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Press Association Opens Summer Meeting Last Night

Burnet R. Maybank Jr., lieutenant governor of South Carolina, addressed the North Carolina Press Association at its 87th annual convention last night at the Morehead Biltmore Hotel.

By 4 p. m. yesterday 150 newspaper men and women had registered for the meeting which will end at noon Saturday.

Scheduled events for today include the directors' breakfast at 8 a. m. and group meetings of the associated dailies and non-dailies at 2 this afternoon at the hotel.

At 4 the newspaper folks will leave for Cherry Point where they will be taken on a tour of the Marine Corps air station. Prior to dinner at the officers club, they will attend a social hour at the club.

John I. Anderson, president of the association, will preside at the annual business session at 10 a. m. tomorrow. At this session new officers will be elected.

Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood Phillips, publishers of THE NEWS-TIMES, were host at a social hour prior to the banquet last night. Toastmaster at the banquet was president Anderson.

Henry Bell, editor of the Goldsboro News-Argus, gave the invocation. The welcome was extended by Mrs. Phillips and George Dill, mayor of Morehead City.

E. A. Resch, editor and publisher of the Chatham News, Siler City, gave the response.

John Harden, of Harden Associates, Greensboro, introduced the speaker. Wade Lucas, public information director for the Department of Conservation and Development, spoke on civil defense.

Giving the formal welcome at the dinner tonight will be Col. R. K. Frazer, representing Gen. R. K. Rottet, commanding general of the station.

C. O. Jeffress, Greensboro, vice-president of the NCPA, will respond. "Hawaiian style" entertainment, following the dinner, will be in charge of Capt. E. W. Schultz of the public information office.

During tomorrow's business session, William C. Lassiter, general counsel of the NCPA, will give his report. Reports will be heard from Miss Beatrice Cobb, secretary-treasurer of the association, and Holt McPherson, head of the Journalism Foundation.

Harvey F. Laffoon, of the Elkin Tribune, and past president of the NCPA, will present the past president's pin to retiring president Anderson.

Officers Find Clarence Medlin

Clarence Medlin, wanted for robbery at the Curve Inn, Morehead City, on Jan. 16, 1957, was arrested Tuesday night at the Wagon Wheel, west of Morehead City.

Medlin is in the county jail under \$500 bond. Sheriff Hugh Salter said that when he, deputies Marshall Ayscue and Bruce Edwards picked Medlin up, he admitted that he knew they had been looking for him for two and a half years.

He is charged with taking approximately \$70 from the Curve Inn on Jan. 16, 1957. Police officers say that Ernest Lowe, who with his wife operated the Curve Inn, was drugged prior to the theft.

Lowe told officers that he took two drinks with Medlin and then passed out. Mrs. Lowe said that her husband was unconscious from 2:30 p. m. on the day of the theft until 11:30 that night.

According to court records, Medlin was under suspended sentence at the time the money disappeared. On Dec. 24, 1956, he was found guilty of temporary larceny of a car. Medlin is from Fayetteville.

C. H. Davis Jr. Becomes Deputy

Corbett H. Davis Jr., Davis, was sworn in Wednesday morning as deputy sheriff in the sheriff's office at Beaufort. The oath was administered by A. H. James, clerk of superior court.

Deputy Davis is a graduate of Smyrna high school and is married to the former Janet Wade of Williston.

Sheriff Hugh Salter reports that the addition of another deputy makes it possible now to have a law officer on duty around the clock, each officer working an eight-hour shift.

Lion Accepts Trophy



James Crowe, district governor of Lions International, presents the White Cane trophy to Cliff Edwards, Morehead City, right. Mr. Edwards led his club in raising the largest amount for the blind in Lions clubs of less than 30 members.

Ocracoke Civic Club Approves Engineer Report

The Ocracoke Civic Club, at a recent special meeting, voted unanimous approval of the recent U. S. engineer's report on deepening and widening the channel of Ocracoke Inlet.

A committee of the club was appointed to put the approval in written form for the July 6 hearing of the Rivers and Harbors Board at Washington, D. C. Highlights of a letter of approval, sent over the signature of R. S. Wahab, committee chairman, and others are as follows:

Commercial benefits: Thousands of fishing vessels used Ocracoke Inlet during 1958. Value of fish and shrimp (including menhaden), dependent on Ocracoke Inlet, runs in excess of \$1,000,000 annually. Ocracoke Inlet is the only entrance to inland waters between Cape Henry and Cape Lookout for craft with draft of more than 6 feet. As many as 200 vessels tie up in Silver Lake harbor at Ocracoke when the ocean is too rough for fishing and shrimping. It requires about 16 hours for the average vessel to run from Ocracoke Inlet to Cape Henry and seven hours to Cape Lookout.

Ocracoke Civic Club concurs in the opinion of the engineers that a channel 18 feet deep and 400 feet wide through the ocean bar, with a jetty, as required, on the north side, would reasonably meet the needs of present navigation.

Benefits to National Defense: Many ships were sunk during the war in vicinity of Diamond Shoals and between Portsmouth, N. C. and Wimbie Shoals. Navy had a force of more than 600 men based at Ocracoke. If Ocracoke Inlet had then had a channel 18 feet deep, sub-chasers and other Navy craft could have operated through the Inlet and prevented destruction in the vulnerable area of Diamond Shoals.

For all of the above reasons, the following committee members approved the report of district engineer: R. S. Wahab, Neafie Scarborough, Marvin W. Howard, Benjamin E. Spencer, Oscar Burrus, Thurston Gaskill, Benjamin O'Neal, Charles Stowe, Junius Austin and Theodore Rondthaler.

Down East was drenched with blinding rain Tuesday, while other parts of the county received no rain at all. Rainfall recorded Monday was 1.31 inches, for Tuesday, 1.42 inches.

Temperatures and wind direction for Monday through Wednesday follow:

Table with 4 columns: Day, High, Low, Wind. Monday: High 87, Low 76, Sw. Tuesday: High 90, Low 70, SW. Wednesday: High 87, Low 71, Var.

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Port Calendar Morehead City Port

Bahia Santiago de Cuba - Scheduled to leave yesterday with cargo of grain. Ship was delayed pending meeting of inspection requirements. It was originally scheduled to sail Tuesday.

Perseo - Docked yesterday with Esso products for Standard Oil.

Rita Maersk - Due today to load tobacco for the Far East.

Esso Annapolis - Due July 20 with petroleum products for Standard Oil.

Esso Patterson - Due July 23 with petroleum products for Standard Oil.

Nabob - Due July 24 to load tobacco for Europe.

Goettingen - Due July 31 to pick up cargo of tobacco for northern European ports.

To maintain an active rescue squad, 14 members must be obtained within three months, announced Ray Kennedy, assistant chief of the newly-organized squad in Morehead City.

Persons in Morehead City and vicinity interested in rescue work are invited to contact Frank Sarvis at the Dixie Barber Shop, phone PA 6-3206; after 6 p. m. phone PA 6-5438.

The membership fee is \$5. The rescue squad met Wednesday night at the West End fire station.

James Hatcher, head of the rescue squad at Mount Olive, was the speaker.

The plaque was presented him at a steak dinner.

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Motorist Cited After Wreck In Morehead City

Ralph Endy of Miami, Fla., was charged with speeding after being involved in a four-vehicle crash in downtown Morehead City early Thursday morning.

Endy, going east on Arendell at 12:20 a. m. struck a parked pickup at 1008 Arendell and knocked it into another truck parked beside it. After the collision, Endy's car continued down Arendell, jumping the railroad tracks and hitting a fourth vehicle which was travelling west.

Damage to the two parked trucks was heavy, according to patrolman Joseph Gaimo who investigated the accident. The first, a 1959 Chevrolet pickup, was damaged to the extent of \$1,000. The other vehicle, also a 1959 pickup, received \$500 in damages. The two vehicles were owned by Charles McKinley of Newport and Clarence Daniels of Charlotte, respectively.

Police estimated the damage to Endy's car to be \$1,800 and that to the fourth vehicle, a 1950 DeSoto, driven by James Birdie Rice of Morehead City, \$300.

Receiving minor injuries in the mishap were Endy and Curtis Hill. Both were taken to the Morehead City hospital and released after treatment.

Driving rain was the cause of a minor accident Tuesday afternoon when Jessie Lassiter of Norfolk, Va., backed his car from the curb at 7th and Arendell into the side of a car driven by Mary Moore of New Bern.

Lassiter told police he failed to see Mrs. Moore because of the rain falling at the time.

Investigating officer, chief W. H. Griffin, estimated the damage to Mrs. Moore's car to be \$50 while Lassiter's vehicle escaped damage.

No charges were filed against either driver.

Arendell and 14th street was the scene of another minor accident at 10:10 a. m. Wednesday.

Gladys Jones of Beaufort, going south on 14th, hit a truck that had been parked by Loftus Stocks of Morehead City. Mrs. Jones told police the truck was protruding into the street and when she attempted to go around it she scraped the rear of the truck.

Chief Griffin estimated damage to Mrs. Jones's 1956 Mercury at \$50 and that received by the truck, \$10.

No charges were filed.

Miss Beaufort, Peggy Jo Wallace at dinner Monday night at the Scout Building. Miss Wallace spoke briefly on her trip to the state pageant in Durham and thanked the Jaycees for all they had done for her since she was elected Miss Beaufort.

The Jaycees also voted to send letters of thanks to Jean Chadwick, Mrs. Charles Hassell, Gerhann Holland Jr. and to the merchants and persons who gave of their time and money to make the Miss Beaufort pageant a success.

First aid kits, which will be sold by members, have arrived and can

be purchased from any Jaycee for the price of \$1.

In other business, eight members announced plans to attend the district meeting to be held in Kinston Tuesday. Making the trip will be Dickie Dickinson, Billy Ippock, Guy Smith, George Thomas, Jesse Taylor, Henry Eubanks, Manley Mason and Raven Darden.

Miss North Carolina will be the guest of the Jaycees Tuesday and tentative plans for the day's schedule call for a tour of the old homes, an airplane trip and tour of Down East.

W. D. Allen, Newport, and Mrs. George Wetherington, route 2 Newport, were injured at 10:30 Tuesday morning in an auto accident a mile east of Newport on highway 70.

Mr. Allen suffered rib, leg and arm injuries and Mrs. Wetherington had several cuts.

Mr. Allen was riding in a 1956 Chevrolet driven by Mrs. Inez Allen. Mrs. Wetherington was in a 1950 Dodge driven by Mrs. Zeta Summerell of route 2 Newport.

State C&D Approves High Bridge Across 'Port' River

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Also approved was a regulation making it unlawful to take fish with nets in the commercial waters of Currituck Sound between April 10 and Sept. 15, or to sell or ship out of the county any fresh fish between these dates.

This ruling, however, does not apply to herring, mullet, shad, eel, catfish or carp.

The fisheries committee's recommendation eliminating the size limit on shrimp was also given approval.

The commissioner of fisheries, with the approval of the director of the Department of Conservation and Development and the advice of the director of the Institute of Fisheries Research, is authorized, however, to close temporarily any shrimping grounds or creeks whenever it appears that the major portion of the catch is composed of undersized shrimp.

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Photo by Reginald Lewis

Beaufort Mayor Appears Before Board at Morehead

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Driver Pays \$100 Fine in County Court Tuesday

Oliver Carndell was ordered by judge L. R. Morris to pay \$100 and court costs after being convicted of drunk driving in county recorder's court Tuesday.

Three assault cases were ruled malicious prosecution by the court and the prosecuting witnesses in each case were ordered to pay court costs. Defendants in the three cases were Mrs. Rosa Hyman, Harvey Atkinson and E. T. Thomas.

Lester Day, charged with violation of shrimping laws, was made to pay court costs. Violation of health laws brought a judgement of court costs to Roy L. Wooten.

Don Jeffers forfeited bond when he failed to appear. He was charged with having no liability insurance and improper use of dealer's plates.

Eddie Stanley paid court costs for having improper lights and Norman Coulson was taxed costs for allowing an unlicensed person to drive.

Jessie Goodwin was fined \$10 and court costs for speeding and Roy Savage paid court costs on charges of speeding and driving on the wrong side of the road.

Speeding and following too close necessitated payment of court costs by Otto Hartman.

In final court action, T. Ricks paid court costs on charges of public drunkenness.

Sixty-four cases were continued until the next term of court.

Woman Found Guilty of Theft

Marian Shepard of Morehead City was convicted of larceny of personal property valued at less than \$100 in Morehead City recorder's court Monday and drew a sentence of six months in jail.

The sentence was suspended on condition that she remain on good behavior for a period of two years and make restitution to Mrs. Elizabeth Howland in the amount of \$50. She was also ordered to pay court costs.

Tampa Green of Havelock appeared in court to answer charges of driving with no operator's license. Judgment of the court was that his 30-day jail sentence be suspended on payment of \$25 and court costs. Green was also charged on a separate warrant with driving after his license had been suspended. The state decided not to prosecute on this charge.

Julian Wade of Morehead City was charged with public drunkenness, his third offense within a 12-month period. Judge Herbert O. Phillips sentenced Wade to six months in jail.

The sentence was appealed to the next term of superior court and Wade's bond set at \$50.

William Alfred Sanders of Camp Lejeune paid \$25 and court costs after being found guilty of public drunkenness and unlawful parking on the highway.

Lloyd Brinson Jr. of New Bern paid court costs on charges of driving without lights and Frederick C. Jones of Key West, Fla., forfeited bond when he was called and failed to appear to answer charges of having no operator's license and failing to stop at a red light.

There were 12 cases continued until next week's term of court.

Sheriff Devises Plan To Curb Speaker Thefts

Drive-in theatres are now cooperating with the sheriff to prevent theft of car speakers.

Sheriff Hugh Salter said that numerous speakers have been disappearing lately from drive-in theatre lots. Now, however, speaker poles are being numbered.

The car license number will be taken as the car parks by a pole and the pole will be checked when the car leaves. If the speaker has disappeared, the guilty party can be identified by the license number and apprehended.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar

Table with 4 columns: Time, Day, High, Low. Friday, July 17: 5:30 a.m. HIGH, 11:41 a.m. LOW. Saturday, July 18: 6:00 p.m. HIGH, 12:30 a.m. LOW. Sunday, July 19: 6:54 a.m. HIGH, 12:37 p.m. LOW. Monday, July 20: 7:25 a.m. HIGH, 1:23 a.m. LOW. Tuesday, July 21: 8:17 a.m. HIGH, 2:13 a.m. LOW. 8:36 p.m. HIGH, 3:02 a.m. LOW. 9:09 a.m. HIGH, 3:14 p.m. LOW.