

The Rovin' Reporter

(Continued From Page One) ed a lot of money and time on the slop, that he would vote against it and was proud he had raised two boys who never touched it. Most of the talk at this place was relative to the pending election.

Ash: Not many folks there at the time. . . postmaster Simmons had not taken in any bad \$10.00 bills. . . talk of the folks about counterfeit money, tobacco plant beds and coming election.

Longwood: W. H. Long kindly figured out that about two and a half acres of land were being in tobacco seed on the Rice Gwyn farms. They are still laying tile with ditching machines on this farm. . . D. S. Gore had closed his hunting season and was busy with his large and well-stocked store. . . Former county commissioner A. P. Russ was seen busy repairing the roof of his new brick store building.

With the hunting season over a hound or other dog may not now have as much value as it did

a few weeks ago. But dogs are not always valued for their hunting qualities. Some hunters rate their canines as part of their families. With this the case we can sympathize with F. B. Roberts of Orton. He stated Sunday that his three black and white spotted hounds had been missing for three days.

The fund to pay for the fire truck of the Southport Volunteer Fire Department is still growing steadily. In addition to funds coming in from various small sources, it seems that a nice check comes in from some one or other following every issue of this paper. C. C. McQueston, Burlington hosiery manufacturer started it with a check for \$50.00. Dr. L. G. Brown was in the next week with another \$50.00 and the next week R. W. Powell and Brothers of Goldsboro sent \$50.00. This past week Dr. F. M. Burdette of Southport sent in his \$50.00. Not all of the folks who make voluntary contributions are residents of Southport but all own property here or nearby. To them helping to get a fire truck is a form of insurance.

Although he did not know it, Hobson Kirby of the Shallotte Trading Company was losing a sale when he showed us a counterfeit ten dollar bill Friday morning. While we were still looking at his "queer money" several other folks bobbed in with bad \$10.00 bills. We had intended buying a new hat as luck would have it we only had a couple of \$10.00 bills in our pocket. They were perfectly good ones. Prince O'Brien of the Southport bank had passed them over the counter to us only the day before. But as things were relative to ten dollar bills at Shallotte that morning, we decided not to subject ours to any doggoned critical inspection before they'd give us a new hat.

When we took John Hemmer, the State News Bureau cameraman, out to the Reigel Paper company ranch last September, we had an idea he would get some pretty good pictures. The pictures were not so good as they

might have been because we were shy of getting close up to the onery Brahmas. Still, the pictures went far. LIFE magazine carried one of them two or three weeks ago. Gritt has also published the pictures and they have appeared in hundreds of newspapers and publications of various sorts. This week the Charlotte News wrote for stuff for a big story about the cows. Inquiries are coming in fast and the pictures and stories were good publicity for Brunswick county.

There have been seasons a number of years ago when the local fish factory operated for a full season on less than twenty-five million fish. This was because they could not get more, not because they could not handle them. At the end of the past week the Brunswick, Captain John Potter, had run up its nine months of fishing to show a production of twenty one and a half million fish. This is probably a record for any menhaden boat on the Atlantic coast to shoot at. The Brunswick is a converted mine sweeper. Other boats in the local fleet have also done well this season.

After undergoing a serious operation in the Veterans hospital in Fayetteville and a patient there for a month, Joel More, Southport business man is back at his home and store, getting along well. He tells us he is feeling better than he has felt in yerars, although still a little weak. Like us, Joel is an early riser and there has been many a morning when we have found ourself short of tobacco and knew that his store was the only place in town open and ready to apply the shortage.

Speaking about early rising, we were up at about 4 o'clock Saturday morning and were more or less busy. Shortly after 5 o'clock Will Sellers Davis came along with his ten year old grandson, Paul Moore. The youngster was being treated to a Saturday trip out on a menhaden boat and that explained his being up early. Passing the State Port Pilot office Paul saw us and exclaimed: Look, granddady, Mr. Keziah has not gone to bed yet!"

Writing from Fort Smith, Ark., where they are now living, Staff Sgt. and Mrs. W. C. Norton tell of how they enjoy the home-town paper. Some friend recently sent them The Pilot for a year as a Christmas present. They like Fort Smith and have gotten to know a lot of nice, people out there but they still retain their affection for Southport. Mrs. Norton is the former Miss Mary Florence Moore of Southport. They have two children, Richard and Billy. Going to Fort Smith some months ago as a sergeant, Mr. Norton has recently been promoted to staff sergeant.

Prospects are good for another sport fishing boat or two being located at Southport in the late spring and throughout the season. Jim Wilson, Sports Editor of the Wilmington Star, is very much interested in getting certain boatmen here, believing that they are needed and that the local sport fishing can only develop by having plenty of boats and hotel facilities available. More boats mean more sportsmen and more sportsmen may hurry up the folks here on the hotel idea. A letter from Jim this week told of a mighty good boatman who was planning to come here.

Farm conditions at this season of the year never looked better than they do now. It has been too wet to plow in the better farming sections but has been fine weather for other sort of work. A trem-

endous amount of preparations have been carried through towards the planting of the 1949 crops. Not the least of these preparations are in the fact that practically all of the tobacco plant beds have been sown. The huge small grain crop that was planted in the fall is all looking well and in fine shape to put on a heavy growth.

Elizabeth Lupton of the Southport high school is doing a fine job of reporting the school high lights and other matters in which the young folks take part or are interested. When she started out some doubt was felt regarding whether or not she would keep her column going. That doubt is now fading. She and the young people are all interested in what she writes and she is very prompt in getting it to the office Monday mornings. Matter like that which Miss Lupton writes would be welcomed from the other high schools of the county, but it would all have to be in the office not later than Monday in order to be in the shop first thing Tuesday morning.

Felton, Garner stopped us on the street this week to say that he would put five thousand dollars in stock in a hotel and that he would aid in other ways. He named a big business interest that would gladly loan 50 percent of what money is needed and which cannot be raised locally. With this and that—that being the approximately sixty thousand dollars worth of stock that Southport people promised to buy a year ago—there is no reason why someone should not start up the hotel proposition right now and push it along until the hotel is ready for use. This winter has gone further than any previous one to prove the need of a hotel at Southport.

W. D. McCaig, Wilmington man who has been in the service of

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