

SUMMER SNOOPER

BY LOLA MAE GORE



"Hi-o, Hi-o Silver, Honey Hush!" That round sound sure was coming in loud and clear Saturday night at the pavilion and I haven't seen so many people present at a dance in quite a while. The band was really getting with it as were these present. We will all have to admit we really had the time of our life! For you who were not fortunate enough to be there I would like to say you really missed something. I think, as well as many others, that it was the best dance of the season. There were so many kicking and jumping until it was almost impossible to really move, but no one was griping. We were all glad to see the vacationers from all parts, and the regulars, there and we

hope to see the same this Saturday night when there will be another dance, same time and same place. If you haven't been coming to the pavilion, why not do so this week-end. I'm sure you won't regret it!

Friday night was also a lot of fun. There was a pretty good crowd present listening and jiving to the juke box. Although it rained all week-end, that didn't stop the usual bunch and we all really had a great time. The suggestion for a watermelon slicing was brought up, but because of lack of coins, it was soon dropped. I noticed that most of the motels were filled all week-end and we are very glad to have these visitors and vacationers down. It's always nice to get to know others, especially if you live on the beach. That's a great opportunity we have and I'm glad to see the boys, especially, taking advantage of it.

Sunday afternoon it was still raining so that it interfered with the plans of those who were gonna get some sun. I noticed most everyone was riding around or parked at the cedar bench talking over the situation. Sunday night wasn't too bad, T-Bo and the boys played at the pavilion and the usual crowd was there. A few of us took in a game of carpet golf, which proved to be very interesting, and then headed for the dance. I hope

that we will see you this week-end at the beach and we're all looking forward to another successful week-end, especially Saturday night. Come join the fun, it's well worth it!

I would like to thank those of you who visited me while I was in the hospital this past week. I'm sorry I had to miss out on all the fun, but with the crowd coming in and out it wasn't too bad. I hope I won't have to miss another column this summer either because I really enjoy bringing you up on the latest and keeping you informed on all the events.

SNOOPIN' AROUND: It's good to have John Ganey home again. . . . Thanks Danny and James. I really enjoyed your company. . . . Nice seeing Jimmy, Phil, Porkey, Jerry, and all the boys from Bolivia down. We really enjoy having you. . . . Claudia, why don't you paint it in stripes? . . . Watch out Alvin! . . . David Ray really getting with it with that foot. . . . Puddinhead looking forward to this week-end. . . . Aren't we all? . . . Nice seeing Bige again. . . . Kay bringing a friend home with her. . . . Larry having a blast Sunday night. . . . Nice seeing Elton and Leon again.

That's it for now. See ya next week. Be careful, especially on the beaches, driving.

WAS SECRETARY
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ident pro-tem of the Senate, were outside the 12-mile limit fishing.

"That left Thad Eure as the ranking State official still in North Carolina," Senator Frink declared, "so till we got back from fishing he was governor and didn't know it."

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movements that are of regional importance. Since no candidate has been suggested from Wilmington, it is felt that he will get strong support from New Hanover county.

Previous interest in road problems has been demonstrated through his service as a member of the board of directors and as vice-president of the All-Seashore Highway Association.

Governor Hodges is expected to return this week from his visit to Russia, and his appointment will follow within the next few days.

WILL CONSIDER
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assistance the family cannot meet with its own resources.

In the past five years, the Red Cross has spent \$4,839,000 in emergency care and family assistance to victims in six hurricanes which have struck the coastline of the southeastern area of the U. S.

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Treasury" by Palgrave; "In Spite of Blasphemy" by Mourre; "The Quiet American" by Greene; "Liverpool" by Chandler; "The Saturday Book" by Russell; "Cavalcade" by Coward; "Life and Adventures of Martin Chuzzlewit" by Dickens; "Victorian Furniture" by Roe; "Madeira Holiday" by Mais; "Acting" by Crawford; "Dumbbells and Carrot Strips" by MacFadden; "The Structure of the Public Library Service in England and Wales."

The following books were given by Mr. and Mrs. Houghton: "The Night of the Hunter" by Grubb; "The Plymouth Adventure" by Gebler; "Swear By Apollo" by Barker; "The Time of the Dragons" by Elbert-Rethgolz; "Parish" by Savage; "The Fuzzy Pink Nightgown" by Tate; "Women and Thomas Harrow" by Marquand; "Shannon's Way" by Cronin; "White Witch Doctor" by Stendorf; "The Peaceable

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Merchant Marine midshipman; and a front page item, foreseeing a long, cold winter, urged coal users to buy now.

Postmaster Yaskell had announced that the afternoon mails would leave a half-hour later, explaining that the added convenience for local patrons would in no way hinder the flow of mails to and from Southport. The Red Cross workroom had reported increased production during the month of June; Southport Baptist Church would feature the young people's choir in a special program the following Sunday evening; and Shallotte's Dr. M. M. Rosenbaum, now serving with the Army on the Normandy invasion beaches, had written a very good account of the whole show as seen from his field hospital.

It was July 6, 1949, and Halsted Holden, who had made the front page two weeks before in a report of his summer training cruise with the Naval ROTC, this week was pictured receiving his trophy for being half-mile track champion of the Southern Conference. Caswell Dock was the current hot-spot for small game fishermen Mrs. H. G. Radcliffe, dean of Southport's women fishermen, had caught three large gray trout and a 6-pound flounder there the afternoon of July 4. Southport's waterfront street had been accidentally iced down by a truck from the Southport Ice and Coal Co.; area beaches had reported boom business over the holiday weekend just past; and Walter Lewis had reported that the alleged seal was still in residence in the creeks back of Oak Island.

"Prisoner At The Bar" would be the Monday feature at Trinity Methodist Church, and the local movie house was counting with one of the original Come Spectaculars, "Words and Music." Our editorial writer had waxed poetic in his treatment of the customary pogie boat whistles; area tobacco markets were due to open August 2; and G. Butler Thompson had sighted a tarpon near Bald Head Island.

It was July 7, 1954, and Southport's Live Oak Festival had become history. Part of that history had been recorded in this issue of The Pilot in a feature entitled "Festival Notes," V12: "Members of the Southport Volunteer Fire Department were dressed in their snappy new gray uniforms for the parade. And looked pretty sharp. . . . The title of Queen of the Live Oak Festival was not the first for Connie Hussey. She was Little Miss Myrtle Beach in 1940. . . . The musical float was a last minute idea conceived, designed, and largely carried out by Dew Hardee, who has a lot of talent. . . . The Brunswick County Training School band did a good job, particularly in the absence of its director. This is a first year organization, and it has made splendid progress. It was a good thing that we did have some home talent to hail us out of the musical bind. . . . It was nice to have three floats from the Azalea Festival. The Carolina Beach whale attracted much attention. The Azalea Festival float was pretty, and among the beauties aboard was Lou Gilliam Mallison, a Southport girl. Susan Franklin, who was elected Homecoming Queen last fall, was riding on the White Ice Cream float. The other rider on this float was Latitia Hickman, a former Liveoak Festival Queen."

Kingdom" by Kennelly; "The Portuguese Escape" by Bridge; "A Summer Place" by Wilson; "Admiral Hornblower In The West Indies" by Forester; "The Great Snow" by Robinson; "Elephant Walk" by Standish; "The Northern Light" by Cronin.

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Brown, Oceanside, Calif. and Mrs. Lloyd Hammonds, Whiteville; and 10 grandchildren.

Active palbearers were M. L. Norwood and Russell Leitch and Clarence, Willie and W. T. Russ.

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to the river. From 1839 to 1872 both the Rip (western channel) and New Inlet were the main entrances, and the use of Baldhead was discontinued. Since 1872 and the closure of the New Inlet, Baldhead has again become the main channel.

"As a result of work carried on under the supervision of the Corps of Engineers in 1894 the depth of the channel at mean low water was from Wilmington, 20 miles, to Snow's Marsh 18 feet, except where shoaling had occurred at the lower extremity of Lilliput Shoal, where the depth was 16 1/2

feet; at Snow's Marsh Shoal 14 feet; on the inner shoals at the bar 16 feet by a crooked channel and 14.3 feet by a straight course, and on the outer bar 16.6 feet.

"For the original depth of water, see old maps in the office of Lieutenant-Colonel D. P. Heap, Corps of Engineers, in the Post Office building at Wilmington. For historical sketches of the work of improving that river, see report of Captain C. E. Phillips, Corps of Engineers, pages 321-331, of Annual Report of the Chief of Engineers for 1876; report of Captain W. H. Bixby, Corps of Engineers, pages 1,004-1,011 of Annual Reports of the Chief of Engineers from 1876 to 1890, and an article on the subject published on pages 236-246 of Volume XXIX, (July, 1893, number) of the Transactions of the American Society of Civil Engineers, in a paper entitled 'The Improvement of the Harbors on the South Atlantic Coast of the United States.' The printed annual reports of the Chief of Engineers may be seen in Colonel Heaps office.

"In a report made by Acting Assistant Surgeon, S. S. Boyer, U. S. Army, on this fort, published on pages 92-94 of Circular No. 4, War Department, Surgeon General's Office, December 5th, 1870, a report on Barracks and Hospitals, with descriptions of Military Posts, he states: 'This fort receives its name from Gabriel Johnson, who was Governor of the Province of North Carolina from 1734 to 1752. It was erected by the British soon after France declared war against England, in 1744. Since that period it has been garrisoned at irregular intervals.' . . .

"There is no fort built upon the reservation. During the late civil war it came into the possession of the rebels and they constructed some minor works upon it, which have since been removed by United States troops.

"By reference to American State Papers, Military Affairs, Vol. I, pages 95-101, 224, 237, etc., Mr. Sprunt will find information that may be of use to him in relation to the construction by the United States of a new work on the site of the old fort, finished about the year of 1809, etc.

The new work consisted of a simple equilateral of concrete (some of it yet remains) and an enclosure of planks; within the enclosure there was a block house, lately destroyed, to the regret of this Department, a powder magazine, and quarters for officers of brick; and a barracks, a guard-house and a store-house of wood.

"The terreplein of the battery was ten feet below the parade and site of the buildings. The battery could receive eleven or twelve guns. The block house was square and of two stories, the upper projected three feet, forming a machicolis defense of the approach to the lower story. The distance from the block house to the battery was about one hundred yards. This battery was provided with loop holes and embrasures above.

"There is a drawing on file entitled 'Fort Johnston and part of the town of Smithville, N. C., 1802,' which shows a large pentagonal work. Whether this represents the fort erected about 1745 or one erected later, is not shown by an examination of the records."

LIONS HEAR OF
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from each other is "a political crime of first magnitude." He spoke of the social and economic barriers imposed by this strange arrangement, not to mention the geographic difficulties.

General Gloré likened the attempt being made to help foreign countries to the church missionary program. "Some of the effort is wasted," he admitted, "and some of it is ill-advised. But we should not be crucified for trying."

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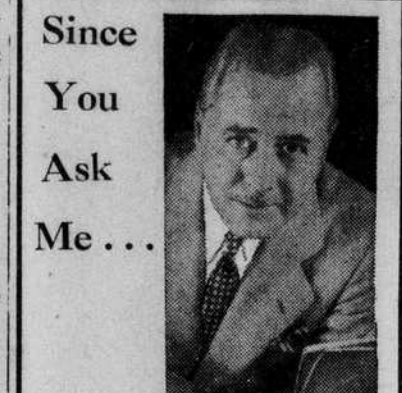
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With The Men In Service

Melvin L. Sellers, yeoman first class, USCG, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Sellers of Supply, completed a Review Arithmetic correspondence course June 5, through the U. S. Armed Forces Institute at Madison, Wis., while serving at the Coast Guard Reserve Training Center, Yorktown, Va.

CEMETERY CLEANING
Charlie Milliken is heading a committee to help clean up the Gurganus Cemetery near Shallotte and has invited those who have loved ones buried there to contribute their time and labor or some financial assistance to this project.



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