

OPEN FORUM

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AN APPRECIATION

July 27, 1943
EDITOR, STATE PILOT
Dear Sir:
"We wish to publicly express, through the columns of your good paper, our very deep and sincere appreciation to our many white friends of Southport for their very liberal contributions, both in money and in spirit, toward the success of our recent evangelistic services here. The following are a few, out of a goodly number, who contributed: The Reverends R. S. Harrison, A. L. Brown, and C. L. Alligood, Prince O'Brian, Mr. Robert St. George, Mr. Sam Bennett, Mr. Harry Robinson, Mr. W. F. Jones, Mr. James Harper and Mr. Charlie Trott. Mrs. Lou Smith was among a group of white ladies who also contributed. There were others whose names I

cannot recall now, but we want all to know that we are deeply grateful to them for their kind attitudes toward our efforts. The services were quite successful.
JOHN B. HOWELL, Pastor
St. James A. M. E. Zion Church

HOSPITAL PATIENT

Mrs. G. L. Norman, of Southport, was a medical patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital Friday through Monday.

SOUTHPORT BOY AMONG SAILORS SAVED FROM JAPS

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"Then the moon rose to its full and silhouetted each ship, making it a perfect target for planes. The minutes rolled into an hour and passed beyond. Aboard the destroyer all eyes were glued to binoculars leveled on the shore.
"Finally a deep sigh was heard through our ship. Tiny black specks showed ahead of white wakes, and the boats hove into view.
"Alongside, men scrambled aboard quickly and were taken to the galleys where Chief Cook Harley Moore, a veteran navy man from Alma, Neb., had ready huge

cauldrons of soup and coffee and cocoa with sandwiches, scrambled eggs and other foods for the semi-famished Helena survivors.
"There were some unlooked for arrivals among them—16 Chinese, residents of the island for five years. They included three women and four tiny, slant-eyed doll-like tots. It is doubtful if any of the cruiser's survivors were any happier than these Cantonese, who had lived in constant terror of Japanese raiding parties."

Mussle Gathering Becomes Recognized As Business

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Development, got what will probably prove the first picture story of the North Carolina mussel picking industry, last week. At the expense of ruining a good pair of pants and damaging an equally good pair of rationed shoes, he waded around in order to get at various vantage points from where Charley Brown and his nephew were gathering the product out at Beaver Dam. With two hours of work still ahead, the men had gathered sixty baskets for the day and were expecting to get

around 20 more. They were being paid 40-cents per basket.
Jones and the two Browns will be shown in the various stages of the mussel operation Garland B. Porter, manager of the State News Bureau, and W. B. Keziah, contented themselves and saved their breeches by keeping back on dry land.

NAVY TO ACCEPT MEN FOR SCHOOL

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many other fields. Parents who are undecided about whether to sign for their sons' enlistment should consider that they will very shortly be registered by Selective Service—but that if they volunteer now, they will receive the training which will be valuable in years to come.
Here are the schedules of the travelling recruiters in Eastern North Carolina:
Monday—Whiteville postoffice; Tuesday—Chadburn Town Hall (morning), Fair Bluff postoffice (afternoon); Wednesday morning—Fairmont Chamber of Commerce office; and Friday—Lumberton postoffice; Clinton postoffice.
Full enlistment papers and information may be obtained from the recruiters at any of those towns.

BULLETIN WILL AID SAWMILLERS

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ration show how small mills can be set up to improve efficiency, and how the life of the mill can be prolonged by proper adjustment and care. There are a number of designs for efficient log and lumber moving equipment that can be built by any good blacksmith. Particularly valuable are the sections on stacking and drying lumber, which point out methods by which the grade and value of lumber produced by the average small mill can be materially increased.
The interest of small mill operators in this bulletin is indicated by several thousand advance requests already received. The bulletin is furnished without cost by the Forest Service as part of the Government's effort to improve the efficiency of small mills and increase lumber production.

Free copies are available for distribution upon request to the Regional Forester, U. S. Forest Service, Atlanta, Ga. They can also be obtained without cost from State Foresters, Extension Foresters and Forest Supervisors in each of the Southern States.

FARM MACHINERY NOW AVAILABLE

quotas the following items of equipment at this time because in some cases there has not been an equitable distribution between counties:
Tractors, wagons, combines, corn binders, corn pickers, and grain drills.

FARMERS FREE TO PURCHASE GUANO FOR ANY CROP NOW

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of the organic, and this, believes Coltrane, will probably result in tobacco and truck fertilizers containing an average of 20 per cent water insoluble nitrogen and general crop fertilizer carrying only five per cent water insoluble.
"North Carolina farmers prefer reasonable quantities of organic nitrogen, but there is no agronomic data to justify their preference for it.
"In 1941 we had 51,000 short tons of nitrogen from natural organic sources, while this year we expect only 26,000 tons for fertilizer. This is due to an order which prohibits the use of seed meals in fertilizer and to a reduction in the production of processed tankage," declared Coltrane.
In regard to superphosphate, indications point to a supply of 6,600,000 tons of this material for fertilizer purposes. This is an in-

crease over last year's supply and The War Production Board has plants to capacity in order to is in excess of the estimated de-called on the fertilizer industry to meet the anticipated demand for the coming season. operate their superphosphate 6,500,000 tons.

Last Warning

We have started making up the list for advertisement for non-payment of 1942 taxes due the city of Southport.

If you have not paid your taxes, come in and attend to this matter before the end of this month. In that way you can avoid additional expense and needless embarrassment.

E. R. WEEKS
Tax Collector

Avoid Embarrassment

We are now preparing the advertising list for 1942 taxes.

If you have not paid your taxes due Brunswick county, come in and make settlement on or before August 1, 1943, and save needless embarrassment and expense.

W. P. JORGENSEN
TAX COLLECTOR

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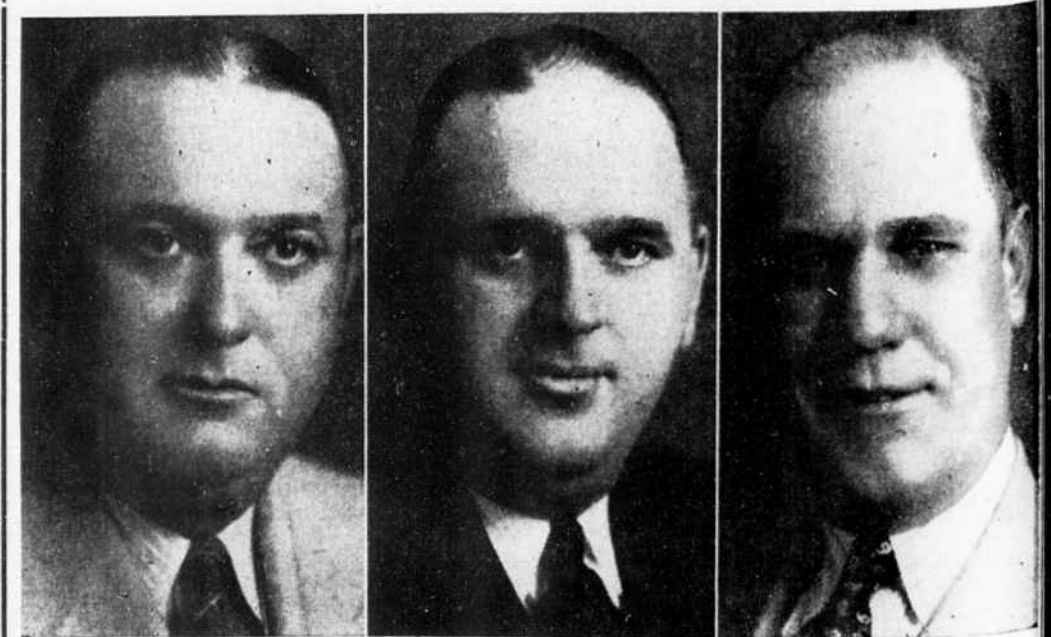
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