

Assembly Heads Into Busy Part Of Summer Job

First Week Of Baptist Training Union Now Now In Progress, With More Than 800 Delegates Attending

SECOND PART OF PROGRAM NEXT WEEK

These Two Weeks Will Be Followed By Music Week Starting July 27 And Training Union Conference Aug. 3

Manager Fred J. Smith reports that the North Carolina Baptist Assembly at Fort Caswell is now in the midst of the most popular weeks of the 1959 season. With the second Training Union conference of the summer opening Monday night, July 20, Music Week beginning July 27, and the third Training Union conference on August 3, the assembly will be entertaining the largest representations in the current series of meetings.

The opening Training Union week attracted some eight hundred delegates, mostly young people. State and South-wide leadership brought programs of an exceptionally high order, said Manager Smith. James P. Morgan, of Raleigh, is directing all three of these annual educational and inspirational events. Dr. Porter Routh, of Nashville, Tennessee, is representing the Southern Baptist Convention, as chairman of the executive committee of that body.

Rev. James S. Potter, now pastor of the Fritchard Memorial Baptist Church, Charlotte, is conference pastor. His opening sermon was on the parable of the four soils. "Is this your life?" asked the Baptist leader who was until this spring pastor of Raleigh's Tabernacle Church. "Is your life too hard and closed to God's word; are you too shallow for any good influence to take root; do the thorns of worldliness crowd out any leading or correction of God? A few lives are deep and fertile, hospitable to God's blessing, able and eager to nourish the blessings that God sends in the everyday experience of life."

A significant feature of the week was a panel on Christian Education led by Claude F. Gaddy, of Raleigh, secretary of the Council on Christian Education of the Baptist State Convention. A representative of each of the seven North Carolina Baptist colleges, Wake Forest, Meredith, Campbell, Mars Hill, Gardner Webb, Chowan, and Wingate, spoke briefly and answered questions about Christian higher education as it is envisioned and supported by the denomination. An unusually large registration is being received for Music Week, which is featuring a Junior Choir Camp.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

4-H STATE MEET

At least four Brunswick 4-H members will attend the 4-H state meeting to be held July 20-24 at Raleigh.

LIONS CLUB

The regular meeting of the Southport Lions Club will be held tomorrow (Thursday) at 6:30 o'clock in the Community Building.

LIBRARY HOURS

The Southport Public Library is open on Monday and Friday afternoons from 2 o'clock until 5 o'clock and on Wednesday evening from 7 o'clock to 9 o'clock.

MOVE FROM BRUNSWICK

The Nathan Miller family moved Tuesday from their former home in Brunswick county to Mecklenburg county. The family recently came into nationwide prominence when Mrs. Miller gave birth to triplets at Doshier Memorial Hospital.

FATHER DIES

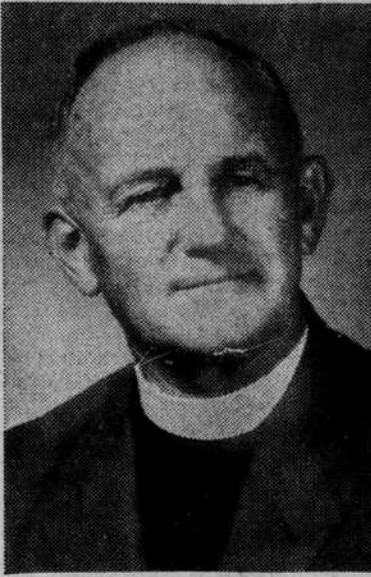
George B. Alexander died at his home in Hagerstown, Md., Saturday and funeral services were conducted Tuesday. He was 82-years of age. The deceased was the step-father of Mrs. Viola Trotter and Mrs. Neils Jorgensen of Southport.

BUILDING PROGRESSES

Although rainy weather has slowed-down the operation, good progress is being made on the construction of the new brick building which will be the home of Yaupon Village Methodist Church. The congregation hopes to be able to use this new sanctuary this fall.

Episcopal Minister Commences Duties

Retired U. S. Army Chaplain Becomes Priest In Charge Of St. Phillips Church in Southport



THOMAS S. CLARKSON

Chaplain (Major) Thomas Simons Clarkson has recently arrived in Southport to become Priest in charge of St. Phillips Church. He will also serve the Episcopal churches of Atkinson, Northwest and Burgaw.

Chaplain Clarkson served with the United States Army in Europe during World War II and was stationed on Okniawa during the Korean War. He separated from active duty in 1956 while stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Va., and now holds the rank of Major in the United States Army Reserve. For the past three years he has been Rector of Grace Episcopal Church, Cismont, Va.

The Rev. Mr. Clarkson is a native of Charlotte, son of the late Justice Heriot Clarkson of the North Carolina Supreme Court. His mother was the former Miss Mary Lloyd Osborn, a lineal descendant of Justice Alfred Moore. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, where he was a member of the Chingouls and Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternities; and of the Virginia Theological Seminary, Alexandria, Va. He has served the church in the Dioceses of North Carolina, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Maryland.

Mrs. Clarkson was the former Miss Frances Herbert Cole, daughter of James Edward Cole, prominent attorney of Norfolk, Va. She attended Hollins College,

where she was a member of Tri Delta Sorority; University of Virginia and Parson's School of Art in New York City.

The Clarksons have two children. Their daughter, Ellen Hardy Clarkson Gilliam, a 1956 graduate of St. Mary's in Raleigh, is now residing in Vicenza, Italy, where her husband, Lt. J. J. Gilliam is stationed.

Their son, Heriot Clarkson III is a 2nd Classman at Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va. Chaplain and Mrs. Clarkson were honored recently at a reception given by the members of St. Philip's Church in the Parish House. Other honor guests were the ministers of all Protestant Churches in the Southport area, together with their wives.

Tentative Budget Keeps Same Rate

Some Shifts Take Place In Break-Down Of Tax Dollar, Although No Increase Is Made

BOARD TAKES LOOK AT VALUATION SCALE

Budget Will Be Open For Inspection For Next 20 Days Prior To Final Adoption By Board

Members of the board of county commissioners have prepared a budget for the 1959-60 fiscal year based upon a tax rate of \$1.20, the same as last year.

The budget will be open for inspection for 20-days pending final adoption.

Although there is no increase in rate, there has been some change in the break-up of the tax dollar, chiefly for administrative purposes.

Major items in the tax dollar are 35-cents levied for local support of schools and 30-cents levied for debt service.

In working up information for the budget, preliminary figures revealed some interesting facts regarding the distribution of values within the county. Smithville is the wealthiest township, with \$6,573,350 for white property owners and \$508,450 for colored.

Next is Lockwoods Folly, with \$4,843,850 for whites and \$607,070 for colored. Northwest has a valuation of \$3,769,520 for whites and \$423,630 for colored. In Town Creek the white valuation is \$3,592,600 and the colored is \$354,330. Waccamaw township valuation is the lowest, with \$2,350,460 for the white population and \$62,610 for the colored.

Hurricane Fails To Materialize

Preparations Made Last Wednesday To Take Care Of Any Storm-Caused Emergency, But Only The Rains Came

Hurricane Cindy came close enough last Wednesday to cause concern, but high winds and high tides were the only effects from the season's first tropical storm. The Brunswick County Chapter of the American Red Cross made preparations to take care of any eventuality, and Mrs. Sue King was assisted in this planning by Miss Helen Stacey of Disaster Headquarters in Atlanta.

There were no reports of damage of any nature on Wednesday. As a matter of fact, the wind was stronger and the rain (Continued on Page Four)

Area Council Meeting Held In Bolivia Friday

Nine Community Development Clubs Of Brunswick County Are Hosts For Visitors To This Event

QUARTERLY BUSINESS SESSION IS HELD

Encouraging Reports Received From Throughout SENClard Area Covered By Group

The seven county SENClard Community Development Division met at Bolivia last Thursday for its quarterly meeting. The 9 Community Development Clubs in Brunswick County were host.

The SENClard meeting comprised an area board of directors meeting, and then a community development division meeting.

Each county reported on the work of the clubs in their respective counties. The reports were challenging to those present. They gave everyone ideas of improvement to carry back to their community.

During one part of the meeting, a report came from Elizabethtown that the SENClard group should promote industrial development along the Cape Fear river.

It was also noted that the railroad is attempting to discontinue service to Elizabethtown, but wants to hold its right-of-way in the event that establishment of some sort of a large industry in the area should occur.

Leland Citizen Drowns In Creek

Speedy Rescue Efforts Save Second Man From Death In Waters Of Davis Creek Saturday

Claude Mintz, 21-year-old Leland man, was drowned in the waters of Davis Creek Saturday afternoon, and speedy rescue efforts on the part of nearby boatmen is that all that prevented the loss of another life.

Mintz is reported to have been fishing with John H. Benton and John Ganey when the first two waded away from the shore into Davis Creek, near the site of the inlet filling project of last year. The men found themselves in trouble, and their outcry brought assistance from Tom Webb of Southport and his boating partner, Jim Jefferies, of Delaware.

The two dropped their chore of serving as ski-tow for Mrs. Blanche Webb, and headed for the nearest man. This turned out to be Benton, who was taken ashore and given first aid treatment. The boat reached the spot where Mintz was in the water too late, and he already had disappeared beneath the surface.

The body was located several hours later at about 7 o'clock by the Coast Guard, who had been dragging the area.

Funeral services were conducted from the Pine View Baptist Church Monday at 2 p. m. The Rev. S. I. Mintz, the Rev. W. T. Lundy, and the Rev. Frank Potter officiated. Burial was in Nelson Cemetery.

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Superior Court Now In Session

Superior court is in session here this week with Judge J. B. Craven, Jr., presiding. He is from Monganton and this is his first court in Brunswick.

Both this week's term, and another scheduled to convene Monday, are for trial of civil cases only.

Most of the first two days was devoted to settlement of various matters, several of them being damage suits brought against the State Highway Commission. Trial of the first jury case began today.

Fatal Accident At Hoods Creek

Waddell Benton Of Leland Killed Saturday Night In Crash Of Automobile And Oil Tanker

A head-on collision on U. S. Highway 74-76 in the Hoods Creek section between a gasoline tanker and an automobile claimed the life of one person and caused injury to three others late Saturday.

Pronounced dead on arrival at James Walker Memorial Hospital was Waddell Benton of Leland.

Admitted to the hospital for treatment of injuries were Matthew and Robert Jordan, and James Robinson, all of Leland.

Sgt. A. H. Clark of the State Highway Patrol said that apparently the automobile, traveling west on Routes 74 and 76, collided in the vicinity of the Hoods Creek section with the eastbound gasoline tanker.

Benton died of injuries he received when he was thrown from the automobile and crushed beneath the wheels of the tanker.

Benton and the three injured men were in the same car. Matthew Jordan was identified as the driver of the auto.

Condition of the three injured men was described as "not serious". The truck driver, identified as Robert M. Lee of Latta, S. C., sustained no injuries.

Highway patrolman H. F. Deal was the investigating officer. Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3 p. m. from the graveside at the Mintz Cemetery in Maco by Rev. Walter Phelps.

Survivors include his mother, (Continued On Page Two)

Whirlybird Check



VISITOR—Recently a large number of Brunswick County farms were checked for ASC compliance by helicopter. This strange aircraft hovered over farms in the Freeland, Ash and Hickmans Crossroads sections as spot checks were made to determine if farmers were planting within their allotment. This is the first year that helicopters have been used for this purpose in North Carolina. ASC officials report that the experiment proved to be a great success.

Two Men Killed In Sunday Accident

Makes Report Of Rescue Efforts

E. B. Tomlinson, Jr., water safety chairman for the Brunswick County Chapter, Red Cross, has made a report to the Carnegie Foundation of the rescue activities of Tom Webb and Jim Jefferies at Davis Creek Saturday.

This action is credited with saving the life of John H. Benton of Leland. His companion on a fishing trip to Davis Creek, Claude Mintz, was drowned before rescuers could reach his side.

Dredge Accident Injures Fireman

Member Of Crew Of USE Dredge Gerig Came In Here Tuesday Night And Heads To Wilmington For Repairs

Emanuel De Costa, fireman aboard the USE Dredge Gerig, was brought in to Southport late Tuesday night and was taken to Doshier Memorial Hospital for treatment for injuries sustained in an accident aboard this vessel while enroute from Morehead City to Southport yesterday.

According to report, there was an explosion in the engine room, and that DeCosta was hurt when this happened.

The Gerig was scheduled to be done work on the Cape Fear river bar at Southport yesterday, but when the ship reached here last night she continued up the river to Wilmington for repairs. Announcement was made last (Continued on Page 2)

Southport Man Good Prospect For Appointment

Two Chadbourn Men Die In One-Car Wreck On Highway No. 130 In Early Hours Of Sunday Morning

TWO OTHERS HAVE MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

New Automobile Literally Ripped In Half As It Went Out Of Control And Hit Abutment

The dead are Robert Keith Nobles, 17, and Kenneth Parker, 27.

At Columbus county hospital are James Royce Bullard, 29, Chadbourn, with a broken left arm and a forehead laceration; and James F. "Buster" Benton, 32, Cerro Gordo, who suffered a cut on the nose and severe brush burns on his left leg.

Both Bullard and Benton are said to be in satisfactory condition today.

Brunswick County Coroner L. B. Bennett said that Nobles died of a broken neck; Parker from loss of blood. Nobles also had a crushed chest, and broken left leg and knee. Both of Parker's legs were torn off just below the knees.

Highway Patrol Pfc. W. H. Morgan, Jr. of Shallotte said the accident occurred about 7 miles north of Shallotte on NC 130.

He told that the car, apparently being operated at excessive speed, went out of control on the last of a series of winding curves near the Shallotte forestry fire-tower and hit a concrete culvert under NC 130, then broke in half, scattering into a pasture near the residence of Y. H. Gore.

No time for the accident had definitely been established today but Morgan said it is believed to have occurred about 1:30, Sunday morning.

A resident of the area heard a rumbling noise, it was reported to the officer, and then dogs of the section began barking. However, with the unsettled weather of late, the resident thought it might have been thunder and did (Continued on Page Four)

Riegel Checks Received Here

Several Brunswick County Organizations Receive Assistance From Employee Contributions

First quarterly payments into a fund created by Riegel Paper Co. employees for support of various organizations operating in this area were distributed this week in Brunswick county.

Sharing in these funds were the American Red Cross, \$26.65; American Cancer Society, \$23.47; March of Dimes, \$28.48. Also participating in Brunswick were the Salvation Army and Boy Scouts of America, although the amount paid to the treasurer of the latter two groups was not reported.

The fund allows employees through a payroll deduction plan to contribute to agencies such as (Continued on Page Two)

July 30 Seems Likely Date To Open Markets

This Conclusion Based Upon Announcement That South Carolina Markets Will Open On That Date

BORDER BELT USUALLY FOLLOWS SCHEDULE

Final Decision Expected To Be Reached Thursday Evening At Meeting In Lumberton

Opening of the Columbus county tobacco markets on July 30 was virtually assured late last week after the South Carolina markets voted on that date.

In the past it has been customary for the Border Belt to open the same date as South Carolina.

Steve Anderson, secretary-treasurer of the Mullins tobacco South Carolina markets made the decision for July 30 at a meeting in Florence, Thursday night.

Previously it had been expected the Palmetto markets would open July 28. The change came about when the Georgia markets, through pressure from farmers, changed its date from July 16 to July 23. The closeness of opening dates was disturbing many in the tobacco industry.

Also, Florida, which normally opens with Georgia, changed its mind about sticking to the July 16 date, a date the two states had agreed on earlier.

As it stands now, Florida-Georgia will open July 23; South Carolina-Border Belt, July 30.

The formal confirmation of the trend is expected Thursday at a meeting in Lumberton of the Border Belt warehousemen.

The meeting will be at 7 p. m. at the Johnson restaurant. Besides the business of setting the market opening date, the warehousemen are expected to get a detailed briefing on some important warehouse operation changes.

Some Division On Phone Plan

Business Firms And Some Others Would Favor Doing Away With Toll; Private Owners May Not Favor Rate Hike

Southern Bell Telephone Co. is now conducting a study to determine the feasibility of eliminating toll charges from Southport to subscribers in the Wilmington exchange, and final decision is not expected to be made until this fall.

It has been learned that on two previous occasions when a study has been made of this situation company officials have decided against elimination of these toll charges.

In the event this action is taken, there are indications that an accompanying change would be some upward adjustment in base charges to local subscribers. Company officials want to get a fair reaction on the part of the public to this eventuality.

The complete study will be based upon the number of calls being made from Southport to Wilmington, and from Wilmington to Southport. Included will be statistics showing just how general is the use of long distance (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, July 16,	
3:50 A. M.	10:11 A. M.
4:43 P. M.	11:02 P. M.
Friday, July 17,	
4:55 A. M.	11:11 A. M.
5:43 P. M.	0:00 P. M.
Saturday, July 18,	
5:56 A. M.	0:01 A. M.
6:40 P. M.	12:08 P. M.
Sunday, July 19,	
6:54 A. M.	0:53 A. M.
7:33 P. M.	1:01 P. M.
Monday, July 20	
7:48 A. M.	1:44 A. M.
8:23 P. M.	1:33 P. M.
Tuesday, July 21,	
8:40 A. M.	2:33 A. M.
9:11 P. M.	2:42 P. M.
Wednesday, July 22,	
9:30 A. M.	3:19 A. M.
9:58 P. M.	3:29 P. M.

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