

## Two Injured in Crash



Photo by J. W. Sykes

Earl Lewis, Broad Creek, and Mrs. Grace Long, Wildwood, were slightly injured when their car collided with a truck on highway 70 west of Morehead City, last week. Driving the truck was Vance T. Robinson, Maysville.

## County Board Gets Budget Requests, Petitions on Roads

County commissioners received budget requests and road petitions at their meeting yesterday morning in the courthouse, Beaufort.

Budget requests were presented by A. D. Fulford, county sanitarian; Miss Georgie Hughes, welfare superintendent; R. M. Williams and Mrs. Floy Garner of the extension service.

Mrs. James McCoy, spokesman for a group of Wildwood petitioners, asked that a road two-thirds of a mile long in Wildwood, with eight homes on it, be hard-surfaced. The road is the area formerly used as an airport.

The petition was accepted by the commissioners, to be passed on to the State Highway commission for action.

John S. Mason, Highland Park, was spokesman for a group of persons living on Craven avenue, Highland Park. They asked that the street be hard-surfaced.

The board accepted the petition for forwarding to the State Highway commission.

Moses Howard, chairman of the board, invited Mr. Mason to appear before highway officials when they conduct a hearing in the courthouse, Beaufort, at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 19.

Commissioner Gaston Smith asked that the state investigate the possibility of improving a loop road at Davis.

Mayor W. H. Potter, Beaufort, commissioner Bert Brooks and Ronald Earl Mason, clerk, appeared before the board at invitation. They discussed reimbursement to Beaufort of \$4,572.18 paid to the county for feeding of prisoners from July 1, 1952 to July 1, 1956.

The board approved repayment of the funds "at the earliest possible time." Also approved was a motion that a bill be introduced in the legislature that would prohibit splitting of any county court costs with Beaufort or any other municipality in the county.

Mayor Potter read excerpts from minutes of the Beaufort town board of May 1816 wherein the board set aside property for erection of a courthouse and one lot for use of a "public building as the county or town may wish to erect."

Mayor Potter said that on the basis of those minutes, the county is obligated to give to the town the northeast corner of the courthouse square for a new town hall, or else reimburse the town for the property.

The county attorney later in the day located a deed from Beaufort to the county giving the county clear title to the land in question.

Mayor Potter asked that the county join Beaufort in a request to the State Highway commission that highway 70 on Cedar Street be extended east of Live Oak, thus bypassing the school on highway 70.

He also reported that Sen. Everett Jordan is working diligently to get necessary dredging done in Wallace channel and Wainwright slough. Odell Merrill, clerk, reported that a letter to senator Jordan, relative to the matter, was mailed Thursday.

E. L. McIntosh, Morehead City, appeared and asked that his property valuation be reduced because the town of Morehead City has denied him access to part of his property in Morehead City.

He said the town has repeatedly denied cooperation on the matter and that he can neither rent nor sell the property involved.

The board advised him to appear before the board of equalization in March.

Attending the meeting, in addition to those mentioned, were commissioners Harrell Taylor, Skinner Chalk, Gaston Smith, David Yeomans, and J. L. Humphrey, county road superintendent.

## Factors Point To \$15,000 Sale Of Plant Bonds

● D. E. Stewart Urges Support of Venture

● Funds Needed to Put Up Shirt Factory

Indications yesterday were favorable on the raising of \$15,000 needed to reach a \$50,000 quota in the Morehead City Garment Co. building campaign.

D. E. Stewart, area development manager for Carolina Power and Light Co., urged chamber of commerce members Thursday night, at their spring meeting, to invest in the project.

The Morehead City Garment Co. is planning to put up a new fireproof, air-conditioned building just west of the present plant on Bridges street. The major part of the financing is being handled by the garment company, which has offered \$500 bonds at 5 per cent interest to obtain \$50,000 of the \$175,000 construction cost.

The bonds will mature in 15 years, but are callable at any time prior to 1975.

Mr. Stewart reported that four Morehead City firms pledged \$5,000 each toward the \$50,000, the rest of the \$35,000 already raised coming from 22 individuals. Several thousand dollars was raised Thursday night, according to H. S. Gibbs Jr., Morehead City, who has been



D. E. Stewart ... 'hang on to industry' working on the project.

Mr. Stewart said that a well-balanced community should not depend on seasonal business, such as tourists or agriculture, but should promote industry which "can carry a community 12 months of the year."

He gave statistics on what a 100-man industry can mean to a community, then translated those figures into the value of a 250-employee plant such as the garment company.

A payroll of that size supports, he said, 750 people, 240 households, creates \$1,500,000 in personal income, \$675,000 in bank deposits, means 260 more passenger cars, creates jobs, actually, for a total of 450 people, supports 10 retail establishments and means \$850,000 in retail sales a year.

## Receives Carnegie Medal



David William Merrill ... wins medal for bravery

David William Merrill, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Odell Merrill of Beaufort, has been awarded a bronze medal for bravery by the Carnegie Hero Fund commission. Merrill is one of four North Carolinians receiving the Carnegie medal.

The commission cited Merrill for the rescue of Dwain A. Musselwhite, 4, and his mother, Elizabeth Musselwhite, 29, last Sept. 21. The child fell from a dock into

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# 175 Hear Ports Chairman Predict Big Year in 1960



W. B. Chalk, left, presents the chamber of commerce Distinguished Citizen's award to Dr. John W. Morris. Seated is John Reeves, chairman of the State Ports Authority, who spoke Thursday night at the chamber of commerce spring meeting at the Blue Ribbon restaurant.

## Chamber Honors Dr. John W. Morris With Distinguished Citizen's Award

There is a destiny that makes men brothers. None goes his way alone; All that is sent into the lives of others Comes back into our own. —Edwin Markham

## County Board Requests Budget For Airport

Glenn Adair, chairman of the Beaufort-Morehead City airport commission, was authorized by the county board yesterday to prepare a 1960-61 budget citing "minimum needs" for airport operation.

The county board and the county attorney, Alvah Hamilton, commended Mr. Adair for his services and said they would like him to continue serving on the airport commission if the town of Beaufort reappoints him.

Mr. Adair says his term and the terms of office of other airport commissioners expire June 30. The town of Beaufort names a commission member, as does the town of Morehead City. The county appoints the other three.

Mr. Adair said that he had been informed by W. H. Potter, a member of the commission, that the highway commission has agreed to improve the airport road. Mr. Potter, who attended the meeting, urged the county commissioners to act favorably on any requests Mr. Adair may present.

The airport commission chairman described conditions at the airport, including lease arrangements, and land titles. He said the airport is as important as a water port.

In a tax matter, Mitchell Taylor, Atlantic, was reimbursed \$13.52 in taxes. Property he had sold was listed in his name, by error.

At the afternoon session, the county board drew jurors for June. County officials were entertained at lunch in the courthouse annex by the County Home Demonstration club women.

## Army Engineers Expect Dredging To Start by May 25

Dredging of Morehead harbor by the Gabagen firm of New York is scheduled to start Wednesday, May 25, but may start earlier, according to information received Friday from the Corps of Engineers office, Wilmington.

Relative to shoaling in the inlet, the engineer survey party at Beaufort is scheduled to make its monthly check this week.

The Gerig is scheduled to work in the inlet in the next several months, in addition to the Gabagen dredge, but no dates are available as yet.

## Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar

HIGH	Tuesday, May 3	LOW
12:56 a.m.	7:50 a.m.	
1:04 p.m.	8:07 p.m.	
Wednesday, May 4		
1:45 a.m.	8:53 a.m.	
2:43 p.m.	9:19 p.m.	
Thursday, May 5		
2:42 a.m.	9:48 a.m.	
3:37 p.m.	10:14 p.m.	

Those words are at the top of the Distinguished Citizen's certificate presented Dr. John W. Morris of Morehead City Thursday night at the chamber of commerce spring dinner meeting.

"Dr. Morris is the fourth recipient of the award. Other winners are Dr. B. F. Royal, mayor George W. Dill and W. B. Chalk. Mr. Chalk presented the award for 1959 to Dr. Morris. He received, in addition to the certificate, a gold key.

The award is presented annually to the "most outstanding citizen in Morehead City for meritorious service rendered the community."

The recipient is chosen by a chamber committee whose members' identity is not revealed.

Mr. Chalk pointed out that Dr. Morris was the principal organizer of the Morehead City Golf and Country club and is a past president of the club. He's a past president of the Morehead City chamber of commerce, a member of the Morehead City port advisory commission and former city commissioner.

He has acted in the interest of improving railroad service into Morehead City, is active in wildlife conservation and for 14 years has been a member of the Morehead City Rotary club. During the past year, with other members of the medical profession, he has initiated a project for a county general hospital.

He is chairman of the Morehead City board of directors of the Commercial National Bank.

Dr. Morris was born May 8, 1910 at Winston-Salem and came to Carteret in 1945, starting medical practice in Morehead City. A graduate of Duke university, he received his medical degree at the University of Virginia in 1936.

He is a member of the county medical society, state medical society, the American Medical Association, a fellow of the Southeastern Surgical Congress, and a fellow of the American and International Colleges of Surgeons.

Married to the former Vera Williams of Snowden, Va., they have four children, Virginia, a student at the School of Nursing, Baptist hospital, Winston-Salem; Watson, a sophomore at the University of North Carolina; Evelyn, a senior at Morehead City high school, and Mary Alice, a freshman in high school.

## Almost 2 Inches Rain Falls Sunday

The calendar moved up to May Sunday but the weatherman must have thought it was still April. An early afternoon shower that started around 1:30 Sunday dumped 1.65 inches of rain, according to local weather observer Stamey Davis.

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

	High	Low	Wind
Thursday	70	57	NE
Friday	72	48	NE
Saturday	77	54	SE
Sunday	78	62	Var.

One hundred seventy-five persons attended the Greater Morehead City chamber of commerce spring dinner meeting Thursday night and heard

John Reeves, State Ports Authority chairman, say the ports outlook for 1960 "is most encouraging."

A. B. Cooper, membership and finance chairman, predict that this coming summer season "will be the greatest season this area has ever had—and business will continue to get better."

T. T. (Tom) Potter, chairman of the chamber advertising committee, declare, "One of the largest industries in the United States is here—fishing and boating!"

Mr. Reeves was introduced by D. G. Bell, chairman of the state commercial fisheries, committee and candidate for general assembly.

Mr. Reeves cited statistics showing that North Carolina ports had their best year in 1959. There were increases in business, both in dollars and tonnage.

"Our goal for 1960 is based on a 33 1/3 per cent increase, tonnage-wise, over 1959," Mr. Reeves said. "In 1959 we handled 750,000 tons and we expect to reach 1 million tons in 1960."

Commenting on the value of the ports on a statewide basis, Mr. Reeves said that 90 per cent of the cities in North Carolina of over 5,000 population are benefited through import-export activities at Morehead City and Wilmington. (Both cities have state-operated ports).

He cited the need of navigation aids that would permit 24-hour operation at Morehead City. At present ships can arrive and sail only during daylight hours.

The chairman reported that spoilage areas for the dredging work about to begin in the harbor have been obtained. "The property owners with whom we worked have been most cooperative," he said. (Spoilage areas are the places where dredged-up sand is piled).

Mr. Reeves reported on experience he and members of the SPA had on their summer trip to Europe. "The reaction to many of our calls was that any group of people interested enough to travel thousands of miles to thank them for business certainly deserved more business and many of the European tobacco manufacturers assured us of their appreciation of our fine services and advised us that we could expect more business from them."

He reported that there was much interest in North Carolina frozen poultry. "We must arrange for cold storage facilities at Morehead City to handle the poultry and other frozen products. We are negotiating at the present time with a company to build such cold storage facilities and hope that this may be done at a very early time," he remarked.

Rufus Butner, president of the chamber, presided. He introduced members of the board of directors and chairmen of committees. Meeting with the chamber were Rotarians, Lions and Civitans.

The invocation was given by the Rev. Charles Kirby, pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

Vandals Damage Davis Home on Harkers Island

The home of Earl Davis, Harkers Island, was vandalized Friday night.

Sheriff Hugh Salter said the doors were scarred with knife cuts. The Davis's are away on a visit.

The sheriff's department, which is continuing investigation of the incident, was notified of the damage Saturday morning.

## Institute on Alcoholism To Meet Monday, May 9

Roy B. Barham, chairman of the committee on alcoholism of the North Carolina Council of Churches announced plans today for a one-day Institute on Alcoholism sponsored by his committee, to be held at 9:15 a.m. at the Morehead City civic center Monday, May 9. Co-sponsor of the institute is the Carteret County Ministers association.

The program is open to all ministers and church workers. Registration blanks and programs are available from Mr. Barham, Box 1, Butler, N. C.

The speakers at the conference will be George Dill, mayor of Morehead City; the Rev. Corbin Cooper, First Baptist church, Morehead City; the Rev. Worth Cotton, Richlands Methodist church, Richlands; the Rev. Denver Blevens, Neuse Forest Presbyterian church, New Bern.

Dr. Mickie Vitols, superintendent of Cherry hospital, Goldsboro; the Rev. Leon Couch, St. Paul Methodist church, Goldsboro; the Rev.

## Car Skids Off Highway Sunday Near Newport

A 1958 Cadillac was slightly damaged at 5:30 p.m. Sunday when it skidded on the east side of the Newport river bridge at Newport.

Driving the Cadillac was Jesse Williams, chauffeur. He was alone in the car. Williams was headed west, according to patrolman R. H. Brown, who investigated. He started to pass a car, saw a car approaching, applied brakes and skidded off the highway. A door of the Cadillac was bent. Williams was not hurt.

The car belonged to J. T. Barnes, Winston-Salem. The accident occurred in a heavy downpour of rain.

## Grayden Paul Issues Appeal For \$4,000

Six thousand dollars has been paid so far to finance Beaufort's 251st birthday celebration in July. Thirty-five hundred dollars in pledges is unpaid. This means that, actually, \$4,000 is yet due to meet the goal of \$10,000.

In an appeal to all those who have not yet contributed toward the celebration, Grayden Paul, director said yesterday.

Where do you stand? Add up your own score — Beaufort's 251st birthday celebration is only two months away — ten months and six thousand dollars have gone in the planning for this occasion. The Museum of the Sea and historical landmarks and tours will be permanent tourist attractions. The birthday celebration will be only a memory.

Will you be able to say "I had a part in making it a success" or are you one of those who just as soon see it fail?

So far, only 165 people have pledged \$9,500 and 121 have contributed \$6,000. That leaves us short \$4,000. We are abiding by our pledge not to incur any debts for which we do not have the money to pay.

There are over four thousand people in Beaufort. Surely there must be others who would like to have a part in making our celebration and Museum of the Sea a success.

We need the money now, not after the celebration.

Send your check to Beaufort Historical Association.

Thanks very much, Grayden M. Paul, Manager

## Plant to Start Fishing May 9

Beaufort Fisheries will start summer menhaden fishing Monday, May 9, according to W. H. Potter, manager.

Mr. Potter said that in view of the market situation there is "no prospect for profit," but the firm feels it has an obligation to the economy of the community.

Mr. Potter went to Washington Monday to attend a meeting of the import committee of the menhaden industry. The committee met with officials of the Department of the Interior relative to distribution of fish meal, fish oil and solubles.

The import committee plans to apply to the state department for a meeting of representatives of all countries involved in the menhaden industry.

The purpose would be to attempt to devise an arrangement whereby imports and exports could flow without endangering the growth of any country's menhaden industry.

Application is also being made to the tariff commission. Mr. Potter said, relative to the commission's holding hearings and making studies. It is hoped that the studies will show justification for some control on menhaden-product imports.

## Waterway to Stay Open

The Inland waterway between Swansboro and Onslow Beach bridge, will NOT be closed May 2 and 4, as originally planned, according to the Army engineers. Ocean waters in the Lefevre areas will be dangerous because of firing exercises during the early part of this month.