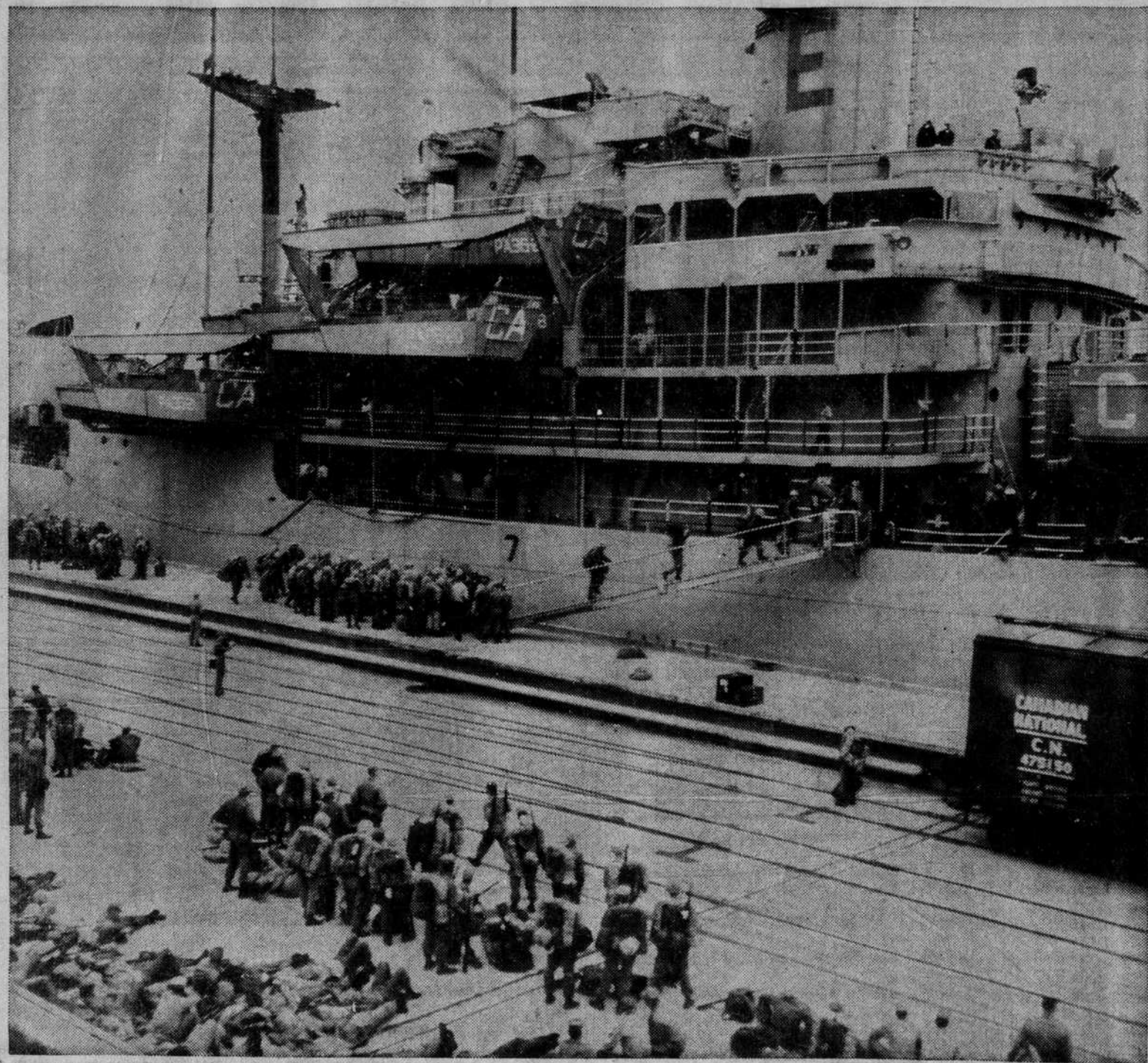


## Military Activities



MARINES—This is a scene of the loading operations that took place on Wednesday of last week at Sunny Point Army Terminal as 3,000 men of the 2nd Marine Division and their equipment went aboard eight navy vessels, all berthed at the docks

of this huge shipping installation. The men will participate in amphibious training exercises, now in progress in the Atlantic. This is the first time that facilities at Sunny Point have been used for troop loading.

## Social Security Payments Bring Cash Benefits

Residents Of Brunswick County Receive Checks Totalling \$714,000 Each Year From This Source

TEN BILLION IS PAID NATIONALLY

Payments Cover Old Age, Survivors And Disability Claims, According To District Manager

As of February, 1959, old-age, survivors, and disability insurance monthly benefits were being paid in Brunswick County at the rate of \$714,000 a year, according to Ernest F. Fitzpatrick, manager of the Wilmington social security district office.

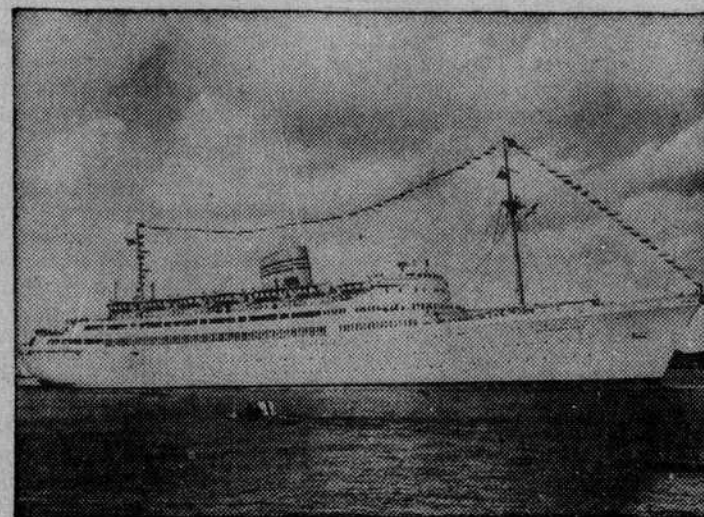
"This is an increase of approximately 41 per cent over the benefits per year being paid as of December 31, 1957, when statistics were last available," Fitzpatrick said.

Fitzpatrick stressed that while the benefits are intended primarily for the beneficiary's economic security, the payment of social security benefits at the rate of \$59,500 per month in Brunswick County helps business in the community generally because most of the money is spent immediately on food, clothing, and other necessities. "In February, social security benefits were being paid nationally at a rate of \$10 billion annually," Fitzpatrick added. "Payments to a retired worker with no dependents receiving benefits averaged \$67.50 a month nationally in February, and to a retired couple \$119.40 a month," he said. The average for a widow with two young children was \$165. The maximum payment for a family is \$254 per month.

In Brunswick County as of February 28, 1959, the date of

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## Beautiful Sight



PRETTY—This is the luxury liner M.S. Bergensfjord, which passed through the Southport harbor Friday following her return to Wilmington from a recent South Atlantic cruise. She presented a pretty sight for Southport citizens who watched her pass through the local harbor.

## Ballentine Has Advice On Farm Efficiency Plan

Commissioner Of Agriculture Is Principal Speaker Before Annual Membership Meeting Of Brunswick REA

MEETING IS HELD IN WHITEVILLE

Report Is Made To Members And Board Of Directors Elected For Next Year

L. Y. Ballentine, North Carolina commissioner of agriculture, stressed efficient farming to approximately 5,000 members of the Brunswick Electric Membership corporation at the annual stockholders meeting Friday at the Liberty warehouse, Whiteville.

Ballentine said, "To be able to compete in this new era of agriculture, it is necessary for the farmers to cut corners and find new and cheaper ways to produce their crops.

"Farmers on the west coast are producing goods and shipping them east and are able to sell for less than we in North Carolina. This means that they are producing at a lower cost than we are. To compete we are going to have to become more efficient.

Congressman Alton Lennon led the invocation and spoke briefly to the large crowd. In his remarks he said the Brunswick corporation had come a long way. He also applauded the many members on hand for the annual meeting for their interest and attendance in the meeting.

The affair opened at 1 o'clock with Grandpa Jones, a professional entertainer, singing and strumming a banjo. As he began, the 3,000 chairs were quickly filled and others milled along the side to get better vantage points.

Reports by committees indicate the corporation enjoyed one of its better periods of growth for the past year with installed meters rising to yearly 10,000.

The Brunswick group serves

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## Port Improvement Bonds Approved

### Handicapped Hen Fails In Flight

A marsh hen fluttered across the water, unable to take flight in much the same manner of a wounded bird. Tommy Bowmer hastily calculated it would be humane to end its suffering and cracked down with his gun.

Imagine his surprise when he discovered that the bird was hale and hearty. The trouble with the bird's flight stemmed from the fact that on some distant day its foot had strayed across the open jaws of a clam, which had clamped shut upon this appendage and was still hanging on like an anchor. Apparently this had not impaired the health of the host creature—just its ability to fly out of harm's way.

Seven Of Nine Proposals Involved In Statewide Special Bond Election Last Tuesday Approved By Voters

ALL MEASURES ARE APPROVED IN COUNTY

However, Two Proposals Which To Pass On State Level Affect Projects In Brunswick County

Official canvass of the Special Bond Election vote here Thursday revealed that Brunswick county citizens voted in favor of all nine issues, but on the State level two of these failed to pass. The two issues that were rejected by the voters at large were two ones providing for \$100,000 in matching funds for armory construction and \$250,000 for improvements at historic sites in North Carolina.

Brunswick county would have benefited from the passage of both these measures, since Shalotte has been approved as the site of an armory building, pending the availability of State matching funds for construction; and since the Brunswick Town project was to receive \$20,000 in construction funds.

Although it carried by the widest margin on the county level, the provision for \$500,000 for port improvement at Southport had a close brush with defeat throughout the State. It was in jeopardy until the official State canvass was made, and even then had the lowest number of favorable votes among the seven proposals which were approved.

Here in Brunswick, the proposition for funds for Educational Institutions had 492 votes for, 391 against; the proposal for funds for Mental Institutions had 535 votes for, 358 against; the third proposal, for Community

## Death Claims Prominent Man

Price Furples, Respected Citizen Of Southport, Died Tuesday Morning In Fayetteville

Price Furples, prominent Southport businessman and founder of the Amuzu theatre, died Tuesday morning at Whispering Pines Convalescent Nursing Home in Fayetteville. He was 90 years of age.

Mr. Furples was a former mayor of Southport, an office which he held for several terms. He was active in the business life of the community and for many years was a building contractor. He was an elder in Southport Presbyterian Church, a charter member of the Southport Lions Club and was a member of the board of directors for the Southport Savings & Loan Association. He was best known in Brunswick county as the founder and proprietor of the Amuzu theatre, which he opened in 1912 in partnership with the late Charles J. Gause. Later they divided this and other business in which they both were interested, and Mr. Furples became sole owner of the county's pioneer moving picture emporium.

He was married to the late Lilly Drew, who died in 1945, and the couple had two sons, James

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## Bookmobile Will Be Here Soon

Delivery Date Of Vehicle Changed From This Week To Approximately Nov. 10; Will Be In Use Soon

Delivery of the Brunswick county bookmobile, which was expected on November 1, has been delayed about two weeks. The bookmobile is now expected to arrive about November 10, and will go into operation shortly thereafter. This was announced at a meeting of the board of trustees of the library held on Monday night.

The board also gave consideration to reopening the Southport Public Library one night a week for the benefit of working people who are unable to use the library during the day. A survey will be conducted during the coming weeks to determine the day and hours preferred by the working people in the Southport area. Night hours will be put into effect as soon as the services of an assistant librarian can be secured. Efforts are now being made to find a suitable person interested in 50 hours per month employment as assistant librarian. Anyone with some knowledge of library work should contact the library.

When he called Chief Howard Monday to report the capture, Carlson thanked the local police

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## Capture Negro Wanted In City On Murder Count

Eddie Reese Arrested In Sumter, S. C., And Will Be Returned Here For Trial For Murder Of Clara Miller

Deputies from the office of Sheriff E. V. Leonard are awaiting extradition papers with which to bring back Eddie Reese from Sumter, S. C., to face trial for the murder of Clara Miller in Southport about two years ago.

Reese, who fled the area following the death of the Miller woman, was captured by members of the Federal Bureau of Investigation Sunday night on information furnished by Chief of Police James F. Howard to Special Agent Carlson of the Wilmington office.

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## Highway Forces List Road Work

Total Of \$393,468.42 Will Be Spent In Brunswick For Maintenance And Construction During Fiscal Year

SECONDARY ROAD PROJECTS LISTED  
Total Of \$123,325 Earmarked For Construction Work In This Category During The Year Of 1959-1960

According to figures released last week by the State Highway Commission, secondary roads in Brunswick county will have funds totaling \$373,468.42 spent on them during the current fiscal year. Of this amount, \$217,393 is from the 1959-60 roadway maintenance allocation; there is a balance of \$4,310 in roadway maintenance allocation from previous years; the 1959-60 bridge maintenance allocation is \$30,000; with a balance from previous bridge maintenance allocations amounting to \$20,965.33.

The 1959-60 construction allocation is \$120,800. Projects approved for construction amount to \$123,325, with the difference to come from 1958-59 funds held in reserve. The following projects have been approved for construction, with work having already been completed on several of them:

Grade and surface 8-mile at Long Beach, cost \$7,000; raise causeway at Ft. Caswell, \$325; stabilize 2.2-miles on Ocean Isle, a supplement to 1958-59 project, \$470; surface 2.4-miles of Civietown road; surface 3-mile of Stanbury; surface .71-mile, a street in the town of Shallotte, cost 3 projects \$18,630.

Grade and surface 2-mile of loop road at Village Point, \$5,500; grade and surface 3-mile of road at the school at Longwood, \$6,350; grade and pave 4-mile Baldwin Road at Leland, \$8,698; grade and pave 3-mile of road running to Elah church, \$6,352.

Stabilize 7-mile north one-half Ludlum road in Waccamaw township, \$6,000; stabilize Cedar Grove road in Lockwoods Folly, \$2,600; stabilize 1.1-mile Dan Caison road near Mill Creek, \$13,000; also .7-mile in same locality; stabilize 4-mile Snow Field road in Town Creek township, \$4,300; stabilize

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## 4-H Achievement Night Thursday

The County 4-H Achievement Day program will be held Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock in the Shallotte High School auditorium. 4-H club members are urged to attend and bring their parents. Award medals for the county winners in 4-H projects will be awarded at this meeting. Club members are also urged to bring exhibits to put on display. Exhibits winning blue ribbons will be eligible to be entered in the nine-county contest in Wilmington on November 13.

## Searching For Missing Seaman

Southport Yacht Basin Being Drugged For Body Of George Garring, Missing Since Monday Night

Search continued today for the body of George Garring, member of the crew of the yacht Tara, missing since Monday night when he was last seen at the Southport yacht basin.

Reports of various witnesses indicate that Garring had been ashore with Thomas A. Gray, member of the crew of the same vessel, and that the two had been drinking. Gray told Chief of Police James F. Howard that he had a vague memory of seeing Garring fall overboard as he attempted to board the Tara at the Southport Yacht Basin. He said that he had held of Garring's hand, but the latter slipped from his grasp. He reported that he then removed his clothing in preparation to attempt to rescue his shipmate, but that he was so sleepy that he went to sleep instead.

Later he was awakened by other members of the crew, who apparently did not believe his story about a missing man. Early Tuesday morning, with Garring missing from the boat, the alarm was

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## TIME and TIDE

By JIMMIE HARKER

It was November 1, 1939, and high school students throughout the county were working to clothe their basketball teams in new uniforms for the coming season. The story published the week before concerning the Venus Flytrap had been mimeographed and sent to most of the large northern dailies, with the result that many of these publications were now clamoring for pictures of the unusual plants. Hog cholera was running rampant in the county; at a Halloween party sponsored by the Eastern Star, Charlene Newton had copied top honors in the costume judging; and Marion Frink had pledged Lambda Delta sorority at Fassifern School for Girls.

Our editorial writer had commented favorably on the cage prospects for the county schools during the coming season, and had noted that for the first time all five schools would be served by indoor courts. The Coast Guard buoy tender Narcissus had been transferred to the Norfolk district of operations; D. I. Watson had been appointed assistant county auditor; and, according to a headline, "waterfoul" were on their way south.

It was November 1, 1944, and a 30-foot model of the USS North Carolina was pictured on page one that week. The model was on display at the State Museum in Raleigh. Harry Robinson, on a trip to Florida, had purchased a coconut, packaged it, and sent it to "Boll Weevil, Southport." Some mail clerk along the route had pencilled in "N. C.", and the package had been delivered to Skeeter Trotter, for whom it was intended. The Miller Hotel had come under new management, and was once again open for business; menhaden fishermen were preparing for the trek to the Carteret coast; and other local fishermen

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## Corner Stone To Be Laid Sunday For New Church

Ceremony Will Be Held At Morning Worship Service Hour; Hope To Be In Building Following Sunday

Everything is ready for the corner stone laying ceremony on the grounds of the new Methodist church at Yaupon Beach at 11 o'clock.

This eventful service will take the place of a regular morning hour of worship, and will be held in the open at the corner where the marker to be placed. The pastor, the Rev. L. D. Hayman, will be in charge of the program, and R. C. Grant will direct the music for the occasion. Others will share in the program by assisting in placing the marble slab in the corner at front of the church building, bearing the date of organization and the date of erection as a simple reminder these two events. No special invitations will be sent out, but everyone is cordially invited to attend this hour of worship and witness the laying of the corner stone.

The first worship inside the building is scheduled for Sunday, November 15 at 11 o'clock. These services on that day are being planned in a simple setting, but will mark the opening of the church for divine worship. This is the outstanding building enterprise of 1959 for the entire beach area, including Caswell, Long Beach, Tranquil Harbour development, and Yaupon Beach community.

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## Brief Bits Of NEWS

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

NCEA MEETING  
The Brunswick County NCEA will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Shallotte High School. Mrs. Inez Hollowell of Wilmington speech therapist for New Hanover County, will be the speaker.

## Lt. Lighton Is Going Overseas

Two-Year Tour Of Duty At Sunny Point Ends For Young Naval Officer; Will Serve In Mediterranean Area

Navy Lt. R. B. Lighton has received orders transferring him to the staff of a Destroyer Squadron now operating in the Mediterranean. Preliminary orders are for him to proceed to Norfolk, Va., where he will attend school until December 18.

Lt. Lighton has been on duty as the Navy representative at Sunny Point for the past two years. He has been relieved by Lt. (jg) Paul R. McVey, who recently returned from duty in the Pacific. During their residence here Lt. Lighton and his wife have been active in the affairs of the community, particularly at St. Phillips Episcopal Church, where they are members. Last summer Lt. Lighton had charge of the Southport midget league baseball team. He also played with the Southport baseball team this summer.

Lt. Lighton is a graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy with the class of 1951.

## 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, November 5,	
11:30 A. M.	4:57 A. M.
11:52 P. M.	5:44 P. M.
Friday, November 6,	
0:00 A. M.	5:56 A. M.
12:30 P. M.	6:43 P. M.
Saturday, November 7,	
0:54 A. M.	6:59 A. M.
1:31 P. M.	7:43 P. M.
Sunday, November 8,	
1:57 A. M.	8:03 A. M.
2:32 P. M.	8:42 P. M.
Monday, November 9,	
2:59 A. M.	9:07 A. M.
3:50 P. M.	9:37 P. M.
Tuesday, November 10,	
3:58 A. M.	10:06 A. M.
4:23 P. M.	10:28 P. M.
Wednesday, November 11,	
4:49 A. M.	10:58 A. M.
5:12 P. M.	11:17 P. M.