

\$320 Reported Stolen Thursday From Pavilion

Ward Ballou, Morehead City, owner and operator of the Pavilion, Atlantic Beach, reported to police Thursday night that \$320 was stolen from the cash register at the Pavilion between 7 and 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

According to Bobby Bell, deputy sheriff, Dalton Whaley was alone in the place, waiting on customers. Two men came in and ordered beers.

Mr. Whaley said that he put the beers in front of the men and then the phone, in a back office, rang. He went to answer it and when he came back, the cash register drawer was open, the money and the men gone.

Mr. Whaley said that when he got to the phone, someone asked for "Mr. Ballou" who, of course, was not there.

Deputy Bell said the beer cans have been processed for fingerprints. Investigators at Cherry Point have also been called in on the case.

Controversial Issues Aired At Morehead Board Meeting

Heads League



George W. Dill, mayor of Morehead City, above, was elected president of the North Carolina League of Municipalities yesterday afternoon at Raleigh.

The mayor has served during the past year as first vice-president of the league and has been a member of various league committees.

The municipalities meeting opened Sunday night and will end this afternoon after the gavel is turned over to the new president. Seven hundred town officials are expected at the meeting.

Attending from Carteret, in addition to Mayor Dill and his wife, are Morehead City Commissioner Gibbie Sanderson and his wife, George McNeil, town attorney, and Mrs. McNeil; John Lashley, town clerk, and Mrs. Lashley, and Dan Walker, town clerk of Beaufort.

Controversial issues between D. J. Hall, Morehead City fire commissioner, and Vernon Guthrie, chief of the fire department, were aired at a special meeting of the Morehead City town board Thursday night at the town hall.

The meeting was called at the request of Commissioner Hall. No decisions were reached. The hour and three-quarters session ended on a note sounded by Commissioner S. C. Holloway, who said, "I hope they can get together and work things out."

Commissioner Hall's motion that action, if any, be deferred until the next regular meeting, preceded the motion for adjournment. The meeting opened with Mayor George Dill reading the portion from the town charter specifying the duties of the fire chief. It stated that the chief of the fire department is subject to the supervision of the mayor and board of commissioners and that the chief shall have control of the department, personnel, apparatus and fire alarm system.

Why Meeting? That was read twice, by request of one of the commissioners, then Chief Guthrie said, "I'd like to know what this meeting has been called for. All I know is that John Lashley called me and told me to be here at 8 o'clock and I said I would if I could."

The mayor explained that the fire commissioner had some matters that he would like to place before both the board and the chief, and Commissioner Hall was given the floor.

Commissioner Hall's complaints, boiled down, were:
1. The fire chief does not follow directions of the board.
2. The fire chief "cusses out" the fire commissioner and embarrasses the commissioner, two of the cussings having occurred either in person or over the phone at Mr. Hall's place of business.

Commissioner Hall's specific complaints were as follows:
1. When the new truck for the west end fire station arrived last fall, the chief wanted to send the 750 pumper to the west end station. The town board wanted the 750 pumper at the downtown station.

Mr. Hall said, "When I told the chief that, he said some harsh words that I can't repeat here, but they were embarrassing to me."

2. At the recent fire school, a fireman brought up the fact that only one pumper was answering Morehead City fire alarms. Commissioner Hall said, "Chief Schlarp

(Camp Lejeune) said that we would get in trouble with underwriters if that were the case. So I phoned Mr. Murphy, fire inspector, and he wrote a letter back saying that there had to be two pumps at each fire.

Chief Miffed
"When I went to Vernon to give him a bulletin on the two pumps, he said, 'Don't you think you should consult me about things like that?' and I told him that I wanted to find out for myself what was needed."

3. "At the fire school in August I saw the chief there only a few hours and when the school was about over I saw one of the fellows and asked him if he knew where the chief was. The next day Vernon drove up to my place of business and came in and asked what g-- d-- business it was of mine whether he was at the fire school or not."

The commissioner said that he tried to explain to the chief that he was merely making a casual inquiry and was not inferring that the chief had to attend all the fire school sessions. He added that the chief cussed him some more and threatened to beat him up.

Truck Maintenance
4. The commissioner said that John Parker, engineer and maintenance man at the downtown station, came to him after the new fire station was built and asked whether the town expected him to work on the two trucks at the new station. He said if so, he would like \$5 added to his pay.

"I told him there was not money in the budget for that," the commissioner said. "Nolan McCabe and Dan Willis up at the new station said they would keep the trucks up at no pay, but if there was going to be any pay, they'd like to have it."

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Two and Half Inches of Rain Fall in County

Two and a half inches of rain fell in the county Saturday and Sunday. It was a lot of rain but not nearly as much as some coastal areas got. Wilmington had 5 inches by nightfall Sunday.

Sunday's rain was accompanied by strong northeast winds and temperatures were lower than usual for this time of year.

E. Stamey Davis, weather observer, reports the temperatures for the past week as follows:

	Max.	Min.	Wind
Sunday	90	71	ESE
Monday	88	78	SW
Tuesday	78	70	NE
Wednesday	78	58	Calm
Thursday	80	63	N
Friday	78	65	NE
Saturday	73	61	NNE
Sunday	70	63	NE

There was also a light rainfall last Monday totaling .15 inch. Tides were unusually high Saturday. The water flooded the area south of the Beaufort bridge, rising up to door level on cars of fishermen who had launched their outboards there.

Mr. Davis, who suffered rib fractures in a recent accident is up and about, but his grandson, Ethan, is still taking the temperature readings as he did while Mr. Davis was in the hospital.

Mr. Davis said that he and his wife appreciate the help everyone gave them while they were hospitalized. The driver who ran into the Davis's in their pickup truck several weeks ago was found guilty of careless and reckless driving, and driving on the wrong side of the road, in county court Sept. 19.

Drivers Cited After Accident

Oddie Godette, route 6 Havelock, was cited to appear in county recorder's court after he drove his 1956 Chevrolet into a canal embankment north of Beaufort on highway 101 at 7:15 a.m. yesterday.

Highway Patrolman J. W. Sykes said that he charged Godette with driving too fast for existing conditions.

Patrolman Sykes charged Lonnie Nolon, also of route 6 Havelock, with failure to yield the right of way. He said that Nolon was driving south in a 1951 Ford truck owned by Beaufort Fisheries when Godette tried to pass him.

At the same time Godette tried to pass, Nolon pulled out to pass a car in front of him. In order to avoid hitting the truck, Godette pulled off the left side of the road. He lost control of the car and went across the road where he ran off and hit the embankment, according to the patrolman, who estimated damage at \$800.

Melvin Fulcher Wrecks Auto

Melvin Fulcher, Harkers Island, was charged with reckless driving after his car, a 1951 Chevrolet, ran off the Harkers Island Road Sunday afternoon at 4:30.

Fulcher was uninjured. He was heading east and cracked up on "dead man's curve" by Yeoman's store. He uprooted one heavy cypress pile and a tree 6 inches in diameter in the yard of Boo Willis. The car also knocked down the Willis fence.

The pilings were put down to protect private property after several cars had run off the road at that point.

Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr. investigated. Damage to Fulcher's car was estimated at \$300 to \$400.

Parents of Abandoned Children Are Sentenced

Mr. and Mrs. William Autry were convicted of abandonment and neglect of their minor children in county recorder's court Thursday. Judge Lambert Morris gave the woman a six-month sentence suspended on the condition that she remain on good behavior for three years and prove to be a good mother.

Autry got a six-month term suspended on payment of \$30 per week for the support of the children and payment of court costs.

Joeklen G. Nicholson got a \$100 and costs fine for driving drunk. He was not tried on a careless and reckless count that was originally in the warrant.

Resists Arrest
Robert G. Hinze was charged \$35 and costs for speeding. Robert H. Smith drew a \$25 and costs judgment for public drunkenness, using profane language and resisting arrest.

Those who paid \$10 and costs follow: James J. Holmes, Robert Roberto, John LaPorte, and Kenneth A. Simaneau, using profane language; William B. Lenk, disturbing the peace; William E. Martin, making an improper turn resulting in an accident; George Sanders, violating fishing laws; and John A. Wethington, driving on the wrong side of the road and failure to yield the right of way.

Forfeit Bonds
Those who forfeited bonds were Robert A. Sellers Sr., and Alvin H. Day, allowing an unlicensed person to drive; Russell K. Wasson, careless and reckless driving and driving on the wrong side of the road; Hurley F. Garner, James E. Moore, Brenda D. Moore, Estelle H. Elliott and Luther D. Yeoman's no driver's license.

Vance McPherson, no chauffeur's license, improper equipment and no registration; Earl Whaley, violating fishing laws; Jack Bamberger, public drunkenness and resisting arrest; Henry G. Lewis improper license; Thomas W. Earl, speeding; and James Willis, possession of non-taxpaid whiskey.

To Juvenile Court
The case of Robert A. Sellers Jr., charged with driving without a license, was sent to juvenile court.

Judge Morris dismissed charges against Alex Conway who had been charged with violating fishing laws.

Three defendants were not tried due to lack of evidence. They were Jerome H. Feusek Jr., charged with destroying property; George Pittman, charged with failing to comply with a court order; and William T. Varnardo, charged with driving with another person's license.

To Elect Officers
The men of the First Presbyterian Church, Morehead City, will elect officers for 1958 at their supper meeting at 6:30 tonight. The meeting will be in the fellowship hall of the church. President J. C. Harvell will preside.

Cafe Gets Unusual Customer



Buck Newsome, left, and Nick Galantis display the marsh hen that walked into the Busy Bee Cafe about 4 a.m. Saturday. The game bird was kept in the phone booth in the background until asked to pose for its picture.

The Busy Bee Cafe opens at 4 a.m. for the convenience of fishermen who like to get an early start for the fishing grounds. Saturday morning's crowd seemed like the fishermen of any other morning until manager Nick Galantis noticed a new customer walking toward a booth. It was a marsh hen.

"There it was... walking right through the cafe like any other customer," Mr. Galantis says. "It

was just after I opened the Busy Bee and the customers started coming in. He must have walked right through the door with one of them."

Mr. Galantis shooed the bird into a telephone booth and gave it some bread and water. About 8:30 a.m. Buck Newsome of the Morehead City Police Department came into the cafe for breakfast. Before he could sit down Mr. Galantis had to show him the marsh hen.

Mr. Newsome suggested that they call THE NEWS-TIMES to get a picture of the bird, probably the first—and last—marsh hen ever served a meal in a cafe.

The bird, still nameless after his stay in civilization, was released the same morning. "That bird doesn't have a chance now," an observer noted, "here it is open season on marsh hens and that one will probably start back looking for another free meal!"

500 FHA Members Expected At Beaufort Rally Saturday

Five hundred high school girls and their advisers are expected at the district 2 Future Homemakers rally Saturday at Beaufort School. Schools of 11 counties will be represented at the all-day session.

Jane Barrow of Lucama, Wilson County, will preside. Miss Barrow is state historian and presiding officer for district 2.

Registration will begin at 9 and continue until 10. Miss Barrow will conduct the opening FHA ceremony in the school auditorium. The Newport FHA chapter will be in charge of devotions. B. E. Tarkington, principal of Beaufort School, will extend the welcome and H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools will greet the girls.

Miss Barrow will give a report on FHA in district 2 and during the morning business session she will give highlights of the national meeting.

Miss Brenda Owens, Elm City, will be in charge of the voting to select candidates for parliamentarian, the state office which will be filled by a district FHA girl next year.

Theresa Bellamah, Beaufort, will conduct the business session roll call.

Charles Phillips, director of public relations, Woman's College, Greensboro, will speak on Today's Teen-Agers. Their Part in Building America. He will be introduced by Jessie White, Morehead City.

Lunch, supervised by Mrs. Hazel Chadwick, Beaufort school lunchroom manager, will be served at noon.

Highlight of the afternoon session will be a pageant, Rainbow 'Round the World, presented by the Wake County FHA Federation. It will feature flags of nations which are represented in the United Nations, with the spotlight on Japan, France, Hawaii, Holland and the USA.

The state parliamentarian will be elected at the afternoon session and committee reports will be heard.

Music will be presented by the Beaufort School band, Melvin Edwards, director. Mrs. Ellen Piner, Beaufort, will lead group singing. Accompanists throughout the day will be Sharon Wilkinson of the Beaufort FHA and Jenny Lynn Garner, Newport FHA.

Mothers to Collect Girl Scout Funds

Mothers of Beaufort Girl Scouts will conduct a door-to-door campaign to raise \$400 tomorrow night. The campaign will begin at 7 and end at 9.

Mrs. V. T. Bellamah and Mrs. Gene Smith are co-chairmen of the drive.

Mothers who will make the canvass are to meet at 10 tomorrow morning at the Scout building for their assignments.

Four Attend Rotary Institute

Four Morehead City Rotarians attended the Rotary Information Institute Thursday at the Hotel Kingston. They were Grover Munden, president; Thomas Noe, vice-president; Delidio Cordova, secretary, and Bob Howard, Rotary information chairman.

The meeting followed a chicken and pork barbecue lunch at the recreation center, Kingston. The speaker was William Heath, Rotary information counselor, Sumter, S. C. W. Eugene Edwards, Wilmington, governor of district 773, attended.

Eighty-seven Rotarians from throughout the district were present.

At the Morehead City Rotary Club meeting Thursday night at the Rex Restaurant Dr. Jack Peale, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist from Kingston, spoke. He was introduced by Dr. John Morris.

Dr. Peale spoke on his profession and showed colored slides, which he takes himself, of diseased conditions of the throat and parts of the head.

Two Brothers Go to Sea In Folding Canvas Boat
L. B. Grier and his brother John of Statesville went to sea in a 17-foot folding canvas boat yesterday morning. When Atlantic Beach Police Chief Bill Moore saw them at 12:15 p.m. he called the Coast Guard station at Fort Macon.

Police Check On Two Wrecks

Morehead City policemen investigated two accidents Saturday. A 1957 Thunderbird ran into a parked 1949 Studebaker at 11:25 p.m. in the most costly accident.

The Thunderbird, driven by Arthur C. Taylor, Morehead City, turned left from Seventh Street onto Arendell. Capt. C. E. Bunch, who investigated, said that Taylor didn't turn the wheel far enough to avoid hitting the Studebaker, which was parked in front of Belk's. It was owned by Milford Lewis of Morehead City.

Damage to each of the cars was estimated at \$200. There were no charges filed.

At 3:20 p.m. William Herbert Griffin Jr. backed from a parking place in the 1200 block of Arendell Street and hit a passing car. He was driving a 1952 Ford convertible.

The other car, a 1954 Plymouth, driven by Nathan D. Gillikin, route 1 Morehead City, was in the right-hand lane and Griffin said he did not see him.

Police Chief Herbert Griffin investigated the accident and estimated damage to the Plymouth at \$100 and to the Ford, \$75.

Lions Club Votes To Incorporate

The Morehead City Lions Club has decided to incorporate. After hearing a discussion at their Thursday night meeting on incorporation and insurance by George McNeil, attorney, club members agreed that for the protection of the individual members, the club should incorporate. The club met at Hotel Fort Macon.

Lion O. N. Allred continued his history of the Morehead City club. He covered the years 1945-46 in his discussion.

There was a discussion about buying a scoreboard for the Morehead City football field. The Lions are considering starting a drive to raise finances for the scoreboard but have taken no definite action.

Farm Advisors To Confer Today On FHA Loans

Five farm advisors will confer this morning in the farm agent's conference room, postoffice building, Beaufort, on whether the county should be declared eligible for emergency FHA loans.

Attending the meeting will be I. M. Robbins, Farm and Home administrator for this area; B. J. May, ASC manager; C. S. Long, vocational agriculture instructor, Newport; David Jones, soil conservationist, and Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams reports that nine eastern Carolina counties have already been approved for emergency loans and the FHA has been directed to determine whether counties on the fringe of those nine should also be made eligible.

Mr. Williams expressed the opinion that emergency FHA loans should be made available to farmers here.

He said farmers' income has been affected by dry weather and crops have been short.

FHA emergency loans are made in addition to regular FHA loans and credit terms are more lenient.

AHS Seniors Will Give Play Friday

Atlantic high school seniors will present their annual play at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the school auditorium. Title of this year's play is Host to a Ghost.

Janis Goodwin plays the role of Polly Peters, a pretty girl of 16 who hopes to be an opera singer. Rodney Pittman plays the part of a typical boy who is not yet quite ready to admit that girls are people.

Linda Styron portrays a 16-year-old tomboy, Nancy Dean, who lives next door to the Peters. Sally Tosto plays the part of Mrs. Beatrice Peters, who is inclined to be scatter-brained.

David Smith portrays the father, William Peters, and Louetta Taylor plays the part of Sue, the maid, who's timid about the ghost.

Phyllis Morris fills the role of the First Linda, a girl about 20, and Jean Fulcher plays the Second Linda.

70 Officers Attend Meeting Thursday

Seventy law enforcement officers from the eastern part of the state met at the Sanitary Fish Market and Restaurant Thursday night for a Dutch supper meeting.

Among the notables were Walter Anderson, head of the State Bureau of Investigation, who called the meeting, Ruel Tyson, Greenville, president of the state sheriff's association.

Lum Gaskill of Ocracoke Retires from Coast Guard



Fort Macon Group Commander James Hunnings, right, congratulates his executive officer, James Lum Gaskill, on his retirement after more than 20 years in the Coast Guard. Chief Gaskill conducted his last inspection of base personnel Friday morning and read his orders to the group.

Chief Petty Officer James Lum Gaskill, executive officer of the Fort Macon Coast Guard Station since August 1956, retired from the service Friday morning after more than 20 years of active duty.

Chief Gaskill enlisted in the Coast Guard June 28, 1937 and saw duty in the North Atlantic during the Second World War.

He served aboard three transports on convoy duty. His land stations included Oak Island, Southport, Little Creek and Hatteras Inlet before he came to Fort Macon.

Chief Gaskill and his wife own a motor court at Ocracoke and plan to operate it to keep busy. The chief says that retiring from the Coast Guard doesn't mean that he is quitting work.