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## Camp Saponas Is Now Deserted By Enrollees

Banquet Held Last Wednesday Night And Business Of Abandoning Camp Site Began Following Day

### OFFICERS GIVEN NEW ASSIGNMENTS

Sample Still In Southport, But Has Been Ordered To Report To Camp Raeford

A farewell banquet was held Wednesday night in the mess hall at Camp Saponas, and the following morning bright and early the business of breaking camp was well underway.

Equipment was transported to Ft. Bragg, and the men were started on their way to various other camps in North Carolina to which they have been assigned. Lt. Sample has remained in Southport for a few days to attend to a few details attendant to disbanding the camp. He has been ordered to report to a camp at Raeford.

Sam Hill, project superintendent at Camp Saponas, has been assigned to Jacksonville camp. Ensign K. R. Cotton, junior officer at Camp Saponas, Phil Gale, engineer, and Archie Bullock, junior forester, have been sent to White Lake camp. Mr. Monroe, forester, goes to Jacksonville with Mr. Hill. Valle Freire will remain here as watchman at the camp. He will live at the camp property.

D. C. Hunter, former educational advisor at the camp, has been sent to Salisbury to establish headquarters for his new program of visual education.

## Little Bits Of Big News

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

### Kellogg Dies

A member of the family of Frank B. Kellogg, former Secretary of State, announced that he had died at 7:14 o'clock Sunday night. Kellogg, 1930 winner of the Nobel peace prize would have celebrated his 81st birthday today. Dr. J. A. Lepak said that death resulted from pneumonia which set in Saturday night and which complicated cerebral thrombosis from which Kellogg had suffered several months. The one-time farm boy who rose to international prominence as a statesman and champion of peace, had been in a coma almost steadily since late Saturday night.

### General Dies

General Erich Ludendorff, considered the master mind of Germany's world war armies, died Monday at the age of 72. He will be given a state funeral with the highest military honors Wednesday in Munich's field marshals' hall, a shrine of Nazi Germany. Thursday the body lay in state in the flag hall of the general command of the seventh army corps.

### Purge

Execution of eight important officials of long standing in the Soviet regime was announced Monday on the 20th anniversary of the Russian secret political police. The announcement said they were shot for high treason. Gen. M. Karahan, formerly vice minister of foreign affairs, who was recently recalled as ambassador to Turkey, was among those executed. He was first Soviet ambassador to China.

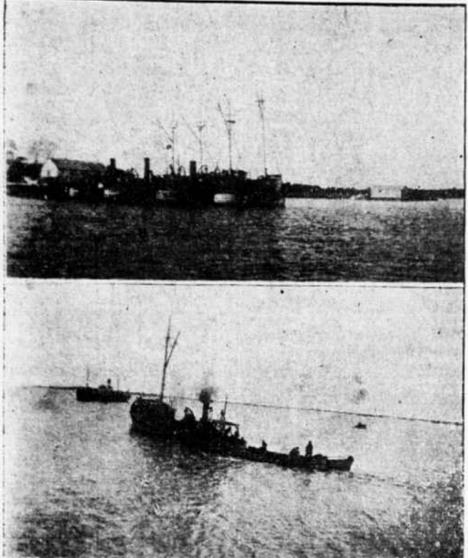
### Highway Deaths

Automobile accidents took a heavy toll over the week-ends, with at least 112 fatalities reported throughout the nation. Deaths took six persons, five members of one family, in an Indiana truck-auto collision. Pennsylvania led the list with 17 deaths and Ohio was next with 14. North Carolina and Indiana had 10 each.

### Punished

Japanese authorities Thursday announced Rear Admiral Teizo Yamamoto, chief of Japanese naval operations, had been relieved of his post as a result of the bombing of the United States battleship Panay. The Government (Continued on page 4)

## Menhaden Fleet Enjoys Late Season Business



FLEET. Southport's Menhaden Fleet has been busy during the past several days. Above is shown a group of boats tied up at the dock. Below is seen a loaded steamer heading for the factory.

## Guests Enjoy Visit On Boat Despite Weather

Newsman Goes Out With Captain Erickson To Witness Luck With The Large Menhaden Schools Reported

### GUESTS GET AN EARLY START

Murky Weather Cuts Down On Day's Catch, But Recent Luck Of The Boats Has Been Very Good

(By W. B. KEZIAH)

Menhaden in almost unprecedented numbers have been moving down the North Carolina coast the past two weeks. Their presence off Southport has allowed the local fishermen to partly recoup for very poor work all during the summer. A good many Southport homes will have a brighter Christmas, thanks to the southward movement of the fish. A few days ago Captain John Erickson, master of the W. P. Anderson, 46 ton boat, invited a representative of the Pilot to go out with him and take a camera. The day dawned, or is supposed to have. As a matter of fact, there was hardly more than dawn all day. It was one of the coldest, cloudiest and most disagreeable days that has been met with in many years residence at Southport.

Using a camera was out of the question, but the trip had been planned and it was made.

At 5:30 o'clock a very reluctant guest for the day on the W. P. Anderson climbed aboard at the dock as the crew busied themselves with the preparations for casting off as soon as the (Continued on page four)

### Early Inquiry About Fishing

Although it is scarcely the season for fishermen to turn their minds to fishing, John L. Hammond, Jr., of Philadelphia, has written the civic club asking about the Southport big game fishing, catches, boats and other accommodations. Mr. Hammonds expressed great interest in the fish being so near to Philadelphia. To the thousands in eastern and northern cities who haven't the time and inclination for the long trips to Florida, he thinks Southport will be the answer to a fisherman's prayer.

## Santa Claus Stops In Town To Light Community Tree

Although the Yuletide spirit has prevailed the atmosphere for several days, it took an official visit last night from St. Nicholas himself to usher in the Christmas season in proper style. The occasion was the lighting of the community Christmas tree, a well-shaped cedar that is erected in the center of Franklin Square. In the absence of snow in Southport, Santa roled up in a wagon, in which he had stored many bags of candy, fruit and toys. These were distributed by the jolly old fellow to the two hundred or

### AUDACITY OF FOX COSTS HIS LIFE

The Audacity of a guinea-stealing fox cost him his life Friday while he was enjoying the fruit of the theft. Oscar (Pap) Jones, colored, was working on his tobacco bed when he heard a disturbance among his guineas. He went over and saw a fox disappear into a clump of bushes. Then, right before his eyes, the fox returned and snatched up one of the frightened fowl. Oscar crawled stealthily from view and hurried to his home for his gun. He returned, again being careful to make no noise, and found the fox still at his meal. One shot; and that was the end of the meal, the fox, and this story.

## Six Cases Were Tried Last Week

Routine Cases Disposed Of Here In Recorder's Court Before Judge Joe W. Ruark At Wednesday's Session

Six cases of routine importance were disposed of here in Recorder's court Wednesday before Judge W. Ruark. Daniel Joy, white, was found guilty of assault and was given six months on the roads. Perley Williams, colored, was found guilty of reckless operation and was required to pay a fine of \$25.00 and the costs of the case. Henderson Thomas, Agnew Thomas, Jackson Thomas and Waddy Bell, colored, were charged with assault. Henderson Thomas pleaded guilty to charges of assault and was given six months on the roads. This sentence was suspended upon payment of the costs. Others indicted in the case were found not guilty. Robert McLamb, white, pleaded guilty to charges of operating a motor vehicle while he was under the influence of intoxicating liquor. He was required to pay a fine of \$50.00, the costs of his (Continued on Page 4)

### Colored Man Shot Monday

Foster Frink, colored, is a patient in the Brunswick County Hospital, where he was entered Monday night following a shooting scrape with Buck Hankins. A pistol bullet lodged in Frink's back. Hankings, the accused assailant, is being held in the Brunswick county jail without bond pending the outcome of the injuries.

### Bolivia Junior 4-H Meeting

The regular meeting of the Junior 4-H club was held in the school auditorium on Thursday morning, December 16, with 11 members present. The club president, Evelyn Sellers, presided. In the absence of the secretary, the vice-president, Retta Moore Lesh, was acting secretary. The meeting opened with the National 4-H pledge followed by the program of the day on, "Color For The Individual", led by the home agent. The 1938 assignment for 4-H work was made, and requirements were given for a certificate of completion. The club adjourned to meet again January 20th.

## Postal Officials Seek Cooperation In Handling Mail

Postmaster L. T. Yaskell Urges Citizens To Cooperate With Postal Department To Avoid Congestion And Delay

### TIE YOUR YULETIDE PACKAGES SECURELY

Keep All Boxes Free Of Mail In Order That Incoming Mail Can Be Distributed; Call For Packages Soon As Possible

Life is moving at a fast tempo in the local postoffice; each train brings in floods of Christmas mail and packages and postal officials are kept in a constant rush to get the mail distributed. Realizing that unusual demands will be made upon the local postoffice and its employees during this week postmaster L. T. Yaskell calls attention to several important details in which citizens may cooperate with the postoffice staff. Keep all boxes free of mail so that they will be ready to receive the distribution from each incoming mail. Call for packages just as soon as they arrive; do not let them take up valuable space in the already crowded quarters of the postoffice. In sending packages, wrap them securely, address plainly and put the return address in the upper left-hand corner. Business men with important letters to get off should plan to have them in the morning mail. Late trains and other inconveniences may handicap the afternoon schedule during the Yuletide season. Mr. Yaskell says that the local (Continued on Page four)

## Another Group Of Suits Begins

Members Of Board Of County Commissioners In Special Session Last Week Instructed County Attorney To Bring Action

Members of the board of county commissioners in special session here last week instructed the county attorney to bring tax foreclosure suits against another group of property owners who have shown no disposition to pay their tax obligations. Twenty-three of these suits are started in today's paper. Another action of the board at the meeting was the reappointment of Bennie Williams as keeper of the Brunswick county home for a term of one year.

## Southport Dolphins Defeat Collegians

The Southport Dolphins, local independent team, defeated the Southport college all-stars last night in the local gymnasium by the score of 35 to 29. Score at half time was 20-18. The line-up for the Dolphins, who were sporting flashy new uniforms for the first time, was Thompson and D. I. Watson, forwards; Hood center; Rogers and Shannon, guards. For the collegians Robinson and Hubbard were at forward; D. Watson at center; Jones and Helks at guard; with Brown going in as substitute.

### Shalotte 4-H Members Meet

The Shalotte Junior 4-H club held its regular meeting in the school auditorium last Tuesday morning. The club pledge was repeated in unison. New club officers were elected as follows: President, Olinde Robinson, Vice President, Lena Mae Gray, Secretary, Pauline McLamb, reporter, Doris Lancaster, song leader, Doris Robinson. The Home Agent gave each member her clothing Record book, and two Extension bulletins, "Color For The Individual" and "Underwear For 4-H club Girls." She also made the assignments for 4-H club work for 1938. The club adjourned to meet again the 2nd Tuesday in January.

### Exum Demonstration Club In Meeting

Exum Home Demonstration Club held its annual Christmas social at the home of Mrs. B. R. Bennette on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 14, from 2:30 o'clock until 4:00 o'clock. The living room was attractive with its Christmas decorations, and lovely Christmas tree.

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## Brunswick Girl Heads District Service Group

Pauline Lewis, Of Winnabow, Was Elected President Of District 4-H Service Club Thursday Evening

### WRIGHTSBORO CLUB GIVES BANQUET

Fifty-Six Members From Three Counties In The District Were Present At Annual Meeting

Miss Pauline Lewis, of Winnabow, was elected president of the District 4-H Service Club at the annual banquet held Thursday evening at Wrightsboro Club House. Miss Lewis will serve for the next two years. She is the first district officer of the Service Clubs ever elected from this county. Thursday's meeting was attended by fifty-six representatives from Brunswick, New Hanover and Pender county; Duplin, also in this district, was unrepresented. Prominent speakers who appeared on the program were Mrs. Estelle T. Smith, district home agent; Mr. Gaither, district farm agent; the farm agents from three counties, and the home agent from New Hanover and Brunswick. Club members from this county who attended the meeting were Pauline Lewis, Jack Dodson, Fred Edwards, Bill Bennett and Roscoe Bennet.

## Jury List For January Term

Judge E. H. Cranmer Will Preside Over Brunswick County Civil Term In Place Of Judge N. A. Sinclair

Following is the jury list for the January term of Superior Court which will convene Monday, January 10. Judge E. H. Cranmer, who exchanged terms with Judge N. A. Sinclair, of Fayetteville, will preside. F. J. McKeithan, Ash; H. E. Gilbert, Bolivia; W. A. Mintz, Freeland; W. H. Varnam, Supply; C. N. Swain, Southport; E. V. Evans, Leland; R. T. Lewis, Supply; J. S. Hickman, Ash; W. Claude Gore, Shallotte; R. L. Rabon, Leland; Joe Ph. Verzaal, Leland; R. Earl Sellers, Supply; R. M. Lancaster, Bolivia; J. L. Mintz, Ash; J. K. Ludlum, Ash; I. C. Milliken, Shallotte; R. L. Clemmons, Supply; Rufus Doshier, Southport; D. C. Simmons, Ash; R. Will Davis, Southport; P. A. Hughes, Ash; R. F. Plaxco, Southport; J. J. Loughlin, Jr., Southport; R. H. Gray, Shallotte.

## City Rocked With Excitement As Trail Of Desperados Leads From Southport To Hallsboro

## Semi-Annual Checks For Confederate Widows Here

Fast-Thinning Ranks Of Widows Of Confederate Veterans Will Have A Better Christmas Because Of Checks

The Christmas season for three class "A" and sixteen class "B" widows of Confederate veterans will be gladdened by the arrival last week of the semi-annual pension checks. The only class distinction lies in the degree of disability of the recipients of these government checks. Widows who are totally disabled, or blind, are designated as class "A" and receive semi-annual checks for \$150.00; payments to other widows of Confederate veterans, who are designated class "B", are semi-annual checks for \$50.00 each. Class "A" widows receiving checks were Ellie Gray,

widow of George Gray; Addie L. Morgan, widow of John W. Morgan; Mary C. Swain, widow of William Swain; and Mary Ann Williams, who died November 17. Those receiving class "B" checks were: Mrs. Henrietta Carlisle, Mrs. H. V. Cox, Mrs. Fannie G. Davis, Mrs. Annie K. Ferguson, Mrs. Alice W. McKeithan, Mrs. Mary Mitchell, Mrs. Arcey J. Murrell, Mrs. Mary E. Phelps, Mrs. Fannie Robinson, Mrs. Lucy A. Ross, Mrs. P. M. Russ, Mrs. Nancy Jane Sellers, Mrs. Rebecca Simmons, Mrs. R. E. Vereen, Mrs. Helen Caroline White, and Mrs. Mary E. Wilson.

## Christmas Holidays To Begin Tomorrow At Noon

## Ten-Day Holiday Season For Brunswick County School Children And The Faculty Members Will Start Thursday

SCHOOL RECONVENES ON JANUARY THIRD

Final Mid-Term Examinations Have Been Given As The Fourth Month Of School Work Is Completed

All Brunswick county schools will close tomorrow noon for the Christmas holidays that extend to Monday, January 3. It is likely that the half-day Thursday will be devoted largely to Christmas tree festivities. Members of the various school faculties will leave for their homes in a joyous state of mind, for checks for the fourth school month will be paid them this week just on the eve of their departure. Completion of the fourth month's work means that mid-term examinations have been completed by the students, and they may look forward to the return to school January 3 with no fear of early examinations stalking their scholastic pathway.

## Boon Neck Club Women Meet

The Boon Neck home demonstration club met with Mrs. Stafford Hewett Friday. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Hewett. Opening songs were sung and the club collect was repeated. The meeting was then turned over to the leader, Mrs. Marion Doshier, who gave a very interesting demonstration on Christmas Gifts. Gifts were exchanged by the members. Mrs. Doshier presented each member with a gift. The home was decorated with a Christmas tree and vines. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. Those present were Mrs. L. M. Robinson, Mrs. J. D. Robinson, Mrs. Burley Bullock, Mrs. Dewey, Mrs. Hewett, Mrs. Evritt Hewett, Mrs. Hobson Grey, Mrs. Jake Hewett, Miss Kathryn Hewett, Miss Ersil Lewis, Mrs. S. W. Lewis, Mrs. Tommie Hewett, Mrs. Willie Caisson, and Mrs. M. S. Doshier.

## Brunswick Dons Gala Attire For The Christmas Season

College students returning to Brunswick County for the holidays were greeted with a brilliant pageant of color and festive attire: multi-colored lights hung in festoons over the streets. Homes vied against each other for the most attractive decorations. . . . Stores displayed their wares amid all the colorful trappings of Christmas. . . . Although rural electrification has not reached the stage where the rural districts can compete with their town cousins in the splendor of the decorations, their spirit is none the less sincere. . . . A symmetrical cedar or pine has been plucked from the woods: one that Ma has had her eyes on for quite a while. . . . The family larder has been accumulating for weeks with fruit cakes, fresh sausages, ham and other savory delights. . . . Holly with

## College Girls And Boys Home

Nothing had added more to the holidays spirit of Southport than the arrival here this week of college boys and girls, home to spend the Yuletide season with family and friends. From Louburg College Helen Dean Sutton, Lucy Anderson, Dan Walker and David Watson are here for the holidays; Ike Robinson and Joe Ruark, Jr., are here from State College; Claud McCall is home from Wake Forest; Eddie Jelks is here from Mars Hill; Anna Taylor is at home from Greensboro College. Lois Mae Ward, of Meredith College, is spending the holidays with her parents near Bolivia.

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## Tide Table

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

High Tide	Low Tide
TIDE TABLE	
Thursday, December 23	
12:36 a. m.	6:36 a. m.
12:50 p. m.	7:10 p. m.
Friday, December 24	
1:31 a. m.	7:43 a. m.
1:45 p. m.	8:10 p. m.
Saturday, December 25	
2:25 a. m.	8:48 a. m.
2:41 p. m.	9:08 p. m.
Sunday, December 26	
3:20 a. m.	9:47 a. m.
3:41 p. m.	10:02 p. m.
Monday, December 27	
4:17 a. m.	10:40 a. m.
4:43 p. m.	10:50 p. m.
Tuesday, December 28	
5:12 a. m.	11:30 a. m.
5:19 p. m.	11:38 p. m.
Wednesday, December 29	
6:00 a. m.	
8:26 p. m.	12:16 p. m.