

Brunswick Weed Farmers Attend Shallotte Meet

Extension Specialist Warns That Farmers May Be Off To A Bad Start By Having Plants Too Far Advanced This Early

PRaises Farmers FOR GIVING PLANTS

Recalls That Last Year The Growers In This County Provided Plants For Many Up-State Tobacco Farms

About 300 Brunswick tobacco growers attended the meeting at Shallotte last week to hear S. N. Hawkes, extension tobacco specialist, talk on varieties of the week and prevention and control of tobacco plant disease. The talk was illustrated by the use of slides.

For this part of the State Mr. Hawkes recommended the broad leaf varieties of tobacco, such as Golden Harvest, 402, Yellow Special, etc. Although he cheerfully admitted that Brunswick growers knew their business and always produced an ample supply of fine plants, Mr. Hawkes apparently felt that some few of them were being a trifle early this year. Plants are already coming up in many beds. A few growers are holding off until about the first of February to plant. This may be a wise move, according to both the extension specialist and County Agent A. S. Knowles.

Both the county agent and extension specialist referred to the bountiful crops of tobacco plants produced in Brunswick last year, a crop that was so large that the local growers were able to make a Golden Rule gesture. They gave away hundreds of thousands of fine plants to growers in nearby counties, where the plant supply failed.

Both Mr. Hawkes and County Agent Knowles reported having seen great numbers of the up-state fields of tobacco grown from Brunswick plants. They said these crops were fine. Not the least pleasing was the statement that all of the up-state growers who were donated plants by growers in Brunswick were very appreciative of the neighborly gesture.

Brief News Flashes

LIONS TO MEET
The regular meeting of the Southport Lions Club will be held tomorrow (Thursday) at 1 o'clock at the community building.

FIRST CHECKS
Postmaster J. B. Russ of Southport received the first two checks for delivery to National Service Life Insurance policy holders Monday. They were for James E. Stanley and Thamos C. Floyd.

OFFICE HOURS
Beginning today the weekly schedule of office hours for the Brunswick County Welfare Department at Shallotte Legion Hut each Wednesday morning will be resumed by Miss Frances Coble, case worker. Those with business to transact may meet her during the morning, beginning at 9:30 o'clock.

FORMER DOCTOR DIES
News has been received here of the recent death of Dr. Fletcher Locke Brown at his home in Jacksonville, Fla. Dr. Brown resided in Southport and practiced medicine here from 1909 to 1920. He is well remembered here by many of the older Southport and Brunswick county people. He was a native of Whiteville.

RECENT DONATIONS
Including among the donations of over a hundred books recently made to the Southport Public Library, were eighty volumes from Malcolm Lewis of Southport and Durham. Other recent donors of books to the library have been Miss Mae Phelps, Mrs. Jessie Harper, Capt. J. B. Church, Mrs. C. Ed Taylor, Mrs. Harry Weeks, Miss Stuart Arrington and the family of Walter Clark.

POSTMASTER ILL
Mrs. Ida B. Parker, postmaster at Shallotte, was taken to the James Walker Memorial Hospital in Wilmington Monday afternoon for an operation for appendicitis and complications. According to Dr. M. H. Rourke of Shallotte, Mrs. Parker will be in the hospital for ten days and may be absent from her office even longer. The post office work is being carried on by her assistants during her absence.

District Soil Supervisors



Pictured above are the District Supervisors of the Lower Cape Fear Soil Conservation District as they planned district activities at a meeting in Wilmington. They are (left to right): H. A. Munroe of Bladen County, J. D. Bellamy, Jr. of Brunswick, A. B. Herring of Pender, Clyde Wayne of Columbus, and J. H. Tinga of New Hanover. (Cut courtesy of Wilmington Star-News)

Soil Men Meet In Wilmington To Set Plans

James D. Bellamy Is District Supervisor For Brunswick County And Representative On District Board

The county and district supervisors for the Lower Cape Fear Soil Conservation District held an all-day meeting in Wilmington early this month to study the soil conservation problems of the district, and to revise the district "Program and Work Plan", according to an announcement released by James Bellamy, district supervisor from Brunswick County.

The revised "Program and Work Plan" will replace those developed for the district more than five years ago when the district was first organized. Experience gained during the past five years of operations, plus changes in farming systems and farm methods, made it desirable to revise the district plan, Bellamy said. He also pointed out that revision was urgently needed at this time to include information concerning New Hanover County which was recently added to the Lower Cape Fear District by vote of the land owners in that county.

The district is now composed of five counties: Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, New Hanover, and Pender. The work of the district is sponsored and guided by a committee of three farmers in each county known as County Supervisors. The five county chairmen make up the Board of District Supervisors for the district at large.

The supervisor for Brunswick County for 1950 are: James B. Bellamy Jr., Shallotte; G. T. Reid, Winnabow; and Corbett Coleman, Ash.

The five District Supervisors are: A. B. Herring of Pender County, chairman; H. A. Munroe of Bladen County, vice-chairman; Clyde Wayne of Columbus County, secretary; J. D. Bellamy Jr. of Brunswick County, and J. H. Tinga of New Hanover County.

The district has an agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture whereby the Soil Conservation Service furnishes trained personnel to assist farmers of the district in developing conservation farm plans and applying soil conservation and improved land use practices. Other agricultural agencies also (Continued on Page 2)

Four Prisoners Break Jail Here

Deputy Sheriff W. G. Bland Spent Busy Day Monday Recapturing Two Of The Four Escapes

Following the escape of four prisoners from the Brunswick jail some time Sunday night, Deputy Sheriff W. G. Bland had a full day of work on his hands.

All four of the escapes were awaiting trial before Judge W. J. McLamb Monday on a variety of charges. Burriss Bozeman, a frequent visitor to the courts, was charged with breaking and entering; Bill Aldridge, said to be from Whiteville, had a larceny charge against him; Pat Murphy Jordan of Wilmington was in dross for drunken driving. All three of these are white. Escaping with them was Hoyt McMillan Long, a negro who was awaiting to be tried for driving without an operators license. In some manner the four had (Continued on page 2)

Superior Court Will Convene Here Monday

Judge J. Paul Frizzelle Will Preside Over One Week Mixed Term With Criminal Cases Predominating

NO OUTSTANDING CASES DOCKETED
No Murder Cases Scheduled For Trial But There Is Considerable Interest In Other Cases On Docket

Judge J. Paul Frizzelle of Snow Hill is to preside at the one week mixed term of court that is to convene here Monday. Judge Frizzelle is presiding this week at the term of New Hanover Superior court.

The session promises to be rather interesting, despite the absence of serious criminal cases. No murder cases have been docketed and about the worst things on the docket are said to be a manslaughter case growing out of an automobile wreck and a case of incest in which a prominent white resident of Waccamaw township is the defendant.

Of such interest that it will probably draw a crowd is the case in which Palmer Bellamy, Shallotte business man, has indicted Deputy Sheriff Gus Bland on a charge of assault with deadly weapon. Since this warrant was sworn out the officer has indicted Mr. Bellamy, charging him with interfering with an officer in the discharge of his duties. Both cases were scheduled to be heard here in Recorder's court Monday and were continued to Superior court when both defendants asked for a jury trial. The criminal docket is a rather lengthy one, according to Clerk of Court Sam T. Bennett. Some of the cases may be vigorously fought and it is very likely that little of the civil docket business can be attended to until late in the week.

Recorder Hears Lengthy Docket

Judge W. J. McLamb Has Busy Day But Cases Of Greatest Interest Were Bound Over To Superior Court For Jury Trial

Monday was another busy day for Judge W. J. McLamb and officials of Brunswick county Recorder's court, but the cases which the unusually large crowd came to hear failed to come up for trial. These were the indictment of Deputy Sheriff Gus Bland for assault and of Palmer Bellamy and W. H. Hewett for interfering with an officer. Both were bound over to Superior court for trial. The following cases were settled:

- Francis Gilmore Ross, speeding, costs.
- Daniel Smith, possession, fined \$10.00 and costs.
- Palmer Bellamy and W. H. Hewett, interfering with officer, motion for jury trial, bond \$50.00 each.
- Gus Bland, assault with deadly weapon, motion for jury trial, bond \$100.00.
- John Ellis Ganey, speeding, fined \$5.00 and costs.
- Isiah Brown, speeding, fined \$10.00 and costs.
- Mable Smith Berry, reckless operation, fined \$15.00 and costs.
- Bertram Berry, possession, fined \$10.00 and costs.
- Ella P. Belden, possession and parking on highway, fined \$10.00 (Continued on page 2)

Unusual Catches For Shrimp Boats

Fishing for menhaden, the boats of the Southport shrimping fleets have been bringing in several tons of stingarees daily. The ugly creatures seem to be here in unprecedented numbers. Their presence, fishermen say, points to the menhaden being very numerous.

However, during the warm weather the menhaden swim between the bottom and surface of the water. The nets, dragged along over the floor of the ocean, sweep in the stingarees and only get a relatively small number of menhaden in the operations. A hard freeze will send the fish to the bottom where the trawls will get both stingarees and fish.

Visiting Tug Buys Groceries

Big Vessel Puts In Here On Monday Afternoon For Provisions For Trip To Mexico For Tow

One of the big Moran tugs from Norfolk with a crew of 25 men put in at Southport Monday afternoon to be completely provisioned for a trip all of the way to a port somewhere down in Mexico. Harrelson's Grocery got the order and while the bill was being filled it just about looked as if the store was moving its whole stock. The order ran into several hundred dollars.

It is understood that the tug got a hurry order in Norfolk to leave for Mexico to pick up a tow, that these orders specified stopping at Southport to have the galley provisioned and then pro- (Continued on page five)



W. B. KEZIAH

E. J. Prevatte, Southport attorney, remarked Monday that he believed in giving the devil his dues. "I went bird hunting Saturday with Attorney G. Butler Thompson of Lumberton," said Attorney Prevatte, "and that fellow has one of the best English setters I ever saw. It was good on both coveys and singles. Unfortunately, he added, I could not hit anything. We got a good bag, but it was Butler's dog and Butler's gun that deserves all of the credit."

About this time every two

Conway Hearing To Be Held On Waccamaw Plan

Public Discussion Of Pertinent Facts Regarding Buck Creek Matter Set For February 16 At 2 P. M.

NOTICE IS RELEASED BY COLONEL LAMPERT

All Those Interested In Flood Control And Drainage Proposal Are Invited To Attend Meeting

A public hearing on the Waccamaw River drainage and flood control proposal has been set for Thursday, Feb. 16, in the Horry County Memorial Library Building at Conway, S. C. at 2 p. m., according to a notice from J. B. Lampert, lieutenant colonel, Corps of Engineers, District Engineer.

The notice is entitled, "Notice of Public Hearing on Buck Creek, Horry County, S. C." Actually, it relates to the entire project.

The hearing is pursuant to a resolution of the Committee on Public Works of the House of Representatives, adopted April 5, 1949, as follows:

"Resolved by the Committee on Public Works of the House of Representatives, United States, That the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors be, and is hereby, requested to review the reports on Waccamaw River, North Carolina and South Carolina, submitted to Congress on Dec. 10, 1941, and prior reports with a view to determining whether any modifications of the recommendations contained therein are advisable at this time with respect to flood control and drainage of Buck Creek and its tributaries, South Carolina."

Colonel Lampert, in advising interesting parties of the hearing, (Continued on page 2)

Chairman Gives PMA Objectives

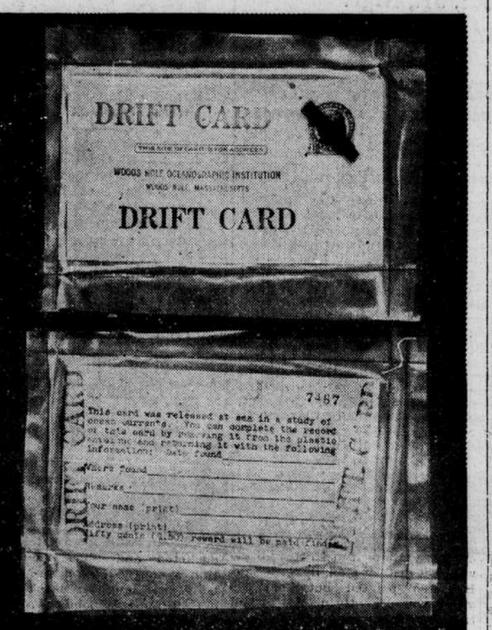
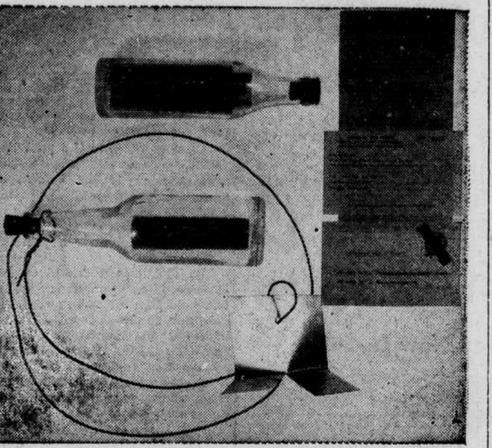
S. L. Purvis Declares Purpose Of Farm Program Is To Provide Abundance Without Waste

Abundance without waste. These are the double barreled aims of the conservation and price support program administered locally by the Brunswick county PMA committee, according to S. L. Purvis, chairman of the committee.

"Conservation and price supports all fit together in one program, says the chairman. Conservation protects and improves the use of our soil and water resources so that farmers can continue to produce abundantly. Price supports protect the farmer in this abundant production and prevent ruinous prices when he has been successful on the production side.

"Acreage allotments and marketing quotas", he explains, "are means for assuring a balanced production—for checking the use of land to produce surpluses and for which there is no market. They are means for assuring each (Continued on page five)

Watch For This Equipment



FLOATING—Above are shown drift bottles with and without drift anchor. Drift anchor is designed to reduce effect of wind on movement bottles. Below are shown experimental drift cards with instructions sealed in plastic envelopes. If scientists find that these cards are satisfactory for determining currents, the cards will replace the more expensive and bulky bottles in future current studies.

Fishermen Asked To Save Drift Bottles

Brunswick County Shrimpers And Fishermen Asked To Look Out For And Return Any Of This Scientific Paraphernalia

DATA WILL HELP CHART CURRENTS
Investigations Continue In Connection With Discovering New Fishing Grounds Off N. C. Coast

Inhabitants of coastal counties of North Carolina may shortly find along the beaches drift cards or glass bottles which contain a past card addressed to the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution at Woods Hole, Massachusetts.

Fishermen may find them snared in their nets. These are not bottles thrown overboard by ocean-going vessels as a part of the debris but are known as "drifting bottles" and have been released by the Fish and Wildlife Service vessel Albatross III as she traveled from Woods Hole, Massachusetts to a point off the South Carolina coast in her second cruise in North Carolina waters.

It will recalled that the Albatross operated out of Morehead City for one month last spring. Because of the information developed at that time, she is now on a second and longer cruise.

While off the North Carolina coast now until the last of February most of the time will be spent trawling in areas now relatively unknown to the trawling fleet. Areas between the 50 and 150-fathom lines will be studied for trawlability and presence of marketable quantities of fish. A conference with a number of trawler owners and captains, to be held in the near future will determine those areas which the fishermen would like to have investigated. Hydrographic observations will (Continued On Page Five)

First Candidates For County Jobs Out This Week

S. B. Frink Announces Candidacy For Nomination As State Senator And W. D. Evans And Ed V. Leonard Out For Sheriff

SAM T. BENNETT WILL RUN AGAIN

Battle Lines Forming For One Of Most Heated Primary Campaigns In Recent Years In Brunswick County

Two candidates for sheriff, one candidate for clerk of Superior court and one candidate for the office of State Senator made their announcement this week as battle lines began to shape up for the coming Democratic primary election.

Sheriff candidates are W. D. Evans and Ed V. Leonard. Sam T. Bennett is the candidate for clerk of court and S. B. Frink is seeking nomination to the State Senate.

Bennett has served for three terms as Clerk of Court, and was unopposed for the Democratic nomination in 1946. He is making the forthcoming race upon the basis of his record as an office holder, and has invited a close inspection of the kind of service he has rendered during the years he has served as clerk. Frink is a former clerk of Superior court for Brunswick county and has served two terms in the Senate, during the session of 1935 and 1939. He is a successful attorney in Southport and has served on numerous occasions as county attorney and as counsel for the board of education.

In declaring his intention to seek nomination to the State Senate, Frink declared that it is not his intention to head any slate of candidates. "I am interested in going to Raleigh to give the people of Brunswick county capable and honest representation," he declared.

W. D. Evans, well known Waccamaw township man who served four years as a rural policeman and four years more as a deputy sheriff, definitely committed himself Saturday to make the 1950 race for sheriff of Brunswick county. His formal announcement appears in this issue of The Pilot.

In stating that he is coming before the democratic men and women as a candidate, Mr. Evans added that he was not lined up with any ring, clique or faction. He is running, he said, purely on his record as a citizen of Brunswick county and as a law enforcement officer while serving as a deputy sheriff and later as a rural policeman. He says he will appreciate an investigation of that record and the vote and support of the men and women who are looking for a fair administration of the law.

Leonard is a former deputy sheriff for Brunswick county, former Chief of Police for Carolina Beach and former Chief of Police for Southport. This gives him a long record as a law enforcement officer, and he contends that he has gained valuable experience which will make it possible for him to fulfill every duty of the office of Sheriff of Brunswick county.

He says that he is willing to have his friends judge him on the basis of his record, and is seeking support in the coming (Continued on page five)

Tide Table

Following is the tide table for Southport during the next week. These hours are approximately correct and were furnished The State Port Pilot through the courtesy of the Cape Fear Pilot's Association.

High Tide	Low Tide
Thursday, January 19,	
8:54 A. M.	2:21 A. M.
9:06 P. M.	3:01 P. M.
Friday, January 20,	
9:36 A. M.	3:06 A. M.
9:50 P. M.	3:42 P. M.
Saturday, January 21,	
10:16 A. M.	3:48 A. M.
10:32 P. M.	4:21 P. M.
Sunday, January 22,	
10:54 A. M.	4:31 A. M.
11:13 P. M.	5:01 P. M.
Monday, January 23,	
11:32 A. M.	5:14 A. M.
11:55 P. M.	5:41 P. M.
Tuesday, January 24,	
0:00 A. M.	5:59 A. M.
12:11 P. M.	6:23 P. M.
Wednesday, January 25,	
0:40 A. M.	6:48 A. M.
12:53 P. M.	7:08 P. M.