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## Principal For Southport School Elected

A. Ledford To Come  
From Glenn Alpine  
Where He Has Spent The  
Last Two Years As As-  
sistant To The Principal

## ONE VACANCY IN LOCAL FACULTY

Principal Has Had  
Considerable Teaching  
Experience And Has  
Served For Several  
Years As Principal  
In Western N.  
C. Schools

A meeting of the local  
board Friday night, C. A.  
Ledford of Glenn Alpine was  
elected principal of the South-  
port high school for the coming

new principal, who suc-  
ceeded L. J. Dawkins, has taught  
at Glenn Alpine for the past two  
years and has served as assistant  
principal of this 28-teacher school.  
Previously he had served for two  
years as principal of the Lan-  
gston school and for six years as  
principal of the Bellwood school.  
He comes to Southport very high-  
ly recommended.

At their meeting Friday night,  
members of the local board elect-  
ed Miss Clyde Bryan of Battle-  
boro as first grade teacher and  
Miss Julia Cromartie of Garland  
as second grade teacher. Miss  
Cromartie taught last year at Acme-  
go and Miss Cromartie taught  
the Hickory Grove school in  
Brunswick county.

The election of these teachers  
leaves only one vacancy in the  
local school faculty, one high  
school teacher. Members of the  
school committee will wait until  
the new principal arrives here  
before electing the final member  
of the high school staff.

## Outstanding News From Everywhere

News Events Of State,  
Nation and World-Wide  
Interest During Past  
Week

BY DOROTHY BELL

### NICKEL PARKING

Nickel-in-the-slot parking  
was introduced in the down-  
town district of Oklahoma  
City Tuesday and there was  
a general uproar on the part  
of citizens who contend that  
parking space should be pro-  
vided free of charge. This is  
how the new meters, invented  
by Carl Magee, attorney  
and publisher, work: A motor-  
ist drives his car into the  
space blocked off by white  
lines. When a nickel is de-  
posited in the meter, a flag  
flies up, indicating that the  
meter has been "paid". A  
hand is set in motion and,  
at the end of an hour, the  
flag drops, indicating that  
the time for parking is up.

### DELAY ADJOURNMENT

The big drive in the House of  
Representatives to force a hurried  
adjournment of congress was  
thwarted Tuesday by the same  
majority that cheered the propos-  
al Monday. There was an an-  
nouncement that Congress would  
remain in session to pass the  
president's tax program and that  
there was no thought of a special  
session this fall.

### SEEKING LICENSES

Among the 148 applicants  
to take the bar examination  
on August 22 are two ex-con-  
victs. This was made public  
Monday when Henry M. Lon-  
don, secretary of the state  
bar association, announced  
the list of applicants for ex-  
amination. Best known of the  
former prisoners is the ex-  
superior court judge Henry  
Harwood who served a prison  
sentence after being convicted  
of destruction of public  
records in an effort to pro-  
tect his daughter. Both Judge  
Harwood and his daughter  
were convicted and sent to  
prison.

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## Photographs For Paul Green Book

Mrs. Bayard Wooten And  
S. B. Smitley, Her As-  
sistant, In Southport Sat-  
urday To Secure Pictures  
For Use In Author's Lat-  
est Book

Mrs. Bayard Wooten, com-  
mercial photographer from Chapel  
Hill, and her young assistant, S.  
B. Smitley, were in Southport  
Friday taking pictures of places  
of interest here to be used in a  
new book by Paul Green, noted  
North Carolina author and play-  
wright.

The book is to be about the  
coast of eastern North Carolina  
and Mrs. Wooten is spending con-  
siderable time securing illustra-  
tions.

Part of the day Saturday was  
spent over on Bald Head Island  
where Mrs. Wooten and Mr.  
Smitley were guests of Captain  
Barnett at the coast guard sta-  
tion. A number of interesting  
pictures were taken of scenes on  
the island.

Mrs. Wooten plans to return to  
Southport in August, after the  
shrimping and fishing season gets  
underway, for additional pictures.  
While in Southport the two  
visitors were guests in the home  
of Mrs. George M. Rappleyear.

## Lawyers Hear Judge Cranmer

R. W. Davis, Southport At-  
torney, Succeeded By E.  
K. Proctor of Whiteville  
As President Of Bar As-  
sociation Of 8th District

An address by Judge E. H.  
Cranmer of Southport and the re-  
election of Louis J. Poisson of  
Wilmington to be counselor to  
North Carolina Bar, Inc., marked  
a meeting of attorneys of the  
Eighth Judicial district in King's  
restaurant at Carolina Beach on  
Wednesday night.

A business session followed the  
sea food supper and entertain-  
ment.

E. K. Proctor of Whiteville was  
named president, Clifton Moore  
of Burgaw was elected vice-pres-  
ident, and Aaron Goldberg of  
Wilmington was elected secre-  
tary-treasurer. They succeeded,  
respectively, R. W. Davis of South-  
port, R. H. Burns, Sr., of White-  
ville, and John Best of Burgaw.

The following executive offi-  
cers were elected: Marsden Bel-  
lamy of Wilmington, whose term  
had not expired, John J. Best of  
Burgaw, Homer L. Lyon of White-  
ville, Joseph W. Ruark of South-  
port, and Herbert McClammy of  
Wilmington.

## Colored School Wins High Honor

Chapel Road Colored School  
Of This County Wins  
In State-Wide Improve-  
ment And Beautification  
Contest

Miss Annie Mae Woodside,  
county superintendent of schools,  
was notified Tuesday that the  
Chapel Road colored school in  
this county has been declared  
winner of the Rosenwald Im-  
provement and Beautification  
contest conducted in North Carolina  
during the past year.

The prize for this achievement  
is a \$36.00 library set suitable  
for use in elementary school work  
and this library set is being sent  
to Miss Woodside, who has been  
asked to keep it until the fall  
term of the school begins. The  
school also will be presented with  
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## Large Alligator Caught In A Net

An 8-foot alligator was caught  
Tuesday afternoon in a shrimp  
net and was brought in alive to  
the Foudale dock. The strange  
haul was made by James Creech  
in the creek near Southport. He  
was using a boat belonging to  
Doc Robinson at the time.

Several persons who saw the  
captured alligator suggested that  
it might be a crocodile because  
it appeared to open its upper  
jaw. An alligator opens his lower  
jaw. However, old timers who  
viewed the captive declared him  
to be just an ordinary alligator.

## Commissioners Draw Schedule For The Vaccination Of Dogs

### PRIVATE CLINICS FOR VACCINATION

A number of private citizens  
of the county have secured  
the services of Dr. R. P. Huf-  
fman, veterinarian of Wilming-  
ton to administer the anti-  
rabies vaccination to their  
dogs. A schedule for his work  
in Brunswick county appears  
elsewhere in today's State Port  
Pilot.

It is understood that this  
movement is in no way in-  
tended to oppose the action of  
the county commissioners in  
making available clinics for  
the vaccination of dogs. Those  
responsible are dog owners  
who are anxious to have their  
animals vaccinated at once  
and by a practicing veteri-  
narian.

Vaccinations Will Begin  
Monday, July 29; Own-  
ers And Keepers Of Dogs  
In This County Are Urg-  
ed To Co-operate

### COMMISSIONERS MET LAST WEDNESDAY

No Other Business Of Un-  
usual Interest Came Up  
Before The Board At  
Their Call Meeting  
Here On That  
Day

Vaccination of all dogs in Brun-  
swick county against rabies will  
begin Monday, July 29, when in-  
spectors in charge of the work  
will be at appointed places in  
the county for the convenience  
of dog owners. A complete copy  
of this schedule appears else-  
(Continued on page eight.)

## Propose Erection Of Electric Power Plant On Waccamaw River

Columbus County Commissioners Appropriate Two  
Hundred Dollars To Investigate Possibilities Of  
Securing Plant

Whiteville, July 17.—The board of county commis-  
sioners in session here last week made an appropriation  
of \$200 to investigate the possibility of erecting a power  
plant along the banks of the Waccamaw river in this  
county.

The proposed plant would fur-  
nish electric power to the outly-  
ing districts and towns of the en-  
tire area of Columbus, Brun-  
swick and Horry counties.

While the plan still remains in  
its formative stages, it has been  
announced that a scheme is on  
foot to secure a federal appro-  
priation for this purpose, and  
Horry County is co-operating  
with this county in an effort to  
develop the idea. A like appro-  
priation was recently made by  
the commissioners from the  
neighboring South Carolina par-  
ish.

J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, who  
has been largely instrumental in  
originating the plan to secure  
the power plant, told the press  
that a group of Columbus citi-  
zens had been working on this  
plan for more than a month, and  
while he had nothing at all which  
he could give out at this time,  
something might be forthcoming  
in the near future.

He said that the establishment  
of the plant, which would be pro-  
pelled by water power from the  
Waccamaw, would be in further-  
ance of the rural electrification  
program which has been sponsor-  
ed by the Federal administra-  
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## P. T. A. Meeting On Thursday Evening

An important meeting of the  
Southport Parent-Teachers As-  
sociation will be held Thursday  
evening at the school building.

Mrs. Frank St. George, the  
president, says that important  
business will be discussed and  
urges a full attendance of mem-  
bers.

## Heavy Rains Damage Roads And Delay Traffic In This County

A torrential downpour  
Monday night, coming as a  
climax to a week of rainy  
weather, caused sections of  
paved highway to cave in,  
flooded the roads in other  
places and otherwise demor-  
alized traffic in Brunswick  
county Tuesday.

Sections of highway 30 on  
both sides of the bridge at  
Piney Grove, near Bolivia,  
caved in during the day and  
a washout also occurred at  
the Royal Oaks bridge near  
Supply. All traffic over this  
road was forced to detour  
until highway forces could  
erect temporary bridges. They  
were working on these late  
Tuesday afternoon.

It was impossible to get  
from Southport to the Bell  
Swamp intersection Tuesday  
without going by Bolivia.  
Water covered the road in

### TUBERCULAR CLINIC TO BE CONDUCTED

Dr. Eason, a member of the  
staff of the State Sanatorium,  
will be in Brunswick county  
during the week of July 29-  
August 3 for the purpose of  
conducting a series of tuber-  
cular clinics. Anyone who  
wishes to be examined should  
get in touch with Mrs. Lou H.  
Smith, county nurse.

Dr. Eason will be at the  
local health office on July 29,  
31, and August 2 and 3 and  
will be at Dr. W. R. Goley's  
office in Shallotte July 30 and  
August 1.

### American Legion Meeting Tonight

An important meeting of the  
Brunswick county post of the  
American Legion will be held to-  
night (Wednesday) in the court  
room and all veterans are urged  
to be present.

Among the important business  
which will be discussed is the  
annual election of officers. Dele-  
gates to the state legion con-  
vention, to be held in Fayetteville  
on the 4th, 5th and 6th of Aug-  
ust, also will be appointed at  
that time.

### MARRIAGE LICENSE

Only one marriage license has  
been issued from the local Regis-  
ter of Deeds office during the  
month of July. That was to Miss  
Cullie Kirby of Supply and John  
Dawson.

## Distressed Boat Comes In Safely Following Storm

Men Aboard Declare That  
They Had Hard Night  
Aboard Last Tuesday,  
But Deny That They Cal-  
led For Help

### NAUGATUCK CALLED TO GO TO HER AID

Fishermen At Wrightsville  
Said That Was First  
Time Boat That Size  
Had Remained Out-  
side Overnight  
During Heavy  
Storm

Wilmington, July 12.—After  
spending 24 hours three miles off  
Wrightsville Beach awaiting  
abatement of a sea with waves  
"as high as houses," Sam C.  
Woolvin, local aviator, and Fred  
F. Singleton, shipping clerk for  
the American Bakeries company,  
brought the former's 30 foot cab-  
in cruiser, Bobby, through Mas-  
onboro inlet at 5:30 o'clock yester-  
day morning.

The boat, built at Southport in  
1930 and powered with a Pontiac  
motor, was not damaged. Mr.  
Woolvin said it did not "ship"  
any water, with the exception of  
a small amount that came  
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## City Board In Regular Meeting

Ordinance Passed Requiring  
Out-Of-Town Laundries  
And Dry Cleaners To  
Pay Annual Tax Of \$65  
For Soliciting Work In  
City Of Southport

At their regular meeting held  
Thursday night, members of the  
city board of aldermen passed  
an ordinance to require all laun-  
dries and dry cleaning establish-  
ments soliciting business in  
Southport to be done outside the  
county to pay an annual tax of  
\$65.

This measure was passed after  
members of the board had heard  
the complaint of H. C. Corlett,  
proprietor of a local dry cleaning  
establishment.

Members of the board heard  
a resolution offered by J. W.  
Ruark regarding the \$3,000 note  
put up by the city to secure  
money with which to meet its  
part of the cost of the construc-  
tion of the fish freezing and  
storage plant here.

At the meeting, members of  
the board formally signed the  
contract with the North Carolina  
Fishermen's Cooperative for the  
construction of the local plant.

## Two Chosen For CMTC Service

Two Willetts Boys Qualifi-  
ed For Appointments  
From Brunswick County;  
To Be In Camp At Fort  
Bragg Next Month

Styron L. Willetts, of Winna-  
bow and Lotridge R. Willetts, of  
Bolivia, have been appointed dele-  
gates to the annual Citizens Mil-  
itary Training Camp at Fort  
Bragg, to be held this year dur-  
ing the thirty days following  
August 5th.

Lieutenant R. I. Mintz, pro-  
curement officer for Brunswick  
county, co-operated in the selec-  
tion of these young men.

All arrangements for the an-  
nual Citizens' Military Training  
Camp are now complete, it was  
announced yesterday at Fort  
Bragg. Out of nearly eleven hun-  
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### LEASE GARRISON

It has been reported unofficial-  
ly here that the bid of \$18 per  
month made by Fred Willing  
for rent on the garrison was the  
highest received. Mr. Willing has  
received no official notification  
concerning his bid.

### TO DISCUSS PENSION

W. B. Fisher, state manager  
for the Townsend Revised Pen-  
sion movement, will explain this  
revised bill to the people of  
Brunswick county in the court-  
house at Southport on July 22 at  
1 o'clock.

## Bolivia Faculty For Coming Year

O. C. Johnson Has Been  
Re-elected Principal; Five  
New Teachers Included  
On Faculty Announced  
By Mr. Johnson

O. C. Johnson has been re-  
elected as principal of the Bolivia  
school for the coming year and  
five changes have been made in  
the personnel of the faculty, ac-  
cording to a report made this  
week to Miss Annie Mae Wood-  
side, county superintendent of  
schools.

Mrs. Ruth J. Gladstone and S.  
D. Wright are the other high  
school teachers in addition to Mr.  
Johnson.

W. E. Gladstone, who taught  
high school work last year, will  
have charge of one of the gram-  
mar grades this year. This change  
was made necessary when Bol-  
ivia lost one high school teacher  
during the annual re-allotment of  
teachers. B. R. Page and Miss  
Elizabeth Griffin are old teachers  
re-elected for grammar grade  
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## Unusual Case In Court Wednesday

Defendant Allowed To Go  
Free And Prosecuting  
Witness Sent To Colored  
Asylum At Goldsboro

Archie Robinson, negro of the  
Northwest community in this  
county, was in Recorder's Court  
here Wednesday to answer charges  
of assault preferred by his  
wife, Susie Robinson.

Upon investigation of the case,  
a non pros was taken as to the  
defendant and the prosecuting  
witness was sent to the insane  
asylum for negroes at Goldsboro.

Fred Pelham, colored preacher,  
was found guilty of trespass, but  
judgment in his case was sus-  
pended upon condition that he  
pay the costs and make restitu-  
tion for trees which he had cut  
on property belonging to another  
man.

Ira Evans, white, who was  
tried a week before and in whose  
case judgment was withheld,  
was found not guilty of trans-  
porting liquor.

These three were the only cases  
to be heard by Judge Peter  
Rourke at last week's session.

## Young Officer Suicide Victim

Lieut. William T. Schell-  
house Found Dead In His  
Automobile Early Thurs-  
day Morning; Coroner  
Declares It Suicide

Wilmington, July 12.—Lieuten-  
ant William T. Shellhouse, execu-  
tive officer of the U. S. Coast  
Guard cutter Modoc, whose bullet  
perked body was found in his  
parked automobile at the inter-  
section of state highway 30 and  
the old Nigger Head road, just  
west of the Northeast Cape Fear  
river bridge, early yesterday  
morning, came to his death by his  
own hand, Coroner Asa W. Al-  
len announced last night follow-  
ing an investigation that lasted  
all day.

The officer was found with one  
foot on the running board of his  
coupe and the other on the star-  
ter. He was dressed in civilian  
clothes and there were two bul-  
let wounds in the body, one in  
the head and the other in the  
chest.

An autopsy performed on the  
body yesterday afternoon in a  
local mortuary by Dr. W. D.  
Carter, county physician, revealed  
that one of the bullets, fired  
from the officer's service auto-  
matic, entered the body about  
three inches to the left of the  
center line of the body about on  
a level with the nipple and cour-  
sed downward, grazing the heart  
and emerging from the back  
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## Mule Killed When Lightning Strikes

During an electrical storm last  
Wednesday afternoon, lightning  
struck the barn of A. M. Phelps  
of Shallotte Village and killed a  
valuable mule. It was reported  
that several chickens in the barn  
also were killed.

## Ready To Begin Work On Local Freezing Plant

Two Engineers Have Been  
In Southport For Past  
Week Ready To Begin  
Work When Weather  
Permits; H. W. Hood  
Appointed Inspector

### C. J. GAUSE IS NOW ON COAST OF MAINE

Left Saturday With John  
Sykes To Study Fishing  
on New England Coast;  
Unofficial Report  
That He Will Be  
In Charge Here

Roy Gay, state engineer, and  
Pete Reynolds, district engineer,  
have been in Southport for the  
past week ready to begin work  
on the local freezing and storage  
plant of the North Carolina Fish-  
ermen's Co-operative just as soon  
as weather permits.

At a meeting of the members  
of the board of aldermen Mon-  
day, H. W. Hood was appointed  
as city inspector on the project.

A contract has already been  
made to secure piling for the  
plant and the two engineers were  
in Wilmington Tuesday afternoon  
to secure estimates for pile driv-  
ing.

C. J. Gause resigned last week  
as rural rehabilitation officer for  
Brunswick county and left Sat-  
urday morning with John Sykes,  
head of the North Carolina Fish-  
ermen's Co-operative, for the  
Maine coast where they will  
spend several days studying the  
fishing industry. There is an un-  
official report that Mr. Gause  
will be in charge of the plant  
here.

## Cheers Declares Story Is Untrue

Denies Any Part In Plot To  
Burn House And Says  
That Statement Made By  
Joseph Fryer Implicating  
Him Is False

Joe Cheers flatly denied that  
he had any part in the scheme  
to burn his home in Southport in  
a statement made Thursday to  
the editor of The State Port Pi-  
lot. In the confession of Joseph  
Fryer last week, he implicated  
Cheers as the one who persuaded  
his wife, Mrs. Minnie Cheers, to  
set fire to the house after he  
was unable to bribe him to do it.

All three were convicted at the  
spring term of Brunswick county  
superior court. Cheers was given  
from six to seven years, Fryer,  
who was tried under the name of  
Joe Cheers, Jr., from three to  
five years, and Mrs. Cheers one  
year. The men left Friday morn-  
ing for the state penitentiary in  
Raleigh to begin their sentences.  
Mrs. Cheers is in jail here.

Although Cheers denied the  
boy's story that he was the one  
back of the scheme to burn the  
home, he said Fryer's statements  
concerning his name and family  
were true. He said that it was  
the boy's idea, not his, that he  
come to Southport and live as  
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## Tide Table

Following is the tide table  
for Southport during the next  
week. These hours are approxi-  
mately correct and were fur-  
nished The State Port Pilot  
through the courtesy of the  
Cape Fear Pilot's Association.

High Tide	Low Tide
Wednesday, July 17	
8:23 a. m.	2:23 a. m.
8:42 p. m.	2:28 p. m.
Thursday, July 18	
9:14 a. m.	3:11 a. m.
9:31 p. m.	3:22 p. m.
Friday, July 19	
10:05 a. m.	3:58 a. m.
10:21 p. m.	4:16 p. m.
Saturday, July 20	
10:53 a. m.	4:47 a. m.
11:14 p. m.	5:12 p. m.
Sunday, July 21	
11:52 a. m.	5:37 a. m.
	6:10 p. m.
Monday, July 22	
0:09 a. m.	6:30 a. m.
12:49 p. m.	7:12 p. m.
Tuesday, July 23	
1:08 a. m.	7:27 a. m.
1:48 p. m.	8:16 p. m.