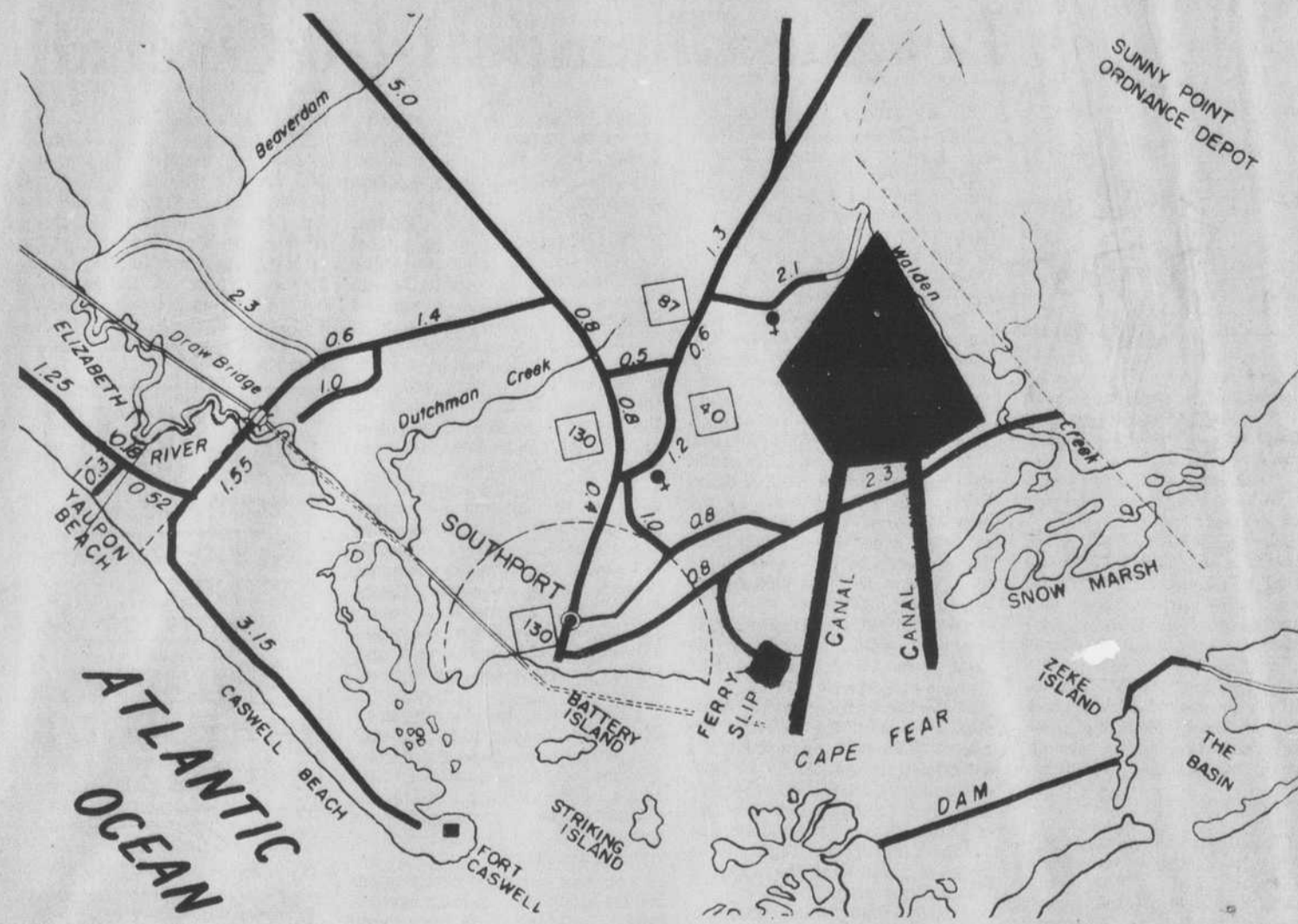


Southport May Get \$200-Million CP&L Plant



Carolina Power and Light Company is beginning study of a site between Southport and Sunny Point as a prospective location for a nuclear generating plant. Announcement that CP&L is studying the site came Tuesday night at a dinner meeting sponsored by the Resources Development Commission of Brunswick County.

Officials of the company making the announcement were Shearon Harris, president; Paul S. Colby, vice president—Operating and Engineering Department; R. S. Talton, head of the System Planning Section; and E. E. Utley, Production and Results engineer.

Harris, in making the announcement, said that if the Brunswick county site is finally selected the initial investment in the county will exceed \$200,000,000. He pointed out that as power requirements in Eastern North Carolina continue to grow, a similar additional investment will be made later if the site proves capable of such development.

The plant would begin operation in the mid-1970's. By that time, CP&L forecasts that its customers will be using twice as much electricity as today, according to Colby.

Development of nuclear power is not new to CP&L. It is one of the four companies which built and operated the prototype nuclear plant at Parr, South Carolina, and it is presently con-

structing a large nuclear plant at Hartsville, S. C. Scheduled for operation in 1970, the Hartsville unit will be the first commercial-size nuclear plant and the Southeast. Colby pointed out that the decision to install additional nuclear generating units is based on economics.

In studying the Brunswick county site, the company is seeking to determine the soil structure, its weight-carrying ability, and other factors which may affect plant design, Talton explained. Water from the Cape Fear River will be used for cooling. Prior to construction, approval must be obtained from North Carolina authorities for use of river water. A construction permit from the Atomic Energy Commission also must be obtained.

It is estimated that construction forces for the plant would exceed 600 men at the peak period of employment. Between 60 and 80 men would be employed in operation of the completed plant.

Harris emphasized that CP&L's activity at the site is exploratory and that the company has been making and is continuing preliminary studies of other sites in its service area.

The meeting was arranged by Roy Stevens, Executive Director of the Resources Development Commission, and was attended by leaders from all parts of the county.

Announcement of plans to make an engineering study of the feasibility of locating a nuclear power plant met with immediate, enthusiastic response.

George T. Rourke, chairman of the board of commissioners for Brunswick county, said: "This is a big day for the county. The commissioners are wholeheartedly behind this proposition and are looking forward to it becoming a reality. We will be glad to meet with you at anytime and discuss our government."

E. B. Tomlinson, Jr., mayor of Southport, said: "This heralds a new day for not only Brunswick county but all of North Carolina." It is big and we must begin to think big. We pledge our support so that this announcement can become a reality at the earliest possible date."

Roy Stevens, executive director for the Brunswick County Resources Development Commission, said: "It is impossible to express our feelings of delight and enthusiasm for the project which Mr. Harris has announced this evening."

"This announcement will be a major asset for Brunswick county and Southeastern North Carolina in the further development of the area."

"Our sincere thanks go to Mr. Harris and his associates on Carolina Power and Light Co. for the interest that they have shown

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Participation Of State Is Promised

National Has Good Year In Real Estate

The North Carolina Board of Water and Air Resources is convinced that the best solution to beach erosion problems on the Brunswick county beaches is the large dune-and-berm project prepared by the Army Engineers with all the engineering and research facilities at their command, which are the best in the country in this field. It has therefore directed all State efforts to furthering this project, and has given the Brunswick county beaches priority over the others along the North Carolina coast for which projects have been formulated.

The study covering the beaches in Brunswick county was completed and approved in Washington by the end of 1965. However, even before this time, a meeting on the subject was held by this State agency in Southport, and the county and the separate beaches resolved in favor of the project, and to provide the required financial participation at the appropriate time. It was because of this evidence of local interests to do their share that the Brunswick county beaches were given top priority. Less than a year after the study was approved, in October 1966, the project, along with others, was authorized by the U. S. Congress, because of extraordinary efforts by the North Carolina Congressional Delegation. Congressman Alton Lennon promptly offered a special bill to get funds for the Advance Engineering and Design, which would insure the start of construction, and the two Sen-

The Annual Meeting of the stockholders of National Development Corporation was held at the company's office at Long Beach on January 8.

Immediately following the stockholders' meeting the directors of the corporation met and declared a five percent stock dividend, payable to the stockholders of record as of March 1, 1968, to be paid March 15, 1968. This is the first dividend declared by the corporation after seven years of operations.

It was reported to the stockholders that the earnings for the year ended September 30, 1967, were by far the best in the history of the company and that a 57% increase in net income had been achieved. Net income amounted to \$149,996.93 or 23 cents per share, as compared to \$95,155.54 or 15 cents per share for the previous year. It was also reported that sales for the first quarter of fiscal 1968 showed an increase of over 200% and management anticipates another good year.

Elected by the stockholders to serve as directors for the coming year were E. F. Middleton, Charleston, S. C.; A. J. White, Lillington; D. C. Herring, Southport; H. A. Templeton, Jr., Long Beach; Robert King, Jr., Durham; G. R. Clark, Elizabethtown; and D. W. Sneeden, Harold Green and H. A. Penton, Jr., all of Wilmington. Officer named for the ensuing year were E. F. Middleton, president; H. A. Templeton, Jr., vice-president; D. C. Herring, secretary; and A. E. Anderson, Jr., treasurer.

The corporation is engaged in the real estate and land development business with properties located primarily at Long Beach and suburban Raleigh.

Executive To Speak To PTA

F. Murray Acker, manager of the Cape Fear Plant of E. I. DuPont de Nemours will be the guest speaker at the Southport P.T.A. meeting on Thursday, January 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Acker, a native of Shelburne, Nova Scotia, Canada, has been employed by DuPont since 1940. He joined the Textile Fibers Division in 1947 in Richmond, Virginia, and was appointed plant manager at Buffalo, New York. In 1951 he was transferred to Old Hickory, Tennessee, as manager where he remained until his assignment as manager of the new Cape Fear plant.

Acker has for many years been active in youth work. He was a member of the Executive Board of Boy Scouts of America in 1954. He was president of the Middle Tennessee Council Boy Scouts of America 1959-1962.

He recently has been made a board member of the Wilmington Y.M.C.A., and a member of the Regional Executive Committee, Region Six, Boy Scouts of America.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

ENLISTS IN NAVY
Edward Joyner, son of Col. and Mrs. A. B. Joyner of Southport, leaves today (Wednesday) for Great Lakes where he will undergo training for duty in the U. S. Navy.

BENEFIT BARBECUE
There will be a pit-cooked barbecue supper served at Zion Methodist Church Saturday, starting at 6:30 o'clock. Homemade cakes and pies also will be on sale.



Head Table At CP & L Dinner

Shown at the head table at the dinner Tuesday night at Boiling Spring Lakes Country Club where CP&L made the announcement regarding the nuclear power plant are, left to right Rev. W. S. Davenport, E. E.

Utley, George T. Rourke, Hargrove Bellamy, Shearon Harris, W. B. Powell, P. S. Colby, E. B. Tomlinson, Jr., R. S. Talton, D. C. Herring and Reid Thompson.



CP&L PRESIDENT SHEARON HARRIS



CHAIRMAN GEORGE T. ROURK

Safety Experts Help At Wreck

Col. A. B. Joyner, commanding officer at Sunny Point, said this morning that none of the ammunition involved in the wreck, at Chadbourn Saturday morning appears to have been seriously damaged and attributed this to the fine job of blocking and brace-

Time And Tide

Thirty years ago this week the abundance of shrimp in the Fryling Pan shoals area brought 14 shrimp boats from up-state, as well as their owners' families. The families were to stay here indefinitely, to sports fishing craft during the summer season.

Southport's war on cats had brought much criticism, most of it over the reduction of the Feline population. One of the main arguments

County Board Holds Meeting

Members of the board of county commissioners met Monday with a group of citizens interested in full-scale resumption of ambulance service for Brunswick county. No decision was reached, but a letter has been directed to George V. Elliott of the N. C. Board of Health, re-

Brock Farm Is Site For CP&L Project

The site under consideration by Carolina Power and Light Co. for the construction of a nuclear power plant near Southport is on the farm formerly owned by H. D. Brock and is located about two and one-half miles from town. A portion of the old Wallace Moore farm also is included in the holdings of James E. Johnson, Jr., of Lumberton, who owns about 900 acres of the 2,000-acre tract that will be required for this project.

Included in preliminary plans are two canals to provide a supply of water from the Cape Fear River, to be used for cooling purposes. The intake canal will be upriver and will cross the Moore Farm property to the river. The outlet canal will come just north of the marsh area at Price Creek. No other property lying east of the river road will be involved in the project site.



JIMMIE ROSE

Preliminary plans indicate that a railroad is included in plans for this installation, with a probable connection with the access railroad to Sunny Point Army Terminal.

A look at the map will show that the bulk of the land area lies close to the Bethel Church community, and at first glance it would appear that access roads to existing highways probably will connect with highway 87 and 133, possibly in the vicinity of the Bethel Church road.

A minimum of displacement is involved in the proposed plant site and it now appears that no dwelling now in use will be included. If the project goes through, acreage will be acquired from landowners adjoining the Johnson property.

Permission has been granted to go on the Johnson lands to conduct preliminary tests and studies, and until these findings are evaluated there will be no move to purchase any property.

Governor Rose Lions Visitor

The Southport Lions Club will have as its guest Thursday, Jimmie Rose, Governor of District 31-H, who will make an official visit and present the program. His talk will center around the theme "Lionism: The Key to Service."

Governor Rose's District covers Southeastern North Carolina. In this district there are 40 clubs with around 1300 members. These clubs are in 14 counties.

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, January 18,	
9:33 A M	3:34 A M
9:57 P M	4:10 P M
Friday, January 19,	
10:21 A M	4:22 A M
10:45 P M	4:52 P M
Saturday, January 20,	
11:03 A M	5:10 A M
11:39 P M	5:34 P M
Sunday, January 21,	
11:57 A M	6:04 A M
	6:28 P M
Monday, January 22,	
0:39 A M	7:04 A M
12:51 P M	7:22 P M
Tuesday, January 23,	
1:39 A M	8:16 A M
1:51 P M	8:28 P M
Wednesday, January 24,	
2:51 A M	9:22 A M
3:03 P M	9:34 P M

Medical Staff Asks Relief

The Medical Staff of Doshier Hospital met Monday night in the hospital dining room and discussed at length the emergency room service at Doshier Memorial Hospital on a twenty-four hours per day basis, for seven days per week.

At the present time this is being attempted by three Southport physicians. This means at least a minimum of forty hours weekly over and above their regular office hours and hospital rounds. This also means that they may be awakened as many as three to ten times per night for calls, frequently for minor illness of several days duration and for many other trivial matters that bear no resemblance to an emergency. Adequate trained nurse and hospital personnel to evaluate

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