

Princess Elizabeth Marries



LONDON, ENGLAND—(Soundphoto)—This first original photo on the royal wedding was flown from England immediately after the wedding by American Overseas airlines. Pictured above, scene inside Westminster Abbey during the ceremony. Bride and bridegroom are at the altar.

Hunting Season Will Be In Full Swing Next Week

Open Season on Duck and Geese Will Start Monday and Last For 30-Day Period; Change in Bag Limit This Year

TRAPPING SEASON OPENED ON MONDAY

Duck Hunters Must Have Federal Stamp In Addition To Regular Hunting License When Ducking

The open season for hunting ducks, geese, scoters and coots begins next Monday, December 8th, and extends through January 6. On ducks the day's bag limit is 4. Only one goose is allowed per day.

All persons over the age of 16 engaged in hunting wildfowl are required to have a valid Federal migratory-bird hunting stamp in their possession at the time of hunting. These stamps are in addition to state licenses and may be obtained from first-class and second-class post offices.

It is against the law to use live decoys or to drive, rally or chase ducks and geese with airplanes. Power and sailboats are also forbidden.

Open season for trapping mink, muskrat, opossum and raccoon began in this county Monday and will last through February 15. There is no closed season on wildcat, weasel and skunk.

It is unlawful to tend traps between the hours of sunset and sunrise.

Large Business Transaction Made

Felton Garner, Bolivia Business Man, Purchases Wilmington Pine Co. Mills and Equipment At Navassa

Possibly the biggest business transaction of the year in Brunswick county is the sale of the Wilmington Pine Company at Navassa by Henry J. Koester, of New York City, to Felton Garner of Long Beach and Bolivia. Mr. Garner resides at Long Beach but has extensive sawmill interests at Bolivia.

With the Wilmington Pine Company plant is a large and modern planning mill and six acres of yards lying between the Atlantic Coast Line and Seaboard Air Line railroads. These yards are now covered with lumber and the sale price is contingent on the footage of this lumber. An inventory is now being taken.

Along with the yard and all equipment, Mr. Garner becomes owner of four modern ground sawmills and their equipment. About 40 men are employed at the mills with an additional 35 at the planning mill and yard. The local man took over the plant last week and is already operating it with the same officers and workmen in charge. There has been no interruption of production and Mr. Garner (Continued on Page Four)

Election Being Held This Week In Soil Program

Eligible Voters Being Given Opportunity To Express Preference For Membership Of County Committee

BALLOT BOXES OPEN ALL WEEK

Three High Men In Balloting Will Serve, With The Highest Man Serving On District Committee

Three county soil conservation committees will be elected by popular vote in Brunswick county in the election now in progress. Every farmer in the county, who votes in regular elections is eligible to vote and should go to the polling places and cast their ballots. Voting will continue through Saturday, December 6.

Candidates for Brunswick county are: Corbett Coleman, Ash; Earl Earp, Winnabow; W. C. Gore, Shallotte; Gilbert T. Reid, Winnabow; B. A. Russ, Longwood; and Earl Thompson, Supply.

Candidates for Columbus County are: G. T. Gore, Clyde Wayne, G. M. Williamson, Harry Lee Jordan, M. K. Long and M. L. Inman.

Ballot boxes are located at the following places: U. L. Rourke's Store, Leland; Bolivia Sash Store, Bolivia; J. L. Henry's Store, Winnabow; Southport Trading Co., Southport; County Agent's Office, Supply; Shallotte Trading Co., Shallotte; Simmon's Store, Ash; J. L. Milliken's Store, Longwood; and McLamb's Store, Hickman's Crossroads.

The chairman of the county committee will automatically become a member of the Lower Cape Fear Soil Conservation District board of supervisors.

Authorized by an amendment to the state soil conservation districts' law during the last General Assembly, this is the first election to be held for county soil conservation committees.

The three candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected. The one receiving the highest vote will serve for 3 years, the next highest, 2 years; and the third highest, 1 year. Future elections will be held annually during the week in December in which the first Tuesday after the first Monday falls, to elect a successor to the member whose term has expired.

County Teachers Meet At Leland

County Sup. Makes Announcement Regarding Visit To Wilmington Next Wednesday of Freedom Train

Miss Margaret Van O'Brien of the State Department of Education was principal speaker at a county wide teachers meeting held Tuesday afternoon at Leland.

Theme of her discussion was "Teaching Social Studies to Students in School from Grade One through Twelve."

J. T. Denning, county superintendent (Continued on page four)



W. B. KEZIAH

Morton Parker, Supply business man, tells us he has bought two of the 7-apartment units at Maffitt Village in Wilmington. The buildings are of cinder block construction and tile. Mr. Parker plans the construction of some extensive improvements at his store and filling station near the Supply postoffice.

Several Southport auto owners have been complaining at the nuisance and danger arising from the habits of a few dogs chasing every car that passes. This not only brings on dangerous possibilities of cars being wrecked if efforts are made to avoid running over such dogs, it trains other and often more valuable dogs in car-chasing habits, habits that often result in the death of otherwise good dogs. It is thought that the city should do some-

No Tall Story



Shown above is A. C. Yarborough of Whiteville with an 18 1/2 pound Rock fish caught recently in Cape Fear River near the old fish factory between Wilmington and Southport. Mr. Yarborough used a rod and reel with minnow plug, 40-pound test line. The fish was 24 inches in circumference and 37 inches long. Since landing the fish shown here, the local man has fished again and caught several weighing from four to eight pounds. With Yarborough on his successful expedition, which he laughed off as "beginner's luck", was his brother-in-law, Claude Moore, of near Southport.

Beer And Wine Checks Received From Department

Brunswick County And City Governments Of Both Southport And Shallotte Share In New Plan Of Distribution

LAST LEGISLATURE MADE IT POSSIBLE

Under the new law, passed at the 1947 session of the legislature Brunswick county has received a check for \$7,624.18 as its share in the first distribution of income from the increased tax on beer and wine, according to information that has been released by the State Department of Revenue.

At the same time the City of Southport was sent a check for \$907.83. Of this \$887.76 was the revenue from the sale of beer and \$20.07 from the sale of wine. Shallotte received \$196.52. Of this \$192.18 was from the sale of beer and \$4.34 from the sale of wine.

The 1947 legislature doubled the crown and stamp taxes on beer and unfortified wines and directed that half of the collections be distributed to counties, cities and towns which permit the sale of these beverages. The new tax rate went into effect on July 1st and this first distribution of revenue is from collections for July, August and September. Future payments to local government units sharing in the tax will be made annually.

Our ROVING Reporter

H. G. Ratcliffe, with the Maritime Commission for many years until he recently resigned, has gone with G. E. Hubbard, Southport dealer in Richfield products, as salesman. During much of his time with the Maritime Commission at the North Carolina Shipyard, Mr. Ratcliffe and his family have resided in Southport where they own a home.

Having to go to Cherry Grove Beach in South Carolina one day this past week, we met up with a lot of friendliness that caused us to think we were still in Brunswick county. Contrary to our understanding, the bus does not actually go to the beach in winter time. Passengers get off

thing to put a stop to the habitual car chasing by dogs. H. G. Ratcliffe, with the Maritime Commission for many years until he recently resigned, has gone with G. E. Hubbard, Southport dealer in Richfield products, as salesman. During much of his time with the Maritime Commission at the North Carolina Shipyard, Mr. Ratcliffe and his family have resided in Southport where they own a home. (Continued on Page 2)

Food Being Collected Here For Shipment On Friendship Train

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish Seeking To Obtain Canned Goods For Europe's Needy; Father Frank J. Howard Issues Statement Regarding Critical Situation

It is not too late to get aboard the Friendship Train, according to Father Frank J. Howard, rector of Sacred Heart Catholic Parish.

In connection with the efforts of the Catholic Church to obtain supplies for the train, Father Howard said:

"You have been reading for the past two weeks of the Friendship Train that started at Los Angeles, California and in every town along the way was given a royal welcome as more and more foodstuffs for the destitute of Europe

were piled aboard. "An eye-witness account of the terrible plight of the people of Europe was given last week by His Excellency, Alsius J. Muench, bishop of Fargo, North Dakota, Apostolic visitor in Germany. "During this past summer Europe suffered the worst drought in over one hundred years. It was so bad that crops were a failure. The pasture lands dried up; the livestock had to be slaughtered; now there is a big shortage of milk for infants. Europe depends (Continued on page four)

Fall Federation Meeting Friday Night At Shallotte

Small Airport Inside Shallotte

Shallotte now has a flying service for the carrying of passengers and instruction in flying and a fine plot of ground for an airport has been leased near the state convict camp inside the town limits by W. T. (Talmadge) Sellers, who has been busy perfecting the landing strip.

Mr. Sellers spent three years in the army air corps, flying B-29's and B-17's. For a good part of the time he was an instructor in the advance flying schools and is well qualified for the instruction in flying that he plans to give along with passenger service.

At the present time he has a 2-passenger Aerona Champ plane, practically new and ideal for either training or passenger hops. In addition to this field in Shallotte Mr. Sellers has an auxiliary strip on the side of the waterway at Brick Landing, two miles below Shallotte Point.

Lighting Plans For Shallotte

Shallotte Merchants To Cooperate In All-Out Effort To Beautify Community During Holiday Season

With the business people kicking in Shallotte, it is said to be planning to go all out for Christmas decorations and lights along the main highway this year.

It is understood that prizes will be given for the best decorated living trees, store fronts, windows in homes fronting on the highway, etc. With the great number of tourists passing through this main street over Route 17, the plans to concentrate on the highway is well taken. It should result in fine publicity for the town, as well as in providing interest to the citizens.

Active steps looking to the plans and decorations will get underway this week, according to Odell Williamson.

Retiring Officer Returning Here

Commander Roy Robinson and Family Returning To Southport To Make Permanent Home Following His Retirement

His retirement effective Feb. 1, 1948, and now on terminal leave, Commander Roy Robinson, and Mrs. Robinson's mother, Mrs. Viola Guthrie, have recently returned to Southport from New Orleans. They are now remodeling the old Guthrie home, where they plan to reside permanently.

In the early 1930's Commander Robinson was in charge of the old Cape Fear Coast Guard station on Bald Head Island, going from there to take command of Oak Island station, which was under his administration for several years.

Transferred from Oak Island in 1935, he was sent to stations in Boston, New Orleans, Washington, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and other points. For the past three and a half years he has been in charge of the big Coast Guard repair yard in New Orleans. His retirement in February will mark the end of 30-years of active service with the Coast Guard. Mrs. Robinson, the former Miss Elizabeth Guthrie, of Southport, (Continued on page four)

Urges Farmers To Participate In AAA Voting

G. Martin Bennett, Chairman Of County Agricultural Conservation Committee Hopes For Show Of Interest

ELECTION AFFORDS VOICE IN PROGRAM

Strength Of Organization Depends Upon Interest And Active Participation Of County Farmers

A last minute call to all farmers of Brunswick county to vote on Tuesday, December 9, in farm program elections was issued today by G. Martin Bennett, chairman of the county agricultural conservation committee.

Mr. Bennett urged farmers to make certain that their vote will be counted in the election of community committeemen and delegates to the county elected.

He said that too often farmers let other jobs and interests keep them from voting in these elections. But this year with so many vital decisions and perplexing problems regarding current production and conservation, he stressed that farmers cannot afford to forego the opportunity to vote.

The Agricultural Adjustment Act provides that the administration of the farm program on the county and community level shall be in the hands of local farmer-elected committeemen.

According to Secretary of Agriculture, Clinton P. Anderson, "this approach, right down to the county and community level has proved itself the most effective organization yet devised for the administration of any national farm program. This country has never witnessed a finer demonstration of the processes of democracy in action than the committee system under the Agricultural Conservation Program."

The way to keep this organization strong and representative of the farmers is for all eligible farmers to vote in the elections when they are held in their community, Mr. Bennett said. Community elections are scheduled as follows:

North West community, Maco; Leland community, Rourke's store; Bolivia community, Cox's store; Southport community, Lindsey Robbins store; Antioch community, Wards Farm; Supply community, Blanton's store; Mt. Pisgah community, J. H. Royals store; Boone's Neck community, R. P. Robinson's store; Shallotte community, Coast Road warehouse; Gause Landing community, Vance Gore's store; Griswoldtown community, Grissett's store; Thomasboro community, Harry Bennett's store; Friendship community, Thurston Mintz's store; Ash community, Simmon's store; Waccamaw community, Ernest Milligan's store; Exum community, Vereen's store.

Tanker Crashes Leland Station

R. L. Rabon Service Station At Leland Is Wrecked When Oil Tanker Goes Out Of Control Saturday Morning

An oil transport tanker belonging to Black's Motor Express and running empty toward Wilmington sustained fire and wreck damage of approximately \$5,000.00 Saturday morning when it crashed into the R. L. Rabon filling station about a mile south of Leland on Route 74.

The front end of the filling station and the gasoline pumps were badly damaged by the crash and resulting fire.

The tanker had been delivering a cargo of gas up-state. It was rounding a sharp curve just south of the filling station. The driver, Clyde Johnson, of Wilmington, is said to have started to slow down when he found a car just ahead of him. His left front brakes are said to have locked, throwing the tanker out of control and causing (Continued on page four)

Leland Citizen Passes Sunday

James Hollis, 84-Year-Old Leland Resident, Died Sunday Morning At His Home Following Short Illness

James Hollis, 84-year-old resident of the Leland community, died at his home early Sunday morning. He had been ill for only a short time. Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Woodburn Presbyterian church with Rev. J. D. Withrow in charge. Burial was in the Will (Continued on page four)

Commissioners Appointed Tax Listers Monday

Assessors All Set Up To Begin Annual Job Of Listing Property For Tax On January 2, 1948

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY DATES

Commissioners Decline Petition To Appoint Dillon Ganey Constable For Northwest Township

Assessors for Brunswick county were appointed by members of the board of county commissioners in session here Monday. Arrangements were made to complete this annual task on January 2, 1948.

Hope D. Brooks was named assessor for Northwest township; E. O. Rabon, Town Creek; John G. Caison, Smithville; L. L. Holmes, Lockwoods; Mrs. Sam J. Frink, Shallotte; and J. W. Stanley, Ash.

The commissioners voted to allow assessors \$6.00 per day, plus provision for 5-cents per mile travel necessary to come to an instructional meeting at the county seat to visit appointments and return the tax books to the county office at the completion of their work.

In addition, provision was made to allow one helper for each assessor to be paid at the rate of \$3.00 per day, the principal duty of this helper being to assist in taking the farm censuses. Only 15 days employment is authorized for these assistants.

The commissioners declined to grant favor upon a petition of the northwest township citizens who requested that Dillon L. Ganey be appointed constable for that township. The motion was made by B. Chinnis, seconded by J. Lewis, who gave as their reason the fact that only one assessor official and representative citizens of the county met to decide to follow a plan of assessor of the law enforcement officers of the county under the new legislation. Legislation to that effect was introduced and passed this year, they recall.

Christmas holidays for county assessors will begin at the close of business on Wednesday, December 24, and will last until the morning of December 29.

The order was passed directing county attorney to search the title of S. B. Frink to a strip of property adjoining the tax office. The board members have agreed to purchase this land from Mr. Frink at a price of \$10,000.

A recommendation was passed to forward to the State Highway and Public Works Commission Fayetteville that the road from the beach road to Brunswick Navigation Co. be taken over and surfaced.

Monthly payments to the relief fund through action on Monday.

Matters took up the remainder of the day. J. Goley tendered payment of \$100 and costs charged against him for both real and personal property, and the board moved to allow Mrs. Gladys (Continued on page four)

Brief News Flashes

Mercury dropped to 26-degrees on Monday morning for the lowest day of the fall. Tuesday thermometer reading was 28-degrees at its lowest point.

Regular monthly meeting of the Southport Parent-Teachers Association will be held in the school auditorium on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Leaving very early and coming in late, several of the big shrimp trawlers are fishing off Little River and Cherry Grove Beach, S. C. They continue these long trips because the catches down there are satisfactory, or until a better product shows up off South-