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Banquet Thursday Night Marks Observance Of 3rd Anniversary Of Establishment Of CCC Camp

Most Commanding Officers
Southport Unit Of Civilian
Conservation Corps
Will Be Guests Of Honor

GENERAL MCCLOSKEY
HAS BEEN INVITED

A. Sample Extends Cordial
Invitation To Local Citizens
To Visit Camp
Inspection Tour

A celebration commemorating
the third anniversary of the es-
tablishment of Company 427,
Civilian Conservation Corps, at
Southport will be held Thursday
night at the camp, and invita-
tions have gone forward to
General Mannus McCloskey, Colonel
Thompson, and members of his
staff at Ft. Bragg to attend the
banquet that is to climax the
observance.

All past commanding officers,
past junior officers, and past
departmental advisors have been
invited to return for the celebra-
tion, and the festivities are ex-
pected to take on an atmosphere
of a home-coming day.

The banquet will be held at 6
o'clock in the mess hall, and the
guests have been given permission
to invite their girlfriends. En-
sign K. R. Cotton, junior officer,
will preside as master of cere-
monies.

Following the banquet at 9:30
o'clock there will be a dance in
the recreation hall with music
furnished by Vincent Eislerman,
and his popular young orchestra.
As one of the features of the
anniversary day program the
camp will be thrown open to the
inspection of the general public
Thursday afternoon from 3 o'clock
to 5 o'clock. Lt. John W. Sam-
ple urges that Southport, es-
pecially the ladies, take this op-
portunity to pay the camp a
visit, and make a tour through all
the buildings and grounds.

Little Bits Of Big News

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

Double-Crossed

A nation-wide hunt was
pressed Tuesday for the kid-
nappers who collected \$50,000
ransom, but failed to release
aged Charles S. Ross. Spurred
by the knowledge that the
family had been double-crossed,
federal agents and state at-
torneys' detectives hurried
their full force into the search
for the snatch gang.

Installation

A double-barrelled program
combining installation of new
American Legion officials with
dedication of a handsome new
bridge over the Cape Fear
River was enacted before a
crowd-sized throng in Fayette-
ville Tuesday despite practi-
cally continuous rain.
Hector C. Blackwell of Fayette-
ville became department
commander and Mrs. H. A.
Newell of Henderson was in-
stalled as president of the Leg-
ion Auxiliary, along with
other new officers of the two
units, at exercises in the Fayette-
ville high school last night.
J. Loy Sox of Newton was
installed as grande chef de
cuisine of the 49 and 8, legion
fun society.

Nineteen Die

Ground crews toiled over
treacherous Uinta Mountain
trails Tuesday to remove the
bodies of 19 persons from the
wreckage of a luxurious air-
liner, while three separate in-
vestigations sought the cause
of the nation's worst airplane
disaster. Deep snow, steep,
slippery canyon walls, and the
ever-present menace of land-
slides forced caution in the
grim task of removing the
victims. United Air Lines of-
ficials said it may be impos-
sible to get all the bodies of
the four women and 15 men
back to civilization before
Wednesday night.

Deficit

President Roosevelt hiked his
estimate of the Federal deficit or
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INVITED



GENERAL MCCLOSKEY

Basketball Coaches Meet Tuesday Night At Bolivia

Henry C. Stone, Shallotte
Principal, Elected Presi-
dent Of County Athletic
Group For Year

SCHEDULE OF GAMES TO BE WORKED OUT

Rules Governing The High
School Teams Engaged In
State-Wide Elimination
Series Will Be Adop-
ted This Year

At a meeting of basketball
coaches for the high schools of
the county held Tuesday night
at Bolivia, Henry C. Stone, prin-
cipal of the Shallotte high school,
was elected president of the
group. W. L. Lingle, principal of
the Southport school, was elected
vice-president; Principal Plyler,
of Leland, was made secretary-
treasurer.

A motion was passed to play
all league games this year under
rules laid down by the North
Carolina Athletic Association,
which each year conducts a state-
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Slack Season At County Hospital

Check-Up At Local Institu- tion Shows There Were Only Three White Pati- ents Tuesday

This is a slack season at the
Brunswick County Hospital, and
a check-up Tuesday morning
showed that there were only
three white patients at the local
institution.
Mrs. Katie McKeithan, of South-
port, has been a patient for med-
ical attention for several weeks.
Edgar Finch, of Southport, has
been admitted for observation,
and treatment.
Allison Mason, of Atlantic, is
the other white patient.

A Lot Of Nickels Change Hands Here During Shrimping Season

Although the Monday and
Tuesday catches of shrimp
were low, due to the rise in
temperature, it is interest-
ing to note that the Peoples
United Bank has had to call
for large shipments of nickels
almost daily for the past
month. The shipments have
ranged from \$200.00 to
\$500.00, and have been to
augment the supply on hand
that is required to pay the
pickers each day.

119 pounds and 11 ounces
of nickels, one of the daily
shipments to Southport, would
seem a rather large amount
to an outsider, but that is
what \$500.00 in nickels
weighs, and it was far from
representing all that was re-
quired for the day's deposits.
Many nickels come back to
the bank each day in the
way of deposits, and the
daily shipments from other
banks is simply to make up
and keep an adequate supply
on hand.

It takes 7 buckets of
shrimp to make a 100 pound
box ready for shipment. The
pickers are paid a nickel for
each bucket, and it is hand-
ed to them as soon as they
dump their bucket in the
washing vats. The pickers

REMOVED FOR SAFE KEEPING

Edmond Ellsworth, signer
of an affidavit used in out-
lawing Melvin Mintz, was re-
moved from the Brunswick
county jail to another coun-
ty for safe keeping Saturday
when officers heard rumors
that friends of the outlawed
man planned to come here
and "get" the man who im-
plicated Mintz in the robbery
of the H. O. Peterson store
at Northwest.

Ellsworth, hobo, who came
into contact with Mintz while
bumming through the coun-
ty, told officers that he was
with the Maco man when he
robbed the Northwest store.
Ellsworth was captured by
officers following a gun bat-
tle 10 days ago during which
he and Mintz fought shoulder
to shoulder.

BOATS EVERYWHERE BUT NONE TO FISH

With boats, boats every-
where in Southport, you can
believe it or not, A. S.
Mowery, C. P. Epting, H. P.
Hardiman and Mack McKee,
of Salisbury, tried everywhere
Monday afternoon and could
not find one that would take
them fishing Tuesday.

Disappointed, they managed
to engage a boat at Morehead
City by telephone and left for
that point at about dark.
Every boat at Southport
that carries out fishing parties
had been engaged before the
Salisbury gentlemen ar-
rived at noon. Disappointed
but realizing the situation,
they left avowing they would
be back here soon and that
they would speak for a boat
a week in advance, next time.

Waccamaw High 4-H Club Meets

The Waccamaw high school 4-
H Club met October 13 with Mrs.
Marion S. Doshier for the pur-
pose of reorganizing the club.

The following officers were
elected for the year: president,
Dorothy Simmons; secretary-treasurer,
Nell Walton; club reporter,
Atlas Simmons; song leader,
Elsie Avent; pianist, Mable Ed-
wards.

Hallow'e'en Party For Eastern Star

Members of the Live Oak
Chapter, Order of the Eastern
Star, are planning a Hallow'e'en
party to be held at the Army
and Navy Club building on Fri-
day night, October 29, at 7:30
o'clock.
Prizes will be awarded for the
best child's costume.

Fisheries Boosts Price Of Shrimp And Starts Fuss

In Face Of Curtailed Pro-
duction During Bad Weather
Spell Local Plant Of
N. C. Fisheries, Inc.,
Raises Price

THE LOCAL UNIT HAS HAD LITTLE BUSINESS

Check Reveals That Inde-
pendent Buyers Are Hand-
ling Much The Great-
er Part Of Total
Shrimp Catch

In the fact of a scanty pro-
duction owing to weather condi-
tions, the North Carolina Fish-
eries, Incorporated, raised the
price of unpicked shrimp from
\$1.50 to \$1.75 per bushel this
week.

Southport city officials, inde-
pendent buying houses and scores
of the shrimp trawlers, inter-
viewed about the matter, unhesi-
tatingly declared that the ad-
vance in price while no shrimp
was being produced was aimed
at getting boats to leave the in-
dependent houses and go over
to the N. C. Fisheries. The Fish-
eries Company is being challeng-
ed to maintain the \$1.75 per
bushel price all through the sea-
son. At the same time it is ad-
mitted that the concern is very
much better able to pay this
sum than are the independent
dealers, since it is being financed
by the government and does not
have rent, taxes or upkeep of
equipment that was furnished to
them.

Three boats, all reportedly
from Morehead City, have been
attracted by the rise in prices
and have gone over to the North
Carolina Fisheries, giving this
concern a fleet of six boats. Up
to this week they had been tak-
ing care of one Southport boat
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Boxing Bouts At Local CCC Camp

Good Scraps On Card Put
On Last Thursday Night
In Recreation Hall Of
Camp Sapona

Seven boxing bouts in which
there was plenty of action were
staged Thursday night in the re-
creation hall of Camp Sapona
before a large crowd of fight
fans.

In the best bout of the night
Fullton Bradshaw won a decision
over Leroy Patrick. There wasn't
a dull moment in their three
rounds of fighting.

The scrap between Adam Dills
and Robert Crawford went to
the former when Crawford quit
when the going got rough in
the first round.

O. W. McClelland won a close
decision over Billie Parker.

A. M. Bradshaw showed such a
convincing style against Labon
Bennett that the latter walked
from the ring after one minute
of the first round.

Lawrence Caison received the
judges decision over James Ray-
nor.

Joseph Porter, one of the class-
iest fighters on the program,
won over Furman Walters.

Lonnie Broadwell got a close
decision over Edwin Stevens.

Robert Thompson was the
referee; L. T. Yaskell and Dave
Davis were the judges.

Fishermen Have Very Good Luck

Visiting Parties From Up
State Have Unusual Luck
During Week-End Des-
pite Rough Weather

Although they intended to put
in three days fishing, Frank L.
Johnson, Boyce Shuford, W. R.
McCorl, Gus Deaton, C. C. Foster,
Dr. J. R. Morrison and Fred
Lawrence, of Statesville, made
such a fine catch of trout Mon-
day that they decided to pull up
stakes and go home with their
catch of something over three
hundred pounds.
Their trip out was made on
the E. M. Lewis, of Cant. Hulan
Watts, and practically all the fish
taken were trout, some being
unusually large. Dr. Morrison
caught the largest trout and
thereby took the pot, consisting
of \$1.75, this having been put
up for the biggest catch. All the
boys had a great time and will
be back at Southport before cold
weather.
Cal Newton and J. H. Nor-
thy of Charlotte, fishing from
the boat of Captain H. T. Bow-

Commissioners In Session Saturday On Bond Matter

County Officials Went To
Wilmington Saturday For
Conference With Attor-
neys Representing Bond-
holders In Suit

MET IN SPECIAL SESSION FRIDAY

Dillon Ganey Placed Back
On County Payroll As
Rural Policeman At
Salary Of \$75 Per
Month

Members of the board of county
commissioners, their attorneys,
S. B. Frink, and R. W. Davis, Reg-
ister of Deeds R. I. Mintz, and
D. R. Hollowell, contract audi-
tor, met Saturday in Wilmington
with attorneys representing the
bondholders association in an ef-
fort to effect an agreement that
will do away with the necessity
of court action.

Members of the board met here
Friday in a special session dur-
ing which time they voted to
place Dillon Ganey back on the
county payroll as rural policeman
at a salary of \$75.00 per month.

At this same session members
of the board posted a reward of
\$50.00 for the capture of Melvin
Mintz, self-styled desperado of the
Maco community. This offer is
provisional that the capture must
be made in this county.

Moth Boats Will Enter Regatta

International Moth Type
Boats Sailed Last Week
In Regatta In Elizabeth
City And Program Listed
Southport As Racing
Place Next Season

International Moth Class
yachting races have been sched-
uled by the association to be
held at Southport each August,
according to the Southport Civic
Club. Programs for the Eliza-
beth City National Regatta, which
was held at Elizabeth City last
week, listed future events as to
be held here each August.

The regatta the past summer
was under the auspices of the
South Atlantic Yachting Associa-
tion in which the Moth Type
boats do not usually participate.
However, as there were three or
four of these speedy crafts owned
by ambitious young sports-
men in Wilmington, it was decid-
ed to permit them to participate
and half a dozen took advantage
of the opportunity. But the event
was not officially recognized by
their association.

Recognition and designation of
Southport as a point for future
races should bring around half
a hundred of the speedy little
craft from eastern North Caro-
lina, especially from in and
around Elizabeth City. It will al-
so bring great numbers of the
boats from interior North Caro-
lina and from other states.

The failure to fix a definite
date for the 1938 Moth Type
races at Southport is under-
stood to have arisen from the
fact that the South Atlantic
Yachting Association has not yet
set the date for the big official
regatta at this place next year.

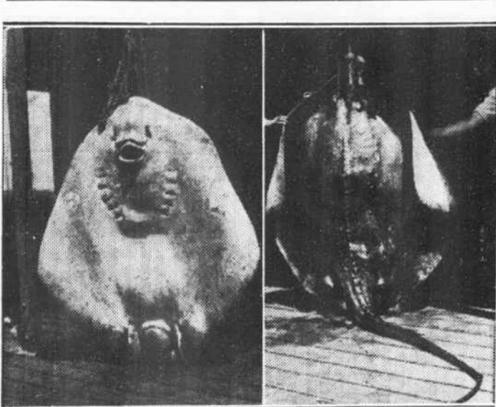
It is understood that it is the
desire to have the event for the
little boats at the same time,
a combination of the two events.

Tide Water Is Refused Funds

REA Officials Feel That
Power Rate Being Charged
By Power Concern Is
Not Reasonable Nor
Practical For Cooperative
Group

After extended negotiations,
during which no rate at all was
quoted, the Tide Water Power
Company has offered to sell elec-
tricity at wholesale to a cooper-
ative group in the Tidewater sec-
tion of the State. The cooper-
ative has proposed a project in
Sampson, Bladen, Duplin and
Pender Counties. The rate quot-
ed would average 1.3 cents per
kilowatt-hour. REA has felt that
it cannot approve this rate as
a complicating factor in the
situation is that the company is
now asking for an additional
loan of \$190,000 to build lines
in parts of the same area—
Greene, Lenoir, Jones, Sampson,
Duplin, Pender, Columbus, Cray-
ven, Pamlico, Onslow, Carteret,
Wayne, Brunswick and New
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Giant Stingray Taken



TRUBLE—When a sting ray the size of this fellow
gets entangled in a shrimp net the boatman is in for
trouble. This specimen was taken recently by Alfred
Newton while shrimping the Crescent City. Front and
back views are shown of this sting ray that was estimat-
ed to weigh between 800 and 1,000 pounds.

Melvin Mintz Is Outlawed And Reward Is Offered

BLUE FISH BOATS
MAKE GOOD CATCHES

Somewhere between fifteen
and twenty thousand pounds
of blue fish were bought and
shipped by local dealers Mon-
day, some ten boats being en-
gaged in the work of fish-
ing and all making fine cat-
ches. One boat is known to
have brought in five thou-
sand pounds.

The price is not so good,
said to be only 3 cents per
pound, still with a large pro-
duction being the rule the
boats are making good money
at even this low price. All
but one of the boats engaged
in blue fishing are from
Morehead City, Hatteras or
other points in eastern North
Carolina.

Several Books Donated Library

Mrs. Holmes Makes Don-
ation Of Several Valuable
Books To Southport Pub-
lic Library

Mrs. Sarah Eggle Holmes don-
ated the following mystery novels
to the Southport Public Library
Tuesday:

- "Give me Death," by I. B. Myers;
- "Was it Murder," by James Hilton;
- "Where Three Roads Meet," by Ethel M. Dell;
- "Fatal Shadow," by D. C. Meade;
- "Forty Years of Scotland Yard," by Wensley;
- "The Revenger Riddle," by E. B. Black;
- "Grey Cottage," by G. McPherson;
- "The Whip-poor-will Mystery," by H. Footner;
- "Peter Ruff and the Double Four," by E. P. Oppenheim;
- "The Company of Sha-
lowm," by J. M. Walsh;
- "For the Hang-Man," by J. S. Strange;
- "Shot at Dawn," by John Rhode;
- "It Couldn't be Murder," by Hugh Austin;
- "Patty Mc. Gill, Investigator," by M. Medora;
- "Mystery and ———," by H. Adams;
- "Who Rides On A Tiger," by M. B. Lowndes;
- "Pent House," by A. S. Roche;
- "The Man in Button Boots," by A. Gilbert;
- "The Star of Midnight," by A. S. Roche;
- "The House on the Marsh," by Helen R. Martin.

Negro Shrimpers Relieve The Monotony Of Work With Music

NEGRO SHRIMPERS RELIEVE
You've read of stevedores
and their chants, negro
workers with their spirituals
and even their popular ditties
... but Southport
shrimp pickers are the only
ones who wait for their
ships to come in to the tune
of semi-classical songs.
Very often there are ne-
gro girls waiting on the
wharves for boats to bring
in the day's catch of prawn
long before they come in
sight. The pickers are al-
ways a laughing and joking
crowd. With the traditional
inherent rhythm which the
negro possesses, one of the
group occasionally leads the
others into a melody which
the listener is surprised to
recognize as "Annie Laurie"
or "Love's Old Sweet Song."
It is found that the pick-
ers also relieve the mono-
tony of picking the shrimp
with an occasional tune. The
negro is never without music
even though his hands are
busily engaged in beheading
and "decoating" the small
crustacean. It seems to be
a good idea to have some-
thing to keep their minds
on more pleasant things.
It must have been a group
of high school girls which
gave a listener her biggest
surprise a few days ago. She
heard a haunting strain
floating up from the wharf
but could not quite recognize
the tune. After a second
verse it came to her... it
was "Au clair de la lune".
Not only was the tune there,
but they were singing the
entire song in French! When
the listener heard their next
song she was even more sur-
prised. The song was being
sung as though loyal French-
men were on parade. Yes, it
was a rousing chorus of the
Marseillaise Hymn!

Committees For P.-T. A. Named For This Year

Complete List Of Commit-
tee Appointments And
Grade Mother Representa-
tives For Year Are Ap-
pointed

MRS. C. ED TAYLOR HEADS ORGANIZATION

Meetings Will Be Held On
The First Thursday In
Each Month In Local
High School Audi-
torium

Mrs. C. Ed Taylor, president
of the Southport Parent-Teach-
ers Association, has named the
following grade mothers to serve
this year:

- First grade, Miss Bryan teacher, Mrs. J. E. Smith and Mrs. H. T. Bower;
- second grade, Miss Cromartie teacher, Mrs. George Galloway and Mrs. Valle Frederie;
- third grade, Mrs. Willis teacher, Mrs. R. F. Plaxco;
- fourth grade, Miss Hinton teacher, Mrs. A. L. Brown and Mrs. J. A. McNeil;
- fifth grade, Mrs. Hood teacher, Mrs. R. L. Jones and Mrs. Ed Newton;
- sixth grade, Miss Miller teacher, Mrs. W. E. Bellamy;
- seventh grade, J. P. Wonsavage teacher, Mrs. J. E. Carr and Mrs. Tyndall;
- eighth grade, Miss Peify teacher, Mrs. Lizzie Gilbert;
- ninth grade, W. L. Lingle teacher, Mrs. S. B. Frink and Mrs. W. M. Barnett;
- tenth grade, Mrs. Swann teacher, Mrs. E. M. Hall and Mrs. J. R. Hood;
- eleventh grade, Mrs. Marshall teacher, Mrs. F. M. Niernse.

The following committees were
named by the president: Mem-
bership committee: Mrs. W. T.
Ottoway, Mrs. Charlie Easley,
Mrs. William Wells, Mrs. F. M.
Niernse and Mrs. Harold St.
George.

Program committee: Mrs. J.
B. Bussels, Mrs. E. M. Hall, Mrs.
H. C. Corlette, Mrs. Josephine
Marshall and Mrs. H. W. Hood.

Social committee: Mrs. J. E.
zeth Gilbert, Mrs. Augustus Swann
and Mrs. Geneva Smith.

Publicity committee: Mrs. R.
F. Plaxco.

Finance Committee: J. Berg,
Mrs. Plaxco, Miss Melva Peify,
Mrs. Robert Willis, Mrs. J. E.
Carr, Mrs. J. W. Ruark, Mrs. Ed
Newton and Mrs. R. L. Jones.

Payments Show Better Business

Cancellation Of Mortgages
Held By Wilmington Pro-
duction Credit Co. Again-
st Brunswick County Farm-
ers

A batch of forty-four crop
liens and chattel mortgages held
by the Wilmington Production
Credit Co. against Brunswick
County farmers was received
Tuesday morning by Register of
Deeds R. I. Mintz for cancella-
tion.

This was taken by the local
county official as an indication
that farmers of this county are
meeting their obligations to the
credit company promptly, and
that, he thinks, is indicative of
good business conditions.

Register of Deeds Mintz says
that around a hundred-fifty pa-
pers for the Wilmington Produc-
tion Credit Co. were recorded
in his office this year, and of
this number approximately one-
half already have been cancelled.

Tide Table

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

High Tide	Low Tide
Thursday, October 21	
8:38 a. m.	2:40 p. m.
9:06 p. m.	3:25 p. m.
Friday, October 22	
9:29 a. m.	3:36 a. m.
10:03 p. m.	4:13 p. m.
Saturday, October 23	
10:28 a. m.	4:14 a. m.
11:07 p. m.	5:04 p. m.
Sunday, October 24	
11:31 a. m.	5:07 a. m.
	6:02 p. m.
Monday, October 25	
12:12 a. m.	6:10 a. m.
12:36 p. m.	7:09 p. m.
Tuesday, October 26	
1:18 a. m.	7:25 a. m.
1:39 p. m.	8:17 p. m.
Wednesday, October 27	
2:21 a. m.	8:38 a. m.
2:42 p. m.	9:19 p. m.