

Information On Farm Census To Prove Valuable

Figures Contained In Reports Are Confidential As They Apply To Individuals, But Provide Helpful Statistics

VARIED RESPONSES TO QUESTIONNAIRES

Some Questions Asked To Develop Facts Peculiar To This Immediate Section

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One of the most interesting and most beneficial projects of the decade, the 1959 farm census is rapidly coming to a close. Every farm resident and each of his area neighbors who does not live on a farm benefits from this periodical census-taking project in much the same measure as he contributes to the effectiveness of the census-taker's job by readily providing the information which is asked for on the questionnaires.

The farm census, taken every 5 years, is for counting purposes only, for county, state, and national totals. Census takers are sworn that the information is confidential. The facts collected for individual farms will never be given to any other department of the government, state or federal. The census information has nothing to do with taxes, law enforcement, or agricultural policies.

Farmers themselves, through their farm organizations, have participated in the decision of what questions are asked. Farm census data helps the farmer and those serving the farmer keep pace with the times in America's changing economy.

After completion next week, these questionnaires will be sent, with all others in the nation, to the tabulating office at Parsons, Kansas. There the newly gathered data will be processed to provide total figures for counties, states, and for the nation.

For example, during the 15 years from 1940 to 1955 the number of people living on farms decreased more than 3,000,000 while food production increased more than one-third.

The 1959 Census of Agriculture will provide measures of the changes that have taken place since the 1954 census.

Helpful changes in procedure and in content of the questions asked have been made for this census. Forms have been mailed to every farm operator in Brunswick and other counties, in order to inform the operators concerning the purpose and end result of the census, and to speed up the census-taking procedure.

Many farmers are filling out these forms, which the census taker calls for. In cases where the form is not finished, the census taker assists or fills it out with information provided by the operator or some member of the family or someone connected with that place who is qualified to

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Brief Bits Of NEWS

CHRISTMAS DANCE

The Southport Lions Club will sponsor a pre-Christmas dance on Saturday, December 19, from 8 until 12 o'clock.

VETERANS TO MEET

Brunswick County Barracks Number 1744, Veterans of World War Number 1, will meet in special session Sunday at 3 p. m. at the Anchor Hotel, Shallotte Point.

BROOMS AND CAKES

Members of the Southport Lions Club still have fruitcakes and brooms for sale, the proceeds to help with their sight conservation project. Those who want either a cake or a broom should contact Lion Ben Torrance.

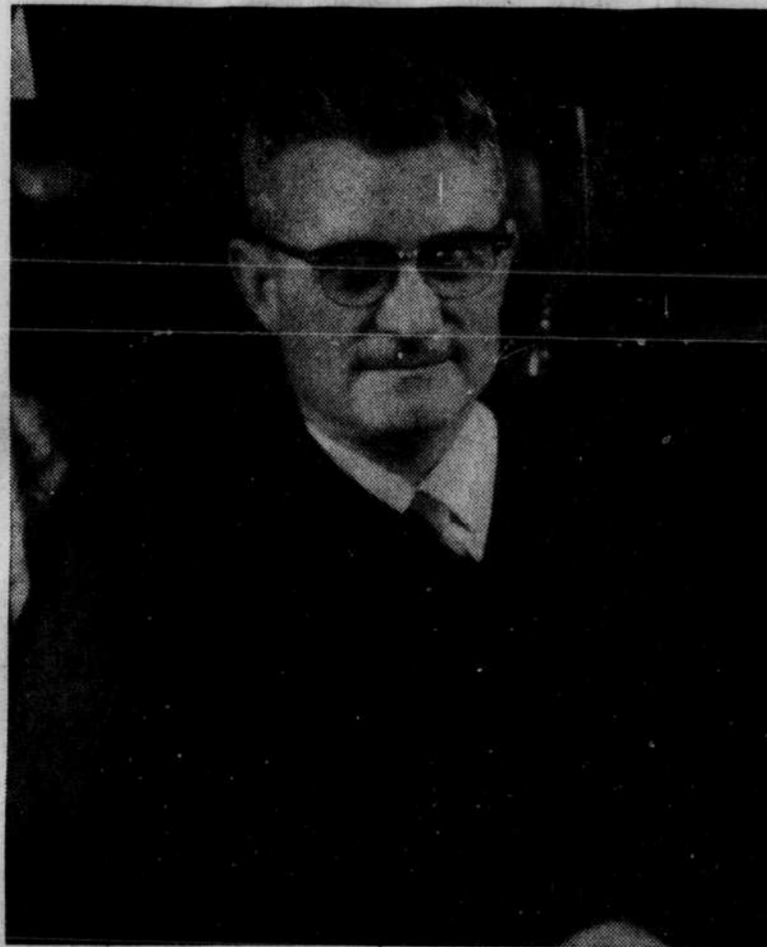
P. T. A. MEETING

The P. T. A. will meet on Thursday, December 17, at 7:30 o'clock at the high school auditorium. A program will be presented and a choir of grammar grade children will sing Christmas songs.

HERE THURSDAY

Congressman Alton A. Lennon will be in Southport tomorrow (Thursday) to talk to citizens pertaining to legislation in which they are interested. His hours will be from 9 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the afternoon. He spent Tuesday and Wednesday of this week visiting about the county.

Here This Week



PRESIDING—Judge Raymond Mallard is presiding over a two weeks special term of Superior Court for trial of civil cases. The session convened Monday and is expected to last through next week.

Escaped Prisoner Returned To Jail

Louis Faber Returned To Brunswick County Jail In Southport Less Than 48-Hours Following His Escape

CAPTURED OVER IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Sheriff E. V. Leonard Credits Cooperation Of Law Enforcement Officers Of This Area With Successful Efforts

Relentless pressure from a two-state manhunt had Louis Faber back in his cell in the Brunswick county jail Saturday less than two days after he had saved the bars of his door and gained his freedom.

He was captured by North and South Carolina officers in a neck of woods between Little River and Crescent Beach and failed to offer any resistance. He claimed that he had walked every step of the way from Southport to the point where he was recaptured, and his legs were badly cut by bushes and briars.

Faber is a white man who is being held here to face charges of breaking, entering and robbery. He has 15-years hanging over his head in California, where he is wanted for violation of parole, and he has other charges on his record, including auto theft.

This was a matter of general alarm when Deputy Sheriff H. G. Ratcliff discovered late last Thursday afternoon that Faber had escaped jail. The man was believed to be unarmed, and was known to be desperate. Sheriff E. V. Leonard immediately notified officers of all surrounding counties, enlisting the assistance of other law enforcement agencies.

Within two hours of the time his escape was made known, bloodhounds were in Southport and had been put to work on a

Free Seedlings Now Available

Agriculture Teachers And 4-H Club Leaders Can Help Boys Place Their Orders Now

North Carolina Pulp Company will again give free pine seedlings to 4-H and FHA boys in Eastern North Carolina during the planting season beginning in December and extending through January and February of next year, according to an announcement made this week. The area in which seedlings will be available is the general area in which the company buys wood and extends from the coast westward to and including Richmond, Montgomery, Randolph, Chatham, Durham, Franklin and Vance Counties.

The seedlings are given to the boys to encourage them to start planting idle land on their farms

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Stolen Auto And Truck Recovered

James Lee Clemmons of Southport is in jail unable to furnish the \$8,000 bond required following his arrest last Wednesday for stealing a truck from J. M. Parker & Sons at Supply and a new Ford automobile at the Russ-White Motor Sales at Shallotte. The arrest was made by Patrolman W. H. Morgan near Shallotte.

According to report, Clemmons first took the big delivery truck from the Supply store, removed some of the identifying characteristics of the body and had the sign painted out. But this type of conveyance didn't suit his style, so he went to the Ford place at Shallotte and managed to get hold of a set of keys for one of the new cars, then took off. His arrest came the following morning.

Highlights From History Feature Banquet Program

Southport Woman's Club Will Hold 50th Anniversary Dinner Tomorrow Evening At Community Building

Some of the highlights of the past fifty years in Southport will be presented in a series of skits which will feature in program for the 50th Anniversary Banquet of the Southport Woman's Club Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock in the Community Building.

More than one hundred guests will be present, including all except three of the living past presidents. Also expected to attend are two charter members of this organization.

Not only are members and former members of the club being invited to attend this event, but for this occasion the husbands have been invited. In fact, several of the men will participate in the program, among them Judge Rudolph I. Mintz and Mayor Roy Robinson.

The theme of the skits, and of the narration which accompanies their presentation, is the improvements that have been brought about in this community through the effort of the Woman's Club and its members.

Several of the characters who appear will be in costume, and this takes into full account the fact that many style changes have been effected during the past half-century.

Duplin County Club Is Winner

Oak Ridge Community Development Club Is First Place Winner In Contest Sponsored By SENCLAND Development Association

At Wilmington, Saturday morning, Oak Ridge of Duplin county was judged best overall club in the SENCLAND Development Association contest, with Penderlea of Pender county, second best and White Marsh third. Seagate of New Hanover best in youth work.

In presenting the awards, John Fox, Wilmington, first vice-president of the SENCLAND group,

TIME and TIDE

By JIMMIE HARPER

It was December 6, 1939, and one of the few new mothers ever to be pictured in The Pilot graced the front page that week. The 17-year old cow was a great-grandmother too. A bit of front page nature lore that week mentioned that the water turkey could probably swim for at least a mile submerged; a head line announced that "Mintz" had been chosen to head the county Jackson Day preparations, then failed to mention him again in the story; and Bremen Furless had purchased a pedigree Scottish shepherd.

The Sports Sherlock (by Watson) made its initial appearance that week, and had listed the All-American choices of that writer—all from the Big Four. The top hunting tale of the season appeared that week: Capt. H. T. Bowman had downed four black ducks with two shots; Tom Gilbert had spent the holidays in Washington, Dan Walker at home; and not only were the potatoes doing well on Bald Head, but Charley Mathewes was planning to enter some lettuce seed later in the week.

It was December 6, 1944, and Clyde Newton had topped Capt. Bowmer—SEVEN blackheads with only two shots. We hesitate to proceed with this writing. But Ellen Hinnant had become Mrs. Basil Watts; Orton had been featured on a recent calendar publication; and someone wanted a doll carriage for "a little girl whose grandmother can't find a new one."

Other duck hunters were also trying their luck, and our editorial writer noted that, while fair weather used to be the excuse for poor bags, these nimbros were of late blaming scarcity of shells. Virginia Thompson and Stacey Wade had become bride

Novel Ideas And Beauty Feature Holiday House

First Event Of Yuletide Observance In Southport Is Held Sunday Afternoon In Community Building

SOUTHPORT GARDEN CLUB WAS SPONSOR

Mrs. F. M. Burdette Was Chairman, But Had Cooperation Of Other Club Members

Lovely in every detail was the Holiday House held Sunday in the Community Building in Southport as a large and enthusiastic crowd viewed the many unusual and interesting Christmas ideas featured at this event.

Originality, beauty and cleverness set the pace for arrangements suitable for the holiday season. Mrs. F. M. Burdette was general chairman and was assisted by members of the Southport Garden Club.

The building was decorated with garlands of smilax and large bells with an arrangement in gold over the mantle. At one end of the room stood a beautiful green and gold Christmas tree, decorated by Mrs. J. M. Harper, Jr. Gaily wrapped packages were on a table nearby. These are to be given to residents of the boarding home.

The front door was lovely with magnolia leaves and clusters of white poinsettia leaves with a red ball in the center of each cluster. This was decorated by Mrs. E. C. Harrelson. All the doors were decorated and there was a table of attractive kitchen arrangements. The living and dining room table arrangements and the party tables were exquisite in color and design.

At the fire place a snowman made of moss stood as a friendly welcome to all. This was made by Mrs. Tom Gilbert. An unusual revolving Christmas tree made by Mr. Guy Garrett was an outstanding feature. The two Junior

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Lay-Up Basin To Be Abandoned

Word From Washington Is That Ships Gradually Will Be Withdrawn From Installation In Brunswick River

From information received this week from Washington it appears that the days are numbered for the National Defense Reserve Fleet located on Brunswick river in this county.

Also listed as expendable is the fleet site at Astoria, Washington. It is reported that there are 274 ships still moored in the lay-up basin, and plans for their removal are to stretch the operation out over a long period. There are more than 50 civilian employees, with several from this county.

The proposal was in report by the comptroller general on a review of the government's reserve fleet of some 2,100 merchant vessels built for use in World War II.

The report said that examination disclosed conditions which suggests serious doubt that many

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Given Recognition



HONORED—Brigadier General Charles F. Tank, Commanding General, U. S. Army Transportation Terminal Command, Atlantic, is shown presenting a Certificate of Achievement to Lieutenant Colonel William S. Norman, Commanding Officer, U. S. Army Transportation Terminal, Sunny Point, for exceptional meritorious service performed by Colonel Norman while assigned as Commanding Officer, Sunny Point Army Terminal, during the period from 23 September 1958 through 30 September, 1959.

Referendum Will Be Held Tuesday

Highway Men Here Tuesday

Brunswick county residents will have an opportunity next Tuesday to present their road problems to officials of the Third Division of the State Highway Commission at a public hearing to be held in the Community Building.

The hours of the hearing are from 2 to 4 o'clock. Division Engineer T. J. McKim will be in charge of the meeting, and will be accompanied to Southport by other highway officials.

Public Welfare Term Explained

Acting Supt. Points Out That Services Frequently Involve Something Besides Money

"The term 'Public Welfare' is generally thought of in terms of 'a check, or doling out money'. This is definitely not the purpose of the public welfare program in which there are three categories rendering financial assistance," said Miss Dorothy Swan, Acting Welfare Superintendent, this week.

Financial assistance in these categories is made possible through the aid of Federal, State and county funds.

"The main purpose of public welfare is trying to help every-one (in one way or another) keep or attain good health, happiness and prosperity," she continued. "Sometimes this does call for financial aid but just as many times or more this help does not involve financial aid but counseling, suggestions, referral to other agencies and many other types of services. Here are just a few of the services available through the Department of Public Welfare, all with the idea of helping others whether financial or otherwise: Financial assistance (Old Age Assistance; Aid to Dependent Children; Aid to the Permanently and totally disabled and Aid to the Blind); Child Welfare (boarding homes, foster homes, permanently adoptive homes, worker's permits for minors, psychological examinations, behavioral problems); work with adults (Boarding homes, mental ill, supervision of parolees, investigations for selective service) and many others.

"In the past twenty-two years," said Miss Swain "there have been numerous families helped financially through Aid to Dependent Children that has paid good dividends; making better citizens, raising the standard of living and keeping children in school long enough to give them the additional needed incentive to push on ahead. For example one ADC boy is now working with electronics (and important job and a well paying one); one has made a

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Farmers Will Vote On Continuation Of Cotton And Peanut Quotas In Election On December 15

LIST OF VOTING PLACES IS GIVEN

All Eligible Persons Urged To Participate In Election; List Of Pollholders Announced

Community referendum committees who will be responsible for conducting the cotton and peanut referendum throughout the county on December 15, have been announced by the Brunswick County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee. All members are farmers eligible to vote in the referendum and some of the referendum committeemen are also elected community committeemen.

Arrangements for the establishment of polling places in all of Brunswick county's 6 cotton-growing communities have been completed. Notices showing the date of the referendum, the rules governing eligibility to vote, and the location of polling places have been posted in conspicuous places in the county. Notices are also being mailed to each farmer who has a cotton or peanut acreage allotment, informing him of the place where he may vote in the referendum.

All persons who, as landlord, tenant, or sharecropper, engaged in the production of cotton or peanuts in 1959 are eligible to vote in the referendum. If there is any question about eligibility, farmers are asked to check with their county ASC office.

The community polling places and the referendum committee serving in the December 15 poll are as follows:

Lockwoods Folly—J. E. Kirby's Store, Marshall Roach, chairman; Continued On Page 4

Mistrial Ordered In Highway Case

Judge Raymond B. Mallard Takes This Action When Parties In Rourke vs N.C. State Highway Commission Failed To Define Differences

Judge Raymond Mallard withdrew a juror and declared a mistrial Tuesday morning in the suit being brought by L. C. Rourke of Shallotte against the N. C. State Highway Commission.

The reason for this action was the inability of counsel for the plaintiff and the defendant to agree upon the issues, with particular reference to the amount of land being acquired by the State as right-of-way for U. S. Highway No. 17.

Judge Mallard ordered that specific distances and measurements be provided before the case next comes to trial. The suit being brought by Dora Galloway against the Highway Commission was settled for \$250.

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Odell Williamson Is First Mayor Of Ocean Isle

Newly Elected Commissioners Of Brunswick County's Newest Incorporated Town Organized Friday

BOARD APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR

All Will Serve Until June, 1961, Following Preferential Vote And Appointment

The newly-elected commissioners of the Town of Ocean Isle Beach, Brunswick county's newest town, took their oath of office Friday night, December 4, and elected a mayor, pro-tem, and town clerk.

Clerk of Court Jack Brown administered the oath and presented each commissioner the New Testament upon which he swore to fulfill the duties of his office.

At the organizational meeting, which followed the swearing-in ceremony, the commissioners elected Odell Williamson of Shallotte as the town's first mayor. The new mayor is the developer of Ocean Isle, which was launched as a beach resort in the summer of 1953.

Named mayor pro-tem was Homer Johnston, a Charlotte real estate man, who is also developing property at Ocean Isle.

Selected for the post of town clerk was Mrs. Willa Rae Sloane, who with her husband operates the Ocean Isle Motel. Mr. and Mrs. Sloane and their three children are the only year-round residents of the beach.

The commissioners named the Waccamaw Bank & Trust Company of Shallotte as the depository for town funds. Ernest Parker, Southport attorney, was on hand to advise the commissioners on the legal aspects of their organization.

In addition to Williamson and Johnston the commissioners are Watt Huntley of Raleigh, N. E. Meggs of Clarkton, George Sloane of Ocean Isle, and W. T. Wimbush of Greensboro. The latter was unable to attend the Friday night meeting, but is planning to come to Southport this week to be sworn in. All the commissioners own cottages at Ocean Isle.

The new municipality was created by an act of the 1959 General Assembly, and its charter is patterned after those of other North Carolina beach resort towns. In a preferential election conducted by mail in October, twelve beach property owners offered for the six commissioner posts. About 300 ballots were

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Annual Report Reveals Activity

Figures Released From Brunswick County Sheriff's Department Shows Busy Year In Law Enforcement

Twenty-one stills were captured and destroyed, along with 783 gallons of liquor and 13,380 gallons of mash, by Sheriff E. V. Leonard and members of the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department during the past year, according to a report released this week.

A total of 14 operators were captured at the stills, and they paid fines totaling \$3,500. Five automobiles also were captured.

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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, December 10,	
4:19 A. M.	10:29 A. M.
4:39 P. M.	10:42 P. M.
Friday, December 11,	
5:07 A. M.	11:19 A. M.
5:26 P. M.	11:27 P. M.
Saturday, December 12,	
5:52 A. M.	0:00 A. M.
6:11 P. M.	12:05 P. M.
Sunday, December 13,	
6:34 A. M.	0:10 A. M.
6:53 P. M.	12:47 P. M.
Monday, December 14,	
7:13 A. M.	0:52 A. M.
7:32 P. M.	1:29 P. M.
Tuesday, December 15,	
7:51 A. M.	1:31 A. M.
8:09 P. M.	2:09 P. M.
Wednesday, December 16,	
8:26 A. M.	2:10 A. M.
8:44 P. M.	2:46 P. M.