

### Theatre Elects New Treasurer

Reading Committee Named for Next Play  
Finance Report Given On Angel Street

Mrs. Larry Barnette was elected treasurer of the Carteret Community Theatre Wednesday night at the recreation building. She will serve the unexpired term of Mrs. Frank Carlson. Mrs. Carlson and her husband will leave next week to make their home at Millville, Del.

Mrs. Carlson reported income from the October play, Angel Street, at \$402. Cost of producing the play amounted to \$161.38, showing a net loss of \$59.38.

Invested in capital improvements last month was \$137.48 for new scenery and lighting equipment. The treasurer reported a balance of \$292.76, and \$300 in a savings account.

Mrs. Barnette was named chairman of the committee to recommend a play for February production. On the committee are Thomas Respass and Miss Lillian Frances Giddens.

Jimmy Wheatley, director of Angel Street, commended the cast for its fine performance. Miss Ruth Peeling, president, expressed her appreciation to theatre members and the many non-theatre members who assisted with stage sets and other production details.

Five theatre members volunteered to meet at 7:30 Wednesday night on the stage at the recreation building to cover flats.

Frank Carlson proposed revision of the by-laws which would allow appointment of a business manager for each play, rather than a business manager to serve a year term. A vote on the proposal will be taken at the December meeting.

Miss Stella Propst was welcomed as a new member. Visitors were Mrs. Gergette Beaver, Miss Sue Moore and Miss Mary Smith.

Mrs. Beaver served as Mr. Wheatley's model in a demonstration of theatrical makeup. Refreshments were served by Miss Hortense Boomer.

### Inquest

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pulled out of the water by a Mr. and Mrs. Rock who arrived on the scene in their outboard fishing boat, and that Quannah Smith was taken aboard the Phillip.

Seven other witnesses called to the stand essentially substantiated the accounting of the accident until Vincent Lawrence took the stand and testified that he was fishing from the shore near the accident scene at the time, and that he witnessed the whole tragedy.

Lawrence then said that, in his opinion, the fishing boat was proceeding through the channel at a normal rate of speed and, if anything, a little slower than normal.

The pilot of the fishing boat, Norman Guthrie, told the six-man jury that the collision was unavoidable due to a break in his steering line just seconds before the accident. He said that he had just gone between two other boats in the channel and was attempting to get around Smith's skiff when his steering suddenly gave away and he had no control whatsoever over the boat.

He said that he immediately put the boat in reverse but the weight of the load on board carried the boat into the small skiff before he could back up.

Guthrie's testimony was followed by a report of an investigation of the boat's wheel house and engine room made by deputy sheriff George Smith. Mr. Smith said that a broken steering block caused Guthrie to lose control of the Phillip.

The jury retired to the jury room at 10:21 p.m. and returned six minutes later with their verdict of an unavoidable accident.

Members of the jury were Tom Hewitt, Cliff Lynch, L. J. Hill, E. B. Fleming, E. E. Davis and L. A. Daniels.

Thirty-five persons attended the inquest, which had been postponed from Oct. 26. The Coast Guard's final reports and decision on the accident have not yet been released.

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### J. H. Wheatley Wins Scholarship

John Hunter (Jackie) Wheatley, Beaufort, is one of 10 Duke University students who have been awarded National Methodist Scholarships by the board of education of the Methodist Church. The announcement was made this week by the Bureau of Public Information, Duke University.

National Methodist Scholarship Awards cover tuition and fees up to \$500 and are granted on the basis of superior academic standing, leadership ability, active churchmanship, character, personality, and need.

Wheatley, a freshman at Duke, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wheatley, 1525 Front St.

### Court

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assaulting and robbing T. E. Johnson, of \$600, nor was a true bill found in the case against Pierson Willis, charged with embezzlement.

The grand jury did return a true bill against David Ellis Willis, Morehead City, indicting him for seducing, on Aug. 4, Brenda Joyce Smith, also of Morehead City. This case was continued as was the case against Dallas Harvell, against whom a true bill was returned, charging him with seduction.

Eugene Hesser, Morehead City, who is in court repeatedly on charges of public drunkenness, was found guilty of public drunkenness and given a 60-day suspended sentence. He was ordered to pay costs before April 1960 and drink no intoxicating beverages for 12 months.

Charles Holland Jr., charged with possession of non-taxpaid whiskey, was given a two-year sentence, suspended on payment of \$25 and costs.

E. L. McIntosh, New Bern, withdrew an appeal on an assault count and his case was remanded to recorder's court. A. H. James, clerk of court, reports that McIntosh has already complied with terms of the penalty given him in the lower court.

Yancy S. Barbour pleaded guilty to non-support and was given a 30-day sentence, suspended provided he get out of his wife's home by Wednesday and pay costs of court.

Willie Moore Harkley, charged with no operator's license and violation of a suspended sentence, was given six months in jail.

Dallas Harvell, charged with breaking and entering John B. Tomlinson's place at Newport and Walter Morris, jeweler's, Morehead City, was given two years, suspended on payment of \$6 to Tomlinson from whom he stole a rifle and \$3 to Morris.

Snowdie Bryant Rouse, pleaded guilty to driving drunk. Prayer for judgment was continued on payment of costs and \$100 fine. William Amasa Murdock pleaded guilty to driving drunk and was given a six-month sentence, suspended on payment of \$100 and costs.

Glyn Lee Ricks, charged with driving drunk, pleaded guilty to careless and reckless driving and paid \$25 and costs. Shirley Ann Turnage pleaded guilty to driving drunk. Prayer for judgment was continued on payment of \$100 and costs.

Beatrice Monroe, charged with speeding, paid \$25 and costs. C. M. Smith pleaded guilty to his second offense of drunken driving. Prayer for judgment was continued until the April term of court upon payment of \$200 and costs by that time.

Compromise was reached in the case, Michael James Scott vs. Charlie Johnson. The defendant agreed to pay \$2,000. The suit was the result of an accident in which the Scott child was injured. The court ordered that \$500 be paid to Scott's attorney, Harvey Hamilton Jr., \$257.55 for medical expenses and the balance to be held by the clerk of court for the use of the plaintiff.

Remanded to recorder's court was the case of Lockwood L. Watson, charged with driving drunk and no operator's license. Percy Allen Green did not contest violation of ABC laws.

The state decided not to prosecute Christopher Locklear, charged with defrauding; Guido Michael Mariano, speeding and no operator's license; William Earl Chapman, hit and run (a thousand dollar bond was originally posted, but the court ordered \$200 forfeited plus interest).

Other cases not prosecuted: Ernest Martin, violation of hunting laws; Jessie and Sadie Finch, violation of sanitation laws, loud and profane language; Donald Russell Hume, speeding (\$100 bond plus interest forfeited); Jethroe R. Erzell, careless and reckless driving.

The state decided not to prosecute the case against Roderick Moore, charged with assault.

Cases continued: Sarah Reaves Smith, driving drunk; Otis N. Fulford, driving drunk; Curtis Davis Jr., failing to comply with a former court order; Willie Knight, transporting non-taxpaid whiskey and no operator's license.

Continued were suits against Ralph Chadwick, allowing cattle to run at large (at last reports the cattle were still running); Jasper Dall and Ira Culpepper, violating fishing laws; and Julian Wade, public drunkenness.

The grand jury report, which deals mainly with schools, will be published Tuesday.

## Morehead City PTA Hears Program on Safe Driving

A talk on highway safety, followed by a panel discussion, was presented at the Morehead City PTA meeting Monday night.

The speaker was George W. Crowley, New Bern, driver education representative for the state department of motor vehicles.

Mr. Crowley explained the system whereby accumulation of points for traffic violations will lead to suspension of one's driver's license.

If four points are accumulated, the driver receives a letter of warning. If he gets seven points, he's invited to have a conference with "a hearing officer," and given the opportunity to attend a driver improvement clinic.

When his points total 12, he is liable to have his license suspended for 60 days, according to Mr. Crowley, who added that the driver may, however, be put on probation and not lose his license.

If a driver is convicted of failing to report an accident, for example, and gets one point against him, that point will be erased from his record at the end of two years, Mr. Crowley said, if he has violated no other motor vehicle laws.

Members of the panel were highway patrolman J. W. Sykes, Mrs. J. W. Thompson, A. B. Roberts, Don Nelson and Virginia Thompson. Nelson and Miss Thompson are high school pupils. A. B. Cooper was moderator.

Some of the questions and answers follow:

Mr. Cooper: Do you think teenagers should be allowed to have the family car on week nights?

### Board

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and explain the restrictions before issuing a building permit.

Mayor W. H. Potter explained to Mr. Carter that if the church and the building inspector do not agree on the restrictions, the church may apply to the chairman of the board of adjustment.

The board passed a resolution authorizing town clerk Ronald Earl Mason to issue a deed for property on Cedar Street to Johnson-Saunders Dry Cleaning Co., correcting an error in the company name appearing on the present deed. The deed was needed to complete sale of the property.

The board rejected bids on a new police car received from Parker Motors and Paul Motor Co. They discussed buying a 4-door car with a 40-ampere generator and without leatherette upholstery. The matter was tabled until the next meeting to give the clerk time to request revised bids.

The board approved a motion that a check for \$8,637.38, received as reimbursement for hurricane rehabilitation work, be placed in the debt service fund.

Jim Wheatley, representing the merchants' association, presented plans for the Christmas parade and community sing. The board offered its cooperation.

Mr. Paul was granted permission to construct a bulkhead at the foot of Pollock Street for the purpose of establishing a museum of the sea.

Christmas bonuses for city employees were approved. The mayor said he would write a letter to the county commissioners relative to reopening the ditch which was filled in when the school athletic field was revamped. The ditch affords surface drainage for the school, the street and private property in the area.

Police commissioner Math Chaplain reported 14 arrests and 180 meter violations during the month. Reports were also heard from the finance, street and fire commissioners.

Commissioner William Roy Hamilton gave a summary of activities planned for the 250th anniversary celebration next year.

Deferred until next month were consideration of a garbage can ordinance similar to the one recently enacted in Morehead City and action on complaints about the site for unloading coal for Beaufort Ice and Coal.

Present were Mayor Potter, town clerk Mason, commissioners Chaplain, Hamilton, Bert Brooks, Billy Davis, Dr. David Farris and city attorney Claud Wheatley Jr.

Mrs. Thompson: Sometimes this should be allowed because children have meetings to attend and have a good reason for using the car.

Mr. Cooper: What is the most frequent offense for which you stop teen-age drivers?

Patrolman Sykes: Speeding and scratching off.

Mr. Cooper: Do you believe parents should urge their children to get a driver's license as soon as they are 16?

Mr. Roberts: I try to discourage my children from getting their licenses when they are 16.

Mr. Cooper: Do you think high school students should be allowed to own a car, especially if it is used to drive to school each day?

Nelson: I don't think high school students should be allowed to have cars.

Mr. Cooper: What do you think of teen-agers' owning cars and driving them to school?

Patrolman Sykes: If he obeys the laws, a teen-ager has as much right to drive every day as anyone else.

Mr. Cooper: Do you think it is fair for insurance companies to increase rates when there is a boy-teen-age driver in the family?

Mrs. Thompson: I suppose insurance companies have studied the situation and do it because they have to.

Mr. Cooper: Do you find that teen-agers who have quit school are more frequent violators of driving laws?

Patrolman Sykes: Those who have dropped out of school give us more trouble than those still in school.

Mrs. Thompson interjected at this point and said that many parents do not set the proper example while driving. She said that they tell their children not to exceed the speed limit but then they themselves drive faster than the law allows.

Mr. Cooper: What are your opinions relative to students who drive cars to school?

Miss Thompson: They seem to be a little more "wild" than the others.

Mr. Cooper: Do you find that there are usually more accidents when there is a whole crowd of youngsters in a car than when there are just one or two?

Patrolman Sykes: It seems that there are likely to be more accidents when there are just one or two in a car than when there are several.

The subject wandered, eventually, to subjects not concerned directly with driving. Mr. Cooper asked Mr. Roberts what he thought about high school house parties.

Mr. Roberts said he thought they were all right if properly chaperoned. Mr. Cooper, who is mayor of Atlantic Beach, said that two years ago there was a tremendous amount of pressure brought to have state education officials prohibit high school weekend house parties.

Mr. Cooper commented that "some of the things that go on at those parties are a disgrace." He commented that parents should never let high school pupils go on mixed house parties, that the parties should be only all girls or all boys and should be well chaperoned.

Mr. Cooper said that parents should learn who the chaperones are and who has been invited to the party. Children should not be permitted to go, he added, unless they have an invitation.

He inferred that much of the trouble that arises from high school house parties comes from those who attend uninvited.

In this spring, numerous cottages at Atlantic Beach are rented for the weekend, by high schoolers, for house parties.

Shelby Freeman, president of the PTA, planned the program and presided at the business session. Herbert Phillips, judge of Morehead City recorder's court, who was scheduled to be on the panel, did not attend.

The Rev. Samuel S. Moore, pastor of Franklin Memorial Methodist Church, presented the devotions.

A balance of \$1,082.90 was reported in the treasury. Mrs. Roper Van Horn, membership chairman, announced that 334 members had joined this year.

Bernard Morton, safety chairman, reported briefly on school

safety and explained what type of equipment is furnished the school patrol boys.

Mrs. Julia Herndon, first grade teacher, invited members to visit the school during American Education Week.

Mr. Freeman announced that the Halloween carnival Oct. 20 was very successful and expressed his thanks to all who helped. He announced that the clothing closet, a project of the Junior Woman's Club, had been moved from the school to the courthouse annex, Beaufort.

Mr. Freeman attended the district PTA convention in Greenville recently. He revealed that representatives of the nine counties in the district will meet here next year.

Approximately eighty PTA members were present.

### Thompson, Brown Post Golf Wins Tuesday

Mrs. A. W. Thompson and Mrs. B. C. Brown were winners Tuesday morning in Ladies Day play at the Morehead City Country Club.

Mrs. Thompson came in with the lowest number of puts in A Flight and Mrs. Brown was low in B Flight.

Blind hole winners were Mrs. Darden Eure and Mrs. Jeannette Davenport, according to Mrs. C. C. McCuiston.

### October Liquor Sales Amount to \$60,291.95

Liquor sales at county ABC stores last month totaled \$60,291.95. Sales at the Beaufort store, according to figures released this week, were \$13,975.05; at Morehead City \$22,538, at Newport \$7,785 and at Atlantic Beach \$15,983.90.

Proceeds paid to the town of Beaufort were \$716.78, to Morehead City hospital \$1,321.93, to Newport \$233.85 and to Atlantic Beach \$819.82.

Received by the county was \$3,092.38.

## Vigilantes Fete Seadog, Coaches

The Vigilantes, a group whose origin or identity has never been discovered, but whose loyalty to the Beaufort Seadogs is legend, were hosts Wednesday night at a fish-fry banquet for the players and coaches at the American Legion building, Beaufort.

Mayor W. H. (Piggle) Potter was the featured speaker. Brief comments were also made by head coach Curtis Lancaster, frosh coach Tom Hewitt, principal Albert G. Gainey and athletic director Tom McQuaid.

Pud Hassell, speaking on behalf of the team, presented gifts to coaches Lancaster and Jim Fodrie (who was absent) in appreciation of the fine job they have done this year. Jayvee griddler Bobby Taylor presented coach Tom Hewitt with the Jayvees' gift of appreciation.

The Vigilantes also had a token of appreciation of their own in the form of a \$100 check for Hewitt. The check presentation was made by McQuaid.

Expressing the team's appreciation to the Vigilantes was Seadog quarterback Butch Hassell. Football players attended with their dates.

Dancing was held after the banquet which included a menu of fish, shrimp, cole slaw, potatoes, pork and beans and hush puppies.

### Losers Sportingly Relinquish Trophy

Beaufort high school was officially presented the Mullet Bucket Wednesday afternoon when student representatives and school officials from Morehead City high school appeared on the assembly program at the Seadog school.

Beaufort principal Albert Gainey introduced Morehead City principal Lenwood Lee who, in turn, presented Jackie McQueen and Bud Daniels of the 1959 Eagle squad. The entire Beaufort team was called on the stage and quarterback Butch Hassell received the prized trophy from McQueen.

The Morehead City school band provided music for the occasion.

### Negro News

The all-male chorus of Arapahoe will sing at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Beaufort, Sunday night at 8. The public is invited.

Morehead City Hospital Admitted: Saturday, Mrs. Christine Johnson, Beaufort.

Sunday, Robert W. Godette, Havelock.

Monday, Miss Barbara Carter, Havelock.

Discharged: Monday, Miss Melissa Bryant, Morehead City.

Tuesday, Mr. Jeremiah Godette, Havelock; Mr. John H. Powell, Beaufort.

Wednesday, Miss Barbara Carter, Mr. Robert W. Godette, Havelock.

The PTA of W. S. King high school will hold its regular meeting Monday night. All members are asked to make plans to attend. There will be a sale of fish dinners Saturday at the school cafeteria for the benefit of the band uniform fund. Those wishing to order dinners may call PA6-5853. Plates will be 65 cents each.

Chicken dinners, barbecue, pigs' feet, chitterlings, pies and seafood dinners will be sold each Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mrs. Mary E. Truman, 1006 Bay St., Morehead City.

Proceeds from the sales will go to the Christian Star Church.

### Pine Needle Workshop Scheduled for Tuesday

Men or women who would like to learn to make pine needle baskets are invited to a workshop at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the home agent's office, courthouse annex.

Those who attend are asked to bring their own pine straw and their lunch. Mrs. Alex Taylor will be the workshop instructor.

### Bryan Salter Heads 4-H Intermediates, Smyrna

Bryan Salter has been elected president of the Smyrna intermediate 4-H club. Other officers are Dee Bryant, vice-president; Martha Chadwick, secretary; Trudy Gillikin and Rebecca Lawrence, talent leaders, and Ann Baum, reporter.

At this month's meeting the 4-H health improvement record and guide books were distributed.

## Three Accident Victims Recover

Joseph Mann and Miss Linda Garner, both of Newport and Alton Hester of Morehead City are reportedly recovering satisfactorily from auto accident injuries. All are patients at Morehead City Hospital.

Hester, 11, was struck last Wednesday by a car driven by Duncan Lewis of Morehead City. According to his mother, Alton is getting along very well, talks some and is becoming eager to be up and around. His skull was fractured.

Miss Garner and Mann were injured in a collision Saturday night near Newport. Billy Simmons, 22, also of Newport, was killed in the collision.

Relatives report that Linda's broken ribs are still painful, but that she can now turn over with a little help. She is suffering from pains in her back and the effects of shock.

Mann, who was hospitalized with a brain concussion, dislocated hip and severe cuts, is recovering rapidly. His mother reports that he is more comfortable than when he was admitted and is confident that he will soon be well.

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