

Window Displays Attract Wide Attention in Beaufort

Those who saw exhibits placed by down east communities in Beaufort over the weekend were impressed with the number of products produced throughout the county and the hobbies in which many folks find pleasure. Merrimon and South River communities put their display in the Western Auto store window. It included a hand-modeled trawler, a farm scene, logging and a truck hauling guernsey milk to the dairy. The display by the Gloucester community club, in Biggs shoe shop window, included beautiful works in wood by Charles Bovard, who recently moved to Gloucester. There were also shells, a fireplace fan, handcrafted aluminum ware, braided rug, paintings, tin can craft and trays. Stacy's exhibit was in Herring's window. Billed as "The Community by the Side of the Sea," Stacy displayed netting, sand dollars, models of trawlers, hand-carved decoy and driftwood. In Potter's Dress shop window, Sea Level, Atlantic and Ocracoke displayed a model of the ferry, a Sea Level netting, postcards, a painting, seashells and a picture of the Sea Level inn. Both windows of the Bob 'n Sue shop were decorated by Atlantic. Alvin Harris's beautifully carved shore birds were in one window, placed in a natural setting of sand and marsh grass. In the other window, miniature nets were drying on racks near a building bearing a sign, Clayton Fulcher Seafood Co., and in another portion of the window were ship models. Dolls of different countries were displayed in Rose's window by the

Russells Creek Home Demonstration club. In another Rose's window the Beaufort high school science department placed an exhibit on menhaden, shells, pine products, butterfly collection, a terrarium of "fly-trap" plants, and a large map showing the earth's surface as it would appear if the seas rose 2,000 feet or sank 600 feet. Williston depicted its clamming industry and the dehydration of sweet potatoes at Elmer Willis's plant. Clams were shown in all sizes, seed, little neck, cherry-stone, and chowder. There were also photographs, and an ocean (quahog) clam. A display by the M. W. Willis and Son Boat Works, Marshallberg was in The Vogue window. There was a model of the boat and literature on the sleek "Willis Craft." Bettie placed in Stamper's window a display on truck crops. Harkers Island placed an exhibit in Eastern Rulane's window. It included a Cape Lookout lighthouse model by the late Walter Davis, driftwood, netting, a 1783 map of Harkers Island, old photos, model of a ship, paintings and a history of the island clipped from THE NEWS-TIMES, written by Mrs. Earl Davis. The 101 Community club put its display depicting aims of four communities in the club, in the City Grocery window. In the club are residents of Core Creek, Wire Grass, Russells Creek and Wading Creek. The displays were in conjunction with Good Neighbor Days, an event sponsored by the Beaufort Merchants association. Stores carried signs reading "Howdy Neighbor."

OK to Take Sponge Crabs, State Decides at Sanford

The commercial fisheries committee, at the recent Conservation and Development meeting in Sanford, agreed to let crabs take sponge crabs. These are female hard crabs ready to lay eggs. The committee also recommended that the shad and herring season remain open until midnight next Wednesday. It had already been extended through today. C. G. Holland, state fisheries commissioner, said that no closing date has been set on taking the sponge crabs. He said it was understood that Virginia and Maryland are allowing taking of the crabs there. Crab fishermen say the "waters are alive" with hard crabs. Prices are also better now than they have been and Mr. Holland said it is difficult to enforce the law that prohibits taking them. He added, too, that there is no conclusive proof that taking of the "pregnant" crab reduces population of the blue crab in future years. Commenting on the shad and herring season extension, he said that shad catches are improving each year. Last year was the best season since 1957 and thus far this season, shad and herring catches are far ahead of the same period last year. In these years the season has

been extended, for the same reason it was extended this year (bad weather) and apparently these extensions have not hurt the catches of the years immediately following. At Sanford, the commercial fisheries committee recommended that action be deferred on the catching of trash fish and undersized food fish, at present. The matter was referred to the special committee of commercial and sports fishermen now studying the trawling situation within the three-mile limit. The committee will report by July. Dr. A. F. Chestnut of the Institute of Fisheries Research also was asked to study the matter and report his findings at the July meeting. The committee reserved action on the petition of Dr. W. W. Harvey Jr., Manteo, who sought a limit on the taking of oysters in the northeast Pamlico area. Dr. Harvey to put his petition into proper legal form requiring five signatures for a public hearing on the matter. The committee approved the following oyster leases in this county: H. O. Phillips, 1006 Evans St., Morehead City; William Thomas Russell, RFD Beaufort; Winfield Bush, route 1 Morehead City; Clifton Windley Sr., 709 Pine St., Beaufort; and J. D. Weeks, route 1 Morehead City.

Publisher Makes Election Statement

Political candidates please note: no advertisements or statements of a controversial nature will be accepted for publication in Tuesday's paper. Lockwood Phillips, publisher, said that such comments are barred because the candidate being attacked would have no time to reply, since Tuesday is election day. Ads saying "I would appreciate your vote" or a candidate's stating his qualifications for an office are acceptable. The deadline for ads in Tuesday's paper is noon today.

Camp Dates For Crippled Children Set

Any parent who is interested in his child's going to a camp sponsored for handicapped children is invited to contact Mrs. J. C. Harvell, Morehead City. Mrs. Harvell, president of the Carteret division of the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children, said that the local society has funds to send one or two children to the camp, but funds are limited. Known as "Easter Seal Camps," the camps are located at Umstead park near Raleigh and at Swansboro. The white children attend the Umstead camp which operates July 9-29, and July 30-Aug. 19. The Hammock's Beach park at Swansboro, for Negro youngsters operates from Aug. 20 to Sept. 2. Dr. Edgar T. Thompson, president of the state society for crippled children, says any child 7 to 17 years of age, who is handicapped, is eligible to attend. The camping program includes sleep-outs, cook-outs, water sports of all kinds, and handicrafts including loom weaving. There are other activities planned also. Dr. Thompson said, to meet the needs of the campers. Further information may be obtained from Mrs. Harvell or Bernard Passer, program director, North Carolina Society of Crippled Children and Adults, Chapel Hill.

Cars Meet Wednesday At Beaufort Intersection

Officer Otis Willis of the Beaufort police department investigated an auto accident Wednesday afternoon at 1:15 at Front and Turner streets. Officer Willis reported that Rufus Sewell was traveling west on Front in a 1953 Plymouth, when he was hit in the left side by a 1958 Chevrolet, driven by Eddie James McGee. McGee was leaving a service station and stopped to allow a pedestrian to pass. When he started off, he struck the Plymouth. No charges were filed. Damage to both cars was minor.

Two Mayor Candidates Put Views Before People at Wednesday Forum

Morehead Commissioner Candidates Speak at Forum

Two candidates for Morehead City commissioner stated Tuesday night at the Jaycee forum in Morehead City school that they were in favor of the city manager type of government. The candidates were Edward S. (Bud) Dixon, and William C. Wilkins.

If others are in favor of that type of government, they did not make their views known. They generally favored "good government" and "a progressive Morehead City."

D. J. Hall was the first. Mr. Hall said that he is primarily interested in fire prevention, fire fighting and the administration of the Morehead City fire department. He said that he is a volunteer member of the fire department and to his knowledge, he has experience in this line possessed by no other candidate.

Mr. Hall is a former member of the Morehead City town board. William C. Wilkins stated that there is a need "for better economic control of the taxpayer's money. He said that much of the equipment used in town work is privately owned. "If it is to be used," he continued, "it should be included in the assets of the town."

Mr. Wilkins said that he is against raising the mayor's salary, that the mayor's position "should be honorary only." He added that if economics were effected, such as using compact cars by the police department, cost to the taxpayers would be less. He advocated a "lock check" by police on business concerns, cleaning up the town, removal of shrubs on street corners, cleaning up the waterfront, and a sewage disposal system. He spoke in favor of a city manager "backed by a qualified board of directors."

Dom Femia remarked that "Morehead City is progressive." He said that the town "has been real good to me since I got out of the Marine Corps in 1945," and that if elected he would do what he can to see that "Morehead City progresses along the line of good, honest government."

Joe Collins pointed out that for 23 years he has been affiliated with law enforcement. He said he has lectured on the subject at the Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, is a qualified fire detector operator and was instrumental in organizing the North Carolina Peace Officers' organization in Morehead City five years ago.

He said that if elected, his primary interest would be in the town police department. He added that the five commissioners should act jointly in the best interests of the majority of Morehead City's citizens.

Walter Morris, who is completing two years on the board, commented on accomplishments of the past two years. He said the zoning board is considering better traffic control downtown, collection of delinquent taxes is being pushed, the Employment Security commission has been asked to make a job classification survey of

foundation of quicksand known as yesterday. The purpose of Operation Alert (Opal '61), Mr. Williams said, is to test the preparedness of the general public and local CD units. The success of the practice alert, he said, will be determined by the number of units participating, the degree of effort they put forth and the cooperation they receive.

County Civil Defense Director Comments on Operation Alert Today

Harry Williams, county Civil Defense director, announced yesterday that full test alerts are going ahead as scheduled from 4:40 to 5:30 this afternoon during nationwide Operation Alert. Sirens will be sounded and radio communications tested. In spite of all the publicity given this nationwide alert, Mr. Williams said people got ideas that they

would not be able to leave their homes after 4 p.m. today, that an actual attack was to take place "and many more uncalled for rumors." He said the siren tests had been called off, but people became so disgusted that this had been cancelled, he decided to go ahead with them.

"There are a lot of people in the county who are interested in Civil Defense," he continued, "and think that preparedness is essential to survival in the case of an attack or in the case of a natural disaster such as tornado, hurricane or flood. "There are some who think that Civil Defense is a waste of time and money. How can anyone who remembers Pearl Harbor and the state of unpreparedness in which we found ourselves, ever have the audacity to say that Civil Defense is a waste of time and money?"

"To say such a thing is to play into the hands of the Communists, for that is what they want us to do—relax and drop our guard. Some people don't want to be reminded of the awful possibilities of an atomic war, the devastation of a hurricane, or the horror of a large explosion. "There are people in this county who live in the past and even though their livelihood is obtained as a result of this present atomic age, they feel that the shell of security around them is sufficient to protect them. That shell is made of indifference, ignorance and a lackadaisical attitude built on a foundation of quicksand known as yesterday. "If you want to support your Civil Defense, let me know. Remember that Civil Defense is also concerned with hurricane and other natural disasters in setting up communications, shelters, information centers, first aid centers and other forms of relief. "Take it upon yourself to learn more about Civil Defense. Adopt the motto of the Boy Scouts—Be Prepared, so that the next time a PRACTICE alert is planned, Carteret will be the best-prepared county in the USA," Mr. Williams concluded.

Committee Will Visit Hospitals

The county hospital building committee and the doctors' advisory committee will visit the Beaufort County hospital at Washington, N. C., and the Elizabeth City hospital Sunday. Both hospitals were recently built under the same state-federal and local program under which Carteret hopes to build a hospital. Within the coming week, the committee plans to visit hospitals at Tarboro and Lenoir, according to Edward (Bud) Dixon, chairman of the hospital board and spokesman for the building committee. Making the trip will be Charles King, Charles Harris, Albert Chapel, Moses Howard and Mr. Dixon, building committee members, and Dr. John Way, Dr. John Gainey, Dr. W. M. Brady and Dr. John Morris.

The committee and doctors met recently with George Watts Carr, architect, to review preliminary hospital plans.

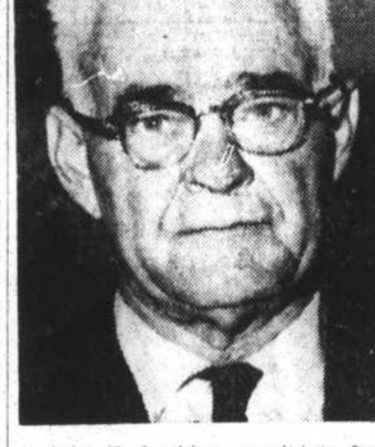
Animals Object To Still Raid

Hogs and cows gulping down mash at a still in the Merrimon section gave officers a hard time Tuesday afternoon. Marshall Ayscue, county ABC officer, said the livestock objected strongly to being chased away so that the still could be dynamited. "One old sow," he remarked, "gave me a fit."

One still was a 10-box outfit, and another 12-box. They were about a mile apart. A total of 4,300 gallons of mash was destroyed. The stills had been run but were probably only in operation a short time, officer Ayscue said. Making the raid with him were deputy sheriffs Bruce Edwards and Billie Smith; Albert Russell, Craven ABC officer, and federal officers.

Withdraws

John E. Lashley, candidate for clerk of court, Morehead City, withdrew yesterday morning. Mr. Lashley, who is also clerk to the town board, an appointive position, said yesterday that he would devote full time to the clerk's job. He said that the assistant clerk of court, Mrs. Mary Hughes, who is running for clerk of court, is capable of doing the clerk's work. He added that his withdrawal will assist the court with its finances.



Mr. Lashley has been clerk of court since it started operation in December 1951.

Morehead City's two candidates for mayor squared off Wednesday night in a Jaycee-sponsored public forum at Morehead City high school before an audience of 175. Challenger Josiah W. Bailey delivered a 10-minute speech, followed by a 10-minute talk by incumbent George W. Dill Jr.

Mr. Bailey, who read his talk, addressed "the long-suffering citizens of Morehead City." He told them that he comes before them "not merely as a candidate for mayor, but a symbol of the impatience of the citizens of Morehead City with municipal government by neglect, municipal leadership by indifference, and municipal management without purpose."

He commented that the people have accepted one excuse after the other, first the depression, then the war, then loss of dog track revenue and then inflation.

He alleged that the town has failed to provide "decent municipal services at decent rates." He said that his patience has been exhausted and the citizens' should be, too. Mr. Bailey, who is a certified public accountant, audited Morehead City's books for the 1960-61 fiscal year. He said audits for 1950 through 1960 show that the general fund during those years never operated in the black.

The total deficit, he claimed, rose by a quarter of a million dollars "while Morehead City enjoyed unprecedented prosperity. The Fabulous Fifties in Morehead City were a decade of disgrace."

"If this mayor was going to balance his budget," candidate Bailey declared, "these were the years to do it." He noted that Morehead City's population increased by 439 and that this small increase should not have created the great increase in costs of those years.

He charged that the increase in cost "represented waste by inefficient management, an indifferent administration, and executive neglect. If you elect me, such waste will be stopped," he said.

Mr. Bailey claimed that the town's debt cannot be paid off when it comes due in 12 years, that at the rate it is being paid off it will take 57 years.

The tax rate raise last year was squandered," Mr. Bailey contended, "to finance the deficit in the general fund. Misuse of the debt service levy," he continued, "was in violation of North Carolina law and a breach of faith. I intend to prevent further misappropriation of funds."

In the past 10 years, the challenger charged, "the general fund deficit got worse by \$249,000. Property taxes more than doubled but other services remained inadequate."

He said that if his opponent inherited problems, he has compounded them. He also charged that the town's chief executive must bear the responsibility, not the board of commissioners. He likened the mayor to the captain

Employees Get Cash Awards At Air Base

Eighteen Air Station employees were presented beneficial suggestion, superior accomplishment, and length of service awards by Brig. Gen. F. C. Tharin, air station commander, in a ceremony at the administration building Friday.

Beneficial suggestion awards, totaling \$510, approved in recognition of employees suggestions adopted for use locally and within the Navy Department, were presented to 10 employees.

Highlighting the presentation was a \$110 additional award received by W. B. Norman Jr., O&R mechanic of Morehead City. The award was recommended by the commanding officer, Naval Air Station, Alameda, Calif., when Norman's suggestion concerning the removal of bearings from pneumatic valves was adopted for use at that station in 1958. Previously, he had received a \$135 initial award.

Other suggestion awards went to: From O&R: T. O. Kincaid, Newport, \$32.50; O. V. Rowe Jr., \$32.50, A. R. Patrick, \$70; A. L. Stillely, \$35; Clyde Cayton, \$35; and R. E. Robinson, \$25, all of New Bern.

Public Works: R. B. Gerock, Newport, \$55. Supply: Helen R. Fant, Cherry Point, \$65. Comptroller: Eula T. Basnight, Oriental, \$50.

Superior accomplishment awards were presented to two employees in recognition of performance of assigned duties. They were L. D. Asdenti, O&R, Harkers Island, \$150; and M. C. Warren, public works, Newport, \$200.

US Navy length of service awards, in recognition of long years of Federal service, were presented to the following employees who have completed twenty years of military and civilian service: Public Works: J. O. Bledsoe and J. E. Pool, New Bern, and B. C. Wiggins, Bridgeton.

Comptroller: T. G. Willis Jr., Morehead City. Six other employees scheduled to receive awards were absent due to leave or shift work and will receive the awards at a later date.

Four Cases Heard Monday

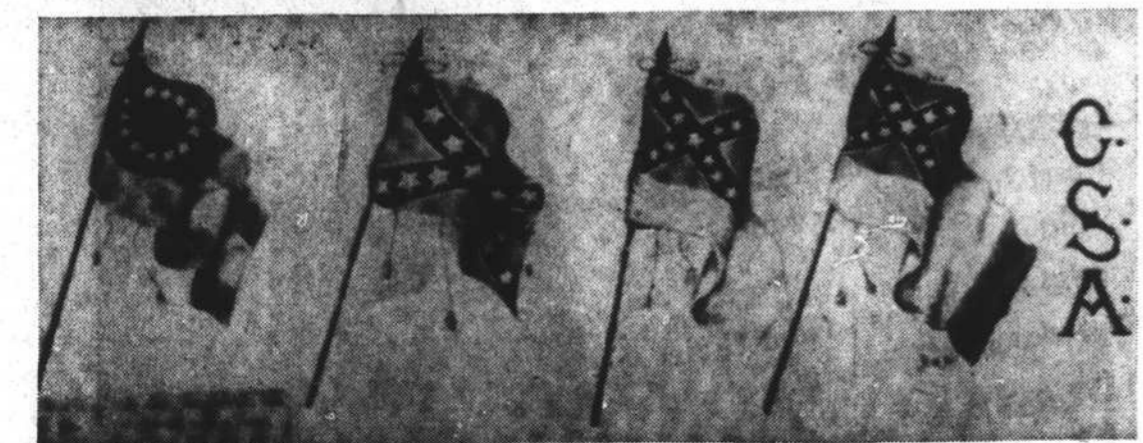
Four cases were tried in Morehead City recorder's court Monday. Thomas West, Morehead City, was convicted of his second public drunkenness offense within a 12-month period and was sentenced to 60 days on the roads. Judge Herbert O. Phillips suspended the jail term on payment of \$25 and costs and one year's good behavior.

Simeon John Pike Jr., Wilson, paid \$15 and costs for speeding and Mary Murray, Morehead City, forfeited bond on a public drunkenness charge.

Francis Wade Jr., Morehead City, was charged with having no operator's license and driving the wrong way on a one-way street. The defendant was not prosecuted on the first count and on the second he forfeited bond.

Cases against Robert Good, Theodore Johnson, Gerald Jones and Abbott P. Rose were continued until next week's term of court by Judge Phillips.

Confederacy Had Four Flags During Course of Civil War

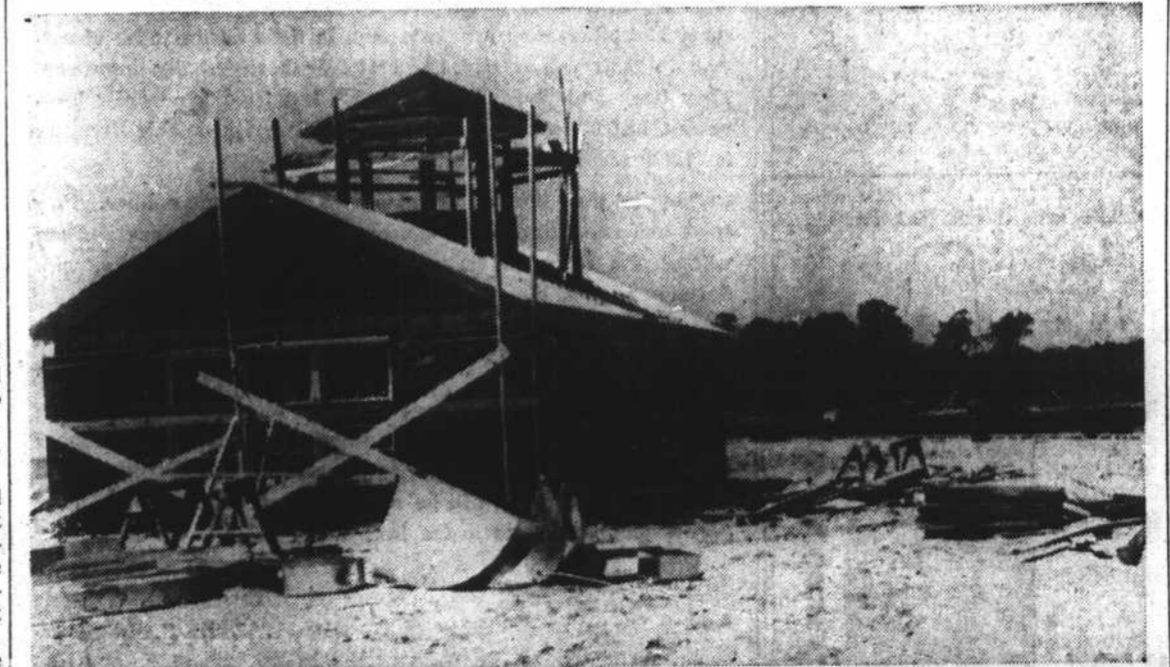


By F. C. SALISBURY Following formation of the Confederate States of America in April 1861, the newly-appointed officers immediately ordered a design for a flag, emblematic of the new government. From the banner of the United States, from which the seven southern states had withdrawn, came the three cardinal colors to form the Stars and Bars, the first flag to be adopted by the Confederacy. Before the close of the war three other flags had been designed and three adopted. The first flag consisted of a wide white stripe extending horizontally across the center, with red stripes above and beneath of the same width, and a blue canton with a circle of seven stars, indicating the number of states in the

Confederacy up to that time. This flag was so much like the United States flag that trouble soon developed. As a result, in 1862 the battle flag, featuring a Saint Andrew's Cross on a red field, with the stars placed in the cross was the second flag put in service. This flag was never officially adopted, although it is the design of the Confederate flag exhibited today. It is known as the battle flag. The necessity for the battle flag is explained in General Beauregard's story of its conception: "At the Battle of Manassas on the 21st of July, 1861, I found it difficult to distinguish our then Confederate flag from the United States flag (the two being so near alike), especially when General Jubal A. Early made the flank movement which decided the fate of the day.

"I resolved then to have ours changed, if possible, or to adopt for my command a 'battle flag' which would be entirely different from any State or Federal flag." When this flag went into use, the size indicated the service. For the infantry, the size of the flag was fixed at 4 x 4; for artillery, 3 x 3; and for cavalry, 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 feet. The flag was most practical in that its size and shape made it easy to carry and prevented its being torn by the soldier's bayonets. It could also be seen at a great distance. The Confederacy's third flag was the Naval flag. The Navy was dissatisfied with the battle flag because it could not be reversed or used in signaling. Accordingly, a new flag was adopted in 1864 which consisted of a white field with a

From Blueprint to Reality



One of the first buildings to outline itself against the sky at Spooner's Creek Harbor is the service station and office for the docks. George Vickroy, Morehead City, engineer who, with Sherman Rock, is supervising harbor construction, says the cupola will house lights that will guide craft into the harbor.

Town Board Sets Date of Hearing

The Morehead City town board will conduct a hearing at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, in the Morehead City municipal building on rezoning two lots in Morehead City. The lots are now zoned residential. A change to business is requested. One is the Hicks Cooney property on which the new Buccaneer Motel lodge is being built and the other is property east of Dom's Lunch. Both are on Arendell Street. According to the building code, motels are permitted in a residential area. Builders of the Buccaneer Motel hope, however, to put in a restaurant which would cater to the general public and for that reason are requesting change of the lot from residential to business. The other property is owned by C. N. Stroud.