

Report Made On Road Progress For Brunswick

Division Engineer C. E. Brown Gives Summary Of Projects Completed In Brunswick County During 1957

ALL KINDS OF WORK INCLUDED IN REPORT

Involves Major Improvements To U. S. 17 As Well As Grading And Paving Of Rural Roads In Brunswick

During 1957, 479.93 miles of roads in the Third Highway Division were improved, Division Engineer C. E. Brown of Wilmington reported this week.

The work ranged from grading, widening, paving, resurfacing, to building of bridges and culverts.

He commended the State Highway forces upon the fine road work finished up last year.

In Brunswick County, by contract, US 17 was graded, widened to 24 feet and resurfaced with sand asphalt from one mile north-east of Shallotte for 5.61 miles to about 0.3 mile northeast of Supply. A sand asphalt base and surface course, 18 feet wide, was completed on a seven-inch sub-grade reinforcement of NC 211 from the Columbus County line, 9.6 miles south of Bolton, for 14.47 miles to the intersection of a county road, 0.4 mile north of Supply.

NC 211 was also resurfaced with sand asphalt, 18 feet wide, for 0.3 mile from a point 0.4 mile north of Supply to the intersection of US 17 at Supply. NC 87 was drained and graded in preparation for widening the existing 18 foot pavement to 24 feet for 6.96 miles from a point on NC 130 near Southport northwest to a point 6.5 miles southeast of US 17. This work was completed by contract forces under the supervision of State Highway engineers. In addition, two new bridges for a total length of 103 1/2 feet were completed on the widened section of NC 87. Each bridge has a 28-foot clear roadway width.

Two county roads in Brunswick, each 18 feet wide, were paved with a sand asphalt surface course; from Makatoka northwest and southwest to Ekum, thence northwest to a point on a county road 0.4 mile south of Juniper Creek for a total length of 9.49 miles; Bozeman Road from the intersection of US 17, 0.8 mile northeast of the South Carolina line, thence northwest to the intersection of a county road, 0.4 mile south of Hickman's Cross Roads, for a total length of 1.97 miles.

A sand asphalt base and surface course were used in resurfacing a county road from the South (Continued on Page Four)

Political Candidates



ANNOUNCE—Ed V. Leonard, left, and Dillon L. Ganey, right, both former Brunswick county sheriffs, are among the six candidates who already have announced that they will seek the Democratic nomination for this office in the Primary Election on May 31.

Candidates Get Race Going Early

Six Candidates Already Have Announced Intention To Seek Democratic Nomination For Sheriff, With More To Come

TWO ANNOUNCE FOR STATE SENATE

Political Rumors Fly During Court Week, With Plenty Of Action Promised In Forthcoming Primary

With the date for the Democratic Primary Election still more than four months away there are already six candidates for the party's nomination for sheriff, with more sure to come.

An just to emphasize the fact that this is said to be a banner year for politics in Brunswick county, two candidates have announced for the Democratic nomination for State Senate.

It was in this race that the ice was broken about a month ago when S. E. Frink, Southport attorney, announced that he could seek nomination to this post. His announcement was followed the next week by a similar declaration by Ray H. Walton, who represented Brunswick county in the State Senate the last time a senator was elected from this part of the 10th senatorial district. Since Frink has served in the Senate on three previous occasions, this race will include two men with previous experience in this office. It is reported that there will be a third candidate.

Former Sheriff Ed V. Leonard was the first man to announce his candidacy for that office, and was (Continued on Page Four)

Awards Night For Cub Scouts

Three Dens Are Active In Southport, Under Sponsorship Of Presbyterian Church

The Southport Troop No. 238 Cub Scouts held their regular monthly meeting Wednesday at the Presbyterian manse. The troop is sponsored by the Presbyterian Church.

The three dens are led by Mrs. J. C. Sanders, Den No. 1; Mrs. D. C. Herring, Den No. 2; Mrs. Tom Gilbert, Den No. 3.

These three dens have a combined membership of 23 members and at this meeting there were 20 members present. The boys were all ready for their inspection, of uniforms, insignias and personal appearances, the major part of the boys were found to be 100 percent in these 3 points. After inspection, the following boys received medals and pens which they had earned:

Chip Graham, Wolf Badge and Gold Arrow; James Sanders, John Burdette, Jack Keith, Tommy McGlamery, David Herring, Silver Arrow; Herman Bennett and Gart Sanders, Assistant Denner; Tommy Gilbert and Billie Norton, Denner Award.

One year pins were awarded to Dickie Aldridge, Jack Keith, Basil Watts, David Herring, J. Kenny King, Tommy McGlamery, Gary Sanders, John Burdette, Jerry Swain, Billie Norton, Clarence Johnson. After the awards were given refreshments were served by the mothers of Den number 2.

Highway Patrol Gives Summary Of Year's Work

Information Provided By Corporal O. H. Lynch Shows Total Number Of Accidents For 1957 To Be 273

NINE DEATHS FROM TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Property Damage For This County From This Cause During 1957 Reached Total Of \$107,416

Corporal O. H. Lynch of the State Highway Patrol presented a summary of the 1957 highway accident toll in Brunswick county this week.

The figure of 9 deaths resulting from traffic accidents was an improvement over 1956, when 13 deaths occurred from this cause. As a matter of fact, the county was well on its way to a pretty good record until the last month of the year, when 4 deaths occurred.

According to Corporal Lynch there were 273 accidents during the 12-month period with 99 injuries. Property damage totaled \$107,416.

In a break-down of the cause for arrest, there were 48 for drunk driving; 80 for reckless driving; 66 speeding violations under 65-mph; 720 speeding violations from 65-mph to 75-mph; 43 speeding violations over 75-mph.

A total of 25 persons were caught for following too closely; 3 were caught for passing on a curve; 5 for passing on a hill; and nine for passing a stopped school bus. There were 32 arrests for stop sign violations.

Among violations stemming from defective brakes, there was a total of 68 other arrests in this category.

During the 12 months period 130 persons were arrested for having no operator's license; 22 were caught for driving with expired licenses; and 14 for driving after licenses had been suspended or revoked.

A total of 65 persons were arrested for driving on the wrong side of the road.

A total of 6 persons were arrested on charges of hit and run; three for transporting liquor; and three for larceny of an automobile.

Motorists did not furnish all the victims, for 6 pedestrians were arrested for traffic violations; 14 for being drunk on the highway. All other arrests totaled 247, with (Continued On Page Two)

Polio Vaccine Now Available

The Brunswick County Health Department announces that a small amount of Federal polio vaccine which will expire soon is being made available for people up to 40 years of age. The supply is limited and will be given on a first-come, first-serve basis with the understanding that each person receives a shot will follow through with the other two injections from their private physician.

This will be given at the regular clinic hours: Southport on Tuesdays from 1 to 4 o'clock and Shallotte on Thursdays from 11 to 2:30 o'clock.

Progress Report For Long Beach

Additional Streets Being Opened Up In Tranquil Harbour Section; New Homes Under Construction

Several miles of new streets are being graded in the Tranquil Harbour section of Long Beach, several new homes have been started in this section and other building is underway in the old section of Long Beach.

E. F. Middleton, developer of the Brunswick county resort, is more optimistic over prospects for development than at any time since the fall of 1954, when Hurricane Hazel paid her devastating visit.

The coastwise Construction Co. of Wilmington has had three motor graders and a dragline busy opening up new property for the past several months, and folks who have not visited the beach recently are in for a surprise when they see the broad, new streets (Continued On Page Two)

Farm Census Is Help To Farmer

County Agent A. S. Knowles Urges Brunswick County Farmers To Provide Information To Township Lists

Brunswick County farmers have been asked to cooperate in the state's annual 1958 township farm census this month by A. S. Knowles, county agent.

Knowles says that the census will be taken this month as farmers list their 1958 farms. Tax lists are cooperating in the census to get the vital information which agricultural leaders can use in working out plans for agricultural programs. The census is required by law, and the state Department of Agriculture and boards of county commissioners are responsible for carrying it out. County Agent Knowles explains that the information obtained in the census is held in confidence. It is used only for compiling accurate statistics on land use, crop acreages and livestock numbers. (Continued On Page Four)

Bolivia PTA Holds Monthly Meeting

Members of the Bolivia P. T. A. were honored Monday evening in having as guest speakers Harry M. Matthews and Patrolman Deal. Mr. Matthews is working with State Department of Motor Vehicles in Brunswick at present.

Both speakers emphasized the importance of highway safety and each individual's role in making the school transportation procedures effective. Matthews pointed out that there must be a constant reminder of the importance of safety, for too many school children are learning by first making the mistake.

An inspirational devotion was given by the Rev. Luther Hawkins. After routine matters of business, the group adjourned to the home economics department for refreshments.

Grand Jury In Session During Superior Court

Arthur E. Huntley Is Foreman Of New Body Which Is Named To Serve During Next 12 Months

Arthur E. Huntley, Southport man, was named foreman of the Brunswick county grand jury on Monday, and that body adjourned yesterday afternoon following a two-day session, during which a complete round of inspection was made of all the schools and other public buildings.

Following is the report of that body: "The Brunswick County grand jury was called to order January 20 by Arthur E. Huntley, foreman, with Edwin S. Clemmons acting as secretary.

"We, the grand jury, were in session for two days.

"We have examined fifteen bills and have found thirteen true bills, one not a true bill, one no action, due to lack of witnesses. We have examined the return of the following justices of peace and the following amounts have been turned into the Board of Education since September 16, 1957: Lela Osborn, 4; E. O. Rabon, 18; R. W. Cheers, 10; E. F. Gore, 8; Nina Pigott, 38.

"The following Justices of Peace did not report any funds: A. W. Smith; C. H. King; David Ross; and Paul Brown.

"We, the Grand jury, have examined the following schools and buildings and make the following recommendations:

"The Brunswick County Boarding Home is in excellent condition. The prison camp No. 301 is in good condition. The Brunswick County Tax Office in Southport is in good condition. The Health Office is in good condition. The Welfare Office is in good condition. The Clerk's office in the Courthouse is in temporary usable condition.

"At Southport High School (white) plaster on walls and ceiling need repair on northeast side. Deterioration of walls and ceiling due to leaking roof and outside walls. Boiler rooms need a fire-proof ceiling to prevent smoke from entering the auditorium through the floor, and possible prevention of spread of fire. Need of fire extinguishers. Brunswick County Training School, in bad need of roof on Vocational Building.

The monthly meeting of the Shallotte Parent Teachers Association was held on January 13, at 7:30 o'clock in the Shallotte high school auditorium. Kendall Bellamy, vice-president, presided.

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To Sing At Bolivia



QUARTET—Members of the Harvesters Quartet are Pat Patterson, M.C. and Baritone; Bill Hefner, 1st tenor; Buddy Parker, 2nd tenor; David Reece, at the Piano; Hershel Wooten, bass. This group are T-V and radio artists and will appear at Bolivia on Saturday, February 1, at 8 p. m.

Superior Court In Brief Session

No Change In Adjusting Loss

H. F. Swain, chairman of the board of county commissioners, said yesterday that there has been no new word from the fire insurance adjusters in connection with the damage to the Brunswick county courthouse on December 13.

"I am sure that I speak for representative of the General Adjustment Bureau was here last week with a Wilmington contractor. I assume that he was getting figures to support his claim that our request for damages of \$30,000 to the building are too high.

I am sure that I speak for all the commissioners when I say that we are anxious to settle this claim, get our money and begin to make the necessary repairs to the courthouse so that county business may be carried out in a normal manner."

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Highway Group Will Push For Ferry Service

All Seashore Highway Association Will Meet In Wilmington To Help Push Plans For Cape Fear River Ferry

SEE THIS AS PART OF BASIC PLAN

Belief Expressed That Local Service, Plus Connection Over Pamlico Sound Are Essential

The All Seashore Highway Association, meeting at Wilmington late this month, will renew its efforts to obtain auto ferry service across both Pamlico Sound and lower Cape Fear River.

Joe DuBois, president, said plans for obtaining the services will be discussed at the meet. The election of officials for 1958 will also be held.

The Pamlico ferry would operate between Cedar Island and Ocracoke Island to connect "dead end" Highway 70 East with Highway 108 at Hatteras via Ocracoke. Such a route from provide through traffic from Morehead City and Beaufort to Nags Head and Manteo.

The Cape Fear ferry would operate from the vicinity of Fort Fisher to Southport to connect lower New Hanover and Brunswick counties, as well as Carolina Beach, Stumpy Point and Southport.

Franchises have been granted for the operation of both ferries, but slips must be built and some dredging done before either can be put into operation. Only 1200 lineal feet of dredging is necessary at Pamlico Sound to provide an adequate channel all the way from Cedar Island to Ocracoke, a distance of approximately 20 miles.

Such ferry services would complete the first phase of a master plan for an all seashore highway along the State's Outer Banks from Virginia to South Carolina, and would abolish dead end highways in two of the coast's most heavily populated areas.

The Seashore Highway Association, with membership in 21 coastal counties and elsewhere, was organized in 1953, primarily for the promotion and development (Continued On Page Four)

Final Payment On Teagerage

School Officials Announce That Indebtedness On That Facility At Shallotte Has Been Paid In Full

The final payment of \$1040 has just been made on the Shallotte Teagerage, retiring the mortgage on this building.

This modern, two-story building of brick, located on the west side of the school grounds facing U. S. Highway 17, was originally built for the school term of 1944-45 as a dormitory-type building. At the time of the building's erection, Miss Annie Mae Woodside was Brunswick County School superintendent and Henry C. Stone was principal at Shallotte. The building has since been converted into a six-apartment building for the convenience of the teachers. The entire mortgage has been paid for by the rents collected on the (Continued On Page Four)

March Of Dimes Starts In City

Mrs. S. B. Frink Is Serving As Chairman In Southport For This Fund-Raising Drive

Mrs. S. B. Frink, chairman of the March of Dimes campaign in Southport, held a meeting of her committee members Monday morning at which time the city was divided into districts for house to house solicitation.

A special committee will call upon business firms for their contributions. Mrs. Frink is being assisted in her planning by Carl A. Galloway, city manager, who had previously carried the appeal before the Southport Lions Club at last week's meeting.

Later this month the Mothers March on Polio will be observed here in Southport, and in other communities in Brunswick county.

Mrs. M. H. Rourk is county chairman, and in addition to her appeal for funds for the March of Dimes campaign, she also calls attention to the importance of having adults up to to age 40 immunized against polio. "I hope one result of this year's campaign will be to increase our percentage of adult immunizations in Brunswick county," she said this week.

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, January 23,	
3:44 A. M.	10:01 A. M.
4:13 P. M.	10:15 P. M.
Friday, January 24,	
4:24 A. M.	10:35 A. M.
4:51 P. M.	10:52 P. M.
Saturday, January 25,	
5:04 A. M.	11:09 A. M.
5:31 P. M.	11:33 P. M.
Sunday, January 26,	
5:48 A. M.	11:48 A. M.
6:15 P. M.	12:18 P. M.
Monday, January 27,	
6:38 A. M.	12:32 A. M.
7:03 P. M.	1:10 P. M.
Tuesday, January 28,	
7:34 A. M.	1:25 A. M.
8:00 P. M.	2:07 P. M.
Wednesday, January 29,	
8:36 A. M.	2:25 A. M.
8:55 P. M.	2:06 P. M.

TIME and TIDE

It was Wednesday, January 26, 1938, and the cat extermination program sponsored by the Southport Civic Club had gotten a little out of hand. Some over-anxious boys had started a private campaign against the town pets, armed with air rifles. The Scarlet Masque Dramatic Club of Southport was to present "The Toper Tavern" on the local stage soon; and two Southport youths, John Simmons and Walter Jones, had entered the Wilmington Golden Gloves boxing tournament.

The Aurora Borealis had made a freak appearance in the skies over Southport the night before, and local citizens had experienced some difficulty in radio reception. Floyd Gibbons, noted war reporter and news commentator, had experienced misfortune in Southport when his south-bound yacht had been damaged in the inland waterway. His involuntary visit had been made very pleasant by local citizens.

Wednesday, January 27, 1943, and Dr. Carl Reynolds, State health officer gave some good advice in a somewhat foreboding statement: "North Carolina has suffered 2,243 cases of polio since 1918—don't say it can't happen here again." Stoves were now being rationed. A liberty ship, the 57th to be launched at the Wilmington yard, had been named for a Revolutionary War hero and Brunswick County native, General Robert Howe.

During the upcoming semester, three Brunswick county boys were enrolled in Wake Forest College. They were Harold Aldridge of Southport and C. C. Hickman and William H. Robbins (Continued On Page Four)