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No Change Made In List Of Election Winners As Result Of Vote Canvass

B. Ward Still Is One
Ahead Of D. R.
Johnson At Conclusion
Of Official Check-Up On
Thursday

PUBLICANS TO
PROTEST RESULTS

Has Been Set For
Of This Week At
Time Com-
plaints Will Be Filed

spending all day long
arguments and canvassing
the Brunswick county
of elections completed the
last Thursday night and
results still showed that John
Ward was one vote ahead of
D. R. Johnson, republican, in
race for judge of Recorder's

though there were some
noted in the individual
received, the winners upon
of Thursday's official
appear to be the same
were reported last week.

48-hours in which to
any complaint they desired
the election, through their
candidates, through their
Alton Lennon and Louis
of Wilmington, demand-
a complete recount of all
submitted charging ir-
in several precincts.

Chairman of the
of elections, has set the
of these appeals for Fri-
morning at 11 o'clock in the
at Southport.

Henry, of Lumberton,
employed as counsel to represent
the interest of Democratic
and opposing coun-
spent most of Thursday con-
each point that was
before the board. It was
decided that the canvass
be completed, and that any
of submission of evidence
irregularities, would be con-
at a subsequent hearing
set for Friday.

In addition to the apparent vic-
of Ward over Johnson, Ben-
showed a substantial major-
Swain for clerk; McLamb
Mintz for the house; Bell
Simmons for coroner; and
Watts, republican, over Ganey
sheriff. The three high com-
appeared to be Mintz,
Watts and Russ, the latter a
and the losers were
the Gray and Tripp, the latter
Democrat and member of the
board.

umerous Cases
Tried In Court

ety Of Cases Disposed
Before Judge E. J.
Prevatte In Court Here
Monday

Recorder's court here Mon-
Lemon Letham, colored,
guilty to charges of
Given 60 days on the
judgment was suspended
payment of costs and a fine
\$15.00. His license to drive
was revoked.

Joseph Croker, white, pleaded
guilty to charges of drunk driv-
Given 6 months on the roads,
judgment was suspended upon
payment of costs and a fine of
\$25.00.

Joseph Croker, colored, plead-
guilty to charges of being
and disorderly. Given 30
on each count, judgment was
suspended upon payment of costs
and a fine of \$15.00.

George Croker, white, plead-
guilty to charges of drunk driv-
Given 6 months in the
was suspended upon payment
of costs and a fine of \$50.00. His
license was revoked for 12
months.

Joseph Croker, colored, plead-
guilty to charges of drunk driv-
reckless operation, speed-
and escaping from an offi-
Given 12 months, judgment
was suspended upon payment of
costs and a fine of \$30.00 in each of four
counts. His driving
license was revoked for 12
months.

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GOING TO WAR



SCRAP—The cannon shown above being loaded for a trip to the scrap pile was once one of the proudest pieces at Ft. Caswell. Now it will be melted and used for the manufacture of modern arms with which to defeat the Axis.—(Official U. S. Navy Photo—Star-News Cut.)

Consumers To Register Saturday For Fuel Oil

Consolidated Schools Of
County Have Been Designated
Sites Of Registration
For Needs

TEACHERS WILL
GIVE THEIR TIME

Registrants Urged To Have
Information Available,
And Are Asked To Be
Patient And Polite

Consumer registration for the
fuel oil rationing program will be
held at each of the consolidated
schools of the county on Satur-
day, according to announcement
made this morning by the Brun-
swick county rationing board.

"School authorities who have
been contacted have indicated
their complete willingness to co-
operate in Saturday's registra-
tion," said a member of the ra-
tioning board, "and so it is that
once again the heavy load of
launching another program comes
to rest upon our public school
teachers."

The rationing official urged all
citizens to be as patient and as
considerate as possible when reg-
istering. The teachers are being
asked to volunteer for this work
during their leisure time, and
they are entitled to all possible
consideration from the people
whom they seek to help.

Included in the list of uses for
which it will be necessary to reg-
ister are for heating, cooking,
lighting, fuel for stationary en-
gines or tractors, and for other
uses.
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Jury Orders Driver Held

George Dixon, Driver Of
Car Which Struck David
Ray Brew, Being Held
Under \$1,500 Bond

George Dixon, colored, was or-
dered held under bond of \$1,500
for questioning by the grand jury
following a hearing last night at
Leland into the death last week
of David Ray Brew, popular
young citizen of this community.

The coroner's jury found that
Brew's death resulted from an ac-
cident resulting from the care-
less operation of an automobile
driven by Dixon.

Members of the jury were R.
C. Holmes, G. C. McKeehan,
James Edwards, Samuel O. West,
F. O. Simmons and Frank Gore.
The inquest was held at the store
of S. J. Coker.

Sportsmanship Is Not Appreciated

It isn't unusual to find birds
on the ground, ducks on a pond
or a rabbit in his nest, but
Rube Lewis, Bolivia man, had
the rare experience Monday of
seeing a seven-point buck lying
in his bed and completely
unaware of the fact that he was
about to be the leading man in
a deer drive.

Rube "lowed as how it would
be more sportsmanlike to give
the buck a chance, so he walk-
ed boldly forward, prepared to
blaze away the moment the
animal took off.

That didn't take long; and
when he did Lewis let go with
both barrels. Apparently un-
harmred, the deer left for parts
unknown.

Longwood Boy In Air Corps

Bayard Bellamy Will Be
Given Flight Training
For Service In Naval Air
Corps

Bayard Bellamy Sellars, 18, son
of William B. Sellars, of Long-
wood, has been selected for train-
ing as a Naval aviation cadet and
will be ordered to active duty
shortly.

Sellars, a native of Clarkton,
graduated from Waccamaw high
school at Ash, where he partici-
pated in athletics by playing on
his high school basketball team;
He was a member of the debat-
ing society.

When ordered to active duty
Sellars will report to the U. S.
Navy Pre-Flight School, either at
the University of North Carolina,
Chapel Hill, or University of
Georgia, Athens, Georgia, for
three months of physical condi-
tioning, military drill and ground
school subjects. After completing
this course he will be sent to one
of the Navy's numerous reserve
bases for primary flight training.

Sellars is scheduled to become
a member of the Carolina squad-
ron now being organized in the
Charlotte area under the direction
of Naval Aviation Cadet Selection
Board Headquarters in Atlanta,
Georgia. The goal in this cam-
paign is four squadrons of thirty
men each. Other young men in
this community have been reg-
istered for flight training.

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Truck Owners May Register In Wilmington

This Seems Only Opportu-
nity That Many Citizens
Of Brunswick Have To
Comply With Regulation

NOVEMBER 15TH
SET AS DEADLINE

Certificates Of War Neces-
sity Must Be In Hands Of
All Truck Owners If
They Are To Re-
ceive Ration

RALEIGH, Nov. 10. — Stress-
ing the point that trucks and
other commercial vehicles may
not be operated on and after Nov-
ember 15 without certificates of
war necessity, State ODT officials
announced today that North Car-
olina district offices would be
open until further notice from 8
a. m. to 8 p. m., or longer if
necessary, to handle last minute
applications.

Nearest district office is Wil-
mington in the Murchison build-
ing.

"The requirement for a certi-
ficate applies to all-rubber tired
vehicles except private passenger
cars," asserted the ODT officials
in a statement. "It covers every
truck, bus, taxi, ambulance, pick-
truck and other commercial ve-
hicle. Farm trucks are covered
also.

"Without a certificate of war
necessity, the owner of a com-
mercial vehicle can secure no re-
pair parts, tires or gasoline for
it. If this sounds drastic remem-
ber that the aim of the require-
ment is to prolong the life of the
nation's rubber - borne transporta-
tion.

Application blanks will be
available at district offices, and
owners who have not yet obtain-
ed the forms should get them at
their district office. The applica-
tions should then be filed at the
same office, and the certificates
will be issued from there.

"Those who already have appli-
cation forms should fill them out
and send them to their district
office instead of mailing them to
Detroit as was done previously,"
the ODT officials explained. "A
lag in the schedule of issuing the
certificates from Detroit resulted
when some owners of commercial
equipment received the wrong
type of application form and
others received none at all.

"Forms differ for single - unit
operators and fleet operators."
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Freeland Folks Help Red Cross

Volunteer Effort On Part
Of Group Of Ladies Of
Community Nets \$40.00
To Brunswick County
Chapter

One of the most interesting re-
sults of the recent campaign and
general election was the fund of
\$40.00 turned in by a group of
matrons and young women of the
Freeland community, the money
having been raised from the sale
of food and refreshments.

This group was active both on
Saturday night before the election
at a campaign speaking, and on
Tuesday while the polls were
open.

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Bolivia Boy Who Was On Wasp Is Ready To Go Back

"The Japanese may have
got her, but they did not sink
the aircraft carrier Wasp," de-
clared Hugh D. Mercer, elec-
trician's mate, 2nd, on the ves-
sel. Young Mercer is now spend-
ing a 30 days leave with his
mother, a widow, who resides
near Bolivia.

"Three Japanese torpedoes
got the Wasp, and their effec-
tiveness was increased by sev-
eral explosions of gas, set off
aboard the vessel by their con-
tributions. Nevertheless, the Wasp
did not sink and might have
remained afloat indefinitely if it
had not been found impossible
to tow her huge waterlogged
hulk. She was sunk by United
States Naval destroyers, to pre-
vent her becoming a half sub-
merged menace to naviga-
tion."

Mercer, who is about 24
years old, was aboard the Wasp
until after the second torpedo
and several internal explosions.
With 14 companions, he aban-
doned the stricken vessel short-
ly before the third torpedo
struck. The 15 men drifted
about on their raft for three

hours before they were picked
up and taken aboard a rescue
vessel.

He says that all destroyers
were busy, literally strewn
the waters around the Wasp
with depth bombs after the
vessel was torpedoed. There
seemed to be a flock of the
subs making the attack on the
craft and he is confident the
destroyers got several of them
with their depth bombs. A sub
simply could not live within
miles of the carrier after the
full fleet of destroyers and other
vessels swung into action.

Schooner Goes Down Off-Shore With One Lost

Survivors Were Brought To
Southport By The Coast
Guard; Navy Public Re-
lations Releases Story

NO ENEMY ACTION
INVOLVED IN WRECK

Seams Of Ship Burst And
She Went Down In Heavy
Weather, According To
Meager Reports

The three - masted schooner
'Mayfair,' 184 tons, foundered off
the coast of North Carolina about
three o'clock Monday afternoon
with the loss of one seaman, it
was announced last night by the
Navy Public Relations Office in
Charleston, S. C.

The ship was carrying a gen-
eral cargo but the port of em-
barkation and the destination
could not be revealed.

The survivors were rescued
about 4 hours after the sinking
by a Coast Guard boat and were
taken to Southport where they
were given medical attention and
released after questioning.

According to the announcement,
the seams of the wooden hulled
ship burst and she went down
within a few minutes in heavy
weather, carrying Y. Z. Newberry
of Morehead City down with her.

Captain Frank C. Sweetman,
Jr., 2500 Bay Shore, Brigantine,
N. J., was the master of the
schooner and the remaining crew
were listed as follows:

Mrs. Frank C. Sweetman, Jr.,
cook; Fred S. Sweetman, 17, first
mate; Dolly T. Willis, 31, and
Charles W. Willis, 20, both of
Morehead City, seamen.

The ill-fated vessel was listed
under the ownership of M. C.
Vincecedor, Inc., 20 Wall street,
New York City, and her home
port was registered as New York.

No further information on the
sinking could be revealed.

There was no enemy action in-
volved.

Hundreds Have Seen Movies

"Variety Vacationland"
Was Secured For Show-
ing In This County Thru
Efforts Of W. B. Keziah

Approximately three thousand
people have seen the North Car-
olina Variety Vacationland film, a
moving picture portraying the
different sections of North Car-
olina, during the week it has been
in Brunswick, sponsored by the
Chamber of Commerce.

Three showings at the USO hut
were fairly well attended. The
Brunswick County Training School
colored, turned out its entire stu-
dent body and faculty, about 460,
when the picture was shown
there. The Southport white school
also turned out en masse with
about 450 students and teachers.

Yesterday the film was taken
to the Shallotte school, said to be
one of the largest consolidated
schools in the state, and shown
to the 1,100 students, and a large
number of teachers.

Today the same film is being
shown at the Bolivia school to an
audience of 500 students, teachers
and Armistice Day celebrants.

The immediate Southport area
is perhaps better represented than
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THE WORLD AT WAR



HOLIDAY—This Armistice Day is marked by some of the bloodiest fighting the world has ever known, as U. S. soldiers, sailors, marines and coast guardsmen take their battle stations at every point on the globe. Brightest spot in the news of the day is that the tide appears to be turning now in favor of the Allies.

Caswell Section Base Leads County In Scrap

Total Of 200,000-Lbs. Turned
In From Naval Section
Base Located At Site Of
Historic Ft. Caswell

COUNTY SCHOOLS
STILL WORKING

Splendid Returns From
Both White And Colored
Schools Recognized By
J. E. Dodson, Agent

Sources in Brunswick county
have delivered about 600,000
pounds of scrap material to the
various junk dealers during the
News Paper Campaign, according
to J. E. Dodson.

The largest contributor was
Fort Caswell with 200,000 pounds,
next was Southport high school
with 85,650 pounds. The colored
school in Southport made a fine
showing, selling something over
45,000 pounds.

The largest contributing church
was Prospect Baptist church lo-
cated above Supply. Folks in that
neighborhood contributed through
the church over 10,000 pounds of
scrap.

Monthly Report Of Health Nurse

Much Activity Indicated In
Latest Report Submitted
To Commissioners By
Mrs. Smith

Following is a report of public
health work done in Brunswick
county during month of October
by Mrs. Lou H. Smith, county
nurse:

81 homes visited; 53 visited of-
fice for advice or some inocula-
tion; 10 schools visited to inspect
school children or give inocula-
tions; 7 conferences with county
officials; 2 conferences with doc-
tors; 46 children inoculated for
diphtheria; 798 inoculated for ty-
phoid fever; 19 vaccinated against
smallpox; 70 children took Schick
test; 4 visits to hospital to see
county cases; 1 trip to state
sanatorium to take two T. B.
cases; \$8.20 spent for toxoid and
stamps; \$6.05 collected for toxoid;
1 bill sent to county auditor for
trip to Sanatorium \$12.00; 1,350
miles traveled during month.

Report has been made of 5
cases of diphtheria in the county
in the last two months.

Winnabow Man Killed Monday

Kennie S. Benton Is Killed
When Tractor Overtakes
On Him In Logwoods

Kennie S. Benton, 40-year-old
white man of the Winnabow com-
munity, was killed instantly in
the log-woods near Winnabow
Monday when a large tractor up-
on which he was riding turned
over and pinned him underneath.

There were several eye-wit-
nesses to the accident.

The deceased was unmarried,
and his parents are not living.
Several sisters and brothers sur-
vive.

Motorists Have To Dispose Of All Extra Tires

November 12th Is The
Deadline For Disposing
Of All Tires Over Five
Per Car Which Motorists
Have

OFFICIAL WARNS OF
VIOLATION OF RULE

All Excess Tires, Even
Scrap Tires, Must Be Dis-
posed Of Under The
Government's Idle
Tire Purchase
Plan

Brunswick autoists must dis-
pose of any tires they own in
excess of the permissible five
per car before November 12 in
order to retain their right to hold
mileage rations, an official,
member of the local War Price
and Rationing Board, declared to-
day.

"We urgently request that
these excess tires be turned over
to the Government at once," said
the official. "But in any event
owners must get rid of them by
December 12. Any vehicle opera-
tor without a tire inspection re-
cord on that date will be in
violation of the mileage regula-
tions."

Tire inspection records will not
be granted car owners who have
listed more than five tires on the
application form to which the
record is attached. In the Eastern
Area, where rationing has been
in effect since last July, these
forms are to be picked up by
autoists, filled out and mailed to
local War Price and Rationing
Boards.

Car owners who listed more
than five tires per car on their
application form will be required
to show proof that these tires
have been disposed of under the
Government's Idle Tire Plan. The
tire inspection record will be re-
turned to the applicant.

A receipt showing that he has
turned them over to the Railway
Express Agency will be acceptable
as such proof. Or the applicant
may show that he has turned in
unserviceable tires for scrap.

All excess tires, even scrap
tires, must be disposed of. Under
the Government's Idle Tire Pur-
chase Plan, the local office of
the Railway Express Agency will
collect all serviceable tires and
leave a receipt. The Government
will send a check later covering
the price of the tire, or tires.
Tires beyond repair should be dis-
posed of through a local scrap
dealer or salvage committee.

"Passenger car owners show-
ing on their applications that
they still own more than the tires
per car will not be issued fu-
ture mileage ration books, said
the official. "They will be told
they must get rid of those tires
first."

"When he does apply he will
have to present proof that he
has disposed of the excess tires
he reported on his application
form."

"But it's a great deal simpler
and easier for all concerned to
sell the tires in advances," the
official pointed out.

Juvenile Judge Has Busy Time

Boys Celebrated Hallowe'en
A Little Too Dangerously,
Got Off, Then Wound
Up Back In Court

Ten Southport youngsters were
brought before Juvenile Judge
Sam T. Bennett Thursday night
for hearings on charges, most of
which grew out of Hallowe'en
pranks.

Douglas Jones, Kenneth Still-
er, John Hazelton, Billy Bowen,
Frank Hazelton, Johnnie Floyd,
Charles Hickman and Billie Wells
were charged with raising a can
of burning trash to the top of a
flag pole at the school house on
Hallowe'en night, resulting in a
call for the fire department.

Billie Wells was eliminated as
a defendant when it was deter-
mined that he was not present.
Other boys admitted their part in
the prank, and for it they were
placed upon good behavior by
the juvenile judge, with the fur-
ther stipulation that they go to
Sunday school each Sunday un-
til further notice.

W. A. Russ and Bobby Thor-
sen were charged with peeping
into windows. Both pleaded guilty,
and each was placed on proba-
tion for 6 months. Each boy
must report monthly to the
juvenile judge.

On the night following the trial
somebody threw a mistle through
a window at the Col. Earl &
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