

## Full Time FHA Office Opened For Brunswick

Radford R. Allen, Native Of Bladen County, Will Serve As FHA Supervisor At Shallotte Office

### FIRST FULL TIME STATUS FOR COUNTY

Office Formerly Operated As Branch Of Columbus County Organization; Allen Is Known In Brunswick

The Farmers Home Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture has opened a full time office in Shallotte, the first time in history that Brunswick County farmers have had the service of a full time FHA office.

The office is located in the new Stanaland building which also houses the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Co. and other businesses. Assigned to the office are Radford R. Allen, County Supervisor, and Miss Bertha Lee Perce, county office clerk.

Allen is a graduate of N. C. State College with a degree in Agriculture. Prior to World War II he was a teacher of Vocational Agriculture. He entered the Navy in 1942 and was separated from the Navy in 1946 with the rank of Lt. Commander, having served 27 months in the South Pacific. He was employed by the Veterans Administration as Agricultural Training officer and transferred to FHA in 1950. He was born and reared on a Bladen county farm.

Miss Perce is well known in Brunswick county. She was employed for several years in the Brunswick County ASC office and came with the FHA in 1950. Having worked in the Brunswick sub-office, she was transferred to Wilson after a year ago and now returning to her native county.

The FHA makes loans to family sized farmers that are unable to obtain needed credit from other sources. Farm ownership loans are made to buy or develop efficient family-type farms, enlarge small farms, and help owners of family type farms construct and repair farm dwellings and other essential farm buildings. Loans are amortized over 40 years and can be repaid in less time through larger payments in good years.

Soil and water conservation loans are made to individuals and to groups of farmers to carry out measures for soil conservation, water development (irrigation and other water development practices) and drainage.

Production and Subsistence loans are made primarily to help farmers make better use of land and labor resources for farming.

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## Brief Bits Of NEWS

### RESCUE TRUCK

Scotland county's big white rescue and emergency truck was called to Brunswick county about 3 p. m. Wednesday. According to highway patrol sources, the truck was called to meet disaster units at Shallotte.

### HEAD MAN HERE

Major General Paul F. Yount, Chief of Transportation, Department of the Army, will be here today (Wednesday) on a routine inspection of Sunny Point.

### BACK ON DUTY

Corporal O. H. Lynch of the State Highway Patrol, Mrs. Lynch and their two children, have returned home from a two weeks vacation in Western North Carolina.

### ATTEND REUNION

The Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Hayman returned today from Concord where they attended the 46th Annual Widewomen's reunion at Center Grove Methodist Church on Tuesday.

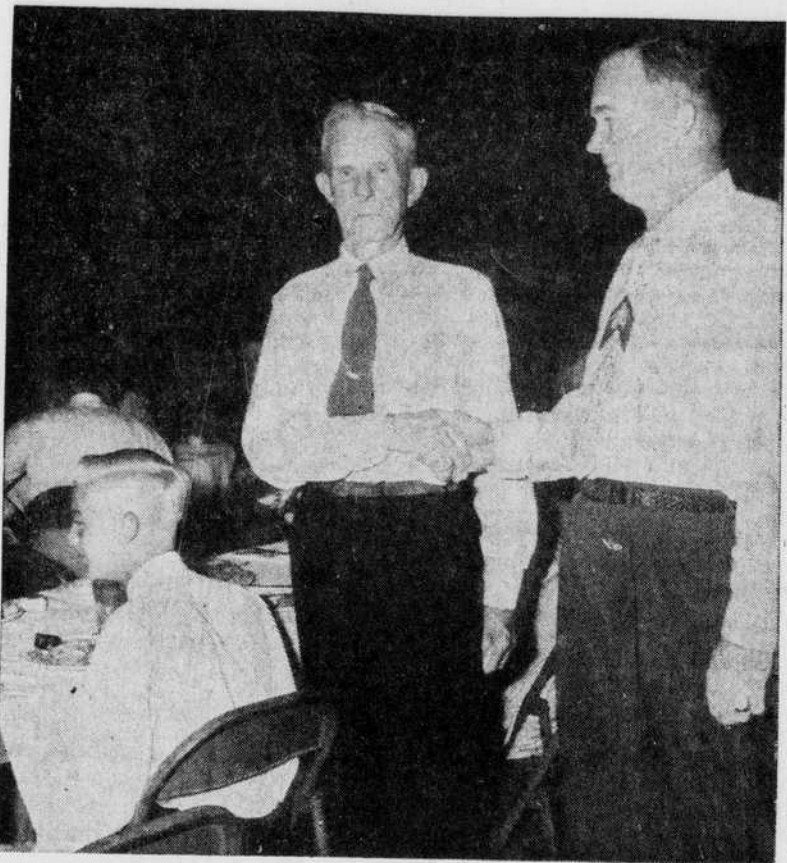
### SHO-DANCE

The Melton Shannon Orchestra from Wilmington will play for the Sho-Dance that is being sponsored Friday night at the Community Building by the American Legion.

### IN NEW OFFICES

Attorney E. J. Prevatte and Attorney Ernest Parker have moved into their new offices up stairs in the new Harrelson building. Mr. Parker had previously had his office in the Smith Building and Mr. Prevatte was in the old wooden building adjoining the tax collector's office.

## Receives Award



**HONORED**—Alex Lind, Southport man, left, was honored at a Masonic banquet here Friday night when he was awarded a 50-year pin. The presentation was made by Cecil W. Henderson, of the 10th Masonic District of North Carolina, in the name of the Grand Master. In the background, left, is Stuart Goodwin, grandson of the honoree.—(Art Newton Photo.)

## Tobacco Market Gets Good Start

Farmers Generally Well Pleased With Prices Being Paid For Tobacco During First Few Days Of Season

### CURTAIN SELLING TIME NEXT WEEK

Prediction Made That This Action Will Not Cause Price To Fall But Will Only Help Clear Bottleneck

Light sales were forecast for the Columbus tobacco markets today, but an order to cut selling time to 3 1/2 hours next week is expected to increase sales during the middle and latter part of the week.

And tobacco growers went into the second week of the 1955 market with official assurance of the federal government that farmers can expect a good price for their leaf "regardless of who buys it."

The four major markets sold 4,210,322 pounds of flue-cured tobacco during the three-day opening week. Price averages ran from \$52.60 to \$54.15, according to the sales supervisors. Both figures are ahead of 1954 results.

Clarence Miller, director of the Commodities Stabilization Corp., U. S. department of agriculture, told R. G. Maulsby, Whiteville sales supervisor, that "farmers can expect a good price for their tobacco regardless of who buys it."

Miller made the statement Friday during a visit to the Columbus flue-cured area and markets. He also predicted that the companies will begin buying more tobacco as the season lengthens, and pointed to the Georgia market where stabilization started by taking 30 percent of the crop, now about 8 to 10 percent is going into stabilization.

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## Brief Session Of Court Held

Weekly Session Of Brunswick County Recorder's Court Completed Before Noon Recess

The weekly session of Brunswick County Recorder's court was over before noon Monday, with the following cases being disposed of before Judge Earl Bellamy:

Edward Gore, public drunkness, fined \$25 and costs, \$10 of the fine remitted because of extenuating circumstances.

James Kenneth Davis, speeding (65-mph) fined \$10 and costs.

Charles Thomas Dinkins, speeding (55-mph with truck) fined \$10 and costs.

## Two Local Ladies Hurt In Falls

Two accidents that were strangely similar resulted in painful injuries for two Southport women during the past week.

On Saturday Mrs. G. C. Kilpatrick blacked out while standing on her front porch and fell on her concrete walkway. She sustained painful cuts and bruises and a broken left arm. She was taken to Doshier Memorial Hospital.

On Saturday night Mrs. M. T. McRacken fell from the steps at Southport Baptist Church and suffered torn ligaments in her leg. She was attending the wedding rehearsal for her daughter at the time, but following the accident she was hospitalized and was unable to attend the ceremony the following day.

## PTA Conducts School Census

Effort Being Made To Secure Complete Information On Students Who Will Attend School Here This Fall

A meeting of the executive committee of the Southport Parent-Teacher Association was held Friday night and Mrs. Susie Carson named a committee to map plans for a complete survey of the Southport school district in an effort to determine the number of students who plan to enter the school this fall.

As matters now stand, one high school teacher will be lost from last year's allotment unless high school enrollment picks up at least 27 from last year's average daily attendance. Local school officials hope that every eligible student will enroll the first day of school.

Other matters of interest to the school were discussed, and the president named the following committees:

Classroom representatives chairman: Mrs. J. A. Gilbert, Mrs. James Wolfe.

Membership committee: Mrs. Robert Willis, chairman; Mrs. J. B. Warth, Mrs. William Carrier.

Budget and finance committee: Mrs. F. M. Burdette, Jr., chairman; Mrs. W. M. Jenkins, Mrs. Joe Ramseur, Mrs. R. L. Jones.

Hospitality committee: Mrs. Dan Harrelson, chairman; Mrs. Robert Thompson, Mrs. Davis Herring, Mrs. Albert Bogie.

Music committee: Mrs. Dallas Pigott, chairman; Mrs. J. M. Harper, Mrs. Lewis Hardee.

## Cancel Assenly Program An All Delegates Live

Children Attending Late Camp For Junior Girls At Southport Baptist Church

### WEEK'S PROGRAM BEING ABANDONED

First Six Weeks Of Summer Program Have Attired 5,600 Delegates To Caswell Assembly

The seventh week of the Baptist Seaside Assembly at Caswell was cancelled this morning because of the threat of hurricane Connie, and large groups of children attending the State Camp for Junior Girls gathered at Southport Baptist Church here today by relatives and friends.

There had been no immediate danger for the safety of the children, but with dangerous weather conditions lurking offshore, assembly officials thought it best to let the delegates return to their inland homes.

During the storm last October the assembly grounds proved to be an area of unusual safety, and little damage was sustained other than to the trees. The buildings are of unusually sound construction, and the fortifications afforded good refuge from the force of the wind.

The 6th week of the summer season at Caswell Baptist Assembly was featured by 4 conferences of Woman's Missionary Union groups and a School for Preachers.

There has been a good attendance representing all sections of North Carolina and the total for the 6 weeks has run over 5,600.

The assembly season will continue through August 27. There will be a Baptist Training Union Week August 15-21. August 22-27 the North Carolina Choral Society will conduct a work shop at the same time there will be a special camp for Junior Girls and boys.

## Begin Work On Trailer Area

Large Truck-Trailer Parking Yard Being Built As One Of Facilities At Sunny Point Terminal

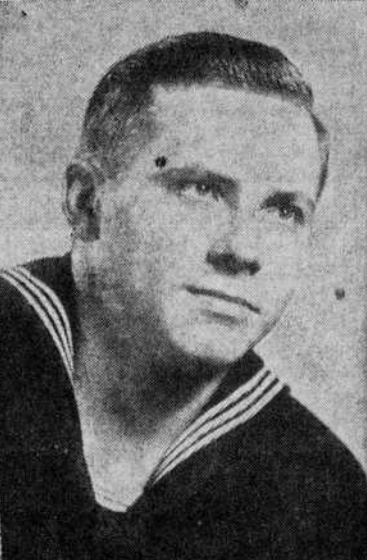
Work of constructing the big truck-trailer parking field at Sunny Point stated up Friday with the Hertford Cecil-Company of Lexington doing most of the work. This company will have been working here for two years by the time they get the present job completed in September.

Hertford-Cecil will do the grading and the building of the barricades. The rock base and paving will be put down by the Towles Construction Company, which holds the contract for the whole work.

The parking area is just north of Route 130 and back of the Field office of the Towles Company. No definite statement has been made as to the number of trucks and trailers the facility will handle, but it has been said that it will accommodate a large number.

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## In Hawaii



REX D. LITTLE, Yeoman 3-c, U. S. Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Little, Freeland, has reported for duty with the Navy Transport Squadron Seven at Hickam Air Force Base, near Honolulu. He is a 1951 graduate of Waccamaw high school and attended East Carolina College for two years before entering the Navy in June, 1953.

## Construction Of Railroads Great Part Of Project

Network Of Railroads Has Provided Key To Efficiency Of Sunny Point Government Terminals

BY W. B. KEZIAH  
Now through with their installation railroad construction, T. F. Scholes, Inc., of Reading, Pa., has accomplished a remarkable bit of railroad construction in Brunswick county.

The W. A. Smith Company of Houston, Texas, built 22 miles of access railroad. The Diamond Construction Company of Savannah, Ga., built an overall distance of 4 miles of track on the docks they constructed. The Scholes Company went in for a total of 48 miles of yard railroad construction.

Getting the overall job, the T. F. Scholes Company sub-let the grading and drainage for their track to the Hertford-Cecil Construction Companies of Hertford and Lexington. This grading and drainage was in itself a stupendous task. It involved the construction of some 35 huge earthen barracades, 19 feet in height and proportionately board at the base.

Y. L. Brown of the Hertford Company and J. K. Cecil of the Cecil Company gave much of their personal attention to the grading and other work. Bill Anderson, their office manager, was on the job from start to finish.

R. M. Buchanan, Southern Superintendent for T. F. Scholes, has been on the railroad building job from start to finish. He has had able assistants Gregg Abernathy, construction superintendent; William Wade, office manager in Southport, and Murphy Edlund, a civil engineer at the field office. The Southern Mapping Company of Lexington has been on the job for Scholes and other contractors for a period of nearly two years.

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# County In Readiness And Standing By For Approach Of Storm

## Tackle-Wrecking Fish Off Yaupon

Pier Fishermen Over Week-End Had Several Skirmishes With Big Fellow Nicknamed "Old Charlie"

Since Saturday sport fishermen using the Yaupon Beach ocean pier have lost between 25 and 30 rigs to some heavy calibre fish that they have named "Old Charlie."

The fish, or whatever it is, does not discriminate against artificial bait. Several men have had him on plugs and it is said that neither sharks nor sturgeons will hit such bait. None of the lines used so far have been strong enough to bring the fish to the surface or even cause him to leap.

Mr. McCormick of Danville, Va., tried all day Sunday to catch "Old Charlie". In this effort he got him on the line twice and in each instance he set out for

elsewhere, snapping the line when the drag was set heavy in an effort to stop him. It is said to move much too speedily to be either a stingaree or gaint turtle. Likewise, its behavior when on a line is very unlike that of a shark. The popular idea seems to be that it is a big tarpon and that it will show itself when someone gets it on a line strong enough to cause it to break water.

Other fishing from the pier is picking up rapidly. Considerable speckled trout are being caught along with blues and various other fish. One sportsman from Youngsville caught 40 nice fish from the pier this past Sunday.

Weather Bureau Advisory At Noon Today Placed Center Of Storm 225 Southeast Of Brunswick County

AT PRESENT SPEED, BE HERE TOMORROW

Red Cross Disaster Organization Set Up Here And At Shallotte; Representative From Headquarters Here

Residents of the beach areas of Brunswick county were batten down today in anticipation of winds of hurricane force during the next 24-hours, as the season's first tropical storm churns the seas 225-miles off-shore.

Hurricane warnings were hoisted from the U. S. Weather Bureau tower in Southport at 6:30 o'clock this morning. All boats have been removed to points of safety and all beaches have been evacuated. At Southport a number of residents along the waterfront have been cleared of furniture, and crews of men are standing by to render emergency assistance if it is needed.

The American Red Cross has gone into action and a representative from Disaster Headquarters arrived in Brunswick county this morning to check with Ray H. Walton, chairman of the Brunswick County Chapter, American Red Cross, regarding preparations for taking care of any emergency which may arise.

A survey this morning revealed that at Southport the school has been designated as a storm shelter, and arrangements have been made to open a lunchroom there if it becomes necessary. Trucks have been secured and volunteer workers are available for evacuation measures which may become necessary along the waterfront. Harry Sell has everything in readiness to establish emergency communications in the event telephone lines go.

At Shallotte the Guy McKeithan reported that the school has been set up as a shelter, and that arrangements are being made to serve lunches from the home economics room if it becomes necessary. A staff of nurses has been lined up for duty in the event of emergency, and the REA has agreed to make its mobile communications units available insofar as possible.

The Coast Guard, the Highway Patrol and the Sheriff Department have warned residents of beach areas to evacuate, and everything appears to be under control as residents await news of the progress of the storm.

During the past 24-hours the tropical disturbance, which has drawn the name of Connie, has remained practically stationary about 225 to 300 miles Southeast of Southport. Winds in the center of the storm are estimated at 135 miles per hour, and it is believed that winds of 75-miles per hour will extend as much as 100-miles from the center of the storm. This means that high winds and high tides are in prospect for this area, even though

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## Outstanding Fish Catches Are Made

Parties Out From Southport During Past Week-End Had Some Of Best Luck Of Season Both Offshore And On Shoals

### WEATHER STOPS TUESDAY TRIPS

Charter Boat Operators Hopeful That Good Luck Will Continue After Hurricane Connie Has Passed By

Some of the best fishing of the season was interrupted Monday with the first appearance of ground swells preceding Hurricane Connie.

On Saturday Capt. Fred Fulford had W. P. Ledbetter and party of Mt. Gilead for a morning trip and they had 183 mackerel. An afternoon trip by a Sunny Point party brought in 53 blues and mackerel. The next day L. W. White and party of Hickory caught 254 blues and mackerel in the morning, and that afternoon the same Sunny Point party caught 40 fish.

The Saturday trip for Capt. Hoyle Doshier aboard the Idle-On II had J. C. Bray and party of Siler City. They had 40 Spanish mackerel, 6 king mackerel, 2 amberjack and some seabass. The next day J. C. Harris and party of Chapel Hill had 140 Spanish mackerel, 5 king mackerel, 1 barracuda and 2 bonito.

On Saturday the Idle-On III, Capt. Basil Watts, had Neil McC... (Continued on Page 4)

## Second Fatal Wreck Friday

Charlotte Woman Killed In Automobile Accident Near Leland When Two Machines Collided

Mrs. Sarah Davis Hancock, 50-year old Charlotte woman, was killed on highway 74-76, a mile west of Leland, Friday morning when two cars collided. Her death made the second highway fatality of the year in Brunswick county.

Mrs. Hancock's husband, Lester M. Hancock, and their son, George L. Hancock, were injured. Two Camp Lejeune Marines in the car with which the Hancock machine was in collision, were injured and both cars are said to have been completely demolished.

The wreck was investigated by Sgt. A. H. Clark of Wilmington and Patrolman Seth L. Thomas, stationed at Leland. The only other highway fatality of the year in Brunswick county occurred several weeks ago at Longwood when a teen-age negro girl walked from behind a park-

## 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, August 11,	
0:56 A. M.	7:19 A. M.
1:47 P. M.	8:11 P. M.
Friday, August 12,	
2:05 A. M.	8:25 A. M.
2:55 P. M.	9:23 P. M.
Saturday, August 13,	
3:16 A. M.	9:33 A. M.
4:01 P. M.	10:29 P. M.
Sunday, August 14,	
4:24 A. M.	10:37 A. M.
5:04 P. M.	11:29 P. M.
Monday, August 15,	
5:29 A. M.	11:38 A. M.
6:04 P. M.	0:00 P. M.
Tuesday, August 16,	
6:28 A. M.	0:23 A. M.
6:57 P. M.	12:33 P. M.
Wednesday, August 17,	
7:24 A. M.	1:13 A. M.
7:47 P. M.	1:25 P. M.

**Our ROVING Reporter**

From the number of sizable boats that put in from all parts of the state and use the Southport launching ramp, there is good reason to think that some real efforts will be made at turren fishing between now and November. There is no question that a lot of the big fish are in the river and small creeks near Bald Head Island each year. The one trouble has been in having tackle and experienced fishermen that would land them. The biggest tarpon caught here so far was the 122-pound taken by Captain Bill Styron, several years ago. Several of the fish have been hooked, only to break away and escape. The small boat is ideal for tarpon fishing, and with the ramp available it is certain many additional boats will be here this year.

The later part of July and early August brought to Brunswick what is said to have been one of the severest and most prolonged heat waves that has struck the county in years. For something like three weeks the temperatures soared into the low nineties every day, and nights brought little relief. Adding to the unusual weather, so far as the Southport area was concerned, was the fact that very little rain fell all during the hot period. The middle section of the county had ample rain with none reaching Southport.

Knowing he and his family had been here several weeks, this columnist was mildly wondering why he had never met up with Principal Thomas Webb of the Southport schools. This week the answer came with Mr. Webb's appearance at the office. He promptly provided the answer to the wonder. Instead of being on

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