



New Court Previewed

Bert Montague, director of the administrative office for courts, was in Whiteville Friday night to give peace officers and Clerk of Court personnel an insight on their duties for the District Court which begins in Columbus, Brunswick and Bladen on December 2. Also enlightening the large gathering which hailed from the 13 District, were the two District Judges-elect, Ray Walton and Giles Clark; and Resident Superior Court Judge Edward B. Clark. Sitting with them in the Columbus Recorder's courtroom is Edward L. Williamson, Whiteville attorney, who presided. (Photo By Clemmons)

## Schedule For New District Court Is Set

With the coming of December 1, 1968, the various towns in Columbus, Brunswick and Bladen, which for many years have been holding "mayor's court", will find that these courts are abandoned and a new court system, embodying the new district courts, will be inaugurated.

Purpose of the session, over which Edward L. Williamson of Whiteville, vice-president of the district Bar, presided, was to familiarize lawmen and others concerned with the working of the new court system which will commence here on December 2. Appearing before the large gathering in the Recorder's courtroom were District Judges-elect Ray Walton of Southport and Giles Clark of Elizabethtown, and Resident Superior court judge Edward B. Clark.

Main speaker for the orientation session was Bert Montague, director of the administrative office of the courts in Raleigh.

Judge Walton announced that criminal trials in District court will initially be scheduled for Columbus in Whiteville every Monday starting December 2.

District criminal court will be held in Brunswick the first and third Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, while Bladen county will have criminal session each 2nd and fourth Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Said Judge Walton, "This schedule is tentative, subject to correction by the Bar, with final decisions to be made with the chief judge.

Judge Clark explained that a schedule will be made up for each month so that law officers may set their cases so as not to conflict with their days off.

Administrator Montague said he feels that Clark and Walton "will be the best District judges to be found in North Carolina."

Montague pointed out that two additional seats for District court were approved by the Legislature. In his opinion, District courts in Tabor City and Chadbourn would be economically unfeasible unless the municipalities build courtrooms with their own funds. The facilities fees assessed in court costs will not be sufficient for such construction, he said.

"If the two towns, for sake of civic pride, want to make this investment, the chief judge will assign cases there," he said. "If they want to pay the price, they have their own courts."

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## Dwight McEwen Dies Wednesday

Henry Dwight McEwen, 83, died Wednesday in Doshier Memorial Hospital after a long illness. Mr. McEwen was court stenographer for Pender, New Hanover and Columbus Counties for many years and was an attorney.

Final rites were held Friday at 3 p.m. at the graveside in Northwood Cemetery by the Rev. W. S. Davenport and Fred Fordham.

Survivors include a son, Dwight McEwen, Jr. of West Palm Beach, Fla.; three daughters, Mrs. Percy Liles of Huntington, W. Va., Mrs. Harry Hosack and Mrs. Jack Schoenberg of Denver, Colo.

## Time And Tide

It was September 28, 1938, and the Oak Island Coast Guard Station had received some new improvements. A new storage warehouse was being built, a canal had been dredged to give access to the river, and a new hardtop road had been laid to facilitate approach by land. Some wild swamp hogs had assisted law enforcement officers in capturing a moonshine still; the Southport Whittlers Park had attracted artists in search of local atmosphere; and shrimp prices were down to \$6 per hundred-weight.

According to a headline, a hog had been "kept on cold storage for two years as evidence." Said hog had been in cold storage at the Southport Ice and Coal Company for the past 24-months and was now to be thawed as "Exhibit 'A'" in a larceny case upcoming in the Brunswick County Superior Court. And in a brief item under the head "Little Bits of Big News" it was reported that British Prime Minister Chamberlain had gone to Munich to a conference, and that

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Helicopter Skylift

This was the scene at Oak Island Coast Guard Station Friday morning as two U. S. Marine Corps Helicopters ferried cargo to and from the U. S. Coast Guard Light Station situated at the tip of Frying Pan Shoals. The packages weighed 1,500-lbs each and were carried at the end of a cable suspended beneath the aircraft. It was a 17-minute run to the seabound station and there was return cargo consisting of machinery which was being replaced. (Photo by Spencer)

## Farm Bureau Holding Drive For Members

"Farmers have to cultivate good laws as well as good crops in order to be successful today," the president of the Brunswick County Farm Bureau said last night at the annual Membership Kick-Off Fish Fry held at Garland Varnam's Landing.

The local farm leader, Ira L. Chadwick of Shallotte, noted that county, state and national laws "can either help farmers or hurt them. It's up to the farmer to see that legislation beneficial to agriculture is written into the books."

Chadwick said that farm land in North Carolina should be appraised and taxed on the basis of its value for farming purposes according to Farm Bureau members throughout the sites. Farm Bureau has worked with past sessions of the North Carolina General Assembly to get such legislative authority and an all-out effort will be made again this year.

Chadwick said that the most effective way for the farmer to be heard is "by raising his voice in unison with his fellow farmers. This is the kind of group action which Farm Bureau uses, and it gets results."

Chadwick issued an appeal to Brunswick county farmers "to join Farm Bureau during the current membership enrollment, and let people know that farmers are determined to solve their own problems, and that

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Farm Bureau Leaders

Ira L. Chadwick, left, is president of the Brunswick County Farm Bureau, which this week has launched its annual membership drive. Don Shackelford, right, is field representative for this organization.

## New Industry For Brunswick County

The Economic Development Administration Monday approved a \$986,880 loan to Lackey Industries of Winston-Salem to help finance the construction and operation of a public warehouse and distribution center to be located in the Navassa vicinity of Brunswick county.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$1,644,800.

The Brunswick Development Corporation will make a \$82,240 loan for the project.

Private sources will add \$411,200, according to the release from Senator B. Everett Jordan's office Monday.

The development is expected to create 105 new jobs within a year.

Among other activities such a warehouse and distribution center could enable merchants and manufacturers to build up greater inventories in the area.

Roy A. Stevens of the Brunswick County Resources Development Commission said Monday he had been waiting for the announcement for several weeks.

Stevens said many persons including Congressman Alton Lennon and Senator Sam Ervin had assisted in developing the project. Bruce Strickland financial advisor with the State Department of Conservation and Development helped with the planning.

The announcement was made Monday morning by the assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, Ross D. Davis.

Stevens said details of the project will be released through a press conference later in the week or as soon as he can confer with E. G. Lackey, head of Lackey Industries.

## Burning Permit Law Effective In Brunswick

The fall fire season has arrived again. With the cooler temperatures and the early frost, the forest fuels are becoming extremely dry and flammable, so the Forest Service is requesting that people be extremely careful with the use of fire due to the dry and flammable fuels.

Last year in Brunswick County there was a total of 190 forest fires which burned 3,386 acres of forest land valued at \$118,510. The vast majority of these fires were caused by people who neglected some simple precautions which could have been taken that would have prevented a forest fire.

County Ranger Kenneth Johnson would like to take this opportunity to remind citizens of Brunswick County that between October 1 and June 1 it is necessary to obtain a burning permit before doing any burning within 500 feet of any woodlands.

The State Law relating to the burning of brush reads as follows: "Starting fires within five hundred (500) feet of areas under protection of State Forest Service—It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to start or cause to be started any fire or ignite any material in any of the areas of woodland under the protection of the State Forest Service or within five hundred (500) feet of any such protected area during the hours starting at midnight and ending at 4:00 p.m. without first obtaining from the State Forester or one of his duly authorized agents a permit to start or cause to be started any fire or ignite any material in such above mentioned places between the first day of October and the first day of June, inclusive. No charge shall be made for the granting of said permits.

"During periods of hazardous forest fire conditions, the State Forester is authorized to cancel all permits and prohibit the

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## Blood Donor Family Aided

It has been asked "what does the volunteer blood donor get" when they donate their blood to the blood bank at Doshier Memorial Hospital.

One, they get the satisfaction of knowing that their blood may save a life, possibly the life of a loved one. Second, should any member of the donor's immediate family need blood within one year after the donor has given blood, they may receive up to four pints without charge.

The hospital is seeking volunteer blood donors to participate in the blood donor program in order to keep a level of blood on hand in the blood bank. For further information contact the laboratory department at the hospital.

## 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, October 3,	
6:21 AM	12:40 AM
6:51 PM	1:00 PM
Friday, October 4,	
7:00 AM	1:00 AM
7:33 PM	1:28 PM
Saturday, October 5,	
7:51 AM	1:52 AM
8:15 PM	2:10 PM
Sunday, October 6,	
8:33 AM	2:28 AM
8:57 PM	2:52 PM
Monday, October 7,	
9:75 AM	3:10 AM
9:33 PM	3:34 PM
Tuesday, October 8,	
9:51 AM	3:46 AM
10:03 PM	4:16 PM
Wednesday, October 9,	
10:27 AM	4:22 AM
10:39 PM	4:52 PM

## Scout Fund Drive Begins Here Tuesday

The annual Boy Scout Fund Drive opens next Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. as the Southport Lion's Club, under president C. D. Pickrell, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce, led by C. H. (Skeeter) Trotter, assemble for a Kickoff Breakfast at Mack's Cafe. Chairman Bill McDougale stated that the funds received in this campaign provide for the Scouting experience for the boys of the Southport, Long Beach and Yaupon Beach areas. With an active Cub Scout Pack 238, sponsored by the Jaycees, Cubmaster W. C. Jones, and Scout troop 238, sponsored by the Trinity Methodist Church, William Smith, Scoutmaster, the boys are growing into the leaders of tomorrow. Boys like Life Scout Robert McCanless and Cub Scout Bryan Caroon are meeting the civic and business leaders through the program of scouting.

Harold Aldridge, vice-chairman, Coastal District, Cape Fear Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, asks, "What better way to meet the needs of tomorrow's leadership than by supporting scouting with your funds today."



Recieves Reward

This pretty young miss is Suzanne Bowmer of Southport who found a bottle at Long Beach on June 26 that contained a note that said it had been released on May 4 at Bimini, Bahama Islands. The note was signed by Richard G. Bestick, who said he would send a reward of \$50.00 if the finder would notify him at Elkhart, Indiana, when and where the bottle was found. Susie sent the information, and earlier this month she received her reward. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Bowmer of Southport.

## ESEA Program Is Help To Schools

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On April 11, 1965, a challenge went forth throughout the Nation into the large metropolitan school districts and the rural one-school systems. American educators now had the opportunity to realize many long-held dreams for their pupils.

This opportunity was the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, an act to "... improve the education of young Americans."

Public Law 89-10 outlined a five-pronged effort toward achieving this goal. It set aside funds to meet the special educational needs of children of low-income families, to improve school libraries, to set up supplementary educational centers and services, to conduct research and training, and to strengthen State departments of

education. The principal thrust of the law, Title I, authorized more than \$1 billion for the children of the poor, children who are two, three, or even four grades behind in their school work, and the dropouts—the "educationally deprived."

Most educators throughout the Nation are stressing reading programs as a top priority need.

The implementation of Title I programs requires Federal, State, and local cooperation. The burden of responsibility, however, rests heavily on the shoulders of local educators. They must identify the educationally deprived and their special needs, design and propose projects which will meet these needs, and, following State approval of the projects, put their programs into effect. Local agencies are provided with guidelines and consultant

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## Brief Bits Of NEWS

**OYSTER SEASON**  
Oyster season opened October 1 in the waters of Brunswick county with oystering being permitted during the season at any time except at night and on Sunday.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE**  
The Southport Citizens League will hold its regular monthly meeting Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, at the Masonic Hall. Business of importance will be discussed.

**NEW JERSEY TRIP**  
Tom Milligan has returned from a visit to New Jersey where he visited several relatives and former residents of Brunswick County. A first ride on an airplane was a high spot of his trip.

**PHONE MEETING**  
The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation will be held Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the Shallotte High School auditorium. Sam D. Bundy of Farmville will be the principal speaker.