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Dorman L. Mercer, Retired Brunswick County Forest Warden, Honored By Southport Junior Woman's Club

Dorman L. Mercer, who retired on January 1, 1960, after serving for 17 years as Brunswick County Forest Ranger, was honored Tuesday at a luncheon in Southport sponsored by the conservation committee of the Southport Junior Woman's Club.

Mrs. W. C. Jones is chairman of the committee. The retired forestry official was presented a loving cup in recognition of his services by Ernest Parker, Southport attorney and member of the Board of Conservation and Development.

Also present at the meeting were Kenneth Johnson, Brunswick County Forest Ranger, and R. M. McElwee, Assistant District Forester. The latter was in charge of the program, which was a film on the propagation of pine seedlings used for reforestation projects.

McElwee gave an idea of their importance in Brunswick when he reported the following record for tree planting: 682,000 in 1950-59, 744,000 in 1959-60; 798,000 in 1960-61; 874,000 in 1961-62; 1,044,000 in 1962-63.

Mrs. Norma Hornstein presided over the luncheon, which was held at the Parish House of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Mrs. Bobby Jones was in charge of arrangements for the program.

Crucial Meeting For Red Cross

Thursday Night Meeting At Bolivia Will Have Much To Do With Future Program In County

The future of Red Cross activities in Brunswick county will be discussed during an important meeting at Bolivia high school Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock.

"All citizens interested in continuing the Red Cross program in Brunswick county should make a point to attend this important meeting," County Chairman Mercer Johnson of Bolivia stated.

He said representatives from schools, civic groups, city and county governments, CAP members and volunteer firemen are among the groups specially urged to attend the Thursday night meeting.

National Red Cross Field Director Glenn Brosier will lead the discussion on the future work of the organization in Brunswick county, including the financial aspect.

At the present time, the Red Cross is interested in establishing a home nursing course in the high schools of the county. "We want to have at least one person in each home qualified to administer first-aid in case the need presents itself," President Johnson said.

He stated that during the week- Continued On Page 4

Fishermen Asked To Attend Meet Here Wednesday

Dr. David Adams, New Commissioner Of Commercial Fisheries, Will Be Here To Discuss Program

Ernest Parker, member of the Commercial Fisheries Committee of the North Carolina Board of Conservation and Development, announced a meeting of fishermen to be held in the court room in Southport next Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

The primary purpose of the meeting is to allow fishermen of Brunswick County, both sports and commercial, to meet Dr. David Adams, who was recently appointed Commissioner of Commercial Fisheries, and to present and discuss with him any problems or recommendations they may have regarding the fishing industry.

Also expected to attend the meeting are Leon Thomas, Assistant Commissioner of Commercial Fisheries from Morehead City, Louis J. Harde, Southport member of the Commercial Fisheries Advisory Board, and Inspectors Wilson and Canady, assigned to Brunswick County, and possibly some other members of the Fisheries Committee of C and D.

Parker said in announcing the meeting that this is part of the plan and program designed by the administration to make every effort to help the fishermen through intensified practical, scientific research and down to earth local discussions with fishermen and urged all of those interested in the seafood industry directly or indirectly to attend this meeting.

Tuesday Day Of "Nickels" Vote

List Of Voting Places In Brunswick For Upcoming Referendum, Given For County Farmers

By A. S. KNOWLES EXTENSION CHAIRMAN

Much has been said and written about the Nickel For Know-How Program during the past few weeks. Tuesday will be the day that farmers and others who buy feed or fertilizer will decide whether the program will operate for the next three years.

This self-help program has been operating for the past 12 years by contributing five cents for each ton of feed and fertilizer used. Much of the progress in agricultural research during the past few years can be traced back to promotion by the nickel program. Many important projects had their beginning because funds were available through this self-aid program.

North Carolina research on various agricultural projects are depending upon this program to find solutions to the ever increasing number of new problems that show up. Every person who purchased feed or fertilizer should exercise his or her right to vote Tuesday in deciding whether the Nickel For Know-How Program should be continued for another three year period.

Vote at one of the polling places listed below. All you have to do is sign your name on a register and mark your ballot. A "Big" vote is Continued On Page 4

George Gregory Gets Hole In One

George Gregory scored a hole in one on the 210-yard No. 8 hole at Oak Island Golf Club Monday, only the third ace recorded in the history of the nearby course. He used a 4 iron and was playing at the time with Gene Fulwood.

This is the first hole in one on No. 8, as the two earlier spectaculars came on No. 3. The first of these was by Harold Morgan last winter, the second by John Pepper of Greensboro this summer.

Robert Thompson made the debut list this week when he scored an eagle on the 375-yard No. 7 hole.

Brunswick Land Needs Drainage

Soil Conservationist Says 75 Percent Of County Farmland Would Profit By Drainage

More than 75 percent of the farmland in Brunswick could benefit from flood prevention watershed project action, says County Conservationist B. L. Foutz in Shallotte Monday.

"This compares to 52 percent of the total land area of the United States which needs some form of watershed project action," Conservationist Foutz stated. "Currently, less than 2 1/2 percent of the land area is included in authorized projects, according to the results of a national inventory of soil and water conservation needs."

He said more than 821 watersheds projects are under consideration in the United States for planning assistance. "By October, 130 more projects had been authorized for work under the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act than on January 1," he added.

More than 498 projects have been authorized for operation, 287 are Continued On Page 4

Historical Group Hears Mrs. King

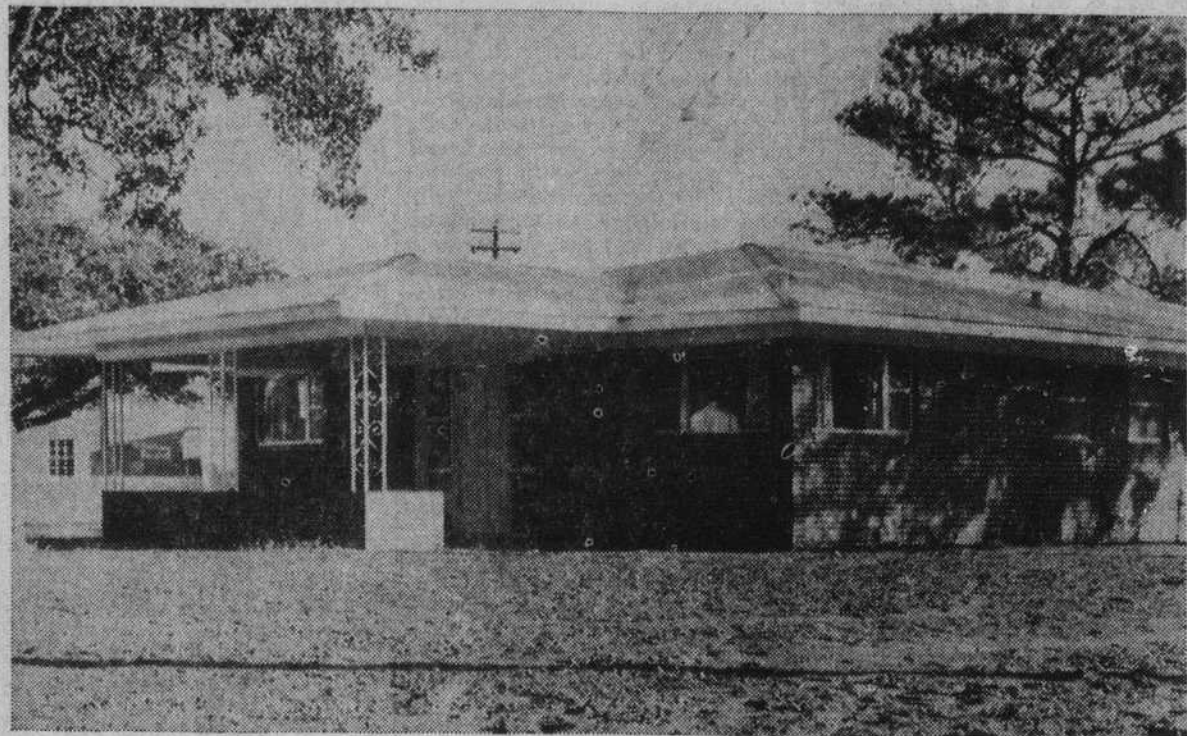
Quarterly Meeting Of Brunswick County Historical Society Held At Sacred Heart Parish House Monday

Mrs. M. H. Rourke was reelected president of the Brunswick County Historical Society at a meeting of this organization Monday night in Southport.

Elected to serve with her were Mrs. E. T. Driscoll, vice president; Miss Helen Taylor, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Harry Mintz and Mrs. Edwin Taylor, program committee. It was reported that the society now has 75 members.

The program for the evening was in charge of Mrs. Philip King, acting Brunswick County Librarian, who reported on the historical Continued On Page 4

New Medical Clinic



OFFICE—This is the new clinic of Dr. N. M. Hornstein, Southport physician, which he occupied Thursday. It is located on Howe street and was erected by Blake Construction Co. (Staff Photo by Allen)

Mrs. M. H. Rourke Heads March Of Dimes Campaign

Announcement Made This Week By Aubrey Johnson, Chairman Of Brunswick County Organization

Mrs. M. H. Rourke of Shallotte, will serve as director of the Brunswick County 1964 March of Dimes, Aubrey C. Johnston, Chairman of the Brunswick County Chapter, National Foundation, announced today.

Mrs. Rourke will direct volunteers during the January 2-31 annual March of Dimes campaign in the county to raise funds for medical care of those afflicted with birth defects or with arthritis, and to support research into the cause and cure of these crippling conditions.

In announcing the appointment Johnston said, "I know very well that under the inspiring leadership of Mrs. Rourke, the people of Brunswick County will give generously again to support the March of Dimes scientific assault on these crippling ailments. In deciding the amount to give, all of us must also be mindful of the continuing needs of thousands stricken in other years by paralytic polio."

"Really only a few of us Americans realize," Mrs. Rourke said, "that every year in our country we have a quarter of a million infants born with serious birth defects. At least 30,000 are stillborn or die of these defects. To put it another way, this means that one infant of every 16 has a serious defect, and that about every tenth American family experiences the tragedy and suffering caused by the birth of a seriously defective child. Only accidents cause more crippling among children."

Turning to the subject of arthritis, Mrs. Rourke added: "Here also the statistics are shocking and breathtaking. Fully 11 million of us suffer from the arthritic Continued On Page 4

Ports Authority Asking For Bids

4-H Achievement Night Being Held

The County 4-H Achievement Program is taking place tonight at the Extension Office Building in Supply. The program is built around 4-H activities of boys and girls.

Exhibits of projects will be shown and judged. Blue ribbon winners will enter exhibits at 4-H Honor Day at Brogden Hall in Wilmington Saturday of this week.

Hugh Vance, Electrical Advisor for Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation, will be principle speaker. He will show a new film on 4-H Club work entitled "Man Enough For The Job." Miss Margaret Clark, District 4-H Club Agent, will install the 4-H County Council Officers.

Two Civil Terms Here Next Month

Superior Court Will Convene On December 2 And December 9 For Trial Of Civil Actions

Some 82 county residents have been selected for jury duty during the two civil sessions of Brunswick Superior Court the first two weeks of December, according to Register of Deeds Durwood Clark. Residents selected by the Board of Commissioners for the December 2 term include:

Charlie Shepard, G. Cleveland Rivenbark, Goley Lee Lewis, A. R. Westcott, Stephen M. Johnson and Edward Taft Smith all of Bolivia; Charlie H. Caison, John A. Clemmons, Weston Varnum, B. W. Phelps, Jr., James Albert Caison, Waitus Jones and Willie C. Clemmons, all of Supply.

John Wendell Newton, J. D. Bigford and Ed. C. Newton all of Southport.

Eugene Burkhalter, Carl Skipper, Elmer J. Ramsey, V. H. Clark, Bennie Lee James, J. Thurman Skipper and Hulet Croom, all of Leland.

Sam J. Frink, James B. Chadwick, Warren E. Robinson and Bronson Bozeman all of Shallotte. J. Dallas Smith, Henderson Gore, Leon Faulk, Glenn Mintz, Elbert Little and Adorn Smith, all of Ash. Elrich Y. Hickman, L. H. Benton and Thelton Hardee, all of Ocean Drive Beach, S. C.

O. Key Campbell of Winnabow. J. B. Watts, C. F. King, H. H. J. King and Vance Little, all of Freeland.

Citizens named to serve during the December 9 term include: Relmar Potter, John Edward Young, G. S. Hollis, Frank R. Sullivan, Harold Williams, Isaac L. Fowler, Jack E. Moore and King Willie Moore, all of Leland.

Hugh Price, M. C. Spencer, John Henry Johnson and R. W. Duncan all of Southport. A. M. Bryant and G. T. Ried, both of Winnabow. John R. Corbett, Governor M. Gore, C. C. Gore, Hoyal D. Varnam and P. C. Woodard, all of Supply. R. H. Lewis, Radway Sellers, Continued On Page 4

Shallotte Vote Favors Sale Of Bonds For Water

Authorization For Sale Of \$121,000 Water Bonds Will Qualify Municipality For Federal Grant

Shallotte citizens overwhelmingly approved the town's first bond issue to establish a central water system by a vote of nearly four to one Saturday.

"I am proud of my people," Mayor Roney Cheers said. "This is the best news this town has received in years."

Shallotte voted 134 to 31 in favor of the \$121,000 bond issue that insures the town of receiving a \$117,000 federal grant which had been approved last month pending the outcome of the Saturday bond election.

A total of 165 of the town's 290 registered voters went to the polls during the day, setting a voting record for the Brunswick County municipality.

Mayor Cheers said the town commissioners would begin work immediately on final plans for the water system which will serve some 200 families and several businesses and industries.

He said the engineering firm of Boney and Newcomb of Raleigh, which has been hired by the town, will begin developing final plans for the water system as quickly as possible.

Bids will be called early in the new year and work will get underway by mid-January, Mayor Cheers predicted.

He said plans call for a 75,000-gallon elevated storage tank and three, six and eight inch mains leading from two deep wells to the tank and back to outlets.

Completion of the project in late summer of 1964 will mean a fire insurance rate drop for the town's residents, Mayor Cheers stated.

"We plan to place 35 fire hydrants at strategic locations in town to insure water for fire protection," he added.

Some 40 to 50 customers are now served by a private water system here. Other residents must depend on private wells for their water supply.

Voters here turned down a similar proposal several months ago after a bitter battle.

Bolivia Jaycees Are Reorganized

Mercer Johnson Elected President As Bolivia Young Men Set Up Organization Again

The election of new officers with Mercer Johnson named president highlighted a reorganizational meeting of the Bolivia Junior Chamber of Commerce Thursday night.

New Bolivia Jaycees officers beside President Johnson include Vice-President Hubert Brittain, Secretary Malcolm Knox, Treasurer Lewis Harvell, and Directors Guy Willetts, Wilbur Rabon and Jimmy Lee Maggard.

The group voted to sell ready-made bows and ribbons as a Christmas project.

The Jaycees contributed \$300 to the Bolivia Community Development Club to be used for purchasing a site for a community building.

President Johnson said the Bolivia Jaycees will meet every second and fourth Thursday night of the month.

Former Resident Of Southport Dies

Robert Frank Plaxco, Former Superintendent Of Brunswick Navigation Co., Died Suddenly On Saturday

Robert Frank Plaxco, for many years superintendent of the Brunswick Navigation Company at Southport, died suddenly on Saturday at Lincolnton, where he has made his home for the past several years.

The Plaxco family was well known in Brunswick county where they were active in religious, fraternal and civic affairs.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at Bethany ARP church in Bethany, S. C. The family requested, in lieu of flowers, that memorials be made to the Southport Presbyterian church.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth Miller Plaxco; two sons, R. Frank Plaxco of Greenville, S. C., John C. Plaxco of Lincolnton; one daughter, Mrs. Bess Smith of Port of Spain, Trinidad; one brother, Boyace Plaxco of Matthews, N. C.; and five sisters, Mrs. Ione Davis of Waxhaw, N.C., Mrs. Eunice Robinson of Lancaster, S. C., Mrs. Mary Edwards of Lynchburg, Va., Mrs. Susie Davidson of Clover, S. C., and Mrs. Brennie Pursley of Columbia, S. C.

TIME and TIDE

It was November 12, 1958, and Southport City Manager C. D. Picklerrell announced that the city would not remove trash and rubbish resulting from work by building contractors. Congressman Alton Lennon said he would visit in Brunswick later in the month.

Shallotte edged Southport 7 to 0 with Steve Gore scoring from the four after a Dolphin fumble set up the touchdown. It was the first win of the season for the Pirates and spoiled an unbeaten season for the Dolphins. On the previous Saturday the goat man had passed through the county.

It was November 11, 1953, and Hilda Warren of Bolivia placed first in an essay contest sponsored by the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation while Sally Anderson of Bolivia was third. A heavy deposit of marl was discovered on the M. B. Robbins' farm near Funston.

Avis Sellers of Supply won a two-day trip to the Farm-Home Electrical Congress in Raleigh. The Shallotte Lion's Club sponsored an old time fiddlers convention at the school Friday under the direction of C. E. Tripp.

It was November 10, 1948, and the 10th District of the American Legion was meeting at Holden Beach with 11 posts represented. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Loughlin, Jr., of Southport talked to their son Joe Sam, in the Canal Zone with contact being made by Elisha Sellers, Jr., formerly of Southport and who was working in Whiteville, by amateur radio.

A citizens group appeared at a meeting of the Board of Com- Continued On Page 4

Ban Brunswick To Red Tourists As Safety Move

Classified As Strategic Area From Which Possible Spies Will Be Excluded During Visits

The State Department declared approximately 11% of the United States, including Brunswick county, closed to travel by diplomats from five Communist Eastern European countries in a move to discourage spying Tuesday in Washington.

The department also revised its list of cities, counties and states which have been closed to travel by Russian citizens since 1955. As was the case with the old one, the revised list closed about 26 per cent of the country to the Russians.

Officials said the clamp down on Eastern Europeans affected diplomats from Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland and Rumania. But citizens of those nations are permitted unrestricted U. S. travel.

U. S. officials also revised the list of cities, counties and states where Russian citizens are forbidden to travel. The list is similar to travel restrictions imposed on Russians since 1955 but includes new reactions. It keeps Soviet citizens from visiting 26 Continued On Page 4

Brief Bits Of NEWS

BENEFIT SUPPER The WSCS of Ocean View Methodist Church at Yaupon Beach will have a chicken and pastry supper Friday from 5:30 to 7:30 o'clock.

EPISCOPAL BAZAAR The Women of St. Phillips Episcopal in Southport will hold their annual Christmas Bazaar in the Parish House on December 6.

CEMETERY CLEANING There will be a cemetery cleaning at Oak Grove Baptist Church November 16. All who have loved ones buried there are asked to come and bring tools to work with.

BENEFIT OYSTER ROAST The boys and girls basketball teams at Bolivia will sponsor an oyster roast at the school Saturday from 4:30 until 9 p. m., says Coach Harold Reynolds. Proceeds from the supper will be used to purchase needed equipment for the gym.

TRIP TO RALEIGH The Brunswick county MYF sub-district will visit the Methodist Children's Home in Raleigh Sunday. The group will leave from the home of Grover M. Sellers on U. S. 17 at 9 a. m. and will stop enroute for worship services.

BAKE SALE The Coast Guard Wives' Club of Southport will hold a bake and novelty sale Saturday morning beginning at 9 a. m. in front of the post office. The proceeds will be used to purchase a Thanksgiving basket of food for a needy community family, says Mrs. Marie Cox, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee.