

Varied Program Being Offered At Ft. Caswell

Dr. Porter Routh, Executive Secretary Of Southern Baptist Convention, Principal Speaker At Caswell This Week

MISSIONARIES IN SESSION FOR WEEK

Girls Auxiliary Group And Boy Ambassadors Swell Attendance For Week To Between 700-800

With Dr. Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention's executive committee as principal speaker, the annual summer conference of North Carolina Baptist association missionaries got under way Monday night at Caswell Baptist Assembly. Dr. Routh speaks each morning at 9 o'clock and again each night at 8:15.

All but a very few of the 53 associational missionaries in the state were in attendance Monday night. The Rev. Arch McMillan, missionary of the Deo Baptist Association, arranged the program and presided.

Associational mission work will be discussed by the missionaries at 10 o'clock each morning, followed by a worship service at 11, led by different missionaries. Among the missionaries who are speaking are the Rev. W. Van Carroll, Lexington; the Rev. Lee Pridden, Raleigh; the Rev. Julius Holloway, Lillington; and the Rev. T. L. Sasser, Greensboro.

Baptist State leaders are presenting their phases of the denominational program. The state mission program was explained by Dr. M. A. Huggins, secretary of the state convention, and by the Rev. Earle L. Bradley, promotional secretary. Miss Ruth Provence, state Woman's Missionary Union secretary, presented the W. M. U. program. Tonight Dr. L. L. Morgan will tell of the Sunday School program. Tomorrow Horace Eason will explain the Baptist Brotherhood and the Rev. J. P. Morgan will speak on the promotion of Training Union work.

The largest group at Caswell this week includes over 250 intermediate age girls who are attending the State Girls Auxiliary camp under the direction of Miss Marie Epley, Raleigh, young people's leader of the state W. M. U. Missionary speakers include: Miss Stella Austin, Nigeria; Miss Vanita Baldwin, Canal Zone; Mrs. A. H. Foster, working with migrants in Louisiana; Miss Lorraine Landry, working with French speaking people in Louisiana; Miss Lillian Lu, China; Miss Aiko Uechi, Hawaii; and Miss Betty Walkenstick, Cherokee.

The next group in size is the Preachers' School. Dr. F. M. Powell, Thomasville, formerly on the faculty of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and of Golden Gate Seminary; the Rev. J. C. Pipes, associate secretary of promotion of the State Baptist Convention; and the Rev. J. L. Jenkins of Boiling Springs and Fruitland, compose the faculty for this school. It will continue through next week.

Slightly over 600 had registered for conferences by Monday night. It is expected that those coming for shorter stays during the week (Continued On Page Four)

Brief News Flashes

TO PREACH HERE
The Rev. J. L. Jenkins, a former pastor, will preach Sunday morning at Southport Baptist Church, the Rev. T. D. Toler, pastor, has announced.

BREAKS FOOT
Captain Merritt Moore has his foot in a cast following an accident suffered last week when the motor scooter on which he was riding with two of his children skidded on a curve and fell on him.

BUS DRIVER
A school bus driver clinic will be held at Shallotte at 9 o'clock, August 12, at which time classroom work will be given preliminary to a later examination for the purpose of qualifying boys and girls for this important duty in Brunswick county this year. The date for the driving examination will be announced later. All boys and girls interested in driving a school bus this fall are urged to attend the Shallotte meeting.

Discussing Plans



CONFERENCE—Dr. R. K. Redwine, left, director of the Baptist Seaside Assembly at Ft. Caswell, is shown here conferring with Dr. M. A. Huggins, secretary of the Baptist State Convention, about the program for the assembly during the month of August.—(Star-News Cut.)

Must Pay Fines Or Go To Jail

Officials Of Brunswick County Recorder's Court Embark Upon "Get Tough" Policy That Will Clear Up Records

DEFENDANTS HAVE BEEN DELINQUENT

Practice Of Asking 10-Day Stay And Never Doing Anything More About Their Case Will Come To End

Officials of Brunswick Recorder's Court announced this week the beginning of a "get tough" policy regarding unpaid fines and costs.

County Solicitor Ernest E. Parker, Jr., stated that a recent investigation disclosed a considerable number of defendants who during the past several years have given notice of appeal in order to gain time in which either to perfect appeals or comply with the judgment. Many of these have never done either and a large amount of money is now due the county because of this practice.

Approximately 50 persons inside and outside the county have already been cited to court for failure to pay up. Parker says this is only the beginning and that anyone owing either fines or costs may expect a visit from the sheriff's department in the near future.

The solicitor and Judge W. J. McLamb have asked that the office of the Clerk of Court regularly report any unpaid amounts in the future in order to prevent similar occurrences.

It is indicated that failure to pay up after notice has been Continued On Page Four

Beach Fishing Starting Slow

Many Brunswick County Fishermen Are Busy This Year At Other Occupations

Beach fishermen are moving in to set up their annual summer and fall watch for mullets and spots along the Brunswick county coast. Usually these operations are getting underway by the first of each July. This year they were a month late, according to a Shallotte fisherman.

The lateness of starting is not credited to any unusual lack of fish. As a general thing the catches during July are comparatively small. This fact and an urgent need for workers this year in tobacco and other farm crops and the further fact that so many men are employed in various construction work led to the late start.

There simply have not been enough men available to man the various fishing camps up to the present time. But from now on beach areas favorable for fishing will be marked by the presence of patrols or spotters. These individuals work up and down the shore keeping a constant watch on the waters. When they spot a school of mullets or other fish in a position favorable for netting they call in the men with the surf boat and nets.

Colonel Brown Being Relieved As Of July 31st

Chief Of Army Engineers For This District Is Visiting Sunny Point Project Today In Company With Successor

TWO OFFICIALS VISITED SOUTHPORT

Outgoing Army Official Expresses Appreciation For Cooperation Of Brunswick County Folks During His Tour

If all goes according to plans Colonel Roland C. Brown, Chief of the Wilmington District Army Engineers, visited Sunny Point today accompanied by Colonel Hill who is to succeed him as chief of the Wilmington District Saturday of this week.

Following the Sunny Point visit the two officials traveled on to Southport for a brief visit and following that they left to make an inspection of the Sunny Point railroad building activities.

In his full 3-year tour of duty with the Wilmington District Colonel Brown has been the best friend that Brunswick county has ever had among Army Engineers all that in the line of duty and loyalty to his government. Perhaps the crowning achievement of his career has been his work in relation to the U. S. Army Outloading Ammunition Depot now being constructed on the Cape Fear River three or four miles above Southport. In the planning of that installation he has followed the orders of his government and has never swerved from that course in response to political efforts.

Colonel Hill who is to succeed him Saturday has been in the district for the past ten days or more, getting acquainted with the various aims and undertakings of the Wilmington District. Personal letters to interests in Southport from various high official sources have been loud in commendation of Colonel Hill as a man following the same lines of energy and loyalty to his government (Continued on Page 4)

Heavy Work On Field Completed

Good Job Turned In By Bulldozer Operator; Next Move Is To Get New Field Covered With Clay And Grass

With the Lincoln Construction Company of Wilmington giving one day out of five to free work with their heavy duty bulldozer to clearing and grading the new Southport playground, Clayton Best, their operator, was not satisfied with what had been accomplished before the funds available ran out Friday night.

So he left the machine here overnight and returned Saturday morning to put in \$30.00 worth of extra work on his own account and without charge.

During the course of the five days it became evident that Best was really proud of what he was turning out in the shape of a huge and really wonderful playground for Southport and community folks. The Lincoln Company and their operator both deserve community thanks for the (Continued on Page 4)

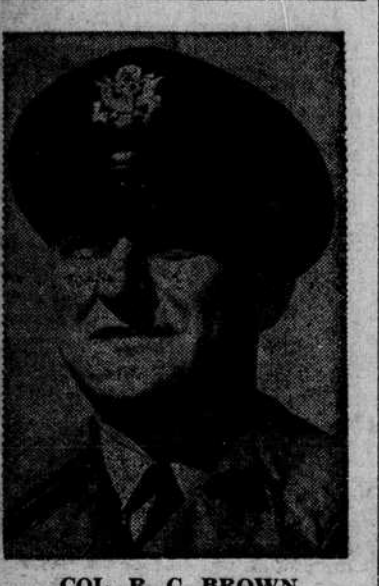


W. R. KEZIAH

Some three or four decades ago about the most popular piece of ragtime of the day was entitled, "Everybody Works But Father." The first lines as we remember them, ran something like this: "Mother takes in Washing, so does Sister Ann; everybody works at our house, but my old man." In this day, if not then, stuff like that would be the greatest sport of slander of the old man, especially if he was a tobacco grower and it was harvesting time. When they are cropping, curing tobacco, everybody works from the old man down to next to the baby in the family. Handling tobacco is a job for all hands.

The new Southport playground is a project in which all of the white residents of the town can well afford to pitch in and donate something towards the improvement. The location, hardly more than 3 blocks from the courthouse and still nearer the school, is perfect in every way. The land has been deeded for a playground for the school children and residents of the town in general. A few public spirited citizens gave the money needed for clearing and grading and there is still a lot more needed. There is also need of a lot more money for the building of seats and the construction of a fence. The folks who have given generously should go a little further, if possible, and those who have made small donations should chip in with more. The park or playground is something the town has been needing badly and it is Continued on page four

Departing



COL. R. C. BROWN

Another Delay In Opening Bids For Sunny Point

Third Delay Places Date For Opening Bids On August 13; Trouble Is Due To Dispute Over Wage Scale

The opening of bids for the construction of the three huge docks at the U. S. Sunny Point Terminals has been postponed for the 3rd time, with the latest postponement calling for the bid opening and letting of contracts on August 13.

The American General Contractors Association protested last week that wage scales were too high. This is a continuance of previous protests which have twice delayed the opening. To permit a hearing of these protests and allow bidders to rework their bids in accordance with what may be the outcome of the hearing, the Army Engineers set the August 13 date.

Each of the 3 huge docks or berths involved are larger than the Port terminals at Wilmington. The cost of dock construction will run into several million dollars and much labor will be involved. It is said that owing to the great amount of labor that will be needed it is vitally important that contractors should know definitely the labor rates they will have to pay.

This postponement in opening dock construction bids does not mean any vital delay in the construction of the installation as a whole. In fact it may simplify other construction work and the construction of the docks themselves. Thousands and thousands of carloads of steel, cement, gravel and sand, will have to be brought in for dock construction and a problem has been how it will get in. The construction of the railroad from Leland to Sunny Point is now being rushed and it is thought possible that this work may be advanced to the point where much of the material can be brought in by rail.

The dredging of the dock area, a work that started in January, is also being pushed and the more that this dredging is advanced the easier it will be for the dock contractors. At the present time the dredging is not scheduled for a finish until along in the new year.

Grounded Whales Attract Crowds

Hundreds Of Persons Visited Long Beach Last Wednesday To View Five Whales That Had Been Washed Ashore

Five whales that were probably suffering from sort of mass sickness, or which had become terrified at something further out in the deep, came ashore at Long Beach last week and created a lot of interest. Something like a couple of thousand beach visitors gathered in a short time to view the unusual sight.

Mrs. A. L. Boatwright was first to see the mammals, four large and one small sperm whales. They were completely out of the water and Mrs. Boatwright at first thought they were dead. It was quickly noted, however, that they were heaving in an effort to breathe and the crowd that soon gathered made an effort to get them back into deep water. With ropes tied to their tails and men pulling on the lines in addition to a small boat, the creatures were gotten back into the water, but they refused to stay out in the deep and immediately returned. When it became evident that they would not stay in the water shotguns were used to put an end to their obvious suffering.

Many varieties of fish, including whales, invariably seek shallow waters when they are sick or injured. The coming ashore of individual specimens is nothing unusual, but it is said that the only way to account for a whole group of whales coming ashore at one time is to be attributed to some mass illness or to their being mortally afraid of something they encountered out in the deep.

Stage Set For Good Fishing

Reports Of Fish In This Vicinity Together With Long Range Weather Report For This Week-End Encouraging

GOOD CATCHES ARE MADE DURING WEEK

Weather Enforced Lay-Off Last Week-End, But The Boats Have Been Having Good Luck Since Water Has Cleared Up

All signs are pointing to a good week-end of fishing at Southport, and party boat captains think that they are finally due for a break from the weather.

Last week-end, for instance, it blew so hard that no boats made trips either Saturday or Sunday, thus leaving more than a couple of hundred prospective fishermen disappointed. The bad weather continued over into the first part of this week.

For the last three days the weather has been favorable and the waters off the Brunswick county coast have been pronounced to be in good shape for successful fishing.

Several skippers have reported sighting sailfish during the past few days, and since August normally is sailfish month off Southport, there appears to be good promise of success with these fighting fellows during the next few weeks.

Luck has been good for boats going out following the break in the weather. On Thursday the Idle-On III, with Captain Hoyle Doshier, had 14 big amberjack for a party which wanted to go (Continued on Page 4)

Ancient Autos Set For Visit

Motorcade Comprised Of Automobiles Dating Back To Turn Of Century Will Stop At Shallotte Saturday Morning

George Connally, who recently purchased and is now operating the Twilight Motor Court at Shallotte, has invited the North Carolina Horseless Carriage Club for a visit to the court Saturday, August 1.

The Horseless Carriage Club is made up of owners and operators of some 53 automobiles that might be termed prehistoric. They date back almost to the turn of the century. But despite their age all are in good running condition.

Tom Gibson, secretary of the club, is heading the caravan on Windy Hill, S. C., for the week end and a performance. At the invitation of Mr. Connally he readily agreed to stop at the Twilight Court for an hour or two while the cars were en route. Mr. Connally states that he expects them to arrive at Shallotte at about 11 o'clock on the morning of August 1. He plans to serve cold drinks to about 100 people, who will be operating or riding in the old cars.

Incidentally, Mr. Connally will be glad to have the Brunswick folks visit the court at the same time, see and have an opportunity to inspect the old cars. He assures them that the old machines will be well worth seeing. (Continued on Page 4)

Warehousemen Are Waiting To Hear 'Let's Go'

Sales On Whiteville Market And Other Markets In Area Will Start Promptly At 9 A.M.

QUANTITY, QUALITY OF CROP ARE GOOD

Air Of Expectancy Less Evident Than In Olden Days But Sizeable Crowds Are Predicted

The Whiteville tobacco market and other markets in the Border Belt are in readiness for the opening sales of the 1953 season to be held Monday, August 3.

Warehouse floors have been cleared, the personnel is either on hand or will arrive this week end, and other details are in tip-top order for the opener.

Of interest in this immediate area are the markets in Whiteville, Chadbourne, Tabor City, Fair Bluff and Clarkton.

Columbus County is once again the only county in the United States with four markets. Whiteville sets the pace with three sets of buyers, while the other markets have one set each.

Early indications are that the 1953 season will rank with the four or five best years of all time. Prospects for high prices are excellent judging from the reports from the Georgia-Florida Belt.

Both the quantity and quality of this year's crop are considered good. Following early planting season difficulties, growers got a good stand and the growing season was excellent.

There was some hail damage, but it was limited in scope and extent. Even that was less than indicated by early reports.

Despite acreage reductions, the county's four markets are expected to sell considerably more leaf than was handled last year.

Sales will start Monday morning at 9 o'clock and will run for five and a half hours.

There is an important change in market regulations. Baskets will be permitted up to 300 pounds and the speed of sales may not exceed 400 baskets per hour.

While some of the tenseness and air of expectancy has disappeared from market openings since the price support program went into effect, hundreds of farmers will be on warehouse floors to see how tobacco is selling. Others will have their ears tuned to the radio to learn quickly just what the trend is.

The promptness with which farmers are able to get the news by radio has taken some glamour from market openings, but this has saved the grower a day's time and he often listens to the reports as he continues getting his own crop ready for market.

While the farmer has preparing his first leaf offerings ready for the opening, merchants have been no less busy getting stocked for a brisk trade which they expect during the auction season. Reports from Whiteville stores indicate that merchants are ready with the largest stock and the greatest variety since the boom merchandise year of 1947.

Meanwhile, the perennial vendors of boiled peanuts are ready for the invasion. They have been feeling out the trade for several years and will be on hand in their usual large number when the sales supervisor says "Let's go" over the first basket of the golden weed.

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 |
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| Thursday, July 30 | |
| 10:59 A. M. | 4:45 A. M. |
| 11:22 P. M. | 5:08 P. M. |
| Friday, July 31 | |
| 11:54 A. M. | 5:35 A. M. |
| 0:00 P. M. | 5:05 P. M. |
| Saturday, August 1 | |
| 0:15 A. M. | 6:27 A. M. |
| 12:53 P. M. | 7:08 P. M. |
| Sunday, August 2 | |
| 1:11 A. M. | 7:24 A. M. |
| 1:53 P. M. | 8:16 P. M. |
| Monday, August 3 | |
| 2:13 A. M. | 8:25 A. M. |
| 2:57 P. M. | 9:22 P. M. |
| Tuesday, August 4 | |
| 3:16 A. M. | 9:26 A. M. |
| 3:59 P. M. | 10:25 P. M. |
| Wednesday, August 5 | |
| 4:20 A. M. | 10:25 A. M. |
| 4:57 P. M. | 11:22 P. M. |