

Plotting Highways in the Sky



Pilot Jack Morrison, Morehead City, goes over an aerial map with Mrs. Dallas Willis, left, and Mrs. Gene Smith before taking the women up for their flying lessons. Mrs. Willis and Mrs. Smith are among five county women taking flying lessons from Morrison and Bob Burrows.

By LARRY McCOMB

As if women drivers on the highways weren't enough, flyers in and around Beaufort will now have to be on the lookout for the female Barney Olefields in the sky. Soon five of them will be licensed pilots.

The five, Mrs. Dallas Willis, Mrs. Gene Smith, Mrs. Tom Lew-

is, all of Beaufort; Miss Nancy Valentine, Marshallberg; and Mrs. Amanda Chadwick, North River, are currently studying for their "wings" under two veteran pilots, Bob Burrows and John Morrison. Three of the five, Mrs. Willis, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Chadwick have already completed their solo tests which come after 12-16 hours of duo instruction.

What makes a woman want to take flying lessons? For most of them it was a reason similar to the one given by Mrs. Willis who has been flying since 1958. "I first started so I would be able to understand my husband's flying talk." Mr. Willis learned to fly in 1958 and later took a job fish-spotting.

Beach Board To Help Buy Fire Equipment

Atlantic Beach town commissioners, meeting Friday morning at the town hall, agreed to help purchase 400 feet of 1 1/2-inch hose with fittings and several smoke masks for the fire department. The equipment is expected to cost about \$450.

M. G. Coyle, clerk to the board, reported that the fire department had received a \$200 check from Earle Webb as a token of his appreciation for the department's aid during the recent fire at his estate on Bogue Sound.

Mr. Coyle said the firemen will use the \$200 towards purchase of the badly-needed equipment if the town can pay the remainder. The board expressed appreciation to Mr. Webb for his gift and agreed to the transaction.

The clerk remarked that the town has been prohibited from buying anything through the state surplus bureau because the county failed to file a survival plan with civil defense officials before Oct. 1.

He said that the town can file its own survival plan and thus be reinstated. This is being done, he said, by the civil defense director, Jack Savage, and Mrs. Savage.

The plan has required much thought and work, Mr. Coyle remarked, but the Savages hope to have it completed soon. He recommended that the board compensate Mrs. Savage for her typing of the plan.

Police chief Bill Moore reported that a traffic sign had been erected, weeds had been cut around other signs and a barricade had been put across an empty boardwalk lot to keep cars off the boardwalk.

Commissioner R. A. Barfoot commented that Shelby Freeman had removed his hurricane-damaged building on the boardwalk and cleaned off the lot.

The clerk read a letter from Norman D. Agee, who was employed as a lifeguard during the summer. Agee enclosed in his letter medical bills totaling \$75 which he said were for treatment of boils he suffered and which were infected by over exposure to salt water.

Agee said an insurance company had rejected his claim and he asked that the town pay the bills. The board agreed that neither the town nor the insurance company was responsible and instructed the clerk to write Agee to that effect, returning the bills.

Commissioner Charles S. Walters said he had noted several places that need repairing on the streets and that the work would be taken care of in the spring. He said street marking also needs attention.

The group discussed methods of keeping the beach clean. Commissioner Mack Smith said the ocean is Atlantic Beach's greatest asset and not enough is being done to protect and maintain its beauty. He suggested putting up warning signs, and trash cans at numerous places.

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Rock-a-long Gets Aid From USCG Saturday

The party boat Rock-a-long developed engine failure Saturday morning 19 miles from Beaufort Inlet and needed Coast Guard assistance to get back to port.

The 46-foot craft was towed to the Texaco docks, Morehead City, by crewmen aboard the Fort Mac 40-footer. Alton (Rock) Harrison, Morehead City, is the captain and owner of the Rock-a-long.

Crewmen aboard the 40-footer were Vance Woodard, BM-2; Rethel Brannon, EN-3; and Newman Cantrell, SN.

Beaufort Squad Seeks Donations

Thomas C. Avery, treasurer, Beaufort Rescue Squad Inc., announces that the organization is seeking contributions from the people of Beaufort.

The squad was organized for the purpose of rendering first aid and allied services to all citizens and its personnel and equipment are available to go to any person in need without regard to municipal boundaries, he reports.

The organization has a new station wagon-type vehicle that is used as an ambulance-rescue truck and since the rescue squad is not connected with the town of Beaufort, contributions from private sources are necessary for the squad's operation.

Headquarters for the rescue squad is 310 Gordon St. Residents are invited to stop by and inspect the equipment. Donations and contributions may be mailed to Mr. Avery at the Gordon street address.

Shrimp Landed

Landings of shrimp at North Carolina ports in June of this year totaled 161,771 pounds, valued at \$59,993, as compared with landings of 240,372 pounds in June 1960, valued at \$98,268. The figures have been released by state and federal fisheries bureaus.

Police Chief Griffin Cites Swansboro Driver

Morehead City police chief Herbert Griffin charged Homer Brooks, Swansboro, with failing to maintain a proper lookout and having an improper driver's license Sunday afternoon following a traffic accident in downtown Morehead City.

Brooks was the driver of a 1956 Chevrolet that ran into the rear of a 1957 Oldsmobile being driven by Thomas Merlin Bullock, 1532 Ann St., Beaufort, according to chief Griffin. Bullock, going west on Arendell had stopped for a traffic light at 8th street when the collision occurred.

Police estimated damages to Bullock's car at \$50 and that to Brook's auto at \$300.

Mrs. Clayton Fulcher Jr. Presides at '70' Meeting

North Carolina's US Highway 70 association met Friday at Goldsboro to plan reorganization of the association. Mrs. Clayton Fulcher Jr., Atlantic, acting president, presided.

J. A. DuBois, manager of the Morehead City chamber of commerce, was named chairman of a constitution and by-laws committee.

Feb. 16 and 17 were the dates set for a statewide meeting. The place will be Durham. Doug Guthrie, manager of the Goldsboro chamber of commerce, was named convention chairman. Vice-presidents of the statewide association are Richard Degenhardt, Asheville, representing the western part of the state; Jack Rogers, Durham, central, and Olin Wright,

New Bern, east. A report was made on the US 70 national convention in October at Morehead City.

The North Carolina US 70 association was organized in 1954, but after five years ceased to function as an organization.

Its objectives are defined as follows:

1. To promote travel on US 70 in North Carolina from the mountains to the sea.

2. To organize local committees to promote membership.

3. To organize on the state level to administer state funds and to prepare brochures, maps, billboards and other promotional material.

4. To elect state officers and maintain a permanent organization.

Number of Passenger Cruises To Bermuda Now Up to Three

Library Has Books for Her



By MINNIE SIMPSON, Librarian

Tracie Rees is the youngest patron of the county library. She is the 21-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Rees of Shell Landing. Tracie has been coming to the library since she was nine months old.

Her mother began reading to her when she was about a year old. Now when Tracie comes to the library, she knows on which shelves "her" books are found.

Home reading, beginning the earlier the better, is the way to help children acquire the gift of WORDS.

Educators have discovered that those who do best in school, business and the professions have one thing in common. They know far more WORDS than the average.

Children's Book Week, Nov. 12-18, is a traditional event to highlight the many and varied pleasures children find in books.

The county library offers a wide selection of books to read to young children, and for beginning readers.

For older children the following new titles are available: Grades 2-4, Paola and Panetto, Little Old

Caribbean Cruise Lines, Washington, D. C., in a letter received here Friday, announces three cruises from Morehead City in May.

Two, for the mutual insurance agents of the Carolinas and for the bakers of the Carolinas, have already been announced. Although the third also consists of a business group, the group is not identified.

Frederick N. Metcalf, passenger manager for Caribbean lines, in his letter to J. A. DuBois, manager of the greater Morehead City chamber of commerce, says, "The three cruises in May will consist largely of group business with room for only a very limited number of public passengers."

The cruise dates, subject to change, are the SS Ariadne, sailing May 4 from Morehead City to Bermuda, five-day cruise of \$125 up; SS Ariadne sailing May 9 from Morehead City to Bermuda, five-day cruise at \$125 up; and the MS Victoria, sailing May 23 from Morehead City, on a five-day cruise to Bermuda, \$145 up.

There is the possibility of a fourth cruise from Morehead City next year, but nothing is definite on that as yet, according to Mr. DuBois.

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Patrol Carries Out Program To Cut Accidents

To cut down the number of highway accidents and fatalities, the state highway patrol has begun an intensive "on-the-road" program, according to Sgt. R. H. Nutt of the highway patrol office in New Bern. Sergeant Nutt said the program went into effect throughout the state Oct. 1. Strict, fair and impartial enforcement of the motor vehicle laws by members of the patrol will be followed in carrying out the program, he said.

One phase is Operation Saturation. This phase calls for thorough policing of selected trouble spots in this district, which includes Carteret, Craven and Pamlico counties.

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Superior Court Ends Thursday

Superior court ended Thursday, after a four-day session for trial of criminal cases.

A mistrial was declared in the case of George Lee Folsom, charged with driving drunk. The jury could not reach a decision. Remanded to recorder's court for judgment was the case of Herman Montford, charged with speeding.

Continued were the following cases: Thomas Adolph Jones, Willard D. Knott, John Carlton Gaskill, James Leon Graham, all charged with driving drunk; James Carroll, drunk and disorderly.

Joe Davis, Milton Mitchum and Elvin Davis, charged with taking shrimp with a trawl in a closed area; Calvin T. Leonard, violation of the motor vehicle law; Everett Merrill, kidnap and assault.

Willie Robinson, public drunkenness; Walter E. Moeler, careless and reckless driving; Eloise McCarty and Billy Gillikin, passing worthless checks; and Carrie Glenn, assault.

Judge Walter J. Bone presided.

Driver Cited Saturday After Automobile Crash

Dissa Alice Wilson, route 1 Richards, was charged with failing to stop at a stop sign at 2:15 a.m. Saturday when her car crashed at the intersection of the Lake road and the Nine-Foot road, five miles south of Newport.

State highway patrolman J. W. Sykes said Miss Wilson was headed toward highway 24, ran through the sign, into a ditch and turned over. The car, a 1961 Tempest, needed up on its side.

The driver was alone and unhurt. Damage to the car was estimated at \$200.

Truck Hits Ditch

A heavy truck owned by Lonnie Howard, Newport, went in the ditch on highway 70, west of Morehead City, early Saturday morning. The accident reportedly occurred when a front tire blew.

Salvation Army Drive Under Way

Funds are being collected now in the Salvation Army drive. Contributions may be mailed to Sam Adler, Morehead City, drive chairman.

Head of the county committee is Charles Willis, Morehead City, who replaces Mr. Adler in that position. Funds are used to buy food and clothing and to send unwed mothers to the Salvation Army Home-Hospital.

Letters requesting contributions have been mailed out. Mr. Adler says, "We need your help."

Members of the Salvation Army committee, in addition to Mr. Willis and Mr. Adler, are Dr. S. W. Hatchel, treasurer; Mrs. Ethel Van Horn, secretary; Mrs. Grace Taylor, Mrs. Mary Brooks, Mrs. Earl Holt and Mrs. Sam Adler.

Official Bond Referendum Returns

Table with columns for Bond Issues (Capitol Buildings, Correctional Schools, College Bldg., College Grants, Library-Archives, Ports, Mental Hospitals, Hospital Construction, C&D Improvements, Agriculture Research) and Precinct (Atlantic, Beaufort, Bettie, Bogue, Broad Creek, Cedar Island, Cedar Point, Davis, Harkers Island, Harlowe, Marshallberg, Merrimon, Morehead No. 1, Morehead No. 2, Newport, Otway, Pelletier, Portsmouth, Salter Path, Sea Level, Smyrna, Stacy, Stella, Straits, Willwood, Williston, Wire Grass, Totals).