

Cites Important Improvements In School Program

County Superintendent John G. Long Speaks Of Some Changes Made Possible This Year

A state wide poll of county school superintendents was recently made by Dr. I. E. Ready, Director of the State Curriculum Study, to determine what the State revenue received from the food tax actually means to the students in the respective school units throughout North Carolina. Almost unanimously the report included: better staffs and morale, improved libraries, reduced class size, more instructional supplies, more college preparatory and vocational courses, and significantly, more serious study by the pupils. It was agreed that the teachers are given more time to teach with fewer interruptions, are spending more hours working at school and that the public is more conscious of the importance of improvements in every category, all of which helps contribute toward providing the best quality of instruction possible for all children.

When Superintendent J. G. Long of Brunswick County was questioned as to some specific improvements that have been accomplished in the schools of Brunswick County with use of these additional funds, he stated that eight additional teachers were allocated this county above the number of regular state allotted teachers at the beginning of the 1961-62 school year.

These teachers were allotted one to each high school, with one exception, where the teacher was used in the elementary grades. These additional teachers help enable the schools to offer a broader curriculum, reduce class size, and offer additional library service.

The amount of state money allotted for students instructional supplies by the state was increased from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per pupil in ADM and the allotment for library books and supplies was increased from 50c to \$1 per pupil. This gave a total state increase in Brunswick of \$2,117 for instructional supplies and \$2,793 for libraries.

The wages of school bus drivers were increased from \$25 to \$27.50 per month and the janitorial salaries were increased 10 per cent. The amount paid substitute teachers was increased from \$8 to \$10 per day. Clerical assistance has been afforded the schools on the basis of \$1.50 per pupil in ADM, and this has enabled each high school in Brunswick County to now have full-time clerical help.

Instructional salaries were increased and a two day extended term of employment for classroom teachers was added. Superintendent Long expressed regret that the student enrollment of Brunswick County is not yet sufficient to cause an assistant superintendent to be allotted by the State under the present plan.

Four workshops, tuition free, have been scheduled for the teachers of Brunswick County, where they may attend and review or study with possible credit. One of these workshops has already been completed and the second is now underway. Superintendent Long stated that the county school system will be reimbursed by the State for the cost paid the col-

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Plane Crash Is Subject Of Suit In Court Here

Two Plaintiffs Are Seeking Damages Totalling Ten Thousand Dollars As Result Of Wreck

One of the most unique civil actions ever to be aired in Brunswick County Superior Court is slated to be heard this week before Judge Henry McKinnon of Lumberton. The case referred to is an outcome of the air disaster which brought sudden death to more than 30 persons in rural Brunswick about midnight on January 6, 1960.

The proprietors of two farms located near Bolivia, Horace Johnson and Richard Randolph, are the plaintiffs in the actions brought against National Airlines, Inc., in attempt to recover damages said to have been caused to the affected properties.

On the cold and rainy night of January 6, 1960, a National Airlines plane suddenly disintegrated in the tortured skies over Brunswick County. Eyewitnesses claimed they saw a red flash, immediately followed by the sound of a sharp explosion and the sight of flaming fragments of the ill-fated craft plunging toward earth. Evidence was later painstakingly recovered from larger pieces of debris, which tended to point the finger of suspicion toward one of the passengers; a man who had heavily insured his life shortly before boarding the non-stop flight from New York City to Miami, Fla., and whom had brought aboard the airship a suitcase, which he kept close to his person right up to the moment of disaster.

Plaintiffs Johnson and Randolph have set forth, through counsel, the following allegations: that within a short period of time following the crash their lands and premises "became a madhouse of confusion, with people and equipment everywhere, invading the private lives of plaintiffs' families and denying them of any degree of access to their lands and that this condition existed for one month or more after the accident and even then for several months thereafter, all as a result of said crash."

The plaintiffs further state that pastures were cut down, fences torn and trampled, roads damaged, timber and topsoil ruined, to the amount of some \$10,000.

National Airlines countered that the area damaged on said farms was "very limited" since the huge plane practically disintegrated in the air and its rubble was distributed over a wide area. National Airlines also set forth in answer that any damages done after the crash were the "necessary work of such agencies, separate and apart from the airline, as the Civil Aeronautics Board, the U. S. Marine Corps, the N. C. National Guard, etc.; and that information was to the effect that the properties were completely restored to original condition by said agencies mentioned above."

Somewhere along the line the wording of one of the plaintiffs' allegations was ordered stricken from the record—the one which referred to "human scavengers" poking among the debris of the

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Republican Leaders



OFFICIALS—L. C. Babson, left, is the outgoing chairman of the 7th Congressional District Republicans, who met Friday night in Whiteville. On the right is John W. Sellers, secretary.

Republicans In District Meet Friday Night

Brunswick County man Was Retiring Chairman Of Seventh District Organization

A Republican who said he learned the difference between "civil right" and "civil wrong" when he got old enough to read will pit his wits against Rep. Alton Lennon for the Seventh District congressional seat this fall.

"I want you to understand," James E. Walsh, Jr., declared last Friday night, "that I am running to win, that I consider myself as a favorite, and that I will not consider myself a long-shot candidate."

"I am sick to death of bureaucracy," Candidate Walsh told 100 listeners at the Seventh District Republican convention held in the courthouse replete with numerous caucuses, motions and counter motions and impromptu speeches, all aimed at victory in the Seventh District next November.

Of the eight counties in the District, only five were represented—Columbus, Brunswick, Cumberland, New Hanover and Robeson; Hoke has not organized and that county plus Scotland and Bladen did not have delegations present.

Attorney Warren Harding Coolidge, of Fayetteville, was named District chairman for a two-year term succeeding L. C. Babson of Freehold, Brunswick county, who asked that he be relieved of the chairmanship.

Mrs. Ann Raybon of Wilmington was chosen vice chairman and John W. Sellers of Lumberton was re-elected secretary to round out the staff of District officers.

Candidate Walsh, of Whiteville, and William E. Bailey, of Chadbourne, were elected members of State Executive committee to represent Columbus county at the state convention next Saturday at Durham.

In the absence of a keynote speaker for the convention, Walsh ascended to the podium for some observations about Republicanism in the District and, as it turned out, became the keynoter himself to the resounding acclaim of his audience. Moments after taking his seat, he was the candidate for the Seventh District congressional post.

He said that if he were elected he would turn the government of Columbus county, the Seventh District, North Carolina and the government of the United States back to where it belongs—to the people.

"I will turn the pot over," he exclaimed, "and I will stir it and I will do my best."

A former school teacher at Tabor City and Whiteville, and now teaching in Clarkton, Walsh, driving a barb at the Quality Education program, said not half of the high school students who will graduate this spring "know how to read," and added that the same applies to adults for "if they knew how to read so many would not be voting with the Democrats." That, too, brought booming applause.

Throwing a broadside at school text books, he declared that "I've rewritten 100 text books so that I could teach from them."

He went on to the effect that there are plenty of teachers who know how to teach history, for

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New Candidates Add To Interest

*W. J. McLamb Announces For Recorder's Court Post Which May Become Vacant Soon



HANNAH FRINK



WAYNE LEE JOHNSON

Added Progress Made On Pageant

Three Additional Entries Received For The Coming Event Sponsored By Shallotte Jaycees

Tickets for the forthcoming Miss Brunswick County Pageant, scheduled for Shallotte High School on the evening of March 10, are now on sale in every part of the county.

In addition to being able to purchase tickets from members of the sponsoring Shallotte Jaycees, they may also be obtained at either of the two drug stores at Southport and Shallotte; at Elmore Motor Co. in Bolivia and at Rourke's Grocery in Leland. Advance tickets are twenty-five percent cheaper than they will be at the door on the night of the pageant.

Three new contestants are announced this week, one of them a finalist in last year's county contest.

From Shallotte comes Hannah Ellis Frink, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Joe Frink. A senior at Shallotte High School, Hannah

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The announcement of two new candidates has stirred the political waters of Brunswick county again this week, but there have not caused as much of a splash as another rumor that is making the rounds.

The word is that Earl Bellamy has been approved by the board of directors for the Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation for the position of general manager, and although no official announcement can be made until and unless this action is approved on both the State and Federal level, it already is causing considerable speculation.

For one thing, if Bellamy is approved and if he does accept this post, it is almost a certainty that he not only will not be a candidate for reelection as Judge of Records Court, but he probably will resign within the immediate future. This is because of the non-political nature of the position with the telephone company.

If he is approved, and if he does accept, and the matter of naming his successor is a political problem which would come up immediately.

One of the first to come into the picture is W. J. McLamb, Shallotte businessman, who formerly served in this office. He has announced that he will seek the Democratic nomination in the May Primary.

The only other official announcement this week comes from Ira D. Butler, who seeks the Democratic nomination for reelection as a member of the board of county commissioners. He is now serving his first term and is the new chairman of the board. He is from Northwest township.

Small Increase In Leaf Quota

Information Received Today From Congressman Alton Lennon Reports 4.3-Percent Increase

Rep. Alton Lennon advised by wire yesterday that the U. S. Department of Agriculture had authorized a 4.3 per cent increase in the tobacco acreage allotment for the 1962 crop year.

The increase is the first for flue cured tobacco growers in 11 years and is expected to mean about \$25 million more for growers throughout the state.

Rep. Harold Cooley, chairman of the House Agriculture committee, hailed the move as good news for the farmers.

Rep. Cooley said burley growers got a six per cent hike last year and another six per cent increase this year.

He said flue cured growers would have received an increase earlier had it not been for the 1955-56 crops held by the Flue Cured Stabilization corporation.

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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.

Thursday, March 1,	
2:50 A. M.	9:38 A. M.
3:06 P. M.	9:48 P. M.
Friday, March 2,	
3:57 A. M.	10:40 A. M.
4:15 P. M.	10:53 P. M.
Saturday, March 3,	
4:59 A. M.	11:38 A. M.
5:17 P. M.	11:52 P. M.
Sunday, March 4,	
5:58 A. M.	12:32 A. M.
6:16 P. M.	
Monday, March 5,	
6:54 A. M.	0:48 A. M.
7:12 P. M.	1:23 P. M.
Tuesday, March 6,	
7:47 A. M.	1:41 A. M.
8:04 P. M.	2:12 P. M.
Wednesday, March 7,	
8:38 A. M.	2:32 A. M.
8:57 P. M.	3:01 P. M.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

BUFFET SUPPER
A buffet supper will be held Friday at the Ocean View Methodist Church at Youpon Beach beginning at 5 p. m. Proceeds of the supper will be used for the organ fund.

PAINTING EXHIBITED
An oil painting, Eve, by Mrs. Gilliam Hornstein has been accepted for exhibition at the Associated Artists of North Carolina Exhibiting Members Show at Greenville February 25 through March 18.

BAKE SALE
The churchwomen of St. Phillips Episcopal Church, Southport, will hold a bake sale Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock. The merchandise will be displayed between Leggett's store and the post office building and in case of rain or bad weather the sale will be held at the Parish house.

TIME and TIDE

On the front page of The Pilot for March 3, 1937, was the announcement that the Cape Fear Pilots Association had purchased a new pilot boat and had christened her the "R.R. Stone." She replaced the old "D. H. Penton." A public meeting was slated to be held here the following day on the question of a yacht basin for Southport.

The Carolina Puppeteers had made a tour of Brunswick County Schools, teaching their object lesson of oral hygiene; prospects for an unusually early spring had been literally nipped in the bud when sub-freezing temperatures followed a few days of kidding around with warm weather during the month of February; and Waccamaw's old log gym was to be the site for the Brunswick County Basketball Tournament starting the next day.

There was a prophetic headline on the front page of The Pilot for March 4, 1942: "State Begins Preparing For Rationing of Sugar." Registration was to be conducted through the schools, the story said.

A sub-station of the Southport Post Office was being set up at the Naval Section Base at Fort Caswell; Highway Patrolman James Smith had discussed driving safety for school busdrivers at a meeting of the Brunswick Schoolmasters Club; and there was an ominous front page column: "The War At A Glance."

During the first week in March back in 1947 Capt. Rudy Gray, a Brunswick county native, was in the international news spotlight with his ship, the SS Martin Behrman, being held by the

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