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LED THE VOTING



HIGH MAN—When all of the votes cast in the General Election last Tuesday had been counted, it was found that W. Kerr Scott, the next Governor of North Carolina, led all other candidates in the Brunswick county vote with a total of 2,758.

W. Kerr Scott Is Leading Vote-Getter

Canvas Of Brunswick County Vote Thursday Failed To Upset Any Results Of Last Tuesday's Count

TRUMAN GIVEN A SMALL PLURALITY

This Was Surprising In View Of Thurmond Strength; Every Democratic Candidate Winner

W. Kerr Scott, the next governor of N. C. proved to be the most popular candidate with Brunswick county voters last Tuesday as he piled up 2758 votes, which was 69 votes ahead of Congressman-elect F. Eitel-Carley and 89 more than Senator-elect J. M. Broughton. Scott's vote was 232 greater than that of Amos J. Walton, who led the county ticket.

A further check of the Brunswick balloting reveals that President Harry S. Truman was high man in the voting for president as he led Governor Thomas E. Dewey 2052 to 1896. This is rather remarkable in view of the fact that Governor Strom Thurmond polled 715 Brunswick county votes most of them taken away from President Truman. Only 20 votes were cast for Henry A. Wallace for president in Brunswick.

Another notable fact is that every Democratic candidate on the ticket in Brunswick county was a winner, even in township contests. The only successful Republican candidates were men opposed for township offices.

Brunswick county voters were rough on amendments, especially those suggesting the possibility of added cost of government. The

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Longwood Man Is Sowing Grain

Rice Gwynn Farms At Longwood Will Go In Extensively For Small Grain During Winter Season

Rice Gwynn of Longwood is now engaged in planting 200 acres of small grain, mostly oats, on his farm near Longwood. This is his first crop for next year.

In his small crop Mr. Gwynn has sold between two and three thousand bushels of seed oats produced on his farms the past spring. Most of this came from spring oats as the excessive wet weather in the fall of last year made it impossible for him to sow small grain at that time. Despite the fact that spring oats are said to seldom do well in Brunswick, Mr. Gwynn made a big crop.

This may have been largely due to his very fertile land. One of the main efforts by Mr. Gwynn and his tenants is to build up the soil. This fall he sowed 75 acres in Austrian winter peas, to be plowed under in the spring.

Few Openings Now Available In Farm Class

January Classes In Veteran Farm Training Program Still Have Few Openings For New Students

APPLICANTS SEE SERVICE OFFICER

Special Benefits Now Available To Men Who Had Dental Work Started While In Service

In sending his September and October report of the activities at his office, Cecil C. Edwards, the Brunswick County Veterans Service officer, says that the agricultural teachers at Shallotte and Bolivia have advised him that they have a few openings for veterans who wish to enter the Farm Training School on the first of January.

It is important that veterans desiring this work apply to Mr. Edwards for certificate of eligibility and entitlement at the very earliest date. A certified copy of discharge papers must be presented to him and he will be glad to assist in arranging the eligibility papers.

Mr. Edwards also points out that veterans of World War II who had dental work started and not completed while they were in service, or if this work was completed and some work now needs to be worked over, may apply for dental work.

His report for the two months shows the following: Received 95 letters; sent out 90 letters; nine long distance calls and wires; 200 interviews; 12 filed trips; 49 educational matters; 2 employment cases; 11 cases of readjustment allowance; 46 compensation and pension cases; 6 P. L. 346 loan cases; 4 hospitalization cases; 4 farmer training; 44 cases requiring legal or business advice; 34 miscellaneous cases.

Funeral Held For War Hero

Pfc. Jasper C. Mercer Laid To Rest In National Cemetery Following Funeral Rites Yesterday

Funeral services were held yesterday at two o'clock in the Yopp Undertaking Parlors in Wilmington for Pfc. Jasper C. Mercer, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Lee Mercer, of Bolivia. The young man was killed fighting in Germany in November, 1944. Following the services in Wilmington the remains were interred in a National cemetery.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Mercer of Bolivia; two sisters, Mrs. F. T. Brittain and Miss Mary Lee Mercer of Bolivia; and two brothers, C. J. Mercer and B. B. Mercer of Wilmington.

Active pallbearers from the Brunswick county American Legion post No. 194 were Crawford Rourke, Dorman Mercer, Charles M. Trott, Wayne Lefnart, John G. Caison, and Ralph Cataldo. Honorary pallbearers were Arthur Knox, Dr. L. C. Brown, G. S. Hickman, C. W. Knox, H. A. Marks, B. S. Reynolds, Edward Murrell, and J. A. Elmore.



W. B. KEZIAH

The Shallotte boys are far from discouraged at their first year of trying for a high school football team, but they would sort of be justified if they did feel a measure of discouragement. Coming up against the Tabor City boys this past Friday the Brunswick boys made their first score of the year. The game resulted in a 79 to 7 victory in Tabor City's favor.

From all of the reports reaching us Brunswick county has planted and is still planting one of the largest small grain and winter cover crops that has been planted in this county in years. Winter oats are about all sown and are coming up to a fine stand. The same holds true of Austrian winter peas. Most of the Brunswick wheat crop is usually sown in November and growers are now busy with this

RETURNS



REV. L. D. HAYMAN

Rev. Hayman Comes Back To Trinity Church

No Change Made In Any Assignment In Brunswick County, But New District Superintendent Named

The Rev. L. D. Hayman has been returned to Trinity Methodist church in Southport as pastor for another year as no changes were made by the Annual North Carolina Conference in charges for Brunswick county.

The Rev. Richard Braunstein returns to the Shallotte charge and the Rev. R. H. Caudill returns to Town Creek.

The Rev. C. D. Barcliff replaces Dr. E. L. Hillman as district superintendent.

The list of appointments follows:

C. D. Barcliff, District Superintendent.

Bladen Circuit, to be supplied. Burgaw, R. E. Walston; Carolina Beach, J. E. Carter; Carver's Creek, W. G. Lowe; Chadbourne, C. F. Andrews; Clinton, J. H. Liggins.

Clinton Circuit, F. F. Warren (S).

Duplin Circuit, to be supplied. Elizabethtown, O. L. Hardwick; Fairmont, Daniel Lane; Faison, (Continued on page four)

Health Officer Talks To Lions

Dr. Floyd Johnson, Columbus County Health Officer, Outlines Duties Of Health Department

Dr. Floyd Johnson, Columbus County Health Officer, was speaker Thursday at a meeting of the Southport Lions Club.

Dr. Johnson outlined some of the duties of a health department and showed how the services of an organization of this kind might prove of special advantage in an area where there is a great influx of vacationists and of tourist trade.

Plans are being made to hold the next regular meeting of the club on the evening of Thursday, November 18, at which time a Ladies Night program will be presented. A turkey dinner is being served for this occasion.

Our ROVING Reporter

Writing from Oteen, where he has been in the Veterans Hospital for some time, L. F. Bennett says that he thinks this paper has been doing a wonderful work for Brunswick county: "A newspaper always trying to help a better community and county."

We are glad that Mr. Bennett likes the paper and took the trouble to tell us of his devotion to it and to Brunswick county.

During the past week a lot of people in various sections of the county have asked us why the tabulated abstract of votes in last week's paper did not give the report on the presidential vote at all precincts. Well, the paper had to be published the morning following the election. In this county

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Modern Hay-Baler Is Labor-Saving Device

One Man Can Do Work Formerly Requiring The Labor Of An Entire Crew Of Men

Rice Gwynn, Longwood farmer, has the most modern piece of haymaking machinery ever seen or heard of in Brunswick county. It is a tractor-pulled hay-baler that does its own raking. The raked hay goes right through the machine and emerges as neatly bound 80-pound bores of hay, ready for trucks to pick up and haul to storage.

Not a pitchfork is required in the entire haymaking operation on the extensive Gwynn farm. Only one man is required for the entire raking and baling operation. This is the tractor operator. He has to pay less attention to the rake and baler than his tractor is drawing than the operator of a road scraper has to pay to his machine.

It takes two motor-pulled mowing machines to keep a day ahead of the rake and baler; owing to the rake taking a wider sweep. With a man operating each of these two motor powered motors

it is a rather interesting fact that to cut and bale hundreds of bores of hay each day only three men are required for all of the work. The baler and rake cost over two thousand dollars. It is practically automatic, raking the hay, and leaving the bales lying in the field to be gathered up by trucks and hauled to storage. Between ten and eleven thousand bores of hay have been raked and baled by the machine on the Gwynn lands this year.

The average hay baler calls for a big force of men to haul the loose hay in unload it and feed it to the machine. Forking hay is not altogether an easy job. With this modern machine the use of pitchfork is entirely eliminated, likewise much of the trucking. A truck can load up with more than twice as much hay and in half the time that it took to load the loose product to take it to the old style balers.

Making Nets For Use In Trawling For Fish

Much-Publicized Snake With Show

Some months ago newspapers made considerable stir over a planned fight to the death between a mule and a boa constrictor. The stir became so pronounced that the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to animals and city and county officials stepped in and restrained the Cole Brothers show from staging the fight.

Cole Brothers claimed that the snake could kill a mule and they were willing to risk losing their valuable reptile in support of their belief. State museum officials expressed the belief that the mule would trample the snake to death. Officials sworn out served papers by the SPA, enjoining against the fight, a few hours before it was to be staged.

The Cole Brothers are here this week with their show and carnival. James W. Cole, one of the owners, said he was still willing to risk a snake-mule fight if it were not for court orders against it.

Robert Froman, Saturday Evening Post man, may come here for story about Bald Head Island.

Bald Head, most outstanding island on the North Carolina coast, may shortly be featured in a story by Robert Froman for the Saturday Evening Post. Writing to W. B. Keziah this week Mr. Froman advised that the Post had asked him for a story on the habitable islands of the country. Bald Head is such a place, despite the fact that it is inhabited only by Coast Guards.

Mr. Froman, an outstanding feature story writer, advised the Rovin Reporter of the State Port Pilot that he had been advised he was the best authority anywhere in this section on islands near Southport. He asked how many islands there were in this area and their sizes; if any for sale or rent and any idea of prices, any special problems involved in living in those places, water, insects, floods.

The above and other questions were asked and all are being answered in detail. The information being furnished with regard to Bald Head island is being supplemented with additional matter relative to the Ocean Isle property at Gause Landing and a general descriptive of things along the Brunswick county coast.

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School Officials To Chapel Hill

The Brunswick county board of education, Supt. of Schools J. T. Denning and members of local school boards of the five white consolidated schools in Brunswick are to leave early tomorrow (Thursday) morning for Chapel Hill to be in attendance at the state meeting.

Supt. Denning states that about 25 people are to go. They will have to leave rather early as the meeting opens at 10:30 o'clock.

District Legion Members Attend Friday Meeting

Tenth District Meeting Held At Ocean View Tavern, Holden's Beach, With Good Number In Attendance

HARRY L. MINTZ IS DISTRICT COMMANDER

Principal Speaker For This Event Was Col. Wiley Pickens, Executive Vice-Commander Of State Department

With eleven posts represented by a total of 76 delegates, the meeting of the 10th District American Legion post at Holden-Beach Friday night is credited with being one of the best held in this area in a long time.

The meeting was held in the dining room of the Ocean View Tavern and was presided over by District Commander Harry L. Mintz. Among the speakers he introduced was Col. Wiley Pickens of Raleigh, executive vice-commander of the Department of North Carolina. Commanders of the various posts were also introduced.

Colonel Pickens spoke on the youth of the Legion organization, calling special attention to the services that it renders to disabled veterans; to the community services that it performs and especially to the work that it performs among the boys. He mentioned enemies of the Legion, chief of which are the Communists.

Norman McCullough of Elizabethtown, district membership chairman, spoke briefly about the progress of the membership drives. Louis Parker of Elizabethtown, 2nd Division Commander, reported that the 10th District was leading the State Department in memberships at this date.

The eleven posts represented were, Elizabethtown, Bladenboro, Clarkton, Tabor City, Fair Bluff, Whiteville, Bolton, Delco, Wilmington, Shallotte and Southport.

The dutch supper served by the Ocean View Tavern was a special event of the evening. A seafood meal including lobsters, shrimp, crabs and fish was prepared and served.

NETS ARE DIFFERENT FROM SHRIMP TRAWLS

Two New Types Will Be Employed In Effort To Discover Which Is Best Adapted For Local Use

With a slow up in shrimp production last week believed to be largely due to warm weather and the passage of the shrimp southward there was also a cut on the number of shrimp nets being damaged or lost.

But the net makers and repairmen were working just as hard as ever. They had fewer new shrimp nets to make and fewer old ones to repair, but there was plenty for them to do in the way of making nets for the gulf stream fishing that many people believe will be a big thing this winter.

Lewis J. Hardee has been making the New Jersey gyle nets for his boats to use in this winter fishing. They are different from the shrimp trawls in that they are without the long wings, the twine is much heavier and the mesh about four times as large. The mouths of the nets open several times as wide as those of the shrimp nets.

Shrimp are scraped up from the floor of the ocean and in shrimp operations few fish are caught because the top of the nets are barely above the bottom. For fishing the mouth of the nets open wide, being held that way by large floats.

A pretty good way to describe (Continued on Page Four)

Commissioners In Session Thursday

Board Hears Appeal By Citizens Committee For Health Department; Columbus County Health Officer Present

Dr. Floyd Johnson, Health Officer for Columbus county, appeared with a group of Brunswick county citizens before the board of county commissioners here Thursday to give an outline of the work which a health department performs in a county which it serves.

The commissioners and members of the citizens committee asked a number of questions of Dr. Johnson, all of them designed to develop information which would lead to helping work out plans for establishment of a full-time health department in this county.

The commissioners expressed a willingness to pass along to their successors a recommendation that a public health department be included in the county government if this can be done under the present appropriation.

Other matters taken up before the board were of routine importance. H. B. Usher was relieved of \$450.00 valuation due to error in listing. The Highway Commission was asked to take over a 2-mile stretch of road from No. 130 at Zion Baptist church. Colie Ozment was relieved of 1946 and prior years' taxes due to double-listing.

In an interview Monday he expressed expectations of doing even better with his building this year, as he will be able to start out two or three months earlier. He said he is planning to build at least two houses of his own and he has expectations of contracting or supervising the work on three or four others that his friends plan to build.

Among the up-state folks who own homes at Long Beach and spend the summers there, the following were down to spend Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Q. I. Scarborough family and guests, from Fayetteville at their cottage Saturday and Sunday. Also from Fayetteville were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie DeVane.

From Sanford were Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Underwood, Sr., from Kinston was J. B. Haymore and guests. Mr. and Mrs. Callender Newton were down from Charlotte; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Ward from Burlington; Tony Blisoly and family from Raleigh; the Waynicks from High Point were at their cottage. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Woltz had as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stott, of Spring Hope; Mrs. S. W. Scarborough, Seven Springs; Mrs. A. K. Miller from Sanford.

Don't Stop Now, Farm Election Is On The Way

Brunswick County Growers Will Go To Polls On December 2 To Decide On Community Committee

COMMUNITIES IN WHOLE COUNTY

Time System Of Seven-Community Committees To Be Abandoned In This Election

During the years of World War II it was decided that the county area should be broken into units of less size in order to get a farm program to every farmer as quickly as possible. This program had good features, but the aim was to communicate to the farmer in his efforts to sustain the necessities to sustain

has been determined that the farm program can be administered as effectively and with most to revert to the present basis of 6 communities instead of the 17 now recognized.

The election will be held in each of the six communities on December 2, 1948, to elect a chairman, chairman, and regular members as well as three alternates, to serve for the year 1949. A deputy will be elected also who will attend the Convention on December 3, 1948, and assist in selection of a County Commission consisting of a chairman, chairman, regular member and three alternates. Every farmer is urged to go to the polls December 2 and vote for good farm program during the program year.

Brief News Flashes

MOVIES CLOSE
All county offices will be closed Thursday (Thursday) in observance of Armistice Day.

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
The Doshier Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will meet tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. W. Thompkins.

CEMETERY CLEANING
The cemetery at Sharon Methodist church in Lockwoods Folly will be cleaned off on Wednesday, November 17th. All who are interested are asked to get out on that date.

WEDDING DIES
T. Odom, of Red Springs, died at his home in Red Springs Friday. He is said to have been in failing health for some time. Burial was held at Red Springs Sunday.

WEDDING REPORTS
A change has been made in the daily schedule of receipt of wedding bureau information from Wilmington. Heretofore this information has been received and posted about 9 o'clock each morning. In the future the report will be here about 11 o'clock and will be posted as soon as possible thereafter.

WEDDING AUXILIARY
The Auxiliary Legion Auxiliary will meet on Thursday afternoon November 18, at 3:30 o'clock in the Legion room at the city hall. Christine Frink, president of the organization, says that there is danger of losing the local auxiliary unless there is a greater show of strength and interest. She urges a full attendance at the next meeting.

WEDDING TO GERMANY
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