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Providing Set-Up For Sheriff Passed

Expense Inside
Is Allowed Under
Of Bill Passed
Legislature

DEPUTIE SHERIFFS PROVIDED

Will Be Paid Salaries
Of All Fees, Ex-
Those Paid By
Parties

Important piece of legisla-
the office of sheriff
county was passed
the North Carolina
Assembly. Details of the
explanatory in the
follows:

to be entitled an act
of salaries of the Sheriff
of Brunswick Coun-

General Assembly of
do enact:

1. That the office
Chapter 283, Public
Session 1935 be and
is hereby repealed.

2. That the salary of
of Brunswick County
by the Board of
Commissioners of Bruns-

county, provided neverthe-
said salary shall not
than twenty two hundred
dollars, per annum, nor
twenty five hundred

and provided that
pay shall be in lieu
and travel expense
that the Sheriff shall be
travel expense for

as is necessary out-
boundaries of Brunswick
Provided further, that the
his deputies shall

a process fee of fifty
for each person for whom a
is issued and served,
the County of Brunswick,
political subdivision there-
and that the same
due and payable at the
of the service.

That the Sheriff
authority to appoint
deputies, all shall be
of the Board of County
members 4 of whom shall
less than thirty nor
fifty dollars monthly,
shall receive not less than
more than seventy five
monthly. And that this
shall be in lieu of all fees
and expense paid said de-

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Big News

Events Of State,
and World-Wide
During Past
Week

EUGENE O'BRIEN

European Situation

IN ENGLAND

the eve of his seventieth
British Prime Minister
Chamberlain delivered his
speech against dic-

He revised his planned
to bitterly denounce Chan-

Hitler as a 'break-

He regarded the
on the Czech-Slovaks as
of an attempt to
the world by force. The
ambassador to Berlin was
home as a protest

He closed his speech,
was interrupted frequently
by ovations and wild
by saying he believed
entire British empire and
other nations valued peace
freedom even more.

IN AMERICAN

Secretary Welles, with
approval, attacked
threat to world peace
organization, the actions of
He further hinted
government doesn't be-
Czechs can be held in
under the German rule.
Agreements were cancelled.

IN FRANCE

two days of feverish ef-
Daladier persuaded
Chamber of Deputies
him dictatorial powers
to speed re-
Already he has taken
steps. Further chaos in
prevailed when Hungray
Ukrainia.

Measure

proposed to develop
Cape Fear River for naviga-

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Timber Crop Grows Rapidly



ABOVE.—Sample plot of long leaf pine reproduction, taken in the spring of 1928. Fire lines were cleared around this plot to exclude fire. This is a characteristic picture of long leaf pine on a sandy pine.

BELOW.—Same plot taken in the spring of 1938, exactly ten years to the month after the first picture was taken. The man in the foreground holding the six-foot rule is the same as in picture above. This represents a natural growth of long leaf pine during a ten-year period where fire was excluded. The sapling in front of the man with the rule measured six feet in height in 1928, and this had extended to approximately 30-feet, ten years later.

Thomas Says He Will Not Oppose Recorder's Bill

In a telephone conversation from Raleigh this morning Representative Cornelius Thomas says that he will make no effort to block in committee hearing tomorrow the bill introduced by Senator S. Bun Frink to extend the term of Recorder W. M. Stansland for two years.

Thomas previously has stated that he would stand by the action of the Democratic executive committee and that body, in its last meeting, voted 6 to 5 against an extension. Thomas says, however, that he holds in his hands a petition signed by 10 members of the Democratic executive committee, including the vice-chairman, and this, to him, reflects a preponderance of sentiment in favor of the extension.

ATTENDS FUNERAL
Mrs. W. M. Wells attended the funeral of her nephew, Durward Huff, in Beaufort Thursday afternoon.

Southport Man Plays Guide To Group Of Visiting Artists

A group of artists and art students from the Wilmington Art Museum had a succession of thrills camping out on Bald Head Island Saturday and Sunday. The party was headed by Henry McMillan, instructor in art at the museum. W. B. Keziah, was guide and served as host to the party.

Others in addition to the above two were Mrs. Isabel Watts, Miss Ruth Willoughby, Miss Rosalie Oliver, Miss Margaret White and Miss Cynthia Anderson, Marshal Suther of Chapel Hill and Claude Howell of Wilmington.

A number of attractive sketches were made Saturday afternoon and after a late supper, interspersed with stories of the wild hogs on the island and others relative to the headless ghost of the pirates that are frequently seen, a number of the party walked the two miles from camp to the Cape Fear lighthouse.

At the lighthouse the personnel was just as adept in telling ghost stories as Adrian Willetts and Bill Midgett, coast guardsmen, had been. Along about midnight the visiting party of six started back to camp and on the way a ghost appeared from somewhere to join the party. In the resulting haste Miss Anderson's escort led her through the gnarled roots and branches of a long dead cedar tree, peeling her shins somewhat. Miss Anderson who is the grand-daughter of Admiral Anderson and was recently called north to christen one of Uncle Sam's battleships. As the night was still young a foray was made on the larder and a trip was made off into the woods for a marshmallow toasting expedition. Their guide had a time getting everybody awake to see the sunrise Sunday (Continued on page 6)

Photos Prove The Rapidity Of Timber Growth

Pictures Of The Same Timber Stand Taken Ten Years Apart Definitely Prove Value Of Control

WRITER OPPOSES LIGHT BURNING

Any Fire In Any Timber Growth Is Detrimental, According To Chief Of Forest Fire Control

(By W. C. McCORMICK, Chief of Forest Fire Control, N. C. Dept. of Conservation & Development)

Figures will lie and liars will figure, but no one can discount photographic facts.

Volumes have been written, the English language torn to shreds in oratorical outbursts by the fearless few who, in an attempt to discredit proven practices, have been advocating the use of fire in the woods under the guise of its being beneficial to timber production in the South.

In the spring of 1928, the writer took pictures No. 1 shown here, and in the same month in 1938. (Continued on page 6)

Southport Boys And Girls On Radio Program

Boys and girls of the grammar grades of Southport school will present a radio program over station WMFD Saturday morning, beginning at 11 o'clock.

The program will be opened with a welcome by Frank Plaxco; Iris Newton, Billie Barber and a chorus will sing "Playmates"; "Come Where the Bluebells Ring", by Bobbie Davis; "Beach Pie", by Elinor Rees; "Mummy's Little Black Rose", girl chorus; "Stack Waltz", by Julia Coleman; "Serenade", John Hall; "Flower Song", reading by winners of Thursday's contest; "Wedding of the Flowers" by the third and fourth grade chorus.

Benefit Boxing Program Planned

Boys Under Claude McCall Will Stage Amateur Boxing Show Tuesday Night In High School Gym

The group of boys from whom Claude McCall is attempting to organize a local Boy Scout troop will stage a series of boxing bouts next Tuesday night in the Southport gymnasium. Funds derived will be used to purchase necessary equipment.

The boys have been working out under the tutelage of their leader, who gained a good reputation as an amateur boxer while a student at Wake Forest College. (Continued on page 5)

Revival To Begin Here Next Week

Rev. Paul H. Fields of Rose Hill will begin a series of revival services at Trinity Methodist church Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Services will be held each day at 3:30 o'clock and at 7:30 o'clock and a cordial invitation has been extended by the pastor, Rev. E. M. Hall, to the public to attend this meeting.

Equipment For New Telephone System Arrives

New Brick Building Recently Constructed By Price Furpless Will House The New Paraphernalia

DIAL SERVICE BEFORE MAY 1ST

No Human Element Will Play A Part In Service That Will Be In Use After Change

Workmen are already busy installing equipment necessary for the dial telephone system that is to serve customers in Southport after about May 1.

Housed in a small brick building recently completed by Price Furpless back of the old Northrop store will be a maze of wires and electrical devices that will be the unattended central office. Once this equipment has been hooked up and checked no further human attention is required until some mechanical or electrical part needs repair.

An appreciation for the compactness of the new equipment can be had when it is discovered that the little building which was built especially for this purpose is 12x15x10 feet in dimension.

One group of workmen are busy working on the telephone lines about the town, and new poles are being used to replace some that were beginning to get a bit weather-worn.

It is reported that the change from the present service to the dial system will be completed before April 20.

School Exhibits For Flower Show

Special Effort Will Be Made To Have School Children Of County Enter Exhibits In Local Flower Show

The 1939 Flower Show, sponsored by the Southport Woman's club, will include exhibits entered by school children of the county, says Mrs. Marion S. Doshier, who has charge of the show this year. School children and their teachers and principals are asked to cooperate to the fullest. This is the first time such a classification has been included in the show and it is hoped that a good number of exhibits will be sent in.

Prizes will be offered by the Woman's club for the various divisions of exhibitions and a grand prize will be offered the school in the county which receives the highest number of points based on the number of prizes or places which students from that school have won.

There will be a prize offered for the largest variety of wild flowers, labeled, which the school children enter. There will also be a prize for the largest variety of native leaves and shrubs, labeled. Other classifications are as follows: largest variety of herbs, (Continued on page 6)

Total Of Nine Cases In Court

Larceny Cases Led All Others In Session Of Brunswick County Recorder's Court Monday

Monday was another busy day in Brunswick county Recorder's court as a total of 10 cases were tried before Judge Walter M. Stansland.

Earl Sidbury, colored, pleaded guilty to charges of larceny and was bound over to Superior court under bond of \$500.00.

R. R. Deakins, white, pleaded guilty to charges of reckless operation. His sentence of 6 months on the roads was suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50.00 and the costs.

Buck Hankins, colored, was tried on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor for the purpose of sale. Judgment in (Continued on page 6)

Revival Services At Shalotte Camp

Rev. C. D. Barcliff, pastor of Fifth Avenue Methodist church in Wilmington, is assisting Rev. C. N. Phillips this week with a series of revival services at Shalotte Camp Methodist church.

Congregations attending the services have been very encouraging and a warm welcome is extended to all who wish to attend.

Historic Landmark Will Be Sold By Government

Prices Creek Lighthouse Was In Active Use During Civil War And Guided Vessels Through New Inlet Up The River

Announcement has been received from the procurement division of the treasury department that sealed bids will be received up to 10:30 a. m. April 11, 1939, for the purchase of Prices Creek Lighthouse Reservation which is located about two miles up the Cape Fear river from Southport.

Completion of this sale will mark the passage into private hands one of the most historic landmarks in this section, for during the period of the Civil War the light guided vessels through New Inlet, which since has been closed.

The notice states that all proposals must be accompanied by the required deposit and submitted in duplicate forms which contain all necessary information to the treasury department.



Wreckage Of Barge Not To Be Removed From River

Ruark Is Named County Solicitor

Members of the board of county commissioners in special session here Monday appointed Joe W. Ruark county attorney succeeding C. Ed Taylor. His salary was set at \$50.00 per month and the appointment becomes effective April 1.

During the afternoon members of the board were in conference with tax listers, who will begin their duties of listing property for 1939, taxes the first week in April. A special meeting of the board will be held here Saturday morning.

The map engineer for the Brunswick Electric Membership cooperation has completed his work, according to E. D. Bishop, project survey coordinator, and work this week is concerned with obtaining the right-of-way easements and membership tabulation preparatory to submitting these final facts to officials in Washington for their approval.

Map Survey Is Now Completed

With Completion Of Securing Right-Of-Way Easements Figures For Electric Power Project Will Go To Washington

This is the final step before securing money with which to begin actual construction of the power lines.

A meeting of the board of directors was held Saturday night and C. P. Willetts was elected president; vice-president was S. P. Phipps and T. T. Ward was chosen secretary-treasurer.

In addition to the above officers the board includes G. K. Lewis, R. D. White, R. D. Bennett, of Brunswick county; Lacy Stanley, Fred Lay and Francis Strickland, of Columbus county.

Survey Conducted By Members Of District Engineer Corps Indicates That It Is No Great Hazard

WAS THREAT TO YACHT SAFETY

However, With Definite Plans In The Making For A Yacht Basin, Need For Removal Has Been Diminished

The removal of the wreckage of the barge Belfast from the point where it lies off Battery Island, directly opposite Southport, is not considered as warranted by the Engineers office in Wilmington, from the standpoint of providing a better anchorage for small boats.

Early in December the Southport Civic Club secretary at the request of Mayor John Erikson, took the matter of the removal of the wreck up with Major G. W. Gillette. A survey was immediately ordered and the completion of charts or March 13th shows that the undertaking would be very costly.

Major Gillette writes the club that in view of the costly nature of the work and the fact that the Yacht Basin project for Southport has been approved, the removal (Continued on page 5)

Burning Permit Now In Effect

Law Governing Period During Which They Are Required Amended By Current Legislature

An amendment to the brush burning permit law was passed by the North Carolina Legislature on March 16, making it necessary for landowners to secure a permit "Between the first day of February and the fifteenth day of June, inclusive, or between the fifteenth day of October and the thirtieth day of November, inclusive, in any year". This means that the law gov- (Continued on page 5)

Installation Of New Officers In O. E. S. Chapter

Mrs. Mary Mintz Was Installed Monday Night As Worthy Matron, Succeeding Mrs. W. G. Butler

CEREMONY WAS MOST IMPRESSIVE

Mrs. C. M. Powell, Of Wilmington, Associate Grand Matron, Had Prominent Part In Program

An impressive installation ceremony was held Monday night when new officers of the Live Oak chapter, O. E. S., were installed for the coming year. Mrs. C. M. Powell, of Wilmington, associate grand matron for North Carolina, acted as installing officer. Others who assisted Mrs. Powell with the installation ceremony were Mrs. H. T. St. George, who acted as grand marshal, Mrs. Lou Smith, grand chaplain, and Mrs. I. B. Bussells grand organist.

Mrs. R. I. Mintz is the new worthy matron, succeeding Mrs. W. G. Butler in the office. John Erikson was installed as worthy patron. Associate matron will be Mrs. Thelma Willis, associate patron, B. J. Holden. Mrs. J. D. Sutton will be secretary Miss Lottie Mae Newton will hold the office of treasurer. Conductress will be Mrs. Marion S. Doshier, with Mrs. D. M. Davis as associate conductress.

Mrs. E. H. Cranmer will serve as chaplain for the coming year; Mrs. H. T. St. George will serve as marshal; Mrs. I. B. Bussells will be the organist.

The following ladies will also assume duties; Mrs. W. H. Barnett as Adah, Mrs. Bert Holden, Ruth, Mrs. J. W. Ruark will serve as Esther, Mrs. Janie Oden as Martha, and Mrs. Robert St. George as Electa.

Mrs. Annie K. Vitou will hold the office of warden and Mrs. H. C. Corlette that of sentinel. Mrs. W. O. Butler, retiring worthy matron, made a farewell speech after which she was presented with a silver pitcher by the officers of the chapter. She also received a past matron's jewel from the entire chapter.

Mrs. Mintz was presented with five potted plants in the colors of the order by the five star points.

At the close of the ceremony refreshments of punch and cake were served to about 65 guests.

Bald Head Not To Be A Park

Senate Committee Reports Unfavorably Bill To Include Brunswick County Lands In Proposed Park

The Fort Fisher Park Bill, introduced by New Hanover county citizens last week and aimed to give jurisdiction over lands in both New Hanover and Brunswick, was reported unfavorably by a senate committee in Raleigh yesterday morning.

Another bill, covering only lands in New Hanover county, was adopted. Neither Frank O. Sherrill, owner of Bald Head Island, or Brunswick county had any objection to the substitute bill.

In his fight against the bill Mr. Sherrill was vigorously sided (Continued on page 6)

Brunswick Will Be Well Represented In Booklet

Brunswick county will have a larger space than ever before in a North Carolina booklet under the 1939 edition of Variety Vacationland is issued by the state advertising division.

Copy for the edition has just been sent to the printers. Fifty thousand of the booklets will be printed, and these will be the main mailing piece of the division this season.

A picture of the old Prices Creek lighthouse is included among a page devoted to the Cape Fear region. Orton mansion will dominate another page on "patriots and plantations". The warm-water pool at Fort Caswell is pictured on a page called "Seashore Fun". A picture recently made at Bald Head Island will also be published. Few counties in the state will be so well represented as Brunswick.

"You can't keep Southport and Brunswick county cut of anything anymore", Bill Sharpe, news bureau manager, wrote to W. B. Keziah, secretary of the Civic Club. "Whenever we look in our files for a subject nowadays, we run right into Brunswick material, ready and begging for use. I do not know of another county of comparable size, and few of any size whatever, that has been so alert to take advantage of even the slightest opportunity our program seemed to present to it. That is precisely what we try to do in the nation—make North Carolina material so easy to use, so readily available that editors will get in the habit of turning to us."

Tide Table

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

TIDE TABLE	
Thursday, March 23	
9:03 a. m.	3:14 a. m.
9:16 p. m.	3:19 p. m.
Friday, March 24	
9:44 a. m.	3:51 a. m.
5:58 p. m.	3:52 p. m.
Saturday, March 25	
10:20 a. m.	4:30 a. m.
10:44 p. m.	4:30 p. m.
Sunday, March 26	
11:22 a. m.	5:16 a. m.
11:39 p. m.	5:16 p. m.
Monday, March 27	
	6:16 a. m.
12:22 p. m.	6:20 p. m.
Tuesday, March 28	
0:59 a. m.	7:28 a. m.
1:25 p. m.	7:30 p. m.
Wednesday, March 29	
1:46 a. m.	8:30 a. m.
2:35 p. m.	8:53 p. m.