

Florida Boats Returning Here

Report is That Shrimp Boats Which Left Southport Recently Have Had Indifferent Success Down South

Six Southport boats shrimping in Florida for the past month while awaiting for cold weather that would enable them to start work with the fish out in the gulf, have not been doing any better than the boats that remained here and continued their shrimping.

This past week only 20 boxes shrimp were caught, according to Dallas Pigott, who took three of his boats to Florida. The other three local boats down there were the Penny of Captain Merritt Moore and two of the W. S. Wells boats. All six boats are

slated to return to Southport at the end of this week. They will shrimp and fish offshore until cold weather strikes then they will be with the fleet of big boats that will go to the gulf for fish.

Six boats went from her to Florida, but seven will return. Dallas Pigott bought a two-year old 58 footer the Royal Flush, while he was there. Coming home with his other three boats at the end of this week the Royal Flush will make four big boats that Mr. Pigott will have ready for the cold weather fishing.

As things now stand for the winter fishing, Lewis Hardee will have five big boats of his own to go to the gulf and the Penny of Captain Moore will make a sixth engaged in production for him. Dallas Pigott will have four. Paul Fodale will have three and Bill Wells will start with three. This makes some 16 boats ready for the gulf. Bill Wells will have another large new boat delivered from the yards in Florida early in January. This boat, The Wolfpack will also be in the winter fishing and it is likely that a number of others will get fishing rigs in place of their shrimping outfits.

Funeral Services For J. W. Harper

Funeral services for John William Harper, 73, formerly of Wilmington, and well known in Southport, who died in the United States Marine Hospital, Norfolk, Va., November 28th after a short illness, were conducted in the Chapel of the Sikes Funeral Home, Berkeley, Va. by his pastor, the Reverend J. B. Blount, Tuesday afternoon November 30th at 3 o'clock.

Interment, with military honors, was in Riverside Memorial Park beside the tomb of his second wife, the Mrs. Emma Tatum Langley of Virginia, who died in the early spring of this year.

Mr. Harper is the son of the

Debate About Killing Frost

Some Reports Are That Saturday's Cold Put Finishing Touches To Growing Plants In Some Sections

The question is still being debated as to whether Brunswick county has had its first killing frost of the year. A fairly heavy frost was recorded in most sections of the county Saturday morning, December 11th, but reports from all sections of the county indicate that it was not of a finishing nature.

Green butter bean vines, sweet potato vines, etc., are still to be seen. A real killing frost would leave such things blackened and dead for the winter.

County Commissioner George B. Ward of Waccamaw township was in Southport Monday and was inclined to think that the Saturday visitation was not a killing frost. There are a whole lot of green things left, he said.

Sunday and Monday brought almost summer temperatures. No fires were needed even in the very early hours of Monday.

late George W. Harper and Jane Beauford Harper of Greenville Sound, Wilmington, and nephew of the late John W. Harper who was owner and operator of the Steamboat "Wilmington", which is well remembered in this section of the state.

ON A TRANSPORT
Edward L. Harvell of Bolivia is now serving as chief quartermaster on the transport USS Weiss of the Atlantic fleet. This is a high speed transport. Mr. Harvell entered the Naval service on April 14, 1937, and received his training at the recruit training station in Norfolk.

Vet Farm Class Visits Market

One of the Veterans Farmer classes of Brunswick County Training School, under the supervision of Pearson Dubar recently visited the vegetable research laboratory (Experiment Station) located on Highway No. 17 out from Wilmington.

The time spent at the station was filled with interest as a result of the many experiments being carried out, and everyone feels sure that this trip will help him to grow better gardens and market vegetables. The acquaintance of new varieties of vegetables was formed, which are adapted to this area, and the best varieties to plant of those already present.

The class was particularly proud of the interest shown by Dr. Jenkins and his willingness to cooperate with the group in the future.

The following veterans took the trip: Chester Bell, Emmette Bryant, Alvin Cox, Arthur Gore, Johnnie Gore, Joseph Gore, Boisy Hewett, Goley Hewett, Wesley Hewett, Woodrow Hewett, Joseph Monroe, Norfolk Monroe, William Randolph, Reafar Simmons, Lancel Williams, and Prelow Wilson.

VISITING IN FLORIDA
Charley Rourk of Bolivia and his brother, Crawford, of Southport are spending about ten days in Orlando, Clearwater and St. Petersburg, Fla., with relatives.

SUPPLY FARMER
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B. Ward, Jr., of Ash, made 110 bushels per acre. Both of these farmers, like Mr. Roach, used the hybrid corn.

Mr. Dodson says that according

to statistics the average yield of corn in Brunswick county has increased ten bushels to the acre in the past two years. The production this year will undoubtedly show a still greater increase. The increase in acreage production, Mr. Dodson says, is largely due to the use of legume crops on the land and better attention being paid to the crop.

WAA APPRAISER HERE

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All of the nine batteries are of great historical importance. One of them, Battery Bagley, was dedicated to Ensign Worth Bagley, the first American officer killed in the Spanish-American war.

Ensign Bagley was a brother of Mrs. Josephus Daniels of Raleigh. Incidentally, Ensign Bagley was an uncle of Jonathan Daniels, who is likely to fill an important part in the administration of president Truman. A direct appeal is being made to Mr. Daniels for aid in seeing that Battery Bagley and other batteries are preserved.

The appraised value of the property to the government will naturally be much less than the actual worth of the place. Taking into account the fact that the WAA does not seem to be frowning on an offer of \$120,000 from a group of doctors, except for the fact that their plans will not be putting it into full use, it appears that the appraised value will not be above that sum.

It has been stated that the State of North Carolina can get the place at 50 per cent of the appraised value. This would indicate the State can buy in the neighborhood of \$60,000.00.

DISTRICT AGENT

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other things he expressed his

satisfaction at what appears to be a greatly increased interest in forestry among the farmers of Brunswick county.

He had noted evidence of increased interest in the management of woodlands and when it was remarked to him that the county agent believes that the Brunswick woods crop is worth more than all of the others crops, he said, "I want to express my agreement with that."

The visitor had also noted with satisfaction the big acreage planted this fall in legumes and small grain. These crops, wherever he had seen them in Brunswick county, were looking wonderful.

GROWING PLANTS

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Orton goes into plant growing in terms of acres. So does the Eastbrook nurseries at Leland. Mr. Elmore at Bolivia started out as a hobby and now has a compact little place that produces great numbers of camellias, azaleas and other flowers, all of a high grade.

The latest venture in flower growing, so far is known, is here at Pete's Place in Southport. A couple of years or so ago Mr. and Mrs. Larsen began growing flowers at their station, just as a hobby. Now they are producing hundreds of young plants yearly in improvised hotbeds. Apparently they are laying the foundation for something that may be very profitable to them later on.

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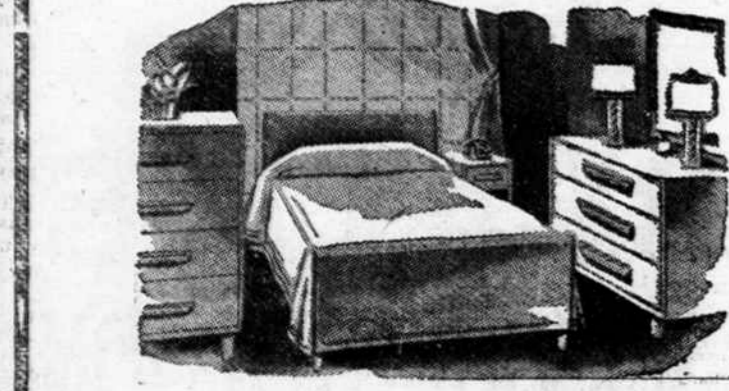
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