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TOBACCO AVERAGES 20 CENTS ON OPENING

Farmers Pleased With Prices Being Paid On Markets At Opening

Opening Day's Average At Whiteville Was \$19.67 For 755,940 Pounds; Good Prices Being Paid For Good Tobacco

FOREIGN BUYERS ARE ON MARKET

Characteristic Of This Year's Crop Is Its Light Weight; Demand Is Strong On All Types

The 1940 tobacco marketing season was ushered in Tuesday when the Whiteville market sold a total of 755,940-pounds of tobacco for an average of \$19.69.

An atmosphere of general satisfaction was in evidence everywhere as farmers gathered to discuss results of their first day's sales and it was obvious even during the day that prices would average from 2-cents to 3-cents a pound over last year's opening.

On Wednesday the prices were some from the opening, and S. Smith, Whiteville sales agent, predicted that the average would go above 20-cents.

Greatest improvement in the market was noted in the better grades with several piles bringing up to \$35.00 to \$37.00 per hundred.

For the most part, however, the first two days were marked by the offerings of inferior grades. Little quality tobacco being offered, but good prices were in evidence as the demand was strong.

One fact was obvious when the poundage was added up yesterday night: That was that the year's crop is unusually light-weight. Although warehouse floors were covered with baskets that were piled high, the total number of pounds fell short of the million mark, a figure that is easily accessible for local sales facilities where need of normal weight is being offered.

One thing that indicates that the enthusiasm is justified is the fact that both the Imperial Tobacco Co. and the British-American tobacco Co. have buyers in Whiteville. Another encouraging fact is that a new independent company is being re-opened in Whiteville for the first time this season. This is the Southern Tobacco Co. of Wilson, whose buyers have contributed to the spirited bidding that has characterized opening sales on the Whiteville market.

Highway Maps To Mark River Road

Longer Will There Be Any Quarrel With Highway Officials Over Failure To Show Highway All Way

New State Highway illustrated maps made for distribution to motorists and to inquirers who write the State Department of Conservation and Development regarding North Carolina, will be part of this week. W. W. Hampton, senior office engineer of the highway commission, has written W. B. Keziah, of the Brunswick County Chamber of Commerce, the pleasing news that the road from the Brunswick river bridge to Southport, thru the plantation, is shown for the entire length instead of just from the bridge to Orton.

The first edition of these touring maps, issued four years ago, described Orton as being in New Brunswick county. Following editions gave proper location in Brunswick county but showed no way of reaching the Brunswick beauty spot except by going through Wilmington, or along through there. This was an error because of the fact that the interests of tourists in Southern States in the spring were given

Archaeologists Coming To Open Indian Mounds

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Therefore Mr. Davis plans to bring on a real archaeologist to supervise digging when and where there is digging to do. The mound was discovered recently by Dr. B. W. Wells of State College. Its dimensions are some 25 feet long by 20 feet broad and it is from 3 to 4 feet high. The composition is oyster and clam shells and the mound is said to be precisely like one discovered at Carolina Beach a few years ago. That mound revealed a number of articles, highly valuable to science.

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The museum has a truck and will come on short notice to get unusual specimens. With this arrangement, the Chamber of Commerce secretary asks that fishermen taking unusual large or rare fish or any sort save them and bring them in, instead of throwing them overboard. If they are worthy of being placed in the museum they will be stored in the ice house until Mr. Davis can arrive and either make a plaster cast or carry them back to Raleigh.

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Negroes Held Pending Coroner's Inquest

Teacher Lists For All Schools Almost Complete

Arrangements For Opening Of School For Fall Term Are Being Made; Opening Date Three Weeks Away

FEW VACANCIES STILL EXIST

Only One New Principal For Brunswick This Year; Local Faculty Almost Completed

With the opening date for Brunswick county schools now just three weeks away, final arrangements are being made for the coming school year. With few exceptions the faculty personnel for each school is completed.

At Southport W. R. Lingle returns as principal. Already named to his teaching staff are Miss Doris Butler of Clinton and Miss Pattie Perry of Tynor, new additions to the faculty. Old teachers returning are Miss Bertha Colvin, Miss Marjorie Welborn, Mrs. W. R. Lingle, Mrs. H. W. Hood, Mrs. Robert Willis, Miss Louise Asbury and Miss Thelma Comer.

At Shallotte school the principal is Henry C. Stone. His faculty will be high school: Miss Madge Myers, Marion Gatlin, E. Norman Platt, Mrs. Edna Wilson Russ, Miss Ida F. Creech, Miss Corrinne Iola Greene, Miss Mary Elizabeth Stanton.

7th grade: Mrs. Mae Horne, and Miss Aileen Williams; 6th (Continued on page 4)

Agriculture Boys Of Bolivia At Mountain Camp

Were At Tom Brown Camp At Bernardsville Last Week With Their Teachers When The Mountain Flood Came

THRILLING TIME FOR WHOLE PARTY

Weather Did Not Prevent Trip To Mountains Being An Experience Long To Be Remembered

The Bolivia Agriculture boys spent last week at Tom Brown Camp. This camp is owned by the agriculture boys of North Carolina and is located in a broad valley at the foot of the Craggy range. Although the camp is more than 3,000 feet above sea level, entirely surrounded by mountain ranges, it lies in a wide valley, and the 18 acres in the camp site proper are almost level.

Such a location adopts itself to any kind of outdoor sports. The outdoor sports program include baseball, softball, tennis, volleyball, badminton, swimming, and horse shoes. The large recreation hall is equipped for shuffle board, table tennis, archery, shows, and various other entertainment.

R. K. (Bob) Evans, head coach and professor of physical education at Georgetown college, is director of recreation. His wide training and experience in physical education admirably fits him to head such a camp recreation (Continued on page 4)

Beach Fishing Soon Will Be Going On In County

Shore Fisheries Are Annual Source Of Revenue For Many Brunswick County Citizens

Flowers In Park Need Fresh Dirt

Preceding the rains while many of the ponds in the county were dried up, many tons of the rich black bottoms were dug up and used on the flower beds at Orton. Such earth is still obtainable and parties who know flowers say that it is badly needed by those in Franklin Square.

It has been suggested that citizens owning trucks would be doing a valuable public service if they would permit their being used for bringing in a few loads of such earth at times when the trucks are not otherwise engaged.

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GETTING IT IN THE BARN



WINDING UP—Scenes like the one above soon will be over for this year, for only the late tobacco still remains to be harvested. A more familiar sight these days may be found in the tobacco warehouses of the Border Belt markets where the familiar chant of the tobacco auctioneer calls off the dollars.

Short Session Of County Court

Only Few Matters of Minor Importance Tried In Court; Juvenile Judge Tries Two Cases

Monday's session of Brunswick county Recorder's court was cut short, all cases being completed by noon. Two actions brought before Judge Walter M. Stanaland were remanded to the Juvenile Judge.

Roscoe Rogers, Jr., white was one of these. He was charged with driving an automobile with no operators license. He was released into the custody of his father and was taxed with costs.

James Fales and Earl Cornie, white, were before Juvenile Judge Sam T. Bennett for larceny. They were found guilty and were taxed with costs. They were released into custody of relatives and placed on probation for one year, monthly reports of their conduct to be made to Judge Bennett.

In Recorder's court Glenn Piggett, white, was found not guilty of false pretense. Davis Brown, white, was found guilty of speeding and was taxed with costs, one-half of which was remitted.

Ray Spencer, white, was found guilty of permitting a minor to operate a motor vehicle. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

The case against M. R. Saunders, white, for aiding and abetting in driving without operator's license was not prosessed.

Special Courses Will Be Offered

Principal Henry C. Stone Gives Information Regarding Commercial Classes And Music

Miss Virginia Fritts will continue to give private piano lessons by arrangement at Shallotte this year, according to principal Henry C. Stone.

Miss Ruth Ellen will give private voice lessons to those students interested in voice, also by arrangement.

The fee for the commercial course this year will be \$10.00 for all regular students, and \$20 for all outside students. All students taking this course must pay the fee within one week after they register, says Mr. Stone. Those who are not able to pay during this term will have to register for another course.

Duck Hunters Will Have Longer Season This Year

Season Will Begin On November 2nd, And Will Extend Through December 31st, Inclusive

WOODCOCK DATE IS SHORTENED

Shooting May Begin At Sunrise This Year, Not At 7 A. M., As Was Law Last Season

Hunters of migratory waterfowl will have 60 days of hunting this fall instead of 45 as last year and can begin shooting at sunrise instead of having to wait until 7 a. m.

The hunting season for this zone will be from Nov. 2 to Dec. 31, inclusive. Secretary Ickes issued the new regulations last week governing the hunting of ducks, geese, coots and jacksnipe but provided a shorter season on woodcocks and reduced the bag limits on geese, mourning doves and whitewing doves.

The secretary said that an increase for five consecutive years in the duck population made it possible to liberalize the hunting rules but added that "we cannot yet be sure that the day of stringent regulations is past."

"Our policy," Ickes said, "is to keep the annual kill below the annual population." (Continued on page 4)

One Time When Finest Melons Went Abegging

More watermelons than a dozen boys could eat. It sounds like a fable, yet truth was stranger than fiction Sunday afternoon when Wallace Moore, Jr., invited members of his Sunday school class out to his home for a watermelon cutting.

More than one hundred of his father's finest melons had been saved for the occasion, and Mr. Moore who wanted to save the seed, warned the boys in the beginning that anybody who felt that he couldn't handle at least three melons had better not start. There was no backing down. Enthusiasm still ran high as one after the other of the rich, red halves rolled over, face up. For convenience, they were quartered, and the feast was on.

Now it is doubtful that finer melons than these have ever been grown in Brunswick county. It's doubtful, too, that more

willing or ambitious appetites have ever attended the opening stages of a watermelon feast. But soon there was a noticeable slackening off in the bantering that had been going on, and then there was an uneasy question or two designed to determine if that minimum limit of three really would be enforced. Those quarters were doing a lot of filling up.

And that's about the end of that session of the Wallace Moore watermelon party, for the boys soon found that their eyes were bigger than their bellies. Later in the afternoon members of the Men's Bible Class of which Mr. Moore is a member, came out and took over where the boys left off. One and all, they were unanimous in their verdict that this year's watermelon crop on the Moore farm is a big success.

Chas. W. Easley Passes Tuesday In The Hospital

Funeral Services Held This Afternoon At 3 O'clock From St. Phillips Episcopal Church By Pastor

HAD BEEN ILL SINCE SUFFERING ASSAULT

Three Negroes Who Had Been Released On Bond In Connection With Case Were Back In Jail Tuesday

Charles W. Easley, prominent Southport citizen and law enforcement officer, died early Tuesday morning at Doshier Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient for several days.

The deceased had not been in good health since he was seriously injured several weeks ago when he and Chief of Police Melvin Lewis were assaulted by several negro men while attempting to arrest one of their assailants.

Following his death, an autopsy was conducted by Dr. L. C. Ferguson. His findings were not disclosed. A coroner's inquest has been ordered for Friday night at 8 o'clock in the courthouse, and the following jury has been empaneled by Coroner John G. Caison: Price Furpless, Joel L. Moore, A. E. Furr, W. E. Bell, C. L. Sellers, and M. L. Piggott.

Three of the men being held for trial in Superior court for the assault upon the officers were at liberty on bail, but when Mr. Easley's condition took a turn for the worse Monday night they were rounded up and brought back to jail. No action was taken against James Joyner and Douglas Swain, who were among the original group arrested in this case and for whom a nol pross with leave was taken by the state at a Recorder's court hearing.

Mr. Easley is survived by his wife and one daughter, Miss Martha Easley. A step-son, W. L. Stryon, and one step-daughter, Mrs. Fred Ashburn, also survive as do two sisters, Mrs. James Cagle of Raleigh, and Mrs. Walter Transue of Elkin.

Funeral services were conducted here this afternoon at 3 o'clock from St. Phillips Episcopal church by the rector, Rev. J. Leon Malone. Interment was made in Southport cemetery.

Pallbearers were members of the local J. U. O. A. M. of which the deceased was a loyal member.

ACCEPTS JOB

Bruce Ludlum of Southport has accepted a position as salesman for Waccamaw Motor Co., in Whiteville.

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, August 22	
10:10 a. m.	4:08 a. m.
10:26 p. m.	4:32 p. m.
Friday, August 23	
10:50 a. m.	4:39 a. m.
11:07 p. m.	5:09 p. m.
Saturday, August 24	
11:32 a. m.	5:12 a. m.
11:52 p. m.	5:54 p. m.
Sunday, August 25	
12:19 p. m.	6:57 p. m.
Monday, August 26	
0:44 a. m.	6:53 a. m.
1:12 p. m.	8:08 p. m.
Tuesday, August 27	
1:44 a. m.	8:06 a. m.
2:12 p. m.	9:12 p. m.
Wednesday, August 28	
2:53 a. m.	
3:18 p. m.	