



Funeral For Vietnam Victim

The body of Lt. John A. Connell, whose death occurred last week in Vietnam, is borne by an Army unit from Fort Bragg on their way to graveside services at Northwood Cemetery Tuesday morning. A U.S. Army chaplain, assisted by the Rev. W. S. Davenport and the Rev. L. D. Hayman, officiated. Burial was with full military honors. (Photo by Spencer)

General Lane Visitor At Sunny Point

Major General John J. Lane, U.S. Army, Commander, Military Traffic Management and Terminal Service (MTMTS) of which the Military Ocean Terminal, Sunny Point (MOTSU) is a subordinate installation, recently visited the terminal for an on the spot observation of its operation.

While at Sunny Point General Lane visited the various directorates and divisions where he was briefed on their activities following which he visited the terminal's wharves and observed vessel loading operations.

Military Traffic Management and Terminal Service (MTMTS) was established to consolidate the management and operation of military traffic, land transportation and common user ocean terminals in the Continental United States under the Secretary of the Army as a single manager.

On February 15, 1965 MTMTS was activated, consolidating the Defense Traffic Management Services (DTMS), the Army Terminal Commands and the Air Traffic Coordinating Offices, located at air terminals, into a single organization, commanded by General Lane.

As the single manager agency for military traffic management and related responsibilities, MTMTS is a jointly staffed organization with officers assigned from all services. The MTMTS commander reports directly to the Secretary of the Army, and is authorized to communicate and coordinate directly with the other military services, the Unified and Specified Commands, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff on all transportation matters.

In the course of accomplishing its mission, MTMTS:

- Provides transportation planning support to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Military Services and Unified and Specified Commands;
- Provides traffic management for Department of Defense sponsored passengers and freight;
- Provides input control of traffic into ocean and air terminals;
- Operates military ocean transportation.

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And The Driver Walked Away

This was the scene on Highway No. 133 near Orton Tuesday morning when a truck loaded with lumber and headed for Sunny Point was involved in a one-car accident. Paul Lancaster of Columbia was the driver, and although the shifting load sheared the cab from the chassis, he received only minor injuries. Patrolman G. K. Jones investigated the wreck. (Photo by Spencer)

Training Unit Now Visiting Sunny Point

The Military Ocean Terminal, Sunny Point, is the training site for the Annual Active Duty for Training for the Cargo Operations Division of the 1187th U.S. Army Terminal Station Complement, Eldorado, Arkansas. The Division Chief of Cargo Operations is Major James E. Jones, Eldorado, Arkansas.

While at Sunny Point, the members of the Unit undergo extensive on-the-job training which enables them to put into practice knowledge attained during eleven and a half months of training at home station. The Unit trains two days (one weekend) monthly; and, in addition, places a great deal of emphasis on the schooling of the individual by correspondence work or active duty periods at the U.S. Army Transportation School, the U.S. Army Ordnance school, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and other military schools.

In discussing the training program, the Division Chief stated: "The cooperation of every member of the Sunny Point staff is the finest we have ever encountered, and the training provided leaves nothing to be desired. This two-week period, when held at this site, furnishes the best opportunity provided for training offered during the year. The emphasis on military schools and the realistic armory training form the background; but it is the training period at the terminal where theory becomes practice, where there is no simulation, that gives the members of the reserve unit a working knowledge of their responsibilities and helps to determine their effectiveness to the military program for which the Unit is organized."

Bookmobile To Expand Service Through County

In an effort to give Bookmobile patrons better service, a trial schedule of stops every two weeks, rather than the former three weeks, will go into effect on the Brunswick County Bookmobile this week.

The Board of Trustees, long dissatisfied with the infrequency of bookmobile stops throughout the county, took this action at its August meeting, hoping to give patrons access to newer books, and to keep volumes in circulation faster. The long range goal is to have sufficient funds to keep the bookmobile on the road five days each week, instead of the present three days.

Mrs. Patty Jones of Shallotte requested that patrons check the newspaper schedules carefully for the coming weeks, as certain stops have been moved to different routes, and times have been changed on others.

Mrs. James M. Harper, Jr., Board Chairman, reminds county residents that a bookmobile stop may be requested in an area not now served, if a minimum of five readers can be assured. Studies have shown that it is not economical to schedule a stop for less than that number.

The Library Board of Trustees and the staff will be glad to hear comments from patrons on the new stepped-up schedule. Address for the main library is: Southport-Brunswick County Library, 109 W. Moore St., Southport, 28461.



Now Policeman On Duty

Policeman W. C. Jones, left, is the most recent addition to the Southport Police Department. With him on the right is Chief of Police Walton Willis. (Photo by Spencer)

Death Occurs On Rural Road In Brunswick

A single car crash near Shallotte Thursday night claimed the life of one Brunswick County man and injured two others.

Joseph Melton Hughes, 22, of Ash was pronounced dead on arrival at Columbus County Hospital Thursday night following the accident which occurred on rural paved road 1335 at 9:20 p.m., according to J. E. Farmer, Highway Patrol investigating officer.

Farmer said the vehicle, driven by Hughes, went off the road on the left side on a "very sharp" curve. (Continued On Page Four)

Whiteville Mart Leader In Sales

Highest average of the four tobacco markets in Columbus County is the record attained by Whiteville thus far this season.

Nineteen selling days here have accrued a season's average of \$69.50. Last year at the same point in the marketing year the Whiteville average stood at \$67.90.

Lighter weight leaf this year than in 1967 has been the case whereby nearly 16.5 million pounds have been sold this year, compared to almost 20 million during the first 19 days of last year.

A glance at the activity on the entire Border Belt, of which Columbus markets are members, showed last Wednesday's average to have sunk to the lowest level of the season. Sales contained a smaller proportion of better quality leaf and cutters while there was some increase in the percentage of poor grades and nondescript.

During the fifth week of auctions (last week) leaf and smoking grades made up nearly two-thirds of the marketings on the belt, according to USDA.

Stabilization Corporation has taken 10.98 per cent of the offerings in Whiteville thus far, compared to 6.53 per cent last year to the same point in the season.

There will be sales for three days this week starting with tomorrow (Tuesday).

Total sales and averages for Columbus, and compared to belt statistics, follow:

Chadbourne,	5,508,816;
Fair Bluff,	5,429,138;
Tabor City,	5,470,943;
Whiteville,	16,557,823;
N. C.,	82,326,692;
S. C.,	97,467,436;
TOTAL TYPE 13,	179,794,128;
average;	\$68.57.

Shallotte Lady Heads Program

Mrs. Freeman Hewett of Shallotte has been appointed public education chairman for Brunswick County Heart Association, it was announced this week by Mrs. Shelby Rourke, president of the Brunswick Heart Association.

As public education chairman, Mrs. Hewett will be responsible for providing the people of Brunswick with information on the activities of the local Heart Association group as well as general information on the work of the State and American Heart Associations.

Mrs. Hewett has served as (Continued On Page Four)

Rescue Four Men At Sea

Four Fayetteville fishermen, stranded between Southport and Frying Pan Light Station, were rescued Thursday by the U.S. Coast Guard. The fishermen were identified as Joe Stock, Stanley Burroughs, Duane Graham, and Clarence White.

Coast Guard vessels from Oak Island and planes from the Elizabeth City Air Station participated in the search which resulted in the location of the 24-foot in-board boat Thursday afternoon.

Coast Guard officials said the fishermen were carrying a one day supply of food and water, and apparently developed engine trouble soon after leaving Southport early Tuesday. The men were all reported in good condition when found, despite being thirsty and hungry.

Blood Bank At Local Hospital

Now that Doshier Memorial Hospital has two surgeons, the need for blood on hand has increased and an active volunteer blood donor program has been set up. A blood bank now is in operation and an on hand blood level has been established. There is a continuing need for blood and all persons interested in donating to this bank should contact the lab department at Doshier Memorial Hospital where the blood type will be recorded and the name will be placed on an active volunteer blood donor card.

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Ballots Ready For Service Men

Applications for military absentee voting began September 1, 1968 for the November 5 General Election, and official ballots are in the hands of H. Foster Mintz, chairman of the Brunswick County Board of Elections. Civilian applications will begin September 21.

Registration for new voters will be October 12, October 19, and October 26. All persons who have not registered must do so during this period in order to vote in the general election. Those persons who are previously registered on the old registration books, but failed to register prior to the 1968 primary on the new loose leaf cards must also go to their registrar during the registration period to sign cards and complete their registration.

Persons who have been a resident of this state for not less than sixty days immediately prior to the date of the presidential election shall be entitled to register and vote for presidential and vice-presidential electors but for no other office. These persons shall appear in person before the chairman of the board of elections beginning October 17 and not later than November 1 for proper ballot to vote.

The Republicans came up with a vacancy in their slate of candidates when Col. V. A. Fish withdrew as a candidate for member of the House of Representatives in order to accept a position with the corrective institutions of the State. This leaves Marion H. Davis as the only Republican candidate for this office. He will be opposed by Arthur W. Williamson and R. C. Soles, Jr. The Republicans did not have a candidate to file for the office of Senator from the 15th Senatorial District, nor for the office of District Court Judge.

Branch Elected To Co-Op Board

C. D. Branch, president of the Board of Directors of the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation, was elected to the Board of the North Carolina Electric Cities Association at a Raleigh meeting last week.

The naming of Branch came at the conclusion of a meeting of the Tar Heel Electric Membership Corporation and the N. C. Electric Membership Corporation. High point of the session came when J. O. Tally, Jr. of Fayetteville, general counsel for Electric Cities, recommended that the group of cooperatives study the feasibility of building their own generating system for "a continuing partnership in the public interest."

By such cooperation, Tally said, the municipal systems and the electric co-ops could work together for a dependable source of power at lower cost.

The growing power consumption of the two groups, he explained, will be great enough by 1970 to justify such joint projects. He said the purpose must be higher than power... it must be in the public interest and concern for the consumer.

The proposal is not intended to replace private power systems but "we want the free enterprise system to be competitive." The fight is not to make the return of power company shareholders less but to make the rate paid by consumers less, he said.

Tally said "no one wants to replace the power companies. No one wants to take anything away from them. We're only trying to keep them from taking the future away from us."

Dealer Gets Auto Prevue

On September 5, Chrysler-Plymouth dealers of Southport will get their first look at the new lines of 1969 Plymouths, Chryslers and Imperials at a preview meeting at Atlanta.

Invited to the preview are sales and management personnel from Brunswick Motor Sales, Inc., of Southport.

The showing is one of 21 being held in various parts of the country for dealers and their sales staffs. They will inspect the new models following a closed-circuit, simultaneously televised business meeting for dealers and salesmen which will originate in New York.

Glenn E. White, general manager of Chrysler-Plymouth Division, will head a panel of executives who will discuss the 1969 automobiles and promotional plans to continue the sales momentum which made 1968 a record year for the division. The new models go on sale September 19.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

LIONS TO MEET
Members of the Southport Lions Club will meet tomorrow (Thursday) at 6:30 o'clock in the Community Building.

ROB DRINK MACHINE
Mrs. J. B. Russ reported Tuesday that a drink machine in the Favorite Coin Laundry on Nash St. was robbed sometime during the weekend. She estimates the loss at from \$12 to \$15.

METHODISTS PLANS
A Christian Witness Mission is being planned for Trinity Methodist Church in Southport during the weekend of September 27. Visiting laymen from North and South Carolina have been invited to participate.

DINNER SPEAKER
Roy A. Stevens, director of Resources Development Commission for Brunswick County, has accepted an invitation to address the September 12 meeting of the Brunswick County Board of Realtors when they meet at Jones Tranquil Harbor Restaurant.

Time And Tide

It was August 1938, and the front page picture in that issue of The Pilot was the old Mill Creek Church where the Rev. A. L. Brown of Southport was holding a two week's series of revival services. Capt. H. J. Watts reported that members of the Frying Pan lightship crew had discovered a new sport in harpooning barracuda from the deck of that vessel. A sportfishing captain from the outer banks had been demonstrating a new method for catching red drum, trolling the U.S.E. Dredge Comstock had left Southport for Behead City; and perhaps the most important headline that we read "March Hen Season Opens Tomorrow."

At second glance, the above headline certainly wasn't the most sensational. Quotation read "Baptist Pastor Given Pounding." The person was same A. L. Brown, and he had fallen victim to an old church custom of giving the preacher a pound (or more) of some edible goods. The donors were the appreciative members of the Mill Creek congregation.

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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 5,	
7:27 AM	1:34 AM
7:57 PM	1:46 PM
Friday, September 6,	
8:15 AM	2:16 AM
8:45 PM	2:34 PM
Saturday, September 7,	
9:03 AM	2:58 AM
9:27 PM	3:16 PM
Sunday, September 8,	
9:45 AM	3:40 AM
10:03 PM	3:58 PM
Monday, September 9,	
10:21 AM	4:16 AM
10:39 PM	4:40 PM
Tuesday, September 10,	
11:03 AM	4:58 AM
11:15 PM	5:22 PM
Wednesday, September 11,	
11:39 AM	5:34 AM
11:51 PM	6:04 PM