

# Daylight Thief Gags Woman, Steals Jewelry Valued at \$1,000 Taken in Morehead City

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Morehead City police yesterday were searching for a heavily bearded burglar who took approximately a thousand dollars worth of jewelry from two families and gagged and tied Mrs. Naomi Hamlin at 2302½ Arendell St., Morehead City, Friday afternoon.

The robbery took place between 1 and 2 p.m. Mrs. Hamlin was tied to a kitchen chair, while her 16-month old daughter slept in another room. Although unharmed, Mrs. Hamlin wasn't released until neighbors returned from Cherry Point at 3:45 p.m.

Chief of police Herbert Griffin said that in his years on the police force, such a daring robbery has never occurred in Morehead City.

Mrs. Hamlin lives in the downstairs apartment at 2302½ Arendell Street. The neighbors who released her, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Marengo, live upstairs. The jewelry was taken from both apartments.

The State Bureau of Investigation has been called in on the case.

Mrs. Hamlin describes the burglar as a white man, about 30. He wore a Navy pea coat, dark stocking cap pulled far down over his forehead, coat collar turned up around his chin, had a heavy black beard, was about 5 foot 11 or 6 foot tall, weighed about 200 pounds, and wore brown pants. His shoes were spattered with paint.

She said she was so scared she couldn't tell anything more about him.

The only words he said when he entered her apartment were, "Don't move." She said he didn't threaten her nor did he have a gun as far as she could see.

According to chief Griffin, the Marengos had gone to Cherry Point to do some shopping. After a while, Mrs. Hamlin heard a noise upstairs, and thought they had come back.

She went to the bottom of the stairs that lead to their apartment and called to Mrs. Marengo to come down and have some coffee with her. Then she went into the kitchen, plugged in the coffee pot and sat down with her back to the kitchen door.

The next thing she heard were the words, "Don't move!" The man took a dish towel, gagged her, then cut off the end of a wash line strung in a store room, and tied her hands and feet to a chair.

The man had probably ransacked the upstairs apartment and then proceeded to go through the Hamlin apartment.

From the upstairs apartment a ruby and diamond ring valued at \$85 was taken, an engagement ring valued at \$600, and a white gold wedding band with seven diamonds valued at \$175.

Taken from the Hamlin apartment was a class ring, a wedding ring, a rhinestone bracelet and necklace, a 1954 "Mart" high school (Texas) class ring and a wedding band valued at \$45.

When the Marengo's drove up in back of the apartment house at about 3:45, Mrs. Marengo could see Mrs. Hamlin through the window. She said to her husband, "Naomi's gagged!" Her husband thought she was kidding.

They went in the apartment and while Mr. Marengo cut the ropes, Mrs. Marengo took the gag out of Mrs. Hamlin's mouth. Then he went upstairs and found that their apartment had been ransacked.

Chief Griffin said that the burglar came in the "outside door" to the apartment house. He said it is always supposed to be locked, or else the lock was so weak that it was easily opened.

### Engineers Will Hear Requests On Waterways

● Hearing on Waterways Set for 10 Dec. 15  
● Meeting Will be Held At Davis

Wilmington—A one-package appeal for deeper harbors and channels in the Core Sound area is expected at a public hearing at Davis at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 15, by the Corps of Engineers.

It is anticipated that fishing interests will lay great emphasis on a proposal to deepen from 7 to 12 feet the waterway connecting Pamlico Sound and Beaufort Harbor by way of Core Sound.

There are also indications that the existing federal projects which branch off from this route will be promoted for deeper channels and harbors. In addition, it is understood that some communities which do not have federally authorized projects will appeal for better harbors and channels.

These include a channel to Cedar Island Refuge in Cedar Island Bay, a channel from Nelson Bay into Minger's Creek and a refuge harbor in the creek, and a channel to and harbor for Brett Bay.

A notice on the hearing issued by Col. H. C. Rowland Jr., district engineer, urges all interested par-

Clayton Fulcher, Atlantic, announced yesterday that Sen. Everett Jordan will attend the meeting.

ties, public and private to attend the hearing and to present their views on whether or not it is advisable to modify the existing federal projects in the area.

The notice asks in particular for information concerning the value of increased catch of menhaden and edible fish resulting from improved water depths, decrease in spoilage, savings in operating costs, reduction in damage to hulls, propellers and rudders, and increased safety including the saving of lives as a result of more accessible harbors for shelter from storms.

Such information and other related data are requested for the purpose of justifying improvements which any or all of the proposals may warrant.

The notice points out further that depths greater than 12 feet need not be considered since that is the maximum depth of all connecting channels except Beaufort Inlet.

The hearing will be held in the Davis community building with Colonel Rowland presiding.

### Santa Claus Arrives Last Night in Morehead

Santa Claus arrived in Morehead City last night, accompanied by school bands.

He rode a fire truck and tossed treats to the children. The town's Christmas decorations were turned on for the first time in honor of Santa's arrival.

The parade was arranged by the Morehead City merchants.

Joe DuBois, manager of the Morehead City chamber of commerce, expresses the town's appreciation to Beaufort for allowing Beaufort's ladder truck to be used to put up the Christmas lights. The truck Morehead City used in prior years was not available.

### Firemen Called

Morehead City firemen were called at 2 p.m. yesterday to a brush fire on 20th Street south of Emeline Place. The flames were threatening houses on 20th Street.

### Civilians Will Bury Time Capsule Thursday, Dec. 18

A time capsule will be buried in front of the Morehead City municipal building Dec. 18 at 3:30 p.m. A Civitan Club committee is planning a program for the event.

According to publicity chairman Charles Markey, a welcome speech will be made by Mayor George Dill. Dr. B. F. Royal, Citizen of the Century will also be called on to speak.

The Morehead City high school band has been invited to play prior to the ceremony.

Mayor Dill will seal the urn, containing a Centennial issue of THE NEWS-TIMES, a Centennial booklet, a Centennial program, Centennial coins, Centennial seals

and pictures of the youngest child of each member of the Centennial steering committee.

These children will be on hand for the burying and will be the ones responsible for seeing that the capsule is dug up, with the proper ceremony, in 2000.

While last year's centennial marked the 100th birthday of the founding of Morehead City, this year is 100 years from the date the town was incorporated.

Members of the Civitan committee are Jasper Bell, chairman, Mr. Markey and Joe DuBois. Items to be buried in the urn are on display in the window of Sanitary Barber Shop.

### oh my!

A cruise booked on the liner, Arosa Sky, from Morehead City last October was cancelled when the Arosa Sky was sold.

At Bermuda Sunday, the liner Arosa Star was seized and the 183 passengers aboard taken off. Writs attaching the 7,114-ton liner and her cargo for more than a million dollars in debts were posted on the foremast several minutes after the ship docked at Bermuda!

Scheduled to sail from Morehead City in April and June is the Arosa Sun, another of the ships operated by the Swiss "Arosa" line.

Planning to cruise from the Morehead City port on the Sun are members of Sudan temple and the North Carolina Savings and Loan League.

### Morehead Lions Raise Fund to Aid 'Eye-Crippled'

The Morehead City Lions Club has received answers from about 300 of the 3,000 Be Thankful You Can See letters sent out by Lion O. J. Morrow. Mr. Morrow reported on the campaign at the Hotel Fort Macon dining room Thursday night.

Each letter contained two sheets of Be Thankful You Can See stamps and a stamped envelope addressed to the Lions Club. The letter asked the addressee to send a contribution to the Lions Club. All funds collected in the campaign will be spent in the county.

This is in contrast to the White Cane drive, in which most of the money collected goes to the state association for the blind. Lion C. W. Williams read a letter from Lions International complimenting the club on its performance in the White Cane drive. It was the fourth club in the district to turn in its money.

With money from the Be Thankful You Can See and White Cane drives, the club bought over 200 pairs of glasses for needy persons in the county last year. Owens Frederick reported that the club had bought 12 pairs last month.

The Lions also pay for eye operations for needy persons. Not only do they pay the hospital and doctor bills, the Lions pay for transportation to and from the hospital.

It was announced at the meeting that the Beaufort Lions would have a charter night banquet Tuesday night (tonight). Lion J. E. Crowe was commended for his work in organizing the new club.

### Two Boys Caught At Thieving

Passing of sentence in the case of an 11 and a 12-year-old boy charged with stealing has been deferred six months by A. H. James, juvenile court judge.

The two boys were caught at about 10 p.m. Thursday night as they were coming out the back window of the Freeman Wholesale house, formerly L&H Motors, in the 500 block of Arendell Street, Morehead City.

They were caught by two Freeman employees who were returning to the warehouse after making deliveries. The boys had with them a box of cigars, four cartons of 22 long rifle bullets, seven boxes of candy, a box of gum and \$5 taken from a cash drawer, according to Capt. Joe Smith of the Morehead City police department.

The Freeman employees notified the Morehead City police that they had caught the youngsters red-handed. The boys appeared before Judge James yesterday morning.

Captain Smith said the youngsters took out a big pane of glass at the back of the warehouse to gain entry.

### Murphy Dize Jailed On Charge of Assault

Murphy Dize, Morehead City Negro, is in the county jail, charged with assault.

Dize is under a 30-day suspended sentence as a result of being convicted in county court Oct. 30 with assaulting Albert Mills, Morehead City. Dize is now charged with assaulting his employer. His bond has been set at \$250.

### Wins Smithwick Historical Award



F. C. Salisbury... county historian

F. C. Salisbury, Morehead City, noted historian of Carteret County, added another to his list of historical honors Saturday when he was named recipient of the Smithwick Cup at Raleigh by the North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians.

The Smithwick Cup is awarded annually to the writer contributing the best material on county and local history. It was won last year by a college professor, author of a book.

Mr. Salisbury was not in Raleigh to receive the award. He did not know that he was the recipient until he received Sunday morning's papers.

The Smithwick award was established by Mr. and Mrs. S. T.

Peace of Henderson. The late Mr. Peace was a well-known Vance County historian.

Now Mrs. Peace has established another historical award, the Peace cup, in silver and topped with the lamp of wisdom. It will be awarded every two years for the best county or local history published in a two-year period by a North Carolinian. The first Peace award will be made in 1959.

In 1955, 1956 and 1957 Mr. Salisbury received awards of merit.

The Smithwick award was given for his series of historical articles which have appeared in the Carteret County News-Times during 1958. Announcement of the honor was made by Phillips Russell of Chapel Hill.

Runners-up, both of whom received awards of merit, were Herbert O'Keef, editor of the Raleigh Times, and Mrs. E. R. MacKethan, columnist on the Fayetteville Observer.

Mr. Salisbury is president of the County Historical Society. He was presented a silver bowl in 1957 by the Morehead City Centennial committee for writing the pageant, The Blue and the Gray in Carteret County, which was produced during the week of the Centennial.

Mr. Salisbury is a regular columnist for THE NEWS-TIMES, writing the Friday column, Here and There, which appears on the editorial page. He is known best for his articles on county history which appear frequently in the paper.

### Police Arrest Two Young Men In Dom's Theft

● Ronald Jordan, Jack Lawrence Post Bond  
● Police Say Two Sign Confessions

Arrested over the weekend for stealing \$138.75 from Dom's Lunch, Morehead City, were Ronald Jordan, 21, and Jack Lawrence, 19, both of Morehead City.

The youths waived preliminary hearing in Morehead City recorder's court yesterday morning and were bound over to the March term of superior court.

Both were released after a \$500 bond for each boy was posted at the conclusion of the court session.

Patrolman Bill Condie said both boys have signed statements admitting that they robbed Dom's. According to the information they gave the patrolman, Jordan left his house at about 4 a.m. Friday morning, Nov. 28. He picked up Lawrence at about 4:15.

They went first to the Morehead City Garment Co. where Lawrence "picked up a flashlight lying by the building" and then they went on to Dom's.

Patrolman Condie said that Jordan pried open the back door of the place with a screw driver and Lawrence went in. He picked up a cash drawer which was in a drawer at the back of the place, then left.

The two drove to Crab Point where they split the money, without bothering to count it. Then they told the officer they drove to Mansfield to see if they could get some gas. No station was open so they headed to the Beaufort-Morehead causeway.

As they got on the bridge they threw the black plastic cash drawer over the side of the bridge. Patrolman Condie said the tide was probably coming in because he found the drawer on the shore with sand, in each compartment of it, weighting it down.

The boys deny stealing, according to chief Herbert Griffin, a pork loin that was in the refrigerator at Dom's that night.

The chief said that the boys, lifelong residents of Morehead City, have been in trouble time and again and have been in and out of reform school. They were not represented by an attorney in court yesterday.

Stolen Sunday night at Dom's was money from a container placed there to collect money for mentally retarded children.

### Police Raid Edgewater Hotel

Armed with a search warrant, Morehead City police swooped down on the Edgewater Hotel in the north part of town Sunday night and broke up across-the-bar whiskey sales.

Isabel Casey, operator of the hotel, has been charged with possessing whiskey for the purpose of sale. Charles Holland, Morehead City, and Charles Ellison Raye, identified as a menhaden fisherman, have been charged with gambling. Capt. Joe Smith said they were playing poker for stakes.

The police closed in at about 9 p.m. when the place "was jumping". Whiskey was being sold by the shot, which is illegal in this state.

In court yesterday were five bottles of taxpaid whiskey seized in the raid and brought in for evidence. Most were empty. The case has been continued until next week.

Accompanying Captain Smith in the crack-down were Patrolmen J. V. Gialino, and E. D. O'Neal Jr.

### Community Theatre Will Meet Tomorrow Night

Members of the Carteret Community Theatre will meet at 8 tomorrow night at the recreation building, Morehead City, for their monthly meeting.

Miss Hortense Boomer, program chairman, has arranged a special Christmas program. During the business session, reports will be given on the November play, Papa is All, and plans for the rest of the season will be reviewed.

### 72-Voice Choir Will Present Messiah Dec. 19 at Beaufort

A 72-voice choir representing churches of the county will present the Christmas portion of Handel's Messiah at 8 p.m. Friday in the Beaufort School auditorium. The program is being sponsored by Ann Street Methodist Church.

Mrs. Charles Hassell director of Ann Street church music, is directing the presentation. She will accompany the chorus at the organ. Piano accompanists will be Rachel Mundine of Newport and, if he can come home from the University of North Carolina by then, Robert Morris of Atlantic and Chapel Hill.

Soloists will be Stanley Potter, Jr., Beaufort, tenor; Mrs. Stanley Potter Jr., Beaufort, Mrs. Josiah Bailey, Morehead City, and Mrs. Herbert Waldrop Jr., Clinton, soprano; Mrs. Austin Williams, Morehead City, contralto. Mrs. Waldrop is formerly of Newport.

### Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar		
HIGH	Tuesday, Dec. 9	LOW
6:41 a.m.		12:27 a.m.
7:09 p.m.		1:11 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 10		
7:32 a.m.		1:19 a.m.
8:00 p.m.		2:03 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 11		
8:22 a.m.		2:11 a.m.
8:53 p.m.		2:53 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 12		
9:13 a.m.		3:00 a.m.
9:46 p.m.		3:41 p.m.



Stanley Potter Jr., tenor soloist

Members of the chorus are the following:

- Gloucester: Mrs. Ray West, Miss Roberta West, A. L. Hubbard.
- Atlantic: Mrs. Jack Johnson, Philip Quilley.
- Sea Level: Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Webb.
- Harlowe: Sue Ward, Sharon Wilkinson, Sandra Pake and Denard Harris.
- New Bern: Ralph Lewis.
- Morehead City: Mrs. Josiah Bailey Jr., Mrs. William Davies, Mrs. Paul Branch, Mrs. Earl Deubler Jr., Mrs. Rufus Butler Jr., Mrs. Clifton Lynch.
- Mrs. Austin Williams, Mrs. Paul Geer Jr., Anne-Marie Lewis, Ruth

Bailey, E. H. Swann, Bill Baughman and Roy L. Wooten (Atlantic Beach).

Beaufort: Mr. and Mrs. Sal Palazzo, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Meadows, Mrs. T. T. Potter, Mrs. Vincent Wright, Mrs. Charles King, Mrs. Claude Morning, Mrs. Bert Brooks.

Mrs. Jarvis Herring, Mrs. John Cline, Mrs. William Willis, Mrs. Barbara D. Willis, Mrs. Claude Wheatly Jr., Mrs. Charles Owens, Mrs. Charles Clifton, Patsy Willis, Ginny Lewis, Becky Munroe, Glynda Harris, Judy Gillikin.

Patsy Pake, Roberta Willis; Clare Fulcher, Norma Hales, Ruth Durham, Jo Anne Allen, Patsy Whitehurst, Sandra Whitehurst, Lt. John Haynes, Edward Willis, Cliff Tilghman.

Earl Mades, Tucker Littleton, Frank Morning, E. W. Downum, Earl Willis, Charles Hassell Jr., Frank Potter, Sammy Merrill Jr., Grady Phillips, George Huntley Jr., and Calvin Jones Jr.

### Carteret Toastmasters Club to Meet Tomorrow

The Carteret County Toastmasters Club will meet at 7:30 tomorrow night at the Morehead City civic center. M. L. Davis will be toastmaster and E. G. Phillips will be topic master.

Prepared speakers are William Wilkins and Jasper Bell. Alternates are Leel Smith and Cliff Fagle. Critics are Thomas Price, O. N. Allred, C. T. Lewis and Dr. W. L. Woodard.