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Manhunt Continues For Negro Sought For Fatal Shooting Of Williamson

Up Until Time The Pilot Went To Press Today There Were No New Developments In Search For Schooper Gause

SHALLOTTE MAN KILLED SATURDAY

Jim Williamson, Prominent Farmer, Struck By Blast From Shotgun Fired Through Window Of His Home

Schooper Gause, Brunswick county negro wanted for the shotgun murder of Jim Williamson, Shallotte farmer, Saturday night was still at large today when The Pilot went to press.

Object of a widespread manhunt since shortly following the shooting, Gause was reported last seen late Sunday afternoon by a from Meares in Caulkins Neck as he walked across Calabash river bridge. He was carrying a shotgun, and since Meares was unarmed, the best he could do was summons officers to the place. From this point bloodhounds were used to hunt the fugitive, and dogs were brought from Greenville to aid in the search. These animals trailed to the edge of a swamp, where they lost track.

The search has continued, with every law enforcement officer in the county taking part, assisted by State Highway patrolmen.

Five brothers of the hunted man were brought to the Brunswick county jail in Southport Sunday where they are being held on tentative charges of being accessories after the fact. They are T. G., Joe, Nero, Hollis and Otto Gause.

Williamson was killed about 8 o'clock Saturday night as he sat in the living room of his home near Shallotte shelling peanuts from the same pan with his wife. As they sat there talking a shotgun blast was fired through the window, and a full charge of buckshot struck him in the upper right side of his chest and in the upper neck. The moment he was hit the injured man rose from his chair, went into the next room and took down his own shotgun from its place on the wall. He then fell to the floor, and death soon followed.

Mrs. Williamson was injured about the face from flying glass. According to her story, Schooper Gause and two other men were engaged in an argument in front of the Williamson residence late Saturday afternoon. There was some loud cursing, and William-

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Southport Chosen For District Club Meeting

This Decision Reached At County Council Meeting Held Friday Afternoon At Office of Home Agent At Supply

DISTRICT AGENT ATTENDED MEETING

Important Business Matters Disposed Of At Meeting; Committee Members Named By Council President

The County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs met Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the office of the home agent at Supply. Present at this meeting was Miss Verna Stanton, District Home Agent.

One of the chief items of business disposed of was the formation of plans for the district home demonstration meeting to be held in this county in June, and an invitation to hold the meeting at Southport was accepted.

The president appointed the Cape Fear Club as the decorating committee, the Shallotte Village Club as the refreshment committee and Town Creek as the wel-

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Two Businesses Change Hands

An indication of the changing scene of local business is shown by two announcements included in the advertising section of today's State Port Pilot.

E. H. Arrington, retired Standard Oil man who has recently returned to the States after more than a decade of foreign duty with that concern, has purchased Galloway's, local drygoods and clothing store, from the owner, Mrs. George Galloway. This store will be operated under the name, Arrington's.

Helen Fulcher has announced her purchase of The Beauty Emporium, and this business will be operated under the name, Helen's.

Brief News Flashes

ACCEPTS POSITION

Neils Jorgensen, Southport man who recently returned from the Navy, has accepted position at Bolivia Lumber Co.

RETURNS TO WORK

Now recovered from an illness that confined him to his bed for two weeks, Mayor Leon Gallaway of Shallotte has returned to his work with the Shallotte Trading Company.

RETURNS HOME

Sgt. John Shannon, who has been serving with the Army for the past three and a half years, was given an honorable discharge last week and returned home Monday.

RECRUITER HERE

The Navy recruiting officer will be at the Southport postoffice every other Wednesday from the hours of 9 o'clock in the morning to 2 o'clock in the afternoon. His next date will be on March 6.

RETURNS SUNDAY

The Rev. Earl Bradley of the Baptist State Board, Raleigh, will fill the pulpit at the Southport Baptist church at both the morning and evening service Sunday. The Rev. Mr. Bradley was guest preacher at the local church last Sunday.

FRUIT TREES BLOOM

Many pear and plum trees and a few peach trees have broken forth in full bloom during the past week. According to all present indications another ten days will find most of the fruit trees in bloom.

Brunswick Lady Passes Suddenly

Funeral Services Conducted Saturday Afternoon For Miss Margaret Jenrette, Member Of Prominent Family

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at Friendship Baptist church, Ash, for Miss Margaret Jenrette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Jenrette, prominent residents of Waccamaw township.

Miss Jenrette was 28-years of age. Her death occured Monday night of last week in Washington, D. C., where she had held a responsible government position for the past ten years. She had been ill for only a few days preceeding her death.

The funeral services were in charge of Rev. E. Evans Ulrich, assisted by Rev. Z. G. Ray, a former principle of Waccamaw High school and Baptist minister. Burial was in the Jenrette family cemetery.

Miss Jenrette is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Jenrette; three brothers, J. Edward of Lake Waccamaw; W. Kimball of Ash and Lieut. Addison of Ft. McClelland, Ala.; three sisters, Mrs. F. M. Brown, Greenbelt, Md.; Mrs. Michael Stelock and Miss Marian Jenrette of Washington, D. C.; an uncle, A. L. McKeithan of Longwood; two aunts, Mrs. J. W. Brooks of Wilmington and Mrs. G. H. Gray of Pittsburg, Pa.

Round-Up Made Of Road Houses

Rural Policeman O .W. Perry Has Several Defendants Facing Trial Before Judge John B. Ward In Court Monday

Rural Policeman O. W. Perry went on the warpath against taxi drivers and their feminine fares this week, and as a result two white men and two white women spent last night in jail, unable to put up bonds of $500.00 each. Two others escaped jail by giving bond. The whole six are scheduled to be tried before Judge John B. Ward in Recorders court next Monday.

The defendants appear to have been paired up. Two of those jailed yesterday in default of bond were Moody Barnhill and Sarah Beck Callihan. They were charged with prostitution and V. T. Padquisky, a Marine, was released on the same charge under a $250.00 bond.

David Lanier, another Wilmington taxi driver, and his lady friend, Marie Latta, were also jailed yesterday by Rural Policeman Perry. They are being held under bonds of $750.00 each for trial Monday. Perry charges them with larceny off the person of a man named Henry Tedder. He alleges that the couple got Ted-

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Local Legion Post To Meet

The Brunswick County Post No. 194, American Legion, will hold its regular meeting Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock at the Legion Hall. All legionnaires and ex-service men are invited to attend.

Crawford L. Rourk, adjutant of the post, says that matters of vital importance will be discussed at this meeting.

Red Cross Has Begun Campaign For 1946 Fund

Solicitation Of Funds From Business Firms Began On Tuesday In Order To Clear Way For Membership Drive

SPEEDY CAMPAIGN SET AS OBJECTIVE

Organization Set Up To Handle Campaign In All Sections Of County; Schools Will Help Again

The Red Cross Fund Drive jumped the gun to get underway in this county on Tuesday of this week as a canvass was made of business firms prior to the general membership drive that starts on Friday.

The organization machinery has been geared to get away to a fast start in the hope that the county quota of about $5,000.00 may be raised in a hurry and thus avoid a long, drawn out campaign that often proves so hard on the solicitors and the public as well.

As usual, much of the final work will be done by the children through the schools. This phase of work will be done over the week end.

Chairman of the program for the entire county is R. I. Mintz, Southport attorney, who has gone to great length to insure a strong organization.

Mac F. Jones, chairman for Northwest township, has reported that his committee will include J. C. Chadwick, Thurman Skipper and Jimmie Paden.

J. M. King, vocational agriculture teacher at Bolivia, is chairman of the Town Creek township committee. Serving with him are Mrs. Martin Robbins, Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, Mrs. Odell Evans, Mrs. Virginia McDougall, Miss Etta Mae Evans, Mrs. Tyler Potter, Mrs. J. L. Henry, Mrs. Jack Walls, Mrs. W. A. Kopp, Miss Emma Lou Harrelson, Neils Jor-

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Application For Wharf And House

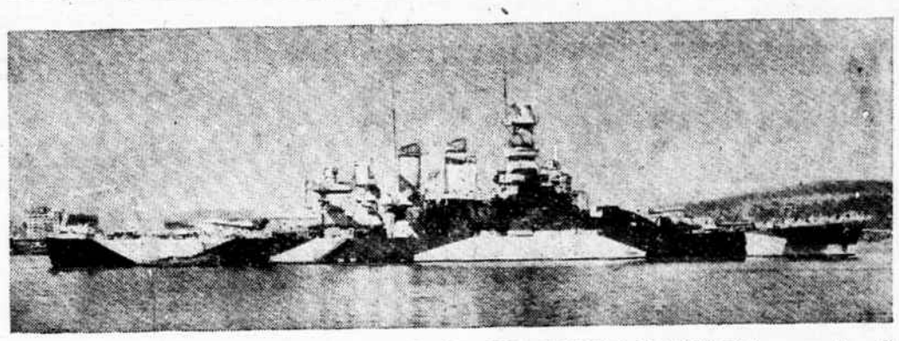
U. S. Army Engineers In Wilmington Receive Application From J. C. Robinson For New Construction

Colonel G. W. Gillette, U. S. Army Engineers in Wilmington last week, made public announcement that J. C. Robinson, Supply, has made application for permit to construct a wharf and fish house at Henry's landing on the north side of the Inland Waterway, about three miles east of Shallotte Inlet.

Plans showing the proposed work may be seen at the U. S. Engineers office here and at the U. S. Engineers office here and at the Post Offices in Supply and Shallotte.

Any objections to the proposed work must be sent to the office before February 28, 1946.

U.S.S. North Carolina



Sleek, trim and powerful, the battleship USS NORTH CAROLINA, was the first of the Navy's new class of 35,000-ton men-o'-war. She won her spurs in the Solomons, helping repulse Jap attempts to land on Guadalcanal. Throughout the combat actions that followed she wan acclaim as a first line fighting ship, hanging up an enviable record.

FSA Meeting For Two Counties Is Held In Armory

Annual FO Meeting Featured By -Discussions From Agricultural Leaders And Awarding Of Prizes

The Farm Security administration of Columbus and Brunswick counties held its annual FO meeting in the Whiteville armory on February 20, 1946.

Due to lack of gasoline and tires the meeting had not been held for the past two years.

An interesting and helpful program was planned and carried out. Col. John Tilsy of the County Soil Conservation service led a discussion on Soil Conservation and showed slides of the work. C. D. Raper, county agent, talked on Hog and Corn Production for 1946. The District FSA Farm and Home supervisors, Mrs. Ellen M. Thurston and C. D. Pickerrell, led discussion on records of 1945, food and feed conservation and farm upkeep.

Prizes were awarded to the farm man or woman or family for outstanding achievements during 1945.

The prizes were donated by the following: Waccamaw Bank & Trust co., Columbus Trading co., Leder Brothers, FCX, Marks Machinery co. and S. L. Fuller, livestock dealer.

Brunswick Lady Dies At Home

Mrs. Emma Carrie Russ Laid To Rest Tuesday Afternoon; Death Occurred Sunday Morning

Mrs. Emma Carrie Russ, 57, of Shallotte township, died Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in her home.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock from Shallotte church with the Rev. Bob Carter, of Loris, in charge.

Surviving are her husband, W. H. Russ; one son, B. F. Russ, Ash; two daughters, Mrs. M. C. Gore, Ash, and Mrs. W. L. Russ, Jr., Shallotte; one brother, Joseph Rhodes, Macon, Ga.; seven sisters,

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Basketball Tournament To Be Held In Southport

Play For County High School Championship Will Begin In Southport Gymnasium On Wednesday, March 20

ALL SCHOOLS TO ENTER TWO TEAMS

Leland Girls And Boys Appear To Hold Edge Over Other Outfits With Impressive Victory String

The Brunswick county high school basketball tournament will be resumed this year, with Southport playing host to the other schools beginning Wednesday, March 20.

Preliminary plans for the event were discussed at a meeting of school officials here last week, and although some of the teams in the county are not up to their pre-war standard, it was indicated that each school will be represented in the tournament by both a girls and boys outfit.

On the basis of team records during the current season, Leland will enter the tournament as favorite in both the girls and boys division. With about three weeks in which to continue practice and to get into shape some of the other schools will be set to cause plenty of trouble to these fine teams.

Details of the tournament play will be announced as soon as plans have been completed.

Southport Girls Win Cage Game

The Southport high school girls basketball team broke a record of ten-years standing Wednesday night when they defeated the Shallotte lassies by a score on 24 to 14.

Everyone who had seen Coach Byrd's charges in action this year knew that the record was in danger every time they took to the floor, because the local sextet has turned in some nice performances in earlier games. But according to the best available information, this is the victory of the decade for Southport girl basketball players in high school competition.

The Southport boys added Shallotte to their list of victims with a 17 to 6 victory. Leland is the only five that the local boys have been unable to handle.

Shallotte plays host to the two Southport teams tomorrow (Thursday) night.

Three Bird Dogs Stolen One Day

Two Dogs Belonging To Robert Jones Recovered At Supply, While Detective Work Needed To Recover Thomas' Dog

Despite the fact that the hunting season is just over three fine bird dogs were stolen from their Southport owners this week. All were taken the same afternoon and all have been recovered, but it took some fine detective work to regain one of the animals.

Two of the dogs belonging to Robert Jones, were found in a car as it passed through Supply. It is understood the identity of the men is known but no information is available as to whether any action will be taken against them.

The same afternoon H. H. Thomas missed his beautiful and valuable pointer Mutt. Learning of the theft of the Jones dogs, Mr. Thomas thought that Mutt

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Shrimp Catches Good Last Week

Ability Of Large Boats To Operate Well Offshore And In Almost Any Kind Of Weather Is Changing Season Around

Some of the larger shrimp trawlers made between three and four hundred dollars last week for only three or four days of operations. The boat of Sandy Simmons brought in an even $300.00 worth of the product for only three days of work. Some of the big boats did even better than that.

During prewar years practically all of the boats in use were small and totally unsuited to go out in the average weather that prevails during January, February and March. As a result of this the season usually closed the last of December and there was no fishing until the end of the March winds.

The boats now in use are capable of going out in almost any kind of weather short of actual storms. As a result shrimping is becoming a year-round industry with the boatmen making good wages at times when they would normally be idle. The shrimp being taken this year are larger and better than those usually taken during the busiest months. This is due to the fact that the boats work further offshore now.

Old-Fashioned Convention Held

Hilarious Time At Leland High School Friday Evening When Old-Time Fiddlers Convention Was Held

The old-fashioned Fiddlers Convention, staged at the Leland school last Friday night with the object of raising funds for a college scholarship to be awarded a member of the graduating class was about the most successful event of the kind that has ever been staged in Brunswick county.

Between seven and eight hundred paid spectators jammed the school auditorium and saw Joe Reeves crowned "King of Fiddlers." This ceremony was not attended by any use of a rolling pin. Joe was simply deemed best of the several artists who strutted their stuff with bow and fiddle.

But not all of the acclaim went to Joe and his fellow fiddlers. The banjo players, guitarists, husband callers, hog callers and various other stunts kept the crowd in an uproar. Dawson Jones, former Brunswick county forest warden, pulled a novel

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Former Resident Passes Monday

Mrs. Katherine Woodside Died At Home Of Her Daughter In Wilmington; Has Many Relatives In This County

Mrs. Katherine Woodside, a former resident of this county, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Carter, in Wilmington, Monday morning. She was 68 years of age.

Funeral services were conducted in Wilmington this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with Rev. C. E. Brinson officiating. Following the services the remains were brought to Antioch Baptist church, between Southport and Bolivia, and interned there.

Mrs. Woodside is survived by

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Commissioner Is Present Friday For Road Talk

District Highway Commissioner J. A. Bridger, Of Bladenboro, Heard Petition Of Delegation From Hickman's Cross Roads

DISTRICT ENGINEER SAYS PROSPECT GOOD

Only Shortage Of Machinery And Trained Men For Operation Is Holding Up Paving Projects For Brunswick

District Highway Commissioner J. A. Bridger and other State highway officials were in Southport Friday afternoon where they heard the request of a delegation from the Hickman's Crossroads section for a paving project for the road running from that community to Ash.

Included in this delegation were O. P. Bellamy, member of the board of county commissioners, and W. J. McLamb, former member of the House of Representatives.

The arguments of these citizens apparently fell upon willing ears, for the highway men were frank to state that they hope to do considerable surfacing in Brunswick. Right now, according to District Engineer T. T. Betts, who was present for the meeting, their chief trouble is getting men and machinery. For once there are more funds available than there are equipment and man power.

Although this was the only formal group gresent, there were other citizens interested in road improvement projects in various sections of the county. When asked about the prospective order in which paving would be done, Mr. Bridger said that Mr. Betts would do his talking. The latter could not be sure in just what order the following work would be undertaken, but he listed these as the projects for early under-taking:

Surfacing the Holdens Beach road from its junction with U. S. Highway No. 17 at the Harry Robinson Store near Supply. This, it was pointed out, would not be done with State money, but will be done as a part of the Federal project for the improvement of secondary roads.

Surfacing a portion of the River Road beginning at Brunswick River bridge and running past the State Prison Farm.

Surfacing a section of road beginning at Leland and extending to the Seaboard railroad at Phoenix.

Surfacing a short stretch of

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Brief Session Of Court Here

All Matters Before Judge John B. Ward Were Disposed Of In Time For Recorder's Court To Adjourn At Noon

came up at Monday's session of the Recorder's court, and Judge John B. Ward and Solicitor J. W. Ruark finished up the days business by noon with the minute docket showing the following entries covering cases that came up:

John S. Smith, speeding, posession, 60 days on roads, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of $25.00 and costs.

James Clemmons, shooting dog, not guilty.

John Gore, non support, six months on roads, judgment suspended on payment of costs and paying $20.00 per month for the support of illegimate child.

Alton Milliken, no operators license, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

John Carter, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of $10.00 fine and costs.

W. G. Frink, passing car on state highway facing oncoming traffic, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of $5.00 and costs.

Willis Johnson and Jesse Barrus, posession, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

J. B. Carlyle, operating motor vehicle with improper lights, brakes and no operators license, capias and continued.

Willie James Goodman, speeding, sixty days on roads, judgment suspended on payment of a $15.00 fine and costs.

James C. Phillips, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

D. E. Tripp, reckless operation and damage to property, continued to March 4th.

Frederick Baldwin, reckless operation, continued to March 4th.

W. B. KEZIAH

Our ROVING Reporter

We were around the Brunswick River bridge again the past week, that point, Woodburn and Leland being on our regular Thursday list of callers. Since it all goes in the days work we usually carry plenty of subscription receipt blanks with us. Getting around to what we are driving at, we had not been around the bridge very long before we found ourself fresh out of those blanks. We had to dig up another receipt book before we could continue handing out those autographs that are good for getting the State Port Pilot for a year . . . . Mrs. J. E. Winn, who recently took over the lunch room at the junction of the River Road with Nos. 17 and 74, has named it the Orton Lunch. Very appropriate since it is there that folks turn off from the above named highways to go to the beautiful Orton gardens . . . R. A. Williams, proprietor of Powell Cafe, was found to be all set for the folks getting together and giving the fast growing community a name. Offhand he suggested "Brunswick Town, Orton Point, or something or another. We should give orchids or something to someone who can suggest the best and most suitable name for the Brunswick River bridge community . . . We shook hands (at a distance) with the two young lions belonging to Jimmie Raftery of the R. & S. Amusement company. C. M. Hedgecock introduced them to us and all they would do was yawn and yawn some more. First thing we knew we were straining our jaws in sympathy . . . At the Spiratine Chemical company office Mrs. Lily Farabow, the secretary, reminded us that we should send her paper to Wilmington, although the plant, lock, stock and barrel, is there at the bridge . . . J. F. Coleman was still dreaming of the big tourist home which he plans . . . The Hinson boys were still looking regretfully at the twisted iron, tin and broken bricks that had

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