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POL THIRTEEN

## Wheat Store On Farms This Year For Loan

O. Bennett, Chairman Of The AAA County Committee, Announces Receipt Of Information To This Effect

## ARRANGEMENTS TO BE MADE FOR LOAN

Applications Will Be Received At County Office After Necessary Requirements Have Been Fulfilled

Wheat growers of Brunswick County will be allowed to store wheat on farms to obtain federal loans for the first time this year, according to O. Bennett, chairman of the County AAA Committee.

Plans for storage in farm bins and commercial elevators have been completed, and elevator facilities will be available when wheat is ready for storage.

Any farmer in the county who has wheat within his wheat acreage last year is eligible for a loan from the Commodity Credit Corporation. The state's loan rate has been fixed at \$1.37 cents per bushel for No. 2 wheat, which is 17 cents higher than last year's rate for other grades.

Loan rates for other grades are: No. 1, \$1.38 per bushel; No. 3, \$1.35; No. 4, \$1.32, and No. 5, \$1.30.

For light garlicky wheat the rate is two cents lower per bushel for each grade and for heavy wheat the rate is six cents lower. For light smutty the rate is three cents lower per bushel for each grade, and for heavy smutty six cents lower.

Loans are due on demand, but in all cases they will mature by Sept. 30, 1943.

Applications will be received at the Brunswick County AAA office as soon as the wheat is placed in storage and has been in farm bins approved by the AAA Committee at least 15 days. Chairman Bennett said that the wheat is stored on farms, storage fee of seven cents per bushel will be paid the owner.

Warehouse storage costs are assumed by the Commodity Credit Corporation unless the loan is repaid and the wheat is reclaimed by the owner.

The AAA chairman said there are three important principles to be followed in storing wheat on farms. First, he said, the wheat must be protected from weather insects by placing it in a building with a good roof, floor, and walls. Second, the wheat must be stored on a floor at least 18 inches above the ground, and the wheat must be stored in such a manner that the county AAA committee or the wheat inspector can determine exactly how much wheat is stored.

"The wheat remains the property of the original owner, and it is up to him to see that the wheat receives good care. He must report any damage to the county AAA committee."

He urged farmers to exercise extreme caution not to harvest wheat until it is thoroughly dry and not to place it in bulk storage on the farm until the moisture content is 14 percent or below. Loans will not be granted on wheat stored on farms until moisture content is reduced to 14 percent or below, he said.

Chairman said damage from insects and excess moisture is the greatest danger to wheat stored on North Carolina farms.

Growers storing wheat on farms, he said, will pay a fee of \$1.00 per acre for storage.

Improvement Is Noted In Crops

Agent And Farm Agent Report Encouraging Improvement In Farming Operations

Brunswick county farm crops have made notable improvement during the month of June, according to county agent J. E. Anderson, and Miss Genevieve Anderson, home demonstration agent.

Thousands of people, who never before bothered to grow gardens, are growing them this year. Many men and women cultivators are getting a lot of entertainment, as well as needed experience, from their work. Vegetables and fruits are more plentiful and better than for some weeks.

## QUIET SCENE



**WATERFRONT.**—In summers past the waterfront in Southport has afforded a scene of busy activity at this season. The above view is just about typical of the river these days, with cargo vessels making rare calls, and with practically all of the small craft restricted from the area at and near the Cape Fear River bar.

## Announce Business Hours For The Rationing Board

New Employee Will Start Work Monday, And Office Will Remain Open From 8 O'clock Until 6 O'clock Each Day

## PUBLIC URGED TO USE THE MAIL

Board Representative Makes Public Statement Of Policy Being Followed By Members

Beginning Monday, June 22, the office of the Brunswick County Rationing Board will be open from 8 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock in the evening, and officials make the earnest request that persons who have business with the board make their calls during these hours.

However, the board suggests that it is a much more practical plan for all business, as nearly as practicable, be carried on through the mail.

Mrs. Grade D. Jones begins work on Monday, being the second paid employee of the board. Mrs. Dudley Lewis has been employed for several weeks as stenographer.

The following statement has been issued this week by an official of the local rationing board:

"We, local citizens who comprise this Board together with the clerks who keep the office open, would like to give you an idea as to what we are up against in trying to ration out the automobiles, tires etc. for which application has to be made through the rationing office and approved before they can be purchased.

"We have nothing to do with quotas issued for our County (except try and get them increased)."

"When we get our monthly quota of tires from the state rationing office certificates can only be issued for them on a weekly basis, therefore the whole quota cannot be disposed of in the first week or two.

"In considering these applications the one object we keep before us to try and issue certificates for this extremely small (Continued On Page Four)

Bald Head Island Really Is Deserted This Season

One of the most alluring and at the same time one of the most lonely places on the North Carolina coast this year is Bald Head Island. Visitors are not prohibited from going there, but the impression prevails that such is the case, and a result is that hardly anyone now goes to the beautiful island that has been attracting hundreds all through each summer.

There are reasonable restrictions covering visits to the island, but nothing to deter anyone from going if they have identification.

The only civilian residents of the island this year are Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lewis, who look after the interests of the owner, Frank O. Sherrill, owner of the S. & W. Chain of cafeterias, and owner of the island for the past five years. Little farming

is carried on this year, but a large number of pure bred hogs are being raised on the island and these are being looked after by Mr. Lewis.

On the government's small reservations on the island a limited number of Coast Guards are on duty, looking after lights and keeping a watch for small boats or people who may get into trouble in the waters.

The island has lost none of its charm to the visitors who do go there. It merely seems lonely to find so few people at a place where there was formerly a constant stream of visitors. The war, when it ends, should see the coming of some sort of real development on Bald Head, which can well be regarded as North Carolina's most famous island, even if it is North Carolina's most lonely place at the moment.

## Rubber Salvage Program Begins In This County

Service Station Operators Throughout This County Co-operate In Nationwide Campaign For Scrap

## BOY SCOUTS ARE LEADERS HERE

Have Collected More Than Two Tons Of This Material And Will Continue Round-Up On Friday

Brunswick county citizens have joined in the nation-wide program to round up all of the scrap rubber now available about the home, on the farm, beside the streets and roads and to turn it over to service station operators for use in the rubber reclamation program.

Chairman of the Brunswick County Salvage Committee is J. E. Dodson, county agent, who urges one-hundred percent participation in the rubber round-up.

The full weight of this program has fallen upon the shoulders of the gasoline dealers, who have assumed responsibility for paying cash for the offerings at the rate of 1 cent per pound. The collections will later be picked up by the gasoline distributors and sold to the Used Rubber Corporation.

Any funds above the actual cost of operating this program will be turned over to the Army or Navy Relief Society, the USO or the Red Cross.

In Southport the lead in this program has been taken by the Boy Scouts, who stole a march on their fellows by having about two tons of old rubber stacked up on the back yard of their scout master. The purchase of this pile of old tires, plus many smaller purchases made during the first two days, makes J. A. McNeill at Southport Service Station top man in the county from point of volume.

Scout Master Fred Asburn wishes to urge the continued cooperation of Southport residents in helping the scouts help their country. On Friday afternoon, between the hours of 1 o'clock and 5 o'clock, the members of the troop will make a house-to-house canvass for any articles of used rubber. If house holders will collect their scrap and put it in a box on their front porch, the boys will pick it up and not even disturb the occupants of the house.

Warn Residents Of Explosives

Beware Of Any Of This Type Of Object Which May Be Found Washed Up On Beaches Of This County

The Navy today issued a warning to coastal residents of the Southport area to give a wide berth to any torpedoes, mines, aerial bombs, depth charges, or other objects suspected of being explosive, which may wash up on the beach.

Such explosives—of enemy or Allied origin—may be expected to wash ashore, particularly after rough weather.

Some of the mines now being used are so sensitive that the mere footsteps of a person approaching too close may set them off. Under no circumstance should they be touched or moved, except by a disposal expert of the Navy.

When in doubt as to whether an object on the beach is an explosive, the safest procedure is to keep as far away from it as possible. (Continued on page 4)

Southport Boy Is In Training

Robert C. McKeithan, Graduate Of Southport High School, Is Learning To Be Navy Radioman

Undergoing advanced instruction at one of the Navy's many large, eastern trade schools is Robert C. McKeithan, of Southport, who is seeking the rating of radioman. He is taking full advantage of the Navy's vast educational system designed to train thousands of specialists in all branches for Uncle Sam's mighty fleet.

McKeithan, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McKeithan, of Southport, is a graduate of the Southport high school. Prior to his enlistment he worked in the U. S. Engineers office in Wilmington.

As a radioman, McKeithan will be called upon to operate Navy transmitting and receiving equipment, service radio, direction finders and sound equipment, and encipher and decipher official Navy radio messages. (Continued on page 4)

Mrs. Smith Is Appointed Again

Mrs. Lou H. Smith Has Served As County Health Nurse For Number Of Years; Named For Another 12 Months

Mrs. Lou H. Smith, county health nurse of a number of years, was reappointed Monday for a period of one year at the same salary. This appointment was made in a joint session of the board of county commissioners and the Brunswick county board of health.

## Election Board Chairman Makes Position Clear

David Ross, Chairman Of Brunswick County Board Of Elections, Cites Official Letter Showing He Was Right

## SAYS 'UNJUST CRITICISM' MADE

Statement From Chairman Is Substantiated By Letter From Secretary Of State Board

Having been subjected to widespread criticism which he feels has been entirely unjustified, David Ross, chairman of the Brunswick County Board of Elections, has addressed the following statement to citizens of this county, and has supported his position with a letter from the chairman of the State Elections Board, copy of which is also being published:

"To the voters of Brunswick county who have been very liberal in their unjust criticism of the action of the board of elections in not granting a recount of certain precincts on petition Mr. Walter M. Stanaland. I would like to say the action of the State Board of Elections as expressed in the following letter after reviewing all the minutes of the action of the board and the petition and demurrer as filed by Mr. Stanaland, should be self-explanatory.

"DAVID ROSS, Chairman Brunswick County Board of Elections." "June 11, 1942"

"Mr. David Ross, Chairman Brunswick County Board of Elections, "Freeland, North Carolina "Dear Mr. Ross:

"Your letter of June 8th enclosing the minutes of your meeting and the petition of Walter M. Stanaland for a recount of the votes in Brunswick County for the office of State Senate was presented to the State Board of Elections yesterday for such action thereon as the Board deemed advisable to take.

"After a consideration of same and particularly the affidavit filed by Mr. Stanaland, the Board was of the opinion that your Board acted properly in dismissing the petition of Mr. Stanaland for a recount inasmuch as the petition and affidavit failed to allege any specific irregularity to justify a recount of the votes for that office.

"I was instructed by the Board to notify you of its action and to return the papers to you and same are enclosed herewith.

"Yours very truly, "R. C. MAXWELL, "Executive Secretary"

Program Will Continue Until July 15th; A And B Card Holders To Get 6 Gallons For Each Space On Card

WASHINGTON.—The Office of Price Administration Thursday night extended the emergency gasoline rationing program on the east coast to July 15th, on which date the permanent coupon rationing system will go into effect.

Effective at 12:01 a. m. June 15, the basic unit value of "A" and "B" cards now in use will be increased from 3 to 6 gallons, to provide card holders with sufficient motor fuel to tide them over the two-week extension period.

The temporary plan originally was set to expire June 30. The extension was ordered to permit the training of registrars and ration boards in the new and more stringent system.

Card holders who have exhausted all the units on their ration cards by June 15 must apply to their local ration board for an extra allotment.

OPA said, however, that such an extra ration should be for gasoline needed between July 1 and July 15 only, since the rations allowed by the present cards were (Continued On Page Four)

Three Strikes And Three Outs

It was a case of three strikes and three outs for the small mouth bass in McKenzie's pond Saturday afternoon. Slim Osborne was fishing, and got only three responses to the plugs and flies he tossed out. One of these casts brought in a 4-pounder, another a 3-pounder, and the last netted one that weighed one and a half pounds.

For the benefit of those who do not know it, small-mouth bass grow to be larger than big-mouth bass. Another fact in relation to these fish is that the small mouths and large mouths are never found in the same ponds or lakes.

## Clark Promises Details About Military Project

Says That Newspaper Will Be Notified The Moment There Is Anything Announced Regarding Bolton Project

The private secretary to Hon. J. Bayard Clark, seventh district congressman, yesterday wrote a letter to the editor of that paper promising that the News Reporter will be given information regarding the project between Bolton and Freeman the very moment anything definite on this score is available.

The letter came in answer to a telegram from the News Reporter last week requesting whatever information Congressman Clark could get about the proposed project.

The secretary explained that Mr. Clark has been sick for the past week, and said that he himself has camped on the heels of anybody who might possibly give him any information with regard to the proposed project, but all his efforts, like those of this paper, have led up to a blind alley.

Meanwhile, property between Bolton and Freeman is being staked off, and is said to cover an area of 175,000 acres of land formerly owned by the Waccamaw Lumber Corporation.

W. A. McNeill, project manager for the Atlantic division of United States engineers, is going ahead with preparation to open his office this week in the old postoffice building in Whiteville on E. Virgil Street. His opening of an office there would seem to indicate that there is something of a military nature in the offering for this section.

Rumors persist that the project will be an army camp, while there are others being circulated that an army bombing range is to be established. Authoritative sources have discounted the bombing range theory, however.

## Two Men File In Second Race For Commissioner

Professor Stone Gets Big Perch

A perch for Southport sportsmen to shoot at was brought in Saturday by Prof. H. C. Stone of the Shallotte school. It was a grayhead, weighing 18 ounces and was a beautiful fish. When a bigger and better fish of the kind is taken, he (or she) who takes it will be entitled to a Number-one write-up in the papers, according to L. T. Yaskell, who could not reconcile the half pounders, which he usually catches, with this jumbo of a grayhead.

Mr. Stone caught the fish in Lockwoods Folly river at Supply.

## OPA Extends Gas Rationing Period

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## Jack Jumping Is Most Unusual Fishing Method

(By W. B. KEZIAH) A sportsman came around this week with a tale of a good sized perch having jumped into a boat, occupied by him and other boys who were out alligator hunting at night. This visitor happened to be from Pennsylvania; to North Carolina folks, or the few of them who have engaged in nocturnal rambles in a boat, there is nothing unusual in having a fish come aboard voluntarily.

Perch, however, do not jump into boats as frequently as do some other species of fish. The jacks, which are first cousins of the northern muskalgone, are the most strongly disposed towards such actions.

In fact, the habit of jacks to jump into a boat at night is so strongly developed that there is a kind of fishing known as jack-jumping. More than two hundred pounds of fish have been caught in a single night, the fisherman having no other equipment than a boat, an oar, a strong lantern or flashlight and a plentiful supply of nerve.

The nerve is required because of the fact the average person is inclined to be startled when a good sized fish leaps out of the darkness into his lap or the bottom of the boat. Nerves are not much improved by the knowledge that water moccasins also like to come slithering aboard.

On one occasion when I was out jack-jumping with a couple of friends there was a couple of inches of water in the bottom of the boat. A small amount of this had leaked in, more had been splashed in with the oar and still more had come aboard with the jacks, which were jumping fast and furiously. In order to see how big a catch (Continued On Page Four)

## Women Volunteer Units Doing Part In War Program

Many Volunteers Are At Work Daily In Wilmington Filter Center, Doing Part To Make This Section Safe

## PRESENT UNUSUAL SCENE AT JOBS

Smooth-Working Organization Has Tremendous Responsibility In Rendering Service

The volunteers of the Women's Auxiliary of the Aircraft Warning Service are doing a vital work in America's first line of defense in the Information and Filter Centers according to Major Oscar C. Tigner, Signal Officer of the Wilmington Air Defense Region.

Their duties, according to Major Tigner, consist of receiving information concerning aircraft

movements. Through their telephone headsets they receive reports from aircraft spotters at observation posts and from mechanical locators strategically placed along our shore lines. This information is then transferred into visual form.

Those members of the Women's Auxiliary are seated around huge table maps which are diagrams of the surrounding area and on which they must chart all reported flights. Each woman is in direct telephonic contact with the observers from the particular section indicated on the map before her. On this map she plots the information which she has just received from the observer. Then she records this coded message on a "plotter pip." She immediately places the pip on the spot on the map that corresponds with the observation post from which the message has been sent.

"Tollers," who are also women volunteers, relay these messages as charted after the incorrect information has been filtered out, to an Operations Board. It is from the Operations Board that representatives of the Army and Navy Forces, the Anti-Aircraft Force and Civilian Defense, observe flight courses, make decisions and take the necessary steps in active and passive defense.

In relaying and charting this information these women become an integral part of the chain of interception. It is only through evaluating their work that the Commander is able to order pursuit ships into the air to effect an interception of hostile invading aircraft.

To accomplish this work with the greatest accuracy and speed these volunteer women must be highly trained. The training consists of several class periods, then several periods during which the new volunteer studies under trained women while operations are in (continued on page four)

## 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.

High Tide Low Tide

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.