

Unusually Large Docket Faced Judge And Solicitor

Monday's Session Of Recorder's Court Had One Of The Heaviest Dockets In Many Months

NINETY-FOUR DEFENDANTS FAILED TO APPEAR

Twenty-Four Cases Called With Some Having To Be Continued For Arrest Of Defendants

Judge John B. Ward and Solicitor J. W. Ruark were confronted Monday with the biggest docket for any one day in many months. In several cases officers issued summons for defendants and the defendants failed to appear. In such instances capias was issued and the case continued until next week.

The minutes show the following cases before the court and the disposition made of each case:

Paul Wesley Smith, speeding, fined \$5.00 and costs.

Leonard P. Reid, speeding, callous and failed, capias and continued.

Clarence Anderson, larceny, continued to Sept. 25.

Arthur Sneed, larceny, continued to Sept. 25.

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Arthur Hankins, drunken driving, six months on roads, judgment suspended on payment of \$75.00 and costs.

Thomas McDonald, larceny, continued to September 25.

Ernest Tate, speeding, 30 days on roads, judgment suspended on payment of \$20.00 fine and costs.

Sarah Jane Western, possession for purpose of sale, 60 days on county farm, judgment suspended (Continued on Page 4)

Four Teachers Short At Bolivia

Principal Tucker, States He Expects To Have Full Faculty By End Of Week

The Bolivia high school got underway Monday with Principal Tucker reporting a four teacher shortage in the elementary and high school grades. However, he expects all of these vacancies to be filled by the end of the week. The vacancies are in the 4th and 8th grade teachers and two in the high school department.

Charles Walton is again serving the school as janitor. Driven by all buses have been secured and the buses themselves seem in good order for the years work.

The teachers reporting Monday were Misses Bertha Reid and Catherine McKee, first grades; (Continued on Page Four)

Fire Destroys Wilson Home

The nice six room cottage of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Wilson at Bolivia was completely destroyed by fire at eleven o'clock Friday morning. The blaze is supposed to have originated from the flue to the stove in which dinner was being cooked. Nothing whatever was saved. The family, composed of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and two daughters, escaped with only the clothes they had on at the time.

Brief News Flashes

RED CROSS MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Red Cross Executive Committee at the office of Mrs. Grace P. Ruark on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Col. Statley, Field Representative from Atlanta, will be present.

ARRIVES IN FRANCE

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sellers arrived word this week from their son, William, stating that he had arrived safely somewhere in France. He is serving with a medical unit.

ANNOUNCE BIRTH

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson, formerly of Southport, now of Raleigh, have announced the birth of a son, James William Thompson, III. He is a grandson of the late J. W. Thompson of Southport.

Posthumous Award Given To Captain Bragaw

Resident Of Southport Killed In Italy Given Posthumous Decoration By War Department For Gallantry In Action

MANAGED ORTON BEFORE GOING IN THE SERVICE

Mother And Younger Brother Live In Southport; Was Son Of Late Colonel Henry Churchill Bragaw, Of Raleigh

Captain Henry Churchill Bragaw, who was killed in Italy last January, has been posthumously awarded the Silver Star, according to an announcement made this week by the War Department. The Order of the Purple Heart had previously been conferred on him.

Captain Bragaw was 29 years old and was unmarried. He was manager of Orton Plantation prior to entering the service. His mother and a younger brother, Ensign Billy Bagaw, of the Naval Air Corps, are residents of Southport.

The dispatch from the War Department (Continued on Page 4)

Principalship Still Unsettled

Southport School Opens With Rev. A. L. Brown Substituting As Principal Until Regular One Can Be Secured

The Southport school opened Monday without a permanent principal and short two teachers but this trouble is expected to be ironed out in the next few days. Miss Annie Mae Woodside, Supt. of Schools, says that the local school board has seven applicants for the vacant post of principal.

W. R. Lingle, who headed the schools for the past seven years, has been working in Fayetteville since last session closed. Several weeks ago he notified the local school board that he felt his (Continued on page four)

Good Opening At Wac'maw School

Full Faculty And Large Number Of Students Are Present Monday For Opening Of School Year

Although it was stated last week that the faculty of the Waccamaw school was not complete, a most successful opening was held Monday with a large enrollment of students and a full corps of teachers present. Principal J. T. Benning is anticipating a most successful school year.

The loss of LeRoy Mintz who resigned his position as teacher of agriculture on September 1 to take a position with the soil conservation department of the county, will be felt by the school and patrons. Mr. Mintz served as head of the Vocational Agriculture (Continued on Page Four)

Bolivia Boys Off To College

Four Vocational Agricultural Students At Bolivia Are Now Entering College Training

A good indication of the value of the Vocational Agriculture work in the schools of Brunswick county is found in the fact that three boys, all graduates of the Bolivia school last spring, are now attending State College and following up the splendid training that was given them during the past two or three years by J. M. King, Vocational Agriculture teacher at Bolivia. Still another boy, Bobbie, left last week for his second year's work at Wake Forest.

The three new students at State College this year are, L. O. Mercer, who is taking Vocational Agriculture, and Jack Walls and Larnell Willetts who (Continued on Page Four)

BEAUTY AND THE FOXES



WIDELY PICTURED FOXES . . . Oris it the Girl? The above picture of Mrs. John Hubley, wife of a Naval Lieutenant formerly stationed here, and the two small fox cubs she is holding, has been circulated throughout the United States. Hundreds of newspapers and magazines have carried it. The two young foxes belong to Miss Marion Frederic, of Southport. They are as tame as house cats—(Cut, courtesy Carl Goerch of the State Magazine.)



Our ROVING Reporter

In line with the general belief that the war in Germany will soon be over, we are quoting direct from a letter received this week from J. Hammond Brown, President of the Outdoor Writers Association of America. Mr. Brown is also Outdoor Editor of the Baltimore News-Post and has several times visited Brunswick county. His letter indicates he hopes for an early return here as he says: "Now that it looks as if this mess will soon be over, maybe Eastern North Carolina will come into its own again and we shall stage a Victory party on the sand of Cape Fear and amid the beauties of the gardens at Orton."

J. Worth Stanley, Waccamaw township tobacco grower and farmer, said last week that this year his crops and those of his neighbors are the best they have ever grown. He does not yet see how they managed to make it, with labor shortage and late start at planting time. Agreeing with (Continued on page four)

Old Tax Matters Occupied Board

County Commissioners Appear Gratified At Success Of Efforts To Clear Up Delinquent Taxes

Tax matters again constituted the only business to come up before the board of county commissioners at their mid-month meeting here on Monday. For almost their entire administration the present board has been working diligently to clear up tax matters and put the county on a basis where all property owners bear their share of taxes.

As an indication of the success attending their efforts one only needs to refer to the large number of people coming in daily to settle up for their delinquent taxes. On Monday this rush to pay taxes was so strong that Tax Collector W. P. Jergenson was unable to leave his office for lunch.

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Shallotte Boy Tells Of Army Life In New Guinea

Corporal Tennyson G. Robinson Writes Some Interesting Observations Of His Overseas Life During The Past Three Years

(NOTE: The following letter from a Shallotte boy, Cpl. Tennyson G. Robinson, son of W. E. Robinson and the late Mrs. Eva Hewett Robinson, should be on interest to the many friends of the young soldier, who is now serving in New Guinea.)

Dear Editor: After having received the State Port Pilot at more or less regular intervals throughout my entire twenty-seven months overseas, I feel that I should write and tell you that it has been one bright spot in an otherwise dull existence—not dull from standpoint of inactivity, but dull from standpoint of home contacts.

As you may or may not know, I came across with the 118th General Hospital, a John-Hopkins unit that has distinguished itself in medical and surgical attention given to soldiers in this theatre of war.

I spent many months in Australia where I learned to know and appreciate the people and their ways which are only slightly different from ours. I made

many friends there that I believe and hope will remain friends for a life time.

I am now in New Guinea where a fellow learns that life takes on an entirely new meaning. I have been here several months and the only thing about the place that I have learned to really like is the purpose of our being here. For that purpose I would go any place and be content until the time for me to move out to a better place.

The Pacific theatre is known for its great distances, any movement is for many miles and that of course means isolation, which means loneliness.

One of the features of this place is the abundance of rain, we seldom miss a day of rain, of course sometimes it is not so very hard but at other times it can sure pour. Of course every few weeks we see the Sun and that gives us a chance to dry our bodies and our clothes.

You see clothing gets musty and even molds if the Sun stays away too long at a time.

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Field Meeting On Friday For Sweet Potato Growers

Field Meeting On Friday For Sweet Potato Growers Demonstration Should Be Of Interest To All Growers Of Sweet Potatoes

SPECIALISTS FROM STATE COLLEGE TO BE HERE

Meet: Of "Will Be At Farm Hickman, Of Bolivia

A field meeting that should be interesting to many Brunswick county growers of sweet potatoes is to be held Friday of this week on the farm of J. T. Hickman, near Bolivia. The meeting, according to the announcement by County Agent Dodson, will be of especial interest to sweet potato growers who have an eye open to improved methods of curing and storing sweet potatoes. Labor saving devices for cultivating and digging the crop will also be demonstrated.

Specialists from North Carolina State College, with equipment for cultivating and digging sweet potatoes and plans for converting tobacco curing barns into sweet potato houses, will be on hand to assist the county agent in the demonstrations. If the attendance and interest is large enough to justify it an actual demonstration of digging, grading and packing will be given.

The meeting will be at two o'clock Friday afternoon.

Grand Jury Adds To Its Report

Expressions Incorporated In Proceedings Of Body After Report Was Made To Judge Stevens

The report of the grand jury was published in last week's paper. However, following the presentation of the report to Judge Stevens, a recommendation was made and incorporated into the report. This recommendation which the paper failed to get was as follows:

"We wish to incorporate the expressions contained below in our regular report. Geo. B. Ward, foreman, Lacy Dawkins, Sec.

Whereas, heretofore Grand Juries of Brunswick County have called to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of said county the need of repairs to the Court House, and

Where the Board of Commissioners have recently caused the roof of the Court House to be repaired and repainted and certain other repairs made and have caused the interior of the Court House including all offices and the Court room to be well and pleasingly painted; and

Whereas, by reason of the care and diligence of the Board of County Commissioners of Brunswick County, the Court House is now well repaired and repainted in a manner reflecting credit upon the Board of County Commissioners and the people this county:

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Precautions For Hurricane Taken But Not Needed

Red Cross Was On Hand In Case The Storm Struck In This Vicinity

CAUSED CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE IN NORTH

Reports Indicated Southport Would Be In Center Until Last Minute Change In Course

Southport and the lower North Carolina coast entirely escaped Wednesday and Thursday when the hurricane raged off-shore and conjecture ran rife as to where it would strike.

While the hurricane was at sea, reports credited the winds with blowing at 140 miles per hour. Many local residents felt confident that the hurricane would not strike here. Hundred year maps of the U. S. Weather Bureau show that hurricanes invariably strike at Hatteras on the coast a bowe us, or at Charleston, below. At any rate, with last week's hurricane raging 200 or 300 miles at sea and its course undetermined, it was a simple matter of prudence to take all possible steps to handle an emergency if it came here.

The Red Cross called Mrs. Ruark at the local office, warned her of possible danger and instructed her to take whatever steps might be necessary. Mrs. L. C. Fergus, the Red Cross Disaster Chairman, was instructed to have disaster centers ready and to get all emergency supplies ready for the handling of any storm victims.

In accordance with the above instructions the court house, Catholic church and City Hall were all made ready for storm suffering (Continued on page 4)

Station Jailed By Charlotte Police

Former Principal Of Waccamaw School Taken By Charlotte Police On Capias Instantly From Solicitor Moore

A dispatch from Charlotte states that J. B. Station, former principal of the Waccamaw school, was arrested Saturday and jailed by Charlotte police to await transfer here. He is charged with larceny of school funds, a true bill to that effect having been found by the grand jury at the spring session of court.

At last week's session of court Solicitor Clifton Moore issued a capias instantly for the arrest of Station. Previously no action had been taken upon the finding of the grand jury.

Station, employed as principal of the Waccamaw school last session, was apparently at odds with his teachers, the school board and patrons from the opening of the session. The school board went so far in its opposition to Station that the school was ordered closed and remained closed for a (Continued on Page 4)

Ration Pointers

CANNING SUGAR
Sugar stamp No. 40 good for five pounds of canning sugar until February 28, 1945. Apply to local boards for supplemental rations.

FUEL OIL
Period 4 and 5 coupons now valid and will remain valid throughout the heating year. Period 1 coupons for next season are now valid.

GASOLINE
A-11 coupons now valid for three gallons each through November 8.

MEATS AND FATS
Red A8 through G5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each for use with tokens. Good indefinitely.

PROCESSED FOODS
Blue A8 through L5 (Book 4) now valid at 10 points each for use with tokens. Good indefinitely. (NOTE: Blue Ration Tokens will expire October 1. Use them IMMEDIATELY.)

SHOES
Airplane stamp No. 1 and No. 2 (Book 3) valid indefinitely.

SUGAR
Sugar stamps No. 30, 31, 32, and 33 (Book 4) good for five pounds of sugar each indefinitely.

Rationing rules now require that every car owner write his license number and state in advance on all gasoline coupons in his possession.

Gilbert Cox With Assault Forces

Seaman Second Class Gilbert W. Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Cox, of Bolivia, was a member of a U. S. Naval crew in the American assault forces which invaded France. Previously he was at Normandy, Cherbourg and in the Mediterranean. Despite his extensive service he is only 19 years old.