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Vacation Bible School Begins This Morning

The school is primarily for Methodist children, but members of other denominations are welcome.

OF COURSES GIVEN BY PASTOR

Sessions will be held each morning beginning at 9 o'clock. Will last two weeks.

According to announcement by pastor, Rev. L. D. Hayman, the school will begin Tuesday (Wednesday), at 9 o'clock. Children of the church, from 1 through 13, have been provided for.

Children not in other church may be admitted, provided church has no provision for this nature. The following will be taught: Beginning, with Mrs. Worth in charge, Methodist Text "World About Us".

The junior course will be taught by Mrs. M. R. Sanders, with the "Story and Work" of the Methodist Church. The intermediate course will be taught by Mrs. J. T. Denning, using the text book "Exploring The World With Intermediates" together with pupils' individual text.

The Great Hymns and Hymns will be taught both Juniors and Intermediates by Mrs. L. D. Hayman, making use of instrumental music, specially selected for the church and a history of these hymns. The pastor will give the course in Church Membership. The text to be used will be "Your Church Membership." And be out of stock, suitable substitute will be used.

In addition to the teachers already named, the following will be used as helpers and assistants: Mrs. Joe Ramsey, Mrs. E. E. Lewis, Mrs. R. E. Gorman and Miss Pat Arrington. Vacation period will be observed each day and at unannounced period refreshments will be served. The school will end Tuesday morning, June 22nd, with the giving of certificates. The acting teachers are eight. There should have a record of five or more periods to be eligible for the certificate. No exception to this rule can be allowed, and no make-up days are provided. The school runs daily from 9 o'clock to 12 o'clock with additional time for devotion and the surprise period.

Brief News Flashes

BURNS
The newly home of O. B. Burns, at Boggie Branch on Route 17 between Supply and Southport, was destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon. It is understood the contents were also lost.

GRADUATION
Mrs. C. Ed Taylor attended commencement exercises at N. C. College Monday evening.

PICNIC
Picnicking throughout Brunswick county will be joined in a picnic next Wednesday afternoon at Long Beach honoring Mrs. Lou Smith, retiring county nurse.

LONG BEACH, CAL.
Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Rosenbaum were within about 25 miles of Long Beach. They now live at Long Beach, California, where Dr. Rosenbaum is practicing medicine.

SHIPMAN CRUISE
Helen Holden, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. Holden, of Holden, is leaving Thursday by ship for San Francisco, where he will sail as a Midshipman on the Navy Carrier Princeton for a two months cruise to the Hawaiian Islands, Midway, and other islands. Midshipman from 32 Universities are on various carriers. Their ship will include gunnery practice and ship and at a base.

ANOTHER CROP GROWING



FLOURISHING—Above is shown Everett Sheppard at his home in Shiloh, N. J. The lower photo shows Mr. Sheppard standing in a field of tomato plants which were produced in Brunswick earlier in the Spring. Present outlook is for a good crop.

Express People Will Lend Hand Shipping Plants

As a result of a visit here the past week the long arm of the Railroad Agency, with both air and rail express, will reach out to do all that it can to interest Northern plant and truck growers in the possibilities of producing their plants in Brunswick county.

G. K. Campbell, Washington, D. C., A. T. Johnson, Wilmington and C. R. Taylor, Charlotte, formed a party headed by R. E. Burnham of Norfolk, who spent the day here Wednesday. All are express company officials.

Mr. Burnham, as traveling commercial agent, was especially interested in the tomato plant growing possibilities and also in the prospect for growing cabbage, lettuce, beet, bell pepper and other plants for shipment.

With W. B. Keziah serving as a guide, the party drove seven miles out on the river road to inspect the tomato plant farm of E. H. Sheppard and discuss possibilities with him. Last year Mr. Sheppard pioneered tomato plant growing in Brunswick. He proved the plants could be grown here amply early for shipment to the fields in New Jersey, and that they were as good, if not better, than those grown at other points with a long haul having to be made to get them to the fields.

Although Mr. Sheppard is out (Continued On Page 5)

Revival Service Set For Local Baptist Church

Rev. Herbert F. Baker Will Preach During The First Week With Visiting Minister The Helping Second Week

SPECIAL MUSIC FOR THIS MEETING

Guest Minister Is Former Missionary To Brazil; Music Director Brother Of Local Minister

Still using the high school auditorium for their worship pending the completion of their beautiful new brick church, the Southport Baptists are planning for two weeks of special services beginning June 20, according to announcement made this week by the pastor, Rev. H. M. Baker.

Rev. Mr. Baker will do the preaching for the first week and he plans messages aimed to deepen the spiritual thinking of the church members and all attending.

For the second week he will have a guest minister who will do the preaching. This minister is Rev. J. R. Allen of Bello Horizonte, Brazil. Mr. Allen is a graduate of Furman University and the Southern Baptist Seminary. He has been a missionary in Brazil for the past 28 years and will be returning to that country in October. Most of his work in Brazil has been in the interior as an evangelist.

Assisting with the the music during the full two weeks of the service will be Clifton A. Baker of Waco, Texas, a brother of Rev. Mr. Baker. A student at Baylor University where he is majoring in music, Mr. Baker was the star this spring in Mozart's Opera, "The Marriage of Figaro", performed in Waco. During the past (Continued On Page Four)

Says Sails May Show Up Soon

Capt. Victor Lance Reports Presence Of Plenty Of Bait Off-Shore And Predicts Early Sailfish Luck

Captain Victor P. Lance, skipper of the Major, reported Monday that conditions offshore were getting very much better for sailfishing. He has seen a number of schools of bait, chiefly flying fish, and says that the sails should be showing up before long.

Heretofore no attempts have been made at sail fishing off Southport until well into the fall. Captain Lance, who is experienced with these fish and whose boat caught the first large one ever off Southport, sees no reason why they should not be found and taken in the summer as well as in the fall.

In a trip to the gulf aboard the Major with Captain Lance, P. G. Menzies and party from Hickory boated 61 large blues. One bonita was also boated, a barracuda was lost after being brought to boat, two amber jacks followed the bait (Continued on page Two)

Little Phil Among Guests At Opening

Popular Little Former Patient At Doshier Memorial Hospital Is Now Up And About

Mack's Cafe had its formal reopening Friday night, but there is a story elsewhere about that. Next day Mack said to a reporter: "If you write anything about last night be sure and say that little Phil was here and looking fine. His friends will be glad to know how he is now."

The reporter thought that Phil's friends really would be glad to know he is. For 9 months two years ago while Phil lay on a bed at the Doshier Memorial Hospital this reporter could not go anywhere in the country without people asking how Phil was.

Phil is the 9-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Yount who live in the Antioch church community. Christmas 1945 found him a very happy little boy. Among things he had received a costume play suit, replete with fringes. Within a few hours his happiness turned to agony.

Playing too near a blaze in the yard at his home the play suit

caught fire. The little man was horribly burned about the legs and body.

For nine months he lay in the hospital, weak but always cheerful, always glad to greet and talk to his friends despite the suffering of his body. Hundreds of people from all sections of the county went to the hospital for no other reason than to see and talk cheerily to little Phil. When folks from Southport happened to be anywhere in the country an un-failing inquiry of them was: "How is Phil?"

The nine months in the hospital found him always holding his own, despite the fact that no one thought he could live. The nature of his burns were might help him. So, Phil's parents took him to Gastonia.

Before he left he asked this paper to tell all of his friends good by and how he would miss them. (Continued On Page Four)

REA Meeting Is Well Attended On Wednesday

Gwyn B. Price, REA Chairman For North Carolina, Was Principal Speaker At Annual Meeting Of Members

NEW DIRECTORS NAMED BY GROUP

Discussion Of Plans For Expansion Reveal That This County Is In For Better Service Soon

Some 350 members of the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation attended the annual membership meeting at the Williams township high school in Columbus county last Wednesday. E. D. Bishop, manager of the corporation, was ill at his home at Gastonia and unable to attend. J. I. Mallard, Tabor City, who is attorney for the corporation, presided in the absence of Mr. Bishop.

Gwyn B. Price of Raleigh, chairman for North Carolina for the REA, spoke on the present overload the REA is carrying and the need of expansion. This need of expansion, it seems, is general without the Brunswick REA being included, a s the expansion work is already in progress in Brunswick, Columbus and Bladen counties.

At the business session W. A. Mintz, F. E. Lay, Foy D. Fowler, J. L. Robinson, Fronis Strickland, C. D. Branch, A. P. Henry, John B. Ward, W. N. Hewitt, N. C. White and D. L. Mercer were elected directors of the corporation.

This week Manager Bishop had about recovered from his illness. Referring to the expansion matter that Mr. Price spoke about, Mr. Bishop said that contracts would be let very soon for the remaining part of the 470 miles of new distribution lines in Brunswick, Columbus and Bladen counties. Much of this mileage has been built and current is available for all lines as soon as the new transmission lines from Whiteville are completed and the sub-stations erected.

Material for the sub-stations on route 130 six miles south of Whiteville and a mile west of Shallotte on the ground and the right of way is cleared. Two separated rights of way had to be cleared between Shallotte and Whiteville as the interests of safety demand that distribution and transmission lines shall not be too close together.

Mr. Bishop showed a newsmen over the large new quonset warehouse building at Shallotte Saturday. This building, located on a two acre lot on which a large brick office building will be built later, has temporary office quarters that will be occupied within a few days. These offices will be used until the regular office building can be erected. When the office building is built the entire quonset building will be used as a warehouse and shop.

Mock Wedding Friday Night

Was Principal Speaker Promised By Womanless Wedding Being Staged In High School Auditorium

A Womanless Wedding under auspices of Southport Baptist church will be staged Friday evening at 8 o'clock at Southport high school auditorium, with proceeds to go toward the building fund.

While plans for this gala social event have not yet been completed, the names of many of the principals are familiar, and friends throughout the community are planning to attend the nuptials.

The bride is to be G. D. Robinson, and a tip received from the bride's dress maker reveals that a total of 16-yards of material was required to make the wedding gown. The groom is the Rev. H. M. Baker; the best man Robert Thompson; the maid of honor, E. H. Arrington; the matron of honor, Jim Johnson; the organist, S. T. Bennett; the soloist, Edgar Finch.

Bridesmaids will be Prince O'Brien, Herbert Johnson, Lindsey Robbins and Floyd Dilsaver; the officiating minister will be Davis Herring; the bride's mother, Hubert Livingston; the bride's father, Robert Johnson; groom's mother, H. T. Bowmer; groom's father, Claude Ford; the baby brother, Joe Wilmoth; groomsmen, Robert Johnson; relatives, Jimmy Radcliff, Ivan Ludlum, and (Continued on page five)

Extensive Paving In Prospect At Shallotte

Southport Lady Gets Orchid Lei

The greatest profusion of orchids ever received by any local person arrived airmail, special delivery, Monday morning for Miss Helen Fulcher.

Her floral extravaganza was an orchid lei, made up of 25 perfect blossoms, which was sent her by her brother, Robert Fulcher, from Hawaii. The postmark revealed that the package had been dispatched from the Pacific island Friday morning, thus completing the 5,000 mile journey in three days.

The orchids appeared to be none the worse for their long trip.

Several Roads Lying In Residential Section Of Shallotte Being Made Ready For Early Paving

SHOULD PROVE AID TO EXPANSION

With Improvement Of These Sections Of Road Travel About Shallotte Will Be Simplified

With practically all of the distance lying within the corporate limits of Shallotte, the State Highway Commission is carrying on a road building program of approximately three miles, all of which is to be hard surfaced.

This week W. R. Holmes, Shallotte citizen, asked a newsmen to hop into his jeep and go over this road, which fills a big need and should contribute greatly to the expansion of Shallotte, especially the residential section.

The road starts out between the brick buildings of the Shallotte Trading company and Waccamaw Bank building, passing several residences, including the George F. Goley home where Mr. Holmes was born in 1882. It crosses Browning Branch, a never drying stream that is fed by a spring that was extensively used for water in the old days. It passes the Fred Mintz farm and the Brunswick Cold Storage plant; the Methodist parsonage, the J. A. Russ farm and home, the R. D. White property and the W. R. Holmes home; the Olen L. Cox home and livestock sales stables.

Turning at the stables the road goes about three-quarters of a mile, crossing Mulberry Branch and entering Route 130 about a mile west of Shallotte.

From the Cox stables to the intersection with 130 the road passes the W. L. Swain farm, the E. D. Bishop home and farm the W. R. Holmes farm and another of the George F. Goley farms.

Going back to the Cox stables a branch of the road runs straight out to the State Prison camp. The Sellers landing field adjoins the prison camp.

Going back to the Cox stables, another branch of the road runs eastward to enter Route 17 at the (Continued on page five)

Services Close At Soldier Bay

Revival Meeting And Vacation Bible School Held Last Week At Soldier Bay Baptist Church

Soldier Bay Baptist church in Waccamaw township had an especially fine Vacation Bible School and revival last week. Attendance at both was good and some 20 persons joined the church as a result of the revival.

The Vacation Bible School was held each morning, with the revival services at night. Heading the school was Rev. Harold J. Stevens, assisted by Miss Irene Bonjours, of Orange, New Jersey, and Marion Martin of Conway. Local people also assisted. The average daily attendance was 126.

The night revival services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Stevens and Mr. Martin. Large crowds attended each service.

Worms Destroy Brunswick Corn

Army Worms And Bud Worms Have Caused Unusual Amount Of Damage To Corn In County This Spring

Army worms and bud worms have caused considerable damage to the corn crop in places this year, and W. Claude Gore, of Shallotte, stated this week that he had to plow up five acres of his corn and plant the land in soy beans.

More or less damage appears to have been sustained throughout the county with few corn growers escaping entirely.

The State Extension Service says that this year's damage is general throughout North Carolina. They attribute the cause to the cold winter. As a general thing the worms hatch out during both the winter and spring. With the cold last winter the winter crop of bugs was late in hatching and when they did come on they found the young corn at just the right stage.

Despite the damage by these pests the county appears set to make a fine crop of corn. Many fields are already laid by. Brunswick county grown roasting ears (Continued on page 2)

Our ROVING Reporter



W. B. KEZIAH

Saying that he did not think it was any of our business, but that he recognized the fact that we appear to be on good terms with State Highway Commissioner J. A. Bridger, County Superintendent of Schools J. T. Denning has asked us to pass along to Mr. Bridger his compliments for the building of the short stretch of road from 130 to the Waccamaw school. As Mr. Bridger takes this paper and reads this column, he can accept this as thanks in full. To serve until he comes over again to go fishing with us.

We have often heard the old saying of "Be sure your sins will find you out." But we never suspected that the saying would apply to us personally. That is, we did not suspect it until the other day. At that time R. E. Burnham, traveling commercial agent for the Express Agency, came in with a big wad of newspaper clippings of everything we have written for this and the

daily papers, about growing tomato plants in Brunswick county. He and his agents had collected them in some way and he brought them here to confront us.

Express Agency officials here this week and interested in tomato plant growing, may mean a great deal. The company has contacts in every hamlet, village and town. With Brunswick county having lands and climate permitting the growing of early farm and garden plants for the northern truck growers, the express people can be counted upon to aid in letting those truck growers know about it. With a good start already made, it can be put down as a certainty that this county is on its way to be filled with a very desirable class of land owners.

As a newsmen who recognizes that a lot of interest centers on (Continued on page four)

Beaches Of Brunswick Are Considered Safe

Family Victim Of Flying Bug

Air travel is a business expedient for R. F. Plaxco, manager of the Brunswick Navigation Company in Southport, but the Southport businessman confesses that he likes to fly and has started taking lessons which eventually will lead to his piloting his own plane.

But the flying bug has bitten two other members of his family, his daughter, Bess Miller Plaxco, student at Mary Baldwin College and Frank Plaxco, Jr., student at Fishburn Military Academy. Both the youngsters want to join their father in flying lessons, and late reports that soon the Flying Plaxcos will be three in number.

Lengthy Docket Before Recorder

Several Cases Disposed Of Wednesday Before Judge W. J. McLamb With Others Continued For Another Week

A lengthy docket was piled up for Recorder court officials here last week. Several cases were settled, while others were continued for another week. The following disposition was made:

Peter Thurman Burbage, drunken driving changed to reckless operation, fined \$15.00 and costs.

James Dudley, assault with deadly weapon, continued to June 23rd.

Hester Dudley, assault, continued to June 23rd.

Maggie Foster, assault, continued to June 23rd.

James Dudley, assault with deadly weapon, continued to June 23rd.

George Charity, Jr., assault with deadly weapon, six months on the roads, suspended on payment of costs and good behavior for two years.

Frank L. Duggan, speeding, continued to June 30.

Louis S. Field, speeding, capias.

James Ernie Carswell, speeding, capias.

Riley Vance Wilson, speeding, capias.

Beach Property Changes Hands

About Thirty Lots Reported Sold At Long Beach During Past Week - End; Building In Prospect

About 30 nice lots changed hands at Long Beach Saturday and as a result of these and other recent sales a big step-up in new home construction is expected shortly. About 15 new homes are now in various stages of construction.

Bruce Cotton, Charlotte business man who bought two building lots Saturday, stated that he would start construction right away. Others who bought also announced immediate building plans. In addition to the new buyers of property many of the old owners of lots are getting set to build now or in the near future.

There is no boom in progress. Building operations and plans for buildings are just getting away for a good continuous stride along most of the entire 2 miles of beautiful strand and safe bathing waters that make Long Beach an appropriate name.

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