

## Rep. Thomas S. Bennett Reports On Progress in General Assembly

### 'The Music Man'



Charlie Hudson, who sounds like a four-man combo, was seen on the Fabulous Fishing club's float in both the Morehead City and Beaufort Marlin Festival parades.

By JEFF JONES

It's a "one-man band" called Charlie Hudson, and he arrived last week from his home in New Bern to provide entertainment during the Blue Marlin festival.

The talented gentleman played song after song by request for crowds gathered around the official weighing station in front of Capt. Bill's Waterfront restaurant, Morehead City, during the tournament. With a bass drum, a guitar and a home-made horn, he gave forth with rhythm 'n blues numbers from a repertoire that seemed unlimited.

And that home-made horn, by the way, was made from a piece of sheet metal that the musician salvaged from an old Coast Guard cutter about 30 years ago.

But he doesn't limit himself to just these instruments. Onlookers at Saturday's beauty parade in Beaufort were treated to some New Orleans style jazz as the "one-man band" beat out St. Louis Blues on a piano mounted on one of the floats.

If you missed seeing Mr. Hudson perform over the weekend, you'll probably get a n o t h e r chance. He plans to "be around most of the summer." If you spot a two-tone, pink and green car, he'll be some place close by.

### Earl Kelly Wins Award

Earl Kelly, senior at Newport high school, has been presented the Alton Higgins award for 1963. This award is given annually to a senior boy enrolled in Vocational Agriculture for outstanding work. It is provided by Lieut. Leo A. Higgins and is presented to the recipient for an FFA vacation.

The title of Becky's award-winning entry is, "On a Woodland's Walk," and represents the artist's conception of an ideal autumn scene. The prize for first place in the showing was an artist's paint box cased in wood.

Miss McCabe is one of 25 art students who presented 97 paintings at the exhibit. These students are under the tutelage of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Griese of Richlands, and all the paintings shown were examples of the students' work since October. Mr. and Mrs. Griese have been holding art classes in Morehead City high school. Entrants in this exhibit ranged in age from 9 upward.

Becky's painting was done in casein, what Mr. Griese refers to as "a kind of colored glue." He explained that casein is a medium all its own, and that it was used by the masters, although it has fallen into disuse in contemporary times.

The art exhibit, which was sponsored by the Morehead City Junior Woman's club, began Friday evening with a private showing and reception at which refreshments were served. A panel of judges was enlisted to select the best painting of the 97 shown. The exhibit was opened to the

## Three Support Cases Heard In County Court

Judge L. R. Morris ordered that three local men comply with non-support charges in county recorder's court Tuesday.

Tyre M. Salter was required to pay \$25 each month to the clerk of court for maintenance and support of his son, Ray Andrew Salter. David Windley was ordered to provide \$25 every two weeks to support his daughter, Hannah Catherine Windley. But the petitioner, Mr. Windley's estranged wife, was found to have no just cause for support.

The third non-support case involved Julius McCabe, for whom a one-year sentence was suspended on condition that he pay the welfare department \$5 a week for the benefit of his minor illegitimate child. Judge Morris ruled that the order be amended if and when the defendant becomes gainfully employed.

Other cases tried in recorder's court:

Thurman Montier Potter, no operator's license, not prosecuted with leave to reopen the case.

Bush Evans, expired plates and no muffler, costs.

Harry Lee Smith, parking vehicle on traveled portion of highway at night without lights, not

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Carteret bills are still in the mill at Raleigh as the 1963 legislature advances well into June, fifth month of the session.

Ratified during the past week were the bills permitting creation of an industrial development commission for the county and another requiring the governor to appoint a commission to study the commercial fisheries division.

Both were introduced by Carteret representative Thomas S. Bennett.

Mr. Bennett, who has taken concerted action in the fisheries field during this, his freshman term in the legislature, reported yesterday that the legislature has ratified a bill which he supported. It provides that no commercial fisheries license is needed to take seafood from a boat with a motor, as long as the catches are for personal use.

Killed by request of Sen. Luther Hamilton, Morehead City, in the Senate education committee, was a bill introduced by representative Bennett, which would have permitted Carteret to elect the county board of education. The senator favors appointment of the board, as has been the custom in this county.

To be considered by the House judiciary II committee today is House bill 1268, which was introduced Thursday by Mr. Bennett, at the request of the Beaufort town board.

The bill provides that the town, under orders by the State Stream Sanitation commission to put up a sewage disposal plant, need not extend its present obsolete system to newly-annexed areas and thus compound an already serious pollution problem.

The bill provides, however, that when the town establishes a modern sewage disposal system, it shall cover the entire town, including recently-annexed portions.

Also introduced by request of the town board Tuesday was HB 1242, which extends for one year the amount of time allowed Beaufort for collecting taxes prior to 1953. Under a bill passed in the 1961 legislature, the county and Carteret towns are barred from collecting after July 1, 1963, taxes prior to July 1, 1953.

HB 1242 gives Beaufort another year to collect the taxes involved or take the necessary legal steps to make them collectible after July 1, 1964.

The bill passed the house and is now in the Senate.

Mr. Bennett said yesterday that he has introduced 15 bills in this session and believes that this is the crop for him for 1963.

It appears, he added, as though

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## Shellfish Being Moved To Unpolluted Waters

The state is issuing permits to lessee of private oyster or clam beds to take up shellfish in polluted areas and replant them in the beds in unpolluted areas, according to C. G. Holland, state commercial fisheries commissioner.

The Shellfish Sanitation department is cooperating in the project. If shellfish growing in polluted waters are removed to unpolluted waters, they cleanse themselves in about two weeks, the fisheries commissioners said.

# Senator Amends Hospital Bill; Bennett Opposes Reducing Term

## Legislator Says Present Board Due Four-Year Term

Sen. Luther Hamilton, Morehead City, reported yesterday that he has amended the bill relating to the county hospital. The bill would have wiped out all past action taken toward construction of a county hospital and required the county board to call for a new referendum.

The amendment states that a new referendum would be held only at the discretion of the county board.

The bill, as amended, has passed the Senate and was sent Friday to the House committee on local government.

Being held up in the House is the bill which would cut the present county board's terms from four years to two and would provide districts from which county commissioners would be elected.

The bill does not meet with the approval of county officials. The County Republican club went on record against the bill at its meeting Saturday night in Beaufort.

The major objection is not to districting the county but to the cutting of terms of the present commissioners who, when elected, were expected to serve four-year terms.

Senator Hamilton said yesterday that when two-year terms of commissioners in this county were upped to four some years ago, the board then in office stayed in for four years "and there's no reason to delay the effective date on reducing the terms," he said.

He added that there never should have been legislation permitting Carteret's county commissioners to hold office for four years. "They are the closest to the people and should be subject to the choice of

the people every two years," he declared.

Rep. Thomas S. Bennett said he is opposed to the bill and issued the following statement yesterday:

"When the people of Carteret county went to the polls on Nov. 6, 1963, they elected five county commissioners four terms of four years each.

"Four of the five men who were elected were not my first choice on the ballot I cast and nothing would please me more than to hold a new election in 1964 and elect a new board. The legislation which is now pending in the general assembly to accomplish this is, in my opinion, bad legislation.

"As a believer in good government, with fairness and justice, I will attempt to amend this bill to make its effective date November 1966 instead of November 1964, at which time the terms of the newly-elected county commissioners will be two years in length.

"I take this stand because I believe the majority of the people of the county feel the same way, and secondly, because my personal convictions allow me to take no other stand.

"The County Republican club has gone on record as being opposed to reducing the terms of the present commissioners because it is not a fair and just maneuver.

"All Republicans believe that if an election were to be held in 1964, this county would elect five Republican commissioners, but Republicans do not crave victory so much as to endorse a measure which is contrary to all forms of democratic government.

"If we cannot win fairly, we had rather not win. Therefore, I shall oppose reducing the terms of the present board of county commissioners to two years, but will otherwise support Senator Hamilton's bill in establishing districts in the county and electing future commissioners for terms of two years, beginning in 1966."

Senator Hamilton commented yesterday on observations made by county commissioners relative to a bill he introduced which would prevent the county attorney from holding two salaried positions and reduction of the county commissioners' terms.

"If I had been wanting to hit at anyone personally in these bills," he said, "I could have had salaries reduced, prevented the auditor and register of deeds from holding two jobs and would have fixed it so that certain appointive county offices

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## Pretty Girls Win Contest



These were the prettiest girls in the Miss Pirate contest in Beaufort Saturday—according to the judges. Miss Pirate of 1963 is Norma Merrell, left. First runner-up was Mary June Merrill, Beaufort, and second runner-up was Ann Shea, Cherry Point.

# Thousands Flock to Beaufort For Pirate Invasion Events

## Outer Banks Talk Set for June 28

Discussion with county citizens, of state and federal government proposals for the outer banks, will take place at 10 a.m. Friday, June 28, in the courtroom of the county courthouse.

W. R. Hamilton, chairman of the county board of commissioners, announced the date of the meeting Friday after conferring with Thomas Morse, of the parks planning service, Department of the Interior, Richmond, Va.

Mr. Hamilton said that there is the possibility that congressman David Henderson will attend the meeting.

## Burglars Hit Three Places

Three business places were broken into over the weekend, according to the sheriff's department.

They were the Lennoxville tavern, Mack's Place, Lennoxville road, and W. J. Merrill's Pure Oil station, Core Creek.

Both the places on Lennoxville road were burglarized sometime after midnight Saturday, according to deputy sheriff Carl Bunch.

The tavern is operated by Hevia Noe. One hundred dollars was reported taken from the music machine. Also missing were three cases of beer.

The screws holding a lock in place were removed from the door to gain entry.

Thirty-five dollars was taken from the shuffleboard game and juke box at Mack's. Also missing, according to Leo Mathis, proprietor, were 50 pennies and a carton of cigarettes.

The padlock was pried off the front door.

Merrill's place was entered Sunday night, deputy Bunch said. The front door was ripped off, but the only thing missed were 15 pennies from the cash register. Mr. Merrill said perhaps some food or gasoline was stolen, but this could not be determined immediately.

## Ambulance Called

The Newport fire department ambulance took three injured Marines to Cherry Point Friday night. The three men were hurt in a car crash near Guy McCain's on the loop road near Newport.

A parade, a beauty contest and a pirate invasion in Beaufort climaxed the Blue Marlin festival Saturday afternoon while close to 5,000 spectators watched.

The parade, which began shortly after 2 p.m. along Front street, was highlighted by firetrucks and rescue squads from Beaufort, Morehead City and Newport; the Marine Air Wing band from Cherry Point; convertibles, boats and floats carrying the beautiful contestants for the title of Miss Pirate 1963.

Following the parade, the crowds were treated to an open-air showing of the lovely hopefuls as they glided back and forth across a platform beside the whaling museum, the Alphonso. And the spectators loudly approved the judges' decision. Norma Merrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Merrell of Beaufort, was chosen as Miss Pirate of 1963.

The judges, Charles Craven of the Raleigh News and Observer, Graham Johnson of Elkin, Dr. R. T. Hood Jr. of Kinston, Mrs. Ray Masten of Atlantic Beach and Mrs. Jim McDonald of Goldsboro, undoubtedly had a difficult time selecting one winner out of the 19 winsome entries. But at least their

chose was made easier, since they were allowed to grant honors to two other girls.

First runner-up in the contest was another Beaufort girl, Mary June Merrill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sammy G. Merrill. And second runner-up was Ann Shea of Cherry Point. Ginny Duncan, Miss Pirate of 1962, another Beaufort girl, was official hostess for the contest, and performed the crowning ceremony for her successor.

The sash bearing Miss Merrell's title was placed on her by Mrs. Virgil Woolard, who was in charge of the contest.

After a musical interlude provided by the Marine Corps band, the pirates invaded. With an exchange of ear-shattering cannon fire between pirates and the shore battery, girl-chasing, the arrival of nearby farmers and townspeople and the capturing of the pirates, the story of 1747 was relived.

Sponsored by the Beaufort Merchants association, the invasion was supervised by Grayden Paul, who said he believes the crowd was larger than any except in 1960, which was the town's 251st anniversary. The invasion was first staged then.

Softening-up bombardment from the water, by the pirate vessels Beveridge and Heart's Desire, preceded the pirates in the whale-boat. Skipper of the Beveridge was Capt. David Beveridge. In charge of the battery aboard the Beveridge was Ed Robinson, who each year mounts his Lyle gun on the stern.

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## Commander Greeted



Cdr. Jay K. Beam, USN, commanding officer of the USS Harder, discusses his weekend schedule activities during the Marlin Festival with mayor George Dill of Morehead City, center, and F. W. Bullock, president of the Carteret County Chamber of Commerce, on the deck of the submarine just after its arrival Friday at the port. Commander Beam, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Beam, 110 Orange St., Beaufort, and Lt. Cdr. Norman J.

Sanders, commanding officer of the USS Graham County (LST), were guests in Saturday's parade and at the Marlin Festival banquet in the Morehead-Biltmore hotel. Festival chairman Garland (Doc) Scruggs arranged for the appearance of the submarine Harder and a U.S. Graham County through Congressman David N. Henderson. Both ships were open to the public from 8:30 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

## Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar

HIGH	Tuesday, June 11	LOW
11:16 a.m.		5:02 a.m.
11:05 p.m.		4:46 p.m.
	Wednesday, June 12	
12:05 a.m.		5:43 a.m.
11:58 p.m.		5:32 p.m.
	Thursday, June 13	
12:56 a.m.		5:43 a.m.
		5:32 p.m.
	Friday, June 14	
12:55 a.m.		7:39 a.m.
1:49 p.m.		8:14 p.m.