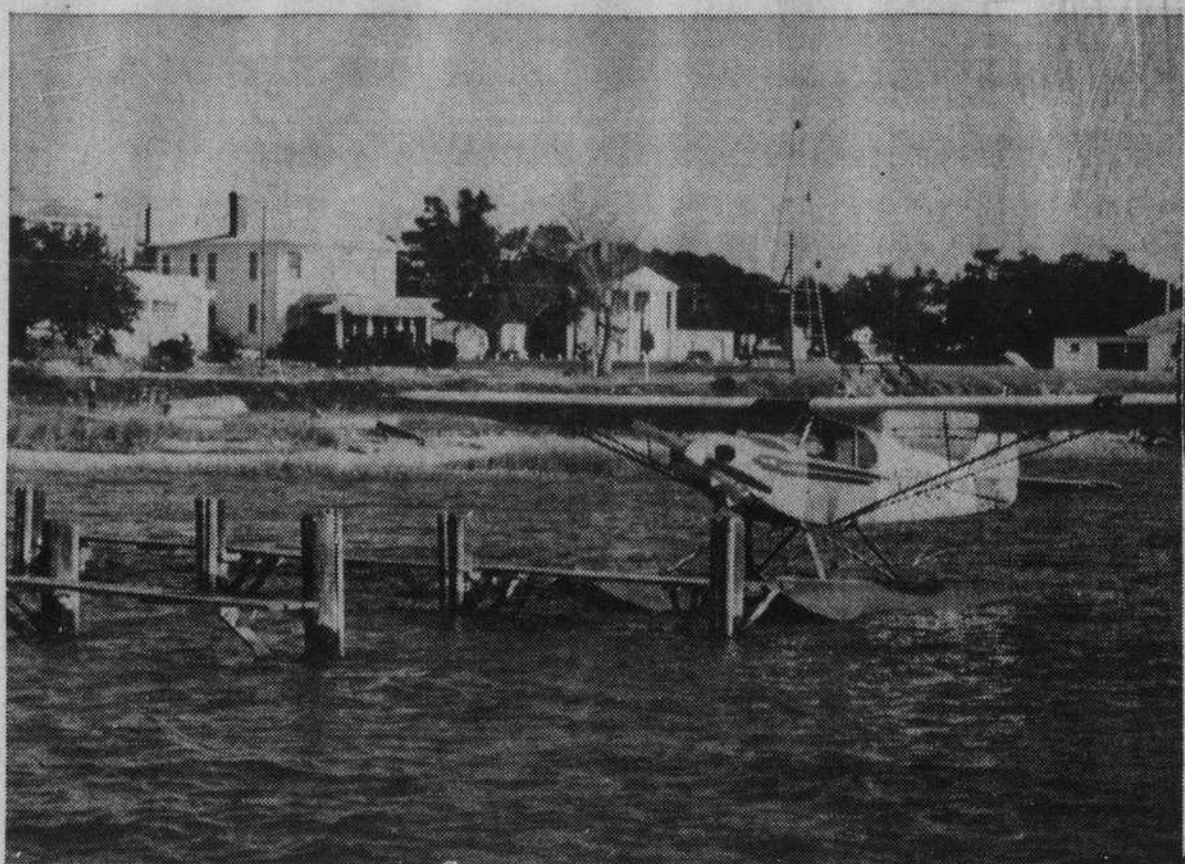


Southport Launching Ramp



VISITOR— This seaplane operated by the Wildlife Resources Commission, is shown at the Southport launching ramp where it was tied up Thursday. Waterfront observers thought maybe they were seeing things. The plane was used through out that day for operations in the Southport area. (Staff Photo by Allen)

Progress Made To Establish Drainage Work

Preliminary Report For Caw Caw Drainage Project Expected To Be Filed With Clerk Of Court

A preliminary report on the caw caw watershed project will be filed in the Clerk of Court's office in Southport within the next week, says Chairman James D. Bellamy of the Lower Cape Fear Soil and Water Conservation District.

The report on the need for the first watershed project in Brunswick county will be submitted by the Board of Viewers. The members of the board, J. L. Blackman of Sampson county, Ralph King of Waccamaw and Roy Swain of Bolivia, were appointed by Clerk of Court Jack Brown as required by law.

In addition to making the written report, the board will prepare a land ownership and soil classification map.

Bellamy announced that under the cost-sharing plan, the federal government will provide 70 1/2 percent of the cost. Local sources will be responsible for furnishing the remaining 20 1/2 percent.

The caw caw project, which will be located in the Hickman's Crossroads, Longwood and Grissetown area, will consist of a 17-mile main canal on the caw caw, Little caw caw and Shingtree.

The next step for the project will be the establishment of the drainage district to serve as the legal body of the watershed project. The district group will be responsible for governing all watershed work.

Bellamy said he hoped construction would start in March or April so it can be completed this year.

Bolivia School Library



NEW— This is the new elementary school library at Bolivia and the above photo shows a group of students making use of this new facility, which opened for the first time last week. (Staff Photo by Allen)

Bolivia School Has Elementary Library Room

Various Groups And Individuals Cooperate To Make This Improvement Possible

A community project has resulted in the establishment of a centrally located elementary library at Bolivia school, according to Principal Thomas Davis.

The new library for the elementary grades at the school was opened for student use after the Christmas holidays. This is the first time Bolivia has devoted a whole room to an elementary library.

When school opened in August, Principal Davis discovered that there was a vacant room. Plans were then made to establish the elementary library, a facility the school did not have.

The project began under the guidance of Miss Gertrude Loughlin, county elementary supervisor, Miss Cora Paul Bowman, supervisor of libraries for the State Department of Public Education, and Principal Davis.

Some 217 new books were purchased for the library on a trip to Raleigh by Miss Loughlin and Principal Davis. The Bolivia Lions Club contributed \$100 towards the new facility and \$58 worth of books were purchased by persons interested in the school. Each book which was contributed to the library has a label in the front with the donor's name on it.

Old books were mended under the supervision of Miss Loughlin. The Bolivia Home Demonstration Club has since taken over the project of repairing the old books.

Principal Davis estimates there are over 1,300 books in the library at the present time. The books range from easy ones for first-graders and progress upward. A variety of subjects are covered.

Miss Loughlin also helped catalogue all the books in the library. The typing class, under Foster Pruvette, typed the shelf list for the card catalog.

The Board of Education furnished material for the library and painted the room and book shelves. The senior agriculture class.

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Board Approves School Loan For Current Expense

Commissioners Approve Action For Loan Of \$21,500 Against Anticipated Tax Revenue For Fiscal Year

A decision to permit the Board of Education to borrow \$21,500 for current expenses highlighted a meeting of the Brunswick County Board of Commissioners Monday in Southport.

The \$21,500 will be used for the purpose of paying appropriations made for the current year and in anticipation of the collection of the taxes and other revenue for the current year.

The sum does not exceed 50 percent of the uncollected taxes of the current year, the county auditor's office reported.

The resolution, which was introduced by Commissioner D. L. Ganey, seconded by Ira Chadwick and unanimously passed states that "pursuant to the County Finance Act, as amended, and in order to borrow the sum of money specified, a negotiable promissory note or notes of the aggregate principal amount of \$21,500 are hereby authorized to be issued.

"The notes shall be dated January 30, 1964, shall mature July 30, 1964, and shall bear interest from their date, payable at maturity, at a rate to be determined by the Local Government Commission, not exceeding six percent (6 percent) per annum. Both principal of and interest on said notes shall be payable in such city

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Work Proceeding On Light Tower

Steel Tower Which Will Replace Frying Pan Lightship Now Being Fabricated In New Orleans

Work is going forward on the 1.6 million dollar Coast Guard contract for the construction of a light tower to be set in 46' of water on the outer edge of Frying Pan Shoals, 34 miles off Cape Fear, North Carolina.

J. Ray McDermott Company, Inc., New Orleans, Louisiana, is the prime contractor for this project. They are currently fabricating the various parts of the structure in their assembly yard on the Mississippi Delta below New Orleans, Louisiana. After assembly, the structure will be barged in several pieces to the marine site where a template will be set on the bottom, pilings driven 250' below the mud line, and the structure lifted into place with huge floating marine cranes. Present scheduling calls for the erection to be accomplished during favorable weather of May-June 1964.

This Coast Guard Offshore Light Tower has been designed to replace the aging Frying Pan Shoals Lightship. This is one in a series of Offshore Light Towers the Coast Guard is erecting along the East Coast. Fixed light tower structures are superior to floating lightships, displaying greater intensity lights from higher elevations and from fixed locations. Economy is also a major feature. The initial cost of a light structure approximates the initial cost for replacement of a lightship. Annual maintenance cost of the structure is considerably less as it can be operated with but six men. A lightship requires 16-20 men.

The Frying Pan Shoals structure is designed to stand on four legs approximately 60' apart with 36" diameter steel piling driven 250' in to the bottom. The 4 legs are braced together 70' above water to support a deckhouse. The deckhouse provides living quarters, radio beacon, and communications equipment. The roof of the deckhouse is designed as a heliport. A 32' high tower is constructed on corner of the structure to support the flashing light and radio-beacon antenna. A rotating beacon will give a light beam of 3.5 million candlepower which will appear as a single flash every 2.5 seconds. This light will be visible for 16 miles; the geographical limitation due to the curvature of the earth.

A Marine radio-beacon having a range of 100 miles will be included among the navigation aids on this tower. A new type of electrical oscillator fog signal will be operated from the tower in periods of low visibility and may be heard for distances of 5 miles or greater. To provide distinctive visibility from greatest possible distances in the daytime, the deckhouse will be constructed of bright yellow porcelain.

The Frying Pan Shoals Light Structure has been designed by the Civil Engineering Division of Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D. C. and the construction contract is being administered by the Fifth Coast Guard District Office.

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Railroad Man



RUSSELL SWINDELL

Russell Swindell Gets New Post

Man Who Helped Establish Marineology Department In Southport Working For Railroad Group

The North Carolina Railroad Association has a new executive director. Russell A. Swindell, of Raleigh, assumed his new duties January 1, according to an announcement by M. V. Barnhill, Jr., of Wilmington, chairman of the Association's executive committee.

The new director will be responsible for coordinating the work of the Association, which represents 23 railroads.

Swindell is well known in Brunswick county where he was instrumental in the establishment of the marineology department at Southport High School and where he assisted in setting up several of the pioneer classes in adult education for waterfront workers.

A native of Swan Quarter in Hyde County, Swindell has been associated with the North Carolina educational programs since 1955, serving, first, as supervisor in the Department of Public Instruction, and more recently, in the Department of Community Colleges.

Upon learning of his resignation, Dallas Herring of Rose Hill, Chairman of the State Board of Education, expressed his gratitude for Swindell's services "on behalf of the children of North Carolina, trade and industrial education, and public education in general for services unmeasured." He described Swindell as a "dedicated citizen deeply concerned for the disadvantaged, the neglected, the forgotten and the isolated."

Swindell is an alumnus of Louisville College and served in North Carolina General Assemblies in 1951, 1953 and 1955. He is married to the former Martha Easterling of Maxton, and they have three children.

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Consolidation Is Cited As Answer To School Needs

Survey Team Completes Comprehensive Study Of Existing School Facilities In County

A complete revamping of the schools of Brunswick has been recommended by the Division of School Planning of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction after surveying the county system.

The survey committee, composed of four state educators, released a 33-page report on the educational program, population, transportation, finance and school plants of the county Monday.

In summary, the committee recommended that the following considerations be made for improving the schools of Brunswick county:

1. The Bolivia, Southport and Leland secondary pupils, grades 7-12, should be housed in a centrally located and new school plant in an effort to provide a more comprehensive program of education and to bring together enough pupils within reasonable transportation limitations to justify a comprehensive program.

2. The secondary pupils, grades 7-12, at Waccamaw and Shallotte should be brought together at either the existing Shallotte School plant or construct a new secondary plant on a new site.

3. The secondary pupils, grades 7-12, at Lincoln and Brunswick County Training should be joined together on a new and centrally located site to permit the bringing together enough pupils to justify a comprehensive program of education and to be within reasonable transportation limitations.

4. The existing Union School plant should be developed into a secondary school, grades 7-12, for secondary pupils in that geographical area.

5. The existing school plants at Lincoln, Bolivia, Leland, Southport, Brunswick County Training.

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Brunswick Citizens Will Vote Tuesday

New Contractor At Sunny Point

The Atlantic and Gulf Stevedores, Inc., of 115 Atlantic Street, Norfolk, Va., has been awarded a contract estimated at \$1,071,644 for stevedore and related terminal services to be performed at Sunny Point Army Terminal, Southport. The work started December 1, 1963, and will continue to September 30, 1965. Nineteen firms were solicited and five responded.

The announcement was made by the U. S. Army Terminal Command, Atlantic at Brooklyn Army Terminal.

Former School Principal Dies

Funeral Services Held Thursday At Bolivia For Man Who Headed Two County Schools

BOLIVIA—Oscar Clinton Burton, 57, former principal of Leland and Bolivia High Schools, died Tuesday morning in North Carolina Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill after a brief illness.

He was a teacher at Atlantic High School in Atlantic at the time of his death.

Burton was a member of Bethel Methodist Church and was a Mason, being a member of Pythagoras Lodge No. 249, AF & AM, Southport.

Final rites were held Thursday at 3:30 p. m. at Bethel Methodist Church by the Revs. J. M. Carroll and Clyde S. Boggs, with burial in Zion Methodist Church Cemetery. Masonic rites were rendered. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Garrett Burton; a son, Charles David Burton of Raleigh; a daughter, Miss Rebecca Elizabeth Burton of Chapel Hill; his father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Burton of Dry Den, Va.; a brother, A. L. Burton, Big Stone Gap, Va.; three sisters, Mrs. Alice Lucas, Dry Den, Va., Mrs. Ellen Armentrout, Natural Bridge, Va. and Mrs. Halie Bell Myers, Pennington Gap, Va.; and a grandchild.

Former Postal Employee Dies

Mrs. Edna Davis Bell Died Saturday At Doshier Memorial Hospital; Funeral Monday

The only person ever to retire as an employee of the Southport Post Office, Mrs. Edna Davis Bell, died here, Saturday at Doshier Memorial Hospital. She was 76 years old.

Mrs. Bell first became a local postal employee when she entered duty as clerk in 1909. She left the service in 1914, but returned in 1935. She remained on duty at the Southport Post Office until retirement in 1952. At that time she was

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Great Interest In Little Federal Plan And In Resources Development Commission

Brunswick county voters have a two-fold interest in the Special Election Tuesday, for in addition to the "Little Federal" plan that has such an important bearing upon the future house representation from this county, there is the proposition for the creation of a Resources Development Commission, which is aimed at improving the economy of the county and creating new job opportunities for its citizens.

The "Little Federal" plan is the first of two amendments which appears on the State ballot. It will clear the existing constitutional provision that would maintain Senate membership at 51 and make possible a redistricting plan which will give Brunswick and other rural counties a better opportunity for representation in that body.

The second amendment deals with property rights for women, and would empower the General Assembly to make the rights of husband and wife the same in each other's separate property.

The Resources Development Tax proposal would provide for a tax not to exceed 10-cents per hundred dollar valuation to finance a Resources Development Commission for Brunswick county. This commission would be a bi-partisan body whose duties would be to attract new industry and to promote and encourage the development of existing natural resources of the county.

There will be 18 voting precincts in Brunswick county for the first time in this election. The latest addition is Oak Island Precinct, where voters will cast their ballot in the Long Beach City Hall. Mrs. Lucy Bigford is the registrar and she has reported that a total of 112 persons registered and thus became eligible to vote on Tuesday.

Promotion Will Return Dividend

Resources Development Commission Not The Same As County Planning Board Recently Appointed

By DEMPSEY HEWETT
In a study of eleven counties in North Carolina which have tax supported programs, it has been found that these counties have spent for the support of these programs an average of \$19,490 per year.

This figure would indicate that Brunswick County could support its program on a tax of less than ten cents per \$100 property valuation. At no time can this Resources Development Tax be increased above ten cents. A tax increase of ten cents would cost the average taxpayer only nine cents per week.

As a result of these procurement programs by these eleven counties studied, they have obtained an average of 6.2 new industries with a total average increase in property tax payer only nine cents per week.

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Brief Bits Of NEWS

TO STATE CONVENTION

State First Vice President James D. Bellamy of Shallotte will attend the North Carolina Soil and Water Convention in Winston-Salem Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

ANNOUNCEMENT

ASCS Manager Ralph L. Price announces a new "Price support"—a son, James Edward Price, born in Columbus County Hospital in Whiteville Sunday. The Prices live in Shallotte.

REVIVAL SERVICE

A revival service will begin Sunday night at 7 o'clock at Bethel Baptist Church at Leland. Guest minister will be Rev. Raymond Batten. The pastor is Rev. Cleon Benton.

BENEFIT BARBECUE

A barbecue supper will be held from 5:30 until 7 p. m. preceding the Bolivia-Southport doubleheader Friday night to raise money to purchase new uniforms. Harry Sanders, faculty member in charge, announced this week.

CLOSES OFFICE

Dr. R. H. Holden, Shallotte dentist, announced this week that he has closed his office in Shallotte, effective January 1. He plans to devote his time to real estate and other business interests.

TIME and TIDE

It was January 7, 1959, and plans to conduct driver education classes in the schools were announced. A book of poems by a former Southport teacher, Miss Louise McClure, was to be published in May.

Superintendent John G. Long announced that he would write a weekly column in The Pilot on education in the county schools. A. P. Henry, Sr., of Winnabow was honored by the Brunswick Rural Electric Corporation. The Southport Savings and Loan paid more than \$50,000 in dividends to some 1,000 depositors.

It was January 6, 1954, and the magazine "Official Detective" published a story about Luther Smith of Waccamaw who was serving a term in prison for murder. Former Governor W. Kerr Scott visited the county.

The county commissioners passed a resolution requesting that the ferry serving Holden Beach be moved down to Brick Landing for service to Ocean Isle Beach. Floyd Disaver was in Key West, Florida, looking after the Louis Hardee boats.

It was January 5, 1949, and the dry forces were making plans to defeat the beer-wine election later in the month. An albino buck deer was killed by a Winnabow group of hunters.

A. S. Knowles of Hoke county was named to replace J. E. Dodson as county agent. Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Rourk of Shallotte attended the Sugar bowl football game between North Carolina and Oklahoma in New Orleans. Maude H. Hankins, principal of Piney Grove school, died Thursday.

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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 Pilot's Association.

HIGH	LOW
Thursday, January 9,	
3:51 A. M.	10:14 A.
3:58 P. M.	10:26 P.
Friday, January 10,	
4:40 A. M.	11:06 A.
4:47 P. M.	11:13 P.
Saturday, January 11,	
5:28 A. M.	11:54 A.
5:34 P. M.	11:55 P.
Sunday, January 12,	
6:12 A. M.	12:37 A.
6:18 P. M.	
Monday, January 13,	
6:55 A. M.	1:19 A.
7:01 P. M.	
Tuesday, January 14,	
7:35 A. M.	2:01 A.
7:40 P. M.	
Wednesday, January 15,	
8:13 A. M.	2:43 A.
8:18 P. M.	