

Lennon Explains More Details On Absence Of Boat

Coast Guard Patrol Boat Taking Part In Delicate Action Involving Cuban Situation

More information has been uncovered by Congressman Alton Lennon concerning the removal of the Coast Guard boat from the Brunswick county waters, according to Mrs. Hulan Watts.

When the patrol boat was first called to the Florida waters, Mrs. Watts circulated a petition protesting leaving local waters without Coast Guard protection. Congressman Lennon worked on the matter in Washington and was responsible for another boat being sent here on temporary duty. But he was still interested in knowing why the Coast Guard was being used in Florida.

Following raids on Soviet vessels in Cuban ports by Cuban exile groups, a meeting of the National Security Council Executive Committee was held on March 29, to consider measures proposed by the Department of State to deter further raids. One of the measures that concerned the Coast Guard was the augmentation of Customs and Coast Guard forces in the Miami area to facilitate the boarding and searching of vessels, confiscation of arms and vessels and arraignment of participants if a violation occurred.

That same afternoon, Attorney General Robert Kennedy held a meeting of law enforcement agencies at which Vice Admiral Morrison and James P. Hendrick represented the Coast Guard and the Treasury Department. This meeting set up a conference in Miami on March 30, which was attended by Washington and Miami representatives of State, Justice, Navy, Army, CIA, FBI, INS, Customs and Coast Guard. The purpose of the meeting was to recommend measures to stop any raids already planned or underway and to keep future raids to a minimum.

A preliminary report was made to Washington while the conference was still in session and permission was obtained from the White House for a Coast Guard aircraft to be dispatched immediately to check Norman Key, B. W. I., from which a raid was reportedly about to be staged. Action was also taken to obtain British cooperation in preventing raids from the British Keys and to obtain permission for the Coast Guard to land men on these Keys when necessary. Subsequently, on April 2, White House approval was obtained for daily Coast Guard air surveillance of the Bahamas, continuous Coast Guard surface vessel patrols of the Bahamas and intensification of a Coast-Guard-Customs boarding program.

To implement the above program the Commandant on April 2, ordered six patrol boats, six utility boats, and six aircraft with crews and support personnel to be transferred immediately to the Seventh Coast Guard District from other districts. The number of vessels to be transferred from each district was based on (Continued On Page 4)

Lions District Governor Coming

Darrell W. Morse Will Be Guest Of Southport Lions Club Here Tomorrow (Thursday)

District Governor Darnell W. Morse will visit the Southport Lions Club tomorrow (Thursday) for the regular meeting at the community building.

The purpose of his visit will be to advise and assist President William C. Love, Secretary Prince O'Brien and the officers, directors, and members of the club on matters pertaining to Lions administration and the Lions' program of humanitarian service. Lion Morse is one of the 391 District Governors who supervise the activities of more than 17,218 Lions Clubs, with a membership of over 878,000 located in 122 countries throughout the world.

District 31-H, Lions International, includes 38 clubs in Eastern North Carolina. Lion Morse is a civil service employee at Navy Supply and is a member of the Havelock Lions Club. In addition to serving his own club as president, he served District 31-H as Zone Chairman, deputy District Governor and District Director for White Cane prior to being elected to his present office.

Lion Morse is active in civic affairs. He is member of the First Methodist Church. He is also a member of the Cape Lookout Power Squadron and was a member of the Cherry Point school committee. His hobbies are boat-



DARRELL W. MORSE

ing and stamp collecting. With his wife, Evelyn, he resides at Havelock.

The Southport Club is an active unit of the International Association of Lions Club, dedicated to community betterment in all its aspects; to national and economic, social and cultural progress; and to the promotion of international understanding and amity. In all these fields, Lions International has won strong influence and prestige, because of its constructive services. Principal projects of Lions Clubs in North Carolina are support of the North Carolina Association for the Blind, the Eye Bank and Boys Home at Lake Waccamaw.

Board Members Ask More Funds For School Use

County Commissioners Say School Budget Cut To Help Pay Additional Debt Service Costs

Because of the school budget cut, members of the Board of Education met with the Brunswick County Commissioners Tuesday morning in Southport.

Commission Chairman F. H. Swain announced that the school budget was reduced because the county debt service had been increased from 30c to 43c. He said the commissioners would do everything they could to help the school on their reduced budget.

Since the county budget for the schools was adopted, Superintendent A. W. Taylor said the salaries of the vocational and home economics teachers have been increased. The participation of the county state and federal governments was increased \$2,500 each for the purpose. The board has also spent \$10,000 for repairs at county schools recently, he pointed out.

He said the board is presently trying to borrow \$65,000 for the literary fund of the State Board of Education. The forms have been mailed and a decision should be made by October 1, he said.

If the money is approved, the board will still be \$26,500 short for the construction of a gymnasium at Lincoln and completing the Southport Gym. It will require an additional \$14,000 for the Lincoln project and \$12,000 additional will be needed at Southport if the loan is approved by the state board, Taylor said.

Chairman Swain said the commissioners will do everything they can to help the schools. "We will work with the auditors and you try to borrow the money," he said.

Bond Purchases In County Lag

Savings Bonds Sales In North Carolina Move Ahead But Sales Slow In Brunswick

Athrey C. Johnson, Brunswick County Volunteer Chairman of the U. S. Savings Bonds Program announced this week that U. S. Savings Bonds purchased by North Carolinians through the first seven months exceeded 30 million dollars. The exact amount, \$30,205,558, represents nearly 60 per cent of the state's 1963 sales quota of 50 million 600 thousand dollars and is 2.5 per cent greater than sales for the comparable months last year.

Bonds purchased by Brunswick County citizens during July amounted to \$1,120. For the year, bond sold in the County total \$11,680, which represents 42.5 per cent of this year's goal of \$27,840.

During July, Series E Bond sales of \$3,685,898 were up 3.5 per cent, while Series H Bond sales of \$248,500 showed a decrease of 57 per cent. For the month, combined sales of both series amounting to \$3,934,398 were off nearly 5 per cent.

Jaycees Meet At Shallotte



PROMOTION—Members of the Southport, Shallotte, Leland and Bolivia Junior Chambers of Commerce met Thursday night at Shallotte to hear officials of the Commerce and Industry Division of the Department of Conservation and Development discuss the future of Brunswick county. Shown here, left to right, are G. W. Fisher, Southport president; Sam Inman, Shallotte president; Ted Davis, speaker; Steve Varnum, Leland secretary; and Malcolm Knox, Bolivia vice-president. (Staff photo by Allen)

Routine Cases Heard Here In Superior Court

Judge Raymond Mallard Presided Over One Week Term For Trial Of Civil Cases Here Last Week

Several cases were tried during the week long civil term of Brunswick Superior court which was held in Southport last week with Judge Raymond Mallard presiding.

In the case of Fronzie Caison versus Aaron McLamb and Louis McLamb, the plaintiff was awarded \$3,500 for injuries arising out of an automobile accident. The jury ruled that she was injured by the negligence of the McLamb's who were also taxed court cost.

In the case of Ed C. Ennis and Blanche S. Ennis versus Vance Wade Phillips, the jury found that both automobiles were damaged by negligence of the other. The Ennis parties were taxed court cost.

A mis-trial was ruled in the case of Malcolm Frink, administrator of Kenneth Parker, versus James Royce Bullard because the patrolman did not bring his notes to court.

The court ordered that Daniel Roy Hewitt, James E. Hewitt, Foster Junior Gore and Robert Cooter Bennett be removed from Brunswick county jail and placed in the New Hanover county jail. This was done when the Sheriff's Department reported that an effort might be made by their friends to assist them in breaking jail.

State Officials Meet With Jaycees

Patrol School At Fort Caswell

Highway Patrolmen from all over North Carolina are attending a refresher training session being conducted this week at the N. C. Baptist Assembly near Southport. Plans for the school were approved by Col. D. T. Lambert.

Officers of the Highway Patrol are serving as instructors, and included in the group are Major C. R. Williams, Capt. T. B. Brown, Capt. H. C. Johnson and Capt. R. H. Checker.

Major emphasis is being placed upon the principals of supervision, management and instruction. Sessions will continue through this week.

Fee Schedule Set By Board

Brunswick County Board Of Education Establishes Fees And Sets Policies For Student Activities

According to a resolution passed by the Brunswick Board of Education at the August meeting, students must pay certain extra fees to take certain courses. The extra fees run as high as \$20 for typing.

Extra fees approved by the board for elementary school pupils in grades one to eight include instructional supplies, \$2; and supplementary reader rental fee, which amounts to \$1 for grades one and two, \$1.20 for grades three and four and \$1.40 for grades five, six, seven and eight.

High school students are charged \$20 for typing; \$1.50, industrial arts; \$5, home economics; \$5, book rental fee; \$1.50 band and \$3 for agriculture plus \$1 for FFA. Accident insurance and athletic tickets are optional fees.

When desired by the students, the purchase or rental cost of certain other items may be collected from the individual student. The items approved by the board include annuals, cap and gowns, class rings, commencement invitations, individual student pictures and school newspapers.

Dues as approved by the school principal may be charged members on an optional basis for classes and clubs.

The student is also charged \$1 to rent a school locker for the year. If the locker is found to be in good condition, the \$1 is returned at the end of the year.

A fee not to exceed \$2 per pupil and subject to the approval of the principal may be charged for junior-senior and other similar banquets.

The board called the fees charged the students "moderate and needful" according to the August resolution.

Preliminary Plans For Setting Up County-Wide Industry-Hunting Organization Discussed At Shallotte

The advantages of having a county development organization to locate new industry in the county were discussed with approximately 40 Brunswick Jaycees by officials of the State's Division of Commerce and Industry Thursday night in Shallotte.

Members of the county Jaycee chapters at Bolivia, Leland, Shallotte and Southport participated in the exploratory meeting to find new means to lure industry to Brunswick county.

Development Representative Ted Davis and Financial Consultant W. W. Barnes both said the reason Brunswick county is lagging behind the rest of the state is the lack of a county-wide development organization.

After the meeting the four Jaycee groups agreed to hold separate meetings to discuss plans to finance a county-wide development group.

After the four meetings, another county-wide meeting will be held at Bolivia High School on September 18 at 7:30 p. m.

Davis discussed the various types of organizations, listed the advantages of each, and gave information of the success of each type.

First he presented general information on industrial development. He told of the need to work together and explained the advantages offered by industrial development to a county. "Competition between states and counties of states is tremendous," he said.

Davis pointed out that 75 per cent of the new industries, large or small, would accept financial aid from the community. "They want to feel they are wanted."

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Davis went on to say that industry has not gone to counties that have not worked for it. He compared 14 other counties with Brunswick in the amount of development. While the others had averaged almost seven new industries during the past two years, he said, Brunswick has had only one. "You have not been working full-time for industry," he said.

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Tobacco Prices Take Turn For Better Tuesday

First Sales Following Labor Day Holiday Saw Best Prices Of Year Being Paid On Border Belt

Prices for tobacco on the Whiteville market Tuesday averaged \$69.74 per hundred, the highest ever recorded on that market. The volume of 1.4-million pounds also represented one of the largest totals ever offered there in a single day.

This has led tobacco farmers of this area to feel much more optimistic over the outlook for prices during the remainder of the sales season.

A heavy volume is expected on all warehouse floors the rest of this week and the week following as tobacco growers have nearly completed their green crop and are now processing the cured leaf for sale.

Farmers are hoping that sales this week will compare with last Monday's sale which saw the highest average this season recorded. Buyers say a top floor of tobacco was offered that day and it was evident with the competitive bidding taking place. Volume the last four sale dates was not as heavy and the price level declined on the average of \$1 and \$2 per hundred weight for good "middle-of-the-stalk" tobacco. Even with the small average decline prices held fairly firm and most farmers were satisfied with their sales.

Stabilization's take was less last week and along with this trend there was a marked decline in the number of piles of tobacco marked "S", for slick.

The Whiteville market has sold 13,320,000 pounds for \$7,127,466 a \$53.51 average to date. Comparing this with last year, figures indicate that current sales total only 25 per cent of those for the full season in 1962. The Whiteville market sold 42,609,165 pounds last year.

At this same time of the selling season last year the Whiteville market had recorded sales of 19,760,533 pounds and a \$59.10 average.

As far as volume is concerned the market is running a week behind last year's schedule. After 17 sales dates last year the local market recorded sales of 13,526,907 pounds and a \$57.19 average. There have been 22 sales days this year through last Friday.

The Old Belt made it official Friday. That market will open Sept. 23, a week later than originally (Continued On Page 4)

Intangible Tax Increase Noted

Brunswick County And Her Municipalities Share Increase In Funds For This Year

Intangible personal property taxes collected increased by \$2,056,15 in Brunswick county for the fiscal year which ended June 30, according to Chairman W. A. Johnson of the State Board of Assessment.

Brunswick county received \$16,060,644 this year as compared to \$14,004,49 received last year.

Tax distributions to Brunswick county municipalities, first figures fiscal 1963 and second figures fiscal 1962, include Boiling Spring Lakes, \$71.35 and \$49.39; Bolivia, \$27.94 and \$20.90; Long Beach, \$691.17 and \$640.78; Ocean Isle Beach, \$75.21 and nothing; Shallotte, \$217.32 and \$188.65; Southport, \$1,322.53 and \$1,192.20; Yaupon Beach, \$211.54 and \$182.24.

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Dr. Lawrence Lee At Old Brunswick

History Professor At The Citadel Is Man Chiefly Responsible For Current Project In County

A program commemorating the 1784 Spanish invasion and capture of Brunswick Town and the ground breaking for the \$80,000 Visitor Center Museum will be conducted at the site Sunday afternoon.

The three hour program will commence with the singing of colonial ballads at 2 p. m. and will conclude with the ground-breaking at 4:30 p. m., Site Archeologist Stanley South announced Tuesday.

Hundred of people are expected to gather for the ceremonies.

During the program state officials, area legislators, historical society spokesmen and other speakers will tell the story of Brunswick Town and adjoining Fort Caswell.

The Moore County Bar Association and the Alfred Moore Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution plan to present a marker to the state for the Alfred Moore Tomb at the site.

Dr. Christopher Crittenden of Raleigh, director of the State Department of Archives and History, will be on hand to explain the state's plan for the Brunswick town project and to accept the tomb marker and other portraits (Continued On Page 4)

Reunion Planned For Battery "E"

Word has been received here that members of Battery "E", 2nd Bn. Trench Artillery, which was organized at Fort Caswell, will hold a reunion at Franklin Park Motel in Southport September 21-23.

The meeting has been called by Roy B. Parks, who urges men in this area to spread the word in order to encourage a good attendance for he says "this may be our last reunion." He is coming here from Carbondale, Ill.

Shallotte Has New Teachers

Complete Faculty List Is Announced By Principal Winfred Johnson This Week

Seven new teachers are among the 41 faculty members at Shallotte High School, according to Principal Winfred Johnson.

James Robbins and Mrs. Mildred Holden are new high school instructors. Robbins, a math and science instructor, has been at Bolivia for the past two years. Mrs. Holden, who is an English teacher, is a former Shallotte faculty member who has been teaching in the Wilmington school system.

New elementary teachers include Miss Bernice Barwick, eighth grade; Miss Betty Coghill, fourth; Mrs. Bobby White, first; Mrs. Doug Henderson, sixth and Mrs. Betty Hewitt, sixth. Miss Barwick and Miss Coghill are 1963 graduates of Atlantic Christian college in Wilson, while Mrs. Henderson graduated from Wake Forest College this year. Mrs. White is a former Shallotte teacher who has been recruited while Mrs. Hewitt instructed at Waccamaw last year.

The returning members of the faculty include Frances Stone, Martha Russ, Bobbie White and Mildred Milligan, first; Edna Bellamy, Roxie Sasser and Ruth Galoway, second; Otis Russ, Lillian Hewitt and Clara Mae Russ, third; Christine Brummett, Lila Shay and Betty Coghill, fourth; Genee Russ, Muzette Arnold and Louise FormyDuval, fifth; Betty Ann Hewitt, Doris Henderson and Nettie Harrelson, sixth; Joyce Carmichael, Sarah Rogers and Tom Lowe, seventh; Betty N. Hewitt, Bernice Barwick and David Carmichael, eighth;

Faye Bellamy, commerce; Virginia Winfree, commerce; Paul Brummett, social studies and Spanten, Virginia. (Continued On Page 4)

TIME and TIDE

Five years ago this week the spectacular aurora borealis was visible to the citizens of Southport for one night, a rare occurrence that happens only once every eleven years. At first suspicion was that the glow was the reflection of a forest fire that had been raging in the Green Swamp for a few days.

A report was made concerning the season's activities at the Baptist Assembly by manager Fred Smith at a meeting of the Southport Lion's club. He reported 5,000 persons attended the sessions.

Ten years ago this week Ocean Isle Beach was opened to the public for the first time, with more than 125 lots being sold. Seventy-five of the lots were ocean-front, going for \$750 each.

Machinery used for completion of the wharves at the Sunny Point Army Terminal was starting to arrive, bringing closer the date when the terminal would be placed in operation. Diamond Construction Company was in charge of the construction of docks.

Fifteen years ago this week plans called for the sale of fresh seafood here in Southport. Dallas Piggott, shrimp fleet owner, planned to freeze and sell shrimp on a retail basis here, a market forsaken for the shipping of wholesale quantities to New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore.

A 200 pound sturgeon was caught by an angler fishing from a local dock, only to find that he had caught four of the species instead of one. The mother was placed on the dock, and then gave birth to three babies, each weighing approximately six pounds.

Twenty years ago this week the national shortage of pulpwood was reaching a critical state that would endanger the war (Continued On Page 4)

Brief Bits Of NEWS

HOSPITAL PATIENT

Mrs. Robert M. Willis, member of the faculty at Southport High School, is a patient in a Wilmington Hospital.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

The first fall meeting for the Southport Junior Woman's Club will be held Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of the president, Mrs. N. M. Hornstein.

BROTHER DIES

Mrs. Eva Ratcliffe of Southport learned Tuesday of the death of her brother, Charles Conway Matthews, of Fayetteville. Funeral services were held today (Wednesday) at Friendship Baptist Church in Bunlevel.

OFF TO THE RACES

J. W. Robinson, Holden Beach restaurant owner, is on a ten-day trip to the New England states. On Saturday he will view the Narragansett Special at Providence, R. I. He won the race while riding Post Master in 1959 and trained the horse Reize which won in 1960.

REPUBLICAN SPEAKER

District Republican Chairman Warren Coole will be the main speaker at a Republican rally Friday night at 8 p. m. at the Agricultural Building in Supply, according to Brunswick County Republican Chairman H. L. Willetts. All Republicans are invited to attend the rally and bring a friend.