

Lennon Making Effort To Stop Dredge Transfer

Congressman Requests Maj. Gen. E. C. Itschner To Consider Advisability Of Keeping USE Dredge Henry Bacon In District

CITES AVAILABLE MAINTENANCE FUNDS

Dredge Now Slated For Transfer To Savannah District With Lay-Off In Prospect For Many In Crew

Disturbed over reports that the USE Dredge Henry Bacon is to be transferred from the Wilmington District to the Savannah District of the U. S. Army Engineers, Congressman Alton Lennon has made the following request to Maj. Gen. E. C. Itschner, Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army Engineers:

"The citizenry of Southport-Wilmington area of North Carolina urges reconsideration decision to transfer Henry Bacon to Savannah. Advised Wilmington District has about \$500,000 available for maintenance and sincerely believe dredge should not be moved since expenditure limitations lifted. With plans made to step up public works programs due to rising unemployment decision effecting dismissal of 75 employees seems economically unsound. Area economy has been hard hit and Henry Bacon employment is vital.

"I trust you will act immediately to defer subject transfer and I advise me in matters early as possible."

Unless there is a change in plans, the Henry Bacon will go to the Savannah District as a replacement for the USE Dredge Gillespie, and only the senior members of the combined crews will be retained.

There is a strong sentiment to retain the Henry Bacon for projects in the Wilmington District, and this action on the part of Congressman Lennon has resulted from several inquiries and protests that have come from individuals and organizations in his congressional district.

Storm-Swept Inlet



CLOSED—This is an aerial view of the inlet that cut across the lower end of Long Beach during Hurricane Hazel in the fall of 1954. Attempts to close this inlet proved futile until the USE Dredge Henry Bacon undertook the task about 6 weeks ago. Through the use of hydraulic fill, they have been able to erect a barrier against the sea and at the same time have joined once more the two beach areas.—Newton Photo.

Governor Hodges Slated To Speak

Chief Executive Will Be Principal Speaker At The "Ribbon-Tying" Ceremony Slated To Be Held Tomorrow (Thursday) At Long Beach

HELICOPTER WILL BRING GOVERNOR

Preparations Being Made For Hundreds Of Visitors At Site Of Inlet Closing Project

Governor Luther H. Hodges will arrive at Long Beach at noon tomorrow by helicopter in time to serve as principal speaker and guest of honor at a "ribbon-tying" ceremony that will mark the successful closing of the inlet cut across the lower end of the beach by Hurricane Hazel.

Also participating in the program will be high-ranking representatives from the U. S. Corps of Engineers and from the Civil Defense Administration. James C. Bowman, Southport attorney, will serve as master of ceremonies.

A speaker's stand has been erected at the site of the dredging project which is at the end of existing paving. Several hundred citizens of this section of North Carolina are expected to attend this ceremony.

The occasion was made possible by the efficient work of the USE Dredge Henry Bacon and members of her crew, who achieved spectacular success in this inlet closing project. Several previous attempts had been made, all without success; and considerable doubt was expressed when the U. S. Army Engineers proposed that the job be done by hydraulic fill.

Once the Henry Bacon moved into position, members of the crew settled down to the task at hand, and on the afternoon of February 13 the first closing was effected.

Since that time this powerful 24-inch dredge has continued operations designed to build up a barrier capable of resisting the action of wind and wave and tide.

The Henry Bacon will still be in operation, and this is one of the attractions that spectators have in prospect when they visit the beach tomorrow.

Incidentally, Governor Hodges and a few other high officials will have lunch aboard. Coffee and doughnuts will be served to members of the crowd through the courtesy of the Town of Long Beach.

Organize Civil Air Patrol Unit In This County

First Unit Of This Organization Has Been Holding Meetings Each Friday Night At Shallotte Legion Hut

LT. HENRY L. CARTER COMMANDING OFFICER

Members Of This Outfit Receiving Training In Various Phases Of Rescue Operations

Brunswick County's first unit of the Civil Air Patrol is in the process of being organized in Shallotte and is meeting each Friday night at 7:30 o'clock in the American Legion Hut at Shallotte. Boys and girls, men and women of almost all ages are eligible to join.

The Civil Air Patrol is an auxiliary unit of the U. S. Air Force used for search and rescue within this and surrounding counties. This unit, commanded by 1st Lt. Henry L. Carter of Shallotte, has trained pilots with aircraft, jeeps, boats and cars, all equipped with radio. In case of any local disaster or emergency all equipment goes into immediate use.

Some of the things that will be taught within the unit are: Search and rescue, first aid, radio and communications, transportation and aircraft maintenances.

All persons in this county who are interested in helping in time of emergency should contact 1st Lt. Carter at Shallotte.

No Change In Soil Bank Fund

ACP Office At Shallotte Accepting Requests For Placing Tobacco Acreage In Soil Bank Through March 7

The Brunswick county ACP office had to stop accepting signed applications for placing cotton and tobacco in the Soil Bank Acreage Reserve until additional funds were received. Requests for placing tobacco in the soil bank are still being accepted, but February 20 was the last day for accepting cotton soil bank acreage reserve agreements.

If additional funds are made available the Acreage Reserve money will be committed on a first come-first, serve basis. ACP officials will immediately notify the farmers who have made requests when and if funds are received.

To be on the safe side, farmers should visit the County ACP office at the earliest possible moment when notified and put tobacco in the Acreage Reserve if desired.

Brunswick Men On Derrickboat

Seven Of Eight Men On Northeast Are From This County; Report Is That Vessel Will Tie Up

There are 8 men on the U. S. Derrickboat Northeast, and 7 men are from Brunswick county. The other is from New Hanover.

These men are Edsel Norris, master, Supply; Earl Kirby, derrick operator, Supply; Junior Thompson, Elroy Robinson and (Continued On Page Four)

English Mayor Planning Visit

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Livingston have received word from Mrs. Mae Bamber, mayor of Southport, England, that she is planning a return visit to the United States, and she expressed the hope that she would be able to come to Southport, North Carolina, again.

She will fly from Manchester to New York on March 21 on a publicity mission for the British Travel and Holiday Association and plans call for her to return on April 9. She has a sister living in the United States.

Mrs. Bamber was a visitor to Southport when she was in this country several years ago, and the Livingstons have kept in close touch with her since that time.

Student Grades Get Attention

Principal A. A. White Announces Plan For Helping Students Who Are Down In Academic Work At Shallotte

Shallotte High School is putting emphasis on bringing up the grades of students who are failing one or more subjects, and A. A. White, principal, in close cooperation with the faculty, has brought out two survey sheets, one for pupil self-evaluation and one for teacher evaluation of the individual failing pupil.

Each failing student will examine the causes for his own failure through his survey sheet, and is urged to make a sincere effort at self-improvement. The teacher survey sheet is to be filled out by the teacher in whose subject the student is failing. From both viewpoints of self-evaluation and outside criticism, the administration believes that individual weaknesses are more clearly pointed out, and when realized, can be more easily conquered.

By home visitation and individual letters to the parents, Shallotte hopes to stress the importance of the part the parent must play in education. The parent's (Continued On Page Four)

Southport Cub Scouts



BANQUET—Following are members of the Cub Scout Troop of Southport, who were entertained at a banquet last Wednesday night in the recreation room of Trinity Methodist Church. They are, top row, left to right: Joseph O'Neil, Darrell Wilmouth, Clarence Johnson, Davis Herring, Chip Graham, Johnnie Simmons, Dickie Aldridge, Steve Clark, Tommy McGlamery, Billie Norton, Basil Ray Watts, James Sanders, Jack Keith, Herman Bennett, Larry Potter. Bottom row, left to right: Jerry Swain, James Gerock, Franklin Barbee, Gary Sanders, Gregory Cumbee, Sydney Mangum, Steven Parker, Kenneth King.—Huntley Photo.

Candidates For Sheriff Number Nine Thus Far

J. Pearlre Russ Adds Name To List With Announcement That He Will Seek Democratic Nomination

J. Pearlre Russ, Shallotte business man, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for sheriff, bringing to nine the number of men who have announced their intention to enter this race.

Russ is a son of ex-sheriff J. A. Russ and never before has been a candidate for public office. Other recent announcements have come from Talmadge Varnam, who currently is engaged in marine construction work. He, too, has never before sought public office.

Clinton Bellamy, Southport building contractor, threw his hat into the ring several weeks ago. He has never held public office, but four years ago was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the House of Representatives.

Two former sheriffs have avowed their intention to once more seek election to this office. They are Ed V. Leonard and Dillon L. Ganey.

Drew Long, who served as chief deputy under Sheriff Leonard, was one of the first candidates to enter the race. Also among the early runners are Ken Milligan of Bolivia and Ulyses Grainger of Longwood. Doug Norton of Southport rounds out the field of current prospects, but there is a feeling that not all of the names are yet in. Sheriff Elbert H. Gray has made no formal announcement of his plans, although there is no reason to doubt that he hopes to retain his office.

Thus far there have been two candidates announce for the State Senate, S. B. Frink and Ray Walton, both from Southport.

Lowell Bennett has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for coroner, a position now held by G. C. Kilpatrick.

There has been no formal announcement for clerk, Recorder, house of representatives nor county commissioners.

Brunswick Joins 4-H Observance

Southport Man Sells Post Story

John W. Newton, Long Beach plumber and contractor, received word last week from the editors of The Saturday Evening Post that a story he recently submitted had been accepted for publication, and a check in payment was enclosed.

This was Newton's first literary effort, and was accepted for use in the department "What Would You Have Done?" The local man asked advice on future writing and received the following reply from one of the associate editors:

"The best advice on how to become a writer perhaps can be given in one word: 'Write!' It takes a great deal of practice, plus some judgment as to what to write about, plus a dash of luck."

Wallace Given Job Promotion

State Highway License Examiner Promoted To Position Of Assistant Supervisor For District 3

Friends in Southport and Brunswick county will be interested in the recent promotion of E. M. Wallace to Assistant Supervisor of District B of the Driver's License Bureau of the State Highway Patrol. His headquarters will be in Wilmington.

He will have the following towns and counties in his area: Bladenboro, Bladen county; Bolivia, Shallotte and Southport, Brunswick; Chadbourne, Tabor City and Whiteville, Columbus; Kennansville, Beulahville and Wallace in Duplin; Atkinson and Burgaw in Pender; Wilmington in New Hanover.

Some of his new duties will be (Continued On Page Four)

Southport Man Buried Friday

Charlie Hewett Died Wednesday Following Period Of Failing Health

Funeral services for Charlie N. Hewett of Southport were conducted here Friday afternoon, with the Rev. Homer McKeithan, pastor of the Apostolic Faith Church, in charge. Burial was in Northwood cemetery, with the following serving as pallbearers: Allen Hall Merritt, Brennan Furlpess, Dick Rankin, Julian Southland, Jessie Johnson and Walter Aldridge.

Honorary pallbearers were: Dr. L. G. Brown, Dr. F. M. Burdette, H. J. Ingle, J. J. Laughlin, Eddie Spencer, J. A. Gilbert. Survivors include: his wife, Mrs. Oneida Chadwick Hewett; two daughters, Mrs. Violet Hick (Continued On Page Four)

Jury Deadlocked In Highway Suit Here Last Week

Suit Of Ennis Long And Wife Against State Highway Commission Results In Mistrial When Jury Is Unable To Agree On The Amount Of Damage

SPECIAL COURT TERM IS CALLED

Other Cases Of Minor Interest Settled Before Judge Malcolm Seawell Last Week

The case of Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Long vs. the State Highway Commission required two days last week for trial, then ended up with no decision when the jury was unable to agree on the amount of damages that should be allowed. Judge Malcolm Seawell, who presided over the case, ordered a mistrial.

A special term of court for trial of civil cases is scheduled to convene on Monday, March 31, with Judge Justice Sharpe presiding. It is quite possible that this case will come up for trial again at that time.

Queenie Combee was granted \$5,700 from the Norfolk Dredging Co. in a consent judgment. This matter grew out of the death of her son.

In the case of James L. Hardy vs. the Tommy L. Tharpe estate the plaintiff was awarded the sum of \$2,250.

Luann Shuler was awarded \$750 in her case against Mrs. Elizabeth Robinson.

The following divorces were granted: Sylvie vs. Glen C. Walter; Betty W. vs. Loui Al Lewis; Arlene vs. Joseph M. Little; Bobby Ann vs. Hubert W. Todd; J. H. vs. Mittie B. Alexander; Minnie G. vs. Rudolph Caison; Emma vs. Roy Carroll; Betty J. vs. Lonnie Tompkins; Joseph E. vs. Sharon M. Hewett; Virginia C. vs. Zez Holloman.

Election Board Nominations In

Executive Committee Met Saturday Afternoon To Nominate Three Men For Appointment To This Board

Members of the Democratic Executive Committee met Saturday afternoon at Bolivia to nominate three men for appointment to the board of elections for Brunswick county.

High man in the voting was H. Foster Mintz, member of the present board. The second man was Eldridge Hickman. In third place was Arthur Doshier, who has served for the past two years as chairman of the board. The only other candidate was Homer Russ.

The results of the voting have been forwarded to the State Board of Elections, which will make the final appointments.

Members of the Republican Executive Committee met Saturday afternoon and designated L. C. Babson, a member of the present board, as the representative of their party.

At this same meeting, H. L. Willetts was re-elected chairman of the Republican Executive Committee.

Bolivia Citizen Dies Suddenly

Funeral Services For James V. Gore Conducted Sunday At Mill Creek Church

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at Mill Creek Baptist Church for James V. (Jim) Gore of Bolivia, who died suddenly Friday afternoon at Cape Fear Memorial Hospital. He was 62 years of age.

In charge of funeral services was the Rev. Avery Lumsden. Burial followed in the Robbins cemetery, with the following serving as pallbearers:

Charlie Taylor, Tyler Potter, Alton Potter, Wilbur Earl Earp, Roy Swain and Jack Caton, all members of the American Legion Post 445. Honorary pallbearers were other members of the local post.

He is a native of Brunswick County, a son of the late Joseph O. Gore and Mary Jane McDow Gore. He was in the 113th Field Artillery during World War I, a member of the American Legion Post 445 at Winnabow. (Continued On Page Four)

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, March 6,	
8:00 A. M.	1:12 A. M.
8:38 P. M.	2:35 P. M.
Friday, March 7,	
9:00 A. M.	3:03 A. M.
9:31 P. M.	3:23 P. M.
Saturday, March 8,	
9:51 A. M.	3:54 A. M.
10:24 P. M.	4:11 P. M.
Sunday, March 9,	
10:43 A. M.	4:46 A. M.
11:19 P. M.	5:02 P. M.
Monday, March 10,	
11:38 A. M.	5:42 A. M.
0:00 P. M.	5:56 P. M.
Tuesday, March 11,	
12:17 A. M.	6:39 A. M.
12:35 P. M.	6:53 P. M.
Wednesday, March 12,	
1:17 A. M.	7:40 A. M.
1:36 P. M.	7:55 P. M.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

ON DEAN'S LIST

Tommy Harrelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Harrelson of Southport, made the dean's list last quarter at Campbell College.

TO PREACH HERE

The Rev. W. C. Porter III from Cedar Grove will fill the pulpit for the Sunday night service at the Southport Presbyterian manse.

ATTENDS MEETING

S. B. Frink, Southport attorney, attended the meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee in Raleigh during the past weekend. He served as a member of the 15-man special committee on reorganization.

BABIES CLINIC

Dog owners in Southport will have only one day to have their dog given the rabies shot this year. It will be good for 3 years. The time will be from 1 to 4 o'clock on Thursday, March 20, at the Fire Station. Dr. T. C. Needham, veterinarian, will do this work this year.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mrs. S. B. Frink, March of Dimes chairman for Southport, Yaupon Beach and Long Beach, reports that an additional \$5.80 in collections has been reported, bringing the total to \$690.80. Two committee members whose names were omitted inadvertently last week are Mrs. W. S. Davis and Mrs. Otto Hickman.

COMPLETES COURSE

Mrs. Douglas Jones, the former Miss Eleanor Lee Rees, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rees of Southport, has recently completed a course in anesthesia at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, and is presently employed as an anesthetist at the Arlington Memorial Hospital in Arlington, Virginia. Mrs. Jones was graduated from Southport High School and later from the James Walker Memorial Hospital School of Nursing. She did private duty nursing in Durham for several years and later worked in George Washington General Hospital in Washington, D. C.