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Notable Improvement

Much has been said recently about the clean-up campaign at the Southport cemetery located at the end of Moore street, and Mrs. Helen G. Bragaw deserves credit for the fine results that have been accomplished under her direction.

However, this is not the only cemetery cleaning project that has been undertaken in Southport this Spring, and the colored citizens of the town deserve recognition for the work that has been put into cleaning up their own cemetery near the baseball diamond.

If you haven't traveled out the River Road lately, we suggest that you drive out by the baseball diamond and see for yourself what an improvement has been made.

Spread The Word

Recently we heard a local merchant place an order for business stationery. "Down at the bottom," he said, "put a line saying, 'Southport Is An Outstanding Sports Fishing Center.' I don't sell a thing that has anything to do with fishing, but I want to help spread the word about Southport, and my letters go a lot of places."

That is one citizen who is civic minded, and what he is doing others of us can do in a smaller way during the summer and fall season. When you write a letter to a friend or relative, mention some of the things that help to make Southport a fine place to visit during this season. Watch the newspapers, and when there are clippings that will be of interest to those who are away, send them these stories.

If we believe in our natural advantages strongly enough ourselves, it will be an easy matter to convince others that there really is something special about our town and county.

Health Service

With an important change in personnel scheduled to occur in the health department of Brunswick county with the resignation this month of Mrs. Lou M. Smith as health nurse, it seems to us to be a good time for citizens to consider the possibility of expanding this program.

We are not advocating the establishment of a new and expensive department whose services, while they might be ever so desirable, would be much too costly for us to afford. But since health service is a specific part of our tax levy, we do suggest that our citizens make an intelligent effort to determine just how this money can be spent in order to render the greatest benefit to the largest number of people.

Some of the things that should be discovered before the meeting is the amount of money realized each year for the health fund of the county, what expenses are being paid from this fund and what possible improvements may be made in the matter of its allotment. There is no minimizing the importance of a dependable health department, and with all due respect to Mrs. Smith and her untiring services over the years, Brunswick county has been without a fully staffed department for a longer period than usually is safe. Let us say again that we admire the way the retiring health nurse has tackled her tremendous task, but we sincerely hope that some way can be discovered to provide more adequate public health facilities without increasing the tax rate.

That is the purpose of the meeting at Bolivia tomorrow; that is reason enough for our thinking citizens to plan to be present.

One Step Nearer

There was widespread rejoicing in Columbus and Brunswick counties last week when the news came that district engineers had rendered a favorable report on their preliminary survey of the proposed drainage and flood control project for the Waccamaw River.

The status of the project at the moment is this: The Division office has sent the results of their survey to Rivers and Harbors Board of the War Department which will act upon the information furnished by the district engineers. Usually, that board's decision is in line with the recommendation of the engineers on the grounds. Thus it may be expected that their approval will be forthcoming as soon as the usual examination is completed.

Then will come the actual survey. That objective explains the feverish activity of the past few weeks. If the survey is started this year, it may mean that an appropriation from Congress can be obtained next year for actual development of the project. Of course, all that is a matter for the future and is contingent upon the Rivers and Harbors board approval and the recommendation of the engineers after completing their final survey.

At any rate, the almost un-hoped for project is making headway and may be nearer than we realize now.

The people of this section owe a debt of gratitude to Henry Wyche, Joe Quinerly, J. E. Dodson, Col. George Gillette, Senator Umstead and Representative Clark, as well as others, for their fine work to this date. It may be summed up this way. The first major step has been taken and that's truly encouraging. If a child never walks the first step, of course it will never walk the second. We have witnessed the first step. We have great hopes of the second.

The Bond Drive

For the next 30 days, efforts will be made to encourage greater thrift in our own county through the sale of Security Loan Bonds. These bonds are successors to the War Savings Bonds which were bought so eagerly while the world conflict raged.

Local spokesmen have summed up the situation in an adequate manner by calling attention to the thrift angle and to the use to which Security Loan money is being put. In the first place, it will support the Marshall Plan which has produced such beneficial results for the tobacco growing areas of the nation and provided a basis on which some hope of peace now rests.

Without the Marshall Plan, prospects for tobacco prices may have been vastly different. And without that program, Western Europe might have been lost to Communism.

Peace is just as important as victory in war. Bonds for peace should arouse the same enthusiasm as did the bonds for military success.

But even if we ignore that angle of the Security Loan drive, we can remember that there is no safer investment and no finer way to save than through the purchase of these bonds. Many a family owes their little nest egg to bond saving in war-time. Many a family will be happy in years to come if they save now during this 30-day campaign.

Caution Signal

It is one thing to seek reform or oppose a movement within an organization and still another to refuse to play ball when the decision favors the other fellow. All of us remember the boy who walked off with his bat and ball when his playmates refused to let him be pitcher.

There can be no quarrel with those who oppose the President in the convention, but it may be well to take all sides of the question into consideration before thinking in terms of an all-out revolt after the convention nominee has been selected.

It is just the good old American way to scrap for every possible concession in platform and seek to nominate whoever is believed to be the most satisfactory candidate, but "taking a walk" just because a majority has decided in favor of the other fellow may have disastrous results and a lot of thinking should be done before such a step is taken.

Could this be an indication of better times ahead? A recent Treasury Department Bureau of Federal Supply surplus material list includes. "Tape, linen finish, cotton, red—45 spools."—Reader's Digest.

HAVING TRYOUTS

Tommy Bowmer and Billie McDowell are in Whiteville this week, training with the American Legion Junior ball team. Bill held down first base for the team last season. Bowmer is a recruit and is trying out for catcher. Should that position already be supplied the young Southporter may be given a berth in the outfield.

TO PERFORM CEREMONY

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis, of Holden Beach, are leaving today for Windsor, where Dr. Davis will officiate at the wedding of Miss Mary Jane Spruill and Alvin Jackson James. Miss Spruill has been spending her vacation at Holden Beach for the past several summers.

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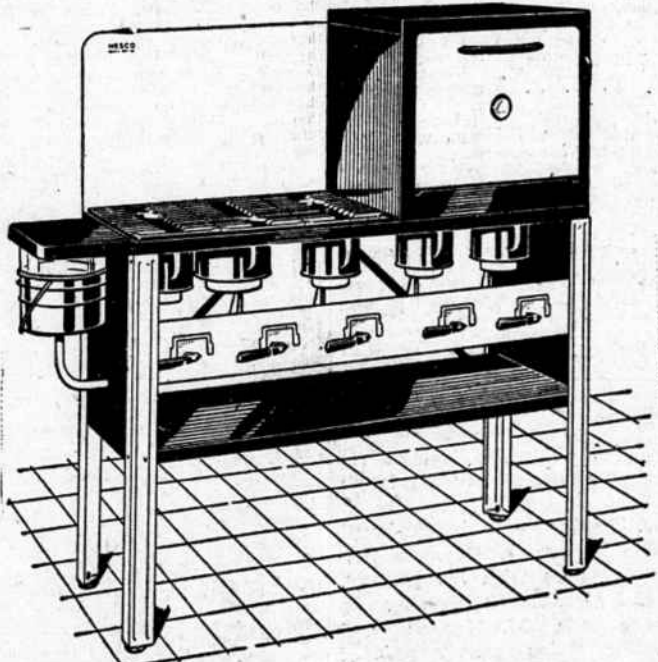
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WEEK-DAY SCHEDULE

LEAVES SOUTHPORT	LEAVES WILMINGTON
**	7:00 A. M.
7:00 A. M.	*9:30 A. M.
9:30 A. M.	1:35 P. M.
*1:30 P. M.	4:00 P. M.
4:00 P. M.	6:10 P. M.
6:00 P. M.	10:20 P. M.

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LEAVES SOUTHPORT	LEAVES WILMINGTON
7:30 A. M.	9:00 A. M.
10:50 A. M.	1:35 P. M.
4:00 P. M.	6:10 P. M.
6:00 P. M.	10:20 P. M.

Leland News

AFTERNOON TRIP

A party including Mr. and Mrs. George W. Stowe of Belmont and Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Winstead of Myrtle Beach, S. C., out with Capt. Victor Lance aboard the Moja Monday afternoon, caught 60 nice bluefish and 5 mackerel.

Kindergarten Children

The kindergarten children were given small books as gifts, also clown-rattle favors and balloons for all children present. After the program a lunch was served picnic style with pink lemonade.

Highlight of the morning

was the rhythm bands. The pupils showed the excellent training they have received and each gave a good interpretation of his selection. Little Miss Harriette Ann Brew was mistress of ceremonies.

The program included

worship service, class; song, "Happy Times;" prayer-song, "Father We Thank You For The Night;" Bible verses, Genesis 1:16-18, 8:22; song "Do You Know Who Made The Night?"

Circus; Grand entry of band;

nursery rhyme songs, band; Eddie with Pat, his monkey, Katie Lossen, in a bicycle act; trapeze artist, Katie Ann Lossen and Laura Beth Withrow; acrobats, clowns and trapeze artists in tumbling acts; flying trapeze, Nancy Faye Lewis and Pat, the monkey; games, "Pop Goes The Weasel;" class; pyramid; all; quiet time on mat, reading cards; intermission.

Band, "Yankee Doodle" and

"Pop Goes The Weasel;" bare-back riders, Harriette Ann Brew, Barbara Jean Corbitt, Laura Beth Withrow and Katie Ann Lossen; games, "Twinkle Little Star," class; announcements, gifts and grand parade to "Yankee Doodle" with band and all visiting children.

Members of the Rythm Band;

Nancy Faye Lewis, leader; triangle, Patricia Hardie; Bells, Laura Beth Withrow, Lanell Lewis, Barbara Jean Corbitt, Laura and Lorene Blake; symbols, Eddie Wessell; blocks, Katie Ann Lossen, Eileen Sylvia; sticks, Clayton Robbins, Jr., Harriette Ann Brew; rattle, Al Lossen, Tommy Lossen.

Attending kindergarten for

part of the term, but not on the program, Linda Kay Perry, Josephine Galney, Tommie Rae Johnson, Morris E. Broadwell.

Attending the program were,

Rev. J. D. Withrow, Mrs. H. J. Richard, Chris and Billie Burris, Robert Looney, Mrs. Ed. Wessell, Mrs. Galloway, Mrs. Sam Corbitt, Mrs. D. T. Brew, Mrs. O. D. Williams, Mrs. O. W. Perry, Sr., Master Ray Jones, Little Miss Diane Brew and little Lorene Galloway.

ANNOUNCE BIRTH

Chief and Mrs. James F. Hewett announce the birth of a daughter, Holly Regina, on May 13, at Marion Sprunt Annex. Mrs. Hewett is the former Miss Eula Leonard of Shallotte.

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I wish to assure the voters of Brunswick county that I am deeply grateful for their vote and support in the Primary Election Saturday. I appreciate the confidence you have shown in my services as your Register of Deeds, and I earnestly solicit your continued support in the General Election.

AMOS J. WALTON