

Charlotte Will Begin Program On April 25th

Baccalaureate Sermon Will Be Delivered In Evening Of That Date By President Of Flora MacDon-

OTHER NIGHT FOR COMMENCEMENT

Detailed Program Is Planned In Order To Reduce Necessity Of Travel As Much As Possible

The Charlotte high school commencement program will be restricted to two events this year, according to announcement this week by Principal Henry C. ...

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered on Sunday evening, April 25, at 8:30 o'clock by Dr. H. ...

Conference To Be Held At Bolivia

Important Sunday School Conference Will Be Held At Bolivia Baptist Church For Association

An important Sunday conference will be held at Bolivia Baptist church for all the Sunday schools in the Brunswick Association. Every superintendent is expected to be present with a large group from his Sunday School in the program is as follows:

MEMBER: "Forward With Christ For Association." "What It Means To Go Forward With Christ." Devotion - Jesse Willetts, Lebanon Baptist Sunday School superintendent. ...

MEMBER: "Forward With Christ For Association": planning the work of Association. 1. Sunday School Training. "Forward With Christ in Leadership." 2. Evangelism. "Forward with Christ in Winning." ...

Several Cases Tried In Court

Monday Saw The Trial Of Numerous Actions Before Judge John B. Ward In Recorder's Court

Several cases were disposed of in Recorder's court Monday before Judge John B. Ward. ...

Frederick S. Hargett, white, pleaded guilty of drunk driving. ...

Wilmington Minister To Preach On Easter Sunday

Rev. William Crowe, Pastor Of First Presbyterian Church, To Preach Baccalaureate Sermon

Rev. William Crowe, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Wilmington, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at Southport high school on Easter Sunday afternoon, April 25, in the high school auditorium.



REV. WILLIAM CROWE

The visiting minister is a graduate of Southeastern College, Memphis, Tenn.; holds a bachelor of divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.; and hold a degree of master of theology from Xenia Theological Seminary, St. Louis, Mo.

Prior to coming to Wilmington in March of last year, The Rev. Mr. Crowe held pastorates at Tusculum, Alabama, and at Bluefield, West Virginia.

He is associate editor of The Presbyterian of the South, published at Richmond, Va., and has been a contributor to a variety of religious papers and theological reviews.

Since coming to Wilmington the Rev. Mr. Crowe has been actively identified with the religious and secular life of that city, and W.

R. Lingle, principal of the Southport school, stated this week that members of the senior class feel very fortunate in having secured him for their speaker.

W. R. Lingle Re-elected As Local School Principal

Meeting Of Southport School Board Held Monday Night With Only Two Changes In Faculty

TWO TEACHERS TO DROP PROFESSION

Vacancies Caused By The Failure Of These People To Apply Have Already Been Filled

W. R. Lingle was re-elected principal of Southport high school at a meeting of the school board here Monday night. All except two members of the present faculty were re-elected, and neither of these was an applicant.

Others who will return here next year were: Miss Josephine Corbette, home economic and science; Mrs. Frances Marie Jones, French and English; Mrs. John T. Fields, math; Mrs. Ruth Hood, eighth grade; Miss Carolyn Albright, 6th grade; Mrs. W. R. Lingle, fifth grade; Mrs. Robert Willis, 4th grade; Mrs. R. S. Harrison, second grade; Mrs. Louise A. Byrd, first grade.

Good Record Is Made With Bonds

Sales During Latter Part Of March Indicate That Brunswick Citizens Continue To Buy Bonds

According to reports received from the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond and the Charlotte Branch Bank, the issuing agencies of Brunswick county have for the period March 16-31 sold Series "E" Bonds in the amount of \$7,443.75.

Record Shipment Of Plants Made From Orton Gardens

The Orton gardens are seeing their peak of blooms this week, the azaleas now getting at their zenith of beauty. These flowers passed through the winter and spring uninjured by the cold spells, which got many of the earlier camellia buds. They are more numerous and, if possible, lovelier than ever.

Despite unfavorable travel conditions there has been a good influx of visitors coming in whatever way they could. The love of many people for flowers, especially the ladies, is so deep rooted that not even war times can keep them from Orton when the flowers are in bloom.

The flowers have been attended, practically all of the labor being colored women and girls, many of whom have been working on the plantation for years. These folks are devoted to the flowers. "Aunt" Faithful

Picture Story Of Pines Told

"Life Cycle of Pine," a series of four pictures depicting slash and loblolles from the time they were planted by the Riegel Paper Corporation until they go to the pulp wood mills to be made into gunpowder and military essentials, appears in this week's issue of the Washington Times - Herald.

The pictures were made by Ben M. Patrick, photographer for the North Carolina State News Bureau, while here with Garland Porter, News Bureau Manager, last month. They were arranged by Bill Keziah, who also wrote a two column story, appearing at the same time. The story and pictures both portray the value of the pine woods and the splendid cooperative spirit that exists in this county in preventing and controlling forest fires.

Eriksen Likely Choice For Mayor

With No Opposition In Sight, Incumbent Is Likely To Be Asked To Continue In Office

Voters of the city of Southport will meet Friday night at 8 o'clock in the courthouse to nominate a candidate for mayor. Until this past week there had been considerable speculation regarding a probable successor to Mayor John D. Eriksen, who is just now winding up his eighth year. He had announced that he would not be a candidate for reelection. However, during the past week it was learned that Eriksen's plans will make it possible for him to continue to reside in Southport, and he has indicated a willingness to serve again as mayor if the people decide that.

Record Shipment Of Plants Made From Orton Gardens

Hannah, one of the oldest colored women, has a large plot of camellias that have been under her special care for years. No plot of flowers anywhere are better attended than hers.

"Bill," the tame Orton deer, now a year and a half old and fully grown, is also much attached to the flowers. As a usual thing he is right around among the workers. He neither eats nor tramples on the flowers, having long ago decided that they were just to be admired.

While the flowers have to be looked after, the Orton folks are stressing the growing of foodstuffs this year. Every family is growing a garden and the plantation is turning everything towards summer and fall growing of foodstuffs. Everything from field food crops to livestock is receiving attention.

Bolivia Finals Consolidated In Single Session

Baccalaureate Sermon By Rev. W. E. Pate, Former Pastor At Antioch, Will Be Highlight Of Program WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, APRIL 30

This Measure Instituted By Vote Of Seniors In Cooperation With Rubber-Gasoline Shortage

Seniors of Bolivia school, in compliance with the gasoline and rubber conservation program, voted recently to stream-line their graduation exercises, which have been consolidated into the evening of Friday, April 30.

The speaker for the occasion will be Rev. W. E. Pate, former pastor of Antioch Baptist church, who will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. There will be no formal address, the salutatory and valedictory taking the place of this. Awards will be made at this time, and the diplomas will be handed out to the seniors.

Large Order For Nursery

Record Shipment For Single Day Is Reported At Orton Nursery Last Week

All single day records for the sale of flower plants from the Orton nurseries were broken last week when 2,200 strong, well rooted and blooming azaleas were sold to up-state dealers.

The plants were shipped the same day, a good sized truck load of lumber being required to build deck after deck in a big moving van, which carried them to their destinations.

The moving van had to go upstate for a load of furniture and household goods and was very much gratified to find that it could take a load both ways. On the well built decks, the flowers packed the van to the doors.

In addition to this huge wholesale load, the nursery had to fill a great many other orders from large and small customers. The large force of colored women, who do practically all of the preparations for shipping, had a hard day with keeping up with the work.

Price Control On Weed Plants

Under Recent Order Ceiling Of \$3.50 Per Thousand Is Established For Tobacco Plants

A regulation covering prices on flue-cured tobacco plants or seedlings of U. S. types numbers 11 (a), 11 (b), 12, 13, and 14 has been announced by OPA.

The maximum price which any sale of the above named plants shall be made is at the rate of \$3.50 per thousand plants sold. This maximum price shall include all charges by the seller for preparing the plants for delivery and for transporting them to the buyer.

Any method, whether direct or indirect, for evading this regulation is forbidden. Specifically, sellers are forbidden to require that buyers to give or agree to give as part of the purchase price of tobacco plants any interest in the tobacco to be produced from such plants to the seller or to any person designated by him.

Sellers of tobacco plants are required to make and keep available for examination by the Office of Price Administration the

Welfare Budget Given Approval

Members Of Welfare Board Approve Budget Calling For Slight Increase In Last Year's Appropriation

At a meeting of the Brunswick County Welfare Board here on Thursday of last week the budget for the year 1943-44 was approved. The budget as approved calls for a slight increase over expenditures made through this department for the present year.

Scholarship Plan To Boost Wartime Harvest Launched

\$6,000 Contest Opened To Brunswick County Farm Youngsters To Stimulate Marketing And Production Efficiency

PLANNED TO OFFSET FARM LABOR SHORTAGE

Second Objective Of Drive Is To Help Acquaint Farm Youngsters With Efficient Methods Of Marketing

Brunswick county farm youngsters were invited today to compete in a \$6,000 wartime food production and marketing contest sponsored by the National Junior Vegetable Growers Association.

Registration blanks and details regarding the program in this county may be obtained from J. E. Dodson, of Supply, farm demonstration agent, according to L. R. Harrill, of Raleigh, state 4-H Club leader.

"One objective of the program is to help offset critical shortages of adult farm labor by stimulating actual production of food by workers under draft age," Harrill explained. "The second objective is to help acquaint farm youngsters with efficient methods of marketing, because supplying the nation with food in war or peace depends on moving food rapidly and economically to the right place, at the right time and in the right condition."

Entries from this county will compete for a \$500 grand national award, a Southern states regional award of \$200 and ten sectional awards of \$100 each from a scholarship fund provided by the A & P Tea Company, Harrill said. The fund also provides two \$25 war bonds as prizes for high ranking North Carolina participants, he added.

Awards in the 1943 program, to be made this fall, will be based on grades achieved in a five-unit extension course in production and marketing and a report on project work completed during the year, Harrill said.

Brunswick county registrations must be completed within the next ten days, he said. Registration cards may be turned in to farm demonstration agents or to any member of the Southern states regional contest committee including G. L. Herrington, chairman, extension service, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee; L. P. Watson, extension horticultural specialist, North Carolina State College, State College, State College, North Carolina, and R. O. Monosmith, extension horticultural specialist, Mississippi State College, State College, Mississippi.

Recruiters To Visit Towns

To Contact Prospects For Duty In Seabees And Waves And To Talk To 17-Year-Old Boys About Service

About 40 recruiting representatives of the Navy Recruiting Service this week will visit almost every North Carolina town and city which does not have a permanent recruiting station to enlist men and women of all ages for duty with the Navy, it was announced yesterday by Lt. Cmdr. Charles B. Neely, head of the State's Navy recruiting.

Recruiter in this vicinity will be D. W. Vaughan, who will open a substation in the Post Office building at Southport on April 14th, 19th and 26th, and all persons interested in the Navy are invited to meet him for an interview.

It is now possible for men between the ages of 18 and 38, who previously were prohibited from volunteering for any service, to enlist in the Navy's Seabees. The Seabees are composed of men skilled in every phase of construction—and the Navy guarantees each applicant that he will follow his chosen trade in the construction battalions.

Most men are enlisted with petty officer ratings in the Seabees, and, after a 30-day indoctrination period, they are assigned to some naval base on a construction project. Much of the duty is foreign duty.

BIRDS CAUSE INTEREST



ROOKEY—Interest has been centered recently on Battery Island, opposite Southport, because of the report of some unusual discoveries made in the nesting habits and appearance in this section of birds there. Billie Bragaw, who like his brother, Lt. Churchill Bragaw, a naturalist at heart, has been visiting the island almost daily while on leave from his Naval air training.

Red Cross War Funds Still Mount With New Returns

New Bus Added To Serve Public

Effective this week another round trip daily has been added to the bus schedule between Southport and Wilmington.

In addition to the early morning bus from here at 5:30, there is now another bus leaving Southport at 7:15 o'clock, arriving in Wilmington at 8:30 o'clock. The return trip is made from Wilmington at 4 o'clock, arriving at Southport at 5:15 in the afternoon.

There is a plan underway now to have a bus leaving Southport at 6 o'clock in the afternoon, returning from Wilmington at 10:00 in the evening. Definite announcement of this service will be made later.

Military Forces Visit At Orton

Soldiers And Sailors Out-numbered All Other Visitors Sunday At Orton Gardens

But for the presence of innumerable ladies, visitors to Orton this past Sunday would have gained the impression that the beautiful and stately gardens were having a military parade of some sort. Officers and men from Camp Davis were there in force, as were WAACS and WAVES from somewhere. Not least, the Navy was well represented with nattily dressed officers and men from the local Section Base.

Farm Element Figures Even In Gag Pictures Of Season

Pictures of pretty girls going to beaches, etc., are not so much in demand during the war. Those girls are, or should be, engaged in war industries, or something useful. Most of them are.

Still, when the State News Bureau manager and his cameraman come down the last of this month, W. B. Keziah will have a program for them that will call for the use of about seven nice looking girls in at least one picture.

The Oaks Plantation, beautiful place belonging to F. G. Adams on the Cape Fear river five miles above Orton, probably has more scenic surroundings than any other farm in the county. Manager J. J. Ramsaur and his son, Joe, Jr., are engaged in turning the plantation all out for food production dur-

Bolivia School Comes Forward To Redeem Herself With Report Of \$239.72 To Be Added To Community Effort

When an insured worker dies, having a widow with minor children monthly payments of survivors insurance are made to his widow and to his children who are under age 16 (18 if in school). The widow of an insured worker who has children under age 18 in her care — regardless of her age — receives three-fourths of the amount of her husband's primary insurance benefit and each of his minor children receives one-half of his primary insurance benefit within certain limitations. An insured worker's widow who has reached age sixty-five also receives three-fourths of the amount of her husband's primary insurance benefit.

COLORED CITIZENS STILL SEEK GOAL

Grand Total Reported Thus Far Is 10-Per Cent Above Quota Established For This County

Maybe you wondered when you studied the report of Red Cross War Fund receipts in last week's paper just what had happened to Bolivia high school.

Well, here's the answer: Bolivia high school was unaccounted for. The \$84.65 credited to that institution came from the community itself, and the effort of the school itself is reflected in the check for \$239.72 brought in since last Wednesday by Principal Glenn Tucker.

Impressed With Beauty Of Orton

Where the insured wage earner dies and leaves no survivors entitled to monthly benefits, a lump-sum death payment is made to the widow or widower or children or parents of the deceased. The lump-sum death payment to near relatives is six times the primary insurance benefit. If no one of the above-mentioned relatives is living, a payment covering the burial expenses, up to an amount of six times the primary insurance benefit, will be made to the person who paid the funeral expenses.

"Much prettier than the Billingsworth Gardens in Mobile, Ala.," was the comment made this week by Dr. H. B. Trimble, Dean of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta. He was referring to Orton and its beautiful gardens. Dr. Trimble has been spending several days here with his son-in-law and daughter, Ensign and Mrs. W. M. Pate. He made a visit to the plantation Saturday in company with Mrs. Pate, Mrs. O. E. Hughes, Mrs. J. F. Fields, Mrs. (continued on page four)

Social Security Benefit Payments In This Section

Figures Show That The Social Security Board Has Paid 198 Claims In This Section

FIFTY-EIGHT WENT TO RETIRED EARNERS

Figures Show That A Total Of Fifty-Eight Of These Beneficiaries Are Retired Wage Earners

Figures released today by the Social Security Board show that 198 persons in this area are receiving monthly payments of old-age and survivors insurance. A total of \$2,264.00 in such monthly benefits was paid during the month of January to men, women, and children in the counties of Bladen, Brunswick, and Columbus.

58 of these beneficiaries are retired wage earners, 15 are the wives of retired wage earners, and 21, are the widows of insured wage earners who have died. In addition to the widows receiving monthly payments of survivors insurance, there are 103 children in this area who also benefit under the survivors insurance provision. There are also in this area 1 aged dependent parent of deceased insured workers who now receive monthly payments of old-age and survivors insurance.

The field manager explained that when a fully insured wage earner who is 65 years or more, files claim or his monthly old-age insurance benefits, his wife, too, may claim monthly benefits if she is 65 years old or when she reaches that age. In addition, each of his children under age 16 (18 if in school) will receive monthly benefits — except that the benefits for the entire family may not be more than twice the amount of the retired wage earner's own monthly payment.

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When an insured worker dies leaving a parent sixty-five years old or more who was dependent upon him for support at the time of his death, and no widow or unmarried child under 18 survives him, the parent is entitled to monthly payments of old-age and survivors insurance. The monthly payment to a parent will amount to one-half of the wage earner's own primary insurance. For example, if the wages credited on the deceased worker's social security account justify a primary insurance benefit of — say \$30 per month — the surviving parent would receive \$15 per month. In case both parents survive; they would receive \$15 each or \$30 per month.

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