



Building Under Construction

Elmore Motor Company of Bolivia has a new home under construction and the above photograph taken this week shows progress being made on this spacious building. In the background is shown the body shop, which has been completed and is now occupied. (Photo by Spencer)

Project Needs Matching Funds And Spoil Area

"Where do we go from here?" was the theme of a meeting held in Elizabethtown Tuesday morning to develop plans for proceeding with improvements of the Cape Fear River between Navassa and Riegel.

The project to deepen and improve the channel of the river has been approved and funded, but requires local participation in acquiring right-of-way and areas for depositing the spoil from the dredging.

The project would increase the depth of the channel to 12-feet and would eliminate the several sharp curves that are a hazard to navigation.

The meeting called by the Cape Fear River Basin Development Association was attended by representatives from Brunswick, New Hanover, Pender, Columbus, Bladen and Cumberland counties, plus representatives from the U. S. Corps of Engineers, North Carolina Water and Air Resources Commission and other interested individuals.

The group agreed that one representative from each of the four counties involved would be responsible for contacting the property owners in an effort to secure spoil areas and right-of-way for the project.

It was also agreed that a representative of the board of commissioners from Brunswick, Pender, New Hanover, Columbus, Bladen and Cumberland counties would meet to agree on ways of providing the \$58,000 required for diking the spoil areas.

Representing Brunswick county at the meeting were George T. Rourke, chairman of the board of commissioners, V. A. Creech, Jr., commissioner, Roy A. Stevens, director of the Resources Development Commission for Brunswick County, Mrs. A. P. Henry, Jr., secretary, and T. S. Bowmer of SENCLAND Development Commission, and A. H. Gaine, Jr.

Roy Stevens reported that a meeting of the property owners is being set for February 21st.



Letters And Resolutions

Four Brunswick county men were in Raleigh Thursday to present four files filled with letters of welcome and copies of resolutions favoring the establishment of a nuclear power plant near Southport to President Shearon Harris of Carolina Power Light Co. Shown here, left to right, are John Barbee, county commissioner, W. A. Powell, chairman of the Resources Development Commission for Brunswick County; Raymond S. Talton, engineering consultant for CP&L, President Harris, and Mayor E. B. Tomlinson, Jr., of Southport.

Funds Used To Support Family Farm Program

"A total of \$222,730, in loan funds was used by Brunswick county to support family farms during the past year", Parks C. Fields, local supervisor for the rural credit agency said this week.

Currently 96 farmers in Brunswick county are using the supervised credit services of the Farmers Home Administration.

The supply of Farmers Home Administration credit, which supplements the credit supplied by banks and other private credit sources is one of the measures recommended by President Johnson to provide family farmers an opportunity to earn parity of income.

"These loans have enabled farmers to stay in business who would otherwise have had to give up and go to the city. They have helped young farmers get established. They have enabled farmers to keep going after severe weather conditions", Fields noted.

Farmers Home Administration loans can be used to buy land, refinance debts, acquire livestock and equipment, pay fertilizer and fuel bills and pay other expenses connected with acquiring, improving and operating farms.

The incomes of farmers using Farmers Home Administration credit in Brunswick county in 1967 totaled approximately \$500,000.

Loans are made only to families who are unable to obtain adequate credit from other sources. The program is tailored to individual family needs and loans are accompanied by technical assistance in farm and money management.

More information may be obtained from the Farmers Home Administration office in Shalotte.

Accident Kills General Guest Here Tuesday

Brig. General Wesley T. Guest, U. S. Army retired, was killed late Tuesday afternoon in a fall from the deck of his home overlooking the Cape Fear River at Southport. Apparently fasteners holding an aluminum railing pulled free, allowing him to fall to his death.

He was rushed to Doshier Memorial Hospital, but was dead upon arrival. Head injuries are believed to have caused his death.

General Guest and his wife built a home in Deepwater Heights several years ago, where they lived alone. He is survived by Mrs. Guest, one daughter, Mrs. Sally Danker, of Washington, D. C., and by one sister, Mrs. Helen Knox, of Fullerton, Cal.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Gilbert Funeral Service of Southport, with graveside services scheduled for Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock in Northwood Cemetery. The Rev. W. S. Davenport, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, will be the officiating minister.

General Guest had a distinguished military record. During World War II he served both in the European and Asiatic Theatres as a communications specialist. Later he served in the Korean conflict. He served as commanding officer of the Signal Corps Laboratory at Ft. Monmouth, N. J., and was in charge of the Signal Corps Supply Center in Sacramento, Cal., prior to his retirement and moving to Southport to make his home.

During the Korean conflict General Guest became a close friend of President Sigmund Rhee and from him received a special decoration.

The retired Army man made daily trips to points of interest on the Southport waterfront where he had many friends. He was a member of the Southport Lions Club.

Duke Endowment Helps Hospital

The Duke Endowment is distributing this week \$2,016,065 to Carolina hospitals and child care institutions it assists.

James R. Felts, Jr., executive director of the Hospital and Child Care sections of The Endowment, said 191 hospitals are receiving \$1,369,950 and 43 child care institutions, \$646,715. North Carolina's total is \$901,508 for hospitals and \$428,991 for child care institutions; South Carolina's \$468,442 for hospitals and \$217,724 for child care institutions.

One of the beneficiaries is Doshier Memorial Hospital in Southport, which will receive \$1,652.

Appropriations to hospitals include \$1,116,653 for operating expenses, on the basis of \$1 a day for each free day of care in the fiscal year which ended Sept. 30, 1967, and \$253,297 as reimbursement of the cost of participation in Hospital Administrative Services (HAS) of Chicago, Ill., and Professional Activity Study (PAS) of the Commission on Professional and Hospital Activities of Ann Arbor, Mich., in the year.

These national services which compile and distribute financial and statistical information on a current monthly basis were made available in 1966 to hospitals assisted by The Endowment, which is reimbursing them for the entire cost until Sept. 30, 1970, and then will withdraw at the rate of 10 per cent a year until the expense is shared on an equal basis by The Endowment and the hospitals.

These services provide data useful to hospitals in comparing their operations with those of like category in all parts of the country as they consider ways of improving patient care. Marshall I. Pickens, vice chairman of the Trustees of The Endowment, describes the provision of these

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C. S. RUARK

Southport Man Gets Promotion

Two key staff promotions for Monsanto's Decatur Plant are announced today by C. E. Hieserman, plant manager. Charles S. Ruark is promoted to general manufacturing superintendent, and Robert L. Rose is promoted to superintendent, Nylon Intermediates Manufacturing, Hieserman said. The promotions are effective immediately, and both will report directly to Hieserman.

Ruark succeeds John Lomartire who has been appointed Polyester Commercial Development Director.

Rose succeeds Robert M. Adams who has been appointed plant manager for Monsanto's nylon manufacturing plant at Echternach, Luxembourg. He will assume his new position in mid-summer.

Ruark has been serving as intermediates superintendent for Acrilan Manufacturing since 1965. He joined Monsanto in 1956 as a chemical engineer and has served in positions of increasing responsibility. Prior to joining the company he was associated with Riegel Paper Co., Acme, a native of Southport. Ruark earned B.S. and M.S. degrees.

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Measles Clinics Are Scheduled

Brunswick County has declared war on red measles and on Sunday teams of physicians, nurses, Grey Ladies and other volunteer helpers will undertake to administer measles vaccine to every boy and girl under the age of 13 who has not had red measles or has not already been immunized against this disease.

This program is sponsored by the Brunswick county physicians in cooperation with the Brunswick County Health Department.

Brunswick county is one of many to carry on this type of campaign in North Carolina. Success is predicted because parents have demonstrated in the past their cooperation with immunization programs, and clinic sites are situated so that the campaign can be carried on with minimum transportation problems.

There will be supervision by a physician at each clinic. All immunizations will be given free of charge. However, a donation of 25¢ will help defray the cost of the campaign.

PCA Loans Key To Profit For Many Farmers

"The use of large amounts of capital by farmers is contributing to agriculture's increased efficiency and production," according to Garland P. King, general manager of the Coastal Production Credit Association.

King has just returned from Wilson where he and directors of the Coastal Production Credit Association have been participating in an Advanced Management Institute sponsored by the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Columbia for directors and general managers of production credit associations.

King says, "The Institute is designed to keep production credit officials abreast of the latest developments in modern management in order that production credit association may serve farmers' needs for operating and capital investment credit on an intermediate-term basis more effectively and economically."

Instructors were Gus W. Campbell, management consultant of New York, and officers of the bank including R. A. Darr, president, J. C. Moore, senior vice president and John L. Marshall, vice president and secretary. Subjects presented were Principles of a PCA Management Analysis, Responsibilities of PCA Boards of Directors, Changing Responsibilities of Management and other management topics.

King states, "The farmer-owned and operated Coastal PCA has 2278 farmer-members and is extending \$10,564,812.29 to these farmer-members in Duplin, Pender, New Hanover and Brunswick counties for their needs for operating and capital investment credit on an intermediate-term basis."

Officers and directors of the Association are Arthur Kennedy

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CP&L Project Is Given Endorsement

Judging Team Places Second

Brunswick County's 4-H livestock judging team placed second in a contest held in Smithfield, Tuesday. The judging contest was held in conjunction with the North Carolina Barrow Show, one of the leading barrow shows in the state.

Richard Jones placed the team with 140 points out of a possible 150. He tied for second high individual score of the contest. Jerry Hewett was next with 134 points and tied for fifth high score. Kenneth Hewett scored 121 while Roy Hewett had 101. The three top scores make up the team total which was 395. The winning team scored 405. Classes included boars, barrows and gilts. Eighteen 4-H and FFA teams participated.

Residents of Brunswick county have compiled into four volumes evidence of their enthusiasm for the possibility that Carolina Power & Light Company will build a \$200 million nuclear electric generating plant in their county.

The four volumes of letters, resolutions and newspaper comment in support of the idea were presented Thursday in Raleigh to Shearon Harris, president of CP&L. The resolutions came from official bodies, churches, civic clubs, community clubs, and business corporations. Letters were also included from individuals who endorse the project.

Speaking of public response, Roy Stevens, director of the Resources Development Commission for Brunswick County, told Harris that the "Brunswick people would be delighted to be a part of future nuclear development," as indicated by the construction of North Carolina's first nuclear plant.

Presenting the volumes to Harris were Stevens; William Powell, chairman of the Brunswick Development Commission; John Barbee, county commissioner; and Eugene Tomlinson, mayor of Southport.

In expressing his pleasure with the support, Harris told the group that his company should know in six months whether the Brunswick site is suitable and in an additional twelve months whether the site meets the requirements

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Church Group On School Job

A group of Presbyterians met at Southport High School Saturday and left it better than they found it. Finding the girls' restroom on the first floor in poor condition, they went to work, installing some new equipment, repairing doors, painting commodes, walls, and stalls.

There were no locks on doors, no provision for drying hands, no toilet paper or towels. The walls were dirty and showed the works of many bathroom poets and artists.

"We can't fix up the whole building," one school patron said, "but we have to start somewhere and we can do something. People have talked enough and we figured it was time somebody did something. We did."

Caseworker Is Forum Speaker

Mrs. Grace Ruark, a caseworker for the Brunswick County Welfare Department, spoke at Southport Presbyterian Church Sunday night on the public affairs forum and answered questions.

"We are bound both morally and by the state constitution to relieve human need where we find it," Mrs. Ruark stated. "The public ought to know and is entitled to know how welfare money is spent, for it is their money we are using." The public welfare system operates roughly under four categories, according to Mrs. Ruark, aid to the blind, old age assistance (OAA), aid to families with dependent children (AFDC), and aid to the permanent and totally disabled (AFTD).

Mrs. Ruark pointed out that the welfare department offers many services other than monetary aid, or without cash outlay. There are psychological services, referrals to health departments, help in getting needy people into institutions, aid to hospitalizations, etc. The department works with schools, law enforcement officers, the courts, health departments, and other agencies.

Information in all cases of financial assistance is verified by the department before aid is given, she said. "Further, it is generally known that we are getting many people off of the welfare rolls. We are not subsidizing illegitimate children, but where there are illegitimate children they themselves are not to blame for their situation and should be helped. We try to help them so that they will not grow up and have illegitimate children who will need welfare assistance."

There are now about 500 families receiving assistance from the Brunswick county department. For these 500 cases, there are only four caseworkers to handle the load. This naturally results in an inability to keep close check on cases, she said. "If we had the caseworkers we need we could get more people off the welfare rolls." Mrs. Ruark cited low salaries as the main cause of the shortage of caseworkers.

"Poverty is the cause of crime, ignorance, and illegitimacy," she stated.

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Southport Lady On Commission

Governor Dan K. Moore this week appointed the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Commission which was authorized by the General Assembly in the 1967 session. Included in the appointments was Mrs. James M. Harper, Jr., of Southport.

Other regular members are Mrs. Mary Jane McCrary of Brevard; Ernie W. Greup of Durham; William A. Creech of Raleigh; State Senator Hector McLean of Lumberton; State Senator Don S. Matheson of Hillsborough; James A. Gray of Winston-Salem; McDaniel Lewis of Greensboro; State Senator Herman A. Moore of Charlotte; and Armistead Mauldin of Raleigh.

In addition to the regular members of the Commission, Governor Moore appointed 13 ex-officio members. These are the Director of the Department of Archives and History; the Director of the Department of Conservation and Development; the Superintendent of Public Instruction; the heads of the history departments of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina State University, North Carolina College at Durham, East Carolina University, Western Carolina University, Appalachian State Teachers College, Wake Forest College, Duke University and Davidson College; and the state regent of the DAR.

Duties of the Commission will be to make plans and develop programs for the celebration of the bicentennial of the American Revolution and to endeavor to make the people of North Carolina conscious of the importance of their heritage.

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, February 15,	
8:33 A M	2:34 A M
8:57 A M	3:04 P M
Friday, February 16,	
9:15 A M	3:22 A M
9:39 P M	3:46 P M
Saturday, February 17,	
9:57 A M	4:04 A M
10:27 P M	4:28 P M
Sunday, February 18,	
10:45 A M	4:48 A M
11:21 P M	5:10 P M
Monday, February 19,	
11:39 A M	5:52 A M
	6:04 P M
Tuesday, February 20,	
0:21 A M	6:52 A M
12:33 P M	7:04 P M
Wednesday, February 21,	
1:27 A M	7:58 A M
1:39 P M	8:04 P M

Brief Bits Of NEWS

LIONS CLUB
The Southport Lions Club will meet tomorrow (Thursday) at 6:30 o'clock in the Community Building.

CLASS PROJECT
Members of the Junior Class at Southport High School are sponsoring a contest for which a Trail-90 CC Honda is first prize.

BEACH CHURCH
All persons interested in seeing a Presbyterian Church on Long Beach and Yaupon Beach are invited to attend a meeting Monday night, Feb. 26, at 7:30. The meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McDougle on Norton St.

ADULT CLASSES
Adult education classes will be offered by the Cape Fear Technical Institute beginning Monday. The courses scheduled to be taught are home sewing, secondary education and typing. More courses will be offered if there is a demand for them. Interested persons are urged to be present at 7 o'clock at the Southport High School auditorium. The only cost will be for books or materials.

Planning Funds For Southport

Secretary Robert C. Weaver of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has announced approval of a grant of \$53,265 under the Urban Planning Assistance Program to help pay for the comprehensive planning for growth and development of Beaufort, Burnsville, Marshall, Newport, Southport, Stantonsburg, and Carteret county.

They are an officially designated redevelopment area.

The HUD grant, payable to the state, will cover three-fourths of the total cost of planning work. Supplemented by \$17,755 in non-Federal funds the grant will finance planning activities for two years.

Grants under the Urban Planning Assistance Program are authorized by Section 701 of the Housing Act of 1954, as amended. These grants may be used in counties and small cities to help pay for planning work such as preparation of base maps, analysis of land use, population and economic conditions, preparation of a comprehensive development plan, and measures to implement this planning, such as zoning and subdivision regulations.

Seek Bids On New Rail Yard

A 350-railcar barricaded rail holding yard is to be built at the Sunny Point Military Ocean Terminal near Southport. Bids on the contract, estimated to cost over a million dollars, will be opened by the Savannah District Army Engineers at their office in Savannah, Ga., on Feb. 28 at 2 p.m.

The job calls for site preparation and drainage of the area. To be constructed are earth barricades, laying access tracks and 35 spur tracks, along with constructing access roads and a small smoking room/toilet building. All work is to be completed within 150 calendar days.

Plans and specifications may be obtained by writing the Savannah District Engineer.

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Time And Tide

It was Wednesday, February 9, 1938, and two Southport misses had been pictured in the Philadelphia Inquirer, inspecting a Treasure Chest recently unearthed at Fort Caswell. The same cut appeared on the initial sheet of The Pilot that week. (Photo by Bill Sharpe).

Brunswick county currently had 717 unemployed persons, but at the same time some 75 power boats were engaged in some sort of commercial fishing out of Southport any time the weather allowed.

In 1938 The Pilot was fortunate to have a number of first rate correspondents at points in the county, and regular items were submitted specifically concerning Bolivia, Freeland, Winnabow and Makotoka. Vincent Stevens, editor of the old Southport newspaper, The Southport Leader, had been a visitor in The Pilot office; the Civic Club was investigating early ship-building sites; and the Waccamaw 4-H Club had met.

We don't know whether there was a shortage of news or of newspaper (paper) in 1943, but the '43 volume of our back issues is definitely the lightest of the five we are currently working with. The edition of The Pilot datelined February 19, 1943, was correspondingly small—four pages—but there certainly wasn't a shortage of news that week. For instance:

Douglas Jones had recently become the first Eagle Scout in the local history of scouting. National Boy Scout week had commenced Sunday with the local troop members attending church en masse. D. L. Watson had just graduated from an Army technical school in Amarillo, Texas. Clarence Simmons had captured some six bushels of shrimp and 300 pounds of whiting in one recent day's trawling. And the Hospital Auxiliary was raising funds with which to purchase a new, much needed sterilizer.

Gasoline, tires, even bicycles had been rationed due to the international situation, but now the last straw seemed to have come up. Shoes were being rationed. Captain T. J. Tobiasen, USA, had recently been promoted to the rank of Major. Joy Arnold had become the bride of George Gregory, and the Coast Guardsmen had avenged

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