

Dredge Workers Arriving Here To Wait On Vessel

Fourteen Families Expected To Arrive Here Before Christmas And Are Looking For Apartments

FIRST BIG DREDGE ON WAY UP COAST

Men Engaged For Work On This Project Say They Expect To Remain In Southport For Next Eighteen Months

Fourteen families of employees of the superdredge A. G. McWilliams are scheduled to arrive here this week, according to one of the men who has already arrived and secured the Ross Livingston garage apartment for his family.

The families are from both Louisiana and Mississippi and they represent the dredge operating crews. They expect to live here at least 18 months and a lot more families will arrive next week.

Enough men are on the dredge to bring her to Southport. It is said that a number of local people will be employed here for dredge operations, replacing some who did not wish to come from the west coast. Outside of the actual dredging operations, the McWilliams Dredging Co. will also employ a considerable number of men on land.

The employees who have already reached here say that they do not know when the dredge will arrive. They were merely told to be here before Christmas day and ready to go to work. The ship, its pipeline barges and other equipment is being brought in by tugs and is said to be scheduled to arrive before Christmas. Since considerable leeway is allowed she may arrive here several days before the scheduled time, provided there has been no trouble enroute.

Other dredges are scheduled to arrive in early January and February. A drill boat that is marked for drilling and blasting out a small area of rock near Dock No. 2, is scheduled to start operations two weeks from today. While this rock is said to be not excessively hard, it is probable the demolition charges will cause minor "shakes" in Southport.

Brief News Flashes

GOES OVERSEAS

Ronnie Hood, who has been stationed at Camp Pendleton, Cal., with the Marine Corps, has been sent overseas to Korea. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Hood.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Southport High School Glee Club and students of the Tappan School of Dance will stage their benefit show tomorrow (Thursday) night in the high school auditorium.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. Watson Freeman and son, Bill, of Gainesville, Fla., will arrive Saturday to spend Christmas with Mrs. Freeman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Price.

ON VACATION

Cashier Prince O'Brien is on vacation from his duties at the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Co. During his absence Mrs. Rachel Rook is taking his place. She is a former assistant cashier of the local institution.

WITH SERVICEMEN

Making the cruise from Guam thru Puerto Rico via Hawaii on President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower was Donald W. Jenrette, metalsmith third class, USN, of Ash. The Helena is returning to the United States from her third tour of combat duty in Korea.

DAVID BOBBY GOLDEN, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Golden, Supply, is completing his AF basic airman indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base, the "Gateway to the Air Force." Lackland, situated near San Antonio, is the world's largest Air Force Base, site of Air Force basic training for men and women, headquarters of the Human Resource Research Center, and home of AF's Officer Candidate School. His basic training is preparing him for entrance into Air Force technical training and for assignment in specialized work. The course includes a scientific evaluation of his aptitudes and inclination for following a particular vocation and career.

James E. Carr Is Taken By Death

Prominent Southport Citizen Died Tuesday Afternoon In Doshier Memorial Hospital Following Lengthy Illness

Funeral services will be held here Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock for James Edison Carr, lifelong resident of Southport, who died in the Doshier Memorial Hospital following a long period of failing health. His condition did not become critical until three weeks ago.

Mr. Carr was with the WB&S Railroad for a number of years as traffic agent. About 20 years ago he was appointed secretary-treasurer of the Southport Building and Loan Association, continuing in that position to the time of his death.

A veteran of the first World War, Mr. Carr became one of the charter members of the Brunswick Post American Legion. Throughout World War II he served as a member of the Selective Service Board.

Funeral services will be held at St. Phillips Episcopal Church with Rev. Daniel W. Allen officiating, assisted by Rev. Norwood L. Jones. Burial will be in the Norwood cemetery. Members of the Brunswick Post American Legion will act as active pallbearers and the vestry of St.



Phillips Church and directors of the Southport Building and Loan Association will serve as honorary pallbearers.

Surviving is the widow, Mrs. Irma Davis Carr; a daughter, Mrs. Jack Hughes; his mother, Mrs. Thomas B. Carr, Sr., four sisters, Mrs. W. S. Davis, Wilmington; Mrs. D. J. Fulcher, Thailand; Mrs. P. M. Messick and Mrs. Fred Willing, both of Southport; and two grandchildren.

Special Christmas Program Planned

Choir Of Trinity Methodist Church Will Present A Christmas Cantata Sunday Afternoon At 5:00

BAPTIST PROGRAM SUNDAY EVENING

City Employees Will Have Extended Holiday; Ask Citizens To Go Easy On Use Of Outside Lighting

Southport music lovers are in for a treat Sunday when two programs of Christmas music are scheduled at local churches.

At 5 o'clock the choir of Trinity Methodist Church, under the direction of Mrs. Dallas Pigott will present "Song of the Holy Night." There will be no evening service at this church.

At 7 o'clock Sunday evening the choir of Southport Baptist Church will sing "The Chorus in The Sky." This cantata will be under the direction of Mrs. R. C. Daniel.

New Pastorium Now Occupied

The Rev. E. C. Reeves And Family Now Living In Recently Completed Home In Mt. Pisgah Community

The Mt. Pisgah community is very happy to have their pastor, the Rev. E. C. Reeves, of White Lake, living in their community. He his wife and two children are now residing in the pastorium built by the church. Rev. Reeves also is pastor of the Boones Neck church.

The pastorium was begun in July and completed in November. The pastor and his family moved December 5 and held open house December 14 from 2 to 4 p. m. The guests were welcomed by Rev. and Mrs. Reeves and registered by Mrs. Durban Varnum. Miss Thelma Sellers and Miss Bernice Hewett served holiday refreshments at a table decorated in the Christmas theme. Rev. and Mrs. Reeves were very much pleased at the number of people attending open house.

The community as well as the Rev. and Mrs. Reeves are very proud of their pastorium. The people stood by with untiring effort from the beginning to the finish of the project. Although many hours of hard labor went into this job, they were untiring because of the goal that was looked forward to.

The pastorium stands to the northeast of the church and is an attractive asbestos shingle dwelling composed of living room, dining room, study, three bedrooms, kitchen and bath.

The next project is beautifying the grounds, which the people hope to begin soon.

Good Menhaden Catches This Week

Employees of the local menhaden factories are making what is sometimes referred to as Christmas money with big catches every day and prospects of continuing as long as the weather holds good.

Altogether the boats of the Brunswick Navigation Company brought in one and a half million fish yesterday and the same the previous day. The Southport Fisheries, Inc., and the Saunders Products Corporation boats are doing about the same.

At the factories and manning the boats are something over 200 men, all coming in for a share of good earnings in this fall-end season.

Western Union May Come Back

Representative Of Company Spent Day Here Last Week Trying To Determine Some Idea Of Coming Need For Wire Service

With the business having been only enough to justify the mailing in of telegrams, or telephoning them in from Wilmington in cases of emergency, the Western Union Telegraph Company will probably be back in Southport with its own lines and an experienced telegraph operator within a few weeks.

A. R. Gallup, with the Wilmington office of the Western Union for many years, was in Southport this week. In an interview with a representative of this paper, Mr. Gallup stated that the city would need quick and efficient telegraph service soon.

"The problem," he said, "is getting our lines here. The Western Union follows all railroads, using the same right of way. It is supposed that the same course can be followed with respect to the government railroad to where it will fan down into the reservation. And it may be that we can effect arrangements with the Carolina Light and Power Company to use its poles."

The three miles from where the railroad turns will present little of a right of way or building problems, the Western Union man thought. Besides, he appeared to have an idea that the railroad line would be built on private interests to some point between Southport and the Walden Creek boundary of the government reservation.

Meanwhile, pending the certain early need of telegraph service and to get by until they can build lines, the Western Union is continuing regular phone service on telegrams to and from the (Continued on Page 4)

Draw Jury List For Court Here On January 19

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SOME INTERESTING CASES SET FOR TRIAL

Large Number Of Jurors Drawn Because Of Necessity Of Selecting Grand Jury From The List

Judge Q. K. Nimocks of Fayetteville will preside over a one-week mixed term of Superior court beginning Monday, January 19, at which time several interesting cases are scheduled for trial.

During their meeting here on Monday the board of county commissioners drew the names of 66 men and women for jury service. The reason for such a large list is that a grand jury to serve during the next 12 months must be selected at the January term. After this is done, the remaining jurors will be used to choose the petit juries, which serve at the term.

Following is the jury list: Dearmond Swain, Ruben L. Jones, Ellis Sellers, W. C. Webb, Ed C. Daniels, Mrs. George V. Watson, Sr., James R. Frazer, R. L. Thompson, James Clemmons, Fred Barnhill, Thomas Floyd, J. A. McNeil, Robert McCracken, Dexter Clemmons, H. B. Smith, Howard Lee, Jack Drew, Charles M. McKeithan, T. G. Peardrick, Southport: O. E. Mintz, Leon L. Tripp, Youth Gore, Mrs. H. O. Britt, S. R. Stephens, M. N. Mintz, Shelton Stanley, Ash; P. R. Fulcher, R. H. Tillmon, Mrs. Lou Ganey Ivester, Claudia Skipper, J. R. Williamson, A. H. Thomas, W. H. Chadwick, D. L. Ganey, Ray Martin, Leland; John Goodman Fulford, Sidney Calson, Ellis Benton, Sr., C. R. Hankins, George C. Swain, Leonard Davis, A. W. Arnold, Supply; A. C. Bellamy, Lawrence Moore, Wampee, S. C. RFD; Willie B. Robinson, W. B. Nelson, George Bland, B. A. Sabiston, Mrs. Madeline Dalton, J. D. Register, E. R. Nelson, C. R. Coleman, James Redwine, Shallotte; J. C. Reynolds, I. C. Hankins, G. C. Swain, J. J. McKay, Bolivia; Ike Vereen, Jack King, Rembert L. Duncan, S. C. Ross, D. Bert Edwards, C. A. King, Freeland; C. D. Sykes, Acme; Luther Benton, Winnabow.

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New Band Unit Active At Delco

Miss Mildred Powell Is Assistant Director; Baptist Church Organized At Riegelwood

DELCO, Dec. 15.—Members of the Acme-Delco High School band, which has been organized this year and is under the direction of Robert Hodges, Columbus County band leader, are as follows: Elaine Gregory, Linda Heath, Rachel Ann Peterson, Sue Ellen Smith, Bobby Lennon, Jerome Sittman, Larry Freak, Bonny Brown, Nancy Jarmon, Shirley Bollinger, John Dailey, Allen Cook, Elaine Lennon, Butch Paratore, Henry Hodges, Sara Frank Bordeaux, Allen Walker, Frances Odams, Merle Pittman, Myra (Continued On Page Six)



Our ROVING Reporter

The additional post office boxes at Southport comes as a boon to the patrons and they probably make the work much easier for the post office folks. A remaining big drawback is that there is only a few additional feet of floor space in the lobby for patrons of the office and things there are just as crowded as they have ever been. In January may let up some after holidays but not for long with new people moving to town and having to have post office service. The town became eligible for a new post office building some 11 years ago, while L. T. Yaskell was post master. Things have grown a lot since then and there will soon be an urgent need for the building to which the town is entitled. With the government owning the 4-acre Garrison property, it may be said

Principal Injured In Auto Accident

Bad shoulders on Route 130 caused Principal H. T. Saunders of the Southport high school to lose control of his pickup truck last Wednesday afternoon. The machine turned over and Mr. Saunders sustained a badly broken left arm that has since been causing him much trouble at the Doshier Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Saunders and their little daughter, Nancy, were riding with him and both escaped injury, although the truck was badly damaged.

The Saunders' and a large number of other Southport people, had gone over to the intracoastal waterway bridge in response to a fire alarm from the Southport Fisheries, Inc. The fire department of Southport assisted in extinguishing the blaze after it had resulted in a moderate amount of damage. Mr. Saunders was returning to Southport and a drop of the shoulders of the 16-foot paved road caused him to lose control while passing another machine.

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13-Year-Old Girl Passes At Nakina

NAKINA, Dec. 15.—Elizabeth O'Neal Gore, 13 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Gore of Nakina, died Sunday morning at 2 o'clock after an illness of three months and five days. She was stricken early last fall while a student at Old Dock School.

Last rites were conducted on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Palmyra Baptist Church, with the Rev. Gaston Hester as the officiating minister. Burial followed in the cemetery of Old Zion Wesleyan Methodist Church in the Guideway section.

61,547,861 Voted In General Election

Final Associated Press Figures Show That 61,547,861 Citizens Cast Ballot November 4

WASHINGTON. — A record-smashing 61,547,861 total vote was cast for President on Nov. 4 when Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower won election by a plurality of 6,616,233.

The final official figures as tabulated by The Associated Press showed Eisenhower polled 33,927,549 to 27,311,316 for the losing Democratic candidate, Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson. Other parties received 308,996.

Many records fell in the great outpouring of voters stirred to a new pitch of political consciousness by a combination of popular candidates, television and unprecedented get-out-the-vote drives.

The total number of ballots cast counted the highest vote in each state regardless of office and including blanks and voided ballots, was 62,042,777 — not far from the 63 million goal of the vote drive conducted by the American Heritage Foundation in cooperation with 60 odd private organizations.

But only 61,547,861 will go into the official record books for posterity, because 494,916 of that 62 odd million total either scratched their presidential ballots or had

them thrown out.

The total presidential vote was 11,727,549 more than the previous record of 49,820,312 cast in the Roosevelt-Willkie contest in 1940. It exceeded by 12,859,572 the 1948 election total.

Got 55.1 Per Cent
Eisenhower got 55.1 per cent of the total vote, Stevenson 44.4 and others 0.5. Eisenhower's percentage of the major party vote was 55.4, Stevenson's 44.3.

Sixty-three per cent of the adult population — potential voters — cast votes for president, reversing a downward trend that had been in evidence since 1940. The vote represented 81 per cent of the nation's estimated eligibles, those who register, etc.

The figures show Eisenhower rang up a tremendous personal victory. In the 37 states where figures on other statewide two-party races were available tonight, Eisenhower ran ahead of the highest man on the state Republican ticket — senator, governor, or other office — in all except six states. Only state candidates in Arizona, Minnesota, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Vermont and Wisconsin topped the Eisenhower vote.

City And County Take Holidays

Air Force Man Has Bad Cruise

An unidentified member of the U. S. Air Force Air-Sea Rescue Group stationed at Southport was brought in by the Coast Guard early Tuesday morning after being adrift all night in a small boat.

The service man was alone, and when the motor knocked off he found himself without means to either steer or propel the craft. He drifted helplessly during the bitter cold night, and when he was discovered he was near the rocks of New Inlet.

No particulars could be obtained regarding his condition, as he was carried to Shaw Field Base Hospital for treatment for exposure.

Bolivia P. T. A. Holds Meeting

Regular Monthly Meeting Of This Organization Featured By Christmas Party

The Bolivia PTA held its regular monthly meet Monday night, December 7, in the school auditorium. Norwood Lewis, the president, presided over the meeting.

After reports were heard from all the committees, a Christmas party was enjoyed. Mrs. A. S. Knowles, recreational leader, directed the singing of Christmas Carols and playing games.

The home economics room was beautifully decorated for the occasion by Mrs. John Johnson and her classes. The refreshment committee served hot coffee, doughnuts, fruit, candy and nuts. The grade mothers and teachers got together after the meeting (Continued on Page 5)

Tabor Chorus To Give Program

Christmas Music To Be Presented In School Auditorium There On Thursday Evening

TABOR CITY, Dec. 15.—The Tabor City High School Chorus will present a program of Christmas music in the school auditorium Thursday evening, December 18 at 8 o'clock. Mrs. W. W. Woody is director.

The program will consist of Fred Waring's Song of Christmas and a cantata with tableau and narrator.

The chorus will also sing the annual number, "The Lullaby on Christmas Eve," and the "Hallelujah Chorus" from the Messiah. (Continued On Page Six)

Offices At Courthouse And City Hall Will Be Closed From Tuesday Next Week Until Following Monday

ASK COOPERATION IN USE OF LIGHTS

Clean-Up Campaign For City Being Sponsored By Girl Scouts As Pre-Holiday Community Project

All city and county offices will close at the end of business on Tuesday, December 23, and will remain closed until Monday morning, December 29.

The city officials have asked that Southport citizens cooperate with them in the use of outside lights for Christmas. While the local power plant is passed the crisis several weeks ago, they still ask that residents use their current sparingly.

The city officials also ask the cooperation of home owners in the matter of removing garbage and rubbish during the holidays. The trash truck will be inoperative during the holiday period, and residents are asked to make their plans accordingly.

In this connection, the Girl Scout Troop is sponsoring a pre-holiday clean-up campaign, which should have everything spic and span before the holiday period begins. Scout leaders are urging every property owner to participate in this effort.

Routine Cases Tried In Court

Usual Run Of Cases Disposed Of Here Monday In Brunswick County Recorder's Court

Routine cases were disposed of here in Recorder's Court Monday with the following sentences being passed:

Stephen Albert Nix, no operator's license, no pros at request of prosecuting attorney, as defendant was under 16 years of age.

P. R. Smith, Jr., speeding, fined \$10 and costs.

Wesley Wayne Parson, failure to yield right of way, fined \$10 and costs, fine remitted on condition that defendant make restitution for property damage.

Carrie McKenzie Milliken, no operator's license, fined \$25 and costs.

Henry Goodman Hodges, speeding, fined \$10 and costs.

Charles Floyd Smith, speeding, fined \$10 and costs.

William Ace Pearson, speeding, fined \$20 and costs.

Major Stanley, possession and disorderly conduct, costs and defendant placed on good behavior for two years.

Construction Of Dikes Begins On Sunny Point Job

Heavy Equipment Already Engaged In Major Earth-Moving Activities As The First Phase Of Big Operation

GIANT DRAGLINES DOING THIS WORK

Curator Of State Museum Expresses Much Interest In What May Be Uncovered In Way Of Ancient Bones

By W. B. KEZIAH
Apparently the dike building at Sunny Point will be no small job in itself. C. G. Poole, Inc., Raleigh, with a sub contract for the McWilliams Dredging Company of New Orleans, has a huge bulldozer busy at moving earth and several more of these machines are to be brought in to work at both clearing and helping at the dikes where the terrain will permit.

By the main dikes construction efforts will fall to the mighty arms or booms of huge draglines. One of these machines now on the ground and at work has a capacity of one and a half cubic yards each pickup. To better portray its size, the net weight of the machine is 86 tons. Unassembled, it presented quite a couple of loads for the huge carrier trucks that brought it in.

A newsman who was interviewing Mr. Poole thought the above behemoth with one and a half cubic yards at a dip was some machine. From this opinion he was debunked by Poole saying: "We have a bigger machine that handles two and a half cubic yards at a scoop, being shipped in now."

In a way of speaking, the two draglines, plus the flock of bulldozers that are beginning to assemble, will literally move the earth from the bottom of the river to pile inside the buttresses that the present operations are preparing.

Harry Davis, curator of the State Museum in Raleigh, has a pretty fair idea of the extent of the dragline bulldozer operations now getting underway at Southport. For some time the museum man, to whom sticks and bones has been preparing to come to town, and inaugurate what may be a two-year-long search for fossils that now lie under the earth's covering in the Sunny Point area.

At Hospital

Baby Jess Willard Bowling of Southport entered on Tuesday as a medical patient.

Mr. and Mrs. Elder Hewett of Supply announce the birth of a son on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Sellers of Winnabow announce the birth of a son on Wednesday.

Mrs. Virginia Walton of Southport spent Tuesday until Friday as a surgical patient.

Willard Johnson of Bolivia was a medical patient from Tuesday until Monday.

Baby Rex Allen Hewett of Supply spent Tuesday until Wednesday as a medical patient.

Mrs. Linnie Hewett of Supply was a medical patient from Friday until Saturday.

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, December 18	
8:46 a. m.	2:18 a. m.
9:00 p. m.	3:11 p. m.
Friday, December 19	
9:40 a. m.	3:11 a. m.
9:54 p. m.	3:59 p. m.
Saturday, December 20	
10:32 a. m.	4:03 a. m.
10:49 p. m.	4:49 p. m.
Sunday, December 21	
11:24 a. m.	4:57 a. m.
11:47 p. m.	5:40 p. m.
Monday, December 22	
0:00 a. m.	5:56 a. m.
12:20 p. m.	6:34 p. m.
Tuesday, December 23	
0:46 a. m.	6:58 a. m.
1:18 p. m.	7:29 p. m.
Wednesday, December 24	
1:47 a. m.	8:03 a. m.
2:13 p. m.	8:27 p. m.