

## Four Towns Will Share In Powell Fund This Year

Southport Leads Others With Total Of \$10,164.17 For Street Improvements During This Year

YAUPON BEACH IS SECOND HIGHEST

Total Of 405 Municipalities Share In \$6,477,032 Distribution Based Upon Gasoline Tax

More than 400 North Carolina municipalities will share this year in the distribution of \$6,477,032.18 in Powell Bill Funds, according to W. F. Babcock, Director of Highways for the N. C. State Highway Commission.

Here in Brunswick county the largest check goes to Southport and is for \$10,164.17. Yaupon Beach qualified for the next largest payment of \$3,993.16. The town of Shallotte received \$2,231.66 and Long Beach completed the local list with a check for \$1,799.87. No payment was listed for Bolivia, which has in the past qualified as an incorporated town.

Checks for their proportionate shares were mailed beginning last week to 405 municipalities which qualify under the 1951 statute setting aside 1/2 cent of the six cent per gallon net State gasoline tax for the use of municipalities in maintaining and improving their non-highway system streets. The net revenue from the tax amounted to \$77,755,027.98 for the fiscal year 1957.

Powell Bill Funds have shown a 42 per cent increase in seven years, rising from \$4,543,098.29 in 1951 to the 1957 figure of nearly six and one-half million dollars. A total of \$38,538,207.29 will have been distributed with the issuance of this year's checks.

The fund has shown an annual increase due to the ever-growing volume of traffic using highways, roads, and streets.

Six municipalities have been added since last year. They are Cove City, Danbury, Emerald Isle, Middleburg, Speed and Teachey.

Cities and towns become eligible for Powell Bill Funds by performing certain functions necessary to qualify under the law including the collection of ad valorem taxes, the election of city governing officials and the filing of necessary data with the State Highway Commission before the limiting date.

Half of the total Powell Bill allocations, \$3,238,516.09, is to be divided among qualified municipalities on the basis of population at a per capita rate of \$2.12. The population of eligible and qualified municipalities based on the 1950 census is 1,524,409.

The remaining half is divided on the basis of relative mileage of non-highway system or local streets of municipalities complying with the act at a per mile rate of \$485.38. The total length of such streets this year is 6,672.18 miles.

Allocations may be made only to legally incorporated municipalities. **Continued On Page Four**

## Brief Bits Of NEWS

**LIONS TO MEET**  
The regular meeting of the Southport Lions Club will be held tomorrow (Thursday) evening at the Community Building.

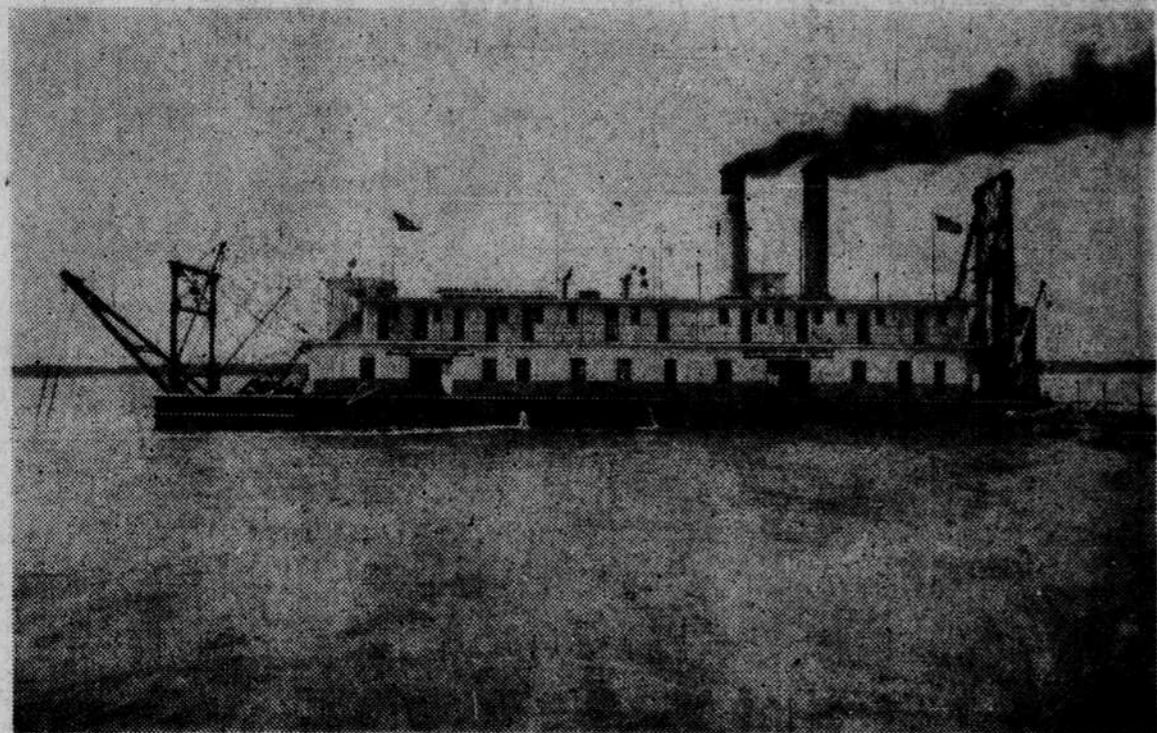
**ATTEND FUNERAL**  
Mr. and Mrs. John Burden returned from Mollie, Ala. Sunday after attending Mrs. Burden's mother's funeral, which took place Thursday.

**BENEFIT BARBECUE**  
There will be a barbecue supper, pit-cooked on church grounds the day of serving, on Saturday beginning at 6:30 p. m. (EST) at Zion Methodist Church, Town Creek. Home-made cakes and pies will also be on sale.

**IN NEW ENGLAND**  
Miss Carolyn Danford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Early Danford of Bolivia, has enrolled at Endicott Junior College for girls at Beverly, Mass. She graduated at New Hanover high school this year.

**OUT OF SERVICE**  
Three Southport boys returned home Monday from their respective Army camps, each having completed his military service. Joe Swain and Jerry Spencer have been serving at Ft. Campbell, Ky. Kenney Hewett was stationed at Fort Belvoir, Va.

## Dredge Henry Bacon Back At Work



**DREDGE**—This is the U.S.E. Dredge Henry Bacon, now at work on the 84-foot harbor improvement project and operating in the lower section of the Cape Fear River. This vessel is familiar to scores of Brunswick County men who have served on her during the past forty years.

## Tarpon Catches Provide Biggest News On Fishing

Three Fish Weighed In During Week-End At Tar Heel Sport Shop; One Party Had Three Tarpon On At One Time

Local fishermen finally appear to have solved the riddle of how to land a tarpon, for during the holiday week-end Phil King weighed in one of the silver kings on three consecutive days.

As usual, though, the big story is about the ones which got away. On Monday afternoon three Southport men fishing over behind Bald Head Island had tarpon on at the same time. Dan Harrison, one of the local anglers, said that he had his fish on for 15 minutes, and should have landed him. Ernest Parker was battling another of the big fellows at the same time, and Delmas Fulcher completed the trio.

Back to the ones that were caught: Sandy Robertson started it off Saturday with a 34-pounder. On Sunday morning Robert Waters reported in with a 41 1/2-lb fish and the next day his brother, Hall Waters, brought in the largest one of the three that went to 44 1/2-lbs.

There was another tarpon caught at Corn Cake Inlet Saturday, this one a 40-pounder taken by W. Huffham, Jr., of Wilmington.

Reports say that there are still plenty of these fish in the area, and more successful trips are predicted before the month is out.

## Local Minister Goes To Texas

The Rev. J. B. MacLeod Will Move This Month To Beaumont, Where He Will Serve As Minister To Youth

Joseph B. MacLeod, Southport Presbyterian minister, announced early this week that he plans to leave his Brunswick County charges later in the month to assume ministerial duties in Beaumont, Texas.

MacLeod, who has served Southport Presbyterian Church and New Hope Presbyterian Church since 1954, will serve as Minister to Youth at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Beaumont.

MacLeod's wife, Virginia, and his two sons, will leave their Southport home on September 10, and will be joined by the minister in Myrtle Beach after he holds his last local services on September 15.

MacLeod came to Southport in 1954 after completing studies at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. Previously, he had studied at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

While serving the two Brunswick County charges, he was active in youth work in the Wilmington Presbytery. In addition, he taught for one year in the Southport high school, and was active in community affairs.

His new work will consist mainly of dealing with young people in the junior high school-college age group. He will also be in charge of a leadership program. **Continued On Page Six**

## Henry Bacon Now Working Near Here

Pipeline Dredge Now Entering Last Stages Of 34-Foot Harbor Improvement Project

**COMPLETION SET FOR NOVEMBER**  
This Vessel Has Long And Distinguished Record Of Service In Wilmington District

The U. S. E. Dredge, long a familiar sight along the Cape Fear and to the residents of Brunswick county, is now operating within sight of Southport, and each day dozens of automobiles park near the municipal dock while their owners go aboard to pull their hours on duty.

The project is about 90 per cent complete on the 34 foot harbor job with completion scheduled for early November.

Her master now at Capt. George Straydon Lewis of Shallotte. Shufor Lewis, also of Brunswick County, is chief engineer. Both came out of retirement to take over their jobs. There are several others on her from Brunswick County.

The U. S. E. Dredge Henry Bacon takes her name from Henry Bacon who was a civil engineer with the Wilmington District for 15 years.

Bacon's major achievement while with the District was the building of the New Inlet and Swash Defense Dam better known as "The Rocks." He came to Wilmington in 1876 after considerable success in navigational work in the Great Lakes area and similar activities as Chief Engineer for the Illinois Central Railroad in Indiana.

He was born August 17, 1822 at Natick, Mass.; educated at Liecester Academy, Mass., and was appointed to direct "The Rocks" task on the recommendation of Col. William P. Craighill of the Corps' Baltimore Office. The Will. **Continued on Page Four**

## Funeral Sunday For Local Man

Death Of E. H. Arrington Early Friday Morning Came As Shock To Residents Of Southport

Residents of Southport were shocked Friday morning to learn of the death during the night of E. H. Arrington, popular business man of Southport, who had been stricken ill only a few hours earlier.

His death occurred at Doshier Memorial Hospital where he had been taken as a patient Thursday after being examined by a local physician. He was 64 years old, and apparently had been in good health until shortly before he was taken to the hospital.

He was proprietor of Watson's Pharmacy and was formerly employed by Standard Oil as one of their representatives on various assignments in the Caribbean. He here members of his family moved here several years ago, at which time he entered business in Southport. **Continued on page four**

## Proposal Made For Restricted Area In River

Col. Frank T. Edson, Commanding Officer At Sunny Point Army Terminal, Makes Formal Request Through Engineers

AREA OPPOSITE TERMINAL AFFECTED

Would Keep Out Vessels Of All Sizes And All Drafts Except When On Business Or In Special Emergency

Col. Frank T. Edson, Commander, Sunny Point Army Terminal, has requested that a portion of the Cape Fear River in front of the Sunny Point Army Terminal ammunition loading wharves be designated as a restricted area.

The proposed restricted area consists of that portion of the Cape Fear River west of the main ship channel beginning at U. S. Coast Guard buoy No. 31A at the north approach channel to Sunny Point Army Terminal and ending at the U. S. Coast Guard buoy No. 23A at the south approach channel to Sunny Point Army Terminal and all waters of tributaries therein.

Except in cases of extreme emergency, all small boats or vessels of any size or rafts other than those authorized by the Commander, Sunny Point Army Terminal will be prohibited from entering this area without prior permission of the Commander, Sunny Point Army Terminal. The area is to be marked with suitable warning signs.

The U. S. Army Engineers in Wilmington desire to be advised of any objections to the establishment of this restricted area. Objections to the proposed restricted area will be received at that office until 30 September 1957.

## Shoals Fishing Shows Up Well

Reports From Parties Here Over Labor Day Week-End Indicate Best Results Were From Inshore Trips

Interest in deepsea fishing over the Labor Day week-end centered mainly around the inner Frying Pan shoals where good catches of bluefish and Spanish mackerel were reported.

Capt. Fred Fulford fished B. T. Teal and party of Fairmont aboard his Davis Bros. V on Saturday. The party caught 79 bluefish and Spanish mackerel.

On Sunday, Capt. Fulford had William Raper and party of High Point. The catch included 135 bluefish and Spanish mackerel.

A Sunday afternoon party aboard the Davis Bros. V, M. E. McDonald and group from Charlotte, accounted for some 68 bluefish and Spanish mackerel.

On Monday, Joe Taylor and party of Fayetteville fishing with Capt. Fulford, had a good catch of 205 bluefish and Spanish mackerel.

Capt. Walter Lewis of the John Ellen combined both offshore and inshore fishing on Saturday when the party on his boat caught 57 bluefish, 86 Spanish mackerel, 2 bonito, 3 dolphin, and 2 barracuda. The party was A. R. Smith. **Continued On Page Four**

## Office-Residence



**FAMILIAR**—This is the office and home of Dr. C. A. Graham, Southport's new dentist. It was originally built by Dr. L. C. Fergus, who in turn sold it to Dr. F. M. Burdette. The latter purchased the R. F. Plaxco residence last year and moved across the street. Thousands of persons have received medical attention in these offices, which now will be used by the new dentist.

## Livestock Show Great Success

Annual Event Staged Friday Under Auspices Of Bolivia Lions Club At Elmore Motor Co. Used Car Lot

**WINNERS NAMED IN THREE DIVISIONS**

Swine And Poultry Shows Are Followed By Sales, But Junior Dairy Exhibits And Fat Stock Animals Retained

The second annual Brunswick County Livestock Show and Sale was held at Bolivia Friday, under the auspices of the Bolivia Lions Club and in cooperation with the Brunswick county extension workers.

The event was well attended, and those in charge were well pleased with results.

State College Poultry Extension Specialist Tom Morris described the 4-H pullet show as one of the best he ever judged.

There was ten entries and all won blue ribbons. Sandra Holden of Supply won the Grand Champion ribbon for having the best pullet, Martha Rabon of Winnabow won Reserve Champion. Other entries were Brenda Osborne, Bolivia; Emma Ross, Freeland; Jimmy Albright, Bolivia; Danny Simmons, Freeland; Donald Brown, Bolivia; Lyle Ray King, Freeland; Jo Ann Sellers, Supply; Larry Jones, Ash. Morris said all the entries were hatched last February 25, and are now laying or ready to lay. Eight eggs were laid during the show. The pullets were Harco Rhode Island Reds.

The pullet show was sponsored by the Sears Foundation, Bolivia Lions Club with Farm Agent A. S. Knowles and Assistant Farm Agent Sanford Lee cooperating.

There were five entries in the dairy show and all won blue ribbons. Grand Champion was won by Jimmy Albright of Bolivia. Reserve was won by Jackie Lewis of Bolivia. Jimmy showed a Jersey and Jackie showed a Holstein.

Other entries were Joe Lewis of Bolivia showing a Holstein. Joe is Jackie's brother. Owen Willetts of Bolivia showed a Guernsey and Jimmy Albright also. **Continued on Page Four**

## Prominent Supply Resident Dies

Funeral Services For R. P. Robinson Conducted Friday Afternoon From Sharon Methodist Church

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon for Robert Peter Robinson, Sr., retired farmer, fisherman and business man who was developer of Robinson Beach. He was 78 years of age.

Sharon Methodist Church, of which the deceased was a member, was overflowing with friends and relatives, gathered to pay their final tribute of respect, and three ministers participated in the services.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Ethel-Tolar Robinson; He was formerly married to Mrs. Lillie Reaves. From this marriage survive three sons, Harry T. Robinson of Clinton, John E. Robinson and R. P. Robinson Jr. of Supply; five daughters, Mrs. Alma Roberts, Whiteville, Mrs. Bertha Kirby, Mrs. Lena Lewis, Mrs. Katie Kirby, and Mrs. Modia Gainey, all of Supply. Other survivors include a brother, J. D. Robinson of Supply; a sister, Mrs. A. W. Hewett of Supply, 21. **Continued on Page Four**

**Season Opens For Marsh Hens**

The first phase of the 1957-58 hunting season opened the first of September when it became legal to shoot marsh hens or rails, according to H. T. Bowmer, district game protector, Southport. The marsh hen season opened September 1 and will close on November 9, 1957. The season is 10 days longer this year. Bag limit is 15 a day per person and a possession limit of 30 per person.

Rails or marsh hens may be taken starting one-half hour before sunrise and until sunset. The second phase will open Saturday, Sept. 7, when the first half of dove shooting season opens. It will close on October 7. **Continued On Page Four**

## Price Increases Help Hold Dollar Totals At Peak

Satisfactory Sales With High Averages Being Reported On Border Belt Markets This Week

TUESDAY SALES IN WHITEVILLE GOOD

Although Sales Volumes Are Below Those For Last Season, Price Averages Are High

Tobacco prices along the Border Belt markets this year were running better than \$5 a hundred ahead of leaf prices being received as the Labor Day holidays arrived.

In Whiteville today Sales Supervisor R. G. Maulsby reported Tuesday sales totaling 1,331,426-lbs sold for an average of \$63.14. Reports from the U. S. Department of Agriculture indicate that North Carolina prices at the close of Friday's sales were \$58.79. Last year they were only \$53.73.

The difference in volume marketwise was not appreciable, mainly because this year two more sales days were available before the holiday arrived. Just over 89 million have been sold so far.

At the end of 22 sales days (there have been 24) all Columbus county markets are ahead on price average. For that period, the county's four markets had sold 40.3 million pounds for \$21.9 million. This year, the cuts have knocked the poundage down to \$35.4 million, approximately, but the high prices have kept the total income to just a shade under \$21 million.

Chadburn had dropped 10 percent in poundage, and was only \$93,000 off of the \$6,060,956 received through Wednesday. Fair Bluff, on the other hand has gained 99,000 pounds—it was 5,377 million, and added \$332,000 to its income—it was \$316 million.

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## Maulsby Girl Beauty Winner

Judy Carol Maulsby Was First Place Winner In Contest Sponsored By The Home Demonstration Clubs

Judy Carol Maulsby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Maulsby of Bolivia, won the beauty contest sponsored by Brunswick County Home Demonstration Clubs last Friday afternoon.

The Beauty Contest was held in the recreation room of Bethel Methodist Church. The contestants wore street dress.

Other contestants were Vernie Rogers, sponsored by the Winnabow Club, Gwen Clemmons, sponsored by the Supply Club and Jean Lewis sponsored by the Mill Creek Club. All the girls rendered piano solos as their talent except Vernie Rogers, who sang a religious song. **Continued on Page 4**

## 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, September 5,	
5:00 A. M.	11:07 A. M.
5:36 P. M.	11:42 P. M.
Friday, September 6,	
5:48 A. M.	11:55 A. M.
6:19 P. M.	0:00 P. M.
Saturday, September 7,	
6:31 A. M.	12:25 A. M.
6:59 P. M.	12:38 P. M.
Sunday, September 8,	
7:11 A. M.	1:05 A. M.
7:35 P. M.	1:18 P. M.
Monday, September 9,	
7:47 A. M.	1:42 A. M.
8:09 P. M.	1:57 P. M.
Tuesday, September 10,	
8:23 A. M.	2:18 A. M.
8:41 P. M.	2:35 P. M.
Wednesday, September 11,	
8:57 A. M.	2:55 A. M.
9:12 P. M.	3:12 P. M.

## TIME and TIDE

By JIMMIE HARPER

Twenty years ago, September 8, 1937, Southport's now mature sport fishing industry was just trying out its sea legs in the column "One Minute Interviews." Capt. John Erickson was quoted: "Southport offers the best fishing on the Atlantic coast." Capt. H. T. Bowmer observed, "Saturday was an unusual day. Only the little fish would bite." And Clarence Crappan allowed that it would "be a good idea to get a camera and take pictures of these big catches of fish."

Capt. Robert Thompson had observed a large waterspout on the Cape Fear bar. Elinor Elisabeth Howey had just married William Reid McAuley, and The Pilot advertised an Aladdin (kerosene) Mantle Lamp for only \$4.95.

It was Wednesday, September 9, 1942, and war prosperity had descended on everyone—shrimp prices had reached a new all time high of \$7.00 per bushel.

Records Court was to hold a special mid-week session, to clear the county jail for the upcoming Superior court term. V-mail was noted to have become popular, a local horse census had numbered seven nags in Southport, and the Exum Demonstration Club had held an ice-cream supper.

On September 10, 1947, The Pilot reported the week's news as usual. Among the most interesting items was the word that

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