

Aldermen Take First Steps In Bond Election

Final Date Has Not Been Set, But Proposal Is For A Saturday Sometime During February

A decision to tentatively set the five-part bond election in mid-February highlighted a meeting of the Southport Board of Aldermen at the City Hall Thursday night.

The bond issue, which will cover water, storm sewers, sanitary sewers, a new fire truck and other equipment and refinancing of all unpaid city bonds, was discussed by Auditor W. L. Aldridge before action was taken. The board decided to try to hold the bond election on a Saturday in mid-February. The action was taken on a motion by R. N. Hood, seconded by J. A. Gilbert, and unanimously approved.

The board decided to grant city employees a three day Christmas vacation and pay a \$15 bonus. After some discussion, the Aldermen defined the holiday period as December 24, 25 and 26. This action was taken on a motion by Harold Aldridge, seconded by J. A. Gilbert, and unanimously approved.

In order to keep the city as clean as possible during the holiday period, Mayor E. B. Tomlinson suggested that residents make a special effort to put all their trash out on Monday, December 23, and Friday, December 27.

Alderman Aldridge informed the board that the surplus fire truck is badly in need of an engine block. He added that the truck is used mainly for small wood fires. On a motion by Johnnie Vereen, seconded by Fred Spencer, the request was unanimously granted. The board asked that all efforts be made to purchase a used engine block before paying the needed \$225 for a new one.

Alderman Aldridge also said the volunteer firemen were having a hard time hearing the sirens. Mayor Tomlinson suggested that City Manager C. D. Picklerrell and Chief Ormond Leggett confer about the problem.

City Manager Picklerrell told the board that several requests had been made for the city to furnish mercury-vapor lights in backyards, drive-ways and for business establishments of citizens. He said other cities furnish the service on a contract basis between the city and the individual. The city furnishes the light, which cuts on and off electrically, and the individual pays the bill. Mayor Tomlinson asked Auditor Aldridge to look in to the matter and report back at the January meeting.

The board discussed the proposed small boat harbor in an "off the record" session. The board interviewed two prospective men from out of Southport for the position of police officer. Continued on Page Two

Club Woman Of Year



HONORED—Mrs. Katie Blake is shown here as she receives the Betty Duffie Loving Cup as Club Woman of the Year at the Junior Woman's Club banquet Friday night. Charles Blake is the man on the left, as Mayor E. B. Tomlinson, right, makes the award.—(Staff Photo by Allen).

Organize Beta Club On County Level On Monday

Gary Cheers Of Shallotte Elected President Of County Organization At First Session

The Beta Clubs of Shallotte, Bolivia, Southport, Waccamaw, and Leland met at Bolivia High School Monday night for the purpose of organizing a County Beta Club and electing officers.

New officers include President Gary Cheers, Shallotte; Vice President Ronald Hughes, Waccamaw; Secretary Dianne Willetts, Bolivia; Treasurer Barbara Melton, Southport; and Reporter Joe Imman, Shallotte. Mrs. Maude Green of Shallotte was elected as the club sponsor.

Master of ceremonies was W. N. Williams, Assistant Superintendent of schools of Brunswick county. The welcome was given by Principal Thomas Davis of Bolivia High School. Songs were then sung by the group, led by Sharon Bradsher of the Shallotte Club, with Mrs. A. S. Knowles at the piano. Mrs. Irene Davis of Southport gave a short speech on the purpose of the meeting. Ken Phelps of Southport High School next discussed, "What is the Beta Club."

Reports of club activities and projects by each club were then given followed by the roll call. Woodrow Taylor, Brunswick Continued On Page 4

Glee Club Has Sunday Concert

Enjoyable Christmas Program Presented In High School Auditorium Sunday Afternoon

Members of the Southport High School Glee Club presented a program of Christmas music Sunday afternoon in the high school auditorium.

Soloists were Kathy Wood and Joyce Gurley. A sextette comprised of the following girls also sang special numbers: Brenda Jordan, Martha Mallison, Sandy Potter, Joyce Gurley, Martha Harrelson and Diane Warth.

The directors of the glee club are Mrs. Leila Pigott, Mrs. Letha Warth, Mrs. Eleanor Potter and Mrs. Dorothy Glore. The accompanist is Mrs. Amaretta Preate. The following girls are in the glee club:

Jane Pigott, Sandy Potter, Anna Raybourne, Jeanne Brown, Judy Dixon, Kathy Wood, Dale Cumbee, Dorothy Becraft, Whitney Zachary, Diane Manis, Kyra Parker, Ellen Newell, Diane Warth, Mary Lee Jones, Cathy St. George, Linda Packer, Pattie Jenkins, Brenda Pendergraph, Diane Carrier, Brenda Jordan.

Marie Lewis, Robin Greene, Ethel Lewis, Carolyn Minton, Susan Potter Beinda, Camp, Bettie Stidham, Susan Harrelson, Linda Poindexter, Greta Jorgensen, Charlotte Evans, Joanne Gregory, Brenda Crouch, Jane Clemmons, Cathy Greene, Linda Pigott, Joyce Gurley, Nancy Lennon, Joyce Ward, Martha Harrelson and Martha Mallison.

Swain Chairman As County Board Organizes Again

Durwood Clark Named County Purchasing Agent Following Resignation Of Mrs. Ressie R. Whitley

The resignation of Mrs. Ressie R. Whitley from the position of county purchasing agent highlighted a meeting of the Brunswick County Board of Commissioners in Southport Monday.

Register of Deeds Durwood Clark was appointed to succeed Mrs. Whitley as purchasing agent. The action was taken on a motion by D. L. Ganey, seconded by R. L. Rabon and unanimously passed.

Mr. Whitley cited overwork as the reason for her resignation. She will continue in the position of county auditor.

The board unanimously voted to borrow \$24,000 for the Board of Education. This action was taken on a motion by Commissioner Rabon, and seconded by Ira Chadwick.

L. H. Reynolds of Leland was appointed temporary electrical inspector to replace W. G. Adams of Leland, who is ill. The appointment is to last until Adams returns to work. The motion was made by Commissioner Ganey, and seconded D. B. Frink.

The board reorganized for 1964 and with no change in personnel. F. H. Swain was reappointed chairman, S. B. Frink, county attorney, A. H. Ganey, Jr., solicitor, and Clark, clerk to the board.

Tax Collector Bobby White was allowed to hire Beverly Howard of Southport as a regular employee in the tax office. This action was taken on a motion by Commissioner Frink, seconded by Commissioner Ganey, and unanimously passed.

Superior Court Concludes Term

Several Matters Disposed Of Before Judge Raymond Mallard In Civil Term Concluded Last Week

Several cases were decided during the second week of the civil term of Brunswick County Superior Court held in Southport last week with Judge Raymond Mallard of Taber City presiding.

In the open store account case of Wallace Hickman versus A. J. Sarvis and wife, Ruth Sarvis, the defendants were ordered to pay Hickman \$67.05. They were also taxed court cost.

In the open account case of Carrie Jackson versus A. J. Sarvis and wife, Ruth Sarvis, the defendants were ordered to pay Jackson \$46. They were also taxed court cost.

The agreement conflict case of Marvin Britt versus Mrs. Ada Little Atkins, executrix, D. C. Atkins, deceased, was dismissed. The jury ruled that Atkins did not agree to pay Britt for damages sustained by his tractor by fire. Britt was taxed court cost.

In the accident case of Edith Randolph Bongardt versus Leon Frink, Mrs. Bongardt was awarded \$5,000. The jury said Mrs. Bongardt was injured and damaged by the negligence of Frink and gave here \$5,000. Frink was taxed court cost.

A divorce was granted to Paul Jennings Long Sr., fro Lucilee Garrett Long.

Patrol Boat Officers



DUTY—Ensign Glenn E. Haines, center, is shown with Chief Quartermaster Earl Pierce, left, and Chief Engineman Taft Pilcher aboard the U. S. Coast Guard Patrol Boat, to which they recently were assigned for duty. (Staff Photo by Allen)

Coast Guard Patrol Boat Gets New Men

Ensign Glenn E. Haines Is New Commanding Officer And Two New Chief Petty Officers Join Crew

A new commanding officer and two new chief petty officers have recently joined the U. S. Coast Guard forces in Brunswick county and are stationed at Oak Island.

Ensign Glenn E. Haines of South Portland, Maine, is the new commanding officer of the CG 59303. He replaces Lt. (j.g.) John T. Ward who has been transferred to the Fleet Sonar school at Key West, Florida, where he will serve as an instructor.

Ensign Haines is a 1962 graduate of the U. S. Coast Guard Academy and was stationed in Norfolk prior to being assigned to Southport.

He and his wife, Norma Jean, also of South Portland, live at 514 W. West street in Southport.

Ensign Haines had words of praise for Southport. "We like Southport," he said. "It's a lot bigger than we thought it was. The people here are real friendly."

The new chiefs in the crew are Chief Engineman Taft Pilcher and Chief Quartermaster Earl Pierce. Chief Pilcher replaces Chief Floyd McGowan who has been promoted to warrant officer and assigned to the USCG Humboldt at Boston. Chief Pierce, who comes to Southport from Alaska, takes the place of Chief Larry Gray who has been assigned to the USCG Conifer at Portsmouth.

Ensign Haines announced that the Coast Guard boat 59303, will continue to tie-up at Oak Island instead of the Southport Yacht Basin as was done until this fall.

Shallotte Club Wins Area Prize

Louis Stanley Accepts Cash Award From Officers Of SENClan Development Corporation

The Shallotte Community of Brunswick County won the trophy and \$100 as best in the community development program competition of the SENClan area at the awards program here Wednesday night.

The Shallotte community also won the top prize and \$75 in the youth program division. It topped the community projects division, placed second in the increased income division and third in the home improvement division.

Another Brunswick county winner was the Cedar Grove Community, which placed second in the Home Improvement category.

Representatives of the six counties participating in the area program — Bladen, Brunswick, Duplin, New Hanover, Pender and Columbus — presented reviews of their county community develop-

Baptist Church Recognized For Training Plans

Recognition Comes From Sunday School Board Of Southern Baptist Convention For Program

The Southport Baptist Church received a special recognition award for its exceptional record in training Sunday School workers in the principles and methods of teaching Monday, according to Rev. Mark Owens.

The award was presented to the Southport Church by the Baptist Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, Tenn.

"The award distinguishes the Southport church as achieving 20th place among the more than 3,300 Baptist churches in North Carolina", Rev. Owens said proudly.

The program of study is outlined by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board and all member churches are urged to participate. Sunday School teachers at Southport Baptist Church completed 85 courses of study last year.

Rev. Owens said 53 persons are enlisted in the teaching and supervision of the Sunday School program at Southport Baptist Church. Miss Gertrude Loughlin is the director of church training, L. M. Pendergraph, general superintendent, Hubert Livingston, associate superintendent, and Miss Annie May Woodside, general secretary.

Shallotte Man For Development

Resources Development Tax On January 14 Explained To Be Submitted To Vote By Supporter

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first of a series of articles supporting the tax-levy-for-industry election in Brunswick county by members of the committee organized by J. T. CLEMMONS)

In 1961 the North Carolina legislature passed an act known as House Bill 252 authorizing the county commissioners to call a special election to determine whether or not the people were for the levying of a special tax to support a Resources Development Commission.

This special election is to be called upon the petition of 500 voters of Brunswick County. This petition has been presented to the Board of County commissioners and the special election has been set for January 14, 1964.

If the voters of Brunswick county vote favorably for developing their county, then the County Commissioners will be authorized to levy a special tax at a rate not to exceed 10 cents on each \$100 property valuation in Brunswick County. These funds are to be used for the purpose of attracting new and diversified industries to Brunswick County, for promotion of the processing of agricultural and seafood products, for the encouragement and promotion of new business and industry, tourist trade and for the promotion and development of recreational and retirement areas and to pay necessary expenses for the successful promotion of Brunswick County.

The commission appointed for the purpose of carrying on the Resources Development of Brunswick County will be composed of nine bipartisan members. These members are to be named by the Board (Continued On Page 4)

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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 Pilots Association.

Table with columns for HIGH and LOW tide times for Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday.

Katie Blake Named Woman Of Year

Honored At Annual Banquet Of Southport Junior Woman's Club Friday Night At Boiling Spring Lakes

The selection of Mrs. Katie Blake as the Club Woman of the year highlighted the annual banquet meeting of the Southport Junior Woman's Club at Boiling Spring Lakes County Club Friday night.

Mrs. Blake, who is the wife of Charles Blake of Southport, was cited for outstanding service to the club and the community during the year by Mayor Eugene B. Tomlinson who presented the award.

He pointed out that Mrs. Blake was chairman of the fine arts committee, taught and helped organize the Gray Ladies at Doshier Memorial Hospital, secured jurors and cups for the Southport Arts Festival, attended the Convention of the State Federation in Asheville and helped with other club projects.

In addition, Mrs. Blake is a registered nurse and has worked at the hospital in Southport. She is also the mother of one child.

Mrs. Blake received a silver tray for being named Club-Woman-of-the-year. The tray was donated by Mrs. Johnnie Duffie, former president of the Southport Woman's Club, and is presented each year to the woman who does the most outstanding work during the year. The first winner was Mrs. Peggy Hood in 1962.

The husbands of the club members attended the banquet. Mrs. Marie Royal, a sponsor of the club, attended as a guest.

Mrs. Norman Hornstein, president, presided at the dinner.

Southport Youth Goes To District

Kenneth Phelps Represents Brunswick County In District Interview For Morehead Scholarship

A Southport boy was among the 181 North Carolina high school seniors boys selected by the Morehead Award County Committees this fall for further consideration for 1964 four-year all-expense-paid scholarships to the University of North Carolina.

Kenneth Marvin Phelps was the only boy from Brunswick county named for further consideration for the scholarship.

The 181 youths, including Phelps, were selected from 826 boys nominated this fall by high school nominating committees for Morehead County Selection committees through out the state. Ernest E. Parker, Jr., of Southport, served as chairman of the Brunswick county committee.

The scholarships were established in 1951 by John Motley Morehead, a native of North Carolina and UNC graduate of the class of 1891, who lives in Rye, New York.

Morehead is chairman of the foundation which provides the awards for the undergraduate education of boys from North Carolina high schools and preparatory schools in the state and throughout the nation.

Reelect Smith To Soil Board

Brunswick County voters have elected Bryan Smith as District Supervisor for Brunswick County for a three year term beginning January 1, 1964.

In the capacity as district supervisor, Smith along with the other two supervisors, T. C. Lennon and James Bellamy, Jr., are responsible for the development of a program of conservation of natural resources in Brunswick County.

District Supervisors arrange for assistance from public and or private sources to put their program into action.

Any farmer can get conservation information and assistance tailored to the needs of his own land by applying to the local district office or the Soil Conservation Service office in Shallotte.

Holidays Vary For Brunswick

Schools Close Friday At Noon For Two Week Period; County Offices To Close Tuesday At Noon

Christmas holidays, ranging from three days to almost two weeks, will be observed by Brunswick schools, county employees and Southport city workers.

The schools of Brunswick county will close at noon Friday for the holiday and will not reopen until 8:30 a. m. January 2, says Superintendent (Continued On Page 4)

TIME and TIDE

It was December 17, 1958, and the icy grip of winter had covered Brunswick for the past week interrupting power service in parts of the county. Davis C. Herring was named county attorney to replace S. B. Frink. Principal Eugene Nance of Bolivia was elected president of the Brunswick County Schoolmasters Club.

The Corps of Engineers announced that the Southport Yacht Basin would be dredged to a depth of nine feet next year. The Holiday House in Southport was cancelled because of the delay in installing the new heating equipment in the Community Building.

It was December 16, 1953, and a hugh tooth identified as the lower molar of a mastodon, a large prehistoric animal, was found at Sunny Point by John D. O'Daniel. Mrs. Ida E. Parker of Shallotte was elected president of the Brunswick County Postmasters Association.

It was reported that a prowler was walking the streets of Southport at night. The engagement of Miss Ramona Frink of Shallotte and Johnnie M. King of Bolivia was told. Mr. and Mrs. James C. Bowman announced the birth of a daughter.

It was December 15, 1948, and the Board of Commissioners appointed W. P. Jorgenson of Southport as auditor and Edward (Continued On Page 4)

Brief Bits Of NEWS

ISSUES WARNING Chief of Police Clay Jordan says that anyone caught cutting trees at Long Beach without the written permission of the property owner will be prosecuted.

FEED GRAIN DATES The sign-up period for the 1964 feed grain program will begin on February 10 and run through March 27, says ASCS Manager R. L. Price. It will be very similar to the 1963 program.

SPECIAL PROGRAM "The Sojourner and Mollie Sinclair," final event in the Terecentenary observance of the Carolina Charter, will be shown over WECT-TV, Wilmington, on the evening of December 27 at 10 o'clock.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM The adult choir at Old Shallotte Baptist Church is presenting a cantata, "Night of Miracles", Sunday, December 22, at 7 o'clock. The choir is under the direction of Mrs. Betty Frink. Everyone is invited to attend.

LIONS TO MEET There will be a joint meeting of the Lions Clubs of Brunswick county Thursday night at Shallotte. Members of the Southport club will meet at the Community Building at 6 o'clock and transportation will be available to Shallotte, where the meeting will begin at 7 o'clock. A speaker will be on hand to explain the Little Federal Plan which will be one of the proposals voted on in the Special Election on January 14.