

New SPA Members to Tour 6-Year-Old Boy Confesses Morehead City Port Tuesday To Setting Church Ablaze

Woody Barnes, C. T. Garner Ports Authority will tour the Morehead City port Tuesday Win Tractor Driving Honors

Woody Barnes won first place + and \$15 in the junior division of the tractor operators' contest Tuesday afternoon at Newport. Garner won first place and a tractor umbrella in the adult division.

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Other winners in the junior con test, in order of winning, and their prizes, were Terry Garner \$10, Clayton Garner \$7, Dicky Garner, Louis Kelly and Edward Corbett, \$5 each, and Tommy Howard \$3.

Adult winners, following Mr. Garncr, and their prizes, are Wayne West, 14-foot steel tow chain; Har-Lockey, 24 quarts motor oil; ry Lockey, 24 quarter Clayton Cannon, 25 pounds grease; Clayton Cannon, 25 pounds grease; Sam Pollard and Bobby Pollard, two gallons anti-freeze each, and Y. Z. Simmons, 10 gallons gas.

The contest consisted of written and tractor driving exams for the juniors and driving tests only for the adults. H. L. Joslyn, county school su-

perintendent, presented the cash prizes to the junior operators and E. B. Comer, Newport principal, presented prizes to the men.

C. S. Long, contest manager and vo-ag instructor at Newport School, said "The two driving obstacle courses were difficult. They called for real skill in driving." He thanked tractor dealers who

cooperated and individuals who laid out the course and assisted with the contest.

Judges were John W. Glover, agricultural engineer, State College, and Donald Gray, Clinton, agricultural engineer and sales representative with a tractor firm. David Jones, county soil conser vationists, tallied scores.

In addition to the winning jun iors, the following participated: Carrol Mills, Leon Youngblood Jr., Vernon Allen, Avon D. Davis, Jimmy Mann, James Clark, William Earl Small, Pat Corbett and Rone Edwards.

Two Defendants Will Serve Time

Two defendants, Curtis Henry Bell and Paris Willis, were given jail sentences Monday in Morehead City recorder's court.

Bell was assigned to 30 days on the streets on the charge of striking and kicking his mother. On two other charges, which the state decided not to prosecute June 24, he was found guilty and paid costs. The counts against him were being drunk and disorderly and disturbing the peace.

Joyce Lewis.

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Willis was given 60 days for public drunkenness. Leavy Roscoe Campbell pleaded

guilty to driving without a license. Sentence was suspended on pay ment of \$25 and court costs. The fine will be remitted if he presents a valid license by Nov. 25.

The state decided not to prose cute a charge against him of driv ing after his license was suspend

Wilbert Lewis Jr. pleaded guilty to following too closely and paid

The case of Joseph Gaskins was

next day. **Mentally Retarded** was chosen chairman of the State Ports Authority after the new au-Fund Drive to Open thority was sworn in at Raleigh Sunday through Thanksgiving Tuesday, said the ports director's office would be moved to Raleigh.

Day has been designated as a period to contribute funds to aid This means that in the future mentally-retarded children. Wilmington's port office will op-erate similar to Morehead City's, Hugh Gordon, Beaufort, chair-

man of the campaign, announces with actual port business being that coin collectors for the menhandled on the spot and policy and tally-retarded have been placed in business places in Beaufort administrative matters handled at the state capital. Morehead City was obviously and Morehead City. leased with the announcement. None of the SPA members whose

The drive is being conducted in cooperation with the state and national associations for mentally retarded children.



A profit of \$73.48 was made on the Carteret Community Theatre play, The Bishop's Mantle.

The SPA executive committee will consist of Mr. Reeves, Mr. Clark, and Collier Cobb Jr., Chapel Miss Lillian Giddens, treasurer, reporting at the theatre meeting Wednesday night at the recreation Hill. Other SPA members are building, Morehead City, said the gross income was \$217.75. Cost of Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger, Earl Phillips, Kirkwood F. Adams,

the production was \$144.27. The net profit is split equally and Charles D. Gray Jr. between the theatre and the Morehead City recreation commission, making the share for each \$36.75. **Stanley Potter** Royalty for the two perform-ances, a matinee and evening per-Speaks to Rotary formance was \$45. Other expenses included cost of the scripts, pos-

director

retary-treasurer.

ters, printing of tickets, paint, muslin, rope, and other materials used on the set, and makeup. President Kenneth Fischler Rotarian Stanley Potter Jr. presented Tuesday night a program on how Americans will be living 25 years hence. Beaufort Rotarians met at the Scout building.

Heresident Kenneth Fischier thanked the cast of The Bishop's Mantle for the fine performance. He pointed out that the theatre is not a money-making organization, His humorous presentation was aken from a magazine published adding that the group hopes to break even on each production with enough left over to finance at Washington, D. C. Tv, for ex-ample, will be installed in the walls, the screen appearing like a the next play. President Fischler thanked Glenn picture on the wall, and families will probably have three cars,

Adair and his wife for the party each for different purposes, such Adair and his wife for the party they g a ve following Saturday night's performance. The Bishop's Mantle drew an audience of 75 at the matince Saturday. as long trips, shopping, or social events. The club decided to cancel the

neeting Christmas week and to Miss Giddens was named chair-man of the committee to read meet Thursday, Jan. 2, the followng week. The club's regular meet plays, with a view toward selecting nights would fall on Christmas ve and New Year's eve. Rotary-Anns will attend the ing a play to be given in the spring. Other members of the com-

Christmas party Tuesday night, Dec. 17, at the Scout building. mittee are Miss Gunhilde Gunnersen, Mrs. Tressa Vickers and Mrs. The Christmas party committee The committee will report at the consists of Stanley Potter, Holden Ballou and Glenn Adair. December meeting. Following the

business meeting, rohowing the balance and City Rotarians group will work on the stage. Thomas Respess and Miss Vivian May were appointed to inventory Bell. Dr. John Morris, Bill Chalk theatre properties at that time. iew members joined the group. They are Miss May, Frank Carlson, Miss Gunnersen, Mrs. Lewis, and Glenn Adair. Meeting Cancelled Carlson, Miss Gunnersen, Mrs. Lewis, and Glenn Adair. Mr. Respess, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting, group plans to meet Monday night, which was in September. Meeting Carleen Carleen Because of illness, the meeting Monday night was postponed. The group plans to meet Monday night, Dec. 9, at the hospital.

Ports Authority will tour the Sonny B. Teel morning. The group will arrive at the Morehead Bilt-**Fined on Assault** more at 6:30 p.m. Monday, leaving this area at noon the **Counts Thursday** John M. Reeves, Pinehurst, who

Sonny B. Teel, 38, Turner Street, Beaufort, was fined \$75 and costs in county court yesterday on charges of assaulting two children. Phillip Bennett and Julius Adair Jr., and Julius Adair Sr., Beaufort, on Thursday, Oct. 31.

Teel, who was working for his uncle, Clayton Everette, was also given a seven-month suspended sentence and ordered by Judge Lambert Morris to stay on good behavior two years.

terms expired last June were re appointed for another four-year The three boys, including William Adair, brother of Julius Jr., were the first to testify. They said term. Col. Richard S. Marr, present ports director, has submitted his resignation, effective Dec. 31. A new ports director will be that they were playing with a large box they had gotten out of a trash bin. They were at the rear of the chosen soon and his office estab-lished at Raleigh. Adair property which is near the rear of the Everette property.

Governor Hodges says he will make a recommendation for ports Phillip testified that Teel offered to buy the box from them for a nickel and when they refused to sell it to them, he slapped Phillip William G. Clark Jr., Tarboro has been elected vice-chairman o

on the side of the neck and head the authority. Ed Kirk, assistant director of the Department of Conpicked up Julius Jr., swung him around and kicked him in the back servation and Development, is secwith his knee as he dropped th

boy. Julius said that he ran for his mother and father and that they went into the barbecue place be hind the Everette house. There, Julius said, Teel was holding an ax over his shoulder and told Julius Sr., "You're not going to get any-thing on me. If you come near

me, I'll hit you with this ax." Mr. Adair testified that when Teel said that to him, his wife pushed him out the door and the police were called.

Mr. Everette testified that he did ton-Due Monday with Marines not see his nephew with an ax. On the stand, Teel related that the returning from the Mediterranean. boys were going up a ladder in a pecan tree at the rear of the Everette place and he told them to ge

He added that Phillip, the boy **Club Members** whom he later slapped, asked, "What have you got to do with it you g . . . d . . . s. o. b.?" Teel claimed he didn't touch any-one except Phillip. He denied of-fering to buy the box from the boys Work on Park and denied picking up an ax when Mr. and Mrs. Adair came in the Members of the Gloucester Com

nunity Club will work together barbecue place. C. R. Wheatly, attorney for Teel. today clearing the new part of the community park. The day will end with an oyster roast tonight honcontended that Teel's alleged threat to Mr. Adair did not consti-tute assault, but the judge ruled otherwise. Assisting the state in prosecution was Gene Smith. Mr. elub me

meeting Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al Hubbard. The Mr. Everette operated a boarding house on Turner Street prior to a severe fire several years ago group decided to start a Civil De-

which necessitated closing the busi-

Livestock Yard to Open Soon North of Newport

ness.

A livestock yard and auction market will open in the near fu-ture just north of Newport. The yard will be located on the Ating the park area recently donated. lantic and East Carolina Railroad and refreshments served. The Dec. 10 meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe The owners are John Simpkins and W. J. Gregory, New Bern. Concrete foundations for the live-Concrete foundations for the live stock shed are now being poured. Whitehurst.

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Chairman Buys TB Seals

Grover Munden, Morehead City, right, chairman of the County Tuberculosis Association, buys the first sheet of TB Christmas seals from R. M. Williams, Beaufort, chairman of the seal drive. Letters with seals are being put in the mail today. They are going to former contributors.

Folk Dancing to be Taught Tuesday at Morehead City

be added at the Morehead City Port Calendar

take on dry milk for Japan.

and Holland

Recreation building Tuesday night Sloterdyk-Docked Wednesday square dancing and folk dancing. The instructor will be Fred Par-

at state port, left yesterday with cargo of tobacco for Germany ish, formerly affiliated with the Durham recreation program, and LSD Fort Snelling - Docked now a member of the staff at the vesterday, in return of Marines radiobiological laboratory, Pivers from Mediterranean. Island.

The type of square dancing to Lancelot - Due tomorrow to be taught will be the big circle and the western type or quadrille. USS Olmstead, Fremont, Chil-Folk dances will consist of the troika (Russian) and the sevenjump (Danish).

A new program for adults will

Mr. Parrish will provide the mu Erlangen - Due Wednesday to take on tobacco for Europe. sic with his public address system and records. "Everyone from 10 to 100 years

is invited," Mr. Parrish said. The time is 8 p.m. Each dancer will be asked to give 10 cents to help meet the cost of new records. Women are advised to wear flatheeled shoes and full skirts and men, sports shirts.

If successful, the dance course will be held weekly.

PTA to Sponsor oring Mr. and Mrs. James Mur-phy who are returning to Florida Carnival Nov. 25 The club met for its monthly Morchead City School will spon-

rense program in the community and is requesting literature on Civil Defense from the state ofpient. during the Halloween season was postponed because of bad weather

A letter from the telephone comand the flu epidemic. In case of bad weather Nov. 25. pany was read. It said that work on improving phone service in Gloucester would begin very soon. the carnival will be held in the school gym. Otherwise, it will be outdoors. Mrs. E. H. Piper reported on clear-

The carnival is the PTA's major Christmas plans were discussed oncy-raising project. lis and Jimmy Perry. In addition to entertainmen oths, hot suppers will be served, as well as hot dogs, hamburgers, cold drinks, candy and baked

Whitehurst. Twenty-one members attended. Mrs. Harris, from Florida, a house guest of the Murphy's, was a visi-A king and queen, prince and

A 6-year-old white boy confessed yesterday to setting the Friday and Tuesday fires in Franklin Memorial fires in Franklin Memorial Methodist Church, More-**Sponsor Speech** head City.

The child, whose name has not been revealed because he is a minor, told Chief of Police Herbert Griffin and Al Pierce, state fire marshal, how he set the fires. The boy will be given a hearing, with his parents, before A. H.

James, juvenile court judge. The case was cracked yesterday afternoon following the most intense search for a firebug that Morehead City has ever known. Believing that the fire was the work of a child, the chief and Mar-

morning. Pierce began questioning Jaycee Ron Harpe will make a youngsters known to have matches tape recording of the winning to be involved in fire-setting speech and it will be sent to state escapades in the past. VOD committee headquarters for All the youngsters questioned mentioned the boy who is now in judging. Students in grades 10 through 12

rustody are eligible to enter the contest. The youngster told officers exact-Finals to determine the state win y how he set the fires. "We let ner will be held Dec. 7 at Forest him do the talking," the marshal said, "because youngsters some-City. times will say they did things when The Jaycees are going all-out to they didn't. But he told us exactly where he went and how he did it." support the Eagles in their game against Massey Hill, Massey Hill,

The boy set the Friday fire at the a school located near Favetteville church. Damage in that fire was is almost a regular player in post estimated between \$5,000 and \$6,season playoffs. 000. He said he crawled through a window and started the blaze on The Jaycees would like to see a large bloc of Morehead City fans

the first floor of the church with matches. That fire was started make the trip to Wallace tonight to cheer the Eagles toward the about 6 o'clock. Firemen stayed eastern regional championship. at the church two hours before when instruction will be given in things were under control.

Two JC's Head

Award Project

of selecting a recipient of the dis-

The Jaycees are now selling tic-kets to the football banquet to be At 4 p.m. Tuesday fire again broke out in the church. It was given for the team and fans Wed esday night at the Hotel Fort discovered by 12-year-old John Macon. See FIREBUG, Page 2

District Meeting Paul Geer Jr., Dr. Russell Out-

Contest Today

Morchead City Jaycees will spon-

sor the Voice of Democracy Con-test today at Morehead City School.

A report on the project was

A report on the project was given at the Jaycee meeting Mon-day night by Thomas Cordova, chairman. Speeches by students will be given during assembly this

Big Game Tonight

law and Dr. Bob Barnum reported on the district meeting at New Bern. Dr. Barnum, Don Davis and the district meeting at New Gerald Murdoch also reported on the quarterly board meeting last weekend at Elizabeth City. It was announced that Bob Cox, Chapel Hill, will seek the national

Jaycee presidency if he obtains sufficient support from North Car-A. C. Blankenship, assisted by James Steed, were put in charge olina Jaycees. His candidacy will be discussed at the third quarterly board meeting at Rocky Mount tinguished service award when the Beaufort Jaycees met Monday Feb. 14-16.

night. The meeting was held at Morehead City Jaycees are planning to be host again in April at the district Jaycee meeting. The April meeting at Morehead City and Atlantic Beach has become an annual affair

tinguished service award chair-man, attended the meeting and explained the procedure to be fol-lowed in selecting the DSA reci-

tin was appointed to contact clubs Forrest, James Garner, Joe Gar in the county, or already-existing 'semi-pro' basketball teams with a view toward promoting a league. John Duncan was named chairman of the Christmas activities committee, assisted by Glenn Wil-

next meeting.

Following the initiation ceremony, the chapter voted to attend Ronald Earl Mason football church within the community chairman, said he would be able

The "Green Hands" show signs to present a full report on the past of making leaders in the organizaseason's football program at the tion during the next three years. The new uniforms and equip-ment were used in Friday night's are three other degrees to which

the Scout building. The Jaycees also hope to present an outstanding farmer award and a teen-age award for the first time this year. A community service award, presented for the first time last year, will be given again this year if anyone is found to be eligible, Mr. Blankenship said. Winners of the community ser-

Gene Smith of the Havelock Jay-cces, who is district Jaycee dis-tinguished service award thisvice award last year were Mr. and The Newport Chapter Future

Farmers of America held a special meeting recently to initiate 15 members. The new members who received the "Green Hand" The club discussed supporting a degree are Thomas D. Allen, Ever-county basketball league. Bob Mar-ett Clark, Herbert Clement, Lewis ner, Guy Herring, Arthur Johnson, Carol Mills, Robert C. Reynolds,

Robert Riggs, William Earl Small, Leon Youngblood Jr., Sterlin Mann, and Gordon Slaughter. monthly, as a group.

1	I hree Bands to March	tor.	All parents are requested to plan now to take the family to the car- nival.
1.	Board to Open Bids at 2 Monday In Town's Yule Parade	Fire Monday on Highway A ton-and-a-half Ford truck caught fire at 8 o'clock Monday	Old Neuse River Lighthouse
1.		merrin's nome. The truck was	Was Dismantled in 1926
	The County Board of Education will meet at 2 p.m. Monday to open bids on the cafeteria kitchen for the Beaufort School. At its recent November meet- rade in Beaufort Wednesday, Dec. Tickets will make shoppers eligi- ble for cash prizes totaling \$600. One hundred dollars in cash plus	 owned by L. D. Springle, Russells Creek. Mr. Springle was driving the truck, loaded with soybeans, when it started to smoke. He went to 	By F. C. SALISBURY Old-time pilots plying the Neuse Dimer bioter plying the Neuse January 1918. Luther Gadd Held For Embezzlement Trial Brought to this county Wedgar
	ing, the board heard a group of 4. representatives from Queen Street The chamber of commerce has away Dec. 7, 14, 21 and 24. The late Tuesday night or early Wed	the Merrill home and called Beau- fort firemen.	Lighthouse, located at the mouth Lighthouse, located at the mouth
	School, Beaufort, who requested also invited the Morehead City "Pirate's Chest of Silver" as the nesday morning from the Right that their present playground be band. "We'd certainly like to have give-away is called, will be broken Tide, a snack stand near the	The firemen put some water on it and Mr. Springle soon proceeded	of the river where it merges with Pamlico Sound. was frozen solid even at its ten- charged with embezzling over \$100 from O. C. Smith, Morehead City.
	built up. The delegation requested them come " Mer lack Russell open at 2 p.m. on the days listed, out of them come "	on his way. Although the truck was steaming hot underneath, no	Put in use in 1802, it served well drove old model T Fords across Gadd was picked up in Richmond, over a century. It was discontinued the river below New Bern. Va.
	building and a gymnasium. chamber secretary, said, "and we interplace will be at the south end 24.	flames broke out.	and dismantled in 1926. Located a On the last day of the freeze the Sheriff Salter said that Gadd is mile and a half offshore, north of ice began to break up. Ice chunks charged with taking copper, wire,
	cation for the improvements which The parade will begin at 4 p.m. parade stores will be open Wed, authorities were notified of the		Cedar Island where Neuse River and icebergs, some as much as 25 and electric motors from Smith, meets Pamlico Sound, it was a feet high and over a hundred feet selling them and keeping the
	have been made at the school in recent years. probably in the 1000 block. Santa will arrive on his best the Min call for stores being open at night place was entered by breaking a		house - shaped building towering in width, nearly wrecked the light- five stories above the water and house as they rushed out of the Gadd is in the county jail.
	The requests made by the group will allow and will ride in the parade Dec. 20, 21, 23 and 24. lock on the back door.	HIGH LOW	beaming a light that was visable river on a strong tide.
	provements for the future W I. On one of the Beaulort fire en- this wear are the plastic decore. Bell are investigating	Friday, Nov. 15 2:01 a.m. 8:26 a.m.	12 miles away on clear nights. The building stood on five immense steel pilings. Only two of the five main pil- ings supports were broken. It took months to repair the damage. Injured Sailor from Ship
	schools, said. "How soon these im- banka may give thein to nim for- used several years ago. New brac-	2:17 p.m. 9:03 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16	steel pilings. months to repair the damage. Injured Sailor from Ship Through its long years of ser- Thousands of tons of rock were The Fort Macon Coast Guard
1	provements will be made depends on when we can get the money," Businessmen are invited to en- be embrand to entropy with the provider of the p	3:01 a.m. 9:37 a.m.	vice, it withstood the tropical boated in to make secure the Station made one assist this week.
	he explained. It in the wish trimmings will see use again after B. J. May, ASC manager, and all car dealers are being in-being in storage for two years. B. J. May, ASC manager, and	- Sunday, Nov. 17	storms and winter freezes. It was lighthouse foundation. This job They met the USS Snyder at Beau- almost wrecked during the devas alone cost nearly \$40,000. For Inlet sea buoy about midnight
	Menhaden Boats Arrive rade.		tating hurricane of 1913, claimed For 21 years before the light- Tuesday and took Seaman Joe by old timers to have been the house was put out of commission, Fitspatrick aboard their boat.
2	The familiar menhaden boats are Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Cubs Taken to Prison Olan (Shorty) Bell, 44, who was grains.		worst of the present century. it was tended by Capt. Tom Quid- Winds blew at 100 miles an hour. ley, an old-time river pilot and his finger. The Coast Guard
18.1	Beaufort and Morehead City water- fronts. The season is expected to up and will be turned on Dec. 1. Nov. 4, was taken from the county tile and open ditch drainage it	5:29 n.m. 11:44 n.m.	Twenty-foot tides inundated the seafaring man. brought him to the station, where an ambulance was standing by to
	get into full swing the latter part Businessmen will start giving tic- jail to Raleigh state prison Wed- available until the money runs out	6:00 a.m.	was 16 feet above normal water The Morehead City town board take him to Morehead City Hos-
alle -	of the month	1 6:24 p.m. 18:24 p.m.	level. Perhaps the biggest freeze will meet at 7:45 Thursday night. pital.