

S. A. Chalk Jr. Files Protest On Bond Issue

S. A. Chalk Jr., Morehead City, has filed with the local Government commission, Raleigh, a protest against the issuance of \$2,000,000 in school building bonds in this county.

Referring to a legal notice published Tuesday, stating the county's intention to apply to the commission for the approval of bonds, Mr. Chalk says in his protest that "\$228,500 and possibly \$252,000 will be used for maintenance of plants in violation of state law (GS 115-78 a-4)."

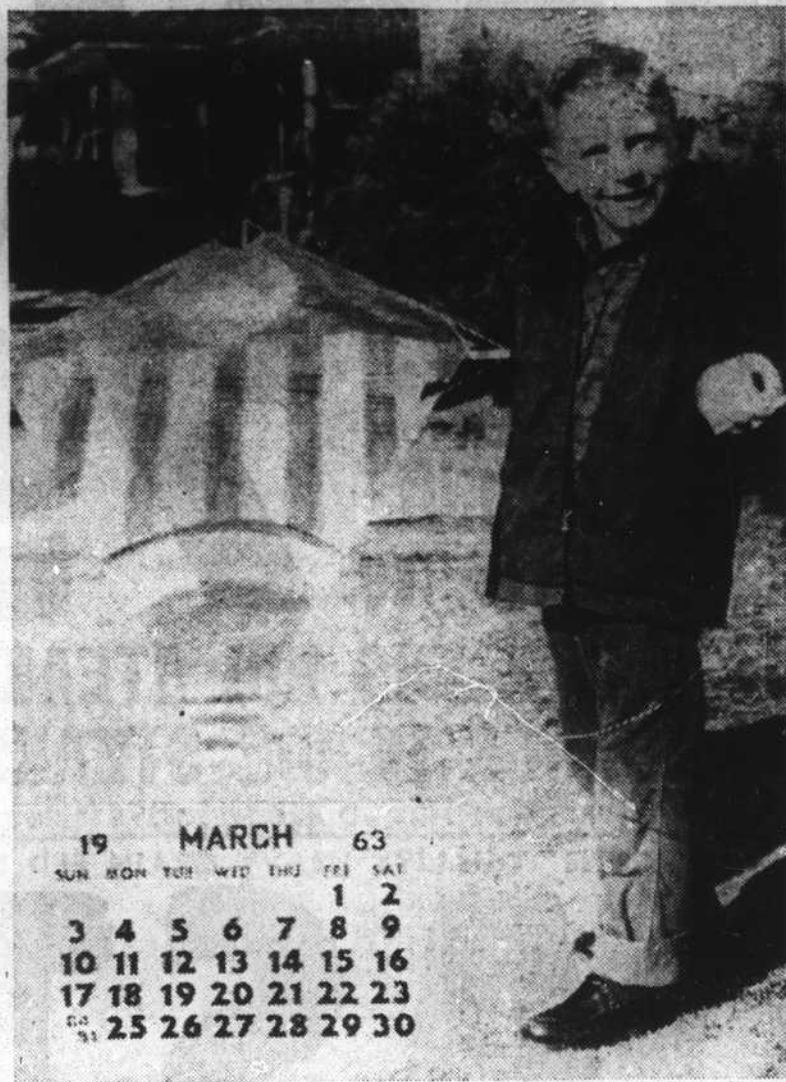
Mr. Chalk claims that the county board of education has had insufficient funds to maintain buildings for 30 years and deficiencies in appropriations since 1953 amounted to at least \$10,000 at buildings where renovation is proposed.

Mr. Chalk asks the Local Government commission not to approve issuance of any bonds until the county board of commissioners approves the county board of education budget providing "funds for all such renovation proposed under the current expense budget as required in General Statute 115-78 and made levy for same."

If this isn't done, then the amount authorized for bonds, if any, should be reduced by the amounts required for renovation, Mr. Chalk told the commission.

A copy of Mr. Chalk's protest was forwarded yesterday to Odell Merrill, clerk of the county board of commissioners.

It's March!



News-Times Photo by Holloway

Stephen Stafford, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Stafford, Mansfield Park, believes in being prepared. Here it is the first day of March, and Stephen already has his kite ready to send aloft on the March breezes!

14-Year-Old-Girl, Missing Since Dec. 8, Now at Home

Tanya Eubanks, 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Eubanks, Beaufort, who disappeared Dec. 8, is back home.

Mrs. Eubanks reported yesterday morning that she and her husband left at 5 p.m. Wednesday for Charleston, S. C., where they picked up their daughter.

Mrs. Eubanks said their daughter is nervous, needs sleep and they haven't questioned her at length as to her activities since she left Beaufort with her younger sister, Jennie, 11, and Shelba Jean Hardison, 22, almost three months ago.

Mrs. Eubanks said Tanya has told them that the Hardison girl has gone to her mother's at Southport. She said that the two girls have been in Savannah, Ga.

Tanya's sister, Jennie, turned up in Charleston, S. C., Dec. 12, four days after she had left Beaufort. Her parents went to the police department there and brought her back home. Jennie said then that the three of them had hitchhiked to Savannah and that she had been put on a bus by the older girls, at Savannah, and sent back to Charleston.

Mrs. Eubanks reported that from what she and her husband have been able to learn, Tanya has wanted to come home but has been led to believe that her parents would not want her.

Mrs. Eubanks said that they picked up Tanya "at a judge's office" in Charleston and that "some



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man" had made a phone call to them at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, from Charleston, to let them know their daughter was there. She said Tanya didn't know how to place a long distance call.

Mrs. Eubanks said that local authorities "had nothing to do" with her daughter's return. She said, "As best as we can find out, no information was put out. They said pictures were published in bulletins and sent around the country."

"The only thing the Charleston police knew," she continued, "was that Jennie had been located there and they were supposed to be looking for her older sister."

Tanya was 13 when she left home and has since turned 14.

Committees in Each School District Will Explain Need for Bond Issue

Specific Plans for Each School Yet to be Revealed

County chairman William Roy Hamilton has requested that each school district appoint a committee of three to help promote the proposed school bond referendum. The request was made Monday night following a meeting at the courthouse when plans for expenditure of \$2,800,000 for schools was announced.

The committee of three would consist of a representative of the PTA, the school committee and a member of the Better Schools committee of the district.

The names of those selected were to be forwarded to Mr. Hamilton by yesterday.

When, at the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Hamilton asked how many were in favor of the school bond referendum, about three-

(Details of the meeting appear on page 2 of the second section of today's paper.)

fourths of those in the audience raised their hands. There were approximately 60 in the room. Earlier, there were more, but some folks left during a recess.

Criticism of the program ranged from "don't borrow money for schools" to "you're not borrowing enough."

On the latter point, Mrs. A. B. (Jack) Roberts, Morehead City school board member, pleaded for more money for one good consolidated high school. W. C. Carlton, Morehead City, later spoke in favor of her proposal, but the pleas generated favorable response only from Monroe Gaskill, Cedar Island.

Posters advocating passage of the school bond referendum were placed on stairways leading to the courtroom, where the meeting was held, and in the courtroom.

Not announced at the meeting was what the hoped-for school funds would do at each school. Ronald Earl Mason, county auditor, said that this will be announced by the committee in each school district.

County commissioners and the county board of education will meet at 10 a.m. Monday. County commissioners meet in the courthouse and the other board in the annex.

Hospital Suit Filed; Action Halts Borrowing of \$75,000

A legal action restraining Carteret county commissioners from selling a \$75,000 note in preparation for constructing a county hospital was instituted yesterday at the courthouse, Beaufort.

The suit has been filed against county commissioners and Carteret county by Llewellyn Phillips and Luther Hamilton Jr., Morehead City, who are acting as their own attorneys.

Scheduled for sale Tuesday, March 5, was a hospital bond anticipation note. The legal suit requests that all procedures toward building a county hospital be restrained.

Mr. Phillips and Mr. Hamilton are private citizens of Morehead City. Mr. Hamilton was county attorney when a suit was filed in 1961 which prevented county commissioners from putting a hospital on a site on Bogue sound. A decision has since been made to use a site closer to Morehead City.

The two complainants base their suit on allegations that Carteret voters went to the polls Nov. 8, knowing full well that the hospital, if the bond referendum passed, would be built at least three miles west of Morehead City. (The Bogue sound site, owned by Earle Webb, is three miles west of Morehead City.)

The complaint says that wide publicity was given this fact by newspaper and radio.

It further alleges that the site now selected for the hospital, commonly known as the Barbour site, is about seven-tenths of a mile from Morehead City and does not comply with the announcement as to hospital location made by the county prior to the hospital bond referendum.

The Barbour site, the complainants allege, is inaccessible and a great deal of public expense would be incurred to build a road of 1.7 miles, plus a bridge. (The state has said it would build the road, but with state, not county road funds.)

The complaint claims that a dirt road was hastily built dozed about a year ago at the Barbour location and fill for a causeway consists partially of trash, that the site is a knoll at the headwaters of Calico creek and looks out over marshland.

Calico creek is described as a slow-moving creek, that it is a breeding place for mosquitoes and in one direction the proposed hospital would give a clear view of the Morehead City trash and garbage dump.

The complainants note that a \$2 million hospital (\$1 million to be furnished by the county and \$1 million by state and federal funds) is to date the largest project undertaken by the county and the location of the hospital should be such that taxpayers could take pride in it.

As proposed, it is visible from no main thoroughfare and that the county "would be hiding its light under a bushel" to put it on the Barbour site.

The complainants allege further that it would be almost impossible to give clear directions, in case of an emergency, to any stranger who may wish to find the hospital.

The taxpayers, the complaint states, have no further recourse and for that reason county officials should be restrained from any further move to build the hospital.

Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar	
HIGH	LOW
Friday, March 1	
12:22 a.m.	6:38 a.m.
12:50 p.m.	6:58 p.m.
Saturday, March 2	
1:19 a.m.	7:50 a.m.
1:48 p.m.	8:09 p.m.
Sunday, March 3	
2:18 a.m.	9:02 a.m.
2:53 p.m.	9:19 p.m.
Monday, March 4	
3:25 a.m.	10:05 a.m.
4:02 p.m.	10:19 p.m.
Tuesday, March 5	
4:31 a.m.	11:02 a.m.
5:07 p.m.	11:15 p.m.

Heart Fund Helps Children



Wendy Jean Chevalier, 6, and Robert Geiges, 4, lend their personal support to the heart fund drive, which will end this weekend. Both children suffer from heart defects.

Proceeds from the heart drive, which ended yesterday, help finance research that will eventually lead to correction of heart defects in children.

Two children in this county who will benefit from heart funds are Robert Geiges, 4, and Wendy Jean Chevalier, 6, both of Morehead City.

Robert is the son of Mrs. Betty Geiges. His father, Capt. Elmer B. Geiges Jr., is stationed at Fort Benning.

Robert is suffering from pulmonary stenosis, a congenital affliction. Mrs. Geiges says that Robert will, in four years, undergo an operation at Bethesda Naval hospital in Maryland. The operation will correct the condition.

At one time such an operation was not possible. But research financed by heart fund campaigns has opened the door to successful surgical remedy, Mrs. Geiges said.

Robert has two older sisters who are not fighting a handicap, yet Robert, too, is normal in every respect except the heart condition.

Wendy Jean is the daughter of S/Sgt. and Mrs. Robert Chevalier. Sergeant Chevalier is stationed at Cherry Point. Mrs. Chevalier said that Wendy Jean has a heart defect, but doctors have not specifically diagnosed it.

When very young, she had a

Carteret Men Take Four Fish Boats To South America

Five Carteret residents and two Southport men left Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday aboard four menhaden boats they are taking to the west coast of South America for the Fish Meal Co., Beaufort, which has menhaden interests throughout the world.

The men are A. L. (Bull) Brinson, Leonard Willis, Rick Morton, all of Morehead City; Jackie Simpson and Fred Garner, Beaufort; and Otis Garner and John Carl Davis, Southport.

They left here Sunday and are expected back home the early part of April. The boats, slightly different in style from the menhaden boats used here, were to be delivered to Taitai, Chile. It is also expected that they will make port in Peru.

Cedar Point Station Robbed

Thieves again picked on Dudley's Gulf service station, Cedar Point, Tuesday night. Stolen were tools, a large amount of fishing tackle, two one-dollar bills and possibly some tires. The station was entered two weeks ago but the thieves were apprehended and convicted.

Deputy sheriff Carl Bunch, who is investigating, said that the phone, in a public phone booth at the station, was torn off the wall, but no money was taken from the coin box, which apparently couldn't be opened.

Entry was gained through a rear window of the station. The lock was tampered with at the S&R grocery at Cedar Point Wednesday night, but entry was not gained, the deputy said.

Marines Leave Port For Caribbean Exercise

A reinforced Marine battalion of 1,800 men and their equipment boarded a convoy of Naval ships at Morehead City Tuesday, headed for a two-month amphibious exercise in the Caribbean.

The Task Force flagship will be the USS Monrovia, an attack transport. The force is using six vessels, plus several LSTs.

The Marine force is scheduled to return here in early May.

Newport Medical Center Fund Nears \$23,000 — Not Enough

J. Stencil Bell, chairman of the Newport Medical Center Fund-Raising committee, announces that the total to date is near \$23,000.

Approximately two thousand dollars more is needed to reach the required \$25,000 by the end of today. However, DO NOT stop because March 1 is near, says Mr. Bell. Rush in your loans and contributions. Mr. Bell thinks the goal will be reached if funds continue to come in as they have in the past few days.

Mr. Bell is hopeful that many out-of-town residents will respond before the deadline or shortly thereafter. It is gratifying, states Mr. Bell, that Newport has many friends outside the vicinity, and more should respond as they reap part of their income from Newport community residents. "A good policy is, YOU HELP US AND WE WILL HELP YOU," states the fund raising chairman.

A medical center plus two doctors can mean more to Newport community and nearby vicinities than the average person realizes, states Mr. Bell. Among other things, it means economy in travel, convenience and security."

Many have stated that they will respond with a greater loan if necessary. Additional funds ARE needed to reach the deadline minimum of \$25,000. "We will still have about ten thousand dollars to raise before we reach our final goal by June 1," Mr. Bell reports. "As you know, this is OUR community project and we are sure (See CENTER, Page 7)

Hubert Davis Retires



Hubert Davis, engineer chief master, retired Thursday from the Coast Guard during a ceremony at the Fort Macon Guard station.

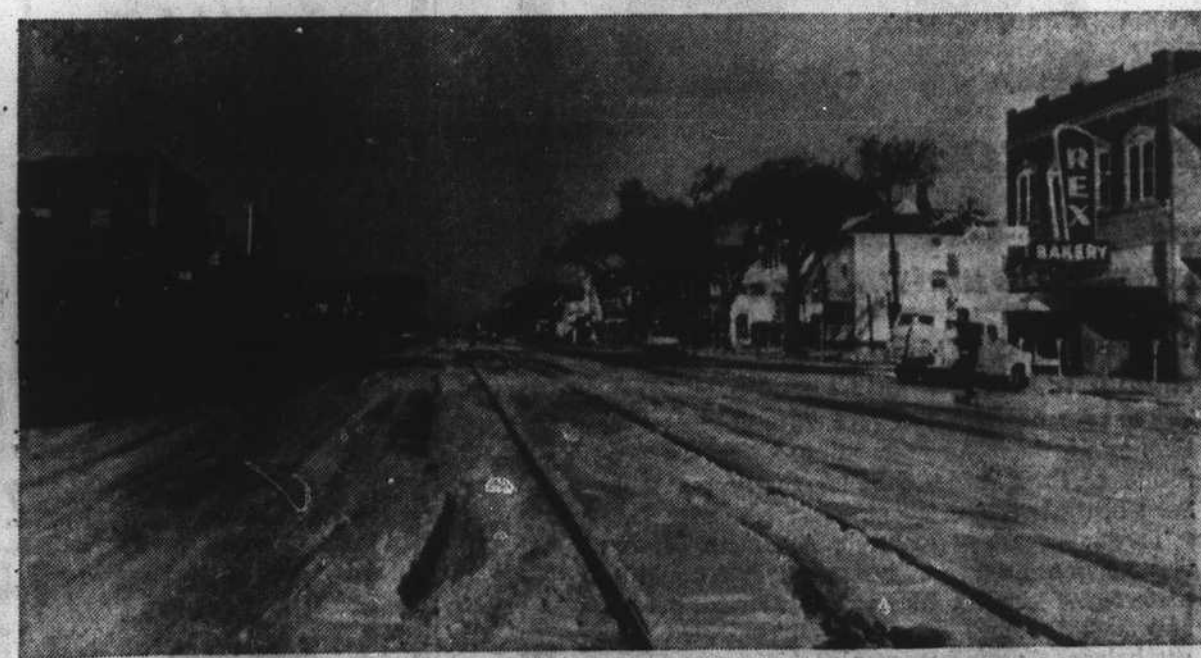
Mr. Davis was born at Harkers Island and is now a resident of route 2, Beaufort, where he lives with his wife and three children. He has served twenty

years and five months in the Coast Guard.

His last three years of duty have been at Fort Macon. Mr. Davis served patrol boat duty off the coast of North Carolina during World War II. He served also in the Pacific during the war.

He says he has no immediate plans for the future.

Snow Covers Arendell Street



Arendell Street, Morehead City, was "the Great White Way" Wednesday morning after snow covered sleet-slick streets.

February brought two snowfalls. The biggest one was early Wednesday morning and some snow was still lying on the ground Thursday morning.

The snow followed a sleet storm Tuesday night which made driving hazardous. The snow on top of icy roads Wednesday morning caused most vehicles to skid and slide. Because of the danger, which would have made bus handling a risk, school was closed for the day. Many of the children get to school by bus.

H. L. Joslyn, county superintendent of schools, said that the day lost Wednesday will be made up Tuesday, April 16, which had originally been scheduled as part of the Easter holiday. The Easter holidays now will be Good Friday and Easter Monday.

February's earlier snowfall was Sunday, Feb. 10, but flakes flew for about 10 minutes and no snow lay on the ground. Temperatures and wind direction for the past week, as recorded by E. Stamey Davis, weather observer:

	Max.	Min.	Wind
Thursday	60	40	SW
Friday	55	24	WNW
Saturday	46	23	SW
Sunday	50	35	Var.
Monday	55	34	SW
Tuesday	51	24	NE
Wednesday	38	20	NW

R. E. Butner Jr. Buys Morehead Hotel Firm

Rufus E. Butner Jr., Morehead City, has purchased the Biltmore Motor Hotel Co., Inc., Morehead City. Mr. Butner became owner of the corporation, all its real estate and other assets at 2 p.m. Tuesday.

The price was reportedly in the neighborhood of half a million dollars. The hotel was bought from the West Indies Fruit and Steamship Co., which is dissolving its assets. Controlling the West Indies firm are Dan, Alfred, William and Leslie Taylor, originally of Sea Level, who built the Sea Level hospital.

Mr. Butner is president of the firm; R. E. Butner Sr., Kinston, vice-president; Mrs. Rufus Butner Jr., secretary-treasurer; and Dr. John W. Gainey, Morehead City, has been named a director.

Mr. Butner does not contemplate any immediate changes in operation of the hotel. It is remaining open and all conventions scheduled for the coming season will be accommodated as planned.

The new hotel owner is a former vice-president of Wachovia Bank and Trust Co., Morehead City, a position he resigned six months ago. He now operates a realty firm, R. E. Butner Jr. and Associates, of which he is president. He is a vice-president of the International Life and Accident Insurance Co., Wilmington, is on the board of directors and the executive committee, and this month was elected president of the Morehead-Beaufort Board of Realtors.

Mr. Butner is a past president of the Greater Morehead City chamber of commerce (the name has since been changed), is a former director of the Neuse Development association, a former Jaycee and has headed numerous civic drives since he came to this county in 1957.

He owns and operates the Coral Sands motel, Atlantic Beach, and reports that he is in the process of acquiring interest in a new hotel to be constructed in Wilmington.

Leaf Farmers To Meet Tuesday

The 16th annual meeting of the Tobacco Associates Inc. will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the ballroom of the Sir Walter hotel, Raleigh. "This invitation is being extended to tobacco farmers on behalf of the officers, board of directors, and 400 delegates representing 11 supporting organizations," announces R. M. Williams, county agricultural agent.

Highlights of the meeting will include president J. B. Hutson's annual report and a guest speaker, an authority on world trade.

President Hutson will report on Tobacco Associates activities, during the year, progress of the flue-cured tobacco overseas market development programs, activities of the Tobacco Associates office in Brussels, Belgium, recent developments in European Common Market counties, and other factors affecting the sale of flue-cured tobacco abroad.

Tobacco leaders from all segments of the tobacco industry, representing the five flue-cured producing states, are expected to attend.

Morehead City Firemen Called to Trailer Court

Morehead City firemen had a call Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. to the trailer court of O. O. Fulcher, where they extinguished a small fire in the house trailer of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Williams.

The fire department reported the damage was negligible.

The Newport town board will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the town hall, Newport.