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#### Indian Trail Tree Becomes Park

LANDMARK — This is the ,famous Indian Trail Tree long a favorite landmark for tourist vistors to Southport. Arrangements have been made to purchase the lot on which is stands from the Cranmer Estate and friends of the late W. B. Keziah in cooperation with the City of Southport plan to make this a public park and tourist attraction. (Photo by Hugh Morton)

## **Memorial Park To Honor Keziah**

The property on which the famous Indian Trail Tree is lo-

cated will become a city park and the project will be carried Norris C. Long out as a memorial to the late B Keziah, This

## **Thompson To Be Honored At Pageant**

The pretty miss who is named the Most Talented non-finalist in the 1967 Miss Brunswick County Pageant, and this winner in all future presentations of Brunswick's beauty and talent, will receive a trophy commemorating and honoring one of the pageant's dedicated workers in its early history.

"The waters Thompson Tro-phy" will go to the girl who is voted the most talented, but still does not quite reach the finals of the 1967 Miss Brunswick County Pageant, sponsored by the Shallotte Junior Chamber of Commerce, to be held in the Shallotte High School Auditorium on March

Waters Thompson, a former Southport artist of note, died during the past year. The sponsoring Shallotte Jaycees have voted to award the Thompson Trophy in his honor. Thompson had worked with the Brunswick Pageants since they were originated in 1961 by the local Jaycees. He painted the scenery and props for all of the Past Miss Brunswick County Pageants.

"His absence will be greatly missed," said J. T. Clemmons, a publicity chairman and one of the founders of the Miss Brunswick Pageant, "and our group felt his work and interest in the program should be remembered by all who work with and attend the Miss Brunswick County Pageants of the future. Thus, we decided (Continued On Page Seven)

## **Jap Sailor Is Fatally Hurt**

Japanese sailor Shinsiri Tsukozima, was fatally injured Monday night when he and a com-panion fell while working in the hold of the freighter Hacue Maru as she traveled down the Cape Ferr river enroute to sea.

Capt. Bobby Smith was piloting the vessel when a commotion developed aboard while off the point of Caswell. He said that both the captain and first mate could speak some English and that they told him there had been an accident. They discussed the matter and decided it would be



Join Alpha Delta Kappa

MEMBERS - These are the Brunswick county teachers who met in Wilmington Saturday to form a new chapter of the International Teacher's Sorority. Miss Brightie Holden of Shallotte is president of the new organization.



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#### Make It \$1,000 Even

CHECK — Mrs. Connie Young, right, is shown here de-livering a check for \$12.64 to Mrs. Sue King. This brings to an even \$1,000 the contribution made by the Southport Junior Woman's Club to the Southport-Brunswick County Library Building Fund.

## **Juniors** Contribute

ing Fund.

giving \$12,64?

a new library.

mas Benefit Ball.

#### **Teachers In County Form New Chapter**

On January 14, the Beta Beta chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa International Honorary Sorority for Women Teachers, was char-tered at the Holiday Inn Motel in Wilmington. The sponsoring chapter, Delta of Wilmington, initiated 18 outstanding teachers from Brunswick county.

It was through the efforts of Mrs. Eudell F. Smith, pledge chairman, that the teachers from Southport, Shallotte, Bolivia, Waccamaw and Leland were encouraged to form this new chapter. Nineteen members of Delta and Alpha Psi in Wilmington witnessed the spoken vows before Mrs. Ruth Fox, state membership chairman from Raleigh, Mrs. Betty H. Stike, president, Beatrice Strickland, chaplain, and Vivian Baynes, historian, of the Wilmington chapter.

Following the initiation service each sorority sister was pinned by Mrs. Smith, state vice-president, with the beautiful emblem which is the treasured symbol of membership,

Mrs. Vivian Baynes, fifth district vice-president, installed the following officers: President, Brightie Holden, Shallotte; vicepresident, Kathleen B. Barnes, central staff; recording secre-



W. B. (Bill) KEZIAH

Bond Issue in November and

urged that action be taken as soon

as possible to set up another

the construction of three con-

solidated high schools in Bruns-

all other precincts except Long-

out the citizens of the proposed

school district would pay a

special tax to finance a new high

school building. Its operation

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When the issue was voted on

voting opportunity.

defeated.

#### Brief Bits Of \* Committe To Work On Plan NEWS For Bond Vote

#### CALENDARS ON SALE

The remainder of the Southport PTA calendars for 1967 will be on sale at the PTA meeting on Thursday night.

#### SUFFERS INJURIES

Mrs. Albert Phelps of Southport sustained serious injuries be requested. Saturday when she was struck by an automobile while crossing a street in Wilmington. She is a patient in a Wilmington hospital.

#### MOTHERS MARCH

The countywide Mothers March of Dimes will take place on Tuesday, January 31, according to Mrs. M. H. Rourk, county chairman for the March of Dimes. "Everyone is urged to leave his porch light on that night," she said, "and to have a contribution to give to the volunteer who will call on him".

#### ON HONOR ROLL

Stuard L. Goodwin of Southport is on the dean's list at Appalachian State Teachers College for the fall term. In order to qualify a student must carry a minimum of 15 hours, must achieve a grade average of at least 3.00 and must have no grade below a C. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goodwin and the grandson of Mrs. mma Lind, Southport.

assured Thursday night when James M. Harper, Jr., appeared before the board of aldermen for the City of Southport to ask that the city accept a gift of this

property for use for these joint purposes. Harper explained that the lot situated at the northeast corner of Moore and Lord streets had been offered for sale by trustees of the estate of the late Judge E. H. Cranmer in order to assure the preservation of the Indian Trail Tree. He reported that friends and relatives of the late Mr. Keziah had made tentative arrangments to purchase the property, with the provision that it be maintained as a public place during the life of the tree and with the further provision that a tablet be erected to honor the memory of the late Mr. Keziah. It was pointed out that this famous one-man chamber of commerce had shown this strange freak of nature to literally thousands of visitors during his life-

time and that this will constitute a fitting and lasting memorial to him. The Indian Trail Tree is a huge

live oak which apparently has two stumps. Legend has it that this A committee of citizens repstrange situation came about resenting the Southport High School and Brunswick County when Indians who had marched to the coast for fishing excur-High School Districts held a sions bend small saplings to indimeeting Tuesday night to concate the direction of their return. sider plans for creating a school In rare instances some of these district which will qualify for recognition by the State Departtrees sprouted from their second stump, and the big live oak in ment of Education and for which Southport is one of the few sura special school bond vote can viving reminders of this Indian custom. The proposal is to ask Rep-

The lais Bob Ripley in his resentative Odell Williamson "Believe It Or Not" cartoon to introduce permissive legislaonce had a drawing of an Indian tion which will allow such a vote. Trail Tree, saying there were Those in attendance at the meetonly five known to be still standing ing expressed keen disappointin the United States. ment at the defeat of the School

After hearing Harper outline plans for use of the property, members of the board took formal action to assure perpetual maintenance of the proposed memorial.

in November both of the two Mayor E. B. Tomlinson, Jr., precincts in Southport and the appointed the following persons Oak Island precinct voted in favor to serve as a self-perpetuating of the sale of bonds to finance committee to receive and disburse contributions with which to purchase the property and to wick county. The proposal met make recommendations for its with overwhelming opposition in use: D. C. Herring, C. D. Pickerrell, Mrs. L. J. Hardee, Mrs. wood and Hoods Creek and was James M. Harper, Jr. and James M. Harper, Jr. If tentative plans are carried

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hoyle Dosher, who moved its adoption: "WHEREAS the City of South-

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Is Recommended best to turn the ship around and to bring the injured seamen to

Congressman Alton A. Lennon announced today that Norris C. Long has been recommended to the Post Office Department for appointment as postmaster at Southport.

The democratic Executive Committee recommended Long who has made the Post Office Department his career, and who is qualified by experience for appointment to this post.

Long is a career man with the Post Office Department having spent nearly 30 years in its service. He has been a resident of Long Beach for several years, having moved there from Wilmington. He is currently working with the Mobile Post Office Section of the Post Office Department.

Mrs. Marjorie P. Livingston has been serving as Acting Postmaster at Southport since the resignation of Niels Jorgensen in April 1965.

summertime.

Bulletins,"

East Coast fishing.

**Time And Tide** 

this one cropped up in print: "Good Weather For Hog Killing."

Fifteen years ago this week the March of Dimes was on, and Bruns-

wick County Chairman Ed Redwine, was shown in a front page photo

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\$1,000 To Library maneuver was accomplished in the vicinity of the sea buoy and the ship was brought back to the Southport harbor where she was anchored.

Southport to the hospital. This

Meanwhile, a call had gone out to the Coast Guard, and their boat met the ship and took off the two injured men and brought them ashore.

Gilbert's ambulance met the Coast Guard boat at the dock and the men were rushed to the hospital, where one was dead upon arrival. The other, Veda Toshiye, remains as a patient. The Hacue Maru had visited the port of Wilmington and reportedly was on her way to New York when the accident occurred. Details were not available, other than that the men were working in the cargo section when they fell a distance of 25 or 30 feet. It was reported that Tsukozima sustained severe head injuries.

> MRS, FRED SMITH Southport Lady **New Principal**

The New Hanover County Board Remember the strange looking wood tower which stood near the of Education Thursday elected marsh in the vicinity of Oak Island Coast Guard Station? There was Mrs. Eudell F. Smith as princia front page picture in our issue for January 20, 1937. There was pal of Tileston School.

as much mystery then as now as to the original use of that structure. Mrs. Smith fills the vacancy The U. S. Navy Submarine Perch has spent an enjoyable two days in left by the resignation of Charles Southport, and the crew had departed the town with expressed regret. Hunter Wentz.

"Yachting," national publication, had carried a story about the A teacher at Sunset Park Elesailboat races held at Southport the previous summer; a case of mentary School since 1963, Mrs. whooping cough (how long since you heard of anybody having whooping Smith has also taught in the cough?) had been reported by the Brunswick County Health Depart-Bladenboro High School, Methodist Orphanage, Garner High School and Vandora Springs ment; and the weather for the previous few days had smacked of School.

Back in 1942 the annual meeting of REA stockholders was held in She has 16 years experience January. Our issue for January 21 reported the season held on in education.

the previous weekend at Waccamaw High School. The front page Mrs. Smith is a graduate of still had a strong wartime flavor, what with rationing news, news Hallsboro High School and received her BS degree from Apof men volunteering for service and a column headed "Late War palachian State Teachers Col-Orton Gardens had survived a cold snap in good shape; there was lege.

In addition, she has studied at Meredith College and East a call for the location of privately-owned binoculars, needed for use by aircraft spotters; and Maxie Cooker had used his trusty gill net to rack up a pretty good score against red drum in nearby waters. Carolina College.

She is a resident of Southport In the front page of The Pilot for January 22, 1947, there was a and lives with her husband Fred photo of Bill Sharpe, who was then director of the State Advertising Smith at Riverhaven Acres on Division, and Miss Francesca LaMonte, famed fishing authority the River Road. Mr. Smith is who had put Southport on her itinerary while making a study of manager of the N. C. Baptist Assembly and his wife assists One headline said: "Long Beach Getting Ready For Expansion;" him with his duties during the another announced: "Artist Colony Being Planned"; and once more summer months.

wentz resigned as Tileston School principal earlier this month to do postgraduate study at Texas A and M University in

tary, Claire T. Evans, Waccamaw; corresponding secretary, Virginia S. Winfree, Shallotie; treasurer, Gelene Russ, Shal-lotte; historian, Hazel P. Williams, Shallotte; S

liams, Shallotte; sergeant-at-arms, Veneta A. Geedy, Leland; chaplain, Marianne B. Gore, Southport.

Other members pledging their loyalty and support were Hilda W. Council and Ruby G. Sutton, Leland, Ruth B. Smith, Clara M. Russ and Sarah B. Rogers, Shallotte; Lila M. Hogg and Alice Lesh, Bolivia; Myrle H. Evans and Janice S. Gore, Waccamaw; Ruth R. Hood, Southport, and Ruth T. White of the central staff.

Presiding at the tea table were Miss Holden, newly elected president of the Beta Beta chapter, and Miss Frances Parnell, president of Alpha Psi Chapter which was chartered by the Delta

Mrs. Mae Barbee, newly electchapter last spring. ed president of the club, stated Alpha Delta Kappa was charthat although the treasury was tered in August 1947 as a national somewhat depleted at this, the sorority for women teachers, beginning of their club year, with the privilege to organize

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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.

Thursday, January 19,

Friday, January 20,

Saturday, January 21,

Sunday, January 22,

Monday, January 28,

Tuesday, January 24,

Wednesday, January 25,

LOW

8:10 A M

8:28 P M

9:10 A M

9:22 P M

10:16 A M

10:22 P M

11:10 A M

11:10 P M

12:04 A M

12:04 P M

12:52 A M

0:52 A M

1:40 P M

HIGH

1.39 A M

1:51 P M

2:33 A M

3:33 A M

3:45 P M

4:27 A M

4:45 P M

5:21 A M

5:39 P M

6:15 A M

6:33 P M

7:03 A M

7:21 P M

2:51 P M

### **Flotilla Has First Meeting**

Members of the Southport Jun-

ior Woman's Club voted this week

to give \$12.64 from the club

treasury to the Library Build-

So what is the big deal about

The big deal is that added to

\$987.36 already raised, the club

has now turned in a total of

\$1000 to the fund for building

Mrs. Edythe Smith, outgoing

president of the 25 member

group, said that fund raising for

the library started with the silver

offering at the 4th of July Arts

Festival. This was followed by

house to house solicitation by

Junior Clubwomen; a fall lunch-

eon fashion show and a Christ-

members couldn't bear the

thought of such a small amount

standing between them and their

The vote was unanimous. The

club treasury is further depleted

by \$12.64. But let the record

show that the Southport Junior

Woman's Club raised \$1000 for

Building officials were in-

formed this week that prelimi-

nary plans for the new library

have received approval by state

\$1000 goal for the library.

the Library Building Fund.

officials in Raleigh.

Staff Officers of U.S.C.G.A. Flotilla 10-5 were appointed at the regular meeting Friday night at Oak Island Coast Guard Station. Officers are secretarytreasurer, Gilliam Hornstein; courtesy examining officer, Joe Christian; operations officer, Lafayette Parramore; Flotilla publications officer, Claude Steele; public relations officer, Gilliam Hornstein. Members of the Flotilla will

begin immediately studying courses to qualify them for boat inspection, safety patrols and public instruction in safe boating.

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