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## Cooperative Granted Charter For Operation

Throughout County Showing Unusual Amount of Interest In Plan For Marketing Agricultural Products

## Stock Now In Progress

To Sell \$10,000.00 Worth Of Common And Preferred Stock Before January, 1949, As Operating Capital

Charter of incorporation was last week by Secretary of the Board for the Brunswick Cooperative, Inc., with its headquarters at Shallotte. The papers for the incorporation to allow the corporation to market agricultural products. The operators are J. A. Purvis, W. E. Starnland of Ash; A. E. Bennett, of Supply and others.

The immediate objective is to have a livestock auction market that will afford farmers of Brunswick county a home market for their cattle and hogs. The charter also has provisions for the cooperation may be used to handle other products.

The plans of the Brunswick Cooperative, Inc., is to raise ten thousand dollars in cash by January 1, 1949, this money to be used through the sale of stock. Farmers may buy the common stock and each common stock owner will have one vote in the administration of the business. Both business men and farmers may purchase the preferred stock. These preferred shares merely get interest on their money, and all of the earnings of the business go to the holders of the common stock as is applied to the expansion of the business.

The needed ten thousand dollars which to start has not been raised through the sale of stock by January 1, 1949, the money has been paid in and will be returned to those purchasers.

Through part of last week and through this week meetings have been in progress throughout county, all on the subject of cooperative marketing. The chief of these meetings has been Clarence E. Pike, cooperative specialist at State College in Raleigh. At these meetings, backing Mr. Pike with his knowledge of cooperative marketing, J. E. Dodson, county agent of Brunswick for many years and with a deep rooted knowledge of what Brunswick farmers need, J. E. Cooke, Shallotte bank is backing strongly.

**Brief News  
Flashes**

## Young Shallotte Man Finishes School Work

Edward H. Redwine First In His Class To Finish Auctioneering Course

Out of a class of 15 who were taking the course, Edward H. Redwine, young Shallotte business man, was the first to complete his work at the school for auctioneers in Rocky Mount last week. Tentative plans are for him to be with the force at Hardy's Warehouse in Mullins, S. C., this season. Friday and Saturday, when no sales are held, he will be back at his home and business at Shallotte.

Mr. Redwine, now approaching his 30th birthday, is one of four brothers who saw active overseas service during the war. He was one of the first to go overseas, spending three years and five days, mostly in Africa and Germany.

As a sergeant he was with the American army that was cut in two by General Rommel's then-victorious German army when it almost wrecked things for the American's at the Kassurane pass. Thousands of American soldiers were taken prisoner in this battle, among them being Sergeant Ruffin E. Redwine, a serving in the same company brother of Edward, who was with him. Ruffin was held a prisoner and endured unspeakable hardships until he was liberated at the end of the war.

After receiving his honorable discharge, Edward immediately entered into business at Shallotte. He is one of the owners of the Shallotte Soda Shop and Cafe,



which he manages.

## Good Progress Being Made On Road Project

Grading And Drainage Work For Grissetown Soldier Bay And Holden Beach Road Progressing Nicely

According to State Highway employees, grading work on the Grissetown-Soldier Bay road is proceeding well. This work consists of grading, bridging and drainage. The surfacing will follow as soon as possible. The project is an eight mile one and the road building firm of E. W. Grannis Company, of Fayetteville, has the contract.

The same company has the Holden Beach road project, on which even better progress has been made. This road, running from the J. E. Kirby store on Route 17 to the ferry on the intracoastal waterway canal at Holden Beach, is also eight miles in length.

On this project it is understood that practically all of the culverts have been put in and most of the drainage work done. One of the two bridges has been completed and the construction of the other is well underway. A great deal of the grading has also been done.

Definite information is that the first paving of either of the above two road projects will be on the Holden Beach road. This information is also to the effect that the paving work will begin at the ferry and work up to Route 17. It could not be learned just when this paving work will start, beyond that it will be in the near future. With the paving of the end of the road nearest the beach to come first, summer and fall travel to Holden Beach will not be handicapped.

## Shallotte Woman Passes At Home

Mrs. Hazel Russ Rourk Died Sunday Afternoon Following Brief Illness; Funeral Services Tuesday

Mrs. Hazel Russ Rourk, wife of Chandler Rourk and member of a prominent Brunswick county family, died at her home in Shallotte Sunday afternoon. Her death followed upon a very brief illness. She was 49 years of age.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the residence in Shallotte. The burial was in the Brooks cemetery and the services were in charge of the Rev. Richard Braunstein, pastor of the Shallotte Methodist church, in which Mrs. Rourk held membership.

## Waccamaw Man Dedives Profit Growing Cattle

Kimball Jenrette, Young Waccamaw Township Farmer, Realizes \$566.00 From Sale Of Two 15-Month Old Steers

OTHER INTERESTS IN FARM PROGRAM

Angus Herd Only One Source Of Income For Man Who Practices Diserfication On Farm

This month saw Kimball Jenrette, young Waccamaw township farmer, cashing in on some of the Angus cattle that he markets each year. His recent sales at Rocky Mount afford a good illustration of the value of good breeds and some attention.

Kimball, the youngest of the several children of Mr. and Mrs. John Jenrette and the only one that still clings to the farm, carried two fifteen months old steers to Rocky Mount. One of them won a nice fat stock cash prize.

On top of that both steers sold for \$28.50 per hundred pounds on the hoof. They totaled up the neat little sum of \$566.00, and that is not bad for fifteen months old steers. In fact, it is much better than the average farmer gets for top milk cows that are around 3 years old.

The young farmer does not go in for cattle extensively, but his breed is fine for this climate. The Angus cattle are good foragers and require less feed than the average local stock. With a little attention to them a nice profit is pocketed each year from the sale of steers for beef.

With hogs Kimball is a little more extensive, selling a lot of them each year. At the present time he has about 60 head on hand. He considers both the hogs and cattle a very valuable part of his general farming operations.

## Large Lobster Caught Monday

Unusual Catch Made By Local Boat Fishing In Vicinity Of Light-Ship; Good Catch Of Fish Made

Spending one night near the lightship and fishing for part of two days, Captain Geny Paulson, aboard the Claudia of the W. S. Wells fleet brought in 1700 pounds of extra large blackfish and a number of pink snappers Monday night.

In addition to the fish an interesting catch was made in the shape of a six pound Florida lobster. This lobster, resembling a gigantic shrimp, was three feet in length from the tip of its tail to the tip of its spines. It bit the hook and was hauled aboard just like a fish.

Many of the blackfish went to four and a half pounds, an unusually large size. The whole catch would have averaged very near two pounds and because of this size they brought a premium price.

Only two men were aboard the (Continued On Page Four)



W. B. KEZIAH

Shipments of Brunswick county grown tomato plants to New Jersey and Pennsylvania are starting up this week. The tomato growers in those states are getting their plants as early as climate will permit their being set out in the field; And they are getting them fresh, only about 15 hours being required by the trucks in transit from Southport to Shiloh, N. J. In connection with this commercial growing of tomato plants in Brunswick for eastern tomato farmers, another very interesting thing is the plans of Long Island, N. Y., truck growers to produce their early plans in Brunswick. They have been growing them in hothouse, a costly and inadequate process where they were needed on a large scale. They say they can get much better plants and get them cheaper growing them in the open in Brunswick county.

## Supply Merchants Close Wednesdays

Merchants and businessmen of the Supply community men Monday and decided to observe a holiday each Wednesday afternoon during the summer months, effective May 5.

Odell Blanton was elected chairman of the merchants group, and one of the features will be to have one merchant remain open while his neighbors are closed in order that emergency purchases can be made by customers in the trading area.

## Lockwoods Folly Boatmen Seeking Safety From Sea

Fishermen Who Use Lockwoods Folly Inlet Ask Army Engineers To Cut Away Shoals Which Block Channel

With two shrimp buying houses at Holden Beach and another nearby at Varnum's store, a steadily increasing number of boatmen are being forced to use the Lockwood Folly River inlet to get outside with their boats and bring in their catches.

Many of these boatmen expressed alarm when they were interviewed this week. The cutting of the intracoastal waterway canal several years ago has caused the inlet to shoal up. The shoaling has now reached such a stage that the boats can only get out and get in at high tide. This is a very serious handicap to them as the changing time of tides often causes them to be tied up in the canal for a whole day, this at times when some of the most profitable fishing could be carried on.

In addition to sport fishing boats and other small craft, about 40 trawlers have to use the inlet for passage and their going out and returning time is dependent on the high tides. Inasmuch as the cutting of the waterway canal is responsible for the shoaling of the inlet, the boatmen think that the channel should be kept navigable so that they can carry on with their efforts to make a living.

Bill Grady, who operates a store near the fish houses and who does much in supplying the work boats, pointed out a serious angle that exists owing to the fact that the boats can only get out or in during high tides. Mr. Grady said that several (Continued On Page Four)

## Winnabow Man Passes Sunday

Jackson Johnson Henry Buried Yesterday In Cemetery At Zion Methodist Church

Jackson Johnson Henry, 62-year-old member of one of the most prominent Winnabow and Brunswick county families, died here in the Doshier Memorial Hospital Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. He had been in bad health for some time.

Burial was held yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in the Zion Methodist church cemetery at Winnabow, following services at the church with Rev. J. M. Waggett and Rev. Russell Cau- (Continued on page 4)

## Florida Lobster



DELICACY—This 6-lb. Florida lobster was caught Monday in Gulf Stream waters near the lightship and is being displayed by Dan Wells, who was a member of the crew. This is the second time in recent years that one of these crustaceans has been caught off Southport.

## Pressing For Action On Drainage Project

Senator Umstead And Congressman Clark Seek Funds For Preparation Of Detailed Plans For Project

The stage has been set for preliminary surveys and a possible appropriation by Congress next year for the Waccamaw River drainage project on the Carolina coast, it was announced here today.

Senator William B. Umstead and Representative J. Bayard Clark last week speeded up action by requesting and obtaining a report from the District Engineer's office at Charleston, S. C. The office had planned to file a report of engineers' investigations in August but that would have been after Congress had gone home.

Through the efforts of Umstead and Clark, the report has been secured earlier and General Wheeler, chief of U. S. Army Engineers, Civil Functions Division, has placed the proposal before the Rivers and Harbors board.

If the board finds favorably, Senator Umstead and Representative Clark are expected to proceed immediately with a bill authorizing a \$250,000 appropriation to drain the crooked, log-clogged stream.

Umstead and Clark said today that funds had already been made available for final surveys which would be necessary before (Continued On Page Four)

## Convention At Bolivia School

Democrats Will Hold County Convention On Saturday, May 15, In High School Auditorium

D. B. Frink of Shallotte, chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, calls attention to the fact that the State Democratic Convention will meet in the Municipal Auditorium at Raleigh, on May 20, at noon.

For the purpose of organizing, and also for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention, the county convention will be held on Saturday, May 15. This will be held at Bolivia school building at 2 o'clock. Precinct meeting will be held at all precincts in the county on Saturday, May 8th. These meetings are for the purpose of electing delegates to the county convention.

## REA Will Bring Relief To Many Before Next Fall

E. D. Bishop, Superintendent Brunswick REA In Washington This Week With Plans For Expansion

WORK CONTINUES ON FEEDER LINE

Induction Of Plenty Of Power Will Permit Expansion Of Present Distribution System

One thing that hundreds of Brunswick and Columbus county families are very much interested in the question of when will the Brunswick Rural Electric Membership Corporation be able to complete its million dollar power expansion project. The answer to the question came this week when E. D. Bishop, Superintendent of the corporation, was interviewed. Mr. Bishop said:

"With good luck all the new lines should be in service by August, certainly by the first of September."

"For your information," said Superintendent Bishop, "we have 100 miles of new distribution lines under construction now. The bid for the construction of the transmission line from Whiteville to Shallotte has been approved and the contract signed. The F. J. Seastrunk Company, Inc., of Columbia, S. C., is doing this work.

For the past 3 months the Brunswick REA has had a total of 81 employees of its own on various jobs that are part of the expansion project.

The final plans and specifications for the remaining 300 miles of the 400 mile transmission and distribution line project have been prepared. Superintendent Bishop is in Washington, D. C., with the plans this week. He expects that the bid opening will be held very soon. His plans are to have all distribution lines completed by the time the transmission lines can be put in service. At the present time the distribution lines are overloaded and any attempt to saddle them with additional users of current would be dangerous.

All new distribution must wait until it can be tied in with the additional power that will see us putting into operation the most modern and up-to-date system known to engineers of today."

To meet the needs of the expansion, a quonset type warehouse that will also have temporary office quarters is now being erected on the Whiteville road half a mile west of Shallotte. This building is 120x40 feet. A large two-story brick building for offices is to be constructed at the same place as soon as possible. Meanwhile, a part of the warehouse will serve as temporary offices. Mr. Bishop said the warehouse should be finished and the office moved there within about six weeks.

## Injuries Fatal To Local Youth

Thomas Fulwood, Jr., Dies Of Injuries Sustained In Motorcycle Accident Near Hospital Saturday Night

Funeral services are being held here at the Southport Methodist church this afternoon at 3 o'clock, for Thomas Fulwood, Jr., 22-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fulwood, Sr. The young man died in the James Walker Memorial Hospital in Wilmington Monday night as a result of injuries he received in a motorcycle wreck Saturday night.

Riding the machine on the highway just north of the Doshier Memorial Hospital, he crashed it into a truck that was being driven by Jimmie Ratcliffe, another young Southport man. Although the accident was only a hundred yards from the local hospital, the nature of his injuries and the fact that only one surgeon was available here at the time caused him to be rushed to Wilmington.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fulwood, Sr., two brothers, James Worth and Otis Eugene Fulwood and a sister, Margaret Seresa Fulwood. The funeral services this afternoon are being conducted by Rev. H. M. Baker, pastor of the Southport Baptist church. Burial will be in the Northwood cemetery with the boys of the Sea Scouts serving as honorary pallbearers. The active pallbearers are Reese Swan, A. W. Smith, Jr., Jack Doshier, Hoyle Doshier, Sonnie Potter and Paul Doshier.

### Our ROVING Reporter

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**FROM SERVICE**

Having 30 years of service in the Coast Guard at various posts, including both Oak Island and Cape Fear at Southport, Ray Robinson was retired last week with the rank of Lt. Commander. He has been at his post for several weeks on leave status.

**WEDNESDAY**

Waccamaw River from the old bridge upstream to the mouth of Juniper Creek will be closed to all fishing from May 1 through June 30, according to the ruling of the Wildlife Commission. District Game Warden H. T. Bowmer said that this has been designated as a spawning area and will be marked.