

Record Number In Attendance At Ft. Caswell

All Accommodations Taxed To Capacity As Baptist Seaside Assembly Opens Summer Season At Historic Fort

CHOIR PROGRAM IS SET FOR SATURDAY

Sunday Expected To See A Large Crowd In Attendance To Hear Chief Of Chaplains Ivan L. Bennett Preach

With a record attendance of well over 1100 Baptists from all parts of North Carolina, taxing accommodations at Fort Caswell to the limit, the Baptist Training Union Assembly is going full swing at the former coast artillery post this week.

The program began on Monday night with a worship service led by Dr. J. Winston Pearce, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Durham, who is pastor of this week's conference. Dr. Pearce is a member of the executive committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Mr. Pearce is the vesper leader, and the Rev. Dennis R. Hockaday, also of the First Baptist Church, Durham, is song leader for the conference. Junior pastor is the Rev. W. P. Milne of Ahoskie.

Each morning at 8:45 there are methods conferences; at 10:30 there are personal interest conferences, and at 11:45 the morning assembly is held.

Saturday morning may find the largest crowd of the summer at Caswell. Choirs of all ages, male, female and mixed, from all over the state will participate in a hymn festival at 10:45. This is an annual non-competitive event in which choirs are graded on a basis of accuracy, interpretation, tone quality and diction. The choirs which will participate here will have already participated in associational and regional festivals. A grade of B or above is necessary for eligibility in the State Festival. Any choir receiving a grade of A at Caswell will be given the gold seal of a state winner. Since it will not be possible for all choirs to participate in Saturday's festival, another will be held the final week of the assembly. One was held last week at Fruitland Assembly, near Hendersonville.

Next week will be family week. Different pastors will bring messages each day. Monday night, Tuesday morning and Tuesday night the speaker will be the Rev. W. P. Milne of Ahoskie. The Rev. John Wayland of North Wilkesboro will speak Wednesday morning and night and the Rev. J. Wilbur Hutchins of Sanford will speak Friday. Speaker for Thursday will be announced later. These messages will be on the Christian home.

The Baptist Brotherhood conference will be held from Wednesday night to Friday noon under the direction of Horace Eason, executive secretary of the North Carolina Baptist Brotherhood. Speakers will include F. O. Champion of Shelby, state president of the Baptist Brotherhood, Max Thomas, and Ernest Klutz, Jr., of Gastonia, recording secretary.

Also in session the same week will be the Junior Royal Ambassadors State Camp under the direction of the Rev. B. W. Jackson of Raleigh. Last Saturday over 100 reservations had already (Continued on Page 4)

Brief News Flashes

OFFICE CLOSED
The local draft board will be closed July 3 until July 30, inclusive. Anyone becoming 18 years of age during this time should register as soon as possible after the office opens on July 31.

IN NAVY HOSPITAL
Mrs. Mildred E. Joyner, wife of Charles E. Joyner, A-1-C of the 31st Air Crash Outfit, is in the Navy Hospital at Portsmouth. With a rare blood type, it was necessary to take her to a hospital where a large supply of this type is available.

TO VISIT MOTHER
Mrs. Henry Goodwin and son left Aruba, N. W. T., Saturday, June 27, on the Santa Rosa for New York, a four day voyage. They will visit in New York, New Jersey, Norfolk, Va., Greensboro and Chapel Hill before coming to Southport for a month's stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Lind. Mr. Goodwin will come in August.

Kidnapping Scare Is Family Affair

Mysterious Disappearance Of Eight-Year-Old Bolivia Girl Solved With Discovery That She Left With Her Aunt

A reported kidnapping which resulted in a general alarm along the Atlantic seaboard states last week finally simmered down to a family affair with an eight-year-old Brunswick County girl safely in the hands of her father in New Jersey. Barbara Rossi, who has been making her home with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Muncy of Bolivia, was reported missing last Tuesday afternoon by her 11-year-old cousin, Edward Baker. The lad said that a Pennsylvania car stopped near the Muncy home and that a couple showed unusual interest in his pretty little cousin. A little later he looked for Barbara, he said, and she was missing. It was upon the return of his grandparents that he made this report.

What he neglected to say was that the young lady in the out-of-state car was Zilpha Muncy, an aunt of Barbara Rossi. This he admitted two days later and authorities went on the watch for the Brunswick County girl who had left home only a few days before.

Following the disappearance of little Barbara Rossi her mother, Mrs. Dorothy M. Campanello of Cincinnati, Ohio, and her father, William R. Rossi of Margate City, N. J. were notified. Each denied knowing anything of the whereabouts of their child.

On Friday the child was delivered to her father by Zilpha Muncy and law enforcement officials, including the FBI, were called off the case. Still pending is the question of whether kidnapping charges will be preferred against Zilpha Muncy and her companion, who took the child from the Muncy home at Bolivia. The Federal authorities still have the matter under advisement.

More Sailfish Are Caught Here

Thirteen-Year-Old Winston Salem Youngster Brought In Pretty Specimen Aboard Cadet Friday

Another Sailfish For Next Two Days
All Party Boats Reported Better Than Average Results During Past Week With Blues And Mackerel

Big news of Southport fishing during the week was the fact that sailfish were brought in for three straight days. For those fishing parties who confined their activities to the shoals there were satisfactory catches of bluefish and mackerel.

A 13-year-old boy, Norton F. Tennille, Jr., became the fourth person to catch a sailfish here this season when he brought in a 5-ft. 6-in. prize Friday while fishing with Captain Howard Victor aboard the Cadet. This party had three other sailfish hooked and there was a second sail on at the same time on the Winston-Salem youngster was doing a fine job of reeling in the big catch for the day. Also on this trip were his father and his brother, William Tennille; M. P. Lipe, Hickory; Ralph Little, Charlotte; Mrs. Julian McGlamrock, Greensboro. They also had 7 large amberjack, 22 Spanish mackerel and 1 barracuda.

The following day a party fishing aboard the Lady Lou with Capt. Leo Dowling brought in a sail, but no further information was available on the catch. The third sailfish was brought in on Sunday by a party fishing aboard a Wilmington boat, and details were missing.

Capt. George Gregory reported a couple of good shoal trips for Friday and Saturday. On the first of these days the party brought in 166 Spanish mackerel. In the group were M. C. Pickler, Pine Bluff; Earl Strickland, Manly; Frank Smith, Southport. (Continued on Page 4)

Baptist Youth Enjoy Camping

Junior Royal Ambassador Chapter Of The Southport Baptist Church Spent Last Tuesday Night Sleeping On Strand

The Junior Royal Ambassadors chapter of Southport Baptist Church held an overnight camp at Caswell Assembly grounds on last Tuesday night. Eleven boys and the pastor spent the night on the strand.

During the outing the boys cooked their own supper and breakfast, swam and played softball. A camp fire service was held Tuesday night at which the pastor told the story of David Brainerd, pioneer missionary to the New England Indians in the 1740's.

The next day this group was joined by six other boys, two of the mothers, and the counselor, Mrs. Maxine Fulcher. The noon meal was a weiner roast, after (Continued on Page 4)

Border Markets To Begin Sales Monday, Aug. 3

Announcement Made By Board Of Governors Of Bright Belt Warehouse Association

GEORGIA-FLORIDA MARTS OPEN JULY 16

Representatives From Border Belt Favored Later Opening Date For Markets

Tobacco markets in Whiteville, Chadbourne, Tabor City, Fair Bluff, Clarkton and elsewhere in the Border Belt will open August 3 under a schedule set Monday by the board of governors of the Bright Belt Warehouse Association.

The leaf auction season will start July 16 in the Georgia-Florida Belt.

Dates for the various belts are as follows: Georgia-Florida, July 16; Border Belt, August 3; Eastern Belt, August 20; Middle Belt, Sept. 1; Old Belt, Sept. 14.

The sales season will open with daily sales of five and a half hours.

Opening dates were recommended this year for the first time by a 15-man industry-wide advisory committee representing growers, buyers and warehousemen. President Fred S. Royster, presiding at Monday's board session, praised the work of the committee and termed its establishment a great forward step.

Tobaccoists from the Border Belt were less enthusiastic than Royster. A. Dial Gray and other representatives of the Border Belt area favored a later opening for belts all along the line.

Gray said his opposition was based on the fact that the Georgia-Florida opening is so much earlier than last year and recalled that Border Belt leaf was not ready during the first week of last season.

Dates were set by a vote of 19 to 6, the opposing votes being cast by Border Belt members of the board of governors.

A slight opening for a change in dates was given when the board of governors adopted a resolution authorizing the sales committee to change the hours of sales or the dates if it becomes necessary. The sales committee, however, was directed to seek the recommendations of the advisory committee before any changes are made.

Two "flies in the ointment" are (Continued on Page Four)

Dedicate Library At Local Church

New Facility At Southport Baptist Church Will Be Opened And Dedicated At Sunday Night Service

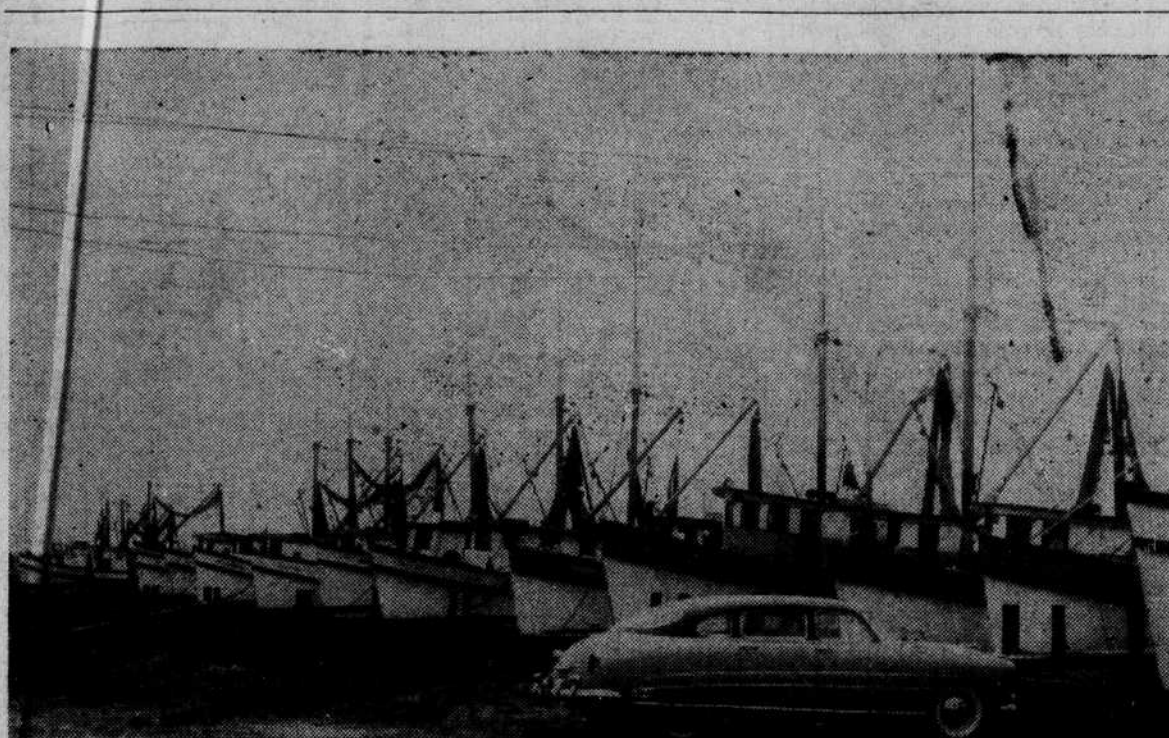
The newly organized library of the Southport Baptist Church will be opened and dedicated at the evening worship service on Sunday night, July 5, with Mrs. Kittle Sullivan, Baptist State Library Consultant, as guest speaker. Following the service the library will be open and members will be allowed to withdraw books if they desire. A reception will also be held at this time. (Continued on Page Four)

Our ROVING Reporter

With her parents separated it is said to have been no great surprise to officers that 8-year-old Barbara Rossi, missing for four days from the home of her grandparents near Bolivia should be found at the home of her father in New Jersey. The puzzling feature is that the aunt of the child and a member of the family with whom she has been living, should be charged with the responsibility for the "kidnapping" of the other side of the split-up family.

Although it is already giving service, the REA is looking to the future and preparing to construct power lines across the intra-coastal waterway at Long Beach and Holden Beach. This is to take care of the greater demand the organization fore-

Shrimp Fleet Back At Home



RETURN—Visitors to the Southport yacht basin during the late afternoon or on Sunday will see the slips filled with the boats of the Southport shrimping fleet. Most of these vessels spent the winter in Florida, but now they are back at home and are off to a good season's operation in local waters.

Completing Plans For Celebration

Conditions Good For Farm Crops

Occasional showers continued to give the necessary tonic to growing crops through most of Brunswick county during the past week, with the Southport area about the only section where it is noticeably dry.

In traveling through the county today everything gave the impression of being green and growing, and along a good part of the route puddles of water were standing beside the road.

In Southport there has been no relief from the drought, and yesterday the mercury climbed to the 93 degree mark, a new high for the season.

Acid Throwers Damage Netting

Nets On Two Menhaden Boats Owned By Southport Fisheries Ruined On Sunday Night When Vandals Poured Acid On Them

The Southport Fisheries Company suffered damages estimated at being around \$12,000.00 on Sunday night when some person or persons unknown poured acid on the nets and roping of two of its menhaden boats.

The new nets each cost seven thousand dollars and in use only this spring, are said to have literally fallen to pieces in folds when the boats Elenor M. and Charlotte T. started out Monday morning for their day's work. Even the heavy boat lines, used to hoist and lower the purse boats, were so eaten by the acid that they broke.

Here and there were many (Continued on Page 4)

Officers Crack Down On Liquor

Still Is Raided, Automobile Loaded With Liquor Is Captured And Carload Of Raw Materials Is Intercepted

Brunswick County officers and members of the State Highway Patrol in this area have been giving bootleggers a hard time during the past few days.

Last Tuesday night Sheriff E. V. Leonard, Deputy Alex Williams and Deputy Drew Long raided a still in the Longwood section. They captured a 500-gallon steam-type outfit but got no men and no whiskey. They destroyed a quantity of mash.

A few days prior to this Deputy Charlie Skipper and Patrolman S. H. Thomas captured a car carrying 12 cases of non-tax-paid liquor. The driver was Cornell Lewis, colored, and his cargo and his automobile were confiscated by the officers.

Last week Patrolman Thomas and Patrolman R. H. Constante stopped a car at the intersection of U. S. No. 17-74-76. The driver was James C. Spears, a Wilmington Negro, and loaded on his trailer which he was pulling behind his car were 24 one hundred-pound bags of sugar and 18 cases of 1/2-gallon fruit jars. (Continued on Page Four)

Will Open Bids On Construction Of Three Docks

This Is Expected To Be Biggest Part Of Present Plans For Improvements At U. S. Army Ammunition Outloading Depot

MUCH OF WORK WILL BE BY MACHINERY

Other Phases Of Operation Will Be In Progress At Same Time, Probably Swelling Total Employment

This week the Army engineers announced that the bids for the three wharves scheduled for Sunny Point, will be opened and canvassed in the Custom House at Wilmington at 2:30 on the afternoon of July 15. It is understood that the successful bidder will have 30 days in which to move in his equipment and start construction work.

Although the dock construction is one of the major phases of the installation it is figured that only a few hundred men will be employed in that work, mostly in the handling of pile driving and other machinery.

Reports from the engineers' office indicate, however, that at the same time the dock construction is underway, there will be a sizeable number of other construction projects going on. This will include the building of the railroad spur lines or side tracks, electrical work, wells, and water lines, road, protective fence work, guards and so on. A pretty large force of workmen should be employed by August.

It is estimated that from 18 months to two years will be required to complete the work already planned. As a further illustration of the size of the project it may be pointed out that the three docks, each 2,400 feet in length, will have more docking space than any State or Corporation-owned dock in North Carolina. The docks will be half a mile apart but if they were end to end they would have a total ship docking frontage of 7,200 feet with plenty of additional ship docking frontage of mooring of sanitary boats, fire boats and tugs.

Shrimp Season Has Good Start

Boats Report Good Catches During First Week Of Stepped-Up Operations And Headers Have Been Busy

The shrimping season at Southport is apparently getting away to a good start with all of the locally owned boats moving right out to work just as soon as they get in from Florida. All but two or three of the boats are now in.

The shrimp are medium in size, something like 50 to the pound count. Offsetting this small size is their firmness and hard condition when arriving at the picking houses. Usually during such hot weather as has been prevailing they are rather soft and a rather high percent is lost in the heading operation.

The packing house operators stated yesterday that several boats have been making catches running to 100 bushels per week. The sudden start of good production (Continued on page four)

Seek Permission For Power Line

Overhead Crossing Of Inland Waterway At Two Points Being Sought By Brunswick Rural Electric Corporation

In order to be in a position to meet the constantly increasing demand for more current for the fast growing towns of Long Beach and the Holden Beach the REA has applied to the U. S. Army Engineers for permission to construct power lines across the waterway at two points in Brunswick County. The formal notices of the request are distributed through the Army engineers this week, and they are as follows.

You are hereby notified that the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation, Shallotte, has made application for permits for construction of the following over-

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, July 2	
0:00 a. m.	5:50 a. m.
12:11 p. m.	6:21 p. m.
Friday, July 3	
0:33 a. m.	6:52 a. m.
1:11 p. m.	7:25 p. m.
Saturday, July 4	
1:31 a. m.	7:45 p. m.
2:13	8:32 p. m.
Sunday, July 5	
2:21 a. m.	8:48 a. m.
3:15 p. m.	9:39 p. m.
Monday, July 6	
3:31 a. m.	9:46 a. m.
4:16 p. m.	10:42 p. m.
Tuesday, July 7	
4:33 a. m.	10:43 a. m.
5:13 p. m.	11:30 p. m.
Wednesday, July 8	
5:32 a. m.	11:37 a. m.
6:08 p. m.	0:00 p. m.