

Small Boat And Seven Men Are Towed To Port

A float plan system that is operated at the Southport Boat Harbor helped set in motion search operations that resulted in the rescue Sunday afternoon of boat in the vicinity of the Cape Fear light tower.

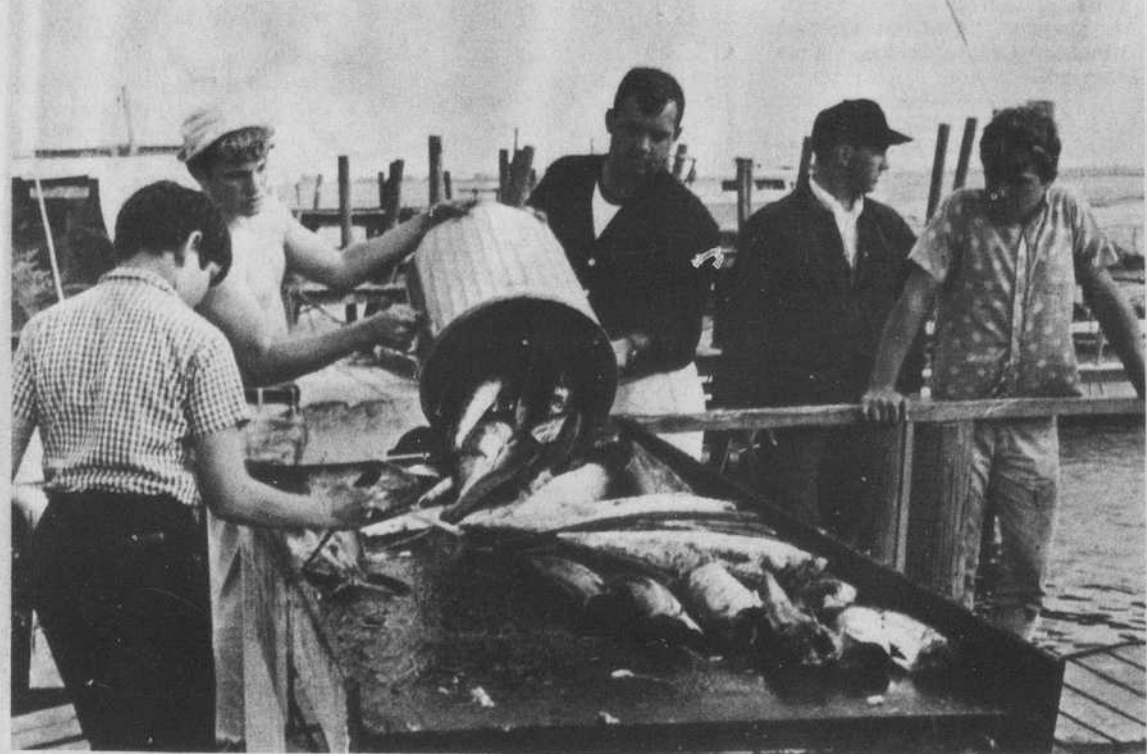
Seven Fayetteville area men were brought in safely after spending almost 24 hours adrift in a 17-foot boat off the N. C. coast.

A Coast Guard patrol boat towed the small private craft to safety in Southport Harbor Monday morning.

Aboard were 30-year-old Jerry Swanson, owner, and his brothers Doug, Harry and George, all of the Fayetteville-Hope Mills area, Jack and Albert Wilkes, cousins of the Swansons, and an unidentified friend.

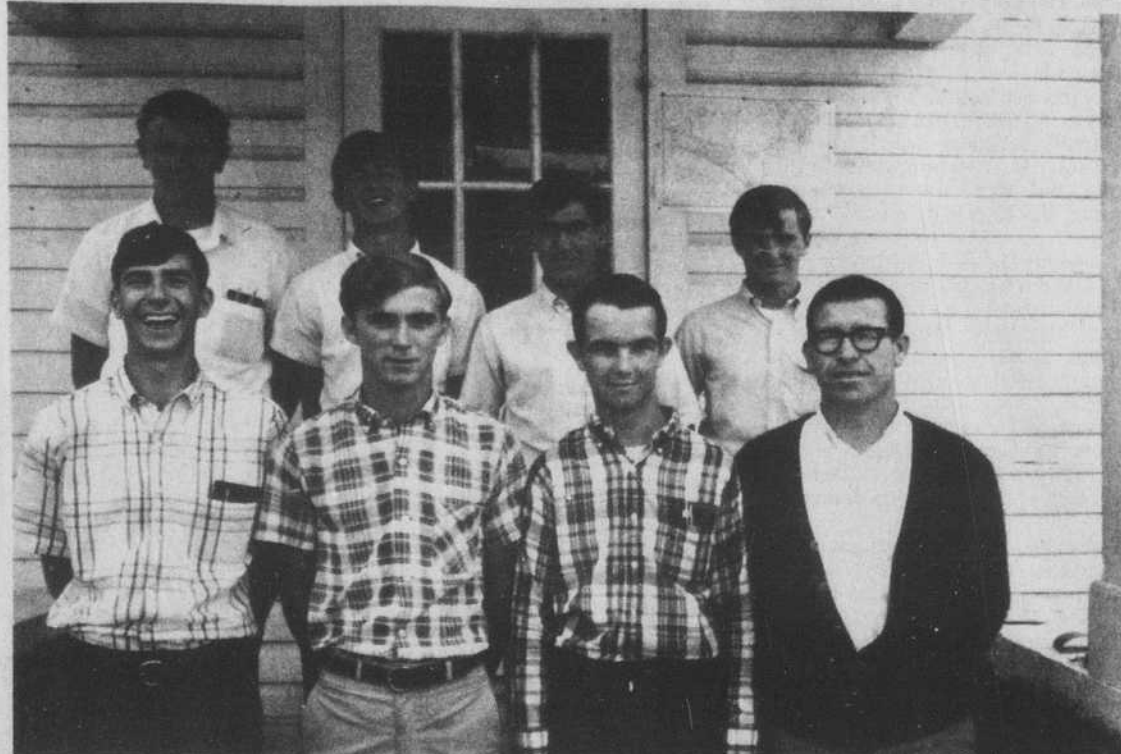
The Coast Guard station at Oak Island, near Southport, said it received a radio call from the outboard motorboat at 6:15 p. m. Sunday saying it was low on fuel and asking for assistance. A private aircraft spotted the boat about 7 a. m. Monday some 10 miles northwest of Frying Pan Light Station, or almost 30 miles at sea.

The men had gone out black-fishing on Sunday.



Plenty Of King Mackerel

CATCH — King mackerel were plentiful for off shore parties out of Southport during the past weekend. The results of one of these catches is shown above as a garbage can full of these fish are dumped on the cleaning table where they were operated on by Tommy Doshier, James Dowling and Charles Sellers. A Morganton party was out aboard the Idle On IV with Capt. Larry Stubbs while a party from Waxhaw was out with Capt. H. A. Schmidt aboard the Idle On III.



Winners In Judging Contest

WINNERS — Above are members of the Waccamaw High School FFA Chapter livestock judging team which won first place Thursday in the Brunswick-Pender Federation Livestock Judging Contest. Front row, left to right: Chris Chappell, Dennis Milligan, Dennis Little, Michael Russ, FFA Advisor. Back row, Jerry Little, Billy Hughes, Charles Fowler and Buddy Hamaker. (Photo by King)

New Plan For Picking Jury In Legislature

By ODELL WILLIAMSON
Under a new law passed by the General Assembly this past week, a three-member jury commission will be created in each of the State's 100 counties. The commission will prepare jury lists every two years.

One member of the commission for each county will be appointed by the resident superior court judge, one by the clerk of court, and the other by the board of county commissioners.

These 100 jury commissions, which must be named before October 1, 1967, will do what the sheriff in most counties has done in the past.

Under the new law, people will be excused from jury duty only for reasons of compelling personal hardship.

In the House Roads Committee last week, we were able to kill a bill that would have required the State Highway Commission to paint a white line along the edge of all secondary roads carrying a traffic count of 100 vehicles or more per day. The measure had been passed by the Senate.

The Highway Commission estimated that this piece of legislation, if passed, would cost \$2 million. The money would have had to come out of secondary road funds--and these funds already are short. Therefore, it was the feeling of the House Roads Committee that the matter should be left to the discretion of the Highway Commission and not made a requirement.

In effect, the committee's decision means that the Highway Commission can spend its money to the best advantage of the motoring public. If the commission has any money it can afford to spend on this worthwhile project, it can do so.

Earlier in the current General Assembly session, Representative Clyde Collier and I received a resolution from the town board of Shallotte requesting us to introduce legislation that would designate Shallotte as a town other than Southport in which the district court might sit--provided, of course, Shallotte qualified under the court commission law. The district judge would also have to designate the town as a place for the court to sit.

At the time we received the resolution, it was our thinking that, since the request involved a change in policy, we should also have the endorsement of a majority of the board of commissioners for Brunswick County. We realized that if we received such an endorsement, we would have practically no other choice but to introduce the requested bill.

This past week we received a resolution signed by three members of the Brunswick County board of commissioners. It endorsed the resolution we had received earlier from the town board of Shallotte. Therefore, last Thursday your representatives introduced the requested piece of legislation.

During my campaigns for nomination and election, I was questioned by many people in Whiteville, Chadbourne, and other places in Columbus County about my thoughts on allowing the people of the county to vote on the question of ABC stores.

I answered the questions then --and I take the same position now.
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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, May 4	
4:15 A M	10:34 A M
4:39 P M	10:58 P M
Friday, May 5	
5:03 A M	11:16 A M
5:27 P M	11:46 P M
Saturday, May 6	
5:45 A M	11:58 A M
6:03 P M	
Sunday, May 7	
6:27 A M	0:34 A M
6:45 P M	12:40 P M
Monday, May 8	
7:03 A M	1:10 A M
7:21 P M	1:16 P M
Tuesday, May 9	
7:39 A M	1:52 A M
7:57 P M	1:52 P M
Wednesday, May 10	
8:15 A M	2:34 A M
8:33 P M	2:28 P M

In 8 Municipalities

Local Elections Held

Municipal elections were held Tuesday for eight incorporated towns in Brunswick County.

In Southport Mayor E. B. Tomlinson, running unopposed, received 292 votes. Mrs. J. A. Gilbert had 261 votes and Harold Aldridge had 255 to win reelection as aldermen from Ward No. 2 and were unopposed. In the only contest, Crawford L. Rourk polled 179 votes to 139 for W. L. Huffman to win reelection as alderman from Ward No. 1.

At Long Beach Alvin Staley led the ticket with 119 votes, R. Sam Edwards was second with 114 and L. D. Jones polled 89 votes to win the three places on the board of Town Commissioners. Other candidates were Billy R. Dorsett 44, John J. Burke 38, Willard Ferrell 35, Mrs. Dorothy Cupt 24 and Mrs. Elizabeth Pickett 7.

At Yaupon Beach Gib Barbee, Jr., led the balloting with 89 votes followed by C. E. Murphy with 83. With six men being elected, other successful candidates included Linwood King 67, J. C. Newman 64, Wayland Vereen 64 and W. E. McDougle 59. The other five candidates were J. F. Aman 54, E. L. Champton 46, Richard L. Apple 35, G. Jarvis Jones 24 and A. C. Harris 8.

At Boiling Spring Lakes there was no opposition for the three candidates for aldermen, all of whom were incumbents. James Huffman had 41 votes, A. E. Huntley 38 votes and John Cobb 39 votes.

At Bolivia where a mayor and four aldermen were elected, J. M. King led the balloting with 25 votes to win reelection as mayor. For aldermen R. C. McKeithan 24, Paul Huffman 21, E. B. Murrell 19 and D. H. Hawes 18 were elected. Arliss Willetts polled 14 votes.

In Shallotte there were four candidates for three places on the town board. Results gave Harry White 74, Michael Russ 73, Robert Hawes 58, and they were elected. Henry Carter, incumbent, ran fourth with 38 votes.

At Ocean Isle Beach there were four candidates for three places on the board. Successful candidates were George Sloane 20, Ernest Holden 18, and Dave Bennett 16. Mrs. Virginia Williamson polled 15 votes.

At Sunset Beach five candidates
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Students And Parents Night

The Vocational Guidance Committee of Union High School, Shallotte, has planned a Parent-Student Vocational Night Tuesday from 7:30-9:00 p. m. at the high school gymnasium.

The purpose of the meeting is to inform students and parents of the many job opportunities available for students other than the four-year college program. All parents and students from grades 10-12 are asked to attend this meeting.

There will be speakers from various community colleges, trade schools, industries and businesses to inform the group about the job opportunities and finance to secure training for these jobs.

FHA Workers Attend Meet

Members of the Farmers Home Administration Office at Shallotte which serves Brunswick County attended a one-day workshop on the Uniform Commercial Code in Raleigh on April 25. Parks C. Fields announced this week.

In 1965 General Assembly adopted the Uniform Commercial Code which becomes effective in North Carolina on July 1. North Carolina becomes one of the 48 States which have adopted the Code in the interest of having a coherent and uniform body of commercial laws throughout the Nation.

The Farmers Home Administration is the credit arm of the United States Department of Agriculture with offices serving each county in North Carolina. Under authority given by Congress, the agency administers loan programs which have as their overall objectives the strengthening of the family farm and rural communities, and reducing rural poverty.

Through the Operating Loan program, the FHA provides the following types of loan services: Operating loans which enable family farmers to purchase needed items of farming equipment, improve their farms, and provide operating capital; individual Economic Opportunity loans which give low-income rural people the opportunity to establish themselves in income-producing enterprises to obtain a better standard of living; and in counties designated by the Secretary of Agriculture, the agency makes Emergency loans to farmers, who have sustained economic losses due to adverse weather conditions, to continue the operation of their farms during these periods.

Through the Real Estate Loan Programs, FHA provides loans which enable family farmers to purchase or to improve farms or refinance debts. Also available are Rural Housing loans which enable families in rural areas to borrow for the purpose of providing adequate housing.

Through the FHA Community Service Loan Programs, rural
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Waccamaw Wins In Stock Judging

Dr. Burdette Opens Office

Dr. F. M. Burdette, who was engaged in the practice of medicine in Southport for 20 years before joining the staff of a Wilmington hospital last year, is returning here and will open his new office in the annex of the Kirby Prescription Building on Howe Street.

Southport Lions Honor Whatley

Members of the Southport Lions Club are making plans to honor the man who has served for the past several years as secretary of their organization by redecorating the Lions Room in the Community Center Building and naming it the George Whatley room.

The idea originated with his fellow club members, who wanted to make a personal contribution to this memorial. Thus far funds totaling in the neighborhood of \$100 have come in, and others have expressed their desire to participate.

H. A. Livingston has been named chairman of the committee in charge of this project and he said this week that he wishes to make it clear that gifts from non-club members will be welcomed.

Livingston says that it is hoped that work on this project to honor the late Lions Club secretary can be completed during the month of May.

Lion Lester Lowe has been named acting secretary to fill the unexpired term of Lion Whatley.

Time And Tide

May 5, 1937, Esther Mae Potter (now Mrs. Joseph Willetts) had graduated from Southport High School with a record of never having been absent or tardy. There appeared to be a revival of interest in sailing, and Allen C. Ewing had purchased a sharpie and was using it in and about the local harbor.

Z. G. Ray had been elected principal at Waccamaw High School; Dr. Frank P. Graham, president of the University of North Carolina, had visited Southport; and there was a news report that former Navy Secretary Josephus Daniels and Mrs. Daniels were to visit here during the coming week.

The year was 1942, the month was May and in the first week there were political rumblings. Both of the men who were candidates for the Democratic nomination for State Senate have since passed on, but that week one had charged that the other should resign as Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee; and he had countered with the charge that even though he was party chairman, he was not being properly consulted regarding dates for political speakings.

One-third the population of Brunswick had registered on the first day for War Ration Books; gasoline rationing was to be next on the war program, with registration due the following week; and Doris Corlette, (Mrs. Ed Harrelson) was to be a member of the May Court at Atlantic Christian College on the coming Saturday.
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Here In Brunswick

Forest Fires Being Set

Use of chemical bombers by the State Forestry Service in Brunswick is credited with saving many thousands of dollars of damage to the county's woodlands during April and May, according to County Ranger Kenneth Johnson.

Ranger Johnson made the report simultaneous with the announcement that improved conditions have allowed reinstatement of burning permits in the county. March and April were considered the most hazardous season for forest fires. "Conditions for fires were far worse this season than last season," Johnson pointed out.

"By having use of the airplanes, however," he said, "what was to have been a great loss to forest owners was diminished immensely."

Aerial support for the forestry ground crews were used extensively for the first time in the district. "The planes were able to get there to the fires quickly, use suppressive measures until the ground crews arrived, and then continue to support the ground crews," he said. Without the bombers, he said, "the potential for large tracts being burned was far greater than last year."

About 50 per cent of the season's fires were deliberately set, Johnson feels. Another 30 per cent resulted from debris burning which got "out of hand." Electric fences were blamed for a growing cause (10 per cent) of the March-April fires, "and this is one problem that we are going to have to do something about."

"If a farmer will keep the area under and around his electric fence clean, chance of it setting a fire is slight, except when an animal or storm knocks a wire down." Careless of the part of some farmers in not keeping vegetation cleared from under electric fences even after warning, have necessitated legal recourse of several occasions this year, Johnson stated.

While the foresters' normal work schedule calls for 160 hours of work per month, March found the personnel on duty 230-250 hours a month; and 300-320 hours in April.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

LIONS TO MEET

The regular meeting of the Southport Lions Club will be held tomorrow (Thursday) at 6:30 o'clock in the Community Building. Election of officers is the important business on the agenda for this meeting.

WINS TRIP

Henry L. Leggett, Jr., representative of the Brunswick County Farm Bureau Insurances Services, recently qualified for the Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company sponsored, All Star Trip to be held in June. Mr. Leggett and his family will receive an expense paid trip to the All Star Meeting at the Beautiful Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Georgia, June 14-17.

Highway Visitors At Brunswick Town

The Ocean Hiway Association, in session at Wrightsville Beach during the past weekend, paid a visit to Brunswick Town and Orton Plantation on Monday afternoon, largely at the instigation of Ray A. Stevens, director of the Brunswick Resources Development Commission, who is a former president of this travel promotion group.

Earlier that day Stevens had introduced Mrs. Dan K. Moore, wife of the governor of North Carolina, who spoke at the luncheon meeting. Stevens spoke in glowing terms of the efforts of North Carolina's first lady in travel promotion.

Mrs. Moore moved to the speakers stand and said, "I am sorry that my husband isn't present because there is just an outside chance that he isn't aware of all Mr. Stephens said. So I shall remember every word of it to relate it to him."

Also present for the convention was Governor Charles L. Terry of Delaware and he was among the visitors to the two points of interest in Brunswick county during the afternoon. More than 100 persons were in that group, and at Brunswick Town they had an opportunity to visit the Visitor Center-Museum, which was dedicated only the week before at a ceremony for which Mrs. Moore was the principal speaker.

Shallotte Man On Maneuvers

Captain James W. Varnum, son of Mrs. Ada L. Varnum of Shallotte, participated in Clove Hitch III, a joint amphibious and airborne training exercise being conducted in the Caribbean through April 30.

The 22-day exercise was conducted by the unified Atlantic Command and was designed to test tactical concepts in joint operations. It included the air-drop of 1,800 paratroopers in a simulated airborne assault on Vieques Island and an amphibious assault on the east coast of Puerto Rico.

His father is Talmadge Varnum of Supply. The captain, a graduate of Shallotte High School, received his B. S. degree in 1958 from the University of North Carolina and was commissioned there upon completion of the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps program. His wife, Emily, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland L. Gore of Shallotte.



William Robert Toler of Southport has been promoted to Radioman 3/c at the Naval Base in San Diego, Cal. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Toler of Southport and achieved his rating as petty officer at a ceremony aboard the USS Klondike on April 16.

Book Fair On At Waccamaw

The junior class of Waccamaw High School will sponsor a Book Fair next week May 10-12 during which time students may browse through the reading room and purchase books of their choice. The hours will be from 8:30 a. m. to 3:10 p. m. daily. Books will be on display in the high school library.

The committee in charge of the Book Fair invites all students, parents and interested visitors to attend. It is hoped that the fair not only will encourage student interest in reading and help to build home libraries but also will contribute to a worthwhile project. The school will earn a percent of profits, which will be used in a class project.

Miss Bernice Odom is serving as chairman of the Book Fair. Serving with her are Mrs. Claire Evans and Linwood King. Miss Wanda Hughes is student chairman.

The display will include attractive new books from many publishers and in popular price range. All reading areas of interest to students will be represented.

Friday Program

Elementary school children at Southport High School, under the direction of Mrs. Minnette Lingle, will present a program of songs, dances and skits in the auditorium Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Johnson Cumbee and Mrs. Bernice Trol are assisting Mrs. Lingle with this production. Proceeds will go into the general expense fund for the school.