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## Two Members Welfare Board Already Named

Board Names A. P. Henry Of Winnabow; Judge Walter M. Stana-land Is Named By Board Of Commissioners

### ELIGIBLE TO SERVE ON BOARD

County Attorney S.B. Frink  
County Attorney General  
Regarding Status; Give  
His Approval

A. P. Henry of Winnabow has been named by the state board of charities and public welfare as a member of the Brunswick county welfare board and member of the board of county commissioners have named Judge Walter M. Stana-land as a second member. These two men will constitute a third member of the body.

There was a question raised regarding the right of Judge Stana-land to serve on the board, as he is now holding an elective office, but this matter has been cleared up by a letter received by County Attorney S. B. Frink from the office of the attorney general.

The following opinion regarding the eligibility of Judge Stana-land for membership on the board was given by T. W. Bruton, assistant attorney general:

This office has formerly held the opinion that a member of the board of welfare of a county should be an officer within the meaning of Article XIV, Section 2 of the Constitution, which provides for double office holding, it is held from said provisions under the following language:

Provided that nothing herein contained shall extend to officers and justices of the peace, and commissioners of public charities and commissioners for special purposes.

Membership on the county board of welfare would, in my opinion, come under the classification of 'commissioner of public charity' or 'commissioner for special purpose.'

It is advised, therefore, that one member could hold the office as member of the Board of Welfare of Brunswick County and at the same time serve as Judge of the court of Brunswick County.

## School Boys Box In Benefit Show

Boys Being Carded For  
Friday Night Of Next  
Week; Benefits Go To  
Junior Class Of High  
School

Boxing fans will be furnished plenty of thrills Friday night, April 9, when the local boys hold their third annual meet at the high school gym. All events are sponsored by the junior boys and all proceeds will go to the junior senior banquet.

The date approximately eighteen events have been submitted, and are now under training rules.

Some of the boys are in the so-called juvenile class. However, there will be three welter weight and three light weight bouts, not to mention featherweight and bantam-weight fights.

The boys have been matched as follows:  
T. Willis, 60, Corky Newton, winner to meet Bobby Spenser, John Floyd, Jr., 65, Franto (Continued on page 4)

## Fourteen White Boys Off To CCC

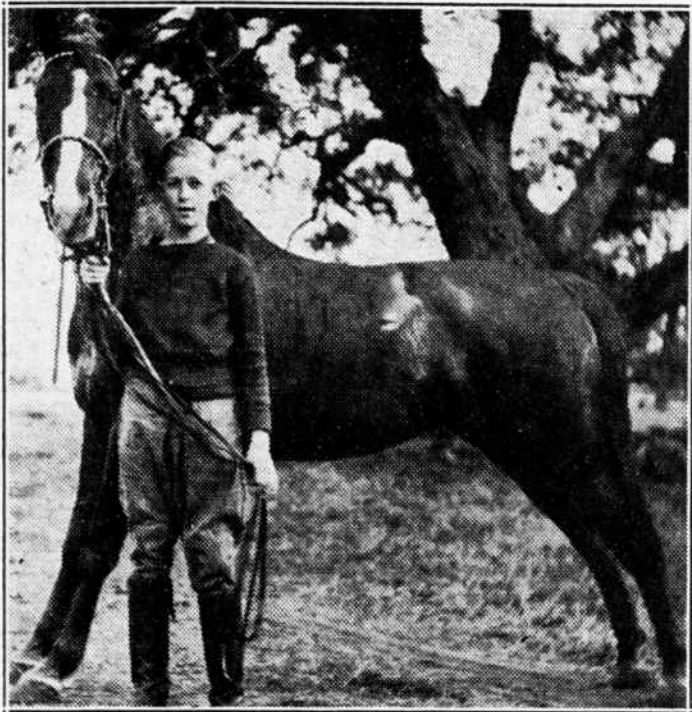
Some Of These Boys Were  
From Non-Relief Families  
According To C. C.  
Russ, Welfare Superintendent

Fourteen white youths and four colored boys were inducted into the ranks of the Civilian Conservation Corps at White Lake today.

A striking thing about the boys was that 7 of them were only 17-year-olds. One of the reasons he was enrolling in the CCC was because he couldn't get his parents' consent to join the army, and he wanted to get into some phase of training.

C. C. Russ, superintendent of the welfare, said that practically every one of the boys were from non-relief families. The fact that vocational training will be given in their CCC work apparently was an attraction to them, he said.

## Partners For Horse Show



ENTRY—Brother Christian, youthful Southport horseman, is busy putting finishing touches on Cherry McDonald, classy five-gaited mare owned by Mrs. L. C. Fergus, before the Capt Fear Horse Show which begins in Wilmington at Legion Stadium Friday afternoon.

## More REA Lines Soon To Be Energized In This Section

Some 150 Miles Of Additional Lines Are Under Construction In Columbus And Brunswick Counties

### JUICE EXPECTED ON SOME LINES IN 2 WEEKS

About 40 Miles Of Poles Have Already Been Set, And More Are Being Set At Rate Of Six Miles A Day

Additional residents of Columbus and Brunswick counties are soon to receive electric service, inasmuch as 150 miles of REA lines in the two counties are soon to be energized. Dr. E. D. Bishop, head of the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation announced yesterday.

The first of the lines in Columbus county will be energized within the next two weeks. Dr. Bishop said. The lines in Columbus are being constructed first. About 40 miles of poles have already been set, and the Little Electric Co., of Union, S. C., which has the contract for this project is setting poles at the rate of about six miles per day, and stringing wire at the rate of about eight miles per diem. Dr. Bishop continued. This project is under the supervision of the REA.

The eighty-four miles of line in Columbus county (roughly estimated) included: 8 miles in the Sidney area; 12 miles near Cherry Grove between there and Fair (continued on page four)

## Funeral Held For Young Girl

Berline Johnson Of Bolivia  
Died Friday At Doshier  
Memorial Hospital Following  
Brief Illness

Berline Johnson, 15, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. T. F. Johnson, of Bolivia died at the J. Arthur Doshier Memorial hospital in Southport at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon following a two-day illness. (continued on page four)

## Guy Gets Gals--It Pays To Advertise In This Paper

March 27, 1941  
Mr. Churchill Bragaw  
Winnabow, N. C.  
Dear Mr. Bragaw:  
We wanted to write you yesterday to state that we wish to be in the "line that forms to the right", but after due consideration we felt that it would be unfair to take advantage of other eligibles who would not receive their paper until today. It is a known fact that the early bird gets the worm, and your being the worm in the case is added attraction, or should we say that the hat or should we say the case?

In applying we wish to state that we offer all the opposites. One of us is tall and dark, the other small and fair. No matter what shade of camellias are used in head decoration it

## Sailor On Cruise While On Holiday

Like the postman who went for a walk on his holiday, Ensign L. B. Kendall of the Coast Guard cutter Sebago, at Norfolk, is now cruising the inland waterway from Norfolk to Charleston and back. He is aboard the 58-foot ketch Janne Lee, out from Richmond, and his voyaging companions are B. P. Cone of Richmond and G. F. Neiley, Sr., of Bronxville, N. Y.

## Three Cases In County Court

Only Three Matters Disposed Of Before Judge Walter M. Stana-land In Brief Session Monday

Three cases were disposed of here in Recorder's court Monday before Judge Walter M. Stana-land.

Leonard Spivey, colored, was found guilty of reckless operation and was given 30 days on the roads. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs and a fine of \$25.00. The fine was remitted.

Herbert Davis, colored, was charged with drunken driving. He pleaded guilty to charges of reckless operation and was given 90 days on the roads, judgment being suspended upon payment of costs and a fine of \$25.00.

Charles William Vereen and Joe Simpson, white, were charged with reckless operation and damage to property. The case was not prossec.

## Call For Twelve White Enrollees

Twelve White Men Registered With Brunswick County Selective Service Board Will Go To Ft. Bragg Next Week

Twelve Brunswick county white men will leave on Wednesday of next week for Ft. Bragg to be inducted into the United States Army for one year's training.

These men are registered with the Brunswick County Selective Service Board.  
A list of the enrollees follows: Willie Boyd Robinson, Joseph Bernice McDowell, Wesley Keith Bowen, Floyd Wilkes Westcott, Culbert Curtis McCall, Lewis Vestus Jones, Eugene Ottoway Inman, Novie Hewett, Wilbur Hugh Gainey, Bernie Lester Benton, Otis Mye and Gerald Alexander Mercer.

## Planning Meeting Scheduled For Tomorrow Night

Citizens Of Southport Asked To Attend Mass Meeting In Courthouse Thursday Evening at 8 O'clock

### TO MAKE PLANS TO MEET EMERGENCIES

Purpose Of Meeting Is To Shape Program That Will Aid Town To Cope With Problems If Population Increases

A mass meeting of Southport citizens has been called for Thursday night at 8 o'clock in the Brunswick county courthouse to discuss long range plans for this community in the event of a National Defense program development here.

Recognizing that the sudden announcement of a major project for this section might easily bring about conditions that will completely swamp Southport, Mayor John D. Eriksen is calling this meeting. He wants it clearly understood that this meeting is not being called for the purpose of announcing any news "break", and he is anxious that no unwarranted enthusiasm will result from this discussion. The purpose of this gathering is to discuss calmly and sensibly plans whereby the facilities of this town may be used to the best advantage.

It is desired that representative ladies of the community as well as the men attend the Thursday night meeting.

In order that as many as possible may know the kind of problems likely to be faced in Southport in the event of the location of a defense project nearby, it is suggested that local citizens read "Defense Program Comes To Our Town", in a recent issue of The Saturday Evening Post.

## Getting Ready To Pave Beach Road

Roadbed Being Graded And Put Into Shape; Other Improvements For Beach In Prospect

Employees of the State Highway Commission has been busy during the past few days grading and getting the unpaved section of roadbed between Southport and Long Beach in shape to be hard surfaced. Work of surfacing this road probably will be completed during this month.

Those in charge of this beach development are of the opinion that this summer will witness a tremendous growth in Long Beach. Already there is indication of a busy building program, and there is one very fine prospect for the construction of a hotel. The management believes that there is good reason to hope that improved facilities for carling for overnight visitors will be provided before the beach season is actually under way.

One thing that is sure to improve conditions at the beach this summer is the surfacing of the remainder of the road that has (Continued on page 4)

## Three Colored Boys To Camp

Three colored youths reported today at Ft. Bragg to be inducted into the U. S. Army for one year's training. They are: Winston Edward Brown, Jesse Goodman and Harris Robert Gore.

## Shallotte Man Dies At Home

Charles A. Russ, Prominent Brunswick County Citizen, Died At His Home Yesterday Following A Long Illness; Funeral Today

Charles Allen Russ, Sr., 66, prominent farmer and lumberman, died at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday morning at his home at Shallotte after a long illness.

Mr. Russ is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ruth White Russ; four sons, Charlie Allen Russ, Jr., Gene Russ, William Russ, all of Shallotte, and Sam Russ, of the New York naval station. Also one daughter, Sarah Joy Russ, of Shallotte; and three brothers, J. W. Russ, of Shallotte; George Russ, of Tallahassee, Fla.; and A. H. Russ, of Robertsdale, Ala.

## Little White Chapel At Orton Attracts Interest Of Visitors

All during the spring months tourists and other visitors at Orton Plantation on Sunday mornings have the opportunity of joining in worship at Luola's Chapel, the beautiful little church near the mansion, where tourists register.

The church has no regular pastor. Occasionally some visiting minister or one from a neighboring community, is invited to conduct the Sunday morning services. When no minister is available the services are in charge of Churchill Bragaw or someone else connected with the plantation. As in the old time churches, some half dozen or more of the colored employees of Orton are in regular attendance at these services, occupying a portion of the church especially reserved for them.

Orton is probably the only plantation in North Carolina that has its own church for the owners and workers. In fact Orton has two churches, one for white and one for colored employees. The services are held each Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. There is no Sunday school, just a simple gathering for worship with appropriate services.

## Four Negroes Killed In Wreck

Automobile Dives Into Sturgeon Creek After Cutting Down Posts For Long Distance Early Sunday Morning

Four persons were killed early Sunday morning when the automobile in which they were traveling plunged into Sturgeon Creek near Wilmington after mowing down posts for about thirty yards on the approach to the bridge located a mile north of Highway No. 74 on the road to the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. plant.

The victims were Wilmington negroes. The bodies of two women, Marguerite Strong and Alberta Chadwick, and one man William Lee Carr, were recovered in the wrecked vehicle Sunday afternoon.

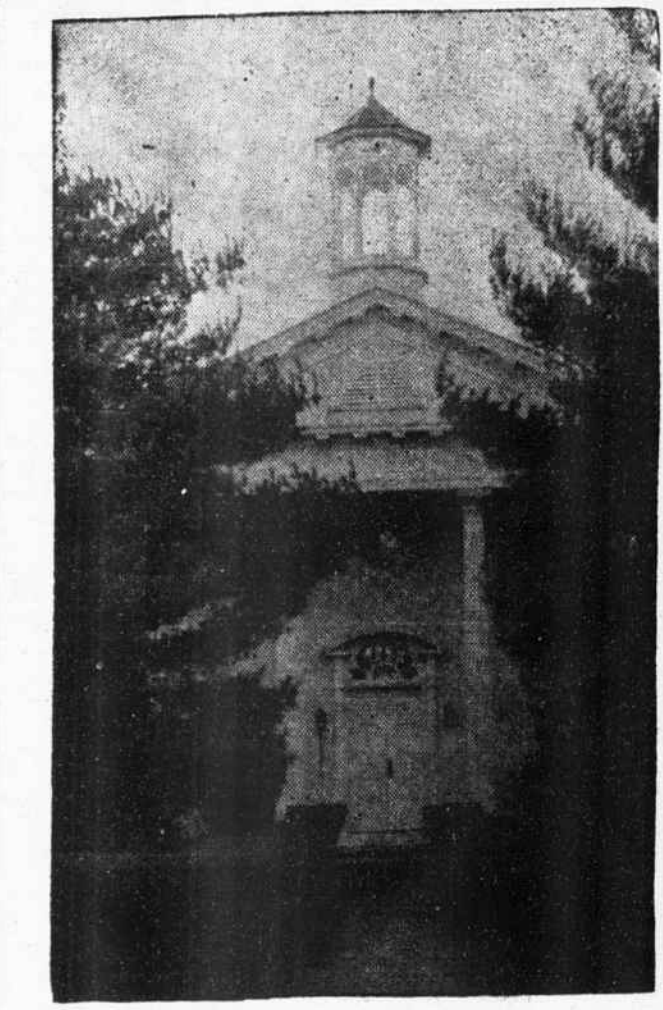
The body of Harlee Murphy, believed to have been the driver, was not found, until Monday. From a wrist watch worn by one of the women, Sheriff Dillon Ganey, of Brunswick county, established the time of the spectacular accident at 1:43 a. m.

The terrific speed at which the car—a 1934 Ford sedan—was traveling was evidenced by the fact that it ripped out between 80 and 90 feet of railing on the inclined bridge approach before careening into the creek.

The bridge over Sturgeon creek is located about one mile north of U. S. highway 74 on the road to the Virginia-Carolina Chemical company plant. Sheriff Ganey said the car was traveling south, headed toward Highway 74.

An unknown motorist first notified Sheriff Ganey of the accident, reporting that a car "probably crashed into the creek" at the bridge.

The sheriff and three deputies went to the scene about 2 a. m. (Continued on page 4)



CHAPEL—Visitors are now thronging to Orton Plantation, and always an object of their interest is the picturesque chapel. It now looks like the azaleas should be at their best at Orton on Easter Sunday.

## Editor Buys One-Half Interest In This Paper

Changes Noted In Hour Of Worship

Rev. A. L. Brown, pastor of Southport Baptist church, announces that the hour for his evening services has been changed from 7:30 o'clock to 8 o'clock in the evening; The change is effective with prayer meeting tonight.

Rev. R. S. Harrison, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, announces that the change in the hour for evening worship at his church will begin with the first of the pre-Easter services to be held on Monday evening of next week. These services will continue throughout next week.

## Superior Court Begins Monday

Judge John J. Burney Of Wilmington Will Preside Over Session; Civil Trials Begin Wednesday

A one-week mixed term of Superior court will convene here Monday morning with Judge John J. Burney of Wilmington presiding.

Although the criminal docket has a large number of cases, most of them appear to be of minor importance, and the calendar for the civil cases has been set to begin on Wednesday.

A complete list of the civil actions appears in the court calendar which is printed elsewhere in today's paper.

## Congressmen Like Folders Advertising This County

Official Washington likes the Brunswick County Folders, issued by the Chamber of Commerce. Some weeks ago the office of Congressman J. Bayard Clark asked for enough of the folders to give one to each representative in Congress with the compliments of the people of Brunswick county.

650 of the folders were sent but as they have much to do with fishing, etc., and as Congress has been engrossed in all sorts of important undertakings, Congressman Clark decided to withhold them from distribution until spring.

The task of distributing them began this last week in March, and Sunday, Congressman Clark advised W. B. Keziah of the Chamber of Commerce that a flood of inquiries were being

## To Make Survey For Purpose Of Finding Labor

State Unemployment Service Cooperating With Strawberry Growers In Effort To Obtain Help For Picking

### SURVEY FOR THIS COUNTY BEING MADE

It Will Be Possible To Give Employment For Five Or Six Weeks To Strawberry Pickers This Year

An expected shortage of strawberry pickers in the Chadbourn, Wallace and Mount Olive areas for the season of about five weeks, starting probably the second week in April and continuing until the third week in May, has caused C. W. E. Pittman, farm placement supervisor for the Employment Service Division of the State UCC, to issue a call all over eastern North Carolina for recruits for this work.

Maurice H. Moore, manager of the Wilmington Employment office, which serves Brunswick county, asks all who are interested and are near enough to call at the office at 814 Market street. Those interested in the jobs in this immediate area are asked to contact the employment office representative who will be in Southport at welfare office on Thursday of each week from 10 A. M. to 12:30 P. M. or in Shallotte at R. D. White Motor Co. on Thursday of each week from 2:00 P. M. to 4:00 P. M.

Last year, Mr. Pittman reports, approximately 6,000 pickers were employed in the Chadbourn area, all in Columbus county, 9,000 in the Wallace area, embracing parts of Duplin and Pender counties, and 1,000 in the Mount Olive area, all in Wayne county.

Rates of pay will be from 1 1/2 to 2 cents a quart, the growers furnishing daily transportation for nearby workers and supplying transportation to the work at the beginning of the season and back home at the end for those further away. Growers supply quarters, usually vacant tenant houses or temporary shelters, cookstoves and beds or bunks for workers from a distance. Workers are expected to furnish their own cooking utensils, dishes and blankets.

Jobs in other crops can be furnished workers who wish to remain in the sections after the strawberry work ends, Mr. Pittman states.

## Williams Quits At County Home

Bennie Williams Resigned, Effective Last Week, After Seven Years Of Fine Service On This Job

Bennie Williams, who has been in charge of the Brunswick county home since the new building was placed into use in December, 1934, resigned from that place last week and has been replaced by Charlie Hickman of Southport.

During the time that Mr. Williams was in charge of the county home he earned repeated praise from grand juries and other investigating officers for the fine manner in which the property was maintained and for his kind and (Continued on page 4)

## 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, April 3	
11:56 a. m.	5:45 a. m.
Friday, April 4	
0:04 a. m.	6:48 a. m.
12:51 p. m.	6:51 p. m.
Saturday, April 5	
1:02 a. m.	8:00 a. m.
1:55 p. m.	8:13 p. m.
Sunday, April 6	
2:08 a. m.	9:04 a. m.
3:02 p. m.	9:21 p. m.
Monday, April 7	
3:18 a. m.	10:09 a. m.
4:08 p. m.	10:19 p. m.
Tuesday, April 8	
1:25 a. m.	10:52 a. m.
5:05 p. m.	11:15 p. m.
Wednesday, April 9	
5:23 a. m.	11:43 a. m.
5:56 p. m.	