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Farmers Meet To Plan Goals For '45 Farming

Important Meeting Of The Year From Farmers' Standpoint To Be Held At Supply Wednesday, Jan. 3rd

LEADERS ASKED TO BE SURE TO ATTEND

Goals For 1945 Will Be Set And Qualified Speaker Will Be Present To Explain All Points

Meeting which farm leaders are to be the most important of the year from the standpoint of the farmers is scheduled to be held at the Agricultural Building Supply on Wednesday, January 3rd.

At this time the 51 Community groups of the various Brunswick County communities are to discuss and plan for the 1945 agricultural goals of the county. Community leaders are appointed to attend this and other meetings during the year. With the meeting decided upon at the meeting, the leaders return to their communities and acquaint the farmers in their areas of the goals and of what is expected and that each farmer will accomplish.

Southport Man Loses Father

W. Williamson, prominent Columbus county farmer, died at his home near Chadbourn Tuesday morning. He was 78 years of age and was the father of J. Williamson, of Southport. Daughters also survive.

Brief News Flashes

SONS LIMIT
The first deer reported killed in 1945 was bagged Monday by H. Hart of Bolivia. The animal weighed 114 pounds and it was the 45th season as he had previously killed one.

WOMAN WRIST
Slipping on a polished bath-room floor on December 21st, Mrs. H. Maran, wife of Chief Maran of the Section Base, fell and broke her left wrist. She is under treatment to recovering nicely.

WOMAN A MILE
Mrs. Evans stated yesterday that the catamount which he killed last week, while the animal had been a Newton tree, got after him two weeks ago and chased him a mile to his home. It yowled fearfully all the way, he says.

WOMAN ARM
While going down the steps at J. B. Ruark store, Saturday, Cronly Ruark slipped on an orange peel and broke her right arm at the wrist. The injury was not serious but she is reported as being along nicely. She is at the Memorial hospital for a few days.

WOMAN NEW HOME
Work began Monday on a handsome new six room home for Mr. Mrs. Guy McKeithan of Shallotte. The building is of cinder block construction.

WOMAN ON LEAVE
E. H. Leonard, U. S. N. R., left on leave, Dec. 26, after spending twenty day leave with his mother, Mrs. Pearl H. Leonard, of Shallotte. He expects to resume duty in South America where he was formerly stationed.

WOMAN INDUCTION
Only one man left Tuesday for induction at Fort Bragg. He was Stanley, colored, from Shallotte.

WOMAN MRS. PHELPS
Captain and Mrs. Thomas Hamrick, who have been residing in Portland, Maine, where Captain Hamrick has been stationed, arrived yesterday for a two day stay with Mrs. Hamrick's mother, Mrs. Maude Phelps. From here they go to Fort Monroe, Va., to meet point Captain Hamrick has transferred.

Paratroopers In Athens



ATHENS, GREECE.—Moving on the double, British paratroopers dash across a bullet-whipped street here, to drive against a building stronghold held by Greek "Elas"—National Liberation Front—forces, resisting the British.

Captain Burris Is Doing Fine

Captain Fred Burris, veteran Southport fisherman who was seriously injured when his clothing got caught in the fly wheel of his engine five or six weeks ago, is getting along splendidly at the J. Arthur Doshier Memorial hospital. He may not be able to leave the hospital for some time yet, however.

Brunswick Men Aid In France

Artillery barrage preparations that opened the French First Army's drive along the Swiss border to the Rhine smashed and neutralized enemy artillery and fortifications in the Belfort Gap region.

The planning that directed that barrage and the location of the German guns that were smashed before they could hinder the drive was just a part of the day's work for the 1st Field Artillery Observation battalion, which is working with the French First Army in France.

Brunswick men who are members of this battalion are Cpl. Edward H. Redwine of Shallotte, Star Route, and Pvt. Guy A. Benton, Rt. 1, Ash.

Using "sound and flash" methods, the soldiers of this battalion located enemy batteries accurately and quickly. When it was time for the drive to start, American and French artillerymen, working side-by-side, quickly smashed the enemy's big guns.

"One story of how effective our location was is that an enemy battery fired a couple of rounds to show an inspecting German general staff how good they were, Major E. J. Morris, Jr., Sylacauga, Alabama, battalion commander, explained. "But no sooner did they fire than we replied. Our location had been perfect and the Yank shells landed right on the target and wiped out the battery and the visitors."

The battalion commander went on to explain that their job is to "gather information to neutralize enemy artillery activity during the critical phase of operations, and to supply survey for artillery."

The battalion has been in the line continuously, except for periods of moving to new positions, since December, 1942, reportedly longer than any American unit since 1865. This battalion is also the oldest American field artillery observation battalion in the Army, according to officers of the organization.

CHRISTMAS THANKS
Mr. Mintz, the keeper of the County Home, wishes to thank all those who helped make it a joyous holiday season for the old folks under his care at the Home.

War Bond Dollars Are DOUBLE DUTY DOLLARS

Waccamaw Farmer Kills Big Hog

B. H. Evans, Waccamaw township county farmer, is believed to have butchered the biggest hog to be slaughtered in Brunswick this year. His prize hog, which he killed yesterday, weighed an even nine hundred pounds, a pretty good sized hog for any one to raise. Next in order of big hogs reported, was the one slaughtered several weeks ago by former Sheriff and Mrs. J. A. Russ, of Shallotte. Their porker was credited with weighing between 800 and 900 pounds.

Pay Is Raised For Tax Listers

Commissioners Increase Pay Of Workers From \$4.50 To \$5.00 Per Day, Helpers Get \$3.00 Per Day

Recognizing the fact that the work of tax listing requires ability on the part of the listers and that the work also entails expenses, the Board of County Commissioners, at their meeting here Tuesday, voted to raise the daily pay from \$4.50 to \$5.00. The helpers are to receive \$3.00 per day. The work of listing began Tuesday and will continue through the month of January.

The Board also appointed Registers of Vital Statistics for each township, these appointments to be for the year and the Registers to be paid fees for the births and deaths registered. These Registers are as follows:

Lockwoods Folly, Mrs. Velma Robinson.
Shallotte, Mrs. M. L. Holden.
North West, Miss Lena Brew.
Smithville, Miss Annie M. Newton.
Town Creek, Mrs. M. B. Watkins.
Waccamaw, Mrs. Isaac Phelps.

Pigott Dies In Fayetteville

Claud H. Pigott, 61, native of Brunswick county, died at his home in Fayetteville Saturday afternoon following a lingering illness. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Pigott, well known residents of Supply.

The deceased moved from Brunswick county to Fayetteville about 20 years ago and has since been bookkeeper for the Huske Hardware house there.

Funeral services and burial were held in Fayetteville Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Edith Marsh Pigott of Fayetteville, and one son, C. H. Pigott, Jr., who is with the armed forces somewhere in India; five sisters, Mrs. R. D. Holden and Miss Mary J. Pigott, of Supply; Mrs. A. T. McKeithan and Mrs. F. L. Lewis. (Continued on page 4)



W. E. KEZIAH

"Bob Cats" are seldom met up with in Brunswick county. As a matter of fact the dictionary does not recognize the existence of such an animal. The real name is "Catamount" and the animal is a close relation of the Mountain Lion. Because of the conspicuous short tail, two or three inches in length, most people know them simply as bob cats.

From the tip of its stub tail to the end of its nose, a full grown catamount often measures more than three feet in length. The legs are as long as those of a fox hound and fully as large. Lean and round, it is not difficult for the animal to leap ten feet or more into the limbs of a tree and it can also climb like the proverbial cat. Unless it takes to a tree or holes up or the dog decides on prudence being the better part of valor, it is unlucky for a dog to meet up with a catamount.

Those who have seen a ten pound house cat swat a dog with its paws can get an idea of what a fifty pound catamount can do with the same weapon. Crushed to earth by fighting dogs the catamount will turn over on its

Local Hospital Again Is Listed By Surgeons

American College Of Surgeons Lists Doshier Memorial Hospital

BOARD AND STAFF ARE COMMENDED

American College Of Surgeons Sets Minimum Requirements For Hospitals

The American College of Surgeons has again listed the J. Arthur Doshier Memorial Hospital at Southport on its provisional list of accredited hospitals. The listing is given only to hospitals of 25 beds and over. To attain the list, all institutions must also have complied satisfactorily with the minimum requirements that provide the best care for the sick and injured.

More than 14,000 leading surgeons in the United States, Canada and other countries are represented in the College of Surgeons. The listing of a hospital by the organization marks the institution as being first rate in every respect.

Mrs. Thomas St. George, a registered nurse of many years experience, is Superintendent of the local hospital which serves all sections of Brunswick county and also receives many outside patients. J. J. Loughlin is Business Manager. The trustees are Brunswick county and city officials.

The hospital has 50 beds with more available for emergency use. In addition to the Superintendent and Business Manager it is staffed by five efficient trained nurses; one technician, five helpers; one cook and helper and two orderlies.

It is understood that additional facilities may become available during the present year by the building of a Nurse's Home on an adjoining lot. This will permit the use of some of the rooms, now used as living quarters for hospital work. The nurses home is being made possible by funds from various sources, especially from contributions of former patients who appreciate the care and treatment they received.

Good Progress At Sturgeon Creek

Good progress is being made on the new bridge at Sturgeon Creek according to reports received this week. The old bridge was badly damaged several weeks ago in a collision between a car and an oil tanker. It was decided to construct an entirely new structure.

The new bridge is on the site of the old one and a detour has been constructed and is being maintained just above and on the left as one goes south.

J. S. Bowers and sons have the contract for the bridge. This firm, with offices in Whiteville and Raleigh, has built many of the State Highway bridges in North Carolina.

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A. The Crusade for a New World Order. This effort has been effective for the two years past. It seeks to register in Washington and across America the opposition of Methodist people to American isolation, and its earnest desire for a world, after this war, that will be organized for peace.
B. World relief and reconstruction. Under this head the church proposes to raise within the next fifteen months the sum of twenty-five millions of dollars (\$25,000,000) for the relief and reconstruction of areas and people sorely afflicted by the war. Relief funds will be carried to Europe and Asia in large amounts.
C. Evangelism. Always the main calling of the Methodist church, a special emphasis upon Evangelism will mark the Crusade.
D. Stewardship. . . seeking to make the people of the church conscious of the Christian's relationship to money and to the economic order, will be the special emphasis of the Crusade for 1947.
E. Building enrollment and attendance in the Sunday School of the church, an intensive effort toward building the educational effort of the church, will be carried on throughout the four years.

For the next two months the church will center its attention upon the effort to raise \$25,000,000 for world relief and reconstruction. Every conference of (continued on page two)

Red Cross Widens Service On Guam, Saipan, Tinian

Local Boy Joins Merchant Marine

Joel L. Moore, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moore of Southport, has been appointed a Cadet-Midshipman for officer training in the United States Merchant Marine Academy at King's Point, N. Y. for four months preliminary training after which he will serve a minimum of six months as an engine Cadet-Midshipman aboard merchant ships.

When he completes his sea time he will return to the Academy for twelve months advanced training. Upon graduation he will be qualified to serve as a Third Assistant Engineering Officer in the Merchant Marine.

Moore is a graduate of Southport High school.

James B. Hewett Opens Law Office

Native Of This County Returns To Brunswick To Engage In The General Practice Of Law

Attorney James B. Hewett, formerly of Washington, N. C., has moved to Southport and opened law offices in the Smith Building. He is a son of the late Rev. Dempsey Hewett, former Representative of Brunswick county, Baptist minister and widely known citizen of Brunswick.

Mr. Hewett made an outstanding record at Wake Forest College. He was one of the sixteen out of thirty-nine candidates to pass the North Carolina Bar examinations in 1943.

With his wife and daughter, Miss Jackie, he comes from Washington, N. C., where they owned and operated a modern food store during the past 15 years. Mr. Hewett is a member of the Rotary club, of the Masonic Lodge, and is active in church work. At the time of his departure from Washington he was adult Bible teacher and Deacon in the Baptist church.

Mr. Hewett was born and reared near Shallotte. He says that during his many years of absence from the county he never lost his love for Brunswick county and its people. He returns now to be of what service he is able to render in the general practice of law.

Church Outlines Planned Crusade

Five Areas Of Emphasis Placed On World Wide Crusade That Methodists Are Now Waging

The Crusade for Christ of the Methodist church is a five-fold enterprise having as its goal an effort to meet the fearful and growing emergencies that have been brought about in the world by the second world war. The Crusade, consisting of five spearheads of emphasis, has already begun and will continue through the year 1948.

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Times Correspondent Tells Of Red Cross Set Up For Saipan And Guam

By TURNER CATLEDGE
New York Times Staff Correspondent

ON SAIPAN, IN THE MARIANAS.—In further response to the need of our fighting men for morale-building recreation and home contacts in the forward reaches of the Pacific, The American Red Cross has just completed plans for expanding its programs on the island of Saipan, Tinian and Guam.

The Red Cross, through its field service men operating directly with the troops, has been on these islands since soon after the invasion of each. Red Cross women hospital workers have been on Saipan, which is still under sporadic Japanese air attack, since September. Women workers have not yet been permitted on Guam, however, but under present plans they will be sent there as soon as living quarters are prepared for them and the nurses.

In addition to other activities that have been initiated, the Red Cross several months ago sent sizable stores of clothing into these islands to be distributed by the military to civilians found back in the jungles and in caves during the process of occupation.

New Activities Planned
New Red Cross plans call for sending a corps of girl club workers into the three islands to conduct stationary and mobile canteens and to organize off-post recreation for soldiers, sailors and marines, whose numbers are increasing now by tens of thousands. These girls will bring into this Pacific area the equipment and programs that have proved so successful in France, Great Britain, North Africa, Italy, the Middle East and the Persian Gulf Commands, as well as in the China-Burma-India theatre and the Southwest Pacific. In addition, it will include a variety of activities especially attuned to the needs of this area, but all based primarily upon wholesome American entertainment.

This largely pioneer service of the Red Cross fits in with the more traditional functions through which the Red Cross field directors keep the troops in contact with home and the hospital workers look after the welfare and recreational needs of the wounded and sick.

The need for an expanded Red Cross program has been felt increasingly of late by commanders in this island area, which, during the last five or six months, has undergone some of the most outstanding changes of any war zone. During this short time both Saipan and Guam have been converted from jungle-covered coral masses, with but a scanty population, into highly active supply centers.

The former has recently become an operational point for the great Superfortress bombers, which only this week began the long-planned attacks on the Japanese mainland. The importance of these island is bound to increase many fold as the Pacific war is stepped up as forecast. This will be true, indeed easy, when one considers how the Army, Navy and Marine Corps have transformed these spots, even down to the organization of the life, health and welfare of the natives, even down to the decontamination of whole islands through mass attacks on insects.

Wherever there are concentrations of personnel, especially in spots where the work is hard and the going tough, commanders (Continued on Page 2)

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So far as is known no bills of any importance, effecting Brunswick county, will be offered at this session by the Brunswick Representative.

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Recorder's Court New Year's Day To Hear Cases

County Court Held On Monday To Dispose Of Number Of Cases

COURT HELD IN SPITE OF HOLIDAY

Recorder's Court Was Behind In It's Work Of Trying Cases

Accused of snatching a pocket book from the hands of Tom Hewett of Supply, Charlie Blue, a negro and an old offender at the purse snatching game, was held for superior court Monday under a justified bond of \$500.00, which he failed to give.

Some \$62.00 in cash, a war bond ration books, etc., were in the pocketbook snatched from Mr. Hewett. The negro has just recently served an 18 months term for purse snatching. When he was captured following his latest exploit he is said to have thrown everything into the Shallotte river. Only \$8.00 of the stolen money and the wallet was recovered.

Most of Monday's session was devoted to speeding cases, the following matters being heard by Judge Ward:

Pearl Lem, drunken driving and reckless operation, judgment suspended on payment of fine of \$50.00 and costs.

Mrs. Billie Wood, no operators license, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Isaiah Ro'inson, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of fine of \$15.00 and costs.

Eddie Williams, speeding, continued.

Hertford Noble, speeding, continued.

S. H. Dunlop, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Willie Logan, damage to property, judgment suspended on payment of fine of \$25.00 and costs.

George Rose, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of fine of \$15.00 and costs.

Joe Verzeal, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$15.00 and costs. \$5.00 of fine remitted.

J. E. Henderson, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$15.00 and costs. \$5.00 of fine remitted.

Alfonzo Butler, drunken driving, not guilty.

Alfonzo Butler, resisting arrest, not pros.

Ordway Carter Johnson, drunken driving, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$50.00 and costs.

James I. Hall, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of fine of \$15.00 and costs.

Lawrence Edward Batts, no auto lights, continued.

LOOKING AROUND

Herman Stanahand of Shallotte has been spending several days in Florida. He is said to be looking around for a large new shrimp boat as a companion to Grandma, which he purchased last summer.

Ration Pointers

PROCESSED FOODS
Blue A-8 through B-2 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each. Good indefinitely.

MEATS AND FATS
Red A-8 through 3-5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each for use with tokens. Good indefinitely.

SUGAR
Sugar stamps No. 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 good indefinitely for five pounds each.

CANNING SUGAR
Stamp No. 40 good for five pounds canning sugar until February 28, 1945.

SHOES
Airplane stamps No. 1, 2, and 3 valid indefinitely.

FUEL OIL
Period 4 and 5 coupons from last year and Period 1, 2, and 3 coupons for this season now valid at 10 gallons each.

GASOLINE
A-13 coupons valid through December 21. On December 22 A-14 coupons become valid through March 21.