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Business Of Judge Forces Postponement Of Court Until The Special Term

Received Here Monday Morning From Judge J. Paul Frizzelle Advising Of His Illness And Directing That Court Be Postponed

The January term of Brunswick County Superior Court adjourned sine die Monday morning following the receipt of a telegram from Judge J. Paul Frizzelle of Hill, to S. T. Bennett, clerk of court, informing the clerk of his inability to attend court because of illness.

Telegram read: "I am ill and not able to hold court. Please open and adjourn court until the next special term. The judge's or assistant clerk M. B. Watson, directed the court to open court, read the minutes, then asked the sheriff to open the session sine die. Action came as an anti-trust case, which has caused the tense interest that has ever been the \$50,000 suit being brought by the estate of Edward Dial against Philip Allen and the Southport.

It is learned from far and near that the case is being moved for trial, and a week of litigation was in prospect. Lawyers and witnesses from Rhode Island and at least one other foreign lawyer from Lumberton, N. C., Wilmington and Burlington.

It was learned from morning that a special session would be requested, probably in March.

W. B. Keziah Secretary Of New Chamber Commerce

To Serve As Executive Secretary Of Organization Set Up For Purpose Of Promoting Interests Of Entire County

L. T. YASKELL IS HEAD OF GROUP

Nine Members Of Board Of Directors Met Friday Night To Adopt Constitution And By-Laws

At a meeting of the board of directors for the Brunswick County Chamber of Commerce held here Friday night, W. B. Keziah was elected executive secretary.

Directors present at the meeting included L. T. Yaskell, W. M. Stanaland, R. I. Mintz, Allen C. Ewing, H. C. Bragaw, Charles Matthews, W. B. Keziah and James M. Harper, Jr.

Yaskell was named president of the group, Judge Stanaland was elected vice-president and Harper was made treasurer of the organization. These three will comprise the executive committee. Matthews was named secretary to the board.

Most of the time Friday was devoted to the business of adopting a constitution and by-laws, and one of the resolutions passed by the group was to seek a charter of incorporation. The matter of formulating a definite program was left open until the next meeting of the board, which is scheduled for Monday night, January 15. Soon after this meeting there will be another convocation of the entire membership.

Members of the executive committee were urged by President Yaskell to spread the word about the chamber of commerce. "If we are to fulfill our proper function (Continued on page 4)

Training Ship For Young Mariners Visits Southport

The White Cloud, Captain L. F. Bosshardt, and a crew of his Junior Marines, left Southport Sunday for a continuance of their long voyage from New York to Redwood City, California, 18 miles below San Francisco, on the beautiful Frisco Bay.

The White Cloud, a beautiful two masted racing schooner, with much reputation and prestige as a racer, has been purchased by Dr. Will Rebec of Belmont, Cal. The underlying purpose of the purchase is to use her as a training ship for a school of underprivileged boys. The captain, a master mariner, has spent 30 years of his life at sea. He is the founder of the widely known Bosshardt Training school for underprivileged boys of the ages between 16 and 20. These boys are given a six months training in seamanship at no cost to themselves. At the end of that time jobs are obtained for them with steamship companies.

It is through the Redwood City Exchange Club and Dr. Rebec's help that Captain and

Basketball Play Begins Tomorrow In County League

Southport Plays Host To Shallotte Teams In First Official Games Of Season, Though Boys Divided 2 Pre-Season Games

GAMES ON MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS

Indications Are That Leland And Bolivia Teams Will Be The Class Of The County

Pre-tournament games among Brunswick county basketball teams get underway tomorrow night with Southport playing host to Shallotte and Leland cagers entertaining Waccamaw.

Southport and Shallotte have met twice before this season in practice games. The boys' teams have split even in their two contests, but the Shallotte girls have completely outclassed the Southport lassies.

Despite the fact that the Bolivia boys got their ears pinned back last night by the high-flying Wampee outfit they appear to be about the strongest team in the county. The right to that claim likely will be hotly contested by the Leland lads, who won (Continued on page four)

Russ Passes



Funeral Today For J. H. Russ

Prominent Southport Citizen Died At Doshier Memorial Hospital Tuesday Morning And News Of His Death Comes As A Shock

J. H. Russ, prominent Southport citizen, died in Doshier Memorial hospital Tuesday morning. He had been a patient there for several weeks, but news of his death came as a shock to the community.

The deceased was 66 years of age and well-known throughout the county and had many family connections. He had served as jailor and deputy sheriff for a number of years and was known as a good and faithful public servant.

Mr. Russ was a former member of the board of aldermen and was former city clerk.

He is survived by his wife and six children: Mrs. Charles H. Swann, Southport, Mrs. Elwood T. Greene, Wadesboro, and Miss Annie Russ, Shallotte; S. V. Russ, W. A. Russ and J. E. Russ, all of Southport. Four brothers, Johnnie and Charlie Russ of Shallotte, George Russ of Wakulla, Fla., and Addie Russ of Hurtsboro, Ala., also survive.

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from Trinity Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. R. S. Harrison, and the body was laid to rest in Northwood cemetery.

Try Several On License Charge

Policy of Allowing Defendants Escape Without Penalty Followed By Judge Stanaland Here Thursday

Several persons who ordinarily are strangers in the court appeared before Judge Walter M. Stanaland Thursday as defendants in cases growing out of failure to provide proper license plates for their automobiles before January 1.

A. L. Willetts, white, was one of these and he also faced charges of having no operator's license. Judgment was continued until January 15.

F. W. Spencer white, was another and he was taxed with costs, which were remitted. Identical judgment was passed in the case of F. W. Spencer, white.

William Henry Smoak, white, was taxed with the costs when he submitted to similar charges. William Bass, white, pleaded guilty to charges of violating the speed law. He was fined \$25.00 and costs. Notice of appeal was given.

Ottis Moore, white, was found not guilty of reckless operation. J. H. McCullen, white, was found guilty on charges of interfering with officer. Sentence of 4 months on the roads was suspended upon payment of a fine of \$25.00 and costs. Notice of appeal was given.

George W. Brooks, white, was found guilty of assault and with interfering with an officer. Judgment was with held until January 15.

Wesley Sellers, white, pleaded guilty to charges of larceny. Sentence of 6 months on the roads was suspended upon payment of a fine of \$25.00 and costs.

Mack Sellers and Joe Hill, white, were found not guilty of larceny.

Lindsey Evans, white, pleaded guilty to charges of being drunk on the highway. Sentence of 30 days on the roads was suspended upon payment of a fine of \$25.00 and costs, upon the further condition that the defendant remain of good behavior. Notice of appeal was given.

Clay Smith, white, was found (Continued on page four)

Finns Continue Winning Ways In War On Russia

Worst January In Years Proves Unexpected Ally Of Valiant Finns In Defense Of Their Homeland

TEMPERATURES DROP TO FAR BELOW ZERO

Soviet Troops Now Reported Digging In Before The Mannerheim Line For Winter Seige

HELSINKI.—The bitterest January weather in years, with temperatures ranging from 15 to 40 degrees below zero, stalled Russian offensives on all fronts today as the Finnish high command announced that a Soviet ski detachment had been routed at Salla and more than 300 of the invaders killed.

Military experts believed that the severe cold, coupled with Finland's dogged resistance, had compelled the Russian commanders to revamp their entire plan for the winter campaign.

DIGGING IN

On the Karelian isthmus, where the Red army has repeatedly failed to break through the Mannerheim line, the Russians were reported to be digging in and stringing barbed wire in front of their positions.

This was taken by some observers as an indication that the Russians intended to stand on their present line, but others believed that lack of success in the far north might compel them to attempt some sort of offensive on the isthmus or north of Lake Ladoga.

The weather has proved an unexpected ally to the Finns, who ordinarily look for the coldest temperatures in February and March. In Helsinki, in southern Finland, it was 15 below.

Ice, forming in the Gulf of Finland, has severely crippled the Red fleet.

The Soviet air force continues to operate despite the cold, but not on the earlier scale, when 350 planes were reported over Finland in one day.

Increased resistance of Finnish fighting planes and anti-aircraft batteries had added to the hazards facing the Soviet air force. In two days the Finns have reported shooting down 20 Soviet planes—12 of them on Saturday.

FINN BOMBERS BUSY

A Finnish communique reported significantly that Finnish aircraft had carried out "bombing flights", but the targets were not mentioned.

Column Is Given All Trimmings

Charlie Farrell Of Greensboro Saves "Just Among The Fishermen" Column And Has Made Scrapbook Of Material

Charlie Farrell, of Greensboro, is very much devoted to the North Carolina coast at Southport. He and his family have many friends here, and Charlie, like Frank L. Johnson, of Statesville, thinks that next to his home town there is no place like Southport and Brunswick county.

A constant and avid reader of this newspaper, Charlie and Mrs. Farrell started themselves a scrap book a couple of years ago and it has grown into huge proportions. "The Just Among The Fishermen" in The State Port Pilot has provided more material for the book than any other source.

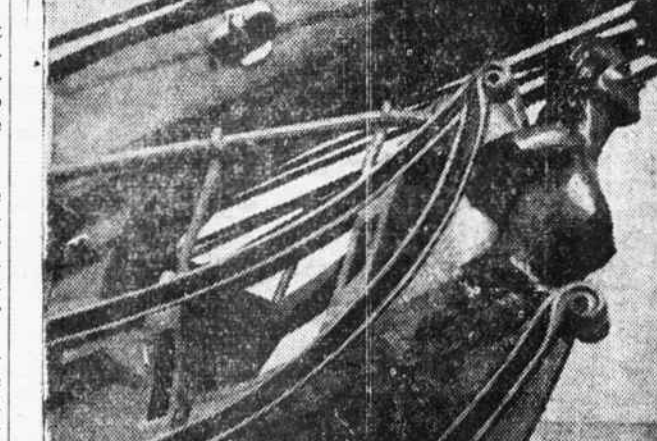
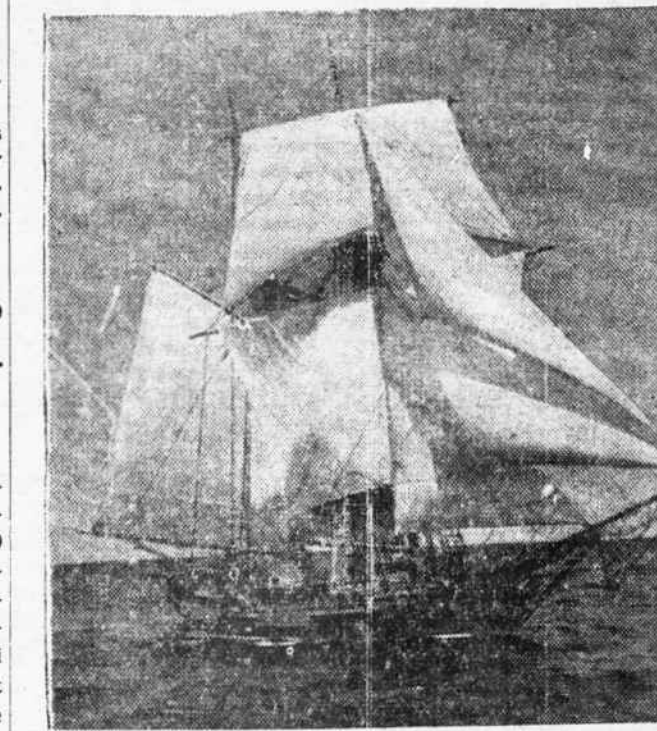
In fact, Charlie has carefully designed a real art cover and title for the book, the title being beautifully lettered in script. Last week he made some beautiful photographs of the cover and an assortment of the photographs were mailed to W. B. Keziah. The photographs show that the only wording on the cover of the book is taken from The State Port Pilot. It reads: "Just Among The Fishermen."

P. T. A. Meeting Tomorrow Night

The January meeting of the Southport Parent-Teacher Association will be held in the school auditorium at 7 o'clock Thursday evening. The program will begin at this early hour in order not to conflict with the basketball game between Southport and Shallotte.

The theme will be "Mental Hygiene" and most of the program will be in charge of the students. Musical selections will be furnished by the glee club.

Clipper Ship Visits Here



Sailing Schooner Causes Much Interest On Visit

The Swift, Of Ipswich, Mass., Is A Replica Of Old-Time Sailing Vessels And Is Both Unusual And Inspiring Scene

BOAT HAS RECEIVED WIDE ATTENTION

Considerable Space Devoted To This Craft When She Was Launched; Has All The Colorful Trimmings

Southport had an interesting and unusual visitor, in fact, two of them, last week. They were the yachts Swift and Santa Cruz, both of Ipswich, Mass. The Swift is a replica of the old Baltimore Clipper schooners and the Santa Cruz combines all of the essential features of the old Cape Charles Pilot boats.

Captain William A. Robinson, owner of the Ipswich Boat Works Inc., builders of the vessels, was in command of the Swift. He was accompanied by Mrs. Robinson. As his bride, she accompanied him in a circumnavigation of the world in a little 32-footer in 1929-31. This voyage is familiar to yachtsmen, as the boat, the Svayp, was the smallest to ever make such a voyage. Captain Robinson's famous book, "10,000 Leagues Over The Sea," gave a wonderful description of this voyage.

In charge of the Vera Cruz was Captain George Wilkinson, a veteran Gloucesterman. This boat was 51-feet in length and was of the Ketch type. The Swift was a 72-footer and was a two-masted topsail rigged schooner.

The news columns of the Yachting magazine of July, 1939, devoted two pages to the Swift. The following paragraph comprised the lead to the story: "One morning early in June there sailed out of Gloucester (Continued on page 4)

ANNOUNCE BIRTH

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson of Bolivia announce the birth of a son, William Franklin, on Thursday, January 4.

Requested That Battleship North Carolina Visit Here

Although there is some doubt as to whether her death will permit her to make any port in North Carolina, W. B. Keziah, Executive Secretary of the Brunswick County Chamber of Commerce, has written Congressman J. Bayard Clark and asked that he extend an invitation to the War Department to send the battleship North Carolina to Southport on a three days visit of state this fall.

A like request has gone forward to Governor Hoyer's office, asking that the Governor make the invitation official with his personal request for the visit.

The Southport Civic Club, whose functions were taken over by the Chamber of Com-

Agents Attend Annual Meeting At State College

County Agent J. E. Dodson And Home Demonstration Agent, Mrs. Marion S. Doshier, Are Attending Agents' Conference

SPECIALISTS TALK OF FARM FUTURE

Editor Clarence Poe Discussed Ten-Year Plan That Has Been Proposed For Farmer Of The South

N. C. State College Extension Service workers yesterday pledged active support to a program for balanced prosperity in the South during the next decade, but warned against too rapid a change from so-called "cash-cropping" to livestock farming.

The 300 farm and home agents, meeting in their annual conference at State College, warned that such a change, if made too fast, would create a social problem in that scores of tenants would be dismissed from cotton and tobacco farms.

The meeting is being attended by County Agent J. E. Dodson, and by Mrs. Marion S. Doshier, Brunswick County Home Demonstration Agent.

The "balanced prosperity" program, adopted by the Southern Governors' Conference, was explained by Dr. Clarence Poe, Raleigh farm editor, who asserted it would succeed "because of necessity and unity."

The program, he said, will be directed toward better balance between cotton and tobacco on one hand, and on the other, dairying, poultry raising, and livestock production; more income from forestry; a better supply of North Carolina's own markets; and improvement in the quality of farm products and in their standardization and grading.

Dr. Louis Bean, U. S. Department of Agriculture economist, predicted an upturn in business this Spring or early Summer, with "resultant stimulation of farm income."

He offered no immediate hope of closing the gap between farm prices and industrial prices, except by one or both of two ways—continuation of government payments to farmers, and stimulation of greater use of farm products by low income groups.

John W. Goodman, assistant extension director, presented charts showing that on the basis of AAA allotted acreage, flue-cured tobacco would have to sell for an average of 25 cents a pound this year for growers to get the approximately \$117,000,000 they received last year.

The agents were advised by Dr. I. O. Schaub, extension director, to impress upon rural population the necessity of "growing something to eat" as a counterbalance for an "inevitable decline" in tobacco income this year.

Col. J. W. Harrelson, State College administrative dean, welcomed the workers.

J. B. Hutson, assistant AAA administrator (Continued on page four)

Notice

Due to circumstances beyond our control several articles intended for publication today are being omitted. A package of news copy mailed to our printing plant in Whiteville failed to arrive before time to go to press, necessitating several important omissions.—Editor.

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, December 21	
8:05 a. m.	9:46 a. m.
8:31 p. m.	9:48 p. m.
Friday, December 22	
4:05 a. m.	10:37 a. m.
4:31 p. m.	10:36 p. m.
Saturday, December 23	
4:59 a. m.	11:27 a. m.
5:25 p. m.	11:25 p. m.
Sunday, December 24	
5:47 a. m.	
6:17 p. m.	12:17 p. m.
Monday, December 25	
6:32 a. m.	0:14 a. m.
7:00 p. m.	1:07 p. m.
Tuesday, December 26	
7:16 a. m.	1:04 a. m.
7:46 p. m.	1:55 p. m.
Wednesday, December 27	
8:01 a. m.	1:55 a. m.
8:32 p. m.	2:42 p. m.