

Bowman Makes Weekly Report Of Legislature

Governor Hodges Revelation Of Plans For Raising Funds To Increase Teachers' Pay Expected To Speed Adjournment

SEVERAL AUTO BILLS PENDING

Inspection Law And Compulsory Liability Insurance Are Among The Most Unpopular New Bills

By JAMES C. BOWMAN

By the time this report is published, it is believed that Governor Hodges will have disclosed his plan to give teachers and other State employees raises in amounts larger than those recommended by the Advisory Budget Commission. Once a decision is made on the subject of salary increases, the largest single controversial issue will have been determined and the work of this General Assembly should proceed to a reasonably rapid conclusion.

Bills Of Local Interest

An amendment to the State Urban Redevelopment Act caused one of the longest and bitterest debates in the House to date. Under this amendment, which finally passed the House, areas struck by hurricanes and other natural disasters in the State will now be eligible for long term, low interest financing under the provisions of the Federal Housing Act.

Under a bill introduced in the Senate, jurors would be selected by a Jury Commissioner in each county appointed by the Resident Judge to hold office at his pleasure. Jurors are now selected by the board of county commissioners, but who, under the new Act, would only be authorized to fix the pay of the Jury Commissioner at \$10 to \$25 per day and also hire and fix the pay of a clerical assistant for the Jury Commissioner.

Another bill introduced in the Senate provides that the Department of Motor Vehicles shall not register any automobile or issue registration plates thereafter unless the automobile has been listed for ad valorem taxes. Under the bill, it is contemplated that applicants will obtain a certificate from the appropriate county official to the effect that the vehicle has been listed for taxes and forward the certificate with the application for license plates. The provisions of the bill would not apply to automobiles purchased subsequent to January 1st of the year in which a registration plate is applied for.

Auto Inspection

This bill, introduced in the past week, will probably head the list of the "Most Unpopular Bills" as usual. Although it has been "sweetened" a lot, it will still be too bitter a dose to take for those who remember the inspection lane days. This bill requires

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Brief Bits Of NEWS

HIGHWAY WORK

A State Highway Commission letting on April 23 will include a 5.69-mile stretch of road in Brunswick county near the South Carolina line.

BARBECUE SUPPER

The Bolivia P. T. A. is sponsoring a barbecue supper to be held at the new school luncheon room April 13 at 7 p. m. All proceeds are to be used for equipping the luncheon room.

PLAN EXPERIMENT

In an effort to encourage greater attendance at the bi-monthly sessions of the Southport Lions Club, the two May meetings will be held at 7 o'clock in the evening instead of being held at the noon hour.

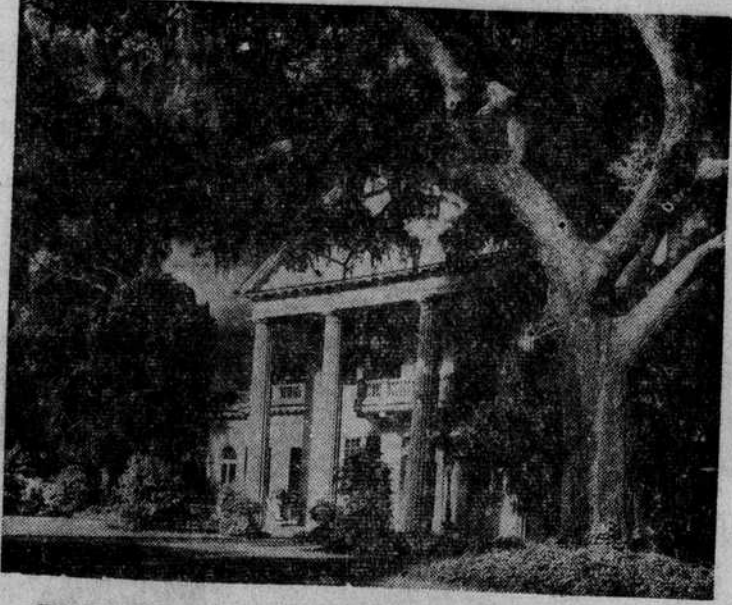
W. S. C. S. MEETING

The Brunswick County Sub-District of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will hold its spring meeting at Village Point Church Sunday, March 14, at 2:30 p. m. Women of all Methodist churches in the county are urged to attend.

BREAKS LEG

Gehrig Spencer, start outfielder for the Southport high school baseball team, was injured during a practice game Wednesday when another player slid into him and broke both bones in one of his legs. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Spencer.

Orton Plantation



BLOOMING—The flowers at Orton Plantation are expected to be at the height of their beauty this week-end, and hundreds of visitors are expected to visit these historic gardens in Brunswick county to see the beauty of the azaleas and camellias.

Curtail Services Of Post Office

No Window Service For Southport Post Office Either Saturday Or Sunday Starting April 13

SHORTER HOURS IN FORCE DAILY

After April 29 There Will Be No Further Money Order Business And No More Bulk Mailing

Beginning Saturday, April 13, service at the Southport post office will be curtailed until further notice.

According to Postmaster J. B. Russ, there will be no window service at the local office either Saturday or Sunday. On other days the window will open at 8:30 o'clock, whereas it formerly was open from 8 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Beginning April 29, there will be no further money order business and no third class bulk mailing.

In making this announcement, Postmaster Russ cited a Postal Bulletin which stated: "Because of factors beyond the control of the Department, sufficient funds are not available to provide normal postal services during the final quarter of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957."

From this statement it would appear that these changes are of temporary nature and further notice will be given of any future changes.

Terminal Worker Dies In Wreck

Horace C. Finch Killed Sunday Night In Highway Accident On Outskirts Of Wilmington

Horace C. Finch, 34, Chief of Utilities Branch in Plant Engineers office Sunny Point Army Terminal, was killed instantly early Sunday when the car he was driving was involved in a head-on collision on the outskirts of Wilmington.

His wife, the former Miss Betty Jane Panky, of Wilmington and two children were injured in the collision.

Mr. Finch, a native of Greensboro, had made his home in Wilmington for a number of years. He had been employed by the Wilmington District, Corps of Engineers, in the construction of

Webb Reelected School Principal

No Changes In Faculty Of The Southport Elementary School Indicated Following Board Meeting Monday Night

Members of the local committee for Southport high school met Monday night and re-elected Thomas C. Webb as principal.

The board organized with Harold B. Aldridge as chairman and only four members were present, Mrs. J. C. Chouch as secretary, all of them hold-overs from the old board.

The fifth member, and the only

Chairmen Named For Cancer Fund

Plans are being made for the American Cancer Society Fund Drive in Brunswick county, which will have co-chairmen this year. The responsibility will be shared by Eugene Tomlinson of Southport and Mrs. Wilton Harrelson of Shallotte.

An effort will be made to solicit support from citizens in every part of the county during this campaign, which continues through the month of April.

Hearings Held In Court Monday

One Case Growing Out Of Fatal Highway Accident Heard, With Defendant Being Bound Over

Two preliminary hearings were conducted in Brunswick county Recorder's court Monday, with probable cause being found in each case.

Heyward D. Platt was charged with reckless operation, resulting in death, and was bound over to Superior court under bond of \$2,000.

Herbert Fulford was given a preliminary hearing on charges of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. Probable cause was found and the defendant was bound over to Superior court under bond of \$1,000.

Amos W. Hamby waived appearance and pleaded guilty to charges of drunk driving. He was fined \$100 and costs.

John Faircloth pleaded guilty to charges of public drunkenness and was given 30 days in jail. Sentence was commuted to time served upon payment of costs.

William A. Hewett was up for reckless operation. Motion was made for jury trial and bond was set at \$100.

Virginia Griffin pleaded guilty to charges of possession of non-tax-paid liquor and was given 30 days, sentence being suspended upon \$25 fine and costs.

The following speeding cases were disposed of: Bobby Lee Stafford, 65 mph, \$10 and costs; Daniel P. Smith, 65 mph, \$10 and costs; Gordon Gore, 65 mph, \$10 and costs; Landis G. Brown, 40 mph in 20-mile zone, not guilty.

Cleveland Joyner waived appearance and pleaded guilty to charges of reckless operation. He was fined \$25 and costs.

Melvyn W. Furlough was found guilty of driving too fast and failure to yield right of way. He was taxed with \$10 and costs.

William L. Vought pleaded guilty to speeding and driving with improper lights. He was fined \$20 and costs.

Lester Benton waived appearance and pleaded guilty to charges of being drunk on the highway. He was fined \$25 and costs.

James W. Faison pleaded guilty to no turn signal and was fined \$10 and costs.

Sara Todd Frink waived appearance and pleaded guilty to charges of passing a stopped school bus. He was fined \$10 and costs.

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Magazine Writer Expected To In Section

National Geographic Magazine Sending P. On Trip Down Intra Waterway To Gain Information

LEFT ANNAPOLIS FIRST OF

Local Cooperation Light In Turning Up In- formation That Will Be Unusual Interest

The National Geographic magazine plans a comprehensive article on the Intra Waterway, from Chesapeake Bay to Miami, Florida, and E. E. Jones and wife have been engaged to write the article. Left Annapolis, Maryland, on April 1 aboard an auxiliary vessel Tradewinds, in company with a staff photographer, J. Taylor Roberts.

A request has been received here for cooperation assistance in gathering color photographs and information on this waterway. The writers are interested in virtually all aspects, with emphasis on industry, life, history, folklore, and geographical features.

At this point, it is impossible to say just when the Tradewinds will arrive in this area, all stops the writers will be required to tie up at the most locally located marina while mail is being gathered.

The State Advertising Bureau of the Department of Conservation and Development in High has written to urge residents in this area to extend every possible courtesy to this group as it arrives in Brunswick, for there is one of the most interesting and important on the Intra Waterway.

Columbus Man Held For Theft

Junior Lee Norris Arrested Monday Night In Tabor City And Returned To Brunswick To Face Charge Of Armed Robbery

Junior Lee Norris, young Columbus county white man, was arrested in Tabor City Monday night by Policeman Ted Wats and was held for Brunswick county officers to face charges of armed robbery and assault.

According to Sheriff Elbert H. Gray, Norris, who has a previous criminal record, drove up to the Chancy Hewett service station in the Oak Grove section about 7:30 o'clock Sunday morning and put a quart of oil in the motor of the automobile he was driving. He then turned on 10-year old Alice Faye Hewett, who had come out to open up the station and took a cigar box containing \$25 and \$10 in cash from her.

Sheriff Gray said that the man held the girl's arm behind her back and was forcing her into the car when her screams attracted her father. She broke away

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Our ROVING Reporter

Jim Hardee is a newspaper man who loves fishing. The prospects for developing the sport of tarpon fishing in the waters of the lower Cape Fear intrigue him, and he has prepared the following story, which we use this week as a stand-in for our "Roving Reporter." Incidentally, friends of W. B. Keziah will be pleased to learn that some improvement has been noted in his condition during the past week. He still is a patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital.

G. N. (Jerry) Coughlan is a successful New Jersey business man who fishes the way most men dream about fishing. By that, I mean that he goes fishing when he likes, where he likes, and for what ever fish he wants. In recent years, Jerry has concentrated on Tarpon fishing in the warm waters of coastal Florida. He is a light-tackle enthusiast, and he has met with amazing success in his pursuit

P. T. A. Sponsors Womanless Wedding

An hilarious time should be had by all on Friday evening, April 12, at 7:30 o'clock, when the Southport P. T. A. presents a Womanless Wedding with Zack Bennett as the blushing bride, Joe Ryne as the bashful groom, Doshier Ruark as the flighty planner, and an assorted cast of highly amusing characters garbed in the height of fashion for the biggest wedding of the season.

The wedding is being planned and directed by the finance committee of the P. T. A. consisting of Mrs. J. A. Gilbert, Mrs. L. M. Pendergraph, Mrs. Frances D. Young and Mr. Ira Butler, Jr. Tickets are now on sale. Refreshments will be sold before and after the performance.

Red Cross Drive Now In Progress In This County

First Reports Begin To Come In To Chairman A. E. Huntley; Increase Quota Requested From Brunswick

First returns are coming in to Red Cross Fund Chairman A. E. Huntley this week, who has the last list of volunteer workers to report.

In the meantime, Mrs. Phil King, Chairman of the Brunswick County Chapter, American Red Cross, reports that a message from Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, president of the American Red Cross, requests additional emergency funds from Brunswick county.

The message from Red Cross Headquarters reports that disaster funds have been completely exhausted through recent demands for relief in areas recently affected by blizzards, tornadoes and floods. "Because of this emergency," says Mrs. King, "Brunswick county has had \$300 added to its quota, which now stands at \$2,800. I hope that our response will be prompt and generous, for that has been the record of Red Cross service for our own people when they were in need."

At Shallotte Mrs. Odell Williamson heads an organization that includes Mrs. M. M. King, Mrs. Frances Stone, Mrs. Otis Russ,

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Methodists Will Conduct Revival

Dr. J. E. Garlington Will Be Guest Preacher During Week Of Services Beginning Easter Sunday Night

Revival services will be conducted at Trinity Methodist Church, Southport, beginning Easter Sunday night, April 21, and continuing through Friday night, April 26, each evening at 7:30 o'clock. Guest preacher for the revival will be Dr. J. E. Garlington of Wilmington, who has been Superintendent of the Wilmington District of the Methodist Church since June, 1956.

Dr. Garlington has been active in church and civic affairs

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Proud Owner



PROUD—Shown in the picture above standing in the foreground is Randall Sellers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Decie Sellers, of the Mill Creek Community. Randall is showing his purebred Hampshire gilt to members of the Bolivia Lions Club. Looking from left to right is Sanford H. Lee, Assistant County Agent, Lion E. T. Albright, Lion Warren Sellers, and Lion Foster Mintz. Randall is one of five boys of the Bolivia area that received a gilt from the Bolivia Lions Club last Spring in the club-sponsored pig chain.

Ruling Will Affect Several Officials

Roy Robinson First Candidate

Mayor Roy Robinson is the first man to announce his candidacy for office in the forthcoming municipal election as today he makes announcement of his intention to seek reelection.

This is the first date for filing for office in the city election, and the closing date is April 27, Tuesday, May 7, is the date of the election.

At that time the qualified voters will elect a mayor and six members of the board of aldermen, two from each of the three precincts.

Service Awards For Employees

Several Maritime Administration Employees Honored Last Week In Two Ceremonies For Length Of Service

Service totaling a period of 270 years is represented in length-of-service awards made to 23 Maritime Administration employees in two ceremonies that took place in Wilmington and in Brunswick County Thursday and Friday. Presentation of the awards in both instances were made by Captain Hewlett R. Bishop, Atlantic Coast Director, Maritime Administration, U. S. Department of Commerce.

One ceremony was held at the Maritime Administration's Wilmington Reserve Shipyard, where one 20-year award and five 10-year awards were made. In the other ceremony, which took place at the Maritime Administration's National Defense Reserve Fleet in Brunswick County Friday morning, one 30-year award was presented, as were one 20-year award and fifteen 10-year awards.

The length-of-service awards made to personnel serving at the Reserve Shipyard or aboard the Reserve Fleet were as follows: 30-year award to Walter C. Crook, Wilmington; 20-year awards to Ernest Jones and Mack E. Reynolds, Wainnabow; 10-year awards to George H. Artis, James T. Barden, Jr., Joseph Brown, John K. Burkholder, Edward H. Butler, Wilmington; Guy R. Chinis, Leland; Welton Cox, Charley E. Davis, Elwood Eckert, William H. Farmer, Matthew Guthrie, Charles S. Hewitt, Harlee Hill, Walter N. Jackson, Edward H. King, Leon Teachey, E. Walford Thompson, Melvin M. Williams, Wilmington; Charlie D. Phillips, Leland; and Fred Gurley, Delco.

In making the length-of-service presentations, Captain Bishop said: "As with private industry, the Federal Government is fully aware that turn-over in employees is both expensive and inefficient."

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March Of Dimes Report Made By County Leader

Mrs. M. H. Rourk Reports Collection Totalling \$2,096.55 In Brunswick This Year

AUBREY C. JOHNSON CHAPTER CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Rourk Expresses Ap- preciation For Cooper- ation And Generous Con- tributions To Drive

Mrs. M. H. Rourk, Chairman of the 1957 March of Dimes campaign in Brunswick county, reports collections totaling \$2,096.55 this year.

In submitting her final report to Aubrey C. Johnson, chairman of the Brunswick County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Mrs. Rourk declared that she wishes to express her appreciation to volunteer workers in every section of Brunswick county, who helped make the success of this campaign possible.

"Every year I receive a warm feeling of satisfaction that so many of our people possess a feeling of responsibility for the public welfare. Not only have my workers done a good job, but the response on the part of the public has been very generous. I am very grateful to you all," she said.

Following is a breakdown of results on a community level:

- Shalotte Point, Fred Edwards, \$39.47; Ash, Mrs. Wm. Mathews, \$19.55; Bolivia, Mrs. Foster Mintz, \$64.91; Freeland, Mrs. Corbet Coleman, \$50.70; Hickmans Crossroad, Mrs. Ernest Standland, \$46.01; Exum, Roddy Bennett, \$38.01; Leland, Mrs. R. V. Williams, \$72.76; Longwood, Mrs. Percy Russ, \$10.00; Shallotte, Mrs. Jack White, \$463.54; Southport, Mrs. Norman Hornstein, \$42.50; Supply, Mrs. Garland Clemmons, \$81.20; Boon's Neck, Mrs. Sidney Hewett, \$56.18; Winnabow, Mrs. Guilford Irvin, \$68.65; Thomasboro, Mrs. F. C. Osborn, \$25; Myrtle Head, Floyd Parker, \$7.00; Grissetown, Mrs. Norman Grissett, \$28.86; Calabash, Mrs. Hobson Mears, \$21.63; Brunswick Lay-Up Basin, \$25; Bell Swamp, Mrs. Cecil Robbins, \$4; miscellaneous contributions, \$36.02.

Schools: Waccamaw, Mrs. Wm. Mathews, \$84.35; Shallotte, Mrs. Jack White, \$285.33; Bolivia, Mrs. Foster Mintz, \$95.32; Leland, Mrs. R. V. Williams, \$113.50; Southport, Mrs. N. M. Hornstein, \$89.30.

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WSCS Session In Whiteville

Brunswick County Has Rep- resentatives From Meth- odist Churches At This Meeting

Some 150 members representing approximately 65 societies of the Womans Society of Christian Service of the Wilmington district of the Methodist church met in Whiteville today for their annual conference.

The WSCS of the Whiteville Methodist church is host to the group. Mrs. Ferebee Sledge is president of the host society.

Miss Ethellean Ballance, Methodist deaconess of Rockingham, (Continued On Page Two)

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, April 11,	
4:59 A. M.	11:18 A. M.
5:35 P. M.	11:50 P. M.
Friday, April 12,	
5:56 A. M.	0:05 A. M.
6:31 P. M.	12:11 P. M.
Saturday, April 13,	
6:50 A. M.	12:44 A. M.
7:23 P. M.	1:00 P. M.
Sunday, April 14,	
7:40 A. M.	1:35 A. M.
8:14 P. M.	1:48 P. M.
Monday, April 15,	
8:30 A. M.	2:25 A. M.
9:02 P. M.	2:34 P. M.
Tuesday, April 16,	
9:17 A. M.	3:12 A. M.
9:50 P. M.	3:20 P. M.
Wednesday, April 17,	
10:05 A. M.	4:00 A. M.
10:37 P. M.	4:05 P. M.