

Tugboaters Picketeted; Dock Blocked

Union Angry Because Tug Owner Won't Talk

Picketing of Carteret Towing Co., Morehead City, firm which operates the tugs in Morehead City harbor, started Wednesday morning.

The picketing coincided with refusal of the tanker Montauk Point to move from the Aviation Fuel Terminals dock on Radio Island.

Gordon Spencer, Norfolk, port agent with the Seafarers' International union, said yesterday, however, that the union's gripe against Carteret Towing and refusal of the Montauk Point crew to move the ship, were not related.

He said, however, that men aboard the Montauk Point, refuse to handle lines from the tugs.

Carteret Towing Co. men, who are members of the SIU, are not on strike, however. The towing company is being picketed, according to representatives of the towing company, by one man, Dewey Willis, a member of the union who left the employ of the company some months ago.

The towing company employees say they have been instructed by the union to continue working as usual.

Mr. Spencer said yesterday that towing company employees are members of the Inland Boatmen's union, a division of the SIU.

As the result of an election conducted at the towing company this year by the National Labor Relations board, he said the tug crewmen voted 6-0 in favor of union affiliation.

He commented that the union has been certified by the NLRB as representative of the tugboat crewmen. Since that time, Mr. Spencer said, Charles Piner, owner and operator of the towing company, has refused to negotiate.

The union has, therefore charged unfair labor practices. The towing company was notified that a strike would start early this past Monday if negotiations were not started. Negotiations didn't start. Picketing did not start until two days later.

Not only was the towing company being picketed on land, but an unidentified man in a powered skiff, with a sign that he hid from photographers, was patrolling around the Carteret Towing Co. tugs, which were tied up at the port.

Carteret Towing Co., through its attorneys, six weeks ago appealed its dispute with the union to the National Labor Relations board. No decision is expected soon.

Mr. Spencer said that he would be in town until the union's dispute with Carteret Towing is settled "and we will do anything we can to force him (Piner) to do what the law requires."

Warm Weather Follows Cold

The county's one short blast of near wintry weather didn't last long. Warm air moved back in Sunday, sending readings near the 80-degree mark after lows of 38 Thursday and Friday.

Accompanying the warmer temperatures were widely scattered light showers that brought .31 inches of moisture during the four-day period Sunday through Wednesday.

Temperature ranges and wind directions for the week Nov. 9-15 were recorded as follows at the Atlantic Beach weather station:

	High	Low	Wind
Nov. 9.....	54	38	WNW
Nov. 10.....	60	38	NNW
Nov. 11.....	65	47	Var.
Nov. 12.....	63	60	SE
Nov. 13.....	78	55	ESE
Nov. 14.....	72	59	E
Nov. 15.....	66	60	NNW

350 Pupils Take Trip Today

Morehead City school children, 350 of them, will visit the battleship North Carolina this afternoon and attend the Elizabethtown-Morehead City game at Wilmington tonight.

Nine busloads of children will leave the school at 2 p.m. today for the combination educational-football trip. The children have passes to go aboard the battleship, according to Lenwood Lee, principal.

The regional game tonight will begin at 8 at Legion stadium, which is in the vicinity of Greenfield Park. Mr. Lee said people going to the game should take the same street that they take to the park.

The stadium is about a mile beyond the park.

Library to Close
The county public library, Beaufort, will be closed Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, according to Mrs. Minnie Simpson, librarian.

Scout Council Elects Officers

Six county Boy Scout leaders were elected to positions in the East Carolina council at a meeting Wednesday night at Greenville.

Dr. S. W. Hatcher, Charles McNeill, Ethan Davis, Cecil Sewell, and Harry Salter, all of Morehead City, were elected to the executive board of the council. Ed Nelson, Beaufort, was elected to the council commissioner staff.

These six, in addition to the following, are members-at-large who have been named to the council: R. H. Howard, Council Renfrow, Gordon C. Willis, and George W. Dill, all of Morehead City.

Attending the meeting were the Rev. John Viser, Wildwood; Mr. Howard, Mr. Dill and T. A. Guiton, Scout field executive for Carteret.

The East Carolina council is composed of all clubs and institutions which sponsor Scouting, plus the elected members-at-large. This group in turn elects the executive board.

Ralph T. Morris, New Bern, was elected head of the council Wednesday night.

Carteret district Scout officials will be elected at 7:30 p.m. Monday at a meeting at the civic center, Morehead City. Heading the Carteret district at present is Dr. Hatcher.



Dewey Willis wears a sign telling why union thinks Carteret Towing is unfair. The sign says the firm refuses to negotiate with the Inland Boatmen's union, an affiliate with of the Seafarers' International, AFL-CIO. Willis has been picketing this week in front of the towing company on Radio Island.



Crew members of the tugs A. T. Piner and the Manic Piner, which are owned by the Carteret Towing Co., pass time by playing cards. Their tugs were standing by yesterday, ready to take out the Montauk Point, tanker whose crew was "sick." The crewmen, left to right, are Vernon Hill, Jack O'Neal, Douglas Edwards, L. G. Lewis and Charles Rose. They are not on strike, even though the company they work for is being picketed by a union to which they belong.

Scientists Predict Good Season For Stripers in Albemarle Sound

Commercial striped bass fishermen in Albemarle sound (especially those fishing with gill nets) will have the best season this fall, winter and spring since 1958-59.

Scientists at the US fisheries lab, Pivers Island, Beaufort, have stuck their necks out on the prediction. But James E. Sykes, chief of Atlantic coast striped bass research for the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, says catches thus far have borne out the forecast.

"We won't have the final answer until after Christmas, perhaps as late as April," Mr. Sykes commented.

This is the first time a prediction on the striped bass fishery, a major source of income in the Albemarle sound area, has been attempted.

"Forecasting is getting to be a big thing in fisheries," Mr. Sykes continued, "but we're not guaranteeing accuracy any more than the weatherman does."

Predictions for the current season have been based on five years of trawling for young stripers, determining their abundance, tagging adult fish for estimates of their number, and studying the size and age of fish caught by the commercial fisherman.

The scientists hit it on the nose in predicting what would happen last season — but they didn't broadcast their prediction.

The percentage of 3's in the catch will compare closely with that of the 3's in the catch of 1958-59.

The total catch this season should be close to a million pounds, (exclusive of the "jumbo striper" catch in the ocean).

Mr. Sykes said that the fishermen are already finding that the larger size mesh is proving to be the most successful.

The predictions were released jointly last month by Mr. Sykes and Dr. William W. Hassler, associated professor of zoology, State college.

They warn, however, that foul weather may reduce the number of days fishermen will be at work, and this will affect the total landings.

What does "high" mean? Well,

Schools Will Close Two Days For Thanksgiving

Churches Schedule Holiday Services

Town, County Offices to Close

Schools will be closed next Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The courthouse, town halls, banks, postoffices and business offices will observe Thursday as a holiday. Some stores will be open.

There will be a community Thanksgiving service in Beaufort. It will begin at 10 in the First Baptist church with the Rev. C. Edward Sharp, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, giving the Thanksgiving meditation.

A Thanksgiving service in the First Methodist church, Morehead City, will begin at 9 a.m.

Other churches throughout the county which are having Thanksgiving services are invited to get information on the services to the newspaper office, PA6-4175, by 10 a.m. Tuesday.

Next Friday's NEWS-TIMES will go to press Wednesday and be on the newsstands and in the mail Wednesday night. Carriers will have the papers ready for delivery Thanksgiving morning.

Deadline for classified ads for next Friday's paper will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday; deadline for legal notices 8:30 a.m. Wednesday. Any-one wanting any type of ad in that issue should contact the newspaper office by noon Tuesday for information on deadlines.

Announcements and other types of news should be in the NEWS-TIMES office no later than 11 a.m. Wednesday.

The newspaper office will be closed Thursday. It will reopen at 8 a.m. Friday.

T-2 Tanker Refuses to Move From Aviation Fuel Pier

David Small Sings Role In Baltimore

David Small of Morehead City was soloist in the Baltimore Civic Opera Company's production of Verdi's Aida Nov. 3 and 4. Mr. Small appeared in the role of the king.

Weldon Wallace, music critic of the Baltimore Sun, reported that Mr. Small "made a fine impression as the King." In the Sunday New York Times, John Briggs wrote:

"One of the nastiest entrances in 'Aida' is the King's 'Alta cagnion v'aduna,' for which Verdi unaccountably gave the bass little help in the orchestra. David Small, the Baltimore King, made a full-voiced entrance precisely in tune."

Mr. Small will also appear this season in the Baltimore Civic group's forthcoming productions of Rossini's Barber of Seville and Puccini's Tosca. He is presently a member of the United States Army Chorus and lives in Arlington, Va.

Mr. Small graduated from Morehead City high school, and in 1958 from the University of North Carolina. He is married to the former Carolyn Marsh of Memphis, Tenn.



David Small

JC's to Meet With Town Board

The Beaufort Jaycees voted at their Monday night meeting to meet with the town board of commissioners Dec. 4 to discuss the condition of the Scout building.

The building houses various civic functions. The Jaycees feel that the building needs the financial support of the town to be maintained in the proper manner.

In other business, Billy Hardy was appointed vice-president of the club to replace Clyde Owens, who has resigned and Herbert Greene was appointed internal mailing secretary.

The club extended thanks to those who bought Jaycee flare kits during house-to-house sales Monday and Thursday night and they also expressed their appreciation to George Bridgers for the fine job he did in handling the Saturday night Teenage club.

The club voted an allocation to Herbert Greene to finance the publication of a weekly bulletin which will cover local, state and national Jaycee news.

Also discussed as a fund-raising project was a turkey shoot which the club hopes to sponsor the first week in December if arrangements can be made.

The Montauk Point (arrow at left) lies at the newly-built Aviation Fuel Terminals dock on Radio Island. The black arrow points to the hull of the Potomac, which by Nov. 3 had been moved away from the berth where the Montauk Point lies. At far right is the state port terminal.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar		
HIGH	Friday, Nov. 17	LOW
3:34 a.m.	10:03 a.m.	
3:57 p.m.	10:29 p.m.	
Saturday, Nov. 18		
4:35 a.m.	11:01 a.m.	
5:00 p.m.	11:20 p.m.	
Sunday, Nov. 19		
5:32 a.m.	11:54 a.m.	
5:57 p.m.		
Monday, Nov. 20		
6:24 a.m.	12:29 a.m.	
6:48 p.m.	12:46 p.m.	
Tuesday, Nov. 21		
7:12 a.m.	12:58 a.m.	
7:35 p.m.	1:35 p.m.	

Unless a T-2 tanker, the Montauk Point, moved from Aviation Fuel Terminals' dock on Radio island at 3 yesterday afternoon, the ship's owners, Bull Lines, Inc., New York, faced court action suing them for \$25,000 a day damages.

Also named with Bull Lines in the action that was being considered yesterday by Aviation Fuel Terminals was the Seafarers International Union and all individuals aboard the vessel. The crew was reportedly ill and unable to man the ship.

The Montauk Point discharged 85,000 gallons of aviation gasoline at Aviation Fuel Terminals Tuesday. It was the first ship at the dock since fire swept the multimillion dollar tanker Potomac Sept. 26.

The Montauk Point was scheduled to sail Wednesday morning after 10 new crew members reported aboard. When the replacements showed up, they and the

Carteret Towing tugs went to the Montauk Point at 3 yesterday to take her out to sea and men aboard warned the tugs off. The Chilula, Coast Guard cutter, then went to the tanker to help with mooring lines, and it, too, was told to leave. Then crewmen aboard the Montauk Point went ashore.

Other crew members, totaling 22, announced they were "sick" and could not take the ship out.

Dr. B. F. Royal, Morehead City, acting assistant surgeon, US Public Health Service, went aboard to examine the men. He said he examined all who wanted to be examined, and found they were "not too sick to sail."

Gordon Spencer, Norfolk, Va., port agent with the Seafarers International union, said yesterday in Morehead City that the crew is not aboard the Montauk Point "because of a food and water problem on the ship." He said the men are suffering from diarrhea and dysentery and they would not go back aboard until the food improves "and the water tanks are cleaned out."

When asked who can correct those problems he said, "It's up to the Bull Lines. The ship is willing to go any time."

Lying offshore, waiting yesterday to get to the Aviation Fuel dock, were two tankers, the Mission San Rafael, a Navy ship operated by the Military Sea Transport Service with civilian crew aboard, and the Capt. Nicholas Sitinas, operated by the Bull Lines.

Both ships arrived Wednesday but could not make port because the Montauk Point was at the dock. It was not known yesterday how long these ships would hang around, waiting to discharge their cargo. R. L. Hicks of Helde & Co., Morehead City agent for the Mission San Rafael, said it's up to the Navy to decide how long the ship will wait. He said sometimes ships have waited for days to either take on or discharge cargo.

William Davies, Morehead City Shipping Co., agent for the Captain Nicholas Sitinas, said he had no idea how long the ship would wait if the Montauk Point didn't clear out.

He added that Capt. William Jautze of the Montauk Point "wants to go."

There was hope that the Montauk Point would sail at 9 Wednesday night after the Navy had requested the Coast Guard, on the basis of "military necessity" to move the Montauk Point either by persuasion or by towing it away from the dock.

The union reportedly agreed to cooperate upon receipt of a letter from the Coast Guard, which was written and presented to the ship about an hour before the

Also requesting a jury trial was Alton Lanier Jones, charged with taking game with artificial light between sunset and sunrise. Judge Morris set bond for Jones at \$300.

Other defendants, their charges and the findings of the court follow:

Gibson K. Holland, having no operator's license, not prosecuted.

E. O. Mann, issuing a worthless check, not prosecuted.

Herman Montford, speeding, not prosecuted.

John Gidion, no operator's license, not prosecuted.

Ted McDonald, drunk driving, not prosecuted.

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Troopers Will Check Autos

State troopers will undertake Operation Floodlight in the county Saturday night.

At a point on a main highway, the area will be floodlighted. Motorists' lights, brakes, license and registration card will be checked.

Manning the station will be four troopers, as well as Sgt. R. H. Nutt and Cpl. A. F. Fields.

Sergeant Nutt says that in addition to the checking stations troopers will undertake concentrated patrol in certain areas where speeders are known to hang out and where the accident rate is higher than average.

In addition, the usual highway patrol activities will be under way, such as use of unmarked cars and speed watches.

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