

## SPA Seeks \$14½ Million for Ports

The State Ports Authority this week at Morehead City and Wilmington presented requests for port improvement funds totaling \$14,440,000.

This is considerably less than the "\$20 million port expansion" figure predicted when it was learned early this year that the SPA had in mind major improvements at both ports.

The Advisory Budget commission heard a request Wednesday at Morehead City for \$5,420,000 for 1961-63 at that port. The request for Wilmington, of \$9,020,000, was made Thursday when the commission visited there.

If the proposed expansion takes place, the money would be raised by a bond issue, which first would have to be approved by the voters.

David Coltrane, state budget officer, who accompanied the budget commission, told D. Leon Williams, ports executive director, that both the general assembly and the voters would have to be sold on the expansion program.

Mr. Williams is of the opinion that the ports could retire a bond issue for the \$14½ million within the next 30 years.

Mr. Williams' plans for Morehead City include extension of the present east-west dock 2,000 feet west to add three new berths, making a total of eight. The dock extension would cost \$2 million.

Other items: \$1.5 million for site improvements, including gantry crane rails, connecting tracks and other facilities; \$720,000 for two transit sheds totaling 165,000

square feet of floor space; \$800,000 for three additional warehouses with 270,000 square feet of floor space and \$400,000 for equipment including a gantry crane for loading and unloading ships.

Mr. Williams said storage warehouses were the greatest immediate need at Morehead City. He said that added docking and transit facilities at the two ports would generate 150,000 more tons of North Carolina shipping within the next six months, if those facilities were available now.

Mr. Williams pointed to increased revenue, tonnage and number of ships at Morehead City this year as concrete evidence that growth necessitates increased improvement and investment.

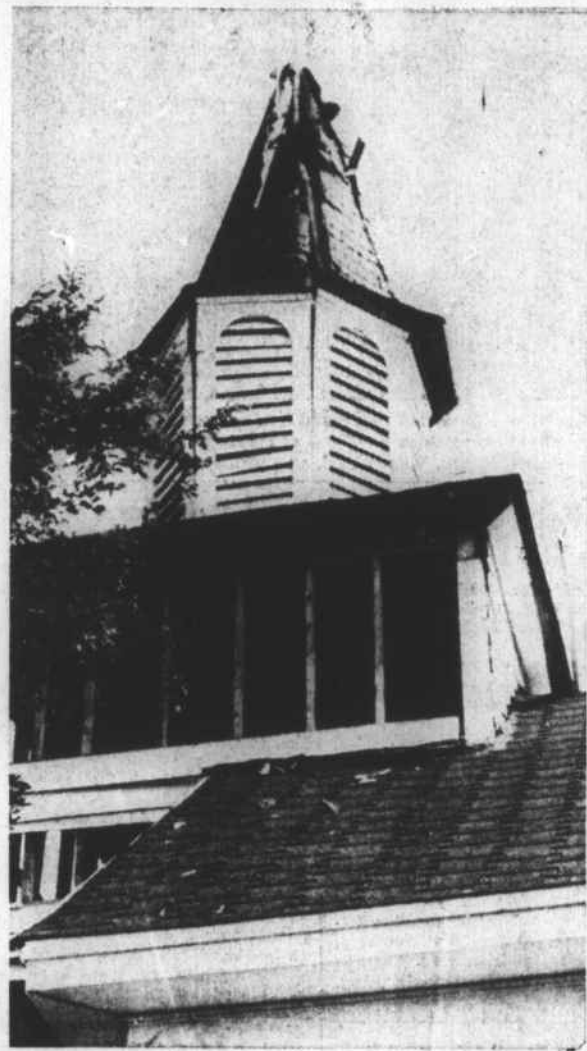
The director said new facilities

would reduce operating costs, adding that the ports have generated a payroll throughout the state in the last six months of \$6 million, half the amount the state has invested in the ports.

Requested for dock extension, \$3,975,000; for site improvement, \$1,550,000 for transit sheds; \$1,320,000 for warehouses; \$100,000 for the administration building; \$50,000 for equipment; \$130,000 for repairs to the old warehouse, and \$270,000 for the passenger terminal.

Budget commission members visiting Morehead City were Clifford Blue, Aberdeen; Clyde Harriss, Salisbury; Arthur Kirkman, High Point; J. William Copeland, Murfreesboro; and J. K. Doughton, Sparta.

## Lightning Causes Extensive Damage in County Monday



Lightning ripped into the steeple of the Free Will Baptist church, Russell Creek, Monday. Insurance adjusters estimated damage at \$1,000.

Lightning did considerable damage in the county Monday afternoon, striking a church steeple at Russell Creek and knocking out electrical appliances in homes.

Damage to the steeple of the Free Will Baptist church, Russell Creek, was estimated at \$1,000. After ripping the steeple to pieces, the bolt of lightning went down into the vestibule of the church and pushed the weatherboarding out, and to the ground, almost intact.

Morehead City firemen were called to two homes in the Noyes avenue section as the result of lightning. The damage everywhere was done during the same storm, between 5 and 6:30 p.m.

In the home of Mrs. Lillian Wallace, 112 Taylor St., Morehead City, Miss Joyce Taylor was at the stove stirring a pot of beans. The lightning came in through the stove, blew a hole the size of a nickel in the burner and a larger hole in the bean pot.

Miss Taylor said a fireman was such a comfort. He kept saying to her, "It's a wonder you weren't killed." Although there was no flame, lightning played throughout the house and "everything smoked," Miss Taylor said. That's why she called the fire department.

## Car Carrying Boys to Tourney Wrecks Monday

Raymond Ransom Jr., 15, Beaufort, was injured Monday in an auto accident about 10 miles east of Greenville. He was with a group of boys going to Tarboro to the Little League district tournament.

Driving the car was Buddy Teel, 16, Beaufort. Others in the car were Larry Teel, 14, who was hospitalized at Tarboro overnight, and Robert Ransom, 13, brother of Raymond.

Mrs. Alla Teel, mother of the Teel boys, said it was raining and Buddy was passing an oil tanker when the car started to skid. He saw he was going to hit the tanker, turned away from it and lost control of the car.

It hit a bank at the side of the road and turned over twice. Leslie Moore, Beaufort, who was driving behind the Teel car, a 1955 Chevrolet, took Raymond, Larry and Robert to the hospital at Tarboro. Buddy later was taken to the Greenville hospital for examination.

The accident happened at 11:30 a.m. The car was demolished. Raymond was brought by ambulance Tuesday from the Tarboro hospital to Morehead City hospital. Two vertebrae in his back are broken. He will be confined to the hospital from five to six weeks.

## Drivers Cited After Accidents

Two drivers received citations following weekend accidents. They were Harold Gray Simpson Jr., Front street, Beaufort, and Early Locklear, route 2 Newport.

Simpson was involved in an accident at 1:45 p.m. Saturday two and a half miles east of Beaufort on highway 70, according to patrolman R. H. Brown.

Simpson ran into the rear of a 1959 Buick operated by Geraldine Pate, Rocky Mount. According to the patrolman, the Buick had stopped while a car ahead of it made a turn into a private drive.

Simpson was driving a 1959 Chevrolet convertible. Both cars were headed east. Damage to the convertible was estimated at \$100 and to the Buick \$200. Simpson was charged with following too close.

Locklear was charged with following too close and having improper brakes as a result of an accident at 4 p.m. Sunday on highway 70 in front of the go-kart track east of Newport.

Locklear, in a 1952 Ford, ran into the rear of a 1953 Chevrolet driven by Alonzo White, Morehead City. Both cars were headed east. White had stopped to make a turn into the track. Damage to each car was estimated at \$100.

No one was hurt in either accident.

## Military, Civilian Authorities Will Discuss Air Space Problem Tuesday

To discuss problems arising from jet and civilian plane use of the same air space in the Beaufort-Morehead City area, a meeting has been set for 4 p.m. Tuesday at Cherry Point.

Attending will be mayor W. H. Potter of the town of Beaufort, Glenn Adair, chairman of the Beaufort-Morehead airport commission; Steve Oakley, who is scheduled to take over operation of the Beaufort-Morehead airport Monday, several operators of private planes in this area, a representative of Piedmont Airlines, a representative of the Civil Aeronautics board and military personnel.

The meeting was called at the request of Cherry Point Marine air base officers, after reports this week that military jet aircraft have on several occasions been flying at altitudes cleared for civilian planes.

Capt. Ed Schultze, informational services officer, said yesterday, "The generals are quite concerned and have made personal calls, as well as releasing dispatches, asking all pilots to refer to the order

published in November regarding altitudes to be observed by military aircraft."

That order, according to the informational services office, specifies that military aircraft shall fly at 2,000 feet or above. Civilian planes have been assured safety at 1,500 feet and under.

A civilian pilot coming in for a landing Monday at the Beaufort-Morehead airport, said four jets passed him at 500 feet.

Captain Schultze said that officers have been asked to make sure that the altitude specifications are rigidly followed by pilots.

He added that Tuesday's meeting has been called to help clear up misunderstandings that may have occurred this week as a result of the incident Monday at the airport.

Cherry Point officers offered to meet in Beaufort, but mayor Potter, who was contacted relative to the meeting, suggested that the meeting be at the base.

Mayor Potter said yesterday that he was confident Cherry Point would offer full cooperation in the air space problem.

## 18 Cases Heard In Beach Court

Eighteen cases were heard in the two recent sessions of mayor's court, Atlantic Beach.

Costs were paid by the following: Patrick Lisa, Cherry Point, public drunkenness; Sam Davis, Goldsboro, public drunkenness and disturbing the peace; Stephen W. Witer, Camp Lejeune, engaging in a fight and disturbing the peace; Teddy R. Sharp, Cherry Point, public drunkenness; Thomas E. Seitter, Coalmont, Tenn., engaging in a fight and disturbing the peace; Richard L. Paley, Kinston, public drunkenness.

Jerry L. Barfield, LaGrange, Gordon Wilkins, Kinston, and Frank E. Cashing, Raleigh, public drunkenness.

Mitchell D. Lewis, route 1 Newport, charged with buying beer for a person under age, was ordered to pay costs and stay away from the beach until October 1961.

David A. Chase, Camp Lejeune, charged with buying beer for a minor and using loud and profane language, paid costs and was restricted from the beach until Aug. 20.

The following forfeited bonds: Manuel Williams, New Bern, public drunkenness and using loud and profane language; Joseph Mallison Jr., Havelock, public drunkenness; Walter K. Aldridge, Kinston, public drunkenness; Paul D. Nelson, Greenville, and William T. Sykes, Farmville, buying beer for a minor.

Benjamin W. Baker, Raleigh, public drunkenness and resisting arrest; Walter G. Allen, St. Louis, Mo., disturbing the peace and using loud and profane language.

For failing to comply with a court order, Dalton Earl Morse, Hubert, and A. J. Greer, Swansboro, have been ordered to stay away from the beach for two years.

Cases of the following were continued: George H. Styron, Atlantic; Roderick Moore, Otis D. Nelson, Joe Rose, all of Harkers Island; and Ralph D. Robbins Jr., Roanoke Rapids.

## Morehead Board Adopts Budget

Morehead City commissioners have officially adopted the 1960-61 budget.

Revenue anticipated is \$281,514.61; expenses, \$272,345.51, leaving a balance of \$9,169.10 to be reimbursed to the debt service fund for money borrowed from that fund through the years for general operating expenses.

The tax rate, based on the 1960-61 budget, is \$1.95, an increase over last year.

The budget was officially adopted at a special meeting Friday morning at the municipal building.

John Lashley, town clerk, reported yesterday that the town has purchased this week ten bonds at five points below par value, which means a saving to the town in both principal and interest.

## Heads Committee



Jim Hux, Morehead City, has been appointed disaster committee chairman for the county.

Announcement of the appointment was made this week by Odell Merrill, Beaufort, chairman of the county Red Cross chapter.

Mr. Hux is superintendent at the Esso terminal, Morehead City. He is a member of the First Methodist church, the Morehead City Maritime association, chairman of the port safety-security committee of the Maritime association, and member of the Morehead City rescue squad.

Mr. Hux came to Morehead City in June 1952 and after brief stays at New Bern and Littleton returned to Morehead City in March 1955 as superintendent of the Esso terminal at the port.

## Coast Guard Tows Sailboat

Fort Macon Coast Guard towed to Morehead City Tuesday afternoon a 20-foot sailboat owned by Ralph Whittaker, Raleigh. The boat capsized in Beaufort Inlet at 2:20 p.m.

The two men aboard, who had started to swim ashore, were picked up by Felix Harvey and Warren Mann, Kinston, aboard the Wild Goose.

The rescued men told the Coast Guard that they started to swim when their boat started to drift to sea.

The Coast Guard 40-footer went to the scene, took the mast out of the boat, righted it and towed it in, but all the gear and equipment aboard was lost.

Aboard the 40-footer were C. F. Josey, BM2; B. L. Williamson, SN; J. Moore, FN; and J. J. Diaz, SA.

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## Fort Macon CG Aids Three Craft

Fort Macon Coast Guard personnel answered three distress calls from Saturday to Tuesday.

On Saturday Fort Macon received the message that an 18-foot outboard was about a half mile offshore from Atlantic Beach. The owner, Ben Herring, Raleigh, had injured his leg in an attempt to fix the faulty steering gear.

The Coast Guard 40-footer towed the outboard to the Morehead City Yacht basin, where an ambulance picked up Herring.

The crew aboard the 40-footer was Hubert Davis, engineer chief ENC, Jack Wilson, bos'n's mate second, and Jackie Moore, FN.

On Sunday at 6:35 p.m. the cabin cruiser Agnes notified the Coast Guard that the 33-foot Glow-Ann with eight people on board was disabled four miles east of buoy 6 in Beaufort Inlet because of fuel shortage.

The Coast Guard towed the cabin cruiser to the Morehead City Yacht basin. Making the assist were Jack Wilson, BM2, J. A. Johnson, ET2, and Jackie Moore, FN.

A distress flag hoisted by the 20-foot cabin cruiser Regina Marie brought the Coast Guard to its aid Tuesday at 8 a.m.

The cruiser, owned by Clarence H. Collins, Roanoke, Va., was disabled a half mile from the No. 3 buoy in Beaufort Inlet because of engine failure. She was towed to Morehead City at 10 a.m. by the Coast Guard 40-footer. Personnel assisting were W. J. Morgan, BM1, W. R. Lewis, SA, and R. C. Gaskill, FN.

## Guests Meet Tuesday With Beaufort Rotarians

Five visitors met with the Beaufort Rotary club Tuesday night at Holden's restaurant. They were the following:

J. R. Sanders, George McNeill and Fred Lewis, Morehead City Rotarians; and two out-of-county guests, Dr. W. L. Woodard Jr., Garner, and Johnny Woods, High Point.

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	Max.	Min.	Wind
July 6	83	75	E
July 7	81	73	SW
July 8	84	72	SE
July 9	82	70	E
July 10	86	68	S
July 11	85	74	SW
July 12	87	74	E
July 13	89	73	S
July 14	87	74	SW
July 15	83	77	NE
July 16	84	71	NE
July 17	85	73	NE
July 18	85	73	NE
July 19	85	72	SW
July 20	88	75	Var.
July 21	87	75	ENE
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July 25	88	75	E
July 26	85	74	SE

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Temperatures and wind direction for July 6 through Tuesday, July 26, as recorded by E. Stamey Davis, weather observer in Morehead City, follow:

## Museum, Alphonso, Will Stay Open 'til Labor Day

Chairmen of Beaufort's 251st anniversary events decided at a meeting Tuesday night at the courthouse to keep the Alphonso, Museum of the Sea, open until Labor Day.

Chairmen gave reports on their events. Mrs. J. P. Harris, treasurer for the celebration, reported on finances as of July 23.

The biggest money-maker was the drama. After meeting expenses of \$827.04, cost of production, the play, *Unknown Seas*, showed a profit of \$1,289.96, of which a thousand dollars was used immediately by the Beaufort Historical association to meet other expenses in connection with the celebration.

By July 23, \$8,054.45 had been received in pledges, leaving \$1,164.55 in pledges unpaid.

Mrs. Harris's records, after payment of all bills, showed a balance of \$57.11. With meeting of unpaid pledges and other checks which have come in since July 23, the historical association feels financially able to continue paying Grayden Paul, director of the celebration, through August. He will supervise and conduct historical landmark bus tours.

## First Yugoslav Ship Into Morehead Arrives

The first Yugoslavian ship to make port at Morehead City docked yesterday. It was also the hundredth ship to make port at Morehead City this year.

In honor of the occasion, the captain of the ship, the Kraljivica, was presented a key to the city by mayor George W. Dill.

The Kraljivica is taking on a cargo of dry milk for Casablanca, Tangier, Genoa, Naples, Trieste and Rijeka.

## Lodge Seeks Its Sickroom Supplies

Persons having any of the sickroom or invalid equipment on loan from the Odd Fellows lodge, Beaufort, are asked to contact Herbert Whitehurst or G. T. Spivey at once.

Mr. Whitehurst can be reached at PA8-3481 and Mr. Spivey at PA8-3264.

If the equipment is in use, Mr. Whitehurst or Mr. Spivey would still like to know where it is.

If it is not in use, other people are in need of it. A hospital bed and a wheel chair are needed now.

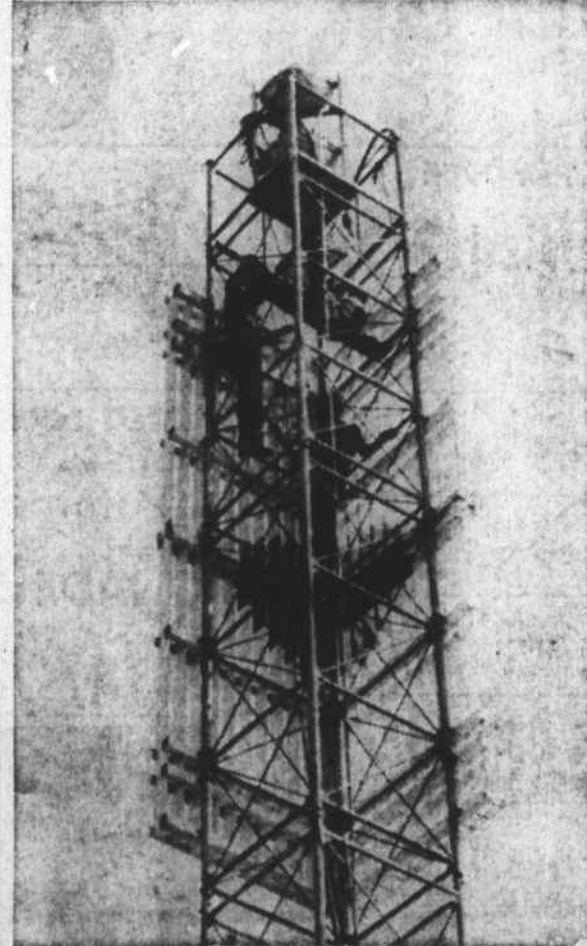
## Community Club Regrets Death of A. D. Ennett

The Cedar Point Community club, in a resolution dated Monday, expressed its regret at the death of a charter member, A. D. Ennett.

Mr. Ennett died July 4 as the result of injuries received in an auto accident.

The resolution, signed by L. J. Dupree, chairman of the resolution committee, said in part, "his (Mr. Ennett's) name and activities will long be remembered for his love, knowledge, and friendship to everyone."

## New Range Light



This is the new range light towering above the Museum of the Sea across from Beaufort's postoffice.

## S. Oakley Will Operate Airport

Glenn Adair, chairman of the Beaufort-Morehead City airport commission, announced Wednesday that Steve Oakley has applied to the commission to lease the airport facilities now operated by Earl Taylor.

Mr. Taylor has announced that he will no longer operate the airport after Aug. 1.

Mr. Adair said, "Mr. Taylor has rendered splendid service to the county and the airport commission deeply regrets loss of his services."

He added that negotiations with Mr. Oakley, for taking over the lease, are in progress. He said if they are not complete by Aug. 1, Mr. Oakley will assume airport operations and negotiations will be completed later.

Mr. Taylor's lease runs until 1966, but upon seven days notice can be terminated by Mr. Taylor. Mr. Taylor announced Tuesday that he was leaving Aug. 1, but would continue to operate his store at the Airport Service center if it cannot be rented or sold.

## Newport Groups To Meet Tonight

Newport Elm camp 338 and Woodmen of the World Court 1130 will observe family night from 8 p.m. to 12 tonight at the Woodmen hall on the Nine-Foot road, Newport.

Highlight of the evening will be presentation of the Mr. and Mrs. Woodmen for 1959 to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Garner. The engraved plaque will be presented by Clifford Fagle, Morehead City.

Mr. Garner has been secretary for the men's camp and Mrs. Garner empress of the women's court for the past year.

There will be a hamburger fry, and bingo and other games will be played. All members as well as the WOW court from Morehead City are invited.

## Three Morehead Girls Win Sterling Silver

Three Morehead City girls, 1960 graduates of Morehead City high school, have been named winners in the national Sterling is for Graduates contest.

The winners, according to Walter Morris, jeweler, are Patsy Swindell, who received a place setting of silver; Nancy Loughton, who received a teaspoon, and Phyllis Willis, who received a sterling silver spoon pin.