

Medical Center Fund Drive Starts

Republicans to Petition Elections Board; Bell Wins by 11 in Recount

Elmer Dewey Willis, defeated Republican candidate for sheriff—according to a recount of the Nov. 6 votes—will petition the county board of elections this week to certify him "as the winning candidate . . . on the results of the initial abstracts submitted to the board of elections from each of the precincts of Carteret county."

The petition will be presented to the board of elections whenever it meets this week to canvass the vote. That, at least, was the plan yesterday.

The recounting of the sheriff ballots in all 27 precincts started . . . 10:30 Thursday morning and ended at about 8 p.m. Friday. When the recounting ended, sheriff Robert Bell came out with 11 votes more than Mr. Willis.

Mr. Willis was 44 votes ahead at the end of ballot-counting early Nov. 7, then discovery of six absentee ballots in Morehead No. 2 precinct later on Nov. 7 cut his margin to 40.

Present at the recount, which took place in the law library of the courthouse were representatives of Mr. Willis, who was out of town, sheriff Bell and his representatives, also members of the elections board, Charles Willis, chairman; Osborne Davis and Neal Campen. Mr. Campen was not able to be at the Thursday morning session but attended the others.

Assisting Mr. Bell at the recount were Frank Cassiano, who was relieved by James Webb, and Harvey Hamilton Jr. Representing Mr. Willis were Thomas Bennett, Ray Gordon Lewis, Jimmy Piner and Jimmy Howland. Each candidate had three members of his party in the recount room at all times.

Charles Willis said that the recount procedure went like this: any ballots that were questioned were put in a "disputed" pile. When the count of a precinct was completed, the "disputed" ballots were gone through and it was decided then which were to be considered as valid or invalid.

Both parties agreed, prior to start of the recount, to the registrar for each precinct calling the ballots for his precinct. The procedure then went like this:

- Registrar will hand ballot to opposite party representative
- Party representative will hand to other party representative.
- Second party representative will hand to candidate for whom the ballot was cast.
- Candidate will place ballot on his pile.
- Party representatives will count ballots after separation is completed or at intervals and deliver to board of elections.
- If desired by candidates, they may check count under supervision of board of elections.

All persons who handled ballots took an oath to count them honestly and fairly.

The final vote was 4,487 for Bell and 4,476 for Willis.

Commenting on the recount and the subsequent results, the elections board chairman said yesterday, "I feel that justice has been done."



Charles Willis, right, chairman of the county board of elections, congratulates sheriff Robert (Bob) Bell, whose re-election was announced Friday after completion of a recount.

Morehead Board to Meet Again Soon to Confer About Hospital

The Sheriff Vote

Precinct	Willis	Bell
Atlantic	214	191
Beaufort	747	1071
Bettie	47	46
Bogue	67	63
Broad Creek	81	95
Cedar Island	70	31
Cedar Point	52	91
Davis	78	173
Harkers Island	196	260
Harlowe	57	138
Marshallberg	73	209
Merrimon	29	56
Morehead No. 1	809	255
Morehead No. 2	903	552
Newport	366	418
Otway	84	127
Pelletier	29	11
Portsmouth	4	4
Salter Path	112	28
Sea Level	108	84
Smyrna	22	58
Stacy	26	98
Stella	20	39
Straits	56	47
Wildwood	153	147
Williston	30	141
Wire Grass	54	47
Totals	4487	4476

Morehead City town commissioners decided Thursday night to have a special meeting to consider Morehead City hospital problems. The meeting will be called as soon as Ray Hall, town supervisor, gets information on grants available to hospitals and other facts deemed necessary to make a decision on where to move next on repair of the Morehead City hospital.

The board has received copies of letters from the Medical Care commission and the State Insurance department relative to the need for making extensive repairs to the hospital. A letter from A. B. Roberts, chairman of the board of hospital trustees, stated that either the hospital has to be repaired or closed.

The letter detailing the repairs necessary appears on page 2 section 2 of today's paper.

The major problem is that neither the hospital board nor the town of Morehead City has sufficient money to make the repairs, which are estimated to cost at least \$40,000. A further complication is the question as to whether the county is going to build a hospital.

If the county does, the Medical Care commission, which supervises hospital operation in the state, says that the Morehead City hospital will be required to close when the county hospital opens.

Voters several years ago decided that a hospital should be built by

New Port Director Visits Here Today

James W. Davis, newly-appointed director of North Carolina State ports will visit Morehead City port this morning. According to the State Ports Authority, Mr. Davis is touring both ports, Morehead City and Wilmington.

He will begin his duties as ports director Dec. 10. Since the death last spring of D. Leon Williams, the former ports director, E. N. Richards, a member of the SPA, has been serving as director.

Newport School Observes AEW

Newport school observed American Education Week last week with special events at the school. Theme of the observance was the Challenge of Change in Education.

Parents attending the chapel program given by Mrs. Irma Quinn's second grade received blue and white badges bearing the words, "I have visited my school."

Pupils in the elementary grades made badges which were worn by teachers and students throughout the week. Written on the badges were the words, American Education Week.

Winners of a poster contest were Anna Murdoch and Janet Mizelle, eighth graders; Susan Jones, ninth grade, won second place; Donald Long, eighth grade, third place; Mrs. Cardelle Redman's sixth grade won fourth place, and Belinda White, eighth grade, placed fifth.

Winners of an essay contest, Education Makes a Better American, were Diane Garner and Anna Murdoch.

Tide Table

Tides at the Beaufort Bar

Time	High	Low
Tuesday, Nov. 20		
3:03 a.m.	9:27 a.m.	
3:16 p.m.	9:54 p.m.	
Wednesday, Nov. 21		
4:00 a.m.	10:20 a.m.	
4:12 p.m.	10:40 p.m.	
Thursday, Nov. 22		
4:52 a.m.	11:08 a.m.	
5:04 p.m.	11:23 p.m.	
Friday, Nov. 23		
5:38 a.m.	11:53 a.m.	
5:52 p.m.		

Weather Turns Cool; 38 Recorded Thursday Night

The weather took a turn for the cool side the early part of last week. The high temperature in the daytime was 54, the low 47 at night.

Slightly warmer weather arrived after Wednesday, but a chilly 38 degrees was recorded Thursday night.

Firemen Put Out Grass Fire Back of Metal Shop

A grass fire brought out the Morehead City Fire department Sunday. Firemen went to an area back of Leonard's Metal shop on Bridges street.

The fire was soon put out. There was no damage to nearby buildings.

Fire Quenched

Beaufort firemen went out on the Lennoxville road Sunday shortly before 1 p.m. and extinguished a grass fire.

Milton Truckner Elected Again To Head Bureau

● Farm Bureau Meets At Camp Glenn Friday

● Convention Delegate, Officers Named

Milton Truckner, Stella, was re-elected president of the County Farm Bureau at the annual meeting Thursday night at Camp Glenn school.

Other officers elected were Leiland Morris, Stella, vice-president; Mrs. Kay Taylor, Beaufort, secretary; James H. Davis, Beaufort, treasurer; C. N. Stroud, Morehead City, membership committee chairman; Y. Z. Simmons, Newport, membership committee vice-chairman.

Directors elected were Y. Z. Simmons, Newport; Kerney Merrill Jr., Beaufort; J. T. Oglesby, Crab Point; Omer Potter, Newport; C. T. Garner, Newport; L. L. Hall, Newport; and John Felton, Beaufort.

Chief door prize, a turkey, went to Mrs. Milton Truckner, and silver dollars went to the holders of the other lucky tickets.

Newport Hopes to Raise \$40,000 by January

Beginning tomorrow, Newport is putting into high gear its campaign to collect \$40,000 to build a medical center. To date, \$2,650 has been pledged, according to Mrs. Seymour Rubin, publicity chairman.

Thermometers will be placed throughout Newport. On them will be registered progress of the drive, which is expected to close in January.

Chairman of the fund-raising committee is J. Stencil Bell. Committee members are Nathan Garner and Capt. John Holcomb. Fund raising captains are Mrs. Lucille K. Garner, Allen Elliott, Wayne West, Clarence Millis, Mrs. Margaret H. Garner, Mrs. Vera Bailey.

Mrs. Alice Garner, Mrs. Ailene Garner, Mrs. Lucy Roberts, Preston Mann, Carlton Taylor, Bonner Bell, Addison McCabe, Mrs. Alstine Skinner, Mrs. Dora Carter, Mrs. Cicero Taylor, Leon Weeks.

Approximately 30 persons have agreed to act as co-captains, according to Mrs. Rubin.

Newport citizens decided to proceed with construction of a medical center and a search for a doctor following a survey by the Sears-Roebuck Foundation.

Purpose of the survey was to evaluate the community and its trade area as to medical habits, economic potential and ability to support a doctor. The foundation states that in its work it has yet to overestimate the economic potential of a community.

The survey shows that almost 50 per cent of Newport's population is under 21 years of age, about 25 per cent are 21 to 39, slightly less than 25 per cent are 40 to 59 and slightly more than 6 per cent are over 60.

In a recent 12 months, 21.8 per cent of the people in Newport and vicinity were hospitalized. They went to hospitals in Morehead City, Sea Level and New Bern.

In the same 12 months, there was an estimated 10,325 separate illnesses which necessitated 10,325 visits to a doctor. This amounted to an average of 34 patients a day visiting doctors in Beaufort, Morehead City, Newport, Sea Level and New Bern, the report says.

To visit out-of-town doctors, Newport patients travel a total of 245,984 miles annually. The foundation estimates that over a 12-month period expenditures for inoculations and office calls total \$56,907; medical expenditures \$27,675; expenditures for gas and oil for driving to and from doctor offices, \$4,537, or a total of \$69,119.

When visiting doctors in those

Federal Crop Insurance Now Available Here

By R. M. WILLIAMS
Agricultural Agent

Actual work and other legal requirements are just about complete for you to begin to make applications for your federal crop insurance for 1963.

County growers are now being contacted. Tobacco producers in this county will be served from the first floor of the postoffice building in New Bern. Reid Smith is the supervisor. R. L. Pipkin will also assist with the work here in this county.

It is suggested that tobacco growers not wait to be contacted about the tobacco insurance program, but that you go to the New Bern Office and make application. Mrs. Cecilia Holton holds office hours from 8:30-12 Noon and from 1-4:30 p.m.

The insurance protection was greatly increased in the eastern area of the state last year. After spending long hard hours of labor to produce a crop of tobacco, it can be lost by excessive rains in a short period of time.

Already tobacco producers are seeking an assignment of their all-risk plan for credit that they are obtaining from banks, production credit associations, Farmers Home Administration and other lending agencies.

All policies essentially cover the investment in the crop, including the farmer's labor and hired labor necessary for the production of a crop.

This type of federal crop insurance also covers cotton and peanuts and there has been some talk of including vegetable growers.

This is the first year that federal crop insurance is being offered to our tobacco growers. Growers requesting this type of crop insurance following the extensive damage to their tobacco after excessive rains last June.

Mrs. Kay Taylor was selected to be the county's delegate to the Farm Bureau national convention in Atlanta, Ga., this December.

Speaker for the evening was Paul Shackleford, district field representative of the Farm Bureau. Mr. Shackleford spoke on the Farm Bureau, saying that the bureau is the organized voice of American agriculture. It is the strongest and largest farm group in the world, representing 1,600,000 farm families. Over 75 per cent of farm group members belong to the Farm Bureau. Mr. Shackleford stated, making the bureau the most influential national group on farm legislation.

The county Farm Bureau was commended for reaching and going over its membership quota of 200. Mr. Shackleford said that the county was among the first in the district to reach its goal.

Chief Officer Named

William H. Potter, Beaufort, has been elected to the office of president and chairman of the board of Beaufort Fisheries, Inc., succeeding his father, the late W. V. B. Potter.

Dr. John W. Morris Releases Letter Written to Elections Board Member

Dr. John W. Morris, Morehead City, has made public the letter which he sent to Neal Campen, Democratic member of the county board of elections, prior to the hearing on whether to recount the sheriff's vote.

Dr. Morris said quotations in Friday's paper were not correct and people have been left with a false impression as to what the letter said.

The letter, which was delivered to Mr. Campen in the courthouse immediately prior to the Tuesday hearing, follows:

November 11, 1962
Mr. Neal Campen, Member
Carteret County Board of Elections
Beaufort, North Carolina
Dear Neal:

There has been a great deal of talk for the past couple of days in Morehead regarding the recount on

the sheriff's race. In order to clear any doubt in the minds of both the Democratic and Republican parties it is my feeling that there certainly should be a recount of the four precincts where the votes were impounded, namely Morehead No. 1 and No. 2, Newport and Beaufort.

A close vote such as occurred in this race always leaves doubts which spawn rumors and for the sake of all concerned it would appear that the people in charge of the precincts would have no objections whatsoever to having the votes recounted. In all probability it will still come out practically the same, but because of the large number of tickets which were split, because of the large number of candidates, and because of the referendums which were being voted on at the same time, it certainly appears that some errors could have occurred even without any intent.

Speaking as a member of the Democratic Party and one who is concerned solely with good government in our County, I urge you to please vote with Charles Willis to have a recount in the four precincts mentioned above. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated by every fair-minded citizen in the County.

Sincerely yours,
John W. Morris, M.D.

Dr. Morris, in a statement to THE NEWS-TIMES Sunday, said he couldn't see why there was objection to a recount, but after the results of the recount were announced, he could understand why there had been objection.

Education Board Opens Bids

Bids on the West Carteret high school were opened Thursday night by the county board of education, but no decision was made on letting of contracts.

H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools, said the bids were higher than expected. The county has \$800,000 available to put into the new school. The lowest general contract bid was \$863,200, submitted by G. M. Thompson, Raleigh.

"I wish we could take that low bid. Not to be able to do so means we're losing money," Mr. Joslyn remarked.

The next highest general contract bid was \$1,144,000 over the low bid. "We won't get that

low bid if we call for bids again," Mr. Joslyn observed.

Other general contract bidders and their bids: G. L. Wilson, Statesville, \$897,000; Eastern Construction, Greenville, \$962,160; King-Hunter, Greensboro, \$982,197.

C. P. Street Construction, Charlotte, \$977,600; Hardy-Harvey, Kingston, \$1,031,900; Fred C. Gardner, Kinston, \$1,039,745; T. A. Loving, Goldsboro, \$1,014,375.

Rogers Construction, Smithfield, \$977,633; Crowder Construction, Charlotte, \$1,025,746; Barger Construction, Mooresville, \$979,300; and Coastal Construction, Rose Hill, \$978,000.

The lowest bid received, which

covers general contracting, plumbing, heating and electricity, was \$1,186,970. Alternate bids were also asked. Eliminated in the alternate were shop buildings. The low bid, without shop buildings, was slightly over \$1 million.

The architect was asked to draw plans that would build the first phase of a West Carteret high school for \$800,000. "Maybe we asked for too much," Mr. Joslyn observed. He expressed doubt about "scaling off" anything that they had hoped to include in the first building phase.

To put up a building for only \$800,000 would mean we would have something there but it would be

nothing we could put children in," Mr. Joslyn said. He added, "If we were sure the county board would give us next year the same amount as this year \$500,000 for school construction and maintenance), we could go head with our plans."

He said there is doubt as to what the new county board of commissioners will want to do—go for a bond issue and build two schools, East and West, or continue on a pay-as-you-go program.

Mr. Joslyn says the board of education has 30 days in which to either accept or reject the bids.

The board opened bids in the education office, courthouse annex, Beaufort.

Philippine Bishop Welcomed



The Rt. Rev. Horatio Santa Maria, left, bishop of the Church of the Philippines, with the Rev. John Broome, rector of the St. Paul's Episcopal church in Beaufort. The bishop was guest at the church over the weekend.

Young Churchmen of the Diocese of East Carolina met at St. Paul's Episcopal church, Beaufort Saturday, with the Rt. Rev. Horatio Santa Maria, bishop of the Church of the Philippines, as honor guest.

The Young Churchmen and their adult advisors met to organize plans for their annual summer convention and other events.

Delegates to the meeting came from communities along the coast

from Elizabeth City to Wilmington. They comprised officers of the organization and the group's planning body. Clergymen from each of the three districts in the diocese accompanied the delegates.