

## Ellis Smith's Body Found; Report Filed on Accident

The body of Ellis Smith, 47, of King, was found at 12:30 p.m. Friday about 100 yards from the spot where Smith disappeared Tuesday when the skiff from which he was fishing was struck by a trawler.

Sheriff Hugh Salter said the body was sighted by Walter R. Bryan, Winston-Salem, who was in the vicinity of the bulkhead buoy in his boat, Karen E. Bryan called to a smaller boat which came to the spot and then he went to the Coast Guard station. The Coast Guard sent a boat to pick up the body.

Coroner David Menden set 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26, as the date of inquest. It will be conducted at the Morehead City municipal building. Impaneled as a jury Friday were Elmer Davis, L. J. Hill and Thomas Hewitt, Beaufort; L. A. Daniels, E. B. Fleming and Clifton Lynch, Morehead City.

## Court Grants Four Divorces In Civil Term

Four divorces were granted in the early hours of the current term of civil court in Beaufort yesterday. The divorce actions were Bobby J. Lawrence vs. Frances C. Lawrence, Norman Willis vs. Adith Willis, Joyce W. Godwin vs. Donald L. Godwin, and Irene A. Garner vs. J. B. Garner.

Eight divorce suits docketed for trial were continued.

A. H. James, clerk of court, reported that motions in the Lockhart suits against insurance companies will not be heard, since the insurance companies "had paid off." The suits were filed to obtain payment of insurance on a building owned by Stanley Lockhart. The building, located on highway 70, burned.

Trials continued as of yesterday were Taylor vs. Carteret-Craven Electric Corp., Gillikin vs. Gillikin, Thoe vs. Matthews, Smith vs. Paul, and Day vs. Godwin.

Judge W. J. Bundy is presiding. Court is scheduled to end Thursday.

Serving as jurors this week are James C. Willis, Earl P. Becton, Manley E. Morton, Roy H. Willis, Lloyd E. Stocks, H. I. Thompson, William T. Davies.

Robert Kelly, H. P. Scripture, Douglas Hufham, Harvey Taylor, D. E. Oglesby, Mrs. D. B. Webb, James H. Potter III.

E. T. Arrington, Andrew Guthrie, Gerald Piner, Ralph M. Nelson, S. K. Hedgecock, Ivey Mason, Owen Dail.

L. H. Garner, Ruby T. Becton, Lucile A. Smith, M. L. Byrd, Ralph L. Willis and I. E. Pittman.

A term of criminal court will open Monday, Nov. 9. Jurors for that term were named this month.

Coast Guard authorities revealed yesterday that a report of reckless and negligent operation of the trawler Phillip has been submitted to the Coast Guard office of marine inspection.

The Phillip, with Elzy Guthrie, master, collided with a small skiff in Beaufort Inlet last Tuesday. Three men were in the skiff. One of them, Ellis Smith, 47, drowned.

As a result of the reckless operation report, the office of marine inspection has made an investigation at Morehead City, interviewing persons involved in the accident.

This report, according to a Coast Guard spokesman, will be sent to the Coast Guard district commander for review. If facts warrant it, the Coast Guard said, Guthrie will be cited for reckless and negligent operation of a boat.

Federal statutes call for a fine not exceeding \$2,000, a year in prison, or both. In place of that, the Coast Guard district commander can assess a penalty up to \$200.

Coast Guard authorities state that this is the first report of violation in this area of the new federal motorboat act of 1958.

Reckless boat operation covers anything that would endanger anyone on the water, such as excessive speed, drinking while operating a boat, water skiing among bathers or among anchored fishing boats, or running without lights at night, according to the motorboat act.

## Dock Goes Up For Fish Boats

A dock for menhaden boats is being constructed on Front Street, extending from the Esso dock at the foot of Turner, eastward to the Carteret Hardware Co.

The dock, consisting of a 6-foot walkway with pilings for the tying of boats, is being put in by Wesley Willis of Standard Products Co., Beaufort. Construction is by Thomas Eure, Beaufort contractor.

Mr. Willis said he hopes the work will be completed by the first of November. Easements were obtained from property owners so that the dock could run approximately half a city block. Cost of the job has been estimated between \$8,000 and \$10,000.

Work began the first of October. The first boats are expected to start fishing about Nov. 15.

## Hub Caps Stolen

Car strippers are still at work. Parker Motors, Morehead City, reported to police yesterday morning that four hub caps were stolen Sunday night from a 1955 Buick on the Parker lot. A valve stem on one of the tires was also cut off.

## Federal Personnel Asked To Give School Information

Coast Guard, Marine Corps personnel, and other federally-connected people who have children in Carteret public schools are requested by the school administration to sign and return to the school by Oct. 28 a "Pupil-Parent Information Card."

H. L. Joslyn, superintendent of schools, asks that any parent who does not receive such a card, notify the child's teacher and request a card.

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3. Coast Guard Base, Morehead City

(a) USCG Station, Fort Macon  
(b) USCG Cutter Chilula  
(c) USCG Cutter Conifer

4. Fishery Biology Station, Beaufort
5. Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point
6. Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune
7. Swansboro Lifeboat Station, Bogue Banks

**Woman Stranded**  
A woman and young child were left stranded at the beach Saturday night by the woman's husband. Sheriff Hugh Salter was notified and arranged for transportation of the two to their home upstate. The woman said she did not want to prefer charges against her husband.

## Dec. 29 Probable Date for Higher Water Rates

● Utilities Commission Sets Dec. 1 for Hearing  
● Manager Announces Proposed New Rates

Proposed new rates for water in Beaufort, Morehead City and Snow Hill probably will not go into effect until Dec. 29, C. W. Williams, manager of Carolina Water Co., which services those towns, said Friday.

The State Utilities Commission has set Tuesday, Dec. 1, as the date for hearing on the new rates, which call for a 30 per cent increase. Although the water company could put the new rates into effect immediately by posting bond, Mr. Williams said that the company has chosen to have the hearing first and up the rates in accordance with the utility commission's decision.

Should the commission not allow the increase, refunds to customers would have to be made under the bond-posting plan.

The water rates now and the proposed rates follow:

Present	Proposed	
First 5,000 gallons	\$.48	\$.62
Next 10,000 gallons	.42	.55
Next 15,000 gallons	.39	.51
Next 20,000 gallons	.33	.43
Next 50,000 gallons	.27	.35
Next 100,000 gallons	.21	.27
Over 200,000 gallons	.20	.26

Rental for fire hydrants will remain the same, \$45 a year, flush tanks will stay the same, \$50 a year but the minimum charge will increase from \$1.65 to \$2.13.

Water in excess of a town's ordinary requirements for flushing sewers, streets and fire protection will be metered and billed at 26 cents per thousand gallons instead of the present 20 cents per thousand.

The rates on a private sprinkler system for fire protection remain the same: \$50 per year up to 500 sprinkler heads; 8 cents per sprinkler head for each additional one over 500. The \$50 is billed once a year.

Also remaining in effect is the regulation that the customer may not share or resell water if one or more customers is using one meter. The customer will be billed as many "minimums" as there are customers using water.

Mr. Williams said the increase, to home owners, would amount to about a cent and a half daily. Mr. Williams pointed out that the water company has put down deep wells recently, as well as made other improvements in the water systems.

The rates now being paid, Mr. Williams said, went into effect in March 1956.

## Voters to Decide One Week From Today on State Bonds

### Bird Club Will Meet at Biltmore

The Carolina Bird Club will meet Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Morehead Biltmore Hotel.

Among the speakers will be George Ball and Dr. B. F. Royal, both of Morehead City. There will be field trips Saturday and on Sunday the club is invited to visit Camp Bryan, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Conderman, New Bern, and Tryon Palace at New Bern.



Anne Marie Lewis

## Anne Marie Lewis Plays Maid in Angel Street

Anne Marie Lewis, who made her debut in the Carteret Community Theatre in Bonnie Blue Sweetheart, plays the part of a flippant maid in Angel Street, the sinister, chilling drama to be staged at 8 p. m. Saturday in the Morehead City recreation center.

Miss Lewis is the daughter of Lt. Cdr. and Mrs. William H. Lewis, Morehead City. She is a freshman at Morehead City high school.

Others in the cast are Ruth Durham, John Wagner, George Beaver, Wayne King, Bill Davis, and Thomas Respass. Directing the play, the first of the theatre's current season, is Jimmy Wheatley.

Admission is a dollar for adults and 50 cents for students. Students, who usually go to the recreation center Saturday night for dancing, are invited to attend the play. Special arrangement has been made with the recreation commission to allow staging the play this coming Saturday night.

Building of new stage sets has been possible through the cooperation of Capt. Jim Mitchell and boys in his vocational training class at Morehead City school, reports Tressa Vickers, who with Lillian F. Giddens, is supervising the stage settings.

Tickets are on sale now at Wheatley's men's store and the Bob 'n Sue shop, Beaufort, Hill's, D. B. Webb's and the Dress Shop in Morehead City.

Members of the Morehead City Merchants Association will meet at noon today at the Hotel Fort Macon, announces Otis Jones, president.

## Smyrna PTA Will Serve Supper Friday, Oct. 30

The Smyrna PTA will sponsor a ham supper, followed by a movie Friday, Oct. 30. Proceeds will be used to clear and grade four acres of woods behind the school for a playground. The supper was planned at the recent PTA meeting.

The Rev. Graham Baker of the Welcome Home Free Will Baptist Church of Bettie opened the meeting with devotions.

Charles Harris, president, presided. The treasurer, Mrs. Edward Moore, reported a balance of \$227.91. Otway membership chairman turned in \$39.50 in dues.

Banners for attendance were won by Mrs. Nellie Willis's fourth grade, Norman Chadwick's 9-A and Mrs. Nancy Piner's 10-B.

Slides on soil testing and analyzing were shown and discussed by Joseph Owens, faculty member. He told the audience they could have soil tested free of charge and explained the correct way to take a sample.

After the business meetings everyone went to the luncheon and were served pie and coffee by Bettie community.

## Money Would be Used For New Buildings

Carteret voters will join voters of the other 99 North Carolina counties next Tuesday to decide whether the state should borrow approximately \$34 1/2 million.

Saturday was the last day that persons who are not already registered, could register for the bond election.

There are nine separate uses to which the money will be put if approved by the voters. The issues may be voted on, for or against, separately.

They are as follows:

- \$18,891,000 — For constructing state college and university buildings
- \$12,053,000 — For building mental institutions
- \$1,500,000 — For grants-in-aid for community college improvements
- \$500,000 — For state participation in local hospital construction
- \$100,000 — For building armories
- \$466,000 — For construction at state training schools
- \$140,000 — For construction at the State Blind Rehabilitation center
- \$500,000 — For port facilities at Southport
- \$250,000 — For use at historical sites and for restoration of historical sites.

J. W. Umstead Jr., chairman of the Citizens' Bond Election Committee for a Better North Carolina, in a statement this week, said, "All of the items in the bond bill are worthwhile, but there are some items that represent a real crisis. Although I am supporting all of them, the one in which I am especially interested is the appropriation for mentally retarded children."

Mr. Umstead said that at present there are 13 Carteret children waiting to be admitted to institutions for the mentally retarded. In addition to that, he added that there are 10 others who have not made application for admission because they have been told that there is no room.

Pleading for the mentally retarded, Mr. Umstead said, "Some of these cases are tragic, but there is nothing we can do for them simply because we do not have a bed."

The polls, in all the precincts of the county, will be open next Tuesday, Oct. 27, from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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## Port Calendar

Esso Tanker — Due tomorrow with petroleum products from Standard Oil.

Temdraire — Due tomorrow to load tobacco for Bangkok.

Sally Maersk — Due Saturday to load tobacco for Bangkok.

Golden State — Due Oct. 27 to pick up cargo of tobacco for Europe.

Kerkedyk — Due Oct. 28 to load tobacco for European ports.

The Morehead Biltmore Hotel has been host to thousands of people during 1959 and has been able to provide Carteret County with a payroll that would equal that of small industrial plant. During the first eight months of this year the hotel's gross payroll amounted to almost \$50,000, according to Michael Taft, manager.

The hotel's policy of purchasing locally as well as employing locally has meant another \$22,000 in food purchases alone. Almost \$4,000 was spent for laundry, and over \$4,500 was spent each for telephone service and for heat, light, and power.

Other local expenditures included over \$4,500 for repairs and maintenance, almost \$900 for upkeep of the grounds, \$1,700 for accounting fees, and over \$1,000 spent on operation of vehicles in hauling supplies and other uses.

Expenditures that did not go to local merchants, but which benefited this area, included \$500 in postage used in sending out promotional material and over \$5,000 for advertising and travel promotion.

Coverage of conventions at the Morehead Biltmore, by newspapers throughout the state, brought added publicity to this area. Groups that met at the hotel also indirectly advertised for the Morehead City area through information on the convention in their own news bul-

## County Cancer Society Helps Conduct Survey

The Carteret County Cancer Society is participating in the nationwide survey being sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Chairman of the survey in this county is James C. Smith, Morehead City.

Fourteen canvassers in 12 communities have already started work, Mr. Smith announced yesterday.

Purpose of the survey is to learn how and why certain persons develop cancer and others do not. Each canvasser is contacting 10 families in which at least one member is over 45 years of age.

Everyone in the family over 30 will be asked to fill out a questionnaire. Although the canvasser will help the person fill out the form, that is not necessary. Each person answering may seal his questionnaire in an envelope which will be transmitted to the scientists conducting the survey.

No one will have access to the information other than to tabulate it on cards to headquarters of the American Cancer Society, Mr. Smith said.

Families cooperating in the survey will be kept in contact for six years. Cancer cases that occur will be studied in relation to information supplied by the questionnaires.

Objectives are to uncover clues to possible causes of cancer, to learn more about its earliest signs and symptoms and eventually to prevent the disease by reducing exposure to the causes, Mr. Smith explained.

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## State Designates Roads It Will Improve This Year

### 2.08 Inches Rain Fall Last Week

The drizzling rain which started Wednesday morning finally left the area Saturday after dumping a total of 2.08 inches of water, according to weather observer Stamey Davis.

Mr. Davis also reported that the rains brought the coldest day of fall to date. The mercury failed to get above the 63 degree mark Friday.

Temperature ranges and wind directions for the four-day period, Thursday through Sunday, were recorded as follows:

	High	Low	Wind
Thursday	68	57	NE
Friday	63	57	NE
Saturday	70	62	NE
Sunday	70	61	NE

## Judge Meekins Preceded Methodist Bishop in Advocating U. S. Liquor

The late federal judge, Isaac M. Meekins of Elizabeth City, beat the President of the Temperance Board of the Methodist Church by 31 years in advocating nationalization of the liquor industry.

Bishop John Wesley Lord early this month said the Methodist Church still stood four square for total abstinence. But until the day comes when alcoholic beverages can be outlawed intelligently, government control, he said, is the only remedy for the alcoholism that grips 5,000,000 Americans and is creeping up on 200,000 more every year.

Bishop Lord told United Press-International that he hoped to present his program for national control of liquor manufacture to the general conference of the 9,000,000 member Methodist Church in Denver next April.

On Aug. 11, 1928, Judge Meekins told Lockwood Phillips, now publisher of THE NEWS-TIMES, but then a reporter for the New York Evening World that "it would be far better for the Government to manufacture and distribute hard liquor on a cost plus 10 per cent basis."

Judge Meekins, regularly assigned to the Eastern District of North Carolina, was sitting at the time as a substitute judge in the Southern District of New York which mainly embraces the New York metropolitan area.

Mr. Phillips' interview with

Judge Meekins appeared not only in the Evening World, now a part of the New York World-Telegram, but in hundreds of newspapers across the nation.

While Judge Meekins' suggestion to nationalize the liquor industry was a brand new one at the time more important was it that it was made by a Protestant, Southern Democrat, a man of palpably high and sincere ideals.

Had it been made by any of the Democratic bosses of the gangster-bootlegger ridden areas of Chicago, Boston, New York, Jersey City or Memphis, little or no attention would have been paid it. It would have been considered merely lip service to Mammon.

The day before he talked with Mr. Phillips, Judge Meekins had received the not guilty pleas of Texas Guinan, Helen Morgan and others indicted following raids on 26 of New York's night clubs.

Judge Meekins attained a place of prominence in New York because of his intolerance for legal loopholes for bootlegging, for immunity for squealers, for "bargain days," for perjury.

He made three appearances on the bench in New York and won both praise and hate for the heavy sentences he meted out to violators of the Eighteenth Amendment.

"If a change must come and the Government should manufacture and distribute liquor under rigid rules on a cost plus 10 per cent

basis," Judge Meekins told Mr. Phillips, "the nefarious traffic in bootleg liquor will disappear immediately because the bootlegger will be unable to compete on such a small margin."

While Judge Meekins' primary interest in Government monopoly and sale of liquor was to chase the bootlegger out of business, he suggested that some of government's profits be used to teach people the proper use of alcoholic beverages.

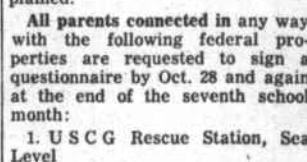
## Atlantic Seniors Present Play, Now You're Talking

The seniors of Atlantic School presented their annual play, Now You're Talking, Friday night in the school auditorium.

The cast included the following: Evelyn Harris, Kara Jo Mason, Bruce Mason, Vannoy McIntosh, Linda Taylor, David Hammer, Brenda Salter, Judy Guthrie, Susan Lewis, Mary Sue Salter, Roger Harris, and Ruby Taylor.

The play was directed by Mrs. Elsie Salter.

## Farmer Picks Up Boxes



Lee Pollard, left, at Roy T. Garner's feed store, Newport, hands Clarence Millis some boxes into which Mr. Millis will place samples of soil from his farm. Mr. Millis is taking the opportunity of having his soil tested during the last two weeks of this month. During this period, farmers need not pay the postage for sending the soil to Raleigh for testing.

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