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**SPECTACLE**—This is how the moon looked Friday night out over the Cape Fear River as hundreds of Southport residents watched the total eclipse. The picture was taken at 8:31 o'clock. This was the second total eclipse of the moon to occur during 1964, the first one having been on June 24.

### Jury List For Criminal Term Superior Court

A group of 58 county citizens have been selected for jury duty during the criminal term of Brunswick County Superior Court the week of January 21.

Brunswick county residents selected by the Board of Commissioners include:

Charles Barnes, D. W. Jenrette, Rudolph H. Nelson, Clarence Jacobs, G. H. Skipper, H. O. Peterson, Jr., Marvin Barefoot, Joseph Verzaal, Howard F. Williamson, W. B. Henry and Homer P. Phelps, all of Leland.

Ralph Eugene Blair, Walter Stocks, S. Redgeway, Marvin L. Stanley, William C. Tripp, W. C. (Continued on page 7)

### Bolivia Homecoming Queen



**QUEEN**—Miss Linda Flowers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Flowers of Winnabow, was crowned homecoming queen at Bolivia High School Friday night. She was crowned by girls basketball Coach Neil Mallory and was sponsored by Roy Rogers. (Staff Photo by Allen)

### Tax Listing Will Begin January 1

All is in readiness for county residents to list their property for 1965 taxes, says Mrs. Ressie Whitley, Brunswick County tax supervisor.

The six tax listers, who will be on duty the whole month of Jan-

uary, will begin work on January 1. "List your taxes early and avoid the last minute rush," advises Mrs. Whitley. "Be sure to list with your township lister." The tax listers in the townships (Continued on Page 4)

### Seek Loans For Two Museums At Historic Sites

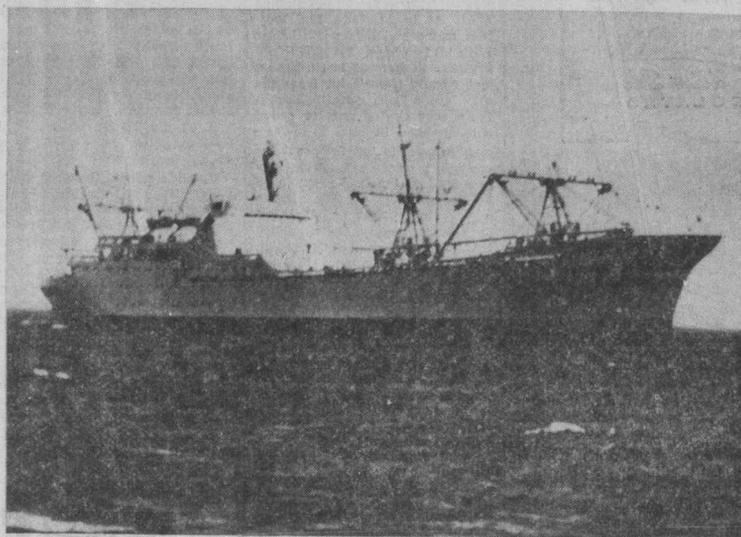
Construction of the Visitor Center-Museum at Fort Fisher State Historic Site has begun and is expected to be completed in the spring of 1965. Plans for the Brunswick Town Museum are being redesigned and construction should begin in the near future.

The exhibits and display designers of the State Department of Archives and History, Historic Sites Division, are already working on the displays and exhibits for both museums. All of the artifacts that can be obtained from the residents of Brunswick, New Hanover and surrounding counties are needed now, on a loan basis to the State Department of Archives and History, for display in the two museums so the designers may know what they have to work with.

Both museums, Fort Fisher and Brunswick Town, will present two themes in their exhibit areas. Fort Fisher will highlight the battle of Fort Fisher and blockade running, while the Brunswick Museum will present Colonial Brunswick and Confederate Fort Anderson.

"There is a vast wealth of historical artifacts in the Lower Cape Fear owned by individuals, as was seen at the Heritage Tea in Southport last year," says Bill Faulk site assistant at Brunswick Town. "This display only scratched the surface and these items would be of much more value, especially to school children studying North Carolina history, to have an opportunity to see them on display in exhibits prepared by professionals, in the museums at both sites. To give an example of the number of persons that would benefit from this arrangement, there were 50 groups, totaling over 2500 persons, students and civic organizations visiting the site in 1964 and were given guided tours. Total visitation in 1964 was over 38,000, representing some 40 of the 50 states and 14 foreign countries. These signed the guest register. It would be better to have these items on display for all to see and enjoy than to have them hidden away in a closet or trunk, with only an occasional glance by the owner.

"Many residents of Lower Cape Fear do not realize the historical significance of the sites in their own area," Faulk says. "For instance Fort Johnson in Southport reflects three eras in North Carolina History — When constructed in 1748 until the Revolution it was British; from the Revolution to the Civil War it (Continued on Page 4)



### Nuclear Ship Savannah

**COMING**—This is the NS Savannah, the world's first nuclear powered merchant ship, which will pass through the Southport harbor tomorrow (Wednesday) before noon on her way to the State Port docks in Wilmington.

### Nuclear Powered Merchant Ship Coming Through

Now en route to Wilmington, where a colorful Christmas greeting awaits her, the world's first nuclear merchant ship, the N. S. Savannah, is on the high seas.

The Savannah has been visiting foreign ports on its mission to convince worldwide maritime interests of the potential value in the peaceful uses of atomic energy. It has been favorably received in numerous foreign ports and its operation has exceeded predictions.

Among activities scheduled for the Wilmington visit of the ship, will be a Christmas party on board soon after it docks, December 23, for 100 handicapped children under the sponsorship of local schools and the Wilmington Management Club of The Babcock & Wilcox Company, designer and builder of the Savannah's nuclear power plant.

The public may tour the ship Saturday, Sunday and Monday, December 26, 27 and 28, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 5 p. m. and Tuesday, December 29, from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m. before the ship departs to Charleston, South Carolina.

### Civil Term Ends Following Trial Of Many Cases

Almost \$40,000 was awarded for claims arising out of the so-called gas case which was compromised during the two weeks civil term of Brunswick County Superior Court that concluded Wednesday in Southport.

A total of \$39,500 was awarded in the four cases involving the death of Wesley Clyde Swain and his wife in Southport about two years ago. Heirs were seeking \$150,000 in damages.

After the selection of a jury and ironing out legal problems Monday, the trial was scheduled to begin Tuesday. But the lawyers got together and worked out the compromise which the court, with Judge W. A. Johnson of Lillington presiding, accepted.

The court having heard the contentions of both parties, said the issues arising out of the pleadings were seriously controversial and the answers were in doubt. The court said the awarding of \$39,500 in the four cases was reasonable fair and just compensation under the circumstances.

In the case of Mary I. Jackson, administratrix of the Wesley Clyde Swain estate, versus Southern Butane Gas Corporation, the settlement was for \$17,500. In the case of Mary I. Jackson, administratrix of the Alice Slade Swain estate, versus the gas company, the settlement was for \$12,500. The estate of Flora Alice Moore was given \$8,000 in the settlement and Addie Swain Moore, guardian of Thomas Edward Swain, was presented \$2,000.

The gas company was taxed (Continued on Page 4)

### Honored By Juniors



**RECOGNITION**—Mrs. Sue Jones is shown here admiring the Betty Duffie Award which she received Friday night as Woman of the Year for the Southport Junior Woman's Club. (Staff Photo by Allen)

### Mrs. Sue Jones Is Woman Of Year

The installation of new officers and the selection of Mrs. Sue Jones as the Woman of the Year highlighted the annual Christmas party meeting of the Southport Junior Woman's Club at the Jaycee Building Friday night.

Mrs. Jones was chosen for woman of the year honors by her fellow club members because of her outstanding participation in Junior Woman's Club projects, says Mrs. Tommy Kirby, club president.

The new officers installed by Mrs. Norman Hornstein include Mrs. Kirby, president; Mrs. Afton Smith, vice president; Miss Almeta Dixon, secretary; Mrs. W. L. Huffham, treasurer, and Mrs. Jones publicity chairman.

Mrs. Jones, the club's woman of the year, has served as publicity chairman for the past two years. She was co-chairman of the Heritage Tea and Exhibit held in March. She has served as

### Sheriff Leonard Seriously Ill

Sheriff E. V. Leonard is seriously ill at Doshier Memorial Hospital where he was admitted as a patient Friday.

A member of the Sheriff's Department said Monday that he has lost a lot of blood, and there is a need for donors of type O negative for use in transfusions. Those who wish to give blood should contact the department headquarters in Southport.

In addition, Mrs. Jones attended

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### Brunswick Boys Facing Charges

A Brunswick County trio has been arrested for breaking into the Riegelwood Service Station on November 30.

Deputy Walter Farmer charged Bobby Henry, 18, of Winnabow, Jimmy Powell, 16, and Eugene Osborne, 17, both of Leland, with breaking and entering, larceny and receiving.

When the warrants were sworn out Powell was already in the Brunswick County jail in connection with another break-in, the deputy said.

The Riegelwood station was allegedly entered by the three youths after a pane was smashed in the door, giving them access to the inside door knob. Taken were cigars, cigarettes, and approximately \$30 was stolen from a drink machine.

### 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	
<b>Thursday, December 24</b>			
0:01 A. M.	6:11 A. M.		
12:22 P. M.	6:42 P. M.		
<b>Friday, December 25</b>			
1:00 A. M.	7:12 A. M.		
1:18 P. M.	7:48 P. M.		
<b>Saturday, December 26</b>			
1:59 A. M.	8:13 A. M.		
2:14 P. M.	8:43 P. M.		
<b>Sunday, December 27</b>			
2:57 A. M.	9:15 A. M.		
3:10 P. M.	9:36 P. M.		
<b>Monday, December 28</b>			
3:52 A. M.	10:11 A. M.		
4:02 P. M.	10:26 P. M.		
<b>Tuesday, December 29</b>			
4:43 A. M.	11:05 A. M.		
4:53 P. M.	11:14 P. M.		
<b>Wednesday, December 30</b>			
5:31 A. M.	11:53 A. M.		
5:39 P. M.	11:58 P. M.		

### TIME and TIDE

It was December 23, 1959, and the local school committee at Shallotte changed the name of the athletic field to Rourke Field in honor of Dr. M. H. Rourke. The Rob White building in Shallotte was moved from the highway right-of-way.

George White, a senior at Leland, was to represent Brunswick county in the district section for the Morehead scholarship. Dale Williams led Leland to a 66 to 57 victory over Shallotte for their 13th straight win of the season. Bobby White of Shallotte was a dean's list student at Presbyterian Junior College.

It was December 22, 1954, and Manager Breman Furlless announced that the Amuzu theatre in Southport would begin showing cinemascope movies the day after Christmas. Southport's city tags, with the slogan, N.C.'s Only Natural Harbor, went on sale Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Bunn Frink were in the British West Indies on vacation. The marriage of Mrs. Golda Wilkinson Bryant and Crawford L. Rourke was announced Tuesday. Two Southport menhaden boats brought in a half million fish each Tuesday.

It was December 21, 1949, and Santa Claus was late arriving at the Shallotte Trading Company Saturday because he had to visit Ikey Reynolds' blacksmith shop to have Blitzen's (Continued on Page 4)