



New Bank At Leland

OPENING — Formal opening of the new branch of the Waccamaw Bank & Trust Co. at Leland attracted a steady flow of visitors Sunday. A couple is shown above leaving the attractive new office, which has been erected to serve one of the most rapidly developing areas of Brunswick county. (Elgie Clemmons Photo.)



RIKKI DUTTON



ZELPHIA GORE



BRYON HOLDEN

Three Chosen For Study In Advance School

Rikki Dutton, Zelfhia LaRose Gore and Bryon Holden, three of Brunswick county's high ranking students, will be among the 400 to attend the 1967 Governor's School of North Carolina. A total of 24 Brunswick county students were nominated during the month of February, along with approximately 5,000 other North Carolina scholars. From this group the finalists were chosen.

Representing Brunswick will be Rikki Dutton, junior of Waccamaw High School; Zelfhia LaRose Gore, sophomore, Union High School; and Bryon Holden, junior of Shallotte High School. Rikki and Zelfhia will study in the area of French and Bryon will be in the area of social studies.

Rikki is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Auburn Dutton of Ash. She is an honor student at Waccamaw and holds membership in the Beta Club, Student Government and Future Homemakers of America. Rikki is also head cheerleader and pianist for the choral group. She entered high school as valedictorian for her elementary class and has maintained that lead.

Zelfhia is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earlie L. Gore of Longwood. She holds membership in the Student Council, Glee Club, Future Homemakers of America.

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Brief Bits Of NEWS

LIONS CLUB
The regular meeting of the Southport Lions Club will be held tomorrow (Thursday) at the Community Building at 6:30 p.m.

SPECIAL HOURS
Brunswick Town will be open all day Sunday in order to take care of the overflow of tourist visitors due to the Azalea Festival. The gates will open at 9 a.m. and will close at 5:30 p.m. Normally the Sunday hours are from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m.

REACTIVATE AUXILIARY
Plans are being made to reactivate the Doshier Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and a meeting will be held for this purpose within the next few days, according to Mrs. H. B. Smith, former president of this organization.

Incumbent City Officials File

Film On Bald Head Saturday

A documentary film, "Just As It Is", on Bald Head Island will be shown at Southport High School auditorium Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock. It will be narrated by Patti Gail Swan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reese Swan. He is caretaker on the island.

The film was produced by Franc White of WSOC-TV, Charlotte. It was first shown over that station and proved to be a great hit. It is in color and lasts for about 30 minutes. Friends and interested persons are invited to attend.

PCA Elects New Officers

The Duplin and Wilmington Production Credit Associations have merged into a single organization under the name of Coastal Production Credit Association. The continuing association is a stronger financial organization to serve the short and intermediate-term credit needs of farmers as the result of the merger, according to Arthur Kennedy, president of the association.

The merger became effective at the close of business on March 31, and an organizational meeting was held on April 1 to name new officers and directors. Kennedy of Beaulieuville was named president and Charles A. Rogers of Rocky Point was named vice president. In addition to Kennedy and Rogers, other members of the board of directors are Eugene R. Carlton, Warsaw; Woodrow W. Maready, Chinquapin; T. T. Herring, Mt. Olive; J. Ralph Britt, Mt. Olive; Albert D. Cox, Jr., Castle Hayne; A. B. Herring, Watha; Edwin S. Clemmons, Supply; and Billy Wade Russ, Ash.

The association will have assets of over \$10.5 million with capital and surplus of nearly \$2 million. Last year the two associations furnished \$7.5 million in short and intermediate-term credit to 2,285 farmers in their respective service areas which included Duplin, Brunswick, New Hanover and Pender counties. In commenting on the merger

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Mayor E. B. Tomlinson, Jr., and the three members of the board of aldermen who are up for reelection have filed as candidates for the municipal election to be held on Tuesday, May 2, and thus far they are the only ones to enter their names in the contest.

The others are Harold Aldridge and Mrs. Dorothy Gilbert from Ward No. 2 and Crawford Rourke from Ward No. 1.

Tomlinson will be seeking his fourth term as mayor, his third in succession. He first was elected in 1957 and served a 2-year term. He was elected for a second term in 1963 and two years ago was elected to succeed himself in this office.

Beth Aldridge and Rourke are veteran members of the board. Mrs. Gilbert was appointed last year to complete the unexpired term of her husband, the late J. A. Gilbert.

The books opened for filing last Saturday and will remain open for this purpose until April 15. Registration books now are open daily at the homes of the registrars. Mrs. William S. Norman is serving for Ward No. 1 and Miss Annie St. George for Ward No. 2. Saturday, April 15, is the final date for registration.

Committee Is Set For Drive

The 1967 Cancer Crusade in Brunswick county will be led by Mrs. Foster Mintz, Crusade chairman. She has announced the following to serve as chairmen in the various communities:

Mrs. Frances West, Shallotte; Mrs. Richard Conrad, Southport; Mrs. A. P. Henry, Jr., Winnabow; Mrs. M. F. Tatum, Bolivia; Mrs. John Holden, Holden's Beach and Supply areas; Mrs. Marie Leonard, Shallotte Point; Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, Antioch community; Mrs. Kitty Benton, Hickman's Crossroad; William Long, Longwood; Mrs. Olivia Morgan, Union School community; John Baker and Richard Randolph, Piney Grove community. Chairmen for Leland and Waccamaw areas will be announced later.

Carl Kirby of Southport is treasurer; Mrs. Richard Conrad of Southport is service chairman and Mrs. Herman Strong,

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Present Books For Libraries In The County

Two new books of meaningful significance are being presented to high school libraries in Brunswick and Columbus counties and to county, city, libraries and to the Southeastern Community College library, announced Hugh D. Vance, Electrification Advisor of the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation.

One book, "A Giant Step," is by Clyde T. Ellis, who was a part of the beginning of the Rural Electrification Program and has followed it through its 30 years of service in bringing power and lights to the rural areas of community, state and nation, stated Vance.

The second book is "The Fifty Great Pioneers of American Industry." This second volume tells the successive stories of Cyrus McCormick, who developed the reaper, Thomas Alva Edison, Henry Ford, and the story of the Otis elevator, which made it so grandmother would not have to climb stairs anymore.

There are bankers in this volume, labor leaders, the Wright Brothers and Kitty Hawk and many more to make the volume a rich contribution to any library, Vance said.

The books are gifts to the libraries by the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation and an addition to the list, "The Farmer Takes a Hand," "Rural Electric Fact Book," and "U. S. D. A. Publication, "Rural Lines. . . U. S. A.," previously presented to all high school libraries in the Cooperative service areas, stated Vance.

Vance urges all students with a composition to write or for a report on Great men or great events in the history of America to read these books. "Here you will find some good basis material. But, just for the sake of knowledge, all are fine reading and rewarding to the one who takes the time to get into them," Vance declared.

Will Constitute Baptist Church

The Oak Island Baptist Mission, established at Long Beach by the Southport Baptist Church in June 1960 under the leadership of the Rev. Mark Owens, will be constituted into the Oak Island Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Guest speaker for the occasion will be the Rev. Roy Smith, director of the Town and Country Division of the Missions Department of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. Dinner will be served on the grounds from 12:30 until 1:30 o'clock, followed by a time of fellowship. For the services beginning at 2 o'clock special music will be furnished by the choir of the Southport Baptist Church and a brief history of the mission will be given by Mrs. Susie S. Carson, historian, of the Southport Church.

The Rev. Jackie Cooper is present pastor of Oak Island Baptist Church and A. E. Huntley is chairman of the Missions Committee. The Rev. E. C. Chamblee is pastor of the Mother Church.

Regular Sunday morning services will also be held that day with the Rev. Horace Hawes, former pastor of the mission, preaching at the 11 o'clock service.

Time And Tide

In our edition for April 7, 1937, announcement was made of the reappointment of Miss Annie May Woodside as Superintendent of Brunswick County Schools. The late Charles E. Gause was made chairman of the Brunswick County Board of Education. Announcement also was made of the retirement of the late Capt. M. T. Craig as a Cape Fear River Pilot.

"Northwood" had been selected as the name for the new Southport Cemetery; John Holden had been named for handsomest boy in the Shallotte High School senior class; and there was one headline that later was to come back to haunt the county; "This Section of Coast Safe from Tropical Storms."

The big news in The Pilot for April 8, 1942, was the renovation and modernization of Shallotte Trading Co. (Kirby's). On the front page was a photo of Orton, which showed banks of blooming azaleas, and an accompanying story said: "Orton Gardens Approaching Height of Beauty."

There was a complaint that several books were missing from the Southport Public Library; freshwater fisherman had found a huge osprey caught in a splintered cypress stump, victim of nature's own cruel traps; and the Rev. Cecil Allgood, then rector of St. Phillips Episcopal Church in Southport, was shown wearing a gas mask, a rumored piece of survival equipment for civilian in this, the war year of 1942.

April 9, 1947, and Orton was back on the front page of The Pilot. This time the headline said: "Orton Gardens Approach Peak of Blooming Season." Easter was coming, and special programs were being prepared for this occasion, starting with the pre-dawn singing by the colored choir.

There was a front page complaint that shrimp trawlers were

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Activity At Sunny Point

BUSY — Four U. S. Navy vessels utilized in outloading the First Battalion Sixth Regiment, Camp LeJeune, are shown on berth at the Military Ocean Terminal, Sunny Point Friday. Personnel, supplies and equipment of the battalion were being outloaded for a several month tour of duty in the Mediterranean area.

Protest Close Of Operating Ferry Service

The Southport-Fort Fisher Ferry will suspend operations for approximately 42 days, beginning Tuesday, April 4, while approach channels and turning basins are dredged, it was announced today by Ferry Operations Manager E. H. Baggs.

Baggs said that Eastern Dredging Company of New Bern would begin its dredging operations Tuesday, April 4, and that the project would take until about May 15 to complete. During that time, Baggs said, there will be no crossings made by the ferry.

The contract awarded the New Bern-based dredging firm calls for cleaning out of approach channels and turning basins on the east bank of the Cape Fear River at Federal Point and on the west bank, some two miles north of Southport. The \$47,099.00 contract was awarded by the Highway Commission at its March 9th meeting in Raleigh.

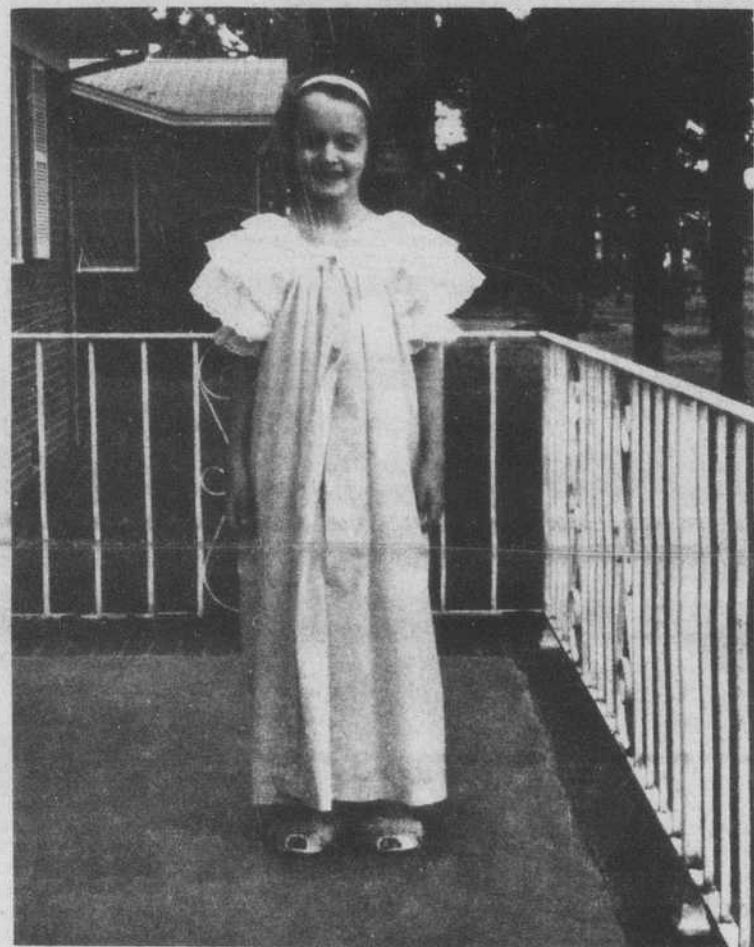
This action has brought a protest from Mayor E. B. Tomlinson, Jr., of Southport and from Johnnie Barbee, chairman of the Brunswick county board of commissioners. They have sent the following telegram to Governor Dan K. Moore:

"Reference State Highway Commission announcement to close Southport-Fort Fisher Ferry for some 40 days to permit ferry terminal dredging.

"This is most inopportune planning as tourist season is just beginning. Curtailment of ferry service at this time will be disadvantageous to business in Brunswick County as well as to travellers who would utilize ferry."

"It appears that dredging should have been accomplished while ferry was in drydock last fall. This situation has been discussed with our Highway Commissioner, Mr. Ashley Murphy, who has agreed to review the matter."

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District Winner

MODEL — This is Suzanne Gainey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gainey, Jr. of Southport, shown modeling a dress made by her mother. She was winner in her category in the District contest in Clinton Saturday and will compete in the state contest in Greensboro on April 22. The contest is sponsored by the Woman's Club.

George Williams Is Superintendent



DR. Wm. A. McMILLAN

Southport Man Heads College

Dr. William A. McMILLAN has been named to the presidency of Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi.

Dr. McMILLAN entered the Brunswick County High School as freshman, from a small 2-teacher rural school, but his great ambition and thirst for knowledge enabled him to overcome the handicap of this meager educational background, as he zealously applied himself to his academic studies, and graduated four years later as valedictorian of his

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Legislature In Special Meet In Old Rooms

By ODELL WILLIAMSON
Our new State Legislative Building was put into use in 1963. But under a joint resolution adopted by the House and Senate, the General Assembly holds one meeting every session in its old chambers on the second floor of the State Capitol.

The meeting for the 1967 session was held Monday night of this past week. For me, as for many others, it brought back a lot of memories. When I served in the House during the sessions of 1947, 1949 and 1953, the General Assembly met in those old chambers.

The State Capitol was used by the legislature from 1840, the year in which it was completed, through the session of 1961. The seating in the old building certainly kept the delegates closer together than the seating in our new building.

Of course, there are many other advantages to being in the new State Legislative Building. For one thing, we do not have to leave the building to find a place for our committee meetings. And every legislator now has his own individual office in which to study various pieces of legislation as they are introduced.

Speaking of our old legislative chambers in the State Capitol, I would like to point out that the Department of Archives and History is making them into a shrine. Part of the Department's plans call for restoring and re-installing the original chairs used from 1840 through 1949.

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ESSA Program Still At Work

The ESEA Program which began its operation in Brunswick county approximately one year ago has been in progress again for the current school year. This project has been an attempt to improve the reading skills of the students in the public schools.

During the current year 61 teacher aides, 9 library aides, a reading co-ordinator, library supervisor, instructional materials director, audiovisual technician and two registered nurses, plus an administrative staff have been employed in the program. The 61 teacher aides are divided among the 6 qualifying schools and assigned to the elementary teachers. This personnel has been employed for the specific purpose of relieving teachers of all non-teaching duties in order that the teachers may devote full time to instruction.

The library aides, too, have been employed for the specific purpose of relieving regular classroom teachers of library duties and responsibilities in order that these teachers may devote full time to the classroom.

The other personnel mentioned are professionally qualified to carry out their various duties. Mrs. Frances Stone, who serves as reading co-ordinator for the project, supervises special reading classes which have been set up in each of the qualifying schools. These classes are taught by regular classroom teachers who are supplied with extra and special reading books

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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 |
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| Thursday, April 6, | |
| 5:39 A M | 11:58 A M |
| 5:27 P M | |
| Friday, April 7, | |
| 6:27 A M | 0:16 A M |
| 6:39 P M | 12:40 P M |
| Saturday, April 8, | |
| 7:03 A M | 0:58 A M |
| 7:15 P M | 1:16 P M |
| Sunday, April 9, | |
| 7:39 A M | 1:40 A M |
| 7:51 P M | 1:52 P M |
| Monday, April 10, | |
| 8:09 A M | 2:16 A M |
| 8:21 P M | 2:28 P M |
| Tuesday, April 11, | |
| 8:45 A M | 2:52 A M |
| 8:57 P M | 2:58 P M |
| Wednesday, April 12, | |
| 9:15 A M | 3:28 A M |
| 9:27 P M | 3:34 P M |