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US Bureau Lists Fishery Figures For Last Year

● North Carolina 2nd In South Atlantic
● Carteret Leads Tar Heel Counties in June

North Carolina in 1959 was second to the east coast of Florida in South Atlantic fishery catches, according to information recently released by the US Bureau of Commercial Fisheries.
Florida east coast catches totaled 467,833,000 pounds and were valued at \$8,242,000. North Carolina was followed by South Carolina and Georgia.
(Catches on inland lakes of Florida are included in the east coast statistics).
The entire 1959 catch in the South Atlantic states was 468 million pounds valued at \$19 million.
Carteret again led North Carolina coastal counties in fish landed in June. Carteret's total included 5,422,310 pounds of menhaden. The total catch, all fish, was 6,334,103 pounds with flounder and mullet leading the finfish catches.
Crabs led the shellfish catch, closely followed by 364,044 pounds of shrimp (heads on).
Total landings in June of this year for North Carolina were 68 per cent below June 1959. Most of the decline was in catch of menhaden, down 24.3 million pounds. The shrimp catch was off also.
Biggest increases were in croaker and blue crabs.
During the first six months of 1960, landings of fish and shellfish at Tar Heel ports amounted to 40.7 million pounds, a drop of 54 per cent compared with the same period last year.

6,508 Visit Marine Museum

In the first month (27 days) the Hampton Marine Museum was open, visitors numbered 6,508, according to Harry T. Davis, director of the state museum who is in charge of the marine museum.
The highest number of visitors in one day was 490 on the day the museum opened, July 26. Average daily attendance is 241. The best attendance is generally Sunday afternoons, Mr. Davis said.
Although guests are not required to register, those who do show that visitors have been there from Cairo, Egypt and as far away as the West coast and Canada.
Commenting on the attendance, Mr. Davis said, "This is a good beginning. As the exhibits become better known, we can expect increases."
Now that school has opened, more pupils are expected to visit in groups. The museum will be open through October. It will reopen March 1, 1961.
Located west of Morehead City at Camp Glenn, the museum is open daily except Mondays. William Palmer is the curator.

Coast Guard Saves Trawler

Coast Guardsmen from Sea Level and Fort Macon combined their efforts to prevent a 40-foot fishing vessel from sinking near Core Sound light 31 Wednesday morning.
The vessel, Avalee Leton, reported to the Coast Guard that she was in a sinking condition after taking on water through a hole in the bottom, believed to be under the fuel tanks.
Charles Willis of Atlantic, operator of the boat, and a Negro crewman were aboard. Charles Allgood of Davis is the owner.
The 25-footer from Sea Level and the 30-footer from Fort Macon went to the aid of the stricken vessel. They passed a board portable pumps which were used to keep the vessel from sinking.
Approximately an hour and a half after the arrival of help, the 30-footer took the Avalee Leton in tow and headed for Beaufort. Since there was no railway space immediately available in Beaufort, she was towed to Morehead City.
The Fort Macon 40-footer met the Avalee at Beaufort Inlet and relieved the 30-footer of the tow.
Personnel from Fort Macon involved in the case were Jack Miller, YN2; C. F. Josey, BM2; G. S. Jones, EN1; S. L. Gunn, SA; B. L. Williamson, SN; Jack Wilson, BM2; Lenton Williams, EN2; Allison Prigden, SK3; and Harry Mitchell, SA.
Russell Gaskill and Vernon Watts manned the boat from Sea Level.

Tar Boy I Gets Ready for Derby



Dr. Austin Williams, left, and Wade Lucas, check Tar Boy I prior to leaving the Institute of Fisheries Research this morning for the crab derby at Crisfield, Md.

All Seashore Highway Group To Meet Sept. 21

Norwood Young, Beaufort, president of the All Seashore Highway association, announces that the association will meet at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28, at the Carolinian hotel, Nags Head.
To be discussed will be Virginia's plans to construct a tunnel under the Chesapeake Bay, the proposed North Carolina road from Kitty Hawk to Virginia Beach, the request that the state take over the Atlantic-Ocracoke ferry, and a proposed ferry across the lower Cape Fear river.
Mr. Young said that operation of the Atlantic-Ocracoke ferry may be discontinued this fall if the state does not operate it.
Enclosed with a letter to Seashore Highway members was a map of proposed highway improvements on the coasts of North Carolina and Virginia.
Information on the map included a suggestion that one booklet set forth all the North Carolina coastal attractions, hotels, motels and restaurants so that the entire coast may benefit from improved travel facilities.

Paper Company Clears Land for New Seedlings

Smoke billowing up in wooded areas north of Morehead City and Beaufort this week came from control burning being done by Riegel Paper Co.
E. M. Foreman, county forest ranger, said some folks thought there were forest fires.
The burning of underbrush is being carried out by the paper company in the vicinity of Isaac creek to clear ground for the setting of seedlings.

Dr. Austin Williams, Morehead City, who with Wade Lucas, Raleigh, will enter a North Carolina blue crab in the derby at Crisfield, Md., Saturday, said yesterday that a Maryland crab will have a distinct advantage.
A Maryland crab won't have to be transported as far as other crabs in the competition. "If it's as hot today as it was Wednesday, we'll have a hard time keeping them alive," Dr. Williams said.
The crabs can be iced, but this definitely reduces their peak-of-health condition.
Derby prospects were rounded up Monday in Adams Creek and the Neuse and Newport rivers. They have been kept in tanks at the Institute of Fisheries Research, UNC, Morehead City, where Dr. Williams is a member of the faculty.
Dr. Williams has been watching the crabs closely to determine which are the liveliest. He says he has noted that the biggest are not the fastest. The middle-sized crabs seem to be the best sprinters.
The crabs are to run on a wet plywood track. North Carolina's entry will be Tar Boy I.
North Carolina accepted the crab derby challenge issued by the state of Maryland. Other states entering blue crabs, according to Mr. Lucas, are Washington, Oregon, Virginia and Delaware.
The state winning the derby will receive a cup from Maryland's governor, Millard Tawes. The derby is being staged to promote the blue crab industry.
Mr. Lucas is information officer for the State Department of Conservation and Development and is promoting North Carolina's participation in the derby with the blessings of Gov. Luther Hodges.

Teacher Bonus Amounts To \$40,568 in Carteret

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Mr. Joslyn said the checks were not as large as some of the teachers expected. The 5 per cent bonus was figured on the salary earned in 1958-59, as the law stipulated, and not on the salary earned last year.
Last year's salary was about 5 per cent higher than the previous year's. Thus, the checks averaged only 4.82 per cent of the salary each teacher drew in 1959-60.
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Mr. Joslyn said that an error was found in only two of the checks made out for Carteret teachers. Those errors were corrected before the checks were distributed.
Faculty members of 1958-59 who are not now teaching in Carteret received their checks by mail.

Vickie Fulcher, Stacy, Hit by Car; Leg Fractured

Two-year-old Vickie Fulcher, Stacy, is recovering from a broken leg received at 12:30 p.m. Saturday when she was struck by a car. She was discharged Monday from the Sea Level hospital.
Highway patrolman W. J. Smith Jr. said driver of the car was Miss Virginia Willis, Davis. She was headed west at Stacy.
Vickie and another child were on the side of the road and ran in front of the car. Miss Willis swerved to avoid hitting them, but couldn't avoid Vickie.
The little girl was taken to the hospital by Danny Sparks, Stacy. She is the daughter of Mrs. Retha Fulcher.

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Beaufort Firemen Get Call Wednesday Night

Beaufort firemen answered a call at 6:55 p.m. Wednesday to the trawler Josephine tied up at the Charles Davis fish house.
A cable from a battery was afire. Firemen reported lots of smoke but minor damage. They returned to the fire station in 20 minutes.

Keeping Highways Safe



Pictures like this can prove the driver of a car to be a story-teller, when he says he was going only 34 miles an hour in a 55 zone. His license and the speed at which he is going is clocked and filmed simultaneously.

Carteret highway patrolmen ask motorists to be particularly careful over the holiday weekend. Seventeen persons will meet violent death in North Carolina, it is predicted — will you be one of them?
A camera car, speed clocks, and other mechanical devices will be used to check traffic in the Carteret area.
Shown above is the picture taken by a camera in a specially-equipped highway patrol car. The dial at right shows the speed the car, pictured at left, is traveling, what time the clocking took place and the number of miles the car was trailed.
Similar pictures are used as evidence in traffic cases in court. Highway patrolmen will be on duty around the clock through Monday, Labor Day.

Newport Will Dedicate New Postoffice Sunday, Sept. 11

Coast Guard Boards Boats On Inland Tar Heel Lakes

Lt. John Riddell, USCG, commanding officer of Fort Macon group, reported this week that two Coast Guard Mobile Boarding teams, comprised of men under his command are now working on High Rock Lake and Catawba Lake upstate.
Officer in charge of the teams is Darrell Lupton, native of Carteret county.
Lieutenant Riddell explained that the Coast Guard is responsible for safety and boat operations on any navigable water in the United States. Although the state of North Carolina has assumed the responsibility of numbering boats, the Coast Guard continues with its usual operations.
The boarding teams, in addition to checking boats, are showing approved Coast Guard equipment and are speaking at marinas and to schools.
Lieutenant Riddell himself will appear tonight on the tv program, Sportsman's Almanac. At that time, he says, a 10-minute film on Coast Guard activities will be shown. The film was shot Tuesday at Fort Macon and in the surrounding waters.
Commenting on an editorial in Tuesday's paper relative to the Coast Guard telephone line into Fort Macon, lieutenant Riddell said that improvements now being made by the Coast Guard will give the station three lines. At present, there is one.
The commanding officer also said that Carolina Telephone has been extremely reluctant to give service to the Coast Guard station because, in the past, it has not had enough potential customers on the Fort Macon road to warrant the service.
Lieutenant Riddell said that the Coast Guard has even offered to let the telephone company use its line on the Fort Macon road, but the phone company declined.
Relative to a comment in the editorial regarding weather reports, the lieutenant said that Fort Macon is not a weather station and had not been authorized by headquarters to give out weather information.
Although the Coast Guard gets its weather information from Norfolk, lieutenant Riddell said the same reports are available in this area by tv, radio and newspaper and Fort Macon gets the reports no sooner than the general public.
Oregon Inlet Coast Guard station flies weather flags, the officer continued, but only because it has been authorized to do so by the US Weather Bureau. He said if the weather bureau designates Coast Guard stations in this area as stations at which weather flags can be flown, the Coast Guardsmen will be happy to do it.

Chamber Says 10,500 Booklets Mailed This Year

The Greater Morehead City chamber of commerce, in a news letter this week, reported that 10,500 brochures have been mailed thus far this year in response to requests from the United States and Canada.
Postage on the brochures amounted to \$750, more than the total amount the chamber spent for postage during all of 1959.
The chamber's 425 members include 42 in Beaufort and eastern Carteret, 66 in Atlantic Beach and on Bogue Banks, and 317 in Morehead City, Newport and the surrounding area.
These people have pledged or paid dues totaling \$24,470.
The remainder of the news letter reported on the recent Twin City Summer Clearance Sale, the Hampton Marine Museum, Seashore Highway, the port, Fabulous Fishermen and the Newport river bridge.
The letter urges support of the Carteret County Planning commission, which is charged with planning orderly development of the county over the coming years.
Included in the news letter was a reprint of an ad promoting fishing in North Carolina and a map of outer banks highway improvements. The ad will appear in the September issue of Salt Water Sportsman.

No Objections Made To Proposed Bond Vote

Odell Merrill, clerk to the board of county commissioners, reports that no objections to the proposed hospital bond vote had been filed with the county by Friday, Aug. 28. A legal notice, published Aug 16 and 23, invited persons who objected to make their objections known in writing.
Voters on Nov. 8 will express their opinion on whether the county should borrow a million dollars to buy land for and build a county hospital.

Car, Bicycle Collide; Angela Mason Injured

Angela Mason, 6-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald E. Mason, suffered extensive bruises at 6 o'clock Tuesday night when her bicycle collided with a car on Circle Drive, Highland Park, Beaufort.
The car, a 1959 Ford, was driven by Fred Smith, Circle Drive. Highway patrolman W. J. Smith said Angela rode her bicycle in front of the car. With Smith were Tull Williams and his baby daughter.
Angela was taken to the Morehead City hospital where she was x-rayed and discharged. She was confined to bed at her home this week, but was reported to be recovering satisfactorily.

Newport's new postoffice will be dedicated in a ceremony at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, at the postoffice.
R. K. Montague, postmaster, released the program Wednesday. Derryl Garner, chairman of the dedication, which is being sponsored by the Newport Rotary club, will preside.
Mayor Leon Mann Jr. will give the welcome address.
Special guest from the postoffice department will be J. B. Whitford, organization management official, Atlanta, Ga.
He will present the American flag to Mr. Montague who in turn will present it to a Marine Corps color guard from Cherry Point. The Rev. M. O. Sears, pastor of the Missionary Baptist church, will give the invocation. The Rev. Ralph Fleming Jr., St. James Methodist church, will give the benediction.
On the speakers' platform will be past postal employees of Newport: Ira Garner, A. L. (Book) Wilson, Mrs. Blanche Edwards, Estelle Garner, Walter Mann and Murray McCain; also the five town commissioners, B. R. Garner, Wilbur Garner, Leslie Bercegeay, C. H. (Dick) Lockey, and John B. Kelly.
Eighty-three postmasters of the third postoffice district will be invited. Also expected to be present is P. B. Osgood, New Bern, postal inspector.
Announcements will go out today to all Newport postoffice patrons, inviting them to the dedication.
The school band, under the direction of Melvin Edwards, will give a 15-minute concert prior to the start of the ceremony.
Visitors will be taken on a tour of the postoffice and refreshments will be served by Rotary-Anns. In case of rain, the ceremony will take place in the school auditorium.

Driver Wants Case Decided In Higher Court

Joseph Bernerd High, convicted of speeding Tuesday in county court and fined \$10 and costs, appealed his case to superior court. Judge Lambert R. Morris placed High under \$100 bond.
Six defendants forfeited bond when they failed to appear. They were Leland Gillikin, charged with having no chauffeur's license; Donzalea George, charged with failing to display license plates; John Wallace Fulcher, charged with having an improper muffler; Elijah Dixon Jr., charged with violation of fishing laws; John Cecil Stanley Jr., charged with improper use of headlights and Richard Stroud Conner, charged with having an improper muffler.
Other defendants, their charges and the findings of the court follow:
Edward Tyson Jr. — Issuing a worthless check, ordered to pay court costs and to honor the check.
Alton Lee Koonce — Speeding and having no driver's license, \$15 and costs.
Harry Wallace Lewis — Driving on the wrong side of the road, costs.
Kenneth Lee Jockman — Having no driver's license, not prosecuted.
James Nagel Nobles — Speeding, costs.
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Government Offices Will Observe Labor Day

Monday, Labor Day, will not be a holiday for school children, but the courthouse, town halls, postoffices, banks, federal and state offices will be closed.
Most stores will be open. THE NEWS-TIMES will be open as usual.
Tuesday, Sept. 6, will be the last day air mail will leave from the Beaufort-Morehead airport. Piedmont Airlines ends its summer service on that day.

Ronald Bell Hurt in Crash

Ronald Bell, 23, Newport, was injured at 11:15 a.m. Monday just south of New Bern near highway 70.
Bell, driving a dump truck owned by Lonnie Howard, Newport contractor, collided with a tandem truck driven by Murl Edward Sadler, 23, New Bern.
The accident occurred at the intersection of a side road between two drive-ins just off highway 70. Highway patrolmen said Bell was headed west. His truck was loaded with marl. It was demolished to avoid hitting the cab and collided with it at its front wheels, behind the cab.
Bell got a severe gash on his arm and cuts about the face. He was admitted to St. Luke's hospital.
The truck driven by Sadler was owned by L. C. Everhart, New Bern.
Highway patrolmen investigating the accident were C. C. Jones, Nathan Robinson and H. W. Prigden.

Civil Aeronautics Board Issues Report on Jesse Taylor Air Crash

The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, Washington, D. C., announces that the Civil Aeronautics Board report on the Jesse Taylor air crash has been made.
Mr. Taylor, 28, of Beaufort, flying a fish spotting plane, collided with a jet in mid-air at 9:06 a.m. Monday, Aug. 24, 1959. The jet pilot, stationed at Cherry Point, bailed out and survived. Mr. Taylor was killed instantly.
The report on the accident consists of 74 pages. The AOPA notes, however, that the report consists only of factual information, a history of the flight and reports of witnesses. No conclusions as to responsibility for the accident are stated.
The accident touched off a controversy as to the use of air space by civilian pilots in this area and military aircraft. A solution was found for the period during November and December when fish spotting planes are active in this area.
A representative from Cherry Point was stationed at the Beaufort-Morehead City airport last winter who had direct contact with the Marine base and could clear planes out of the airport.
Since that time, however, near misses between civilian planes and jet aircraft have occurred.
The Marine Corps has established a restricted area around its base at Cherry Point. The vast area covers the Beaufort-Morehead City airport.
The Navy and Marine Corps maintain that their requirements for all portions of that air space cannot be relaxed. Thus conferences between military authorities and civilian airport officials usually end in an impasse.
The Beaufort-Morehead airport was built prior to World War II and was subsequently taken over by the military. The restricted air area (R-123) was established. After the war, the airport was returned to Carteret county.
In 1950 federal funds were spent on the airport and the county signed an agreement that the airport would be kept open for public use for 20 years.
Victor J. Kayne, director, office of policy coordination for the AOPA, says, "The fact that restricted area R-123 still encompasses the airport and that, technically, no air space was available for civil traffic, appeared to be completely overlooked."
A copy of the report on the Taylor air fatality is available by writing Civil Aeronautics Board, B63, Washington 25, D. C. A charge for photocopying the report is payable by the person requesting it. The cost is estimated at \$16.

Snake Population Increases



Arrows 1 and 3 above point to baby snakes. Arrow 2 points to the head of the mother. The snake upper right is a pygmy rattler on display in the same glass cage.

Personnel at the Hampton Marine Museum Wednesday were sent into a scurry when the canebrake rattler above, on exhibit at the museum, started delivering a litter of baby rattlers. William Palmer, curator, said that he was not even certain the snake was a female, much less an expecting female.
In a period of about two hours the snake gave birth to 12 babies. Snake embryos are formed in an egg which is hatched internally by the mother. After the eggs have hatched the snakes are born, making their appearance into the world covered with a tissue-thin membrane.
The snakes are fully developed at birth with fangs and poisonous venom. Baby rattlers are capable of killing and devouring a half-grown mouse.
In the wilds, the mother leaves them immediately and they fend for themselves. The snake above was brought to the museum Tuesday morning from Pitt county by Perry Rogers, Greenville high school pupil.
Folks interested in seeing the baby snakes, which averaged about 8 inches in length at birth, may visit the museum, located west of Morehead City.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar

HIGH	Friday, Sept. 2	LOW
5:15 a.m.	11:31 a.m.	
5:43 p.m.		
Saturday, Sept. 3		
6:15 a.m.	12:11 a.m.	
6:39 p.m.	12:26 p.m.	
Sunday, Sept. 4		
7:08 a.m.	1:02 a.m.	
7:28 p.m.	1:20 p.m.	
Monday, Sept. 5		
7:56 a.m.	1:51 a.m.	
8:17 p.m.	2:11 p.m.	
Tuesday, Sept. 6		
8:44 a.m.	2:38 a.m.	
9:04 p.m.	2:58 p.m.	

Shrine to Meet

The Carteret County Shrine club will meet Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Mrs. Russell Willis's restaurant, Morehead City. Theodore Phillips, secretary-treasurer, asks that members wear their fez.

Rotary Meets

The Beaufort Rotary club held their Tuesday night meeting at Holden's restaurant. Guests attending included the Rev. Guthrie Brown, Harvey Joslyn and Dr. John Morris, all of Morehead City.