

Farmers Report Own Compliance For This Year

This Is In Cooperation With Program To Reduce Travel And To Reduce Demands Upon Manpower Available

PLAN TO BE TRIED THROUGHOUT NATION

Marketing Quotas Will Be In Effect This Season Only On Cotton And Tobacco; Others Affected

In an effort to reduce travel and use of manpower, farmers of Brunswick County this year will report their own compliance with provisions of the 1943 AAA program, it was announced today by C. O. Bennett, chairman of the County AAA Committee.

"Under this plan, which may be called an honor system, we hope to save money, travel, tires, gasoline and the time of persons who otherwise probably would be engaged in agricultural production", Chairman Bennett said. "This plan is being put into effect over the entire nation this year, and we in Brunswick County certainly can meet up to standards of farmers in any other county."

Under this program, he said, each farmer will measure his acreage and will report it to his County AAA Office on forms to be provided by the office. Farmers also will report acreages of crops grown for soil-building purposes and for which there is a payment made under the AAA program. Marketing quotas will be in effect this year only on cotton and tobacco, Mr. Bennett said, but will apply to such crops as peanuts, soybeans for beans, and sweet potatoes for market must be measured and reported for the purpose of determining if goals were met. Commercial truck crops and Irish potatoes for market also must be reported for the purpose of determining incentive payments.

"The most likely procedure farmers will follow is to measure and determine acreage before crops are planted and then stay within the acreage set aside for this purpose", Mr. Bennett said. "In such cases, it is imperative that farmers retain their records for use in substantiating their reported acreage. The record of measurements should include a sketch of the fields measured and distances may be shown by chains, yards, or feet. When computed, however, the measurements must show the same total acreage as reported by the farmer."

In past year, measurements of individual farms have been by community committees or others employed by the AAA. Committees this year will be expected to assist farmers in making their reports, will review all reports and will measure acreage on a certain percentage of farms in their communities. In cases where errors are plainly evident, the committee also will make special checks.

Commissioners In Session Monday

Practically Entire Day Devoted To Settlement Of Tax Matters Brought Before The Board

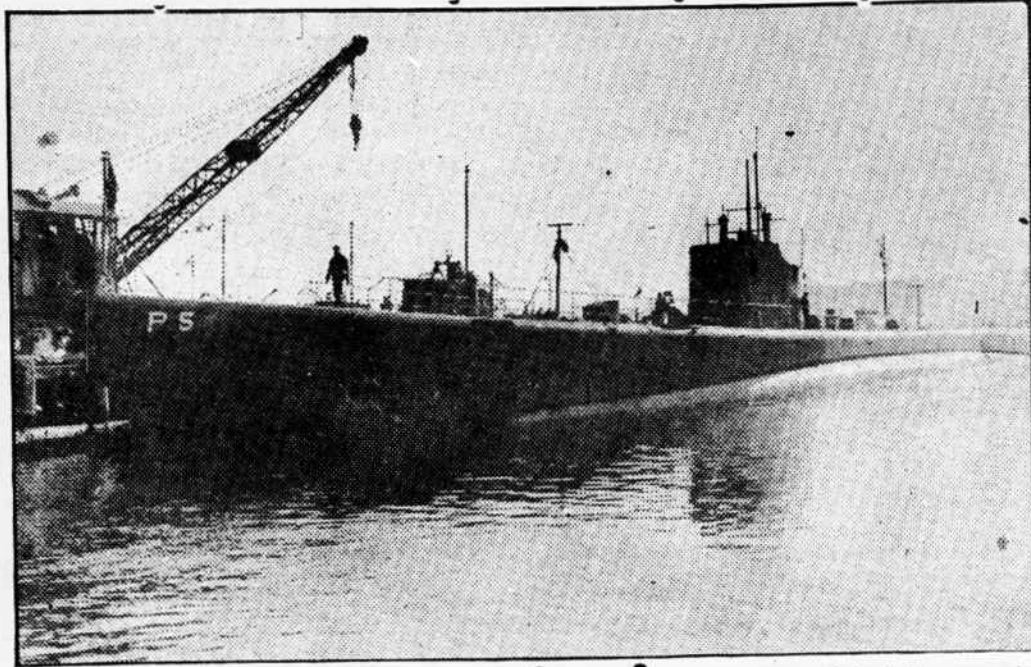
Practically the entire day was spent by the county commissioners in regular session here Monday disposing of tax matters.

The one exception was agreement to pay G. D. Robinson \$5.00 for his services in checking out C. H. Hickman as county home superintendent and checking in J. D. Price.

The commissioners voted not to start suit for tax collections on D. L. Clemons before September 15. Odessa Britain was released of taxes from 1932-34 because of double listing; it was ordered that Nathan Reynolds' land be foreclosed; Lewis Thomas was allowed to segregate three lots at \$75.00 valuation; Rudolph McLaurin will be allowed to pay his 1930 and prior taxes at 1933 valuation; a deed for the J. P. Murrell property will be delivered to Mrs. Raymond Murrell when the taxes are paid.

J. B. Church will be permitted to pay his back taxes on a lot on Moore St. at \$500.00 valuation; Ellis Jones was permitted to pay 1932 and prior taxes at 1933 rate; the land of John A. Clemmons will be decided back when taxes are paid in full; Rebecca Thomas will be allowed to pay 1932 and prior taxes at 1933 valuation; similar action was taken in settlement of taxes for (Continued on Page Four)

REPORTED LOST



SUBMARINE.—The first submarine in the U. S. fleet reported lost by our government was the Perch, shown above, which was here in 1937 on her shake-down cruise. Comparatively speaking however, duty aboard submarines has been relatively safe during this war, as our losses of these undersea craft have been very small.

Frank Sherrill Offers Island For Recreation

Enemy Planes Fly Over This Area

Residents of this section rubbed their eyes in disbelief during the noon hour one day recently when two planes with Japanese emblems came breezing over.

The enemy aircraft were flanked by a couple of able looking U. S. Army planes, and there was some commotion in the fact that there was no evidence of hostilities.

Later it was learned that the two 'visitors' were captured planes that are being shuttled about over the United States from training camp to training camp in order that men in training may have a chance to learn to identify the Jap aircraft.

Two Principals Are Reelected

Epting Again Will Head Waccamaw High School And Tucker To Return As Principal At Bolivia

Miss Annie May Woodside, county superintendent of schools, was advised this week that H. D. Spring has been reelected principal of Waccamaw high school and that Glenn Tucker had been reelected principal of Bolivia high school.

At Bolivia the following faculty members were named: Glenn Tucker, principal; Mrs. Blanch S. Tucker, Earl M. Hill (new), Miss Ethel Finster, Miss Marie Hammond, J. M. King, Miss Clarice Swain (new), Mrs. Nellie W. MacRack, Miss Mary Gibbs, Miss Jane Greenlee, Mrs. Frances Galloway Holden, Miss Annie Lyde Gilbert (new), Miss Marie M. MacRea, Miss Bertha Reid and Miss Margaret P. Settle.

Two members of the present faculty have resigned. These are (continued on page four)

Belated Identification For Unusual Fish Caught Here

About three winters ago the Maude and Mable, local blackfish boat, was out on Frying Pan Shoals after tautogs, or blackfish. The craft brought in several tons at the end of four days of fishing. Included in the catch was over a ton of red snappers and a great assortment of other fish, the names of some of them nobody knew.

Of especial interest was a large red fish, its body shaped something like a perch. It had a very unusual mouth, shaped something like the snout of a hog. When you held the fish up by the snout the lower part of the jaw would drop wide open. The specimen weighed 36-pounds and there was a smaller one weighing 25-pounds.

Minister Dies Suddenly Friday

Rev. Walter H. Pavy, Pastor Of Zion Circuit, Died Of Heart Attack Suffered While Riding Bike To School Appointment

Walter H. Pavy, pastor of the Zion church circuit in this county, died Friday morning when he suffered a sudden heart attack while en route to Bolivia high school to conduct chapel exercises.

An unusually active man for his years, he was 61, the Rev. Mr. Pavy was making the trip from the Methodist parsonage at Town Creek to Bolivia on his bicycle.

Mr. Pavy, a member of the North Carolina Methodist conference, was born in Bradford, England June 13, 1882. He was licensed to preach in the Methodist church in 1899 and entered the ministry in 1906. He had served pastoral charges in England, Canada, and the United States.

Coming to this state in 1937, Mr. Pavy had served pastorates at Harker's Island, Epworth church, Wilmington, and the Town Creek charge.

Surviving are the brother, Edward Pavy, Petersburg, Ontario, Canada, and a sister, Miss Constance Pavy, Reading, England.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock with Rev. A. S. Parker, district superintendent, in charge. Assisting were Rev. R. S. Harrison, pastor of Trinity Methodist church at Southport, and two Wilmington ministers. The church was filled to overflowing by church members and friends, gathered to pay their last tribute of respect.

Following this service, the body was shipped to Berlin, New Hampshire, to be laid to rest beside his wife.

Early Birds On Nearby Island

Rookery At Battery Island Boasts Early Hatchings Of Egrets; Other Birds Are Nesting

Young American Egrets were found in the nests at the rookery on Battery Island April 16th. They had probably hatched a couple of days earlier than that. This presence of young birds in the nests is 19 days earlier than the old birds are credited with returning to their breeding ground.

Billy Bragaw and Douglas Jones, who investigated and found the newly hatched birds, reported that there were upwards of 500 old birds at the rookery. Fish crows have been doing much damage by robbing the nests of eggs.

The Jury List For May Term Drawn By Commissioners

One-Week Term Of Superior Court For Trial Of Criminal Cases Will Be Convened Here On Monday, May 17th

JUDGE NIMMOCKS PRESIDING JURIST

Singular Thing About Jury List Is That Names Of Two County Commissioners Were Drawn For Duty

A jury was drawn Monday by the board of county commissioners for a one-week term of Superior court for the trial of criminal cases beginning May 17. Judge Q. K. Kimmocks, of Fayetteville, will preside.

A singular thing about the list was the fact that the names of two of the members of the board of commissioners were drawn from the box. Drawing was done by a four-year old child, so it was only through a freak of chance that this was done.

The following names were drawn: John L. Henry, Winnabow; G. F. Danford, Bolivia; W. P. Benton, Leland; G. R. Sellers, Supply; J. B. Hickman, Longwood; Laine Willetts, Winnabow; M. E. Chadwick, Supply; C. B. Chadwick, Leland; H. M. Edwards, Ash; H. C. Bennett, Freeland; Chas. N. Hewett, Supply; E. V. Evans, Leland; T. H. Sellers, Supply; W. L. Swain, Shallotte; J. D. Meares, Shallotte; George C. Stanley, Shallotte; B. Edwards, Freeland; P. A. Hughes, Ash; C. L. Smith, Ash; John W. Lancaster, Southport; J. A. McNeil, Southport; S. I. Mintz, Leland; A. P. Russ, Ash; B. M. McKeithan, Bolivia; M. C. Gore, Ash; Robert S. Milliken, Ash; J. I. Davis, Southport; J. D. McKeithan, Ash; G. W. Sellers, Bolivia; W. L. Hewett, Shallotte.

May 1st Set As License Deadline

Operators Of Retail Beer Outlets Given Until That Date To Procure Licenses To Operate Another Year

A State and local licenses to sell beer at retail are due and payable on or before May 1. Figures, compiled by the Brewing Industry Foundation's North Carolina Committee, disclosed that the State Department of Revenue licensed 33 retail outlets in Brunswick County during the current tax year. There were 4,714 outlets licensed for the entire state during this period.

Retail beer dealers pay several different licenses — \$22 to the Federal Government, \$5 to the state, \$25 to the county, and \$15 to the municipalities. The county tax is \$5 and the municipal tax \$5 for dealers who sell beer only for consumption off the premises. The 1943 Legislature granted these reductions.

North Carolina's retail beer dealers paid more than \$275,000 in license fees during the 1942-'43 tax year.

Price Panel To Help Merchants

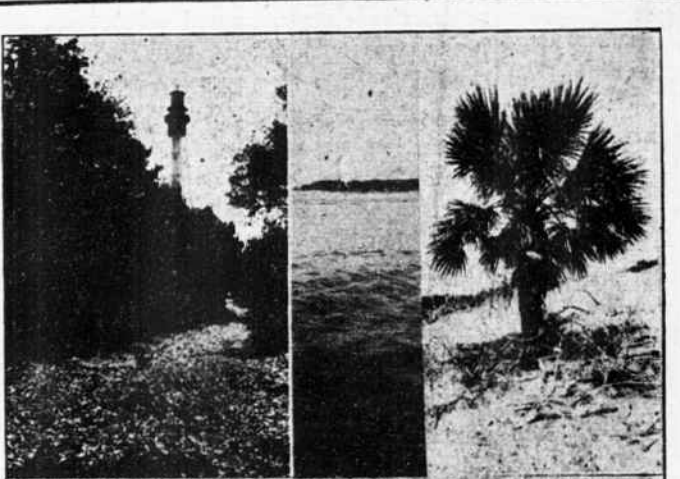
Program Of Price Control Will Assume Nature Of Educational Effort In First Stages

The Price Panel of the Brunswick County War Price and Rationing Board met Thursday night at Southport and formulated policies to be carried with regard to enforcement of price regulations in this area.

It is its current stage, education of the merchants will receive foremost attention, and no person will be indicted for minor infractions unless they persist in them after warning.

Consumers who know of price violations are urged to make a report to the price clerk, in care of the rationing board, Southport, in order that infraction of regulations may be checked. All reports will be held in strictest confidence.

MAY BE CAMP SITE



ISLAND.—Frank O. Sherrill, owner of Bald Head, has offered his property for use this summer as a recreation ground for men stationed at military camps in this area. An effort is being made to work out some plan for making use of the wonderful natural advantages of the island for sports of all kinds.

Liberty Ships Honor Brunswick County Men

Ancient Initials Carved In Tree

During a heavy rain and windstorm Monday night an eighteen-inch limb, burdened with about a ton of ivy, was wrenched from the huge old cedar tree in the yard at the F. Plaxco residence. Aside from the breaking of this limb and the destruction of the accumulation of ivy, which took about a century to grow, the tree was not injured.

In order to get the broken limb and its mass of enshrouding ivy down a shorter limb, also completely covered with ivy, had to be cut off. As this stub was being removed from the yard it was noticed that the perfectly preserved piece of wood bore some clear and distinct lettering cut with a knife. This lettering reads: "W. H. & R. T." underneath are the numerals, "38".

It is assumed that the figures stand for the year 1838, indicating that some one climbed the tree for a distance of 16 feet, some 105 years ago and proceeded to carve his initials, along with those of his favorite girl, and the date.

Recorder Hears Only 3 Matters

Monday Was A Light Day For Judge John B. Ward And Other Officers Of Brunswick County Recorder's Court

Three cases were disposed of here before the Recorder Monday. Alton Bernie Smith, white, pleaded guilty to charges of drunk driving and was given 3 months on the roads. Judgment was suspended upon payment of costs and a fine of \$50.00. License was revoked for 12 months.

Gaston Walker, colored, was (Continued On Page Four)

Eriksen Named Candidate For His 5th Term

Nomination Was By Acclamation Friday Night As No Other Candidate For Mayor Was Nominated By Voters Present

SAME ALDERMEN NAMED IN FIRST

Voters Of Second Ward To Meet Tomorrow (Thursday) Night To Vote On Representatives; 3rd Ward Friday

Mayor John D. Eriksen was nominated without opposition Friday night for his fifth term as head of the city government.

In one of the shortest nominating conventions in history Mayor Eriksen, who is just now rounding out his eighth year in office, was nominated by J. W. Ruark. The motion was seconded by I. B. Bussells, and no other name was offered.

On Monday night things went almost that smoothly to keep the same two men in office as aldermen from the first ward. They are W. E. Doshier and R. L. Thompson. E. J. Prevatte was suggested as a candidate, but only the two old members figured in the voting.

Former Deputy To Serve Term

Judge Meekins Refused To Commute Sentence Imposed Upon Douglas Cook At Last Court Term

Prior to adjourning the spring term of Federal court in Wilmington at noon Tuesday, Judge Isaac M. Meekins reduced the sentence of Douglas M. Cook, ex-deputy sheriff of Brunswick county, from 18 months to a year and a day in Federal penitentiary.

Attorneys for Cook had made strong pleas that he be placed on probation as was Draught E. Tripp, former Brunswick game warden, who pleaded guilty to the same charge of conspiracy to violate internal revenue laws at this term of court.

Cook, now employed by the North Carolina Shipbuilding company, was given until Monday to report to the U. S. Marshall at Raleigh to begin his sentence.

Both men were charged with entering into partnership in the operation of two 100-gallon stills in the Howell's point section of Brunswick and with having "protected" the two stills in their official capacities.

To Hear Sermon Sunday Evening

Baccalaureate Sermon Will Be Preached Sunday Evening at Shallotte High School; Graduation Friday Night

Commencement exercises at Shallotte high school will open Sunday evening of this week with the baccalaureate sermon by Dr. H. G. Bedinger, president of Flora MacDonald College. This program begins promptly at 8:30 o'clock.

On Friday night, April 30, the graduating exercises will be held, beginning at 8:30 o'clock. There will be no formal speaker for this occasion, but there will be address. (Continued on page 4)

Announcement Of School Closing

Baccalaureate Sermon Will Be Delivered On Sunday Afternoon; Finals Next Friday Evening

Commencement exercises for Southport high school get underway Sunday afternoon with the baccalaureate sermon by Rev. William Crowe, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Wilmington. This program will begin promptly at 3 o'clock. Special music for this occasion will be by the high school glee club, under the direction of Dallas Piggott. Graduating exercises and class (Continued On Page Four)