

EDITORIALS:

EASTER SERVICES

There simply can be no more beautiful or effective way to welcome in the day on Easter Sunday morning than to be awakened by the music of the colored choristers as they go about the streets of the city with their pre-dawn singing. They have contributed a custom that has become one of the highlights of the observance of Easter in Southport each year.

One event which was beginning to find popular favor as a part in the Easter program of the community was the sunrise service. This year it was not held; and it was missed. We hope to

see it restored by the people because they feel the need for it.

Programs like the cantata Sunday night make us proud we live here, for the music of the combined choirs brought a fitting climax to the celebration of Easter. Weeks of patience and hard work went into the preparation of this cantata, but there is no doubt in the mind of anyone who heard them that the results more than justified all of the sacrifices that made it possible.

Truly, it is a fine thing to live in our city at Eastertide.

DEATH BLOW TO POLIO

Announcement of the success of the Salk vaccine as a control measure for polio is joyful news for men and women everywhere, particularly here in America where the battle against this dread disease has been waged on a national level by millions of dollars in funds contributed voluntarily.

It is no sudden, complete victory. The fight has gone on for years and must continue until it is possible to develop vaccine in sufficient quantity to immunize our population, particularly our

children. And we must not forget our social obligation to thousands who have been left crippled by the ravages of this disease. These victims deserve our continued help.

This marks another milestone in the progress of medical science. It marks, too, a new high in the effectiveness of faithful, unselfish, volunteer service on the part of the American people. Much can be accomplished when we have a cause to which we will devote our labor and our prayers.

PLAYING WITH FIRE

The problem of danger to children and adults resulting from the use of fireworks, including firing of caps in cap pistols is reported to have been under control since fireworks in North Carolina were outlawed in 1947.

A bill is now before the North Carolina legislature to allow the sale of caps for cap pistols. This bill seems innocent enough in itself but is it a "foot-in-the-door" measure? We don't know how many children that have been hurt by firing caps in a cap pistol. Maybe none, but the fact remains that when children

fire caps in their cap pistols they are "playing with fire" and someone can be hurt.

We would not deny our children any reasonable fun and pleasure but why permit them to play with little rattle snakes when we wouldn't permit them to play with the big ones.

We hope our legislature will kill the caps for cap pistols bill. We believe it will save our little folk precious eyesight as well as a lot of burned fingers and hands.

OUR GRASS ROOTS ARMY

With units located in more than 2,200 communities in the United States, Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia, the National Guard is America's grass roots defense force. Its roots go deep into the fabric of the Nation, reaching into great cities, towns and hamlets.

Made up 100 percent of volunteers, Army and Air National Guard Units virtually cover the Nation with a potent and ever present defense umbrella.

Guard membership—made up of volunteers from all walks of life—currently includes almost 400,000 officers and men in more than 5,600 organized units. The Air National Guard—which made an outstanding combat record during the Korean emergency contains

over 600 organized units and almost 50,000 officers and men, including some 2500 pilots.

The Army National Guard, with more than 330,000 officers and men in over 5,000 organized units, constitutes a potent force which boasts an outstanding combat record in World War II and in Korea. Included in this fine ground force are 27 infantry and armored divisions and hundreds of combat and service support units.

Together, the Army and the Air National Guard—drawing its volunteer strength from the grass roots of America—form a balanced and proven fighting team that stands as an ever ready bulwark of defense against America's enemies.

NO INCENTIVE FOR LEAF OVERPLANTING

According to information about changes in the 1955 tobacco acreage allotment law, released by the County ASC Committee the first of the week, the penalty on excess tobacco marketed for 1955 will be 75 percent of 1954's average price or approximately 39 cents a pound.

In addition no increase in allotment for overplanting one's quota will be allowed this year.

It looks like the 1955 law removes most all of the incentives a grower could possibly have for planting in excess of his tobacco acreage allotment. There certainly can't be any profit made from excess tobacco marketed when the grower will have to pay 75

percent of what he sells the tobacco for to the government. He can't possibly produce a crop and make any profit out of only 25 percent of what his tobacco sells for.

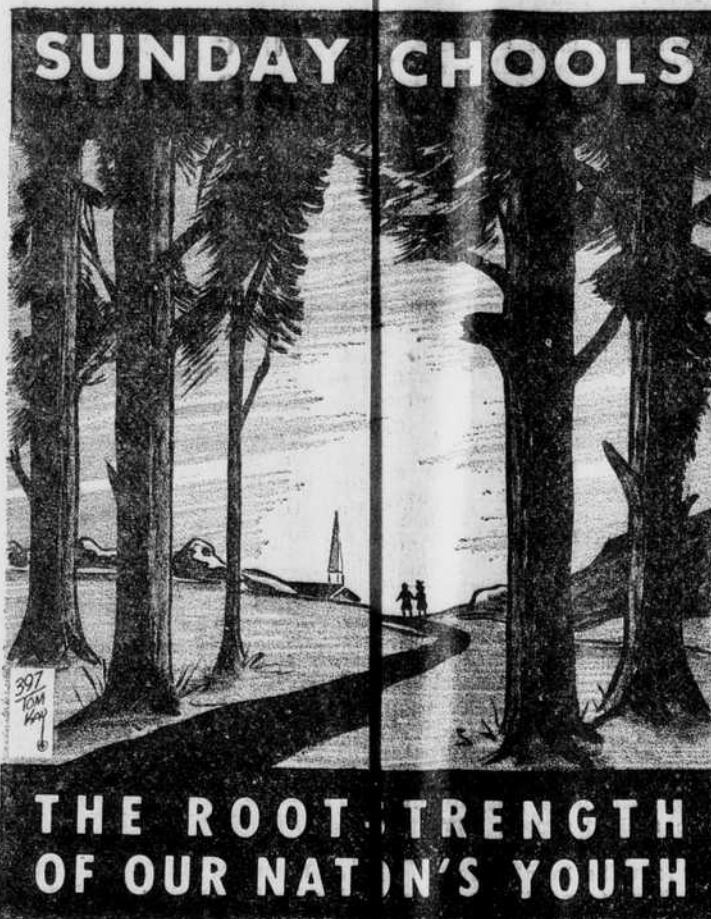
Heretofore though, provided he observed certain practices, a grower could gain a small increase in acreage quota by overplanting and under some conditions it might have paid some farmers to overplant and pay the penalty in order to increase his allotment. Prior to this year though he only had to pay 40 percent or less in penalty.

With domestic consumption of tobacco dropping and sales on foreign markets decreasing and the tobacco stockpile growing each year it seems wise to remove all the incentives for excess acreage planting. Even though it may work a hardship on some few growers for the industry as a whole it seems like the wise and proper thing to do. We hope our farmers agree and will cooperate in the effort fully.

It is reported that with money you may not be able to buy friends, but it will get you a better class of enemies.

Among the footprints in the sand of time some people leave only the marks of a heel.

Mary Frissel, a local beauty, is looking for a man who is tall, dark, and has some.



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ret until just a few hours before it is sounded, Captain Carmichael explained. The "go ahead" order will be issued by the Adjutant General and transmitted to all North Carolina Army and Air National Guard units.

BRUNSWICK HAS

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highway, with no low branch trees or tall shrubs to block vision. As a rule, there is a grassed strip separating the highway from the park driveway and parking lot.

BOLIVIA PLANNING

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Bolivia and from any Bolivian Lions Club members. The public is invited, and everyone is urged to make plans now to attend this big singing concert.

INCORPORATION IS

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ago and now they are for it." Stedman pointed out that Yaupon Beach, which was formerly a part of Long Beach, is being incorporated. "We cannot afford to lag behind our neighboring community," he said. "We need to be incorporated even more than Yaupon Village."

OFFICERS BUSY

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"Moonshiners were here before I was born and some will be here after I am gone," he said. With the help of the law-abiding citizens of the county he hopes to destroy the outfits and capture as many of the operators as he can.

BUILDING FAST

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of folks at Holden Beach this year and the summer of 1956 they should see things bigger than they were before the storm.

PERFECT WEATHER

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James Ward. Tenors: Edgar Finch, Rev. Leo Hawkins, G. E. Hubbard, Robert Willing, James Wolfe. Basses: G. D. Abernathy, Jr., Alex Fox, James Harper, III, A. D. Harrelson, Rev. R. H. Jordan, Hubert Livingston, E. J. Prevatte, Dasher Ruark.

BRANCH OFFICE

Sam Bennett, local real estate agent, is planning to open a branch office at Yaupon Village in the near future. He will divide his time between his office there and here.

Light Delay In Waccamaw Project

A representative of the Coast Construction Company stated this week that it will probably get to work on the Waccamaw River snagging project. The company is still working at Southport and Long Beach.

Most of the Waccamaw River lies in the immediate area of Crusoe Island in Columbus County. It will consist of removing snags and rafts from the river, leaving a less obstructed channel. The contractors are anxious to get the job as soon as possible, realizing that in the muds and swamps the mosquitoes and other insect pests will workmen a lot of trouble a little later in the year.

Howell Point Building Back

According to Attorney S. Bunn Howell, Howell's Point at the mouth of Lockwoods Folly River, has come back with more houses than it had before the October storm. Nearly every house there was destroyed in that storm.

Frank says there are 40 or 50 homes, small but substantial. They are not just rebuilt structures, many of them are new. Howell's Point is a favorite fishing spot for a lot of upstate people and a lot of local people and residents of Long Beach also enjoy fishing there where the river empties into the intracoastal waterway.

The Southport man has recently built himself a dock on a place he owns, about midway between Supply and Howell's Point. He is keeping his boat there where he spends the week ends during fine weather. This week end he said he saw Mr. and Mrs. John McDowell, residents of the community, with about 40 fine sheep-head that they had caught with hook and line.

Southport Wins Over Leland

Southport won their first game in the Brunswick county elimination series yesterday afternoon when they defeated Leland 9 to 5 on the home grounds of the losers.

Southport picked up a one-run lead in the second inning, but lost this advantage when the home team scored twice in their half of the same stanza. South-

Not Exactly News

A little thing like a bus strike failed to stop Billy Sanders, student at Tulane University, when he got ready to come home from New Orleans for Easter holidays and found transportation all snarled up. He went out and bought a 1931 Chevrolet for \$25.00 and drove home in his own private conveyance . . . One piece of news we were sorry to hear this week is that J. T. Denning's big pointer, Jack, was poisoned and died last week. We think he was the best bird dog we have hunted since World War II.

Sure enough, Coope Burris has made the tennis team at East Carolina. In a match against Elon last Thursday he played as a member of the only doubles combination that won for East Carolina. The next day he played the No. 5 singles spot in the lineup and won his match. Looks like he'll be seeing more and more action . . . Another unusual quirk in the weather is the fact that we have had two rather severe thunderstorms here during the early days of April . . . Our Banker was a millionaire for a day Monday as he made his annual Easter pilgrimage to Pinehurst to play golf with his brother.

"Three-Ring Circus", starring Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis, will be the Thursday-Friday shows at the Amuzu . . . "A Man Called Peter", rated

as one of the truly heart-warming movies of the season, starts a three-day run at Shallotte theatre Sunday . . . If Mike Souchak had won the Masters Golf Tournament we would have been immodest enough to remind our readers that we predicted his first place finish. Pass the crown—he finished in a tie for fourth!

The cold snap of 10-days ago killed the stand of early corn that Fred Stevens had up on his farm near Southport. Last week he spent the morning replanting this crop—then he spent the afternoon replanting for the third time. During the noon hour a bunch of his pigs got in the field and methodically rooted up each grain he had put down that morning . . . They say that Pappy Stubbs fathered the idea for making a boat-launching ramp a part of the facilities of the new city dock. Hats off to him for a good suggestion!

Dick Keller, former Southport high school student and a member of the basketball team before he moved with his family into the Bolivia school district, still is a patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital, where he has been hospitalized with a leg broken in baseball practice. Many of his former schoolmates have been going out to see him . . . The garrison grounds look good under the care of the U. S. Army personnel.

port tied the game in the first of the third, then went on a scoring rampage in the fourth for 6 runs. This brought an end to David Ganey, Leland pitcher, and Stacy Wells took the mound. He got by in good shape until the ninth, when the visitors scored one more time.

Leland scored 3 runs in their half of the sixth inning to run their total to 5. Charlie Splawn led the Southport batters with 4 hits in 4 times up. Plookie Webb had two for four, one triple and one double. Ganey had three for four for Leland.

Bobby Thomson of the Braves was born in Glasgow, Scotland, but now makes his home in Milwaukee.

Texas League baseball writers this year will select a "Manager of the Year" and a "Rookie of the Year."

Coach Dick Bartell of the Red-legs played in three World Series. In 1936 and 1937 he played shortstop for the Giants and in 1940 he played short for the Tigers.

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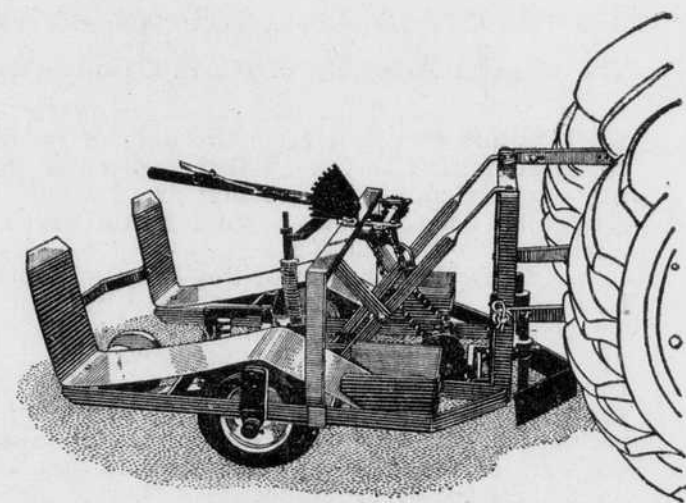


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