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Establish Rules For Free Lights During Holidays

Of 20 kw Will Be Allowed Each Citizen Who Has Outside Christmas Decoration During Season

Decorations Must Be On Outside

Be Up And Lighted December Twentieth And Must Remain Up Until New Years Day

Persons who cooperate in outside Christmas lighting program for the city of Southport during the holiday season will be given credit for 20kw on their light bill, according to resolution of the board of aldermen governing this offer regarding whether in the yard or on porch. The lights must be placed on not later than December 20 and must be allowed to remain on until January 1. Erection of lighting effects must be completed by E. R. Weeks at the office while lights are up in order that credit may be received. A special offer is made to persons who wish a string of colored lights near their residence. If persons will furnish light bulbs and sockets (at a cost of \$1.00 each) the city will furnish the wire, power and installation.

Club House For Leland Women

The Leland Home Demonstration club takes great pleasure in accepting the acceptance of a new club house donated by Mrs. Rufus Stams of Woodburn.

The first meeting to be held in the new club house will be January 1, 1940, with Mrs. Lee Stams as hostess.

Services At Presbyterian

Services will be held at Southport Presbyterian Church Sunday, Rev. J. R. Potts will preach at the 11 o'clock hour, subject "A Great Woman". At 7:30 o'clock he will preach on "The Neglected Garden".

There will be no preaching service at New Hope, but the Women's Auxiliary will meet at 8 o'clock.

Business Over Missing Boatman

All of Sunday morning fellow businessmen entertained the fear that Nat Ebron of Morehead City had fallen unnoticed from one of the local docks and been drowned. He was last seen at midnight Saturday and was nowhere about his boat Sunday morning.

A rather thorough search was made for him, even to the extent of raising some dragging about the vicinity of his boat. Finally it was discovered that he was a tenant at the Arthur Doshier Medical Hospital for some slight ailment. Someone had carried him to the hospital and gone on out town for the day.

Tender Coming Here For Stay

The small coast guard tender "Sparrow", which looks after repairs and painting of all inland waterway signal lights between Southport and Norfolk, is now making her way down the waterway.

She will shortly arrive here for stay of a month or longer. She is understood to carry a crew of thirteen men. Among other work in this vicinity the Bald Head Light will be entirely repaired.

Week Location Of Fishing Camp

A western North Carolina corporation has requested the Civic Club secretary, W. B. Keziah to make a desirable tract of 50 acres or more of land near Southport, the corporation desiring to buy and construct a fishing camp. It was stated if a location could be secured some 25 to 50 small neat cottages would be constructed. Some sort of water supply on creek, waterway or ocean would be desirable, but not absolutely necessary.

Good Congregations Hear Rev. R. S. Harrison Sunday

New Pastor Of Trinity Methodist Church Is Young Man Of Pleasing Personality And Marked Ability

IS GRADUATE OF DUKE UNIVERSITY

Completed Work For A. B. Degree In 1929, Taught School For A Time, Then Returned For His B. D. Degree

The Trinity Methodist Church was comfortably well filled Sunday morning for the first sermon by the new pastor, Rev. R. S. Harrison, and it must have been encouraging to him to see an even larger number in attendance at the evening service.

At the Sunday evening worship service the junior choir of the church made its first appearance in vestments and drew the favorable comment of the new pastor and many members of the congregation. Miss Leila Hubbard is leader of this group.

But, getting back to the new preacher, he is a young man of pleasing personality who has been active in the North Carolina Conference since 1934. He comes to Southport from the Currituck charge, where he had served for 3 years. Prior to that he had served the Dare circuit in Dare county for 2 years.

The Rev. Mr. Harrison entered Duke University in 1925 and received his A. B. degree in 1929. After teaching for a year and one-half he returned as a student in the Duke school of religion in 1931 from which he received his B. D. degree in 1934.

His home is in Plymouth and he is the eldest of 12 children, 10 of whom are living.

The new minister was married in May, 1938, and Mrs. Harrison is a young woman who is sure to make many friends and be of great assistance to her husband in his work.



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Brunswick County Is Well Represented In New Book

Publication Published Under Direction Of Board Of Conservation And Development Plays Up Section

VARIOUS TOURS ARE MAPPED OUT

This Is First Of A Series Of Articles Which Will Deal With Attention Given County

Brunswick county is frequently mentioned in North Carolina, a booklet recently issued under the sponsorship of the Department of Conservation and Development. The book was designed as a guide for touring North Carolina, and the upper part of the county came in for the most extensive mention. Inasmuch as printing the whole of the reference to Brunswick would entail a considerable amount of space, it was planned to review the Brunswick county matter in several separate articles, during the next two months.

The whole of one Tour is devoted to Orton, Old Brunswick Town, Old River Road and Southport. The road is described as sand-clay and the distance from Wilmington to Southport is given as being 26 miles, along the Cape Fear's western banks, through woodlands shaded by century old oaks.

CLARENDON—A 1,000 acre estate, in 1730 was the seat of Marsden Campbell. The Colonial house was torn down about 1920 to make way for a modern residence. Clarendon was once the name of the whole Cape Fear region.

TOWN CREEK—Settled in 1664, although a party of New Englanders had attempted to settle there on the Cape Fear river in 1660. In 1661 and 1663 exploring parties from Barbados headed by Captain William Hilton, paved the way for the party (Continued on page 4)

State College Alumni To Meet

Annual Gathering Of Lower Cape Fear Chapter Will Be Held In Crystal Cafe, Wilmington, On December 7

The Lower Cape Fear Chapter of the State College Alumni is expecting a large attendance at its annual meeting which is to be held this year on the night of December 2, Saturday, at 7:00 P. M. in the convention room of the Crystal Cafe in Wilmington.

This chapter comprises the Alumni living in the five counties of New Hanover, Brunswick, Columbus, Pender and Onslow.

Matters of general and special interest will be discussed and all Alumni of the College are urged to request to be present.

Colonel J. W. Harsell, head of the College, will be present (Continued on page 4)

Surprise Visit From His Parents For Capt. Bowmer

Captain Bowmer left Sedalia, Mo., fourteen years ago and located at Southport, where he has since been and has become rather widely known as a fishing guide and boatman. About six years ago after the drouth and dust storms had stricken Missouri, Kansas and other mid-western states, Captain Bowmer's parents also left Sedalia. They headed in the opposite direction from their son and settled in Stockton, California.

Out there the elder Mr. Bowmer has been doing well as a contractor and builder, despite his advanced years. Each year Captain Bowmer has planned and hoped he would be able to go to California and see the parents, a hope that never been gratified.

Thursday night Captain H. T. Bowmer returned to his home after attending a basketball game at the school building. He walked in his living room and switched on the light to discover both his parents seated there with Mrs. Bowmer. It was the first time he had seen them in 14 years. They had come from California for a visit without waiting to advise him of their plans; and in order to more surprise him, his wife had switched off the light when she heard him returning from the ball game.

Progress Being Made In Wiring Rural Brunswick

E. D. Bishop, Superintendent Of Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation Says Wiring Will Be Completed There Next Week

FIRST COLUMBUS PROJECT STARTED

Wiring Contract For That Part Of NC-40A Should Be Completed Before Christmas, Says Dr. Bishop

Dr. E. D. Bishop, superintendent of the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation, was in town Tuesday afternoon and said that splendid progress is being made in the erection of power lines in Brunswick county and that he expects this portion of the work to be completed before the end of next week.

The superintendent said that work on the Columbus county portion of this same project is also getting along nicely and that it probably will be completed before Christmas. This is for that portion of the project known as NC-40A in Columbus. Contract for the erection of power line for NC-40B, which lies in another section of Columbus, was let separately and has not been started.

The report has been circulated freely in this county that a portion of the completed line would be energized within the next few days. Superintendent Bishop stated definitely Tuesday that no definite date has yet been set for this to take place.

Funeral Held For Mrs. Lewis

Died Last Tuesday Morning At Home Of Her Daughter Near Bolivia Following Injury Resulting From Fall

Mrs. Emma Cornelia Lewis, daughter of the late Dr. Peter Vaught and Joemma Harrell Vaught, was born in Horry county, South Carolina, March 9th, 1859. She died Tuesday morning, November 21, at the J. Arthur Doshier Hospital, due to a fractured hip and other injuries resulting from a fall on the night of Nov. 12.

The deceased was twice married, the first time to Armlin C. Willard in 1876. They came to Brunswick county and made their home a few miles below Southport. Three children survive this union, Mrs. S. W. Maulsby, of Bolivia, Mrs. T. B. Player, of Wilmington, and a son, F. H. Willard. She was left a widow in 1892. In 1894 she married F. Prior Lewis, with which union one daughter, Mrs. Frances L. Dixon, of Bolivia, survives. Mr. Lewis passed on December 4th, 1938.

Other surviving relatives are one brother, Judge W. H. Vaught, of Myrtle Beach, a sister, Mrs. Annie Davis, of Harvey, Ill., three grand-daughters, Miss Edna Maulsby, of Kingston, Mrs. (Continued on page four)

Southport High Wins And Loses

Girls Defeated Faculty On Thursday Night In Hot Contest, But Boys Fell Before The Old Men

Basketball season was officially opened in Southport Thursday night as the high school girls defeated the faculty teachers 28-27 and the high school boys tasted defeat by the "Old Men" of Southport by the tune of 32-23. Both games were replete with thrills and spills.

In the opener the high school girls started off fast but two field goals by Poore, of the teachers, made the count 5-3 at the end of the first quarter. The teachers took the lead on shots by Miss Jack Livingston (Pardon us, Jackie-boy) and two fast goals by Mrs. Lingle, but Pearl Mae Lewis and Gilda Arnold off-set these by their field goals and at the end of the half the degree daughters lead 11-10. In a fast and furious third quarter the teachers still held a one point lead 17-16. In the fourth quarter the high school gals opened up and took the lead on three field goals by Arnold and Corlette. Beautiful shooting by Lingle and Arnold kept both teams evenly matched and the game ended 28-27 in favor of the gals without degrees.

The lineups:

High school Lewis 10	Teachers Poore 5 Livingston 4 Lingle 18 Colvin 17 Ward 13 Wilborne 10 Willis 10 Hood 10
Arnold G. 12 Corlette 6 Hickman 3 Smith 3 Arnold, J. Moore	

The "Old Men" of Southport opened by taking a 3-0 lead on a shot by Lingle and a conversion of a foul by Mintz. (Miss) Livingston, now playing forward for the old men, made a field goal. Willis sank two field goals for the red-clad high school outfit. (Continued on page 4)

Chinese Seaman Is Buried Here

Died Wednesday Aboard The Coast Guard Boat That Was Bringing Him In To Hospital At Southport For Treatment

A Chinese seaman who was fatally injured at sea Tuesday was buried in Northwood cemetery here Thursday afternoon following services held in the chapel at Northport's funeral home under the direction of Rev. J. R. Potts.

Ah Fong, ship's carpenter, died at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon aboard a coast guard boat off here as he was being brought ashore for treatment of head injuries sustained in a fall aboard his ship, the M. V. Oscilla, a Dutch tanker.

Coroner John G. Caison, said the carpenter's death resulted from a fractured skull and no inquest was held. Caison said the man was working atop a pump room aboard the Dutch ship Tuesday and fell eight feet to the main deck, where he struck above his right ear.

Members of the crew told the coroner when the carpenter was picked up from the deck he was (Continued on page 4)

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Reappoint Gause Tax Collector For Brunswick

Action Taken Tuesday By Members Of Board Of County Commissioners In Special Session; Extends To October, 1940

BOARD TO MEET AGAIN MONDAY

Other Actions Of This Body Tuesday Was To Dispose Of Tax Matters And Routine Business

Chas. E. Gause was reappointed tax collector for Brunswick county Tuesday by members of the board of county commissioners in special session. The appointment is effective until October, 1940.

The appointment was made with the provision to pay the tax collector 2 1/2 percent on the current collections and 5 percent on delinquent payments. Current collections will include just the 1939 levy and will not be continued to take in pre-payments on 1940 collections.

The special session of the commissioners was devoted almost entirely to tax matters, one of the more important being the sale of the farm formerly owned by Louis Robinson to Mrs. Elna Robinson. This is one of the pieces of property foreclosed upon by the county in recent tax suits instituted by the county attorney.

The board will meet Monday in regular session.

Trailer Camp Is Under Construction At Fort

Work on the new trailer camp for tourists at Fort Caswell has progressed to the point where it promises to be one of the nicest such camps in the state. H. H. Thomas, manager of the Fort Caswell properties, will leave in a few days for Florida to get some advanced ideas on the operation of the camp and also on the new pavilion that is to be constructed at Caswell Beach this winter.

Florida has long been a mecca for tourists with trailers. The operators of camps in that state are naturally well informed as to all angles of management and making their establishments popular.

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The building will be a large one, having a frontage of 330 feet, according to the blue prints and plans which have already been drawn. It will consist of a large central building with a modern dance hall, refreshment and recreation rooms, as well as quarters for the operators. Long wings will extend from each side of this main building and will contain dressing rooms, etc.

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In the fall, winter and spring he operates his trawler (he also owns an interest in other trawlers) and in the summer he goes to Little River, S. C., where he has operated pleasure and sport fishing boats for many years. In the course of following this party boat business he has become widely known all over North and South Carolina.

Mr. Arnold is married and has several children. His oldest daughter is married. He is now about 50 years of age. His father was the late Captain Joe Arnold, widely famed as a pilot.

Cratie Arnold One Of The City's Remarkable Citizens

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New Episcopal Rector For St. Phillips At Southport

Rev. J. Leon Malone Of Wrightsville Sound Has Accepted Call To Local Charge And Will Preach Sunday Morning

THE REV. MR. MALONE IS WELL KNOWN HERE

Will Continue To Serve Church At Calabash In This County As Well As Other Churches In District

Rev. J. Leon Malone of Wrightsville Sound has accepted a call to St. Phillips Episcopal church, Southport, and will hold his first services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

There will be regular preaching services each Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and the new rector will work with the Sunday school and teach an adult class.

The Rev. Mr. Malone was reared at Williamston and was educated at Christ School, Arden, and at DuBose Seminary, Monticello, Tenn. He is 34 years of age and had 9 years experience in town and country church work. He has attended the lectured in both National and Provincial Rural Conference of the Episcopal church and is at present chairman of the Rural Work Committee in the diocese of East Carolina.

The Rev. Mr. Malone plans to move here soon, but will continue his work at Wrightsville Sound. In addition, he will continue his services at Tar Landing in Onslow county and at Calabash in Brunswick county on alternate Wednesdays.

The next service at Calabash will be on Wednesday, December 6.



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Get-Together Is Caused By Pilot

Very often some subscriber to The State Port Pilot living in some other state reads something about some other subscriber who lives in the same town as he, or nearby, and also came from Southport or Brunswick county. In such cases the paper often serves as an introduction.

A few days ago William W. (Billie) Price was at his home at Franklinville, N. J. Mrs. Price answered the door bell and returned to advise him that some one from his old home town was there to see him. Going to see who it was, Billie found Rich St. George, who lives at Penns Grove, a short distance from Franklinville. Mr. St. George had seen something in The Pilot about Mr. and Mrs. Price living at Franklinville and he straightway called on them.

District Meet Of Teachers Closes

Miss Lucy Powell, Of Hallsboro Faculty, Was Chosen As Vice President Of District Group

Miss Lucy Powell, of Whiteville, and member of the Hallsboro school faculty, at the opening session of the Southeastern Teacher's Association's 17th annual convention in Lumberton Friday, was chosen vice president of the group for the coming year. Other officers elected included (Continued on page 4)

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Money For New Buildings Now Ready To Spend

Check For \$22,500.00 Is Now On Deposit At Local Bank And All Is In Readiness To Begin New School Buildings

TO ADD CLASSROOMS AT THREE SCHOOLS

New Primary Buildings To Be Erected At Waccamaw And Shallotte; Addition At Southport

Miss Annie May Woodside, county superintendent of schools for Brunswick county, said yesterday that \$22,500.00, the sponsor's share of the expense in providing additional class rooms at three Brunswick county schools, is in the bank and that work on these building projects will begin either on December 15 or on January 1.

Plans call for a six room primary building at Waccamaw, outfitted throughout for smaller children and their needs, and a similar structure at Shallotte. Each of these buildings will be of brick and will conform in every respect with the high standards of the other school buildings.

At Southport it is proposed to add two class rooms, one upstairs and one down.

Each of these is a WPA project, and this work has been pending sometime as final arrangements for a loan from the State Literary Fund, administered by the State Board of Education, were completed. The last wrinkle in this red tape was ironed out last week and everything is now ready to begin construction.

Busy Session For Recorder

However, Monday's Docket Was Cleared Quickly By Judge Walter M. Stanaland And His Recorder's Court Colleagues

Judge Walter L. Stanaland and his fellow workers in Brunswick county Recorder's court got through a fairly busy session in a hurry Monday.

C. C. Smith, white, pleaded guilty to reckless operation and payment of costs.

Jesse Lamb, white, pleaded guilty on a similar charge and his sentence was identical.

Floyd Spencer, white, was found guilty on charges of being drunk and disorderly and damaging county property. Judgment was suspended upon payment of a fine of \$20.00 and costs upon condition that restitution be paid the injured parties.

Notice of appeal was given and bond set at \$200.00.

Drew Spencer, white, was found guilty of drunk driving. Judgment was suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50.00 and costs, his drivers license to be revoked for 12 months. Notice of appeal was given and bond was set at \$200.

L. E. Rice, white, was found guilty of reckless operation. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs and upon agreement to make restitution to damaged parties.

J. G. Griffin, white, was found not guilty of reckless operation. (Continued on page 4)

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.

TIDE TABLE	
Thursday, November 30	
9:50 a. m.	8:42 a. m.
10:31 p. m.	4:29 p. m.
Friday, December 1	
10:44 a. m.	4:31 a. m.
11:29 p. m.	5:20 p. m.
Saturday, December 2	
11:41 a. m.	5:28 a. m.
	6:17 p. m.
Sunday, December 3	
0:28 a. m.	6:33 a. m.
12:41 p. m.	7:19 p. m.
Monday, December 4	
1:29 a. m.	7:45 a. m.
1:42 p. m.	8:22 p. m.
Tuesday, December 5	
2:28 a. m.	8:51 a. m.
2:46 p. m.	9:19 p. m.
Wednesday, December 6	
3:30 a. m.	9:52 a. m.
3:50 p. m.	10:12 p. m.