

Christmas Season Officially Arrives



Maintaining a busy schedule, Santa Claus kept his date to arrive in Morehead City Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.



Beaufort firemen erected and decorated this large cedar tree in Santa Claus Lane on Front Street. This replaces the tree they decorated in prior years on the courthouse lawn.



Children by a chimney and a tree ride the Western Auto float in the Morehead City Christmas parade.



Santa takes on his lap a bundled-up little boy during the Christmas Festival Friday in Beaufort.

Dec. 17 Set As Lions Yule Party

Plans for the Morehead City Lions' Christmas party were discussed at the club's meeting Thursday night. The party will be Saturday, Dec. 17 at the recreation center. Invited guests will be members of the Beaufort and Havelock Lions clubs. Hoogan Dan, Havelock, will work with the local committee in arranging the party, according to Lion Oscar Alfred.

The speaker at Thursday's meeting was Mrs. John Bordeaux, Morehead City, who described the corneal transplant operation that she underwent several years ago. The delicate eye operation is a procedure whereby the transparent part of the eyeball covering the iris and the pupil, is transplanted from one person to another.

Mrs. Bordeaux told members that without the operation, which was performed while she was in high school, she would now be blind.

Lion president Cliff Edwards read a letter of appreciation from a small girl who had received an eye examination and glasses from the Lions club.

This week the club will meet at the Blue Ribbon restaurant with the chamber of commerce at the chamber's annual membership banquet.



Members of choirs from throughout the county presented a program of Christmas music, directed by Miss Ruth Durham, on the steps of the Inlet inn, Beaufort, to conclude the Christmas Festival Friday night.

Woman Hurt In Auto Crash

Mrs. Sarah Bell, route 2 Beaufort, was hospitalized after an auto accident at 6:20 p.m. Sunday ten miles north of Beaufort on highway 101.

Patrolman W. J. Smith Jr. said that Mrs. Bell, in a 1956 Plymouth, collided with a 1960 Ford driven by Jerry O. Golden, Bettie. The patrolman reported that Golden attempted to pass Mrs. Bell as she was making a left turn off the highway. Both cars were headed north.

Mrs. Bell was taken to Morehead City hospital by the Adair ambulance. Damage to the Plymouth was estimated at \$200 and to the Ford \$300. Charges are pending.

Fisheries Hearing Will Begin at 10 Saturday

A public hearing on a proposal to prohibit shrimp and fish trawling within the three-mile limit of the North Carolina coast from Cape Hatteras to Cape Fear will be held at Morehead City Saturday at 10 a.m. Proposals to close certain areas in Pamlico Sound to shrimp and fish trawling, and restricting the taking of clams to tongs and rakes only from Cedar Banks club to Portsmouth island on the east side of the channel in Core Sound, Carteret county, will also be heard. The hearing will be conducted by the commercial fisheries committee of the State Board of Conservation and Development in the board room of the Commercial Fisheries building. The committee will make its recommendations to the C&D Board at its Jan. 9 meeting in Raleigh, Eric W. Rodgers of Scotland Neck, chairman, said. The proposal to prohibit shrimp and fish trawling within the three-mile limit was made at the October meeting of the Board of Conservation and Development at Hickory by A. W. Daniels of Charlotte, chairman of the advisory committee to the C&D Board's commercial fisheries committee. The commercial fisheries committee set Saturday as the date for a hearing on the matter. Mr. Daniels said requests for closing the area to shrimp and fish trawling came from sports fishermen, many of whom contend such activity by commercial fishermen are destructive to fish. Others contend that trawling does no affect fish supply. Proponents and opponents will be heard.

Morehead Stop Lights Come Alive

Morehead City's stop lights went on again Sunday, flashing their red and green in time for the Christmas season.

After months of non-operation, all the parts and problems have supposedly been ironed out, and the lights started operating Sunday afternoon, John Lashley, city clerk, announces. While this may annoy motorists who have been accustomed to zipping through the business section ever since spring, it will delight shoppers who have had to take their chances on skipping and leaping across Arendell street between moving cars.

Banquet Friday
The annual safety award banquet of Fry Roofing Co. will be held at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Rex restaurant, Morehead City. The firm's truck driver will be given safe-driving certificates.

Board Asks Attorney to Check On Carnival-Licensing Power

Historical Articles Win Recognition at Raleigh

Two historical articles appearing in THE NEWS-TIMES during the past year won recognition Saturday morning at the meeting of the North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians.

George Huntley III, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Huntley Jr., Beaufort, won the Hodges cup for his paper on St. Paul's Episcopal school, Beaufort, and Tucker Littleton, Swansboro, received a certificate of merit for his continuing series of articles, Annals of the Fleeting Years.

Mr. Littleton is a former teacher of English at Beaufort school. The winner of the Hodges cup was a student under him. The paper on St. Paul's school was submitted in the historians' contest by both F. C. Salisbury, president of the Carteret County Historical society, and Mr. Littleton.

Mrs. Huntley said yesterday that when George submitted his work as an English assignment he did not expect it to go any farther than the classroom.

Mrs. N. A. Edwards, of Goldsboro and Atlantic Beach, presented a replica of the Hodges cup to George. His name will be engraved on the large original trophy. The trophy is presented every two years for the best historical article by a high school student.

At Duke university, George, a freshman, is a member of the chorus. He was valedictorian at Beaufort school last spring and was president of the student council.

Attending the Saturday morning session in addition to the Huntleys and Mr. Littleton, was Miss Amy Muse, Beaufort, who spent the past week at Raleigh.



George Huntley III receives cup

Firemen Answer Three Alarms

The Beaufort fire department was kept hopping Saturday as they answered three alarms in a nine-hour period.

The first alarm, received at 10:15 a.m. sent the fire department to the residence of Ollie Henry on Cedar St. to extinguish a blaze that broke out in the rear of the house. Firemen had the fire out within 20 minutes and only minor damage was done. Origin of the fire was unknown.

The second alarm was received at 3 Saturday afternoon. This one sent the fire truck to Bettie where a cottage was ablaze. The owner of the cottage, which was located at the end of the North River bridge, was not known. Damage was limited to one corner of the house.

A short in the Christmas lighting wires downtown was the cause of the third alarm, received at 7:55 Saturday night. Firemen arrived on the scene and put out the fire by cutting the wires feeding the lights.

Dr. John Morris Will Introduce Speaker at Dinner

Dr. John Morris will introduce Archie K. Davis of Winston-Salem, who will be guest speaker at the annual Greater Morehead City Chamber of Commerce dinner Thursday night at 7 at the Blue Ribbon restaurant. The topic of Mr. Davis' talk will be Carteret County's Role in Future Economic Development.

The Rev. Barney L. Davidson, pastor of First Methodist church, will give the invocation. Rufus E. Butner Jr., chamber president, will give the welcome and introduce the guests.

Directors will be elected to replace Rufus Butner, Shelby Freeman and J. M. Davis, who are retiring. Reports will be given by Mr. Butner on the chamber in 1960; by T. T. Potter, advertising chairman; and A. B. Cooper, membership chairman.

Tide Table		
Tides at the Beaufort Bar		
HIGH	Tuesday, Dec. 6	LOW
10:10 a.m.	3:58 a.m.	
10:49 p.m.	4:36 p.m.	
Wednesday, Dec. 7		
10:48 a.m.	4:31 a.m.	
11:34 p.m.	5:13 p.m.	
Thursday, Dec. 8		
11:27 a.m.	5:01 a.m.	
	5:50 p.m.	
Friday, Dec. 9		
12:17 a.m.	5:33 a.m.	
12:07 p.m.	6:34 p.m.	

Board to Invite Architects To Meet With Them

County commissioners decided at their meeting yesterday morning at the courthouse, Beaufort, that they would invite all architects interested in building the county hospital to confer with them in a special meeting.

Commissioner Skinner Chalk said that he thought the commissioners should have ready, to present to an architect, several sites and then let the architect assist in deciding which would be the most desirable site.

Clerk Odell Merrill commented that the Medical Care commission must also approve the site.

Bud Dixon, Morehead City, appeared before the board to suggest that the commissioners appoint a board of trustees rather than have them elected. "You need qualified and competent men to operate a hospital," Mr. Dixon said, "and you don't always get that kind when you elect them."

Moses Howard, chairman of the county board, said that the commissioners plan to appoint the hospital trustees. He expressed the opinion that a committee should be appointed to handle the selection of site and architect.

Commissioner David Yeomans said that people have told him they want the county board to get the site and build the hospital and not delegate the authority to anyone.

Commissioner Gaston Smith said he believes it's the county board's duty to select the architect, the site, then appoint a board of trustees "and let them take it from there."

Judge Luther Hamilton, who appeared before the board to ask their consideration of Watts Carr, Durham, as architect for the hospital, said that he felt the county board itself should handle the building of the hospital, selection of site and similar details.

Mr. Howard said that the board has been notified by several property owners that they would be willing to sell land for the hospital.

Mayor W. H. Potter, Beaufort, appeared to request that the county help complete the job on the dump on Lennoxville road and also give the town property on the courthouse square for a town hall. The county commissioners told him they could do neither.

Luther Hamilton Jr., county attorney, said the county had no authority to permit its property to be used for other purposes. At the mayor's request, the board authorized the clerk to ask the State Highway Commission to pave the road from the Beaufort-Morehead airport to highway 101.

As a private citizen, mayor Potter requested the board to authorize a \$2½ million bond referendum for schools in May. He said the county should be ready to participate in a state and federal fund matching program for schools.

The board expressed the opinion that his suggestion may be premature and suggested that it should go first to the board of education.

Lee Murdoch appeared to request that a road seven-tenths of a mile long be placed on the county system. The road follows the railroad track between Wildwood and the homes near the old Morehead City airport.

Mr. Murdoch was given a petition to be signed by property owners along the road.

County commissioners yesterday asked Luther Hamilton Jr., county attorney, to check on the county's authority on licensing carnivals. The matter was raised after a discussion of the county fair, sponsored by Carteret Post No. 99, American Legion.

C. L. Beam, representing the Legion, presented a letter to the county commissioners, relative to the Legion's operation of the fair. The letter stated that there were only two complaints against it—from the Carteret County News-Times and the Newport town commissioners.

Commissioner Skinner Chalk said that there have been more complaints from other sources in the past and there is sentiment against the fair, even if people have not complained. He said that he himself observed money being taken from children at gambling places two years ago. He said that he did not attend the fair this year.

Mr. Beam said that income from the fair is "for charity purposes" and added that it would be embarrassing to the people receiving the money to let it be known publicly that they receive this money. He added that the Legion would furnish a financial report to the county board, but not the public, if the board wanted it.

Commissioner Chalk said later that if the fair is sponsored for raising money for charity, perhaps the matter should come under the state's regulations on solicitation of funds for charitable programs.

Mr. Beam said there was no trouble at the county fair this year, that THE NEWS-TIMES "was called three times" to learn the name of a girl who had her watch stolen and that the Legion had offered to buy the girl a watch.

The county commissioners said they are not against a good county fair, that agricultural displays and exhibitions of that type are fine. Commissioner Harrell Taylor told Mr. Beam, "You've got this sinful, disgraceful carnival connected with the fair."

Commissioner Chalk suggested that the "midway" be confined to rides and food-selling stands.

Mr. Beam proposed that the county board draw up a set of rules and regulations under which the fair could be operated. "If we can abide by it, we will; if not, we'll quit."

Moses Howard, chairman of the board, said that he thought operation of the county fair under the resolution previously passed by the board would be sufficient. That resolution was adopted June 4, 1951. It does "not exclude from this county any legitimate entertainment, educational or otherwise, such as agricultural fairs or midways, so long as such operation is found to be entirely legitimate."

Commissioner David Yeomans said that sheriff Hugh Salter prevented several wheels from being operated at the county fair this year.

Sheriff Salter termed the visit of a NEWS-TIMES photographer to the fair this year an "unfortunate episode." He said the photographer "went around the back of the fair and the people objected. I told him if he wanted to go in the front, I'd go in with him." He added that people "got something in return" for every game they played at the fair.

(A NEWS-TIMES photographer was denied admission by Legionnaires at the main entrance of the fair, because he had a camera. He then walked around the perimeter of the grounds in company of the sheriff. Later he was admitted to the fair, but only under condition that he take no pictures of any of the activities on the fairgrounds or in the shows).

A. H. James, chairman of the county Democratic committee, spoke in favor of the American Legion and its fair. He suggested that the county board let the matter be dealt with by law enforcement officers.

No final action on the proposal was taken, pending a report from the county attorney. The board could not locate a letter on the carnival matter that had been written them by the Newport town board.

County PTA's Hope to Form District Council

Representatives of Carteret Parent-Teacher associations met at the civic center, Morehead City, Thursday night to form a County PTA council.

Mrs. D. W. Hancock, district director from New Bern, presided. Two temporary officers were elected. They are Mrs. L. J. Klein, Beaufort, president, and Mrs. R. K. Montague, Newport, secretary.

The group plans to coordinate efforts to obtain improved schools and raise education standards throughout the county. All PTA's, school principals and county school administrative officers are invited to participate in the council's activities, according to Cecil H. Smith, Morehead City, who is serving as publicity chairman.

Tentative plans have been made for meeting Thursday night, Jan. 5, at Smyrna school, to complete organization.

Attending the meeting in addition to those mentioned, were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mizelle, L. S. Bercegeay, and E. B. Comer, all of Newport; Albert Gainey, Maj. A. A. Metz, Beaufort, and Mrs. B. King, New Bern, district secretary.

Elks Announce Plans to Build \$30,000 Lodge

Members of the Morehead City-Beaufort Elks' Lodge met Thursday and heard plans for the building of a new \$30,000 lodge building.

John A. Baker, chairman of the committee for the new building, presented preliminary plans for the structure which, he said, will incorporate the latest ideas in construction and beauty. The new lodge will be erected on the same site of the present building at 1002 Arendell St., Morehead City. Members will vote on the plans at the Dec. 15 meeting.

L. G. Dunn, chairman of the entertainment committee, announced plans for a Christmas party for members and their wives Dec. 20. Proceeds from the party will go to the Elks' welfare fund for the needy.

The lodge also voted to donate \$200 to the fire department charity fund of Morehead City and Beaufort for their work at Christmas.

Clam chowder, prepared by J. B. Rice, was served to the 25 members following the meeting.

Coast Guard Assists Vessel

The Fort Macon Coast Guard assisted one distressed vessel over the weekend.

The assist occurred Sunday afternoon when the station received a call from the 30-foot cabin cruiser Seahawk that the vessel was out of fuel.

The 30-footer was sent to aid the Seahawk, which was towed to Cannon boatworks. The master and owner of the Seahawk was F. N. Wilhelm of Baltimore, Md.

Making the assist were Jack Wilson, BM-1; Fred Gallup, SN and Harold Arthur, EN-3.

Kitten Saved Yesterday From Marauding Dog Pack

An eight-week-old kitten was rescued from four dogs at Evans and 10th streets, Morehead City, yesterday morning at about 6:45 a.m.

The kitten had been grabbed by the dogs who were following a morning newsboy on his bicycle. Gordon Day, who lives at 1001 Evans St., happened to see the pack and rescued the kitten.

The kitten is now at the Day home, 1001 Evans St., Morehead City, where it can be claimed by its owner. Mrs. Benjamin Day said that if the owner doesn't claim the kitten in several days, she would like to find a home for it. She describes it as a pretty kitten, brown, black and white, "a calico cat."

The above is another example of the ever-present dog problem in Morehead City.

Someone said the other day, "The Russians are sending all their dogs up in space ships. Wonder what they'll do when they run out of dogs."

"They won't run out," came a reply. "The Soviet Union has almost as many dogs as they have in Morehead."