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Goode Awarded Contract For Big Cafeteria

Charlotte Contractor Low Bidder For Construction Of 500-Capacity Cafeteria Near Administration Building

FEBRUARY 15 IS SET AS DEADLINE

Apparently There Is Big Demand For Rush Job In Connection With This Facility At Sunny Point

On a low bid of \$110,300, the Goode Construction Company of Charlotte, has been awarded the contract for the 500-capacity Cafeteria for Sunny Point. Bids were opened Thursday and the contract was awarded Friday. This appears to be a rush job, as work must begin before February 15.

The location is in the Administration Area and is about 4 miles from Southport city limits. Access to it will be over N. C. 87 and the by-pass of 130, which will enter 87 at the point where Federal Highway "A" enters 87. All traffic to and from the terminals will pass through the administration and cafeteria areas and enter 87 at the same point.

It is expected that the by-pass from 130 at Orton will be constructed by the State Highway Commission immediately. The Federal Government pays for this road with the State supervising the contract. District Highway Commissioner Heide Trask while here a few days ago stated that the road would have a crushed rock and marl base covered with a 24-foot strip of asphalt, the same as Federal "A" which it will touch at the entrance to 87.

An effort is being made to have the State complete the link in 130 with a short new stretch of road from 87 to 130 at the junction of the Fort Caswell road. This would cut 3 or 4 miles from the traveling distance from N. C. 130 west for workers traveling to and from Sunny Point.

The Goode Construction Company, to whom the Army Engineers awarded the cafeteria contract, is headed by Roy Goode, a prominent official of the North Carolina Contractors Association. The Goode company already has a contract for several hundred thousand dollars worth of buildings in the area.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

CAKE AND PIE SALE

The Eastern Star is having a cake and pie sale on Saturday at 10 o'clock in the building next to the tax office.

LIONS TO MEET

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

SATURDAY DANCE

The Southport Lions Club will sponsor a square and round dance Saturday night in the Community Building.

IN AIR FORCE

Two Southport boys, William Robbins and Eddie Lindner, were accepted in the U. S. Air Force in Raleigh Sunday. They left immediately by plane for a training base in Texas.

P. T. A. MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Southport Parent-Teachers Association will be held Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

LOCAL GROUP ON TV

The Melodians, local Negro singing group, will appear on the Baldwin Hour, WFDD-TV, Monday evening, February 14, at 9 o'clock. These singers from Southport have been rather much in demand in neighboring towns since they first organized.

NEGRO SHOT IN LEG

Robert Brown, Wampee, S. C., negro, is still in the hospital here with the bone in one of his legs shattered by a small calibre pistol bullet. He received the wound early last week during an argument with Alonzo Gore, another negro of the same community. Gore has been arrested and is at liberty under bond and will be tried in Recorder's Court as soon as the injuries of Brown permit him to appear and testify.

Col. Roland Brown Suggests Feature

Officer Who Was In Charge Of Wilmington District, U. S. Army Engineers, During Planning Stage Of Sunny Point Now In Italy

By W. B. KEZIAH

Colonel Roland C. Brown of the U. S. Army Engineers, head of the Wilmington District through the 3-year planning stage for Sunny Point and some of the earliest construction, is still an interesting observer of the progress from Rome, Italy, where he is now on a tour of duty.

His observance of the progress is through the weekly reading of this paper, for which he is a subscriber. During the holidays a letter from Col. Brown manifested such a keen interest in Sunny Point.

This week in a letter Colonel Brown voiced his appreciation of the planning days cooperation that he received from Southport folks and that of the Army Engineers working with him. In this planning work he specifically mentioned Snell, Hewett and McDuffy. They were there during the job of planning and for that matter they are still there during the big job of construction.

Colonel Brown described the construction work as the hard

job. "It was easy to put it all on paper, as we did. However, we did start the R. R. lines and the big dikes and dredging." These items are forgotten now," he said, adding, "We all do our parts."

The colonel's present tasks in Europe are rather exacting, he stated. It embraces work at Florence and Northern Italy and Carthage in North Africa. And everything must be done exactly right. He has been there a year and expects to return to the United States in September of this year or 1956. This last named date marks the end of the regular tour of duty period in Europe.

Referring again to Sunny Point near the end of his letter, Colonel Brown made an interesting and valuable suggestion that is being quoted in full. He wrote: "Keep your good work. I believe your Southport State Port Pilot has a better historical record of the project than even the Army Engineers office has."

He continued: "Your paper will be the historical record of a great job. Why not plan now to issue a special feature issue, tracing the history of the job from the time you had your first story on the project, up to the time of the special issue. Such a feature would create a lot of interest, would be a pleasure to read."
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Brunswick Men Oppose Secrecy

Senator Ray Walton Co-Author Of Bill To Kill Old Secrecy Law And Also Opposed Change In Senate Rules On Issue

SULLIVAN WAS AGAINST CHANGE

Brunswick County Representative One Of Twenty-Two Members Of House Opposing Change In Rules

Both Senator Ray Walton and Representative Kirby Sullivan took a firm stand against secrecy legislation last week, although they were aligned with a losing cause.

Senator Walton was co-author of the Senate bill to repeal the 1953 Secrecy Law, then was one of 13 Senate members who opposed a rule change which set forth the principle that "it is the inherent right" of each committee to go into executive session.

Over in the house of Representatives Sullivan voted with his fellow members to repeal the 1953 act by an overwhelming margin. When it came to the question of changing the rules with the effect of completely nullifying the repeal measure, Representative Sullivan was one of 22 house members opposed to the rule change, which carried over their protest.

Although not all of the committee assignments have been Continued On Page Two

Grand Jury Has Brief Report

Report Of Findings Contained In Report Submitted To Judge J. Paul Frizzelle Wednesday

The grand jury submitted the following report to Judge J. Paul Frizzelle: The Grand Jury met and was in session three (3) days beginning January 24, 1955 and ending January 26, 1955. We, the Grand Jury have examined 17 bills and found 16 true bills and have offered presentment.

"The State Highway Patrol reported that they were in the process of inspecting the school buses.

"Fines, forfeitures, etc., turned over to the Board of Education by Magistrates and Mayors since September term of court are as follows:

"C. H. King, no business; A. W. Smith, no business; E. F. Gore, \$50, A. D. Long \$200, E. O. Rabon, \$70.00, David Ross, \$20.00; City of Southport, \$25.00. Total \$170.00.

"The following made no report on business transacted in their offices: E. H. Gray, Frederick A. Ganey, Paul Brown, D. E. Reynolds, W. P. Suggs, Lafayette A. Willetts, Jr., F. C. Rabon.

Plan Valentine Festival Here On February 11

This Event Will Take Place Of Annual Halloween Carnival As Fund-Raising Effort For Southport P. T. A.

VOTING CONTESTS NOW IN PROGRESS

Series Of Skits And Acts Will Give Many Pupils Opportunity To Perform On Stage At Festival

A Valentine Festival will be held on Friday, February 11, under the sponsorship of the Southport Parent-Teacher Association. Mrs. J. A. Gilbert, chairman of grade mothers, will have overall direction of the event which has been planned to make up for the Halloween Carnival which had to be called off because of Hurricane Hazel.

The festival will be in several divisions, beginning with a cake and pie sale after school in the afternoon. There will be a variety show in the school auditorium that night under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Hood. A varied and interesting program is being planned for this occasion, with practically all school children taking part in some way.

The Valentine Queen and King will be crowned, and this contest is now going on among the school children. Attendants will be chosen, the whole plan following closely the usual procedure for Carnival Queen and King.

A dance is being planned in the Community Building for Saturday night, February 12.

Mrs. Davis Herring, Mrs. Dallas Pigott, Mrs. N. M. Hornstein, Mrs. James Barnes and Mrs. Rosemary Vincent.

Mrs. Kathleen Webb is in charge of the queen and king contest and is being assisted by Mrs. W. R. Bomberger, Mrs. Gladys Wolfe, Miss Lucille Watson and Mr. Leigh.

The concession at the school will be under the direction of Mrs. Lucille Williamson and Mrs. Ray Walton.

Sandwiches and other refreshments at the dance will be sold by Mrs. E. C. Blake, Mrs. J. E. Julian, Mrs. Glenn Trunnell, Mrs. Webb and Mrs. Paul Lackey. These ladies will also serve as chaperones for the dance.

In charge of music and to serve at the door are Mrs. E. J. Prevatte, Mrs. J. B. Warth, Mrs. O. H. Lynch, and Mrs. W. Riley Willis. Publicity will be handled by Mrs. J. M. Haper, Jr. and the tickets by Mrs. Frank Lennon.

Warehouse Fire Results In Loss

Building And Hardware Stock Sustained Big Damage At Shallotte Friday Afternoon; Volunteer Firemen Helped

Fire Friday afternoon badly damaged the warehouse building of the Shallotte Hardware Company, just in the rear of the Shallotte Trading Company, at Shallotte. The most severe loss is said to have been to the large stock of hardware and supplies stored in the building.

The structure was owned by Odell Williamson and the estate of the late Sherman Register, who with his wife and son lost their lives in the fire.

Most of the defendants pleaded guilty in the Recorder's Court Monday and 50 cases out of 147 that were on the docket were disposed of. Bonds were forfeited in numerous others. The big docket was the result of no court having been held last week because Superior Court was in session. Added to this cause was a large number of continued cases. Judge Earl Bellamy and Solicitor J. C. Bowman worked on the docket until after 8 o'clock.

The following cases were disposed of:

Thomas Edward Nesmith, speeding (65 mph) fined \$10 and costs.

Gaston Jones non-support, 6 months on roads, sentence suspended upon payment of \$32 per month in the office of the Clerk of Court for the support of his wife and two minor children and to pay costs.

Adrain Simmons, non-support, nol pros with leave.

Sam West, damage to personal property, using profane language, 6 months on roads for violating previous sentence, notice of appeal given, bond set at \$400.

Cub Scouts Join In Railroad Day

Cub Scout Pack 238 of Southport went to Wilmington to join cubs of the Cape Fear Council in Railroad Day. By cooperation of the railroad the facilities of the company were displayed to the clubs.

Mrs. R. L. Jones and Mrs. O. H. Lynch took seven boys to participate. The Cub Pack meet every Monday at 3:30 o'clock at the Presbyterian Youth Center with Rev. Joe MacLeod as Cubmaster and Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Lynch as Den Mothers.

Construction At Long Beach Now Hits Fast Pace

Cottages Being Reclaimed and Restored To Original Foundations With Much New Building Now Being Started

This past week Donald Sneed, who has the contract for restoring the sand dunes and beach strand at Long Beach, remarked to a newsman that Colonel R. L. Hill had just said that the beach looked very good.

Folks who were there when Governor Luther Hodges visited the place 10 days ago and who were there again this past Sunday can heartily agree with what the Colonel said.

Despite pretty bad weather most of last week, property owners have begun to go right into things and show what the beach can do in staging a comeback. Several brand new homes were rising within a week after the visit of the governor and numerous others have been brought back to their original positions and have repair work underway.

This week such work is going on at a good pace. Folks from everywhere are rebuilding their homes or building new ones. They had only been waiting for the beach restoration work to be finished. It appears that everyone who has started building has been a source of encouragement to others to do the same thing without waiting longer.

Some two or three weeks ago some one stated to this paper that there would be at least 75 homes ready for occupancy at Long Beach by the first of June, but judging by the progress made last week and the pace this week the statement may be too low. There may be over a hundred homes ready at Long Beach before the first of June.

They are still working at the beach restoration and it will take some time yet to get down the entire 10 mile strand, but it is significant to point out that builders are right behind the machines. Several property owners are in such a hurry that they have started rebuilding where the restoration work is still incomplete.

Many Applicants For Guard Jobs

More Than 700 Applications Received From Men Seeking Employment At Government Terminal

The Personnel Branch reports over 700 men have made application for guard duty at Sunny Point Terminal under construction five miles north of Southport.

The period for filing for these jobs opened January 20, with February 2 set for the closing date. Applications will be screened in- Continued On Page Two

Association Officers



OFFICIALS—H. T. St. George, left, and W. P. Jorgensen, right, were re-elected as president and as secretary-treasurer, respectively, at the Annual Stockholders meeting of the Southport Building and Loan Association held here Friday night.



Southport B. & L. Sets Million Goal

Livingston Has Job With City

H. A. Livingston, former mayor and former member of the board of aldermen for the City of Southport, was named last week on a temporary basis as Superintendent of Streets and Public Utilities for the city. He succeeds the late R. L. Brendle in this position.

Livingston, who has served for the past several years as general manager of the W. B. & S. Bus Lines, has had previous experience with the building and maintenance of city streets. Many years ago he was in charge of a project for putting down shells on several streets in town.

Rock Crushing Machine Starts

Capable Of Turning Out 250-Tons Of Base Material For Roads Each Hour It Is In Operations

The big rock crushing machine of the Young Stone Company of Charlotte began crushing rock and marl for road foundation work at Sunny Point this morning. The crusher has a capacity of 250 tons per hour, according to general foreman D. L. Barringer of Charlotte, where the company has its headquarters.

For the initial work big bulldozers push the material up to the long conveyor that feeds the crusher. Later on as the material gets further back from the conveyor trucks and earth movers will be used for bringing up material.

The crushed stone and marl was pumped from the river into dikes by the McWilliams Dredging Company of New Orleans. Eighteen cubic yards, with a good portion of it being rock and marl, was pumped out of the dock area by the dredger, forming a pile 58-feet deep in some areas.

The E. B. Towles Construction Company will use as much of this rock and marl as it needs for a base for the 30 miles of highway for which it has a contract. This road will be all in the yards and some of it will have paving 24-feet wide and a rock and marl base from 8 inches to a foot in depth.

Illustrative of the value of the stuff, R. M. Buchanan, Southern Superintendent of the T. F. Scholes, Inc., of Reading, Pa., said yesterday, "I wish I had that pile of stuff. It is ideal for base material and I have an idea that a lot of such stuff will be needed in this area."

Another contractor at Sunny Point, the Southern Builders of Fayetteville, also swung into action this week. The company poured the first cement with its big mixer that has a capacity of 30-cubic yards. The material for this outfit is all brought in by train and the finished product distributed to various other contractors as they need it.

Supt. J. W. Sidbury of the Roy Goode Construction Company, an- Continued On Page Two

Last Piling On Terminal Docks Sunk This Week

Last Of The Ten-Thousand Concrete Piling Sunk Home During Operations At Sunny Point Yesterday

FIRST DOCK MAY BE READY IN MAY

Laying Railroad Tracks On Concrete Docks Is Exact-Job For Both Railroad Men And Concrete Workers

Ken Stewart, construction superintendent, and various other officials of the Diamond Construction Company were jubilant yesterday when the big pile drivers shoved home the last of the ten thousand concrete pilings that form the foundations for the three huge docks.

One of the big floating cranes, the same one that came to the rescue of Southport shrimping boats when they were beached for another job. Three or four others were still standing by, employed at various tasks when the last concrete piling was sunk.

They will likely remain here some weeks longer as there is still the task of driving three or four hundred greenheart pilings to serve as bumpers or fenders on the shipside of the docks.

These greenheart timbers are the closest thing to iron in hardness of any wood grown that has that much length. They are shipped here from South America and a partial shipload is now enroute. Another partial shipload arrived some weeks ago and they have already been driven, Continued On Page Two

Second Trawler Nears Completion

L. J. Hardee Is Having Two Additional Vessels Built For Use In Connection With His Shrimping Operations

Captain Sandy Simmons left Saturday aboard one of the Lewis Hardee trawlers for Fernandina, Fla. There he will pick up and tow back to Southport the second boat of a fleet of four trawlers that are being built in Fernandina for Hardee.

The first new boat was brought in here a month ago and has since been rigged out for service here by Floyd Dilsaver. In Fernandina the four boats are built complete, except for engines and equipment. The engines are installed and the equipment placed after arrival here.

In addition to the four Hardee boats the same yard in Fernandina is constructing a trawler for Dallas Pigott. It is understood that the Pigott boat is of the same size and in all respects identical to those that are being built for Hardee.

During the more than 20 years Hardee has lived here he has had 5 different fleets of shrimper trawlers. Some of them were built in Louisiana, others in Florida and others here. He usually operates them for three or four years and then sells and starts out building another type of craft. The boats he made here four and five years ago were sold to Cuban interests at the close of the 1953 fishing season in Florida.

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, February 3	
4:38 A. M.	11:03 A. M.
5:04 P. M.	11:12 P. M.
Friday, February 4	
5:40 A. M.	12:00 A. M.
6:06 P. M.	0:00 P. M.
Saturday, February 5	
6:36 A. M.	0:10 A. M.
7:00 P. M.	12:50 P. M.
Sunday, February 6	
7:26 A. M.	1:02 A. M.
7:50 P. M.	1:38 P. M.
Monday, February 7	
8:13 A. M.	1:51 A. M.
8:37 P. M.	2:21 P. M.
Tuesday, February 8	
8:49 A. M.	2:37 A. M.
9:23 P. M.	3:04 P. M.
Wednesday, February 9	
9:40 A. M.	3:22 A. M.
10:05 P. M.	3:44 P. M.