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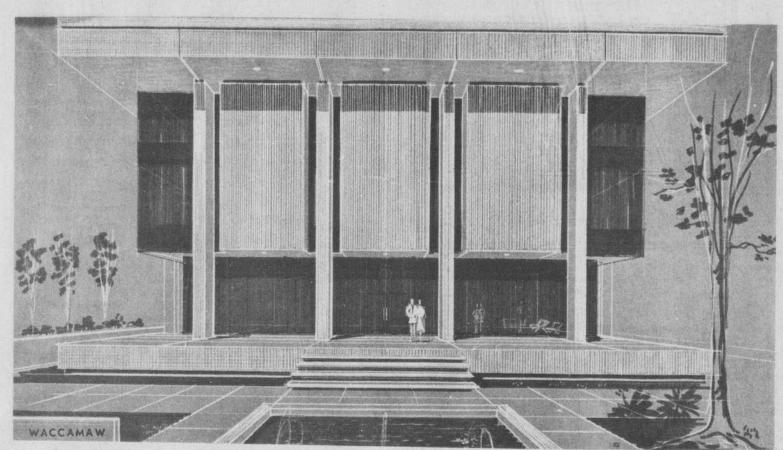
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Slated For Fall Construction

The stately new edifice depicted by the artist is slatwill feature the latest innovations in banking buildings ed to become the hub of all of the Waccamaw Bank & and promises enhancement to the appearance of White-Trust Co. chain's activities. The structure will be located at the corner of Madison and W. Webster Sts., and

Waccamaw Bank From Bond Money

Downtown Whiteville's only three-story building will go under construction this fall. It will be the new home office

of Waccamaw Bank and Trust The building will present a

definite new look to the Whiteville business district. The very modern building is

to be constructed on the corner of Madison and W. Webster Streets and the building exterior is basically bronze-tone glass and metal with white stone. Bold shadows will be created by the wide overhang of the roof and the positioning of the columns.

Chairman Ben Nesmith said, "Waccamaw Bank is making a major investment in Whiteville to house our administrative section. We need enlarged facilities to keep pace with our rapid growth in new sections of the state. As headquarters for the entire Waccamaw Bank and Trust System, the building is designed to serve the motoring public and the walking customer with equal convenience. This is accomplished by on-site driveways to the drive-up window and generous parking areas."

The main tellers area is accessible from the Madison Street sidewalk for convenience of the nearby businesses and downtown

patrons. Tellers and trust facilities will be on the ground level, execu-

tive offices and operations on the second level; lounges, filing and offices for branch services on the third floor. Adequate tellers will be located within the main foyer-banking room facing Madison, and immediately adjacent to this area will be the trust department with security vault, offices and conference space. This service is located on the ground floor, with covered access directly from the driveway for maximum customer convenience. A portion of the main lobby will be used for a conference and

meeting area when desired. One of the unique features of the building will be the open well in the center of the building, providing for a 24 foot ceiling height reaching up through the second floor from the main lobby. In the (Continued On Page Eight)

Brief Bits Of *

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Clewis of Long Beach recently returned from a trip to Gatlinburg, Tenn. Mr. Clewis, owner of Brunswick Motor Sales, won the trip from Chrysler Motor Company for an

cutstanding sales record.

Donald of Wilmington.

RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP Miss Anita McDonald of Wilmington recently was awarded one of the National Methodist Youth Scholarships. She is a student at Greensboro College, where six of these grants were received. Miss McDonald is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mc-

Plans Building At Home Office Board Votes Three Sites

MICHAEL M. LAMBERT, son

of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew M. Lam-

bert of Yaupon Beach has been

accepted for the September term

Washington, D. C. He is a May

graduate of Southport High School

and will be enrolled in the Auto-

mated Accounting and Finance

the Wrightsville Beach area Mon-

day when a storm came up. The

mond, took refuge under a bridge

while Johnson and Musslewhite

decided to set the plane down at

the New Hanover County Airport.

They found a storm in progress,

so they decided to come to the

field at Southport. There was

no rain and no sign of storm

here, so they worked on down

the intracoastal waterway to the

cation with Barber and Sigmond,

and when they learned that a bad

storm still was in progress in the

Wilmington area they decided to

tie down the plane at Brunswick

County Airport for the night.

They asked Barber and Sigmond

to drive down to pick them up.

and the four men were preparing

to leave the airstrip in the early

darkness when they saw the plane

overhead and Johnson said "I

think he wants to land, he may be

in trouble". He ran over and

switched on his landing lights,

The rendezvous was completed

They were in radio communi-

South Carolina line.

boys in the boat, Barber and Sig-

Strayer Junior College in

It Didn't Happen

Brunswick Airport Prevents Accident

three Florida men being killed in the crash of a light plane in Brunswick county during a severe electrical storm Monday night, but it isn't. Instead it is the story of a miraculous chain of circumstances that resulted in the plane and its occupants landing safely at the Brunswick County Airport just as the storm closed in.

Joe Shields was the pilot of the Cessna 310, twin-engine plane. With him was his cousin. Gil Shields, who is in the US Air Force at McDill Field, and another friend. They were three happy men when they stepped safely out of their plane. Among the large crowd that

had gathered at the nearby airport were four men from the N. C. Wildlife Service who were principally responsible for the safe landing. They were Ray Johnson of Rocky Mount, pilot, Lawrence Musslewhite of Wilmington, observer, Troy Sigmond of Whiteville and Henry Barber of Leland, Game Protectors.

The entire landing operation required the better part of halfhour, and each car that passed along the beach road and saw the activity over on the airfield stopped to investigate. Once the nature of the trouble was known, they formed a border about the field, which they outlined with their burning headlights.

Among those on hand to greet the Florida men was Dr. Richard Conrad, president of the Brunswick County Airport Authority, who stepped up on the wing to tell the visitors "We are mighty glad to have you."

"You're not nearly as glad as we are to be here", replied the relieved Pilot Joe Shields. From the beginning, the story

goes like this:

The men were flying from Tampa, Florida, to Aurora to carry a mechanical part to a plant in this North Carolina town. Late Monday afternoon they encountered bad weather and decided to stop at Wilmington. They discovered that this apparently was the center of the storm, so they headed for Myrtle Beach. Soon they discovered that this South Carolina town also was in the grip of a squall. By this time it was getting late, and as they headed in over the ocean they picked up the beams of the Oak Island lighthouse and headed

They said they had no knowledge of an airport here, but they began to circle. Although they had two radios aboard, they were not able to receive satisfactorily because of storm conditions. Meanwhile, back with the Wild-

They had been engaged in coordinated plane and boat checking in

State School Bond Fund for the construction of three consoliof Shallotte; within a 5-mile radius of Leland; and within a

It is contemplated that the buildings will be used for grades 9 through 12. Due to the fact the three buildings will exceed the \$2-million available, plans will not include the construction of a gymnasium at any of the three schools during the initial construction phase.

The plant at Shallotte will be to consolidate Waccamaw High School, Union High School and Shallotte High School. The plant at Leland will consolidate Leland High School, Lincoln High School and a part of Bolivia High School, plant of Southport will consolidate a part of Bolivia High School, Brunswick County High School and Southport High School. The meeting was presided over

by Arthur J. Dosher in the ab-

The Brunswick County Board of Education met Wednesday night and voted to use funds from the Special School Bonds plus the half-million dollars from the dated high schools in Brunswick county. The three buildings will be located within a 5-mile radius 5-mile radius of Southport, Construction of the three new plants will be initiated and completed at the same time.

sence of Chairman O, K. Bellamy. On Thursday representatives from the Board of Education, the Board of County Commissioners, the school atterney and the county attorney met with the

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Vacancies In **Faculties Now Almost Filled**

Superintendent George Wil-liams said Tuesday that all faculty vacancies except three have been filled, and that applications are on hand to fill these this

At Bolivia, James M. Perry, retired teacher and principal, is acting principal.

There is one vacancy for a math teacher, one for business teacher and one for a science teacher.

Supt. Williams said that attendance reports for the first: 10 days were not yet available, but he said that all schools were off to a good beginning on the new academic year.

The Board of Education offices are now located in the old Brunswick County Boarding Home, three miles from Southport on Highway No. 133-87. For the first time in memory there is plenty of office space and room for all employees to do their work.

This also is the headquarters for the E.S.E.A program, which is under the direction of L. R. Biggerstaff.

During the past weekend the Brunswick County Welfare Department has moved into new quarters in the Boarding Home Building and so did the Bruns-wick County Health Department.

The Board of Education is located at the main entrance, the Welfare Department is located in the first wing; and the Health Department is in the second wing.

Referendum On Soybeans Set

There will be a referendum for soybean growers in North Carolina on September 9 and polling places in Brunswick county are

Longwood Farm Supply, Longwood; Jenrette Grocery, Hick-man's Crossroads; Delmas man's Crossroads; Delmas Farm Supply, Ash; Washam and Warlick and Harrelson, Shallotte; A. P. Henry Store, Win-Growers and their wives are

eligible to vote in this referendum to decide whether or not to have an assessment of 1/2 cost per bushel of soybeans sold this fall. If two-thirds of the growers approve the assessment the funds collected will be used for research on soybeans to increase yields, improve marketing and seek ways of increasing consumption of beans. They will also be used to set up an office for an executive secretary to manage the program and funds as determined by a Board of Directors. An association of growers to elect the directors will be formed and will be the N. C. Soybean Producers'

The law provides that individual growers who do not want to pay the assessment may apply for a refund by writing to the association within 30 days after the sale of beans, even though a majority of the growers favor the program.



Big Flounder

behind the 51/4-lb. flounder he caught while fishing at

PRIZE - Rusty Drew is the proud young man hiding

Big Rattlesnake

RATTLER - Dick Galloway, 10-year old Southport youngster, holds the body of a rattlesnake he saw crossing the street near the corner of Owens and Burrington in Southport last Wednesday. William T. McNeil shot the snake with a .22 rifle. It has 11 rattles and a button.

Sea-Going Doctor

Two Injured In Freak Accident

An Albemarle doctor pulled his way hand over hand along a tow rope through rough seas Sunday to give assistance to two men who were injured in a freak accident aboard the sports fishing boat Southwind.

He was Dr. John Wallace and he made his dangerous passage after Ronnie Davis of Fayetteville and Wayland Vereen of Southport had been hurt when a cleat snapped free during an attempted towing operation involving the Challenge, sports fishing cruiser owned by the Albemarle man.

The Davis boy was hit in the forehead by the flying cleat and sustained a bad gash. Vereen was hit on the left forearm where he wears his wrist watch and sustained a fracture. Both men were given first aid by Dr. Wallace, once he was safely aboard, during the return trip to Southport, where both received treatment at Dosher Memorial Hospital.

John Davis owns the Southwind. and he and his son, together with Johnnie Vereen of Exum and his son, Wayland Vereen, of South-port, had been fishing offshore and were on their way in when they received a radio call from the Challenge. The report was that this craft was without power in the vicinity of the 12-mile lump and required a tow. The Southwind headed in her direction, located the Challenge and passed a line aboard. Just as the line came taut, each boat slid off on a sea, imposing an unusual strain. When this happened the cleat pulled loose and hit the two men, both of whom were standing in the stern of the Southwind.

Whe he saw Vereen knocked to the deck and his son standing up



THE REV. C. EVERETT PRICE of Wrightsboro Methodist Church will be guest minister for a revival that will be held next week at Ocean View Methodist Church at Yaupon Beach. The Rev. Johnnie S. Huggins is pas-Services will be held each evening at 7:30 o'clock.

with his face covered with blood, Skipper Davis called out "We need a doctor". That is when Dr. Wallace hit the water. Waves from 6-8-feet high were running. so he made use of the line which still was attached to another cleat aboard the Southwind to haul himself through the rough

On the way in Dr. Wallace kept ice packs about the cuts on the Davis boy's face and on Vereen's

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Tobacco Sales Continue High In Whiteville

"It's just not worth the difference to tie up our tobacco," remarked one farmer on the Columbus scene last week, as he compared his sales this year of tied and untied leaf.

While the current auctions are restricted to tied tobacco, the prices given for that which was bought untied during the first 12 days of the season was especially gratifying.

"To pay for the labor required for tying, a producer needs to receive four or five cents more per pound than he did for the identical untied grades," asserted Leo Fisher who was interviewed last week.

Fisher said he observed that the tied offerings were about one cent higher for the same untied grade during the earlier part of the season.

One warehousemen conjectured that ideally the 1967 market here should open later, and thus farmers would be able (hopefully) to unload most of their crop without the expense of tying it. Much of the current Columbus

crop was sold on the untied market in Georgia, and many farmers are now transporting their remaining pullings to markets on the old belt. Sales will resume tomorrow,

and a heavy sale is anticipated. Friday's warehouse records in Columbus, and the season picture, follow:

FRIDAY Chadbourn -- 270,032 lbs., \$195,396, \$72.36 avg. Clarkton -- 149,126 lbs., 104,-696, 70.21 avg.

Fair Bluff -- 130,715 lbs., 93,190, 71.29 avg. Fairmont -- 763,254 lbs., 540,- 092, 70.76 avg. Fayetteville -- 90,918 lbs., 61,037, 67.13 avg.

Lumberton -- 506,786 lbs., 352,976, 69.65 avg.
Tabor City -- 179,220 lbs., 127,882, 71.35 avg.
Whiteville--578,150 lbs., 410,-522, 71.01 avg. Whitevine 522, 71.01 avg. SEASON

Chadbourn -- 5,943,102 lbs., \$4,162,729, \$70.04 avg. Clarkton -- 4,486,573 lbs., 3,091,107, 67.29 avg. Fair Bluff -- 4,794,710 lbs., (Continued on Page 4)

Bond Sales Up In Brunswick

For the fifth successive month, U. S. Savings Bonds sales have continued their upward trend in North Carolina, Sales during July totaled \$4,410,799 and were up 9 percent over July of last year. Bond sales were the largest recorded for July since 1946. Savings Bonds sold during July

in Brunswick County amounted to \$1507, according to Aubrey Johnston, Brunswick County Volunteer Chairman, January-July sales in the county totaled \$15,-999. This is 43 percent of the county's goal of \$37,170. for 1966. E Bond sales in the state for July were up 11.2 percent, while H Bond sales were down

40.1 percent. Cumulative Savings Bonds sales for January-July totaled \$32,098,548, which is nearly 6 percent above sales for the same period of 1965 and are the best January-July sales since 1955. This is 60.7 percent of North Carolina's 1966 dollar quota of

Tide Table

\$52,900,000.

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, September 8,

0:39 A M 7:22 A M 1:39 P M 8:22 P M Friday, September 9, 1:51 A M 8:34 A M 2:45 P M 9:34 P M Saturday, September 10. 3:03 A M 9:40 A M 3:51- P M 10:34 P M Sunday, September 11, 1:28 A M 10:46 A M 11:34 P M 4:57 P M Monday, September 12, 5:21 A M 11:46 A M 5:51 P M Tuesday, September 13, 6:15 A M 0:28 A M

Wendesday, September 14,

12:40 P M

1:16 A M

1:34 P M

6:45 P M

7:15 A M

7:33 P M

and when he did there was immediate response from the plane in the air, which flashed its landing lights three times. Pilot Johnson taxied the Wild-

life Service plane to one end of the runway and Barber went to the other end of the field as the Florida plane continued to circle. Barber used the blue light on top of his car to identify the extremity at his end of the field. and the lights on the Wildlife Service plane were distinctive at

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Time And Tide

The best news on the front page on The Pilot for September 9, 1936, was that the late Dr. J. Arthur Dosher had been elected to American College of Physicians and Surgeons. This is the highest degree of recognition witch can come to a member of the medical profession. A vessel manned by personnel from the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries was tagging shrimp in local waters with the object of being able to check on migratory habits.

The men's single were being run off in Southport tennis tournament which had stretched over a period of several weeks, with Fred Willing having defeated Carey Reece in one of the early upsets. Bad weather had interrupted Labor Day weekend fishing; the editor had a stirring piece about the benefits of having electric lights in homes, and expressed the hope that lines soon would run the full length of Highway No. 17 through the county.

School had opened for the 1941 fall term, and The Pilot for the week of September 10 reported that a vocational agriculture department had been added for the first time at Shallotte. Otto Hickman had been named Chief of Police for Southport, succeeding Herbert Rogers in this role.

Twenty-five years ago it was possible to know almost all the boys and girls in the county who were going off to college. Some of them enrolling that fall included: Victoria Lancaster and Josephine Moore, Greensboro College; Doris Harrelson, A.C.C.; Marion Frink, Lenoir-Rhyne; Malcolm Frink, Earl Bellamy and Neil Thomas; Edward Taylor, Davison; and David Watson, E.C.C.

Twenty years ago this week the Waccamaw River project was much in the news, and a headline in our issue for September 11, 1946, figured the benefits would "Mount Into Millions" if this proposed work were carried out. Another major engineering project was the proposal by residence at Carolina Beach to dredge

The old McRacken home on the Corner of Moore and Howe street had been sold and the house was to be removed. The second floor -including the "widow's walk" -- of the Morse home on the waterfront was being torn down; sport fishing was good again after a spell of bad weather; and some mixed-up pear trees on the J. J. Knox (Continued on Page 4)