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Lighter Illinoisian Aground On Point Of Battery Island For Week Before Being Freed Sunday Noon

Went Ashore During
Storm Last Mon-
day Afternoon And Ef-
forts To Free Her Were

DEPENDENT PILOT
HAD HER IN CHARGE

Chapman-Scott Tug
Here From New
City To Pull The
Ship Into Channel

American and Hiwian
lighter Illinoisian was float-
ed on Sunday after be-
ing on the point of Bat-
tery Island since the previous
afternoon.

Went ashore late in
afternoon during a thunder
storm but it is believed that
the flashes of lightning
were confusing to the
pilot who had her in

Illinoisian has a net ton-
nage of 120 tons. She was draw-
n 16 feet and 16 feet for-
ward when she struck, adding
difficulty of freeing her

fact that she went
on a full moon high tide,
gave the tugs working on
her a hard time.

Two tugs from Wilmington
tried to haul her off to no
avail was put in for a tug
the Merritt-Chapman-Scott
Co. in New York. The
lighter arrived Friday and
operation which finally re-
sulted in freeing the distressed

time before the Illin-
oisian was freed, another
tug was being to transfer
the lighter from the stranded ship
to the tug.

Two hundred long-
men were standing by for
everything was work-
ing Sunday morning for a
tug at high tide and the
lighter didn't even have to
be hauled to the Resolute.

The worse for her experi-
ence the Illinoisian sailed Sunday
after remaining here during
the inspection to de-
termine if she had been damaged.

little Bits
Of Big News

Events Of State,
National And World-Wide
Interest During Past
Week

Wm. C. Wyche, 19-year-old
student and son of Mr.
J. A. Wyche, of Hall-
sboro, was drowned yesterday af-
ternoon in Lake Waccamaw when
the boat from which he and
other young men were
drifted out of reach.

It was said that about three
miles from the shore, the
boat was overturned and the
four young men were
killed.

Forest, Aug. 7.—Dr.
D. Kitchin, president of
the Forest college, announced
that the college's medical
department would be transferred from
Forest to Winston-Salem,
N. C., and would be expanded from a
four-year institu-

entire resources of the
Gray fund, he said,
had been made available to
the Forest college, and will
be possible "this long-wished
for medical school."

Kitchin did not disclose the
amount of the fund, but said it
was adequate for building and
operating purposes. The fund
was established following the
death of several years ago of Bow-
doin Gray, Winston-Salem tobac-

Publicity Is
Given Orton

Charleston Radio Station
Carries Information
About The Beautiful Gar-
dens Of Orton Plantation

In its tri-weekly report over
WSOC at Charlotte, the Carolina
Motor Club broadcasted an in-
teresting item relative to Orton
Plantation, eight miles above
Southport. The broadcast was a
general one, covering the state.
The item relative to Orton was
as follows:

"If you are a flower garden
lover by all means take time to
run down to Southport. Southport
is located 32 miles south of Wil-
mington and is reached by U. S.
Route 17, and N. C. State Route
303. The Orton Plantation is near
Southport on the Cape Fear
River. The plantation was estab-
lished in 1725, by 'King' Roger
Moore. The mansion is said to be
one of the finest examples of
pure colonial architecture in
America, and the gardens, with
their flowers and moss-hung
trees, are famous throughout the
country."

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guilty to charges of drunken
driving and was given 6 months
on the roads, judgment being
suspended upon payment of a
fine of \$50.00, the costs and upon
the further condition that he sur-
render his driver's license for 12
months.

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found guilty of drunken driving
and was given 4 months on the
roads, this judgment being sus-
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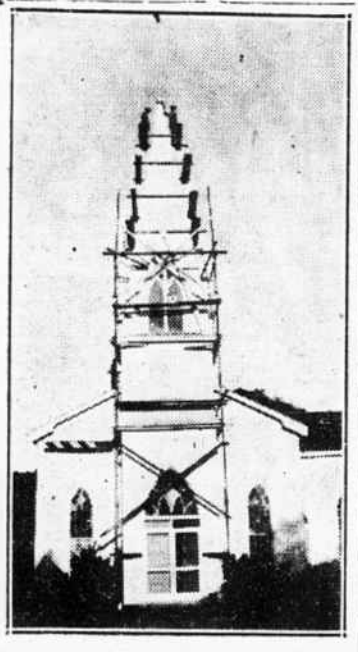
Repairing Damage Done To Steeple Of Baptist Church

Carpenters are busy this
week repairing the damage
suffered several weeks ago
to the steeple of the South-
port Baptist church.

In the accompanying pic-
ture workmen may be seen
as they literally start at the
top and work their way to
the bottom. Included among
other improvements is a set
of lightning rods, these, of
course being designed to pre-
vent a recurrence of the ac-
cident that twice within the
past four years has caused
several hundred dollars worth
of damage to the church
building.

It is reported that most
of the loss from the recent
damage was covered by in-
surance. This, however, does
not include wiring and light
fixtures which were a total
loss.

Work of repairing the



building is under the direc-
tion of Bryan Doshier.

Several Members Of Press Association Visit Here

Group Came Down Satur-
day Afternoon Aboard
Frank Sherrill's Yacht
And Spent Over An Hour
Sight-Seeing

GROUP VISITS AT
ORTON PLANTATION

Scheduled Visit Friday Af-
ternoon Was Postponed
Because Of Unfavor-
able Weather

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sherrill
on their yacht, Martinia, brought
a party comprised of members
of the North Carolina Press As-
sociation here Saturday afternoon
and although their stay here was
limited to about an hour, the vis-
itors all apparently had a very
interesting and delightful time.

The party was comprised of
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Horner, of
Sanford, (Mr. Horner had been
elected president of the North
Carolina Press Association only
a few hours earlier the same
day); Miss Beatrice Cobb, of
Morganton, (secretary and treas-
urer); Wm. C. Lassiter, Raleigh;
Editor John A. Park, Raleigh
Times; M. C. Dunnagan, Raleigh;
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Parker, Aho-
skie Herald, Ahoiskie; Mr. and
Mrs. Ed Anderson, Skyland Post,
West Jefferson; H. A. Cecil, High
Point Enterprise; Leonard Wood-
row Wilson, Chatham News, Sil-
er City. Meeting the boat with
Mr. and Mrs. Sherrill and their
guests when the Martinia docked
were Postmaster L. T. Yaskell,
Captain Bonner Bussell, and W.
B. Keziah. The visitors were tak-
en in cars to Orton Plantation, a
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Numerous Cases
Before Recorder

Drunken Drivers Take Up
Much Of The Attention
Of The Court At Regular
Weekly Session Monday

In Recorder's Court here Mon-
day Frank Brown, colored, plead-
ed guilty to charges of driving
while drunk. He was given six
months on the roads, this judg-
ment to be suspended upon pay-
ment of a fine of \$100.00 and
costs. His license will be revoked
for 12 months.

Ronnie Varnam, white, pleaded
guilty to charges of drunk driv-
ing and judgment was with held.
John Parris, white, pleaded
guilty to charges of drunk driv-
ing and was given 4 months on
the roads, this judgment being
suspended upon payment of a
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Shows Benefits For Brunswick In Form Of Aid

Social Security Act Has
Been Responsible For
Bringing \$65,000.00 To
Citizens Of County In
Three Years

STATISTICS ARE
FROM HEADQUARTERS

M. R. Dunnagan Furnished
Facts For Story At Meet-
ing Of North Carolina
Press Association

Brunswick county residents and
communities have been benefi-
ted to the extent of approximately
\$65,000.00 through operation of
the ten divisions of the Social
Security Act during the slightly
more than three years in which
some of the divisions have been
active, it was stated by M. R.
Dunnagan, informational service
representative of the State Un-
employment Compensation Com-
mission, while attending the an-
nual convention of the N. C. Press
Association at Wrightsville
Beach.

Normally unemployment com-
pensation to unemployed work-
ers is the largest of the ten
items and in many cases is as
large as the other nine combined,
but this is not true of Brun-
swick county, due to the small
number of industrial and com-
mercial firms which are sub-
ject to the Unemployment Com-
pensation Law, Mr. Dunnagan
said. Unemployment compensa-
tion accounts for only \$11,258.78,
or less than one-fifth, of the re-
ceipts in the county.

L. Yelton, State Director of
Public Assistance and Dr.
Roma S. Cheek, executive
secretary of the State Com-
mission for the Blind, and with
figures available in the Central
Unemployment Compensation of-
fice and from Washington, Mr.
Dunnagan said he was able to
get a fairly accurate picture of
the benefits and services ac-
cruing to Brunswick county through
operation of the Social Security
program.

In the division of Old Age As-
sistance, he said, \$20,554.00 has
been sent to aged needy citizens
in the two years of operation of
that part of the program, through
June 30. In addition, in July,
\$1,194.00 has been delivered to
171 aged needy persons, an av-
erage of \$6.98 each. This average
is below the State average of
\$9.59 for July, he said. In ad-
dition to dependent children, \$9,850.00
was sent to Brunswick to help
support dependent children in the
same two years. In July, \$521.00
was sent for support of 113 de-
pendent children, an average of
\$4.61 a month. This also is below
the State average for July.

In Aid to the Blind, \$3,070.00
has been sent to this county in
the same two years, while the
amount for June (figures for
July are not available yet) was
\$130.00, for 13 blind persons in
the county, an average of \$10.00
each for the month.

In another division, Old Age
Benefits, or Insurance, it is im-
possible to get the figures, but
by apportionment, it is likely
that 32 individuals have received
about \$620.00 in small lumpsum
payments in this division. This
has been paid to workers in
covered occupations on the basis
of their earnings since January
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LAWYER



Announcement was made Tues-
day that R. I. Mintz, above,
Brunswick county Register of
Deeds, passed the North Carolina
State Bar Examination which he
stood last week in Raleigh.

Health Report For July Given By County Nurse

Mrs. Lou H. Smith Makes
Report Of Her Activities
For Month Of July In
Health Department

VACCINATIONS TAKE
UP MUCH OF HER TIME

Following is the report of pub-
lic health work done in Brun-
swick county during the month of
July by Mrs. Lou H. Smith,
County nurse:

Fifty-seven homes visited to
advise mothers; 140 people came
to the office of advice, or to
take some vaccination; 5 confer-
ences with doctors of the county
or elsewhere; 9 conferences with
county officials; 5 trips to hos-
pital on official business; 1 case
of diphtheria quarantined; 4
Wassermanns taken; 28 malarial
smears taken; 32 specimens sent
to laboratory.

One trip to Whiteville for a
conference; 1 visitor from state;
25 persons took typhoid vaccine;
3 babies took toxoid to prevent
diphtheria; 25 cases of malaria
reported to this office; 20 cases
of syphilis reported; 1 case of T.
B. Reported; 1 case of diphtheria
reported; 1 case scarlet fever re-
ported; 850 miles driven during
month.

Weed Sales Good
At Lumberton

Market's Average Rising
Since Opening Day With
Sales Running To Capa-
city

BY J. C. FULTON,
Lumberton Sales Supervisor

LUMBERTON, Aug. 9.—Lum-
berton's tobacco market appar-
ently topped all Border Belt mar-
kets on the two-day average for
the opening last week. Monday's
sale of \$11,178 lbs. sold for an
average of \$19.68.

Lumberton's \$18.67 average for
Thursday and Friday was ahead
of anything else in the belt so
far as official records showed.
With brisk selling today push-
ing through to another fine ave-
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Couple Arrives Here On Schedule On Trip South

A couple of New Jersey
school teachers arrived at
Southport in an 18 foot row-
ing kayak Friday, traveling
right on their schedule for
the 1,500 mile trip from Bel-
ville, N. J., to Key West, Fla.

Neat, sun-browned and
healthy, they afforded a re-
markable illustration of the
beneficial effects of out door
life. They intended to resume
work with their double bladed
paddles early Saturday
morning but deferred to a fine
hospitality of Southport folks
scenery here and at Orton.

They spent the whole of that
day getting notes for a book
they plan to write, and pho-
tographic scenes. Many
yards of film were used in
the movie camera that was
a part of their equipment.

The journey here from Belville
has been without incident, ac-
cording to information. An in-
troduction to the travelers is best
given in an Associated Press
Dispatch which the Civic Club
secretary, W. B. Keziah clipped
on July 3rd and has been hold-
ing until they arrived here. His
dispatch was as follows:

"Two New Jersey school teach-
ers pushed an 18-foot kayak in-
to the water of the Passaic river
Sunday and shoved off for Key
West, Fla.—a 1,500-mile jaunt
via the inland waterway.

"Charles Fisher of Newark, in-
structor in Central Avenue
school, and Leon Kvadar of
Bayonne, a teacher in Hamilton
junior high school of Elizabeth,
had food, extra clothing, tent,
cooking utensils; radio, first aid
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Forest Warden Makes Report Before Board

County Forest Warden
Dawson Jones Shows
That A Big Improvement
Made In Efficiency Of
Forest Protection Pro-
gram

BIG REDUCTION
IN ACRES BURNED

County Warden Says That
Chief Credit For Im-
provement Should Go
To Citizens Of
County

County Forest Warden Dawson
Jones presented his annual report
to members of the Brunswick
county board of commissioners
here Monday and showed that fire
protection has been given 412,500
acres in this county during the
past fiscal year with a loss
through burning of only 11,185
acres.

This compares favorably with
last year's record, which showed
a loss through burning of 45,329
acres in 214 fires, an average loss
of 211.82 acres per fire. During
the fiscal year just closed there
were 136 fires resulting in an
average loss of \$2.24 acres per
fire.

Total cost for protection to this
county was \$2,000.00 appropri-
ated by the county and matched
by Federal funds. This does not
begin to represent the actual
good from fire control in Brun-
swick for, as Warden Jones points
(Continued on page 8)

Ten Candidates For Life Saving Course Pass Exam Given Friday By Mr. Mix

Student Life Saver Rescues Boy From Death

An unusual occurrence hap-
pened Friday afternoon at
Wrightsville Beach when one
of the Southport boys who
had gone down there for one
of the classes in the senior
life saving course rescued a
boy from drowning.

Perhaps the most authentic
report of the rescue is that
of Charles A. Mix, Red Cross
Life Saving examiner, who
was an eye witness:

"While at Wrightsville
Beach Friday I was able to
see the fruits of our labor
materialize. Claude McCall
was responsible for saving a
small boy from certain death
by drowning through a swim-
ming rescue. Assisting him
was John Simmons, who
went along to assist if need-
ed. It will be of interest to
your people to know that the
courses were worthwhile and
I am indeed grateful that I
was able to be the instructor
of these boys, and also was
able to observe the results of
our labor."

Six Seniors And Four Jun-
iors Are Successful In
The Life Saving Course
Conducted By Field Rep-
resentative

GOOD SHOWING FOR
BEGINNING HERE

Considerable Interest Was
Shown In Life Saving
Course And Work Next
Year Assured

Ten candidates for senior life
saving and four candidates for
junior life saving were certified
Friday by Charles A. Mix, field
representative for the American
National Red Cross, at the con-
clusion of a one week's course.

High score for the seniors was
90, this record being shared by
Claude McCall and Johnnie Sim-
mons. Each of the other four
successful candidates made a
score of 75. They were Edward
Taylor, Donnie S. George, Harry
Weeks and Leonhardt Davis.

Boys certified for junior life
saving certificates were Jack and
Joe Young Christian, John D.
O'Daniel and Bill Shannon.

In a personal letter to the local
life saving chairman Mr. Mix said
that he enjoyed his work with
the Southport boys. "I believe
that the group you now have
will be able to do much in pre-
venting water accidents. I sin-
cerely hope that those who failed
do not look at it in that light."

One of the chief reasons for
these failures, he adds, is the
fact that some of the candidates
were forced to miss one or more
classes.

This was particularly true on
Thursday and Friday afternoons
when the class was required to
report at Wrightsville Beach for
work. It was low tide in the
river each day during the class
period, and Mr. Mix pointed out
that he could not do justice to
the boys under the existing un-
favorable conditions. In carrying
the swimmers to Wrightsville,
only four boys besides the candi-
dates for senior life saving made
the trip. Each of them passed,
and it is interesting to note that
on the report which Mr. Mix
sent in he didn't show that a
single junior candidate had fail-
ed, only that they had been un-
able to complete the course.

Tobacco Prices Hover Close To 20-Cent Average

Vanderbilt Yacht
Here On Visit

The Alva, palatial Vander-
bilt yacht, arrived in the
Southport harbor Tuesday
night about 8:30 o'clock on
what was unofficially an-
nounced as a two or three
day visit here.

The graceful craft, which
is about the finest that ever
puts in here, usually stops
at Southport every year. She
carries a crew of 45 men
and officers and has a draft
of 19 feet. She was brought
in by a member of the Wil-
mington-Cape Fear Pilot As-
sociation.

Wednesday morning it was
reported that Mrs. Vander-
bilt, wife of the owner, is
aboard.

Total Of \$266,531.99 Paid
Out To Patrons Of The
Whiteville Tobacco Mar-
ket Thursday And Fri-
day

MORE POUNDAGE ON
MART THAN IN '38

Sales Held Up To The 18
Cent Average Which
Started The Market
Off On The Opening
Day

Whiteville's tobacco market
got off to a flying start during
the week-end, selling a total of
1,459,026 pounds of tobacco as
compared with 1,369,955 pounds
for the first two days of the 1938
selling season and the average
this year for the first two days
was \$18.26.

Money paid out for the first
days of selling, Thursday and
Friday amounted to a total of
\$266,531.99. Records are believed
to have been shattered for open-
ing sales on the Whiteville tobac-
co market.

Official figures for the market
show that Whiteville on Thurs-
day sold a total of 796,084
pounds of tobacco for a total
of \$145,803.87, which figured an
average of \$18.32 for the day.
Friday's poundage and average
both were only very slightly un-
der those of the preceding day,
when 662,942 pounds sold for
\$120,728.12 for an average of
\$18.21 per hundred.

Fairmont Market Strong
With All Grades Up
From 2c To 4c Pound
Since Opening

FAIRMONT, AUG. 9.—Fair-
mont's tobacco market continues
to grow stronger in price average
every day as proven by the of-
ficial records of the market, ac-
cording to C. B. Stafford, mar-
ket sales supervisor. Monday's
offerings was one of the season's
largest sales and the best from
the standpoint of average. Mon-
day's sale was 881,170 pounds
which sold for an average of
\$19.78. Tuesday's sales was light-
er with only 439,984 pounds sold,
which brought an average of
\$19.50.

Growers selling at Fairmont
seemed pleased with prices paid
for their tobacco and it was
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Hunting Permits To Go On Sale

Marsh Hen Season Will
Open The First Of Next
Month, And Licenses Will
Be On Sale In Plenty Of
Time

County Game Warden Eustas
Russ was in Southport Monday
and reported that county and
state hunting licenses for 1939
will go on sale at the usual
places the last of this week.

This will be in plenty of time
to permit sportsmen to procure
their licenses before September 1,
which is the date for the open-
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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.

TIDE TABLE	
Thursday, August 10	
2:35 a. m.	8:58 a. m.
3:09 p. m.	9:57 p. m.
Friday, August 11	
3:48 a. m.	9:56 a. m.
4:15 p. m.	10:53 p. m.
Saturday, August 12	
4:54 a. m.	10:54 a. m.
5:16 p. m.	11:49 p. m.
Sunday, August 13	
5:51 a. m.	11:52 a. m.
6:10 p. m.	
Monday, August 14	
6:43 a. m.	0:41 a. m.
7:00 p. m.	12:49 p. m.
Tuesday, August 15	
7:32 a. m.	1:33 a. m.
7:48 p. m.	1:44 p. m.
Wednesday, August 16	
8:20 a. m.	2:22 a. m.
8:37 p. m.	2:26 p. m.