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Waccamaw Will Aid In National Science Program

Named By U. S. Office Of Education To Supply Needed And Important Data On Science And Mathematics Instruction

SCHOOL NOW HAS GOOD DEPARTMENT

School Officials Proud Of Math And Science Curriculum Being Offered Students

Weldon Hall, principal of Waccamaw High School in Brunswick County, has just been notified by Dr. L. G. Derthick, United States Commissioner of Education in Washington, D. C., that Waccamaw is one of the 1,500 high schools in the Nation selected by the U. S. Office of Education to supply needed and important data on the status of science and mathematics teaching.

Waccamaw has developed one of the most complete science and math departments of any small high school in SENECA. The curriculum includes general science, biology, chemistry, and physics, general mathematics, business mathematics, two years of algebra, plane and solid geometry.

Lay and professional groups are now reappraising the high school mathematics and science programs, and national and regional data on present conditions in these subjects are needed. Reliable data upon which to base judgments to maintain a balanced high school program in these critical times is very important to those reappraisals.

The agencies and organizations that are cooperating in this survey are:

National Academy of Science; National Research Council; National Science Foundation; The President's Committee for the Development of Scientists and Engineers; The American Association for the Advancement of Science; Cooperative Committee; National Science Teachers Association; National Council of Teachers of Mathematics; National Association for Research in Science Teaching; Association of Chief State School Officers; National Association of Secondary-School Principals.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

BENEFIT BARBECUE

There will be a benefit barbecue supper served at Zion Methodist Church Saturday, starting at 6:30 o'clock. Proceeds go to the church building fund.

DREDGE WORKING

The U. S. E. dredge Henry Bacon is now working at Lockwoods Folly inlet, closing the storm-cut inlet across the lower end of Long Beach.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The annual membership meeting of the Southport Savings & Loan Association will be held in the offices of the association on Friday morning of this week at 10 o'clock.

NEARING COMPLETION

Finishing touches are being made to the Southport Savings & Loan Association building on Moore street and that organization will move in within a few days. The Southport post office will move across the street into its new quarters within the next few days.

PRISONER ESCAPES

James E. Jordan of Hallsboro, who pleaded guilty to forcible trespass at last week's session of Brunswick county Superior court and was given 18-months on the roads, escaped from the New Hanover prison camp Monday. He had served less than one week of his time.

LEAVE SOUTHPORT

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Blake, who have made their home in Southport for the past several years, have moved to Fayetteville, where he will be engaged in business. While in Southport he has been associated with his brother, E. C. Blake, in the operation of Blakes Builders Supply. Tommie Blake, who has been a student at the University of North Carolina, will return home this week to assist his father in the operation of the building supply establishment.

Awarded Medal



HONORED—SP3 (Specialist Third Class) Carey W. Spencer, right, of Southport, is decorated with the Soldier's Medal by Brig. Gen. Stanley R. Larsen, assistant commandant of the U. S. Army Infantry School at Fort Benning. Spencer, a member of Company B of the 29th Infantry's First Battle Group, received the medal for heroic rescue action in Korea February 22, 1957. The presentation of the medal was made at formal ceremonies on Fort Benning's Chapel Field.

Southport Man Wins Decoration

SP3 Carey W. Spencer Is Awarded Soldiers Medal During Recent Ceremonies At Fort Benning

MEDAL IS HIGHEST PEACETIME AWARD

Spencer Is Former Southport High School Student And Is Married To Former Miss Julia Ashburn

A Southport soldier received the Army's highest recognition for his contribution in the field of peace-time valor at a formal guard mount on Chapel Field at Fort Benning on January 11.

The Soldier's Medal was awarded to Pfc. Carey W. Spencer, who is assigned to Company B of the 29th Infantry's First Battle Group.

Spencer was cited for heroic rescue action in Korea February 22, 1957, when a C-154 plane in which he was a passenger developed engine trouble and crashed on a sand bar in the Han River near Seoul. After reaching safety, Spencer with complete disregard for his own life returned to the burning plane and carried out two badly injured men. He then assisted a survivor struggling in the icy water to reach the river bank.

The young soldier is a former student at Southport high school and has been in the Army for the past three years. He is married to Miss Julia Ashburn.

Elect Vestry At St. Phillips

Church Membership Honors J. J. Loughlin, Jr., At Sunday Session By Making Him Senior Warden. Emaritus

The congregation of St. Phillips Episcopal Church held its annual meeting, Sunday, for the purpose of electing a vestry, the governing body of an Episcopal Church. The following were elected:

Robert C. Ruark, Sr., 3 years; L. W. Keister, 3 years; Mrs. H. W. Hood, 3 years; S. Bunn Frink, 2 years; Harold B. Smith, 2 years; J. W. Ryne, 2 years; Mrs. F. L. Willing, 1 year; John D. Ericksen, 1 year; Col. Wilmer Kemper, 1 year.

Mr. L. W. Keister was named to the position of Senior Warden to serve the rest of 1958. In unanimous action by the congregation...

Board Members To Attend Meeting

An invitation has been extended to each member of one of the local school boards in Brunswick county to attend the District No. 5 meeting of the State School Board Association at the Hobbs School in Sampson county on Wednesday, February 5.

Dr. A. N. Johnson of Garland will be the speaker for the opening program, which will be followed by group meetings in three classifications. These will include "Adjusting Our Curriculum to Present Day Needs"; "Know Your Schools"; and "Evaluation of the School Product".

Following a dinner meeting at 6:30 o'clock, the group will hear an address by Dr. I. Beverly Lake of Raleigh.

John G. Long, Brunswick county superintendent of schools, has expressed the hope that this county will be well represented.

March Of Dimes Now In Progress In This County

Good Response Reported To Annual Fund Drive Now Being Conducted In Southport; No Report On Activities In County

Mrs. S. Bunn Frink, chairman of the 1958 March of Dimes Campaign for Southport, Long Beach and Yaupon Beach, announced the collection of \$278 by January 28.

The March of Dimes Campaign in Southport and the surrounding area has been set up primarily on a house to house campaign. In addition, there was a campaign at Southport High School which netted \$94.75. Cannisters have also been placed in the various business places in town.

The discovery of the Salk vaccine and gamma globulin have made strides toward the conquering of polio. However, outbreaks can still be expected to occur, and people can still feel its crippling effects until most of the people have been vaccinated, and additional research has been done. If people will make use of the vaccine available and contribute toward the purchase of additional vaccine, it may be possible to give polio a knock-out blow within the next year.

There is now a good supply of polio vaccine at the Brunswick County Health Office.

Improvements In City Departments

Sanitary Landfill Now In Use For Disposing Of City Garbage; New Streets Have Been Added To System

City Manager Carl A. Galloway reports that several improvements have been made in Southport recently.

From the traffic control and safety point of view, a new three-way stop light has been installed at the main intersection of town; caution lights have been put into operation at Mac's Cafe and at the intersection of Atlantic Avenue with Moore Street.

The sanitary landfill for garbage disposal has been placed into full operation in the marsh at the western end of 9th Street. Another fill will soon be in operation on the eastern side of town, which will not only help the efficiency of the garbage operation, but will also help in the cleanup of the town.

TIME and TIDE

By JIMMIE HARPER

It was Wednesday, February 2, 1938, and the news had just come out in The Pilot that Town Creek was the site of the first cotton-growing experiment in North Carolina. This story was brought out by an article in The State magazine. Plans were underway to re-open the fishery road, and a giant whale, reported to be about 125-feet long, had been sighted on the shrimping grounds off Southport.

S. B. Frink had just announced his candidacy for the nomination for State Senator in the upcoming Democratic primary. The motor ship Chelsea had burned and sunk above Southport earlier in the week. The crew members and captain had escaped without injury. A movement was underway to have a new pontoon bridge placed across the Inland Waterway on the Caswell Beach road; a county-wide debating contest was being planned; and a Southport family had left on a week's trip to points of interest in Florida.

Times change, and time changes. February 3, 1943, found L. J. S. E. Frink, USCG had been promoted to the rank of full lieutenant.

Brunswick NCEA Holds Thursday Afternoon Meet

Panel Discussion On "School Public Relations" Presented Under Direction Of Host Principal White

MRS. HAWKINS IS GROUP PRESIDENT

Other Matters Of Routine Business Disposed Of By Teachers At Session Following Program

On Thursday afternoon the Brunswick County Chapter of NCEA met at the Shallotte High School.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Pearl Hawkins, of Bolivia. Group singing was led by John H. Holden of Shallotte, accompanied at the piano by Miss Marion Galloway.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, after which various committee reports were given. A nominating committee was appointed composed of Weldon Hall, chairman, Waccamaw, A. A. White, Shallotte, and Mrs. Dorothy Evans, Bolivia.

A panel discussion was then presented by Mr. White on "School Public Relations". Paul Weatherly served as moderator of this group, which were composed of A. C. Greene, Paul Brummett, David Carmichel, Ira G. Long, LeRoy Mintz, Eugene Nance, Tom Webb and Superintendent J. G. Long. An interesting and timely discussion was enjoyed by the group.

After the panel discussion, Superintendent Long made a short announcement to the group and the meeting was adjourned by Mrs. Hawkins, president.

The group was served refreshments on the front hall before the meeting began.

Examination For Postmaster Job

Announcement Made By U. S. Civil Service Commission Of Examination To Fill Vacancy At Shallotte

An examination for Postmaster at Shallotte, \$4,890 a year, will be open for receipt of applications until February 18, the Civil Service Commission announced this week.

The Commission is taking all possible steps through special publicity to civic and other community organizations to encourage well qualified persons to apply for the examination.

Competitors for the postmaster vacancy in this city must have at least 2 years of experience showing that they have the ability to conduct and manage the community's postal business efficiently and to supervise employees so that customers are satisfied with the service.

Competitors must show that they can deal with the public agreeably and effectively and that they are reliable citizens who would command the respect and confidence of patrons of the post office.

Applicants must take a written test. Those who pass will be assigned final ratings on the basis of this test and on their experience, ability, and character. There is a 1-year residence requirement and applicants must have reached their 18th birthday on the closing date for receipt of applications. Persons over 70 years of age are ineligible.

Manley Hammond pleaded guilty to charges of drunk driving and no operator's license and was given 4 months, suspended upon payment of \$100 and costs.

Luther M. Stevens was found not guilty of giving improper signal.

James H. Stephenson pleaded guilty to driving a truck 55-mph and operating with improper equipment. He was fined \$15 and costs.

Smithie Williamson was found guilty of being drunk and disorderly and sentence was commuted to time served.

Acie Williamson was found not guilty of permitting a drunk driver to operate but was convicted of permitting an unlicensed operator to drive. Sentence of 30 days on the roads was commuted to time served. Defendant to pay \$10.55 to R. L. Sullivan.

Paul A. Woodard was found not guilty of improper passing.

Paul Bucklicht pleaded guilty to drunk driving and driving 66-mph and was fined \$100 and costs.

Alfred R. Holden pleaded guilty to driving without operator's license and his sentence of 30 days was commuted to time served.

Wilmington Man Admits Robberies

James E. Johnson, Wilmington Negro, Admits Breaking Into Mintz & Co. Store At Shallotte Twice

James E. Johnson, Wilmington negro, was arrested last Tuesday as a suspect in the recent robbery of the Adrian Phelps store at Winnabow, and during the course of investigation by Brunswick county officers has admitted that on two occasions he entered and robbed the Mintz & Co. store at Shallotte.

Johnson, who has a long criminal record, was released from his last prison sentence on September 17, and Sheriff Elbert H. Gray believes that he was soon back in business, with his activities being centered in Brunswick.

Following the robbery of the Phelps store, a cache of stolen goods was discovered in the woods nearby, and Deputy Sheriff Charlie Skipper kept a watch on it. When Johnson showed up at the scene, he was taken into custody. He was fingerprinted, and through the cooperation of the State Bureau of Investigation lab it was found that his prints

matched those found at the Mintz store. Following further questioning, he admitted those robberies.

Sheriff Gray said Monday that while Johnson had admitted the earlier robberies at Shallotte, he maintains that he did not rob the Phelps store. However, on Monday he waived preliminary hearings on each of these three charges and has been bound over to Superior court.

According to investigation, Johnson seems to have preferred to work alone although he may have had an accomplice on one or more of his Brunswick visits.

He usually borrowed a car—without the permission of the owner—and made his trips here in a stolen vehicle, according to information given Sheriff's officers.

One bit of evidence that ties him in solidly with the Mintz robberies is the discovery of a radio in his home that was one of the items taken from the Mintz store.

New Registration In One Precinct

Farm Bureau In Annual Meeting

The 11th annual meeting of the Brunswick County Farm Bureau will be held in the Shallotte High School cafeteria on the evening of February 3, at 7 o'clock.

J. V. Whitfield of Burgaw will deliver the main address. As has been the custom heretofore, dinner will be served at the rate of two plates per family for the individual membership. All farmers who are not already members are invited to come prepared to join and participate in the entire activities of the meeting.

Court Session Is Cut Short

Adjournment Comes Early Due To Illness Of Judge Earl Bellamy During The Morning Session Of Recorder's Court

Proceedings in Brunswick county Recorder's court were cut short Monday when Judge Earl Bellamy became ill and was forced to return to his home. Reports indicate that he is suffering from flu, but that his condition is improved.

Before adjournment, the following cases were disposed of:

Clyde Carlisle pleaded guilty to possession and was fined \$25 and costs.

Wilbert Moseley was found guilty of non-support and must pay \$8 per week to the clerk of court for support of his child until it is 18 years of age.

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Huge Payroll At Sunny Point Is Business Boon

Expenditure For Salaries & Wages During '57 Amounts To Two And One Quarter Million Dollars

MONEY GOES INTO MANY CHANNELS

Brunswick Leads In Number Of Employees, With New Hanover And Columbus Furnishing Workers

During the calendar year of 1957, the scope of operations of the Sunny Point Army Terminal entailed an expenditure for salaries and wages of approximately two and a quarter million dollars in the loading and discharging of ships. The cargo, with minor exceptions, consisted of ammunition for the military services throughout the free world.

This terminal is the only facility in the United States which was designed, constructed and is functioning for the sole purpose of shipping ammunition. Many features to provide for safety are incorporated in the construction of the terminal and safety of operations is the primary consideration in all activity.

The quarter of a million dollar payroll materially contributed to the economy of the southeastern part of North Carolina.

Col. Jonas S. Heiss, the Terminal Commander, states that the average number of employees working in the terminal during 1957 was 384. A little over one-half are Federal Civil Service personnel and the remainder are employed by commercial firms holding contracts with the government. It is interesting to note that 178 of these employees are from New Hanover county and 204 from Brunswick county. Columbus county is also represented.

Salaries and wages do not constitute all of the terminal's economic benefits to southeastern North Carolina. Col. Heiss points out that it is the policy of the Department of the Army to patronize small business in local areas. This policy is being followed in this community. Sunny Point Army Terminal purchases many items of equipment and material, as well as services, from local merchants, vendors and dealers.

Col. Heiss states that he is very pleased with the services rendered by personnel employed at the terminal as evidenced by the number of ships moved in and out of Sunny Point in a safe and economical manner.

Jury List For Superior Court

Judge Malcolm B. Seawell Will Preside Over Term Of Court Convening Here Monday, February 24

A one-week term of Brunswick county Superior court for trial of civil cases will convene here on Monday, February 24, and Judge Malcolm B. Seawell of Lumberton is scheduled to preside.

The following list of jurors was drawn by members of the board of county commissioners for service during this term:

Julius W. Hewett, Clement Holden, John F. Holden, Marshall M. (Continued on Page Four)

Students Form New Organization

Representatives From New Hanover High School Attend Initial Meeting Of Future Business Leaders Of America

The organization Future Business Leaders of America was installed at Shallotte School at a high school chapel program held Friday, by officers from New Hanover High School.

Present from New Hanover High School were Mrs. Julia Bray Fiorentino, sponsor; Sherman Jackson, president, assisting the installing officer; Mary Lou Johnson, installing officer; Mary Margaret Ginn, secretary; Nancy Herring, reporter; and Irene Turner, treasurer. The officers spoke of the meanings of the words in the name of the organization.

Installed as charter members were the following Shallotte High School students: Emily Kirby, president; Betty Roach, 1st vice-president; Betty Edge, 2nd vice-president; Geraldine Fulford, treasurer; Rosa Holden, secretary.

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