

## Williamson Is Backing Road Bonds All Way

By Rep. Odell Williamson  
On Thursday of this past week, the \$300,000,000 road bond issue passed the House Roads Committee, of which I am a member, and also the Senate Roads Committee. In regard to the formula to be used in allocating part of the proposed bond issue to the cities and towns, I as well as several other members of the General Assembly originally had the impression that the funds allocated could be spent on any city street.

This is not the case. The money can be spent only on those streets that are a part of the highway system. Instead of being allotted directly to the municipalities, as the Powell Bill funds are allotted, this bond money will be spent under the supervision and direction of the State Highway Commission. Since this is the case, I have come to the conclusion that the formula is about as equitable as a proposal of this nature can be. Of course, the Highway Commission will have its regular highway funds to take care of any inequities that may exist.

Last week there was introduced in the House a resolution calling for a national convention on amending the Federal constitution. The purpose of the convention would be to change the Constitution to allow states with bicameral legislatures to use factors other than population to determine representation in one of its houses. Our Federal government has one branch of its Congress where representation is based on geographical divisions rather than on population, and I think this method is working quite well.

If the purpose behind this resolution is not accomplished somehow, it is very possible that we in Brunswick County may end up having to share a representative in the General Assembly with another county. We have already had the state Senate redistricted, and it is likely that it won't be too long before the state House of Representatives is redistricted if something like this resolution is not enacted. It is my purpose at this time to support this resolution.

On Wednesday afternoon of last week, several members of the General Assembly made a trip to old Camp Butler, which has been taken over by the state and is being used to care for mentally retarded children and (Continued On Page Four)

## Brief Bits Of NEWS

### DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer will be observed at Ocean View Methodist Church at Yaupon Beach Friday, March 5, at 7 p. m. All Southport churches are participating. Everyone is cordially invited.

### TO HONOR NIXONS

The Ocean View Methodist Church will have a covered dish dinner at the church at Yaupon Beach Sunday at 12 noon, honoring Lt. Commander Robert T. Nixon and family, who are being transferred from this community. Everyone is invited.

### BENEFIT OYSTER ROAST

An oyster roast will be held at the Dixon Chapel Methodist Church at Varunetown near Holden Beach Saturday beginning at 3 p. m. Cakes and pies also will be on sale. Proceeds will go to the church building fund.

### DEADLINE SET

The final date for filing a lease and transfer for tobacco at the ASCS office in Shallotte will be April 1, says Manager R. L. Price. "A lease and transfer agreement approved for 1964 will not apply for the 1965 crop," he declared.

### ADULT TYPING

All adult residents of the Southport area interested in enrolling in a 60-hour class in beginning or advanced typing should meet at Southport High School Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock, says instructor Bernard Davis. The typing class that started in December still has 30-hours to go before finishing up, he added.



ENGLISH—Mrs. Audrey Miller, left, a native of England, was one of the many Southport people who enjoyed meeting and talking to Mrs. Mae Bamber, right during her visit here during the past weekend. A former mayor of Southport, England, she was guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Livingston.

## Organization Aids British Brides

In addition to her other duties, Mrs. Mae Bamber, the former mayor of Southport, England, who visited Southport over the weekend, serves as the national president of the Transatlantic Brides and Parents Association, an organization which promotes good will between English subjects who marry American servicemen and their parents.

The TBPA, which was formed in the 1940's, has more than 19,000 members scattered throughout the world. Membership in the organization is limited to English girls and boys who marry American service personnel and leave their native country.

Mrs. J. C. Miller of Southport is the only member of TBPA living in Brunswick county. She is a "postal member" of the Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, chapter. "I guess I am the only English girl who married an American serviceman and lives (Continued On Page Four)

## Man Held For Shooting Case

A Supply Negro died Monday morning of gunshot wounds received Saturday night and his brother is being held in connection with the slaying.

Henry Wilson Davis died in James Walker Memorial Hospital in Wilmington Monday morning at 3:25 o'clock of bullet wounds in his stomach, says Coroner Lowell Bennett of Shallotte.

His brother, Eunice Davis, 29, is being held in Brunswick County jail in Southport without bond. Charges are pending further investigation.

According to the Sheriff's department, the two men were fighting when the shooting occurred. Eunice Davis claims his brother was coming after him with a knife when he shot him four times in the stomach with a .32 pistol.

The department recovered the pistol, knife and bullets and have sent them to Raleigh for further tests.

In another shooting in the same general area of Supply, Thadus Grissett, 18, has been charged with assault.

Deputy Drew Long said Grissett fired a .22 single shot rifle through an automobile windshield at Kinston Smith, 35. Smith ducked and was not injured.

Grissett has been charged with assault. He is under a \$500 bond in the county jail in Southport.

Deputy Long said Smith was sitting in his automobile when the shooting occurred. He was able to duck and the shot missed. Grissett claimed that Smith has been mistreating his wife who is Grissett's sister.

## Planning Board At Long Beach Holds Meeting

The Long Beach Planning Board discussed minimum lot sizes, zoning, planning approaches, and trailers during a regular meeting at the Town Hall Tuesday night.

Town manager Donald W. Archer was unanimously elected planning board secretary. The action was taken on a motion by Willard F. Ferrell and seconded by F. O. May.

The board discussed minimum lot size at length but took no definite action. Archer explained that while 7,500 square feet is the minimum residential lot size, the zoning ordinance provides that a single family residence can be erected on a smaller lot if the structure can meet the minimum yard regulations. If the existing ordinance applied to the so-called "Tranquil Harbour" area of Long Beach as it obviously does to the Blocks and Lots on Ocean Drive, each residential lot, irrespective of size, would permit a conforming single family dwelling and lots containing 7500 square feet or more would allow conforming duplex dwellings.

Community Planner Daniel L. Pascoe commented that a provision could be made requiring lots in single ownership to be combined as one in order to meet the minimum lot size requirement.

But, Archer warned that while such a provision is not uncommon, there would exist an ambiguity between it and the exception permitting a single family dwelling on any residential lot if the yard setbacks were met.

The board agreed that the existing zoning ordinance only applies to the blocks and lots on Ocean Drive. It has been (Continued On Page Four)

## Long Beach In Board Session

The Long Beach Board of Commissioners endorsed in theory the Corps of Engineer's plan to combat beach erosion by building sand dunes and accepted a preliminary engineering survey on a new water distribution system at the regular monthly meeting at the Town Hall Saturday.

The board agreed in principle with building sand dunes to combat beach erosion at Long Beach as recommended by the Corps of Engineers. But they believe the sand that was on the beach at one time has washed off-shore and should be reclaimed for constructing the dunes. The board expressed the belief this was the cheapest method of completing the project.

The engineers have proposed taking the sand from the Intra-coastal Waterway for building the dunes.

The board accepted a preliminary engineering report on a new water distribution system at Long Beach. The report covers all aspects of the proposed project.

The commissioners asked the Local Government Commission if they could hold a bond issue to finance the project. Town officials believe it will require a \$600,000 bond issue to construct the new water system.

They also made an application with the Housing Home Finance Agency for matching funds.

The board accepted Roscoe Rogers' bids of \$525 for the town motor grader. Two other bids were received by the commissioners.

Donald Archer, the new town manager of Long Beach, was named clerk, tax collector and treasurer.

## Time And Tide

It was February 24, 1960, and a government agency said a dynamite explosion was responsible for the crash of a National Airlines plane near Bolivia January 6, killing 34 persons. The charter boat Rip tide was launched in Southport Tuesday.

Southport residents voted overwhelmingly in favor of a water bond proposal to construct a new tank. A. Larnell Willetts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Willetts of Winnabow, was named acting postmaster of Whiteville. The Southport Dolphins and the Leland Lady Tigers won the county tournament, the boys upsetting Leland 57 to 56 and the girls romping over Bolivia 80 to 44.

It was February 23, 1955, and the Board of County Commissioners passed a resolution endorsing Southport Attorney S. Bunn Frink for appointment as district Superior Court Judge. Coroner John G. Calson resigned because of poor health and S. T. Bennett was named to succeed him.

Mrs. C. Ed Taylor of Southport, who had served as an volunteer weather bureau observer since the turn of the century, was honored in Washington, D. C., for her part in warning about Hurricane Hazel. The Brunswick county basketball tournament was to begin in Shallotte Wednesday.

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## After A Long Day Of Hunting

SPOILS—Tired hounds sniff the lifeless forms of foxes they have run to earth during the course of a hard day's hunt at Long Beach on Friday.

### For Catching Foxes

## Friday Was The Day

## Consolidation To Depend On Bonds

Plans to call a special school consolidation bond issue in the near future are being discussed by the Board of Education, says Superintendent A. W. Taylor. "We hope to hold the bond election in the spring," Superintendent Taylor declared. "But we have not decided on the particulars yet and all aspects of a bond issue are being discussed at board meetings now."

One of the proposals being discussed by the board is plan to build one or two schools consolidating Bolivia, Leland and Southport and Waccamaw and Shallotte and to construct additions to the schools at Brunswick County High School, Lincoln High School and Union High School.

The board has not decided on how much money to ask for in the election. But a state law limits the amount of a county school bond issue to net more than \$1 1/2 million.

The board believes that a county bond issue and the money received from the state bond issue, which was approved by the voters last fall, will enable them to build the additional classrooms. "They should take care of our needs for quite awhile," Superintendent Taylor pointed out.

The board is studying all the facts and figures they can get their hands on to draw up the best plans for the county schools. They are working with educational surveys, projections and state planning material, according to Superintendent Taylor.

### Golf Champions At SPART Sought

Military and male Civil Service personnel of Sunny Point Army Terminal are currently engaging in a golf tournament at the Oak Island and Bolling Spring Lakes Country Clubs to determine the Sunny Point male golf champion for 1965.

This is a 36-hole tournament with 18 holes to be played at Oak Island and 18 to be played at Bolling Spring Lakes.

Low medal play scorer for the thirty-six holes will be considered Terminal champion for 1965, while the low medal play scorer with handicap will be considered Sunny Point's handicap champion.

## Dedication Of Harbor Planned

A group of eight officials from the State Ports Authority and Tar Heels Afloat, will visit Southport Thursday to make preliminary plans for the dedication of the new Southport Small Boat Harbor in May.

Chairman James Gore of the Southport Ports Authority is planning a dedication ceremony for May 28 for the opening of the Southport facility. The group Thursday will make preliminary plans for the event and visit several areas of Brunswick county.

The group will arrive on the state airplane, Kitty Hawk at either the Wilmington airport or the landing field at the Brunswick Navigation Company at Long Beach at 10 a. m. If they land in Wilmington, the group will proceed by automobile to Southport. They will be met by Ernest Parker, a Southport lawyer who is a member of the state board of the Conservation and Development and Chairman Gore.

They will visit at the Oak Island Country Club until 11:15 and proceed to the Southport Small Boat Harbor where they will be met by members of the Southport Ports Commission whose members include Lewis Hardee, G. L. Henderson, Ed Oliver and William C. Love; Mayor E. B. Tomlinson, City Manager C. D. Pickens, a representative of the board of county commissioners, Resources and Development Commission Chairman William Powell and members, Small Boat Harbor Manager H. A. Schmidt and U. S. Coast Guard and Sunny Point officials.

After a complete tour of the new Southport facility, the group will go to Bolling Spring Lakes, (Continued On Page 3)

## New Plans For Old Brunswick Museum Ready

New plans for the Visitor's Center-Museum building at Brunswick Town have been drawn up and the state will call for second construction bids in the near future, it was announced this week.

The building proposed now is to be smaller than that previously planned and functional rather than a structure designed to match the Colonial architecture of buildings that once stood on the site.

Sam Tarlton, state Historic Sites Specialist at the Department of Archives and History, said an architect employed by the state is now revising plans for the building. He said the floor area would be reduced and the design changed in an effort to bring costs in line with an \$80,000 legislative appropriation for the work.

Tarlton said the state has not requested a drawing of the structure for publication before the contract is let.

Ground was broken on Sept. 9, 1963, shortly after the General Assembly allocated the money, for the Visitor Center-Museum but construction has not materialized.

Bids were first called in November 1964 but low estimates amounted to \$70,774 without the plumbing bid being opened.

Projected cost for the building is \$87,000. The remainder is for site preparation and parking facilities.

Tarlton said the state is hopeful of receiving acceptable bids on the second call.

The building, according to Tarlton, would be constructed near the old St. Phillips Church ruins at the entrance to the restoration site.

Considerable concern has been expressed by local residents and members of the General Assembly from the area on the proposed architectural design of the planned structure.

The state has turned aside repeated suggestions that one of the original buildings be restored with this money providing a museum area and the start on actual restoration of the old town.

Tarlton and Archaeologist Stanley South, who is in charge of the site, say that the small (Continued On Page Four)

## First Man In Race For Board

The first hat of the 1965 political season has been tossed into the ring at Long Beach, says Town Manager Donald Archer. Alton J. Utley, 40, of Graham became the first candidate to file for a position on the Long Beach Board of Commissioners when he paid his \$5 fee last week.

Manager Archer said voters would need to fill three seats on the Long Beach governing body in the May 4 municipal election. The terms of A. Turner Hight of Fayetteville, Willey W. Snow of Fayetteville and Ed Morgan of Long Beach expire this year. None of the three men have indicated whether they will seek reelection on May 4.

Utley is in the insurance business in Graham. He is also a retired fire chief. He is the first candidate and his family have had a cottage at Long Beach for the past five years.

Manager Archer said candidates for positions on the board have until April 1 to file.

## Good Average For 1964 Crop

Waccamaw led all other townships in Brunswick county in the average yield for flue-cured tobacco in 1964, ASCS Manager Ralph L. Price announced Monday.

The 324 flue-cured tobacco farms in Waccamaw township harvested 798.44 acres of the golden leaf for a production of 1,827,702 and an average yield of 2,288.

Shallotte township was a close second with 313 farms harvesting 889.94 acres of tobacco for a production of 1,950,943 and an average yield of 2,192.

Manager Price said 1,437 farms in Brunswick county were allotted 2,940.88 acres of tobacco in 1964. They harvested 2,853.85 acres for a production of 5,895,458 and an average yield of 2,006. Only one county farmer exceeded his acreage allotment.

The 78 farms in Smithville township harvested 138.71 acres of tobacco for a production of 260,583 and an average yield of 1,879.

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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, February 25,			
3:24 A. M.	9:45 A. M.		
3:37 P. M.	10:01 P. M.		
Friday, February 26,			
4:18 A. M.	10:48 A. M.		
4:31 P. M.	10:55 P. M.		
Saturday, February 27,			
5:10 A. M.	11:38 A. M.		
5:22 P. M.	11:44 P. M.		
Sunday, February 28,			
5:57 A. M.	12:23 A. M.		
6:08 P. M.			
Monday, March 1,			
6:41 A. M.	0:30 A. M.		
6:51 P. M.	1:06 P. M.		
Tuesday, March 2,			
7:21 A. M.	1:12 A. M.		
7:30 P. M.	1:45 P. M.		
Wednesday, March 3,			
7:58 A. M.	1:52 A. M.		
8:06 P. M.	2:22 P. M.		