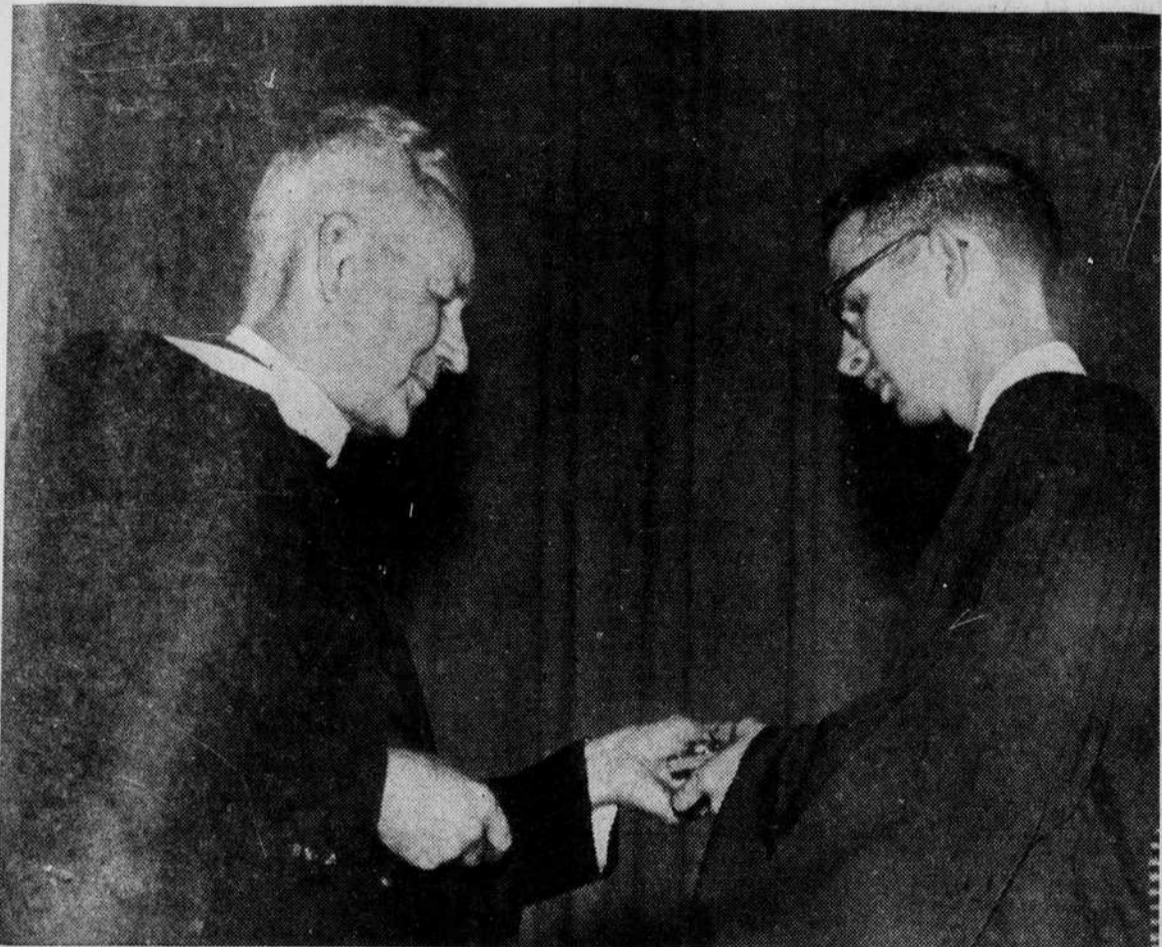


Wins Coveted Award



HONOR—Bobby Charles Raynor, right, of Leland, received the Hoggard Medal during graduation exercises at Wilmington Junior College Monday evening. The presentation of this highly coveted award, which is for outstanding achievement, is being made by the Rev. Mortimer Glover of Wilmington.

Shrimp Season In State Water Opens Monday

Season For Commercial Operations In Inland Areas Open Week Later Than Last Year

The season for taking shrimp from State-controlled waters will open at 12:01 a. m. on Monday, May 29. Conservation and Development Director Hargrove Bowles, Jr., announced this week.

Bowles said the 1961 shrimp season is being opened on recommendations of State Fisheries Commissioner C. G. Holland and Dr. A. F. Chestnut, director, Institute of Fisheries Research, Morehead City.

The 1961 season is being opened a week later than last year when it began on May 23.

Bowles emphasized that the taking of shrimp from State-controlled waters will be subject to regulations previously adopted by the State Board of Conservation and Development and statutory laws regarding the catching of shrimp in the counties of New Hanover, Pender, and Brunswick.

These regulations prohibit the taking of shrimp between midnight Saturday until midnight Sunday throughout the year.

The special law enacted in 1959 by the General Assembly relating to taking of shrimp in New Hanover, Pender and Brunswick counties permits their catching for personal or family use at any time except from polluted areas so designated by the State Board of Health and except from areas closed by the Board of Conservation and Development. This law also applies to fish and clams.

Persons taking shrimp, clams and fish from the waters of these three counties for personal use, and then offering them for sale will under the law, be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction fined \$50 or imprisoned for 30 days.

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Winner



Mrs. Norman Hornstein is shown holding the Ethel Parker Cup which she won with the oil painting in the background at the North Carolina Federation Convention in Pinehurst last week. The award is made each year to the best oil painting other than portrait submitted by a club member.

Southport Lady Art Winner In State Contest

Mrs. N. Hornstein Wins Cup In Competition Sponsored By N. C. Federation Of Women's Clubs

Recognition came to the Southport Woman's Club during this past week when Mrs. Norman Hornstein won the Ethel Parker Cup in the Annual Art Competition sponsored by the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.

The cup was for the best oil painting other than portrait by a woman's club member. The painting was entitled "Midnight Express" and presented a nature scene.

In addition to this cup, Mrs. Hornstein won third place in the graphic arts division for her charcoal sketch "Study of Troye".

These were two of the several divisions in which there was competition from artists from many sections of North Carolina.

Mrs. Hornstein is one of the leaders in the organization of the Southport Art Association, which has adopted for its first major undertaking sponsorship of an Art

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Foster Mintz To Head Ship Drive

Bolivia Automobile Dealer Calls Upon Citizens To Do Their Part In Battleship Fund In This County

Governor Terry Sanford has announced the appointment of H. Foster Mintz of Bolivia to head the drive in Brunswick County to save the Battleship North Carolina.

Mintz is busy this week lining up a working organization which will cover every section of Brunswick county, and next week the personnel for this whirlwind campaign will be announced.

"I hope that we can do a good job with this," Mintz said Monday. "We are living in a county adjoining the proposed site of the battleship and in several ways we will benefit from having this attraction right next door to us. It is up to those of us down here on the coast to do more than our share to underwrite the cost of bringing the battleship North Carolina to this State for establishment as a permanent historic shrine."

Mintz, who has been named along with 99 other county drive chairmen as an "Admiral of the Fleet" in the North Carolina Navy, will direct the Brunswick County effort to provide its share of the \$250,000 needed from public

subscription to tow the giant ship from Bayonne, New Jersey, to Wilmington, N. C., and establish it as a permanent educational exhibit and memorial to men and women of all the U. S. Military services in World War II.

Completed in 1940 and commissioned in 1941, the U. S. S. North Carolina was affectionately nicknamed the "showboat" by the Navy because she was the first warship to carry 16-inch guns along with modern anti-aircraft weapons. She served in the Pacific theatre for 40 months during World War II, taking part in virtually all major engagements from Guadalcanal to Tokyo Bay. In all she earned 12 battle stars.

The Navy originally planned to scrap the North Carolina, but efforts of residents of the state for which she was named have begun to save her. With a successful campaign to raise the \$250,000 necessary to preserve her, the U. S. S. North Carolina will become the only World War II battleship in the nation to be open to the public.

Mintz pointed out that any

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County Farmers Cooperating In Feed Grain Plan

Latest Figures Reveal That More Than \$50,000 In Advance Payments Have Been Made

Interest continues in the feed grain program which will permit Brunswick county farmers to reduce their acreage planted to corn and milo this year and collect in advance for the profit they might have made.

Ralph Price, manager of the Brunswick ASC office, reported this morning that thus far a total of 468 farms have signed up. They represent a total corn base of 6,501 acres of which 4,177.3 has been diverted. In addition, 21-acres of the county's 135-acre milo base has been diverted.

The total advance payments thus far is \$51,037.95. Price explains that this is less than one-half the total which each farmer will receive for his participation.

In order to accommodate farmers who can transact such business only during the weekend period, the ASC office at Shallotte will remain open Saturday from 8 a. m. to 1 p. m. for the purpose of receiving applications for participation.

"Most of the folks who understand this program are enthusiastic about the opportunity to participate," Price said this morning. "The deadline is May 31, and we are anticipating more signers before this time next week."

The average number of acres diverted from production of corn and grain sorghums under the 1961 Feed Grain Program in North Carolina is exactly one-half of the average on farms throughout the Nation. The average farm in North Carolina will divert a total of 11 acres from the production of corn or grain sorghums as of the report for the week ending May 12. The average diversion per farm throughout the Nation as of a week earlier, May 5, is 22 acres.

The average per farm payment for this diversion in North Carolina is somewhat better than half of the average payment for the Nation. For North Carolina the average advance 1/2 payment for participating in the feed grain program through May 12 was \$158, while through May 5 for the Nation was \$288.

During the first weeks through May 12, of the sign-up under the 1961 Feed Grain Program, 37,122 farms in North Carolina had signed up to participate in the program.

This week's report shows an increase of 62,135 acres from the 341,728 acres of diversion being reported under the program last week.

It is further reported that 383,454 acres of corn and 20,409 acres of grain sorghums on the "participating" farms had been signed up for diversion to a conservation use.

The cooperating farms have 1959-60 base acreage totaling 702,991 acres for corn and 29,985 acres for grain sorghums.

For all farms signed, advance payments under provisions permitting about half of the payments to be made this spring come to \$5,854,531. This represents a total possible payment for these farms of approximately \$13

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Social Security Funds Providing Needed Income

At End Of 1960 More Than 1,790 Residents Of Brunswick County Were Receiving Payments

By ALBERT P. MASON (District Manager, Social Security Administration)

By the end of 1960, more than 1,790 people in Brunswick County were receiving old-age, survivors and disability insurance benefits. The total benefits paid to these people for December, 1960, was \$74,594.00, according to Mr. Albert P. Mason, District Manager of the Wilmington, N. C., Social Security Office. "This is an increase in the number of people receiving benefits by about 13 percent over the same month last year," he said.

Nationally, almost 15 million people were receiving about a billion dollars a month in old-age, survivors, and disability insurance benefits at the close of 1960. Many of these people were made eligible for benefits by the changes in the law made in 1960—such as the reduction in the amount of work required to qualify for benefits and the removal of the age 50 requirement for disability benefits.

Payments to a retired worker with no dependents receiving benefits averaged \$70.00 in December, 1960; to a retired couple, both receiving benefits, the average payment was \$124.00. The average for an aged widow was about \$88.00.

1960 was the 20th year that social security benefits were payable and the 25th anniversary of the Social Security Act, which became law in 1935. Changes in the law since 1935 have brought

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Battery Island Birds Destroyed

Wildlife Personnel Making Investigation Into Tragic Conditions Following Hail Storm

A tragic result of last week's hail storm was discovered during the past weekend by visitors to Battery Island, famed rookery on the south side of the Cape Fear River channel opposite Southport, found that death and destruction had been wrought upon the bird population.

David Adams, members of the staff of the N. C. Wildlife Resources Commission, was down Saturday for a routine check of wildlife in this area, including Battery Island, and he was appalled to find that literally hundreds of birds were either dead or severely injured by the hail stones that blasted them from their roosting places or crushed them in their nests last Tuesday night.

Adams returned to Raleigh and reported what he had found, but here in Southport the first word of the serious situation came Monday afternoon from John Potter, who had moved close to shore in his fishing operations earlier in the day and had discovered the havoc which had been wreaked upon the birds.

He reported that there were dead birds of many species lying everywhere in sight, and that there were many survivors which appeared to be so severely injured that they would surely die. Broken wings, broken legs and shattered beaks were among the more apparent injuries.

Jack Dermid, members of the staff of Wildlife, the official publication for the N. C. Wildlife Resources Commission, came down yesterday morning for a first-hand inspection of the island, and report confirmed the worst findings of Adams and Potter.

Dermid said that there appears to be about a 95-percent destruction of the nests and a 60-percent destruction of birds as a result of the storm. "Although this is an important rookery and has some birds rare in this area, their loss does not endanger the eradication of any species," he said. "What has happened is a terrible thing, but a natural tragedy is not the same as a human tragedy; and eventually the loss will be restored."

Dermid said that he has no idea that it will be practical to attempt to save the birds by artificial feeding. "For one thing, these are wild birds, and they will not tolerate being handled and fed by hand. Some are so badly hurt that is the only way they could take nourishment. For another, most of them will not eat anything except something alive which comes from the water. That type of diet is impossible to provide."

Dermid was back on the island this morning, continuing his investigation.

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Delegate



HANNAH FRINK

Shallotte Girl Named Delegate

Miss Hannah Frink Will Represent Brunswick At Youth Fitness Conference In Raleigh

Hannah Frink, members of the junior class at Shallotte high school, has been selected to represent Brunswick county at the Youth Fitness Conference which will be held in Raleigh on June 9-10.

Her selection is based upon physical, mental and citizenship qualifications and comes as a signal honor for the recipient.

This is part of the program headed in this State by Bob Cox, former president of the U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce. He is a former varsity football player and coach at the University of North Carolina and was chosen by

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Southport Lady Dies At Home

Funeral Services For Mrs. Zulima Aldridge Are Conducted Monday Afternoon At Baptist Church

Funeral services for Mrs. Zulima I. Aldridge, 81, were held at 3 p. m. Monday, May 22, from the Southport Baptist church with the Rev. Herbert M. Baker and Rev. Mark Owens officiating. Burial was in the old Southport cemetery.

Mrs. Aldridge died at 7:30 p. m. Saturday, May 20, at her home in Southport following a long illness. She was born in Brunswick

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Whiteville Man Holding Revival

Pastor Of First Presbyterian Church Will Be Guest Minister At Woodburn Next Week

The Rev. Charles W. Worth, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Whiteville, will conduct a series of evangelistic services for the Woodburn Presbyterian Church, Leland, from Sunday, May 28, through Friday, June 2.

The Rev. Mr. Worth was born in China of missionary parents, both of whom were natives of Wilmington. He is a graduate of Davidson College and Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia. He served as a missionary of the Presbyterian Church in China from 1922 to 1941, and as a Navy chaplain from 1943-1945. He was pastor of the Bethesda Presbyterian Church, Aberdeen before coming to Whiteville in 1954. The Rev. Mr. Worth is married to the

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Local Graduates Hear Dean Crews

Commencement Program At Southport High School Comes To Close Friday Night

Twenty-two members of the senior class at Southport high school received their diplomas Friday evening following the commencement address by Dean J. M. Crews of Wilmington College.

Following the invocation by the

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Hail Damage Soars As Study Is Made

New Exec.



MAJ. CARL MANIS, JR.

New Executive Officer Here

Major Carl Manis, Jr., Assumes Duties As Executive Officer At Sunny Point Terminal

Major Carl Manis, Jr., has been assigned as executive officer of Sunny Point Army Terminal, and has moved to Southport.

Major Manis recently was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for outstanding service while assigned to the Military Assistance Advisory Group, Taiwan.

The citation, in part, reads as follows:

"Major Carl Manis, Jr., 0545432, Transportation Corps, United States Army, distinguished himself by exceptionally outstanding service as Chief of the Plans, Operations and Training Branch, Transportation Advisory Division, Army Section, Military Assistance Advisory Group, Republic of China, from 14 February 1959 to 10 February 1961. While in a TDY status, during the period 30 August 1960 to 10 December 1960, he served as Chief, Kimmens Defense Advisory Team and concurrently as Transportation Advisor. Through his sound judgment, superior and application of his vast experience and knowledge, outstanding leadership, devotion to duty, and his untiring efforts the combat support effectiveness of the Chinese Army Transportation Service has been substantially raised.

While serving in the capacity as Chief, Kimmens Defense Advisory Team during a particularly precarious and critical period in the defense of the off-shore islands, Major Manis was continual

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Insurance Adjusters Have Been Busy For Past Week Settling Claims For Roof And Automobile Damage

First estimates of the damage resulting to property in Southport as a result of last Tuesday night's hail storm appear to have been low and first impressions that windows and shrubbery constituted the major loss appears to have been erroneous.

Hundreds of windows were broken and trees and shrubbery did take a brutal beating, but upon closer investigation it became apparent that roof damage had been great and that few automobiles that had been out in the open escaped with anything less than major damage.

As a result a squad of insurance adjusters have been busy during the past week inspecting homes and automobiles and adjusting claims.

At first it was thought that roof damage might be limited to slate and asbestos coverage. Now it appears that asphalt shingles also took a beating as did wood shingle roofs.

Building contractors have stopped all other work in their effort to get sound roofs back upon the homes in this community as property owners attempt to put things in shape following the storm.

Hail damage is covered under the extended coverage feature of the insurance policy, and from this there is a \$100 deductible. This means that a considerable part of the loss must be borne

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Banquet Honors Local Athletes

David W. Watson, Special Agent For F.B.I. And Former Principal Here, Principal Speaker

David W. Watson, special agent for the F. B. I., a former principal of Southport High School and a graduate of the same school, was speaker at the annual Boosters Club Banquet this year. James M. Harper, Jr. served as master of ceremonies.

Watson urged upon his young listeners the importance of continuing their formal education and submitted financial statistics to justify his claim that this training will enable them to enter into fields of more gainful employment. He also pointed up the valuable lessons that are learned from competitive sports and congratulated the boys and girls upon their outstanding achievements.

The speaker was introduced by Reginald Turner, principal; the invocation was by the Rev. Drayton Cooper, pastor of Southport Presbyterian Church and special music was presented by a trio comprised of Brenda Jordan, Brenda Pendergraph and Martha

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Brief Bits Of NEWS

BIBLE SCHOOL
Vacation Bible School begins at Trinity Methodist Church Monday at 9:00 a. m., and runs through Friday, June 2. All children from age 4 through the 7th grade are invited to attend.

ART ASSOCIATION
The Southport Art Association will meet in the public library at 8 o'clock Monday night. Those interested are urged to attend, as matters of importance will be discussed.

IMPORTANT POSITION
William H. Willetts of Leland has been appointed State Probation officer for Wayne and Greene counties, starting June 1. He is a graduate of Shallotte high school and East Carolina College. He and his family will make their home in Goldsboro.

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 26	
3:23 A. M.	10:08 A. M.
4:14 P. M.	10:44 P. M.
Friday, May 26	
4:16 A. M.	10:58 A. M.
5:02 P. M.	11:36 P. M.
Saturday, May 27	
5:06 A. M.	11:45 A. M.
5:50 P. M.	
Sunday, May 28	
5:55 A. M.	0:27 A. M.
6:37 P. M.	12:31 P. M.
Monday, May 29	
6:45 A. M.	1:14 A. M.
7:25 P. M.	1:16 P. M.
Tuesday, May 30	
7:35 A. M.	2:03 A. M.
8:13 P. M.	2:04 P. M.
Wednesday, May 31	
8:26 A. M.	2:50 A. M.
9:02 P. M.	2:53 P. M.