

Onslow Says Pay Up or Stay Out

Crewmen of Crippled Cuban Ship Chug 12 Miles for Help

A story of near-disaster at sea was told Monday by nine Cuban seamen who came ashore at Cape Lookout in a lifeboat after a fire had destroyed the engine room and radio equipment aboard their ship, the merchant vessel M/N Mantanzas.

The nine crewmen said the fire broke out in the engine room around 4:15 Sunday afternoon as the ship was returning to its home port of Havana from Baltimore. They say they don't know how the fire started.

Crewmen battled the blaze for six hours before getting it under control. They said that the ship drifted. They hoped that they would be sighted and sent help. Signal flares were sent up during the night and they tried to signal two ships that came into sight, all to no avail.

Then on Monday morning the nine set out in a powered lifeboat to get help. Two and one-half hours later their lifeboat was sighted off Cape Lookout from the Coast Guard tower. The men were brought ashore where their story was related to Chief Gerald Gaskill at the station.

After learning of the Mantanzas' fate the Coast Guard dispatched the Chilula to stand by the disabled vessel 12 miles southeast of Cape Lookout. The Chilula towed the Mantanzas to Cape Lookout light, arriving there at 2 a.m. Tuesday. All the Cubans yesterday were back aboard their ship. Lt. John Riddell, commanding officer at Fort Macon Coast Guard station, said another Cuban ship, the Oriente, en route to Havana from Norfolk, is scheduled to take the Mantanzas in tow to Havana. It had originally been planned to have a commercial tug take the Mantanzas back to Norfolk for repairs.

The nine Cubans reported that the 1,608-ton Mantanzas was carrying a crew of 33 men and was returning to Cuba after unloading a cargo of sugar at Baltimore.

The Cubans were asked, during general conversation at the Coast Guard station, what they thought of Castro. The muttering and laughing stopped. The silence could have been cut with a knife. Eventually, one of them replied, "We are not politicians," and the subject was dropped.

The nine in the lifeboat were chief mate Herman A. Fernandez, engineer Enrique Sanchez and radio operator Adolfo Novo. The others were Juan Lorenzo, Lorenzo Dopazo, Winio Felipiche, Jose G. Carbonell, Alfredo Danavy and Alberto Guitierrez.



Seven of the nine Cubans who came ashore at Cape Lookout Monday in a lifeboat after a fire aboard their ship, pose on the steps of the Coast Guard station. Left to right in the back are Herman A. Fernandez, Enrique Sanchez and Adolfo Novo. In the front are Juan Lorenzo, Lorenzo Dopazo, Winio Felipiche and Jose G. Carbonell. Bystander at the right is a Coast Guardsman.



One of the Cubans, Winio Felipiche, samples a North Carolina clam in the Coast Guard station galley. None of the Cubans had ever eaten clams before. Winio was the only one willing to sample one of the sea delicacies.

SHC Plots Outer Banks

The State Highway commission is doing land-elevation (topographic) mapping of the outer banks from Cape Lookout north to Ocracoke inlet.

The mapping, to be completed this year, is being done at the request of the Department of Water Resources and will figure importantly in the proposed state-federal outer banks restoration project.

Lloyd H. Cook, chief locating engineer, State Highway commission, reports that the mapping is done by aerial photography and photogrammetry.

Mr. Cook said, "We expect to have our plane and aerial camera accomplishing the photography during the coming week provided both weather and light are suitable. It is tentatively planned to base the plane, a red and white Aero-Commander, at Hatteras during this period because of the availability of weather information there."

Some of the highway engineers are based at Davis. They are putting in, on the outer banks, ground control markers required for proper interpretation of the photographs. They will also obtain tidal information, note elevations of strategic points and distances between them.

"This sort of information, or ground control, when transferred to the photography will enable us to make very accurate measurements, both horizontally and vertically," Mr. Cook said.

Fifteen men are engaged in that phase of the work, under the direction of John C. Sherbert, locating engineer. Edgar J. Page, photogrammetric engineer, is also spending some time at Davis.

Mrs. Johnnie Dill Crump was Miss Beaufort of 1933, not Mrs. John Dill as stated in Tuesday's paper.

Hopper Dredge To Leave Here For Brunswick

• Emergency Work Calls Gerig for Few Weeks

• Dredge to Return; Peru Hires Local Men

The Army Engineers office, Wilmington, announces that the hopper dredge Gerig, now deepening Morehead City channel to 35 feet, will have to leave Sunday to do two or three weeks of emergency dredging at Brunswick, Ga.

The Gerig will then return to Morehead City to complete the job of digging the channel to 35 feet. The engineers office reports that when the Gerig leaves Sunday, the channel will be 250 wide and 30 feet deep or better.

Doing work inside the bar is the dredge Peru, operated by the Gabagan dredging firm of New York. The Peru has hired approximately 60 persons in this area who earn at least \$50 a week each.

Members of the regular crew are living in the Beaufort-Morehead City area, since the Peru does not have living quarters aboard as most dredges do.

Of the local persons hired, 18 are Gillikins! Col. R. P. Davidson, district engineer, also announces that the district's construction program for the current fiscal year calls for expenditure of \$7.4 million.

Projects of interest locally are the following: A study to determine whether the five bridges on the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, owned by the corps, should be replaced with new bridges.

The dredging of Morehead City harbor from 30 to 35 feet at a contract cost of \$353,000 for the pipeline dredging and an estimated cost of \$600,000 for the hopper dredger in the Beaufort Inlet entrance channel. This work began in late June and will require from three to six months to complete. It involves the removal of about 3,000,000 cubic yards of material.

Maintenance dredging is scheduled for Morehead City harbor, Manteo Wallace channel near Ocracoke, Stumpy Point, Wilmington harbor, Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway and the waterway from Pamlico sound to Beaufort through Core sound.

At the Newport Rotary club meeting Monday night outgoing president Ed Comer presided over installation ceremonies of the club's officers for the coming year.

Moses C. Howard was installed as the new Rotary club president and Derryl Garner took over the office of vice-president. The new secretary installed was Harold Chantley and Nathan Garner took the office of treasurer.

Newport Rotary Club Installs New Officers

To Head Print School Allen Colenda, a native of Morehead City, is succeeding retiring J. H. Landrum as superintendent of the Oxford Orphanage Printing school. Mr. Colenda, a 1939 graduate of the school, returned there last year. He had been employed as linotype operator with THE NEWS-TIMES and formerly was with Herald Printing Co., Morehead City.

Neighbor Wants Money To School Carteret Kids

Town of Atlantic Beach Adopts 1960-61 Budget

The town of Atlantic Beach put final stamp of approval Friday morning on its budget for 1960-61. The budget totals \$33,700. The tax rate was set at \$1.35 per hundred dollars valuation, the same as last year.

Total valuation of town beach property is \$1,533,773. M. G. Coyle, town clerk, presented a detailed financial statement for 1959-60. Both the statement and the proposed budget will be published next week in THE NEWS-TIMES.

Mr. Coyle reminded the aldermen that they are starting the last year of their four-year term. He outlined their accomplishments of the past three years and expressed the hope that the board's program would be completed in the current year.

The clerk commended the board for their contributions to the town, their personal interest in its welfare and their assistance to him.

Aldermen W. L. Derrickson and R. A. Barefoot were named to study the parking problems and to consider placing parking meters in certain parts of the amusement area.

The matter of acquiring more land for parking space was referred to George McNeill, town attorney.

The board approved addition of a street light on the Salter Path road between the stop light and town hall. It was reported that the town's new trash pile is now in use. A check for \$83.33 has been sent to Morehead City as rental for Morehead City's trash dump for a brief period.

Mayor A. B. Cooper commented that a record crowd was on Boque Banks over the Fourth. He expressed appreciation to the police department for its handling of traffic.

A letter from Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Warren, cottage owners, was read. It thanked the police chief and the police force for alertness in apprehending persons who had broken into the Warren cottage.

Also read was a letter from the North Carolina School Food Service association, thanking the town for the use of the town hall during a recent meeting at the beach.

The next board meeting will be at 10 a. m. Friday, Aug. 12, at the town hall.

Onslow county has issued an ultimatum: either Carteret county helps pay some of the bill for Carteret students attending Onslow schools in Swansboro, or Onslow will close its school doors to Carteret pupils this fall.

Whether Onslow could legally do that remains to be seen.

I. B. Hudson, superintendent of Onslow schools, in a letter this week to H. L. Joslyn, Carteret superintendent of schools, and in letters to the county board of commissioners and Carteret board of education, set forth figures on the cost of educating 307 Carteret pupils now going to school in Swansboro.

Suggested were the amounts Carteret should pay for the education of those pupils. Mr. Hudson said, "We would like very much to negotiate this matter on a friendly and mutual basis. However, if no cooperative bargain can be reached between the two county boards of education, the Onslow board would feel justified in denying admission to Carteret pupils beginning with the term of 1960-61 until satisfactory financial arrangements could be made for each Carteret pupil attending Onslow county schools."

Carteret pupils attending Onslow schools are those who live in the western part of the county. The Carteret school closest to the area from which they come would be Newport. Newport is a distance considerably farther from their homes than is Swansboro.

Mr. Hudson reports that Onslow county will vote Nov. 8 on a \$1,600,000 bond referendum. Opponents of the bond issue are claiming that no bond issue would be necessary if Onslow did not have to educate Carteret children.

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Board Amends Business Fees

• Airport, Zoning Officials Named

• Annexation Issue Still At Stalemate

Beaufort commissioners amended Monday night the privilege license schedule in accord with a request submitted by the Merchants association. J. O. Barbour, spokesman for the merchants, estimated that the schedule, as amended, will yield \$4,500 to \$5,000 revenue for the town.

The schedule, as adopted in closed session in June, was termed by Mr. Barbour as "unrealistic and unreasonable."

Bert Brooks, commissioner presiding in the absence of the mayor, W. H. Potter, attempted to defer action on the merchants' proposal. Dr. David Farrior, commissioner, asked that the matter be tabled. Commissioners W. R. Hamilton, Math Chaplain and Otis Mades voted in favor of amending.

The board adopted a resolution requesting the state to defer action on a request from John Yarnell to purchase shoal property from Peanut shoal east to Gordon street, and to consider further the turning of the property over to the town of Beaufort for public use.

James H. Davis was reappointed to the zoning commission and William Taylor appointed a commissioner replacing Mrs. Lockwood Phillips.

Reappointed as the town's representative on the county airport commission was Glenn Adair.

C. R. Wheatly, town attorney, reported that the courts have taken no action as yet on the annexation issue.

The board adopted a resolution asking the zoning commission to consider a proposal that property on the north corners of Pollock and Front streets be classified RA-2 and that property to the south of that area be zoned "restricted commercial."

The request was made in conjunction with the Moore family's interest in using their dock, across from the postoffice, for commercial purposes.

The board agreed to leave in its budget \$1,045 for a police radio hook-up with the rest of the county. This still won't meet the cost of operation of the county system under the present set-up, but sheriff Hugh Salter, who appeared before the board said he would try to find the balance, about \$600, somewhere.

Calvin Smith requested reimbursement from the town for damage caused to his car when trash blew off a town truck. Smith said the trash broke his antenna and cracked two windows. The attorney asked him to file an application with the clerk, Ronald Earl Mason, for reimbursement.

Commissioner Hamilton expressed the opinion that the town would break even on its 251st anniversary celebration. He thanked the police, street and fire departments for their assistance in the affair.

Routine reports were heard from each commissioner.

Flowers Cause Freak Crash

A pot of flowers that toppled over on the back seat of a car Monday was the cause of an unusual traffic accident in Morehead City.

Police said that Mrs. Edna Williams Dawson, 2212 Arendell street, had just made a left turn from Bridges onto 19th when a pot of flowers in the back seat of her car toppled over. She turned around to check the flowers and when she turned towards the front again, she found her car headed in the direct path of a telephone pole.

She told police she applied her brakes but couldn't stop in time to avoid crashing into the pole.

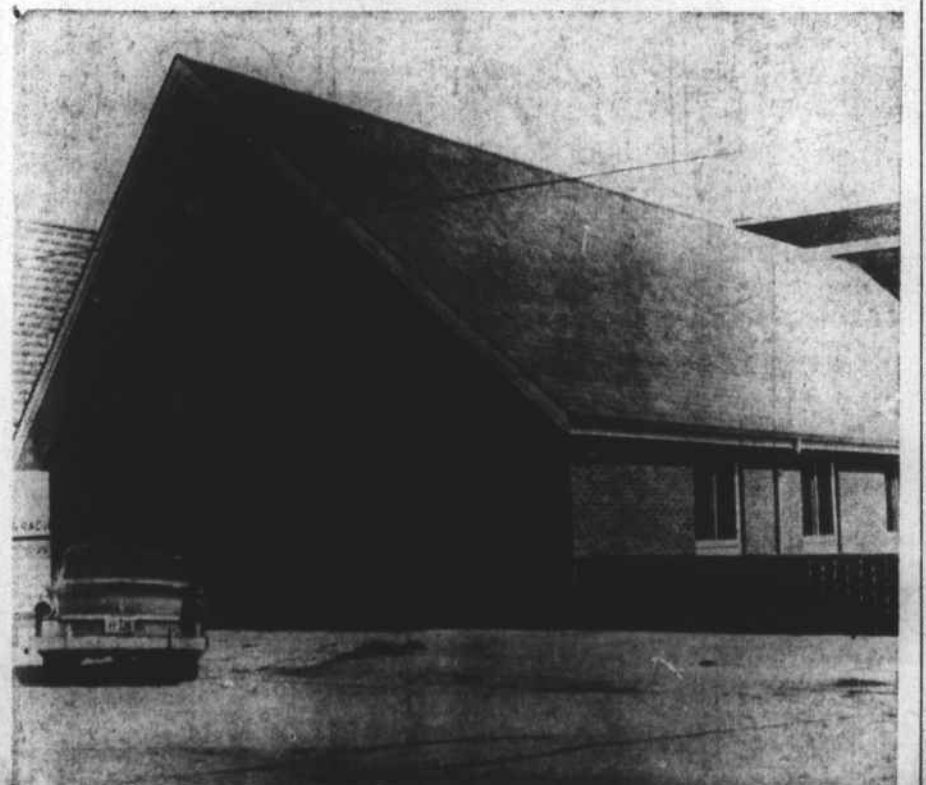
The force of the impact broke the pole off and sent the top part of it crashing onto the top of a parked car belonging to George Bedsworth, 203 N. 19th.

Mrs. Dawson suffered slight back injuries and was treated on the scene by Dr. S. W. Thompson.

Police estimated damage to Mrs. Dawson's 1958 Plymouth at \$700 and to Bedsworth's 1957 Oldsmobile at \$150. No charges were filed.

Police sergeant Bill Condie investigated.

New Building Completed



Members of the First Methodist church and Sunday School consecrated Sunday, July 3, their new Fellowship building on Arendell street, adjacent to the sanctuary. The Rev. Barney L. Davidson, pastor, announces that a formal opening with an open house will be held later.

Two Cars Crunch Together Friday

A Beaufort man, Hugh Thomas Piner, and Anson Joseph Phillips, Morehead City, were drivers of cars involved in an accident at 9th and Evans streets Friday morning.

According to the Morehead City police department, Piner was going south on 9th street and had stopped for a stop sign at Evans when his car was hit by a 1956 Buick being driven by Phillips. Phillips was making a right turn off of Evans onto 9th.

Damages to Piner's car, a 1956 Chevrolet, were estimated at \$100 and to Phillips' auto, \$75. No charges were filed.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Friday, July 15	
1:23 a.m.	7:45 a.m.
2:01 p.m.	8:25 p.m.
Saturday, July 16	
2:16 a.m.	8:44 a.m.
2:53 p.m.	9:16 p.m.
Sunday, July 17	
3:10 a.m.	9:39 a.m.
3:48 p.m.	10:21 p.m.
Monday, July 18	
4:08 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
4:43 p.m.	11:11 p.m.
Tuesday, July 19	
5:07 a.m.	11:17 a.m.
5:35 p.m.	11:59 p.m.

Echoes of the Past

Forgotten Men of the 'Snap Dragon'

By WILEY H. TAYLOR JR.

Many stories have been written about Otway Burns and his exploits as a privateer, but little is known of the men who served with him on his vessel, the much-talked-about "Snap Dragon." Following is a copy of a power of attorney by the crew of the vessel to David Hellen, recorded in Book Q Page 64, Carteret County Register of Deeds:

"Know all men by these presents that the undersigned crew of the Privateer Schooner Snap Dragon have constituted, made and appointed and by these presents do constitute make and appoint David Hellen of Beaufort our true and lawful attorney for us and our names and stead to our use to ask, demand, sue for, levy, recover and receive all such sums of money, rents, debts, goods, wares, dues, accounts and other demands whatsoever, which are or shall be due owing payable or belonging to us or detained from us in any manner or by any means whatsoever,

and seals the second day of June in the thirty seventh year of our independence A. D. one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

Witness:

- James Johnson
- Wm. B. Roddy (Seal)
- Nicholas Bowhen (Seal)
- George Mowton (Seal)
- John Atwood (Seal)
- Herman Goldsmith (Seal)

The marriage, death, and other records of Carteret County have been carefully checked to try and find some reference to the "Snap Dragon" crew. No further reference can be found.

None died in the county. None ever owned real estate. Therefore, we must assume that the famous ship was manned by men who were not natives of Carteret.

Who were the forgotten men of the "Snap Dragon"? (Editor's Note: This is the last in a series of historical articles designed to provide background on Beaufort's 251st anniversary celebration.)

Injured Parties Collect \$33,000

In final judgment, the court awarded \$33,000 to the two Carlyles injured June 30, 1959 in an auto collision at Bettie. The crash was fatal to Graham Davis, Straits, who was in one of the two cars.

Walter Carlyle and Norman Carlyle, Kingston, and a third person were in the other car. Walker Carlyle sued the First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co., administrator of the estate of Graham Davis. The jury, in the recent term of superior court in Carteret, awarded him \$20,600.

The attorney for the First-Citizens Bank and Trust, C. R. Wheatly, moved that the verdict be set aside. Both parties then agreed to payment of \$18,000 plus costs by the estate of Graham Davis.

The jury awarded \$32,427 in the case of Norman Carlyle. This verdict, too, was set aside and parties agreed to payment of \$25,000 plus costs by the defendant.

Displays Remain

Displays of antiques and relics in Beaufort store windows have attracted so much attention that the trade promotion committee of the Beaufort Merchants association has decided to keep the displays in the windows another week. Chairman of the committee is E. W. Dorman.