

Teacher Is Honored



CONGRATULATIONS—Miss Gertrude Loughlin, second from the right, has been named district winner in the Oscars For Teachers competition sponsored by the North Carolina Federation of Woman's Clubs. She is receiving congratulations from Mrs. Leo Hawkins, whose husband is standing in the background. On the right is Mrs. E. J. Prevatte, president of Southport Woman's Club, which gave a tea in her honor.

Make Report On March Of Dimes Drive In County

Mrs. M. H. Rourk Submits Final Report Showing Collections Totalling \$2,492.87 For This Year

Mrs. M. H. Rourk, chairman of the March of Dimes campaign for Brunswick county, reports collections totaling \$2,492.87 as a result of the 1956 drive.

Shalotte and Southport communities ran neck and neck for the honor of leading in contributions. Shalotte, whose chairman was Mrs. W. T. Russ, raised a total of \$697.69 while the Southport report, with Mrs. S. B. Frink chairman, showed \$690.80.

"I want to express my appreciation to the folks who headed the drive in the respective communities," said Mrs. Rourk this week. "I also wish to thank the citizens of Brunswick county for their generous response to this call for funds. As usual, they have come up with a fine job."

Following is a report of community collections: Mrs. William Mathews, Ash, \$78.98; Mrs. Foster Mintz, Bolivia, \$105.31; Mrs. Norman Bellamy, Boone's Neck, Holden Beach and Varnumtown, \$43.12; Mrs. Rodman Bennett, Exum, \$13.96; Mrs. Corbett Coleman, Freeland, \$35; Mrs. Rufus Williams, Leland, \$244.24; Mrs. W. A. Long, Longwood, \$26.63; Mrs. Ernest Stalaland, Hickman's Crossroads, \$19.89; Mrs. Norman Grissett, Grissettown, \$27.52; Mrs. Garland Clemmons, Supply, (Continued On Page Four)

Brief Bits Of NEWS

SUPERIOR COURT
A one-week term of Brunswick county Superior court for trial of civil cases will convene Monday, Judge Susie Sharpe of Reidsville will preside.

LIONS SPEAKER
Dr. M. H. Rourk, Governor of District 31-H, Lions International, was speaker at the regular meeting of the Southport Lions Club Thursday night and delivered an inspiring talk on the subject of Lionism.

EASTER CANTATA
On Easter Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock the choir of Southport Baptist Church will present a cantata, "Life Eternal," by Mattie B. Shannon. All the people of the Southport area are invited to attend.

FAVORABLE VOTE
More than three-fourths of the farmers voting in the slaughter cattle referendum on March 15 favored the assessment of 10 cents per head to promote the sale and use of N. C. cattle. There were 30 farmers voting and 23 favored the plan and 7 voted against the plan.

ATTEND CONFERENCE
The Southport Post No. 192 of the American Legion Auxiliary was represented at the Annual 7th District Conference today in Whiteville by Mrs. Velma Ward, Mrs. A. H. Cromer, Mrs. William Kincaide, Mrs. Mildred Baker, Mrs. James Piner and Mrs. M. A. Barnett. The meeting was held at Hotel Whiteville.

More Candidates For County Races

Representative James C. Bowman Announces Candidacy For Democratic Nomination To Succeed Himself

SENATE RACE IS THREE-MAN CONTEST

Announcement Of Odell Williamson Throws This Into Three-Way Battle With S. B. Frink And Ray H. Walton

The local political picture came into clearer focus this week with the formal announcement from Representative James C. Bowman that he intends to seek the Democratic nomination to succeed himself and with the formal entry of Odell Williamson into the contest for State Senate.

There had been little doubt of Representative Bowman's intentions, but his announcement today sets his feet firmly upon the road that he hopes will lead him back to Raleigh. Thus far there has been no other candidate to announce for this office, although there have been persistent rumors this week that this nomination will be contested.

In the senate race, two men had previously announced. One of these was S. B. Frink, who has served in that office on three previous occasions. The last time was in 1954, when he received the nomination over two opponents. The other candidate is Ray H. Walton, who represented Brunswick county in the State Senate two years ago.

While Williamson has never served in the senate, he has been elected on three occasions as representative.

The only other major change in the political alignment during the past week was the death of Ulysses Grainger of Longwood, one of the 10 candidates for sheriff on the Democratic ticket.

Making Plans To Study Damages

Representative Group Of Citizens Met On Monday Evening To Make Plans To Gather Needed Information

A representative group of Brunswick county citizens met Monday night at the city hall in Southport to hear Col. Harry Brown of the Governor's Hurricane Rehabilitation Committee, explain the importance of having factual information to present at a public hearing by the U. S. Army Engineers on May 22.

The group elected Eugene B. Tomlinson as its permanent chairman, then reached an agreement for sharing the cost of employing a qualified expert to assemble the necessary information.

The objective is to try to total the amount of damage sustained from all causes to all property in Brunswick county as a result of Hurricane Hazel in 1954 and from the three hurricanes in 1955. In addition, the report will make a request for specific remedies for this type of damage.

English Mayor To Visit City

Mrs. Mae Bamber, mayor of Southport, England, will arrive at the airport in Wilmington next Wednesday morning, where she will be met by Southport officials and escorted here for a 24-hour round of entertainment.

The visiting mayor of the English city is favorably remembered here as a result of her trip here several years ago. Since that time she has maintained an interest in Southport, North Carolina, and has stayed in touch with several local citizens.

On next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock there will be a reception in her honor in the Community Building, and everyone is invited.

Red Cross Has Many Services

Service Men And Members Of Their Families Are Principal Beneficiaries Of These Contacts

The Red Cross fund drive is in progress in Brunswick county under the leadership of Cleoyon Evans of Shallotte, who has set up an organization to carry solicitations into every section on a house to house basis.

This week Mrs. Phil King, chairman of the Brunswick County Chapter, American Red Cross, made available a breakdown of the work load of the county chapter during the past year, showing some of the services for which contributions help to pay. In the vast majority of the cases, service personnel were involved on one end of the line or the other in these contacts.

There were 25 death notices handled through the chapter for the purpose of verification or to make contact with men stationed overseas. In 14 cases verification was made in reports of serious illness in order to facilitate emergency leave. There were 17 reports of safety of families in disaster areas handled through services of the local chapter.

In four instances birth notices were delivered to fathers overseas who could not be reached otherwise. There were three tracers handled on mail-involving exchanges between service men and members of their families. There were four instances where the local chapter helped in obtaining compassionate transfer of military personnel. Arrangements were made to assist to families of service men in moving overseas to join their husbands. There were two instances of helping to locate missing service men.

There were 10 instances of co-operation in matters affecting the health, welfare, fire, accident, illness and prison reports. Five applications for hardship discharge were investigated by the Brunswick County Red Cross. Two cases where illegitimacy was charged were investigated.

County Baptists Make Plans For Coming Revival

Majority Of Baptist Churches In Brunswick Will Be Engaged In This Simultaneous Revival Early In April

SERIES OF PRAYER MEETINGS PLANNED

Serious Attempt Will Be Made To Establish Proper Attitude Of Worship Prior To Revival Series

A large number of Prayer Leaders from the Baptist churches of Brunswick Association which are participating in the Revival Crusade from April 6 to 13, met in the Supply Baptist Church Friday evening, for the purpose of outlining plans for various prayer services to be held the week preceding the revival meeting.

Rev. Fred Johnson, pastor of Supply Baptist Church, led the group in a brief devotional service, after which the following suggestions were made and agreed upon by those present:

That during the week presiding the Revival Crusade, March 31 to April 5, a meeting for special prayer be held each evening, such meetings to be in the church on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and in homes of the community on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

That where possible two or more cottage prayer meetings be held in different sections of the community at the same hour, in this way reaching more people and creating more interest.

That if possible a chain of prayer be conducted throughout the day on Saturday, April 5, a different leader having charge each half-hour.

It will be the responsibility of the Prayer Chairman of each participating church to see that each meeting through the week is provided with a leader. The schedule of meetings may differ according to the needs of the individual church.

Supply Citizens Group Organize

First Meeting Held Friday Night At Home Of Mrs. W. M. Sermons, With Follow-Up Planned This Week

Several members of the Supply community met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sermons Friday night to discuss the possibilities of organizing for rural community development. Julian A. Glazener, extension program planning specialist from State College, showed slides of other rural communities which have adopted this plan of development. He spoke on the organization, activities, projects, recreation, etc. in these communities. His talk was concluded with the results shown in rural community development. Mr. Glazener was assisted by A. S. Knowles, county agent, Sanford Lee, assistant county agent, and Miss Sue Brown, home demonstration agent.

Mr. Knowles then led the group in a discussion of the possibilities of such a development plan in the Supply area. Another meeting to hold this discussion will be held Friday night, March 28, at 7:30 p. m. at the farm office in Supply. All interested Supply residents are invited to attend.

TIME and TIDE

By JIMMIE HARPER

It was April 6, 1938, and Frank Sherrill had just recently purchased Smith (Bald Head) Island. The Pilot that week carried the news, and also supplied the information that Sherrill was planning to construct a home on the island and that, according to Sherrill, Bald Head would in the near future be a Little Bermuda. In another pioneer effort, a small fleet of sport-fishing craft was to make the season's first voyage to the Gulf Stream on the following Sunday. This project was to be jointly sponsored by the Civic Club and the New Hanover Fishing Club.

Southport High School was to field (or court) a tennis team that spring. Leading candidates for the squad included Arvill Cottrell, John D. St. George and Jack Christian. Leland High School had been closed because of a measles epidemic; our editorial writer was striking for a new fire truck in Southport; and in "News Briefs" it was noted that a local residence was getting a coat of paint.

It was March 31, 1943, and local fresh water fishermen were told that the fresh water season had closed for 40 days. Spawning season. An impressive list of names was published in this

Groundbreaking Ceremony



CEREMONY—Members of the congregation of Bethel Baptist Church and a large number of friends are shown here as Carlton Price lifts the first spade of dirt from the foundation of their new building, which will be erected on Highway No. 130 near Southport. (Huntly Photo).

New Funds Due For Soil Bank In Near Future

ASC Officials Feel Sure That Additional Soil Bank Funds Will Be Made Available For Use In Brunswick

The chairman of the Brunswick county ASC committee, Lonnie Evans, reports that most farmers who wanted to take part in the 1958 acreage reserve of the Soil Bank, but could not file signed agreements because of fund limitations, will apparently be able to sign up at the county office in the near future.

Both the Senate and the House of Representatives have approved a supplemental appropriation of 250 million dollars to provide for additional acreage reserve participation.

This will bring the total to 750 million dollars for the 1958 program.

Because agreement on some detailed program provisions must still be reached in House-Senate conference, Congressional action on the supplemental appropriation is not yet complete.

As soon as final action is taken, the county committee will get the "go ahead" for completing the sign up.

Preliminary steps have been taken by the state ASC committee to prepare the way for immediate action when the supplemental funds are authorized.

In addition to farmers who have already filed signed agreements, which were in general covered by the initial appropriations for the acreage reserve, other eligible farmers will be in position to take part in the enlarged program.

These will include those whose names are in "waiting list" registers at the county office, and possibly others where there is evidence that they made an attempt to participate during the sign up period.

It is expected that in general funds will be available to take care of all farmers who indicated that they would take part in the program if it was enlarged.

Public notice will be given promptly when the county ASC office is ready to sign additional

Minor Complaints Made To Board

Gives Schedule For Trash Truck

City Manager C. D. Pickrell wishes to remind Southport citizens that the following schedule for trash and garbage collections is in effect:

Collections are made in Wards No. 1 and No. 2 on Monday and Wednesday. Collections are made in Ward No. 2 on Tuesday and Thursday. Collections are made in all three wards on Friday in preparation for the weekend.

Collections are made daily at the hospital, the restaurants and in the business district.

Earth Tremors Not Alarming

Answer Received To Inquiries Made Concerning Recent Occurrences In Brunswick Area

The earth tremors recorded near Wilmington are "insignificant" and give no cause for worry over "dangers to come."

That is the word of Rear Admiral H. Arnold Karo, director Coast and Geodetic Survey. His opinion was given in answer to inquiries made by Senator Ervin and Rep. Lennon at the request of the writer.

The view was stated in a letter on March 11. On Saturday, March 15, two more tremors were reported from the Wilmington and Southport sections.

These caused dishes and windows to rattle, said the news reports, but did no damage.

The tremors at 9:11 and 9:35 on Saturday were not recorded on the seismograph at Chapel Hill.

Board Of Equalization And Review Now Sitting For Their Second Week, With No Major Trouble Thus Far

MOST TAXPAYERS SEEM SATISFIED

Knowledge That Reduction In Tax Rate Will Accompany The Change In Values Has Helped

Members of the board of county commissioners, sitting for the past 10 days as members of the board of Equalization and Review, confess that they are pleased with the apparent willingness of the average Brunswick county citizen to accept the results of the tax revaluation program that was used as the basis for listing property during January.

Not everyone was satisfied, as witness the fact that during each day they have been in session there have been representatives from the various townships to come in to seek adjustments. Where an error had occurred, the board has taken what they considered to be appropriate corrective action. In most cases the people have been satisfied; in a few instances they have not been.

Most of the concern appears to have resulted from the fact that there has been an increase in valuation in almost every instance. However, once it is pointed out that a substantial reduction in the tax rate from the current figure of \$1.80 also is contemplated, most of them have been satisfied.

Several folks who have come in to protest their valuation have been surprised to learn that

Oyster Planting Now In Progress

Waters Of Brunswick County Will Be Included In This Conservation Practice

By WADE LUCAS

Mother Nature is getting further help from the State in the efforts being made to bring the North Carolina oyster industry back to the eminence it once had among the oyster-producing states. This help is in the form of some 277,000 bushels of seed oysters to be planted in specially selected waters of Carteret, Pamlico, Hyde, Dare, Onslow, Pender, New Hanover and Brunswick counties by the Department of Conservation and Development's commercial fisheries division.

Officials Report Progress Made In City Affairs

Report Of Activities Is Circulated First Of This Week For Benefit Of Local Citizens

FINANCIAL STATUS ALSO MENTIONED

Board Of Aldermen Give Assurance Of Reduction In City Tax Rate As Result Of Revaluation

Citizens of Southport have been furnished this week with a mimeographed report from the mayor and members of the board of aldermen concerning city affairs. Included is a condensed summary of the financial condition, and in addition there is information regarding projects undertaken and concerning future efforts.

The following information was contained in this report:

1. Garbage collection has been increased to three pickups per week and expanded to cover all sections of the city. By using two sanitary fills, one on each side of town, running time and mileage on the garbage trucks have been decreased by one-third. This automatically reduces wear and tear on city-owned equipment which in turn reduces maintenance costs.

2. Trash cans have been placed in business locations to assist in keeping the city cleaner.

3. An incinerator has been constructed at the hospital. This one item will raise the inspection rating of the hospital by 2.5 points.

4. The main intersection street light has been replaced and three new caution lights added. One caution light installed at the hospital has caused a reduction in speed and noise in this area.

5. An oxygen breathing apparatus was requested by and purchased for the hospital. This piece of equipment is very useful in heart cases and drownings.

6. The Southport Fire Department was asked early in the administration to present their needs. Each item requested has been purchased. Included in this group is new hose, fog-nozzle, lanterns, coats, etc.

Candidate For Sheriff Dies

Ulysses Grainger Of Longwood Died Last Week In Baptist Hospital In Winston-Salem

LONGWOOD—Ulysses Hopson Grainger, 46-year-old Brunswick County native, died at Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem about 4 p. m. Thursday. He had been in failing health for sometime and had been a patient at the Winston-Salem Hospital for about a week.

Grainger was mechanic for the City of Whiteville at the time of his death. He was well-known in his native county and resided in Longwood. He was the son of the late William Thomas and Mary Frances Suggs Grainger of Longwood.

Grainger had served as a Brunswick County deputy and constable and was a 1958 candidate for sheriff of his native county. He was active in his church, the Friendship Baptist

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 27,	
12:13 A. M.	6:36 A. M.
0:00 P. M.	6:51 P. M.
Friday, March 28,	
12:48 A. M.	7:35 A. M.
1:18 P. M.	7:56 P. M.
Saturday, March 29,	
1:53 A. M.	8:39 A. M.
2:29 P. M.	9:04 P. M.
Sunday, March 30,	
2:59 A. M.	9:44 A. M.
3:36 P. M.	10:10 P. M.
Monday, March 31,	
4:03 A. M.	10:43 A. M.
4:39 P. M.	11:11 P. M.
Tuesday, April 1,	
5:03 A. M.	11:39 A. M.
5:38 P. M.	12:09 P. M.
Wednesday, April 2,	
6:01 A. M.	12:32 A. M.
6:33 P. M.	0:00 P. M.