

### Commencement In Progress In All Area Schools

Class Night Programs Are Being Held This Week, With Baccalaureate Sermons Either Over Or Slated Sunday

MONDAY IS LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Graduation Exercises Will Be Held Either Friday Night Or Monday As Closing Nears

Commencement exercises are in progress in Brunswick county this week, with all of them slated to adjourn for the term on Monday. At Southport the Rev. Lawrence Bridges delivered the baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning; the class night exercises are scheduled Thursday; and on Friday evening Davis C. Herring will deliver the commencement address.

At Bolivia the Rev. W. E. Pauley will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at 8 o'clock Sunday evening. Dr. Ralph Brimley of East Carolina College will deliver the commencement address on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. A piano recital featuring the students of Mrs. A. S. Knowles will be presented Friday evening.

At Shallotte eight grade graduation will be held Friday evening at 8 o'clock; the baccalaureate services will be Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the Rev. C. D. Brearley of Myrtle Beach as the minister; graduation exercises will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

At Leland Dr. R. Ainsley Barnwell of Wilmington will preach the baccalaureate sermon Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rabbi Samuel Friedman will deliver the graduation address on Monday evening.

The baccalaureate sermon at Waccamaw was delivered Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by the Rev. Harold Gore; class night will be held Thursday at 8 o'clock; and the graduation exercises will be held on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The speaker will be Dr. Ralph Brimley of East Carolina College.

### Brief Bits Of NEWS

**NEW AG BUILDING**  
The contract for the new agriculture building at Supply was let to C. C. Hewett of Shallotte and work is scheduled to begin this week.

**LIONS TO MEET**  
Members of the Southport Lions Club will meet tomorrow (Thursday) at 6:30 o'clock. A program sponsored by the Brunswick County Cancer Society will be presented.

**ATTENDS CONVENTION**  
Prince O'Brien, cashier of the Waccamaw Bank & Trust Co. in Southport attended the annual convention of the N. C. Bankers Association in Pinehurst last week.

**NEW VOTING PLACE**  
The polling place for precinct No. 2 in Southport has been moved to Frank's Lodge, located on Brown Street one-half block off Howe, near the city water tank.

**ELECT OFFICERS**  
Brunswick County Barracks Number 1744, Veterans World War I, USA, held a regular meeting and fish fry at Tar Landing Saturday. John H. Stephenson was elected commander and Crawford L. Rourke quartermaster.

**FAMILY REUNION**  
A family reunion was held Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Clark at Leland, the occasion being Mr. Clark's 73 birthday. All seven of the Clark children and members of their family were present. The children are L. P., Durwood T., C. F., Van and Mrs. Weldon Lynch of Leland; H. P. Clark of Whiteville; and W. L. Clark of Winnabow.

**REVIVAL SERVICES**  
Beginning Sunday night, May 22, and continuing through May 28 there will be a revival in progress at the Beulah Missionary Baptist Church one mile north of Hickman's Crossroads in Brunswick County. The guest speaker will be the Rev. George Langley. The public is cordially invited to attend. Services will begin each night at 7:45 o'clock. The pastor is the Rev. Elbert Sykes.

### Teacher Of Year



HONORED—Mrs. Madge Woods Smith, member of the Leland school faculty, has been selected "Teacher of the Year" in Brunswick county and represented this county in District competition in "Oscars For Teachers" project sponsored by the N. C. Federation of Woman's Clubs.

### Mrs. Smith Named Teacher Of Year

Member Of Leland Faculty Represented The Teaching Profession In Competition For Oscars For Teachers

HAS LONG RECORD OF TEACHING SERVICE

Her Years Of Teaching Include Total Of 18 As A Member Of Leland School Faculty

Mrs. Madge Woods Smith has been named "The Most Outstanding Teacher in Brunswick County in 1960" by the Southport Woman's Club. She was chosen from five nominees submitted by letter by the county school principals.

Mrs. Smith has taught in public schools for thirty-two years. Three years were spent at Acme-Delco School, nine years in Wilmington schools, two years in Monroe, and eighteen years at Leland as a sixth grade teacher. Her beginning salary was \$100 per month, which rose to \$133, then dropped to \$85 per month during the depression.

Born in Wilmington, she is a graduate of New Hanover High School and Elon College. She has attended summer school and done extension work with the University of North Carolina. Her favorite hobby, as she states it, is "training spirited little boys." Other hobbies include music and gardening. She states that one of the most rewarding aspects of a teaching career has been the opportunity to have as fellow teachers some of her former students. William McDonald, the son of Mrs. H. B. Strickland, was a coach at Leland. James Lewis, the son of the former Miss Lee McDowell, is now industrial arts teacher at Leland.

### Banquet Honors New Officials

New Officers Of Shallotte Junior Chamber Of Commerce Installed At Banquet Meeting

New officers were installed at a banquet held by the Shallotte Junior Chamber of Commerce Wednesday evening at the Ocean Isle Beach Restaurant. New officers are J. T. Clemmons, president; Dykes Hewett, vice-president; W. J. McLamb, secretary; Grover Holden, treasurer; Thurston Mintz, State director; Billy Gurganus and Gene Blair, local directors. The visiting speaker for this occasion was an outstanding Jaycee Houston Brisson, State Vice-President of the 13th district.

Other honored guests included Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey C. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Culpepper, and Raymond Bellamy. In his speech of acceptance President Clemmons said he hopes he can carry out the goal work that the club had started under outgoing president Thurston Mintz.

### Superior Court Criminal Docket Completed Here

Murder Charge Against Hardy Bell Is Dropped When Defendant Entered Plea Of Guilty Of Manslaughter

JUDGE R. I. MINTZ PRESIDING JURIST

First Time Brunswick Native Has Held Superior Court In His Home County

The May term of Brunswick county Superior court for trial of criminal cases came to a close today. The presiding jurist was Judge Rudolph I. Mintz, native of Brunswick county, who was holding court here for the first time since his appointment by Governor Luther H. Hodges last year.

The case involving the most serious charge was that of murder against Hardy Bell, young Longwood Negro. He entered a plea of guilty of manslaughter and this was accepted by the State. After hearing evidence, Judge Mintz sentenced Bell to serve from 10 to 12 years for the fatal knifing of Arthur Stanley.

Many of the other cases were of minor importance and in numerous instances the defendants entered a plea of nolo contendere or a plea of guilty. A report of the disposition of other cases will appear next week.

### First Goal For Armory Is Met

Office Of N. C. Adjutant General Advised That Necessary Funds For Sponsoring Project Are Available

E. N. Pearsall, chairman of the fund raising committee for the Brunswick County Armory reports that the deadline has been met and that the Adjutant General of the state has been notified that the funds are now on deposit with the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Co. of Shallotte in the amount of \$16,425.

Pearsall had nothing but praise for the public-minded citizens who tightened up their belt and gave so generously to this worthy cause. He said, "I did not meet a man who was against the project, and of every community could close ranks as ours has what a wonderful place we would have in which to live. It has been a pleasure to work with them this project."

The Adjutant General's department will proceed to Washington with the project to gain final approval before bids can be accepted. It is expected that the Adjutant General will begin to accept bids on or about the first of July and the contract for the building will be let by the first of September.

In the meantime the people must attack another project. The building site must be filled to the level of highway 17. This project presents no easy task although

### TIME and TIDE

The time was May 15, 1935, and the news was that a Cuban stovaway had jumped from a ship opposite Old Brunswick in the Cape Fear river and had swam ashore. A few hours later he had been captured by Brunswick county officers and was being held for immigration authorities. Members of the board of county commissioners had approved plans for renting the Hood Building for use as additional office space. The Peoples United Bank, forerunner of the Waccamaw Bank & Trust Co. in Southport, had received news of the removal of all restrictions by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

It was May 15, 1940, and a new method of communication had been tried out by a visiting upstate fisherman. The late Wiley Sholar of Greensboro had sent news of his fishing catch to his wife at home by way of carrier pigeon. S. B. Frink had been a member of a delegation that called on President Franklin D. Roosevelt to invite him to come to Southport on a fishing trip. This might well have been holy week in Southport, for revival services were in progress at three churches. Bingo, the famous Irish setter belonging to Mayor John D. Erikson, had passed on to the happy hunting grounds; Crawford Rourke had reported catching a snipe 35-miles offshore while fishing with Capt. Barkley Tomlin aboard the Maude and Bable; and there seemed to be a general feeling that the Flower Show held on the preceding Friday was the best in history, the climax having been reached at the dance which followed—

### Bolivia Girl Winner



WINNER—Hazel Robbins of Bolivia, third from right, is shown receiving a \$100 scholarship check for finishing first in the girls division of the fifth annual school bus rodeo held Friday in Whiteville. Miss Robbins will go to Chapel Hill later to compete for the state title and a chance for a \$500 scholarship to any college of her choice. J. Harris Campbell (right) is presenting the check for Home Finance Wilmington. D. N. Tucker (left) is presenting Charles Piner of Wilmington with a \$100 scholarship check for N. C. Chain Store, Council. Piner was the winner in the boys division.

### Bolivia Student District Winner In Bus Rodeo

Hazel Robbins Is Winner In Girls Division Of District School Bus Rodeo Competition

ADVANCES TO STATE FINALS LATER IN YEAR

Brunswick Girl Wins Cash Scholarship And Becomes Eligible For Further Honors

Hazel Robbins of Bolivia was named winner in the girls division of the fifth annual school bus rodeo held at the Columbus county bus garage, Whiteville, Friday. Charles Piner of New Hanover was declared winner in the boys division.

Both won the right to represent District 14 in the State contest later at Chapel Hill. The two winners received a \$100 cash scholarship to any school of their choice and also competition in the state contest will give them a chance to add a \$500 scholarship to their winnings.

Also the local district winners may receive a two-year scholarship to Wilmington college as presented by the college. District 14 encompasses Brunswick, Columbus, Fender and New Hanover counties and for the first time District 13, Bladen and Robeson counties, joined in to form a dual meet.

Approximately 48 drivers from the six counties participated in the contest that tested the skills of the students on paper as well as on the job driving.

The rodeo was supervised by Ollis D. Griffin, director of driving education and accident records division, department of motor vehicles, Raleigh. D. N. Tucker, representative of N. C. Chain store, Council, presented Piner with his \$100 scholarship.

### College Course Date Is Changed

Arrangements Being Made To Complete The County Course In Time For Students To Attend Summer School

The dates of the Brunswick County off-campus college courses have been changed in order to allow those who wish to attend the first term of summer school to complete this study before they leave for their summer session.

The first meeting of this course, Arts and Crafts 370G and Industrial Arts for Elementary Teachers 245, will be held on Tuesday, May 24, at 6:30 p. m. at Bolivia High School home economics department. This will be the first meeting and the location and time may be changed by the group present, providing the majority wishes to do so. The last meeting will be held on Friday, June 3.

This credit may be used toward raising a certificate, obtaining a degree, renewal of certificate or graduate credit toward obtaining a masters degree. "The success of this course, which will require a minimum of 23 students, will go far toward assuring other workshops and sources in our county," Supt. John G. Long said this week.

### Schools Praised In Report Made By Grand Jury

A Brunswick county grand jury which five months ago made an exhaustive and highly critical report of the schools of Brunswick county made a report to Judge Rudolph I. Mintz here this morning praising the board of education for their work in straightening out conditions at Leland and at other schools in the county.

The report of the jury also praised members of the board of county commissioners for the improvements that have been made at the Brunswick county jail, which also was criticized at considerable length in the January report.

Members of the jury apparently were making a diligent search into the policy followed in making purchases for the county, for on Tuesday they came into court and asked Judge Mintz for an interpretation of the law governing the matter of a member or members of the board selling to or doing business with the county while serving as a member of that body.

In their report today members of the jury included the statement that the court had instructed them that there would be no violation involved if a member, or members, of the board of commissioners

### Prevatte Named Party Chairman

Chairman

Southport Attorney Elected Chairman Of Brunswick County Democratic Executive Committee Saturday

SUCCEEDS KIRBY SULLIVAN AS HEAD

Harmony Was In Evidence Throughout Meeting At Bolivia, With Candidates In Evidence

E. J. Prevatte, Southport attorney, was elected chairman of the Brunswick County Democratic Executive Committee Saturday prior to the Convention of Brunswick County Democrats in the Bolivia high school auditorium.

He succeeds Kirby Sullivan in this position. Senator S. Bunn Frink made a motion that outgoing chairman Sullivan be given a vote of appreciation, and Ernest Parker moved that Sullivan be given a rising vote of thanks for his good services. This carried unanimously.

There was further unanimous action upon the motion that all Democrats in good standing go as delegates to the State Convention in Raleigh this week.

Only a brief period was devoted to business then candidates for county offices and representatives of candidates for state offices were given an opportunity to speak.

James C. Bowman spoke for Claude Philpot, candidate for Lieutenant Governor, Addison Hewlett, candidate for U. S. Senate, and Malcolm Seawell for Governor.

A. H. Gainey, Jr., spoke in behalf of the candidacy of Dr. I. Beverly Lake; and Ernest E. Parker spoke for Terry Sanford. During the talks by local candidates, some spoke briefly and

### "May Frolics" Presented Here

Delightful Evening's Entertainment Presented Under Auspices Of Local PTA

On Friday evening a delightful program of songs and dances was presented in the high school auditorium by the dancing school students and sponsored by the Southport Parent-Teachers Association under the direction of Mrs. Ed Harrelson, Mrs. Fred Burdette, Mrs. J. T. Barnes, Mrs. J. T. Bowman, Mrs. Allen Graham, Mrs. Dallas Pigott and Mrs. J. B. Warth.

### Benefit Dance In Cancer Drive

Plans Announced For Holding Dance At Community Building On May 21

The Brunswick County Unit of the American Cancer Society is sponsoring a Benefit Dance on Saturday, May 21, at Community Building. The proceeds of the dance will be added to the Cancer Crusade funds.

Dr. Fred Self of Tranquil Harbour, crusade chairman, has appointed several committees to complete arrangements for this affair. The Mid-Nighters of Southport will provide the music. This combination has become quite a favorite as a result of their recent appearances in this area. There will be door prizes donated by merchants and interested sponsors. Refreshments will be available. "This is an opportunity to have a fine evening of fun and relaxation while you support your Cancer Society," Dr. Self said this week.

### 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, May 19,  |             |
| 2:57 A. M.         | 9:10 A. M.  |
| 3:25 P. M.         | 9:40 P. M.  |
| Friday, May 20,    |             |
| 3:57 A. M.         | 10:03 A. M. |
| 4:24 P. M.         | 10:37 P. M. |
| Saturday, May 21,  |             |
| 4:45 A. M.         | 10:53 A. M. |
| 5:15 P. M.         | 11:29 P. M. |
| Sunday, May 22,    |             |
| 5:37 A. M.         | 11:39 A. M. |
| 6:02 P. M.         | .....       |
| Monday, May 23,    |             |
| 6:22 A. M.         | 0:17 A. M.  |
| 6:45 P. M.         | 12:22 P. M. |
| Tuesday, May 24,   |             |
| 7:06 A. M.         | 1:00 A. M.  |
| 7:25 P. M.         | 1:04 P. M.  |
| Wednesday, May 25, |             |
| 7:46 A. M.         | 1:42 A. M.  |
| 8:03 P. M.         | 1:44 P. M.  |