

### Important Vote Scheduled For County Farmers

#### Tobacco And Cotton Quotas And Assessment For Promotion Of Tobacco And Peanut Sales Up For Choice

Brunswick county farmers will vote Tuesday on four programs which vitally affect the agricultural outlook of this section: Tobacco, on which quotas and continued support of Tobacco Associates will be a question; cotton, for which continuation of quotas will be up for approval; and peanuts, for which continued support of financial backing for sales promotion will be the question.

Voting will take place at the following locations: Waccamaw Township at Waccamaw School (Agriculture Building); Shallotte Township at Parker's Store, Grissetown; Lockwoods Folly Township at J. E. Kirby's Store, Supply; Smithville Township at Midway Filling Station; Town Creek Township at Barber Shop Building in Bolivia; Northwest Township at Applegate's Store in Maco.

In addition to other eligibles, the following also may vote:

1. An owner or operator can vote even though he released all of his allotment temporarily;
2. An owner or operator with an allotment who did not plant any of the commodity can vote, because the allotment is contributing to history acreage.

"Farmers that grow tobacco, cotton or peanuts should place a big red circle around December 12 on their calendar, says A. S. Knowles, County Agricultural Agent. That's the day of our important referenda on these crops.

"Tobacco growers will vote on quotas for next 3 years; cotton quotas for 1962 will be up for consideration," Knowles said. "Tobacco Associates and peanut marketing programs will get consideration for next three years. It is very important that every eligible person vote on December 12 to let Congress and other agricultural leaders know how they stand on these important matters. Most eligible growers should be familiar with the quota programs and what the marketing promotion programs are doing for them."

Another Brunswick County farmer favoring the agricultural referenda is Ira Chadwick, president of the Brunswick County Farm Bureau.

"Farmers in Brunswick County possibly have more at stake in the referenda on Tuesday, than ever before in the history of agriculture," he said this week. Our tobacco program is at stake. It is a matter of whether we will vote for marketing quotas on tobacco and cotton and whether we will vote to assess ourselves to help promote the sale and use of tobacco and peanuts.

"We need a large favorable vote to show members of Congress and other segments of our economy that we as farmers are interested in our own welfare and that we are going to help in making it." (Continued on Page 4)

## Brief Bits Of NEWS

#### RETURNS HOME

Mrs. R. B. Thompson has returned from Duke Hospital where she had an eye operation last week.

#### BACK FROM BURMA

Brig. Gen. James Glone has returned from an overseas assignment for the State Department in Burma.

#### DISABLED VESSEL

The fishing vessel Fire Island had engine trouble near the Cape Fear River last Monday and was towed in by the CG-95303. The Fire Island is a menhaden fishing vessel and her skipper is Eugene Gore.

#### ANNUAL BANQUET

The Southport Women's Club will hold its annual banquet and installation of officers on Friday evening, December 15, at 7 p. m. The banquet will be a covered-dish supper and will be held at the Lion's Club building.

#### BENEFIT DANCE

A benefit dance will be held at the National Guard Armory at Shallotte Saturday night with music by "The Cruisers". Proceeds from the dance will go to purchase furniture for the building.

### Repairing Christmas Toys



**WORKING**—Chief of Police Herman Strong is shown here repainting a wheel toy which has been repaired and will be added to the collection of reclaimed toys which will be distributed Christmas to make the day a happy one for many kids who otherwise might not have much to show from Santa's visit.—(Dan Walker Photo.)

### Corporation Has Annual Meeting At Long Beach

#### White Relected President Of National Development Corporation At Meeting Monday

The annual meeting of stockholders and board of directors for National Development Corporation was held Monday morning at Tranquil Harbour restaurant.

In his report to the stockholders, President A. J. White pointed out that during the year emphasis had been shifted to the sale of more improved property, with 650 homesites being sold at an average of \$760 per lot as compared to sale of 1,117 homesites during the previous year for an average price of \$589.28.

President White called particular attention to the fact that during 1961 the first 40 of the canal front lots had been placed upon the market, and that to date 27 of these have been sold.

Despite the fact that during the first nine months of this year the business climate of the United States was not favorable, President White pointed out that by a cut in overhead and with increased efficiency of operation, another good year had been completed by National Development.

"We firmly believe we have the finest resort and retirement property offered for sale anywhere in the country and expect next year to be a boom year," he said.

One encouraging item contained in the auditor's report is the fact that the stockholders equity has risen from \$1.16 per share in 1960 to \$1.30 per share this year. National Development stock is sold over the counter.

White was relected president of the corporation and E. F. Middleton was relected chairman of the board. O. Carol Jones was relected vice-president and treasurer; D. C. Herring, secretary. Serving with these officers as members of the board of directors are D. W. Sneed and Charles F. Jones.

A. H. Templeton was appointed acting assistant secretary.

### Admiral Is Here For Inspections

#### Rear Admiral Henry J. Wuensch Heads Inspection Party For Inspection Of Vessels And Coast Guard Station

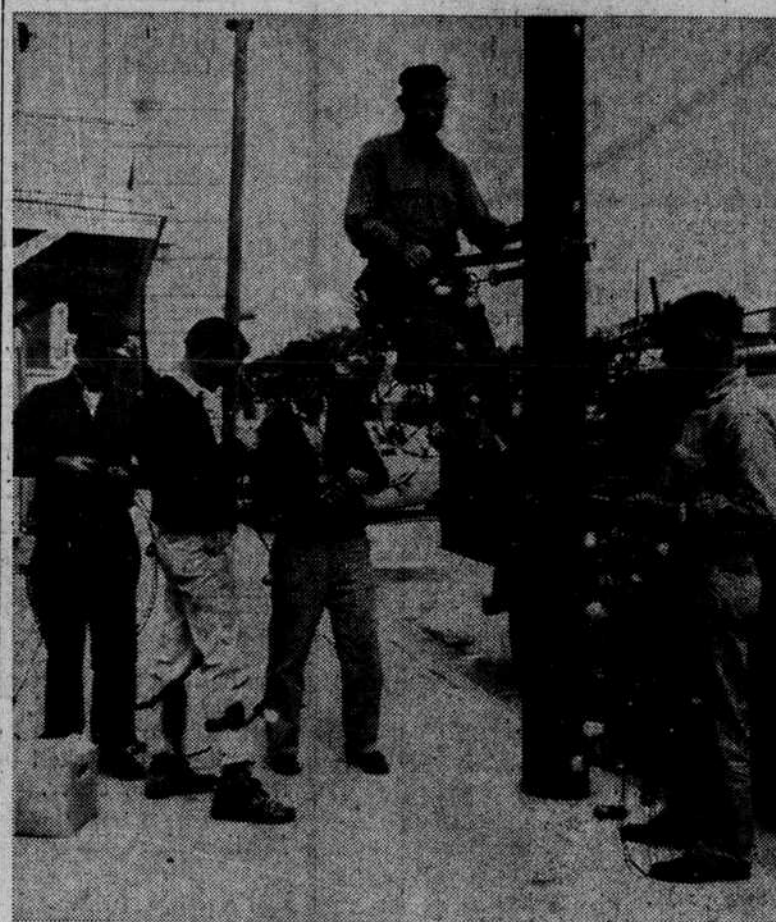
The Oak Island Coast Guard station and two Coast Guard boats stationed here came out with flying colors following an inspection last week by top officials at the Fifth District office at Norfolk.

Ensign Cassiano, Skipper, said the 95-footer 303, was given a rating of "appearance throughout very good to excellent."

Personnel inspection got an "excellent" and "shows careful attention to maintenance," rating.

The inspecting party was composed of Rear Adm. Henry J. Wuensch, District commander, (Continued on Page 2)

### String Christmas Lights



**LIGHTING**—Members of the city crew is shown here putting up strings of colored lights in the Southport business district Tuesday. On the pole is Johnson Cumber, and others in the picture, left to right, are Charlie Brown, Jerry Spencer, George Fisher and Robert Johnson.—(Dan Walker Photo.)

### 'Old-Fashioned' Is Theme Given Holiday House

#### Annual Event To Be Held In Southport Sunday Will Feature Ideas Adaptable To Practical Use

Plans have been completed for the Christmas Holiday House which will be held on Sunday in the Lion's Club Building and which will be in the form, this year, of an Idea Show. Many attractive and original ideas will be shown and those who view the exhibits are urged to take notes and copy them if they will.

The show is not confined to members of the three garden clubs, and others who are interested or who have something they think will add to the show are asked to enter them. There will be no judging and no prizes—just fun and ideas for all.

Entries may be brought to the Lion's Club Building from 2 o'clock on Saturday afternoon until 6 o'clock. Registrars will be on hand to make note of the methods and interesting materials used in each entry for the benefit of those who may want to know how the things are made.

The show will be open to the public on Sunday afternoon from 2 o'clock until 6 o'clock and will reopen after church that night and remain open until 9:30. Entries may not be removed until 9:30, and persons may wait and take them home between 10 and 11 on Monday morning, if they wish.

Refreshments will be served all during the time the show is open, and though there is no admission, a silver offering will be taken at the door. Mrs. C. G. Ruark and Mrs. J. E. Dodson will take this offering.

In last week's account of the committees and chairmen, the names of Mrs. E. E. Parker was inadvertently omitted. She will have charge of the door decorations.

It has been stressed that there are many categories, and that there will be a place for any decorations which are brought. These (Continued on Page 4)

### Butler Elected Board Chairman At Monday Meet

#### Reorganization Of Brunswick County Board Of Commissioners Results In Change In Chairmen

Ira D. Butler was elected chairman of the board of county commissioners for Brunswick county here Monday as members of that group reorganized at the end of one year as provided by law.

E. J. Prevatte was reappointed county attorney and A. H. Gainey, Jr., was reappointed solicitor for the Recorder's court.

Election of Butler as chairman reverses a vote held one year ago, when both he and F. Herbert Swain were nominated. At that time Swain was elected by a 3-2 vote, with Butler voting for Swain.

The latter has served as chairman of the board of commissioners for five consecutive years and as a member of the board for seven years. This is Butler's first term as a member of the board.

Other business of the day in (Continued on Page 4)

### Christmas Parade Here Monday Night

#### Colorful Event Will Usher In Christmas Shopping Season For The Southport Business Places

Southport will be the scene of a colorful Christmas parade Monday night, starting at 7 o'clock, and hundreds of visitors are expected to be here to witness this opening of the Christmas season by merchants of this community.

Featured, of course, will be Santa Claus himself, who probably will come roaring into town aboard a big, red firetruck in the absence of the traditional sleigh and reindeer.

There will be other units in the parade.

One of the big attractions will be the Brunswick County Training School marching band. This organization has participated in several parades already this fall, and under Director Finney are expected to add a musical note to this festive occasion.

Street lights went up in Southport the first of the week, and on Tuesday night were switched on for the first time this season. Several business firms already have completed their holiday decoration motif.

Also in the Christmas spirit is the work that members of the Southport Police Department and volunteer firemen have been doing in the matter of collecting used (Continued on Page 2)

### Tobacco Expert County Speaker

S. N. Hawks, Extension Tobacco Specialist from N. C. State College, will lead a discussion on 1962 tobacco production practices at Shallotte High School auditorium on Wednesday, December 13, at 7 p. m.

This meeting is being arranged by A. S. Knowles, County Agricultural Agent, for the benefit of all tobacco growers. He urges all interested growers to take advantage of this information as it will cover subjects such as varieties, plant bed management, field practices of fertilizer placement and control of insects and diseases.

### Shallotte Man Passes Friday

#### Ernest E. Parker, Sr., Dies In Wilmington Hospital Where He Had Been Taken As Heart Patient

Ernest E. Parker, Sr., prominent Shallotte citizen, died Friday morning in a Wilmington hospital where he had been taken on Thursday as a heart patient. However, no official word regarding cause of death had been made Tuesday, since the ambulance bearing him to the hospital had been involved in an accident after reaching Wilmington.

Parker was formerly maintenance superintendent for school bus transportation in Brunswick county. He is the father of Ernest E. Parker, Jr., Southport attorney; and his wife is a former postmaster at Shallotte.

The deceased was a veteran of World War II.

In addition to his widow and his son, Parker is survived by two sisters, Mrs. W. E. Stanland of Ash, Mrs. James Chadwick of Shallotte; brothers, Otis Parker of West Palm Beach, Fla., Preston Parker of Fayetteville, N.C., and Preston Parker of Winston-Salem. Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at (Continued on Page 2)

### New Tax Law To Affect Vessels

#### All Boats Used Primarily For Commercial Fishing Come Under New Tax Schedule January 1

All boats used primarily for commercial fishing in North Carolina waters are affected under the new tax schedule which goes into effect January 1, the Department of Conservation and Development announced this week.

Under the new schedule as enacted by the 1961 General Assembly, taxes must be paid annually by owners of commercial fishing boats and by owners and operators of such other type craft as trawl boats, dredge boats, motorboats, and haul boats using commercial fishing equipment.

Another 1961 legislative act provides that a commercial fishing boat, which has been pre- (Continued on Page 2)

## TIME and TIDE

Our issue for December 9, 1936, reported the call of a special session of the State Legislature, and the late Representative R. E. Stelle of Brunswick was getting ready to go to Raleigh. The State Forestry Department was seeking five locations in Brunswick for demonstration timber growing projects.

A member of the Capt Fear Pilot Association had returned from a trip to Florida aboard a palatial yacht, which he had guided through the intracoastal waterway; a group of northern sportsmen were backing a hunting preserve project near Winnabow; and "The Last of the Mohicans" was showing at the local moving picture emporium.

Wednesday, December 8, 1941, was our first edition after Pearl Harbor and this time we went outside Brunswick County for our big, black headline: "U.S. Declares War On Japan." There was a sidebar story which was of great local interest: "No Reports Received Of Brunswick County Boys."

On the local front, the USO Hut was completed and ready for use; the survey had been completed for a new draw bridge over the intracoastal waterway from Southport to Fort Caswell; and W. S. Wells, chairman of the Brunswick County Defense Council, urged vigilance on the part of volunteer aircraft spotters.

Fifteen years ago this week the war was over, and had been for a little over one year. An inland waterway count had revealed that yacht travel southward had reached almost 1,000 already that year, indicating that America had resumed the habits of luxurious living. A release from the State Advertising Bureau detailed that fact that sports fishing was big business.

Fog had caused a traffic jam of ships in the spacious South- (Continued on Page 4)

### Vandals Blow Up Mail Boxes

Person or persons as yet unknown made a riotous pilgrimage from the South Carolina line north along U. S. 17 Monday night, blowing up mailboxes with heavy firecrackers.

"They must have fortified their nerve before they set off on that trip," Deputy Sheriff H. G. Ratcliffe said Tuesday, "because every time they set off a firecracker they committed a federal offense. The Post Office Department doesn't like to have anybody messing with mail boxes, whether they are in a post office building or not."

The case currently is under investigation by Brunswick County Sheriff's officers.

### Injured Seaman Brought In Here

#### Coast Guard Boat Makes Emergency Trip Offshore Saturday Night To Take Injured Man Off Ship

The crew of the Coast Guard's patrol boat 303 maintains that the 95-footer is the fastest in the Fifth District and just last Saturday they had an opportunity to test her speed in a mercy mission. About 5:30 p. m. that day the crew received an order to proceed to the location of menhaden fishing vessel Barracuda midway between Southport and the Frying Pan lighthouse to remove an injured man.

The 303 arrived at the scene about 7:30 o'clock and found the man, Eugene Allison, brother of the skipper, Edwin Allison, in a serious condition. He had been caught in rotating deck machinery and was suffering intense pain.

Allison was taken aboard the 303 and hurried to Southport where an ambulance was waiting to rush him to Doshier Memorial Hospital.

The Barracuda was operating out of Beaufort and is owned by the Reedville Oil and Guano Co.

The crew, under direction of Chief Floyd McGowan, had put the 303 under a full power run November 21 and at that time she was operating with larger fuel lines installed earlier in Wilmington. On this run, she turned up 700 mph on each shaft better than ever has been done in the boat's history. She made 19.3 knots in a moderate sea off Frying Pan shoals.

It is believed that she could make 21 knots under ideal con- (Continued on Page 4)

### Two Members Of Subcommittee Here To Investigate Possibilities For Development Of Port Facilities

Two members of a three-man sub-committee recently appointed to make an expeditious study of the port development potential at Southport completed their visit here today.

Chairman of the sub-committee is James F. Latham of Burlington, who arrived here Friday and made trips over the area, both on the landside and waterfront. With him was Cooper D. Cass of Winston-Salem, who arrived on Saturday and spent two days on the survey.

Third member of the sub-committee, which was appointed by Chairman John M. Reeves of the State Ports Authority, is Louis S. Ficklen of Greenville, who was unable to make the trip to Southport due to press of business which has carried him out of state.

The detailed inspection here was predicted upon the language of the legislative act creating the present State Ports Authority, wherein it was provided that the board be created with the "objective of developing to the utmost the port possibilities of the State of North Carolina." The act further set out that it's purpose was to "develop and improve the harbors or seaports at Wilmington, Morehead City and Southport."

After seeing the natural harbor at Southport, and after making a personal inspection of the U. S. Army Terminal at Sunny Point, Chairman Latham said: "In the improvement of our port facilities, necessary in order to (Continued on Page 4)

### Dr. Elliott New Health Director

#### Former Member Of State Health Department Has Accepted Post As Head Of Local Health Department

At a meeting of the Brunswick County Board of Health Friday night Dr. A. H. Elliott was employed as Director of the Brunswick County Health Department. Dr. Elliott recently retired from the State Board of Health and prior to this he served as Health Director for New Hanover County. The Board of Health feels very fortunate in being able to obtain his services.

The Board also called for an audit of the Insect and Rodent Control Program and an inventory to determine the equipment owned by the Health Department and the location of this equipment.

The members of the Board of Health are: F. Herbert Swain, chairman, Dr. F. M. Burette, J. Edward Hahn, Dr. R. H. Holden, J. G. Long, R. L. Rabon and R. M. Willis.

### Tide Table

Following is the tide table for Southport during the week. These hours are approximately correct and were furnished The State Port Pilot through the courtesy of the Cape Fear Pilot's Association.

HIGH	LOW
Thursday, December 7,	
7:01 A. M.	0:58 A. M.
7:11 P. M.	1:41 P. M.
Friday, December 8,	
7:48 A. M.	1:42 A. M.
7:58 P. M.	2:28 P. M.
Saturday, December 9,	
8:35 A. M.	2:27 A. M.
8:47 P. M.	3:14 P. M.
Sunday, December 10,	
9:24 A. M.	3:13 A. M.
9:38 P. M.	4:02 P. M.
Monday, December 11,	
10:16 A. M.	4:03 A. M.
10:34 P. M.	4:53 P. M.
Tuesday, December 12,	
11:11 A. M.	4:56 A. M.
11:33 P. M.	5:46 P. M.
Wednesday, December 13,	
12:09 A. M.	5:54 A. M.
	6:42 P. M.

### Superior Court Moves Rapidly

#### Indications Indicate That First Of Two Special Terms May Adjourn During The Day

The first week of two one-week special terms of Brunswick county Superior court for trial of civil cases was ready to adjourn today after a rash of settlements had cut short the docket slated for trial.

Presiding over this term was Judge R. I. Mintz of Wilmington, who will return next week for a second term, which will convene Monday.

Settlements were reported this week in the case of Fault vs Styron, Simmons vs Robinson, Clark vs Seaboard Railroad, and Brooks vs U. S. F. & G. and Springfield Insurance Co.

This morning Judge Mintz was hearing pleas prior to making a decision regarding money settle- (Continued on Page 4)