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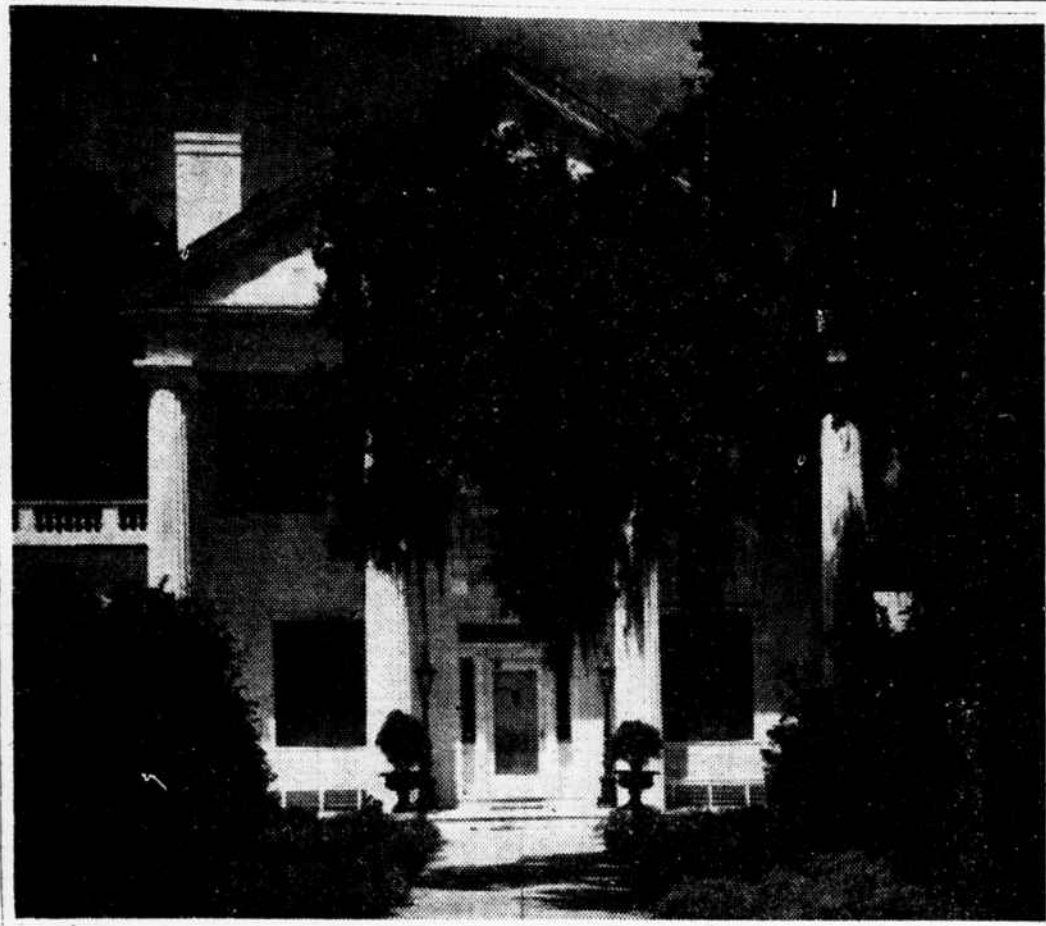
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## ORTON MANOR



**BEAUTY**—Center of interest in beautiful Orton Gardens as they approach the height of their glory is stately Orton Manor, home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lawrence Sprunt. Although the house is not open to the public, it is the object of great admiration from visitors to the gardens. According to Manager Jim Ferger, the azaleas are now at their best.

## Orton Gardens Approaching Height of Beauty

The Orton azaleas are reaching their blooming peak the first of the coming week. It can be said correctly that the planation and nurseries have never before presented such a wealth of beauty as in a new being offered.

This year there has been a marked falling off in the number of tourist visitors. This is due to the war and the fact that tourists seem to be out or in for the duration. They are either engaged in some sort of war work or giving all due recognition to the fact that automobile tires and tubes must be saved from wear and tear of long journeys.

North and South Carolina people, however, are flocking to the planation as usual. Sunday brought its crowd of flower lovers, as was evidenced by the many who came on to Southport. This coming Sunday and the approaching peak of the flowering period is expected to bring still greater numbers.

## Bond Allowed For Andrews

**Brunswick County Man Had Been Held In Jail Without Privilege Of Bond Pending Recovery Of Girl**

Lawrence Andrews, white, has been released from the Brunswick county jail under bond of \$500.00 after being held without privilege of bail for several weeks pending the recovery of Madie Hewitt from bullet wound allegedly to have been inflicted by him.

Date of his trial has not been set.

Andrews is an uncle of the Hewitt girl and was arrested two days after she had been admitted to the Doshier Memorial Hospital for treatment for wounds "accidentally" received. On the basis of information obtained the following day a warrant was sworn out for the arrest of Andrews, who was charged with shooting the girl.

## Dog Inoculation Program Begins

Inoculation of dogs for rabies is now in progress in every township in the county. The fee is 75-cents and the dog owner may secure a rebate of 50-cents when he pays his county dog tax if he will produce his receipt.

## Must Display Beer Licenses

Members of the board of county commissioners have passed a resolution that all places retailing beer must buy their new beer licenses and must have them displayed on May 1st. Members of the board declare that this rule will be rigidly enforced this year and urged all retailers to make arrangements in plenty of time.

## Citizens Asked To Be At Defense Meeting

**Mass Meeting Called For Friday Night Of This Week At Which Time Plans Will Be Made For Training**

**MEN WHO ATTENDED TO DEMONSTRATE**

Civilian Defense Program Now Has Entered Training Phase And Will Require Work On Part Of All

A mass meeting of Southport citizens has been called for Friday night by W. S. Wells, co-ordinator for Civilian Defense in Brunswick county. Not only are local citizens urged to attend, but a special invitation is being sent to officers in the Civilian Defense organization in the various school districts of the county.

To his duties as chairman of the Defense Council has been added the job of co-ordinator of the program for Wells. Assisting him will be Cecil Alligood, and the center set up for the purpose of affording 24-hour telephone service is in the Register of Deeds office. It will be necessary to have volunteers man the telephone during the off hours, and for securing help for this and other phases of the program a volunteer office is being established here, staffed by NYA workers.

The primary purpose of the meeting Friday night is to have Alligood and Chas. H. Trott, both of whom attended the recent school for training defense workers at Chapel Hill, conduct a demonstration of what is to be taught locally and the degree of cooperation expected from the civilian volunteers. There will be special training for the volunteer policemen, the volunteer firemen, the bomb squad and other units.

The school attended by these two men was part of a nationwide movement for the training of the defense workers, and officials of the state and National government urge the importance of taking this work seriously.

## Several Books Out Of Library

**Volumes Loaned Southport Public Library By State Library Commission Are Missing From Shelves**

The following are books which belong to the state library commission and which were borrowed from the Southport Public Library. No record is held of who has the books and the appeal is made by the library trustees to have them returned immediately.

"Tale of the Bullfrog," "County's Noisy Book," "Captain Artry's Daughter," "Slovenly Peter," "Peter and Gretchen Nuremberg," "Rolling Stone," "Surprise on Wheels," "You're the Doctor," "House at Cherry Hill," "Kersti and Saint Nichols," and "Topsy Turvy Circus."

## Bird Perishes In Nature Trap

Some weeks ago a bit of wind at Mercer's Pond wrenched a cypress tree of 30-feet from the ground, leaving a jagged and splintered stump.

Fishing there the first of the week G. Butler and Tommie Thompson noted that a huge esprey or fish hawk had lit on the jagged stump, one of its legs had caught in a crack in some manner. The bird was dead, probably starving a few feet from the fish it had been accustomed to prey upon.

## College Boys And Girls Here

**Number Of Students From Various Colleges Of The State Spent Holiday Week-End With Parents**

Numerous college students spent the holiday week-end in Southport with their respective parents.

Among the young ladies at home on vacation were Miss Doris Corlette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Corlette and a student at Atlantic Christian College; Miss Marion Frink, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Frink a student at Lenoir-Rhyne College; Miss Josephine Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Moore and a student at Greensboro College; Miss Victoria Lancaster, daughter of John W. Lancaster and student at Greensboro College; Miss Mary Dick Cannon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cannon and student at the university.

The young men included Har-

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## Good Record Being Made In Honor Grade Prison Camps

Honor grade prison camps are proving a success according to figures released by Prison Director, Oscar Pitts showing two prisoners out of a total of 927 in fifteen camps attempted escape during the March.

Pitts revealed charts will be placed at each camp which will give the record for that camp. If the camp has a clean record of no escapes for a month it will receive a star. The camp or camps having the best record at the end of the year will be given a token of recognition in the form of a plaque, Pitts said. This recognition will be given to those camps which have no escape for the year's period.

Only prison camps in Brunswick and New Hanover counties will not receive stars this month. One prisoner was reported escaped from each camp during March, the one from Brunswick being recaptured the day following his escape.

## Announce Dates Of Flower Show For Southport

**Annual Event Is Sponsored By Members Of Southport Woman's Club And Is Held In High School Gymnasium**

**MRS. J. W. RUARK IS CHAIRMAN**

**Full List Of Classes And Divisions Is Announced For Benefit Of Prospective Exhibitors**

The annual flower show, sponsored by the Southport Woman's Club, will be held on May 15th announces Mrs. J. W. Ruark, general chairman of the 1942 event.

Classifications are very much the same this year as in previous years. Mrs. Ruark urges that all those interested in making entries study these classifications. The competition is open to all people of the county, whether club members or non club members, both in Southport and in the county.

In the Junior department there are three classes as follows:

Class 1—Artistic arrangement of flowers. (a) Nursery, (b) Public building, (large arrangement), (c) Largest collection of wild flowers.

Class 2—Miniature Gardens.

Class 3—Largest collection of home grown vegetables (Victory garden).

In the adult department the following classes have been provided.

Class 1—Perfection of bloom (Best specimen of any flower grown by the exhibitor).

Class 2—Artistic Arrangement. (a) Miniature arrangements (boudoir, nursery, end table, or coffee table), (b) Living Room Arrangements, (c) Porch arrangement, (d) Public building arrangement, (e) Wild flower arrangement, (f) Seasonal arrangement (Christmas, Valentine, Easter, July 4th, Halloween, Thanksgiving), (g) Color Combination. 1. One color combination (flower and container), 2—Two color combination, 3—Three color combination, (h) Arrangements of fruits or vegetables.

Class 3—Still Life (Defense theme suggested) (a) Shadow boxes (with lights), (b) Miniature boxes (without lights), (c) Arrangement with background. See chairman for boxes.

Class 4—Dining table arrangement (with dishes) Each exhibitor furnishes own table, dishes, etc. (a) Breakfast, (b) Luncheon, (c) Dinner.

Class 5—Potted Plants. (a) Flowering, (b) Non-flowering.

The committees which have been chosen are as follows: Decorating Committee, Mrs. E. H. Cranmer, chm., Mrs. Robert B. Thompson; House Committee, Mrs. H. W. Hood, chm., Mrs. J. W. Ruark; Registration, Mrs. J. M. Harper Chm.; Mrs. S. Harrison, Junior department; Mrs. C. G. Ruark, Class 1; Mrs. James Carr, Class 2; Mrs. James Prevatte, Class 3; Mrs. Harold St. George, Class 4; Mrs. Arthur Weeks, Class 5.

Placement Committee—Miss Genevieve Eakes, Chm., Mrs. Roy Daniel, Mrs. Ida P. Watson, Mrs. Prince O'Brien.

Judges and award—Mrs. Bill Styron.

Tea—Mrs. H. H. Thomas, Chm., Mrs. R. L. Thompson, Mrs. W. G. Butler, Mrs. I. B. Bussells, Mrs. A. K. Vitou, Mrs. H. B. Smith, Mrs. L. C. Fergus.

Silver Offering—Mrs. C. Ed Taylor, Mrs. Clarence Crapon.

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## MEN BEHIND THE MASKS



**MASKED**—No. These are not two men from Mars. That is Cecil Alligood, Episcopal minister, on the left and Chas. M. Trott on the right. The headgear they are wearing are a couple of gas masks that were a part of the equipment with which they became familiar at a recent school they attended at Chapel Hill. On Friday night they will demonstrate some of the lessons they learned at the school.

## Three Die As Result Of Auto Wreck Sunday

### Big Demand For Birth Certificates

Register of Deeds W. S. Wells says that about the biggest business being done in his office these days is to fill demands for birth certificates, and he says that he thinks something of a record must have been established Monday when Mrs. Euripam Clemmons, of supply, came in for certificates for 12 children at one time.

Birth certificates are necessary now for persons engaged in almost any kind of public work, and on all defense projects. In addition, they are necessary in connection with enlistment in the armed forces of the United States. Mrs. Clemmons decided that she'd solve the problem of her entire family at one fell swoop by outfitting them all with certificates on one visit.

## Sinclair Seeks His Renomination

**Solicitor David Sinclair Formally Announces For Re-election As District Solicitor**

David Sinclair, of Wilmington, the present district solicitor, this week formally announced his candidacy to succeed himself, he having previously filled his office with the State Board of Elections in late January.

Mr. Sinclair, who is now completing his first term in office, has practiced law in Wilmington for the past eighteen years except for one year when he was a special prosecutor for the United States Government, appearing in some of the outstanding trials in Brunswick and other counties of the district during that time. He has served this County and District as Solicitor, prosecuting criminal cases in the Superior courts of Brunswick, Colur bus, New Hanover and Pender counties since January 1, 1939. He is unmarried and resides with his mother in Wilmington. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and for four years was Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of New Hanover county, and has also served upon the State Democratic Executive Committee. There are now a total of four candidates for the position of district solicitor.

Mr. Sinclair said that he was asking the voters of Brunswick county and this district for reelection solely upon his record as prosecuting attorney for the past

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## Brunswick Boys Enlist In Navy

J. M. Spencer and W. C. Skipper, both of Leland, have enlisted for service in the U. S. Navy.

On April 4th Robert C. McKeithan, Jr., formerly of Southport, was enlisted in the Naval Reserve through the Wilmington Navy Recruiting Station as an apprentice seaman for aviation. There are numerous vacancies now in every field of the Navy, for those men who are specialist, and too, for young men who are inexperienced. Apply now and serve your country in it's first line of offense.

## Convention Of Republicans Is Holding Stage

**Principal Political Interest Of County Citizens Is Centered Upon Outcome Of This Meeting Tomorrow**

**RUMORS ARE ONLY OTHER ADDITIONS**

**Filing Date Is Only Ten Days Off, So It Will Be Necessary For All Hands To Show Next Week**

Again this week talk of politics in Brunswick county has been confined chiefly to rumors.

High-lighting the program for the coming week is the nominating convention tomorrow morning at Supply of the members of the Republican party. Last week several possible nominees were named, and only one additional rumor has cropped up. Repeatedly it has been reported that R. D. White might be the party's nominee for sheriff instead of F. L. Lewis or I. D. Harrelson. All three men formerly served as sheriff of Brunswick county.

S. T. Bennett still is without opposition in seeking the Democratic nomination for clerk of Superior court, but there were rumors this week of at least two men who might oppose him. These rumors had not been well enough grounded by press time to stand repetition.

There were no additions to the field of candidates for county commissioner, although there were reports during the week that there likely will be. The race for the sheriff's nomination apparently is another Ganeys-Russ contest, and thus far appears to be nip-and-tuck.

With the final date for filing only 10 days away, the battle lines will be finally arrayed during the coming week, probably before the next issue of this newspaper.

## Week's Program For USO Club

**Center Of Interest During Coming Week Will Be Ping-Pong Tournament Beginning On Saturday Night**

The following program has been arranged for and approved for the Southport USO Club for the coming week:

Thursday, April 9th, 7:00-8:30 P. M.—Bowling "Coast Guards"; 8:30 P. M.—Motion picture, "Rose Of Washington Square"; Tyrone Power Alice Faye Al Johnson.

Friday, April 10th, 8:30 P. M.—Motion picture (same picture). Saturday, April 11th, 8:00 P. M.—Ping-Pong Tournament I. Contestants will please register at the Club.

Sunday, April 12th—Morning worship, 11:00 A. M., evening worship, 8:00 P. M., (protestant churches), breakfast served to service men; evening snack at 6:00 P. M.

Monday, April 13th, 8:00 P. M.—Ping-pong tournament II. Contestants will please register at the Club.

Tuesday, April 14th, 7:30-10:30 P. M.—Bowling "NAVY"; refreshment.

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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 25	
0:51 a. m.	7:16 a. m.
1:10 p. m.	7:38 p. m.
Friday, December 26	
1:44 a. m.	8:19 a. m.
2:06 p. m.	8:38 p. m.
Saturday, December 27	
2:39 a. m.	9:16 a. m.
3:04 p. m.	9:24 p. m.
Sunday, December 28	
3:36 a. m.	10:08 a. m.
4:01 p. m.	10:11 p. m.
Monday, December 29	
4:30 a. m.	10:57 a. m.
4:55 p. m.	10:57 p. m.
Tuesday, December 30	
5:19 a. m.	11:44 a. m.
5:43 p. m.	11:43 p. m.
Wednesday, December 31	
6:01 a. m.	
6:26 p. m.	12:30 p. m.