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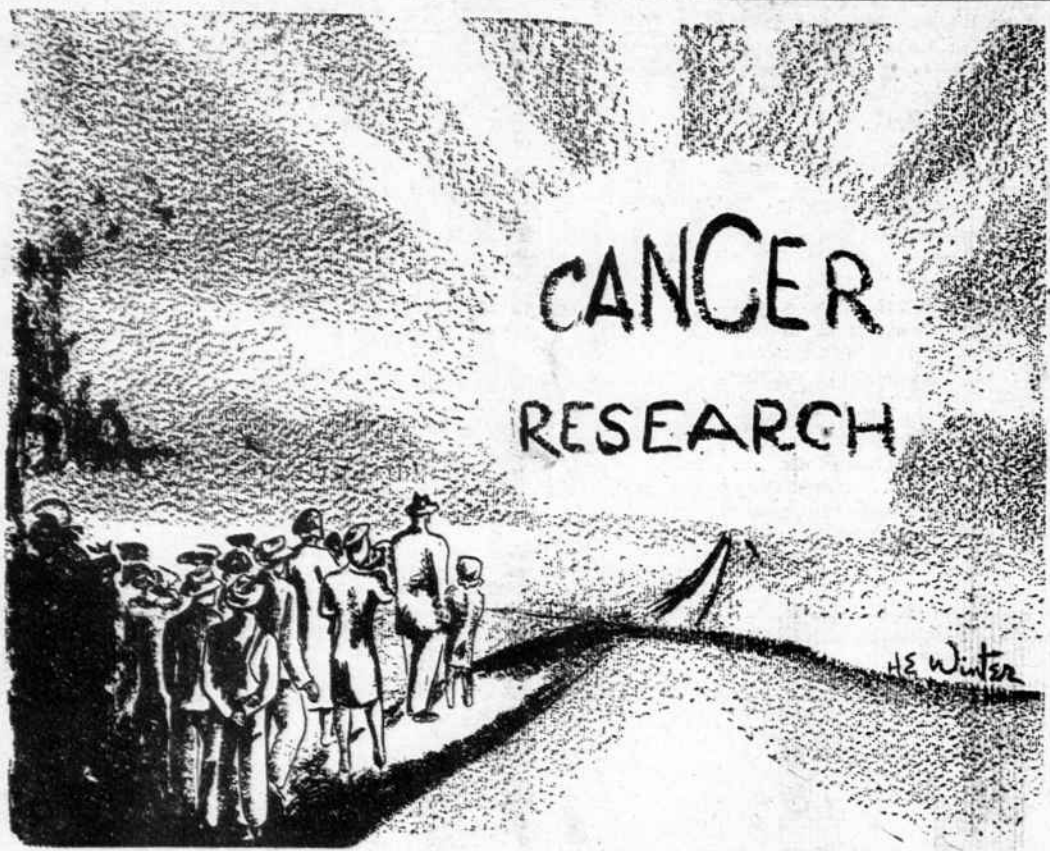
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Make A Generous Contribution To The Cancer Drive



Mrs. Rosenbaum Heading Cancer Drive In County

Mrs. M. M. Rosenbaum, of Shallotte, is heading the Cancer Drive in Brunswick county and has set up an organization which will give citizens of every community an opportunity to contribute.

The community workers are announced by Mrs. Rosenbaum as follows:

Southport: Mrs. Landis Brown, Mrs. Dallas Pigott, Mr. Robert Willis, Mrs. Robert Godfrey and Mrs. Wiley Wells.

Supply: Mrs. Clarence Lennon, Mrs. Jesse Roach, Mrs. Floyd Kirby, Mrs. Ethel Cheers, Mrs. Edgar Holden, Mrs. Bascom Clemmons and Mrs. Clyde Holden.

Longwood: Mrs. Jack Brown, Village Point: Mrs. Boyd Robinson, Mrs. Maggie Register and Mrs. Henry Williams.

Shallotte: Mrs. Charles Arnold, LeLand: Mr. Guy Womble, Bolivia: Mrs. Foster Mintz and Mrs. William Kopp.

The American Cancer Society this year is asking for \$12 million which will be spent in research, education, and service for the prevention and cure of cancer. North Carolina's quota is \$168,000.

Unless We Act In 8 Will Die of Cancer. "Every Three Minutes Someone in the United States Dies of Cancer." "Seventeen Million Americans now Living Are Doomed to Die of Cancer." These are facts gathered by the American Cancer Society, which is now in the midst of its annual campaign to raise funds to combat this deadly menace.

Beauty Contest Nets Nice Sum

Total Of \$1,440.16 Is Realized From Spirited Contest Which Was For Benefit of Shallotte Camp Church

When the smoke of baloting to decide the most popular girl in the Shallotte community cleared off Friday night, the Ladies Aid Society of Camp Methodist church found that it had raised the neat net sum of \$1,440.16.

Miss Mary Milliken, sponsored by the Williamson Motor company, was the winner, the sum of \$525.44 being credited to her sponsor and other supporters. Mrs. Nellie I. Williamson, sponsored by the Russ Furniture company, came next with \$344.93 being voted for her.

Miss Annie Merle Pigott, sponsored by the Shallotte Soda Shop and Cafe, and Miss Ruby Jean Bennett, sponsored by Rourk's Service Station, each netted well over a hundred dollars and the other ten or more contestants representing the various stores all got tidy sums.

The contest was managed for the Ladies Aid Society by Mrs. R. D. White, Jr., and Mrs. R. S. White. Appreciative of what the effort had done for the building fund of the new church, both of these ladies stated to this paper that they wanted to thank the business people of Shallotte, and all of the young ladies who were in the contest, for their efforts.

One-Way Traffic Over Bridge Is Temporary

Temporary Bridge Over Brunswick River Will Permit Traffic To Move In Both Directions At Once

DETOUR BRIDGE TO BE READY SOON

Four-Lane Bridge Being Planned As Permanent Structure Over River; To Start Pilings

Folks who are worried over the one-way drive rule now in force at the Brunswick river bridge, thinking that the rule will stay on until the new bridge is finished about a year from now may relieve their minds. The one-way rule will be in force only until the detour bridge is finished and put in use. After that traffic can flow both ways across the temporary bridge at the same time.

It will be necessary, however, for traffic both ways to move slowly. The detour bridge is curved and all traffic across it will have to proceed slowly and carefully until back on the paved road.

All of the pilings and sills on the detour bridge are in place and only the decking and guard remain to be placed before traffic can be detoured and the work of tearing down the old bridge gets started. It will be early in May before the detour is put in use, according to J. O. Brown, engineer for the State Highway Commission, who is inspector for the bridge building operations.

Mr. Brown stated this week that the new bridge will be 39 feet wide, with 37-foot clearance between the guard rails. This will afford what is known as a four lane bridge or road. To be more definite the bridge will be exactly the same width as the bridge across Sturgeon Creek on Route 74, two miles west of the Brunswick river bridge.

From abutment to abutment the Brunswick River bridge will be 424 feet in length. At the beginning of the channel, heavy octagonal pilings, each with a weight resistant strength of 42 tons, will

Homecoming Day Observed Sunday

Soldiers Bay Baptist Church Held Anniversary Service As Climax To Post-Easter Series

The Soldiers Bay church in Waccamaw township, Rev. Woodrow W. Robbins, pastor, held post-Easter services through the week-end, leading up to the big home-coming meeting that was held Sunday. Following the morning worship Sunday a bountiful dinner was served on the grounds and in the afternoon baptismal services were held.

On Sunday March 30, the Soldiers Bay church had its first baptism in the new pool in the church building. Ten converts were baptized at this service and were received into the church. Frank Stanley, son of John Stanley, was at home from Mars Hill, (Continued on page five)

Farmers Ready To Plant Tobacco

Several Brunswick growers are expecting to get started at the work of transplanting tobacco plants to the fields this week.

Although they are starting fairly early, the work is expected to be more long-drawn-out than usual. While there are many plants now ready for transplanting there are many, many more that are still tiny. It will take the best of growing weather to enable these small plants to attain a transplanting size within the next three or four weeks.

Mrs. McRacken Is P.-T.A. President

Elected To This Office At Final Meeting Of The Year For This Organization Thursday Evening

In their final meeting of the year last Thursday evening members of the Southport Parent-Teacher Association elected Mrs. Thompson McRacken president for the coming year. She succeeds Mrs. James Harper.

All of the other officers were re-elected. These include Mrs. L. J. Hardee, vice-president; Mrs. Robert B. Thompson, secretary; and Mrs. R. C. Daniel, treasurer.

A report of a gift of \$65.00 to the high school lunch room from the Cape Fear Home Demonstration Club was made by Mrs. Joe Ramsaur, and announcement was made that all of the new equipment in the lunch room has been paid for with the exception of a \$59.00 balance. Mrs. Hardee was named to head a committee to raise funds for paying this off.

The program included a humorous skit "The Doctor's Office". (Continued On Page 5)

Board Education Fails To Name Head Of Schools

Action On Superintendent Deferred Until Meeting In May By Members In Session Here Monday

R. T. WOODSIDE IS BOARD CHAIRMAN

Members Of Local School Committees Named By County Board To Serve During Next Two Years

Members of the Brunswick County Board of Education met Monday night at the office of the County Superintendent, and among the business disposed of was appointment of members of local school boards for the next two years.

Action on the election of a Superintendent of Schools was deferred until the May meeting.

R. T. Woodside has been named chairman of the five man board, which includes these other four members: R. L. Phelps, Henry Williams, Foster Mintz and Houston Reynolds.

The following local school committees were named:

Southport: Carl Ward, Robert Thompson, James Harper.

Shallotte: D. B. Frink, Dr. M. H. Rourk, Stella Hewett, V. E. Galloway, Guy McKeithan.

Waccamaw: George Ward, Elroy King, Pawnee Formy-Duval.

Bolivia: Lester Edwards, Jewell McKeithan, Earl Earp.

Leland: Arthur Sue, O. E. Peterson, Robert McDougall.

Recorder Hears Numerous Cases

Variety Of Matters Disposed Of Monday Before Judge W. J. McLamb In Brunswick County Recorder's Court

Monday was a fairly busy day for Judge W. J. McLamb and other officials of the Brunswick county Recorder's court. The following disposition of cases was made:

Earl Alexander, speeding, fined \$10.00 and costs, fine remitted.

Hershall Lennon, passing school bus, continued to April 21.

Willie Tate, Jr., speeding, fined \$10.00 and costs.

Geneva Stewart, prostitution, continued to April 28.

Ann Wright, public drunkenness, 30 days in jail, suspended on payment of costs and not to be caught in Brunswick county within a period of a year.

John Patrick, aiding and abetting in prostitution, continued to April 28.

A. H. Wright, passing school bus, fined \$10.00 and costs, fine remitted.

Andrew L. Jenkins, operating motor vehicle with improper equipment, fined \$10.00 and costs, fine remitted.

Martin Mintz, Leahan Mintz, larceny, two years on roads, suspended on condition that they pay costs and not violate any law for a period of two years, to attend.

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Bolivia Automobile Men Baffled By CPA Action

On-Again-Off-Again Action On Part Of Government Agency Holds Up Two Buildings

Both J. A. Elmore, owner of the Elmore Motor company, Chevrolet dealer, and P. C. Willetts, Ford dealer at Bolivia, have had a run of very hard luck since the war ended.

Mr. Elmore found himself very much in need of a new building in which his extensive body work could be carried on two years ago. The housing authority refused him a building permit, then granted one, then refused it and finally granted it again. Between stops and starts he got the cement walls and flooring up on a sizable building.

Then in March a heavy wind-storm blew down one of the side walls of this new building. Before he could even start rebuilding the wall, much less

Reigel Paper Co. Ranch Weathers First Winter

Orton Gardens At Their Best

Visitors to Orton on Sunday found the gardens in much the same plight as a party of brides-maid caught in a shower-dripping wet but still mighty beautiful.

A few hardy souls braved the weather and roads and felt well-rewarded for their perseverance; and most of these visitors saw more camellias in bloom than they have ever seen before at the season when azaleas are claiming the spotlight.

One result of the past few days has been to hold back the climax of blooming which visitors hope to see each season. With a couple of warm, fair days this week the coming week end might easily mark the peak of the season.

Fishing Tax On Shrimpers

South Carolina Legislature Considering Law Apparently Aimed At North Carolina Fishermen

With several bills having been introduced relative to non-resident fishing in South Carolina water, the latest and apparently the surest of enactment is one calling for a tax of \$2,500 yearly on each and every non-resident boat fishing in South Carolina.

The above bill went to committee hearing last week. A small portion of the committee, according to South Carolina press dispatches, are understood to have favored setting the tax or license fee at \$500.00 instead of the \$2,500. The matter will probably reach a definite show down this week. The \$2,500 tax is on all non resident boats, regardless of their size. South Carolina owned boats, under the same bill, will also come in for taxes, ranging from \$50.00 for 30-foot boats to \$100.00 for 40-footers with \$2.00 additional for each additional foot.

It is recommended that the South Carolina fish commission shall have the right to refuse to license any boat owner or operator who has been convicted of violating the fishing laws of South Carolina. It is also recommended.

Deputy Leonard Receives Praise

Former Mayor Of Wilmington Pays High Tribute To Ed V. Leonard, Brunswick County Officer

In a letter this week to this newspaper, Walter H. Blair, former Mayor of the City of Wilmington, has some mighty nice things to say about Deputy Sheriff Ed V. Leonard, who recently resigned as Chief of Police at Carolina Beach to return to his home county, Text of his letter follows:

Carolina Beach, N. C., April 12th, 1947.

Editor, State Port Pilot, Southport, N. C.

Dear Sir: I want to congratulate the people of Brunswick county upon securing the services of Mr. Ed V. Leonard as deputy sheriff.

As former Mayor and Commissioner of Public Safety of the City of Wilmington for a number of years, and having been closely associated with the Peace Officer's Association of North Carolina for quite some time, I feel I am in a position to know and appreciate a good and efficient officer.

Conventions For Nomination Of City Officials

First Of Four Nominating Conventions Will Be Held Tomorrow Evening By Voters Of First Ward

MAYOR CONVENTION ON TUESDAY NIGHT

Unusual Interest Is Being Shown In Forthcoming City Election and Many Candidates Enter Race

With more than a normal amount of interest already being shown in the forthcoming city election, all eyes will be focused this week on the nominating conventions, the first of which will be held Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the courthouse.

At that time candidates for aldermen from the first ward will be nominated. Currently serving from that ward are R. L. Thompson and Prince O'Brien. The former has announced that he will be a candidate for reelection, while O'Brien has indicated that he will not run.

Enterers of the second ward will select their candidates on Friday night. David Herring and C. R. Livingston represent this ward on the present board, and it is believed likely that both will be available for further duty.

In the third ward Dr. L. C. Fergus and M. R. Sanders are the representatives on the present board, and neither will stand for reelection. Several candidates have been suggested from this ward. This convention will be on Monday night.

John D. Eriksen, elected for the first time in 1935, will again seek the nomination at the convention on Tuesday evening. He is sure of opposition from Chas. M. Trott and G. C. Kilpatrick.

Aldermen In Final Meeting

Important Business Transacted By Members Of Out-Going Board Last Thursday Evening

Members of the board of aldermen for the City of Southport sold the interest held by the city in the Phillip Allen property to S. B. Frink for \$2,000.00 last Thursday night. This is a tract of about one hundred acres lying in the river front north of Fiddlers Drain.

Dallas Pigott was given permission by the board to extend his dock at the yacht basin for 40-feet and a connection with the Wells dock.

A resolution was passed to allow the opening up of 10th street, which is opposite the Dasher Memorial Hospital, with the understanding that no coin-receptor player nor beer joint may be operated in the hospital zone.

A resolution was passed, subject to the opinion of the City Attorney, requiring an annual license of \$400.00 to be charged for a woodyard where wood is sawed and sold lying within the following boundaries: From Bay Street to West Street and from Atlantic Avenue to Caswell Ave.

A resolution was passed directing that privilege tax be collected from all businesses beginning with the next fiscal year.

Ray Spencer was employed to begin at once to make some necessary repairs to the City Hall Building.

This was the final regular session for members of this board, since the city election will be held before time for the next meeting.

Floyd Infant Passes Monday

Died In High Point Hospital; Parents Were Formerly From Southport

Stephen Thomas Floyd, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George Floyd of High Point, formerly of Southport, died in a High Point hospital last Monday. The 18-month old child had been ill for four days.

Surviving besides the parents are two brothers, Marvin and Joe Floyd, and two sisters, Frances and Bonnie Floyd.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Fairmont Park Baptist church. Rev. John H. Scalf was the officiating minister. Burial was in Floral Garden Cemetery.

The Pilot Covers Brunswick County

NO. SIXTEEN

Result In Road Being Closed To Travel

"Road Closed" Signs Went Up Sunday As Warning That Three Miles Nearest Southport Were Impassable

SCHOOL BUSES UNABLE TO RUN

Hundreds Of Visitors Disengaged From Making Trip To The Famous Orton Gardens

A rain in the Southport Saturday morning put the road in bad condition for a day and continued rain Sunday morning resulted in "Road Closed" signs near Southport. The Walden's Creek was one of the numerous quagmires that wheelchairs could not use.

Several buses, two of which use the road, were unable to make the trip Monday.

Several weeks last fall school buses were unable to travel this road, school children being there-fore unable to attend school and classes in the white and blue schools at Southport being badly demoralized by the loss of so many pupils.

One of the worst things about the present condition of this road is the fact that the road from Southport, advertised as one of the best spots in North Carolina at this time of the year, attracts tourists visit the road and they spend a great deal of money among the business people of Brunswick county. Some of the visitors come hundreds of miles and much of the good of the advertising put out by the State and other agencies is when they find their cars in impassable mudholes.

Brief News Flashes

WOMEN HOME

Miss Whitley returned home Wednesday from Charlotte attending a second operation at that city two weeks ago.

PRESENT PLAY

Members of the senior class of the high school will present their play, "Daffy Dills" in the high school auditorium Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

TO STATES

Mrs. Clarence Clemmons, son of Mrs. B. G. Clemmons, is returning to the States after spending several months in Alaska as a member of the "Task Force Frigid".

JAPAN

Lester L. Edwards, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Edwards, Bolivia, has left the United States for Japan where he will be stationed for a tour of duty with the U. S. Army.

BASEBALL HERE

The Championship Masonboro team will meet the Southport team on the local grounds Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Snag Allen probably will be the visitors, with Jack Smith hurling for Southport.

NEW CHURCH

Material is being placed for construction of the new Baptist church. It will be on the same lot as the present structure. Rev. George D. Dowd is pastor of this church.

APPOINTED DELEGATE

Mr. S. Wells has been appointed Governor R. Gregg Cherry as delegate to the Convention of the Harbors Congress at Washington, D. C., May 2nd and 3rd. He states that he plans to attend.

TO BUFFALO

Several of the employees of the U. S. Engineers dredge, Hoffmann, are now at the yard at Norfolk, where they will be engaged on the week-end at home with their families. The ship will leave for Buffalo on the 21st for Buffalo, N. Y., where it will be engaged on dredging for some time.

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Our ROVING Reporter

Rice Gwynn and John B. Ward, both of Waccamaw township, are usually the first each year to tell us that they have started transplanting their tobacco. Neither of these fellow has been heard from this year. L. C. Brown, same township, usually has something to say about picking strawberries at this time of the year. Nothing at all has been heard from any of these early birds and it looks like someone else will beat them next week in reporting first tobacco plants out and first strawberries in.

Listening to Edward Redwine we learn that former Sheriff J. A. Russ did more'n anybody else towards making the Shallotte popular girl contest the whooping success that it turned out to be. Mr. Russ stood like horatio at the bridge for his favorite candidate, with everybody ganged up