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If bathing suits are made any briefer they will become imaginary.

A fishing story always sounds more plausible when there is evidence in hand.

A good fellow is one who remembers when to laugh at a twice told joke.

We'd like to see Southport people as enthusiastic over the coming yacht races as Whiteville citizens are over the opening of the tobacco market.

We want freedom whether we are going to use it or not.

Summer vacation soon will be drawing to a close for Brunswick county school children.

You could have fruit and vegetables as good as those your neighbor is enjoying if you had started planning and working when he did.

Some men want to earn their living from the sweat of someone else's brow.

Better Business

Brunswick county merchants and business men should be optimistic, for the outlook for a prosperous autumn is very hopeful.

Brunswick county farmers are now in the midst of curing one of their biggest and best tobacco crops in recent years. There is every indication that fair prices will be paid for the weed this fall, so the farm income should be materially increased during the next few weeks.

For other Brunswick county citizens who get their living from the water it is encouraging to know that shrimp have begun to show up in larger numbers in this territory and that good catches of menhaden have been made recently.

More money in circulation will mean better times for all.

The Coming Regatta

The coming Regatta, to be held here soon, will mean much to Southport and Southport people. It is, therefore, of the utmost importance that it be a success. Everyone should do his or her part in co-operating with the local committee to see that it is a success. Boost it everywhere you go. Invite your out-of-town friends to come and, above all, be on hand yourself, when the races take place.

If the Regatta is a success the races will be held here next year and for many years to come. Then the yachting regatta would be "red letter days" for Southport and would be looked forward to every year as a memorable occasion by many people throughout the state, who would be drawn here.

Report Malaria

During the past few years there has been an increase in the incidence of malaria in North Carolina, as is shown by every method of determining this prevalence; for example, deaths from malaria have increased in this State. Also, information from other sources indicates that there is an increased incidence of this disease in North Carolina at the present time.

Each case should be reported on the regular card furnished by the local health department or obtained from the State Board of Health. These report cards, bearing full information on the case, should be mailed to the county health officer, city health officer, who in turn forwards them to the State Board of Health.

In recent years considerable work on malaria control has been done in this State by the various governmental agencies. It is felt that reporting the disease will be a definite aid to the control efforts of the State Board of Health. The active cooperation of the physicians of North Carolina in reporting malaria cases coming to their attention will be necessary in promoting malaria control and will be greatly appreciated.

Balanced Farming

In areas principally along the coast we have truck farms and a little farther inland tobacco farms, cotton farms and peanut farms. These farms are cash or money-crop farms even though several crops are grown.

Farmers, being optimists, expect the money-crops to furnish income sufficient to buy everything needed on the farm.

Cash-crops in times of good prices will provide all necessities; but we do not always have high prices, and as a long time proposition cash-crops supplemented by ample food and feed crops and livestock are of far greater worth than cash-crops alone, regardless of prices.

When we send our money-crop dollars away to pay for goods capable of being produced at home we are paying not only for the commodity but for the services of many outside people as well. This is uneconomical and it is one of the main reasons why farming in the South is not more profitable.

We need balanced farming to enable us to retain a larger share of the annual wealth produced on our farms.

Donate To Fund

This week three public spirited citizens, who are willing to do everything in their power to see that the Yachting Regatta here next month is a success, will call upon several of you citizens and business men to make donations to a fund that will be used to defray necessary expenses of the coming event.

An effort will be made to raise this money from those who are in position to profit most from the influx of visitors. There will be some exceptions to that fact, but in all cases we urge courteous and generous treatment for these men who are doing their part toward making the yacht races a success.

Tennis

It is with deepest regret that we have noticed the waning interest on the two tennis courts here. Considerable time and money was spent last year to make the courts possible. Lights were installed for night playing and a club was formed for the purpose of raising funds to keep the courts in condition. For a while keen interest was shown in the game. Every boy and girl large enough to hold a racket tried his hand at it. Several showed great promise of developing into better than average players. Large crowds nightly watched the games.

Later in the season a tournament was held, for both men and women, singles and doubles. This was naturally not as successful as it could have been due to the fact that none had ever had any experience in putting on a thing of this kind before. Now, with a year's experience behind them, the committee in charge could profit by last year's mistakes and really put on a tournament that would please everyone concerned. This year only a few have shown any interest at all. Some say it is too hot, but surely it is no hotter than it was last year. It is disheartening to think that young people are too lazy to play. We hope someone will take the matter in hand and arouse the same enthusiasm that was shown last year.

Bad Tires

Sunday afternoon while riding along one of the busiest highways in this section we came upon an automobile piled up on the wrong side of the road, with a couple of young men and two girls ruefully reviewing the wreckage.

We stopped to see if anyone were hurt. Miraculously enough, no one was. Seeking to discover the cause of the wreck, we found that the left front tire had blown out, causing the machine to swerve sharply across the highway and into an open ditch.

One thing that impressed us about the tire was that it was badly worn, with the fabric showing all around. A further check-up showed that other tires on the vehicle were in about the same condition.

Soon we were on our way again, but throughout the remainder of the afternoon we were unable to clear from our mind an imaginary picture of what would have happened if these people had been passing an oncoming car when the tire blew out.

Ever since we saw that car we have caught ourselves a number of times checking cars or trucks we meet to see if fabric is showing on their front tires. We don't know the law in this matter, but we wish there were some provision for highway patrolmen to do the same thing, and require automobile and truck owners to at least have the thickness of a good tire between them and sudden death.

Just Among
The Fishermen
(BY W. B. KEZIAH)

MOUNTING HIM
A new star arose among the constellation of fresh water fishermen last week when Charles Greer christened a brand new rod, reel and plug by casting in the Pump Pond, eight miles above Southport. Half a dozen casts and he got a tremendous strike which resulted in his boating a huge large-mouth bass at the end of about five minutes of struggle with the prize. When the fish was brought back to town and placed on the scales it was found to weigh exactly seven pounds. Mr. Greer is having it mounted.

TWO MORE BIG 'UNS
C. W. Osborne, of the dredge Comstock, now spending his vacation here, hooked and landed a four and one-half pound freshwater large-mouth bass Wednesday morning. The following morning he returned to the pond early and almost immediately hooked and landed another bass of exactly the same weight as that caught on the previous day. Coming home for breakfast, he returned to the pond and had three more large ones by ten o'clock.

BETTER SHRIMP
The quality of the shrimp that is showing up on the Southport trawling grounds is getting better day by day. From rather small specimens ten days ago they had grown into a pretty fair size by this past Saturday and they also appeared to be very plentiful. A number of the boats made good catches last week.

FRIENDLY FOLKS
Although they returned to port early owing to rising storm clouds, and their catch was by no means one of the largest that has been brought in, a party fishing from the boat of Capt. H. T. Bowmer Saturday was the most pleased and friendly that has been here in some time. Their catch consisted mostly of mackerel. Those in the party were Dr. Elias Faison, of Charlotte; Henry A. Lineberger, of Belmont; A. E. Davis and Ned Brown, of Salisbury, and R. C. Brown, of Fayetteville.

CABARRUS FOLKS
A party of Gold Hill, Cabarrus county, folks fishing from the boat of Captain George Floyd Saturday made a pretty catch of four or five bushels of sea bass, the specimens being unusually large. Those composing the party were Frank, Lee and Carl Fisher, Lex and Fred Harkey, Frank and Joe Fink, Buford and B. L. Moose, Jack Smith and Lee Barrier. They were immensely proud of their catch.

LONG DISTANCE
From Chicago, Ill., comes a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunshire, who write that they are coming to Southport for their vacation the month of September. They wanted to know how the fishing was during that month. Although the Civic Club has answered fully by letter, it may be said here that September and October are two of the very best months for fishing at Southport, especially for trout during the full moon periods.

SEAGOING BOAT
Skipper E. L. Krahnke, of Leland, came down Sunday with a party aboard his good seagoing ship, the Volusia. They caught a large number of large sea bass at the rocks and also took in a goodly number of blues and mackerel on the way out and in. Sam Farrior, veteran seaman, was sick throughout trip. Others in the party in addition to Farrior and Skipper Krahnke were Paul Robinson, Marion Hinson, Paul Brown, Gibbs Collins, John Hunter and E. G. Goodman.

RIVER FISHING GOOD
Trout do not usually bite well in the river until August, but thereafter they keep things busy for three or four months. However, quite a number of rowboat parties made exceptionally good catches during the recent full moon period. From one small boat with two occupants 37 trout were taken, along with pig fish, croakers and some spots.

Shalotte News
Mrs. D. G. Hewette was a Wilmington visitor Saturday.
Mrs. Alvin Milliken visited Miss Eula Mae at the Brunswick County Hospital in Southport, Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Russ spent Saturday in Wilmington.
Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Teachey, of Greenville, visited Mrs. Teachey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Swain, during the week-end.
Mrs. Cecil Trippie was a Wilmington visitor Saturday.
Ervin Rourk, of Wilmington, spent the week-end at his home

OPEN FORUM

A column dedicated to opinions of the public. A mouthpiece for the views and observations of our friends and readers, for which we accept no responsibility. Contributions to this column must not exceed three hundred words.

CIVIC CLUB VIEWPOINT
With only a few possible entrants of its own, Southport cannot afford to show anything but impartiality in the forthcoming yachting regatta. With us it is a case of "Lay on McDuff, and may the Devil take the hindmost or he who first cries out, 'Hold, enough.'"

This is at it should be. But, even if we had boats, we could ill afford to prepare for and assist in the event in anything but a mental spirit. We are bringing sportsmen here. We want to have things so that they can go home and tell their friends that Southport people are friendly sportsmen.

Nevertheless, it should be distinctly understood among ourselves that closely allied with us are members of the Carolina Yacht Club of Wrightsville and the Wilmington people in general. Southport could not have staged this regatta on anything but a very small scale or with any hope of its being a success without the cooperation of the Carolina Yacht Club.

In fact, the Carolina Yacht Club fathered the idea. Our friends in Wilmington have been participating in the regattas in South Carolina, Georgia and Florida for several years. They had no suitable water front of their own on which to stage large events, they could not invite their sporting friends to come and participate in their races.

The result was that last fall, Henry L. Taylor, William Emmerson, Jim Metts, Everett Huggins, R. C. Cantwell and others of the Carolina Yacht Club came to Southport and proposed the shape of the Southport Regatta. "We just want water on inauguration of a yearly event in which we can hold races and invite our friends, you can have all the credit," said Henry Taylor, one of the spokesmen.

This was very kind, more than fair, in our opinion. They are calling it the Southport Regatta, but Civic Club and everybody in Southport knows, or should know, and definitely regard it as the Wilmington and Southport races.

A good deal of work attendant on the regatta is falling on my own shoulders. I intend that every action I make shall be unbiased. I am doing my work with a sporting spirit towards all entrants. Nevertheless, when the regatta is being run, I will inwardly be pulling for our Carolina Yacht Club members and our other friends in Wilmington, because this is a Wilmington and Southport event.

"Lay on, McDuff, and may the Devil take the hindmost, or he who first cries out 'Hold, enough.'"

W. B. KEZIAH,
Exec. Sec. Southport Civic Club.

Funeral Today For Former Resident

Thomas Leonard, 65, former Southport resident, died Sunday in New Orleans, La., and will be buried here this (Wednesday) afternoon in the Southport cemetery.

The deceased was the grandson of the late J. L. Wescott and formerly lived in Southport with his grandfather. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Leonard, of Bladen county. He is survived by his wife and one son. Funeral services will be held in the Southport Baptist church.

County Home Notes

Misses Nancy Haynes and Esther Boyle, co-workers of Miss Satterfield, held a splendid service at the home on Tuesday evening of the past week. Miss Satterfield is away at present on a trip to her home section in the North.

Jesse Roach called Thursday morning to see B. C. Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Alec Williams visited Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Williams on Friday.

Henry Williams, Sherman Register and Robert Pigott came Friday, bringing S. G. Holden to be a resident of the home. Dr. D. I. Watson and daughter, Miss Louise, Mrs. Ida Potter Watson and son, George, visited Will Patterson Friday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. George Bunker were also callers to see Mr. Potter on Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

But It's True

JAMES KILDUFF
OF BONES HILL, AUSTRALIA,
NEVER WENT SWIMMING UNTIL
HE WAS 54 YEARS OLD, AND
THE FIRST TIME IN THE WATER
HE SWAM FIVE MILES!

A COW BELONGING TO MRS. AUGUSTA HEARN OF CATAWASSEE, TENNESSEE, HAS A BEARD THAT IS SO LONG IT DRAGS ON THE GROUND.

THE LEADING ENGLISH AUTHORITY ON ANTS IS BERTRAM ANT OF BIRMINGHAM, AND HE WAS BORN WITH THAT NAME!

ESTHER HENRIE
OF WILMERSDORF, GERMANY,
HAS LIVED AT LEAST
A FULL YEAR IN 43
DIFFERENT COUNTRIES

Mrs. Henrie, born in Alsace 82 years ago, was the wife of the late Johans Henrie, a munitions expert. She traveled with him 30 years while he was attempting to establish contacts throughout the world. After death she went on traveling, just for fun.
Mr. Kilduff had to swim that five miles because the motorboat he occupied alone sank suddenly, far from shore.

Phoenix Dem Club Women Hold Meet

The Phoenix Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. Henry Vazzal Monday, July 12th. Mrs. C. W. Shaw, president, opened the meeting by singing "Friendship". After a brief business meeting Mrs. Marion S. Doshier gave a demonstration on "Useful Furniture We Can Make".

Members were urged to send one or more delegates to attend the Farm and Home week in Raleigh.

Iced refreshments were served by the hostess. Those who enjoyed Mrs. H. Vezoal's hospitality were: Mesdames C. W. Shaw, Ernestine Thoys, Joe R. Vezoal, M. S. Doshier, Misses Kathleen Shaw and Betty Brew Chinnis.

EWINGS LEAVE

Mr. and Mrs. Allen C. Ewing and son, George, left Tuesday to be gone for several weeks. Ewing and her son are planning to visit relatives in Georgia while her husband is in New York on an extended business trip.

ANNOUNCE BIRTH

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Holden, near Supply, announce the birth of a girl, born Tuesday morning at the Brunswick county hospital.

Mr. Merchant:
Have You Heard This Remark Before!
"Why, I never knew you had these in your store!
We always go out of town and get them!"

Folks just naturally go where they KNOW they can buy what they want. If your merchandise and its prices are not known, if your former customers go elsewhere YOU KNOW WHOM TO BLAME . . .

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