

Hospital Suit Dismissed; Case Goes to Supreme Court

Judge Albert W. Cowper has dismissed the county hospital suit and J. O. Barbour Jr., and others, who started the action against county commissioners, have appealed to the state supreme court.

Thus ends round 3 in the county hospital project.

Round 1 ended in passing of the referendum.

Round 2 ended with selection of a hospital site.

Round 3 opened when Beaufort residents filed a suit in which they alleged that the county was not living up to a 1937 agreement with bondholders and shouldn't borrow money to build a hospital, that the property selected for the hospital site (Webb property on Bogue sound), has a defective title, that the amount being paid (\$75,000) is excessive, and that more property was being purchased than is necessary for hospital use.

In superior court in Beaufort Friday, April 7, judge Cowper ruled that the bondholder argument and the defective title allegation were not sufficient to block hospital construction.

He then accepted written testimony on the other points and made his decision late Thursday. The plaintiffs, J. O. Barbour and others, were ordered to pay costs of court. Bond was set at \$100.

Luther Hamilton Jr., county attorney, said that he believed a decision from the supreme court may be forthcoming in two or three weeks.

Mr. Barbour, commenting on the hospital situation, said yesterday that it is not the intent of the complainants in the suit to "destroy the hospital" as has been charged by some.

"We opposed the method of selecting a site and we still oppose it," Mr. Barbour added. He said that he believes the entire hospital program may jeopardize a program for better schools, which, he contends, should be the primary concern.

Town Efforts Blocked Again

Judge W. J. Bundy signed an injunction at Greenville Thursday restraining the town of Beaufort from proceeding with any further annexation plans while a prior annexation suit is still hanging fire.

The injunction was requested by George W. Huntley Jr. and others, who filed suit last year against the town. At that time the town was attempting to annex Hancock and Highland Park and other areas adjacent to Beaufort.

The order blocking that action was signed Feb. 26, 1960.

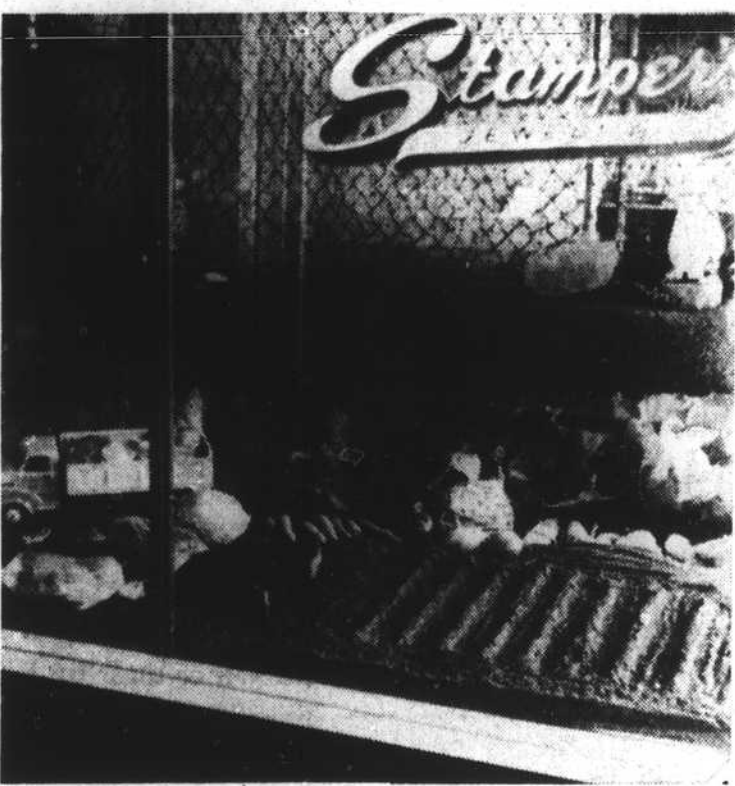
Ronald Earl Mason, Beaufort town clerk, said yesterday that the town expects to proceed with a hearing at 7:30 Saturday night regarding annexation, by vote, of an area between Taylor's creek and the northern boundary of homes on Ann Street extended.

Bill Singleton Elected To Head JC District

Bill Singleton, past president of the Morehead City Jaycees, was elected Jaycee district vice-president Sunday at the 12th quarterly district meeting at the Biltmore hotel, Morehead City.

Mr. Singleton, who ran unopposed for the office, will be installed with other state officers at the state convention in Asheville, May 19-21. As chief officer in the district, he is automatically a vice-president in the state organization.

Bettie Displays Its Products



Bettie's exhibit in Beaufort's recent Good Neighbor Days event promotes Bettie as the county's truck crop center. The exhibit appears in Stamper's window.

J. O. Barbour Jr., president of the Beaufort Merchants association, said yesterday that the exhibits will remain in windows through tomorrow. The association promoted Good Neighbor Days Friday and Saturday.

"I think the displays are marvelous," Mr. Barbour said, "and the merchants association expresses its appreciation to all the communities. We hope that this event will become an annual affair and become bigger with each year."

A description of the exhibits will appear in Friday's paper.

Mayor Speaks To Rotary Club

Mayor George Dill was the guest speaker at the Thursday night meeting of the Morehead City Rotary club. Mayor Dill gave a talk on the different types of city government in use today throughout the state.

He explained that Morehead City has a mayor-city council type of government where the mayor is responsible for seeing that all functions of the city government are taken care of by the commissioners, within the budget.

Mayor Dill also explained that local financing is a problem because of the differing laws which are passed by the state legislature where one law states that certain measures will be followed and other laws make it difficult or impossible to follow them.

Emile Olschner, registrar for the town, reported that approximately 900 persons had registered to date for the city elections. Saturday, April 22, was the last day for registration.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Tuesday, April 25	
4:06 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
4:50 p.m.	11:09 p.m.
Wednesday, April 26	
5:02 a.m.	11:29 a.m.
5:38 p.m.	11:54 p.m.
Thursday, April 27	
5:50 a.m.	12:12 a.m.
6:19 p.m.	

Rescue Squad Obtains New Station Wagon

The newly-organized Beaufort rescue squad has ordered a rescue truck and expects delivery of the new vehicle within the next two weeks. A Corvair Greenbriar station wagon is the type of vehicle that will be used. It will be equipped with rescue equipment purchased by the squad.

The organization has also leased a building which will serve as a permanent meeting place and storehouse for rescue squad equipment. The building is located on the Y property, Gordon street, Beaufort. The squad is in the process of renovating the building. Building materials have been donated by Safrit's lumber company and Huntley's building and supply company.

At present, the rescue squad is comprised of 11 active members plus three associate members. Officers of the organization are: Virgil Woolard, chief; Melton Lawrence, assistant chief; Harvey Gaskill Jr., captain; Tommy Avery, secretary; and Tom Hewitt, treasurer.

Other members are Bryan Loftin, Gerald Gaskill, Norwood Gaskill, Atton Gaskill, Warren Thomas Willis, and Frank Lewis. J. P. Harris, Wiley Taylor Jr. and Glenn Adair are associate members.

Mr. Lawrence, assistant chief, said Sunday that the organization needs more active members. Membership fee in the rescue squad is \$5 and monthly dues are \$1, according to Lawrence. The organization also hopes to have a training program set up in the near future.

2,000 Acres Burned When Arsonist Sets Fire at Davis

New Registrants Number 1,526

Morehead City's total registration is 1,526.

E. W. Olschner, registrar, reported that 458 registered Saturday, the last day registration books were open. The list of registrants is the list that will be used in the forthcoming election.

Anyone who has not registered during the recent registration period will not be permitted to vote. Saturday will be challenge day.

Bids Will Be Opened Today

Raleigh — The State Highway commission will open bids today on dredging work across Oregon Inlet, to re-establish normal ferry service between Nags Head and Hatteras on the Outer Banks. Also to be opened will be bids on the dual lane highway from highways 24 and 70 into Morehead City.

The Oregon Inlet ferry has been operating on longer than usual runs since the short channel shoaled up this spring. Dredging will cut trip time, which is now 50 minutes, in half.

Highway department hydrographic engineers have been rushing the plans for dredging the inlet, in an effort to provide normal ferry service as the tourist season approaches.

The channel will be dredged to a width of 100 feet, and an elevation of 7 feet below mean low water. Other work includes improvements to the ferry slip on Pea Island, providing better protection for the ferries. A total of 30 calendar days will be allowed to complete dredging operation.

The highway commission will review the low bids when it meets Thursday in Raleigh.

Four Forfeit Bond at Beach

Four mayor's court defendants forfeited bond at Atlantic Beach last week.

They were Arthur D. Carr, Cherry Point, charged with having an improper muffler; Gene A. Benton, Supply, charged with public drunkenness, disturbing the peace and resisting arrest; Wesley Brown, Morehead City, public drunkenness, and Carl Benton, Charlotte, public drunkenness.

Alfred L. Taylor, Newport, paid costs for disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace.

Mayor A. B. Cooper presided.

Red Cross Extends Drive to May 15

Red Cross officials, meeting Monday night at the Morehead City town hall, extended the Red Cross drive until May 15, in the hopes of coming closer to their goal of \$4,000.

Three Pastors Will Assist With Migrants

Three Negro ministers, the Rev. C. C. Walker, Newport, the Rev. W. L. Griffin, Morehead City, and the Rev. E. Everett Lewis, Beaufort, have been named coordinating chairmen for Negro churches in the migrant ministry program.

The three were named at the recent meeting of the migrant ministry committee in the Eure building, Beaufort.

It was proposed that the farmers who use migrant labor be invited to a meeting of the migrant ministry committee. The Rev. John Cline, chairman of commodities, said that supplies are coming in such as health kits, and similar items the migrants need. He said there is a good supply of clothes on hand.

The Rev. Ralph Fleming Jr. reported that the State Legislative council is hoping to improve the lot of the migrant in two fields, transportation and sanitation.

The Rev. B. L. Davidson suggested that a church be made "sponsor" for each camp. The church would be responsible for providing religious services and recreational activities at the camp.

Mr. Lewis said that most migrants do not want Sunday morning church services. If they have them, he said they don't want a "dry speaker." They want singing and music. He recommended that services if conducted Sunday, be conducted Sunday night.

Methods of financing the migrant ministry program were discussed. R. M. Williams, a member of the audio-visual committee, agreed to take color slides this summer.

Miss Georgie Hughes, county welfare superintendent, reported that the director of child welfare plans to visit the camps. She said that there is a possibility of employing two homemakers in conjunction with care of migrant children.

Attending the meeting, in addition to those mentioned, were Mrs. Jethro Quidley, Mrs. Dan Sadler, L. R. Johnson, Wilbur Garner, S. R. McLendon and Miss Ruth Peeling.

Car Hits Rear of Auto In Sunday Accident

A 1954 Mercury driven by Lloyd H. Brooks, Beaufort, hit a 1956 Oldsmobile in the rear at 4:25 p.m. Sunday three miles east of Newport on highway 70. Brooks has been charged with following too closely, according to patrolman J. W. Sykes, who investigated.

Driving the Oldsmobile was Lloyd Needham, USMC, Cherry Point. No one was hurt. Damage to the Olds was estimated at \$150. There was no damage to the Mercury. The cars were headed west when the accident occurred.

Car Wrecks on Approach To Smyrna Creek Bridge

The Sea Level, state-owned Atlantic-Ocracoke ferry, ran aground in Bogue Sound opposite Sanitary Fish Market early Sunday morning and required assistance from the Coast Guard and two Carteret Towing Co. tugs to be refloated.

The Sea Level ran aground in four feet of water around 1 a.m. Sunday and wasn't refloated until early Sunday afternoon, according to Coast Guard reports.

Duke to Sponsor Medical Course Here in July

Durham — The Duke University Medical center's annual summer postgraduate courses will be held July 17-22 in Morehead City.

Dr. William M. Nicholson, assistant dean of the Duke Medical school, in charge of postgraduate education, announced plans for the course, which will provide refresher work for physicians and help them keep abreast of new developments in medicine.

This year's course will be the third held in Morehead City. Before 1959, the summer work was given on the Duke university campus.

Dr. Nicholson said that the change was made to enable physicians to combine postgraduate study with vacations for themselves and their families in a resort area.

Commenting on the curriculum, he said the program "has been designed primarily for the generalist, but ample information will be presented to make it instructive for the specialist also." Enrollment will be limited to 100 physicians.

Lectures and panel discussions by Duke Medical center faculty members will cover a wide range of topics in medicine, pediatrics and surgery.

On the faculty will be Drs. Walter L. Floyd, Henry D. McIntosh, John V. Verner and Dr. Nicholson, all of the Medical center's department of medicine; Drs. William J. A. DeMaria, Madison S. Spach and Robert S. Stempfel, all of the pediatrics department; Dr. W. Glenn Young Jr., surgery department; and Dr. Joseph K. Isley, radiology department.

The course is approved for 30 hours of postgraduate education, Category I, required by the American Academy of General Practice.

Information concerning the course can be obtained by writing to the Director of Postgraduate Education, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, N. C.

Ferry Grounded In Bogue Sound

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Capt. Marvin Howard of Ocracoke was in charge of the ferry which was on its way to Mann's Harbor for a paint job after undergoing hull changes in Wilmington.

The A. T. Piner and the Manic, Carteret Towing Co. tugs and the Coast Guard 40-footer nudged the Sea Level off. The crew aboard the 40-footer was W. J. Morgan, BM-1; H. Snipes, EN-1; C. Arthur, EN-2 and R. L. Johnson, SN.

The ferry suffered no damage. The Coast Guard is still looking for the Calisto III, ketch missing with four persons aboard. A Beaufort drawbridge tender reportedly saw the vessel Friday, but air search of the Beaufort area leads the Coast Guard to believe that the vessel sighted was not the Calisto.

Patrol Leaders Display Ribbons

Patrol leaders Lewis Maggione (Fox), David Muffelman (Beaver) and Larry Drake (Eagle) of Newport troop 61 proudly display blue ribbons their patrol won at the East Carolina camporee, New Bern, this past weekend. To win blue ribbons, patrols must earn 3,000 points out of a possible 3,350. Patrols are rated on their performance at the camporee plus their performance during the past year at home. Good turns, conservation, advancement and camporee training are among the qualities rated.

Three Groups Tackle School Issues

Improved schools occupied the attention of three groups during the past week.

The Newport Rotary club endorsed last Monday night the Newport PTA's western Carteret school district proposal. At Beaufort Thursday night, 35 residents met at the town hall and proposed two consolidated high schools, one in the eastern part of the county and one in the west. The same night the county PTA council met at Smyrna and discussed its main project, the molding of a plan for better schools.

Harold Chartley, secretary of the Newport Rotary club, presented the club's action as follows:

"The Newport PTA's proposal (which has already been presented to the county board of education) stresses a real need for a system of school centers serving the people of Western Carteret. It was also pointed out that this proposal was primarily prepared for the people of Western Carteret. However, if the people of Central and

Eastern Carteret so desired, they could have school districts for their areas.

"This, however, does not mean that the Western Carteret school proposal is dependent in any way upon the acceptance of school districts in Central or Eastern areas. It was further pointed out that the Western Carteret school proposal meets federal and state requirements for consolidation, since there are four school districts serving the Western Carteret area.

"After a period of discussion, the proposal was unanimously approved and endorsed as a sensible and practical means of meeting school needs resulting from population changes—now—and in the future."

The Beaufort group expects to place a resolution before the county board of education proposing a West Carteret school and East Carteret school. The group is opposed to a suggestion by the Beaufort and Morehead City school boards that the two districts unite.

At the April county education board meeting, the county board of education took no action, but said it would be willing to consider such a move if a suitable site could be found.

Albert Gaaney, principal of Beaufort school, who appeared with Raymond Ball, chairman of the Beaufort school board, at the April meeting of the county education board, said Friday that if a site could not be found that would suit both Beaufort and Morehead City, he and Mr. Ball suggested that a site be bought for building a new Beaufort high school as soon as possible.

An East Carteret and West Carteret school was proposed in 1959 when citizens voted down a \$2½ million bond issue. If that had passed, it was proposed that \$1 million would be used to build a West Carteret school on highway 101 in the vicinity of the Little Nine golf course and an East Carteret school be built on the D. R. Arnold property three miles east of Beaufort.

The remaining half million would have been used to make repairs to present school buildings.

While residents of the eastern part of the county seemed to agree to this, a week before the bond referendum Atlantic and Smyrna school patrons appeared before the county board of education and said they objected to the Arnold site and were in favor of the bond issue only if the school were located in the vicinity of Smyrna.

Beaufort residents objected to this and two days after the presentation of the Atlantic-Smyrna views, both Beaufort and Morehead City residents who had been pushing for approval of the referendum, withdrew their support.

Residents of the White Oak area were also against the school bond referendum and its attendant two consolidated schools for the county.

According to opinions expressed Thursday night by the Beaufort group, each of the sites for the two consolidated schools should be selected on the basis of "pupil mileage." They proposed to cir-

culate petitions in the eastern part of the county asking that residents there support the East Carteret and West Carteret high school proposal.

Gilbert Potter served as chairman at Thursday's meeting which was held in the town hall.

At Smyrna the PTA council heard progress reports on school improvement plans. When the council comes to a conclusion, its suggestions will be presented to the county board of education.

Attending the meeting were Stewart Daniels, Vannie Willis, Charles Harris, J. C. Davis, all of Smyrna school district; R. W. Davis, Robert Bittner, Camp Glenn; Clyde Burr, Lecl Smith, Lenwood Lee, Morehead City.

Leslie Berecegay, Harry Mizelle, E. B. Comer, Newport; Lena Taylor, Atlantic; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wade, Harkers Island, and Mrs. L. J. Klein, Beaufort.

The council's next meeting will be Thursday, May 18, at Smyrna school.