



Testing For Pollution

Chemist Carl Shadix is shown here in the mobile laboratory of the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration as he tests samples of water taken from the Cape Fear River in the vicinity of the USE Dredge Gerig. (Photo by Spencer).

Expansion Set For Brunswick Electric Body

The Brunswick Electric Membership corporation reports the cooperative is on the eve of a major expansion for electric service to the four counties it serves in the southeastern area.

C. D. Branch and Robert G. Hubbard, chairman of the Board of Directors and general manager, respectively, announced today that a \$2,015,000 loan has been approved for expanding lines and to enlarge administrative facilities.

The loan will provide for 110 miles of additional distribution lines to serve 2,000 new members in Brunswick county, and enlargement of offices at Shallotte and Whiteville.

The cooperative serves the counties of Brunswick, Bladen, Robeson and Columbus.

The federal loan was approved Friday under auspices of Sen. B. Everett Jordan and Rep. Alton A. Lennon.

The BEMC service was organized in 1939 to bring light and power to the rural southeastern area. Dr. E. D. Bishop was the first executive director and served in that capacity until two years ago when declining health forced his retirement. Hubbard succeeded Dr. Bishop.

Hubbard said the application for the loan was filed last January and the relative quickness of approval stems from the cooperative now being over \$500,000 ahead on loan payments.

He said normal power consumption increases nine to 10 per cent a year and when the present planned expansion is completed the increase will be still higher on an annual basis.

The loan, Hubbard explained, is based on two years, this being the period the money will be spent for various construction purposes. Payments will be made to the cooperative as construction advances, not in one lump sum.

Some of the work will be done by BEMC's existing workforce but a great portion will be by (Continued On Page Six)

Brief Bits Of NEWS

BARBECUE DINNER

A barbecue dinner will be served at the Southport Fire Station Saturday beginning at 11 o'clock. Funds will go to the finance committee of the Fourth of July Festival.

BAKE SALE

The Southport Extension Homemakers club will hold a bake sale Saturday, May 11 starting at 9:30 a.m. between the post office and Leggetts.

HOMECOMING SERVICE

There will be homecoming services at Shallotte First Baptist Church Sunday with dinner on the ground. This will be an all day service. All churches of the area are invited to attend.

COUNTY MANAGER

Attorney General T. Wade Bruton, candidate for re-election in the May 4th Primary, announces that S. Bunn Frink, attorney at Shallotte and Southport, is serving as his manager in Brunswick county.

Area Scouts To Pitch Camp At Army Terminal

Approximately four hundred scouts and scout leaders from Brunswick, New Hanover and Pender counties will converge on the Military Ocean Terminal, Sunny Point, for three days beginning Friday at 3 o'clock.

Following Col. A. B. Joyner's invitation as Commander of Sunny Point Army Terminal to the Coastal District Cape Fear Area Council, Boy Scouts of America to hold the Spring Camporee at the Military Ocean Terminal, a staff of 28 scout leaders began making plans for the event. George Parker, deputy terminal director, was selected by Camping and Activities Chairman Gene Johnson of Wilmington to head the facility committee. Assisting him will be the Host Troop 238 of Southport, Troop Chairman William McDougle and Assistant Scoutmaster Kenneth Stillier, William Skipper, and William Smith.

A staff of highly qualified judges were selected. Included were Mayor Gene Tomlinson and Capt. John Puckett of Southport. These men were asked to assure that all events would represent the highest challenge to the Scouts individual ability. The Scout contest events will start at 2 p.m. Saturday according to Mr. Parker and he stressed that the public is invited to attend and see the Scouts in action.

Sunday morning protestant services will be conducted at 9:30 a.m. with the Rev. William Davenport, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, Southport in charge. Catholic Scouts will be the guests of the Sacred Heart Church, Southport, at the 8:30 Mass.

Lester Lowe, member of the Cape Fear Area Council, boy scouts of America, Executive Board and Chairman of the Organization and Extension Committee wishes to congratulate the Southport community for the outstanding support given the scouts. Southport Police Chief Louis Clark on traffic control, J. Arthur Doshier Memorial Hospital in providing emergency medical facilities and everyone in general for being friends of tomorrow's manhood, today's Scouts.

Pollution Is Studied Here

The Federal Water Pollution Control Administration (FWPCA) in the U. S. Department of the Interior is providing technical services to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers for evaluating their sewage treatment on various dredges. FWPCA has sent the survey team from its Technical Advisory and Investigations Branch, Cincinnati, Ohio. Two mobile laboratories were brought in for running chemical and microbiologist analyses on the wastes.

The survey team consists of seven members, Carl Schadix and Edward Boun, chemists, Lois Best and Louis Rest, microbiologists, Robert McCullough and Julian Bell, technicians, and Bernard Sacks, chemical engineer in charge. In addition, James Holdaway, is representing the middle Atlantic Region (Continued On Page Six)

Campaign Diary

By Margaret Harper

The first stop in last week's campaign circuit was at Blair House near Durham where a group of my friends from Durham and Chapel Hill held a reception for me from 3 to 5 o'clock. Ringleaders were Gay Stephenson, who was secretary of the Council of Women's Organizations when I was president, Elsie Gordon, a good friend from Greensboro College days, and Eula Miller, president of Durham County Democratic Women.

Two unexpected visitors who showed up for this affair were Orville Campbell, president of the N. C. Press Association, and J. D. Fitz, secretary-treasurer of that organization. Both are in my corner in this battle, and both had flattering news coverage of my campaign in recent editions of their splendid newspapers.

Monday night I attended a barbecue dinner sponsored by the Durham County Democratic Women and was present with several other candidates for State office. I'm getting to feel right at home in Durham.

Early Tuesday I drove up to Winston-Salem where I was met by Thelma Bennett. She is a summer resident of Caswell Beach and last summer taught art classes in Southport.

I had a visit with newspaper friends at the Journal-Sentinel office where I was particularly happy to see Don Chipman back on the job following a serious operation. It also was good to see Nady Cates again. They are men I have known in the Press Association. After the newspaper visit, complete with an interview and photographs, I had a television interview for use over WSJS-TV before going with Thelma for a brief visit to the Art Center.

Then came the luncheon at Wake Forest University, an event arranged (Continued On Page 4)



Candidate And Her Grand Children

Mrs. Margaret Harper, candidate for Lt. Governor, is shown here in her favorite role, that of grandmother. She was in Norfolk, Va., Saturday for a fleeting visit with her son James Harper, and his family. With her are her grandson, Jamie, and her granddaughter, Meg, both of who appear to be fascinated with the picture of their grandmother on the side of her automobile in which she has been campaigning all over the State. (Photo Courtesy Virginian-Pilot).

Local Lady State Candidate

Saturday Is Election Day

When they go to the polls to vote Saturday, for the first time in modern history Brunswick county voters will have an opportunity to cast their ballot for

a fellow citizen who is a candidate on the state ticket.

Mrs. Margaret Harper of Southport is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Lt.

Governor is what promises to be an interesting contest with H. P. Taylor and Frank M. Matlock. So far as voters in this county are concerned, this race holds more interest than even the gubernatorial contest.

Republican candidates are Prosper Noland Combs and Don H. Garren.

As usual there is major interest in the county ballot. In the contest for District Judge there are four candidates from which two will be elected to serve a three county district including Brunswick, Columbus and Bladen. Ray H. Walton of Southport is the only candidate from Brunswick. Columbus has two in W.A. (Al) Williams and Lee Greer, Giles R. Clark is from Bladen. Four men seek nomination for the two places as candidates for House of Representatives from this district, which is comprised of Brunswick and Columbus counties. A.H. (Sonny) Gainey is the lone representative from Brunswick while Columbus has three, Clyde Collier, incumbent, Arthur W. Williamson and R.C. Soles, Jr. Sankey W. Robinson and Gail Claude Spivey are Democratic foes for the nomination as 15th district state Senator from Columbus, Bladen and Brunswick.

Register of Deeds Durwood Clark has opposition from Mack L. Hewett as he seeks the Democrat nomination for this office. In the race for county commissioner there are 12 candidates, including all five members of the present board.

In Northwest township George T. Rourk, incumbent, is opposed by Elmer W. Aycock. In Town Creek V.A. Creech, Jr., is opposed by (Continued On Page Six)

Two Registration Books To Be Used



Student Editor

Any Brunswick county citizen whose name appears on either the old registration books or on the new loose leaf registration forms will be allowed to vote Saturday in the Primary Election.

This ruling was made Monday by the State Board of Elections and thus makes provision that no citizen will be denied his right to vote because of a misunderstanding resulting from the recent registration that has been being conducted in Brunswick county.

Brunswick, one of 36 counties involved in a complete new registration in the switchover to the State's uniform looseleaf registration procedure, had planned to begin its re-registration prior to the primary and complete it before the November general election.

The State Board of Elections, after getting wind of the plan, had advised the Brunswick board on April 25 that to use the old books in the primary to supplement the new ones would be "in violation of the law."

The board ordered the Brunswick elections board that "therefore you must use the books reflecting the new registrations as of May 4" and that the "old books as of April 20 are no longer valid and must not be used in any way."

When word of the State board's ruling reached Brunswick, howls of protest arose from voters who said they had been led to believe that if they were on the old books, they would be eligible to cast ballots in the primary.

After presenting the State board with more information, Brunswick officials were notified by letter Monday that they should use the old books, adding only the names of voters registered for the first time in the recent re-registration period.

Alex Brock, executive secretary of the State Board, and Brunswick officials, said the effect of the latest ruling will be to permit many voters to cast ballots Saturday who otherwise would have been "disfranchised" because of the misunderstanding."

MYF Sponsors Saturday Sale

Are you in the market for something--anything--new? You probably can find it at the MYF rummage sale Saturday starting at 8:30.

The collection chairman report that these varied sale items are bound to please. They include any type of clothing--shoes, hats, trousers, shirts, dresses, blouses, skirts. For the summer season or any season the (Continued On Page Six)

Anniversary Of St. Philips To Be Observed

On Sunday, May 19, a service marking the 200th anniversary of the dedication of Old St. Philip's Church will be held within the ruins of that building at Brunswick Town State Historic Site. Scheduled for 3 p.m., the observance is a joint project of the present St. Philip's Episcopal Church, Southport, and the North Carolina State Department of Archives and History.

The Rev. J. Fred Fordham, Rector of St. Philip's; Mrs. Frances G. Key, Vestry member, and William G. Faulk, Historic Site Assistant, have planned a religious service, generally following the Anglican Order of Morning Prayer. There will be special music, usherettes in colonial costume and outstanding guest speakers.

Records of the State Department of Archives and History and those of the Diocese of East Carolina show that the original St. Philip's, Brunswick, was dedicated on May 24, 1768 by The Reverend Barnett, assisted by The Reverend Mr. Willis of Wilmington. Mr. Barnett was, at the time, a house guest of Royal Governor William Tryon in his Brunswick residence "Castle Tryon". Governor Tryon had personally paid for sashes and glass, brought from England, for the church's 11 windows.

Old St. Philip's was more than 20 years in the building, and was in use less than 10 years when it was burned by the British in 1776.

Research indicates that the building was started in the late 1740's. In 1748 a Spanish pirate vessel, with a squadron of Spanish privateers, entered the Cape Fear river and plundered its plantations. The vessel was captured and its contents sold. In 1751 the fund realized from sale of the ship's cargo and furnishings was divided between St. James' Church, Wilmington, and St. Philip's at Brunswick. A picture "Ecce Homo" captured from the pirate ship, is still preserved in the Vestry room of St. James.

By 1754 the brick work was completed to window level. Governor Arthur Dobbs became interested in finishing the project, and to increase local interest, proposed to name it "His Majesty's Chapel in the Carolinas". Unfortunately, the Church was not completed when Governor Dobbs died and was buried inside its walls.

When finally completed, St. Philip's was 76 feet long, 53 feet wide, with 3-foot thick walls standing 24 feet high. The aisles of the church, paved with brick tiles, formed a cross, with other aisles along the walls. The pews rested on wooden floored sections. Historian James Sprunt records "it must have possessed much architectural beauty and massive grandeur, with its high pitched roof, its lofty doors and beautiful chancel windows".

St. Philip's was probably destroyed by the British when they burned Brunswick Town in 1776. Fort Anderson was built across the ruins of Brunswick in 1862 with the walls of the church planned as part of the fort. Confederate dead were placed inside the walls, where they were found by capturing Union troops after the fall of Fort Fisher.

The present St. Philip's parish was admitted into the Diocese of North Carolina on May 29, 1851 under the name "Old St. Philip's" of Smithville, it comprises churches in Southport, Shallotte and Northwest.

Friday Wreck Claims Bride

A bride of two days was killed instantly 14 miles north of Bolivia on U.S. 17 Friday when the car she was driving crashed head on into another vehicle.

Brunswick County Coroner Lowell Bennett said Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Bunn Martin, 21, of Elizabeth City, was killed at 2:55 p.m. when she apparently lost control of her Volkswagen and collided with a car driven by George Bamberger of Cleona, Pa.

Bennett said Mrs. Martin was traveling behind the car operated by her husband, James Dwight Martin, Jr., of Summerville, S. C.

Bennett quoted Martin as saying he looked into the rearview mirror and saw his wife's car weaving. A few seconds later, he said, he looked again and saw the wreck.

Patrolman W. C. Fulgham was the investigating officer. She was a graduate of the College of the Albemarle and the College of Commerce in Elizabeth City. She was a member of Christ Episcopal Church.

Funeral services were conducted at 3 p.m. Sunday at Christ Episcopal Church in Elizabeth City by the Rev. William Byrd Lee Hutcheson and the Rev. A. Heath Light. Burial followed in West Lawn Cemetery.

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, May 2,			
10:33 A M		4:58 A M	
10:57 P M		4:58 P M	
Friday, May 3,			
11:15 A M		5:46 A M	
11:45 P M		5:40 P M	
Saturday, May 4,			
12:16 A M		6:34 A M	
		6:34 P M	
Sunday, May 5,			
0:39 A M		7:28 A M	
1:15 P M		7:40 P M	
Monday, May 6,			
1:39 A M		8:28 A M	
2:21 P M		8:46 P M	
Tuesday, May 7,			
2:39 A M		9:22 A M	
3:21 P M		9:52 P M	
Wednesday, May 8,			
3:39 A M		10:22 A M	
4:21 P M		10:52 P M	