

## Two Brunswick Men Die In Murder-Suicide Monday Evening At Varnumtown

Varnum Died Instantly Of Gunshot Wounds Allegedly To Have Been Afflicted By Archie Galloway

More Than Ends Life By Drowning

Over Money Matters Said To Be Cause Behind This Double Tragedy In Lower Brunswick

Varnum, 22-year-old Brunswick county white man, was shot Monday evening about 7 o'clock from a shot-boat fired at him, according to an eyewitness, by Archie Galloway, who ended his own life minutes later by tying his rope about his waist and jumping overboard in 19-feet of water.

The double tragedy at Varnumtown, near Captain Varnum's store on the Folly river, and a jury empaneled yesterday by Coroner John G. Caison returned a verdict of murder and manslaughter.

The shooting grew out of an argument between the two men Monday morning over a money matter, according to report. It is that Galloway went to Varnum's fish camp trying to collect \$300 which he claimed Varnum owed him. An argument between the two men ended temporarily when Varnum is reported to have told Galloway "if you get out of here I'm going to knock you down and stomp you."

Galloway is said to have said "I'll see you later."

Monday afternoon Galloway went to a nearby store and asked some buckshot gun shells. They were available, and he asked for No. 2 shot. Failing to get these, either he purchased No. 4 shells loaded with lead shot. About 7 o'clock Monday evening, so the story goes, Varnum, who had been fishing in his camp, was pulling small boats ashore when Galloway walked down to the dock, and his single barreled shotgun fired at short range. The full blast struck Varnum in the right arm and he died instantly.

Galloway, nephew of the late Galloway, was standing

at the time of the shooting.

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## Pigeons Released Here Saturday Reached Home

Barracuda, alias "Studbaker," was first to swoop down into his loft in Greensboro on a flight from Southport Saturday at noon. He had been released here early that morning along with the five other racing homer pigeons who constitute the "Gulf Stream Team." They bucked a head wind all of the distance and rain for part of the way, nevertheless Barracuda and a team mate, Frypan Pan, made it home in just a little over six hours.

The other birds, Dolphin, Amberjack, Kingfish and Wahoo also made it in good time, but trailed Barracuda and Frypan Pan rather badly. Barracuda is owned by Arline Brame of Greensboro, Frypan Pan by D. E. Leonard. These two men, with Bob Wilson and Wiley Sholar, provided the six birds that made up the racing team. They are all members of the Greensboro Racing Pigeon Club and own a large number of racers.

Mr. Sholar, accompanied by Henry Wooten, brought the birds here Friday and released them early Saturday morning. The aim was just to make a test flight, prior to taking the team to Frypan Pan Shoals on a fishing expedition and releasing them with a news report of the catches that are being made. While here Mr. Sholar arranged for the Gulf Stream trip with the birds to be made on June 1st. Newspapermen and cameramen will be along.

On the Saturday flight Barracuda and Frypan Pan both carried messages from Mayor John D. Erikson of Southport to Mayor Ralph Lewis, of Greensboro. Mayor Erikson was counting on Frypan Pan to get

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## President Roosevelt Invited Here To Fish

S. B. Frink Was Member Of North Carolina Delegation That Called On The President Last Week

Unless the International situation becomes so serious in the meantime that he must remain in Washington, it appears likely that President Franklin D. Roosevelt will try his luck on a fishing trip to North Carolina waters before summer is gone.

S. B. Frink, Southport attorney, was a member of a committee of North Carolinians who went to Washington last week to make an official call upon the president, and the local man reports that Mr. Roosevelt showed obvious interest in the proposed trip to this state.

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## Over \$10,000.00 Free Commodities

More Than This Total Of Free Goods Has Been Distributed In Brunswick County To Needy Families

The department of public welfare in Brunswick county has just received a report on commodities distributed in this county during the year beginning January 1, 1939 and ending December 30, 1939.

It is estimated in this report that foodstuffs including flour, meal, cereals, rice, butter, apples, oranges, grape fruit etc., have totaled 58,748 pounds, and that other goods are estimated to these foodstuffs are estimated to

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## Flower Show Is Acclaimed Best Ever Held Here

Both In Number Of Entries And In Matter Of New Departments, This Year's Event Topped All Others

LIST OF PRIZE WINNERS GIVEN

Full Appreciation Is Not Possible Merely By Looking At Prize Winners; Features Led

Prize winners for the annual flower show sponsored by the Woman's Club were awarded their prizes on Friday afternoon immediately following the decisions of the judges. Mrs. Marion S. Doshier, general chairman of the show, awarded them. Sweepstakes winner was Mrs. C. Ed. Taylor whose points added to a total higher than any other exhibitor in the show. Mrs. Taylor received a hand wrought aluminum bowl. Mrs. Lee Clemmons had second highest number of points and Mrs. Rufus Doshier was third. They each received attractive flower containers.

Class A, perfection of bloom was won by Mrs. Lee Clemmons, of Supply. Miss Susie Newton received the second prize for this class. The individual ribbon winners are as follows:

Verbena: Miss Susie Newton, 1st; Mrs. Lee Clemmons, 2nd. Sweet William: Mrs. E. H. Cranmer, 1st. Sweet pea: Mrs. Eva Wolfe, 2nd. Tailsman rose: Mrs. James Carr, 1st; Mrs. W. E. Doshier 2nd. Red Radiance rose: Mrs. Lee Clemmons, 1st. Sweetheart rose, Miss Susie Newton, 1st.

Pink rose, Mrs. Lee Clemmons, 1st; Mrs. J. B. Finch, 2nd. Yellow rose, Mrs. J. B. Finch, 1st. White rose: Mrs. Wallace Moore, 1st; Mrs. Cronley Ruark, 2nd.

Azalea: Pete Byana, 1st. Shirley Poppy: Pete Byana, 2nd. California Poppy: Mrs. Lee Clemmons, 1st. Snapdragon: Mrs. H. H. Thomas, 2nd.

Class B, artistic arrangement, was won by Mrs. C. Ed. Taylor. Mesdames J. B. Finch, C. C. Cannon, E. H. Cranmer, and Cronley Ruark tied for second place and Mrs. Finch drew the prize.

Mrs. Cronley Ruark's miniature won first place and Mrs. James (Continued on page 4)

## Usual Session Of County Court

Abbreviated Session Of Recorder's Court Held Monday Before Judge Walter M. Stanaland

The docket tried before Judge Walter M. Stanaland here in Recorder's court Monday included a good number of cases of minor importance.

William Clemmons, white, was found guilty on charges of operating a motor vehicle with improper license. He was given 30 days on the roads, judgment being suspended upon payment of costs and a fine of \$10.00. Notice of appeal was given.

Charles M. Trott, white, was charged with aiding and abetting in the operation of a motor vehicle with improper license and similar sentence was passed. He also gave notice of appeal.

Lulan Tate, colored, was found guilty of reckless operation. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs. His fine of \$25.00 was remitted.

Schofield Davis, colored, was found guilty of non-support, and agreed to pay the costs of his case and the sum of \$3.00 per week for the support of his wife and child.

The case against Marvin Watson, white, was not pressed with (Continued on page 4)

## W.F. Ward, Tabor City, Is Drowned



Prominent Farmer, Fur Buyer, And Salesman For Tobacco Curer Concern, Drowned While Fishing At Calabash

Army planes, boats and searching parties scoured the coastline around Calabash yesterday and this morning in search of the body of W. F. Ward, 39, produce broker, salesman, fur buyer and prominent farmer of Tabor City, who drowned Saturday afternoon when he slipped and fell from the boat from which he was fishing in the inland waterway.

At noon today, the body still had not been recovered, and funeral arrangements have not been made pending the location of the body.

Mr. Ward spent Saturday fishing in company with his brother, Chess Ward, of Tabor City, while another brother, Joe Ward was standing on the dock at the time Mr. Ward disappeared beneath (Continued On Page 4)

## Revival Services Being Held In Three Churches

Baptists, Methodists And Episcopalians Of Southport Holding Concurrent Revival Services

Revival services are in progress this week at three of the four white protestant churches of Southport. In addition, Daily Vacation Bible School is in progress both at Southport high school and at Brunswick County Training School.

Rev. J. L. Hodges of New Bern, preached the first sermon of his two-weeks series Monday evening at Southport Baptist church. Services will be held twice daily through next week.

A mission is being held during this week at St. Phillips Episcopal Church, with the sermons, save for two evenings, by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Malone.

Services will begin tonight at Trinity Methodist Church, and evening services will be held throughout the remainder of this week with sermons by the pastor, Rev. R. S. Harrison. Rev. S. E. Mercer, of Franklinton, will arrive Monday and will preach each evening throughout next week.

Daily session of the Vacation Bible School began Monday and on Tuesday there was a total enrollment of 105. This work will also continue throughout next week.

## Canine Character Of Southport Dies

The best-known canine character about Southport during the past decade died Monday night.

He was Bingo, Irish setter drop who was sometimes the property, but always the mascot, of Mayor John D. Erikson. They say that Bingo was going into his eleventh year, but as late as last season he was right much of a bird dog, and few bird dogs have ever lived to find more game than his life-time total.

Three times Bingo changed hands legitimately, on another occasion he was kidnapped and three times he spent sojourns with Paul Messick in Louisiana, but Southport was home to him, and his presence will be missed.

## Diplomas To 27 Seniors Given At Shallotte

Members Of Graduating Class Heard Able And Inspiring Address Thursday Night By D. P. E. Monroe

PAGEANT GIVEN WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Madeline Robinson Received Hamilton Mintz Memorial Cup; Presentation By Ruark

An address by Dr. P. E. Monroe, president of Lenoir-Rhyne College, was the high point of interest in the commencement exercises which came to a close Thursday night at Shallotte.

In a practical and inspirational address Dr. Monroe pointed out four pillars of strength for the boys and girls of the class of 1940 who would make a success of life.

The Hamilton Mintz Memorial Cup, one of the school's most coveted honors, was awarded this year to Miss Madeline Robinson, J. W. Ruark, Southport attorney, made the presentation.

Diplomas were awarded to 27 members of the graduating class by Miss Annie May Woodside, county superintendent of schools. They were as follows:

Cassie Andrews, Mildred Andrews, Orine Atkinson, Evelyne Bellamy, Ina Mae Bellamy, Ethel Bert Bennett, Lena Chadwick, Nina Hewett, Louise Lewis, Mary Lewis, Emma Neil Pierce, Myrtle Pierce, Madeline Robinson, Clarice Russ, Lucille Sellers, Bertha Somerset, Harvey Brown, Harry Foad, Frank Floyd, Jr., Elbert Gray, Hubert Holmes, Tallage Phelps, W. O. Reynolds, Billy Russ, Riley Sellers, Leo Simmons, Edward Williamson.

The senior class night exercise Wednesday was in the form of a pageant, "The Birth of Brunswick", and its story told in song. (Continued on page 4)

## Walter M. Stanaland Is Chairman Of Democratic Executive Committee



Home Agent Of State Coming

Miss Ruth Current Will Attend Flower Show Sponsored By Home Demonstration Clubs Monday At Shallotte

The annual Flower Show sponsored by home demonstration clubs of Brunswick county will be held at Shallotte school on Monday, May 20, and Miss Ruth Current, state home demonstration agent, has accepted an invitation to be present.

The flower show is open to the public, and entries will be made from 9 o'clock until 11:30 o'clock. A picnic lunch will be spread at 12 o'clock, and a program and dress revue will be held at 1:30 o'clock. This feature will be followed by a recreational program of games, songs, etc.

Of particular interest is the visit to this county of Miss Current, for it has been about 10 years since a state home demonstration agent last paid a visit to Brunswick county.

Following is a list of classifications for the flower show, and all who will be urged to bring exhibits:

I. A: Perfection of bloom: 1 specimen of any flower grown by exhibitor; B: Artistic arrangement, miniatures, table arrangement, bedside tray, living room, wild flowers; C: Largest collection wild flowers, labeled; D: Potted plants, any variety.

II. Special interest exhibits of handicraft, relics and curios (We invite any person to make entries in this department).

III. Club exhibits: Ash, bedside trays; Bethal, artistic arrangement of miniatures; Bolivia, arrangements for public building; Boons Neck, variety of sea shells; (Continued on page 4)

## WPA Sets Aside Week Of May 20

It Will Be Known As "This Work Pays Your Community Week," And 1500 Expected In Columbus County

The Work Projects Administration has set aside May 20-25 as "This Work Pays Your Community Week." Open house will be held on all WPA Professional and Service projects throughout the country. Employees, familiar with the work, purpose, and objectives of their own project will be on hand to guide visitors, answer questions and note suggestions. Men and women the nation over are cordially and urgently invited, by project sponsors and the WPA, to visit and inspect every Professional and Service project in operation in their respective communities.

Miss Hattie Hewlett, W. P. A. Supervisor Professional and Service projects, expects 1,000 visitors in Brunswick County.

As outlined by Miss Hewlett the week is to be a report to taxpayers—a living, visual report in action, not a mere compilation of figures. Citizens will be able to see for themselves what use is being made of some of the dollars and cents they pay out for taxes.

County Convention Held Saturday Afternoon At Bolivia; Mrs. J. W. Ruark Is Named Vice-Chairman

ROOSEVELT ENDORSED FOR ANOTHER TERM

Delegates To State Convention Will Go Instructed To Back Roosevelt For Third Term

W. M. Stanaland was elected chairman of the Brunswick county Democratic executive committee at the county convention held Saturday afternoon at Bolivia.

Stanaland succeeds R. I. Mintz as head of the Democrat party in this county. The latter was elected to preside over Saturday's meeting and Burnice Russ was made secretary of the convention.

J. W. Ruark, Southport attorney, was named chairman of the Brunswick county delegation to the Democratic State Convention which is to be held next Friday in Raleigh. It was decided to allow every Brunswick county Democrat in good standing who attends the Raleigh meeting to enjoy the rights of a delegate.

A resolution endorsing Franklin D. Roosevelt for a third term was introduced by Cornelius Thomas and was seconded by S. B. Frink and J. W. Ruark. The Brunswick county delegation will go to the State Convention instructed to support the third term for Roosevelt movement. The only opposition voiced to this move Saturday afternoon at Bolivia was by George R. Foulke, Jr., who said that in doing so he was carrying out the instructions of his township organization.

The four candidates for the Democratic nomination for Register of Deeds were given an opportunity to address the convention in their own behalf.

Several of the party leaders took the floor to beg that a united front be presented the Republicans in the fall. Although there was plenty of evidence of personal party loyalty, the movement fell short of being the love-fest for which it was designed.

## District Meet Here Tomorrow

District Auxiliary Of Episcopal Church To Meet At St. Phillips; Bishop Darst Is On Program

The district meeting of the Women's Auxiliary will meet at St. Philip's Episcopal church, Southport, tomorrow. Mrs. E. L. Smith, of Whiteville is Chairman.

10:30 A. M. Holy Communion, Rev. J. Leon Malone, Rector, Celebrant, business session, beginning at end of service; hymn 526; prayer, Rev. Mortimer Glover; greetings, Mrs. W. L. Styer, president hostess auxiliary; responses, Mrs. W. R. Noe; roll call and a two minute report from each auxiliary; noon day prayers and address by Bishop Darst; special music; 1:00 p. m. lunch; 2:00 p. m. afternoon session; hymn 50; prayer; Addresses by: Rev. B. F. Huske, D. D.; Mrs. W. O. Sutherland; Mrs. Henry (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, May 16	
2:26 a. m.	9:08 a. m.
3:16 p. m.	9:38 p. m.
Friday, May 17	
3:33 a. m.	10:03 a. m.
4:17 p. m.	10:36 p. m.
Saturday, May 18	
4:38 a. m.	10:55 a. m.
5:14 p. m.	11:32 p. m.
Sunday, May 19	
5:36 a. m.	11:47 a. m.
6:05 p. m.	
Monday, May 20	
6:27 a. m.	0:26 a. m.
6:51 p. m.	12:38 p. m.
Tuesday, May 21	
7:15 a. m.	1:19 a. m.
7:38 p. m.	1:30 p. m.
Wednesday, May 22	
8:02 a. m.	2:10 a. m.
8:24 p. m.	2:19 p. m.

## Late War Bulletins

The war news this week is as terrifying. The long heralded "total war" of the Germans has arrived.

Monday night we heard the report that German bombers flying over Holland had been fired by anti aircraft guns. Friday morning screaming headlines of the Nazi invasion of the Netherlands.

The Germans moved with incredible speed. They began a driving drive through Belgium, Luxembourg, and the Netherlands, with their motorized columns—some of them loosed a tremendous air attack. They landed thousands of parachute troops and the lines. These seized air ports and strategic points. The Belgium and Dutch armies, already mobilized to their strength, resisted the German advance with all their might, while they could not hold them, they slowed them up, and make their losses very costly.

As soon as they were attacked from the Netherlands sent an appeal for help, and in less than one half hour British French motorized units were pouring in from the Netherlands.

It is impossible to describe the maze of rumors, propaganda, and lies that come from the belligerents. However neutral military observers agree that the Germans have taken Luxembourg, most of Holland, and a part of Belgium. We are told that they have taken a corner of Belgium on French territory.

The Queen of the Netherlands moved the seat of her government to England, and all of the royal family have taken refuge in England.

There was a terrific battle in the Netherlands between German and Dutch tanks—more than 2000 tanks.

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