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Middleton Named Receiver Of W. B. & S. Railroad At Wilmington Court Hearing

Judge Henry A. Grady Presided Over The Hearing Which Was Held To Work Out Plan Of Continued Operation

J. CORBETT WAS RECEIVER

In That Capacity From 1933 But Asked That Middleton Be Named To Replace Him On Job

A request of M. J. Corbett that he be relieved of duties as receiver of the Wilmington, Brunswick and Southern railroad was granted, and E. F. Middleton was appointed as his successor at a hearing yesterday in superior court in Wilmington.

Judge Henry A. Grady of Clinton, who presided, was informed by the hearing by attorneys that Middleton would assure continued operation of the railroad. Mr. Middleton and Charleston, S. C. associates advanced considerable funds for the operation of the railroad in the past year, the court was advised.

Mr. Corbett, who had been receiver of the 28-mile Southport Wilmington railroad since 1933, had petitioned the court that his resignation as receiver be accepted because of his advanced age and ill health.

The hearing had been continued from July 21 at Southport.

As new receiver for the railroad, Mr. Middleton will also assume active management of the railroad. In serving as manager, he will fill the vacancy created by the death several months ago of H. H. Shannon who had served that capacity for many years. The railroad has been operating at a loss for many years, it was stated to the court.

Five Cases Are Tried In Court

Entire Day Consumed In Disposing Of Short Docket Before Judge Stansland Monday

Although only five cases were disposed of, Monday was a hard day in Brunswick county Record-er's court. Daylight saving hours were observed by Judge Walter Stansland.

J. C. Croom, white, faced charges of fraud but judgment was withheld.

James S. Hewett, white, was found guilty of non-support of his illegitimate child. Judgment of months on the roads was suspended upon payment of costs in the case, the hospital bill and doctor's bill upon the further condition that the defendant pay the sum of \$150 per week into the court for support of the child. Notice of appeal was given and set at \$200.00.

Clifton Britt, white, was found guilty of drunk driving and was given 90 days on the roads. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs and a fine of \$50. His driving license was revoked for 12 months.

E. W. Coleman, white, was charged with drunk driving and (Continued on page 4)

Funeral Sunday For Mrs. Bowmer

Funeral services for Mrs. H. T. Bowmer Sunday at Southport Baptist Church; interment in New Cemetery

Funeral services for Mrs. H. T. Bowmer of Southport were conducted at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. A. L. Brown in charge. Interment followed in Northwood cemetery.

Mrs. Bowmer died Friday at Doshier Memorial hospital following a long illness. She is survived by her husband, Captain H. T. Bowmer, and by one son, Tom Bowmer.

She is also survived by her father, John R. Doshier, one brother, John E. Doshier, both of Southport; four sisters, Mrs. C. A. Robbins, Miami, Fla., Mrs. C. D. Swain, St. Augustine, Fla., Mrs. L. D. Prince, Ford, Va., and Mrs. W. T. Fullwood, Southport.

Getting Married At Last Minute Won't Help Boys

When Registrants Get Married On Eve Of Induction, Or After Being Ordered To Be Examined, Do So At Own Risk

Registrants who get married on the eve of induction or after being ordered to report to the doctor for physical examination will do so at their own risk and will find that their marriage will not keep them out of the Army.

This was made clear today by General J. Van B. Metts, State Director of Selective Service, as he announced a modification of the former policy of leniency toward married men which has been recommended by State Headquarters. General Metts stated that a modification in this policy was made necessary by an increasingly large number of registrants who are apparently undertaking to abuse the policy of leniency in an effort to evade military service.

The modified policy, which was passed on to all Selective Service agencies in the State today, is as follows:

"When a registrant acquires married status after issuance of 'Notice to Appear for Physical Examination', it should be assumed that both parties concluded the marriage knowing that the registrant was subject to early call for service and were prepared to take consequences, and therefore deferment in such cases would not appear to be justified. But when a registrant has indicated on his questionnaire that he is engaged, giving the date set for the wedding, or has given similar information in writing to the local board and the wedding date falls after the issuance of 'Notice to Appear for Physical Examination', his case should be considered in the same way as those who married after registration, as provided by (continued on page four)

Indications Are That Shrimp Season Is On

Boats Have Been Bringing In Fairly Good Catches Of Headed Shrimp During Past Few Days, With Several Craft Working

PRICE HAS BEEN GOOD THUS FAR

Closed Season On Shrimping In Louisiana Believed To Be Responsible For High Prices Now

Trawling for shrimp has been picking up daily at Southport. Paul Fodale now has some 15 boats at work. J. A. Arnold has almost that many. Wells brothers have 10 with plenty more to start soon. Another two weeks should see about 50 boats at work if the production and market both holds up.

The market is a bit of an uncertain prediction. Louisiana, which produces more than half of the shrimp taken in the United States, has been having a 40 day closed season. This closed season will be over and the Louisiana shrimp will be reaching the markets again in another 15 days. This will probably result in the local market taking a considerable drop.

Last week the boatmen here were being paid 15-cents per pound for headed shrimp. The catches were running all of the way from 50 to 450-pounds.

The first full truck load for the Fulton Fish Market in New York went out Saturday. Previously smaller shipments had been sent to other cities, and all local demands were taken care of.

When one gets around to the production end, a feeling of general optimism is found among both buyers and boatmen. The way they look at things is that (continued on page four)

The Breeze May Have Much To Do With Goat Project

Lovers of the beautiful Bald Head Island are asking themselves and others, "Will it become Goat Island?" This writer knows that it will, but if it does there is a vast amount of consolation in the fact that the prevailing wind from Bald Head blow in the direction of Carolina Beach, instead of toward Southport.

Not that anybody wishes Carolina Beach any harm. It will just be our good luck that the prevailing winds blow thither, instead of hither, if Bald Head becomes Goat Island.

Officially, Bald Head is Smith Island. It has also been known as Cape Fear Island, Palmetto Island and by various other nomenclature. It was not until about a decade and a half ago that a former editor of this paper began to call the whole island Bald Head, steadily and persistently in The Pilot

REA Group Closes Two-Day Session On Last Thursday

Gwynn B. Price, Chairman Of N. C. REA Reveals This District Listed At Top Of Those In Nation

GREAT PLANS BEING MADE FOR FUTURE

Conference Was Held For Purpose Of Discussion Of Operating Problems Of The District

A quarterly conference of 29 North Carolina Rural Electrification projects held at Carolina Beach in two-day session was brought to a close on Thursday evening. Gwynn B. Price, chairman of the N. C. REA was the guest speaker at a dinner Wednesday evening at eight o'clock at the Royal Palm hotel.

Mr. Price gave a complete progress report of REA developments in this state, and said that statistics show that this district is right up at the top of the list in the nation in regard to progress. He quoted statistics to show that in 1935 electricity reached only four per cent of the N. C. rural population, and that now, through the medium of the REA program in the state, the figure has been boosted to 25 per cent. Great plans are being made at the moment for expanding the program in the state, President Price said.

This conference was held for the purpose of discussing operating problems of the district. Among those present were C. A. Winder, chief of co-operatives operation division of REA, Ernest W. Hover, regional operations engineer, R. W. Ward, operations field engineer, and O. W. Briden, regional construction engineer, of the R. E. A. in Washington.

E. D. Bishop, of Shallotte, superintendent of the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation was in charge of arrangements for the conference.

NYA Training Offered Youths

Various Training Schools For Boys And Girls, Both White And Colored, Are Located Throughout N. Carolina

Brunswick county boys and girls, including both white and Negro youths, may enroll in National Youth Administration residential training centers in various sections of the state, Area Director Harold H. Jeter announced here yesterday.

These centers are being operated by the National Youth Administration to provide work experience for both boys and girls, particularly for employment in vital defense industries faced with a current shortage of workers. Youths wishing to apply for admission to these centers are invited to contact the Brunswick county NYA office.

For the benefit of youths, boys or girls, white or colored, who may be interested in entering one of the training centers, work experience offered in each is as follows:

Durham—regular course, auto mechanics, construction. Photography, woodworking, machine shop, radio, and sheet metal (Continued on page 4.)

Wilmington Boy Scouts Camping

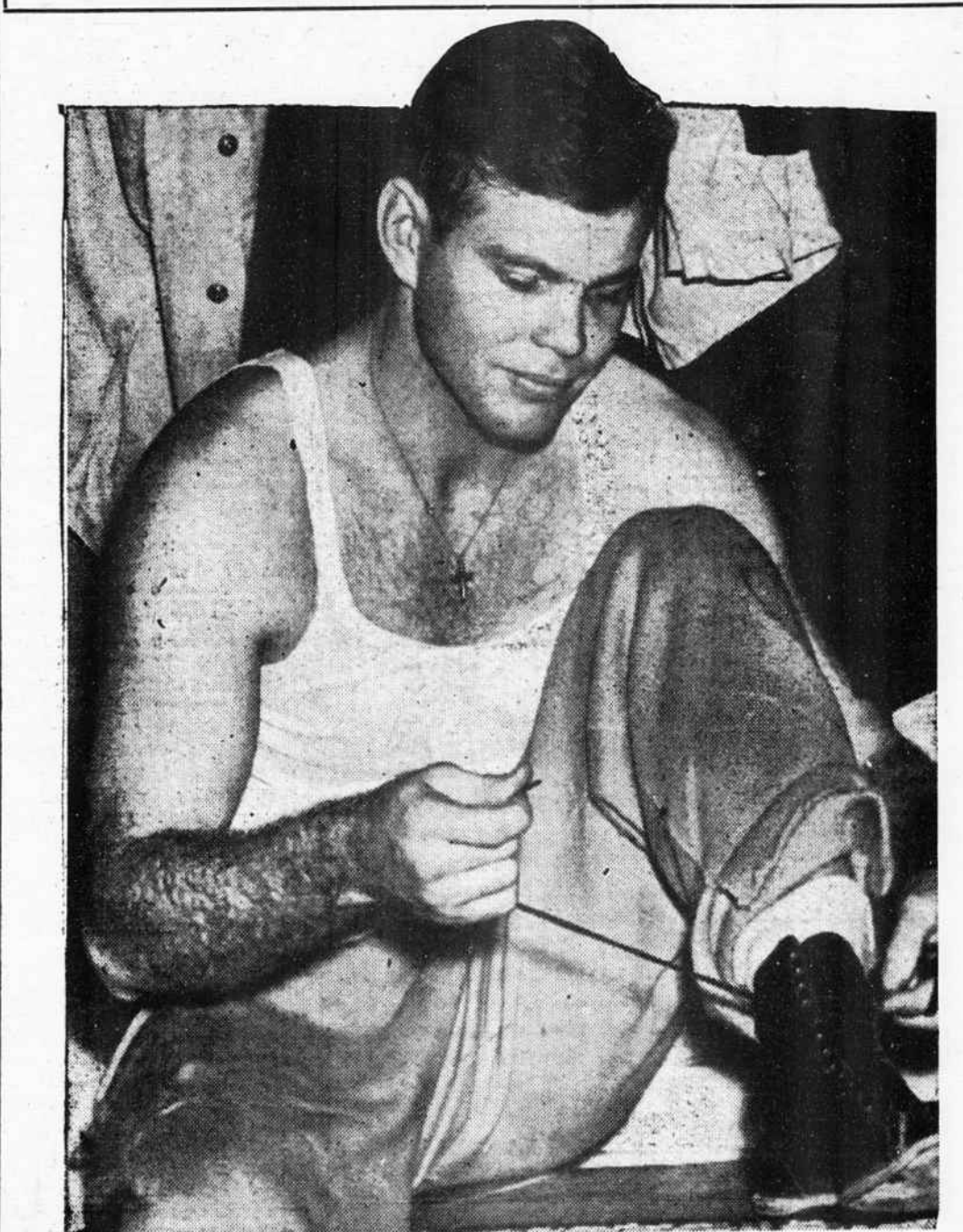
Group Left Tuesday To Spend Several Days This Week On Camping Trip At Bald Head Island

An experienced group of older Boy Scouts from the Wilmington area are spending this week on Bald Head Island, camping, fishing, swimming and exploring.

They are in charge of David C. Liles with Rufus E. Pitman and W. T. Rainey, Jr., assisting. The others in the party are John Wolfe, Ned Herring, Frank Gault, Jr., Jack Booker, Donald Russell and Jack Hyman.

While here Tuesday morning the boys said that among other things they hoped to locate the now rather famous lost graveyard that is somewhere on the island, and for which a whole troop of Greensboro Scouts searched vainly several weeks ago. Reports that there is such a graveyard are authentic, but the location has been lost in the jungle for 30 years.

GETTING READY TO FIGHT



SOCKER—Warren Wilson, blond bomber who knocked out Carolina's Gates Kimball for the Southern Conference Heavyweight championship this year, is ready to set out on his professional career. He has been visiting in Southport for the past week and said Monday that his first pro-fight probably will be on the Joe Louis-Lou Nova card in September.

Begin Paving New Section Of Highway 74

Final steps in the elimination of dangerous curves in the Wilmington-Whiteville highway near Maco were begun last week WPA forces cooperating with the state highway commission began pouring the 22-foot wide concrete surface.

Work on this project began last winter when a right-of-way was cleared and several fills were made in an effort to remove several tantalizing curves from this section of road. The new road bed is a little over a mile in length.

Completion of this work will be another forward step toward making this highway safe for motorists, for prior to the present project several months last year were spent widening the surface of the road.

R. L. Brendle of Southport is WPA engineer on this project.

Free Movie For Scrap Aluminum

Free Tickets To See "Convoy" Will Be Given Kids For Scrap Aluminum If Brought To Theatre On Thursday

Cooperating with the local Council for National Defense in its drive to gather scrap aluminum, Price Furless, proprietor of the Amuzu theatre of Southport, will give free theatre tickets Thursday afternoon to boys and girls between the ages of five and twelve years in exchange for old pieces of this metal.

The tickets will be exchanged for the aluminum utensils next door to the theatre on Thursday afternoon between 5 o'clock and 6 o'clock, but the tickets will not be good for admission until Friday night. This has been done because "Convoy", the feature at the Amuzu on Friday and Saturday, is as timely as today's war headlines and presents an intimate picture of one side of the war. It was thought logical to share this feature in reward for the children's efforts to aid in Defense.

Thursday is the last day for collecting scrap aluminum, and (continued on page four)

Certificates Go To Bus Drivers Who Pass Course

School Bus Drivers' Clinic Held Two Days Last Week At Shallotte With Total Of Fifty Drivers Being Approved

SAFETY DIVISION DIRECTS COURSE

List Of Approved Drivers Includes Forty-One White Boys, Four White Girls And Five Colored Drivers

As a result of last week's school bus driver's clinic conducted at Shallotte there are 41 white boys, four white girls and five colored boys certified for duty as regular drivers or substitutes on the Brunswick county school routes for the next school year.

During the two-day school there was a total of 67 applicants for driving certificates enrolled in the school, which was conducted by representatives of the Safety Division of the Motor Vehicle Bureau in conjunction with school authorities.

Among those who failed to pass the rigid mental and physical examination and the road test are several who were automatically disqualified because they had no driver's license. They will be certified when this has been done.

White boys passing the tests were James Bennett, Clinton Bellamy, Roderick Bellamy, James G. Bordeaux, Ishmael Chadwick, James E. Clemmons, Edwin Gray, Howard Gore, Elrich Hickman, Mahlan Leonard, Warren Phelps, Norwood Reynolds, Robert Reynolds, Burgwyn Sellers, Warren Sellers, Elwood Robinson, John Julius Swain, George V. Tompkins, Billie Willis, Bige Bowling, Edward Lee Cox, George W. Dance, Roland D. Dulton, Shelton N. Edwards, Raymond Gilbert, William Gore, George C. Hickman, Carl K. Lewis, W. A. Long, Jr., Bob Milliken, John H. Mills, Jr., Williford C. Mintz, Adrian Phelps, Bayard Sellers, Wendell Sellers, Lawrence R. Sullivan, Mercer R. Sullivan, David Vance, William T. Vance, Morrison B. Watkins, and E. J. Skipper.

White girls who successfully passed the tests were Erma Lois Gray, Elneda Stanaland, LaVerne Thompson, Ada Mae Varnum, Mae Bell Varnum.

Successful candidates from among the colored enrollees were Dolphus Bryant, Ellis Dudley, Bert Johnson, Russell Johnson and Henderson Thomas.

Physical examinations for all applicants were made by Dr. J. (Continued on page 4)

Captain Guthrie Injured On Boat

Standing on the deck house of the mahaden boat Lynhaven of the Phillips factory, Captain Guthrie was knocked to the deck of the vessel by the swinging bailer while the boat was being loaded in a rough sea Monday.

He sustained a broken leg. The rough seas are understood to have caused the bailer to swing out of control. The boat was finishing taking on a full load when the accident happened. Captain Guthrie is being treated in the J. Arthur Doshier Memorial Hospital.

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, July 31	
0:36 a. m.	7:02 a. m.
1:21 p. m.	7:50 p. m.
Friday, August 1	
1:37 a. m.	8:07 a. m.
2:22 p. m.	8:56 p. m.
Saturday, August 2	
2:34 a. m.	9:10 a. m.
3:27 p. m.	9:57 p. m.
Sunday, August 3	
3:53 a. m.	10:09 a. m.
4:31 p. m.	10:55 p. m.
Monday, August 4	
4:57 a. m.	11:06 a. m.
5:28 p. m.	11:49 p. m.
Tuesday, August 5	
5:54 a. m.	11:59 a. m.
6:18 p. m.	
Wednesday, August 6	
6:43 a. m.	0:42 a. m.
7:05 p. m.	12:45 p. m.

Warren Wilson Is Set To Launch Pro - Career

Southern Conference Heavyweigh Champ Spent Last Week Here Visiting Relatives And Friends

TO FIGHT ON CARD WITH LOUIS-NOVA

Blond Giant Believes He Might Have Good Chance To Defeat Conn; Will Have Subsidized Try For Championship

If the folks who attend the Joe Louis-Lou Nova fight in September will go early, they may have an opportunity to see the next world's heavyweight champion make his professional debut in one of the preliminaries.

For that spot has been picked for Southern Conference Champion Warren Wilson to desert the ranks of the simon purse and set out in quest of the heavyweight championship. He doesn't know who his opponent will be, but that doesn't worry him. He knows that his career is going to be carefully paced, and he has a contagious conviction that he can take care of himself once inside the ring.

Wilson, who has just completed a summer session necessary for his graduation from Clemson College, has been spending the past (Continued on page 4)

Pressing Club Moves Location

The Southport Dry Cleaners establishment has been moved from downtown on Moore Street to the Perry garage building where new quarters have been recently arranged by the owner, Pearce Cranmer.

Kidder Keziah Catches A Fast One On The Chin

W. B. Keziah, secretary of the Brunswick County chamber of commerce, is immune to seasickness and does not mind telling prospective fishermen about it. He invariably approaches all parties that are going out and asks for the names so that he can wire the home-town undertaker and have him to ask the families if they want to bodies sent home.

Saturday Keziah had to go out as a sort of assistant skipper to Churchill Bragaw. They were aboard the Isabelle, and the lady is kind of flippant. In swells she both rolls and plunges. A fellow has to have darned good sea-legs to stand on her decks when it is rough. At any rate, the Isabelle got broadside to a swell and rolled