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Well, it seems that Joe Louis is still No. 1 on the hit parade.

Moral: If you want to be an upstanding citizen in the community, don't get on skates.

Just because he calls her honey that's no sign he's nectar.

School Columns

This year, without any solicitation on our part, Bolivia and Southport schools have been sending in material for a column in The State Port Pilot each week.

A Letter

Elsewhere in today's paper we are printing an interesting letter from Hubert L. Holmes, Shallotte boy who enlisted several months ago in the U. S. Navy.

We were so glad to receive this letter that we are going to put Sailor Holmes on our mailing list and will send him The State Port Pilot for the next twelve months at no cost to him provided he is not transferred outside the United States.

And, in this connection, we want to make this proposition: We will send the Pilot free for 12 months to any other Brunswick county boy who is enlisted in either the U. S. Army or the U. S. Navy if he will write us a nice, interesting letter that may be used either entirely or in part for publication.

In order not to be unfair to boys who are now paying for The Pilot while they are away from home in Uncle Sam's armed force, we will extend their present subscription for 12 months upon receipt of a letter of the above specifications.

You parents and friends might do the boys a good turn by calling this offer to their attention.

Resisting Inflation

Testifying before the House Banking and Currency Committee, Price Administrator Leon Henderson observed that price control is necessary to prevent inflation and runaway prices.

The retailers of this country are doing everything in their power to hold down prices without being subjected to iron-handed governmental regulation and domination.

full. In many instances retailers have even gone farther—and have reduced their own already modest margins of profit in order to maintain moderate prices and encourage trade.

The Enemy Within

How many Americans could answer this question with any degree of accuracy—"How adequate are our local fire defenses?"

The chances are that not one person in a hundred could give anything resembling an informed answer. Yet that question is one which directly affects all our lives, all our property—and which, at this time, has a very direct bearing on the national defense program.

Is the fire department up to snuff? Is there an abundance of water for fighting fire in all sections where it is needed? Is there a strictly enforced, modern building code and fire prevention ordinance?

You are entitled to the answers to such questions as these, and it is your duty to ask them. Today fire loss is running ahead of last year. It is taking more lives. It is wasting more labor and energy.

Even in very small communities, good fire protection is perfectly possible. The people can be educated. And many little towns have joined with others to create fire fighting organizations whose cost, when divided among the cooperating communities, is small.

"Oil Shortage" Backfires

The so-called "oil shortage" scare on the Eastern seaboard, promoted for reasons hard to understand, has vanished like a morning mist.

The productive capacity of the American oil industry is more than adequate to meet today's enormous military demand, as well as the normal civilian demand.

This country produces more than 60 per cent of all the oil in the world. It produces oils of a quality unequalled elsewhere.

If your business begins to bear fruit, you generally think it's a peach.

Living costs are rising so rapidly wonder how long before the stratosphere will be reached?

And some of the pictures which come in over radio look like they have right much static mixed in too.

Shears And Paste

WHY WAIT?

Seven communities in the United States have been certified by the Office of Production Management to the War and Navy departments as facing severe unemployment unless special consideration is given them in awarding defense work.

Advertisement for 'The Fishermen' by Bill Keziah, featuring a fisherman illustration and the text 'Just Among The FISHERMEN'.

This week end will see the gathering of a very important group of men at Southport. Coming from eight or ten states, about thirty-five outdoor editors, radio commentators, representing newspapers and magazines with circulations of many millions, will be here for five days of hunting, fishing and general relaxation.

When the defense activities are over and the uniforms of the soldiers and sailors are laid aside (we hope that time will be soon but fear that we are only indulging in wishful thinking) Southport will have great business, as one of the premier sport fishing centers of the Atlantic coast, to fall back on.

In fact it has been the visiting sportsmen who has carried on, more than any other agency at Southport, during the past several years. They have given much employment to people who had none, they have brought money to town when it was badly needed.

The missionary work has about been done. Hundreds of sportsmen now know from personal experience that Southport has the fish. Literally thousands of others have heard about what we have and are planning to come and take a go at it some day.

But we are only at the beginning. This work has been shared by the sportsmen who came and tried things. Backing them up have been our friends, the outdoor editors, who believed. We hope that the coming week will see dozens more of outdoor editors personally sold on the Southport fishing and on Southport and Brunswick county as a community of friendly, hospitable people.

With all the British have been able to do toward increasing food production, they have been able to boost their pre-war total only about 10 percent, giving them 40 percent of what they need.

OPEN FORUM

A column dedicated to opinions of the public. A mouthpiece for the views and observations of our friends and readers for which we accept no responsibility. Contributions to this column must not exceed three hundred words.

Chaplain's Office United States Navy Yard Charleston, S. C. October 25, 1941 Mr. James M. Harper, Editor The State Port Pilot, Southport, North Carolina. Dear Mr. Harper:

Just thought I would give you a brief sketch of my "ideas" about the Navy and it's advantages to young men about to be inducted into military service. I read in the paper a few weeks ago that you had been made "Navy Editor" for our county. Glad to learn that you have this splendid opportunity to do your "bit" for national defense.

I find that the majority of the boys are of the highest type both morally and spiritually. Most of them are high school graduates and a large number have had college training.

The Navy offers unlimited opportunities to a young man about to be called into military service. He may enlist in the reserve for the duration of the national emergency with a good rating and chance to advance rapidly.

Wishing you best of luck with your work and with best regards, I am Yours very truly, Hubert L. Holmes, Yeoman 3c, M-2, U. S. N. R.

SOUTHPORT SCHOOL NEWS

There is talk of the high school girl's basketball team playing the town girls in the very near future. That should be worthy of your time, so watch for posters announcing the date.

HALLOWE'EN CARNIVAL On Monday evening, November 3, at 7:30 the Home Economics Department will sponsor a Halloween carnival in the gymnasium.

BASKETBALL BEGINS Basketball practice is coming along nicely. The boys are full of zip and high hopes. They hope to order their suits soon.

We noticed a player from one of our stronger rural schools in the gym on Tuesday. We wonder just what his motives were.

The play which the athletic association has chosen to give is entitled "Professor, How Could

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--- NOT EXACTLY NEWS ---

One prominent land-owner in the county told us the other day that he had more birds on his place this year than he had seen in several seasons. He ascribes this to the fact that a neighbor of his moved from the community since last season, taking with him several bird dogs who had formerly amused themselves during the off-season by self-hunting. . . . And, speaking of birds and dogs, Monday's rain ought to make things much more pleasant for several local hunters who have been taking their dogs out for a little pre-season work.

Carolina dropped her fourth game of the season Saturday to Wake Forest, duplicating last year's upset score of 13-0. Duke roared on her unbeaten way at the expense of Pittsburgh 27-6, but faces what may be her sternest test of the season Saturday when she plays Ga. Tech in Atlanta. The men of W. W. Wade are all set for

3, at 7:30 the Home Economics Department will sponsor a Halloween carnival in the gymnasium. There will be all the things a person looks for at a spook show, plus a number of surprises. The costume parade and the crowning of the rulers of popularity will climax the event. The following have been chosen as contestants for the above honors: Sixth grade, Barbara Weeks and Jimmie Smith; seventh grade, Betty Todd Corlette and Billie Wells; eighth grade, Betty Arnold and John Carr Davis; ninth grade, Libby O'Brien and Bobby Jones; tenth grade, Mary Florence Moore and Brother Christian; eleventh grade, Martha Grey Brown and Basil Watts.

On this same evening there will be in the high school auditorium a series of stunts put on by the elementary grades, the high school and the Parent-Teacher Association. A prize will be awarded the group giving the best stunt.

The eighth grade has elected officers for the ensuing year. These officers are as follows: President, Douglas Jones; vice-president, Glenn Jones; secretary, Sally Ann McNeill; treasurer, John Carr Davis. The news reporter is Eleanor Reese. They have chosen as their grade mothers Mrs. J. A. McNeill and Mrs. Will Sellers Davis.

The girls basketball team has been practicing for the past two weeks. They have elected Joy Arnold as their captain and Lettie Hickman as their alternate captain.

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Tech's good old Southern hospitality. State trampled Newberry College in a breathless week, goes over to Chapel Hill with an chance to whip the Tar Heels.

Maxie Cooker, who with his father, Mr. Cooker, spends most of his nights fishing in the river and bays near town, says that he frequently is able to see the searchlights of Davis during their nocturnal meanderings the sky. And that must be all of 60-miles as a light beam flies. . . . If you've been getting thrill out of these high-flying planes that been hearing during the past few days, get for an even greater thrill on Wednesday Thursday of next week when "I Wanted Wings" plays at the Amuzu. This is easily the outstanding airplane picture we have seen, and is educational as well as entertaining.

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Large advertisement for 'The American Way' by Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company, featuring an American flag and text about the benefits of the American Way.