

## Flower Show Is Very Successful Again This Year

Large Number Of Entries In Both Senior And Junior Show Make This Year's Event Outstanding

### MRS. ST. GEORGE IS SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

### Southport Gymnasium Scene Of Loveliness As This Year's Event Is Run Off Last Week

The flower show sponsored by the Southport Woman's Club and the Southport Garden Club on Friday in the high school gymnasium was a success from every standpoint.

A large number of people viewed the exhibits when the show was open to the public from 3:30 until 6 o'clock. Winners of the sweepstakes prizes were announced just before the show closed and number were drawn for the door prizes.

Winners in the various classes were awarded points; five for a blue ribbon, four for a red ribbon, two for yellow ribbon and one point for white ribbon. These points were totaled and the sweepstakes prizes awarded to the four exhibitors who had the highest number of points.

Mrs. Thomas St. George won the first sweepstakes prizes with a total of four first places, six second places, three third places and four fourth places. Mrs. James Harper, Jr., won second sweepstakes prize with four first places and one second place. Mrs. J. E. Dodson won third sweepstakes with one first place, two second places, two third places and two fourth places. Mrs. Davis Herring won fourth sweepstakes with one first place, two second places, two third places and one fourth place.

Winners of the show are as follows: Class 1: Perfection of bloom. Rose, 1st, Mrs. G. W. McClamery; 2nd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 3rd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 4th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 5th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 6th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 7th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 8th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 9th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 10th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 11th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 12th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 13th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 14th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 15th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 16th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 17th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 18th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 19th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 20th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 21st, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 22nd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 23rd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 24th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 25th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 26th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 27th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 28th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 29th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 30th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 31st, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 32nd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 33rd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 34th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 35th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 36th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 37th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 38th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 39th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 40th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 41st, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 42nd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 43rd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 44th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 45th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 46th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 47th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 48th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 49th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 50th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 51st, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 52nd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 53rd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 54th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 55th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 56th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 57th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 58th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 59th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 60th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 61st, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 62nd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 63rd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 64th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 65th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 66th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 67th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 68th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 69th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 70th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 71st, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 72nd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 73rd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 74th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 75th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 76th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 77th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 78th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 79th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 80th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 81st, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 82nd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 83rd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 84th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 85th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 86th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 87th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 88th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 89th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 90th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 91st, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 92nd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 93rd, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 94th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 95th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 96th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 97th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 98th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 99th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; 100th, Mrs. J. E. Dodson.

## Colonel Holle Is Division Engineer

### New South Atlantic Division Chief Has Been Working In Mississippi River Districts

Col. Charles G. Holle, new Engineer for the South Atlantic Division, Army engineers, will probably be here in the near future for an inspection of the Sunny Point ammunition depot. He will be accompanied by Col. R. C. Brown of the Wilmington District.



Col. Holle took charge of the Division on April 15th, inasmuch as so many people are interested in the Sunny Point project. The State Port Pilot has secured the following information relative to the long experiences of the new commander of the division.

Col. Holle has served in the capacity of district engineer of the New Orleans District since July, 1949. His present tour of duty, coupled with previous assignments, gives him a total of approximately eight years on civil works duty in the Lower Mississippi Valley. The other tours of duty were as area engineer at Greenville, Miss., under the Vicksburg District, from 1930 to 1932, and as assistant to the president

Mississippi River Commission, from 1932 to 1934, and as area engineer at Helena, Ark., in the Memphis district, during the 1937 high water.

In addition to these assignments connected with flood control and navigation work on the Mississippi River and its tributaries (Continued on page four)

## Beach Property Owners To Have Chance To Vote

Will Have Opportunity To Vote By Mail On Question Of Incorporation And For Slate Of Officers

### MISS TOMLINSON ELECTION CLERK

Board Of Nine Commissioners Will Be Elected By Ballot If Proper Nominations Can Be Obtained In Time

Property owners interested in the incorporation of Long Beach have only until Saturday to nominate nine commissioners to serve as city fathers in the event the majority of voters in the forthcoming election on June 9 express their approval of the plan for incorporation.

In order to be nominated, a candidate must have the endorsement of five other property owners at Long Beach, and no property owner may endorse more than one candidate for commissioner.

Miss Sallie W. Tomlinson is serving as clerk for a commission named in the special legislative act to hold the election. It was provided that this election be held on the second Tuesday after the first Monday in June. It also provides that all nominees must be in her hand at least 30 days prior to the date of election.

Voting will be by mail, and in addition to the opportunity to decide who shall serve as town commissioners, the question of whether or not to incorporate at all will be submitted. If this issue is answered in the negative, election of the commissioners will be unnecessary.

Named in the act to serve with Miss Tomlinson on the commission in charge of holding the election are Roland Taylor, E. F. Middleton, Robert Jones, D. C. Herring, Phil King, J. D. Devane, J. W. Hurley and J. A. Singleton, Jr.

## Southport Lady Dies Suddenly

Funeral Services For Mrs. Addie Y. Willing Conducted Saturday Afternoon At Trinity Methodist Church

Mrs. Addie Young Willing was found dead in her bed here at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. P. Jorgensen, late Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Willing was 74 years old and was a native of Maryland, coming to Southport with her husband and children about 25 years ago.

Funeral services were held here at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon from Trinity Methodist Church with Rev. Norwood L. Jones officiating. Burial followed in the old Southport Cemetery beside her husband, who died about 20 years ago.

Active pallbearers were Robert Thompson, Waters Thompson, Neils Jorgensen, H. T. St. George, H. A. Livingston and W. L. Styron. Honorary pallbearers included: Capt. J. R. Church, Capt. J. L. Davis, Bertram Burris, John G. Swain, G. E. Hubbard, James Piner, W. G. Wells, Dan Harrelson, J. A. McNeill, Walter Lewis. (Continued on Page Five)

### Speaker



Dr. B. Frank Hall of the Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian church widely known speaker of the baccalaureate sermon at Bolivia High School Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Nineteen seniors will graduate during commencement exercises this year.

## Sports Fishing Gets Good Start Over Week-End

All Boats Have Parties Sunday And Every One Had Good Catches, Consisting Chiefly Of Blues And Mackerel

All party boats were out Sunday after Saturday's weather had threatened to cancel all trips, and results were generally good. The Idle-On II made it to the Gulf Stream and reported catches of 20 blues, five amberjacks, tipping the scales from 18 to 20 pounds each, four Spanish mackerel and a snapper.

Other catches reported by the boats out of Southport included: Capt. Leon McKeithan, 110 of the game fish; Margrave II, Capt. James Arnold, 71 blues, one mackerel; John Ellen, Capt. Walter Lewis, 51 blues, three mackerel; Jo Ann, Capt. George Gregory, 80 blues; Patricia, Capt. David Adams, 90 blues; Lemuel C., Capt. Capt. George Arnold, 55 blues, one marker; Idle On, III, Capt. Thomas Watts, 70 blues; Lady Lou, Capt. Leo Downing, 95 blues, one mackerel.

Following the deluge of weekend business, several boats have had good luck with parties. Captain Ray Stubbs reported 40 Spanish mackerel and 39 large blues for a Kings Mountain party aboard the Bessie Ray Monday. (Continued on Page 4)

## Recalls Bridge At Moores Creek

Elderly Southport Man Recalls Days When All Able Bodied Men Were Required To Help Keep Up Roads

Crossing Moore's Creek above Orton Pond the Railroad from Leland to Sunny Point cuts right across part of an old wooden bridge that is 30 or more feet in length and apparently so old that very few Brunswick people remember anything about it.

Out there a few days ago with Army engineers and seeing the old bridge for the first time, a representative of The Pilot got curious about it. There was no sign of a road having ever been there, the structure was right in the middle of a regular forest.

Louis T. Moore of Wilmington, acquainted with about everything in this county of bygone days, was asked about the bridge. He did not know of its existence. No one at Orton Plantation, on whose lands it is located, knew anything about it. A description of the bridge and a request for information about it appeared in the Rovin' Reporter column last week and promptly brought results.

Earl Wescott of Southport called at the office and stated that more than half a century ago the main road from Southport to

Wilmington crossed Moore's Creek about two and a half miles below where the present State Highway 303 crosses. The structure mentioned last week was for this downstream crossing and it was rather much used up to 55 or 60 years ago.

It is doubtful that any automobile ever used the bridge, as it went out of use before automobiles came in.

Mr. Wescott recalled that during the days of the bridge, all such building and all road work was done under a sort of conscript form. Every able bodied man in the county from 18 to 45 years of age had to give six days of labor to road work each year. Some got off by furnishing the equivalent in timber, others furnished teams, two mules being equivalent to one man. Still others would employ a substitute to work out their time.

The substitutes got \$1.00 per day. The value of a mule for plowing, etc., was rated at 50 cents per day, and that meant that it usually took two mules to substitute for one day's labor for the man required to work.

## Superior Court Convenes Monday

Judge Q. K. Nimocks Of Fayetteville Will Preside Over One Week Court Term During Which Criminal Cases Will Be Tried

Two Murder Cases Appear On Docket

Simmons Murder Case Expected To Hold Center Of Attention During Next Weeks Session

Two murder cases and one manslaughter case highlight the docket for the one week term of Superior Court that will convene here Monday with Judge Q. K. Nimock presiding.

Luther Smith, white resident of Waccamaw township, is to face trial for the murder of his neighbor, B. G. Simmons. This killing is said to be the outgrowth of family trouble between Simmons and Smith. All of the parties are white.

The other murder case is where in James A. Trotter is charged with the shotgun slaying of his wife, Mrs. Hazel Trotter. The killing is said to have followed an all night drinking party at the home of the couple, and Trotter, an elderly white man, claims that he was too drunk to remember what took place.

The manslaughter case is the outgrowth of the death of a 12-year-old white boy who was killed while riding his bicycle on Route 17 near Shallotte. The defendant in this case is John Rouse.

The office of Clerk of Court Sam T. Bennett says that there are 28 cases on the docket, and the term will likely consume the entire week.

## Ground Observer Meeting Monday

Volunteers Asked To Cooperate In This Work Which Will Require Service Only In Event Of Emergency

Volunteers for a ground observer corps to function in Southport in cooperation with the Charlotte Filter Center are asked to meet Monday night at 8 o'clock in the Brunswick County courthouse for a brief explanation of the purpose of this organization and for a short training course for persons who agree to serve in this connection.

In charge of this meeting will be W. J. Sy de Vries, who appeared before the Southport Lions Club at a recent meeting and managed to interest members of that organization in cooperating with the ground observer corps.

There are no immediate duties in prospect for volunteers to this effort. Those who offer their services will be trained to serve as a warning network against a possible enemy attack, and will be called only in the event of a pending national emergency.

## Company Man Is On Scene To Get Ready For Work

Green Construction Company Man Flies Up From Georgia To Report That Equipment Will Be One Week Late

### SAVANNAH RIVER JOB HOLDS THEM

Everything Will Be Geared To Go Ahead Full Steam In Plans For Construction Of Railroad

By W. B. KEZIAH  
Flying up in his company's plane from Savannah yesterday, Bob Green, general manager of the Green Construction Company of Indiana, advised the Army engineers' office that the gathering up of the odds and ends of the Savannah River project was making it impossible for his company to start on the Sunny Point railroad until next week.

The Green company has been building roads and more roads for the government at the Savannah River project. In the normal course of things he should have finished and been here some weeks ago. Rains during the winter and spring delayed him beyond expectations and he has simply been unable to get through there and begin here on schedule.

The Indiana firm has a huge outfit of road building equipment. Good sources have labeled the outfit as the fastest group of road builders in the United States. While the delay in getting started is regretted locally, the impatient folks can be assured that they will see something in the way of the fastest road building that has ever taken place in North Carolina.

Mr. Green has a sub-contract for clearing and grading the 175-foot right of way. Starting soon after he does the W. A. Smith Company of Houston, Texas, the general contractor, will also move in to lay the ties, rails and ballast. It is supposed that when these two big outfits finish the railroad they will move right on to work on constructing the 50 miles of railroad sidings at Sunny Point. From that they will go right on to building highways for the installation.

Pending the start of the railroad building proper, the Port Construction Company, Brunswick County firm, is now putting on more speed at the construction work on the three railroad bridges at Town Creek, Allen Creek and Moore's Creek.

## Commissioners In Session Monday

Routine Business Disposed Of By Members Of County Board During Session This Week

Only two matters came up for the attention of the Board of County Commissioners when they were in regular session Monday. All members were present and the minute book shows the following items transacted:

Ordered that the Anthony and Richard Davis Estate land in the City of Southport be sold for the sum of \$1,056.71. This property is owned by Brunswick County and the City of Southport.

Ordered that the Willie Johnson property in the City of (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, May 7
2:10 a. m.	8:30 a. m.
2:45 p. m.	9:05 p. m.
	Friday, May 8
3:14 a. m.	9:39 a. m.
3:48 p. m.	10:12 p. m.
	Saturday, May 9
4:14 a. m.	10:35 a. m.
4:49 p. m.	11:13 p. m.
	Sunday, May 10
5:13 a. m.	11:28 a. m.
5:46 p. m.	0:00 p. m.
	Monday, May 11
6:09 a. m.	0:10 a. m.
6:40 p. m.	12:19 p. m.
	Tuesday, May 12
7:03 a. m.	1:04 a. m.
7:32 p. m.	1:08 p. m.
	Wednesday, May 13
7:55 a. m.	1:54 a. m.
8:21 p. m.	1:55 p. m.

## Big Transaction Involves Beaches

Odell Williamson And M. C. Gore Negotiating Purchase Of About Eight Miles Of Ocean Front Property

### MAJOR PURCHASE FROM STOWE CROUSE

Brunswick County Men Say That Development Of This Area Of Great Natural Beauty Is Their Purpose

A contract or option recently entered into between D. Stone Crouse and wife, of Myrtle Beach and the payment of a \$10,000.00 option price, binds the above parties to execute a deed to Odell Williamson and M. C. Gore for the Hale Beach or Gause property in Shallotte township, first payment to be made by Williamson and Gore at the time of the receipt of the deed.

The purchase price named in the contract is \$190,000.00. The property includes all that area lying south of the Itecoastal Waterway, extending from the Little Beach or John W. Rourk property to within about one-half mile of the Brooks property at Tubbs Inlet. The exact acreage is not mentioned in the contract.

The Little Beach or Rourk property east of Hale Beach was purchased by Williamson and Gore three weeks ago for the stated sum of \$28,750.00, purchase price of the two tracts totaling \$208,750.00.

It is understood that Williamson and Gore also have an option on the Brooks land lying between the lower end of Hale Beach and Tubbs Inlet. Mr. Williamson stated several days ago that a verbal agreement called for the payment of \$10,000.00 for this additional tract.

The purchase of the Hale Beach tract for \$190,000.00 is an outstanding indication of the increase in value of Brunswick (Continued on page 4)

## Brief News Flashes

**ATTEND CONVENTION**  
Mrs. C. Ed Taylor and Mrs. Clifton Arnold attended the State Convention of Kings Daughters on Monday and Tuesday in Southern Pines.

**AT PRESBYTERIAN**  
The hour for evening services at Southport Presbyterian Church will be 8 o'clock, effective this week. The sermon subject for this week will be "The Wisdom of Being Prepared."

**ELECTION MEETING**  
A citizens meeting will be held on Friday night at 8 o'clock in the Shallotte High School auditorium to discuss the forthcoming election for the special school tax.

**REPAIRING DOCK**  
An Army engineers' work boat and crew has been here for the past 10 days repairing the engineers' dock on the Garrison lot. Dolphins on the south end of the dock were broken some time ago and these were taken out. It is probable that they will be replaced this summer. Fencing this replacement of the dock is nearly a hundred feet shorter than it has been.

## Lightship Back In Old Position

The Frypan Lightship returns to duty today, according to a notice from Rear Admiral R. E. Wood of the Coast Guard. For the past month the vessel, well known to hundreds of North Carolina sport fishermen and thousands of other mariners, has been undergoing overhauling and painting.

During the absence of the Frypan the Relief, another lightship, has been serving as a replacement. She is being withdrawn with the coming of the Frypan. The Relief is so named as her regular vocation calls for her to replace other lightships all along the coast, when it is necessary for them to go to dry docks for overhauling.

## More Facilities At Ft. Caswell

Accommodations For Summer Assembly Groups Have Been Expanded Since Close Of Last Season

The Caswell Baptist Assembly with a steady mounting popularity among the Baptists of North Carolina since the first convention three years ago, will be able to look after greatly increased numbers this summer, according to Dr. Richard K. Redwine, the director.

Since the Baptists took over Fort Caswell, each off season has (Continued On Page Five)

## Stage Is Set For Good Year

Fifteen Sport Fishing Boats Will Be Working Out Of Southport This Summer; Fish Are Here But The Weather Has Been Bad

The sports fishing season is now starting up with Southport better prepared than it has ever been to take care of large numbers of fishermen. Fifteen good boats are now available for charter, and others may be here a little later. In addition to the strictly local boats a good number of sport fishing boats come down on week-ends from Wilmington.

So far as long range forecasts of the weather goes, this weekend should bring a lot of parties and good fishing. However, fishermen should always keep in mind that there is as good or better fishing on week days than on week-ends. Getting good boats on week-ends is sometimes difficult.

The following boats are now available for charter. They are listed along with their captain's (Continued On Page Five)

Our ROVING Reporter

W. B. KEZIAH

Mrs. Donald S. Tydings dropped in this week to say that she has a pet aversion to the city dump, on the prettiest approach to Southport. We share that feeling. There was a time when there was no road and when Southport was smaller than it is now. At that time the location of the dump may have been alright. Things are changed now. A paved highway runs right by the dump, and the appearance of the dump is far from being a recommendation for the town. It is hoped that the city officials will soon see their way clear to have refuse dumped somewhere else and to have the stuff now there either covered up or removed. It is just possible that the Highway Commission might help in removing or covering up the objectionable matter as much of it was there before they built the highway.

Visitors through Yaupon Village will shortly be greeted by names, some of which they may know. Yesterday C. V. Barbee of Barbees, Inc., developers of Yaupon Village, came around and asked our permission to name one of the streets Keziah Avenue. His argument was, "You have done so much for this section and I want to get your permission before having the name recorded." At the same time with the above Mr. Harbee is recording Middleton Avenue and Trott Avenue. Mr. Middleton inaugurated the development of Long Beach a decade ago. Mr. Trott has also been identified with the development. (Continued on Page 4)