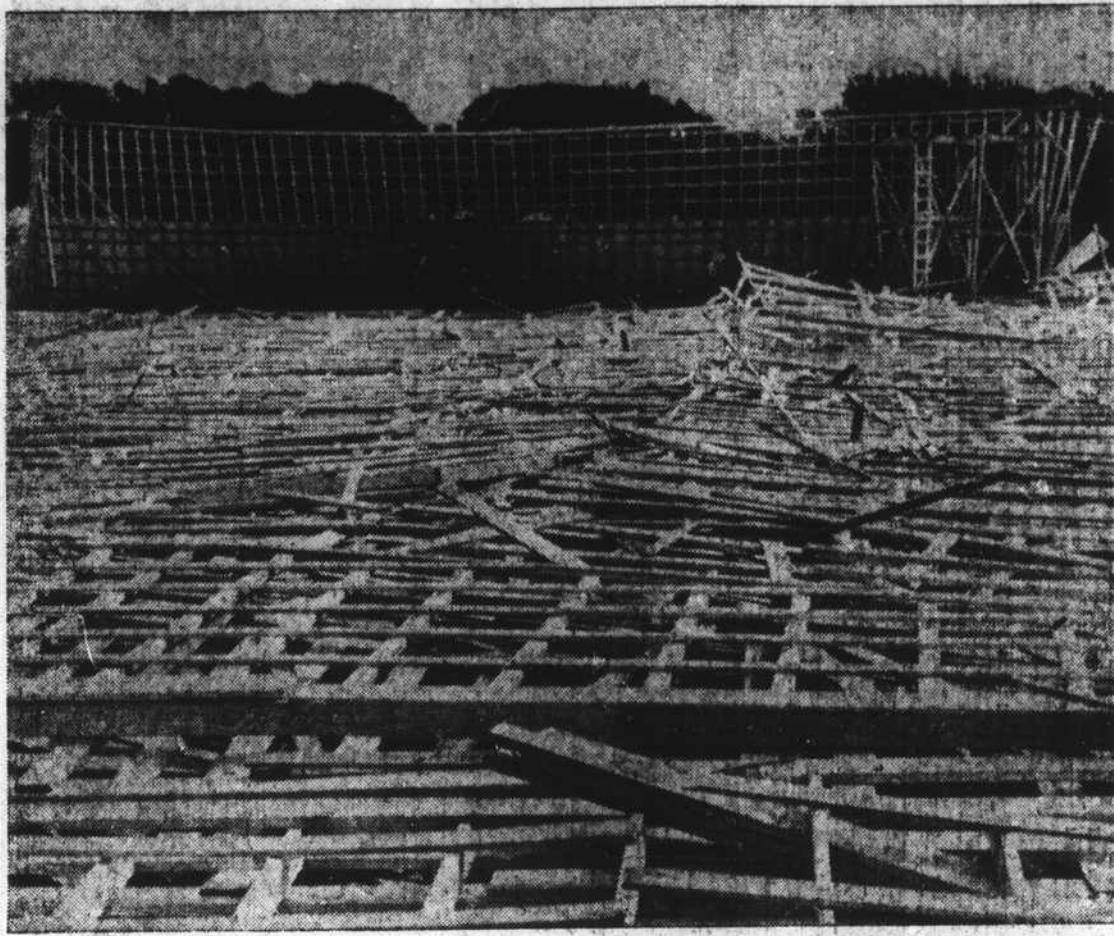


## Carpenter, Injured In Shed Wreck, Dies



News-Times Photo by McComb

A structure that was standing upright at 10:45 Thursday morning looked like a heap of jackstraws half an hour later. Side walls and roof joists of this menhaden scrap shed at Standard Products Co., Lennoxville, cracked and toppled. One workman died as a result of injuries. Structures at the plant are being rebuilt after a devastating fire last December.

## Three Hospitalized As Result of Auto Wrecks

### \$85 Stolen From Auto Firm

Approximately \$85 in cash was taken Friday night or Saturday morning in a break-in at Sound Chevrolet Co., 1308 Arendell, Morehead City.

The theft was discovered at 7:30 Saturday morning by Mack Collins, parts department employee. The missing money was taken from the parts department.

Police said that entry to the building was made through the northeast corner door of the main office. Two filing cabinets in the upstairs office were also broken into but nothing was reported missing from them.

This marks the second break-in in recent weeks investigated by Morehead City police. In the other, \$490 was taken from Dom's Lunch.

## Symphony Drive Now Under Way

Persons who would like to become symphony society members and are not contacted by membership workers this week should call Mrs. R. K. Meadows, PA6-3737, or Miss Nancy Russell, PA8-4588.

The week-long symphony drive started Sunday with teas for the membership workers in Beaufort and Morehead City.

President of the county symphony society is the Rev. Charles Kirby, Morehead City. Vice-presidents are William Nicholson, Beaufort, Mrs. Leon Youngblood, Newport, and the secretary-treasurer is David Black, Morehead City.

Children's chairmen are Ralph Wade, Morehead City, and Mrs. James Cason, Cherry Point.

Mr. Kirby reports that the orchestra, on tour last year, traveled 9,426 miles and gave 122 concerts attended by 117,126 children and 47,226 adults.

## Beaufort Observance of UN Week Will Start Sunday

United Nations Day, Oct. 24, in Beaufort, will be highlighted by a parade and tree-planting.

Mayor W. H. Potter and town commissioners have proclaimed Oct. 22-28 as UN Week.

A mayor's proclamation, terming "the United Nations as the last best hope for peace" states that Beaufort's observance of UN Day demonstrates the town's confidence in "this international effort."

Jesse Frazier, Harlowe, carpenter who was seriously injured in the collapse of a menhaden scrap shed Thursday morning, died Friday morning.

Frazier had a ruptured kidney with severe hemorrhage and a broken left leg. He underwent surgery Thursday night.

The workman, who was in his late 40's, is survived by a wife, Beadie, two sons, three daughters, two brothers, a sister and one grandchild. The funeral was being handled by an undertaker at New Bern.

Five other men injured in the freak accident at Standard Products Co., remained in the Morehead City hospital yesterday. They are Joseph LeBlanc, Leo, James and Bernie Frazier and Sylvester Morris. Discharged were Fred Willis, Salter Path, and McKinley Godette, Harlowe.

Wesley Willis, manager of Standard Products, said Thursday night that H. L. Humphrey, owner of the firm, and all others in charge of the operation, appreciate everything their Lennoxville neighbors did to get workmen out of the wreckage.

"Words can't express our gratitude for their help," Mr. Willis remarked. They brought blankets, sheets, everything that was needed. Some even climbed the wire fence around the property to get in and help the injured, the manager remarked.

Harrell Taylor, building inspector, said that he had visited the building at least six times after construction started. The building permit was issued Aug. 21.

He said he didn't know who drew plans for the building, but he said construction was proceeding in accordance with the building code. The sides were bolted into the foundation, heavy center columns were supporting the roof, normal bracing in the upper part of the building was in place, and Mr. Willis was complying in every way with the structural details of the building code, Mr. Taylor said.

The construction job was not being done by a contractor. Carpenters, hired for the purpose, were putting up the building.

Both Mr. Taylor and Mr. Willis say they can find no reason for the structure's collapse.

Willard Willis, 301 Virginia Ave., Morehead City, suffered a shoulder injury at 11:45 a.m. Friday when the 1960 Ford pickup he was driving collided with a 1957 Ford driven by Ozell Godette, Harlowe.

The accident happened on highway 101 just south of the Core Creek bridge, according to highway patrolman R. H. Brown.

Willis was charged with making an improper turn. Patrolman Brown said he was headed to Beaufort and turned abruptly to the left into a private drive, but as he turned, collided with the Godette car, which was headed north.

The pickup was knocked around and into a ditch. Its damage was estimated at \$600; damage to the car at \$300.

The parade will begin at 3:30 p.m. Two school bands, pupils, and Scouts will march.

Mrs. Wheatly states that churches, Sunday schools and the public schools have been invited to feature programs on the UN next week. Posters will be placed in downtown stores. Plays will be given in the Beaufort and Queen Street schools on UN Day.

The Sea Spray Garden club of Beaufort will plant a tree on Anp street, as a symbol of the living hope for peace, the UN.

The parade will begin at 3:30 p.m. Two school bands, pupils, and Scouts will march.

The press has stated the charges

## Board Exempts Atlantic Beach From Blue Law

Atlantic Beach commissioners, in session Friday morning at the town hall, exempted the town from the state's "blue law," concerning operation of Sunday businesses.

It was reported that Shelby Freeman, owner of a dilapidated building on the boardwalk, had made no effort to move the wreckage. The board ordered that if the debris is not cleared away by Oct. 21, deadline given Mr. Freeman, the building inspector should have the building torn down, and Mr. Freeman's bond of \$100, posted to assure compliance with the board's orders, would be forfeited.

A. B. Cooper, mayor, reported on mayor's court operation during the past season and presented a financial report. Received by the town, through court costs, was \$330.

Commissioner W. L. Derrickson was named as the board's official representative to the League of Municipalities meeting Oct. 22-24.

The mayor requested board members to think about town development and during the next several months present ideas for further progress.

Attending the meeting, in addition to those mentioned, were commissioners Charles Walters, R. A. Barefoot, Mack Smith; M. G. Coyle, clerk; Bill Moore, police chief; and George McNeill, town attorney.

## Court Grants Three Divorces

Three divorces were granted in yesterday morning's session of civil court: Theodore Scurletis vs. Rebecca Scurletis, Ella D. Buchanan vs. Louis M. Buchanan, and Lois C. Bitter vs. David K. Bitter.

The divorce case, Moon vs. Moon, went to the jury at 11:50 a.m. Judge Walter J. Bone is presiding at the one-week term of civil court.

The following were sworn in for jury duty this week: Dewey Wilson, Guy C. Gillikin, Dennis F. Lewis, Peter J. Pogera, Deryll Garner.

Dewitt Truckner, Andrew Wesley Davis, Mervin Fulcher, L. B. Daniels, Maurice Richardson, James W. Morris, William L. Cannon.

J. C. Hill, Hunter H. Brown, Mrs. David A. Kirk, James W. Lewis, Samuel L. Johnson, W. E. Lawrence, J. B. Midgett.

Douglas Stewart, Robert M. Barrow, Frank Cassiano, Mary Lucille Salter, J. E. Barbour Jr., Lytle C. Smith.

Talesmen (persons who will serve as regular jurors can't): John Avery, Mrs. Julia Holt, George Tosto Jr., and Mrs. Lila Kirk.

## Driver Cited On Two Counts

Charges of drunk driving and hit and run were filed Sunday afternoon against Robert A. Fisher, Newport, who was involved in a traffic accident at 34th and Arendell streets, Morehead City.

According to police, Fisher was the driver of a 1952 Chevrolet that collided with a parked 1955 Plymouth owned by G. Elkins Knable. The collision occurred in front of Knable's home at 3303 Arendell.

Fisher left the scene of the accident but was stopped three blocks away by patrolman Gerald Korecky who witnessed the accident. Damages to Knable's car were estimated by police at \$350 while Fisher's auto was a total loss.

## Highway 70 Convention Starts



D. Cordova, Morehead City, center, a direct descendant of the founder of Cordova, N. M., was the guest Sunday of the US Highway 70 association which is holding its national convention here. With Mr. Cordova are Gene Baca, left, and Fred Patton of Santa Fe, N. M. Mr. Baca and Mr. Patton represent an advertising agency which recently featured Cordova, N. M., in a film for a network tv series.

## Drilling Begins on Third Site In Current Exploration for Oil

### Dredge Arrival Postponed Again

The dredge, Gerig, scheduled to be in Morehead City harbor Saturday, has been delayed again.

According to latest reports, the Gerig is now due Nov. 1. This is the second postponement, and port pilots say the shoaling is getting worse daily.

The Coast Guard last week moved buoys in preparation for the arrival of the dredge, but now is going to put them back, since the dredge won't be here for another two weeks.

One of the pilots observed Saturday, "The longer they delay in getting that dredge in here, the more it costs to get the channel the way it should be."

The Gerig is operated by the Corps of Army Engineers.

## Two Fishermen Still Missing

Two Fayetteville men, who left Cedar Point Wednesday in a 12-foot aluminum boat, were still missing yesterday, according to the Coast Guard.

The missing men, whose swamp-boat was found Friday, are Curtis Odum, age unknown, and Jack Stevens, 37.

Carteret county's sheriff's department was notified of the missing men by the Coast Guard, which was alerted when one of the men's wives phoned to Cedar Point Friday to learn if their car was still here.

The car, belonging to Stevens, was, still at the old pulpwood landing at Cedar Point Saturday, according to deputy sheriff C. H. Davis of Carteret.

The boat was found by Coast Guard aircraft Friday afternoon and retrieved by a Coast Guard boat. It was located off New River inlet, about 25 miles south of Cedar Point.

Odum has been identified as a retired Army man and Stevens as a sergeant, stationed at Fort Bragg.

Deputy Davis said the men had been to this area on several previous occasions to fish. They left Cedar Point Wednesday morning to go foundering and were due to return Wednesday night.

## Two County Men Inducted; Board Seeks Lee Wilson

Two county residents reported for induction into the armed forces Tuesday. The county selective service board is seeking the whereabouts of another, Lee Warren Wilson, according to Mrs. Ruby D. Holland, clerk of local board 16, Beaufort.

Inducted were Billie B. Gillikin, route 2 Beaufort and Henry B. Pickett Jr., Morehead City.

Mrs. Holland reported that Wilson, a Beaufort Negro, failed to report for his armed forces physical examination and unless he is located, his absence will be reported to the US district attorney for action.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Wilson is asked to contact Mrs. Holland at the courthouse annex.

## Rig Moves to Straits; Atlantic Well Capped

Drilling on the third site, in the current search for oil in the county, began Sunday night.

The drilling, on the George Huntley-Ernest Davis property at Straits, follows completion of a well at Atlantic where it is reported that the best indications of oil-bearing sands to date had been found. But no oil.

R. S. Gunther, petroleum engineer with the Coastal Plains Oil Co., which is putting down the test wells, said, "We found quite a few potentially good sands at Atlantic, but 'no shows'."

The Atlantic drilling went below 5,000 feet, the deepest any well has yet been driven in this county. The first of the three wells was put down at Merrimon, to a depth of 4,100. The Atlantic and Merrimon wells have been capped.

The oil drilling equipment was moved last week to the Straits site. Work is under way day and night. Mr. Gunther said it is hard to predict how long they will be on the Huntley-Davis property.

The weather has been excellent for drilling. But Mr. Gunther comments that at this point even they could use some rain. Weather has been fair and dry.

The Coastal Plains Oil Co. does not plan any further exploration in Carteret at the present, if the Straits well proves to be a dud. Mr. Gunther said the company may return for some more searches later.

The fact that oil has not been discovered in six wells that have been drilled thus far means nothing, Mr. Gunther said. (One well was put down at Crab Point in 1945 and three others at Merrimon in 1946.)

"You can miss oil by a few inches," he remarked. "Along the Gulf coast and in west Texas hundreds of wells have been drilled that have never yielded a thing before one was sunk that brought in oil."

He commented that this is a vast territory here and inferred that a few exploration wells are only the beginning of a large number which may have to be sunk before oil is found. "The area we encompass

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## Letter States Landowner's Position on Hospital Site

Following is the letter from Earle W. Webb, owner of the land that the county had selected as the site for the proposed county hospital.

It is published because of the extensive interest in the hospital situation. It states that the writer is no longer interested in selling the land to the county for hospital purposes. The proposed referendum on hospital sites, which had been scheduled for Nov. 7, has been cancelled.

October 10, 1961

Mr. Moses Howard, Chairman  
Carteret County Commissioners  
The Court House  
Beaufort, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Howard:  
I received here in New York last Saturday the Friday, October 6th issue of the Carteret County News-Times and to say the least was amazed with the recital on the

front-page of what occurred at last Monday's meeting of your board. I think you more than anyone else will understand the reason for my amazement. Shortly after the election last November I received a letter from you in Florida stating the result of the election in favor of a bond issue for a County hospital and that the site was to be at least three miles west of Morehead City.

You stated that you were writing a similar letter to people who owned property in the location mentioned asking that they submit any property they owned and were willing to offer to sell to the County. I immediately wrote you that I thought everybody should cooperate with your board toward getting a suitable site and that I owned a tract of land of about 150 acres located on the south side of Highway 70 at the junction of the Wildwood Road which I would submit for your consideration.

Later I informed you that I would sell this property to the County for \$45,000 or an average of about \$300 acre. This is the only property I mentioned to you at that time. About two months after the election I received word that the members of your board would like to have a meeting with me at our place on Bogue Sound to discuss a possibility of my offering to sell to the County property between Highway 24 and the sound immediately East of our house.

I met with you and several of your associates at the house on January 20th for this purpose. After discussing the matter for quite a while we went out to look at the property which has been often referred to in the local press as the "Webb site."

About a week later I wrote you

submitting my offer to sell to the County the Highway 70 site for \$45,000, or the Bogue Sound site for \$75,000. Since then I read in the paper that at a meeting of your board you made the statement I was reluctant to sell the sound site, which was true to put it mildly.

I have always considered the "Webb site," so offered, as the most attractive piece of property I have had anything to do with, and really did not want to sell it to anybody for any purpose at that time.

Subsequently you told me an investigation of 20 or more sites had been visited by members of your board and Mr. Henderson representing the Medical Care Association and as a result the "Webb site" on Bogue Sound was rated as No. 1 and my said property on Highway 70 as No. 2 and that your board would look with favor on the purchase of "The Webb Site."

I was in Morehead all summer and you came to see me occasionally. You said there was very little you could report because of the pending lawsuit. You are the only member of your board I have seen or heard from since January 20th. The last time I saw you was about a month ago. I then told you so long as your board maintained the position you had taken right along, that the hospital must be West of Morehead, I would go along with you on the offer made to you on the "Webb site."

If the press report of last Friday's is correct that your board agreed to submit the selection of a site between one located at Crab Point and the "Webb site" I do not feel in any way bound by my offer made to you in January.

I assure you that I would not do anything to prevent your board from considering a compromise location because I feel that an up-to-date 100 bed hospital costing in the neighborhood of two million dollars is more important to the entire population of Carteret County, regardless of location, than to run the risk of losing it. However, I do not intend to be a party to the voters' not having the opportunity to make a fair choice based upon the merits of the entire matter.

The press has stated the charges

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## \$800 Collected; Chamber Pays Certain Bills

Reports on collection of 1961 chamber of commerce dues were far from encouraging, it was revealed at a special meeting of the Greater Morehead chamber's board of directors Thursday night.

Manager Joe DuBois said his and Norwood Young's salaries had been paid through Oct. 1, that a two months' telephone bill of \$104 had been paid, and that there was a balance of \$362 in the bank.

President S. A. Chalk said \$800 had been collected since the Oct. 2 meeting, and added if those attending the Oct. 2 meeting had worked as hard at collecting as he had "we haven't had near the response we should have."

"I believe the best thing for us to do, in all fairness to Norwood Young," President Chalk added, "is to let him know we can't continue on with his services." Mr. Young was given notice at the Oct. 2 meeting that his salary would stop as of Oct. 15, unless collections greatly improved. Mr. Young, in turn, agreed to work through the remainder of October without pay, in the event collections did not improve.

Mr. Young said today it is still his understanding that his salary officially ceases Oct. 15. He added he would continue through Oct. 31, with or without pay.

The board plans to keep the chamber open throughout the remainder of the year, if at all possible, and plans were discussed for the membership meeting and banquet set for 7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 26. Said Director Garland Scruggs: "We need a first class banquet."

In this connection, Mr. Scruggs added that H. J. Williamson, manager of the Biltmore hotel, has promised something spectacular—"the best banquet Carteret has ever had—its going to be a sur-

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## Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar

HIGH	Tuesday, Oct. 17	LOW
1:32 a.m.		7:40 a.m.
1:56 p.m.		8:54 p.m.
	Wednesday, Oct. 18	
2:40 a.m.		9:12 a.m.
3:06 p.m.		9:56 p.m.
	Thursday, Oct. 19	
3:49 a.m.		10:18 a.m.
4:16 p.m.		10:51 p.m.
	Friday, Oct. 20	
4:54 a.m.		11:15 a.m.
5:19 p.m.		11:34 p.m.