

Ground Breaking Sunday Starting Of New Church

Members And Friends Of Bethel Baptist Church Participated In This Event Sunday Afternoon

NEW SITE LOCATED ON HIGHWAY NO. 130

Work Scheduled To Begin This Week On Construction Of New Building For Congregation

Ground breaking ceremonies were held Sunday afternoon for the new Bethel Baptist Church, which will be located north of the Sawdust Trail intersection on highway No. 130.

Presiding over the service was Frank Cox. Following a song, the invocation was given by the Rev. Leo Hawkins, pastor of Southport Baptist Church. The scripture reading was by Hugh Price. Carlton Price then presented a brief resume of the building fund campaign, and paid special tribute to the efforts of Mrs. Ralph Sellers in making this project possible.

Mrs. Sellers has been confined to her bed for several years, yet it was in response to her letters that considerable part of the building fund of \$12,644.18 came in.

After singing "Blest Be The Tie That Binds", Mrs. Thompson McRacken, Association Missionary for the Brunswick Baptist Association, led in prayer.

The actual ground breaking was done by Amos Spawn, chairman of the board of deacons for Bethel Baptist Church.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Donald F. Smith of Charleston, W. Va., who filled the pulpit at Bethel for both morning and evening services Sunday.

The congregation has entered into a contract with Hines Construction Co. of Carolina Beach for the erection of a brick building on their new site. The present church is situated about one-half mile off highway No. 87.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

BARBECUE SUPPER

A benefit barbecue supper will be served Saturday, March 22 beginning at 6 p. m. at Bethel Methodist Church, Bolivia. The public is invited.

RETURN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Milliken of Shallotte have returned home from a 10-day visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Milliken at Key West, Fla.

EYE CLINIC

An eye clinic was held by Dr. Raymond Groves at the Brunswick County Health Department on March 5. A total of 41 children were examined with 31 found to need glasses.

PRE-SCHOOL CLINIC

A pre-school clinic will be held at the Southport school on March 21, and parents of children planning to enter school for the first time next fall are reminded of this date.

ANTIOCH REVIVAL

The Rev. Paul Lovingood of Pooney's Grove Baptist Church, Granite Falls, will be guest minister for the revival services at Antioch Baptist Church, beginning April 6 and running through April 13.

BENEFIT GAME

On Tuesday, March 25, 1958, at 7:30 p. m., the Bolivia Lions Club will play host to the Southport Lions Club in a basketball game in the Bolivia gym. The public is invited. All proceeds will benefit the Heart Fund.

LIONS TO MEET

The regular meeting of the Southport Lions Club will be held tomorrow (Thursday) evening at 6:30 o'clock at the Community Building. Dr. M. H. Rourk, District Governor of Lions International, will be the speaker for this occasion.

TRAINING COURSE

The Training Union at Antioch Baptist Church has completed a study course for which the average attendance was 61.2. Of those in attendance, 50 qualified for certificate awards. Hubert K. Brittain is director of the Training Union.

The Big One



CAUGHT—This 187-lb. Jewfish was caught by Capt. Walter Lewis on a recent red snapper expedition to the Gulf Stream. And this was not even the biggest fish they hooked. One Jewfish was brought to the surface before it was discovered that it was so large they could not even get him into the boat. So, the men cut their line and let the big one get away.

Excavation Begins At Old Brunswick

Clearing Operations Begin As Preliminary To More Extensive Work That Will Follow This Summer

SITE CONSIDERED OF GREAT SIGNIFICANCE

Belief Exists That Project Presents Ideal Opportunity To Unearth Foundations Of Typical Colonial Settlement

Work has begun on clearing the site for extensive archaeological excavation work at the site of Old Brunswick, located on the banks of the Cape Fear river just south of Orton Plantation.

Samuel Tarlton, historic sites supervisor of the department of Archives and History, was here Monday, and plans were set for a formal meeting at this historic site on Tuesday morning as work got underway, but the weather prevented.

Tarlton says that the present work is to clear the site of trees and undergrowth in preparation of the excavation, which will be done under the watchful eye of a trained archaeologist. He says that efforts are now being made to engage the services of such a man.

Brunswick, an early settlement on the Cape Fear, dwindled in population during the late colonial period, and was entirely abandoned during the Revolutionary War. Because it was abandoned, and not destroyed as improvements were made at the original site, Continued On Page Four

Shalotte PTA Holds Meeting

Kendall Bellamy Elected President Of This Organization For Coming School Term

The March meeting of the Shallotte Parent-Teachers Association was held in the auditorium with Edwin Clemmons presiding. The program for the evening was in the hands of the second grade, under the supervision of Mrs. Edna Bellamy and Mrs. J. M. Hales, both second grade teachers at Shallotte, and John Herbert Holden, music director at the school.

The group sang and gave a safety skit, and as the highlight of the program, the girls sang and danced to "Alice Blue Gown", all dressed in blue.

Officers for the 1958-59 year were announced as follows: President, Kendall Bellamy; vice-

Explosion To Occur This Week

Several charges of dynamite, totalling about 300 pounds will be exploded in the Cape Fear River about 7 miles south of Wilmington the latter part of this week, according to an announcement by Col. H. C. Rowland, Jr., District Engineer of the Corps of Engineers' Wilmington District office.

The charges will go off starting about 11:30 a. m. Thursday or Friday, if weather conditions are good enough to permit technicians to place the charges.

The purpose of the work is to remove a small rock ledge in the side of the 34-foot channel, Colonel Rowland stated.

Young People Organize Club

Young People's Service League Formed At All Soul's Episcopal Church

The young people of All Soul's Episcopal Church in Northwest have formed a Young Churchmen's Club, the new name of the former Young People's Service League.

This change in names was made because the purpose of such a club is to keep ever before the young people, especially the teenagers, the fact that they are not "mis-fits" in an age of adult religion, but rather a vital part of the church. This emphasis is prevalent throughout the whole of the meeting which opens with a devotional period led by one of the Young Churchmen. After the devotions, a business meeting is held to plan forthcoming projects. At the close of the business session, a program pertaining to religion is presented. This is done either by dividing into two groups to discuss some religious question, or the discussion of a Bible text by one of the members. After the program is completed, the group is adjourned to a play period after the saying of the grace.

The Young Churchmen have selected as their first project the planting of flowers on the church grounds in an effort to not only beautify the grounds, but to make available flowers for the altar. The second project will be the making of sheets, pillow cases, Continued On Page Four

Gen. Houseman At Sunny Point For Inspection

Commanding General U. S. Army Transportation Terminal Command Making Routine Inspection Of Local Installation

ON WAY NORTH FROM SOUTHERN PORTS

Was Present At Savannah For Outloading Of Units Of Third Infantry Division Early This Month

Maj. Gen. Evan M. Houseman, commanding general, United States Army Transportation Terminal Command, Atlantic, is in Southport on a routine tour of inspection of the Sunny Point Army Terminal.

General and Mrs. Houseman are guests of Col. and Mrs. Jonas Heiss.

General Houseman is on his way north from Southern ports, which are outport installations under the command of Sunny Point Army Terminal. Among these is the port of Savannah, which recently has been the scene of a huge operation that saw the outloading of units of the Third Infantry Division, which is going to Germany in a gyroscope operation.

General Houseman commands all transportation terminal commands located on the eastern coast of the United States Army including the United States Army Transportation Terminal Command, Pepperell Air Force Base, St. Johns, Newfoundland. Col. Heiss says that this inspection is not special but in line with the general's policy of visiting subordinate units as often as time permits.

Last evening Col. and Mrs. Heiss invited a few guests to meet General and Mrs. Houseman. The latter will depart for New York on Friday.

Southport PTA Sees Art Work

Student Art Exhibit Provides Interesting Part Of Program For March Meeting

The Southport Parent-Teachers Association held its March meeting in the high school auditorium Thursday evening. The theme for the month is "For the Future We Build Together Through Looking, Listening, and Learning." In keeping with this, a film titled "Skipty and the Three R's" was presented, in which classroom methods for teaching in the lower grades was shown.

The nominating committee, which is to report next month, was named as follows: Mrs. Doshier Ruark, Mrs. W. R. Jenkins and Mrs. W. P. Jorgenson.

Plans were discussed for the program the PTA is to sponsor on Thursday, April 17, in which the North Fulton High School Singers of Atlanta, Georgia, will be here. This promises to be a most unusual program and the PTA is proud to sponsor this entertainment for Southport music lovers.

The grade count was taken and the awards were won by Mrs. Willis' second grade and Mr. Cashion's eleventh grade.

Following the business meeting PTA members made a tour of the downstairs halls and classrooms. Continued On Page Four



C. D. PICKERRELL arrived in Southport Monday and immediately began his duties as City Manager. He is from Whiteville, where he served for six years in the position of city manager.

Miss Loughlin Is District Winner Among Teachers

Member Of Faculty At Southport High School Is Former Supervisor For Brunswick County Public Schools

Miss Gertrude Loughlin, fifth grade teacher in the Southport school, has been named District 11 winner in the Oscars For Teachers competition sponsored by the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.

Previously she had been honored as the representative from Brunswick county. Other counties in the district are New Hanover, Pender, Duplin and Sampson.

Miss Loughlin is well known throughout Brunswick county, having served for four years as elementary school supervisor. She had taught previously in the Southport schools, and for two years worked as office assistant in the office of the board of education.

A further background of her teaching experience was gained in Wilmington, where she taught for several years in the city schools.

In addition to her school work, Miss Loughlin takes an active interest in the affairs of Southport Baptist Church, where she serves as church librarian.

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Red Cross Drive Ready To Start

Chairman Selected For Five Of The Six Townships In The County; Solicitations To Start This Week

Cleyn Evans, Brunswick county chairman of the Red Cross Fund Drive, has secured chairmen for four of the five school districts, and has set in motion a county-wide organization that will begin this week solicitations for funds.

The quota for Brunswick county has been set at \$2,000. Heading the drive in Waccamaw will be Ralph King; at Shallotte, Mrs. Odell Williamson will serve as Shallotte chairman. Harold B. Aldridge will head activities in the Southport area. The Bolivia leader will be Harold Willett.

This leaves the Leland school district still without a leader. In speaking of the coming campaign. Continued On Page Four

Sheriff E. H. Gray Seeks Reelection

Formal Announcement This Week Brings To Ten The Number Of Candidates For Democratic Nomination For This Office



Sheriff Elbert H. Gray has formally announced his candidacy for re-election to the office which he has held for the past four years. Already he has nine opponents for the Democratic nomination.

Gray was the successful candidate in a large field four years ago, then went on to defeat Clarence Russ in the November election. It was his first race for public office.

Already in the race are two men who formerly served as sheriff of the county. One is Dillon L. Ganey and the other is Ed V. Leonard. Drew Long, who served as deputy under Leonard, is a candidate. Two Southport men are in the race, Clinton Bellamy and Doug Norton. Bolivia has a man in Ken Milligan. Talmadge Varnum of Supply has declared his intention to seek the nomination, and Pearley Russ of Shallotte.

was the last to announce before Gray came out. The field is completed by Ulyses Grainger of Longwood.

With almost a month left in which to file, there is a possibility that other names may be added to the list before the filing deadline.

Few Complain Of Tax Revaluation

Police Office To Be Constructed

Mayor Eugene B. Tomlinson, Jr., has announced that the Board of Aldermen at their meeting Thursday evening unanimously approved the construction of a Police Station and information center.

The Board is taking this action in an effort to provide better police coverage for the city by having an office where investigating may be held and records kept in accordance with standard law enforcement practice. During summer months the building will double as an information center to serve the increasing number of tourists and visitors interested in water sports.

Varied Docket Tried In Court

Numerous Cases Disposed Of Last Week Before Judge Earl Bellamy In Recorder's Court

The weekly session of Brunswick county Recorder's court was over by noon Monday, but not before a long list of cases had been disposed of. Judgments in these matters follow:

Judgment was withheld in the case charging Sherwood Gore with non-support.

Mary McCoy was found not guilty of possession of non-tax paid whiskey.

Hubert Dixon was found guilty of drunk driving and was fined \$10 and costs.

Fred Jones asked a jury trial on charges of non-support and bond was set at \$200.

Linden F. Simmons was convicted of driving too fast for conditions and was fined \$10 and costs.

James E. Long pleaded guilty to charges of public drunkenness and possession and was fined \$25 and costs.

Wallace B. McCofferty pleaded guilty to charges of driving 65-mph in a 55-mph zone and was fined \$10 and costs.

Connie Robinson asked a jury trial on charges of driving without operator's license and on the wrong side of the road. Bond was set at \$200.

Cullen B. Smith pleaded guilty to charges of drunk driving and was fined \$100 and costs.

Carey Lee Burton was found guilty of driving without chauffeur's license and was fined \$10 and costs.

George E. White was found guilty of operating with an expired license and was fined \$10 and costs.

The following speeding cases were tried: Addison J. McCortney, Continued On Page Four

Report Findings Of Bus Routing Study In County

Survey Completed By Superintendent John G. Long In Cooperation With Principals And Bus Drivers

LOCAL STUDENTS HELP WITH WORK

Object Of This Study Is To Obtain A Comprehensive Picture Of School Transportation Problems In Brunswick

Superintendent John G. Long this week announced the findings of a study of Brunswick county bus transportation problems, a survey that has been in progress for several months with the cooperation of school principals and bus drivers.

Source of the information were questionnaires handed to each bus driver, who furnished the desired information before turning his sheet in to his principal. Questions were designed to provide information on the age of the driver, his classification, experience, health and safety habits, philosophy, length of route, travel conditions, schedule and other pertinent information.

The reports were compiled by a team of students from Southport high school, under the direction of Principal Thomas Webb, and students of the Commercial Arts Class at Brunswick County Training School, under the direction of Mrs. Joie Mae Green.

Among other things, this survey showed that usually there is a total of 4,115 students riding buses in Brunswick County daily, 3,132 elementary and 983 high school. The daily mileage of all buses generally totals 2,438 miles and 48,876 miles monthly. Of this mileage, 1,873.1 miles was reported as hard surface, 499 miles on improved roads and 66.3 miles on what was referred to in this report as unimproved roads.

The longest individual route reported in the county was at Waccamaw where Dannis Simmons drives 102 miles daily.

The drivers' ages range from 16 to over 20 years, with the (Continued on page four)

Plan Observance Of Good Friday

Ministers Of Several Protestant Churches Cooperating In This Service This Year

St. Philip's Episcopal Church will observe Good Friday this year with the traditional three-hour Good Friday Service entitled "The Seven Words From The Cross".

Good Friday comes this year on April 4 and the service will begin at 12 noon. The Rev. Leo Hawkins of the Southport Baptist Church and the Rev. Lawrence Bridges of Trinity Methodist Church, as well as the host minister, Captain Henry Howard, will participate.

Good Friday is the day on which Jesus Christ was crucified. He was nailed to the cross at 12 noon and "gave up the Ghost" at 3 p. m. the sacrifice over.

The following texts will be used: "Father forgive them; for they know not what they do."—Capt. (Continued on Page Four)

Camp Plans For 4-H Membership

Brunswick County Boys And Girls Will Attend Camp Near Asheville During Last Week In June

Parents of 4-H club members in Brunswick are reminded that 4-H boys and girls of this county have been assigned to attend Camp Swannanoa near Asheville the week of June 23-28. It will be necessary to charge a total fee of \$20 per club member this year. The reason for the greater expense is that the distance to Camp Swannanoa is a little more than twice as far as Camp Millstone, the camp Brunswick has attended in the past.

The \$20 fee will cover meals, insurance, transportation and instructional supplies. Club members will need a little extra money for drinks, ice cream, etc., and provision should be provided for a meal on the way up and on the way back. Each club member must furnish his own bed linen, blankets, toilet articles, school (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 20,	
7:53 A. M.	1:52 A. M.
8:04 P. M.	2:09 P. M.
Friday, March 21,	
8:26 A. M.	2:30 A. M.
8:38 P. M.	2:44 P. M.
Saturday, March 22,	
8:58 A. M.	3:07 A. M.
9:11 P. M.	3:20 P. M.
Sunday, March 23,	
9:29 A. M.	3:44 A. M.
9:44 P. M.	3:53 P. M.
Monday, March 24,	
10:01 A. M.	4:20 A. M.
10:20 P. M.	4:30 P. M.
Tuesday, March 25,	
10:35 A. M.	5:00 A. M.
11:01 P. M.	5:09 P. M.
Wednesday, March 26,	
11:18 A. M.	5:44 A. M.
11:51 P. M.	5:56 P. M.

TIME and TIDE

By JIMMIE HARPER

It was March 23, 1938, and Waccamaw High School had made a clean sweep of the county debating contest, winning in both affirmative and negative divisions. All the county high schools had participated. A meeting of citizens interested in a frank discussion of Southport's need for a hotel was being planned; the Civic Club had tentatively planned an outboard motorboat race for the upcoming summer; and local college students were home for spring vacations.

The Pilot that week carried an old (circa 1850) prescription for the cure of dropsy. Included in the potion were: a handful of blacksnake root, a quart of rum, and twenty (ten-penny) nails. Theory-behind effectiveness of this formula: After a snort of it, dropsy would be the least of your troubles.

Dillon Ganey had filed for the Democratic nomination for sheriff; and our editorial writer reminded the readers of the page one announcement of a T. B. Clinic to be held in the county the following week.

It was March 24, 1943, and the county was in danger of falling short of its quota in the current Red Cross drive. A group (Continued On Page Four)