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First Anniversary Of Local CCC Camp Is Celebrated Saturday

General Manus McCloskey,
Commander Of Fort
Bragg, Was The Principi-
pal Speaker For The Oc-
casion; Other Prominent
Guests

GENERAL COMMENDED WORK OF LOCAL CAMP

Program For The Day In-
cluded Inspection Of Fort
Caswell, Tour Of The
Camp, Dinner In The
Mess Hall And
Dancing In The
Evening

General Manus McCloskey, com-
mander of Fort Bragg, was the
principal speaker at the celebra-
tion held Saturday upon the oc-
casion of the first anniversary of
the establishment of Camp 427
of the Citizens Conservation
Corps at Southport.

A well planned program was
carried through without a single
hitch and the celebration was
one of the most successful ever
attempted here.

During the afternoon the visit-
ors were taken over to Fort
Caswell for an inspection of that
property. This tour was conduct-
ed by Postmaster L. T. Yaskell,
Captain Bonner Bussels and C.
Ed Taylor. Members of the party
were particularly impressed with
the General's explanation of tech-
nical points about the construc-
tion of the fort.

At 8:15 o'clock about 100 in-
vited guests assembled in the
mess hall. In addition to General
McCloskey, these included other
prominent out-of-town visitors
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Looking Over The Headlines

News Events Of State,
Nation and World-Wide
Interest During Past
Week

Wednesday

President Franklin D. Roose-
velt will land at Charleston, S.
C. today (Wednesday) from
the cruiser Houston following
a four weeks vacation from the
White House. Hoover Lamm,
once sentenced to die in the
electric chair when convicted
of first degree murder, but later
paroled, shot and clubbed
his father Tuesday. The
National Archives Building in
Washington is expected to be
completed early next month,
according to reports in the
morning paper. The English
Parliament sent another plea
for peace to Mussolini following
their Tuesday session. Gov-
ernor J. C. B. Ehringhaus is
confined to his bed this week
with kidney trouble.

Tuesday

A tropical storm which swept
the island of Jamaica Monday
caused damage estimated at
\$2,500,000. Only one death
was reported. Announcement
was made today that the comic
strip "The Gumps" will be con-
tinued by Sidney Smith's as-
sistants. Miss Ruth Nichols,
one of America's most famous
ace air women, was critically
injured Monday when the plane
in which she and Captain Har-
ry Hublich were traveling
plunged to earth. Captain
Hublich died of injuries sus-
tained in the accident. There
still was no report today of
the 37 English sailors of the
freighter Vardulia who were
forced to take to lifeboats dur-
ing a storm Sunday. Earth-
tremors have been felt in the
vicinity of Helena, Montana, for
the past ten days and consid-
erable property damage has re-
sulted from some of the more
violent disturbances.

Monday

Sidney Smith, cartoonist, who
gained fame as creator of the
comic strip "The Gumps," died
early Sunday morning in an
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Big Increase In Food And Feed Crops In State

Unofficial Figures On The
1935 Farm Census Shows
Million-Acre Gain In
Food And Feed Crops In
North Carolina

REDUCTION OF CASH CROPS RESPONSIBLE

Statistics Show Little Chan-
ge In Number Of Mules,
20,000 Fewer Horses
But An Increase In
Cattle

More than a million-acre in-
crease in North Carolina feed
crops over that of five years ago
is shown by the preliminary sum-
mary of the 1935 Farm Census
just released by William L. Aus-
tin, Director, Bureau of the Cen-
sus, Department of Commerce.
This gain covered practically all
of the feed crops and most of
the crops planted for human con-
sumption, and was chiefly the re-
sult of a reduction of about 670,-
000 acres in cotton and 200,000
acres in tobacco.

Approximately 900,000 acres of
this increase is represented by
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Several Traffic Law Violations Heard In Court

Three Defendants In Recor-
der's Court Wednesday
Fined \$5.00 And Costs
For Driving With Poor
Lights

PATROLMAN BRINGS SEVERAL IN COURT

One Case Of Drunk Driving
And Another For Speed-
ing By School House
Also Tried Before
Judge Rourk

The Recorder's Court docket
here last Wednesday was crowded
with cases growing out of the
violation of traffic laws.

Frank Walker, colored, pleaded
guilty of drunk driving. He was
fined \$5.00, was required to pay
the costs in his case and his
driver's license was suspended
for 60 days.

Tom Hampton, colored, pleaded
guilty of driving with improper
lights on his automobile. He was
fined \$5.00 and was required to
pay the costs in his case.

R. D. Skipper, white, pleaded
guilty to a similar charge and
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Captain Tommie St. George Has Served For Many Years As Pilot

The Fact That He Is 67-
Years-Of-Age Does Not
Keep Captain Tommie
From Taking His Regu-
lar Turn On Duty

LICENSED PILOT SINCE HE WAS 22

Has Had Many Thrilling
Experiences And Three
Narrow Escapes From
Death; Recalls A
Few Early Hard-
ships

Captain Tommie St. George,
the second oldest member of the
Cape Fear Pilots Association,
doesn't let the fact that he is
67-years-of-age keep him from
taking his regular turn boarding
incoming vessels.

Captain Tommie, as he is af-
fectionately known, grew up in
Southport. He was filled with a
natural love for the sea and even
as a boy spent most of his time
on the water. He began his pil-
ot's apprenticeship when he was
17-years-of-age and received his
pilot's license when he was 22.
He has served ever since in this
work, save for a few years spent
in the Coast Guard service.

Captain Tommie has seen great
changes take place in the pilot
business. For many years in-
coming vessels were met outside
the bar with rowboats. Later these
were replaced by sailing boats
and these in turn were supplanted
by the speedy power boats which
are now in use. During the years
he has been a pilot Captain
Tommie has seen the shipping
vessels change from sailing
schooners to modern steamships.
Three harrowing experiences



CAPT. TOMMIE ST. GEORGE

stand out in the memory of this
veteran pilot, for on that many
occasions he has been face to
face with death at sea.

The first occurred a year be-
fore he began his term as a pil-
ot's apprentice. He was with his
brother, C. B. St. George, and S.
D. Newton, when they started
out to the Norwegian barkentine
Gerbonen to port Captain Walker
Newton aboard. At the bar the
boat was capsized by the heavy
sea and the four passengers clung
to the bottom until Captain Tom
Harper came with the dredge
Woodbury to their rescue. Cap-
tain Newton was taken aboard the
barkentine from the dredge.

The second close call for Cap-
tain Tommie occurred shortly af-
ter he became a licensed pilot.
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Special Session Of Court Is Ordered By Governor Ehringhaus

Judge W. C. Harris, of Raleigh, Named By The Gov-
ernor To Preside Over One Week Term Beginning
Monday, December 9th

An order was issued last week by Governor J. C. B.
Ehringhaus for a one-week special term of Brunswick
County Superior Court for the trial of civil cases to con-
vene Monday, December 9, with Judge W. C. Harris, of
Raleigh, presiding.

This special term was neces-
sitated because of the large num-
ber of criminal cases tried at the
regular October term of court.
Trial of these cases consumed
the entire week and Judge Claw-
son L. Williams was unable to
take up the civil docket.

The jury list for the special
term probably will be drawn by
members of the board of county
commissioners at their next reg-
ular meeting.

SINGING CLASS TO BE HERE TONIGHT

The singing class of the
Oxford Orphanage will present
a program tonight (Wednes-
day) at 8 o'clock in the South-
port high school auditorium.
The singers will appear to-
morrow night at the Shallotte
school.

These boys and girls have
received musical training for
several years and the program
which they have prepared in-
sures a full evening's entertain-
ment. Their program at
Shallotte Thursday night is
their second appearance there.

Thieves Strip Sawmill Belts

Thieves removed two expensive
belts from the machinery at the
Mercer Brothers sawmill near
Bolivia Sunday night and took
them and a steel cable. The loss
was estimated to be about \$100.
This is the second time within
two years that equipment has
been stolen from this sawmill by
night prowlers.

Postal Receipts For First Nine Months Show Increase

Postal receipts for the
Southport post office during
the first nine months of this
year show an increase of
\$624.55 over receipts during
the same period in 1934, ac-
cording to figures made pub-
lic this week by postmaster
L. T. Yaskell.

In keeping a record of the
receipts for each month, the
postmaster compares the fig-
ures with those for the same
month last year. Only once
during the first nine months
of 1935 has there failed to be
an increase over the same
period last year. Receipts for
January, 1935, were \$304.92
as compared with \$316.79 for
January, 1934, a decrease of
\$11.87.

The greatest increase for a
single month was for May.
Figures for this year were

\$409.28 as compared with
\$277.93 for May, 1934, and in-
crease of \$131.35.

Postal receipts are figured
upon basis of stamp sales
alone and do not include
money orders and other post
office services. Postmaster
Yaskell said that the increase
in money order business dur-
ing the first nine months of
this year had been in propo-
rtion to the increase in
stamp sales.

According to the postmas-
ter, complete figures for the
year probably will show an
even greater increase over
last year's business than is
indicated in the report for
the first nine months. Octo-
ber, November and December
always are the busiest months
in the post office and
October sales have already
exceeded those for last year.

Debt Adjustment Work Commences

W. Kerr Scott Of Haw River
Is Regional Chief In
Charge Of This Phase Of
Resettlement Program

The work of the Resettlement
Administration's debt adjustment
unit in this state was formally
launched this week with announce-
ment of the appointment of W.
Kerr Scott, Haw River, farmer-
stockman, as regional chief in
charge of the work in Kentucky,
Tennessee, Virginia, West Vir-
ginia and North Carolina.

Mr. Scott was formerly a mem-
ber of the North Carolina Debt
Adjustment Commission. In his
new capacity he will work in
close co-operation with state di-
rector of Rural Resettlement and
will be directly responsible to
Homer H. B. Mask, Regional Di-
rector of Rural Resettlement.

Mr. Scott, a graduate of North
Carolina State College and a for-
mer master of the North Carolina
State Game, operates a large
livestock farm. He has been ac-
tive for many years in agricul-
tural affairs and is thoroughly
familiar with rural problems.

In his new work, Mr. Scott
will be assisted by five regional
specialists, one assigned to each
state in the region, who will act
in an advisory capacity to the
state rural resettlement directors.
These specialists, with their of-
ficial stations are: C. N. Shaw,
Lexington, Ky.; Harry Watkins,
Raleigh, N. C.; C. Nelson Beck,
Charlottesville, Va.; G. L. Hively,
Morgantown, W. Va.; Robert Ser-
cey, Nashville, Tenn.

Under these regional special-
ists, district specialists have been
chosen who will co-operate close-
ly with the regional specialists in
coordinating the volunteer com-
mittees in charge of farm debt
adjustment activities.

The voluntary debt adjustment
program was initiated in 1933 by
the Farm Credit Administration.
Through co-operation with the
governors of the various states,
the services of 15,000 volunteer
workers were secured. They paid
their own expenses in bringing
creditor and debtor together in
preventing farm foreclosures.
Through their operations, agree-
ments were affected by which
150,000 cases of farm debts were
composed and approximately half
a million persons were kept off
the relief rolls.

Farm debt adjustment work
will be carried on throughout the
nation with a \$2,000,000 alloca-
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Big Attractions At Coastal Fair

Fair To Be Staged In Wil-
mington During Week Of
November 4, Under Aus-
pices Of The American
Legion

Wilmington, October 22—Spon-
sored for the first time by the
local American Legion post, the
Coastal Fair, scheduled for the
week of November 4, gives every
indication of being the greatest
attraction of its kind ever pre-
sented in this section of the state.

Entries already received for the
571 agricultural and industrial
classes in which the association
will award prizes indicate that
the fair will be something more
than a "carnival", though its
splendid entertainment features
will assure plenty of clean, whole-
some amusement for the thou-
sands who are expected to visit
the ground at Bellamy Park dur-
ing the week.

Officials of the fair association
have worked hard to present a
well-balanced program on which
educational features and amuse-
ment attractions will be mixed
in the proper proportions.

On the educational side, the
twenty departments have been
placed in the hands of experi-
enced, capable directors and the
finest group of exhibits ever
shown in this section is assured.

On the amusement side the fair
has obtained outstanding "free
act" attractions and a "Midway"
which will far outshine anything
ever attempted before and which,
at the same time, is absolutely
free from "gyp" joints and "peep"
shows.

"The Midway at Coastal Fair
will be really outstanding", said
L. E. Mansfield, entertainment ex-
pert of long standing who has
been in charge of that feature of
the fair. "I have seen the state
fair and others this season and I
can sincerely say that the stand-
ard shows of America, which will
be in Wilmington, will show you
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Legion Meeting On October 31st

An important meeting of the
Brunswick county Post 194,
American Legion, will be held in
the Brunswick county courthouse
at 8 o'clock Thursday evening,
October 31.

Commander R. C. St. George
requests that every world war
veteran, regardless of whether he
is a member of the legion, attend
this meeting.

Sunday School Convention In Annual Session

Brunswick County Sunday
School Convention Met
Here Sunday As Guests
Of The Trinity Methodist
Church

MEET NEXT YEAR AT SHALLOTTE

Good Attendance At Meet-
ing Held Here Sunday;
Interesting Program
Presented And New
Officers Elected
For Next Year

The annual convention of the
Brunswick County Sunday School
Association was held here Sun-
day at the Trinity Methodist
church. There were 228 registered
attendants, representing a dozen
Sunday schools of the county
present for the convention and
the attendance banner was won
by the Lanville Presbyterian Sun-
day school, which had 60 mem-
bers present.

During the business session, C.
Ed Taylor, Southport attorney,
was elected president of the asso-
ciation for the coming year, suc-
ceeding J. A. Bodine. Other of-
ficers elected were R. F. Lewis,
Bolivia; W. J. Purvis, Ash; and
D. G. Eilers, Leland, vice-presi-
dents; J. J. Hawes, Supply and
R. I. Mintz, Southport, secretaries.
The convention next year will be
at the Shallotte Methodist church.

In connection with the attend-
ance figures, there were 82 mem-
bers of the local Methodist Sun-
day school present for the con-
vention, 26 members from the
Baptist Sunday school and 12
from the Presbyterian Sunday
school.

The song service by a local
choir, under the direction of W.
R. Dasher, of Wilmington, began
at 9:45 o'clock. The congrega-
tional singing throughout the day
was one of the features of the
meeting. The first address was
by the Reverend J. D. Withrow,
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Burial Flags For Veterans

Postmaster L. T. Yaskell
Has Been Notified That
These Flags Are To Be
Available For Veterans
With An Honorable Dis-
charge

Relatives of deceased honorably
discharged war veterans may se-
cure burial flags to drape the
casket provided application is
made prior to the actual burial
of the deceased veteran, accord-
ing to announcement received this
week by postmaster L. T. Yaskell.

It is the purpose and policy
of the Postmaster General and
the Administrator of Veterans'
Affairs to extend to relatives and
friends of deceased veterans the
least troublesome service possible
in connection with issues of bur-
ial flags. It is the desire to con-
struct the Act of Congress liber-
ally in determining the right of an
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Tide Table

Following is the tide table
for Southport during the next
week. These hours are approx-
imately correct and were fur-
nished The State Port Pilot
through the courtesy of the
Cape Fear Pilot's Association.

High Tide	Low Tide
Thursday, October 24	
5:22 a. m.	11:41 a. m.
5:38 p. m.	11:49 p. m.
Friday, October 25	
6:01 a. m.	
6:20 p. m.	12:23 p. m.
Saturday, October 26	
6:39 a. m.	0:27 a. m.
6:58 p. m.	1:02 p. m.
Sunday, October 27	
7:15 a. m.	1:03 a. m.
7:36 p. m.	1:40 p. m.
Monday, October 28	
7:50 a. m.	1:36 a. m.
8:13 p. m.	2:18 p. m.
Tuesday, October 29	
8:25 a. m.	2:11 a. m.
8:51 p. m.	2:57 p. m.
Wednesday, October 30	
9:02 a. m.	2:46 a. m.
9:31 p. m.	3:39 p. m.