



Students In New Surroundings

This is one of the third grade classes from Southport High School in their new quarters of the N. C. Baptist Assembly. One room was not large enough to hold them, so the teacher and some of the students are located opposite the door into an adjoining room. (Photo by Spencer)

Students Go To School In Many Places

Classes for all grades in Southport High School reconvened Monday following a one-week recess brought on by the destruction of the two story school building in which most of the activities were housed.

The N.C. Baptist Assembly made classroom space available for the first six grades, involving about 350 students. Manager Fred Smith and his helpers cleared some of the space used in the summer assembly program and Board of Education equipment was moved in.

Seventh and eighth grade students are going to school in the three temporary frame classrooms located on the lot next to the old high school building. The home ec department still is using the former Jorgensen home for its work.

One of the two rooms on the second floor of the City Hall is being used as a high school classroom and the other as temporary quarters for the library. The Marineology building still houses that class, but a second classroom in that building is being used for other high school academic courses. Three rooms at Southport Baptist Church are being used as high school classrooms.

Two rooms in the one-story wing of the old high school building are being used for high school classes. This is the only space in the old building now being used, although there is a possibility that the boys' bathroom also will be placed in use by cutting a door with an outside entrance.

The gymnasium is being used for physical education classes.

Over at the Baptist Assembly arrangements have been made to operate the cafeteria so that hot lunches can be served children over there. Here in Southport the students either may go home for lunch or may pick up snacks at one of the several downtown places that cater to their business.



ESEA Advisory Committee

Members of the ESEA Advisory Committee met Monday night at the Board of Education building at Southport to organize. Standing at the head of the table is Mrs. Frances Stone, seated are Norman Bellamy and Mrs. Merle Lennon.

Shooting Out Street Lights Is Expensive

City Manager C. D. Pickerrell is worried this week about the number of street lights that have been shot out since Christmas by air rifles.

"At last count there were 16," he moaned Monday.

"The shooting of street lights with air rifles is a high price to pay for juniors' recreation and marksmanship," Pickerrell said.

All of the street lights in the city now are mercury vapor lights. The bulbs for these lights are 175-watt G-E bulbs with a guaranteed life of 24,000 hours plus, and sell retail for \$9.70. The city has a purchase contract for the bulbs at a cost of \$6.55 each.

Therefore, it does not take very much of a mathematician to see how expensive to the taxpayers this hobby has become.

"The city would like to ask all parents whose children own air rifles to caution your child about the proper use of his illegal weapon," said the city manager.

The city ordinance regarding air rifles reads "NO person shall shoot or project any stone, rock, shot or other hard substance by means of a sling shot, bean shooter, shot shooter, air rifles, pop guns, bow or other similar contrivance; provided, that archery shooting may be engaged in on such grounds as may be set aside and approved therefor by the Board of Aldermen."

Seeking Cannon

City Manager C. D. Pickerrell is attempting to locate and have restored to Ft. Johnston the cannon which was removed in 1902 from the Garrison.

It would be helpful to have a photograph or an accurate description of this cannon. If there are those persons who have such a picture in their possession, it is hoped that they will contact Mr. Pickerrell at the City Hall.

Bank Promotes Shallotte Man

E. Rhone Sasser, vice president and managing officer of the Shallotte Branch of Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company, announces the recent promotion of James Scott Elliott as assistant cashier.

Elliott began his employment with the Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company, Shallotte Office, on July 1 as note teller for the Commercial Loan Department, after serving as assistant manager of the Shallotte Lumber Company for five years. He is a resident of Holden Beach and married the former Geraldine Fulford. They have two children, Jeremie Scott and Jaret Ried.

The new assistant cashier attended Shallotte High School and is a member of the North Carolina National Guard. He also serves as a Sunday school teacher and trustee of Sharon Methodist Church, and is a member of the Tri-Beach Volunteer Fire Department.

Heart Drive Set To Start On February 1

The 1969 Heart Fund Campaign will open here and throughout the state on Saturday and will continue through February 28, it was announced today by Mrs. Erma Mintz, Heart Fund Campaign Chairman.

Locally, the opening event will be a Dutch Supper at Calabash, scheduled for Monday night, with the City Heart Fund Directors, their aids and the county officers.

The 1969 Heart Fund goal in the county is \$2,500 said Mrs. Mintz.

Apart from the opening event, other campaign highlights will include a business district canvass known as "Heart Days For Business" and a Heart Sunday residential appeal scheduled the last of February.

In the Heart Sunday effort, which is to be the high point of the campaign, a large number of volunteers will visit their neighbors to distribute heart-saving information and receive Heart Fund contributions.

Mrs. Doris Redwine of Shallotte has recently been appointed Rural Heart Fund Director and will work with the volunteers, especially on Heart Sunday.

She will recruit Rural Community Chairmen for each community in his district and supervise their work. Heart Fund solicitations will be held in February as set by Mrs. Redwine and when the North Carolina and American Heart Association conduct their annual campaign.

Contributions to the Heart Fund go to the Heart Association's programs in research, public education and community service.

"Heart disease is still the leading cause of death in Brunswick, as it is in North Carolina and the nation," said Mrs. Mintz. "Last year in North Carolina alone, 23,000 persons died from cardiovascular disease. The most effective way we can fight this killer is by contributing to the Heart Fund."

Committee To Advise ESEA

An advisory committee for Title I, ESEA, of the Brunswick County Board of Education has been formed. The purpose of this committee is to insure community and parental involvement in Title I programs. This group is composed of 13 members—one parents and one teacher from each of the participating schools and the chairman of the County Board of Education. The committee will meet with the Title I staff members at least twice during the school year.

The organizational meeting was held Monday night, in the office of the Board of Education. Eleven of the members of the committee, the

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Assembly Building Now Classroom

Students are shown here marching into one of the buildings at the N. C. Baptist Assembly at Fort Caswell where temporary classrooms have been set up for the first six grades from Southport High School. (Photo by Spencer)

Bridge Lift Span Will Be Floated In

The American Bridge Division, U.S. Steel Corporation, plans to place the vertical lift span in the new highway bridge across the Cape Fear River in Wilmington on February 17 and continuing until 6 p.m. February 20.

During the above period, the navigation channel in the river will be closed to deep-draft vessels.

American Bridge proposes to float the lift span, on February 17 from its assembly position west of the west tower to a position between the towers, connect it to counterweight ropes, free the floating falsework assembly from beneath, and move the floating falsework assembly clear on the same date. On the succeeding days in the closure period, adjustments will be made to allow raising the span.

During the closure period, (Continued On Page Four)

Education Board Asks For Election

Members of the Brunswick County Board of Education, meeting in special session here Tuesday night, passed a resolution requesting members of the Board of County Commissioners to call a special school bond election for the construction of three consolidated high schools.

This resolution will be presented to the board at their regular meeting here Monday.

Text of the resolution follows: "RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF BRUNSWICK TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES IN THE BRUNSWICK COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT—

"BE IT RESOLVED by the Brunswick County Board of Education:

"SECTION 1. That the Brunswick County Board of Education has determined and found as a fact that adequate school facilities are not available in the Brunswick County Administrative Unit to comply with the requirements of Section 3 of Article IX of the Constitution of North Carolina for the maintenance of schools six months in every year, and that it is necessary, in order to maintain such six months' school term required by said Section 3 of Article IX of the Constitution, to erect three additional complete consolidated school buildings and complementary facilities, and acquire necessary land, equipment and fixtures, therefore, the estimated cost of which in addition to other funds available or expected to become available, is \$2,700,000.

"SECTION 2. That the Board of Commissioners for the County of Brunswick is requested to take all necessary (Continued On Page Four)

Explains City Bond Issues

In an effort to clarify the forthcoming bond issue for Southport on February 11, Mayor Eugene Tomlinson has issued the following statement:

"There are three items to be voted on: Complete rebuilding of the city's electrical system, which will provide a new 7,200 volt system throughout the area now served by the city. The approval of this item will insure every customer the correct voltage at his home or place of business at all times.

"Construction of a new city pier in the Cape Fear River at the foot of Davis Street. This pier will be about 350 feet long, extending to 20 foot depth in the river, 10 feet wide. There will be no boat loading ramp associated with this pier. Funds received from the federal government for damage of old pier are on deposit and will be used with bond money to construct new pier.

"Remove top, or brick part, or sewage lift station at foot of Caswell Street to improve appearance of waterfront. No extension of present sewer system is included.

"It is realized that the wording on the bond ballot is broad and perhaps misleading; however, this wording is required by the bond attorneys in New York. The above items 1, 2, and 3 outline the specific work the board has authorized subject to the bond election.

"Everyone should vote in this as in all elections. The ballot may be voted in any manner, yes or no to each item. If there are further questions, the city manager, auditor, board of aldermen, and I are available."

Time And Tide

It was January 26, 1939, and there was news of a new beach development on the old Thompson property. The road thereto from the Caswell Beach highway was being improved, and construction of a pavilion and canteen was to commence shortly. A group of Supply ladies addicted to quilting parties had finished their eighteenth quilt of the season; Frank Sherrill had bought the remainder of Smith Island; and widespread publicity for the area had been obtained through the joint efforts of the Southport Civic Club and photographer Charlie Farrell of Greensboro.

Our editorial writer was thinking how nice it would be if the county could get the proposed Nautical School being discussed in the State Legislature; at least one reader, through the Open Forum, had joined in that hope; and a group of Leland school children were to participate in a Wilmington radio broadcast on the following Saturday. Plans for the program included selections by the glee club, and both vocal and instrumental solos.

It was January 26, 1944, and the front page cut in The Pilot that week looked like a hold-over from prohibition days. Actually, it showed a group of American pilots interned in Sweden, and their lady friends. The picture was obviously taken on New Year's Eve. More locally there was a story of an Ash grandmother who had a grandchild in every grade of the Waccamaw school. Green Stamps, the ration kind, could be used to purchase processed foods; Leo (Continued On Page Four)



Holding The Evidence

Johnson Cumber, chief electrician for the City of Southport, is shown here descending a light pole carrying one of the expensive mercury vapor bulbs that had been shot out by an air rifle. (Photo by Spencer)

Bolivia Citizens Plan Waterworks

Mayor J. M. King said this week that citizens of his community have only a few days in which to make up their minds to accept a proposed fifty percent grant for the construction of a central water system.

The project dates back more than three years. At a town board meeting prior in 1965 the board discussed the need of a water system for Bolivia.

On October 20 of that year a letter was written to the Housing and Home Finance Agency, Atlanta, Georgia, requesting information relating to the grant program established under the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965. Bolivia town officials were advised that the material requested would be forwarded as soon as available.

On November 16, 1965, officials were advised by the Farmers Home Administration to obtain the services of qualified engineer to design a system for Bolivia and determine the cost, then to file an application for the amount of financial assistance needed.

The services of R. T. Burney were secured to plan a water system. The board was then informed that a loan or grant

could not be had until a comprehensive Water and Sewer Planning Report was made for the entire county. The Bolivia people took their problem to the Resources Development Commission and they scheduled a meeting with the county commissioners. The county provided \$800, and a grant from (Continued On Page Four)

Minister Will Leave Southport

The Rev. Robert C. Childs has resigned as pastor at Southport Presbyterian Church and New Hope Presbyterian Church in Siler City.

This announcement was made to his respective congregations Sunday morning.

The Rev. Mr. Childs came to Southport in March, 1963. He is a native of Texas and is a graduate of the University of Texas. Later he received his B.D. degree from Southeastern Baptist Seminary at Wake Forest.

He is married to the former Mary Louise Herring and they have one child.

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 30,	
5:39 AM	12:10 AM
5:57 PM	
Friday, January 31,	
6:27 AM	12:16 AM
6:45 PM	12:58 PM
Saturday, February 1,	
7:09 AM	12:58 AM
7:21 PM	1:34 PM
Sunday, February 2,	
7:45 AM	1:40 AM
8:03 PM	2:16 PM
Monday, February 3,	
8:21 AM	2:16 AM
8:39 PM	2:52 PM
Tuesday, February 4,	
8:57 AM	2:58 AM
9:11 PM	3:28 PM
Wednesday, February 5,	
9:27 AM	3:40 AM
9:51 PM	3:58 PM

Brief Bits Of NEWS

SPECIAL MEETING

The Leland Volunteer Fire Department will hold a special public meeting this Thursday, January 30, at 8 p.m. at the Leland fire house. All interested residents of the Leland community are urged to attend.

JAMAICA TRIP

Ben Blake of Southport and Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Blake of Ramseur returned last week from a vacation visit to the Island of Jamaica. This was made possible through their participation in a sales campaign sponsored by Duralite Paint Corporation.