



Southport Cub Scouts

This is the Southport Cub Scout Troop Pack No. 238, shown during a recent uniform inspection. Left to right, they are; Earl Elwood, Scott Jordan, David Shelby, Woody Sherrill, Eddie Spanhouer, Tommy Potter, Jay Barnes, Dennis Walton, Randy Walton, Bonner Stiller, Den Chief; Ray Duncan, Timothy Stiller, Charles Jones, Arthur James, Jr., Richmond Creech, Michael Smith, Rickey Appling, Albert Doshier, Jr., Allen Jones and George Willis. (Photo by Doshier)

To Get Report On Auditorium For Assembly

The General Board of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina will meet in its first session of the new year at the Baptist Building in Raleigh, January 23-24. The General Board is the elected body which may act for the Convention between sessions.

Reports to the General Board will state that mission giving through the Cooperative Program for 1967 totaled \$5,989,414.79 which is a 3-1/2% increase over last year. The budget had 1 last year. The budget for 1968 calls for an 8-1/2% increase, \$6,500,000. Special offerings for Foreign Missions which receives emphasis in December totaled \$510,769.12 for 1967.

Leon Spencer, business manager for the Convention, will also report that the estate of the late Miss Rachel E. Hatch of Richmond and Warsaw land sales totaled \$158,000 plus \$30,000 received from negotiables with other funds, bringing the entire total to approximately \$200,000. Funds from this estate are being used to erect the Rachel E. Hatch Memorial Auditorium at the North Carolina Baptist Assembly at Southport, North Carolina. The new auditorium will be ready for use by North Carolina Baptists by the summer of 1968.

This meeting of the General Board will be the annual organizational meeting. Officers and committee chairmen elected will form the Executive Committee. The distribution of missions funds in terms of lot and pastoral aid based upon applications will be a major item of business for the Board's Committee on Missions. The new budget calls for \$92,000 to aid on pastors' salaries and \$44,000 to be used for church lots in strategic areas of the state to help in establishing new churches.

Waccamaw Has Record Gains

One of the highest gains in its history was made in 1967 by the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company, according to a year-end report by Lawrence R. Bowers, president of the Waccamaw system.

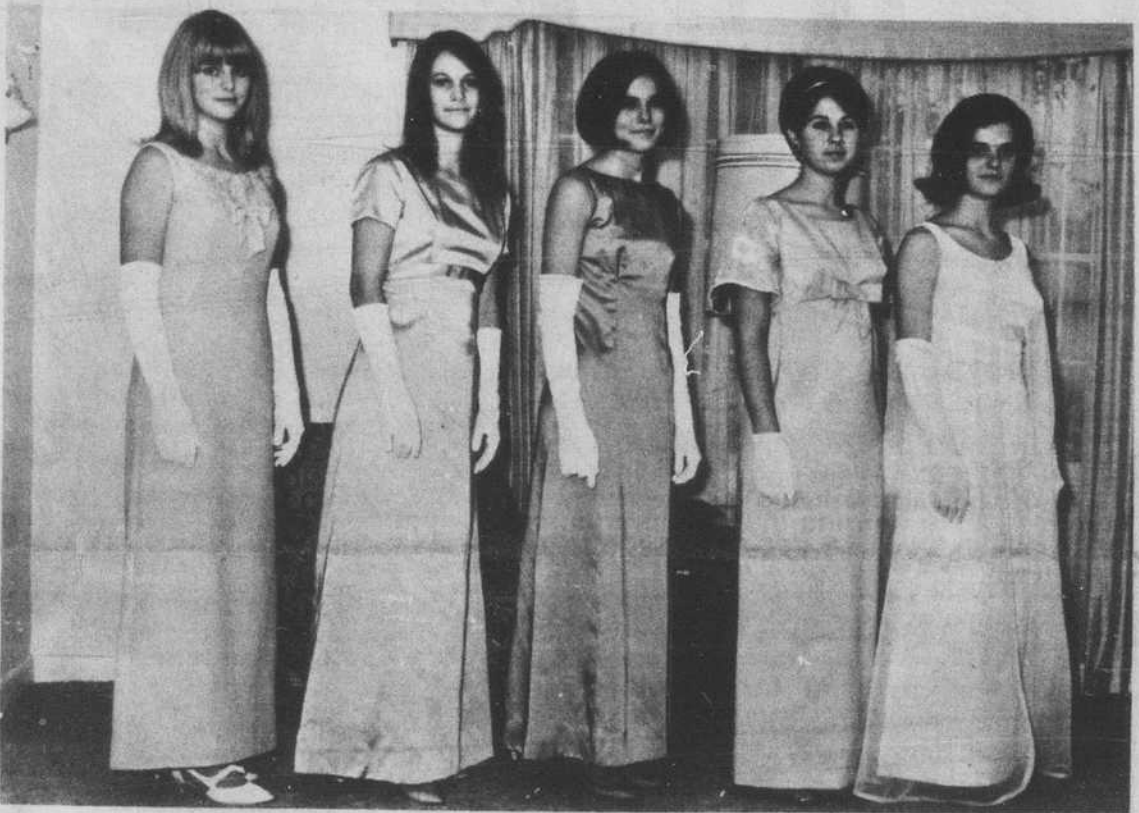
He said record increases were achieved in total resources, deposits, earnings, and earnings per share. At the same time, Bowers expressed confidence in the outlook for continued high levels in 1968.

Total resources climbed 18 percent to \$80,151,089, as compared with \$68,110,444 in 1966. This percentage is two times greater than the national average.

Deposits in 1967 totaled \$70,570,130, as compared with \$59,690,014 for the previous year. This comparison also represents an 18 percent gain.

Bowers, who also serves as chief executive officer, said the largest percentage of increase was in Waccamaw's earnings. The 1967 figure was \$909,696 which is a 27 percent jump over

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Contestants For Homecoming Queen

These are the five young Southport High School students who are contestants for the title of Homecoming Queen in festivities extending over a two-day period next week. Left to right, they are Sue Fish, junior; Sarah Barnes, junior; Cheryl Johnson, sophomore; Donna Atkinson, junior, and Donna Crouch, junior. (Photo by Spencer)

Brief Bits Of NEWS

WINS PRESS AWARD
James M. Harper, III, reporter for The Virginian Pilot, Norfolk, Va., has won first place for feature writing during 1967 in the annual competition sponsored by the Virginia Press Association.

ON BUYING TRIP
John Bray and Herman Strong, proprietors of Western Auto Store in Southport, will be in Greensboro this weekend attending the annual showing of spring and summer merchandise which is held in January each year.

SUPPER MEETING
All Farm Bureau Board members, their wives and the Ladies Committee are invited to a Dutch supper at Schick's Restaurant in Shalotte Tuesday night at 7 p.m., Ira L. Chadwick, president, announced today. Walter Lowery, District Field Representative for North Carolina Farm Bureau, and Gene Thompson, North Carolina Blue Cross-Blue Shield Supervisor, will be guest speakers during the installation of the new board members.

CORRECTION
Winners in the overall category of the Christmas Lighting Contest sponsored by the Southport Garden Club were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Oliver, first; Mr. and Mrs. M. M. McHose, second; and Mr. and Mrs. Bill McDougle, honorable mention. Winners in the living tree category were the Rev. and Mrs. Robert C. Childs, first; and Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Conrad, second. First prize for best door decorations went to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Huntley; second place went to Capt. and Mrs. Fred Willing.

Shipwreck Victims Burn Old Station

A small sailboat ran aground on Bald Head Island last Tuesday night and set in motion a sequence of events which included rescue of a honeymoon couple after two days on the island and the destruction by fire of the old Coast Guard Station.

The couple, Mr. and Mrs. John Webber of New York, admitted there was a direct connection.

Man Decorated For Heroism

His heroic actions in saving a fellow soldier from burning to death earned the Army Commendation Medal for Specialist Four Ezell Brown, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown Jr., of Shalotte.

The award was presented in ceremonies at Cam Ranh Bay, Vietnam, Nov. 29.

The incident occurred last March 23 while Spec. Brown was serving in the transportation motor pool of the Cam Ranh Bay Subarea Command. A man in his unit spilled fuel oil on himself and became hysterical when it ignited.

Spec. Brown caught the panicked soldier and threw him to the ground. As the man fought and struggled to get away, Spec. Brown succeeded in extinguishing the flames with sand.

The citation reads in part: "Spec. Brown's quick and effective actions minimized the extent of the man's injuries and probably were responsible for saving his life."

Spec. Brown, whose wife, Qu-lardean, lives in New York City, is a mechanic in Headquarters Detachment, U. S. Army Depot in Vietnam.

After two days and a night on the stormy Atlantic, they came ashore at Bald Head. They were cold and wet, they said, and the only dry place they could find was the old station, long since abandoned by the Coast Guard and stripped of everything that could be taken off and carried away.

"We found some dry wood inside," Webber said, "and carried outside the building and lit a fire." He said the fire was about four feet from the edge of the building and declared that after warming themselves and drying their clothes, they put out the fire and set forth to find a way back to civilization.

"Later we learned the building had burned," he said.

Purl B. Ingraham and a helper were working crab traps near Corn Cake Inlet Thursday when they were attracted by a couple waving a blanket and yelling. They approached the island and carried Mr. and Mrs. Webber to Carolina Beach and their first touch with the outside world since their departure from Morehead City on Monday. They engaged Capt. Skippy Winner to get their motor sailer off the beach.

Reece Swan, caretaker for Frank Sherrill, owner of Bald Head Island, tracked the stranded couple through the sand to connect them with the destruction of the building. He reported the loss to Mr. Sherrill, who has made no statement with regard to what he intends to do about the loss.

Meanwhile, all of the personal belongings of the honeymoon couple were taken from the beach, where they had been piled while the stranded sailboat was being floated. When they returned for

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Time And Tide

Thirty years ago this week Jonas Matson, the pioneer of shrimping in the area, died at the age of eighty-five. Uncle Jonas, as he was known locally, moved here from Finland in 1913 and was the first to travel for shrimp here in the year of 1915.

J. B. Ward, a member of the Brunswick county commissioners, succeeded Joe W. Ruark as judge of the county's Recorder's Court; the North Carolina Historical Commission appointed a member of its staff to make a complete investigation of the first shippard to be located in this country. The site was here at the mouth of the Cape Fear River. In 1525, Don Lucas Vasquez de Ayllon wrecked one of his vessels off Cape Fear and put into port to construct a new one.

Twenty-five years ago this week an interesting departure from the regular sports routine took place as basketball stars from the Navy base here took on a team from a minesweeper in port. The local sailors fell by a score of 24-12. Their high scorer registered four points, while a member of the opposition scored eight markers.

Members of the so-called weaker sex were hard at work as employees of the shippard in Wilmington, and were doing exceptionally well. The females held such jobs as welders, machine operators, burners, etc.

The pleasure driving ban placed on local citizens was bringing almost completely satisfactory response; drivers were also cooperating with officials by blacking out a portion of their headlights to cut down on glow in the area at night.

Twenty years ago this week fire of an unknown origin destroyed the menhaden boat Gifford, a Brunswick Navigation vessel. The processing plant was saved by cutting the boat adrift in the inland waterway near the docks. Had the flames reached the docks, the blaze would have been uncontrollable. The Southport shrimpers who went to New York to investigate the possibility of using a Navy craft for shrimp research had returned and reported that the craft would be well suited for the job. The boat was to arrive the

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Executive Officer Retires

Lieut. Col. Charles B. Shively, left, recently retired from the U. S. Army after more than 21 years of active duty. On the occasion of his retirement he was presented the Army Commendation Medal by Col. Archie B. Joyner, right, Commanding Officer at Sunny Point Army Terminal.

Exec At Sunny Point Terminal Leaves Service

Lieut. Colonel Charles B. Shively of the Military Ocean Terminal, Sunny Point, was retired from the United States Army on December 31 after more than twenty-one years of active military service.

Upon his retirement he was presented the Army Commendation Medal, the citation accompanying the award reading as follows:

"Lieutenant Colonel Charles B. Shively, 072427, Transportation Corps, United States Army, distinguished himself by meritorious service while serving as Director of Terminal and Executive Officer, Military Ocean Terminal, Sunny Point, Eastern Area, Military Traffic Management and Terminal Service, Southport, North Carolina, during the period 3 November 1966 to 31 December 1967. During this period, the Terminal experienced the heaviest workload in its history, with mission responsibility presenting even new and more unique problems, with imagination, creative thinking and good judgment, Colonel Shively formulated improvements, implemented new procedures, and established new practices and precedents to assure the best utilization of available manpower, material, and facilities resources. He delved with energy and enthusiasm into problems which had previously beset the Terminal, devoting many long and arduous hours to seeking ways and means of reducing or eliminating such problems. The timely and efficient handling of the vast tonnages flowing thru the Terminal was due in a large measure to his ability to quickly evaluate situations and develop practical and workable methods of application. The professional competence demonstrated by Colonel Shively in the performance of his duties reflects great credit upon himself, the Military Traffic Management and Terminal Service, and the United States Army."

County Board Meeting Held Monday Night

The Board approved the teacher contract for the remainder of the 1967-68 school year for Jesse M. Best and Mildred G. Nisbet of Leland.

The board approved and authorized Chairman Babson and Superintendent George Williams to sign an agreement concerning the Summer Headstart Program for 1968.

The board approved the disposal of the elevated water tank at the Shalotte High School.

Superintendent Williams gave a report to the board on Public Law 874 and advised that \$26,203 had been received under the provision of this law. The law stipulates that such funds must be placed in the current expense fund account of the Board of Education.

Ralph C. King was designated as Associate Superintendent of the Brunswick County Schools, a title which superseded his old designation of Assistant Superintendent.

The board approved and authorized an inventory system for accounting of Board of Education property.

The board approved two teacher aids for Union High School for the remainder of the 1967-1968 school year, Magalene Hardy and Patricia Cobb.

Upon the recommendation of the State Department of Public Instruction the Board voted to extend the Industrial Cooperative Training Program at the Leland High School to include a class at Lincoln High School.

The board approved the disposal of a 1966 Dodge Van owned by E.S.F.A. Title I Program and replacement for same.

Ambulance Service Is Resumed Here



CHIEF J. B. HELMS, JR.

Southport Man Now Recruiter

Chief Missile Technician Julian B. Helms, Jr., U. S. Navy, has reported as a Navy Recruiter for this area.

Chief Helms enlisted in the Navy in March 1951, and has served in surface ships and submarines in both the Pacific and Atlantic Fleets. He was a member of the team that launched the first Regulus II Missile from a submarine. A veteran of the Korean Conflict, Chief Helms has recently returned from an extended submerged patrol aboard the nuclear powered submarine, USS Henry L. Stimson. Among his decorations and awards are the Good Conduct Medal, and the subsequent fifth award, Korean Service Medal, United Nations Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal with second award. Accompanying Chief Helms is

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Almost \$500 To Building Fund

While attending the Second Annual Christmas Ball of the Junior Woman's Club of Southport, one of the dancers was overheard to say, "I have never enjoyed giving away ten dollars more." Sixty-six couples danced to the music of the Continentals of Wilmington at the Bolling Springs Lakes Country Club on the evening of December 8. All had the holiday spirit of giving, knowing the proceeds of the affair would support the new Southport-Brunswick County Library. The club presented the fund with \$454.06.

"The library fund still has approximately \$3000 of its original \$12,000 deficit," a local library official said this week. "Even though you may not dance away a \$10 donation, you, your children, the local community and the county will benefit from your gift. Do you still have the holiday spirit of giving? Donations will be accepted until January 31 through the Southport-Brunswick County Library Building Fund, Southport."

Ambulance service for Southport and nearby residential areas of Yaupon Beach, Long Beach and Bolling Spring Lakes was resumed Tuesday by Gilbert's Funeral Service as the result of a meeting held Monday night by these communities and members of the board of trustees for Doshier Memorial Hospital.

Through the terms of the agreement, the government of these municipalities will assist the ambulance operator in collection of his ambulance accounts. "I take it this will solve the major problem," said L. T. Yaskell, chairman of the hospital trustees, who presided over the meeting. "This was the reason given by the ambulance operators when they went before the board of county commissioners, their inability to collect for services rendered."

Tom Gilbert was present at the meeting and agreed to enter into a 60-day trial period which will restore ambulance service on a limited basis.

Plans are being laid for a meeting Monday with the county commissioners to see if that body will cooperate in a countywide effort to assist proprietors of ambulance services in getting this business on a paying basis. The contemplated proposal will not involve any subsidy, only the underwriting of account collections and this after all reasonable efforts have been made by the business firms to collect for their services.

Ambulance service in Brunswick county was discontinued last month when members of the board of county commissioners failed to take action on a request for subsidy for terms engaged in this business.

Church Women Set For Year

Incoming officers of the Episcopal Churchwomen of St. Philip's Church were installed by the Rev. Fred Fordham, rector, at the January meeting of the group.

Serving for the 1968 calendar year are Mrs. John F. Chase, president; Mrs. Philip King, vice-president and program chairman; Mrs. Fred Fordham, secretary and devotional chairman; and Mrs. Lillian K. Riley, treasurer.

The outgoing president, Mrs. Ruth R. Hood, presented the slate to the rector. After taking office, Mrs. Chase announced the following committee and department assignments for the year: Altar Guild, Mrs. James D. Loughlin; General Chairman of the Bazaar, Mrs. Lillian K. Riley; Christian Education, Mrs. Cliff White; Christian Social Relations, Mrs. H. B. Smith; Church Periodicals, Mrs. Wilmer G. Kemper; Ecumenical Relations, Mrs. Agnes Fulcher; House Committee, Mrs. Ruth Hood; Supplies, Mrs. Neils Jorgenson; World Day of Prayer, Mrs. Frances G. Key.

Mrs. Fred Willing will again be Chairman of the United Thank Offering. Mrs. Anna M. Davis

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Examine Girls For Scholarship

Alumnae Committees appointed for every county in North Carolina are this month interviewing the 256 nominees for the Katharine Smith Reynolds Scholarships at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Serving on the committee for Brunswick county are Mrs. Barbara Smith, Mrs. Carol Roycroft and Mrs. Kathleen Barnes.

Nominees from the county, each an outstanding member of her high school graduating class, are Catherine Diane Clemmons, daughter of Mrs. Mary Hewett Clemmons of Supply, a senior at Shalotte High School, and Rickie Alexa Dutton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Auburn Earl Dutton of Ash, a senior at Waccamaw High School.

There are presently 48 Reynolds Scholars at UNC-G. Twelve scholarships are awarded to each freshman class. The awards are valued at \$1,400 and are renewable for four years of study.

The selection of Reynolds finalists was delegated to the Alumni Association of UNC-G by the Reynolds Foundation when the program was initiated in 1962. District committees were appointed to serve this function.

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, January 11, | |
| 4:33 A M | 11:10 A M |
| 4:51 P M | 11:10 P M |
| Friday, January 12, | |
| 5:21 A M | 11:58 A M |
| 5:39 P M | 11:58 P M |
| Saturday, January 13, | |
| 6:09 A M | 12:46 A M |
| 6:27 P M | |
| Sunday, January 14, | |
| 6:51 A M | 0:40 A M |
| 7:09 P M | 1:28 P M |
| Monday, January 15, | |
| 7:33 A M | 1:28 A M |
| 7:51 P M | 2:10 P M |
| Tuesday, January 16, | |
| 8:15 A M | 2:10 A M |
| Wednesday, January 17, | |
| 8:33 P M | 2:46 P M |
| 8:57 A M | 2:52 A M |
| 9:09 P M | 3:28 P M |