

## No Rain Cuts Yield of Crops; Less Than Half Inch in June

### Barden Reports On Status of Port Bill at Capitol

Lack of rain the past nine days has "cut the yield of everything", R. M. Williams, county agricultural agent, reported yesterday.

Farmers are in the midst of Irish potato harvest right now. The blueberry crop has been good. Picking of the berries is about complete.

The snapbean yield is down and Mr. Williams said nothing much can be expected from the tomato crop. Migrant crews are at work in the fields, as well as youth workers and day-haul laborers.

The county has gotten less than half an inch of rain since the first of June. The total rainfall has been .42 inch, according to Stamey Davis, Morehead City weather observer.

On the first day of June .27 fell, second day .07 and third day .08; none since then. Home gardens are parched and watering doesn't do much good.

"I hate to ruin the tourists' vacations, but we could sure use some rain right now," Mr. Davis said, "a nice shower during the night while they're sleeping."

Few farmers are equipped to cope with drought. Those who have irrigation systems are Neal Campen, K. W. Wright, Raymond Ball, Hugh Pake, Roy Keller, Roland Salter, Doll Lewis, Johnny Oglesby, Rufus Oglesby, Graydon Jordan, Jason Morrison, Lionel Pelletier and J. F. Winberry.

Weather such as the county is experiencing is frequently termed a "weather breeder". Some showers over the weekend are predicted, but the predictions as of yesterday were vague.

Temperatures and wind direction since June 4, follow:

	Max.	Min.	Wind
Thursday	79	66	NE
Friday	82	66	ENE
Saturday	86	62	NE
Sunday	96	68	S
Monday	86	67	SW
Tuesday	85	67	SW
Wednesday	88	69	SW

Funds being sought for the harbor enlargement and deepening of the channel to .35 feet total \$1,370,000.

## Bonnie Blue Sweetheart Drama Opens at 8 Tonight

### Coast Guard Makes Two Runs

Everything is in readiness for the opening of Bonnie Blue Sweetheart at 8 tonight in the Morehead City school auditorium.

The drama, produced by the Carteret Community Theatre, depicts a story of Civil War days in the Morehead City-Beaufort-Harlowe area. It will also be given at 8 tomorrow night.

It is based on the life of Emeline Pigott, Confederate spy who was born at Harlowe. Miss Ruth Peeling, who wrote the play, emphasizes that it is merely based on some of the historical facts in Miss Emeline's life. Much of it is fiction.

The play will run approximately two hours and 10 minutes. Curtain will be promptly at 8. If present plans are carried out, soft drinks will be available at intermission at the front of the Morehead City school building.

Tickets are available now at the Inlet Inn and Wheatley's men's store in Beaufort, at Helen's Beauty shop, Hill's, Dixon's Motel, Morehead Biltmore and the chamber of commerce office in Morehead City.

Tickets will also be available at the door. Reserved seat tickets may be purchased at the door, if all have not been sold in advance.

Reserved seat admission is \$1.50 per person for adult or child, \$1 general adult admission, and 50 cents for children of school age.

Many of the relatives of Miss Pigott are reported to be going to see the play. Among relatives in this county are Mrs. J. H. Davis, Harlowe, a niece of Miss Emeline; Mrs. D. G. Bell and Dr. Ben Royal of Morehead City, a grandniece and grandnephew, and the Pelletiers of Stella. Mrs. Dan Allen of Reidsville is also a grandniece of the play's heroine.

(Note from director to stage crew: Please wear sneakers tonight or plan to go in stocking feet while moving scenery in order to cut down on the amount of noise during scene changes).

## Accountants Will Convene Monday

The North Carolina Society of Accountants will convene Monday at the Morehead Biltmore Hotel. The convention will continue through Thursday.

Theme of the meeting will be Knowledge and Integrity Make Good Practitioners Better.

Serving on the convention committee are Mr. and Mrs. James C. Harvell, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon C. Willis, all of Morehead City; Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Fecher, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Spruill, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Blaylock, all of New Bern, and Mr. and Mrs. William D. Starling, Jacksonville.

Both Mrs. Harvell and Mrs. Willis will serve as registration clerks.

Mrs. Harvell has planned events for the women which include a guided tour of this area, cruise to Cape Lookout, visit to Cherry Point and Tryon Palace.

Between a hundred and a hundred and fifty persons are invited.

## Man Charged With Slaying Waives Hearing

Willie Grant, charged with the knife slaying of Pearl Piekin last Thursday, waived preliminary hearing in Carteret County recorder's court and he was bound over to superior court without bond.

Other cases in court Thursday follow:

Frank Johnson, charged with violation of fishing laws. Judgment suspended on payment of one-half court costs.

David Walter Webb, charged with having no operator's license. Called and failed to appear, thereby forfeiting bond.

Paul Jones, Newport, charged with allowing a person to use his driver's license. Charges dropped.

Dorsey Ray Locklear, charged with speeding. Charges dropped.

Jackie Holland Willis, charged with speeding. Charges dropped.

Gary Paul Batt, charged with speeding. Judgment suspended on payment of court costs.

Speeding charges against the following were dropped: John G. Gardner, Dennis Branes, Lee Bryant Jenkins, Sherwood V. Smith, Guy Dudley Jr., William Tilghman.

Alvin McCoy Edwards, charged with driving on the wrong side of the road. Not prosecuted by the state.

Lee Will Teel, charged with failing to comply with a court order. Not prosecuted by the state.

Guy Jerry Joyner, charged with having no insurance on his vehicle. Called and failed to appear, thereby forfeiting bond.

Pierson Willis, charged with aiding and abetting in an affray. Charges dropped.

Lucius Branton, charged with speeding and having no chauffeur's license. Called and failed to appear, thereby forfeiting bond.

Elmer Gillikin Jr., charged with public drunkenness and possession of non-tax paid whiskey. Called and failed to appear, thereby forfeiting bond.

John Bell Jr., charged with trespassing, threatening of life and threatening to burn the house of the prosecuting witness. The case was ruled malicious prosecution. Judgment of the court was that the prosecutor pay court costs.

Jesse Willard Gorman, charged with drunk driving and having no muffler. Judgment suspended on payment of \$100 and court costs.

James Edward Burton, charged with having no operator's license. Not prosecuted by the state.

Gary B. Snyder, charged with having no operator's license and going the wrong way on a one-way street. After deciding not to prosecute on the first charge, the court

## County Planning Board Bill Passes Reading in House

### Gloucester Club Plans Barbecue

The bill creating the Carteret County Planning Commission passed the second reading in the House Friday.

The bill, introduced by assemblyman D. G. Bell June 3, provides for planning commissioners with the "power and authority to adopt and enforce comprehensive regulations providing for the orderly growth and sound development of Carteret County."

The bill that would permit Beaufort's newly-elected town officials to take office in May passed the House June 5. The new law would become effective in 1961. At present, newly-elected officers' terms do not begin until July 1.

SB 347, introduced by Sen. Luther Hamilton, passed the second reading in the House last Friday. It permits county commissioners to levy special property taxes for payment of salaries of the county accountant, farm and home agents and veterans' service officer.

The bill making all cattle on Core Banks the property of Carteret County after June 1, 1959, passed the Senate last Thursday.

Four other bills recently ratified: allowing Newport to supplement teacher pay with non-tax funds; including new cemetery in Morehead town limits, and incorporating Bay Shore Park and Cape Carteret.

Although it had been hoped that the legislature could close shop by tomorrow, it looks now as though the session may lengthen into next week.

## Tide Table

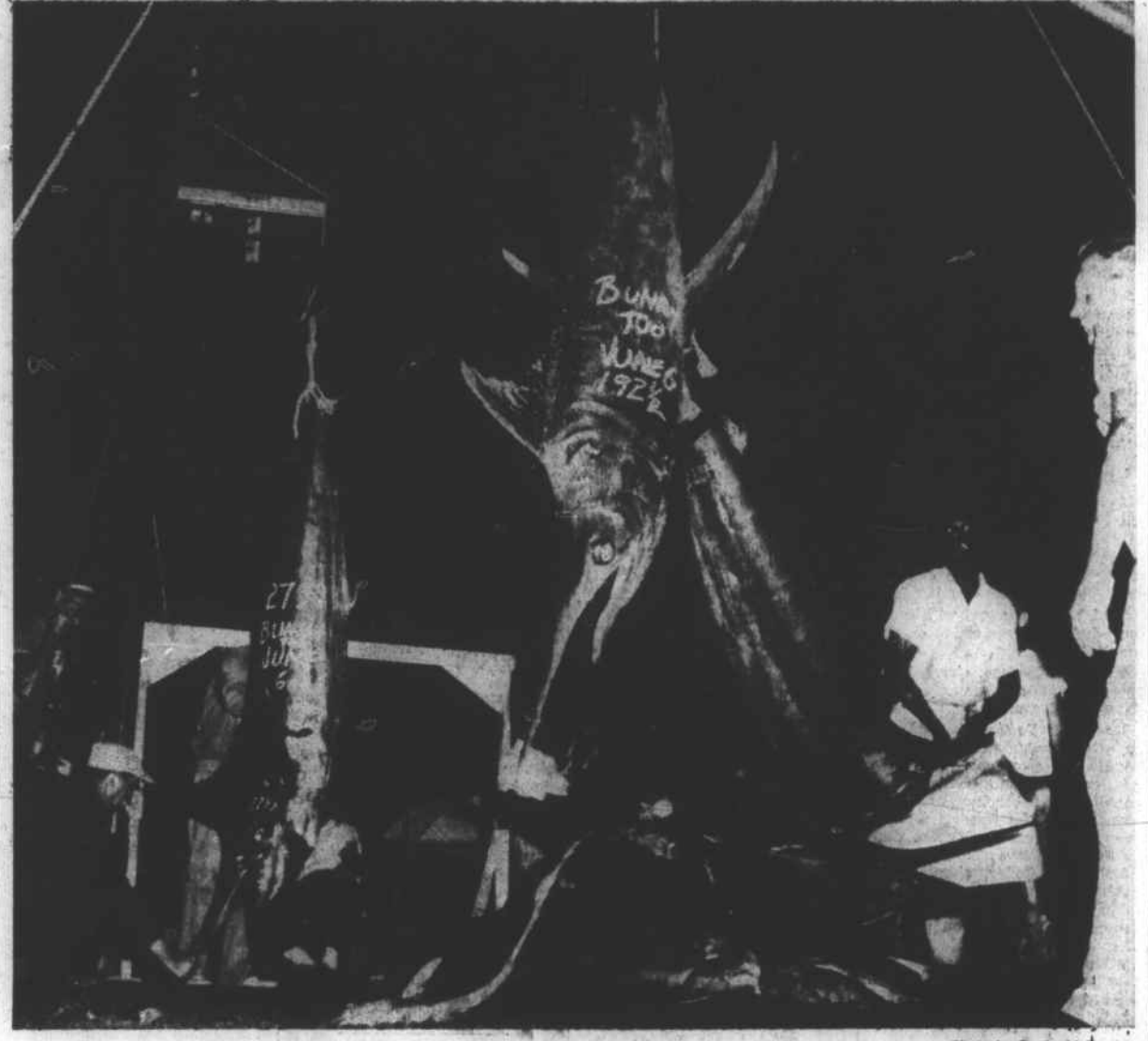
Tides at the Beaufort Bar

HIGH	Friday, June 12	LOW
12:33 a.m.	5:57 a.m.	6:00 p.m.
	Saturday, June 13	
12:38 a.m.	6:50 a.m.	7:21 p.m.
1:20 p.m.	Sunday, June 14	
1:23 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	
2:13 p.m.	8:49 p.m.	
	Monday, June 15	
2:23 a.m.	9:07 a.m.	
3:12 p.m.	9:56 p.m.	
	Tuesday, June 16	
3:29 a.m.	10:06 a.m.	
4:15 p.m.	10:55 p.m.	



One of the most important jobs backstage is that of prompter. Thelma Barnette, prompter for Bonnie Blue Sweetheart, is shown here on the job. Miss Ruth Peeling, director, hopes a prompter's services won't be needed tonight or tomorrow night.

## Billfish Catches Continue As Big News in Carteret



At Capt. Otis Purifoy's dock in Morehead City, the marlin got piled one on top of the other. The Negro workers on the dock are beginning to dread seeing the partyboats come home with more of those "big mules" as they term the monstrous game fish. What is being done with the marlin? The meat is delicious. Some is being filleted for the anglers who catch them. Some of the meat is being frozen or smoked. And of course, many of the heads and tails are being mounted.

## County Planning Board Bill Passes Reading in House

### Gloucester Club Plans Barbecue

The bill creating the Carteret County Planning Commission passed the second reading in the House Friday.

The bill, introduced by assemblyman D. G. Bell June 3, provides for planning commissioners with the "power and authority to adopt and enforce comprehensive regulations providing for the orderly growth and sound development of Carteret County."

The bill that would permit Beaufort's newly-elected town officials to take office in May passed the House June 5. The new law would become effective in 1961. At present, newly-elected officers' terms do not begin until July 1.

SB 347, introduced by Sen. Luther Hamilton, passed the second reading in the House last Friday. It permits county commissioners to levy special property taxes for payment of salaries of the county accountant, farm and home agents and veterans' service officer.

The bill making all cattle on Core Banks the property of Carteret County after June 1, 1959, passed the Senate last Thursday.

Four other bills recently ratified: allowing Newport to supplement teacher pay with non-tax funds; including new cemetery in Morehead town limits, and incorporating Bay Shore Park and Cape Carteret.

Although it had been hoped that the legislature could close shop by tomorrow, it looks now as though the session may lengthen into next week.

## Beaufort Policeman Checks Prowler Report

A report of a prowler at 201 Ann St., Beaufort, was received by the Beaufort police department early yesterday morning.

The call, received at 12:30 a.m. stated that a colored man was on the porch of the house at that address. Patrolman Mack Wade went to the scene but failed to find any sign of a prowler.

## State Broadcasters End Meeting Tuesday Noon

The North Carolina Association of Broadcasters, Inc., concluded their spring convention at the Morehead Biltmore Hotel Tuesday noon.

Election of officers was deferred until the October meeting at Southern Pines. The meeting opened Sunday afternoon.

## Meter School Closes Today

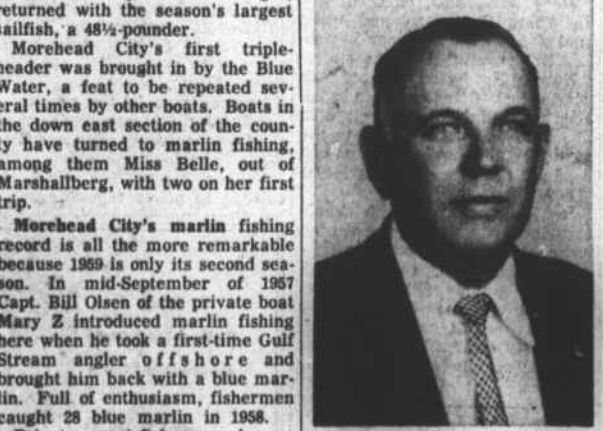
The 28th annual electrical meter school opened at Morehead City Tuesday under the auspices of State College. It closes today.

Meter department employees of the state's electrical utilities are meeting at Camp Glenn school building. The course, presented each year by the college's electrical engineering department and extension division, runs for four days.

The school is divided into three sections: single phase, polyphase, and an advanced course for the benefit of all persons enrolled.

More than 30 college professors and experts in the electrical field will instruct the course.

## Heads Lion District



James E. Crowe, Morehead City Lion, was elected governor of Lion district 31H at the state Lions Club convention this week at New Bern.

Mr. Crowe, who has served as deputy district governor, succeeds Ben H. Parrott of Kingston. He will take office July 3 and serve until July 1960.

Morehead City Lions set up a hospitality room at convention headquarters in the Governor Tryon Hotel, New Bern. Mr. Crowe commended O. J. Morrow, chairman of the room, and others who assisted him.

"They did a wonderful job," Mr. Crowe commented. Mr. Crowe, a resident of Beaufort, is deputy collector of customs in the Beaufort - Morehead City area.

## Survey Team Works at Ferry Site, Atlantic

A survey team was in Atlantic this week working on the location of the ferry slip for the Ocracoke-Atlantic-Sea Level ferry.

The ferry will land, according to present plans, at the foot of the road leading to the Methodist Church, on property owned by D. Mason.

Alfred, Leslie and William Taylor, three of the four Taylor brothers who are building and will operate the ferry, were in the county Tuesday and went to Ocracoke to check on plans for the ferry's operation from there.

Dan Taylor, West Palm Beach, Fla., the other Taylor brother, recently informed Cecil Morris of Atlantic that the ferry would definitely be in operation Labor Day.

Although the ferry is referred to as "Ocracoke-Sea Level-Atlantic" no official word has been received as to whether the ferry will operate into both Sea Level and Atlantic, or just Atlantic.

The Taylor brothers are particularly interested in Sea Level, their hometown, where they have built and operate the Sea Level Community hospital.

## Counties to Join In Soil-Testing Drive in Fall

Four counties, Carteret, Pamlico, Craven and Jones will join in November in a soil-testing campaign.

The program was discussed yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the County Agriculture Workers Council at the Carteret-Craven Electric Membership office.

Guest speakers were Dr. W. C. White, extension agronomist in soil management, and Dr. E. J. Kamprath of the soil testing service, both of Raleigh.

Attending the meeting in addition to the county's agriculture officials were representatives of seed and fertilizer firms and representatives of the Morehead City chamber of commerce and the Beaufort Community Development Corp.

Mr. Williams said that numerous farmers have not had a test made of their soil, therefore how to fertilize is a hit and miss affair. Furthermore, the soil testing lab at Raleigh is overburdened with work in the spring of the year, and sometimes cannot get reports back to farmers for three or four weeks.

For this reason, agriculture specialists are urging counties, by groups, to put on a special campaign to get soils tested.

Further developments in the November soil-testing program will be announced.

## Minister Still On Missing List

By yesterday afternoon, the sheriff's department had received no word on the whereabouts of the Rev. Virgil Moore, Camp Glenn Methodist pastor who disappeared a week ago.

Deputy sheriff Bobby Bell reported that he has written the legal division of the Veterans Administration, Winston-Salem, relative to the disappearance of Mr. Moore, a world war II veteran. Deputy Bell said veterans administration facilities will be put to work to locate the minister.

Mr. Moore was last seen at about 9 o'clock last Thursday when he closed out his personal account at a Carteret bank. He was driving a 1957 Chevrolet with the license number SS 902.

A native of Hickory, Mr. Moore married, in 1954 the former Mrs. Frank Brooks, Bayboro, who with her 13-year-old daughter is living in the parsonage at Camp Glenn.

## Proper Working Of Stop Lights Awaits Switch

The new signal lights at 24th Street and Arendell still aren't connected in the manner planned.

State highway officials have been here this week, but apparently another switch is needed to regulate traffic when a train passes 24th Street. According to unverified information, getting the switch is causing the delay.

The red and green signals were switched on for a brief time Wednesday a week ago, but then they went off and now the lights are merely blinking, as they have for the past several weeks.

The lights are at the intersection of the beach road and highway 70 in Morehead City.