

Candidates For Office Continue To Last Minute

Total Of 47 Candidates Have
Filed For County Offices
Including At Least One
For Each Position On
Board Of Education

REPUBLICANS TO HAVE CONTESTS

Four Candidates For Each
Party Enter Race For
Sheriff Nomination; Ten
Democrats Out For
Commissioner

Forty seven candidates filed for
county offices before the dead-
line Saturday, 33 of them for
places on the Democratic ticket
and 14 on the Republican ballot.
In addition, there were 6 can-
didates to file for township off-
ices.

The board of elections met here
Saturday for the purpose of in-
structing the registrars in their
duties and for turning over to
them the necessary books and re-
cords.

It was necessary to make three
changes in the precinct organi-
zation. Mrs. Mae McKethan re-
signed as registrar at Southport
No. II and was replaced by Miss
Annie L. St. George, Wilson Arnold
resigned at Supply and was re-
placed by George Dance. Curtis
Hewett resigned as registrar at
Grissetown and was replaced by
Mrs. Dudley Lewis.

The board found that the pre-
sent polling place at Supply still
is available.

Following is a complete list of
candidates who filed for office:
Senate: Walter M. Stanaland,
Odell Williamson, and S. Bunn
Frink.

House of Representatives: Tom
T. Ward and Harry L. Mintz, Jr.
Clerk of Court: Sam T. Ben-
nett and Elrich Y. Hickman.
Sheriff: Ed. V. Leonard, O. W.
Perry, Sr., Wayne D. Evans and
M. R. Tripp.

Judge Recorder's Court: W. J.
McLamb, Geo. B. Ward and J. W.
Ruark.

Coroner: John G. Caison, Dave
Garish and Joe C. Wilson.

Board of Commissioners: O. P.
Bellamy, F. Herbert Swain, J.
B. Ward, Sr., Eddie Spencer, R.
T. Woodside, C. A. Montgomery,
G. M. Bennett, Elroy King, R. L.
Rabon and H. O. Peterson.

Board of Education: Herbert
Long, Thomas St. George, G. Ken-
ney Lewis, B. A. Williams, J.
Worth Stanley and Malcolm H.
Rouk.

Constable: Northwest township,
Dillon L. Ganey; Northwest town-
ship, J. E. Lewis; Smithville town-
ship, Johnnie Hewett; Shallotte
township, Drew C. Long; and
Shallotte township, W. H. Todd.
Justice of Peace: Smith town-
ship, A. W. Smith.

Following is a list of Republican
candidates who filed:
House of Representatives: Char-
les M. Trot.

Clerk of Court: Harold Rivers
Wescott.

Sheriff: J. Lindsey Robbins, H.
L. (Sinker) Willetts, G. W. Hughes
and G. W. Piver.

Judge Recorder's Court: C. C.
Robbins.

Board of Commissioners: A. R.
Brinson, Odell Jenrette, C. W.
Know, I. E. Reynolds, Percy A.
Hughes and E. Vance Gore.

County Surveyor: L. C. Bland.

Brief News Flashes

LIONS CLUB

The Southport Lions Club meets
tomorrow (Thursday) at 1 o'clock
in the Community Building.

THROAT OPERATION

Mrs. F. Mollycheck has returned
home from a two weeks stay
in the James Walker Memorial
Hospital in Wilmington, where
she underwent an operation on
her throat. She is now doing
nicely.

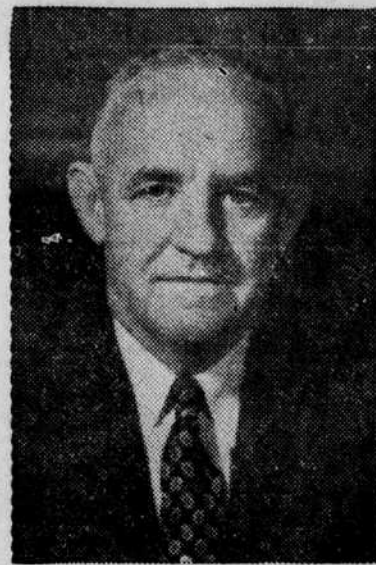
SATURDAY DANCE

The Southport Lions Club will
sponsor a juke box dance Sat-
urday evening at the Community
Building. Proceeds derived from
this event will go toward paying
a portion of the cost for mass
x-ray during the month of
August.

COUNTY VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reynolds,
formerly of Shallotte, now of Lake
Okechobee, Florida, are spend-
ing a week with relatives in Wil-
mington and at Shallotte. Mr.
Reynolds, a regular reader of The
Pilot in Florida called around by
this office Tuesday.

Senatorial Candidates



OPPONENTS — Senator Frank P. Graham, former president of the University of North Carolina, is opposed for reelection to his seat in the United States Senate by former Senator Robert R. Reynolds, center, and Willis Smith, Raleigh attorney, right.

Forest Fires Lay Waste To County Lands

Light Showers Tuesday
Night Brought Some Re-
lief To Forest Rangers
Who Have Been Unusu-
ally Busy Recently

Brunswick county has suffered
heavy damage to young trees in
woodlands as a result of forest
fires during the past ten days.
And Forestry Officials estimate
that 25,000 acres of land have
been burned over. With the woods
very dry and high winds prevail-
ing, the power and destructiveness
of forest fires has been asserted
wherever the flames could secure
a foothold.

In one fire, starting near Shall-
lotte Monday approximately three
thousand acres were burned over.
This fire swept up to the clearing
just back of the REA office and
the Shallotte school buildings. One
small, unused building was de-
stroyed.

Another bad fire was burning
near Holden Beach Sunday and
Monday. The past ten days have
brought a continuous series of
bad blazes and much young tim-
ber has either been destroyed
or badly damaged.

Tuesday night brought light
rains to lessen the danger to the
woods. Despite this prospect
Forest Warden Dorman Mercer is
calling on all citizens to be
especially vigilant to prevent fires
from getting started and in aid-
ing to combat them if they do
get started.

Truck Crops Almost Ruined

Cold Snap During Past
Week-End Threw Big
Blanket Of Frost Over
Young Vegetable Crop

Inquiry of County Agent A. S.
Knowles this week reveals that
the farmers in Brunswick are re-
porting the almost complete de-
struction of their snap bean crops
by the cold weather of the past
week-end.

Harvey Hewett of the Shallotte
community saved some of his by
putting pine straw over them. Joe
Cochran of Southport saved five
acres by having smudge fires on
the edge of his field during one
cold night.

A number of farmers, says Mr.
Knowles, are reporting damage to
the corn crop that was up. Straw-
berries were damaged to some ex-
tent. Practically all blooms were
killed, but the growers expect
more bloom to come in time to
give a fair crop. Red spiders con-
tinue to feed on the strawberry
leaves and to cut down on the
prospect for this crop.

In all, says Mr. Knowles, sev-
eral thousand dollars in damage
was done to the various crops by
the cold weather. However, con-
sidering the early season this
damage may be materially re-
duced, especially if good weather
sets in immediately and continues.

Local Nine In Class B Game

Southport Will Play Willi-
ams Here Friday After-
noon In First Game Of
State Championship Eli-
mination Series

Southport plays Williams high
school here Friday afternoon at
1:30 o'clock in the first game of
the Class B baseball championship
for North Carolina. A second con-
tinued on page five

Warns Growers To Save Tobacco Plants

County Agent A. S. Knowles
Sees Signs Of Severe
Shortage Of Plants In
Southeastern North Caro-
lina

PLANTING NOW IN FULL FORCE

County Agent Believes That
Cold Weather Of Past
Week-End Will Not
Prove Fatal To Plants
In Field

County Agent A. S. Knowles is
calling on Brunswick tobacco
growers to preserve all tobacco
plants they may have. He says
that tobacco plant shortages are
being reported in many nearby
counties, and it is necessary that
growers save all plants in Brun-
swick. This says Mr. Knowles, is
both to guard against any possible
local shortage and to fill needs
that may arise elsewhere.

Blue mold has been the chief
enemy of plants throughout the
southeastern part of the State.
It is advisable to continue spray-
ing or dusting tobacco plants un-
til transplanting is completed he
warns. The weather is continuing
favorable for the development of
blue mold. Dust or spray after
each pulling of plants to insure
good coverage with fermate at
all times is his advice.

The recent cold weather and
frost did some damage to plants
that were already in the fields,
but it is thought that most of
them will survive. A few farmers
had removed the tobacco can-
vas from their plant beds and the
frost killed some beds and sev-
erely damaged others.

Blue mold has been severe on
small plants unprotected by fer-
mate and will cause some grow-
ers to have to look to neighboring
growers for their plants, but the
county agent thinks that there
will be enough plants for every
one if the present supply is taken
care of and protected against
both mold and cold.

Last year Brunswick county
growers opened up their hearts
and plant beds to growers in a
number of other counties. They
may be called upon to do a neigh-
borly deed again.

Transplanting, he says, is get-
ting off to a good start this week
and will swing out into high
gear next week. It is expected
that most of the Brunswick plants
will be set out by May 1st, Mr.
Knowles says.

Survey Being Made In County

Telephone Company Is Now
Conducting Study Of
Needs And Cost Of Tele-
phone Service

Representatives of the Southern
Bell Telephone Company started
Monday with a survey of the
need and demand for communica-
tion facilities beginning at Jackie's
creek and extending westward
through the county.

This action has resulted from
repeated efforts on the part of
the telephone committee of the
Brunswick County Farm Bureau,
which has been constantly behind
this project for several years.

Recently the members of the
local committee conducted a sur-
vey of prospective telephone users
throughout the county, and later
T. T. Ward, chairman of the
telephone committee, and other
members of that group went to
Raleigh for a meeting with utilities
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Establish Rate Of Penalty On Excess Tobacco

County PMA Chairman States
That Probable Penalty
This Year Will Be 19
Cents Per Pound

FARMERS MUST MAKE UP MIND

May Not Wait Until After
Tobacco Is Cropped To
Destroy Excess, But
Must Plow Up

Present indications, according
to S. L. Purvis, PMA chairman,
are that the excess tobacco pen-
alty rates during the 1950-51 mar-
keting year will change very little
from the 1949-50 marketing year
rate. The official rates will not
be available until some time in
May; however, it is estimated
that there will be a penalty of
19c per pound on this crop
whereas the penalty for the 1949
crop was 20c per pound.

The penalty rate is set prior
to the beginning of each market-
ing year in accordance with Sec-
tion 314 of the Act which pro-
vides for a penalty of 40% of the
average market price for such
kind of tobacco for the imme-
diately preceding year to be col-
lected on the marketing of any
kind of tobacco in excess of the
marketing quota for the farm on
which the tobacco is produced.

Purvis stated that the county
office has been advised that reg-
ulations will be received permit-
ting the farmer only 5 days from
the date of his notice of measured
acreage to decide whether or not
he wishes to harvest his excess
tobacco or destroy it before any
of the tobacco has been cropped.
According to this procedure, once
excess tobacco has been cropped,
it cannot be destroyed to bring
the farm within the allotment.

Malcolm Frink Injured Sunday

Young Southport Man Sustained
Painful Injuries
When Auto Struck Rear
End Of Big Truck

Thirteen stitches were required
to sew up the lacerations in the
head of Malcolm Frink, young
Southport man who has been in
the Doshier Memorial Hospital
since Sunday afternoon when he
drove a Ford Sedan into the rear
of a heavy, army type steel truck,
owned and operated by Wally
Willis, also of Southport.

The truck is said to have been
damaged to the extent of \$150.00.
The Ford was almost demolished.
The hood passed under the truck
body, and the bumper, engine and
right front wheel crashed against
the double rear left wheels of the
heavy truck. Young Frink was
knocked unconscious by the im-
pact and the Ford, with no one
at the wheel, veered around the
truck and ran unguided for 270
feet, according to Patrolman J. C.
Taylor. It finally dashed itself up
on the curbing in front of the
tax collectors office.

Willis, the owner and operator
of the truck, stated that he knew
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Our ROVING Reporter



W. B. KEZIAH

We're wondering slightly what
Mrs. Jimmie Woltz of Long Beach
said Thursday night when Jimmie
carried home a brand new wash-
board? We had just paid 98 cents
for that board and donated it to
the auction sale stuff for the
benefit of the Volunteer Fire De-
partment. Wishing to protect our
investment, we bid a dollar on
it when it was put up for sale.
Jimmie, who was doing the auc-
tioning, thought he saw a
chance for a raise and he bid
a dollar and a half on his own
account and found himself both
seller and buyer.

Henry Belk, editor of the Golds-
boro News-Argus and a long-time
friend, wrote us this week that
he and Mrs. Belk were expecting
to be at Long Beach for their
summer vacation as usual this
year. Henry is one of a dozen
North Carolina newspaper editors
who are deeply interested in
Brunswick county beaches. George
Beasley, editor of the Montgomery
Herald, is now building a new
home at Long Beach.

While the weather here may
have been just a little unusual
recently, making the wearing of
a coat comfortable in the early
mornings, it still has not been
anything like in various other
States. For illustration, Thomas
M. Thompson, now finishing
technical school at Fort Wayne,
Ind., wrote us on April 11 and
mentioned that it had been snow-
ing hard there all of that morn-
ing. Finishing college some years
ago Mr. Thompson, who is the
son of Mrs. J. W. Thompson of
Southport, served in the Coast
Guard during the war and during
the past year or two has been
taking further studies in engineer-
ing at Fort Wayne.

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cedure that many readers of the
State Port Pilot may not under-
stand. Continued On Page Four

Southport Shrimpers Want Mess Of Fish

Interesting Sidelight On Florida Shrimping Is That No
Fish Appeared In Trawls

A heretofore unmentioned angle
to the Key West shrimping was
revealed Monday in an interview
with Captain Merritt Moore of
the Penny with which he re-
turned Friday and is now getting
ready for local operations.

He says that in the shrimping
at Key West the boats did not
get enough fish for the crews to
get a meal. Now and then they
caught a mackerel but outside
of this just no fish were taken
except a few 3 and 4-inch speci-
mens. Since shrimp form one of
the main sources of food for fish,
it is a little odd that no fish
are taken with the shrimp at
Key West.

Another oddity thinks Captain
Moore is that all of the Key West
shrimping has to be done at night.
The boats simply cannot drag
them up in the daytime. It is
believed that in the daytime the
shrimp go down in the abundant

white mud that covers the ocean
bottoms in that area. This mud,
while powdery on top, is some-
thing like the "bull tallow" stuff
frequently found at points in
North Carolina. It is very hard
just under the soft surface mud
and once an anchor gets stuck
deep it is a little hard to pull
out.

In the past few weeks the
volume of the Key West catches
of shrimp have been growing
smaller. At the same time the
size of the product has also been
growing smaller. At the present
rate of things and if no new dis-
covery is made the catches may
play entirely out in a very short
time.

The shrimp may show up there
again next winter, Captain Moore
says, but he expects very little of
any operations from now until
that time.

Dr. Goodman Named Council President

Board Cancels May Court Term

During the April term of civil
court attorneys and Solicitor
Clifton Moore took notice that
only a few minor cases were
waiting trial at the May term
of criminal court. The fact that
court week comes on election
week was also recognized.

The solicitor and attorneys
reached an agreement that if
there were no jail cases await-
ing trial one month in advance
of the scheduled opening of
court, the term would be can-
celled. Monday the board of
county commissioners acted in
accord with this agreement by
cancelling the May term. This
will automatically continue the
few minor cases on the docket
until the September term.

Clerk of Court Sam T. Ben-
nett states that the cancelling
of the May term of court will
save the county eight or nine
hundred dollars that would have
to be paid to the grand jury,
trial juries, court stenographer,
etc.

Commissioners In Session Monday

Routine Matters Disposed Of
Before Board In Regular
Session; Cancel May Term
Superior Court

Members of the board of coun-
ty commissioners disposed of
routine business at their regular
meeting here Monday.

Included on their list of activi-
ties was approval of changes in
the 1949-50 county school fund
budget supplementing state school
funds. These changes had nothing
to do with the total amount of
this fund.

The board approved sale of 6
acres adjoining Southern Kraft
and Harrison Moore, known as
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Barbecue Supper Successful Event

Southport Memorial Asso-
ciation Netted \$142.00
From Benefit Supper Here
Thursday Evening

The members of the Southport
Memorial Association were de-
lighted at the fine support given
on Thursday night supper for the
benefit of our cemetery work.

The net proceeds amounted to
\$142. and will serve to good pur-
pose in beginning work where
most needed on the cemeteries
until more funds can be secured.
The success of the supper is due
in large part to Mrs. Wiley Wells,
chairman of the special committee
appointed by the Board of Man-
agers and her staff composed of
Mrs. F. M. Nierneise, Mrs. Louis
Hardee and Mrs. George Whately.
In addition, there were ladies
from each of the participating
organizations of the community
who helped in serving and in
general assistance about the
Community Building. Everyone as
far as need arose contributed pies,
corn bread and other items of
the food supply.

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Baptist Women Hold Meeting Here Thursday

Annual Meeting Of Woman's
Missionary Society Of
Brunswick Association At
Baptist Church

VISITING SPEAKERS FEATURE PROGRAM

Officers For Next Year
Elected By Gathering
Field Representative
Discussed Cooperat-
ive Program

The Annual Associational Wom-
ans Missionary Society meeting
was held Thursday at the South-
port Baptist church. Representa-
tives from the different societies
in the county attended this meet-
ing to present reports of work
done the past year and elect the
officers for the new year.

Miss Laura Frances Snow, state
field representative, discussed the
cooperative program and pointed
out that this program is the best
way in which all Southern Baptist
churches can work together for
the fair promotion of all the work
outlined by the Southern Baptist
Convention in America and
throughout the world.

Miss Lillian Williams, mission-
ary in Colombia, South America,
brought greetings from the Mis-
sionary Societies in that land and
a descriptive report of Baptist
progress in Colombia.

Rev. H. M. Baker, pastor of the
local church, spoke on the in-
dividual responsibility of every
Christian to be a soul-winner if
Christians are to be faithful to
the commands and purposes of
Christ.

Mrs. L. H. Reynolds, divisional
superintendent, brought the clos-
ing message of the program. Mrs.
Reynolds spoke on "Your Labor
Is Not In Vain In The Lord".

The new officers elected at this
meeting are: Mrs. M. B. Robbins,
Winnabow, associational superin-
tendent; Mrs. H. M. Baker, South-
port, assistant superintendent;
Mrs. W. E. Greer, Bolivia, secre-
tary-treasurer; Mrs. M. T. Mc-
Rackan, Southport, assistant sec-
retary-treasurer; Mrs. Dennis He-
wett, Supply, community missions
Chairman; Mrs. J. D. Johnson,
Bolivia, mission study chairman;
Mrs. Paul Lewis, Winnabow,
stewardship chairman; Mrs. Fos-
ter Mintz, Bolivia, training school
and Margaret Fund chairman;
Mrs. Alex Bogle, Winnabow, litera-
ture chairman; Mrs. Dewey Rob-
bins, Winnabow, young people's
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Seniors Present Comedy Friday

"Almost Eighteen" Will Be
Presented Friday Night
At 8 O'Clock In High
School Auditorium

Members of the senior class of
Southport high school are rehar-
sing for their performance of the
three-act comedy, "Almost Eight-
teen" which will be presented at
the auditorium on Friday eve-
ning, April 21. Principal H. T.
Sanders is directing the play.

G. W. Fisher will be "Eddie",
whose ambitions, hopes and
romance furnish the laughs and
tears. Linda Hickman will play
opposite him as "Ann Sherman",
his ideal. Other members of the
cast are as follow: William Barry,
Leroy Stanley; Grace Barry,
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Tide Table

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

High Tide	Low Tide
Thursday, April 20,	
9:34 A. M.	3:47 A. M.
9:55 P. M.	3:42 P. M.
Friday, April 21,	
10:07 A. M.	4:25 A. M.
10:32 P. M.	4:19 P. M.
Saturday, April 22,	
10:47 A. M.	5:05 A. M.
11:16 P. M.	5:00 P. M.
Sunday, April 23,	
11:36 A. M.	5:51 A. M.
0:00 P. M.	5:48 P. M.
Monday, April 24,	
0:06 A. M.	6:44 A. M.
12:34 P. M.	6:47 P. M.
Tuesday, April 25,	
1:03 A. M.	7:43 A. M.
1:40 P. M.	7:56 P. M.
Wednesday, April 26,	
2:06 A. M.	8:44 A. M.
2:48 P. M.	9:06 P. M.