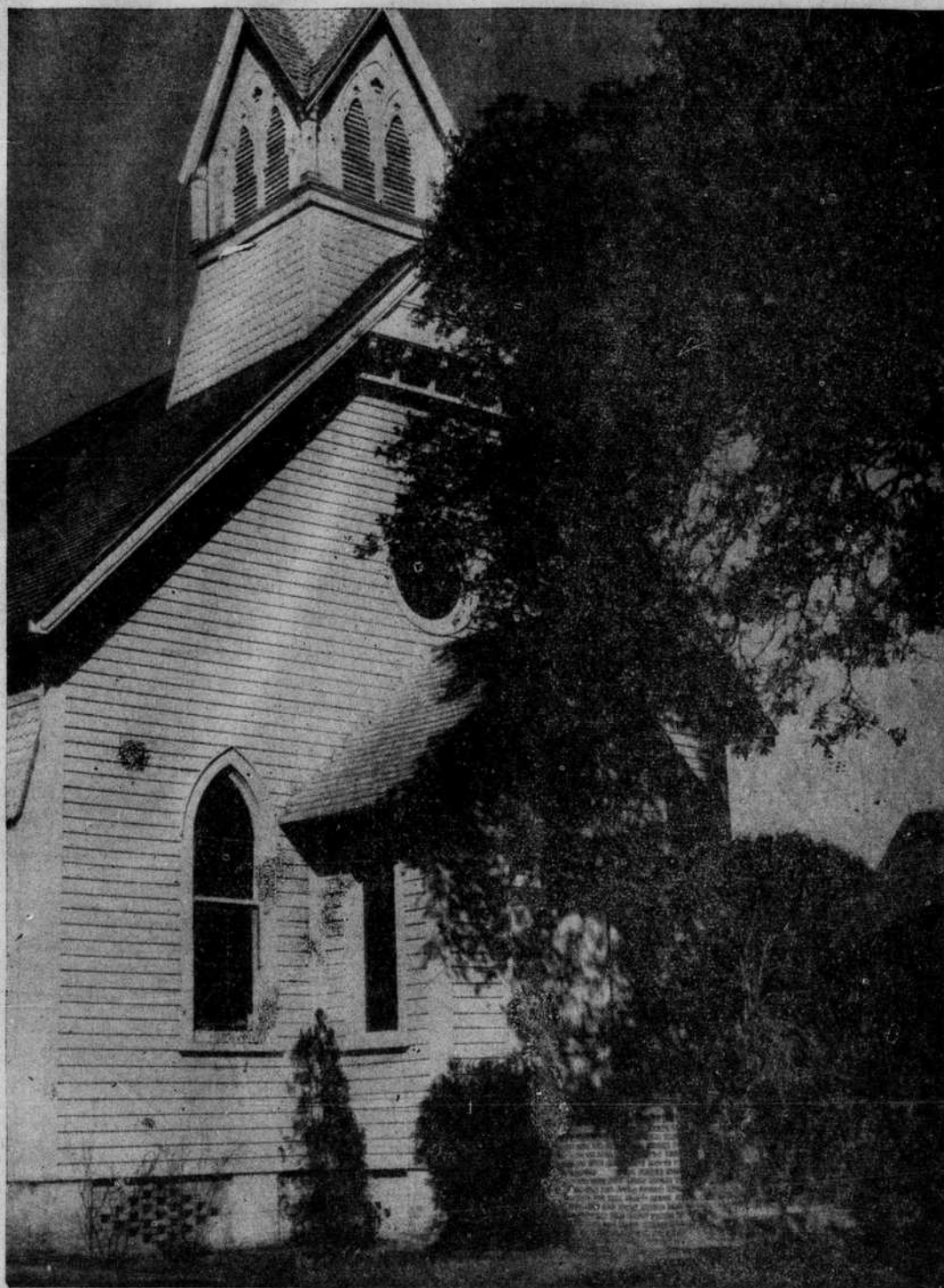


Homecoming Celebration



SCENE—This is beautiful Trinity Methodist Church in Southport which was the scene Sunday of a Homecoming Day observance which attracted scores of friends and former members. Special music featured the morning worship program, and following the sermon by the pastor, the Rev. Lawrence Bridges, dinner was served on tables in the yard beneath the liveoaks.

Public Library Open House To Be Held Friday

Miss Gertrude Loughlin Is Named Acting Librarian At Meeting Of Board If Library Trustees Tuesday

NEW HOURS FOR LIBRARY APPROVED

Open House On Friday Will Afford Opportunity To Observe New Quarters Of Library

The Southport Public Library will hold its "Open House" on Friday night from 7:30 until 9 o'clock, and it is hoped that many will attend and look over the spacious new quarters at the City Hall.

Invitations have been mailed to city and county officials and other interested persons, but a general invitation is extended by the board of trustees to all who are interested.

Starting Wednesday, July 1, the library will be open on Monday and Friday afternoons from 2 until 5 o'clock. It will also be open each Wednesday night through the summer from 7 until 9, as it is expected that many beach residents and persons who work will be interested in securing books.

At a meeting of the board on Tuesday Miss Gertrude Loughlin was elected acting-librarian. It had been previously announced that Miss Beth Grimes will be assistant librarian. Several rules were laid down at this meeting for the borrowing of books and these rules will go into effect with the opening of the library. Permanent residents of Southport and the surrounding areas are invited to use the library without charge. In order that transient visitors to the area might have the facilities available, it was decided that they be asked for a

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Vacation Bible School Closes

First Session Of This Nature Completed At Yaupon Beach Methodist Church Last Week

The first Vacation Bible School ever undertaken in Brunswick on the beach area south of the Inland Waterway came to a close Sunday in the Methodist Church at Yaupon Beach.

Lasting for a week, the activities about the Cottage Church were marked with interest and a devotion to work on the part of both teachers and pupils. The teachers were Mrs. A. A. Dixon and Mrs. R. C. Grant, kindergarten-primary; Mrs. S. C. Carr, juniors; Mrs. L. D. Hayman, intermediate-senior group; Mrs. Janet Decker, director of recreation and refreshments; Mrs. Polly Shuler and Mrs. Loraine Bellamy, in charge of providing daily refreshments; The pastor, the Rev. L. D. Hayman, acted as director of the daily program.

Twenty-six children were enrolled, of which number 19 finished with perfect attendance.

The commencement exercises were held on Sunday morning to a packed house. The several

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Guardsmen In Camp



CHOW—In the above picture are shown several members of the Shallotte National Guard who helped keep their buddies well-fed and happy: Left to right, they are Sgt. 1c Sam Frink; Mess Steward Pfc. Ralph C. Milliken; Sp. 5c Wilbur R. Evans; and Sp. 4c William A. Dixon. On the right Sp. 4c Jerry Danford is shown taking notes as Capt. David Carmichael maps out the day's training.

Shallotte Unit National Guard Back From Camp

Important 2-Weeks Training Program At Ft. Stewart, Ga., Is Concluded Last Week

National Guardsmen from the Wilmington area completed their summer training Saturday at the U. S. Army Armor and Artillery Firing Center, Fort Stewart, Ga.

The unit from Shallotte is Battery "C" of the 2nd Automatic Weapons Battalion of the 252nd Artillery. The Commanding Officer is Captain David B. Carmichael.

Captain Carmichael expressed his satisfaction with the training his men have received this summer and he stated that he knows they will work hard during the winter to make next year's encampment an even better one.

It was reported unofficially today that volunteers from the Shallotte National Guard will leave Thursday for active duty with troops now stationed at Henderson.

Chess Champions Receive Prizes

Winner In Senior Division Was Dr. N. M. Hornstein; Dale Swain Is Junior Winner; Mrs. Hornstein Wins Women's Division

Dr. Norman Hornstein won the first place recently in the annual Southport Chess Championship. Winner of the junior tournament was Dale Swain, with Craig Castor coming in second, and Cookie Oliver third. Jimmy Swain finished

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Bowman Reports On Disposition Of Local Bills

Rep. Returns From 1959 Session Following Adjournment Late Saturday Afternoon

LOCAL BILLS HAVE IMPORTANT BEARING

Report Includes Pertinent Provisions Of Legislation On County Level

By JAMES C. BOWMAN

At or about 4 p. m. Saturday the 1959 General Assembly came to a close after a session which lasted 137 days. The clock was stopped at 3 p. m. and the session officially adjourned at that hour.

Atotal of 1,850 bills was introduced in both houses and of this number, 1,419 were enacted into law. Most of the bills introduced concerned local legislation which applied only to the counties involved. However, a great number of bills having statewide coverage were of very far reaching importance. In this classification would fall the bills which were passed with relation to minimum wages, withholding taxes, and the motor vehicle violation point system. Probably the most important bill which failed to pass was that concerning revisions in our State Constitution, including the so-called court reform modifications.

The following is a resume of bills introduced by either Senator S. Bunn Frink or your Representative which passed and became law during this session. These bills effect Brunswick County only.

S. B. 8 provided that the County Board of Education can construct school facilities in the county of a cost up to \$25,000 without the services of an architect or engineer thereby eliminating these costs and permitting the board to use regular employees to perform the work. This bill was later amended by Senator Frink to increase the amount from \$25,000 to \$50,000 construction cost.

S. B. 22 known as the "Frink-Yow Bill" which permits the taking of oysters in Brunswick, New Hanover, and Pender Counties all year round on Tuesday and Friday of each week for one's personal use only. The amount of oysters to be taken is limited to one bushel. In addition, the bill provides that shrimp and other shellfish may be taken on a year round basis for personal use only and a criminal penalty is provided for violators of this bill.

H. B. 195 introduced by your Representative provided that the Board of County Commissioners may call a special election in the county on the question of whether or not the voters of the county desire to levy an ad valorem tax not to exceed 10c per \$100 valuation to be used for the purpose of attracting new industry to the county.

H. B. 204 was introduced by your Representative which authorizes deputy sheriffs and other peace officers in Brunswick County to use sirens and flashing red lights on their personal automobiles when used in the course of their official duties.

S. B. 168 introduced by Senator Frink provides that the aldermen of the city of Southport elected at and after the last election will serve for staggered terms. At the last election, the aldermen from each of the three wards who re-

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Brunswick Faces Red Cross Crisis

Bear Sighted Near Southport

Get the children in the house and bar the door—there's been a bear seen on the prowl during the past week within 3 miles of Southport!

That is word that comes from the Lindner Farm, where a black bear has been seen in the cornfield bordering on the swamp of Dutchman's Creek. What's more, George Lindner reports that there are signs that there is more than one bear, possibly a family.

Game Protector H. T. Bowmer has been contacted regarding what to do in case the situation gets out of control.

Local Funds Expended And Home Services In Jeopardy Unless Public Shows Renewed Financial Interest

LETTER DETAILS PLIGHT OF CHAPTER

Record Of Red Cross Disaster Groups In Brunswick In Recent Years Is Cited

An attitude of almost total indifference on the part of Brunswick county citizens may result in shutting down all Red Cross activities, Brunswick County Chapter officials said this week.

If this is done, it will follow in the footsteps of Robeson county.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Today in "Letters To The Editor" there is a straight-from-the-shoulder analysis of the Red Cross situation as it exists at the moment in Brunswick county. We endorse every word that has been written by Mrs. Susan King, and it is recommended reading. You will find it on page 4.)

Award Contract For Maintenance

Norfolk Dredging Company Apparently Is Low Bidder For Project At Sunny Point Docks

Two dredging jobs were bid this week in the Wilmington District Office of the Corps of Engineers.

The Atkinson Dredging Company of Norfolk, Virginia, was apparent low bidder for dredging the channel from Manteo to Oregon Inlet at \$540,410. The job involves removal of 2,300,000 cubic yards of material to deepen the inlet from 7 to 12 feet.

Other bidders were: J. A. LaPorte, Inc., Arlington, Virginia, \$541,700; Merritt Dredging Company, Charleston, S. C., \$553,455; Hill Dredging Corporation, Atlantic City, New Jersey, \$630,400; and Western Contracting Corporation, Sioux City, Iowa, \$638,340.

Another Norfolk firm, Norfolk Dredging Company, submitted the apparent low bid of \$383,500 for dredging approximately 1,500,000 cubic yards in the Cape Fear River at the Sunny Point Army Terminal. The dredging will re-

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Goldsboro Editor Speaks To Lions

Henry Belk Reports Some Of His Impressions Of Brunswick County After Spending Vacation At Yaupon

NEW OFFICERS OF CLUB ARE INSTALLED

A. A. Dixon Becomes President, Succeeding E. J. Prevatte As Head Of Local Organization

Editor Henry Belk of the Goldsboro News-Argus took time off from his two week's vacation at Yaupon Beach Thursday evening to attend a Ladies Night program sponsored by the Southport Lions Club and to analyze for the benefit of members of the assemblage some of the natural advantages peculiar to this area.

First, he said, he was impressed with the fact that a developer had had the good sense to help preserve a legend by incorporating the word yaupon as part of the name for a thriving beach resort. He told of the stories of the healthful properties ascribed to use of yaupon tea, and mentioned that legend has it that Indians from as far away as Cherokee territory made annual pilgrimages to coastal regions, attracted among other things by the potent known as yaupon tea.

The speaker took note of progress that has been made in the Southport community, and mentioned particularly the present project of revitalizing the public library.

He spoke kindly of the late Bill Keziah, whom he knew for many years dating from the time when both were residents of their native Union County. Editor Belk then ventured the suggestion that it might be quite fitting to add a collection of books to the local library in memory of this man who loved Southport so much, and who spent his better years telling the world about Brunswick county.

Old Brunswick, which he and his family had visited earlier in the week, intrigued the Goldsboro man, who termed it "One of North Carolina's most interesting historic sites." He declared that

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Improvements On Playing Courts

Workmen from Sunny Point Army Terminal have installed a heavy gauge wire fence across both ends of the two tennis courts located on the garrison property in Southport.

On Saturday steel posts were implanted in a concrete base. Monday the work of hanging the wire was begun. This is a permanent improvement, and promises to be the type of installation that will not fall easy prey to the ravages of rust and hurricanes.

Southport Gift Volumes Arrive

Several Organizations, Agencies And Individuals Had A Part In Sending Chest Of Valuable Books From Southport, England, To Local Public Library

The shipment of books from Southport, England, arrived here last week end, sure enough, they came packed in a tea chest.

This gift has resulted from the close bond of friendships existing between Southport, North Carolina, and Southport, England, and came from the efforts of Mrs. Mae Bamber, mayor of the latter city.

Following is a list of the books and their donors:

Presented to the Public Library of Southport, North Carolina, USA by the libraries of Southport, Lancashire, England: A Wanderer In London, by E. V. Lucas; Reminiscences of Scottish Life and Character, by Dean Ramsey; Pictures From Punch (VOL. I), and Pictures From Punch (VOL. II), by F. C. Burnard; The Land's End, by W. H. Hudson; The Heart of the Antarctic (VOL. I) and The Heart of the Antarctic (VOL. II), by E.

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Brief Bits Of NEWS

ACCEPTS POSITION
Mrs. Annie Laurie Ramsour has accepted a position as clerk with the Brunswick County Board of Education.

IN HIGHWAY PATROL
Agnew Fulcher has been accepted as a member of the State Highway Patrol and has been assigned to the Fayetteville area for active duty.

FRIDAY HOLIDAY
The Fourth of July comes on Saturday this year, and following the example of State employees, Friday of next week will be observed as a holiday for both city and county employees.

HOMECOMING DAY
Homecoming Day will be observed at Prospect Baptist Church Sunday, with the program scheduled to begin at 10 o'clock. The Rev. Tom Williams will preach during the morning worship hour.

CONFERENCE DELEGATE
Ray H. Walton is a delegate to the North Carolina Conference, which is in session this week in Wilmington. On Tuesday evening the Southport attorney was re-elected Associate District Lay Leader.

CRITICALLY ILL
H. M. Hickman, Register of Deeds for Brunswick county, is a patient at James Walker Memorial Hospital in Wilmington where his condition was called critical when he was admitted on Saturday. He was reported to be suffering from a heart attack and other complications. On Tuesday it was reported that his condition was improved.

CAKE AND PIE SALE
There will be a cake and pie sale at the office of Carr Insurance Agency, Southport, on Saturday morning, beginning at 10 o'clock, sponsored by the Women of St. Philip's Episcopal Church.

ATTENDING MILLER-MOTTE
Lillian Lot, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Lot of Shallotte, has begun her course of study in the Secretarial Department of Miller-Motte Business College, Wilmington, at the beginning of the summer quarter. She graduated from Shallotte High School, class of 1959.