

Announce Total FHA Loans For The Past Year

Total Of 112 Applications
For Loans Approved By
County Committee During
Past Fiscal Year

COVER VARIOUS FARM IMPROVEMENTS

County FHA Supervisor
Radford Allen Has Advice
Of Versatile Group Of
County Committeemen

Approximately 112 loan applications from Brunswick County farmers were approved during the fiscal year ending June 30 by the Farmers Home Administration county committee, County Supervisor Radford R. Allen said this week.

Loans approved total \$135,815. Credit has been advanced to buy equipment and livestock needed to place small farms on an efficient operating basis, for other operating expenses, and to buy and improve family-type farms. Funds have also been advanced for soil and water conservation purposes and to meet emergency needs.

All loans applications must be approved by the Farmers Home Administration county committee before funds can be advanced. Members of the Brunswick County Committee are Mr. Ivan V. Bennett, Ash, N. C., Mr. David B. Frink, Shallotte, N. C. and Mr. Aaron E. Inman, Shallotte, N. C. Mr. Aaron E. Inman is newly appointed this year succeeding Mr. Roy G. Sellers whose 3-year term expired at the end of the fiscal year.

At a recent committee meeting when the agency's lending policies were reviewed, the chairman, Mr. Bennett, pointed out:

1. No loan is made to a farmer who can obtain adequate credit at reasonable rates and terms from other private or cooperative credit institutions, and

2. Borrowers are expected to refinance their loans with other lenders as soon as they are in a position to do so.

He added that the assistance borrowers receive in record keeping, budgeting, and preparing financial statements helps develop their ability to handle and make good use of credit. Also, the equipment, livestock, and improved land and buildings farmers acquire through Farmers Home Administration loans improve their position when they apply for private credit.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

NEW COACH
Paul Powell of Whiteville has been elected a member of the high school faculty at Bolivia and will coach football. Practice will begin Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

STORE ROBBED
The J. O. Garner store this side of the intracoastal waterway bridge was broken into Monday night. A quantity of cigarettes and other small articles were taken.

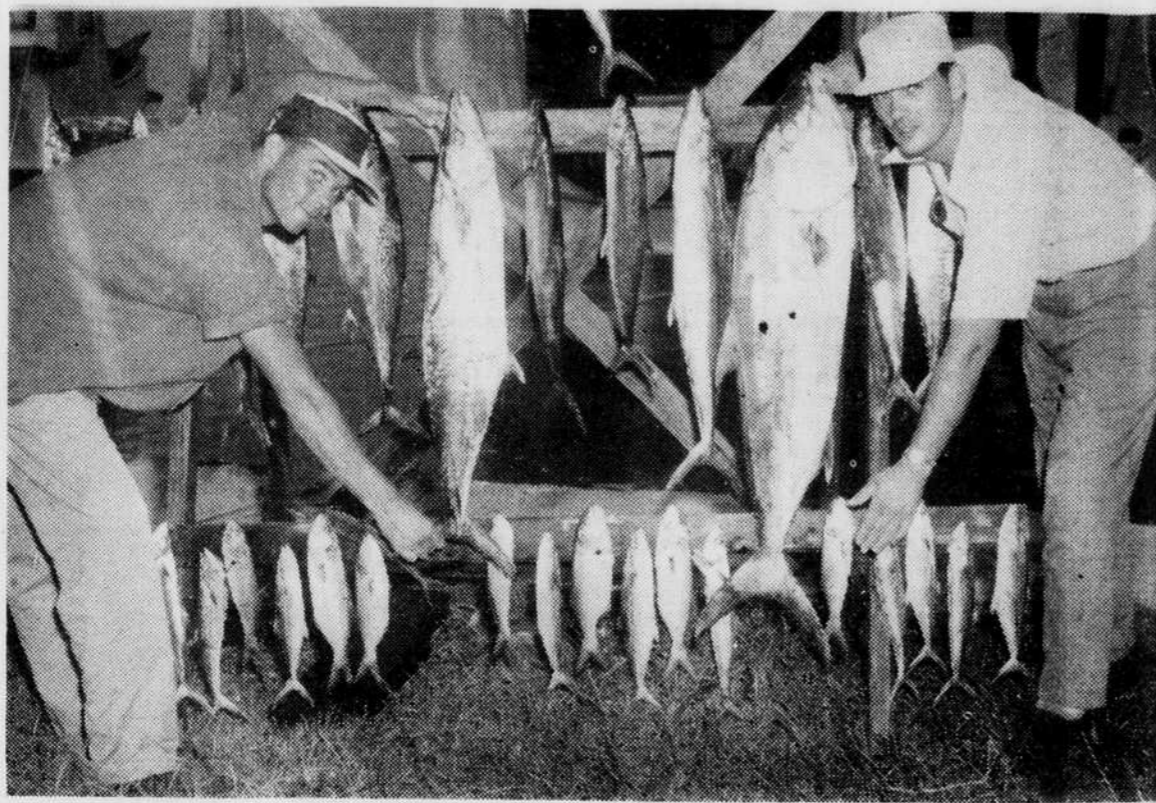
DANCE FRIDAY NIGHT
Scheduled for last Friday night, the American Legion Sho-Dance was postponed until Friday night of this week. It will be held at the Community Building with the Melton-Shannon orchestra of Wilmington furnishing the music.

POLIO SHOTS
Brunswick County Health Department personnel will continue to administer second Salk shots at their regular clinics to first and second grade children who have had their first shot. The date for this vaccine expires September 1.

FOOTBALL PRACTICE
Principal Thomas Webb wishes to remind candidates for the Southport high school football squad that grid practice begins Monday afternoon. He plans to coach this sport and will institute the T-formation for the first time for Southport.

CHANGED IN RULE
Midnight, October 16, is the deadline for birthdates of children planning to enter the first grade this fall, according to H. C. Stone, county superintendent. He explains that the October 1 deadline reported two weeks ago is the school law, but that the State Board of Education has amended this regulation.

Another Pretty Catch



TWO WHITEVILLE MEN are shown proudly pointing to the "big ones" in a recent catch made by their party while fishing off Capt. Walter Lewis' "John Eilan." W. H. Morgan, Jr. (left) is "showing off" a nice mackerel and W. E. Memory is measuring his amberjack. Fishing off Fry-pan Shoals and in the Gulf stream, the party caught more than 30 king mackerel, bonito, dolphin, blues and Spanish mackerel besides. The "John Eilan" is out of Southport. (Photo by Art Newton).

Jury List For September Term Superior Court

Judge Raymond B. Mallard
Will Preside Over Criminal
Session Which Con-
venes Here September 19

With Judge Raymond Mallard of Tabor City scheduled to preside, the fall term of Brunswick County Superior court is scheduled to convene on September 19.

Among the cases scheduled to be tried at this term is that in which E. R. Crisp, Leland used car dealer, is charged with the fatal shooting of a young hitch hiker at his place of business, one night last spring.

Following the action of the grand jury the presiding judge ordered that a special venire of jurors be called from Sampson county to hear the case.

It is understood that Judge Mallard will order the calling of such a jury from Sampson County when court convenes. Meanwhile the board of county commissioners drew a regular panel this week to serve in other cases that may come up at the term.

The list of jurors drawn Monday was as follows:

E. L. Oliver, Sr., B. H. Price, John D. Erikson, Robert Moore Willis, Hugh Spencer, Craig Caster, Southport; Jimmy Bigford, Long Beach; Isiah Fulford, Jesse J. Cheers, Troy Caison, Cobie C. Hewett, Wilbur Cross Hewett, Richard Lee Galloway, Walker Bryan Hewett, Hamilton Robinson, Dennis R. Hewett, Alton Clemmons, Supply; E. N. Johnson, Cedie Bullard, G. E. Danford, Carl Wescott, Bolivia; L. H. Hughes, Oliver Smith, Lennon McLamb, Garland Long, Ash; Ezkil Skipper, E. M. Hickman, G. R. Shev, T. E. Harrell, Eunice W. Mintz, D. F. Ganey, Sr., T. H. Wolfe, Sr., J. Thurman Skipper, Leland; D. W. Padgett, Adrian Phelps, Jr. Winnabow; Homer L. Russ, Free-land.

General Yount Inspects Area

Chief Of Army Transportation
Corps Paid First Visit
To Sunny Point Terminals Wednesday

Major General Paul F. Yount, Chief of Army Transportation, Department of the Army, spent last Wednesday in Southport, at Sunny Point and in Wilmington.

General Yount came down from Washington by train and arrived in Southport as residents of this community were making preparations to withstand the coming visit of Hurricane Connie. He was much interested in plans that were being worked out, and with the fact that military personnel assigned SPAALT were assisting in carrying out these operations.

He inspected the wharves and other facilities at Sunny Point and appeared to be very favorably impressed with this installation.

He and members of his party (Continued on Page Four)

Tobacco Market Going Full Time

Weather Conditions Bring
About Change In Announced
Policy Of Restricting
Selling Time For Border
Belt Markets

WHITEVILLE AVERAGE
REPORTED AT \$53.48
Growers Advised To Make
Selling Piles Heavy As
Possible In Order To
Clear Up Weed

Whiteville tobacco warehouse, scheduled for three and one-half hour sales this week due to a glut of stabilization purchased leaf, was allowed to go on full five and one-half hour selling time due to Hurricane Connie.

R. G. Maultsby, sales supervisor, said full time sales will be held all this week in Whiteville due to having to close down for Connie. The five and one-half hour time will be used until the partial loss on Thursday and full day loss on Friday is made up.

Maultsby said that only six of the 11 scheduled sales for Thursday went through.

So far this season, the Whiteville markets have sold a total of 4,485,156 pounds for \$2,398,758.27, and average of \$53.48. These figures top 1954's poundage, 3,536,324, by nearly 950,000 pounds, and 1954's money, \$1,708,793.60, by nearly \$690,000. Last year's average for the same pint was \$48.32.

Growers were advised by the sales supervisor to make their selling piles as heavy as possible to facilitate clearing of the leaf as quickly as possible.

Miss Dorothy Perkins, Red Cross Field Representative of Summerville, S. C., came to Brunswick.

Miss Perkins drove all of the way in from Summerville Tuesday night arriving in the area at 1 a. m., Wednesday. That morning found her busy setting up an organization and taking whatever steps were possible to meet the expected blow.

After two days of working and waiting, with the storm posing a continuous serious threat, the hurricane finally swung off from its threatened approach to Brunswick county sending along instead only damaging winds.

Despite the non-arrival of the expected crisis, the folks who met Miss Perkins and saw her efforts during those two days of threats had ample opportunity to note that the Red Cross was fully prepared and eager to do what it would if the emergency came.

Saturday morning with all danger over, with another Red Cross worker Mrs. Olive de Moya, of West Palm Beach, Fla., arriving to take over and gather up the few words with W. B. Keziah. (Continued On Page Two)

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Assembly Gives Up Program In Face Of Storm

For Second Consecutive
Week Baptist Summer
Assembly Is Forced To
Cut Short Program

CHORAL SOCIETY THERE NEXT WEEK

Little Damage Sustained To
Property At Baptist As-
sembly For Either Con-
nie Or Diane

The seventh week at Caswell Baptist Assembly was noted for a very distinguished guest named Connie, who made it necessary for all who came to leave early.

A G. A. Camp that started off well came to an abrupt end on Wednesday. The attendance for this week was the smallest of the whole season with a total of only 293. This brought the attendance of the season to 5,975, or an average of 853 per week.

Connie's sister Diane caused postponement of the assembly program this week. A good program had been planned under the direction of James P. Morgan and his capable leaders.

Damage done to assembly property last week was confined almost entirely to wind damage to the roof and rain damage where shingles were removed.

The final week of the assembly season will begin August 22, at which time the North Carolina Choral Society will conduct a worship; and there will be a special camp for Junior girls and boys.

Lengthy Court Session Monday

Monday Was Busy Day For
Judge Earl Bellamy And
Other Recorder's Court
Officials

A lengthy session of Recorder's court was held here Monday, with the following judgments being handed down by Judge Earl Bellamy:

Lonnie Ray, C. C. W., nol pros. (Technicality of search of person before arrested. Two knives ordered destroyed.)

Henry Anderson, speeding (65-mph) fined \$10 and costs.

Albert Lewis, improper equipment, nol pros.

James Cogdell, speeding (65-mph) fined \$10 and costs, fine remitted because of mitigating circumstances.

Vernia White Clemmons, no operator's license, fined \$25 and costs, costs remitted because of mitigating circumstances.

James Claude Varnum, speeding (65-mph) find \$10 and costs.

Elizabeth Varnum Williams, reckless operation, fined \$15 and costs.

James Bowman Gray, driving too fast for conditions, fined \$10 and costs.

Frank Murphy, reckless operation, fined \$25 and costs, fine refunded on condition that defendant pay a sum not in excess of \$201.49 for the benefit of Willie Davis covering repairs, and costs of this action.

Calvin Robinson, operating aft- (Continued on Page 4)

Brunswick Recovering From Damage Sustained During Twin Hurricanes

Open House Is Observed Here

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Bennett Threw Open Their Tourist
Court And Their Home To Refugees From Long
Beach Last Week

When Long Beach folks were ordered from their homes last week because of danger from the advancing storm, Mr. and Mrs. Sam T. Bennett of Southport threw open the doors of all ten rooms of their Franklin Park Court, and also rooms in their own home to the refugees.

These rooms, the first arrivals were informed, were free as long as the folks were prevented by providence from occupying their own homes at the beach.

In addition to the rooms as far as they went—and that was pretty far, as many as five persons of one family occupying some of the rooms—the Franklin Park Court folks went further instances and provided free coffee and lunches when such were needed. In some instances 25 to 30 people had lunch at one time, all free.

Saying that it was not a matter of business, that he and Mrs. Bennett did not keep track of their guests, Mr. Bennett was unable to give names. Other sources, however, say that guests for the two days and nights included the C. C. Carr and Sam Carr families, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Woltz, Mrs. George Sherred

New Principal At Shallotte High

Fred Lentz, Formerly Principal
Of Lenoir High
School For 8 Years, Will
Head Brunswick County
School

PRINCIPAL GUY
ANGEL IN NEW JOB

Popular School Man Resigns
To Accept Election As
County Superintendent
In Watauga County

Fred Lentz has been elected principal of Shallotte High School and will commence his new duties Monday.

He succeeds Guy Angell, who recently resigned from this position to become superintendent of schools on Watauga county. He had been at Shallotte for two years, and was recognized as an able administrator and effective educator.

Lentz has served as principal of Lenoir High School for 8 years. He is a graduate of Appalachian State Teachers College and holds his masters degree from University of North Carolina.

He is married and has four children, one of whom is in school.

Southport Man Dies In Storm

William Harold Stephens
Believed To Have Drown-
ed Thursday Night While
Serving As Watchman
Aboard Menhaden Vessel
Brunswick

William Harold Stephens, 38-year old resident of Southport, was drowned in Wilmington harbor some time Thursday night when he fell or was blown from the menhaden vessel Brunswick, on which he was engineer.

He was alone on the ship, serving as watchman at the time and his disappearance was not noted until Friday morning. Captain Homer McKeithan and engineer Johnnie Hewett of Southport had each talked with Stephens the day before his disappearance was discovered. Hewett, engineer on the Nickersen, a sister ship of the Brunswick, had spoken

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Considerable Property Dam-
age Left In Wake Of
Hurricane Connie, Which
Passed Near Southport
Friday Morning

HURRICANE DIANE HIT HERE TODAY

Brunswick County Residents
Take Shelter From Two
Tropical Storms Within
Span Of Single Week

Hurricane Diane struck the coast of Brunswick county before day this morning, leaving in her wake several thousand dollars' worth of property damage to be added to the depredations of Hurricane Connie, who skirted this same area early Friday.

Of the two, the first of these unwelcome visitors did the greater damage. Hurricane Connie had tantalized residents of this area for 24-hour while she hovered menacingly offshore at a distance of about 200 miles and when she finally came boiling past the coast of Brunswick she left behind her damaged roofs, damaged crops and a few major building casualties.

In contrast to the taunting tactics of Connie, Hurricane Diane stayed on schedule and hit between Southport and Wilmington about 3 o'clock this morning. At about 3:30 a period of calm set in, and there were grave fears as to what would happen when the direction of the wind changed and picked up to hurricane force again about the time of high water. The tide was high, but the shift in the wind and increase in acceleration failed to materialize, thereby saving the Southport waterfront and the beach resort area.

There was only one death reported in North Carolina from either of these tropical storms. William Harold Stephens, young Southport man who was engineer of the menhaden vessel Brunswick, lost his life Thursday night when he fell overboard or was blown from the deck of his boat into the Cape Fear while she was at her moorings in Wilmington, where this and other local vessels had been taken for refuge from the storm.

In both instances, the most violent winds were from the northeast, a direction which affords protection for the Brunswick county coastline. It was also considered a matter of great good fortune that high winds were not accompanied by high tides, although there were plenty of both during the visit of Hurricane Diane.

Having learned a valuable if costly lesson from Hurricane Hazel last October, elaborate preparations for riding out Hurricane Connie, which was first expected to strike this area sometime last Wednesday. The fact that the arrival was about 45 hours late gave additional time for organizing Red Cross disaster activities and for moving boats and personal property from points of danger. Every boat with power was taken from the Southport (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, August 18,	
8:14 A. M.	1:59 A. M.
8:34 P. M.	2:15 P. M.
Friday, August 19,	
9:02 A. M.	2:43 A. M.
9:18 P. M.	3:03 P. M.
Saturday, August 20,	
9:48 A. M.	3:25 A. M.
10:00 P. M.	3:47 P. M.
Sunday, August 21,	
10:33 A. M.	4:06 A. M.
10:41 P. M.	4:32 P. M.
Monday, August 22,	
11:18 A. M.	4:47 A. M.
11:23 P. M.	5:18 P. M.
Tuesday, August 23,	
12:04 A. M.	5:30 A. M.
0:00 P. M.	6:06 P. M.
Wednesday, August 24,	
0:07 A. M.	6:16 A. M.
12:54 P. M.	6:58 P. M.



Our ROVING Reporter

"In the Army," said Col. Wm. A. McAleer, speaking of the hurricane that went around us, "we call such things as near as." That is just what happens in the Southport area last week. The Colonel was making a very apt quote that he would have been better if he had added the rest of it by saying, "A miss is as good as a mile." Putting all flippancy aside, Brunswick county people should be deeply thankful to all-wise providence that last week came and went without their getting hit for the second time in less than a year by a destructive storm.

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