

## Rites Conducted Yesterday For Man Found at Crab Point

The funeral service for Eugene Bell Jr., 37, Morehead City, who was found dead Tuesday at Crab Point, was conducted at 10:30 yesterday morning.

A jury, impaneled by coroner David Menden, on Wednesday afternoon ruled that Bell's death was caused by a perforated stomach ulcer. Jurors found that he did not meet death by violence or foul play.

The body, in a decomposed state, was found on the Tom Mills farm by Mrs. Norman Avery and her daughters, who were working in the tobacco field. The Averys farm the Mills' land.

Bell was lying beside an abandoned tobacco barn. Deputy sheriff Bobby Bell, who was notified of the body at 8 a. m. Tuesday by a phone call from Gordon Laughton, Crab Point, said that investigation is still under way to determine who might have seen Bell alive last.

Bell is believed to have died Saturday or sometime Sunday. He was identified Tuesday from cards found in his wallet.

After the phone call from Mr. Laughton, deputy Bell and sheriff Hugh S. Lister summoned the coroner, went to the tobacco barn, took pictures of the body and then had it removed to the Dill funeral home in Morehead City.

Because Bell lived with different relatives and friends from time to time, no one missed him. Coroner Menden said that questioning of Bell's associates indicates that he and some of his friends used the tobacco barn as headquarters for parties.

Because of the condition of the body, it was impossible to determine, he said, whether Bell had met with physical violence, so a pathologist, Dr. Robert G. Lancaster, US Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, was called to Morehead City to perform an autopsy.

The coroner's jury was present during the autopsy at the Bell-Munden funeral home. They were deputy sheriff Bruce Edwards, Harvey Gaskins, A. N. Willis, deputy sheriff C. H. Davis, deputy sheriff Bobby Bell and chief of police Herbert Griffin, Morehead City.

Dr. Lancaster, in his statement, said that there was no evidence of skull fracture and "no other external marks of violence." He attributed cause of death to a perforated ulcer in the pyloric end of the stomach.

Bell is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Luther Lawrence, Morehead City; Mrs. Annie Strickland, New Bern; Mrs. Charles Gaskins, Newport; and three brothers, Mart, Harry and William, all of Morehead City.

The funeral service yesterday at the Dill funeral chapel was conducted by the Rev. John Paul Jones, pastor of the Pentecostal Holiness Church, Morehead City.

### Home Economics Agent Attends 4-H Week

Mrs. Floy Garner, home economics agent, will take a week's vacation next week, following return from 4-H Club week at Raleigh this weekend. Climaxing 4-H Club week will be the Talent Parade on TV tonight, in which Ann Marie Lewis, Morehead City, will play a piano solo.

The show will be telecast in the western part of the state. Miss Lewis, member of the Camp Glenn 4-H Club, was a winner in the talent division of the district 4-H contests early this month.

Mrs. Garner will attend the Rural Women's Symposium in Raleigh Aug. 3-6. From Aug. 10 to Aug. 16 Mrs. Garner will attend 4-H camp at Swannanoa. She will be back in the home agent's office Aug. 17.

## Driver Draws Suspended Sentence in City Court

Edward Culpher of Morehead City was sentenced to 90 days in jail Monday in Morehead City recorder's court after being convicted of multiple traffic violations. Culpher was cited for having no operator's license, having no liability insurance, having improper registration, fraudulent use of another person's license plates and larceny of license plates.

Judge Herbert O. Phillips suspended the jail sentence on a year's good behavior on the part of Culpher and payment of \$25 and court costs.

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## Two-Week Civil Court Term to Begin Aug. 17

### Defendant Fined For Giving Beer To Young Person

### Percy Green Appeals To Superior Court

### B. Joshua Jailed After Breaking Court Order

Percy Allen Green was sentenced to six months in jail Tuesday in county recorder's court after he was found guilty of aiding and abetting a minor and giving beer to a minor. The sentence was suspended by judge L. R. Morris on payment of \$50 and court costs, on condition that the defendant remain away from Atlantic Beach for three years and that he remain on good behavior for the same length of time.

Green appealed to superior court and his bond was set at \$200.

The court decided to dismiss charges against six defendants charged with failing to comply with a court order. The six were Clifton Styron, Moya Taylor, Roger L. Trott, A. L. V. Russell Kuehl, Charles L. Spruill and Gladys Penny.

Speeding convictions brought payment of court costs to three defendants, Jesse Fitzhugh Littleton Jr., Russell W. Wilberg, and Kenneth Lawrence.

Reta Martin paid court costs after being found guilty of having no operator's license and Zolton S. Bologh forfeited bond on a traffic charge. Bologh was charged with improper lights and having no muffler.

Leslie R. Farrow was sentenced to 30 days in jail for issuing a worthless check and Mrs. Milton Brown was ordered to pay court costs and make a check good on a similar charge.

The state decided not to prosecute Nelson Lewis on a charge of public drunkenness while Mose Jackson paid \$10 and court costs for being drunk in public.

Carl Thomas Sawyer was found guilty of throwing trash on the highway and ordered by the court to pay costs.

Benjamin Joshua was sentenced by judge Morris to serve one year on the roads for failing to comply with the terms of a suspended sentence of July 27, 1957.

Moody Lewis was charged with non-support but the state decided not to prosecute.

Timothy Kelly was charged with careless and reckless driving and having no operator's license. The state decided not to prosecute on the second charge but found Kelly guilty of careless and reckless driving and ordered him to pay \$10 and court costs.

Jerry Wayne Brown was found guilty of speeding on a bridge. He said costs. Brown was also charged with careless and reckless driving and improper passing on a bridge but was acquitted on both counts.

There were 71 cases continued until next week's term of court.

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Because a special term of civil court has been scheduled to clear a heavy docket, county commissioners met Tuesday night at the courthouse to draw names of 78 prospective jurors.

The court term will open Monday, Aug. 17, and run two weeks. Judge J. B. Craven Jr., Morganton, will preside.

Names of the following were drawn:

Morehead City: Carl Paxton, Russell Bunch, Jimmy Wallace, Frances Scott Davis, William A. Howland Jr., Charles J. Southard, W. C. Carlton, Gerald V. Phillips, Clarence A. Bell, Frank Cassiano, H. O. Phillips, Joyce M. Collins, Stephen Roberts, Abbott Morris, W. B. Chalk, Charles Willis, John W. Alford Jr., W. H. Marks Jr.

Thomas J. Fish, H. W. McBride, Fannie Wade Willis, Edward Earl Guthrie, Joseph D. Rose Jr., Clarence T. Pelletier, Henry Goodwin, Herman J. Wetherington, A. C. Hodge, C. R. Davant, Edward C. Weeks, Elbert G. Weeks, Michael P. Holowitz, and Lucille Piner.

Beaufort: Orville G. Gaskill, Wallace W. Garner, Guy L. Brooks, Robert L. Davis, M. R. Whitley, Herman Leroy Arthur, Rogers H. Hunt, Clarence Willis.

Arvis McGehee, Clarence Stamper, Delance Willis, Joseph B. Windley, Salvatore Palazzo, Edmond T. Nelson, Thomas H. Potter, T. E. Kelly, and Gray Hassell.

Newport: Allen Garner, B. O. Ketter, Ira J. Culpepper, Andrew Nance Sr., Joseph L. Morton, James H. Small, Ralph Creech, Kenneth B. Lewis, Valverta Garner.

Atlantic: Eugene Willis, Wilbur S. Goodwin, Iris Fulcher.

Straits: J. M. Davis, H. C. Whitehurst.

Stacy: Romain Gaskill, Connie Daniels, Lloyd Hill.

Sea Level: William A. Lloyd, Williston, Guy Willis, Satter Path, Abron Willis, Davis, Joe Davis, Alger G. Willis, Reginald T. Styron; Harkers Island, Matthew L. Fulcher Jr.

Merrimon: George T. Tosto Jr., Jimmy Pittman; Smyrna, Ronald P. Styron.

Half of the above-named are scheduled to serve on the jury the first week and the remainder the second week.

### Woodmen Announce Saturday Night Program

Woodmen of the World, Newport, announce that their lodge hall is open every Saturday night from 8 until midnight for members and their guests. Bingo is played from 8 until 10, followed by a dance.

There is a charge for playing bingo, with proceeds going into the general funds of WOW Camp 336 and WOW Court 1130. Prizes are given and refreshments are on sale.

Woodmen are invited to take part in the camp and court activities.

## Jury Rules Prisoner's Death Suicide

After five minutes' deliberation Monday night, a six-man coroner's jury ruled that Leonard West, 28, Newport, "died as a result of hanging by his own hands." The jury, with Ernest O. Lewis of Morehead City as foreman, found no evidence on which to hold J. Roscoe Garner, Newport, who was in the same cell with West at the time of his death.

Close to a hundred persons, most of them from Newport, gathered in the courtroom of the Morehead City municipal building to hear testimony at the inquest conducted by coroner David Menden.

J. W. Sykes, state highway patrolman, was the first witness. He said he arrested Garner and West Saturday night.

At 8:30, he testified, he was sitting in the Busy Bee cafe in Morehead City having a cup of coffee when Jack Crosswell, Raleigh, came in and reported that he had followed a car into Morehead City on highway 70 from the west.

The patrolman said Crosswell told him there was "something wrong with the people operating the car," because it was weaving all over the road.

The witness said that Crosswell told him the car had made a right turn from Arendell to 6th Street (the street by the ice plant), then Crosswell offered to go with the patrolman to locate the car.

Patrolman Sykes said that in several seconds they located the car on Evans Street, "sitting crosswise on the street" in the 600

## Beaufort Starts Planning Celebration Of Town's Founding 250 Years Ago

### Beauty Accepts Beaufort Key



Judith Lynn Klipfel, Miss North Carolina, left, accepts the key to Beaufort Tuesday from Mayor W. H. Potter. At right is her mother, Mrs. Harold Klipfel, who accompanied her on her week's vacation to Carteret this week.

Miss North Carolina of 1960, Judith Lynn Klipfel, will leave Morehead City tomorrow afternoon after a week's vacation in Carteret as the guest of the Jaycees.

The pretty brunette and her mother will depart from the Beaufort-Morehead airport at 4:40 p. m. They will fly to their home in Ashboro where they will spend two days before taking off for Greensboro.

Miss North Carolina spent all day yesterday deep sea fishing and today will be the guest of the Oceanana Resort and Motel on Atlantic Beach. Before leaving tomorrow, Miss Klipfel and her mother will eat lunch at 1 p. m. at Capt. Bill's restaurant on the waterfront.

### 4-H Camp Applications Due by Friday, July 31

Carteret County Agricultural Workers remind 4-H Club members interested in attending Swannanoa 4-H Camp to send in their applications to the county agricultural agent or home economics agent no later than Friday, July 31.

The home economics agent is Mrs. Floy Garner and the agricultural agent is R. M. Williams. Mail should be addressed to them at Beaufort.

### Fire Destroys Merrill Pump House Yesterday

Beaufort firemen answered an alarm at 9:45 yesterday morning at the home of W. J. Merrill on highway 101. A pump house was on fire and the blaze was well under way when firemen arrived.

The house and all equipment inside was a total loss, according to the fire department.



Peggy Jo Wallace, Miss Beaufort, left, joined Beaufort town officials in welcoming Miss North Carolina to Beaufort Tuesday. Judith Lynn Klipfel holds the key to Beaufort and a bouquet of roses presented her by mayor Potter in front of the courthouse.

## Three Days of Activities Proposed for June 1960

Preliminary plans were outlined Tuesday night for celebration next year of Beaufort's 250th anniversary. A meeting with representatives of town organizations was conducted at Holden's Restaurant by William Roy Hamilton, town commissioner in charge of trade and civic affairs. Twenty-seven persons attended.

As presently proposed, the celebration would last three days and be staged next June. Grayden Paul, who conducts guided tours in Beaufort on special occasions and is interested in Beaufort history, presented several suggestions for celebration events.

Those include staging of the landing of the Spaniards in Beaufort in 1747, establishment of a museum of sea life and fishing in a menhaden boat on the waterfront, water or shrimp boat parade, boat races, water ski exhibitions and the Old Homes Tour.

It has been proposed that the organization be known as the Society for the Preservation of Beaufort's Historical Heritage, operating under the charter of the Beaufort chamber of commerce. Whether the organization would become permanent or be in existence only until after the celebration was not determined.

Beaufort is 250 years old this year, having been founded in 1709, but the celebration is proposed for next year to allow more time for planning.

A budget of \$10,000 has been proposed. The group discussed raising the money by soliciting contributions from all residents of Beaufort and the surrounding area. It is planned to hire a director, a resident of Beaufort, who will be paid.

Next Thursday, July 30, was set as the date for the next meeting of the group and formal organization. The time will be 8 p. m. at Holden's Restaurant.

Each civic organization, lodge and church is requested to name a permanent representative to be a member of the new organization.

Represented at Tuesday's meeting were the Rotary Club, downtown businessmen, Woman's Club, Business and Professional Women's Club.

Rebekahs, Odd Fellows, the town administration, Ann Street Methodist Church, First Free Will Baptist Church, the VFW and PTA. Mayor W. H. Potter was present.

### Temperature Goes Up To 90's on Two Days

The hot sticky weather that preceded the rains is back with us, says weather observer Stamey Davis, who reports that temperatures for the past few days have reached the 90-degree mark.

Temperature ranges for the period Monday through Wednesday were recorded by Mr. Davis, as follows:

	High	Low	Wind
Monday	88	79	SW
Tuesday	90	79	SW
Wednesday	90	77	SE

As for Pelletier Creek, west of Morehead City (sometimes referred to as Coral Bay), Army engineers say they can do no dredging there unless a dock is built for public use.

The creek dead-ends and is not a through-way for boats. Until such a dock is built, Army engineers say they can do nothing about dredging requests, Mr. Merrill reported.

### Mrs. W. A. Mace Jr. Slightly Injured In Auto Accident

Mrs. W. A. Mace Jr., formerly of Beaufort, and her sister, Mrs. Mollie Strodenburg, Seattle, Wash., were slightly injured Monday, July 13, in an automobile accident near Petersburg, Va. With Mrs. Mace was her daughter, Billie, 9, who was not injured.

According to reports received by the family here, the car crashed into a telephone pole during a heavy rainstorm as Mrs. Mace and her passengers were coming south from Washington, D. C.

The two women were hospitalized overnight. Mrs. Strodenburg suffered a broken rib and had stitches taken in a cut in her arm. Both women were reported to have been thrown from the car.

Billie, riding on a stool in the back of the car, remained in the car and escaped injury.

The Maces make their home in Southport.

Newport Rotary Meets  
I. E. Pittman of Morehead City, Heywood Jones of Zebulon and R. L. Pruitt of Newport were visitors Monday night at the meeting of the Newport Rotary Club. In club business, W. D. Heath Jr. was appointed program director for a six-month period ending Dec. 31.



J. Roscoe Garner, Newport, who was in the jail cell with Leonard West, Newport, Saturday night when West put his chin in his belt and broke his neck, testifies at the inquest Monday night. West looped his belt around the cell door bars and suspended himself by it. His feet were clear of the floor when officers found him.

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