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Order To Lease W.B. & S. With Option To Buy Signed By Judge Parker Tuesday

Lessee Has Privilege Of
Purchasing Property For
100,000.00 At Any Time
During Life Of Contract

COURT ADJOURNS
AFTER TWO DAYS

Several Actions of Little In-
terest Other Than To
Parties Involved Are
Settled During
Two Days

Judge R. Hunt Parker yester-
day signed a court order grant-
ing M. J. Corbett, receiver for
the W. B. & S. railroad, the
right to grant a conditional lease
of that property to P. O. Mead,
N. Mauney and E. F. Middle-
ton, trading as the Southport
Coastal and Transportation Co.
The order provides that the man-
agement and operation of the rail-
road is to remain in the hands of
the receiver and his employees
and that the chief duty of the
receiver shall be that of "stimulat-
ing traffic." The receiver is guar-
anteed through terms of the con-
tract against operation at a loss
for the time this contract is in
effect. It is provided that the
receiver shall immediately issue
certificates in certificates which
will be handled by the lessee; and
that if the contract still is in
effect within the six months of this
contract, certificates in a like amount
shall be issued by the receiver
and purchased by them.

In the option clause the lessee
is given the right to purchase
the buildings of the railroad at
any time while the contract is in
effect for \$100,000.00.

In preparing a statement of
the condition of the railroad,
the receiver listed as
assets, including
equipment, buildings, real
estate, etc., were listed at \$98-
000.00.

This was the last bit of busi-
ness transacted before Judge
Parker, who dismissed the jurors
at the conclusion of the day and
adjourned the court for the term.

During the week several divorce
cases were disposed of before
Judge Parker. Included were Hewitt vs.
Hewitt; Wilson vs. Wilson; Cow-
ley vs. Cowley; and Smith vs.
Smith, all upon the grounds of
separation.

In another divorce action, Rob-
bins vs. Robbins, the defendant
was charged with adultery and
the jury found him not guilty.
The verdict was set aside and
the case was continued.

Consent judgments were reach-
ed in four cases brought by L.
McRoy against Corinna J.
McRoy, et als, for three of his
children. After first having
the children examined by a phy-
sician to determine if there was
any apparent sign of in-
fidelity, Judge Parker consented to
judgments, which awarded
damages totaling \$850.00 to the
plaintiffs. The defendant agreed
to pay costs in the cases. An or-
der also was signed directing one-
third of the total amount to be paid
to Mrs. S. B. Frink as his fee.

A compromise agreement was
reached in the action of J.
Newton vs. W. S. Mitchell and
Viola Mitchell.

In the case of Fergus vs. Fer-
gus, a judgment for \$2,500.00 with
interest from January 2, 1936,
was awarded the plaintiff. Costs
in the case were taxed against
the defendant.

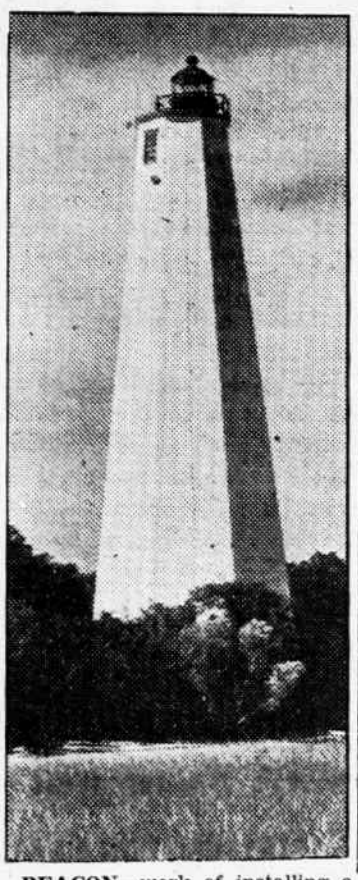
Action of C. P. Willits vs.
Galloway et als was non-suited.
Following a compromise agree-
ment, the action of E. H. Smith
vs. J. B. Ward, et als, was non-
sued, the plaintiff to pay costs.

Opens Office To
Practice Law

Butler Thompson of South-
port has opened an office for the
general practice of law with of-
fices in the Smith building over
the Leggett drug store.

Mr. Thompson, who was form-
erly of the law firm of Varner,
Lawrence & McIntyre of Lum-
ber, has for the past five or
six years been with the Federal
Commission in Washington,
D. C.

RADIO BEACON



BEACON—work of installing a
radio beacon at the mouth of
the Cape Fear river at Bald
Head light is now under way by
the U. S. Coast Guard, it was
reported here last night.

The beacon, which has been
sought for some time by the
Southport chamber of commerce
and the Cape Fear Pilots associa-
tion, is expected to be of great
help to navigation interests at
Southport.

Annual Membership Meet For REA Organization

Will Be Held At Wacca-
maw High School Audi-
torium On Saturday, Jan-
uary 18th; All-Day Meet-
ing

INTERESTING PROGRAM
HAS BEEN ARRANGED

Invitations And Folders Be-
ing Mailed To All Mem-
bers And A Full Atten-
dance Is Being
Urged

The annual membership meet-
ing of the Brunswick Electric
Membership Corporation will be
held at Waccamaw high school
on Saturday, January 18.

E. D. Bishop, superintendent,
said yesterday that an elaborate
program of entertainment has
been worked out for this occa-
sion and that a large percentage
of the more than 900 members
are expected to be present and
to participate.

In addition to the business
meeting there will be popular en-
tertainment features, a free bar-
becue lunch, free prizes for mem-
bers, an electrical appliance dem-
onstration and a basketball game.

Members are urged to attend
and to bring their wives and
other members of their family.

Chamber Of Commerce Funds Being Donated

Although the distribution of
the Chamber of Commerce fold-
ers is still in the early stages
and only a small number have
been mailed out thus far, the
reactions are coming in at a
rate that is very pleasing. One
party has already been here
from Pittsburgh as a result of
the mailing of the folders; two
others, one from Washington
and the other from Maryland,
have written as a result of re-
ceiving folders and stated that
they intend coming here early
in February.

From Chase S. Osborn, the
famous "Possum Poke in 'Pos-
sum Lane," writer of Poulan,
Worth county, Georgia, one of
the Who's Who in America,
has come a letter of thanks
for the "beautiful and interest-
ing folder." "I must get to
know your region better," said
Mr. Osborn.

NAMED CHAIRMAN
L. C. Fergus has been
named chairman of the Brun-
swick county committee for the
distribution of the President's

Classes To Train Skilled Workers Begin In County

Vocational Training Classes
For Boys Above School
Age Now In Progress At
Bolivia; Carpenters And
Mechanics Trained

THROUGH VOCATIONAL
AGRICULTURE MEN

Other Classes Will Be Or-
ganized And Taught At
Waccamaw School and
At Shallotte School

Two classes that are a part
of the National Defense program
to train skilled workers for de-
fense needs have been started at
Bolivia through the vocational
agriculture department, accord-
ing to Miss Annie May Wood-
side, county superintendent of
schools.

Courses now being taught are
in carpentry and in mechanics,
and those enrolled are men be-
tween the ages of 17 and 25. A
unit course runs for 15-hours per
week for a period of eight weeks,
and upon completion of this work
successful students will be given
a certificate. Their names will
then be listed with employment
agencies, which will keep them
informed of any jobs for which
their training has fitted them.

This training program has been
designed primarily to bring vo-
cational education to out-of-school
youths who have no profession or
trade. Plans are being made to
teach similar courses at Wacca-
maw and possibly at Shallotte.

Miss Woodside wants it clearly
understood, however, that class
membership is not restricted to
residents of the respective com-
munities, but is open to all boys
who will be able to attend.

Courses are being conducted
during evening hours in order
not to conflict with any present
occupation of class members.

Lindsey Walker Home Destroyed

Imposing Colonial Home on
Town Creek Was Burned
To Ground On Wednes-
day Night

Three tall, red chimneys tower-
ing two stories above the black-
ened ruins are all that is left
of the old Lindsey Walker home
which was destroyed by fire of
undetermined origin Wednesday
night.

Fire, which began in the attic,
was discovered late in the even-
ing and gave members of the
family and neighbors an oppor-
tunity to remove most of the
furniture and other valuables be-
fore they, too, were destroyed.

It is understood that the loss
was only partially covered by in-
surance.

The house was a two-story
colonial mansion that was erect-
ed about twenty-five years ago
by the late Lindsey Walker. Un-
til it was destroyed last week it
remained Brunswick county's
most pretentious dwelling.

Aged Shallotte Resident Passes

Richard W. Sellers, Highly
Respected Citizen Of
Brunswick County, Laid
To Rest Friday

Funeral services for Richard
W. Sellers, 84, who died at his
home Friday afternoon after an
illness of several weeks, were
held Saturday afternoon at 3
o'clock from the graveside in the
Shallotte cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, 3
sons, J. H. Sellers of Rocky
Mount, W. Beamon and Marvin
Sellers of Shallotte; four daugh-
ters, Mrs. J. K. Worthington, of
Henderson; Miss Lottie Sellers
and Mrs. Otis Parker, of Wil-
mington, and Mrs. Claude Gore,
of Shallotte, several grand-children
and great-grandchildren.

The deceased was a highly re-
spected citizen of his home com-
munity and wielded a powerful
(Continued on page 4)

Two Plaques For
Hospital Arrive

Emergency Crop And Seed Loans To Aid Farmers

This Is A Revolving Fund
Designed To Make It
Possible For Farmer To
Carry On Farming On
Cash Basis

OFFICE AT SUPPLY
AGAIN THIS YEAR

Operation Of This Agency
In This Section Has Wit-
nessed Virtually 100-
Per Cent Collections

Farmers in Brunswick will be
able to get 1941 emergency crop
and feed loans earlier than in
previous years, according to plans
announced here yesterday by W.
F. King, field supervisor for
Brunswick, Onslow, New Han-
over and Pender counties.

He said plans are virtually com-
plete for making such loans soon
to assist the farmers in carrying
all phases of their farming on a
cash basis.

Again this year his office will
be located in the farm agent's
building at Supply.

The announcement was made
after a recent conference Mr.
King and A. E. Rozar, state su-
pervisor of the emergency crop
and feed loan division of the
Farm Credit administration held
relative to the 1940 loans just
closing and the completing of
plans for 1941.

Funds for these loans are de-
rived from a revolving fund and
for that reason it is not neces-
sary to await annual appropri-
ations from congress.

King said plans have been
made, for the convenience of far-
mers, for the filing of applica-
tions at an early date.

In 1940, he said, 12,205 farm-
ers in North Carolina received
loans from the agency totaling
\$1,110,000 and more than 88 per-
cent of these loans have already
been repaid. Many of the loans,
he said, were made in the west-
ern part of the state where to-
bacco sales have not been com-
pleted and the percentage of re-
payment is expected to increase
materially at the end of the weed
marketing season. Some counties
in the state, he said, have already
made 100 per cent repayment.

Since 1929 when the crop and
feed loans were first made, a
total of 255,458 loans have been
made in North Carolina aggregat-
ing \$23,546 he said. More than
93 per cent of these have been
repaid, he said, making North
Carolina lead the nation in the
percentage of collection on the
loans.

Early inquiries already are
coming in relative to 1941 loans,
he said, adding that he anticip-
ates a greater demand for such
loans in 1941 than in 1940.

Full information will be sent
any person interested in such a
loan if they will contact his of-
fice, he said.

Whiteville And Southport Split

Southport Boys Beat Co-
lumbus County Lads,
While Southport Girls
Lose To Whiteville

(By E. Sellers)
The Whiteville Wolfpack split
a double header with South-
port on the former's court Tues-
day night, the Whiteville girls
winning 26 to 10 and the South-
port boys winning 25 to 20.

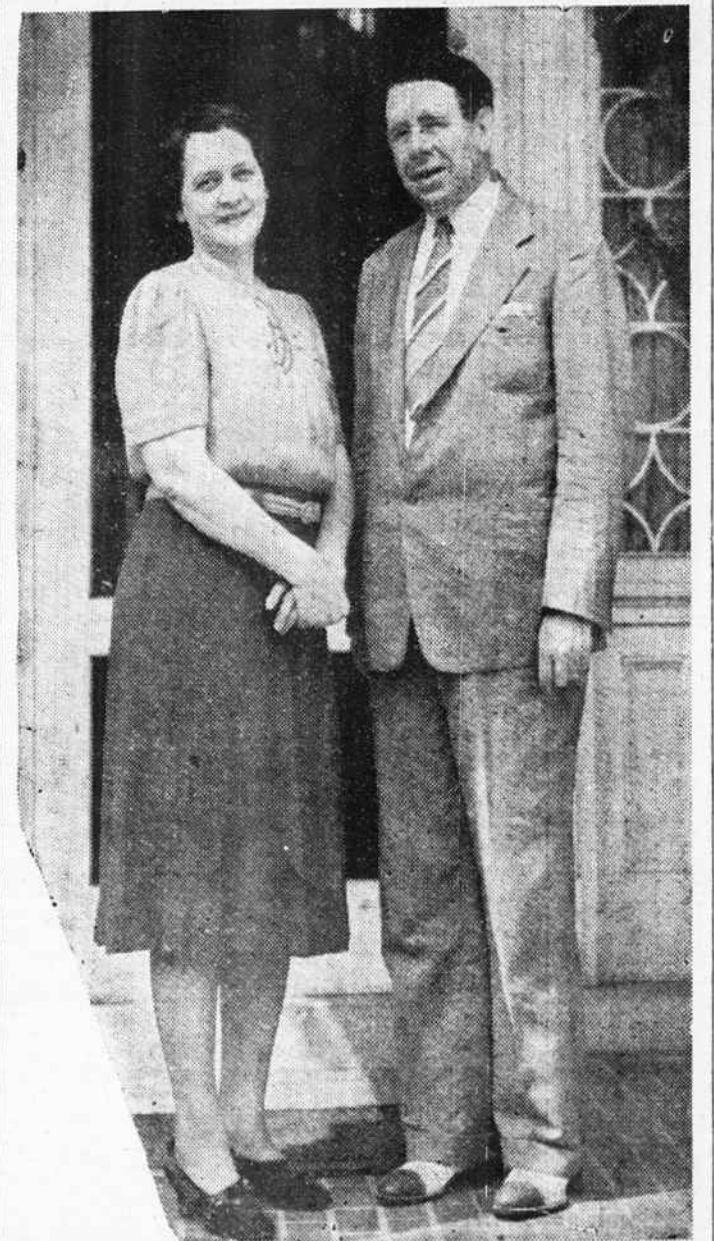
The first half for the girls,
Whiteville scored 12 points to
Southport 6. In the last half the
visitors scored 4 points and
Whiteville 14.

The line-up for Whiteville: L.
Blackman F. (10), B. Best F.,
D. Holmes F. (10), B. Thompson
G., J. Wright G., L. Best G.

For Southport: G. Arnold F.
(5), J. Arnold F. (3), Tyndall F.
(2), D. Hickman G., L. Hickman
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son, Sholar, Rooks, Currin. For
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Holmes led the scoring for White-
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Interesting Paper
At Local Library

MR. AND MRS. BROUGHTON



INAUGURATION—A big ceremony will attend the
inauguration tomorrow of J. M. Broughton as the state's
chief executive. Representative and Mrs. J. W. Ruark of
Southport, left Tuesday for Raleigh and plan to attend
the inaugural ball honoring Mr. and Mrs. Broughton,
shown above, tomorrow night.

Brunswick County Is Planting Small Grain

Has No Terror
Of Horned Owl

A huge horned owl, appar-
ently amazed at the blitzkrieg
methods employed by his frail
assailant, was killed here
yesterday by 74-year old Mrs.
Mary Plato of Winnabow Sun-
day night when she discover-
ed him in her hen house.

Awakened about mid-night
by an outcry from her chick-
ens, the little lady (she weighs
a scant 110-pounds) called on
her nephew, Leon Overhuel, to
bring a light and set out to dis-
cover the cause of trouble.

There in the hen house set
the not-so-wise old owl, and
the outraged little lady prompt-
ly grabbed him by his two feet
and banged him to death
against the side of the building.
The bird of prey measured 3
and one-half feet from tip to
tip and might easily have flog-
ged the brave little woman to
death with his strong wings
had he set about the business
in time.

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Deer Hunter Finds Self
Literally "Up A Tree"

You've all heard the story
about the hunter who went to
sleep on his deer stand, only
to awake and find that a big
buck (its always a big buck)
has practically run over him.
There are countless tales, too,
of the man who left his stand,
just before a big buck (again)
came crashing across the scene.
Well, here's the story of a man
who got caught up a tree by
the well-known big buck.

Nautical School Bill Brought Up Before Committee

Recommends That Govern-
or J. M. Broughton Be
Asked To Name Another
Commission To Further
Investigation

ASKS CONGRESS TO
INCLUDE N. C. PORT

This Time Commission Fail-
ed To Designate Any
Particular Port To Be
So Included

A commission studying the
feasibility of establishing a nauti-
cal school in North Carolina has
recommended, first, that the 1941
legislature ask congress to in-
clude a North Carolina port
under its state nautical school
act; and, second, that the leg-
islature authorize Governor-Elect
Broughton to name another com-
mission to make a further study
of the question.

The report, made public today
did not specify which port should
be included under the federal act,
however, unless some port is in-
cluded, this state cannot receive
benefits under the act.

The benefits were listed as a
completely equipped seagoing ves-
sel which will accommodate 200
trainees; complete repair main-
tenance of the vessel; and \$25,000
a year to match a state appro-
priation.

The Nautical School Bill is a
measure prepared and introduced
by Senator S. B. Frink at the
last session of the North Carolina
General Assembly. R. O.
Johnson, formerly of Southport,
was chief agitator in favor of
the bill.

Two things are apparent from
the above Associated Press ac-
count of the hearing. One is that
the proposal to establish a train-
ing school somewhere in North
Carolina is an issue that will be
kept alive by the present legis-
lature. The other is that South-
port is not eliminated from con-
sideration because of previous
recommendation that the train-
ing school be established at an-
other North Carolina port.

Has Good Story About Old Lady

Mrs. Cranmer Recalls That
Aunt Mary Ann Was
Present When Town's
Oldest White Resident
Was Born

In connection with the party
given last week for Aunt Mary
Ann Galloway, 110-year old
Southport negro woman, Mrs. E.
H. Cranmer has mentioned an
interesting incident.

Mrs. Fannie Davis of South-
port, known to many as Mrs.
Dunbar Davis, will be 91-years-
old on her next birthday. When
Mrs. Davis was born, Aunt Mary
Ann was a grown woman, Mary
Ann was present in the house as-
sisting in some work. Mrs. Davis
is still living and is hale and hearty,
and five generations of her
descendants are now in the world.

Some people have the impres-
sion that Aunt Mary Ann never
married. This is a mistake. Or-
iginally a Galloway, she was mar-
ried to Monday Galloway some
years before the Civil War. Mon-
day died soon after the war, Aunt
Mary Ann is not certain just
how long afterwards. She never
married again.

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

TIDE TABLE	
Thursday, December 26	
5:21 a. m.	11:40 a. m.
5:43 p. m.	11:53 p. m.
Friday, December 27	
6:12 a. m.	
6:34 p. m.	12:34 p. m.
Saturday, December 28	
7:00 a. m.	0:46 a. m.
7:21 p. m.	1:26 p. m.
Sunday, December 29	
7:45 a. m.	1:38 a. m.
8:07 p. m.	2:15 p. m.
Monday, December 30	
8:30 a. m.	2:26 a. m.
8:52 p. m.	3:00 p. m.
Tuesday, December 31	
9:14 a. m.	3:12 a. m.
9:37 p. m.	3:42 p. m.
Wednesday, January 1	