



**Cub Scout Banquet**

Members of the Cub Scout Pack in Southport were honored Friday night at their annual banquet and a list of awards appears elsewhere in The Pilot. Also in attendance were officials of the group, including Mrs. Mary Appling, Den 8; Mrs. Sarah Shelby, Den 2; Mrs. Gloria Stiller, Den 4; Den Chief Joe Wicks for Den 6; James Hinson, Webelos; Mrs. Barbara Sellers, Den 6; Mrs. Mary Bell Wicks, Den 6. Not shown are Cub Scoutmaster W. C. Jones and Mrs. Shirley Shannon of Den 8. (Photo by Spencer)

**First CP&L Suit**

## Judge Overrules Demurrer

Attorneys for Carolina Power and Light Company brought condemnation proceedings on January 29 against James E. Johnson, Jr., and others for 834,098 acres which it proposes to use as the site for the nuclear power generating plant and in Superior Court here Monday Judge Maurice Braswell overruled a demurrer brought by attorney C. D. Hogue, Jr., attorney for the defendant.

Text of the demurrer follows: "The defendants, James E. Johnson, Jr., Addison Hewlett, Jr., Trustee, and D. L. White and wife, Mary E. White, through their Attorneys, Hogue, Hill and Rowe, do respectfully demur to the petition filed herein for that the petition does not state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action for the following reasons:

"1. The Petition does not state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action for that it appears on the face of the Petition that petitioner is preparing to construct, maintain, and operate a nuclear fueled steam electric generating plant and the petitioner has failed to allege that it is licensed by the Atomic Energy Commission of the United States of America or has any authority to construct and/or maintain and/or operate such a generating plant, which license and authority is a condition precedent to the right of petitioner to take respondents property.

"2. That under the laws of the United States of America it is contrary to the public policy of the United States of America and the State of North Carolina to construct and/or maintain and/or operate a nuclear fueled steam electric generating plant without a license from the Atomic Energy Commission issued pursuant to 42 U.S.C.A. 2131, et seq., and that the



**Attends Camellia Show**

C. D. Pickerrell, Southport camellia grower, is shown here admiring entries in the Camellia Show in Whiteville Sunday. The Southport man, a former Whiteville resident, was an exhibitor. (Photo by Clemmons)

## Local Hospital Receives Check

Appropriations totaling \$2,067,166 are being distributed to hospitals and child care institutions in the Carolinas this week by The Duke Endowment.

Dosher Memorial Hospital in Southport shared in this appropriation with a gift of \$1,440. The local hospital has 48 beds.

Included in the appropriation is \$1,123,149 to assist hospitals in operating expenses, \$316,027 to reimburse them for the cost of participation in two national information services, and \$627,990 to help in the care of orphaned and half-orphaned children. In North Carolina 129 hospitals are receiving \$942,328 and 26 child care institutions, \$417,434. Fifty-nine hospitals in South Carolina are being given \$496,838 and 17 child care institutions, \$210,556.

Announcement of the appropriations was made

Monday by James R. Felts, Jr., executive director of the Hospital and Child Care sections of The Endowment. Felts explained that funds provided to assist the hospitals in operating expenses amount to \$1 a day for each day of charity care reported in the fiscal year which ended September 30, 1968.

Beginning with 1966, The Endowment has reimbursed assisted hospitals for the cost of participation in Hospital Administrative Services of Chicago, Ill., (HAS), and Professional Activity Study (PAS) of the Commission on Professional and Hospital Activities of Ann Arbor, Michigan, which compile and distribute financial and statistical information on a current monthly basis, giving hospitals data useful in their search for ways to improve

## Cigarette Tax Opposed By Farm Bureau

"Cigarettes, almost without exception, are more heavily burdened with taxes than any other commodity that enters the home of the average American," said Don Shackelford, NC Farm Bureau Field Representative last night at the Brunswick County Farm Bureau Board meeting at Shallotte.

"Cigarettes taxes are more than five times as much as tobacco growers' receipts for the tobacco used in domestically consumed cigarettes," said Shackelford.

"Tobacco is of great importance in North Carolina. First to the farmers which regardless what you hear on television or read in the newspapers, tobacco is still the leading cash crop with a value of over \$540,000,000. This represents 42% of state's total farm income. We have approximately 300,000 people depending on the tobacco for their income, said Shackelford.

"Cigarettes are already receiving the 3% sales tax with an income to the state of \$5.4 million. Corporate income taxes from cigarette manufacturers and processors amount to about \$12.2 million. State franchise taxes from cigarette manufacturers and processors are approximately \$1.7 million. Local poverty taxes from cigarette manufacturers and processors are nearly \$8.4 million. State income taxes collected on employees of manufacturers and processors are approximately \$3.2 million," said Shackelford.

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## Two More Girls Enter Pageant

Two new entries have been received this week in the Miss Brunswick County Pageant which will be held at Shallotte High School on March 29 under sponsorship of the Shallotte Jaycees. Mrs. Shirley Ward again will direct the pageant.

One of the new contestants is Teresa Gail Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Jones of Ash. She is a 17-year old senior at Waccamaw High School and would like to attend East Carolina University.

She is 5-6½ and weighs 124-lbs. Her eyes are blue and her hair is brown.

She is a member of the Beta Club, was Chief Marshal last year and has been a cheerleader for two years and attended the National Science Foundation Institute last summer. She has been named Most Intellectual and Most Likely to succeed among senior class superlatives.

A pretty school teacher at Leland High School is the second new contestant to enter this week. She is Elizabeth Ann Baxley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph L. Baxley, Jr., of St. Pauls. She is a graduate of Pembroke State College and has a vocational certificate from UNC-Greensboro. She wants to obtain a master's degree in Interior Design. She had taught school for three years and presently is teaching home economics at Leland.

She is 5-feet tall and weighs 118-lbs, has brown hair and blue eyes. Her hobbies are sewing, knitting, art and swimming.



**A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Races**

This is the airplane in which automobile race driver Richard Brickhouse made an emergency landing on Moore Street in Southport early Saturday morning. Miraculously, the only damage to the plane was the crunched left wing and the only damage to anything else was a roadside signpost that was shear-

ed off. Brickhouse sustained no injuries, and it is unlikely that at any time during the Daytona 500 in which he won 12th place on Sunday was he in any greater danger than he was during his impromptu visit to Southport Saturday. (Photo by Spencer)



TERESA GAIL JONES



ELIZABETH ANN BAXLEY



JEAN IRIS WARD



MYRA LYNNE HEWETT

**PAGEANT CONTESTANTS**

## Race Driver In Forced Landing

Richard Brickhouse failed to thrill the fans at the Daytona 500 Sunday any more than he did the residents of Southport Saturday morning when he made a successful emergency landing on Moore Street.

This successful young North Carolinian race driver was flying his own plane from Wilmington to Daytona when his engine knocked off and he had to set his plane down in a hurry. He had been flying at a low altitude because of a cloud cover, so the straight stretch of Moore Street extended was the runway he chose.

His plane dipped underneath wires somewhere in the vicinity of the Presbyterian Church but Brickhouse said that his wheels didn't touch the pavement until he had reached the causeway at Fiddlers Drain. At any rate, he came to a stop at the corner of Moore Street and Atlantic Avenue.

When he stepped from his place he discovered: 1. That he was alive and uninjured; 2. That his plane had sustained only minor damage; 3. that through some miracle there had been no vehicular nor pedestrian traffic on the street and thus no injuries or fatalities.

The young man, who drives a Plymouth automobile sponsored by Brunswick Motors, had a deadline to keep, so he taxied his plane down Moore Street to Howe, thence out to the intersection of Highway 211 and Highway 87 where he parked it and caught a ride over to the Brunswick County Airport. There he was picked up by his friend, John Thompson, who piloted him the rest of the way to Daytona.

None of this appeared to have upset him, for on the following day he brought his Plymouth into a 12th place finish, which earned better than \$3,500 prize money. This was the first place Plymouth and the highest finish for any independent driver. Both

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## School Board To Meet Monday

Heated and lengthy discussions concerning the future plans for school construction marked the Monday night meeting of the Brunswick County Board of Education as plans were made for a meeting in Raleigh Friday with representatives of the State Department of Public Instruction and for a public hearing in the Brunswick County Courthouse next Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The latter is for the purpose of discussing the forthcoming School Bond Election.

The board approved the following teacher contracts: Leland—Herman Graham Bryant, Jr., Nancy Dennis Cherry, Linda Gail Griffin, Midgie Lowdermilk; Waccamaw—Earl Wayne Smith.

It also approved the sale of a junk school truck from the Waccamaw School and school car from the Southport school. The board accepted the bids for the following vehicles: 1968 Plymouth, Ernest D. Holden, Shallotte, \$2,050; 1968 Plymouth, H. L. Summerlin, Leland, \$2,105; 1968 Dodge Van, Shallotte Hardware Company, Shallotte, \$1,695.

Superintendent George Williams read a letter to the board from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare in which the board was advised that unless a plan for total school desegregation of the county schools was submitted, Federal Funds would be terminated at the end of the 1968-69 school year. This letter was addressed to Superintendent Williams with contents as follows:

"In August of 1968, in response to your requests, your school Board was given until December 1, 1968, to submit an effective desegregation plan, which you agreed to do in your letter dated August 28, 1968. Since you have not submitted

## Letters Protest Action Of Board

At least three letters have been written within the past week concerning the action of the Board of Commissioners for Brunswick county in the appointment of three members of the Brunswick County Resources Development Commission at their last meeting.

Crux of the matter is the replacing of J. T. Clemmons, only Republican member of the board, enabling legislation for the establishing of this commission provided for the appointment of a non-partisan board.

J. Dewey Sellers, chairman of

the Brunswick County Republican Party, has sent the following letter to Attorney General Robert Morgan:

"I would like to call your attention to a wrong that has been done here in Brunswick County. Last Monday, February 17, 1969, the County Board of Commissioners met to reappoint or appoint nine members to the Resources Development Commission. Section 10 of the House Bill No. 282, chapter 268 entitled Authorization of a Resources Development Tax for Brunswick County provides for 9 bipartisan members appointed by the County Board of Commissioners.

"From the start the Democratic board has been very partisan. They only appointed one Republican. Last Monday they met and filled this Republican's place with a Democrat, which makes all nine members of this commission Democrats.

"This situation cannot be let to go. I solicit help from your office to correct this wrong."

Sellers also sent the following letter to George Rourk, chairman of the Board of Commissioners for Brunswick county:

"Last Monday when you met to appoint, or reappoint, members to serve on the Resources Development Commission it was obvious that the one Republican serving was deliberately not reappointed. Neither did the

## Time And Tide

It was February 22, 1939, and the Original Floating Theatre was coming to Southport. The craft was reported to be famed on "radio, screen and stage," somehow. The Southport Public Library had received a gift of several novels from a Wisconsin sponsor; a story named no less than 40 Brunswick Youths' who were attending college throughout the South; and a bob-tailed fox had been captured within the city limits.

The latest addition to Southport's menhaden fleet had arrived from Cuba after plowing through miles of red tape. A new column had appeared on the editorial page. Its title, Not Exactly News. The writer had observed that Mark Fargerson was the only Southport resident who took his own tools with him when he went for a hair cut. In Just Among The Fishermen it was noted that most local citizens wished Bald Head to remain an island; Bolivia was to have a woman mayor for the following Friday night; and Southport city officials were planning to supply electricity for the newly opened section of beach.

It was February 23, 1944, and almost half of the front page that week was taken by a picture of Cape Fear light. It was noted that the steel structure had been in operation since 1892. The toll-free

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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
<b>Thursday, February 27</b>		
4:15 AM		10:52 AM
4:39 PM		10:58 PM
<b>Friday, February 28</b>		
5:09 AM		11:40 AM
5:27 PM		11:46 PM
<b>Saturday, March 1</b>		
5:57 AM		12:22 AM
6:15 PM		
<b>Sunday, March 2</b>		
6:33 AM		0:34 AM
6:57 PM		1:04 PM
<b>Monday, March 3</b>		
7:15 AM		1:16 AM
7:33 PM		1:46 PM
<b>Tuesday, March 4</b>		
7:51 AM		1:58 AM
8:15 PM		2:22 PM
<b>Wednesday, March 5</b>		
8:27 AM		2:40 AM
8:51 PM		2:58 PM

## Brief Bits Of NEWS

**SEWING CONTEST**  
The Junior Womens Club of Southport will hold its annual Sewing Contest next Wednesday in the Community Building. Entries are invited.

**PARENT-TEACHERS TO MEET**  
The regular monthly meeting of the Southport Parent-Teachers organization will be held tomorrow (Thursday) night at 7:30 o'clock in the Amuzu theatre.

**LELAND GIRL SCOUTS**  
The Girl Scouts will present a special program at the regular Leland High School P.T.A. meeting Monday night at 7:45 o'clock. All parents and patrons are urged to attend.