

## Amateur Theatricals



59-ers—The Southport high school auditorium was the scene of fun and laughter Friday night as a local cast appeared in a variety show, sponsored by the Southport Garden Club. Above is a scene from the Charleston number that almost stopped the show. In the front line are Leatha Warth, Amaretta Prevatte, Dorothy Hardee and Leila Pigott. The chorine on the left in the back line is Eunice Huntley, with Sue Jones on one side and Lib Harrelson on the other. Below Gene Tomlinson and Doris Harrelson are front and center in the grand finale, the Lizzie Borden number. On the right is Waters Thompson, whose singing and dancing were highlights of the show.—(Huntley Photo.)

## Report Made To Membership On Development

Information Reals Activity Of Southport Development Corporation During First Year Of Organization

PARTICIPATED IN MANY ACTIVITIES

Proposes Still To Promote Industrial And Recreational Development Of Southport Area

A report of the first year's activities of the Southport Development Corporation was made last week to the members by the president, E. B. Tomlinson, Jr.

The corporation was formed about a year ago for the purpose of promoting the progress of Southport. The first year has been a very active and varied one and the following items represent the major undertakings:

The Southport brochure was developed and 20,000 were printed for distribution. This folder has been sent over the entire United States.

A Southport section was sponsored in the travel edition of the Army-Navy Air Force Times. This section has brought many requests from service personnel who are seeking recreational and retirement locations.

The Corps of Engineers hearing on deeping the Cape Fear River was brought about primarily by the efforts of the Development Corporation. The consultant, selected by the Corporation and with cost shared with Wilmington, presented evidence to the Corps of Engineers justifying at least a 38-foot channel.

Advertising was secured with SENCBA, Hanover Fishing Club, and Star-News beach edition.

Promotional assistance has been given the Womens' club, Library Committee, and the N. C. Chess Tournament.

During its first fiscal year the corporation has receipts of \$1,255 and disbursements of \$1,256. There are no paid employees as all work is volunteered by interested personnel.

Current activities of the Southport Development Corporation include promotion of the Fort Fisher-Southport Ferry service, continued advertisement of the growth potential of this area, etc.

## County Part Of Cancer Research

Brunswick Is One Of North Carolina Areas In Which Detailed Study Will Be Carried Out

Brunswick is one of the counties that will participate in one of the largest medical statistical studies ever attempted to discover why some people may be more likely to get cancer than others, it was disclosed this week by Mrs. James C. Bowman, representing the Brunswick County.

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## G. A. Queen Coronation



HONORS—This is the beautiful scene that was created at Town Creek Baptist Church recently when Miss Ann Cumbee was honored as the first Queen in Service in the Brunswick Baptist Association. The sanctuary of the church was filled for this occasion.—(Huntley Photo.)

## Coronation At Town Creek Is Very Impressive

Honors For Large Number Of Young People Who Have Been Active In G. A. Activities

A most impressive G. A. Coronation Service was held recently in the Town Creek Baptist Church.

The new sanctuary was filled with friends and visitors from the churches in the Brunswick Association. The six pews on each side were reserved for the parents and relatives of the host of children participating in this their very best presentation and coronation service. These pews were marked with white satin ribbons and the service was held by candle light.

B. J. Mills, Sr., deacon and music director, led in the singing while Mrs. Barbara Lanier played the piano accompaniment. Mrs. Lanier, Y. W. A. Director, with the assistance of her Y. W. A.'s, gave the special music and helped with the reception. Grady Barnes and Miss Barbara Sullivan also rendered special music.

Mrs. Jacobs and Mrs. Hooks had a presentation service for their 15 Sunbeams. Billy Lanier, R. A. Counselor, and his group of 14 R. A.'s also had a presentation service. Eleven of these boys are already Ambassadors, 1 Knight, and 2 new members.

"Following The Star" was the theme for the coronation. Mrs. LeRoy Hooks was the reader and (Continued On Page 4)

## Bond Election Is Slated Tuesday

Preparations Being Made To Attract Big Vote From Brunswick County Citizens

THREE IMPORTANT PROJECTS PENDING

Passage Of Bond Vote Will Provide Funds For Needed Improvements At Several State Institutions

Brunswick county citizens will go to the polls Tuesday along with voters throughout North Carolina to decide the fate of special bond issues totaling \$34,400,000.

Appearing on the ballot will be nine proposals, and there is a direct local interest in three of them. Each of the other six is considered to be of equal importance on the State level.

The eighth proposal is for the issuance of \$500,000 North Carolina State Port Bonds of the State of North Carolina to provide a contingency fund for the construction of port facilities at Southport.

The ninth proposal is for the issuance of \$250,000 Historical Sites Construction and Restoration Bonds, and of this amount \$20,000 will be used for improvements at Brunswick Town.

A third proposal which has a direct local interest is contained in the 5th provision, the issuance of \$100,000 State Armory Capital Improvement Bonds for the State of North Carolina. There is a feeling that approval of this bond issue will speed the construction of an armory building at Shalotte.

The bulk of the expenditures will be for needed improvements at State supported colleges and universities, and \$8,891,000 for these purposes is included in the first proposal.

The second largest amount is (Continued On Page Five)

## Bolivia Scene Of Methodist Meet

Brunswick County Sub-District Of Woman's Society Of Christian Service Met On Sunday Afternoon At Bethel

The Brunswick County sub-district of the Woman's Society of Christian Service held its fall meeting on Sunday afternoon at Bethel Methodist Church in Bolivia.

Mrs. R. H. McDougall, sub-district leader, presided over the meeting which was attended by representatives of various societies throughout the county.

Miss Fannie Burnett of Fifth Avenue Church in Wilmington was the speaker and she told of (Continued On Page Five)

## Annual Meeting Brunswick REA On October 30

The Liberty Warehouse In Whiteville Will Be Scene Of Annual Membership Meeting Of Co-Op Which Serves Two Counties

L. Y. BALLENTINE WILL BE SPEAKER

Full Program Of Information And Entertainment Has Been Planned For This Occasion

Plans are complete for the Annual Membership Meeting of the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation on Friday, October 30, at the Liberty Tobacco Warehouse in Whiteville.

This will be a half-day meeting with registration to start at noon. Every registered member will receive an attendance prize.

The guest speaker will be L. Y. Ballentine, who is recognized as one of the outstanding leaders in his field, and will have a message of importance and interest.

Ballentine is North Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture having been elected to this post in 1948 and re-elected in 1952 and again in 1956. He is a dairyman, farmer and businessman, and still lives on the same farm near Varrina, Wake county, where he was born, April 6, 1899. He was State Senator from the 13th State Senatorial District, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1941 and 1943; member of the State Board of Agriculture, 1941-1944. He was elected Lieutenant Governor in 1944. He is a member of the Grange and the Farm Bureau, and a charter member and director of the Agricultural Foundation of N. C. State College.

Grandpa Jones and his group will give a full half-hour entertainment from 1:00 to 1:30 p. m. and he will appear later in the program. These folks are professional entertainers of long experience and put on a good show.

There will be the business of reports by the officers and the election of directors for the coming year. This feature is the official reason for having an annual meeting and every member should make every effort to attend and keep informed of the progress and problems of his cooperative.

There will be many valuable prizes awarded during the course of the meeting.

## Young People Using Library

Records For First Three Months Of Southport Public Library In New Quarters Reveal This Trend

Figures for the first three months operation of the new Southport Public Library indicate that the children and young people of Southport are making good use of its facilities. From its opening on July 1 through September 30 more than 1,100 juvenile books had been circulated. Of this number 400 were non-fiction, proving that today's youth will read something other than fiction when given the opportunity.

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## 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, October 22,	
11:11 A. M.	5:00 A. M.
11:32 P. M.	5:37 P. M.
Friday, October 23,	
11:57 A. M.	5:46 A. M.
0:00 P. M.	6:26 P. M.
Saturday, October 24,	
0:24 A. M.	6:38 A. M.
12:49 P. M.	7:21 P. M.
Sunday, October 25,	
1:22 A. M.	7:38 A. M.
1:46 P. M.	8:19 P. M.
Monday, October 26,	
2:24 A. M.	8:40 A. M.
2:45 P. M.	9:16 P. M.
Tuesday, October 27,	
3:24 A. M.	9:42 A. M.
3:42 P. M.	10:11 P. M.
Wednesday, October 28,	
4:21 A. M.	10:40 A. M.
4:37 P. M.	11:03 P. M.

## Local Variety Show Turns Out Great Success

Enthusiastic Audience On Hand For Amateur Performance Friday Night In High School Auditorium

"The 59'ers", a musical revue compiled and written by Lew Hardee, Leila Pigott, Waters Thompson and Fory Howard, and directed by Lew Hardee, was presented to an enthusiastic audience crowding the Southport high school auditorium Friday night. The show, sponsored by the Southport Garden Club, proved to be one of the most popular in recent years.

The lively paced show began with the opening chorus, "You've Seen Us Before!", an amusing song concerning the plight of small town revues. The song was written especially for the show by Lew Hardee.

Gene Tomlinson, Lene Graham, Robert Thompson, Eleanor Potter and Gloria Stiller sang the title song in an hilarious skit concerning "A Typical Day in Southport." Dorothy Hardee and Rachel Rook entered as two Southport matrons determined to protect the hallowed oak trees of the town; Eunice Huntley passed by, or her way "to teach Mr. McEwen to water ski"; Susie Carson interviewed a "teenager," Elizabeth Harrelson; Jimmy Harper, James Wolfe and Foxy Howard delighted the audience with their portrayal of city crew members.

A men's quintet, Robert Thompson, Randolph Grant, Gene Tomlinson, Doshier Ruark and Jack Perkins, sang several numbers popular during the twenties. The audience howled as a women's chorus line dressed in authentic (Continued On Page 4)

## Secondary Road Numbers Posted

This Plan Being Carried Out In Every County Of North Carolina By State Highway Commission

SIGNS ERECTED IN THIS COUNTY

Neat Little Black And White Numbered Plates Help Locate Road Projects Or In Giving Directions

These little black and silver metal numbers that have been appearing on rural roads in Brunswick county during the past few weeks have meaning, and are a part of the numbering program recently undertaken by the Highway Commission.

Not only are these numbers handy for the location of road projects, but they provide a dependable way for giving directions, something that always has been uncertain in rural areas.

The State Highway Department reports good progress in its program of numbering secondary road facilities throughout the State. State Traffic Engineer Robert Burch says the license plate type signs have now appeared in each of the 14 highway divisions and the numbering system will be completely finished by the January target date.

Each road in the State's 58,000 mile secondary system will carry its own number and road signs showing the number will appear at each road intersection when the program is completed. It is estimated that some 250,000 signs, prepared by the State Prison (Continued On Page 4)

## Witchweed Is Found In County

The second infested witchweed farm for Brunswick county has been found near Longwood. The farm owner is John Russ. Witchweed was found in both his yard and across the road in a corn field. The first infested farm was found about a month ago. That farm belonged to B. C. Smith. The pest was treated by the U. S. Department of Agriculture with 2-4D and this particular crop is under control.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture will cooperate in a crop rotation plan next year. This rotation is designed to eliminate the witchweed plants.

## Two Physicians Leaving County

Dr. N. M. Hornstein Will Move To Knightdale And Dr. E. M. Graves Going To Toacca, Ga.

Brunswick county will lose two of its seven practicing physicians within the next two weeks, according to announcements received here this week.

Dr. N. M. Hornstein has announced that he will close his office (Continued On Page 4)

## TIME and TIDE

It was October 18, 1939, and the S. S. Lydonia was in Southport in connection with a Coast & Geodetic Survey exercise in this area. There was a vague report that week that hypnotists were at work in the county, lulling their victims so that larceny could be effected. Doshier Memorial Hospital had been officially recognized by the American College of Surgeons; it was nickle time on the waterfront, and particularly in the shrimp houses; and Talmadge Sellers had become a member of the glee club at Louisburg College.

The Southport Woman's Club was putting on a musical comedy in the high school auditorium the following week. The DeMillian cast would include a 110-voice chorus, and feature Jack Christian, John Shannon, Leila Hubbard and Evelyn Loughlin in starring roles. County fiddlers were due to meet in Bolivia in the near future for their more-or-less annual convention; Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McAuley had announced the birth of a son; and the Whiteville tobacco market was soon to close.

It was October 18, 1944, and Tom Hickman and dog had taken their season's limit of deer in one day. While Hickman shot his, the dog had caught the other deer and subdued him more or less single handedly. Commercial fishing operations on all fronts had sagged badly during the past week; all county schools were to hold Saturday classes through November; and new shoe stamps were coming out in November.

Claude Moore had reported good rockfishing near his home on Walden Creek, and had brought two 13-pounders to town to prove it; a sugar shortage in the area had ended; and Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott had announced that apples (Continued On Page Four)