

Auditorium At Baptist Assembly

The steel framework has been erected for the new auditorium that now is under construction at the North Carolina Baptist Assembly at Fort Caswell. This modern structure is expected to be completed in time for use during the 1968 assembly season. (Photo by Spencer).

Brunswick Will Have Study Of Water-Sewage

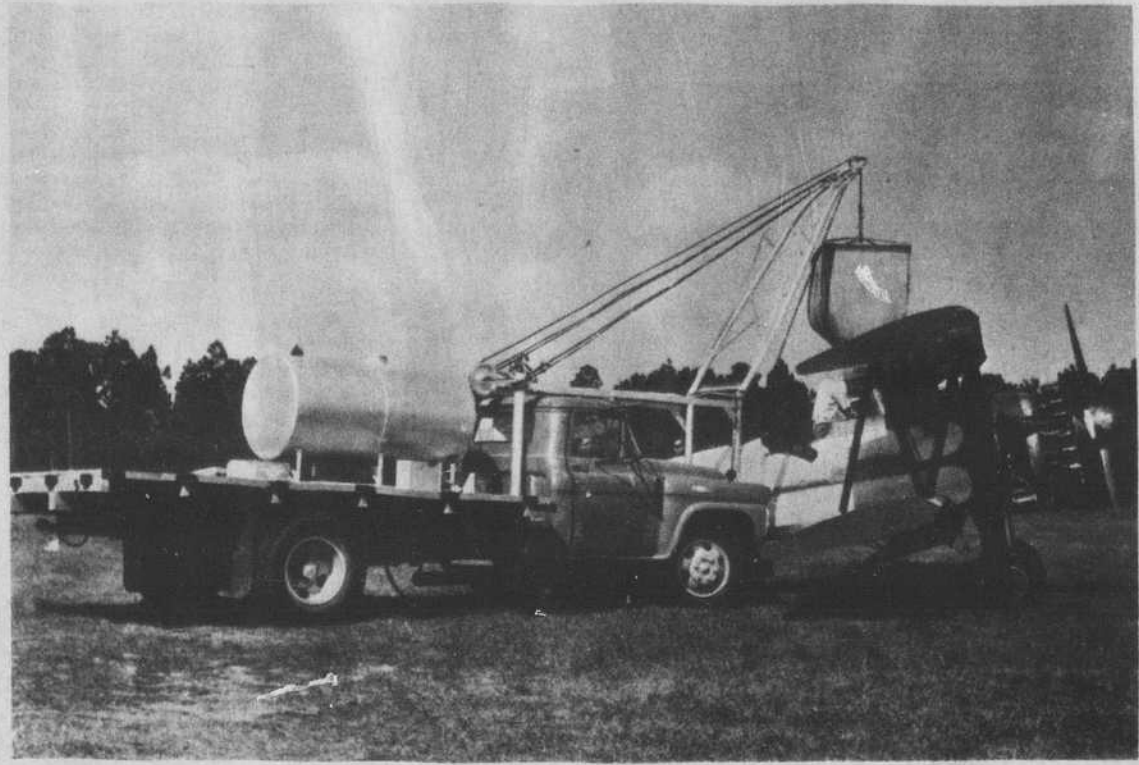
Approval of a \$9,000, Farmers Home Administration grant for Brunswick county to promote efficient and orderly development of water and sewer systems in rural communities, was announced this week by William A. Powell, chairman, Brunswick County Planning Board. Powell said that the Comprehensive Water and Sewer Systems Planning Grant will provide information to avoid overlapping, duplication, underdesign, or overdesign of the water and sewer facilities that will be constructed in rural Brunswick county.

The plans financed by the Farmers Home Administration grant will cover all of Brunswick county. The plans will be developed by an engineering firm and will project population growth with provisions for other functions which are essential for orderly growth of the county.

Projections and provisions for future growth will be made for the next 5 to 10 years and those for the next 20 years or more. The Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan will be developed in harmony with future plans for roads, schools, recreational facilities, private development of land, agricultural, commercial, and industrial use.

By planning for orderly development of water and sewer systems, the entire Brunswick county population stands to gain by either direct or indirect benefits.

Members of the Brunswick County Planning Board, created by the Brunswick County Board of Commissioners, are: Chairman, Powell; Vice-Chairman, J. T. Clemmons; Secretary, J. A. Francis; Treasurer, H. V. Thompson; Roy Stevens, D. L. Mercer, O. W. Cleaton, L. H. Stanley, Pearly J. Vereen, J. R. Corbett, members.



Loading Plane For Bombing Mission

This is a scene at the Brunswick County Airport where poison bait for use in aerial treatment to eradicate the imported fire ant is being loaded aboard a plane being used to distribute this material over a 20,000-acre infested area lying between Bolivia and Boiling Spring Lakes. Treatment now in progress will complete work on all known areas of infestation in Brunswick. (Photo by Spencer).

County Hospital Gets Help From Duke Endowment

The needs served by The Duke Endowment in health, education, child care, and religion are "so basic that they will always be with us" and are not likely to diminish in the foreseeable future, Thomas L. Perkins, chairman of The Trustees, said in the forty-second annual report of The Endowment, which was released here Monday.

Beneficiaries are hospital, educational and child care institutions in the Carolinas, and religious causes in North Carolina. Covering activities of The Endowment in 1966, the report includes comments on developments in the four areas of its philanthropy, a listing of assistance to beneficiaries, financial statements, and hospital and child care statistics.

Allocations and appropriations in the year amounted to \$15,566,691, bringing to \$250,040,836 the 42-year total. Approximate market value of assets at the close of 1966 is listed at \$656,991,592 with Duke Power Company stock representing the largest single holding among these assets. Dividends on this stock have accounted for 60.73 per cent of the total income of The Endowment from investments since its establishment on December 11, 1924.

Brunswick county's Dr. J. Arthur Doshier Memorial hospital received \$107,310 from Endowment funds through 1966, for operation and for construction. An amount of \$33,650 was allocated for construction projects and \$73,660 was appropriated to it to help defray costs of charity expenditures. Allocations for (Continued on Page 4)

Sale Of Loose Leaf Tobacco Ending Friday

Today (Wednesday) and tomorrow end the loose leaf sales for the Border Belt. Selling hours are trimmed to 2 1/2 per day for these final two days.

After tomorrow, only leaf that is tied will be supported. With the coming of tied leaf sales, the congestion that has been the trademark of the selling season so far is expected to cease.

The price paid for the "golden weed" dipped some Monday and Tuesday. The cause, according to reports, was the quality of leaf put on the floor.

On the Chadbourne market Monday, \$207,672.75 was paid for 306,390 pounds. That's an average of \$67.34 per hundred.

Tuesday, the average dropped even more. The market handled 306,545 pounds and paid \$198,562.63 for an average of \$64.77.

For the year, 7,028,778 pounds have been purchased in Chadbourne for a total of \$4,826,220.53. The average for the year is \$68.80.

Telephone Co-Op 10th Anniversary

July 7th marked the completion of ten years of operation for Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation. Chartered in February 1957, Atlantic Telephone officially inaugurated service with cutover of the Shalotte and Bolivia exchanges over two years later. These two exchanges initially served 530 members.

"Thus culminated over four years of effort to bring telephone service to the greater portion of Brunswick county," recalls Harry L. Mintz, Jr., cooperative president.

Until then the only telephone service available to most Brunswick county residents were radio-telephone pay stations located in Bolivia, Shalotte and Shalotte Point. Commercial telephone companies refrained from extending telephone service to central and western portions of the county because of low population density and the large investment required to provide service to the area.

Surveys made in 1953-54 indicated a 10-year subscriber potential of only 550 subscribers.

In 1954 area residents turned to the North Carolina Rural Electrification Administration, and assisted by interested local residents, indicated a 10-year potential of 757 subscribers. Further studies indicated such a (Continued on Page 4)

State President To Be Speaker

B. C. Mangum, president of the North Carolina Farm Bureau, will be the guest speaker at the annual Brunswick County Membership Drive Kick-Off Dinner, according to Ira L. Chadwick, president of the local organization.

All board members, membership enrollment committee members and their workers are invited, Chadwick said.

Time and place will be at Garland Varnam's, located in Varnamtown, Thursday at 7 p.m. The ladies committee, under the leadership of Mrs. Virginia Gilbert, will serve the dinner.

Hospital Staff Has New Nurse

Miss Rebecca M. Jessup, a registered nurse, has joined the hospital staff as Doshier Memorial, Southport. This makes a total of six registered nurses who now are employed full time at the hospital.

Miss Jessup is originally from Greensboro, but has been taking her summer vacations here since 1948. She now plans to make Southport and Long Beach her home.

She graduated from St. Leo's School of Nursing in Greensboro. She worked there for 15 years at Piedmont Memorial Hospital and two years at Provident Hospital, Anchorage, Alaska. At present she is being used as the general duty nurse on the first floor of the hospital.

Man Dies Of Rifle Wound

TABOR CITY--A Tabor City, Route 3 man was dead on arrival at Loris, S. C. Community Hospital, Sunday night from a rifle wound allegedly inflicted by a daughter.

Jettie Benjamin Simmons was a native of Brunswick County and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy P. Simmons of Southport.

Simmons, 33, suffered a bullet wound in his chest and his 13-year-old daughter has admitted to Sheriff Ben Duke and Columbus Bureau of Identification Chief Horace Shaw that she fired the shot that caused her father's death. She said he was making threatening remarks toward her mother, who was locked in a bedroom at the Simmons home at the time.

Officers say the bullet penetrated the left chest of the father, entering the heart region.

The girl later told officers that her father asked her for the rifle and that it went off accidentally. After the shooting, the mother, Mrs. Louise Simmons, and her seven children, ages seven through 14 years, loaded the wounded husband and father into the family car and carried him to the Loris hospital, where he was dead on arrival.

At present no charges have been made and no inquest had been set by Columbus County Coroner Buell Lanier. Further action is expected to be handled through juvenile channels.

Final rites were held Wednesday at 3 p.m. at Dulah Baptist Church by the Revs. Pink McKelthan and Drew Hardee, with burial in the church cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Louise Cox Simmons; two sons, Benjamin Simmons, Jr. and William Simmons, both of the home; and five daughters, Donna, Sue, Brenda, Wanda and Cynthia Simmons, all of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy P. Simmons of Southport; four brothers, Donald Mack and Ray Simmons of Supply, Roy Simmons of Southport and Richard Simmons of the Bahama Islands; two sisters, Mrs. Jo D. Owens of Florence, S. C. and Mrs. Jane Simmons of Southport.

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Ferry Rescues Three Men From River Saturday

The Southport-Fort Fisher Ferry became a rescue vessel Saturday afternoon when Capt. Richie Doshier and his crew plucked three men from the waters of the Cape Fear.

Three Wilmington men identified as B. S. Brooks, L. E. Brooks and E. Jenkins were thrown into the water along Horseshoe Shoals Channel Range, about five miles north of here, at 3:27 p.m. when their boat hit a buoy.

The men told John Doshier, captain of the ferry, after the rescue that the steering gear broke on their 21-foot inboard-outboard type craft and shortly thereafter crashed into Buoy 22.

Doshier was watching from the wheelhouse of the ferry on the 3 p.m. trip and thought something was wrong because of the erratic movements of the smaller boat.

When he saw the men grabbing lifejackets, he immediately maneuvered the ferry within a safe distance of the men.

Life rings were thrown to them and the trio was pulled to safety aboard the ferry. There were no reports of physical injuries.

The boat sank but was later pulled up by the Coast Guard station crew from Oak Island. There were no estimates of damages late Saturday night.

Powell Bill Brings Money For Streets

New Stevedoring Contract Signed

A contract for stevedoring and related terminal services to be performed at Military Ocean Terminal, Sunny Point, Southport, has been awarded to the Ryan Stevedoring Company, Inc., of Mobile, Alabama, according to an announcement by Eastern Area, Military Traffic Management and Terminal Service.

The contract, valued at an estimated \$6,578,244, per year, is for the period October 1, 1967 through September 30, 1969. Nine firms were solicited and three bids were received.

Hospital Plans Discussed Here

Members of the Hospital Committee from Shalotte met Monday night in Southport with members of the board of trustees for Doshier Memorial Hospital and members of the board of county commissioners to discuss plans for future expansion of hospital facilities in this county.

William Henderson, executive secretary of the Medical Care Commission, met with this group. He spoke in favor of working toward the construction of a modern, new hospital at some central point in the county, and the appointment of a feasibility study commission now is under consideration.

A report was made of the progress that has been achieved by Shalotte citizens in trying to establish a hospital district, which will embrace the townships of Waccamaw, Shalotte and Lockwoods Folly. The plan (Continued On Page Four)

Southport Boy At The Citadel

Roy Eugene Batton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Batton, Boiling Spring Lakes, was among some 600 freshmen who completed "Plebe Week" at The Citadel. Classes began on September 14.

Following traditions evolved at the military college since its founding in 1842, freshmen cadets are indoctrinated during a week of concentrated training prior to the return of upperclassmen. This enables the new cadets to take their places as members of the South Carolina Corps of Cadets when it forms upon the arrival of the cadets of the upper classes.

During "Plebe Week" the freshmen underwent instruction in drill, college regulations, honor system, traditions of The Citadel, and other training necessary to assist each new cadet in acquitting himself well in classroom or on the parade ground.

A graduate of Southport High School, Batton held membership in the Pep Club, the Student Council, the Mixed Chorus, the Drama Club, the Science Club, the Varsity Club, and played on the football, basketball, baseball and golf teams. He plans to major in English at The Citadel.

Time And Tide

Thirty years ago this week the floating prep school, Polaris, stopped again for a stay in Southport. The handsome little yacht which provided prep training for the Naval Academy, had several young recruits aboard, and was enroute to its home port Charleston.

An all out attack on the Southport sandspur crop had begun during the past week by the city working forces; dove hunters had been anxiously awaiting the season's opening, and opening of the deer season, which was October 1; a storage shed for all Brunswick county school buses was scheduled to be erected at Shalotte in the near future.

Twenty-five years ago this week Brunswick county highway patrolmen were warned to be on the lookout for reckless motorists who exceeded the nation-wide 40-mile per hour speed limit. Patrolmen were also instructed to report all taxicabs operating outside a radius of 25 miles from their home base. They would be dealt with by the rationing board.

A Southport father and his son were both in the Coast Guard, Bunn Frink was assistant to the Captain of the Port of Wilmington for the U. S. Coast Guard, and his son, Malcolm, had enlisted in the same service.

Twenty years ago this week the Brunswick county mullet fishermen were happy over the change in the weather. Warm weather had been prevailing along the North Carolina coast and now that it had turned cooler, large schools are expected to be found along the coast.

A joint effort by the Brunswick county Lions Clubs from Southport, Shalotte and Leland had made it possible for a White Cane drive to be conducted here. All proceeds from this project were to go to the North Carolina Association for the Blind.

Bertram Burris, Jr. had made a fine catch recently when he landed a 20-pound, 2 ounce red drum.

Fifteen years ago this week Miss America, a Dallas Piggott-owned shrimp trawler, was reportedly chased by a huge waterspout near the mouth of the Cape Fear River. Johnny Creech reported the incident and verification was made by his crew. Creech said that the spout was moving slowly to the rear of the boat sucking millions of gallons of water high into the air and then releasing it.

Action was being sought for the improvement of Lockwoods Folly Inlet; three sailfish were caught here during the preceding week. One of these was a 3-3/4 pounder, the smallest of the year.

Ten years ago this week fishing on Fryling Pan Shoals was at the season's peak, with several boats bringing in large catches of (Continued on Page 4)

Brief Bits Of NEWS

SUPERIOR COURT
Judge W. C. Hall of Durham is presiding over a one-week term of Brunswick County Superior court for trial of criminal cases here this week.

BIRTHDAY CALENDAR
Orders are now being taken for the Southport High School PTA Community Birthday Calendar. There is a small charge for each birthday and anniversary listing. The deadline for this sale is October 6. If not contacted call 457-6339.

PANSY PLANT SALE
Anyone wishing to order pansy plants should call Dot Schmidt or Sue Jones. The plant sale is being sponsored by the Southport Jayettes, who hope to make it an annual affair. Profit made from the sale last year was donated to the Library Building Fund.

VISITING HOURS
Since there must be a visitor control at Doshier Memorial Hospital, the board of trustees has established the following visiting hours: 10 to 11 a.m., 2 to 4 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m. The patients are in the hospital to rest and recover therefore, only two visitors allowed per patient. Visiting hours enforced.

COMMUNION SERVICES
Brunswick Lutheran Mission will celebrate holy communion Thursday evening, September 28, at the home of Mrs. Marie Johnson, Howe St., Southport. Baptized Christians are welcome. Pastor Ronald Wehnelt of Kure Beach Memorial Lutheran Church will conduct the service. All Lutherans are urged to be present.

Board Rehires Tax Collector

Homer McKeithan was reappointed tax collector for Brunswick county by the board of commissioners during their session here Monday. He had held this position for the past year and had been authorized by the board to accept re-payments.

Roy Stevens was appointed as a director for the SENCLAND Development Corporation and James F. Clemmons was named a member of the advisory committee.

The board also drew a jury list to serve during the October term of Superior Court for trial of civil actions. They are as follows: ASH--Eugene Milliken, Malcolm Carl Formyduval, Jack Stout, David Lee Long, Henry Elton Hewett, Vertis C. Gause, Tom King; OCEAN DRIVE BEACH--Lay D. Long, L. N. Hickman, Henry M. Jenrette.

SUPPLY -- Charlie Calson, James H. Bryant, Edsel Ford Norris, Bobby L. Norton, Gafford Hewett, Wilson W. Mitchell, Hardee H. Roberts, W. R. Brown; FREELAND--J. B. King, Hilburn Evans, Elwood J. King, Wilbert Lee Evans.

LELAND -- Leroy Lewis, James Waitus Mintz, Wright Lofton, T. M. Corbett, Cecil G. Thompson, D. B. Morris, Eugene F. Bing, Colon Mintz; SOUTHPORT -- Connie Lupton, Charles H. Swan.

SHALOTTE -- Henry W. Hewett, T. M. Hickman, Jr., W. L. Hewett, Fred W. Edwards, W. Grady Frink, R. R. Best; WINNABOW--D. A. Calson, Roy E. Swan.

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, September 21,	
9:15 A M	3:16 A M
9:27 P M	3:40 P M
Friday, September 22,	
9:51 A M	3:52 A M
9:57 P M	4:16 P M
Saturday, September 23,	
10:21 A M	4:22 A M
10:33 P M	4:58 P M
Sunday, September 24,	
1:03 A M	5:04 A M
11:09 P M	5:40 P M
Monday, September 25,	
11:51 A M	5:46 A M
	6:34 P M
Tuesday, September 26,	
0:00 A M	6:34 A M
12:45 P M	7:34 P M
Wednesday, September 27,	
12:57 A M	7:40 A M
1:51 P M	8:40 P M

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