

## Murder Case Holds Center Of Interest In Court Term To Convene Here Monday

Cox Will Face Trial For Fatal Shooting Of Hanson Edwards Several Weeks Ago

AND JURY TO RECEIVE REPORT Held Open For Judgment By Brunswick County Recorder Date To 1939; Jury Will Investigate

One of the most important terms in recent years will be held here on Monday with C. Everett Thompson, of Southport, presiding. From the point of public interest, the outstanding development will be the murder trial of Cox, who Solicitor David Fair has said will be placed on trial for his life for the fatal shooting of Hanson Edwards several weeks ago. Cox has been in the Brunswick county jail since the date of the shooting. There is great interest, too, in the trial of one and possibly two other cases. Although these are the cases which the court room will be centered, there also is deep interest on the part of the county as to what decision will be made of the cases made recently by members of the Brunswick County Board of Prisoners, which Judge Walter M. Stana-

## Some Funny Things Came Up In Sugar Registration

Registration for sugar rationing was serious business, but the job in Brunswick county was not without its humorous sidelights. For instance, there was the case where a well-known minister was completing the registration of an elderly lady. "Now, Mrs. Blank," said he, "will you swear that these statements made by you are true?" "No, I won't" came her indignant reply, and they say that it took quite a while to get the lady reconciled to the fact that a sworn statement was necessary before she could get her War Ration Book No. 1. Out at Shallotte a lady of color came up to register for her family. In her arms was an infant of three weeks age. "Can I register this here baby?" she wanted to know. "Certainly," she was told. "What its name?" "Hit ain't been named," said the mother. "Then you can't register for it," said the reg-

## Gasoline Rationing To Be Effective Friday

Registration Of Motorists In Progress In Brunswick Three Days Prior To Period Of Enforcement

TRUCKS ARE NOT TO BE REGISTERED

Five Types of Ration Cards, Carrying Units Good For 3-Gallons Each Issued To Auto Drivers

Registration of all automobile owners in Brunswick county for gasoline ration cards began Tuesday with approximately one-third of the passenger vehicles being accounted for during the first day. Registration continues today and tomorrow, and in Southport arrangements are being made to remain open until 9 o'clock tomorrow night for the convenience of workers who are away from here all day. Local arrangements will be made at other points in the county. By now most of the motorists know that in order to be able to obtain a gasoline ration card it is necessary for them to present a registration card. This is all the necessary to obtain an "A" card, which carries 7 units, each good for the purchase of 3 gallons of gasoline. If the person registering uses his automobile for some important part of his gainful employment, then he may register for a "B" card. The B-group is divided into three parts, each with a card carrying a different number of units. Card "B 1" has 11 units; card "B 2" has 15 units; card "B 3" has 19 units. The unit value is the same in all instances, 3 gallons. Only a limited number of applicants are eligible for the X card, which permits the unlimited purchase of gasoline for necessary purposes. Although there is great demand for cards of this denomination, relatively few of them have been granted to citizens of Brunswick. Where the gasoline permitted by the card in possession of the motorist is obviously insufficient to take care of his needs during (Continued on page 4)

## S. Wins Big Naval Battle

Eight Ships Are Sunk Off The Solomon Islands; Four Others Are Damaged; Subs Sank 3 Japanese; U. S. Loses Only Three Ships

WASHINGTON.—An American naval force, intercepting a Japanese fleet apparently striking at the flank of the life line to Australia, sank eight enemy ships, damaged four and destroyed six planes at a total United States cost of only three ships, the Navy announced today.

The furious battle, authoritatively regarded here as possibly the first in which strictly American forces have engaged the enemy in a general naval encounter, occurred last Monday in the waters of the Solomon Islands, northwest of Australia and east of New Caledonia and the New Hebrides islands. The Navy communique reported the results of the battle also showed that U. S. submarines operating in the Western Pacific had sunk three more Japanese ships. Thus, the enemy's total ship losses announced today were eleven, including seven warships, four damaged, as follows: The *Toll*—one light cruiser, two destroyers, four gun boats and one auxiliary vessel. Damaged—one 9,000 ton seaplane tender, one light cruiser, (Continued On Page Four)

## All Philippine Fighting Halted

Wainwright Reported To Have Acceded To Japs At Corregidor Surrender

WASHINGTON.—An unofficial and unconfirmed report that the Japanese require surrender of the small units of American Filipino forces still fighting on various islands of the Archipelago as a condition for ending their attacks on the Manila Bay forts was announced today by the war department. In a communique worded carefully to make clear the completely unofficial nature of the report, (Continued on page 4)

## Bailey Asks Re-Election As U. S. Senator



Has Represented North Carolina In Senate Since 1930

Senator Josiah W. Bailey, who seeks re-election to the United States, has spent the largest part of his adult life in public service. Born at Warrenton in 1873, his family moved to Raleigh in 1877, the city with which the Senator has since been identified. After his public school course in the Capital City, he continued his education at the Raleigh Male Academy and at Wake Forest College. He studied law at Trinity College and took his law degree at Wake Forest in 1908. He was a member of the State Board of Agriculture from 1896 to 1900. After admission to the bar, he became the state's elector at large, in 1908, and was U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue for N. C. from 1913 to 1921. He was a member of the state's Constitutional Commission in 1915. In 1930 he was first elected to the Senate, and was re-elected six years later. Aside from his public services, Senator Bailey has been editor of the *Biblical Recorder* and Trustee of the University of North Carolina. Since entering the Senate, Mr. Bailey has become Chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee.

## U. S. To Ration Travel Aboard Trains, Busses

Cities Over 10,000 Get Instruction On Efficient Use Of Transportation

SUNDAY RIDING GOING

Motorists Having More Than Five Tires Asked To Sell Their Extras

WASHINGTON.—Rationing of passenger travel on railroads and busses was described officially today as "definitely in prospect" while the government sent every city of over 10,000 populations a blue print for efficient use of public and private transportation. In addition, it planned an appeal to motorists having more than five tires to sell the extras to the government. In a day which found Congress and government departments increasingly concerned over the rubber and transportation situations, there were these developments: Robert Patterson, undersecretary of war, told a press conference that Americans must quit using their automobiles for "Sunday driving, visit to Cousin Joe and petting parties" because their tires must be saved for possible war use. One of the officials who has endorsed pending legislation which would authorize the government to requisition private automobiles, (Continued on page 4)

## Week's Program For USO Club

Variety Of Entertainment Being Planned For Local Service Club During Week

The following program has been mapped out for the local USO Club for the coming week: Thursday, May 14th, 8:30 P. M.: Motion Picture, "Lloyds Of London". Freddie Bartholomew, Madeleine Carroll, Sir Guy Standing, Tyrone Power. Friday, May 15th, 8:30 P. M.: Motion picture (same show). Saturday, May 16th: Social night. Sunday, May 17th: USO Sabbath; Mass (Catholic Church) 8:00 P. M., morning worship 8:00 P. M., (protestant churches); 6:00 P. M.: evening snack; USO Sabbath Vespers, 9:30 P. M. Monday, May 18th: Club night. Tuesday, May 19th: Record evening. Wednesday, May 20th: Club night.

## Aged Resident Of Bolivia Dies

Funeral Services Conducted Sunday Afternoon At Antioch Baptist Church

Funeral services for Roscoe Madison Lancaster, 66, who died at his home near Bolivia at 9:30 o'clock Friday night, were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Coward from the Antioch church at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Interment followed in the Antioch church cemetery. Active pallbearers were Henry C. Hinson, Landis Smith, J. Earnest Gilbert, Elwood Clemmons, (Continued On Page Four)

## Hospital Day Meeting Held Here Tuesday

Meeting In Brunswick County Courthouse Called For Purpose Of Acquainting Public With Local Work

HOSPITAL OFFICERS TALK TO PEOPLE

Number Of Useful Gifts Presented For Use Of Brunswick County Hospital Following Meeting

National Hospital Day was observed in Southport on Tuesday with women of the Doshier Memorial Hospital Auxiliary sponsoring a meeting in the courthouse at 8:30 in the evening. Mrs. C. Ed. Taylor, president of the auxiliary, was in charge of the program. She called on the secretary of the organization. Miss Lottie Mae Newton, who gave a report on the things done in the past few years for the hospital by the auxiliary. L. T. Yaskell, chairman of the board of directors, made a short talk on the hospital and called on J. J. Loughlin, treasurer, for a report on its financial condition. Mrs. L. C. Fergus, who recently trained a class of Red Cross Nurses Aides, talked on the good the Aides are doing at the hospital at the present time. She introduced three of her class who came in uniform, Mrs. Elizabeth Gilbert, Mrs. Chas. Newton, and Miss Lois Jane Bussells. Dr. Landis G. Brown and C. Ed Taylor each made a few remarks praising the auxiliary. At the conclusion of the meeting gifts for the hospital were placed on a table. A number of useful things were received and accepted for the hospital by Miss Elizabeth Murray, superintendent of nurses.

## Respected Man Passes At Home

George E. Brooks Died At His Home At Seaside Sunday Following Long Illness

George E. Brooks, one of the outstanding citizens of this county for more than two-score years, died at his home at Seaside early Sunday morning. His death followed a period of extended illness. The deceased, who was 67-years-of-age, was the son of Joseph C. and Sophia E. Brooks. Although he engaged in the mercantile business throughout the greater part of his life, he served at one time as county treasurer, and on other occasions was a candidate for sheriff. He was a member of the board of stewards of New Hope Methodist church. He is survived by his widow, who was the former Stella A. Leonard before her marriage in 1899; four daughters, Misses Zelma, Mary and Lula Brooks, of Seaside, and Mrs. John Furlong, Jr., of Wilmington; five sons, James S. John E., Joseph C., and Norwood O. Brooks, Seaside, and Private George E. Brooks, Jr., of Fort Eustis; two sisters, Misses Fannie and Carrie Brooks, of Seaside, and two nieces, Mrs. Thelma McEachern and Mrs. Norwood Orre, Wilmington. Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home at Seaside with Rev. Charles L. Phillips and Rev. W. T. Lowe, officiating. Burial followed in the Brooks cemetery, near Shallotte. Active pallbearers were Chandler Rourke, D. Cary Andrews, Henry C. Stone, Walter M. Jenrette, Fred Mintz and E. V. Leonard; honorary: Dan R. Johnson, C. Ed Taylor, W. B. Cooper, J. W. Ruark, H. A. Mintz, E. C. Huffines, E. Holden, J. W. Summerett, Dr. J. W. Hayes, Drs. M. H. (Continued On Page Four)

## CANDIDATES FOR HOUSE



RIVALS—W. J. McLamb, left, and G. Butler Thompson, right, are candidates for the Democratic nomination for member of the House of Representatives. There's a wide divergence in their platforms. McLamb's appeared in the last issue of *The Pilot*, Thompson's may be found elsewhere in today's paper.

## Democrats Will Hold Convention Saturday

Plenty Of Excitement Promised When Party Members Get Together At Shallotte This Week

INTEREST CENTERS IN NEW CHAIRMAN

Delegates To Democratic State Convention Also Will Be Named At This Meeting In Shallotte

Plenty of excitement is promised when members of the Democratic party meet at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon at Shallotte in their county convention. Of primary interest to the voters present will be the matter of who is to be named chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee. Walter M. Stana-

## Resignation Of Caisson Recalled

Man Who Resigned Last Week As Coroner Has Resumed Duties Of That Office And Will Run Again

The order accepting the resignation of John G. Caisson as coroner has been rescinded, the appointment of W. E. Bell as his successor has been voided and Mr. Caisson again is in charge of the office of Brunswick county coroner according to official information released here yesterday. Caisson tendered his resignation to accept a position as armed guard at Caswell Section Base. When it was learned that the new job was of indefinite duration, this and other factors caused Caisson to reconsider his decision to vacate his job as a county official. In reassuming his duties as coroner, Caisson stated that he wishes to have it clearly understood that he not only plans to complete the present term, but that he will wage an aggressive campaign for re-election this fall. He has no opponent for the Democratic nomination.

## Four Cases Are Before Recorder

White Youth Remanded To Juvenile Judge For Trial; Try Two Indians For Assault With Deadly Weapon

Four cases came before Judge Walter M. Stana-

## Explain Duties Of Air Wardens

Jim Finch, In Charge Of Plane Spotting Service For This County, Presides At Bolivia Meeting

The first in a series of informational meetings regarding the air warning system in Brunswick county was held last night at Bolivia with outstanding speakers scheduled to appear. Included were Jim Finch, in charge of the plane spotting and reporting program for Brunswick, Louis J. Poisson, F. P. O'Crowley and others. Mr. Finch announced that other meetings will be held later at other points in the county, the objective being to thoroughly acquaint the citizens with what is being done for their protection, (Continued On Page Four)

## Ruark Declares Party Chairman Should Resign

Candidate For Nomination For State Senate Makes Heated Reply To Statement Made Last Week By W. M. Stana-

SAYS CANDIDATES MAY MAKE SCHEDULE

Declares That Ill Becomes Man Holding 3 Jobs To Make Charge Of Attempts To "Hitlerize"

The charge made in last week's paper by Walter M. Stana-

Ruark renews the charge that he made last week that Stana-

filed for State Senator, according to the Custom Prevailing in the Democrat party of North Carolina, he should have vacated the chairmanship of the Democratic Executive Committee of Brunswick county, and it was his duty before filing for a political office, to call a meeting of the County Executive Committee and tender his resignation and then it would have been the duty of said executive committee to have elected another chairman to fill Mr. Stana-

Mr. Stana-

"In a Democratic Primary, the Chairman does not have, and should not have, any right, authority or control over the Democrat candidates and should not use his influence as chairman to promote the candidacy of any candidate or group of candidates, and any candidate or group of candidates have a right to arrange speaking engagements and invite all candidates to attend said engagements and participate therein.

"The time has arrived when Mr. Stana-

## 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, December 25	
0:51 a. m.	7:16 a. m.
1:10 p. m.	7:38 p. m.
Friday, December 26	
1:44 a. m.	8:19 a. m.
2:06 p. m.	8:33 p. m.
Saturday, December 27	
2:39 a. m.	9:16 a. m.
3:04 p. m.	9:24 p. m.
Sunday, December 28	
3:36 a. m.	10:08 a. m.
4:01 p. m.	10:11 p. m.
Monday, December 29	
4:30 a. m.	10:57 a. m.
4:55 p. m.	10:57 p. m.
Tuesday, December 30	
5:19 a. m.	11:44 a. m.
5:43 p. m.	11:43 p. m.
Wednesday, December 31	
6:01 a. m.	12:30 p. m.
6:26 p. m.	12:30 p. m.