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Organization Of Aldermen Board Held Thursday

Harold Aldridge Named Mayor Pro-Tem As Two Major Committees Are

The appointment of new officers and committees and a decision to re-hire all city employees for 30-days highlighted the organizational meeting of the Southport Board of Aldermen Thursday night at the City Hall. Board officials selected by

Mayor Eugene Tomlinson included Alderman Harold Aldridge, mayor pro-tem, Aldermen J. A. Gilbert, clerk; and Alderman Fred Spencer, treasurer.

Mayor Tomlinson also named members of the Budget and Finance and Special Projects committees, C. L. Rourk was named chairman of the first one and members include Aldermen Aldridge, Ronnie Hood and Spencer Hood was selected chairman of the projects comimttee and members include Aldermen Gilbert and Spencer.

The Board employed William A. Powell as the new city attorney. He succeeds James C. Bowman, who served in the position for four years.

After a short discussion, the board decided to retain all city employees for 30-days before making a final decision. It was pointed out that this is the customary procedure for a new board to follow.

The board unanimously voted to send a resolution to the Corps of Engineers requesting that Corn Cake Inlet be reopened. Alderman Hood, who brought the matter before the board, believes a dragline could open the inlet up and the water would do the rest. This action was taken on a motion by Alderman Hood and was seconded by Alderman Gilbert.

discussion, it was decided that the Strong. matter would be taken up at the Both Dan McKay, a 63-year-old

the old board.

City Manager C. D. Pickerrell with an axe. submitted a report concerning problems the city is facing now that "death was due to a beating

port and Ft. Fisher will be au-Thursday. thorize before the Sanford administration's term of office is ager Pickerell stated.

"For this reason, the city has been easy on our demands for state action here."

He pointed out that when the small boat harbor is constructed, McKay was inside watching telethe city will need to furnish the area with additional services. (Continued On Page 4)

Eighth District Vice-President Kirby Sullivan of Southport will attend the Jaycee State Convention in Asheville Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

FRIDAY MEETING

The lay committee for the home nursing program for the chronically ill will meet at the Agriculture Building in Supply Friday at 8:30 a. m.

BENEFIT FISH FRY

The Town Creek American Legion Post is sponsoring a floun- introduced that would require der fry Saturday night beginning only the drivers placed on "asat 6:30 p. m. The supper will signed risk" to double the minibe held at the Lebanon-Mill Creek mum amount of coverage. Ac- Baccalaureate Services Sun-Community Building. The public tually, to me, this is just as bad is invited to attend.

COMMUNITY DINNER

Community Building. Mrs. Fran- I will fight to help kill it. ces Key and Mrs. James M. Har- Senator Ray Walton's pay raise of the baccalaureate service in per, Jr. are co-chairmen, but this bill for elected officials of Bruns- the high school auditorium. is a community affair and every wick county has passed the Senfamily is invited to come and ate and is now in the House. Sen- will be in charge of this pro-Duffie family is leaving the last received a resolution from the mon will be delivered by the Rev of this month for Germany, where Board of County Comissioners H. D. Shrum Col. Duffie has been transferred.

Bolivia FFA Winners



THE DAIRY JUDGING BANNER plus a \$15 cash award went to the Bolivia team last week at the annual Waccamaw Federation Future Farmers of America banquet held at Fair Bluff. The first place team members include: Johnny King, advisor and Joe Lewis, Kenneth Benton, Morry Watkins and Paul McDonald. The Bolivia club also won third place in the Federation beef and swine judging contest and the Waccamaw club won third place in the dairy judging contest. The Federation is made up of FFA club in Brunswick, Columbus and Bladen counties.

Death Of Woman

Officers Investigating Death Sunday Of Maggie Park-er, Negro Woman Of Southport

Two Southport Negroes are be-Mayor Tomlinson suggested ing held in jail in connection with that the board look into the mat- the death of a Negro woman after of establishing a retirement ter a drinking party Sunday, acfund for city employees. After cording to Police Chief Herman

handyman, and Prim Ray, Jr., a A letter for Senator Ray Wal- 21-year-old grocer's helper, are ton concerning a bill he plans to being held pending the results of introduce to extend police protec- a second autopsy on the body of tion one mile beyond the city Maggie Parker, 61. McKay is limits was read to the board. The also charged with assault with bill had already been ratified by a deadly weapon with intent to kill after he hit Ray on the head

The first autopsy report stated and will face in the future. He said it would serve as a guideline said it would serve as a guideline George Lom of James Walker in preparing the 1963-64 budget. Memorial hospital in Wilmington "It is generally considered that the ferry service between South-The results should be known by

Chief Strong reported that he over," he said. He said Governor received information concerning a Sanford promised this during a disturbance at McKay's home at recent trip to Brunswick county 608 North Caswell Avenue about "and I believe him," City Man- 1:30 p. m. Sunday. He immediately called Assistant Brunswick County Coroner T. A. Gilbert and they proceeded to McKay's home. They discovered the body of the Parker woman lying in the front doorway covered with a blanket.

> the Parker woman and Ray drop- Principal J. P. Snipes. ped in on him during a party Sun- Cheryl Rabon, daughter of Mr. Continued On Page 4

Williamson May Act On Paybill

sponsibility On County Commissioners

By ODELL WILLIAMSON After a bill to double the amounts now required by the compulsory automobile liability insurance law was killed by a one-vote margin in the Senate, this past week another bill was

a bill as the other one in that it is forcing the insurance companies to carry more coverage on A community dinner honoring the bad risks. This in turn would Col. and Mrs. Johnnie D. Duffie cause the premiums of your poand family will be held Friday licy and mine to go up. I cer- Sunday evening at 8 o'clock when evening at 6:30 o'clock at the tainly hope this bill is killed, and the fathers of two members of the

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Two Men Being Held Following Important Civilian Group At Terminal for dress of the state of

night in Wilmington and were

greeted by Col. Johnnie D. Duffie,

commander of the Brunswick

base. The visitors were members

The tour began at 8:10 Thurs-

day when Col. Duffie and his

staff held a briefing for the ex-

Record



CHERYL RABON

Bolivia Girl Has Perfect Record

Cheryl Rabon Has Never years, stated. Missed Day Of School Since Grade

McKay told Chief Strong that sent one single day, according to and repairs,

day. McKoy then said he went and Mrs. Frank Rabon of Winnato get a haircut and when he re- bow, says the reason for her perturned he found the body of the fect attendance is that she likes school.

Miss Rabon also admitted that luck played a big part in her attendance record. "I have only been sick on weekends", she said with a smile.

While at Bolivia, she has been in the Beta club, science club, Says He May Introduce glee club, FHA and on the girl's basketball team. She was the 1962 football homecoming queen and participated in the dairy princess

contest. Miss Rabon plans to attend Wilmington College next year and take a business course.

Graduation At Waccamaw High

day Evening With Commencement Planned For Wednesday Night

Graduation exercises at Waccagraduating class will be in charge

The Rev. Richard B. Williams bring a covered dish supper. The ator Walton, as well as myself, gram and the baccalaureate ser-

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Jaycees Install **New Officers At** Shallotte Meet

Kirby Sullivan, Vice-President For Eighth District, Was Principal Speaker At This Event

The installation of new officers highlighted a banquet meeting of the Shallotte Junior Chamber of Commerce Saturday night at the Shallotte Restaurant

Eighth District Vice-President Kirby Sullivan of Southport installed President Sam Inman, Vice-President David Gause, Secretary Dempsy Hewett, Treasurer Bill Gurganus, State Director J. P. Lewis, Jaybird Gene Sellers and Local Directors W. J. Mc-Lamb, Jr., and Billy Cheers.

Vice-President Sullivan, the feature speaker of the evening, explained the past history and future plans of both the State and National Jaycee organizations. He then presented the president's pin to Mrs. Inman who, in turn, pinned it on her

President Inman said he "accepted the position with honor and humility" and asked each member to cooperate in making 1963-64 a banner year.

Miss Brunswick County, Miss Carolyn Johnson of Bolivia, spoke briefly on county cooperation. As for the State Pageant, she said her clothes for the event had been purchased from stores in Raleigh and Wilmington, She thanked the Shallotte Industries for presenting her with six street ty. She plans to vacation at Sunset Beach after the Greensboro Members Of National De- event.

fense Reserve Unit Spent The club observed "Ladies Thursday At Sunny Night" and the wives of the members attended the meeting. J. T. Clemmons served as master-of-Vice-Admiral Roy A. Gano, ceremonies. Miss Brunswick commander of the Military Sea County's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Transportation service, and 13 Dan Johnson, attended the meetshipping executives toured the ing as guests.
Sunny Point Army Terminal

The party arrived Wednesday Finals At Bolivia Being Planned

of the National Defense Reserve Rev. B. Frank Hall Will Be Baccalaureate Preac. her; John Hicks Will Be Commencement Speaker

ecutives. The visit included ob-Graduation ceremonies will be serving the loading and unloading observed at Bolivia High School of ammunition and other cargo Wednesday night with 27 candion the three wharfs at the ter- dates, according to Principal J. P. Snipes.

"The 13 shipping executives are The baccalaureate sermon will from three different phases of be delivered at the school Sunthe shipping business and include day at 8 p. m. The speaker will operators of the ships, those who be Rev. B. Frank Hall of the build and repair ships and those Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian who support the other two", Ad- Church of Wilmington.

miral Gano, who has been con-Graduation ceremonies for senducting civilian tours for three iors will be held Wednesday night at 8 p. m. Aveline Skipper, The executives will eventually daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Entering First move into military offices, most- Skipper of Leland, class salutaly naval, and will be used as torian, will make the welcome liason men. They will conduct while Pat Lewis Carroll, daugh-A graduating senior girl has rapid studies on the maritime in- ter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Lewattended Bolivia high school for dustry, help provide speedy de- is of Leland, class valedictorian twelve years without, being ab- livery of needed ships, materials will deliver the farewell address. The feature speaker of the night Each year selected men take a will be Assistant Superintendent (Continued On Page 4)

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TIME and TIDE

Twenty-five years ago this week H. T. Bowmer, Southport

charterboat captain, had come up with an ingenius idea on a

new method of locating new fishing grounds. The freighter Virginia

went down twenty-five years before and occasionally fishermen

would cross over the sunken hull. Bowmer suggested that all

Southport charter boats equip themself with shrimp trawl equip-

ment and chain and go in search of the wrench. When it was

found, it would be marked for the convenience of all fishermen

A good deed was carried out by a local beat when it came it

came to the aid of a ditched carrier pigeon two miles offshore.

The bird was floundering about in the water vainly attenpting to

reach the boat. The crew saw the bird in distress, beating

Twenty years ago this week Theodore Roosevelt's famous

presidental yacht, Mayflower, that was once in Southport, was

being used in the Coast Guard submarine patrol. After being

burned slightly before Christmas, 1931, the Mayflower was tow-

ed into Southport and then transferred to Wilmington. There it

A former Southport woman, Major Margaret D. Craighill,

M. D., was commissioned into the United States Army, the first

woman ever bestowed such a position. Her father supervised the

Fifteen years ago this week the U.S. Engineers dredge

Lyman, with a crew composed of largely of Brunswick county

men, was scheduled to make a trip to South America upon com-

pletion of the work she is presently doing in Florida. Capt. John

G. Swan, also making his first trip to South America, was home

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its wings upon the water, and came to the rescue.

was converted for use by the Coast Guard.

for a short visit prior to his departure.

wishing to fish there.

rebuilding of Ft. Caswell.

Season's First Sailfish



HAPPY—Mrs. Walter Lewis, right, is proudly displaying the 71/2-ft. sailfish which she landed while fishing with her husband, Capt. Lewis, aboard the John Ellen last Thursday. It is the first sailfish reported along the North Carolina coast this season. (Staff Photo by Allen).

be plans to vacation at Sun-Seating A Jury

First Election For New Town

The first election ever held at Boiling Spring Lakes was conducted Wednesday and a five-man Town Board was

Members named to the board as a result of the election were Earl L. Elwood, 38 votes; Anson Lewis, 36; James W. Hufham, 34; Homer S. King, 33; and Charles A.

Other candidates for positions of the board were Mrs. Velma W. Stephenson, 26 votes; Al Martin, 25; A. E. Huntley, 24; and Gordon Carver, 20.

Commencement At Southport

Local Ministers Will Par- her presence and pay cost. ticipate In Baccalaureate Service Sunday Morning; Graduation Tues-

Graduation will highlight a week of senior activities at Southport High School, according to to not less than 15-months or Principal William N. Williams. A talent and variety show will

night at 8 o'clock. The baccalaureate sermon will e delivered Sunday at 11 a. m. at the school with members of the local clergy participating. The

Glee Club will present the music. Skits concerning the class, based on a Southern Plantation theme, will be presented Monday night at 8 o'clock. The skits will me directed by Mrs. Robert L. Jones, Mrs. Francis Key and Mrs.

Harold St. George. Senior graduation ceremonies will be held Tuesday night at 8 p. m. o'clock at the school. The feature address will be delivered by Ross Cadle, director of admission at Chowan Junior Col-

of Mr. and Mrs. Leon McKeithan, Tuesday night, according to Princlass salutatorian, will extend the cipal Winfred Johnson. welcome while Patricia Lee Cas- The baccalaureate sermon will ter, class valedictorian, will de- be on Sunday at 3 p. m. at the liver the farewell address.

Southport school committee, will speaker, Rev. Amis Daniels, paspresent the Louise Rees and the tor of the Wrightsville Baptist Breman Furpless awards to out- Church of Wilmington, Rev. Clarstanding students. The former, ence Piercy will also take part in given by Mrs. Susie Carson in the services. presented to the student who in the auditorium Tuesday night the student chosen the best all- welcome while Freeman Kirby, around citizen.

Authur J. Dosher, member of the farewell address. Continued On Page 4

Lee Andrews, Shallotte White Man, Facing First Degree Murder Charges

Attempts to select a jury for the murder trial of Lee Andrews highlighted the criminal term of cials are particularly urged to Brunswick County Superior court be present, along with all other which is meeting in Southport this week with Judge C. W. Hall of Durham presiding.

A special list of 100 Brunswick county resider s was drawn out Monday but only four were seated to hear the trial of Andrews, charged with fatally shooting his father-in-law, Aaron Cox. last November. A second list of 100 names was selected late Tuesday afternoon. Robert McMeekin, originally

charged with assault with the intent to committ rape, pleaded been planned at Leland High guilty to a charge of molesting School in connection with graduaa minor and assault on a female tion exercises, according to prinand was given a 5-year work cipal Rockfellow Venters. term. The sentence was suspended upon the conditions that he featuring 40 piano students, will remain of good behavior and not be held at 8 p. m. at the school. violate any penal laws of any The program will be under the go upon the premises where Elinor Jordan resides nor go in graduating seniors will be de-

Junior Branton pleaded guilty to a charge of breaking and entering and was sentenced to not less than 12 months or more 3:30 p. m. than 30 months in jail. Raymond Dale Corum pleaded

guilty to a charge of breaking and entering and was sentenced more than 36-months in jail.

Theodore Brown pleaded guilty held at the school Friday to a charge of forgery and was observed Wednesday night at 8 given a six-month jail sentence. p. m. at the school. The main It was recommended that he be address will be delivered by Rev. given treatment for alcoholism.

B. Frank Hall of the First Presgiven treatment for alcoholism. Charlie Hill was indicted for byterian Church of Wilmington, the murder of Robert Lee Hill and James Henderson Hill on February 2.

Shallotte High **Planning Finals**

Baccalaureate Sermon Sunday Afternoon And Graduation Exercises Tuesday Night

Graduation ceremonies for Shal-Judy Ann McKeithan, daughter lotte High School will be observed

school auditorium. Rev. H. Arth-James Wolfe, chairman of the ur Phillips will introduce the

memory of Miss Rees, will be Senior graduation will be held makes the most of his abilities, at 8 p. m. Jane Marie Benton, while the latter will be given to class salutatorian, will extend the class valedictorian, will deliver

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Ask Brunswick To Organize In **Area Planning**

Preliminary Meeting Held At Shallotte Tuesday To Determine Interest In Tourist Development

A group of Brunswick county citizens met Tuesday night at Shallotte at the invitation of G. E. Henderson, representative on the SENCland Development Council and heard W. K. Dorsey of Wilmington explain plans for a concerted effort to develop the Coastland Historyland idea for tourist development.

Dorsey outlined the organizational structure which will include every eastern North Carolina county. "A tourist is not interested in county boundaries," he pointed out. "He wants to know where he can find the next point of interest. That's why we have gone about this program on an area basis.'

Dorsey reported that the plan is being pushed under the banner of a new corporation and Governor Terry Sanford has named a commission to assist with its promotion. Author of the idea is Charles Wade, member of the Board of Conservation and Development.

Already it is clear that State Highway officials are ready to back up this program with action on U. S. Highway No. 17, which Dorsey says he hopes to see developed into a safe, servicable thoroughfare "not a fourlane highway whisking tourists through our area so fast they

Mayor Roney Cheers and all but one member of his board of aldermen were present, and it was decided to call a second meeting for Tuesday night, May 21, in order to get a more general representation from Brunswick county before setting up a permanent organization.

That meeting will be held at o'clock in the National Guard Armory at Shallotte, Town offiinterested citizens.

Leland Finals **Program Starts**

Rev. B. Frank Hall Will Be Commencement Speaker At Leland High School Wednesday Night

A full schedule of events has On Friday, a music recital,

direction of Mrs. Joe Moore. The baccalaureate sermon for

livered Sunday by Rev. Randolph L. Gregory, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Wilmington, at On Wednesday, the eighth

grade graduation will be held at the school at 10:30 a. m. The feature speaker will be Rev. J. C. Shaw of the First Baptist Church of Leland.

High school graduation will be Continued On Page 4

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, May 16, 12:57 A. M. 7:46 A. M. 1:29 P. M. 7:59 P. M. Friday, May 17, 1:59 A. M. 8:46 A. M. 9:09 P. M. 2:35 P. M. Saturday, May 18, 9:44 A. M. 10:13 P. M.

Sunday, May 19, 4:04 A. M. 10:40 A. M 4:38 P. M. 11:16 P. M Monday, May 20, 5:04 A. M. 11:35 A. 5:36 P. M.

Tuesday, May 21, 6:00 A. M. 12:13 6:31 P. M. 12:27 Wednesday, May 2 6:57 A. M. 7:25 P. M.