

School Superintendent Views Two Proposals on Financing

(Editor's Note: This is the third in a series of three articles on schools by H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools.)

There are two lines for thought in the county at present. One is that a bond issue be passed in the amount of 2½ million dollars to build two new high schools and make additions and renovations to existing buildings as recommended by the Board of Education of Carteret County. The other is that the present indebtedness be paid off and then taxes be raised sufficient to produce \$350,000 per year for schools. Of this amount to set aside sufficient funds for operation or Current Expense, and the balance be used for building.

Let me call your attention that the cost of operation for the school year (1957-58) just past was \$1,078,069.82. Carteret County paid \$95,500 of this amount, or 8.87 per cent. This was \$16.11 per child, while the state and federal government paid \$165.75.

To me that is a reflection on us, who are citizens of the county, for we are not doing our share in paying the cost of our children's education.

Plan I

Sale of Bonds—Mr. W. E. Easterling, secretary to the Local Government Commission, Raleigh, N. C., figures the cost of a 2½ million

dollar bond issue would require about a 10-cent increase; however, he recommended that a 15-cent increase be added to the present 65 cents for debt service to retire the bonds.

This plan will allow construction to start as soon as the bonds are sold and the tax payer will benefit by the lower tax increase. Additional classroom space must be provided. The Board of Education recommends the bond issue.

Plan II

May we consider the Pay-As-You-Go Plan a moment. Suppose we have \$200,000 per year for Capital Outlay. How far will this go toward building a new plant? There are the heating plant, sewage plant, water and cafeteria kitchen.

A school plant to house 1000 children would require 30 classrooms plus laboratories, library, auditorium, shop and gymnasium. Estimated cost for high school \$1,000,000.

This would require 5 years before completed in the five stages in which the money becomes available. That is if we could start in 1959—if not, then what? At present Atlantic is using one improvised room, Morehead City town-

some bunny

A wild rabbit with a sweet tooth was finally caught Wednesday night.

The bunny had been raiding the candy counter at the Phillips 66 station on highway 70 west of Morehead City.

Haywood Snell, Beaufort, manager of the station, said that the candy bars, cigarettes and other items on shelves in his candy counter were being chewed. At first, he thought a rat was at large.

Then somebody decided it couldn't be a rat—must be a rabbit. So a box for trapping rabbits was borrowed from a youngster in the neighborhood.

On Tuesday night an apple was put in the box and the trap set. It caught the rabbit all right, but the situation didn't meet with the rabbit's approval. He kicked his way right out of the trap.

So the trap was strengthened and set again Wednesday night. Again, the rabbit took the bait. This time the trap held him.

Yesterday morning Mr. Snell was still trying to decide what to do with the rabbit and was puzzled as to how the bunny got into his concrete building in the first place.

Incidentally, Mr. Snell reports that Mr. Bunny preferred Chesfield.

Additional Rural Postal Route To Operate Out of Beaufort

Engineers Get Report



District Engineer Col. H. C. Rowland, USA, right, discusses a report on Core Sound with Clayton Fulcher Jr. and Cecil Morris, Atlantic. The men got together prior to a public hearing on waterway improvements Monday morning at Davis.

J. P. Betts, Beaufort postmaster, announces the establishment of a new rural route out of Beaufort, beginning Friday, Jan. 2. Mr. Betts said that the area east of Beaufort has grown to such an extent that it no longer can be handled by one rural postman.

Persons who will be on the new route, RFD No. 2, and those on the present route 1 who will be affected, will receive letters notifying them of the change. The letters will go out during the coming week.

These letters will give the householder his new box number and inform him whether the box will have to be moved to the other side of the road, postmaster Betts said. The box must be on the right side of the road for the postman as he makes his deliveries.

The new rural route 2 will serve approximately 400 families with Leland Peterson as postman. Rural route 1 will serve about 325 with Charles Hassell as postman.

At present, on route 1, Mr. Hassell is making about 510 deliveries, the postmaster said.

In establishing Beaufort RFD No. 2, the Merrimon star route has been eliminated and added to Beaufort route 1. Route 1 begins at the east end of the Morehead City drawbridge, goes through West Beaufort, out highway 101 to Core Creek bridge, then through the Laurel Road to Merrimon.

The new route will include part of the present route 1 through Otway and Bettie. Route 2 begins on East Front Street in Beaufort, goes through Lennoxville, then Highland Park, on to route 70 to Smyrna, Marshallberg and Gloucester. This route also picks up some new territory, Shell Landing and the Ward Creek Road at Otway, the Crow Hill Road and then back to highway 70.

In making this change, patrons in west Beaufort and on highway 70 from Beaufort to the North River Bridge will receive mail in the morning rather than in the afternoon as they do now, Mr. Betts reports.

The postmaster reminds folks affected by the change that they will have to notify persons who write them or with whom they do business that their address will be changed as of Jan. 1. (Since Jan. 1 is a holiday, the first delivery on the new route will be Jan. 2).

Takes Training

Atlantic Beach rescue squad number two is at Cherry Point today to take training in fire fighting, rescue methods and first aid. The squad is taking the training under a Civil Defense schooling plan.

Holidays Require Schedule Change

THE NEWS-TIMES of Tuesday will go to press Monday to permit early publication of the Christmas issue.

The Christmas issue, dated Friday, Dec. 26, will be out the day before Christmas, Wednesday, Dec. 24. Persons who have any information for newstories or want to place ads in either of the coming two issues are urged to contact the newspaper office without delay.

Car Hits Two Stalled Vehicles

A pickup truck and two cars were damaged at 6:15 p.m. Friday on highway 24 about 800 feet east of Gales Creek.

A 1950 Ford convertible smacked into the rear of a stopped 1950 Ford pickup truck and a stopped 1950 Ford automobile. Driving the convertible was James Parnell, USCG, of the cutter Mendota, stationed at Wilmington.

Cecil Hall, route 1 Newport, owner of the two vehicles that were hit, and George James were standing by stalled cars and tried to flag Parnell down. Because the highway was icy, patrolman W. E. Pickard said, Parnell could not avoid hitting the stalled vehicles, one of which was being used to try to get the other going.

Damage to the convertible was estimated at \$200 and damage to the other two vehicles at \$100 each.

Morehead Jaycees To Hear Contest Winner at Meeting

Truman Kemp, winner of the Jaycee-sponsored My True Security contest, will be a guest of the club at its meeting Monday night at the Blue Ribbon Club. Kemp will present his winning speech.

At this week's meeting, president Jerry Willis announced that four Morehead City Jaycees had been named chairmen of district committees. They are Dr. R. O. Barnum, Dr. Russell Outlaw, Herbert O. Phillips and L. G. Dunn.

Mr. Willis asked Dr. Barnum and his awards committee to study a proposal to honor a teen-ager of the year. The committee will make recommendations as to whether the award would be practical here.

The club agreed to hold the Distinguished Service Awards banquet during Jaycee Week, Jan. 18-25. The banquet will be a joint affair with the Beaufort Jaycees. The location has not been decided.

Beaufort Shoppers to Get Free Parking Next Week

Beaufort merchants have made arrangements for shoppers to enjoy free parking in Beaufort Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

For the further convenience of last-minute shoppers, the stores will remain open until 8 each night. Morehead City has also declared a meter holiday next week.

County Farmers Prefer Present Crop Controls

County tobacco and cotton farmers went along with farmers from other sections of the state in Monday's cotton and tobacco referendums. Tobacco growers, by a 596-18 vote, favored continuing the present quota system with its 90 per cent parity supports over a system under which price supports and quotas would be abolished.

Of the tobacco growers who voted, 356 voted for an assessment of 10 cents per acre on tobacco acreage planted for the next three years. This assessment would go to Tobacco Associates for promotion of North Carolina tobacco. Twenty voted against the 10-cent assessment.

Favoring an assessment of up to \$1 per acre were 482 farmers while 58 registered negative ballots on the assessment. (Farmers were asked to vote on both assessment plans.)

All 41 cotton farmers who voted favored marketing quotas with price supports rather than no marketing quotas and reduced price supports.

The election, conducted by the county ASC office, brought about 650 farmers to the polls despite the bad weather. B. J. May, ASC office manager, says it is the largest number of farmers ever to vote in an agricultural referendum in this county. Previous high was about 500 voters.

Mr. May estimates that about 800 people living on farms in the

Flying Marines Pay Tribute To Flying Wright Brothers

New Bern Man Gets 90-Day Jail Sentence

Philemon Davis, New Bern, got jail sentences totaling 90 days in Morehead City recorder's court Monday. Judge Herbert Phillips found him guilty on two charges of failing to comply with court orders. Suspended sentences of 90 and 30 days were invoked.

Luther G. Brown, Morehead City, was sentenced to 30 days for public drunkenness.

Iris Marie Waters and Sarah Louise Britton, both of Morehead City, were in court for fighting. The Waters woman was fined \$25 and ordered to pay court costs and the costs of repairing the other woman's glasses.

The Britton woman was fined \$25 and ordered to pay court costs and the doctor and hospital bill of her opponent.

Another private grudge got into court when Christina Smith decided to withdraw two warrants against Charles Holland. Judge Phillips ordered her to pay costs for each warrant. She had charged Holland with assault in one and gambling in the other.

Harold R. Blake, Jacksonville, was in court on two charges of passing bad checks. In one he was fined \$25 and ordered to pay court costs and make good \$65 in bad checks he had passed at the Jefferson Hotel. In the other he paid court costs and made good a \$5 check he passed to the Gant Oil Co.

Martin Luther Willis, Morehead City, paid \$10 and costs for speeding. Charles Ellison Ray paid costs for gambling. Harold Bass, Morehead City, paid costs for public drunkenness, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

Champ C. Wilkins did not show up. He was charged with applying for a driver license under another name while his license was suspended. The judge signed a capias to have Wilkins picked up and brought to court. The case was continued.

Warren E. Bryant forfeited a cash bond rather than come from Mollusk, Va., for a trial on running a red light.

Cases were continued against the following: Elijah Lewis, Leon H. Haislip, Charles Holland, Isabelle Casey, Janet E. Phillips, Johnnie Ward and William Franklin Lewis.

Morehead City to Give Meter Holiday Next Week

Lt. Carl Blomberg, in charge of Morehead City's parking meters, announces that he will not be checking the meters next week.

He requests, however, that businessmen and employees in stores not park their cars in front of the stores. If they do, the meter holiday will be of no benefit to Christmas shoppers.

Coins will not be required, either, in meters in Beaufort.

By LOCKWOOD PHILLIPS

Ten sparkling Marines, all with the surname Wright, and all from Cherry Point Marine Air Base, stood at attention at the base of the national monument glorifying the Wright brothers—Orville and Wilbur—at Kill Devil Hills Wednesday morning while a United States senator, a North Carolina congressman, a Coast Guard admiral, an author and an Air Force major general spoke of the achievements of the aviation pioneers on the 55th anniversary of their first flight.

The Marines stood as straight and firm as the majestic stone monument that soars skyward from a high dune.

When the speech-making was concluded and the time had come for placing the ceremonial wreath, a task of honor usually reserved for someone in a high place, the Marines marched to a helicopter about a 100 yards away.

Out of the helicopter stepped another Cherry Point Marine named Wright, a private first class, a pretty woman Marine, Carrol Wright of Tampa, Fla.

With her, they marched back to the base of the monument where Private Wright placed the wreath with all the dignity of a President of the United States.

Her honor guard, no one of them related to Orville or Wilbur Wright, were: Capt. Ira L. Wright Jr., Havelock; T/Sgt. Edward R. Wright, Asheville; S/Sgt. George W. Wright, Petaluma, Calif.; S/Sgt. James D. Wright of Morgantown, Ala.

Sgt. Delos Wright Jr., Albany, N. Y.; Sgt. Paul W. Wright Jr., Army, Miss.; Sgt. Joseph T. Wright, Kannapolis; Sgt. Chalber Wright of Middletown, Ohio; Cpl. James F. Wright of Bristol, Va., and Cpl. Floyd T. Wright of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Following the ceremony at the monument, Sen. A. S. Mike Monroney (D-Okla.) predicted at the Wright memorial luncheon at the Shrine Club, Nags Head, that man will fly into outer space.

"This year," he stated, "we will put a man into outer space, some 100 miles above the earth in a man-piloted aircraft. The X-15 will be flying before the next Wright Day is observed—flying not continent to continent, but venturing beyond the limits of the earth's atmosphere at speeds of 3,600 miles per hour.

"That plane, to return to its home base in Nevada, will start its downward glide over Australia."

Other speakers were congressman Herbert C. Bonner, Rear Admiral Harry Moore, USCG; Maj.

Gen. Daniel W. Jenkins, USAF, and David Stick, author, Wade Marr of Elizabeth City was toastmaster.

Newsman and photographers were flown to Manteo in a Marine transport plane from where they were taken by Marine helicopter, first to the ceremony at the monument, then to the luncheon and then back to Manteo where they boarded the plane for the return trip.

The flight, under the direction of Lt. Col. Gordon E. Gray, informational services officer at Cherry Point Marine Base, started at 7 a.m. Wednesday from Cherry Point.

Stops to pick up newsmen and photographers were made at Wilmington, Raleigh, Greenville, and Washington, where Congressman Bonner got aboard.

That flight, with the many stops took only three hours, but was slow in contrast to the more than 500-mile speed of the eleven Century Series F-100 Air Force jets that streaked over the monument during the ceremonies there.

On the return flight, over the same route, all returned in the transport except myself and Milton Rogerson of the New Bern Sun-Journal. We returned straight to Cherry Point in a helicopter along with all the Marine Wrights.



Woman Marine Pfc. Carrol Wright of Tampa, Fla., places a wreath on the Wright Brothers National Memorial at Kitty Hawk, N. C., during ceremonies Wednesday commemorating the 55th anniversary of powered flight. Looking on are two members of the honor guard which rendered military tribute to Orville and Wilbur Wright. The honor guard was comprised of Marines named Wright, all from the Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, N. C. (Official Marine Corps Photograph)

Marshallberg Firemen Will Sponsor Santa Claus Visit

Marshallberg volunteer firemen announce that they will sponsor Operation Santa Claus again this year. Santa's trip last year, his first under firemen sponsorship, was a big success.

On Wednesday afternoon, Santa will sail up Ward's Creek in Thurman Lawrence's sailing schooner. He will get aboard the Marshallberg fire truck at the Ward's Creek bridge. The truck will leave the bridge at about 5 p.m., proceed through Otway, Straits, go to Harkers Island, return through Gloucester, Smyrna, proceed to Willis-ton and then back to Marshallberg.

Santa will have oranges for all the little ones and hopes they will be out to wave to him as he passes.

His visit was planned by the firemen at their meeting Friday night in the community building. Fire chief Ikie Guthrie presided. Minutes of the last meeting were read by Troy Moore, secretary, who also gave a financial report.

Ocracoke Club Thanks Chamber Manager DuBois

Members of the Ocracoke Civic Club have written Joe DuBois, manager of the Morehead City chamber of commerce, thanking him for the part he has played in promotion of the All Seashore Highway.

Announcement of the proposal to put a ferry between Ocracoke and Cedar Island occasioned the writing of the letter.

"Your long-time support for the All Seashore Highway idea, and your solid propaganda for the closing of the last link have been undoubtedly the principal influences in keeping this before the public," the Civic Club stated.

The letter was signed by Elisha K. Esham, president, and Wilbur Robinson, secretary.

In reply, Mr. DuBois gave credit for the development of the highway to "the constant plugging of all the folks along the coast, from Manteo to Southport."

Mr. DuBois continues, "Actually, it was the Ocracoke Civic Club, at that meeting in March 1953, which made the project possible, for had your club not voted unanimously for a highway on the island there never could have been any All Seashore Highway."

"Looking forward to riding with you on that first car ferry, I remain

Potter Heirs Plan Rebuilding

If an agreement is made between heirs of the James Potter estate and Carteret Services, of which W. H. (Piggie) Potter is president, a building is expected to be put back on the site of the Potter building destroyed by fire last Thursday night.

Mr. Potter said yesterday that a single story three-unit building is contemplated, providing the same space, per unit, as existed before the fire.

Potter's Grocery would then move into the building. Herring's Jewelry is tentatively planning to reoccupy its former space, and the space occupied by House Drug store would be available for some other business.

Mr. Potter said if plans proceed as contemplated, the new building may be ready for occupancy by May 1, 1959. Debris from the site of the fire has been moved this week by Julius Dunn, contractor.

Damaged food from the burned-out grocery store is being buried and sprinkled with kerosene in compliance with pure food laws. Other debris from the building is being placed by the seawall in front of the Day property, east of the Way fish house.

Home Burns

A small house on the 500 block of Pollock Street, Beaufort, burned early Tuesday morning. The alarm was turned in at 5 a.m. The house, occupied by fishermen, was owned by Herbert Davis, Beaufort. Firemen said the house was a total loss.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Friday, Dec. 19	
3:01 a.m.	9:32 a.m.
3:12 p.m.	9:47 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 20	
3:53 a.m.	10:25 a.m.
4:08 p.m.	10:34 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 21	
4:46 a.m.	11:13 a.m.
5:04 p.m.	11:20 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 22	
5:34 a.m.	11:59 a.m.
5:55 p.m.	
Tuesday, Dec. 23	
6:19 a.m.	12:04 a.m.
6:40 p.m.	12:44 p.m.