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Congestion Is Reason For Use Of Sunny Point

Representative Of Army Transportation Corps Says That Confusion In Large Ports Make New Facilities Needed

SUNNY POINT IS ANSWER TO NEED

Plans Progressing According To Schedule With Money In Savannah For Land Purchase

By W. B. KEZIAH
Congestion at North Atlantic ports and a desire approaching necessity to disperse shipping operations were pointed out this week as prime reasons for the selection of a site on the Cape Fear River in Brunswick County for construction of the Sunny Point Ammunition Loading Terminal.

This was the gist of views expressed by Colonel John R. Noyes of the Army's Transportation Corps and G-4 (supply) of the New York Port of Embarkation. Colonel Noyes was one of a group of high Army and Coast Guard officials who participated in a five-day series of conferences, Monday through Friday, held in the office of Colonel R. C. Brown, Wilmington District Engineer of the Corps of Engineers. The drafting of plans and specifications for the project has been assigned to the Wilmington District. When the construction directive is issued the District will also be charged with supervising the building of the terminal.

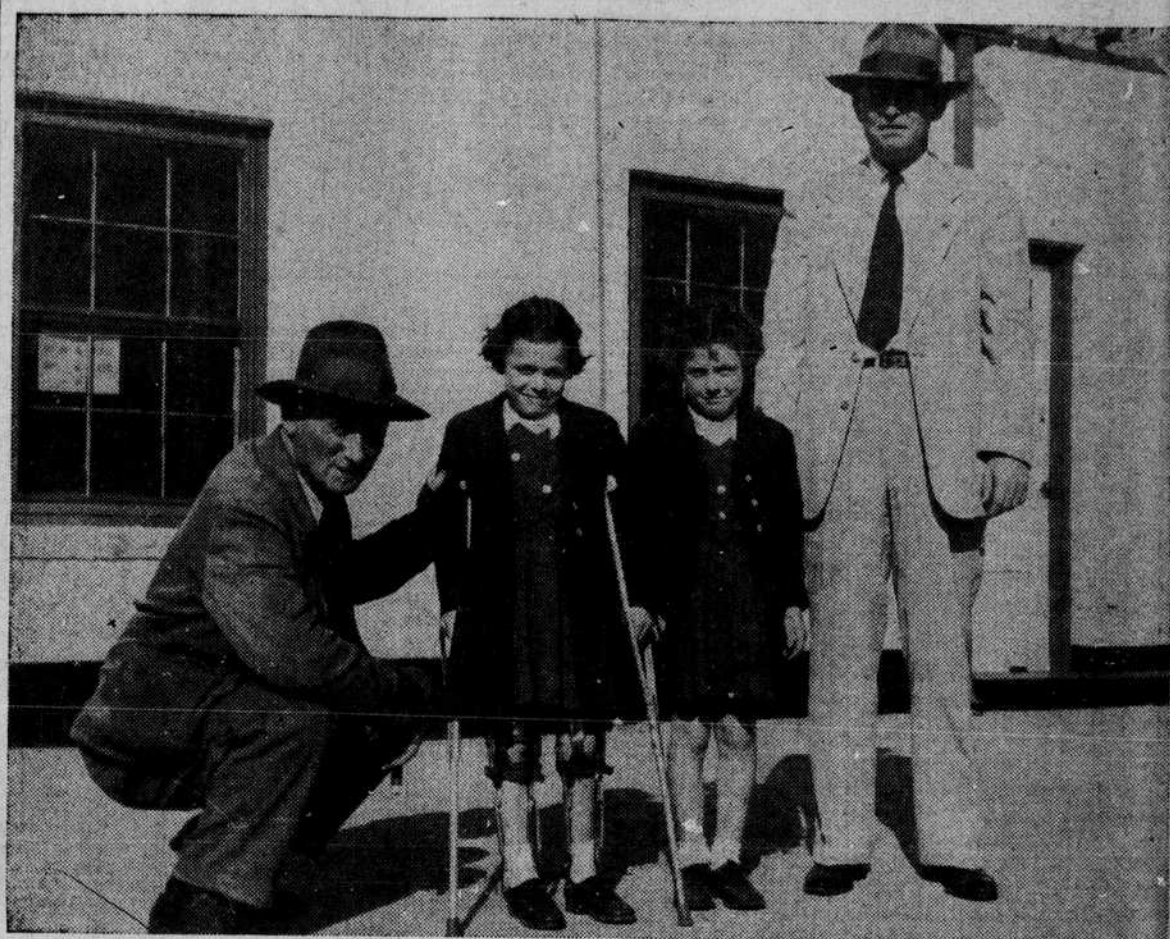
The movement of ammunition, according to Colonel Noyes, is generally by train, and railroads in the larger port cities of the North usually follow a heavily populated route presenting, thereby, safety hazards which would be eliminated by the rerouting of hazardous material to ports in more remote sections of the coast. Add to this situation the fact that shipping facilities at northern ports are already taxed to capacity, making it difficult to expedite the handling of high priority materials such as ammunition.

It was for this reason that the Army started a search in 1950 for an isolated site which would provide (1) ample water transportation, (2) an area remote from highly populated centers, (3) sufficient land requirements and with suitable topography, (4) adequate railroad connections, (5) highways and (6) a plentiful labor supply.

The answers to all these requisites are considered met in the selection of the Brunswick County location. Of the 20,000 acres of land now under plans for acquisition, approximately 15,000 acres will be acquired in the most practical method and to be held as a protective or buffer strip around the reservation's border.

Real estate representatives who have looked over the area say not over 225 people including children live within the proposed area's limits and, moreover, less (Continued on Page 4)

Booster For March Of Dimes



TWINS—The two young ladies in the above picture are Caroline Jean and Jacqueline Edwards, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Edwards of Shallotte. Little Miss Caroline is recovering from an attack of polio which threatened her life. Now with the aid of braces and crutches she leads a practically normal life, and her prospect for complete recovery is considered excellent. Talking with the two little Southport visitors is W. B. Keziah, and on the right is Edward H. Redwine, chairman of the Brunswick County Chapter for Infantile Paralysis.—(Art Newton Photo.)

Former Official Gets Commission With U. S. Army

Lt. Kirby Sullivan Was Former Solicitor Of Brunswick County Recorder's Court; Now On Orientation School

Lt. Kirby Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sullivan of Leland, N. C., is now attending a two-week Judge Advocate Orientation School at 3rd Army Headquarters, Atlanta, Ga.

Former solicitor of the Recorder's Court of Brunswick County, Lt. Sullivan is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, class of 1948, making Phi Beta Kappa that year. He received his LL.B. degree from the U. of N. C. in 1949.

Taking an active interest in politics, Lt. Sullivan was the secretary-treasurer of the Young Democratic Club of Brunswick county at the time he entered the Army in October, 1951.

He was commissioned a first lieutenant in December, 1951, and is one of 18 recently commissioned officers attending the orientation course. Following the training here, Lt. Sullivan and the other recently commissioned officers will go to Charlottesville, Va., for (Continued on page four)

Bus Company Is Ready For Rush

Manager Hubert Livingston Says That W.B.&S. Has Total Of 22 Buses Ready For Service

Indicative that not everybody has been sleeping, the W.B.&S. Bus Lines, Inc., has 14 new buses standing by, ready for delivery the week after they are called for. The company has franchises over all roads in the county and the plans are to give a type of service that will hold these franchises.

Eight buses already owned by the company have been put in first class condition during recent months. The new purchases, combined with the present fleet will give the company a fleet of 22 vehicles. If this number does not prove sufficient, the company will add whatever number is needed, Manager Hubert Livingston says.

Judge Morris Will Hold Court Here

Clerk Of Court Sam T. Bennett Points Out That Unusually Busy Docket Faces Court Officials Next Week

GREAT INTEREST IN SOME CASES
Grand Jury To Serve For Next Twelve Months Will Be Chosen At This Term Of Court

When Judge Chester Morris of Currituck opens court here Monday morning he will be greeted by one of the largest criminal dockets in years. Clerk of Court Sam T. Bennett predicts that the week will be one of hard work if any great dent is made in the number of cases awaiting disposition.

Included on the docket are 4 manslaughter cases, 2 against Negro men and 2 against whites. Two cases of rape, both against white men are also scheduled to be heard and there is an even 10 drunken driving cases, mostly involving white men.

Solicitor Clifton Moore of Burgaw was here Friday, going through the docket and getting posted on the cases he will prosecute. It is understood he will prepare a bill for presentation to the grand jury charging Pat O'Quinn with escape and with assault with deadly weapon. In (Continued on Page 4)

Routine Session Of County Court

Regular List Of Cases Disposed Of Here Before Judge W. J. McLamb In Recorder's Court Monday

Routine cases were disposed of before Judge W. J. McLamb here in Brunswick County Recorder's Court at the regular weekly session on Monday. The following judgments were rendered:

George Henry Register, operating on left side of highway, costs. James Henry King, public drunkenness, costs. Ed Western, assault with deadly weapon, held for Superior court under \$5,000 bond. Goley Caison, asked for jury trial, bond \$500.00. Bennie Danny Fulford and Murdock Caison, larceny, motion for jury trial, bond set at \$500.00. R. C. Caison, larceny, motion for jury trial, bond set at \$500.00. Jimmy Jenrette, no operators (Continued on page four)

Local Lawyer Will Move To Robeson Soon

E. J. Prevatte Will Give Up Law Practice In Southport To Return To Home County To Open Office

WILL BE LOCATED IN LUMBERTON

Has Been Resident Of This County For Past Twelve Years And Has Held Many Positions

E. J. Prevatte, prominent member of the Brunswick county bar for the past 12 years, will move from Southport to Lumberton effective February 1, and will open an office for the practice of law in that city.

Prevatte is a native of Robeson county and owns extensive farming interests there. It is because of his desire to be near this phase of his business interest that this change is being made. Ray Walton, who was a member of the firm of Prevatte & Walton prior to accepting appointment as solicitor of the Brunswick County Recorder's Court several weeks ago, will move back into the Taylor building and will practice under the firm name at least until the end of this year. This is for the purpose of giving Mr. Prevatte an opportunity of closing out legal business which he is in the process of completing.

Several months after coming to Southport to practice Prevatte became associated in 1940 with the late C. Ed Taylor in the practice of law and worked with him until the latter's death in 1944.

During his residence in this county he has held numerous political, social, fraternal and religious honors which include: County attorney for 10 years; solicitor Recorder's Court; Judge Recorder's Court; city attorney for Southport; city attorney for Shallotte; moderator of Brunswick Baptist Association; chairman of executive committee of (Continued on page four)

Application Is Given Dismissal

Application Of Railway Express Agency To Discontinue Service To Southport Withdrawn By Company

Southport interests have been advised by the State Utilities Commission that the application filed Nov. 21, 1951, by the Railway Express Agency, Inc., for authority to discontinue its offices at Southport and Bolivia has been withdrawn. Both offices will be continued.

Late in December officers of the Express Company visited Southport and following conferences with interested citizens and the W. B. & S. Bus Lines, Inc., the agreement was reached and it was announced that the application for discontinuance permission would be withdrawn. The present order from the Utilities (Continued on Page 4)

Our ROVING Reporter

W. B. KEZIAH

A two-day trip out of town this week entailed part of the journey being made on one of the Atlantic Coast Line's finest new coaches. Now, we have only been on a train twice in 30 years and we could no more tell one conductor from another than we could tell two peas from each other. We got aboard and when the conductor came along we settled down to get a few winks of sleep. Pretty soon the conductor came through again and stopped to hand us a business card, which read, H. B. Strickland, Atlantic Coast Line, Wilmington, N. C. On the back of it he had written: "If you see Fred Burris and his sister, Mrs. G. W. Butler, at Southport, tell them how for me." What puzzles is how he knew we were from Southport. We never told (Continued on page four)

Real Estate Office To Open In Southport To Handle Land Sales

Receive Letter Out Of The Past

Letter Inquiring About Southport Was Written On Army And Navy Club Stationery By Ex-Soldier

Reaching this office this week was a letter from Lansdale, Pa. The letter head was even more interesting if possible, than the message written on the sheet.

Written by Charles J. Meguire of 415 Pennsylvania Avenue, Lansdale, Pa., the message started off with a request for a copy of the paper published here at Southport. Mr. Maguire went on to say: "I was stationed at Fort Caswell during the first World War and I often become homesick for Southport."

"I would like to pay another visit there and would like to look over a copy of the paper first."

Mr. Maguire was with Battery B, 2nd Battalion, Trench Artillery, while he was at Fort Caswell. He trained there and afterwards went with the forces to Germany.

Now comes the interesting matter with regard to the letterhead: It was a Southport Army and Navy Club letter head and states that the club was maintained by the citizens of Southport for the (Continued on page four)

Shallotte Folks Give To Hospital

Local Lady Is Guest Of Honor

Mrs. J. A. Arnold has just returned from Miami, Fla., she was house guest for 10 days of Madame Andre Faubert, wife of the Consul General of Haiti and a girlhood friend of the Southport lady. During her visit Consul General Faubert and Madame Faubert were hosts at a cocktail party celebrating the 149th anniversary of the independence of Haiti. The diplomatic dignitaries who are spending the winter in Florida attended the function and Mrs. Arnold helped receive visitors.

Before she was married and moved to Southport Mrs. Arnold was a Spanish interpreter at Macy's in New York. Her knowledge of that language stood her in good stead during her experience at this international party, for many of the guests spoke Spanish. Madame Faubert also was an interpreter and it was in connection with these duties that she met her husband.

Conference On Utilities Held

Signal Corps Officer In This Area To Work Out Details Of Needs For Communications And Power At Ammunition Depot

Lieutenant Colonel Horace L. Jenneron, Chief Signal Officer for the New York Port of Embarkation, met with Army Engineers and telephone company officials in Wilmington yesterday for discussions on communication requirements for the Sunny Point Ammunition Outloading Terminal. Colonel Jenneron's talks with local representatives had to do with advance knowledge of necessary telephone service. What he learned here, according to the Wilmington District Office of Army Engineers, will be the basis for the overall system which, when completed, will be meshed with the general plan for the (Continued on Page 4)

Announcement Is Made That Office For Purpose Of Acquiring Land For Sunny Point Project Will Open Here

TO BE OPENED WITHIN TWO WEEKS

Part Of Duties Of This Office Will Be To Aid Present Property Owners In Every Possible Manner

By W. B. KEZIAH
A real estate office to handle the acquiring of land for the Department's Ammunition outloading terminal at Sunny Point in Brunswick County will be set up in Southport within the next two weeks.

An announcement by the Army Engineers' Wilmington District Office said the office will probably be located in the Fort Johnson Building and that a staff of personnel including a project manager, clerical help, experienced real estate men and attorneys has already been selected.

Final details for setting up the office were worked out last week in conferences held in the Wilmington District Office under the supervision of Colonel R. C. Brown, District Engineer, and it is now only a matter of days before the entire group is expected to move into the Southport area to begin the initial phase of the vast construction project. Plans agreed upon by Defense Department officials of Washington and lower echelons disclose that some 20,200 acres of land will be acquired. The major portion of the land will be bought outright by the Government. Easements will be obtained on land necessary for the safety zone.

Property owners whose holdings come within the boundaries of the project are advised that in the event there are questions they wish to ask, that they should go directly to the project manager in Southport and "lay his cards on the table."

"Persons owning property in the area," the announcement emphasized, "are advised to put no faith whatever in rumors and reports about what will and will not be done. All proceedings and negotiations will be conducted by experienced men who will give due consideration to the wishes of the owner as well as that of the Government."

If there are minor defects in any deed, the Government agent will assist the property owner in perfecting his title.

It is the policy of the Government in acquiring land for Federal projects to alleviate hardships to the owner when such hardships result from the action.

While the main objective of the (Continued on Page 4)

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 17	
10:51 a. m.	4:55 a. m.
11:21 p. m.	5:16 p. m.
Friday, January 18	
11:31 a. m.	5:41 a. m.
0:00 p. m.	5:57 p. m.
Saturday, January 19	
0:10 a. m.	6:33 a. m.
12:20 p. m.	6:45 p. m.
Sunday, January 20	
1:07 a. m.	7:35 a. m.
1:15 p. m.	7:43 p. m.
Monday, January 21	
2:11 a. m.	8:42 a. m.
2:20 p. m.	8:47 p. m.
Tuesday, January 22	
3:19 a. m.	9:52 a. m.
3:28 p. m.	9:55 p. m.
Wednesday, January 23	
4:26 a. m.	10:58 a. m.
4:36 p. m.	10:58 p. m.

Bolivia Youth Looking Ahead

James Albright Has Purchased Jersey Heifer To Get Ready For Dairy Cattle Show Next Fall

James Albright, a 4-H club member at Bolivia and son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Albright, is fast becoming one of the most active club members. Last fall James entered his registered Jersey (Continued on page five)

Brief News Flashes

LIONS TO MEET
The regular meeting of the Southport Lions Club will be held at 1 o'clock tomorrow, (Thursday) in the recreation room of the Masonic Building.

NEWS OF DEATH
Relatives in Southport were advised Tuesday of the death at Rex Hospital in Raleigh, of Mrs. Joe Moore. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rob Ruark of Raleigh and is well known in Southport.

CHANNEL PROPOSAL
Southport fishing interests are planning to attend a public hearing at the Customs House in Wilmington next Tuesday at which time a proposal will be made for the dredging of a channel from the Island Waterway to the ocean at a point about one mile north of Carolina Beach. Local fishermen point out that a channel in this location would permit local boats to go fishing east of the Cape Fear shoals many times when weather makes impossible to get round there outside.

Hospital Building Fund Now Totals \$8,564.50