

## Big Haul Of King Mackerel



**LUCKY**—This is the results of a Gulf Stream trip made Friday by a Southport party aboard the John-Ellen with Capt. Walter Lewis. They had 36 king mackerel, 4 amberjack and 4 bonita. Members of the group include

Mrs. Davis Herring and Mrs. Walter Lewis, standing. Mrs. Ernest Parker, Mrs. Dan Harelson, Dan Harelson, Davis Herring, Ernest Parker and Capt. Lewis—(Newton Photo—Star-News Cut.)

## Farm Program To Start December 1 For This County

County Chairman M. G. Mooney Advises That Assistance Under 1953 ACP Program Will Come After First Of Month

"Assistance to farmers under the 1953 program cannot begin before December 1," says M. G. Mooney, chairman of Brunswick County PMA committee.

The 1953 program procedure is controlled by the following wording: "All farmer contacts will be completed and each farmer in the county who requests assistance will be notified in writing as to each approved practice and the assistance approved therefor before the program year begins."

The beginning of the 1953 program has been delayed because of the inability of the community committeemen to complete the contacts. It now appears that December 1 will be the earliest date by which the contacts will be completed, the requests reviewed by the county committee and notices prepared to be mailed to the farmers of the county. It stands to reason that practices carried out before the beginning of the program will not be considered for credit, therefore no practices carried out before December 1 will earn credit under the 1953 ACP program.

Mr. Mooney pointed out that the 1953 program year ends October 31, 1953.

## Republicans Will Push Vote Protest

Brunswick County Election Board Members Cited To Appear In Superior Court In Whiteville Monday, November 24

**W. A. KOPP SEEKS RECOUNT OF VOTE**

Appeal Also Made To State Board Of Elections From Ruling Made By Local Election Body

Members of the board of elections for Brunswick County have been summoned to appear in Whiteville Monday, November 24, to answer to a complaint brought by W. A. Kopp, who seeks a writ of mandamus to compel the local board to grant a recount of ballots cast in the recent general election.

Kopp was the Republican candidate for the House of Representatives and upon the basis of figures shown at the official canvass lost to Odell Williamson by a margin of 57 votes.

On the basis of a law enacted during the 1951 session of the North Carolina General Assembly Kopp petitioned the Brunswick County election board for a recount, and this request was denied. The law provides that a recount may be called for by the loser if there is not more than 1 per cent difference in the vote for him and the apparent winner. There is a further provision that this request must be made at the time of the canvass and before the returns have been certified to the State Board of Elections.

Democrat members of the election board take the position that they were within their rights to deny the recount because the petition was made on Monday and the returns had been certified to the State Board of Elections.

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## Special Program At Bolivia Church

The Bolivia Baptist Church will have a special Thanksgiving program Thursday morning, November 27, at 6:30 a. m., and the public and community are cordially invited to attend.

A special program has been arranged and special decorations for the rostrum setting has been completed under the direction of Mrs. L. L. Edwards, Mrs. John Johnson and Mrs. Elwood Bullard.

Bringing the special message of the morning will be the Rev. C. L. Warren, pastor of the Methodist Church, and the Rev. W. R. Moorehead, pastor of the Bolivia Baptist Church will be in charge of the services. It is urged that everyone be at the church by 6:30 as the prelude will begin at 6:20 sharp.

## Postoffice Is Being Changed In Furnishings

New Furniture And Equipment Being Installed For Southport Postoffice With More Lock Boxes Available

The Post Office Department is now giving the Southport office a complete overhauling by replacing all equipment and adding more modern facilities for handling the mails.

With 341 lock boxes and drawers having been available to the patrons and all of these rented, the new box arrangement has 434, a gain of 143. With these boxes and drawers being installed this week, Mrs. Majorie Livingston, the acting postmaster, states she is endeavoring to give all old patrons of the office their box or drawer in about the same location the old box was in. Many patrons of the office are said to have been waiting for months to get a box.

The additional boxes and furniture inside the office gives the office personnel very little space in which to work. An official of the post office department, who preferred not to be quoted, expressed doubt that the additional boxes would serve the need for more than a short time. He also saw the need for additional office and lobby space within a few months.

## Appointment Of County Auditor Receives Delay

Board Of Commissioners Failed To Make Recommendation To State Treasurer During Meeting Here Monday

### APPOINTMENT DUE BEFORE DECEMBER 1

Other Routine Matters Up Before Board In Final Session For Commissioner Peterson

After discussing the matter of making a recommendation to State Treasurer Brandon Hodges for the appointment of a county auditor for the next four years, members of the board of county commissioners adjourned Monday, without taking any action.

Although it is not required that a recommendation come from the board, it has been the practice in the past to have the endorsement of the commissioners for this position. The appointment must be made by the State treasurer before December 1.

Applicants for the job included Mrs. Ressie Whitley, who has been filling the unexpired term of W. P. Jorgensen since his resignation several months ago. She had the full support of Commissioner R. L. Rabon. Chairman Elroy King indicated his preference for either Roney Cheers, Jr., or for M. D. Anderson. H. O. Peterson, who was attending his last meeting as a member of the board before stepping down in favor of Leo Medlin, refused to take a part in the proceedings.

It now appears that the appointment will be made upon the basis of recommendations from other sources, and the political alignment seems to favor the opponent of one of the King candidates.

A lease with E. H. Shepherd and Joe Cochran, covering rental of a small area of farm land at the county home was renewed

## Will Nominate Soil Candidates

James D. Bellamy, Jr., Is Candidate To Succeed Himself As Member Of Board Of Soil Conservation Supervisors

A meeting of the Brunswick County Board of Soil Conservation Supervisors was held during the past week at the Shallotte high school. The entire board was present, which consists of J. D. Bellamy, Jr., of Shallotte, Corbett Coleman of Ash and G. K. Lewis of Winnabow. H. F. Kizer, the local SCS technician, was also present.

Plans were made for circulating petitions to nominate candidates for a member of the board whose term expires at the end of the year. It was agreed to nominate Mr. Bellamy to succeed himself on the board for another term. It was also brought out that if there is any person

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## Capt. Reuben Drew Is Visitor Here

Skipper Of Famous Sightseeing Vessel In New York Harbor Is Native Of Brunswick County

Southport had a very interesting visitor Friday in Captain Reuben Drew, a native of Southport who has claimed New York as his home since 1898. To Captain Drew the trip back here is in the nature of a home-coming, his 55 years in New York has not changed his love for the town and community of his birth.

For around 40 years in New York Captain Drew followed the occupation of tug boat operator. He retired for a few years but to your river man the water is always home. Several years ago he was persuaded to go back into harness as skipper of the New Yorker, famous sightseeing boat of the Circle Line in New York Harbor.

The Saturday Evening Post recently had four pages of pictures and reading matter, written by Don Wharton, relative to the beautiful boats of the Circle Line and the tours they make about New York Harbor for the benefit of the sight seeing visitors to the world's largest city.

Captain Drew is now 76 years old. Although he is apparently a truthful man, the folks he meets up with find it hard to believe him when he states his age. His navy years on the water have not sapped his physical energy and he appears to be no more than 60.

He worked at Fort Caswell during his last few years of residence in Southport in 1898, the year of the earthquake, and just about the time of rebuilding of Fort Caswell took place.

A subscriber to this paper there in New York City is pleased to have the chance of a lifetime to write this paper something about Fort Caswell, as he lived there for three years, as they were 60 years ago.

Including his relatives he may be interested in Captain Drew and his wife, Ida Potter Watson and Captain Fred Small of Southport, and the Knox family of Town Creek and several others are all related to him.

## Texas Company Low Bidder On Railroad Work

W. A. Smith Construction Company Of Houston, Texas, Submitted Bid Which Fell Slightly Below Government Estimate

### WORKING ON DETAILS FOR LETTING CONTRACT

Work Expected To Begin On Leland End Of Project Within 30-Day Period; Second Big Project Contracted For

By W. B. KEZIAH

With nine major construction companies bidding, all backed by forces of sub-contractors ample to put the work through in a speedy manner, the W. A. Smith Construction Company of Houston, Texas, was low bidder yesterday for the 25-mile Sunny Point access railroad.

The bids were opened in the Custom House in Wilmington and the Texas Company submitted a bid of \$2,079,375.62. This was slightly lower than the estimated cost as figured by the District Army Engineers.

It will probably take through today and Thursday to canvass all bids and award the contract. But on the basis of things as they now stand, the Smith Company is scheduled to receive the contract on the basis of being the low bidder.

In such work 30 days are usually allowed contractors to get in their equipment and start work. However, the design and construction schedule for the entire Sunny Point installation originally called for railroad construction to begin on November 12. This means that the railroad construction is more than a month behind schedule. To make up time the contractor will probably speed up the start without waiting for the full 30-day deadline.

Work of building the Sunny Point docks is scheduled to begin on February 12. This construction starting time appears to be largely dependent on the railroad being finished in order to bring in material. Material is to come by both rail and water. The early completion of the railroad appears vital to an early start on several other contracts.

## Special Permission For Pond Fishing

North Carolina Resources Commission Willing To Waive All Rules Except Those Governing Dynamiting And Poison

### HUGE QUANTITIES OF FISH EXPECTED

Word Will Be Passed By The Government Agencies When Ponds Are In Danger From Dredging Operation

Finding it impossible to save the fish for restocking when the small ponds and lakes south of Orton Pond are destroyed by being filled with dredging disposal during the construction of the Army Ammunition depot, the State Wildlife Commission has lifted the rules applying to fresh water fishing and will give the fish in these ponds to the public.

With only dynamite and poison omitted from the method of taking, there will be no size or number limit to a person.

The matter is explained fully in the following resolutions adopted by the Wildlife Commission:

## Power Lines To Follow Railroad

This Route Will Bring The Transmission Lines Of Carolina Power & Light Company Close To Southport City Limits

The government is taking more interest in Southport than is generally understood, and it may be said that the construction of Sunny Point is not unattended with preparations to meet developments that will result in advances for the town itself.

One of the first illustrations of this local interest is contract for the construction of the access railroad, for which work bids were opened yesterday and with the contract to be let today. For this the government provided a 175-foot right of way.

The coming of the facility at Sunny Point calls for a good deal of power for the government. The Carolina Light and Power Company will provide this power and the lines to provide this power could easily have been run down over a much shorter route than the course of the railroad. But, in that case they would have been unable to come on to Southport.

The engineers and the government made a big concession to Southport. They insisted and provided for the power company to use the railroad right of way. It is a longer route for the power company, but they will be able to come right on in to Southport.

Officials of the power company stated while in Southport two weeks ago that they will start building their lines when the work of clearing the railroad right of way starts.

A few days ago an engineer with a knowledge of power plant abilities went over the Southport plant. Despite the supposed recent bad condition he stated, "Your plant is still capable of

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## Credit Group To Meet In Burgaw

Nineteenth Annual Meeting Of Wilmington Production Credit Association Will Be Held Friday Morning Of This Week

The 19th annual meeting of the Wilmington Production Credit Association will be held in the Superior Court room, Pender County court house, Burgaw, on Friday at 10 a. m., according to an announcement by H. E. Rivenbark, secretary-treasurer of the association.

Because of adverse weather conditions during the recent growing season, resulting in short crops for market and short feed supply for livestock, the more than 1100 member-stockholders of the association will find that their short term credit source is of greater importance now than ever before. The association is a

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## Brief News Flashes

**MOVES TO SHALLOTTE**

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Garner and children have moved to Shallotte where they are operating the new tourist court that they have recently built.

**THANKSGIVING SERVICE**

There will be a special Thanksgiving service at St. Phillips Episcopal Church at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, November 27. The sermon will be brought by the Rev. Dan Allen, rector.

**ON DEAN'S LIST**

Miss Janice Swan, student at Spartanburg Junior College, was on the Dean's List for the month of October. This is a much coveted honor among the students. Miss Swan is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swan of Southport.

**TURKEY SUPPER**

A turkey supper will be served in the recreation room of Trinity Methodist Church from 6 to 7 o'clock tomorrow (Thursday) evening. A bazaar will be held during the afternoon in the former State Port Pilot office on the corner of Moore and Howe streets.

## Shallotte Band At Wake Forest

The Shallotte High School Band received an invitation to attend Saturday's Duke-Wake Forest football tilt at Wake Forest. With the invitation was a request for the hustling Brunswick County organization to perform at the half.

As usual in such situations the folks of the school district, composed of Lockwoods Folly and Shallotte townships, stepped right in and provided funds for the chartering of a bus that would carry the band to Wake Forest

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## Turkey Shoot Is Set For Bolivia

Lions Club Planning Turkey Shoot And Oyster Roast To Raise Money For Christmas Activities

Preparing to do all possible for underprivileged children during the winter, the Bolivia Lions Club will stage its big annual turkey shoot and oyster roast Saturday, November 22.

Beginning with the turkey shoot at noon, the event will last until everybody is full of oysters at night. John C. Johnson of the organization says that practically everything for the event is being donated, including the work. This will leave all of the receipts to go to the Lions Club funds.

Taylor Albright is heading the committee obtaining the turkeys and looking after the shooting. He says that there will be plenty of turkeys and good ones at that.

John C. Johnson is looking after the corn bread and hush puppy detail. He also assures plenty to eat in his department.

Rural Mail Carrier Kenny McKeithan is handling the business of getting plenty of oysters, roasting them, etc. He will also provide the coffee.

From all of the above departments comes the assurance that there will be plenty of turkeys to carry home as prizes and all that those who attend can eat. The cause is a fine one and it is hoped to have an even bigger crowd than was present last year. "You will get a big meal if come to the school house at Bolivia Saturday afternoon," says a spokesman for the Bolivia Lions Club.



**Our ROVING Reporter**

Charlie Trott, Esq., Republican warhorse who never minds what we say about him and about whom we never mind saying anything, tells us that he is a full fledged aspirant for the office of Collector of Customs at Wilmington. To us he has already made some interesting concessions in what he will do if appointed. Educationally and otherwise Charlie is probably just as well qualified as the next Republican for the position. He certainly has always been a hard and loyal worker for his party. Since the job will probably last only four years, not even the Brunswick County Democrats will mind seeing Charlie get some reward.

Wonders never cease. In last week's paper we had a squib about Middleton was being printed it just happened that we wandered into a law office where a deal for the same of 400 building lots at Long Beach was being consummated. And we stayed there until we got all we wanted to know about the big plans. Long Beach is on its way. In a very short time a new area of the 10-mile strand and in back of it will be presenting scenes of building activity. Meanwhile the older portions of the beach will also keep steadily growing.

Shrimping is not so far down on the scale of employment as some people might be disposed to think. In the spring of last year the editor of one of the state daily newspapers came in from Florida, employed as a deck hand on a shrimp trawler. This past spring an intelligent looking fellow came in employed in a like position. Impressed by

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## Southport Man In Rescue Work

Coast Guard Lieut. Thomas Thompson Receives Praise For Heroic Efforts In Rescue Dork At Mine Shaft

Alpena, Michigan, newspapers received here give high praise to Lt. Thomas Thompson of Southport for his work in rescuing bodies from the bottom of a 272-foot deep mine shaft at Herron, Mich., several days ago.

Five miners lost their lives in an explosion at Herron. The work of recovering the bodies was difficult and dangerous, owing to the natural gas in the shaft.

Lt. Thompson, a son of Mrs. J. W. Thompson of Southport, serving with the Coast Guard, volunteered to aid in recovering the bodies. In one case he climbed down a 272-foot metal ladder with a line around the waist, so that he could be drawn back if overcome by gas. He found the body of the last man, fastened a line about his waist and saw him drawn to the surface.

## 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, November 20	
9:49 a. m.	3:21 a. m.
9:59 p. m.	4:14 p. m.
Friday, November 21	
10:41 a. m.	4:11 a. m.
10:56 p. m.	5:05 p. m.
Saturday, November 22	
11:37 a. m.	5:06 a. m.
11:57 p. m.	5:59 p. m.
Sunday, November 23	
0:00 a. m.	6:07 a. m.
12:36 p. m.	6:56 p. m.
Monday, November 24	
1:01 a. m.	7:12 a. m.
1:37 p. m.	7:55 p. m.
Tuesday, November 25	
2:05 a. m.	8:20 a. m.
2:37 p. m.	8:54 p. m.
Wednesday, November 26	
3:08 a. m.	9:27 a. m.
3:36 p. m.	9:50 p. m.