

## Elks to Dedicate Building



This building, the new Elks lodge in Morehead City, will be dedicated at 3 p.m. Sunday and will be followed by an open house and tea. The building, at 2904 Arendell St., replaces the old lodge home, 1062 Arendell St. The public is welcome at Sunday's events, announces L. G. Dunn, exalted ruler.

## Newport Commissioners Discuss Extension of Service to New Area

### VFW Post Gives Out Its Profits

Proceeds from holiday turkey shoots, sponsored by the Beaufort VFW, will be used to sponsor Little League ball teams, feed needy children at school cafeterias and improve the post home.

At Monday night's meeting at the post home, highway 101, William T. McKay, chairman of the turkey shoot committee, reported a profit of \$481.20.

The post expressed its thanks to Mr. McKay and non-VFW members who helped make the turkey shoots a success.

Queen Street, Beaufort and Morehead City school cafeterias will receive \$30 each. An equal amount will be given the cafeterias of W. S. King, Camp Glenn and Newport schools in the near future.

Atlantic, Smyrna and Harkers Island schools received \$30 each in November.

Mr. McKay, chairman of the entertainment committee for the 4th district meeting to be held Jan. 27-28 at Beaufort, was authorized to get the supplies needed for the meeting.

Lloyd T. Nalley, formerly of post 1044, Greenville, S. C., was accepted as a member of the Beaufort post.

The next meeting will be Monday, Jan. 15.

### Maj. C. A. Speed Speaks to Club

Maj. Charles A. Speed, director of the safety division of the North Carolina Highway patrol, was the guest speaker at last week's meeting of the Morehead City Rotary club at the Rex restaurant.

Major Speed talked on the general aspects of traffic safety problems with particular emphasis on an individual's behavior behind the wheel of an automobile.

Speaking of the drinking driver, he said that alcohol is a factor in 50 per cent of all fatal accidents on North Carolina highways. Major Speed said that obtaining a driver's license is a privilege instead of a constitutional right and once that privilege has been abused, the license should be taken away.

Major Speed was introduced by Dr. John Morris, who recently was elected to the board of directors of the North Carolina Traffic Safety council, a body set up by Governor Sanford to study ways and means of cutting down traffic accidents.

### New Executive Officer Reports to Fort Macon

Lt. Aristides K. Manthous has reported to Fort Macon Coast Guard station where he holds the position of executive officer, according to Lt. John Riddell, commanding officer. He replaces Lt. Ken Depperman, who was transferred several months ago.

Before coming to Fort Macon, lieutenant Manthous was in charge of a loran station in the Mediterranean area. He and his wife are living in Mansfield Park.

### Scouts Plan Formation Of Drum-Bugle Corps

A Boy Scout drum and bugle corps will be organized Saturday at Beaufort school, announces Edmond T. Nelson, district Scout commissioner.

Scouts of the Carteret district who are interested should meet in front of the school at 9 a.m. Mr. Nelson says professional help will be available to train the boys after the meeting.

Newport town commissioners, meeting Tuesday night at the town hall, discussed extension of town facilities to include the area which became part of the town Monday.

Street commissioner Steve Smith reported that nine new mercury vapor street lights have been ordered. Eight will be placed in the newly-annexed area and one at the intersection of Haskett and New Bern streets.

Police chief Dan Bell was advised where the town garbage truck may stop. The board agreed that the truck can travel on private property where there is a circle drive or through alley, providing there is written permission from the resident.

Park Avenue, South Street and Lakeview Drive were officially adopted and Roberts Street was confirmed as names of streets in the new area.

Mayor Loan Mann Jr. reported that laying of water mains in the new area is scheduled to begin in April.

The board discussed grading of streets in the Lemuel Mann property and agreed to ask that some of the streets be renamed to avoid conflict with others in town. The streets will be graded, to meet requirements for Powell bill funds, in the near future.

It was reported that an automobile was damaged at the railroad crossing at the intersection of East Railroad and Main streets because fill-in planks have rotted away. Miss Edith Lockey, town clerk was asked to write the railroad, advising them that repairs are needed.

The commissioners agreed, at the suggestion of commissioner Smith, to see what portion the state will pay toward installing curb and gutter from McKinley Hill's to the new fire station, along a state road.

Police commissioner Raymond Edwards reported that two warrants were served, eight calls answered and two citations issued by the police department in the past month. The board re-hired Dan Bell as police chief for a period of six months.

The board decided that it would not be feasible to allow the assistant garbage collector to drive the town truck. Commissioners Edwards and Smith were authorized to drive the truck in place of Benny Garner, a former commissioner.

A petition, signed by twenty residents of a portion of Morehead township which adjoins Newport, was presented by the mayor. The petition asks the county board for an election in May to determine whether the area will be set up as a fire district under the same principle as Newport fire district.

The area covered goes from the town limits on Newport river, across the Roberts road at a bridge, down the Hibbs road 3.8 miles, parallel to highway 24 to the McCabe road, along that road

## Board Discusses Report On Source of School Funds

Discussed Tuesday by the county board of education was the recently-released report on the source of funds used to support schools.

The report, compiled by the State Department of Public Instruction, revealed that Carteret pays less than any county in the state to meet current expense of school operation—4 per cent of the total current expense budget. (This does not include the amount of the Carteret school tax revenue apportioned for "capital outlay," such as investment in new heating systems or new classrooms.)

The figures were for the year 1959-60. The board accepted "with sincere regret" the resignation of George R. Wallace, Morehead City. Mr. Wallace's resignation was effective Jan. 1. In his letter of resignation, he noted that he is out

to highway 70, from the highway to a point on the railroad, along the railroad to the river and back along the river to the town limits.

The board agreed to furnish fire protection in the area until the election. If the election fails, the town will stop its protection.

J. B. Rhue of Swansboro was present to inquire exactly where the new town limit line is, what the board's plans are for extending water mains and paving of streets. He was given this information by members of the board. Mr. Rhue owns property in the area.

Water commissioner John B. Kelly gave the water department report. He said there are 285 customers on record, of which 233 are using water. The average bill is \$3.65 per month.

Connection fees not paid amount to \$1,385. Expenditures during the month amounted to \$910.57, leaving a balance on hand of \$204.08.

The board authorized the mayor to order six new water meters. Miss Edith Lockey presented bills totaling \$1,190.44, which included several bills for the building fund and water department. She reported a balance on hand of \$1,273.23. She was authorized to pay the town's bills with the exception of one for repairs on the tractor.

This was tabled until the company could be contacted for an adjustment.

### Building Inspector Reports to Board

Value of construction in the county in December amounted to an estimated \$58,139, according to the report given county commissioners Tuesday by Harrell C. Taylor, county building inspector.

Sixteen permits were issued during the month and 30 inspections were made. Building permit fees totaled \$221.

For the last six months of 1961, construction in the county (exclusive of towns) was slightly more than half a million dollars or \$502,800. Permits issued during that period numbered 110 and 116 inspections were made by the building inspector.

The office of building inspector was established July 1, 1961.

### Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar

HIGH	Friday, Jan. 5	LOW
7:03 a.m.	12:53 a.m.	
7:31 p.m.	1:42 p.m.	
	Saturday, Jan. 6	
7:49 a.m.	1:41 a.m.	
8:19 p.m.	2:29 p.m.	
	Sunday, Jan. 7	
8:37 a.m.	2:29 a.m.	
9:10 p.m.	3:15 p.m.	
	Monday, Jan. 8	
9:29 a.m.	3:17 a.m.	
10:06 p.m.	4:02 p.m.	

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of town 40 per cent of the time and is unable to devote the time he feels is needed to the board of education job.

Mr. Wallace has served on the board since April 4, 1955. His current term of office would expire in 1965. He was reappointed in 1959 for a six-year term. His successor will be named by the Democratic executive committee of the county.

Also accepted was the resignation of Lloyd N. Pigott from the Smyrna school committee. A replacement was not named.

H. L. Joslyn, clerk to the board, and county superintendent of schools, told the board members that the school bus drivers would be guests of honor at a barbecue luncheon at noon Wednesday, Jan. 17, at the recreation center, Morehead City.

# Hospital Problems Consume Most Of County Board Session Tuesday

## Action Deferred On Increasing County Salaries

- Board Discusses Road Improvements
- Routine Matters Handled Tuesday

A suggested 5 per cent raise in salaries of courthouse employees was rejected by county commissioners at their meeting Tuesday afternoon at the courthouse, Beaufort.

The question arose as the result of a state-induced increase in salary to welfare personnel at the beginning of this fiscal year.

Commissioner S. A. Chalk, who was against the welfare increases, noted in June that the other county employees would be dissatisfied and seek raises also.

The county auditor, J. D. Potter, said the increases could be met with contingency funds until June 30. Commissioners unanimously voted to defer action on the matter until the first of the next fiscal year, July 1.

M. T. Mills, Morehead City, appeared before the board to inquire why the state has not taken over maintenance of a seven-tenth mile road that runs through the Tootle farm he now owns. Clerk Odell Merrill was authorized to check with the highway commission on the matter.

The clerk was also asked to contact the A&EC railroad relative to trains blocking the crossing on the Country Club road. Commissioner Chalk asked if reduced speed signs could be posted on the Country Club road in the vicinity of Oaksmith Acres. J. L. Humphrey, county road superintendent, said a road had to be 75 per cent developed before speed limits could be reduced.

Commissioner Chalk suggested that the highway patrol be alerted relative to speeders in the Oaksmith Acres area. The placing of rock on the road to Shell Landing was discussed. Instead of the road being changed to a new route, the present route will be maintained, Mr. Humphrey said. Shell Landing residents had requested a new route.

Mr. Humphrey said he had checked Holly Lane in Mitchell Village and it is in good condition for a dirt road. The board asked the clerk to contact highway commissioner D. G. Bell to find out if the state is still paving roads.

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## Centennial Group to Meet

Norman C. Larson, executive secretary of the North Carolina Confederate Centennial commission will meet at 12:30 p.m. Monday with the greater Morehead City chamber of commerce centennial committee.

Mr. Larson will also attend the chamber board meeting Monday night. The luncheon meeting will be held at Fleming's restaurant, Atlantic Beach.

Also present will be Dr. S. W. Hatcher, who took office as chamber president Monday; F. C. Salisbury, of the state and county centennial commission; the Rev. Charles Kirby, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Morehead City, and Mrs. Tressa Vickers, president of the Carteret Community theatre.



Dr. S. W. Hatcher ... new president

E. W. (Bud) Dixon, chairman of the county hospital board of trustees, told county commissioners Tuesday that George Watts Carr, hospital architect, informed him that "there's no chance of getting the hospital under contract by April 30."

Mr. Dixon said that Mr. Carr told him after preliminary plans are approved, four to five months are required to get up final plans. Mr. Carr stated further, according to Mr. Dixon, that there would probably be no additional cost if the building is not put on the site for which it was originally designed.

The hospital chairman noted, however, that borings, to determine on what kind of foundation the hospital would rest, would cost several thousand dollars. (Borings have already been made on the Webb site which is no longer available for the hospital.)

Commissioner Skinner Chalk suggested that the doctors obtain a written statement from the Medical Care commission as to the availability of the state's \$105,000.

Mr. Dixon said the doctors have word "from the higher-ups" that the money still might be available from the state, but this money can't be gotten until the site is procured and the bonds sold.

James D. Potter, county auditor, said that the bonds cannot be sold until the contract is awarded. "The Local Government commission will not let us sell more bonds than what the county's share of the hospital cost will be. We just can't go out and sell a million dollars worth of bonds," he remarked.

The ballot on the hospital bond referendum specified that no more than a million dollars in bonds could be floated. It is hoped that the county's share of the hospital cost will be less than three-quarters of a million (\$660,000).

Luther Hamilton Jr., county attorney, said that if the state does not put in \$105,000, a smaller hospital may have to be built and this would require changing architect's plans, thus adding expense.

"Somebody ought to be working on assurance that we can get that \$105,000," Mr. Hamilton told Mr. Dixon.

Relative to location of the hospital, Mr. Howard said the board does not feel it can commit itself on a site unless it has the money to buy it. (The architect claims the board already owes him more than \$19,000, which the county cannot pay because of legal entanglements relative to sale of bonds.)

J. D. Potter, county auditor, warned that completion of final plans for the hospital, following approval of preliminary plans, will mean that the architect is then due 80 per cent of his total bill. Sites were discussed. Mr. Hamilton suggested that the board look into the properties on which the county has options and "see if we can't get something that will satisfy everyone."

Mr. Dixon asked the board to let the hospital trustees select the site. Commissioner Gaston Smith said, "I appreciate the trustees offering to take over, but I don't think that's the thing to do." Odell Merrill, clerk to the board, observed, "It's foolish to get a lot to put a house on before you have the money to buy the lot."

Mr. Hamilton said that at this point the board is not justified in spending any money, "but anything we can do without spending money, we will do."

A. H. James, clerk of court, who was present, suggested that the board "pursue this as much as you can. If you're thrown overboard again, you've gone as far as you could."

Mr. Howard said that a new site, a mile west of highway 24 and 70 intersection, is available. It lies between highways 24 and 70 and consists of slightly less than 20 acres.

Mr. Dixon said that his board—a hospital board without a hospital—is "anxious to see the project carried through, and wants action taken."

## Talent Sought For March of Dimes Telethon Jan. 27

A search is on for talent for the telethon. Clifton Lynch, chairman of the county March of Dimes, is looking for persons to perform on the March of Dimes telethon Saturday, Jan. 27.

The telethon is an annual event sponsored by the Washington tv station to raise money for the March of Dimes. Mr. Lynch said a definite program will probably be arranged so that those who will perform will know when they will appear and need not wait.

Persons interested in appearing on the tv program may phone Mr. Lynch at home, PA6-5656, or at his office, PA6-3188.

## Island Gets New Postmaster

- Floyd Yeomans Leaves Post After 34 Years
- New Postoffice Will Go Up on Island

David Yeomans assumed postmaster duties on Harkers Island Monday, marking the first postmaster changeover on the island in 34 years.

Mr. Yeomans, a former county commissioner, replaces retiring Floyd Yeomans, who has served as postmaster for the past 34 years. The retiring Mr. Yeomans took the job of postmaster in 1928 when the island postoffice was located on the water near what is now the island theatre. The postoffice was moved to its present location on the Harkers Island road 12 years ago.

The new postmaster said that no major changes would be made in the policies of mail handling although construction of a new postoffice building is expected in the near future. The site for the new postoffice hasn't been selected as yet.

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In a letter to the county board, Mr. Yeomans expressed his appreciation to board members and to the entire courthouse staff for their cooperation.

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## Walls Go Up on New A&P Store

Major progress was seen this week on construction of the new A&P store in Beaufort. It is located on highway 70 (Cedar street). Laborers are at work on the walls in the photo above.

Construction of an A&P Food stores super market on Cedar and Marsh streets, Beaufort, is under way. The spacious new store will take the place of the present store at 523 Front St., Beaufort. The investment in property, building and stock will be in excess of \$201,500, according to A&P.

## County Attorney's Reply To Morris Letter Read

The county hospital situation consumed a large part, again, of Tuesday's meeting of the county commissioners.

● AGAIN the county board contacted W. F. Henderson of the Medical Care commission, state agency which determines where state funds will go for hospitals. AGAIN, by telegram received Tuesday afternoon, the MCC told the commissioners that they couldn't get the \$105,000 the state had earmarked for the county BECAUSE the hospital cannot be gotten under contract by April 30, 1962.

The telegram stated, however, that this would not affect the "county's priority" and Carteret may resubmit its application for state hospital funds when it can get the hospital under contract within the time that may be set by the MCC for the use of such funds "as may then be available."

● Commissioners accepted an offer from E. W. (Bud) Dixon, chairman of the county hospital board of trustees, to recommend hospital sites.

● Luther Hamilton Jr., county attorney, expressed the opinion that action to clear the legal snarl relative to sale of hospital bonds, by the county, will be taken within the next two weeks.

Moses Howard, chairman of the county board of commissioners, commented on a letter in THE NEWS-TIMES Dec. 26, from Dr. John Morris, Morehead City.

Mr. Howard said, "I don't see how Dr. Morris could say the things he did when we had worked together so hard on this thing. He asked that people write me about this hospital matter and I have received only one letter."

He asked Odell Merrill, clerk to the board, to read a letter from Charles McNeill, assistant operations manager, Morehead City state port. Mr. McNeill pointed out that "the need for a new hospital is great." The letter stated that the writer was aware that Mr. Howard recognized this need "but unseemly obstacles blocked progress." It asked further that Mr. Howard do anything possible to expedite the project.

Commissioner Skinner Chalk referred to implications in the Morris letter that the county commissioners had been subjected to "pressure" in the hospital matter. Mr. Chalk and commissioner Gaston Smith said that no one had attempted to sway county commissioners in any way except the doctors.

At Mr. Howard's request, the clerk read the letter from Dr. Morris and then a reply written to Dr. Morris by the county attorney on Dec. 28.

The attorney's reply noted that Dr. W. M. Brady and Dr. John Gainey personally submitted to Mr. Howard the letter written by Dr. Morris, with a threat to have it published unless fast action were taken relative to the hospital.

Mr. Howard "refused to read

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## Sick Steward Taken off Ship By Coast Guard

Fort Macon Coast Guardsmen removed from the passenger ship, SS Jerusalem, yesterday a steward reportedly suffering from infectious hepatitis.

The Jerusalem, flying the Israeli flag, met the Coast Guard boat at the sea buoy at 10:30 a.m. The steward was an Israeli citizen, Amram Edry, 32, who was checked by Dr. B. F. Royal, Morehead City, after being brought ashore. He was taken to Norfolk by ambulance, according to Lt. John Riddell, commanding officer, Fort Macon.

The SS Jerusalem was bound for New York from Haiti. Another cruise ship, the Gripsholm, stopped at the sea buoy Monday and a passenger, John J. O'Connor, was put aboard a Coast Guard boat and later transferred to Norfolk.

O'Connor was identified in Tuesday's report as a crewman. According to reports, O'Connor had become violent and was taken off the Gripsholm as a precautionary measure.

Coast Guardsmen on yesterday's mission were Adolphus Quinn, BM1; Peter Bruuk, BM2; Frederick Hurst, EN2; William Grainger, BM3; and Pete Brooks, SN.

## State Seeks Aid In Getting Ships

Congressman Herbert Hoover's help has been sought by the State Highway commission to get seven surplus ships for use at Cedar Island.

The highway commission plans to sink the ships to provide a harbor for the state ferry Sea Level. The Sea Level now sails from Atlantic to Ocracoke, but the mainland landing in the future is slated to be Cedar Island.

The state hopes to get the vessels without cost, but Congressional legislation is needed to make the transfer of the ships from the federal government to North Carolina.

Highway commissioner Merrill Evans said Bonner, congressman from the first district, North Carolina, promised his cooperation in getting the ships.

Oriental Refloated  
The fishing boat Oriental, which went aground Monday night near the mouth of the Neuse river, has been refloated by the Coast Guard and towed to port for repairs. The Oriental, fishing out of Oriental, is owned by Garland Fulcher.

