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## Work On Plans For Annual Red Cross Campaign

Representative Met  
With Officials Of Brun-  
swick County Chapter On  
Sunday Afternoon At  
Shalotte

### HEADING THIS YEAR'S DRIVE

J. W. Ruark, Executive  
Secretary Of Local Chap-  
ter, Gives Summary Of  
Services Rendered

Everett, field representa-  
tive of the American Red Cross,  
Sunday afternoon with of-  
ficials of the Brunswick County  
chapter to discuss plans for the  
annual Red Cross Sunday Drive  
which will be conducted through-  
out the month of March.

H. Redwine, young  
businessman, will head  
the program and has been at-  
tempting to reach into every com-  
munity in the county.

Livingston, manager of  
B. & S. Bus Co., will  
be chairman for the South-  
port community and will have his  
own organization.

Attention of many citizens  
was focused at this time upon the  
Red Cross and its activities, Mrs.  
Ruark, executive secretary of the  
Brunswick County Chapter, re-  
leased the following  
statement regarding the services  
which have been rendered:

"During World War I, the  
Brunswick County Chapter, of the  
American Red Cross, organized  
before World War I, has an  
immaculate and unbroken record  
of service to the community since  
the date of its organization.

"Twice it has been  
involved in a war basis and can  
pride itself on its services  
accomplished during both  
wars. Between the two  
wars, the chapter provided  
service as well as other  
services to veterans and their  
dependents.

"The outbreak of World  
War II found the opening of mil-  
lions of service men in this area  
and in order to carry out  
its charter obligations and to  
meet the numerous requests of  
the War Relocation Authority,  
the Department a full time  
employee was employed. During  
the several months home service  
was rendered, such as  
completing applications  
of all kinds, consultation  
and made loans  
amounting to six or seven hun-  
dred dollars. There are many  
of our men still in the  
service here and abroad and Red  
Cross will have continued re-  
sponsibility to them for years to  
come.

"The disaster corps, working  
under the chapter is an organized  
(Continued on Page Six)

## Brief News Flashes

### TO BOLIVIA

A. E. Smith, pastor of  
Creek Baptist church, is  
leaving this week from Wil-  
mington to Bolivia.

### RATIFIED

The bill introduced in the  
House of Representatives three  
weeks ago by Representative  
Williamson pertaining to the  
Rural Police set-up for the  
State has been ratified and is  
law.

### IMPROVES

George Whaley, who under-  
went an operation last week in  
Charlotte, was reported in criti-  
cal condition Saturday. Later re-  
ports indicate that he is much  
improved.

### HOLMES

W. R. Holmes, member  
of the Wilmington-Cape Fear  
Association, was painfully  
injured and had a narrow escape  
from death last Thursday when  
he attempted to climb  
down from the pilot boat up the  
jacks of an inbound tanker. His  
arm was badly mangled as he  
caught between the side  
of the boat and the hull of the  
tanker. His condition is showing  
marked improvement.

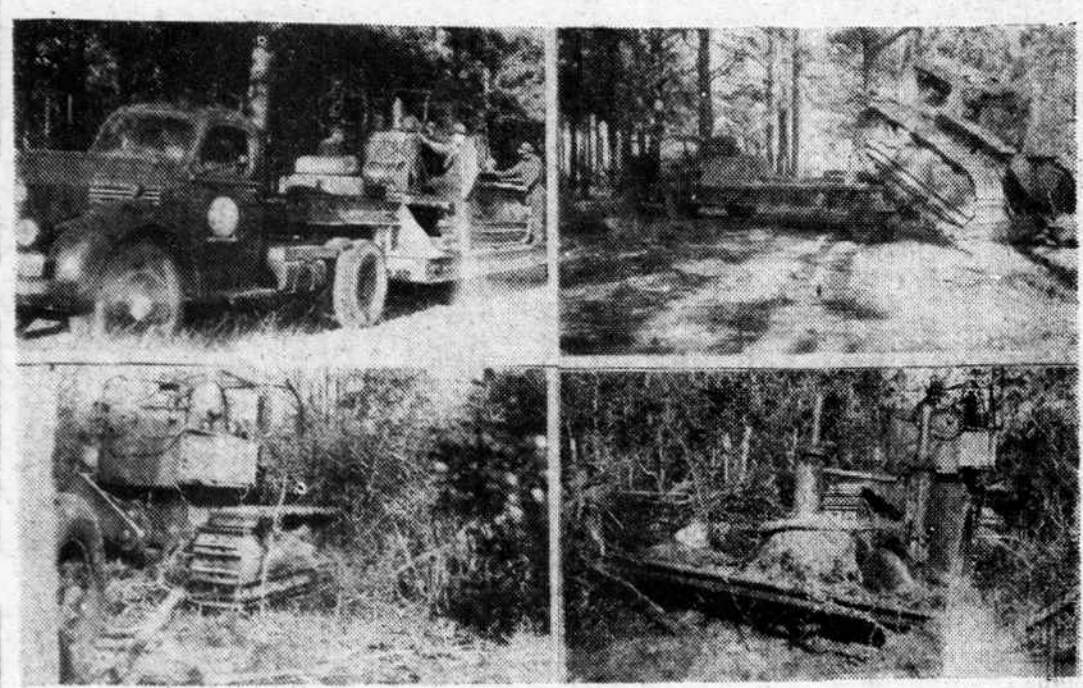
### ILL

The health for the past sev-  
eral years and recently suffering  
from a foot which developed  
gangrene, Mrs. W. R.  
Holmes of Shallotte, was brought  
to the Dasher Memorial hospital  
last week. Saturday she under-  
went an operation for the re-  
moval of her right leg, just be-  
low the hip.

### INJURED

Robert B. Thompson, member  
of the Wilmington-Cape Fear  
Association, was painfully  
injured and had a narrow escape  
from death last Thursday when  
he attempted to climb  
down from the pilot boat up the  
jacks of an inbound tanker. His  
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of the boat and the hull of the  
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## FIRE LANES FOR FOREST FIRE CONTROL



**PLOWING**—This is the heavy equipment which the N. C. Forest Service is using to plow fire lanes for the benefit of property owners in this county in a program of pre-suppression activity. Above left is shown the TD-14 tractor and plow loaded on the trailer especially built for its transporting. County Forest Warden Dorman Mercer, of Brunswick, is shown with Lester Edwards and Alva Squires unloading the equipment preparatory to unloading. Right above, Edwards makes the precarious trip down the ramp. Left below, Squires is at the controls as the big tractor noses its way into a dense undergrowth. Below right, is shown the specially built 4-disc plow, which leaves a furrow 6-feet wide and about 2-feet deep.

## Local School Principal To Resign Post

David W. Watson has re-  
signed as principal of South-  
port high school and will leave  
Sunday for Washington, D. C.,  
for assignment of duties with the  
Department of Justice.

A. C. Holloman, member of  
the high school faculty and  
coach at Tarboro high school,  
has been elected principal of the  
local school, replacing Mr.  
Watson. The new principal is a  
graduate of Atlantic Christian  
College, where he was an  
outstanding athlete. He taught  
for four years before entering  
the army.

Mr. Watson came to South-  
port as principal at the begin-  
ning of this year. He was re-  
leased from active duty with  
the U. S. Naval Reserve about  
a year ago.

## Fiddlers Hold Fun Fest Here

Southport Lions Club Was  
Sponsor of First Fiddler's  
Convention To Be Held  
At Southport In Years

The first fiddler's convention  
held here in recent years was  
staged at Southport high school  
Wednesday evening and a hilari-  
ous time was had by all.

R. H. Cauley, Sr., veteran en-  
tertainer from Supply, was ad-  
judged to be the best fiddler,  
with Tom Butler, of Navassa, sec-  
ond. Other competitors were Joe  
Reeves and Nathan Hilburn.

Things were reversed when the  
bands came on, and Tom Butler  
and his boys won the first prize  
in this division. R. H. Cauley,  
Sr., and his son, Jack, took sec-  
ond prize. Joe Reeves, playing  
with N. M. Scott, a member of  
the Butler aggregation, was the  
only other entry in this division.

Scott hit the prize list in his  
own right when winners of the  
guitar contest were announced,  
coming in first ahead of Jack  
Cauley, R. H. Cauley, Sr., Ed  
Lawhorn and R. Peters complet-  
ed the list of contestants in this  
division.

The banjo contest was easy  
pickings for Nathan (Indian Joe)  
Hilburn, who was unopposed.

They were passing around the  
lone harmonica like the only  
treasure on a country picnic  
when this part of the program  
came up. The winner was Ed  
Lawhorn, member of the Butler  
outfit. Other competitors were R.  
H. Cauley, Sr., George Reeves  
and Charlie Trot, who was mas-  
ter of ceremonies for the show.

First prize in the quartet com-  
petition went to the Leland  
Juniors, comprised of Thurston  
Lynch, Floyd Sellers, Denny Brew  
and Garrel Ray (Jiggs) Skipper.  
Betty Parker was piano accom-  
panist. Trying out against them  
was a male quartette comprised  
of N. M. Scott, Ed. Lawhorn, Na-  
than Hilburn and R. Peters.

Came then the hog-calling con-  
test, and Joe Reeves, who has  
lured many a porker from the  
Green Swamp, shouted his com-  
ments.

## Senator Mintz Prepares Tentative Oystering Law

Text Of Proposed Legisla-  
tion Prepared By Senator  
Mintz And Copy Given  
To Press To Inform Citiz-  
ens

### REACTIONS TO BILL INVITED

Out-Of-State Sales Are Pro-  
hibited Under The Terms  
Of Act; License Would  
Be Required Of  
Dealers

While at home during the past  
week-end Senator R. I. Mintz re-  
leased to the press the text of  
a bill which he proposes to in-  
troduce in the upper house of  
the North Carolina General As-  
sembly to regulate the taking  
of oysters and clams in the wa-  
ters of Brunswick county.

Senator Mintz declared that he  
does not intend to introduce the  
bill until the citizens of Brun-  
swick county have had an oppor-  
tunity to learn of its contents,  
and have had an opportunity to  
express their sentiments regard-  
ing it.

He points out that for the  
most part the regulations em-  
bodied in the text which he has  
prepared reflects the thinking of  
the group which met with him  
and Representative Odell Wil-  
liamson recently at Shallotte  
high school. The two outstand-  
ing differences is that the bill,  
as it has been tentatively draft-  
ed, would prohibit the shipment  
of oysters from this state and  
not merely impose a special tax  
for doing this. The second is  
that it proposes that a special  
tax be levied on all oyster deal-  
ers.

The full text of the bill as  
drafted by Senator Mintz fol-  
lows:

"A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO REGULATE THE  
TAKING OF OYSTERS AND  
CLAMS FROM THE WATERS  
OF BRUNSWICK COUNTY,  
(Continued On Page 5)

## Baptists Discuss Future Program

Meeting Of Pastors And  
Members Of Brunswick  
Baptist Association Held  
Last Week At Bolivia

Pastors of the Baptist churches  
of Brunswick county and mem-  
bers of the executive committee  
of the Brunswick Baptist Asso-  
ciation held a meeting on Mon-  
day evening of last week at Bol-  
ivia.

One outstanding development  
of this meeting was the forma-  
tion of a Pastors' Conference of  
which Rev. W. W. Robbins was  
elected the president. Vice-pres-  
ident is Rev. E. E. Ulrich, Jr.,  
and Rev. G. W. Dowd is sec-  
retary-treasurer.

It is planned for this group to  
hold monthly meetings, the first  
of these to be held at Southport  
on Monday evening, March 3. A  
supper will be served by the  
Womens Missionary Society of  
the Southport Baptist church.

This group laid plans for se-

## To Tennessee By Way Of Texas

When Mrs. Ray Calhoun, of  
Kingsport, Tenn., gets the State  
Port Pilot this week she may  
know that her brother, Pfc.  
Rupert W. Holden, has returned  
to his old home at Supply  
from San Antonio, Texas,  
where he was in the Army.

While he was away his sister,  
Mrs. Snode Lancaster, sub-  
scribed for the paper to be  
sent to him. Getting home this  
past week he found that all  
his family and kin folks take  
The Pilot and were going to  
renew when their time runs out.  
So, as a last resort, they had  
the address changed from him,  
where he had been in Texas,  
to her, where she is in Tennes-  
see.

## Lenten Services At Sacred Heart

Series Of Lenten Services  
Planned For Sacred Heart  
Catholic Church In South-  
port; Public Invited

With the holy season of lent  
in progress, Father Frank How-  
ard, pastor of the Sacred Heart  
church, Southport, announces  
through his assistant, Father  
Francis McCarthy, that weekly  
lenten services are being held at  
the Catholic church.

On Friday evening of each  
week at 7:30 o'clock the devotion  
of the way of the cross is con-  
ducted. (Continued on Page Five)

**Our  
ROVING  
Reporter**

We should be credited with  
making an assistance to Lonnie  
Ganey, of Leland, in the matter  
of selling tickets to the Fiddlers  
Convention at Leland Friday  
night. Lonnie approached Dis-  
trict Game Warden H. T. Bow-  
mer who was sitting next to us.  
It happened that the game ward-  
en had just received his brand  
new uniform that day. (To make  
sure we observed the uniform  
may have been one of the rea-  
sons for his sitting down by us).  
The clothes fitted him handsomely  
and he should have been well  
pleased with everything. Never-  
theless he showed a hesitation  
about buying a ticket to the Fid-  
dlers Convention. It was at this  
moment that we came on with  
our assist to Lonnie. Right there  
we told the game warden that  
unless he bought a ticket from  
Lonnie we would see to it that  
he would not get in the paper.  
The speed with which he respon-

## Shake-Up Made In Organizing Sheriff Office

Rural Policemen Discontin-  
ued But Ganey And Per-  
ry Named To List Of  
Paid Deputies Under  
Sheriff White

### LEONARD NAMED OFFICE DEPUTY

Salaries For These Officials  
Will Be Set By Commis-  
sioners At Next Meet-  
ing Here Monday

Under the new set-up of the  
sheriff's office as provided for in  
the bill introduced by Representa-  
tive Odell Williamson and since  
that time ratified, Edward Leon-  
ard, now Chief of Police at Car-  
olina Beach, becomes full-time of-  
ficer deputy sheriff and will have  
office in the court house here. The  
office will open from 9:00 a. m.  
to 5:00 p. m. each day, except at  
such times as when the office de-  
puty may be out on cases.

Other new deputy sheriff's in  
the field are O. W. Perry, of Leland,  
a rural policeman until the new  
order of things took effect; Dillon  
Ganey of Leland, also a former  
rural policeman and Pawnee  
Formyduval, of Waccamaw  
township.

W. D. Evans, also a rural police-  
man under the old set-up, was  
advised he would have to give  
up his farming interests and de-  
vote full time to the deputy  
sheriff duties if he was appointed  
to that position. This he was  
unwilling to do and while in  
town Monday he cancelled his  
bond as rural policeman and is  
planning to devote his time to  
farming.

The salaries to be paid chief  
deputy Leonard and the other de-  
puty sheriff's is dependent on  
the action of the board of county  
commissioners at their next meet-  
ing. The new law authorizes them  
to set the amount of pay.

## Musical Program Set For Leland

Old Time Fiddler's Con-  
vention Will Be Held Friday  
Night For Benefit Of  
Scholarship Fund

An old-time fiddler's convention  
will be held on Friday night of  
this week at Leland high school,  
sponsored by the Leland Lions  
Club. This is an annual event in  
that community, and plans are  
being made for the biggest event  
of its kind ever held in Brun-  
swick county.

The purpose of the program is  
to raise money for the establish-  
ment of a second \$500.00 schol-  
arship fund to enable some Leland  
high school senior to attend col-  
lege.

The invitation has gone out to  
all individuals or groups of string  
instrument players to compete  
for the generous prizes being of-  
fered. This invitation is to ama-  
teurs only, as no professional en-  
tertainers will be allowed to com-  
pete.

The prize list includes awards  
for the best fiddler, the best  
string band, banjo player, guitar  
player, the best quartet. There is  
(Continued on page six)

## Southport Boys, Bolivia Girls Are Champions In Brunswick Cage Tourney

### Engineering Firm Will Work Up Local Projects

### Atlanta Firm Enters Into Agreement With Board Of Aldermen On "No Work, No Pay" Basis

The John J. Harte Company, en-  
gineers and contractors, of At-  
lanta, Ga., was authorized by the  
city aldermen Monday night to  
make an extensive survey, engin-  
eering and auditing, for the pur-  
pose of obtaining various projects  
for public improvement. J. C.  
Worley, Jr., representative of the  
company, stated yesterday that the  
engineering studies will be-  
gin immediately.

Among the projects in view is  
one in which the Georgia concern  
has the utmost confidence in their  
ability to put through. This is an  
airport. The government has al-  
ready earmarked \$75,000.00 in  
an allotment for such work at  
Southport. Mr. Worley stated  
that in his opinion there not be  
the slightest difficulty in secur-

ing this allocation and that con-  
struction would depend on the  
availability of labor and materials.  
Other projects that the en-  
gineering firm intends to push is  
a yacht basin, sewerage and  
water system improvements and  
a modern hotel.

The terms under which this  
widely known firm of architects  
and engineers were willing to  
take over were very favorable to  
the city. They proposed, and the  
city accepted, a "no production,  
no pay agreement". The engin-  
eering and other preliminary work  
will cost considerably, but unless  
the company delivers their pro-  
jects all efforts will be at the ex-  
pense of the engineering firm and  
the city will be out nothing.

## Hope Of State Ownership Of Base Waxes And Wanes

### Southport Guest "Summer" Visitor

Believe it or not, but South-  
port has a "summer visitor".  
She is Miss Marylor Saha-  
varro, of Guatemala City, Gu-  
atemala, Central America. Along  
about now it is summer down  
where she lives, and as a con-  
sequence it is summer vacation  
from school work. About ten  
days ago she arrived here to  
spend her "summer vacation"  
with Miss Stuart Arrington,  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.  
H. Arrington.

It has taken a lot of ex-  
plaining about the weather  
which she has experienced  
since her arrival in Southport—  
and to make matters worse  
she left last night with Mrs.  
Arrington and Stuart for New  
York, where she is likely to  
encounter even more peculiar  
summer weather."

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H. Arrington.

## Revaluation Is Now In Progress

Tax Collector Jorgensen Is  
Having Busy Time At-  
tending To Details Of  
This Added Burden Of  
Responsibility

With the revaluation work in  
Brunswick scheduled to be fin-  
ished in 35 working days, the  
task of examining every piece  
of property is progressing slowly  
but in a satisfactory manner, ac-  
cording to Tax Collector W. P.  
Jorgensen, who has charge of  
the supervision of the work.

It has been a good many  
years since Brunswick property  
was last revalued. During that  
time a great many changes have  
occurred to both increase and  
decrease the value of various  
tracts. The work now being  
done under the orders of the  
commissioners is not intended to  
impose a hardship upon any prop-  
erty owner, but in some cases  
increases will take place in keep-  
ing with improvements and pre-  
sent values. On the other hand  
there may be quite a few who  
will find that the revaluation of  
their property to its true worth  
will bring them a decrease in  
their yearly tax bill.

The tax collector is receiving  
no extra pay, just his actual  
mileage made by his car when  
it is necessary for him to go into  
the various townships for the  
purpose of advising the revalua-  
tion workers. These are three  
men from each township. The  
scale at which property is to be  
valued was fixed by the board  
of county commissioners and the  
supervisor has nothing to do  
with that. His job is merely to  
secure qualified workers and to  
see to it that the work is carried  
out as the commissioners order-  
ed.

Dr. Ellen Winston, Commis-  
sioner of Public Welfare, has an-  
nounced that plans are being  
made for a statewide survey of  
individuals who are soliciting  
charms as a means of livelihood.  
These persons solicit on the street  
and occasionally go to homes in  
residential sections. Although they  
are concentrated in cities, al-  
most every area of the state has  
beggars during some period of  
the year. "The purpose of this  
survey," Dr. Winston declared, "is  
not only to ascertain the num-

## Southport Five Triumphed Over Leland Friday In Thrilling Championship Battle; Bolivia Defeated Waccamaw Friday

### SHALLOTTE TEAMS WIN CONSOLATION TOURNAMENT WHICH EXTENDED OVER FOUR-DAY PERIOD LAST WEEK WAS ONE OF MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER

Southport high school boys and  
the Bolivia high school girls are  
the 1947 Basketball champions of  
Brunswick county.

The championship in the boys'  
division was settled Friday night  
when Southport turned back Leland's  
defending champions by a  
score of 21 to 17. The pay-off  
in this contest was on the per-  
formance of the teams during the  
first half, with Leland going  
without a single goal during the  
first two periods. Southport's  
half-time margin had shrunk to  
4 points by game's end, and on  
many occasions during the latter  
stages of the contest there was  
every indication that Leland was  
about to get her high scoring  
attack going.

Mollycheck, as usual, led the  
Southport scoring and played a  
good all-around game. The sur-  
prise package for the night,  
though, was Newton, who stood  
over in the corner and poured  
through clean-cut set shots when  
they were needed most to keep  
his team front-running.

Stiller and Russ played air-  
tight ball for Southport to keep  
Potter and Rourk, Leland's stars,  
bottled up. They had just one  
field goal each during the even-  
ing, although both played a nice  
floor game.

Bolivia repeated as county cage  
champions by virtue of a con-  
vincing 30 to 18 victory over  
Waccamaw in the finals of the  
girls' division on Saturday night.  
It was a ball game during the  
first half, with Bolivia holding a  
scant 3-point advantage at that  
stage, but Waccamaw never  
threatened after the intermis-  
sion.

Caizon led her team with 18  
points, while Gore contributed 12  
points to the Waccamaw attack.  
McDowell added 8 points to the  
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## Numerous Cases Tried In Court

Total Of 22 Cases Disposed  
Of Here Monday In Re-  
corder's Court Before  
Judge W. J. McLamb

Twenty-two cases were dispo-  
sed of in Recorder's court Monday  
by Judge J. W. Ruark. The ses-  
sion lasted practically all day.  
The minute docket shows the fol-  
lowing matters:

Cecil Dixon, failure to deliver  
certificate of title, continued to  
March 3rd.  
Coffee Southerland, public  
drunkenness, continued to March  
3rd.  
James Henry McDonald, park-  
ing on highway without lights,  
no chauffeurs license, damage to  
property, not guilty.  
Joseph Crocker, no operators  
license, adjudged to pay costs.  
Hampton Henry, no operators  
license, fined \$10.00 and costs,  
fine remitted.

Sylvester Waddell, improper  
equipment, steering wheel and  
horn, fined \$10.00 and costs.  
Johnnie Calson, trespass, case  
remanded to A. W. Smith, jus-  
tice of peace in Smithville town-  
ship.

Cleo Lewis, carrying concealed  
weapon, fined \$50 and costs, the  
gun to be returned to the owner,  
A. C. Lewis, father of the de-  
fendant.  
Alvin Congleton, breaking and  
entering and assault. Guilty of  
assault, sentenced to 30 days in  
jail, suspended on condition that  
he leave county and stay out of  
Brunswick for a period of two  
years.

Paul Fields alias B. R. Spivey,  
bad check, boudp over to Su-  
perior court when motion was  
made for jury trial.  
LeRoy Braddock, no operator's  
license, improper brakes, fined  
\$10.00 and costs, fine remitted.  
Charles M. Dale, no operator's  
license, adjudged to pay costs.  
Dele R. Sellers, improper  
brakes, adjudged to pay costs.  
Clarence T. Wilkins, no op-

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## Plan Survey Of Alms Seekers

County Committee Is Form-  
ed To Assist With Pro-  
gram Of Control Over  
Persons Who Beg For  
Their Living

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