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Test Students For Eligibility For Scholarship

National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test Taken Saturday By Seven Southport High School Juniors

Seven students in the Junior Class at Southport High School took the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test on Saturday and these students will be considered for Merit Scholarships to be awarded in 1962.

The qualifying test is a three-hour examination of educational development. The test is the first step in the seventh annual competition for four-year Merit Scholarships provided by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation and by sponsoring corporations, foundations, associations and individuals.

The number of scholarships awarded in any year depends upon the extent of sponsor participation. In 1960, 831 scholarships were awarded; 514 were provided by 115 sponsors and 317 by the Merit Corporation. There are 3,132 Merit Scholars attending 391 colleges in the current academic year.

The scores of students who took the test on March will be reported to their schools before the end of the spring semester in time for use by class advisers. The scores are used in many high schools to help students make decisions about college attendance and field of study. Some students who do not expect to win a scholarship took the test in order to learn more about their individual strengths and weaknesses in the areas measured by the test.

Some 10,000 semifinalists, the highest scorers in each state, will be named early next fall. Names of semifinalists are published in a booklet which is distributed to all colleges and to other sources of financial aid for undergraduates. Further, their names and test scores are sent on cards to the colleges they express an interest in attending as their first or second choices. The order of preference is not shown.

Each semifinalist will be asked to take a second examination. Those who repeat their high performance will become finalists in the Merit Program. Winners of Merit Scholarships will be selected from the finalist group on the basis of school records and recommendations, test scores, extracurricular activities, leadership ability, and accomplishments outside the classroom. Each finalist is awarded a certificate of merit attesting to his outstanding performance.

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Brief Bits Of NEWS

BENEFIT BAKE SALE

The Women of St. Phillip's Episcopal Church will have a bake sale on Saturday, March 25.

SMORGASBORD SUPPER

The Woman's Society of Trinity Methodist Church will have a smorgasbord next Thursday, March 23, at the church.

CHURCH STUDY

A special study course "The Stumbling Block", will be commenced at Trinity Methodist Church Sunday evening and will be led by the pastor, the Rev. Lawrence Bridges.

BENEFIT BARBECUE

There will be a barbecue supper at the County Office Building in Supply Friday, March 17, from 5 to 9 p. m. This supper is being sponsored by the Supply Home Demonstration club to raise money to buy a piano for the building.

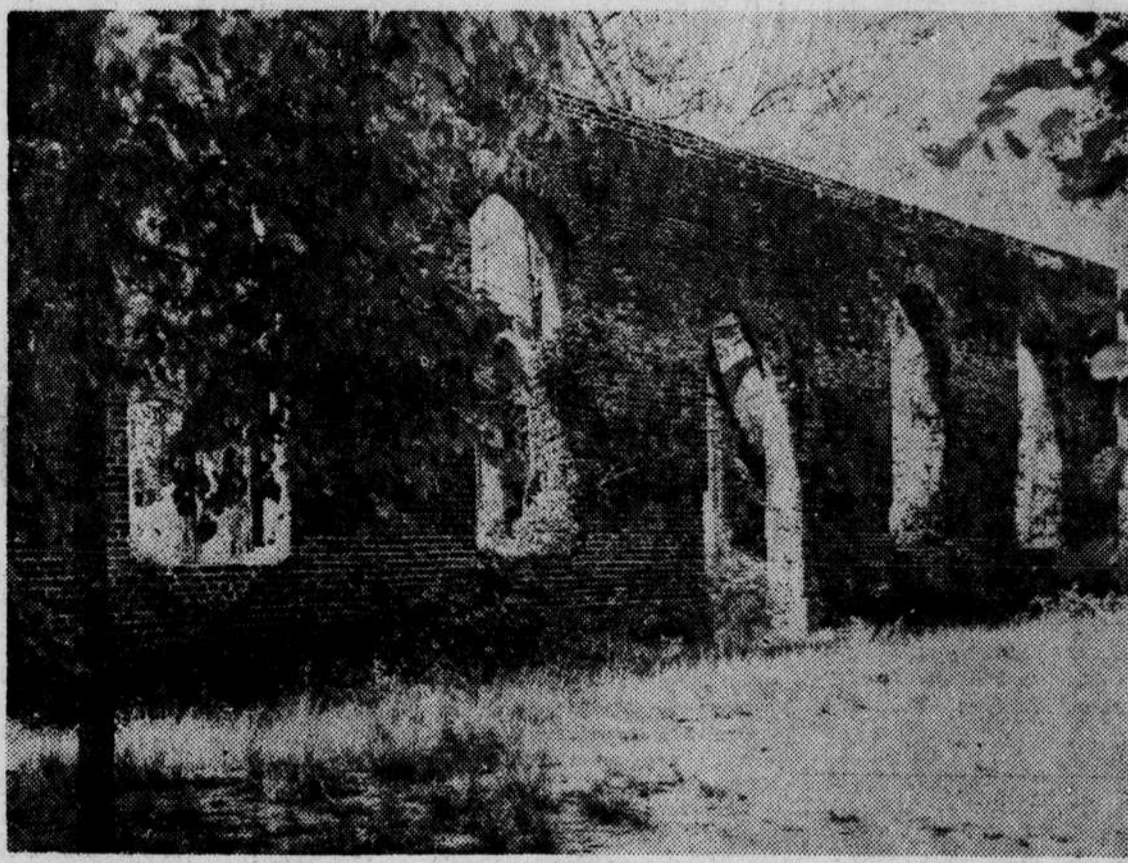
VARIETY SHOW

A St. Patrick's Day Variety Show will be held in the Southport High School auditorium on Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. This will be in place of the annual Valentine Day program and will have students of all grades as participants.

REVIVAL SERVICES

There will be a series of revival services at Boones Neck Baptist Church, 4 miles south of Holden Beach, beginning March 19 and continuing through March 25, at 7:30 o'clock each evening. The pastor, the Rev. L. W. McKeithan, invites the public to attend. Evangelist Eugene Gaskin of Elizabethtown will be the guest speaker.

Scene Of Services



SERVICES—Old St. Phillips Church at Brunswick Town will be the scene of religious services on Sunday during the weekend of the forthcoming Alazea Festival. This event is expected to attract hundreds of additional visitors to this historic site.

Berserk Woman Kills Daughter-In-Law Sunday

Gerthel Frink Dies At Doshier Memorial Hospital Following Attack By Hattie Mae McMillan Clark

Gerthel Frink, young Southport Negro woman, died at noon Sunday at Doshier Memorial Hospital after being hacked to pieces by an axe wielded by her mother-in-law, Hattie Mae McMillan Clark.

The McMillan woman is a former patient at the Mental Hospital in Goldsboro, from which she was paroled in May 1960. Reports of the Sunday morning killing are that she apparently went berserk, and that following this outburst of violence she has been in a dazed condition and contends that she remembers nothing about the incident.

The attack was witnessed by James McMillan, father of the Clark woman. He told law enforcement officer that he heard screaming, and that when he looked out Gerthel Frink was running from a house next door trying to get away from Hattie Mae Clark, who was coming after her with an axe, McMillan told officers that when the Frink woman tried to open a gate she was unable to do so, and that was when her mother-in-law got within striking distance she hit her a blow across the head or neck with the axe.

When her victim fell to the ground the older woman continued to strike her with the axe until she was restrained, McMillan said.

Deputy Sheriff H. G. Ratcliff was called to the scene, and when he arrived he found Policeman Sammy Rees there. They took the Clark woman into custody and the Frink woman was sent to the hospital, where she died a short time later.

The Clark woman is being held on a murder warrant and is in the Brunswick county jail.

Funeral services for the Frink woman will be tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon. She is the wife of Richard Frink, and one of the fears of hystranders during the commotion was that the Clark woman might kill the 2-year old child of the Frinks' which was locked in the house with her.

Leland P.-T.A. Holds Session

The Leland P.T.A. held its regular monthly meeting on Monday of last week, with James Thompson presiding.

He introduced the Rev. Randolph Graham who led the devotional by reading a passage from the book of Isaiah and closed with prayer.

Mrs. Crumpler, treasurer, gave her report, with a balance of \$794.89.

St. Phillips Will Be Scene Of Rites

The Rev. Thomas C. Clark, Rev. Rector Of St. Phillips Episcopal Church In Southport Tells Of Plans For The Azalea Festival Weekend

Commemoration services at the ruins of historic St. Phillip's Church will climax the 1961 North Carolina Azalea Festival program.

The services will be held on Sunday, April 9 at the site of the colonial church near Orton Plantation in nearby Brunswick County. At 11 a. m. there will be celebration of Holy Communion (Episcopal) by the Rev. Thomas S. Clarkson of Southport. From 3:30 to 4:30 p. m. there will be a general service of commemoration of the early settlement. Music for the service will be provided by the 2nd Marine Division Band and Chorus from Camp Lejeune. The band also will present a concert from 4:30 to 5 p. m. The principal speaker for the afternoon service will be announced later.

Of the many historic buildings attracting tourists and visitors to the Wilmington area, the ruins of St. Phillip's Church are one of the most appealing. The massive walls remain to remind visitors that here stood one of the most handsome churches in all the American Colonies.

Rev. Clarkson, a descendant of Col. Maurice Moore who laid out the town of Brunswick in 1725, is chairman of the committee on arrangements for the two special services.

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Referendum On Cattle Slated

Growers In Brunswick Will Have An Opportunity To Vote On Continuation Of Assessment Plan

Dimes are creating new demands for Tarheel beef.

According to James O. Bellamy, Chairman of the Brunswick County Cattle for Slaughter Referendum Committee, beef consumption has increased from 80 pounds to 83.4 pounds per person in North Carolina during the last three years.

The dimes have been collected for the N. C. Cattlemen's Association under an assessment program whereby farmers contribute 10c per head on all cattle sold for slaughter that bring more than \$20.00 per head to promote North Carolina beef and beef products.

Through the N. C. Cattlemen's Association, funds collected from the assessments have been used to improve and increase production, consumption and aid in marketing of North Carolina beef and beef products. Chairman Bellamy says promotional efforts during the last three year period were carried on in 21 different ways. Newspapers, radio and T. V. as well as direct contact at all levels of the beef industry from produc-

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MAJ. GEN. HOUSEMAN

Houseman Will Visit In Area

Brig. Gen. Evan M. Houseman Will Make Two Visits To This Section Within Next Few Weeks

One of the old friends of this area, Maj. Gen. Evan M. Houseman, is scheduled for a one-day visit to the Cape Fear scene next week and for an extended assignment next May.

General Houseman will come to Wilmington Tuesday to conduct a workshop concerning plans for the National Security Seminar to be Continued On Page 4

TIME and TIDE

Fire had destroyed the two story brick Loughlin building located on the corner of Moore and Howe Streets in Southport in the early hours of Tuesday morning prior to the publication of our edition for March 18, 1936. The death of John Wescott, last Brunswick county survivor of the Confederate army, was also reported that day.

A Federal appropriation had been approved for marking wrecks on the coast of Brunswick as a protection for shippers; Sam J. Frink had been appointed a member of the board of county commissioners to succeed Kelly Milliken; and a group of Southport citizens had put up money for the purchase of the old Southport High School building in Franklin Park in order that this structure could be remodeled into a community building.

The Pilot for March 19, 1941, had a front page picture with the caption "Running Water" and it showed a boy drinking from the overflow pipe of an artesian well. An invitation had been extended to movie star Randolph Scott to attend the forthcoming reunion of his old Coast Artillery unit of which he was a member when he was at Fort Caswell. There had been a 1-inch snowfall the previous Thursday at several points in Brunswick.

Bolivia girls, led by Catherine Stone, had won the Star-News Basketball Tournament; heart diseases had been branded as North Carolina's No. 1 killer even that long ago; and the pear trees had braved the cold snap and were blooming.

J. J. Loughlin, Jr. is the only surviving member of the Brunswick County Board of Deputies. Continued On Page 4

First Steps In Organizing Golf Club In County

The Developers Of Boiling Spring Lakes Have Made Offer Of Land And Financial Assistance

About two hundred persons, most of them from this immediate area, attended a smorgasbord dinner Monday evening at the Southport Lions Club Building with the developers of Boiling Springs Lakes as hosts.

Harold Greene, newly appointed sales manager for the developers of the new residential subdivision, served as master of ceremonies. First he introduced Representative S. Bunn Frink, who declared that it is his opinion that Brunswick county needs a country club and a golf course to round out its recreational facilities.

Kirby Sullivan, Southport attorney who has helped with the planning of this project, then had a few words of explanation regarding this phase of the development.

Next came Henry Von Ossen, engineer in charge of the over-all layout at Boiling Spring Lakes. He indicated that he thinks that the facilities of a clubhouse and golf course are needed to round out the needs for this growing community.

Greene then explained an offer being made by the developers in an effort to develop the country club and golf club as local projects. He said that his people not only will give the land, but will make a financial contribution toward the project. Greene said that the goal is to obtain 150 local members, and during the course of the evening he received applications from 20 persons.

Rabies Control Makes Progress

Health Department Officials Ask Cooperation In Helping Stamp Out Disease

During the year 1960 there were 19 laboratory confirmed cases of animal rabies in North Carolina. E. R. Jones, sanitarian with the Brunswick County Health Department, said this week. This is the lowest number ever recorded in this State.

"There were no laboratory confirmed cases of rabies in Brunswick County in 1960," Jones stated. "However, there were eight cases in one of the adjoining counties which chiefly involved wildlife, particularly the fox. To keep Brunswick County free of this dreaded disease, it is most important to control stray dogs and carry on an effective immunization program among the dog population."

During the month of March the Brunswick County Health Department is conducting a rabies vaccination program. Dog owners may have their animals vaccinated at one of the many clinics for one dollar. Those who wait until the campaign is over will have to pay an added fee to get his animal vaccinated.

"There will be a thorough campaign Continued On Page 2

Shallotte Girl Wins Miss Brunswick Title

Miss Brunswick County



WINNER—Carol Lane Hewett, Shallotte High School senior, was crowned Miss Brunswick County at the conclusion of the Jaycee Pageant Saturday evening at Shallotte High School auditorium.

Miss Carol Lane Hewett Is Winner In Finals Of Jaycee-Sponsored Event Saturday Evening

Carol Lane Hewett, pretty Shallotte High School senior, was crowned Miss Brunswick County Saturday night at the climax of the pageant held at Shallotte under the auspices of the Jaycees of that town.

Miss Brunswick County won her title after first winning the crown as Miss Shallotte in competition with 10 other contestants for this honor. Her victory Saturday night came over four other winners in local pageants, with each of the five Brunswick county school districts being represented.

The winner is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Hewett of Supply. She is one of five children, and when the program was concluded a happy family reunion took place right there on the stage.

Competing in the three required categories, the Shallotte girl made a particularly strong showing in the talent division where she sang a semi-classical number. Singing is a favorite hobby with her, for she is a member of the Shallotte Sextet, a musical group which was reduced to the status of a quintet for a special performance during the pageant program.

First runner-up in the Saturday night finals was Cheryl Rogers, Miss Southport, who sang "There Is Nothing Like A Dame" in her talent number. She is a senior at Southport High School and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rogers.

Second runner-up was Hilda King, Miss Waccamaw. She has had two years at East Carolina and currently is employed in Greensboro as a legal stenographer. She graduated from Waccamaw High School and is the daughter of Mrs. Dorothy King and of the late Elroy King.

The third runner-up was Delores Hufham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hufham of Bolivia. She won the title of Miss Bolivia in the first preliminary contest of the year. She is a blue-eyed, redhead and did a vocal number in the talent division.

The fourth runner-up was Elizabeth Ann Johnson, Miss Leland. She is a high school senior and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Johnson. In her talent category she did a comedy skit, "The First Breakfast."

This is the first year that a pageant has been held in Brunswick county and Miss Hewett thus becomes the first representative from this county in the Miss North Carolina Pageant. That event will be held in Greensboro next summer under the auspices of the Guildford College Jaycees.

The plan followed in this county this year was to give every eligible girl a chance at the title. This was accomplished through the five preliminary pageants held in each of the five consolidated school districts. The Shallotte Jaycees had cooperation of citizens throughout the county, particularly from school personnel.

Few events in recent years have attracted more interest, and capacity audiences attended each of the preliminary events. Special seating arrangements at Shallotte made it possible to seat the largest audience ever present in that auditorium.

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Aldermen Take Election Action

Shallotte Sextet Sings Saturday

The Shallotte Sextet, vocal group which made such a big hit Saturday night with the audience attending the Miss Brunswick County Pageant at Shallotte, will appear on the program at the Teen-Age Princess Pageant in Wilmington Saturday night.

Members of the sextet are Carol Lane Hewett, who was crowned Miss Brunswick County Saturday night; Hannah Frink, Charlen Platt, Dora Hewett, Julia Gray and Toy Lane Hewett. Mrs. David Carmichael is the director and Mrs. Harlee Hewett is accompanist.

Two Registrars Named In Anticipation Of Passage Of Legislation Governing Ward Arrangement

The Southport city election will be held on May 2, and candidates for mayor and for the vacancies to be filled on the board of aldermen may file during the period from April 10-22.

This matter was discussed at the regular meeting of the board of aldermen Thursday night. Registration books will be opened on April 1, and on the assumption that there will be a bill passed by the legislature in time to govern the forthcoming election, provision is being made to vote in two wards, Mrs. Velma Ward and Miss Annie St. George have been designated as registrars.

A discussion was held regarding financial assistance being asked by members of the board of trustees of Doshier Memorial Hospital from the city and from the county. Figures covering these needs will be taken before the commissioners for a discussion of the matter.

Mrs. Phil King, librarian in charge of the Southport Public Library, reported that during the month of February more than 3,000 books had been circulated.

Ocean Isle To Hold Election

Candidates For Office Must File Prior To April 1st Deadline; Both Residents And Property Owners Eligible

Candidates for the office of town commissioner of Ocean Isle Beach must file with the town clerk by April 1, it was determined by the commissioners at their last meeting.

With Mayor Odell Williamson presiding, the commissioners outlined the preferential election procedure as prescribed by the town charter, which was granted by the 1959 General Assembly. Qualified voters, including both legal residents and property owners, will receive ballots through the mail by April 15. The completed ballots must be returned by May 2.

Counting of the ballots will be under the supervision of the Brunswick County board of elections. The returns will be certified to Governor Terry Sanford, who under the provisions of the town charter will appoint the six can-

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Tour Of Homes Being Planned

This Will Be Project Of Woodbine Garden Club On Sunday During Weekend Of Azalea Festival

The Woodbine Garden Club of Southport has announced that there will be a Home and Garden Tour in Southport on Sunday, April 9, from 12:30 until 5:30 p. m.

An Art Show at Franklin Park is scheduled as an added attraction to this tour.

A number of homes in Southport will be opened on this date and several gardens and a church will also be featured.

Admission to the homes and (Continued On Page 2)

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	Thursday, March 16	Low Tide
7:32 A. M.	1:27 A. M.	
7:51 P. M.	1:54 P. M.	
Friday, March 17		
8:22 A. M.	2:14 A. M.	
8:40 P. M.	2:41 P. M.	
Saturday, March 18		
9:09 A. M.	3:04 A. M.	
9:27 P. M.	3:27 P. M.	
Sunday, March 19		
9:56 A. M.	3:51 A. M.	
10:14 P. M.	4:12 P. M.	
Monday, March 20		
10:42 A. M.	4:38 A. M.	
11:01 P. M.	4:55 P. M.	
Tuesday, March 21		
11:29 A. M.	5:26 A. M.	
11:48 P. M.	5:42 P. M.	
Wednesday, March 22		
12:17 A. M.	6:15 A. M.	
	6:30 P. M.	