

The State Port Pilot

Southport, N. C.

Published Every Wednesday

JAMES M. HARPER, JR. Editor

Entered as second-class matter April 20, 1928, at the Post Office at Southport, N. C., under the Act of March 3, 1879.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

ONE YEAR\$1.50
SIX MONTHS 1.00
THREE MONTHS75

Wednesday, November 6, 1946

Tourist Travel

J. D. Johnson, a progressive citizen of Bolivia, has completed a very attractive, modern tourist court and is all set to entertain south-bound travelers this fall. He has developed a business opportunity which will bring thousands of dollars annually into circulation in his community, and several new prospects for employment have been created.

There is another artery of travel running through Brunswick county, and that is the inland waterway. There is a wide-open opportunity for the development of a modern yacht basin, with a marine railway and facilities for servicing small craft of all kinds, somewhere along the coast of Brunswick county.

On the basis of several recent applications for dredging made to the office of the U. S. Engineers in Wilmington there is reason to hope that something soon will be done toward this development. Meanwhile, we are letting a lot of mighty fine tourists get away.

Hampering Progress

Perhaps the greatest stumbling block now in the path of progress as it affects Shallotte and other business centers in the lower end of Brunswick county is the absence of dependable telephone service.

It is our understanding that the present line serving Shallotte is owned by an individual in Wilmington who holds a franchise for that territory. Our knowledge of Brunswick county and its needs goes back over the past ten years, and not once during this time have adequate, dependable communications facilities been available for Shallotte citizens.

During the war nothing was said about this matter, because with a critical shortage of materials, there was not the slightest hope of improving the existing conditions.

Now things are different. Shallotte and its surrounding territory is a hustling, bustling, wide-awake community and it is in need of the very best telephone service that can be supplied. We believe that it is time for some aggressive action to be taken, and if the present franchise owner is unable to furnish the residents of his territory the kind of service they have a right to expect, then it is our opinion that he should step out of the picture.

We have been informed that citizens of Shallotte plan to present their case to the North Carolina Utilities Commission, and we believe that they are on the right track. That territory is entitled to better communications, and we believe that this State agency will support them in their demands.

Good Citizens, Too

Greetings and salutations to the people of Scandinavia from Governor R. Gregg Cherry, speaking for the people of North Carolina, were sent last week which said:

"The people of the State of North Carolina hereby extend greetings and salutations to the people of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden on the occasion of the recent inaugural of air transportation between our nation and theirs.

"We believe that the air service will aid in further cementing the friendly relations that have always existed between us and that it will assist in aiding us to know each other better so that in trade and in commerce, and in friendship and in peace, we shall be able to attain greater progress and achievement," he continued.

Governor Cherry might have added that the people of these nations have

made some of the finest citizens of the United States. Southport has had more than her air share of Norwegians, Swedes and Danes to come here to make their homes, for since all of these are from sea-faring nations, many have made their way into the local harbor and have decided to settle down for life.

In your message to the heads of these nations, Governor Cherry, you might have done us a favor by thanking them for the sons and daughters they have given to live as good citizens in this community.

The Causes Of Fire

According to a survey by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, based upon claim records covering a five-year period, three out of four fires start from causes involving carelessness, inattention or plain accidents. Most of these fires could be prevented by good housekeeping and cautious habits.

Almost 30 percent of fires result from careless use of matches and smoking materials. More than 10 percent are caused by defective electric wiring and appliances—misuse of that great servant, electricity. Over 23 percent stem from lack of care in the use of cooking and heating equipment. And more than 11 percent are the result of carelessness with open lights and inflammable liquids.

Here is a tragic tribute to American carelessness, indifference and plain laziness which will cost us some \$600,000,000 in property values and more than 10,000 lives this year. Failure to replace a dollar light cord may destroy a \$25,000 home, and its occupants with it. The kind of "economy" that prevents us from putting up a new stove pipe when it is needed may result in a holocaust. And the housewife who uses gasoline to clean her clothes at home is inviting complete disaster.

The war against fire is being conducted with unusual vigor this year. Its purpose is to save your property and your life. But it can't succeed unless you join the ranks of its armies.

Labor's Blockade

A few weeks ago, in an editorial summing up the results of the shutdown of the port of New York by strikers, the New York Times said: "Labor trouble" had thrown a blockade around the nation more complete, in what were to be the piping times of peace, than our enemies were ever able to achieve with submarines in time of war . . . The result, at home, was a severe setback for the recovery program, and abroad a fresh questioning of the strength and unity of the American people."

The Times does not deny that there is justice in some union demands. It points out that in various cases wage adjustments are obviously needed. But, it observes, "These considerations do not justify either the presentation of exorbitant demands or a take-it-or-leave-it attitude in the matter of negotiations . . ."

Labor is apparently of the belief that any demands, no matter how ridiculous, will be met if it acts tough enough. In this belief, unfortunately for the welfare of the country, it has been given support by the Federal government which has almost completely failed to back up its own announced policies and principles.

The truth of the matter is that collective bargaining has ceased to exist. No longer do the parties to a labor dispute meet, appoint a neutral umpire, present the facts on either side, and arrive at a decision based on truth and justice. The employer is important. Sooner or later, by hook or crook, the unions get what they want—and all that is left for the employer is to pay the bills, if he can.

These labor excesses can lead to but one thing—public revulsion against union policies and an indesistible public demand for corrective action. Is labor so blind as to not see that the welfare of this country comes ahead of the selfish interests of any group—and that labor "victories" which are based upon force and disorder will prove hollow indeed when the time of reckoning comes?

Pay doesn't depend on service. A few errors can make the greatest magazine seem silly, yet proofreaders don't get bricklayer's wages.

Vice-president of C. I. O. clothing workers is a Communist who gets orders from Moscow. Suppose Stalin should decide to make us go naked.

Just Among The Fishermen

Late as it is in the year, the first clear ocean waters have been bringing support to the claim that the sea off Brunswick county offers the best sport fishing anywhere on the Atlantic coast, north of Florida.

The above claim was originally brought out in New York City less than two years ago by S. Kipp Farrington, saltwater fishing authority. He said that Southport could be made into the greatest sport fishing center on the coast.

We know enough of Mr. Farrington and his reputation for knowing saltwater fishing to be sure he was not just fooling around and trying to flatter. We also know the Brunswick county waters, and what we know of them strengthens our faith in what Mr. Farrington told us.

Since the ocean has cleared up from the late June, July, August and September storms that filled the ocean with trash, there has been no such thing as failure attending the efforts of any fishing party. Big catch after big catch has been made.

Last week, with huge catches being made by it and other boats every day, one party of Wilmington sportsmen out on the Idle-On captain T. H. Watts made a catch that may be mentioned here. This party brought in over 1600-pounds of fish, all taken with rod and reel during a few hours fishing on the gulf.

To specify, the catch consisted of 50 large king mackerel or cero, 20 large amberjacks, 26 bonita and 101 bluefish, enough to thrill the tire out any party handling fishing rods. The fishermen were Arthur Newkirk, Floyd Cox, Tessie Costelo and Gus Gurganus.

This was not an exceptional catch. Something like it was done about every day by the Watts boat and other boats catering to the sport fishermen. They were just getting what they would have been getting all summer if the weather had been like what we have now.

And there is nothing to indicate how long this fine fishing will continue. One thing we are sure of, it will continue as long as we have fair weather, until Christmas and even much later, if there are any spells of good weather and a settled ocean.

During war times Navy and Coast Guard boats were constantly patrolling the coast. Sometimes they had to hang around special points or else move slowly. Winter after winter those boats brought in reports of seeing the big fish out there. January, Feb-

ruary and March, the roughest months of the year, were no exception. The fish were always there.

They will be there this winter, next spring, next summer and fall. It is not unreasonable to hope that next year will bring to the coast a much different variety of weather from what prevailed this year. If that is the case, the Brunswick county fishing will really be heard from.

One thing that will be needed for the development of the sport fishing resources, that are worth many thousands of dollars will be more boats than we have now and more accommodations for the visiting sportsmen. If we get fixed properly for them we will see the fishermen really coming our way in 1947.

There is not a place in Brunswick with a good river or creek inlet that should neglect to begin now to make preparations for 1947. Get accommodations for visitors ready and get boats that will serve them. Get ready to treat those visitors right in every way, and your money and time invested will be repaid you many times over by the yearly returning visitors.

COUNTY TEACHERS

(Continued from page One) State Department of Education, will speak to the superintendents on "Plans of the State Board of Education for the Next Biennium." Mrs. Gladys Robbins, State Chairman of Teacher Recruitment Committee of the CTA, will address the classroom teacher division on "Recruiting and Influencing Good Teachers;" Emma Lossen, New Hanover high school, will speak to the art teachers on "Accomplishments in Art;" the teachers of audio-visual education will be addressed by Maude Weber of the same school;

The business educational teachers will discuss the workshop activities in the State Course of Study. Ella Stephens Barrett, State Department of Public Instruction, will lead a panel discussion for the Department of Guidance, and Charles E. Spencer of the State Department will address the Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation. The Department of Elementary Principals will hear Dr. W. J. McKee, University of North Carolina, on "Supervisory Activities for Teaching Principals."

Superintendent A. B. Gibson of the Laurenburg city schools will address the English teachers on the subject "English for Enjoyment," and Mrs. Emma Howell, Executive Secretary, Family Life Service Society, Wilmington, will talk to the home economics teachers on "Mental Health in the Family." The music teachers will hear Mrs. Eric Detmold, professor of music, Winston-Salem city schools, discuss newer methods in post-war music. Mrs. Lua LeGrand, New Hanover high school, will speak to the social science teachers about changes which

Brunswick Girl Graduate Nurse

Miss Marie Spivey, daughter of Mrs. R. J. Somersette, of Thomasboro, recently graduated from James Walker Memorial hospital school of Nursing in Wilmington. Miss Spivey is spending a while with her mother before going to work in Charlotte.

Next year she plans to take a course in anesthesia at St. Joseph's Hospital and University of De Paul in Joliet, Ill., along with two of her classmates, Miss Lillian Dixon, of Wilmington, and Miss Phyllis Mullins, of Charlotte.

BENEFIT SUPPER

Members of the Daughters of America will serve a benefit turkey supper Thursday night at the Community Building. Proceeds from the supper will go to the endowment fund for the Orphanage of the Junior Order.

KILLS BIG BUCK

Frank Rabon killed a fine buck Monday morning while hunting near the Green Swamp. He estimated his weight at above 160-pounds.

BUYS BOWEN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Williamson, of Shallotte, bought the new D. L. Bowen residence in Shallotte last week.

should be made in the social studies curriculum.

V. R. White, Principal of the Junior and Senior High Schools of Fayetteville, is the unopposed candidate for President of the Southeastern District of the NCEA for 1947.

The convention will adjourn Friday night with the second general session.

Archie Evans home midway between Supply and Southport. They moved there last week.

Builds New Shrimp House M. H. Hart has constructed a large new shrimp house built the old Church dock, which was partially destroyed by fire two years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Smith have sold their home in Southport and have bought the former



... TOPS FOR QUALITY

Pepsi-Cola Company, Long Island City, N. Y. Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co., Wilmington, N. C.

Want A First-Class GREASE JOB?

TEXACO SERVICE STATION

G. W. PARISH Shallotte, N. C.

ARMISTICE DAY —

—A DAY



Full of memories when our hearts turn to the past and our prayers go with those whose courage and wisdom guide our Future.

We will not be open for business Armistice Day November 11th

Whiteville
Tabor City
Shallotte
Fairmont
Rose Hill

Your Financial Friend
WACCAMAW
BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

Chadbourn
Clarkton
Southport
Kenansville

MEMBER F. D. I. C.

RECORDS! RECORDS! Records

OVER 2,000 RECORDS IN STOCK

DECCA—
Bing Crosby
Lionel Hampton
Roy Eldridge
Garry Moore
Carmen Miranda
Fred Waring

COLUMBIA—
Harry James
Frank Sinatra
Frankie Carl
Dina Shore
Woodie Herman
Kavir Cugat
The Modernaires

R.C.A. - VICTOR—
Betty Hutton
Fredie Martin
Perry Como
Walter Davis
Roy Rogers

CAPITOL—
King Cole Trio
Jessie Price
Cootie Williams
Coleman Hawkins
Eddie Miller

MAJESTIC—
Eddie Howard
Louis Prima
Jane Froman
George Paxton
Thelma Carpenter

QUEEN—
Walter Brown
Bull Moose Jackson
Gay Cross
Annisteen Allen
Hank Penny

ALBUMS—
Syphony
Stories—Orsen Wells
King Cole Trio
Western and Hillbilly
Latin American . . . Jazz, Spirituals, and many others.

CHILDREN RECORDS and ALBUMS
Mother Goose Stories, Rumpelstiltskin, Peter Rabbit, Little Black Sambo . . . And many others.

DIXIE FURNITURE CO.

J. B. SIMMONS, Mgr. SOUTHPORT, N. C.

From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

How to Handle a Fortune

Some months ago I reported in the *Clarion* how Mel Bate's uncle died up north, and left him with a tidy fortune. Naturally, our town was curious to see how Mel would spend it: Traveling around the world... getting a new house or car... wearing fancy clothes... or dining on cold pheasant and champagne...? We can now report, Mel hasn't changed a bit! Drop in on him any night, and you'll find him in his shirt sleeves by the fire, chatting with the Missus, sharing a mellow glass of beer with friends. From where I sit, Mel has learned the art of handling money—as well as handling people. You don't let cash-in-the-bank push you around any more than you let people push you around. If you like the simple, homey life; companionship and quiet ways; a glass of beer and friendly talk—that's worth a fortune, after all!

Joe Marsh
Adm.

© 1946, UNITED STATES BREWERS FOUNDATION, North Carolina Committee Suite 606-607 Insurance Building, Raleigh, North Carolina.

TOBACCO BARN COAL STOKER

Dealer Wanted

● An exclusive dealer franchise for the famous DIAMOND coal stoker for tobacco barn use is open in this county. Tobacco growers have found that the uniform temperatures with Diamond Coal Stokers results in higher prices for the crop and great savings in labor. Many of these stokers will be sold to growers in this county in the next few months. Write for details of our dealer plan.

DIAMOND IRON WORKS

STOKER DIVISION
1720 SECOND STREET NORTH
MINNEAPOLIS 11, MINNESOTA