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## COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS



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THAD EURE

## Thad Eure Will Address Southport Senior Class

Secretary of State Will Deliver Commencement Address Friday Night In Local High School Auditorium

### CLASS DAY PROGRAM TOMORROW NIGHT

Inspiring Baccalaureate Sermon Was Delivered Sunday Morning By Rev. R. S. Harrison

Graduation exercises at Southport high school will be held Friday night with Thad Eure, secretary of state, delivering the annual address before the senior class.

The last round of programs begins Thursday morning with the seventh grade graduation exercises at 10 o'clock. That evening at 8 o'clock the senior class day exercises will be staged in the form of a one-act play. Friday evening program will bring the commencement exercises to a close.

Rev. R. S. Harrison pastor of Trinity Methodist church, delivered the baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning in the high school auditorium, using as his theme "The Challenge of the Great Pioneer". Both the sermon and special music made a profound impression upon the united congregation of the community.

## Music Recital Friday Night

Shallotte Music Teacher Will Present Her Pupils In Recital On Friday Evening

The piano pupils of Miss Virginia Fritts will be presented in a recital on Friday evening, May 3, at eight o'clock, at Shallotte high school. The public is invited.

## Roe Spots Show Up On Coast This Spring For First Time

John Roland Beck, deputy sheriff for Shallotte township stated Monday that fishermen all along the Brunswick coast were making great catches of roe spots, a very unusual occurrence for this season of the year.

## Senator Simmons Dies In New Bern

NEW BERN, April 30—Furnifold McLendell Simmons, who served North Carolina in the U. S. Senate from 1900 to 1930, died this afternoon at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Wade Meadows, here after becoming critically ill Sunday. He was 86 years old.

He had been living in retirement since 1930, when he was defeated by Josiah W. Bailey, the state's present senator.

## Plans Complete For Shallotte

Finals Program Gets Underway Friday And Will Be Concluded With Commencement Address Next Thursday

Dr. P. E. Monroe, president of Lenoir-Rhyne College, will deliver the commencement address Thursday night, May 6, before members of the graduating class at Shallotte high school.

On Wednesday evening the senior class play, "The Birth of Brunswick" will be presented. This is a pageant with music, pantomime and dance, and is likely to be one of the outstanding features of the entire commencement program.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered at 8 o'clock Sunday evening by Rev. L. R. Ennis, Baptist minister of Durham.

## Beer Committee Asks Backing

Wants County And City Authorities To Grant Beer Licenses Only To Responsible Citizens

RALEIGH, April 15.—The Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors Committee has requested city and county officials of Brunswick county to scrutinize carefully all applications for retail beer licenses to the end that the industry may be purged of

## Pickle Jar Makes Quick Trip Here

Thursday, April 18th, Stacy Willis, of Morehead City wrote his name and address on a slip of paper, enclosed it in a pickle jar, and threw the jar overboard at Topsail Inlet. Four days later Maxie Cooker, picked the jar up at Southport.

## Leland Seniors Hear Address By Dr. Bedinger

Commencement Exercises Came To A Close Tuesday Evening With This Address As Principal Feature

### CLASS NIGHT WAS HELD ON MONDAY

Rev. R. L. Jordan, Of Leland Baptist Church, Delivered Baccalaureate Sermon Sunday

The commencement address was delivered last night before members of the graduating class at Leland by Dr. H. G. Bedinger, president of Flora MacDonald College.

The salutatory address was delivered by Mary Beck Allen, and the valedictory address was shared by Mary Wells Rouark and Gertrude Mills, who tied for top scholastic honors in their class. Dr. Bedinger was introduced by Principal T. R. Garrett.

Diplomas were awarded to the following seniors: Barbara Fay Adams, Mary Beck Allen, Aileen Benton, Eva McGee, Gertrude Mills, Odessa Mintz, Viola Mintz, Minnie Ruth Potter, Mary Wells Rouark, Annie Mae Williams and Lawrence Williams.

The class day exercises were presented on Monday evening. It was entitled "The Wedding of Miss Senior Class and Mr. Life of Service". All members of the senior class were included in the cast. The baccalaureate sermon was delivered Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium by Rev. R. L. Jordan, pastor of Leland Baptist church.

## Numerous Cases Before Recorder

Judge Walter M. Stanalnd Had A Busy Day In Recorder's Court Here On Monday; Cases Cover Many Offenses

Monday was a busy day for Judge Walter M. Stanalnd in Brunswick county Recorder's Court, and numerous cases covering a wide variety of charges were disposed of.

R. L. Lancaster pleaded guilty to charges of drunken driving. Judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs and a fine of \$50.00. License was revoked for 90 days.

Walter Aldridge, white, pleaded guilty to charges of operating a motor vehicle with improper license. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

White, G. Burns and N. A. Burns, white, pleaded guilty to charges of being drunk on the highway. They were given 30 days on the roads, sentences being suspended upon payment of a fine of \$15.00 each and costs of the case.

Joe Brown, colored, was found guilty of public drunkenness and was given 90 days on the roads. Judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs and a fine of \$150.00.

Elbert Simmons, white, pleaded guilty to charges of public drunkenness. Judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs and a fine of \$10.00. The fine was remitted, but the defendant must remain of good behavior for 12 months.

Tert Adams, colored, was found guilty of possession and manufacturing intoxicating liquor. Given 12 months on the roads, judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs and a fine of \$15.00.

Raymond Redding, colored, was found guilty of charges of aiding and abetting in the manufacture of intoxicating liquor. He was given 6 months on the roads, judgment being suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50.00 and costs.

Isaac Williams, colored, was found guilty on charges of possession of intoxicating liquor.

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## Announcement About Yacht Basin Expected Any Day

U. S. Army Engineers Have Given Approval To All Technical Aspects Attending This Development And Other Plans Are Pending

An announcement of great interest in connection with the Southport basin may be released within a few days by Allen C. Ewing, who has been representing the City of Southport in negotiations designed to raise necessary funds for providing the bulkhead required by the U. S. army engineers before the project is begun.

The chief of the U. S. army engineers corps has approved the action of the Town of Southport and other local interests in furnishing the rights of way and spoil disposal areas for dredging a yacht basin at Southport, according to Lieut. Col. George W. Gillette, Wilmington district army engineer.

The deeds to the rights of way were furnished by the Town of Southport and the Southport Harbor company and accepted as satisfactory by the chief of the U. S. army engineers corps.

The project was authorized by the rivers and harbors act of June 20, 1938, and provided for the dredging of a yacht basin, 230 feet wide, 450 feet long, and 12 feet deep.

The yacht basin is to be dredged in a marsh area near the western limits of the Town of Southport and is to be connected with the intracoastal waterway by a suitable channel of the same depth.

In addition to furnishing rights of way the city has agreed to provide suitable bulkheads, boat-slips, walkways, and other facilities for servicing boats open to the public on equal and reasonable terms to all.

Some time ago the Town of Southport passed resolutions agreeing to provide these facilities and Ewing has been working on plans for financing the city's obligation.

## Dr. Brown Will Practice Here

Young Physician Moves Here From Clinton And Will Practice Medicine And Surgery

Dr. Landis G. Brown of Clinton will move here this week and will open an office in Southport. He will engage in general practice, including both medicine and surgery.

Prior to his residence in Clinton, Dr. Brown served for two years as assistant surgeon at the Johnson county hospital in Smithfield.

He received his degree at the University of North Carolina in 1931 and while there he was assistant instructor in histology and embryology and assistant trainer of the athletic association.

He was graduated from North western university in 1934 and completed 18 months of internship at Grasslands hospital in New York. He resided in Grasslands for one year for a residency in surgery, spending the next year at Jamaica hospital in New York.

## Music Recital Plan Announced

Mrs. George Cannon Will Present Her Students In Recital Friday Evening Of This Week

Mrs. George Cannon will present her piano pupils in recital on Friday, May 3rd, at 8 p. m. in the Bolivia school auditorium. Miss Clara Shepard and the high school glee club will assist with several vocal numbers.

The public is invited to attend.

## Final Week Of Cancer Program

Representatives Of Committee Will Solicit Funds For Cancer Control This Week

The county campaign of the Woman's Field army for the control of cancer, headed by Mrs. L. C. Fergus is now in its final week.

Some contributions have been made although few Southport people have been approached as yet by the committee.

This is a part of the national campaign which has been endorsed by the President as a worthwhile cause and it is hoped that Brunswick county will be able to help materially with the work which this group is doing.

Mrs. Fergus' assistants are Mesdames William Styron, Robert Thompson, James Carr, R. I. Mintz, James Harper, in Southport and Mrs. George Cannon in Bolivia.

## Flower Show To Be Held Friday Of Next Week

Will Be Staged In Recreation Wing Of Masonic Building As In Years Past; Dance To Be Held In Community Building

### CLASSIFICATIONS ARE PRESENTED AGAIN

Attempt Will Be Made To Make This Biggest And Best Event Of Its Kind Ever Held In Southport

The annual flower show sponsored by the Southport Woman's Club, will be held Friday, May 10. The show and the tea will be held as formerly in the east wing of the army and navy building. The dance will be held in the community center building.

All entries must be in by 12 o'clock noon. Judging will take place before the doors are opened to the public at 2:30 o'clock.

For the convenience of those who wish to enter flowers the classifications as announced several weeks ago are repeated.

First and second prizes will be given in each class, with first and second ribbons going to individual entries. The prizes will be awarded for the greatest number of ribbon points in each class. A sweepstakes prize will be given for the greatest number of ribbon points in the entire show.

Class A will consist of specimen flowers to be judged on perfection of bloom. This class is not limited as any flower is eligible for a ribbon, which will count toward the prizes for that class.

Containers for specimen flowers will be provided at the show. Class B is artistic arrangement. One division will be miniature exhibits, another will be porch arrangements, a third division of this class will be table arrangements. For this division exhibitors are asked to provide their own card table, centerpiece and service for one. Besides trays will also have a place in this class.

Class C is for wild flowers collections. Prizes will be given for the largest collection of fresh (not pressed) wild flowers which must be labeled.

Class D will contain potted plants. As in Class A, ribbons will be given for individual plants as this class is not limited. These ribbons will count as points toward the prize for this class.

Class E will be for collections of vegetables, either fresh, canned, or dried. They must be grown by the exhibitor.

Class F will be miniature gardens. Class G will be school exhibits. Information in regard to this class will be given in next week's paper.

Class H is provided for shadow boxes. These have not been entered before and as the boxes themselves will be limited, application must be made early for this class. Only six will be allowed to enter. Next year it is hoped that this feature of the show will be enlarged.

There will also be a section of the flower show devoted to special exhibits. There will be a division of relics and curios under the direction of Mrs. Cronley Rurark. An art department will be directed by Mrs. Prince O'Brien. Any exhibitions of drawings or paintings are welcomed and may be turned over to Mrs. O'Brien any time prior to 12 o'clock on the day of the show.

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## These Bill Boys Give Each Other A Lot Of Publicity

For the past two or three years Bill Sharpe and Bill Baker of the Department of Conservation and Development at Raleigh have been outstanding in publicity work for the state. Sharpe as publicity director and Baker as the ace cameraman.

Southport has also had a Bill. Bill Keziah of the Chamber of Commerce, Bill, Bill and Bill have always worked together pretty well, barring a few instances when the local Bill got cantankerous.

Bill Baker is still with the Department of Conservation and Development. Bill Keziah is still here, and nothing could move him. Bill Sharpe is now in Winston-Salem, where he owns and publishes THURSDAY, one of the most unusual weekly papers in the state.

Recently an Associated press dispatch went out about the local Bill, carrier pigeons and fishing. Rod and gun editors everywhere picked it up. Bill Sharpe, down at Winston-Salem, also picked it up. His THURSDAY came out with the following story:

"The sea gulls loafing over Fryin' Pan Shoals are due to get a lesson in fast flying soon—if the plans of Bill Keziah don't gang aglay. For Bill has arranged for some of the early Gulf Stream fishermen to report to him by carrier pigeon.

Rivalry between some of the fishing towns along the North Carolina coast is intense and nobody fights harder for Southport's place in the angling sun than Bill. This year Hatteras and Oregon Inlet got the jump on him with huge early runs of channel bass but Bill is going to report the first catch of big game fish off the North Carolina coast or wear out a flock of pigeons trying."

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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.

TIDE TABLE	
Thursday, May 2	
3:53 a. m.	10:12 a. m.
4:25 p. m.	10:49 p. m.
Friday, May 3	
4:48 a. m.	10:55 a. m.
5:13 p. m.	11:34 p. m.
Saturday, May 4	
5:36 a. m.	11:38 a. m.
5:54 p. m.	
Sunday, May 5	
6:18 a. m.	0:20 a. m.
6:32 p. m.	12:21 p. m.
Monday, May 6	
6:56 a. m.	1:03 a. m.
7:09 p. m.	1:02 p. m.
Tuesday, May 7	
7:34 a. m.	1:45 a. m.
7:43 p. m.	1:41 p. m.
Wednesday, May 8	
8:11 a. m.	2:25 a. m.
8:18 p. m.	2:20 p. m.