

Thinks New Year May Be Promise For Development

Southport Man Looks Upon
Bouncing Log Spring As
Great Natural Resource
For This Area

CITES GROWING NEEDS FOR WATER

Publicity Given This Spring
During Recent Months
May Bear Fruit During
The New Year

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Knowing of the water for 20 years, but with little to say about it because the time was not then ripe if Brunswick county was to get the most in value out of this great natural resource, we are welcoming this New Year of 1957 with a feeling of assurance that it will provide some good use for the outpouring at Bouncing Log Spring.

In the past year very little if any effort was made to create curiosity on the part of the public. Rather, the trend has been towards satisfying the interest of people who were already interested. As we recall things, we have not guided more than any four persons to the spring at any one time. Things have not been in the nature of excursion or picnic visitors. Things have just been a matter of taking people who make water their business or people engaged in industry where water is important.

For that matter, water is important everywhere and to everybody, whether industry is involved or not. Mankind cannot live without it. A man might live temporarily on soft drinks, but soft drinks cannot be made without water.

And throughout the United States the supply of fresh, unpolluted water is getting less and less. Surface water in many great areas has become so polluted that it is unfit for either domestic or industrial use without the most expensive treatment. Even with treatment a lot of people shudder at the idea of swallowing it.

But this underground source of supply they call ground water, lying two hundred feet or more beneath the surface of Brunswick county, is not easily subject to pollution. Topping that, U. S. Government water experts have told us during 1956 that the supply will last forever.

Backing things still further, the North Carolina State Board of Health has stated that it is pure enough for human consumption as it is. Also that it is adapted to the use in most forms of industry without treatment.

In the few cases where treatment for the use of industry may be necessary it will not be due to any impurity in the water. It will simply result from the fact that some few industries require very soft water.

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To Conduct School



COMING—The Rev. Audley G. Hamrick, left and his wife, right, are two of the sixteen workers who will be in Brunswick county later this month to conduct a simultaneous School of Missions. They are from Magdalena, New Mexico.

Baptists Planning School Of Missions

Simultaneous Training Program Will Be In Progress
January 13-18 In Sixteen Churches In This County

SIXTEEN OUTSIDE SPEAKERS COMING

Program Will Change Each
Night During The Week
That This School Is To
Be In Session In
Brunswick

A simultaneous School of Missions will be conducted at 16 churches of the Brunswick Baptist Association in this county from January 13 through January 18, according to plans announced this week by Mrs. Margaret McRackean, associational missionary.

Sixteen outside workers, including 5 foreign missionaries, 7 home missionaries and 4 state workers, will conduct these schools, and plans call for a different leader to be at each church each night.

The participating churches are Lebanon, Town Creek, Mill Creek, Leland, Elah, Bolivia, Antioch, Supply, Mt. Pisgah, First Shalotte, Shalotte, Soldier Bay, Jennings Branch, Boones Neck and Southport.

Mrs. McRackean said that it is impossible to give a time for beginning each evening's session, for in some churches extra courses are being offered. There will be additional information about the school next week.

Recorder Holds Extra Session

Brief Session Held Thursday
With Only Few Cases
Being Tried Before
Judge Earl Bellamy

At a short session of Recorder's court here Thursday Judge Earl Bellamy disposed of a few cases. This weeks session is being held today (Wednesday) and is not yet available for publication. The last week's docket shows the following:

As not to be found or by request of the prosecuting officers, the following matters were not pressed with leave:

Lloyd Sheppard, James Tripp, Billy Guy, Amons, Eugene C. Spivey, Alvin J. Nobles, Richard A. Powell, George H. Krugg, Gerald N. Jones, Haskeal F. Lovett, Vernon Lee Norton, John E. Cook.

Cash bonds were forfeited in the following cases: Arthur F. Plott, John H. Goltz, Alfred P. Mose and Louis Dublin.

Beulah Bellamy, worthless check, costs.

Guy Redman Jackson, speeding, fined \$15 and costs.

James Kaiser, forcible trespass, one year on roads, fined \$50 and costs. Jail sentence suspended if defendant leaves county immediately.

Eddie Jackson Raynor, improper equipment, fined \$10 and costs.

James Edmund Lewis, driving too fast for conditions, not guilty.

Robert Deleon Stroud, speeding, fined \$10 and costs.

John Frances O'Brien, drunk on highway, fined \$25 and costs. Worthless check, 30 days on roads suspended on making restitution to J. S. Mangum and pay costs.

Three Alarms For Firemen

The Southport Volunteer Fire Department was called into action three times within a 24-hour period over the past week end, but no serious damage resulted from any one of the blazes.

Sunday morning, shortly after midnight, a call was received to the home of Mrs. Grace Ford where a chimney fire failed to do any damage. Sunday afternoon the firemen were called to the old CCC camp site for a trash fire. Later that afternoon they received their third call, back to the trash fire which had broken out again.

Telephones For Two Communities

Southern Bell Announces
Plans For Providing Service
To Acme And Bolton
In Columbus County

Southern Bell Telephone Company officials announced today plans to spend more than \$400,000 on two projects which will bring telephone service to Acme and Bolton and surrounding territory in Columbus county.

Wilmington Manager Paul B. Woodson said that a petition for a certificate of convenience and necessity is being filed with the State Utilities Commission in Raleigh and said that telephone service is planned for the latter part of 1957.

Rapid agricultural progress coupled with industrialization in this area, including the Riegel plant, has brought about a need for expanded telephone service. A telephone company official said that Southern Bell representatives will be calling upon residents and business firms in the Acme and Bolton communities and surrounding areas immediately in order to determine the demand for service. This information will be used as a basis for providing the necessary equipment for the two dial stations, which will be located at Acme and at Bolton. These will be brick veneer buildings in which will be housed the dial equipment, and construction is expected to begin shortly after the completion of the survey this month.

The total cost of the two buildings is estimated at \$16,000. The cost for engineering services, acquisition of land, dial equipment, cable, telephones and wire will bring the over-all cost of the project to over \$400,000. Actually, the total cost of the Acme project is estimated at \$300,000, while the estimated cost of the Bolton project is \$130,000.

At the present time telephone service to these two communities is limited to public toll stations and the Riegel Corporation switchboard. Upon completion of the two projects, telephone subscribers will be able to make local calls between the Acme and Bolton stations.

In a telephone call to this newspaper this morning Mr. Woodson said, "It is a matter of pride with us at Southern Bell to be able to bring modern dial telephone service to residents of these two communities. I would like to

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Set Deadlines For Obtaining New Allotment

Certain Regulations Must
Be Met By Those Who
Seek Tobacco, Cotton Or
Peanut Acreage As New
Growers

APPLICANT MUST DEPEND ON FARM

February 15 Last Date For
Tobacco And Cotton Applications; Peanuts
Close Feb. 16

Farm operators without allotments on tobacco, cotton, or peanuts may apply for new grower allotments on these crops if they desire to grow such crops in 1957. Application is made on a form provided for this purpose at the county ASC office at Supply.

Farmers without a peanut allotment are still permitted to grow one acre without an allotment. Dates by which application must be made for these crops are tobacco and cotton, February 15; peanuts, February 16.

Requirements for being eligible to receive a new grower allotment for tobacco are: (1) the operator be dependent on the farm for a living, (2) the owner or operator has no other farm with a 1957 tobacco allotment, (3) the operator has experience as a landlord, sharecropper or tenant during two of the past five years growing tobacco and (4) operator must live on the farm.

To be eligible to receive a new cotton allotment a farm operator must meet these requirements: (1) owner or operator does not own or operate another cotton farm and (2) be largely dependent on the farm for a livelihood.

For a new peanut allotment the farm operator would have to qualify as follows: (1) he or a producer on the farm have experience in growing peanuts, (2) be largely dependent on the farm for a livelihood, and (3) the farm is the only one owned or operated by the owner or operator which a peanut allotment is established for in 1957.

New Director



MRS. I. J. SANDLIN, JR. of Beaufort was recently elected director of District Eight of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers. She will direct the work of the 86 local PTAs with total membership of 22,420. The district comprises Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Cumberland, Duplin, New Hanover, Pender, Robeson, and Sampson counties.

Jury List For January Term Superior Court

Judge Harland McKeithan
Of Tarboro Will Preside
Over One-Week Mixed
Term Convening On January
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Superior court for the trial of criminal cases will convene here on January 22 with Judge Harland McKeithan of Tarboro presiding and the session scheduled to last one week.

The board of county commissioners has drawn the names of 57 persons for jury duty at the term. From the list a grand jury will be selected through the year 1957.

Following are the names drawn: Lawrence High, J. M. Bennett, H. B. Bennett, O. O. Barnes, J. P. Gore, Sr., W. M. Beck, A. B. Willis, Fred W. Edwards, Randolph Hardee, Shalotte, C. W. Harvell, Leroy Lewis, G. H. Lanier, J. E. Lewis, F. L. Gore, F. W. Wooten, Woodus Mintz, O. D. Williams, N. M. Sellers, Willie Henry, Lealand; L. O. Sellers, J. P. Swain, Willie Galloway, G. T. Danford, H. Foster Mintz, Goley B. Lewis. Continued On Page Four

Lions Will See Phone Exhibit

Southport Lions Club Will
Have Opportunity To See
Latest Developments In
This Type Of Communications

Paul Woodson, manager of the Wilmington office of Southern Bell, will be in Southport tomorrow (Thursday) with the Telephone Magic Trailer on Parade, which will be opened at 1 o'clock to members of the Southport Lions Club as their program feature for the day.

This trailer is the largest exhibit of communications equipment in the United States housed in a trailer.

Following the visit by members of the Lions Club, the trailer will be open to the public. A special invitation has been extended to high school science students to visit the exhibit.

Of particular interest will be an opportunity to see yourself on a T. V. screen; see the first telephone made by Alexander Graham Bell; see sunlight converted direct.

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Compares Fishing Here With Florida

South Carolina Man Writes Columbia Sports Writer That
King Mackerel Fishing Is Best Along Atlantic Coast

One of the most enthusiastic boosters of king mackerel fishing here in Southport is Capt. Sam F. Gardner, operator of the Ocean Plaza Fishing Pier at Myrtle Beach, S. C. Capt. Gardner made several successful trips during December, and recently wrote a letter to Ed Fitchett, Jr., outdoor writer for the Columbia State telling of his good luck. This letter, along with a 4-column cut, appeared in South Carolina's largest daily newspaper on December 23. Text of the letter follows:

"I sent you a card from Florida, saying that we were sending you a fish picture—but the folks I asked to send it to you had already sent it elsewhere. "So, when I got back home and found you didn't get the picture, I wouldn't send you an old picture out of date, I got some boys together and went back for another load of those fine king mackerel so you could have an up-to-date picture. "Well, that is just another way of saying that we had so much fun out there that we had to go back. We were out there, off Southport, N. C., Monday of this week and got 51 kings and about a dozen boites, the kings weighing up to about 20 lbs. "I was all over the West Coast of Florida, and although I got some red snappers and groupers, some weighing up to 35 lbs., we saw no fishing that would compare with this good mackerel fishing off of our Carolina shores. "Sincerely, "Sam F. Gardner. "P. S.—By-the-way, just after Christmas, say from December 27 on, if the weather is still pretty and warm, those kings should still be out yonder and I am hoping to make at least a third trip."

New Drainage Aid Application Will Be Made

Representatives From This
County Attended Meeting
In Wilmington To Explain
Application Forms

EARL MADER IN CHARGE OF MEETING

Regional Director Of Civil
Defense Told Representatives
That Certain Information Must Be
Furnished

Attempts to get more Civil Defense financial assistance in clearing up the drainage damage from the 1955 hurricane season goes into another installment. The new chapter in the effort was brought about Friday after a delegation from the county heard Earl Mader, regional director for Civil Defense, say that information supplied by the applying counties wasn't concrete enough for decisions of need.

Mader said that many of the applications provided opinions, but didn't give the facts and figures demonstrating losses or damages that are being required. Already some 47 miles of snagging and clearing of hurricane damaged drainageways is underway now in the county. It is known as Operation Snag, and is being supervised by the U. S. Corps of Engineers.

Mader told the group that three questions have to be answered by the individuals on each of the projects proposed:

1. Exactly how much of the crop was lost during the 1955 hurricanes.
2. How many acres of land had to be abandoned because of the hurricanes.
3. How many crops were planted but were lost in 1956 during the growing season due to backwaters from the clogged drainage.

These answers have to be in specific facts, of crops, acres, and dollars and cents. He said, of course, that estimates by the individuals will be the best information available.

It is believed that questionnaires for individual farmers to answer and sign will be worked out for Brunswick county. Previously, the county agent, which has been the key working force in recent weeks in obtaining such data, obtained letters from about 100 persons, to cover the county's request. The letters unfortunately did not include a high enough percentage of definite figures.

UNC Alumni See "Hodges" Story

Christmas Session Of This
Organization Attended By
Students And Their Parents; Hugh Morton Presented Program

Hugh Morton of Wilmington was guest speaker at the December meeting of the Brunswick County Chapter of the University of North Carolina Alumni Association here Thursday night at which time students and their parents were invited to meet with the old graduates.

Entertainment for the occasion was furnished by the film "The Luther Hodges Story", which was compiled and edited by Morton (Continued On Page Four)

Methodists Will Stress Attendance

Methodists Try
New Type Service

A change in the Sunday evening services at Trinity Methodist Church will become effective Sunday night, January 6, and continue through the last Sunday night in February, according to action of the Official Board announced by the pastor.

Each family is being asked to bring a light supper, preferably something cold and easily prepared, for a period of fellowship from 6 to 8:45 p. m. This will be followed by a different type vespers service each night, with the whole program concluding at 7:30 o'clock.

College Girls And Boys Here

Holiday Visitors To
Community Swelled By
Presence Of Students And
Returning Service Men

Adding much to life and activity in this community during the Christmas vacation period were the college boys and girls and the returning service men.

From East Carolina College Pat Adams, Joan Ramseur, Norma Harrelson, Barbara Bomberger, Betsy Carr, Bertram Burris, Doug Watts and Ronnie Hood were at home.

University of North Carolina students home for holidays included Elliott Hickman, Lew Hardee, Gibson Barbee and Jimmie Harper.

From St. Mary's in Raleigh Jean Thompson and Ann Brooks Newton were here for the holidays.

Tommy Blake was on vacation from Presbyterian Junior College. State College students home for the holidays were Joe Cochran. (Continued on page four)

Powell Is Elected Bar Group Head

Succeeds Southport Attorney As President Of District Bar Association

W. H. Powell, Jr., Whiteville, was named as the second president for the bar association for the 13th judicial district.

The election was held during the group's annual meeting held in Whiteville recently.

Other officers named included Leon D. Smith of Elizabethtown as vice-president; Walter D. Thompson of Whiteville as secretary-treasurer.

Named to the executive committee were Sankey Robinson of Whiteville, Worth Hester of Elizabethtown and Kirby Sullivan of Southport. Edward Clark of Elizabethtown will continue as counselor for the group.

Clifton Moore, Superior court judge from Burgaw, was guest speaker for the organization's annual meeting. He discussed his recently publicized belief that the state's motor vehicle laws should be changed to place the decision of whether a drunken driver conviction should carry suspension.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

HOSPITAL PATIENT
Mrs. Tom Webb is a patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital where she underwent a minor operation today (Wednesday).

SCHOOLS RECONVENE
More than five thousand Brunswick county school children were back in their class rooms this morning following Christmas vacation.

BACK AT OLD JOB
Operating the repair department at McNeil's Ezzo Station for several years, J. B. Warth, all-around mechanic went to Sunny Point soon after it was activated. Recently he had a spell of illness from which he has not yet entirely recovered. Considering all things, he has decided that his old job is best fitted to him and he is now back at McNeil's.

ORTHOPEDIC CLINIC
The orthopedic clinic conducted monthly by the Cripple Children's Section of the State Board of Health and the Wilmington Rotary Club will be held Thursday, January 10, from 8 o'clock until noon at James Walker Memorial Hospital. Last month 82 persons were examined, 11 of them from Brunswick county.

Our ROVING Reporter

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From the day when we first value to Brunswick county to pay the subscription price and renew year after year. 1956 saw the number of new subscribers increase without any special effort being put forward by the publisher. Our readers simply like the paper and feel that it is useful to them.

Residents of Southport invariably tell visitors who are in search of us to stand still. They said that we will show up in a minute from somewhere. Moving from Southport 9 or 10 years ago, Mrs. L. C. Fergus must have been here in the early fall and everywhere we went we were told that Mrs. Fergus had just been around looking for us. Now she writes and tells us that every

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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, December 27,	
4:16 A. M.	10:28 A. M.
4:26 P. M.	10:38 P. M.
Friday, December 28,	
5:10 A. M.	11:22 A. M.
5:20 P. M.	11:29 P. M.
Saturday, December 29,	
6:01 A. M.	0:00 A. M.
6:10 P. M.	12:12 P. M.
Sunday, December 30,	
6:47 A. M.	0:16 A. M.
6:56 P. M.	12:57 P. M.
Monday, December 31,	
7:30 A. M.	1:01 A. M.
7:37 P. M.	1:39 P. M.