left to Mrs. Clem Willis, with whom he made his home, all personal property that had not already been disposed of in deed of real property. Mrs. Willis, who was also named executrix, was listed as the recipient of any funds which the deceased may have had in the bank.

The will was drawn Feb. 24, 1950 and witnessed by T. G. Leary and W. M. Davis.

David A. Jarvis directed that a headstone be erected in memory of both him and his deceased wife, Irene Stewart Jarvis. Mrs. Iris J. Fulcher was named executrix of the estate.

Mr. Jarvis directed that all his possessions be used for the benefit of his children, Erma J. Hansen, Esmond Troy Jarvis, and Mrs. Fulcher.

Bequeathed to Mrs. Fulcher was all real and personal property and all cash. The deceased, in the will, said that he reposed special confidence and trust in her to "dis-

pose of property in the best equal interest of all my children."

The will was drawn the first of December 1956 and was witnessed by Dr. Tom A. Bruce, Susie M. Brown and Erma Jarvis Hansen.

Edgar Wilson Downum left all his property to his wife, Sadie M., and named his wife executrix. The will was drawn April 28, 1955 and was witnessed by Orville G. Gaskill and R. W. Safrir Jr.

D. F. Ramsey, in his will, directed that the executrix, Mrs. Edna Brock, erect a monument and provide for care of the family cemetery. A hanging wall clock was bequeathed to Lucy Bell Willis; all boats nets and other equipment for taking fish to go to his brothers, Sterling, Will, and Charley, to share equally, and the remainder of the estate, both real and personal property, to go to Mrs. Brock.

The will was drawn Jan. 8, 1955 and was witnessed by Dr. C. S. Maxwell and Evelyn A. Rice.

To his daughter, Mary McCausley, Oscar Allen Wiggins left all his real and personal property, di-

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Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar (Eastern Standard Time)

HIGH	Tuesday, May 28	LOW
7:18 a.m.	1:31 a.m.	
7:33 p.m.	1:27 p.m.	
HIGH	Wednesday, May 29	LOW
8:01 a.m.	2:15 a.m.	
8:12 p.m.	2:11 p.m.	
HIGH	Thursday, May 30	LOW
8:46 a.m.	2:58 a.m.	
8:55 p.m.	2:54 p.m.	
HIGH	Friday, May 31	LOW
9:37 a.m.	3:41 a.m.	
9:46 p.m.	3:38 p.m.	

Lt. R. L. Davis Gets Transfer

Lt. Robert L. Davis, USCG, announced yesterday that he has been ordered to report to Fifth Coast Guard District headquarters, Norfolk, for reassignment. Lieutenant Davis will be replaced as executive officer aboard the Conifer by Lt. William Dick of Davenport, Iowa.

This will be Lieutenant Dick's first assignment aboard a buoy tender. He is coming to the ship from the public information office of 47th CG District, Miami. Lieutenant Davis, who has served five tours of duty aboard a buoy tender, is scheduled for an office job in Fifth District headquarters.

He will report June 17 to begin his duties as assistant aids to navigation officer. Lieutenant Davis says that he and his wife will live in their "new" home while in Norfolk.

They were in Norfolk 1950 until 1953 during which time they built a house. They lived in the house for three months before Lieutenant Davis was transferred.

He has been aboard the Conifer since August 1955 and has been serving as co-chairman of the Morehead City Centennial publicity committee. Mrs. Davis has been employed by Commercial National Bank, Morehead City.

Lions Try Second Time to See Film

A second try at showing a cancer film met with failure at the Morehead City Lions Club meeting Thursday night at the Hotel Port Macon.

The film was scheduled for Thursday a week ago but it wouldn't work. It jiggled and jolted — and gave a repeat performance this past week. Lion Oscar Allred said it had Presley-itis.

The donkey baseball game the Lions will sponsor was tentatively scheduled for the latter part of the summer. A. N. Willis is chairman. The club voted \$50 to send J. B. Eubanks, incoming president; and David Munden, incoming secretary, to the state convention June 9-11 at Asheville.

Lion H. K. Moore, who has been absent because of a heart condition, was welcomed back to the club.

Four Take Examinations For Newport Postmaster

Four Newport residents took the civil service examination for Newport postmaster Saturday morning at New Bern. They were Robert K. Montague, now acting postmaster, his wife, Kathryn E. Montague, Mrs. Nellie Cannon Garner and Henry G. Edwards.

Leon Mann, retiring postmaster, said that it may take 90 days before notification is received as to the successful candidate for the position.