

## Confer In Raleigh



TALK—Odell Williamson of Shallotte, left, Democratic candidate for State House of Representatives, and Ray H. Walton of Southport, right, Democratic candidate for the State Senate, are shown conferring with Merrill Evans, chairman of the State Highway Commission, during the Campaign Conference held last week in Raleigh.

## Mercer Johnson Named Chairman For Red Cross

Young Bolivia Business Man Succeeds Hubert H. Bellamy As Head Of Brunswick County Chapter

Mercer Johnson, Bolivia business man, was elected chairman of the Brunswick County Chapter, American Red Cross, at a meeting held Monday night in the city hall at Shallotte. He succeeds Hubert H. Bellamy.

Elected to serve with Johnson was Douglas H. Hawes, Bolivia resident, vice-chairman; Mrs. Al Martin of Southport, secretary-treasurer; Major James Eaton, disaster chairman; Mrs. Phillip King, home service secretary; E. B. Tomlinson, Jr., First Aid and Water Safety; and James M. Harper, Jr., publicity.

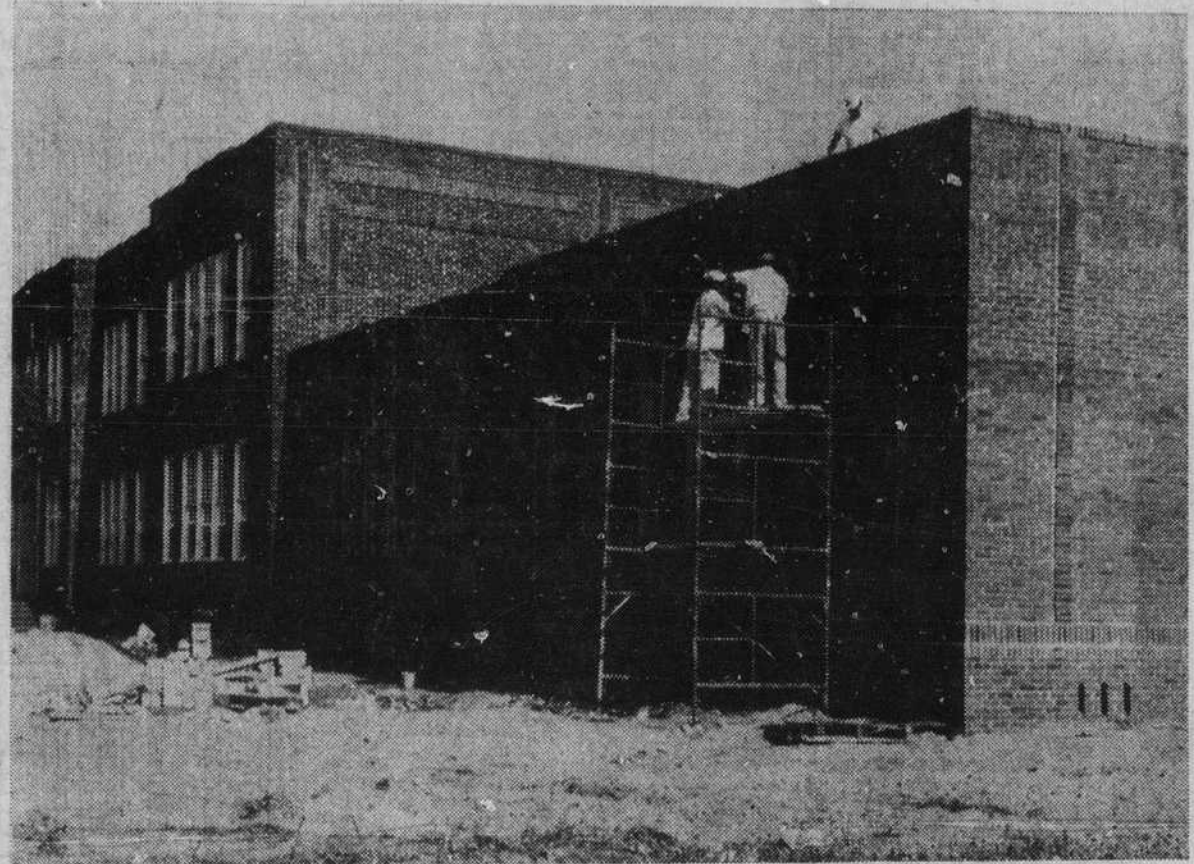
A decision was reached to appoint a three-person committee to screen prospects for the purpose of naming a Red Cross Fund Chairman in order that a campaign may be conducted during the month of October. There has been no fund campaign for the Red Cross in Brunswick county since March 1961.

Plans also are being laid for holding classes for First Aid Instructors, and it is planned to hold swimming classes at several points in Brunswick next summer.

The meeting was attended by Bill McDonald Field Representative. Present for the meeting were representatives of various groups and organizations, including Bolivia Fire Department, Shallotte Fire Department, Long Beach Fire Department, the Town of Shallotte and other interested citizens.

# Bald Head Island Will Be Used For Army Maneuvers In Oct.

## Nearing Completion



ADDITION—This is the two-room addition to Southport High School, and workmen are shown making finishing touches to the exterior of the building. It is expected that the new rooms will be available for use within a few days.—(Staff Photo by Allen.)

## Announcement Made Today Of Plans For Training Exercise Which Will Affect This Area

The U. S. Army Transportation Center, Fort Eustis, Va., will conduct a series of military maneuvers in the Southport and Sunny Point Army Terminal area during the month of October. Bald Head Island—officially known as Smith Island—will be used as one of the areas for the exercises.

The troops to participate in the operations are Regular Army units of the Transportation Corps. Included will be a Terminal Battalion, Army Harbor Craft Units, Terminal Service Units, Beach Reconnaissance units, Movement Control Trucks and other units and personnel required to accomplish the Army's vital transportation mission. While it is the general policy of the U. S. Army to place as much of its commercial type functions with civilian industry as practical, the Army must nevertheless be prepared to perform its military missions, particularly shipping functions, uninterrupted, both within and without the continental limits of the United States. For this reason, there is a necessity for realistic instruction and training for individuals and for groups of individuals—military organizations.

The overall maneuvers will be under the direction of Major General Norman H. Vissering, Commanding General of the U. S. Army Transportation Center and Fort Eustis, Virginia. Colonel James W. Gunn, Commanding Officer of the 3rd Transportation Terminal Training Group, will be the principal control and coordination officer. Upwards of 20 officers, in addition to officers assigned to participating units, to act as "umpires," will be utilized to provide more realism to the problems. A control and direction center (headquarters) will be set up at Sunny Point Army Terminal to "run the war."

A variety of Army Harbor Craft, boats, landing craft, etc., will be employed in the exercises. These are utilized to deliver personnel, supplies, and equipment to "hostile shores" over the beaches, and to provide control vehicles to assist in managing such sensitive and important functions. Army Harbor Craft companies and battalions are organized, equipped, and trained to do this job. The beaches of Bald Head and the Cape Fear River area in the Sunny Point-Southport area are excellent locations for training of units of this type.

The Terminal Service Companies and Battalions are the Army's Stevedores. They are trained, staffed, and equipped to load and unload ships in terminals (ports) or in undeveloped port areas and over the beaches. It is obvious that the Army's essential personnel, supplies, weapons, and munitions must be transported to the point of need. The loading and shipping of these items must continue without interruption or interference if the U. S. Army is to accomplish its national mission of defending the United States of America against all its enemies, whomsoever. This training exercise is to test Terminal Service Companies in their operations to load and unload and transport of Army's essential

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## Brief Bits Of NEWS

### AT CITADEL

Fred Burdette, Jr., and Edward L. Oliver of Southport have enrolled for the fall term at The Citadel in Charleston, S. C.

### SOUTHPORT P. T. A.

The first meeting of the year for the Southport Parent-Teacher Association will be held Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

### CIRCUS TICKETS

The Southport Boosters Club will begin selling tickets Thursday to the circus which will play here during the first week in October. The local organization will receive a substantial percentage of all advance sales.

### BAKE SALE

The Women of St. Philips Episcopal Church will hold a bake sale on Saturday morning, September 15, on Moore street between Leggett and the Post Office. The sale will begin at 9 o'clock.

### ENTERS WCWC

Miss Betsy Duffie, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Johnnie D. Duffie, left today (Wednesday) for Greensboro where she will enter Womens College, University of North Carolina.

### MEREDITH STUDENTS

Three Southport girls were among the more than 300 new students who enrolled at Meredith College in Raleigh Monday. Mary Louise Herring, Karen Hoglund and Joyce Jorgenson started their freshman year at the Baptist college. Returning students reported back Tuesday.

### YDC MEET FRIDAY

An organizational meeting of the Brunswick county Young Democratic Club to prepare for the fall campaign will be held on Friday night at Bolivia High School. President A. H. Gainey says that David Reid of Greenville, candidate for the presidency on the state level, will attend.

### DAIRY SHOW

The Southeastern Junior Dairy Show is being held in Wilmington on Thursday afternoon and Friday morning of this week. It will be held in the Livestock Show Arena, reports County Agricultural Agent A. S. Knowles. Brunswick County people are invited to see the judging on Friday morning.

### RECOVER AUTO

Two juvenile boys were arrested Friday night by Chief of Police Leon Galloway and his helper man, Donald Ray Hewitt, after they had stolen an Oldsmobile belonging to Homer McKeithan of Southport. The car, which was taken from in front of the Amuzu theatre in Southport, was recovered after being overturned in a ditch on the Holden Beach road.

## New Commander National Guard

Capt. Wilton K. Allen Of Wilmington Takes Command Of Shallotte Organization

Capt. Wilton K. Allen of Wilmington has been assigned as commanding officer of the Shallotte National Guard at Shallotte, succeeding Capt. Early J. Smith, Jr., who has been assigned to Group Headquarters.

Other officers are Lt. Donald M. Lofton, executive officer. Sgt. Sam Fletcher Frink is Administrative Supply Technician.

Capt. Allen is from Wilmington, and this is his first command. He expressed his pleasure with his present assignment and told a group of citizens attending a Red Cross meeting at Shallotte Monday night that he hopes to see the building use for a variety of community functions.

The Shallotte unit is comprised of three officers and 58 enlisted men, and Capt. Allen says that there are vacancies in the unit. He says that he is particularly interested in new men who may wish to enter OCS training. The unit meets for drill each Monday night at 8 o'clock at the armory.

Capt. Allen says that the Shallotte boys won the 252nd ADA efficiency training award this summer at Fort Stewart, Ga.

He says that plans for holding a dedication ceremony for the Shallotte Army building currently are under advisement, and that a definite announcement will be made soon regarding this matter.

Right now the men of this group are busy preparing for the annual general inspection, which is scheduled to be held on September 26.

## Local Library Hours Extended

Southport Public Library Will Be Open Saturday Morning From 9 To 12 O'clock

Effective September 15, the Southport Public Library will be open on Saturday mornings from 9 o'clock to 12 noon. This action is being taken to provide additional opportunities for employed persons to use the library as well as for students to work on research projects.

In announcing the additional hours, Mrs. Philip King, acting county librarian, states that the Southport Public Library will now be open to the public a total of 24 hours per week, contrasted with the 12 hours provided when the library was opened three years ago. She also pointed out that the Shallotte Public Library is providing 6 hours service per week, and the Brunswick County Bookmobile approximately 14, making a total of 44 hours of library service per week now available to residents of Brunswick County.

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## Criminal Court Here Next Week

Cases involving murder, carnal knowledge and intent to commit rape are among the major charges which will be tried during the criminal term of Superior court which will meet in Southport next week with Judge Leo Carr presiding.

James W. Clemmons is charged with murder, Robert P. McMeekins with carnal knowledge and Elmer Yow with intent to commit rape. A number of traffic violations, particularly drunken driving, will also be tried during the session.

The grand jury will meet Monday, September 17, at 10 o'clock.

## Caswell Veterans Visit Old Scenes

Members Of Reserve Corps WLI Held Reunion At Caswell And Southport Saturday

By HARRY HAYDEN  
A motorcade from Wilmington arrived here around noon Saturday, bringing a group of World War I members of the Reserve Corps of the old Wilmington Light Infantry to this abandoned fortification site, where they had trained for overseas service during the first global conflict.

The band of "Old Soldier" was headed by Captain James E. Lynch, World War Commander of the WLI, then the 8th Company, North Carolina National Guard, one of six state guard units on duty in the Defense of the Lower Cape Fear.

The motorcade, which was in charge of J. Kyle Bannerman, was met at the city limits of Southport by city officials including Mayor Pro-Tem Harold Aldridge; Crawford Rourke, Veterans Service Officer for Brunswick county; and Chief of Police Herman Strong.

This official escort guided the World War I veterans through the city of Southport and through adjacent communities, in which beautiful and modern dwellings have just recently been erected, indicative of a genuine progressiveness of the "Go! Go! Go!" type in this one-time sleepy hollow.

The veterans marveled at the fine condition of the dwellings, once the officers' quarters at Fort Caswell, now owned and operated by the North Carolina Baptist Assembly, of which Fred J. Smith is manager. The buildings are spic and span; the landscaping is in excellent condition; and even the old dismantled gun batteries are in good condition.

The "Old Boys," such as (Continued on Page 4)

## Attends Clinic For Publicity

Southport Represented At Woman's Club Publicity Clinic In Raleigh Tuesday

Mrs. Johnnie D. Duffie, president of the Southport Woman's Club, and Miss Betsy Duffie, member of the Sub-Junior Woman's Club of Southport, were among the state, district and area leaders of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs who attended a Publicity Clinic in Raleigh Tuesday.

The clinic, presided over by Mrs. James M. Harper, Jr., State President, was one of 50 currently being held throughout the country to implement the biennial program outlined recently by Mrs. Dexter O. Arnold of Concord, N. H., President of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

A panel of specialists in newspaper, radio, television and public relations discussed how best to obtain publicity and community support for local club projects. Panelists included Mrs. Harriet Pressly, WPTF Radio, Raleigh; Miss Betsy Marsh, state society editor of the Raleigh News and Observer; Mrs. Tom Davis, editor of the Johnstonian in Selman; and Miss Peggy Mann, WTVB woman's director, Durham. Dr. W. Amos Abrams, editor of the North Carolina Educational Magazine, served as moderator.

## TIME and TIDE

Twenty-five years ago this week a 69 year old veteran canoeist from Philadelphia stopped here. C. T. Beachwood was traveling through the Intracoastal Waterway on the way to his summer home in West Palm Beach, Florida. He did things like this for exercise, having been a fine athlete at the University of Pennsylvania, and once holding the national pole vault record.

C. Ed Taylor, a local attorney, was named to an important State Junior Order committee dealing with the mortality and life insurance statistics; a nautical preparatory school was possibly moving to Southport; the shrimpers reported their best catch of the season; the decision was made to change the name of the local high school sports team to the Southport Dolphins.

Twenty years ago this week it was announced that there would be no more truck fires issued in Brunswick county that month, because the trucks had been reached.

Fifteen years ago this week a specially made shark fishing boat was brought to Southport to catch some of the species for (Continued on Page Four.)

## Magazine Has Picture Story Of Fox Roundup

Hunting Annual Of Sports Afield Has A Six-Page Spread On Long Beach Fox Hunting Extravaganza

A belated by-product of the Washington's Birthday Fox Hunt at Long Beach is a six-page spread in the 1963 Sports Afield Hunting Annual, due to hit the news stands this week. The story is by Bruce Roberts and the photographic illustrations are by George L. Honeycutt of Charlotte. The latter recently was voted the outstanding newspaper photographer in the United States for last year.

There was some skepticism expressed when Long Beach Town Manager Dan L. Walker and Ernest E. Parker, Jr., came forth with the idea of the big fox roundup, but several hundred hunters and more than three hundred hounds showed up, the event had all the makings of success; for it was a well-known fact that Oak Island held abnormally high fox population. More than two dozen of these animals were killed and accounted for during the two-day event.

The Sports Afield picture story will be of interest not only to followers of the sport of fox (Continued on Page 4)

## Three Day Holiday On Tobacco Sales

Small Tract Of Land Is Sold

The State Board of Education unanimously voted to sell 3.74 acres of marshland in Brunswick county located near the Lockwood Folly River at its meeting in Raleigh Thursday.

The board listed the price as \$200, but it will have to be approved by the Council of State. An offer of \$25 an acre was made by Corbet Varnum, who wanted to use the land as an access route to the river. The board rejected the offer and Board Member John A. Pritchett of Windsor recommended that the property be sold for a little more than double the price offered by Varnum.

## Democrats Will Hold Big Rally

Saturday, September 22, Is Date For Brunswick County Conclave At Gause Landing

Congressman Alton A. Lennon, Judge Raymond B. Mallard and Judge Rudolph I. Mintz will be the feature speakers at the Tenth Annual Democratic Fish Fry which will be held Saturday night, September 22, at Bert Frink's place, according to Chairman Kirby Sullivan of the Brunswick County Democratic Executive Committee.

"This will be the kick-off rally for the fall campaign and Democrats from all over the county as well as the congressional district are expected to attend," Chairman Sullivan stated.

The fish fry will be held from 6 to 7:30 o'clock. After supper the speakers will be heard. All Brunswick County Democratic candidates running in the fall election will be on the program. District Campaign Chairman Robert Weinstein of Lumberton will also be present.

Mrs. H. Foster Mintz of Bolivia, vice-chairman of county executive committee, will be at the meeting. She is now organizing Democratic women's clubs throughout the county.

The fish-fry-rally, which will be free, will mark the start of a series of other Democratic rallies which will be held all over the county.

## Five State Tobacco Warehouse Association Takes Action As Result Of Dissatisfaction Over Prices

All tobacco markets except the Old Belt will close for three days beginning Monday, September 17. The action closing markets for a three-day holiday was taken at a meeting in Raleigh Tuesday night by the five-state Bright Belt Warehouse association.

The order affects the Border Belt, Eastern Belt and the Middle Belt. It is the first such action since 1956.

Fred S. Royster of Henderson, association managing director, said general dissatisfaction over prices was the case in point. It was his opinion that the quality of tobacco going on the floor this season is equal to that of 1961 but prices are not on a level with last year's.

He said the holiday plan was called to find out what could be done about the price situation and that they would take a second look after sales resume following the closing.

The report said nine of the 10 members of the Sales Committee were present and all favored the three-day closing. About 20 warehousemen also attended the meeting and applauded the action.

Royster said the Old Belt was not discussed because that market has been closed and is scheduled to reopen next Monday. No (Continued on Page 2)

## American Legion Post Buys Lot

Commander Of Bellamy-Joyner Post Reports On Purchase Agreement

The Bellamy-Joyner Post No. 213, Southport, has obtained an option on approximately nine-tenths of an acre of land as a site for the post home. In May the members of the post assessed themselves ten dollars each to pay for the site. The first half of the assessment was due in June and the second half in August. Most of the members have paid their first half and several have paid their second.

In obtaining the option one-half of the cost of the site was paid with balance due in sixty days. Commander H. O. Gore is asking all members to finish paying their assessment soon, so that the deadline of the option can be met.

The commander also is asking all members to attend the post meetings each first and third Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock.

## 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, September 13,	
6:40 A. M. 0:56 A. M.	
7:17 P. M. 1:12 P. M.	
Friday, September 14,	
7:34 A. M. 1:44 A. M.	
8:08 P. M. 2:04 P. M.	
Saturday, September 15,	
8:26 A. M. 2:31 A. M.	
8:59 P. M. 2:56 P. M.	
Sunday, September 16,	
9:19 A. M. 3:20 A. M.	
9:49 P. M. 3:47 P. M.	
Monday, September 17,	
10:12 A. M. 4:09 A. M.	
10:42 P. M. 4:40 A. M.	
Tuesday, September 18,	
11:08 A. M. 4:59 A. M.	
11:36 P. M. 5:36 P. M.	
Wednesday, September 19,	
12:06 A. M. 5:52 A. M.	
6:35 P. M.	