

Report Made On Expenditure Of Carnival Money

Business Session Of Monthly Southport Parent-Teacher Association Devoted To Committee Report

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WAS ENTERTAINMENT

Children From Several Elementary Grades And Some From The High School Participated

A Christmas program was given at the December meeting of the Southport Parent-Teacher Association.

The scripture was repeated by the chorus, followed by "The Lord's Prayer" by Trudy McNeil. There followed a group of carols by the chorus. "The Littlest Angel" was read by Ann Brooks Newton. Kenneth Payne sang "Star of the East", and then a trio of Sylvia Bennett, Julia Smith and Trudy McNeil sang "Silver Bells". Lou Hardee then recited "A Visit From Santa Claus".

The program was under the direction of Miss Louise McClure.

The chorus was under the direction of Mrs. W. R. Lingle, and included the following members: Diane Warth, Debbie Simmons, Dianne Lynch, Mary Pat Burdette, Bill Lynch, Ellen St. George, Sandy Potter, Estelle McArthur, Martha Harrelson, Donna Burr, Patsy Jenkins, Eddie Howard, Jean Hubbard, Dianne Peters, Louise Stankowski, Charles McKeithan, William Spencer, Beverly Howard, Eula Mae Wilmouth, Harriett Watts, Carolyn St. George, Betty Lester, Elizabeth Sellers, Joe Thomas Reeves, Rebecca Fortiscue, Barbara Stankowski, Cheryl Price, Patricia Caster, Judy McKeithan, Beverly Lewis, Jean Gilbert, Sharon Simmons, Joyce St. George, Danny White, David O'Neal.

Solo parts were by Tommy Harrelson and Homer McKeithan. During the business session the committee report on spending carnival funds was made. It was decided to allocate funds as follows: Science Department, \$140; Home Ec. Department, \$200; playground equipment, \$142 (to be added to the \$258 raised by birthday calendars); and \$260 to be divided between the first 8 grades for instructional supplies.

Textfilms to accompany readers will be secured for each of the first 5 grades. Albums of records to accompany the New Music Horizons book of songs will be secured for each of the first six grades. Games for teaching arithmetic will be provided for the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades. Phonics quizmo will be secured for the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades.

The first grade will get a set of wooden blocks for teaching beginning arithmetic and a set of sentence and word cards. The second grade will get addition flash cards, puzzles for teaching coordination, a clock dial and place (Continued on Page 4)

Brief News Flashes

LIONS CLUB

The regular meeting of the Southport Lions Club will be held tomorrow (Thursday) at 12:30 o'clock in the Masonic Building.

TURKEY SHOOT

The Southport Post No. 194, American Legion, will sponsor a turkey shoot Saturday at the old Southport athletic field, with competition to begin at 10 a.m.

COMMUNITY TREE

The community Christmas tree will be the center of festivities Thursday, December 24, in the old Southport gymnasium. Mrs. Bryant Potter will lead in singing Christmas carols and there will be candy for all the children.

FORESTERS MEET

The annual meeting of District Forest Wardens was held Thursday night at Calabash with a large number in attendance. Among those present was Joe Herlevich, district warden, who showed color slides. Robert Melville, district ranger, also was present.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

"On Wings Of Angels" Song" is the name of the Christmas cantata which will be presented Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock by the choir of Trinity Methodist church. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this musical program, which is directed by Mrs. Dallas Pigott.

Mastodon Tooth Found Near Here

Huge Tooth Identified As Lower Molar Of This Large Prehistoric Animal

John D. O'Daniel, who is employed on one of the work boats at Sunny Point, brought in a large tooth about as big as his fist last week that had been dug up from a depth of 50-feet. Knowing that Dr. C. E. Crandell is an expert in the matter of teeth, he carried it to the local dentist for identification.

Dr. Crandell admitted that he was stumped, so he sent the ancient tooth to a friend of his, Dr. George W. Duncan, at the Medical College of Virginia. Dr. Duncan makes study of these things, and soon was able to identify the huge tooth as a lower molar of a

mastodon. It is known from archaeological records that these large, elephantine creatures inhabited this region about 25,000 years ago until they were driven Southward during the ice age. Additional data indicates that they came to the North American continent from Europe and Asia 10 million years ago.

This is the most interesting discovery of this type thus far in connection with the Sunny Point dredging and excavations, and it gives rise to the question of what additional fossils may turn up.

Driving Piling For Foundation

Workmen Of Diamond Construction Company Began Yesterday To Put Down Foundation For Dock

POURING CONCRETE BEGINS NEXT MONTH

Other Contractors Are Busy Now With Actual On-Site Work Of Construction

The Diamond Construction Company began driving the first permanent pilings at Sunny Point Dock No. 2 yesterday. An official of the company stated that no great progress would be made at this phase of the work for the next few days.

The they will swing at thing with two eight-hour shifts at pile driving and this work will follow in close order with the placing of the molds for the decking to the docks. Actual work of pouring concrete should begin by January 15th.

A force of carpenters is already engaged in making molds on forms for the concrete. Lumber is being received daily and the preparations for the big push are moving steadily forward. It is understood that with the beginning of the concrete pouring work will go to a 3-shift, 24-hour day basis.

Some reports have it that cement pouring will begin first at Dock No. 2. However, it is pointed out that with dredging practically completed at dock No. 1 and No. 3, both the McWilliams and the Ventor will shortly move to dock No. 2 to finish a rather hard job there. The operations of the dredging company and the Diamond may interfere with each other and it is possible that Dock No. 1 may receive first attention from the builders.

Dock No. 1 is nearest Southport and No. 3 is furthest up the river. The construction of the three huge 2,400 foot structures is a task that the builders expect will consume over a year and a half, this without their having to build the three railroads that (Continued on Page 4)

Prowler Report Made Last Week

Two Different Southport White Ladies Report Seeing Nocturnal Visitor On Premises

Apparently a prowler is again on the loose in Southport and two local white women are reported to have been badly scared by a nocturnal rambler during the past week.

Mrs. Dallas Pigott reported having seen a man walking around in her back yard one night. She could not detect whether he was white or Negro. He walked off when asked what he was doing there.

The following night Mrs. Russell St. George and her ten year old daughter, Barbara, received a real scare. Mrs. St. George works at Watson's Pharmacy and has little time to look after her house-work. On the night in question, she says she and Barbara finished washing a pan full of clothes at 10 o'clock.

With the pan of clothes they walked out of the house and started around to hang the clothes on a line in the back yard. Mrs. St. George looked up and there was a man standing close (Continued on page four)

Jury List For January Term Superior Court

Judge W. C. Harris Of Raleigh Will Preside Over Criminal Term To Convene Here In January

THREE MURDER CASES SCHEDULED

Jury List Will Furnish Members Of New Grand Jury As Well As The Petit Jury

Judge W. C. Harris of Raleigh will preside at the January term of criminal court and three murder cases are scheduled to be heard during the term.

Richard Wilton Deaver is scheduled to be tried for the fatal shooting of his wife, Mrs. Louise Deaver. This murder occurred on U. S. 74-78 while the woman, who had been separated from her husband for three weeks, was riding in the car of Clinton Sellers of Southport and Wilmington. Sellers was also separated from his wife. Deaver is in jail without privilege of bail.

Another murder case has Kelly Edwards, Northwest township, 37-year old negro, charged with the murder of Adrain McCullom, of about the same age. This killing occurred last week. Edwards is also in jail without bond.

James A. Trotter, elderly white man, now out on bail, is scheduled to be tried for the murder of his wife, Mrs. Lydia Trotter.

The list drawn by the County Commissioners from which both a grand jury for the twelve months and trial juries for the week will be drawn, is as follows:

Ralph Potter, L. B. Bennett, Fred Stevens, Mrs. Elizabeth Pulley, N. Y.; one son, Franklin Watts of Southport; and one brother, Howard Watts, of Wilmington. The funeral services will be held in the Southport Baptist church, but arrangements had not been completed at press time.

Heart Attack Is Fatal To Watts

Samuel Franklin Watts, 53 year old resident of Southport, died suddenly of a heart attack this morning.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Laura Southerland Watts; by two daughters, Mrs. B. W. Heneman of Staten Island, N. Y., and Miss Alene Watts of Spring Valley, N. Y.; one son, Franklin Watts of Southport; and one brother, Howard Watts, of Wilmington.

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Mrs. Parker To Head Postmasters

Annual Meeting Of Brunswick County Postmasters Held Friday Night At Bolivia

The Brunswick county postmasters held their annual meeting at Mac's place at Bolivia Friday night with Mrs. Ruby Edwards, county chairman, presiding. A turkey and barbecue dinner was enjoyed with L. R. Hobbs of Delco giving the invocation. Mrs. Esther Bullock, of Delco fourth-vince President of the North Carolina Chapter, National Association of Postmasters, was in charge of the business session at which time Mrs. Ida B. Parker of Shallotte was elected as county chairman to succeed Mrs. Edwards.

Berdis Stone of St. Paul, District Chairman of the Seventh Congressional District, led in a discussion of interest to postmasters. Following the dinner, a comedy skit was given by Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Parker and John Holden.

Brunswick county postmasters present were: Mrs. Ida Parker of Shallotte, Mrs. Ruby Edwards of Bolivia, Mrs. Johnnie Hawes of Holden Beach, Mrs. Ethlyn Hawes of Supply, Mrs. Christine Potter of Winnabow and N. B. Inman of Freeland. Two retired postmasters were present: Mrs. Janie J. Henry of Winnabow and L. R. Hobbs of Delco. Other guests (Continued on Page 4)

Vendor Rounding Up Present Job

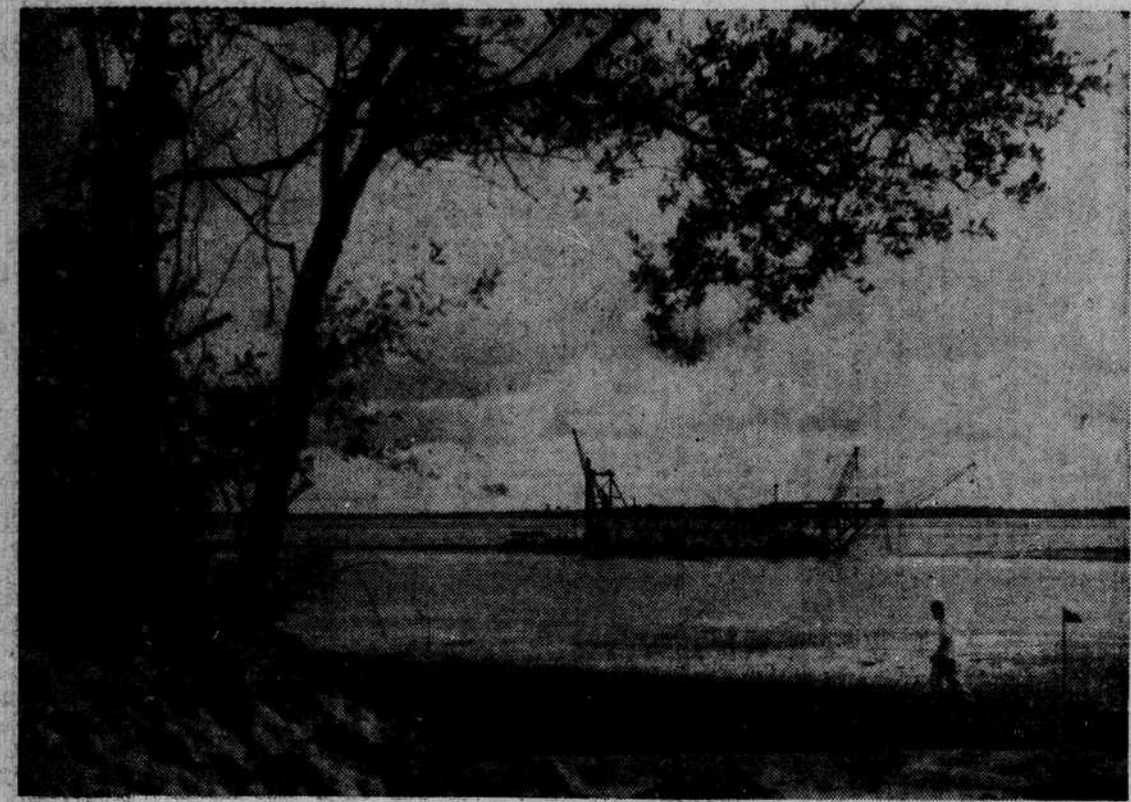
Indications Point To Further Work For This Dredge In Clearing Up Seepage In Dock No. 2 Area

The Vendor of the Hill Dredging Company of New Jersey is now rounding out its full 12 months of dredging at the Sunny Point dock area.

During the past two weeks families of men employed on the Ventor and living here in Southport, and also friends of those families have been making inquiries regarding when the vessel will leave.

Following up these inquiries this paper has learned that the Ventor will not leave until some time well in March if then. The situation is that the Ventor is finishing its sub-contract with the McWilliams Dredging Company of (Continued on Page Four)

Completing Operations



CLEAN-UP—This is the big dredge McWilliams, which has been at work on the dredging operations at Sunny Point for the past several months. Both the McWilliams and the Ventor are now winding up work in their present locations.

Huge Machinery Doing Grading At Sunny Point

Giant Earth Movers Are At Work Preparing Bed For Site Railroad Near Dock Area

MACHINERY NOW MAKING PROGRESS

Roar Of These Giant Vehicles May Be Heard At Great Distance From Sunny Point

President Y. L. Brown of the Hertford Construction Company stated this week that his company would have enough equipment here to be moving some 20,000 cubic yards of earth each day by the last of next week.

During the past two weeks the company has moved an amazing amount of earth and has been re-day from other points of operations. They have had a huge job at Rocky Mount and have also been at work on the Blumenthal Airport job at Wilmington. Most of their equipment that will be used here is still at the airport job.

Some of the machines now in use at Sunny Point are said to be the largest earth movers in the world. They have a capacity of 24-cubic yards and they cost \$54,000.00 each. Half a dozen such machines are at work along with an equal number of slightly smaller machines. These earth movers are four wheelers. Instead of the wheels turning, as is the case with an automobile, the entire front swings around when turning.

They have front and rear engines to pull and push. The engines operate separate from each other. The front engine provide power for only the two front wheels and the rear wheels do like duty back there.

Pusher bulldozers furnish extra power when loading. Once loaded the powerful machines take off at 30 or 35 miles per hour. There is a continuous and deafening roar that completely drowns out all fuss that the bulldozers can make.

Mr. Brown stated he expected to get done the clearing and grading job in about eight months. Clearing the right of way and grading is all his company has to do. The T. F. Scholes Inc., will be in with its own equipment in January and will lay the ties, rails and do the ballasting.

The Hertford Construction Company setting eight months more (Continued on page 4)

Christmas Tour Planned Sunday

Four Southport Homes Will Be Decorated For Occasion And Will Have Many New Ideas For Christmas

On Sunday afternoon and evening the Southport Garden Club and Women's Club will hold its annual Christmas idea display. This year instead of the Christmas House of prior years there will be a Christmas tour of four Southport homes which have been decorated by club members for the Yuletide season.

The homes will be open from 2 o'clock until 5 o'clock in the afternoon, and in the evening after church services until 10 o'clock. There will be a variety of ideas executed by the clubs in the mantel arrangements, dining tables, (Continued on Page Four)

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 17	
4:58 A. M.	11:25 A. M.
5:18 P. M.	11:30 P. M.
Friday, December 18	
5:56 A. M.	0:00 A. M.
6:17 P. M.	12:21 P. M.
Saturday, December 19	
6:51 A. M.	0:24 A. M.
7:11 P. M.	1:12 P. M.
Sunday, December 20	
7:42 A. M.	1:14 A. M.
8:03 P. M.	2:01 P. M.
Monday, December 21	
8:30 A. M.	2:02 A. M.
8:51 P. M.	2:47 P. M.
Tuesday, December 22	
9:16 A. M.	2:49 A. M.
9:38 P. M.	3:31 P. M.
Wednesday, December 23	
9:50 A. M.	3:35 A. M.
10:23 P. M.	4:13 P. M.

Hog Disease Is Found In County

Holiday Schedule Will Be Followed

Swine Disease Outbreak On R. L. McLamb Farm Near Thomasboro Has Been Identified As V.E.

SITUATION NOW UNDER CONTROL

Warning Given Other Farmers In Methods To Follow To Prevent Similar Occurrence

The recent swine disease outbreak on the farm of R. L. McLamb, near Thomasboro, has been identified as V.E. disease by State and Federal Veterinarians, according to a report by A. S. Knowles, county agent. This disease was introduced into Mr. McLamb's herd when he purchased a male hog at the livestock market in Whiteville on November 30th. By December 2 Mr. McLamb noticed that the hog showed signs of sickness, but did not become alarmed until some pigs having access to the sick hog began to show the same trouble about December 3 or December 4.

On Monday, December 7, a State Veterinarian examined the hog and suspected V. E. disease. Because this disease has about the same symptoms in hogs that V. S. and foot and mouth diseases have, it was necessary to call in other State and Federal Veterinarians to run tests on healthy pigs, cows and a horse, in order to eliminate the V. S. and foot and mouth disease. Tests have shown only the presence of V. E. disease.

All possible precautions have been taken to prevent further spreading of the disease. All hogs sold on the Whitehall market (Continued on Page Four)

Moving with his family from Kentucky earlier this year, Elmer Creech, 16-year old youth of Bolivia Route 1, set out for his Old Kentucky Home, Friday.

For transportation he appropriated the car of Wm. Oberjohan of the Army Engineers. Mr. Oberjohan, an inspector, was at some desks that are being built by the engineers on the waterway. He had parked his car with others about 4 miles down in the woods from Midway. Where the Creech (Continued on Page Four)

Youth Caught In Stolen Car

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The minute book of Monday's session shows the following cases disposed of: Elmer Creech, larceny of automobile, no drivers license, wait (Continued on Page 4)

Some time this past week Mr. and Mrs. W. B. St. George, for (Continued on Page Five)

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Patrolmen Get Many Speeders

Fact That Some Fail To Appear For Trial May Give Impression That These Men Do Not Make Many Arrests

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Our ROVING Reporter



W. B. KEZIAH

Monday afternoon we had just been talking to Cornelius Thomas and at the moment were minding our own business. When George Whately called us over and said, "I heard you had a birthday." "Sure," we responded, "it happened last Thursday. We have one each year on the same date, December 10. Following the above exchange of information George led us into Watson's Pharmacy where he bought us a whole hand full of cigars.

The number of proud fathers who have called around to see us and hand us a cigar in recent days has been rapidly increasing. Most of the new arrivals appear to be girls. In fact, since we are rather astute, we have learned to distinguish very quickly whether it is a boy or girl by the quality of the cigar that daddy

brings around. Our most recent cigar came from Attorney Jim Bowman. Now that we come to remember things, we had Christmas dinner with the parents of the Little Miss last year.