

Governor Seeks Fund to Purchase Outer Banks Area

● Move Would Bring Federal Assistance

● Port Budget Cut; Teacher Salaries Up

Gov. Luther Hodges made a strong bid in his budget message Monday night to save a valuable portion of North Carolina — the Outer Banks and the mainland it protects.

The governor has proposed purchase of the outer banks area from Ocracoke Inlet to Drum Inlet, commonly referred to as Portsmouth Island, as well as some outer banks area farther south of Drum Inlet.

If the state owns this land, judged the most badly eroded of the banks which stretch all along the coast, a considerable amount of federal funds would become available to stabilize it, the governor said.

The funds are not available as long as the banks stay in private hands.

During the last session of the legislature, property owners gave a right-of-way down the middle of the dunes which would have permitted use of prison labor on the banks for restoration work. That work was not undertaken, probably because it would not have been on a scale large enough to do the job necessary.

The governor has asked for \$200,000 for a survey of the outer banks in question and \$400,000 to buy the land. The \$400,000 would come from the capital improvements fund, totaling \$45,374,149. The governor proposes that the major portion of that be obtained by sale of bonds.

The Department of Conservation and Development would administer the outer banks program.

The governor said, "Effects of hurricanes which have hit our coast during recent years, added to our own careless land practice in the area, have brought us to the point that something must be done — and done quickly."

Other items in the governor's budget message of particular interest to this area:

● State ports at Morehead City and Wilmington must divide \$200,400 between them. The ports had requested \$1.6 million.

This means no money available for capital improvement, such as a new office at Morehead City and new warehouses.

● Increases in starting salaries for teachers. Holders of "A" certificates would receive a minimum salary of \$3,100 as compared with the present \$2,799. Also pay for the extra week of work teachers put in at the beginning and close of the school year.

● State welfare budget has been increased 7.7 per cent, with no funds for general assistance.

● State withholding tax plan, estimated to bring in \$27½ million, which, says the governor, would make any new taxes unnecessary. Under this plan, state income tax would be deducted from an employee's regular paycheck.

● Ten million dollars for 1960-61 to be matched by local communities for public schools. The money would be available not for building schools, but for day-to-day costs in operating the schools. The schools could spend the money for anything they wished in the current expense line, such as supplementing teachers' salaries.

Morehead City Merchants Will Meet Tuesday Noon

Morehead City merchants will meet at noon Tuesday at the Hotel Fort Macon. Henry White, committee chairman, will preside.

To be discussed at the meeting is how to obtain a larger share of the federal \$2,900,000 monthly payroll in this area, combined advertising for new business and an active credit bureau.

Morehead Fire Truck Collides With New Car at Intersection



Photo by Donald Edwards

The Morehead City fire truck collided with a 1959 Buick yesterday, the fire truck ending up as shown above, at the northwest corner of 13th and Bridges St. Note skid marks of Buick in foreground. In photo at left are John Lashley, town clerk and police chief Herbert Griffin; at right, fireman Vincent Lawrence, and mechanic Linwood Wade, in white coveralls.

Morehead City Continues War on Ticket Violators

Morehead City continued its war on people who fail to pay parking tickets Monday as five parking cases were called in recorder's court. Four defendants entered pleas of guilty and paid \$2 fines and one-third of the court costs.

The state elected not to try Roseman Tipton, Greenville, due to lack of evidence. Those who entered pleas of guilty were S. A. Dewar, Duncan, N. C., Margaret Nichols, Greenville, Alfonza Lassiter, Greenville, and Edward Clark, Raleigh.

William L. Lewis, Morehead City, entered a plea of guilty to charges that he passed a bad check at Underwood's Grocery Store. He was ordered to pay court costs and honor the \$3.16 check.

Rodney Turnage, Morehead City, was given two weeks in which to pay court costs. He was found guilty of public drunkenness.

Joseph N. Davis, Harkers Island, forfeited a cash bond. He was charged with speeding. Christina Smith failed to show up for the second time and a \$50 bond posted by a bonding company was turned over to county schools. The woman was charged with possession of non-taxpaid whiskey.

Carlton Pittman, charged with public drunkenness, failed to appear when his case was called. Judge Herbert Phillips issued an order to have him picked up and brought in for the next session.

The state elected not to try two defendants. They were Velda Schreiner, Havelock, charged with passing a bad check, and Yancey Smith, Newport, charged with driving after his license had been suspended.

Cases were continued against Barbara W. Roberts, Pittman and Grace B. Carlyle.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar		
HIGH	Friday, Feb. 13	LOW
12:03 a.m.	5:55 a.m.	
12:12 p.m.	6:07 p.m.	
Saturday, Feb. 14		
12:43 a.m.	6:45 a.m.	
12:53 p.m.	6:55 p.m.	
Sunday, Feb. 15		
1:25 a.m.	7:55 a.m.	
1:38 p.m.	8:03 p.m.	
Monday, Feb. 16		
2:11 a.m.	9:03 a.m.	
2:31 p.m.	9:12 p.m.	
Tuesday, Feb. 17		
3:06 a.m.	10:03 a.m.	
3:38 p.m.	10:10 p.m.	

If Bond Issue Fails — What Then?

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

It has been suggested that the County Commissioners appropriate \$260,000 per year in capital outlay for school construction over a period of years to meet the \$2½ million dollars requested in bonds.

Here are a few serious objections that voters should give careful consideration.

1. An enabling act for Carteret County, would have to be passed by the North Carolina General Assembly, to allow tax funds to accumulate from year to year for building purposes.

2. Such a plan would delay the program of present need approximately 10 years.

3. Morehead City has the greatest need with 12 unhouses classes.

To secure funds to build a high school to relieve this need would require 4 years before a contract could be signed for a new plant. (Funds would be required to build temporary quarters to care for the need at Morehead and other schools which would have to be taken from the funds each year — hence the 4 years).

4. It would be 1964 before the Morehead plant could be completed. In the meantime, what about the effect on the continuing increases of unhouses children?

5. Beaufort high school is now filled to capacity. It would require another 4 years to accumulate sufficient funds to sign contract for the second high school plant.

6. Other schools of the county would find themselves in the condition Morehead now faces and would have to wait their turn in order of need. That's a bad situation.

7. Over-crowding and temporary housing is not conducive to good learning. In dollars and cents, with bonds or without, the cost is about the same. The GREATER cost is beyond estimate in the lives of our children as we send them out to meet world competition under this tremendous handicap. I shudder to think of the danger such delays in financing would cause the children of Carteret County.

I appeal to every citizen of Carteret County to go to the polls on Feb. 28, 1959, vote for the Bond Issue and give our children the needed school facilities NOW.

Dr. Russell Outlaw discusses school bonds.

The Morehead City FWD fire truck demolished a new Buick yesterday morning and sent L. C. Sawyer, Morehead City, driver of the car, to the hospital. Mr. Sawyer, rushed to the hospital in Dill's ambulance, had a cracked rib.

Charles Edwards, driver of the fire truck, was going north on 13th Street with his red light flashing and his siren wailing. Mr. Sawyer was driving west on Bridges Street, taking his new car to the garage for a checkup.

Mr. Sawyer told police lieutenant Carl Blomberg that he did not know the fire truck was coming his way. He did not even see it until it smashed into the left front side of his car at the intersection of 13th and Bridges.

Mr. Edwards saw the car and hit the brakes on the fire truck. The truck slid 35 feet before the right front bumper hit the car. Mr. Edwards, Mart Bell, and Stanley Salter, firemen who were riding with him, escaped injury.

The impact sheared the bolts that held the engine to the frame of the fire truck. The fly wheel housing was broken, the radiator ruined and the fender, bumper and grill smashed.

The truck was towed to Sound Chevrolet garage and mechanic Linwood Wade gave a preliminary estimate on the damage at \$1,500 to \$1,800.

While the Buick could be repaired, expenses on the job will probably make it more practical for the insurance company to give Mr. Sawyer a new car and salvage the wreck.

Despite the accident, a second fire truck, which left the station right behind the FWD, put out the fire. A trash truck owned by Simon Raynor and parked behind Dudley's Place was on fire. The blaze was put out with no damage reported.

Lodge to Stage Musical Comedy

Proceeds from a musical comedy to be given Wednesday, Feb. 25, in Morehead City will go toward cost of "hot papa" suits for firemen and the Esther Rebekah lodge building fund.

The comedy, Professor Louis Albright and the Girls, was originally scheduled to be given Wednesday, Feb. 18, but was postponed because of the county basketball tournament.

People who have tickets dated Feb. 18 may use them Feb. 25. Curtain time is 8 p.m. at the recreation building.

Playing the part of the professor will be Walter Lewis. Earl Smith will be pianist. Mrs. Jack Steed is featured in a charleston number and others in the cast are Mrs. Billy Joyce Guthrie, Wesley Wilson, Mrs. Gordon Mizelle, Allen Autry, Johnny White, Miss Myrna Willis, and Claude Wade.

Members of both the Esther Rebekah lodge and the Miriam Rebekah lodge, Beaufort, will be bathing suit models.

Dr. Russell Outlaw Discusses School Bonds

Dr. Russell Outlaw discussed the school bond issue at the Beaufort Rotary Club meeting Tuesday night. A general discussion of taxes, school needs and the cost of borrowing money followed Dr. Outlaw's talk.

Visitors at the meeting, in addition to Dr. Outlaw, were Truman Kemp and Frank Cassiano. All three were from Morehead City.

Police Hold Wilson Man For Rape in Morehead City

Shrine to Sponsor 'Open' Dance Wednesday Night

Arrangements for the Shrine dance at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant Wednesday night were completed at a meeting of the Shrine Club Tuesday.

Tommy Martin's orchestra, booked out of Atlanta, will play for the dance, which is open to the public. Proceeds will go to the Shriners' crippled children's fund.

Tickets may be obtained now from Gerald Mitchell, Hugh Salter, Robert Safrit, Theodore Phillips, Bruce Goodwin, Cicero Hardison, Dan Sadler, and Marshall Ayscue, Shriners.

The orchestra has been obtained by Mr. Mitchell who promises a "fine evening of entertainment".

At this week's meeting, Mr. Phillips, secretary-treasurer, reported a club membership of 25. President Safrit said he would like to see the membership increase to 75 this year. "There are 144 Shriners living in this county and I don't see why we shouldn't make this the biggest and best Shrine Club in Sudan Temple," Mr. Safrit said.

The club voted to hold its meetings the second Tuesday of each month at various restaurants in the area. The place of the March meeting will be announced.

Attending Tuesday's meeting, in addition to those mentioned, were N. L. Walker, Norwood Young, Charles Cheek, Bill Ballou, Otis Purifoy, Earl Norwood, and M. E. Bridgman.

Pastors Name Migrant Group

The steering committee for Carteret's 1959 migrant ministry program was appointed Monday morning at a meeting of the ministers association in the civic center, Morehead City.

The Rev. William Jeffries, Marshallberg, is chairman, assisted by the Rev. John Cline, the Rev. Al Daniel, and the Rev. Ralph Fleming Jr.

More ministers of the county are to be included. A planning meeting will be held at 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, in the N. F. Eure educational building, Beaufort.

Four new ministers joined the association. They are the Rev. Virgil Moore, Camp Glenn Methodist; the Rev. M. O. Sears, Newport Baptist; the Rev. James Buchanan, Marshallberg and Woodville Baptist, and the Rev. John F. Casey, Bethlehem Methodist, Bogue.

The ministers agreed to cooperate with the Welcome Wagon service by providing a letter. The proposal for a county-wide revival was tabled indefinitely.

Guests were the Rev. Leon Hall, Durham, and the Rev. Bobby Jackson of South Carolina. The Rev. Alec Thompson offered the opening prayer. After the meeting, the ministers saw a preview of The Life of Albert Schweitzer at the Morehead theatre.

To Attend Conference

H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools, will attend the national convention of the American Association of School Administrators at Atlantic City, N. J. He leaves today and will return Thursday.

A Look at Swansboro School

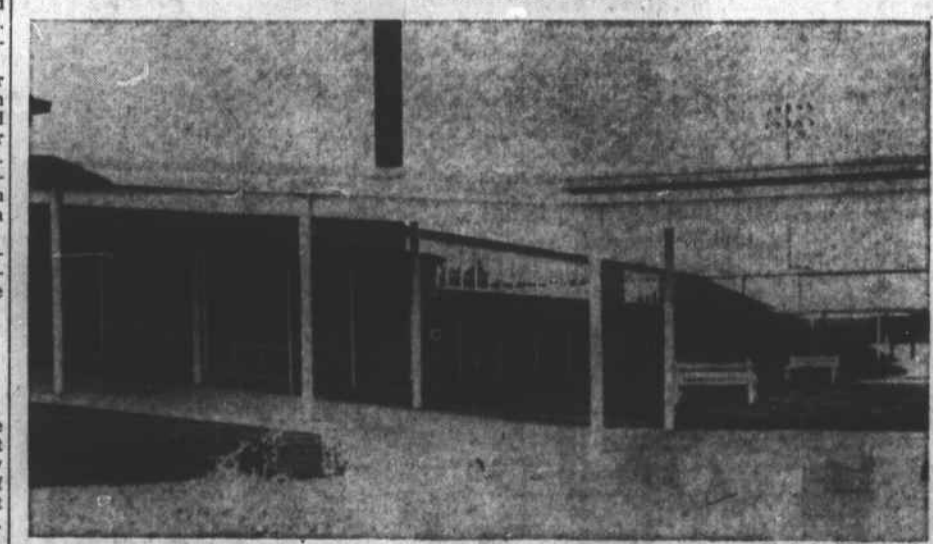


Photo by Bob Seymour

A group of Carteret residents recently toured the consolidated school at Swansboro. For a look at what they saw, turn to page 7 section 2, today's paper. The above photo shows breezeways connecting gymnasium, lunchroom and classroom unit.

Joe Bill Powell Poses As Deaf Mute Beggar

Joe Bill Powell, 35, of Wilson is being held in the county jail without bond. He is charged with raping Mrs. Rosemary Green, Bay Street, Morehead City, Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Green, nervous and distraught, appeared in the Morehead City police station shortly before 11 a.m. Wednesday and told chief Herbert Griffin that she had been raped a few minutes before.

The woman told the following story: Powell showed up at her house Tuesday and showed her and her husband framed papers stating that he was a student at a deaf mute school in Raleigh.

The Green's didn't have any money to give him and he left after a few minutes. The next morning he returned while Mrs. Green was alone.

He motioned that he wanted a drink of water. When the woman returned from the kitchen with a glass of water he had a small calibre pistol in his hand.

When he motioned for her to lie down on the bed, she began to cry and he grabbed her and threw her across the bed. Still threatening her with the pistol, Powell ripped the woman's clothes off and raped her.

As soon as he left, Mrs. Green got dressed and went to the police station. She showed the chief where the man had torn her clothes and where he had struck her on the face.

Chief Griffin detailed Lt. Carl Blomberg and Sgt. William Condie to look for the man while he watched the bus station. The chief kept an eye on the bus station until the bus left, then called for the officers to follow the bus out of town to see if the fugitive tried to get on a corner.

The policemen followed the bus out of town, then returned to their search in town. They found Powell as he was going into a house only a short distance from the Green home.

Once he was picked up, Powell tried to convince the officers that he could neither talk, hear, read nor write. A check with the school mentioned in the framed papers Powell used in his begging furnished an important lead.

The school said no such man had been enrolled but checked with other deaf mute schools in the state. A report came in from Wilson that a man answering that name had been seen in the area.

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Mercury Hits 60's This Week

Except for a couple of foggy days, Monday and Tuesday, the weather has been very pleasant in the county for the past week. Weather observer Stamey Davis says the temperature has gone into the 60's every day.

It quit raining and began to turn warm last Thursday, Mr. Davis reports. A total of 2.22 inches of rain had fallen up to that time. Since then there has been one brief shower—Monday noon.

Maximum and minimum temperatures and wind direction for the past week follow:

	Max.	Min.	Wind
Thursday	57	44	NE
Friday	54	43	NE
Saturday	53	35	E/NE
Sunday	66	40	S
Monday	65	52	Calm
Tuesday	64	53	SW
Wednesday	66	55	WNW

Smyrna Grade Mothers To Serve Ham Supper

The grade mothers of Smyrna School invite everyone to a ham supper in the school lunchroom tomorrow from 5 to 8 p.m.

Admission will be \$1 for adults and 60 cents for children. Tickets may be bought at the door or in advance from grade mothers.

Duke Professor Discusses Needs in Modern Education

Dr. Allen Hurlburt, professor of education, Duke University, addressed a joint meeting of the Morehead City, Beaufort, Camp Glenn and Newport Parent-Teacher Associations Monday night in the Morehead City school auditorium.

His subject was Changes in Education and the Needs Ahead.

Dr. Hurlburt compared the old theory of education—a mind is a muscle that will grow with exercise—with modern education where classroom subjects pertain to present problems.

Educators today are expected to prepare children to live in a future which no one can foresee. He cited world-wide understanding as the greatest need in today's society.

People may cry for more scientists, but the real need is understanding, he said.

Times are changing so fast that teachers graduated from college, ready to take a classroom, are behind the times right at the start.

He gave as an example geography as it was taught in his youth. All a pupil needed to know then, he said, was the capital of a foreign country and its exports.

As a result of two world wars, with changed ideas and ideologies, knowledge of the cultures of foreign countries are a necessity in the schools.

Dr. Hurlburt expressed amazement at the reaction in this country when the Russians launched

Theatre Sets Date of Try-Outs For June Drama

Carteret Community Theatre members have set dates for try-outs for Bonnie Blue Sweetheart and named a director for a radio play. The theatre met Wednesday night at the recreation building, Morehead City.

Try-outs for Bonnie Blue Sweetheart, the historical drama based on the life of Emeline Pigott, will be at 7:30 Saturday night, Feb. 21, at the WMBL radio studio and at 2:30 Sunday afternoon, Feb. 22, at the Morehead City recreation building. The play will be given June 12-13.

All persons in the county who are interested in appearing in the play are invited to the try-outs. A schedule will be published next week, showing what roles will be cast Saturday night and the roles to be cast Sunday.

Mrs. Tressa Vickers was named director of the half-hour radio play to be produced next month. The group voted to attend its annual dinner at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, at the Rex Restaurant. Miss Hortense Boomer and Mrs. Elaine Herndon will be in charge of the program.

Mrs. Vickers was appointed to have a theatre sign placed at the front of the recreation building.

Officers for the coming year were elected. They are Miss Ruth Peeling, president; Jimmy Wheatley, vice-president; Mrs. Virgil Lewis, business manager; Miss Patsy Holt, secretary; and Mrs. Frank Carlson, treasurer.

Miss Peeling appointed Miss Boomer, with the vice-president, as program chairman.

Dr. Rolf Siepmann was a visitor. Refreshments were served by Miss Lillian Frances Giddens and Mrs. Larry Barnett.

Sputnik. Contrary to popular belief, he declared, math and science courses in American public schools are good.

Where Russians excel: they have classes of reasonable size, their teachers are carefully selected (so are US teachers, but there are not enough); Russians pay their teachers more, Russian students are taught foreign languages early and extensively, education continues in Russia after school hours and during the summer.

Because of the swift changes, graduates of today will have jobs not known at present. In future years, the speaker added, 2,700 out of 3,000 will not be working at jobs they prepared for.

Commenting on the bond issue to be voted on in the county this month, Dr. Hurlburt said that large schools are necessary for a proper curriculum. It is no longer possible to find a teacher, he remarked, who will teach four or five different subjects.

In voting on a school bond issue, the question to be answered, the speaker said, is "Will this insure a better future for my son, my daughter, in my town, my county, my state, the United States?"

H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools, introduced the speaker. Dr. Hurlburt is a graduate of Cornell University, where he received his bachelor, master's and doctorate degrees.

He studied at Harvard, taught high school in New York where he also served as a principal, and came to East Carolina College in 1947 as professor of education. His next position was at Duke.

Dr. Hurlburt at one time taught an ECC extension course at Morehead City high school.

A. B. Cooper, Morehead City PTA president, presided. He asked all Morehead City school room representatives to meet Monday at the school to discuss promotion of the bond issue.