

## Outlines Plan Necessary For Armory Project

Representative Kirby Sullivan Receives Communication From North Carolina Adjutant General About Prospects For Shallotte Armory

NEED FOR ARMORY  
ADMITTED BY MANNING

Prospects Not Good For Early Solution To This Need But First Steps Are Outlined By State Official

Representative Kirby Sullivan has undertaken the proposition of trying to get Shallotte on the eligible list for a new armory, and to that end recently wrote to Adjutant General John Hall Manning with regard to the project. He received a letter from General Manning expressing interest in the project and outlining steps that will be necessary to have it approved.

Following is the text of his letter to Representative Sullivan: "I am very glad to know that the good people of Brunswick County are interested in this armory. We have not yet been requested to make an inspection of a suitable site. We did inspect one site which we did not consider to be suitable. We think that a \$100,000 armory in the Town of Shallotte merits a very desirable site, which should contain approximately 160,000 square feet on a hard-surfaced street or highway or very easily accessible thereto. We must have utilities available—water and electricity (preferably three-phase)—and if sewer connection is not available, a septic tank must be provided without expense to the Federal Government or State. I will be very glad to have our Engineer visit Shallotte to inspect an armory site whenever one is available and request is made.

The Federal Government will contribute 75 percent of the cost of construction of this armory, and I believe the North Carolina Armory Commission would feel that the State should contribute 17 1/2 percent. However, priorities have been set up for the construction of armories 18 through 34, and the most we can hope to do out of the appropriation for the next biennium is to construct 10. It requires approximately six months for an application to build an armory to be processed through the required pipeline. Among other things, the project has to be approved by the Joint Armed Services Committee of the Congress. I do not see any prospect, therefore, of an armory for Shallotte during the next biennium. We have some 20 armory sites which have already been conveyed to the State over and above those required for the 10 armories we hope to build during the two years period beginning today.

I am well aware of the need for an armory for Battery A, 130th AAA Bn. and, of course, I would like to see this armory constructed as early as it can be accomplished."

## Brief Bits Of NEWS

### LIONS TO MEET

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

### OPENS STATION

R. L. Ingram has opened a service station in the Hawes building at the junction of highway No. 130 with U. S. 17 at Supply.

### MRS. WEEKS DIES

Mrs. Emily Mae Weeks, wife of M.-Sgt. Ennis E. Weeks of Southport, died in Oceanide, California, Friday, July 15. Funeral services are incomplete pending the arrival of the remains here for burial.

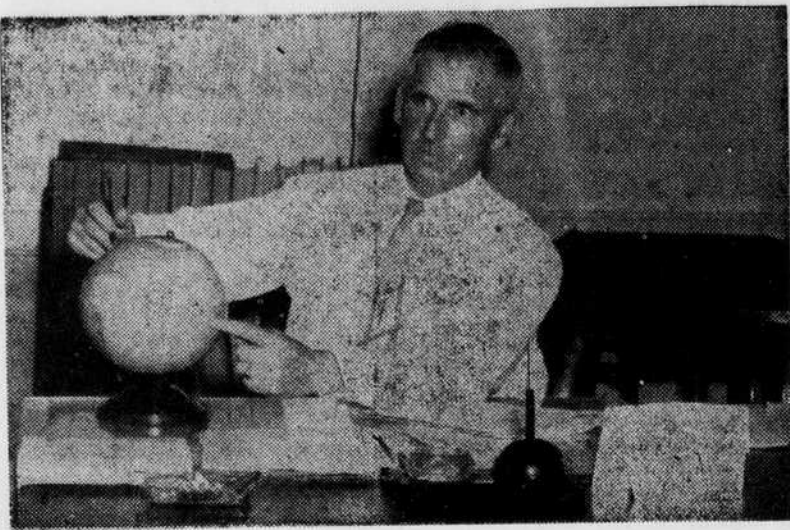
### PAUL FODALE DIES

Word was received here yesterday of the sudden death Monday night of Paul Fodale, former resident of Southport. According to reports, death was due to a cerebral hemorrhage. He was 44 years of age.

### METHODIST CHURCH

J. T. Denning, superintendent of schools in Sampson county and a former resident of this county, will fill the pulpit Sunday morning at Trinity Methodist Church in Southport in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. R. H. Jordan.

## Studies His Route



TRAVELER—Delmas Fulcher is shown looking at a globe tracing the route he will follow in traveling from here to Seoul, Korea. He is spending a few days at his home in Southport awaiting orders which will transfer him to his new station from Bangkok, Thailand.

## Farmers To Vote On Weed Quotas

Important Decision Left To  
Vote Of Man Who  
Produces Crop In Saturday  
Referendum

TWO OTHER ISSUES  
TO BE DECIDED

List Of Voting Places In  
Brunswick County An-  
nounced By ASC Chair-  
man Evans

There will be 6 voting places in Brunswick County where Flue-Cured Tobacco growers can cast their ballots on Referendum Day, Saturday, July 23, according to Lonnie Evans, Chairman of the Brunswick County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee. The polls will be open from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Following is a list of polling places: Northwest, W. H. Brew Store; Town Creek, Harold Willett's Store; Smithville, Midway Station; Lockwoods Folly, J. E. Kirby Store; Shallotte, L. L. Hewett's Store; Waccamaw, Waccamaw School Agriculture Building.

All flue-cured tobacco growers of record have been notified of what their 1956 acreage allotments will be if marketing quotas continue in effect and the location of the polling place for their community.

The vote will determine whether the program which has been in continuous operation since 1940, will be in effect for the crops of 1956, 1957, and 1958; for the 1956 crop only; or discontinued in 1956. If at least two-thirds of the growers voting approve quotas, price support at 90 percent of parity will be available to growers who comply with their farm acreage allotment. If more than one-third of the votes are opposed to marketing quotas, price support and quotas will not be in effect for the 1956 crop.

In a similar referendum in 1952 when a total of 260,163 flue-cured tobacco growers voted, 254,317 or 97.8 percent favored

## Middleton Is Named Mayor

City Government Of Long  
Beach Organized Last  
Week With Original De-  
veloper Named Mayor

In accordance with the provisions of the bill of incorporation passed by the legislature this spring, officials of the Town of Long Beach who were named in the bill were sworn in this past week by Jack Brown, Clerk of Brunswick County Superior Court.

E. F. Middleton of Charleston, S. C., and Long Beach was sworn in as Mayor and C. C. Carr, a member of the board of aldermen and permanent resident of the beach, was named Mayor Protem and Clerk to the Board.

In addition to these two, the official body is composed of John Barnes of Lumberton and Long Beach; J. A. McWaltz of Long Beach; L. P. McLendon, Jr., of Greensboro on Long Beach; Roney Underwood of Lumberton.

D. C. Herring of Southport was named city attorney and a city clerk will be named at the first regular meeting. This meeting may be called this week, as an official from the Institute of Government at Chapel Hill is due to arrive and assist in setting up the form of government.

## Garrison Title Surrendered By Engineer Corps

Property Now Owned By U.  
S. Army Transportation  
Corps; Plan To Use For  
Construction Of Dwellings

EMBRACES AREA IN  
CENTER OF TOWN

History Of Ownership Of  
This Square Traced In  
Working Up New Title  
Of Ownership

Through the simple procedure of transferring from one branch of the service to another, the Fort Johnston property, including the Garrison Building, is now owned by the Army Transportation Corps, having been transferred to the Transportation Corps by the Army Engineers for use in connection with the terminals four miles above Southport.

Records in the office of the District Army Engineers office at Wilmington reveal a confusing angle with regard to the Fort Johnston property. These deeds or records say that the property was deeded to the U. S. Government by the State of North Carolina, as a site for a fortification in 1782. On the other hand, the Garrison Building, still standing and in excellent condition, is credited with having been built about 1748.

This would make the Garrison Building some 34-years older than the Government's title to the land on which it stands. As far back as can be traced locally, the building has been known as the Garrison officers quarters, with time abbreviating this name to the Garrison Building.

The building stands almost squarely in front of the Brunswick county court house, at a distance of less than 300 feet. Next to Orton Mansion the structure is the most widely known building in Brunswick county.

The building and land on which it is situated has been in the hands of the Army, the U. S. Health Department and Army Engineers since the original deed was received from the State, except

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## Thieves Enter Stand Sunday

Concession Building At Ya-  
upon Beach Robbed Of  
Valuable Merchandise

The concession stand building at the fishing pier on Yaupon Beach was broken into Sunday night, entrance being gained by using a ladder to the roof of the building and thence down through the dressing rooms.

Some money was taken from the cash register and juke box and a quantity of rods and reels and other fishing tackle was stolen along with towels and two floats or mats.

Gibson Barbee, owner of the property, stated yesterday that the robbery appeared to be the work of local parties. He pointed out that during the past several months residents of the adjoining Long Beach have lost considerable property to thieves, this applying especially to plumbing and material just installed in incomplete homes. Officers are investigating the concession stand robbery.



W. B. KEZIAH

Commissioner Heide Trask is getting a lot of commendation from the Long Beach, Yaupon Beach and Caswell Beach folks for the fine roads the highway commission has built since the storm. To quote A. H. Comer, Long Beach resident, "We now have the best roads that we ever have had." The work has involved rebuilding practically all of a 10 or 12 mile stretch of main road and a good bit of additional lateral roads running into the main road. Rebuilding across the inlet washed out during the storm is held in abeyance until the inlet itself is blocked. The praise for the rebuilt roads is well deserved.

Usually there are spring and fall runs of bluefish and Spanish mackerel, with less of these fish

## Loan Approved For Waterworks

The Long Beach Water Company has obtained a loan of \$39,000 from the Small Business Administration, the money is to be used for the construction of water mains down the full length of the property from the John P. Stedman residence to Lockwoods Folly Inlet.

The money is now available and contractors are being asked to submit bids.

The company has already run 5,200 feet of piping, and payment for this distance is not involved in the proposed additional mileage. The company has two tanks that afford 60-pounds pressure and it is understood that additional tanks will be installed along with the new piping.

## Good Luck For Fishing Boats Continues Here

Results Particularly Good  
For Parties Fishing On  
Shoals During Past Week-

Weather was good during the past week end, and outstanding catches were continued by parties going out aboard sports fishing boats from Southport.

On Saturday the Rev. L. D. Hayman had a Charlotte party aboard the Silver Spray and brought in 153 bluefish and mackerel.

On Saturday Capt. Fred Fulford had Clyde Griffin and party of Marshville out aboard the Davis Brothers V. They caught 246 blues and mackerel. On Sunday Mr. Elmore and party of Bladenboro had 1 king mackerel and 54 Spanish mackerel. On Monday Wade Campbell and party of Whiteville had 88 Spanish mackerel and blues.

One of the best catches of the week was reported by Capt. George Gregory, who caught 428 blues and mackerel Saturday for Jon Hall and party of Southern Pines. C. B. Phillips and party of Rutherfordton were out with him on Sunday and caught 8 dolphin, 4 barracuda, 5 bonito, 1 king mackerel and 5 Spanish mackerel. On Monday Doc Henderson and party of Maxton had 63 blues and mackerel, 4 barracuda and 1 king mackerel.

The Thursday party aboard the Cadet with Capt. Howard Victor was headed by P. R. Rankin and party of Mt. Gilead. They had 250 blues and mackerel and 1 barracuda. L. S. Swepston and party of Greensboro were out Sunday and caught 103 bluefish and mackerel.

Capt. Hulan Watts had Mr. Taylor and party of Richmond, Va., out Sunday and caught 120 blues and mackerel. The next day six girls from Wilmington brought in 66 blues and mackerel.

Capt. Leon McKeithan hit the jackpot for his Saturday party when they caught 426 blues and mackerel. C. M. Usher of Raleigh headed the group. On Sunday Fred Wall and party of Raleigh brought in 186 blues and mackerel.

Top report for the week was the 525 fish caught Saturday by James R. Eudy and party of Charlotte aboard the John-Ellan with Capt. Walter Lewis. The following day M. H. Stillwell and party of Charlotte had 16 dolphin, 3 amberjack, 5 king mackerel, 4 bonito and 38 Spanish mackerel. On Monday Mr. and Mrs. Churbrink of Concord caught 7

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## Strange Object Identified Here

Considerable Uncertainty As To Identity Of Paravane  
Existed Before Arrival Of Expert

While gathering clams in shallow water between Southport and Fort Caswell Monday H. L. Powell came across an elongated object that he took to be a 10-foot gas tank. Although the thing weighed several hundred pounds it was easy to float and he towed it over to Southport and beached it.

Various persons connected with the Coast Guard and other branches of the armed service went around and inspected the strange object, only to admit they could not identify it.

Ray Arnsen, civilian employee of SPAALT, gave it a look over and announced that he seen nothing like it in Brooklyn. So he went after William A. Houghton, chief ammunition inspector. It took the inspector only a glance to identify the whaleish looking thing. He announced that it was a paravane, used to cut the anchors of mines, permitting them to rise to the surface, where marksmen stationed on the deck of the distant minesweeper exploded them with high power rifles.

Houghton went on to explain that floating mines were usually anchored several feet below the surface, completely out of sight and held in position by an anchor chain or cable with anchor attached. The paravane, dragged along beneath the surface, would find the cables and cut them off, allowing the mine to shoot to the surface.

At a distance the thing looks like a dead whale, belly up. The head is rather blunt, with the tail tapering to a point and with the cable cutting instrument attached to the tail. The whole thing is about 12-feet long and looks something like a torpedo.

Houghton was unable to say how it came to be floating half-submerged in this area, far from where such things have been used. He did, however, admit that it might have floated all of the way from some of the European countries, where they were used extensively in clearing the waters of mines following the war.

## Ports Authority Visits Tomorrow

Highway Work  
In This County

TO MAKE TRIP  
DOWN THE RIVER

Following Inspection Of  
Docks, Highway System  
And Railroads, Party  
May Continue To  
Southport

The State Ports Authority, now in session at its office in Wilmington, will meet at the State Terminals at noon tomorrow (Thursday) and join SPAALT officials aboard an Army boat for a trip down the river and inspection of the Sunny Point terminals.

Plans are for cars to pick up the party at the docks of the Army Transportation Corps and carry the visitors over highway and railroad facilities that are a part of the installation.

Brigadier General James Gore of the U. S. Army Transportation Corps will direct the tour of the installation. He will be joined by Brigadier General Alkire of the Air Force, Col. Michael of the New York Port of Embarkation; Lt. Col. Moss, Staff Engineer at the NYPE; Lt. Col. Pleworth, office of Comptroller at the NYPE; Admiral R. H. Woods, Commandant 5th Coast Guard District; Col. Raymond L. Hill, Corps of Army Engineers, and Col. Wm. A. McAleer, Commander of the Sunny Point terminals.

Col. McAleer, stated this morning that Chairman Edwin Pate of the State Ports Authority; Vice-Chairman Raymond A. Bry-

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## Extend Contract For Towles Co.

Firm Will Surface Large  
Holding Area For Truck  
Trailers At Sunny Point  
Terminals

The E. B. Towles Construction Company of Wilmington has been given an additional contract for a truck parking area for Sunny Point. The area covers several acres and lies back of the Towles Company office, north of where the railroad is crossed by Route 130.

The Towles Company has already received orders to proceed with this work, which embraces grading, crushed rockbase and asphalt surfacing. The building of baracades is also involved as it is understood that trucks loaded with dangerous cargoes will be held in this area, apart from other cargoes.

The Towles Company has made fine progress on its contract for the building of 30 miles of heavy duty highway within the yards and the construction of hard stands for trucks at various points. With a supply of crushed rock for base on hand and a big asphalt plant for surfacing, it is expected that the matter of the parking yard for trucks can be finished in short order.

## Five Different Conferences In Progress Now

Another Busy Session At  
Baptist Seaside Assembly  
At Ft. Caswell Attracts  
Folks From All Sections

GENERAL BOARD  
HOLDING MEETING

Able Church Leaders In  
Charge Of Varied Pro-  
gram This Week, With  
Another Large At-  
tendance

The fourth week of activities at Caswell Baptist Assembly is now in full swing after the two big Training Union weeks registered an attendance of more than 2500 people. All sections of the state were represented in these two large meetings.

Five groups are now holding sessions at the assembly. The Pastors' Conference, Intermediate R. A. State Camp, G. A.-R. A. Camp (Rocky Mount Division), and the General Board of the Baptist State Convention with some seventy members is holding its summer meeting at the assembly. The total attendance for this week will probably run to over a thousand.

Conference leaders and speakers for the Pastors' Conference this week include Dr. W. C. Strickland, Professor of New Testament Survey and Greek at Southeastern Theological Seminary, Wake Forest; Dr. Swan H. Houghton, Pastor of First Baptist Church of Lumberton; Dr. M. A. Huggins, General Secretary, Baptist State Convention; Dr. E. L. Spivey, Secretary of State Missions, and Ken Freeman, President, State Baptist Student Union. Rev. J. C. Pipes, Associate Secretary of Promotion, and Dr. Continued On Page Two

## Wilmington Firm Is Low Bidder

Star Electric Company Gets  
Contract To Erect Speak-  
er System On Sunny Point  
Reservation

The Star Electric Company of Wilmington was the low bidder Friday for the Public Address System at Sunny Point. In a field of six bidders this company stood low with a bid of \$23,290 for the work.

Other bidders were the French Radio Company, Wilmington, \$26,755; Talley Electric Company, Greensboro, \$27,388; J. A. Jones Electric Co., Wilmington, \$27,564; Long Engineering Company, Winston-Salem, \$27,990; Brawley Construction Company, Charlotte, \$28,060.24.

It is interesting to note that the private estimate of the cost of the installation by the Army Engineers was \$27,459. Bids offered by the contractors ran 3 above and below the Engineers estimate.

The installation calls for loud speakers that can be heard approximately two miles from any of several areas. They provide extensive coverage and constitute a warning, as well as for operations. There will be speakers at the top of flood light poles on the wharves, at the administration building, at railroad masters office, fire house, etc.

## 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 21,	
9:27 A. M.	3:11 A. M.
9:46 P. M.	3:23 P. M.
Friday, July 22,	
10:17 A. M.	3:56 A. M.
10:33 P. M.	4:13 P. M.
Saturday, July 23,	
11:07 A. M.	4:40 A. M.
11:17 P. M.	5:02 P. M.
Sunday, July 24,	
11:56 A. M.	5:27 A. M.
12:03 P. M.	5:53 P. M.
Monday, July 25,	
0:00 A. M.	6:13 A. M.
12:46 P. M.	6:45 P. M.
Tuesday, July 26,	
0:48 A. M.	7:00 A. M.
1:38 P. M.	7:41 P. M.
Wednesday, July 27,	
1:38 A. M.	7:51 A. M.
2:30 P. M.	8:37 P. M.